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Municipal Education.

Read the following papers:—

No. 62. From E. THOMPSON, Esq., M.A., Acting Director of Public Instruction, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 22nd July 1875, No. 1710.

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2. This correspondence refers to the opening of new schools for the neglected classes of Coimbatore Town, a question which has already been laid before Government though in an incomplete form (*vide* G.O., dated 8th May 1875, No. 1008).

3. It appears that the proposed schools cannot be established without spending the money hitherto devoted to results grants, and, if so, the question becomes, Shall we continue to aid those who have already made some progress, or desert them and try to attract others of a lower class and with whom success is, to say the least, doubtful? The President accepts this issue and proposes the latter course, while the Inspector of Schools supports the cause of the schools already in existence. The Inspector appears to me to give good reasons for his opinion, and I concur generally in all he says. It cannot, I think, be expected that masters will try to get together good schools and exert themselves to bring on their boys if, after having earned a results' grant for one or two years, they are told that they must not come forward again because the money is wanted in other directions.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore, to Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, dated Coimbatore, 1st June 1875, No. 102.

The application contained in the letter to Government of the 26th April 1875, No. 5, was (*vide* paragraph 2) to the effect of requesting Government to allow of the substitution of "schools for the neglected classes" for the "payment (of Rupees 1,000 per annum) for result grant."

2. Unless Government sanction such substitution there is no use in submitting a detailed list of schools and schoolmasters on fixed salaries for the neglected classes for there are no funds unless the elementary educational allotment of Rupees 1,000 is chiefly spent in the way pointed out.

3. The number and expense of schools and masters to be supported by salary and grants would be Rupees 1,000—

	No. Pay. Rs.	Annual. Rs.
Schoolmasters, at	6 × 7 × 12	= 504
Building six school-houses, two per annum, × 150 ...		= 300
Contingencies, books, &c.		196
	Total ...	1,000

4. By the G.O., 7th July 1874, No. 1120, it seems that schools once examined for, and supported by, results grants must, unless specially excepted, always be so, and, if so, there will be no funds ; the case therefore requires the special sanction of Government.

From T. MARDEN, Esq., Inspector of Schools, 5th Division, to Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, dated Kodicanal, 22nd June 1875, No. 356.

In returning Mr. Wedderburn's letter to your address, No. 102, of 1st June 1875, I have the honor to observe (1) that the policy in question is entirely opposed to the general policy of Government in education, and (2) that if the proposed schools are opened the lowest classes will not send their children to them.

2. As regards the first point, I see no reason why educational operations in the Coimbatore Municipality should be conducted on a principle entirely opposed to that on which they are conducted everywhere else. Whether the new policy is, or is not, better than the old is a question for Government. If it is better, the general policy should be changed, not casual aberrations of this kind sanctioned.

3. As regards the second point, what reason can there be to expect that Pariahs and Pullars will seek education in Coimbatore more than other places even if the schools are made free, which would in itself be a further deviation from the usual policy of Government ?

4. Moreover, there are at present sixteen purely elementary schools in the town of Coimbatore in receipt of results grants of which six teach Telugu in addition to Tamil. If results grants were refused to these schools the education of the boys now reading in them would be to a great extent hindered and a good deal of past work would be undone.

5. In paragraph 3 of his letter, No. 5, of the 26th April, printed with G.O., No. 1008, of 8th May 1875, the President of the Coimbatore Municipal Commission says that " of the hitherto-neglected classes the

Pullars number	508
Pariahs ,, ...	588
Shanars* ,, ...	371
Torriors* ,, ...	2,339
Chucklers ,, ...	310
Ooppiliars (Salt-makers) number	420
Total ...	4,116

It appears, however, that there are already two schools for the Torriors in receipt of results grants ; they cannot therefore be fairly said to be neglected.

6. Moreover, the above five are not the only neglected classes as there are also

Wudders numbering	655
Kombattis ,, ...	696
Besthers (Fishermen) numbering	293
Kurumbers numbering	482
Kosavers (Potters) numbering	445
Vunnars (Washermen) ,, ...	285

Nasivars (Barbers). Thottiers. Mothers. } Below 200 each. | Panisivars. Anuppers. Vulluvars. } Below 200 each.

If the President's scheme is to be carried out provision should be made for these classes also.

7. Apart, however, from these considerations, the second point which I have mentioned, *viz.*, that there is no reason to expect that the lowest classes will at present send their children to

* These castes live together and associate.

school, is, in my opinion, fatal to the whole scheme. I presume that Government are not prepared to resort to compulsory education in this Municipality alone, and without that I feel convinced that nothing can be done.

No. 63. From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 27th August 1875, No. 15.

An application having come before the Municipal Commissioners to establish a vernacular school in the new pettah of Coimbatore, and as such cannot be complied with unless Government sanction a change in the rules for result grants, I have the honor to request an early decision in the matter (*vide* letter, No. 127, dated 19th July 1875, to the Acting Director of Public Instruction).

2. I beg to state that the Deputy Inspector of Schools has been requested not to examine for result grants until the matter is settled.

3. This is now the fifth year since the same schools, attended chiefly by the better classes, have been receiving all the educational grant, and nothing has been done for the poor.

4. To earn, or at least to get, result grants is now a trade, but there is little fear of schools being abandoned once started as the people are well aware of the value of education ; only the poorest classes cannot compass it for want of funds among themselves, and from the absence of funds in the Municipality, unless this grant is allowed to be applied as proposed.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1875, No. 1807.

The Government do not recognize the equity of confining the application of municipal funds for educational purposes to one class only of the community, and that the class which probably contributes the least to the municipal income. They approve, however, of the restriction of municipal educational operations to primary schools and classes, provided that these are for the benefit of all sections of the community. They will be prepared to consider detailed proposals for the reappropriation in future Budgets of funds allotted in the Coimbatore Town for educational purposes, in view to carrying out this principle, or for assigning a larger amount of municipal funds to the purpose.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Director of Public Instruction.
,, President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.



Govt. of Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
&c., &c.

Dated September, 10th.

Issued

Read.

G.O., 10th September 1875, No. 1807.

SEPTEMBER.
Nos. 62—64.

Municipal Education.—The equity of confining the application of municipal funds for educational purposes in Coimbatore Municipality to one class only, not recognized; but the restriction of educational operations to primary schools and classes approved, provided that they are for the benefit of all sections of the community.

No. 102.

Coimbatore Municipal
Commissioners' Office.
1st June 1875.

From

A. Wedderburn Esqr.
President Municipal
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Coimbatore.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,

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Government.

Have &c
/signed/ A. Bedderburn,
President.

(True Copy.)

E. Ram Sharma
ag. Director of Public Instruction.

a/c/ber

No. 1710

Office of the Director
of Public Instruction.
Madras, 22nd July 1895.

From

The Ag. Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

To

The Ag. Chief Secretary
to Government.
Fort St. George.

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again because the money is
wanted in other directions.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obed.t Servant,
E. Nolan
ag. Director of Public Instruction

Hon. Asst. S. S. of 22. July 76
No. 710. 13

I do not dispose to say that the Govt. does wrong in refusing the application of Municipal funds for Educl. purposes to the class only of the community. & that the class do probably contribute least to the municipal revenue.

But that they approve the restriction of Municipal Govt. grants to Primary schools & classes only. for the benefit of the [illegible] sections of the community. & that they wish be

Scale of Result grants as not to exclude such as temp- school masters & teachers whose boys & parents & the legitimate cost of education of their children - & other cases should be specified in the Directions

Japan

proposed to consider detailed proposals for re-appropriation of funds to the same purposes in some future Session for other purposes in view to carrying out this principle. or for appropriating a larger amount of Municipal funds to the purposes...

Scotch - The fact is that under the present plan to relieve the better classes of educating their children at the cost of the taxpayers (with such fees or contributions) & unless providing the funds.

I should like to know from the Scotch Office

Schools for
neglected classes
in Coventry

Circ.

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From No 3631 Dt 17-
The Inspr of Schls
5th Division

Dated 22nd June 1875.
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Enclosure one

Returning Collector
Wedderburn's
letter No 102 of
1st June 1875 with
remarks.

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following letter from
the Ag. Director of Public
Instruction, Madras, Dt
22nd July 1875. No 1710.
From Presidt. M. C. Coimbatore. 27 Augt. 1875
No 15.
Order thereon - Ord. 10 Septr. 1875.
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The scale of Results grants is probably now too high, thus inducing schoolmasters to teach without looking to parents for a legitimate contributions towards the cost of educating their children

The President should report giving the details above called for, and stating whether any savings can be effected in the direction of results-grants

To

The Cy. Director of Public Instn

Presd. of the Coimbatore Municy

All Presds. of Municipalities.

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I am not prepared to adopt them.

The Results grants rules are framed by Govt. & L.F. Bds & Municl. are directed to abide by them.

If changes in the rules the Govt. must begin. Strike out or do I have different scales all over the country.

Nic not alltogether relevant to the case under consid: but will be omitted - if desired by all.

But it is best time to look into this matter Same Satisfactorily as on obligy. local Bds to make their means, & probably on savings on some grants. One of the reasons Bd alleges is the Govt maintains a block system of Results grants & has

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No means under the Rules of Govt. has any fees been paid. A certificate that certain fees or contributions given for the Boards purposes have been required of him the Chairman of the said Boards as an encouragement & explanation to the Teachers.

In the meantime do not let the thing slide think on the words criticism of our rules as the basis of your action is mistaken view, but I am made my note that the Govt. object & exercise of power take the matter up on a general one if this has not already been done

29/8 MH

I would not let this

I find our order

consent

to

proposals

To

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G.O. 10th September, 1875 - No. 1807

Nos. 62—64

Municipal Education. The propriety of confirming the application of Municipal Funds for educational purposes in certain Municipalities to which they are only not recognized but the restrictions of Educational operations to Primary Schools and Classes