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Local Funds—Education.

No. 230. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd November 1874, No. 3356:—

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2. It will be observed from Mr. Lister's letter that the Budget proposals for the formation of these new schools were based upon the recommendations of a Committee consisting of the Inspector of Schools, the Deputy Inspector, and two other native gentlemen; but the report of the Committee does not bear Mr. Fowler's signature, and it appears that he never saw it until after it had been sent in.

3. Mr. Lister himself does not approve of the scheme, which he considers unnecessarily costly, and in some respects mischievous, inasmuch as a smattering of English is of no use to the children of ryots. He prefers the system of salaries to result grants, but thinks the schools ought not to cost more than Rupees 100 a year.

4. Mr. Garstin is also opposed to the teaching of English, but is in favour of payments partly in the form of salaries and partly in the form of results grants.

5. Mr. Fowler doubts the expediency of establishing Local Fund Schools at all, as in his opinion results' schools, though perhaps less stable, are cheaper and quite as efficient, the cost being in one case about Rupees 300 a year and in the other about Rupees 100. If, however, such schools are established, he thinks that English should not be taught in them, and that the teachers should be paid partly in the form of salaries and partly in the form of grants.

6. The scale of establishment proposed by the Sub-Committee for the proposed schools amounts to Rupees 22 per mensem or Rupees 264 per annum, in addition to which Rupees 100 is set down for furniture and maps, raising the total to Rupees 364, but the amount actually entered in the Budget Estimate is only Rupees 316. I agree with Mr. Lister and Mr. Fowler in considering that a peon is not required. Mr. Fowler considers that house-rent is also an unnecessary item, as the villagers ought to provide a building. Judging from the difficulties which have been experienced with regard to buildings for Taluq schools and small aided schools, it will not, I think, be safe to calculate on this kind of aid. The charge for contingencies might, perhaps, be reduced eventually, as suggested by Mr. Fowler to 8 Annas, but I would leave this item undisturbed for the present.

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7. With regard to the salaries of the Masters, I may refer to the remarks contained in my letter, No. 1673, of the 15th ultimo, on the Local Fund Schools of the Chittoor Circle. Under the

Chittoor scheme the salary of the teacher is to be only Rupees 10 when one Master is employed. In schools with two Masters, one is to receive Rupees 10 and the other Rupees 7. When three Masters are employed, their salaries are to be Rupees 15, 10, and 7. I see no necessity for a higher rate of remuneration than Rupees 10 for the one Master, who is to be employed in most of these schools, and I think it would be better, if a portion of this remuneration were given in the form of a result grant, as in the case of the Chittoor Schools, but this condition should not, I think, be enforced at present.

8. As regards the Theagurh School, the Chittoor scale seems sufficient, *viz.*, two Masters on Rupees 10 and Rupees 7 respectively, the contingencies being left as proposed at Rupees 1-8-0, and the house-rent at Rupees 3.

9. If these reductions are made in the salaries of the Masters it is to be presumed that the attempt to introduce the study of English will be abandoned. It seems preposterous that a foreign language should be taught in schools in which there is no higher fee charged than 1 Anna. Even for purely vernacular instruction, so low a fee seems one of very doubtful propriety.

Submitted to Government, with reference to G.O., Financial Department, dated 11th April 1874, No. 574.

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3. The Director proposes to reduce the cost of the seven schools to Rupees 156 a year (where there is only one Master) and of the eighth (with two Masters) to Rupees 260. If this is done, he presumes that the proposal to teach English will be abandoned. He would rather the Masters were paid partly by a result grant, but would not force this view on the Local Fund Board at present.

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(A true copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Secretary.

No. 231. ORDER THEREON, 29th January 1875, No. 171.

The Government concur generally in the views expressed in paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, but as regards the teaching of English they would merely recommend the Local Board to consider whether, under the circumstances stated, it would not be advisable to abandon it.

(True Extract.)

To the Board of Revenue, with six enclosures returned.
,, Director of Public Instruction.
Exd. J. Wright.

Acting Chief Secretary.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 29th.

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Nos. 130 to 131.

Virdachellum Circle.—The Revenue Board's views in regard to the new Schools proposed to be established by this Circle generally concurred in.

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No. 3,356.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 23rd November 1874.

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Secretary.

To the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
with original letter from Director of Public Instruction,
and 6 original enclosures.
,, the Director of Public Instruction.
,, the President of the Local Fund Boards, South Arcot District,
with letter from Director of Public Instruction.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

From the Board of Revenue.

No. 1818.

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To

THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
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Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
MADRAS, *1st October* 1874.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

R W Mauritz

Acting Director of Public Instruction.

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From

The Acting Director of Public Instruction,
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