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Municipal—Education.

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Referred to the President of the Municipalities in Malabar for his remarks with reference to paragraph 7 of his letter, dated 9th April 1875, No. 1.

OOTACAMUND,
2nd June 1875.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

No. 26. From Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 10th June 1875, No. 1315.

I have the honor, with reference to paragraph 9 of G.O., No. 959, of the 29th April, and my letter, No. 1176, of the 26th May, to submit copy of a letter, No. 962, of the 3rd instant, from the Inspector of Schools, Sixth Division, in which that officer offers additional reasons why it is inexpedient to establish a Municipal Girls' School at Tellicherry at present.

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In reference to your Proceedings directing me to report the amount of grant to the proposed Municipal Girls' School at Tellicherry, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Malabar. I quite agree with that officer in thinking that the school should be on a much humbler scale than that proposed by the Municipal Commission. In fact with reference to the present state of the Municipal funds, and to the declared unwillingness of the Commissioners to provide for even the present limited expenditure on grants to Hindu and Mappila indigenous schools, I very much doubt whether the establishment of a

Girls' School—sure to be at the cheapest an expensive institution—might not advantageously be postponed and the money devoted to the general extension of education. It must be remembered that the most numerous portion of the population of Tellicherry, the Tiyars, have no particular prejudice against sending girls to boys' schools, provided the teacher is one in whom they have confidence, so that Tellicherry is not wholly without the means of female education. Seventy-five girls, all respectable, now attend the indigenous schools there. I am also informed that the locality where the school-house has been built is inhabited chiefly by Brahmins and Nayars, and that it is doubtful whether they will be willing to send their female children, so that the proposed school is likely to be ill-attended as well as expensive. To spend money upon such a school as the one proposed, and to refuse it to the extension of general elementary education, is indeed to grasp at the shadow while letting go the substance. I would respectfully submit that if Government has any money to spare for education in Tellicherry, it be given to Mappila education. The Mappila population there is a very large one, and very influential. Hitherto it has scarcely been touched by our educational measures, and I gather from the Government Order reviewing the Budget Estimate of the Tellicherry Municipality that there is a probability of even less being done than is done now. Tellicherry with a Mappila population of upwards of 7,000 has only five Mappila Schools with 267 scholars under inspection. This number could be at least doubled if the money proposed to be comparatively wasted (for so wasted it will be) on a Girls' School, were given for Mappila education in Tellicherry. And it is in this direction that I would solicit Government aid to the Municipality.

2. Under these circumstances, I feel unable to recommend that any portion of public money should be applied in a manner so unlikely to be productive of adequate results as the proposed Girls' School of the Tellicherry Municipality.

Referred to the President of the Tellicherry Municipality in continuation of of endorsement, dated 2nd June 1875.

OOTACAMUND,
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(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

No. 27. From W. LOGAN, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Tellicherry, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Calicut, 6th August 1875.

Referring to your endorsements on letters, Nos. 1176 and 1315, dated 26th May and 10th June last, from the Director of Public Instruction, I have the honor to submit copy of a letter received from the Vice-President, Tellicherry Commission, to whom I forwarded the papers for consideration.

2. The Government will observe that the Commissioners themselves apprehend no difficulty in obtaining the services of competent teachers, and I feel strongly disposed to advise that the Commissioners may be left entirely to their own discretion in this matter, the necessary funds for the school being placed at their disposal, and interference on the part of the Educational Department being restricted, except by the Commissioners' own desire, to an examination of the school at the end of, say, one year from its opening. It seems manifest to me that the solution of the numerous difficulties connected with the education of native females can only be attained by making large use of the experience of such natives as take a real interest in the question. There are peculiar circumstances connected with this question in Tellicherry, which I am sure could be

dealt with properly by no European whatever, however much he might desire to act in conformity with the wishes of the people. And, on the other hand, of the competency, for this purpose, of the present body of Commissioners, representing all classes and with Mr. C. Canaran at their head, I have but little doubt. I would tie them down to no restrictions except that the money put at their disposal must be spent on the education of native females. It will be an interesting experiment whether it succeeds or fails, and I am sure that the money asked for, *viz.*, Rupees 700, for one year will have, in either case, been not unprofitably spent.

3. I should myself desire to be present when the Inspector of Schools makes his final examination of it at the end of, say, one year from its opening, and our joint report on its working if we could agree on the subject, or our several reports if otherwise, might be submitted to Government for decision of the question whether the experiment should be continued.

From C. CANARAN, Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Tellicherry, to W. LOGAN, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Tellicherry, dated Tellicherry, 6th July 1875, No. 26.

In returning the papers received with your dockets, dated 15th and 22nd ultimo, respectively, I have the honor to submit that I regret to have to differ from Mr. Garthwaite, for if that gentleman's objections are to be accepted at all the children of the inhabitants of Tellicherry must be shut out from the benefits of female education, which is a matter of great blessing to the country, and must be allowed to remain in their present illiterate and obscure condition, in which they have been since several years.

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I and the Commissioners are alike of opinion that the proposed school must, heedless of any objection, be opened at once, and that it will become fruitful in a year or two.

2. Educated females, both Hindus and Christians, who are fit to serve as vernacular tutrixes, are prominently before the public at Tellicherry and its vicinity, and a year ago some of whom the Commissioners had mentioned to Mr. Garthwaite at a meeting. One of them a Hindu woman has even learned the Reghuvamshom and other Sanskrit "Kaviams" or Poems, and is rich, respectable, and competent.

3. A day or two ago a learned friend has mentioned to me of certain other respectable and educated females.

4. They will be quite sufficient to teach in the proposed school for three or four years; to instruct little girls in the alphabets a Graduate of the University, I believe, you will not consider necessary.

5. The site of the building erected for the school was fixed by the Commissioners, after a mature consideration of the subject, at a meeting as the most suitable one in the town, and it is surprising that Mr. Garthwaite, who has a comparatively little knowledge of the place, should find fault with it.

6. Mr. Garthwaite's opinion that it would be better to educate the Mahomedan boys than the girls of Tellicherry has apparently very little weight in it. To be concise I would respectfully submit that, in my humble opinion, the two subjects should be considered separately, and that it is inexpedient to mix them together.

7. The Commissioners also propose to give instruction in sewing at the school, a tutoress for which purpose can easily be obtained here. I am not aware whether a tutrix who could give instruction both in reading and sewing can be obtained here.

8. I do not quite understand what is meant by Mr. Garthwaite in saying that the school should be on a much humbler scale. The one proposed by the Commissioners is the humblest imaginable, but without suitable pay no respectable and competent tutoress can be had, and it is against the prosperity of the school that, at the outset, it should be made to appear a worthless one in the eyes of the people. When the services of female teachers can easily be obtained, why should male teachers be appointed for the school? It will indeed be discreditable.

9. I write a few lines more with great reluctance.

You are perhaps aware that Mr. Garthwaite has not been on terms with the Commissioners of Tellicherry.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1875, No. 1948.

The remarks made by the Inspector of Schools, Sixth Division, are not endorsed by the Government. The intermixture of boys and girls at school, even if desirable in some cases, is certainly not so in the present instance; while the opportunity which is now offered of making an experiment in the direction of separate female education in a quarter where such education is preeminently needed, appears to the Government to be one that should on no account be omitted.

2. In accordance with the original request of the applicants, a special grant of Rupees 200 will be made to the new Girls' School from Provincial Funds, as an experimental measure for one year, in addition to any sum which may be earned by the school under the Rules for Results Grants. At the close of a year the Collector will specially report.

3. The Governor in Council hopes that suitable teachers will be found, and that this praiseworthy effort on the part of the native community of Tellicherry will meet with success.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, President of the Municipal Commission, Tellicherry.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

Office of the Director of
Public Instruction,
MADRAS, 26th May 1875.

No. 1176.

From

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
Madras.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Fort Saint George.

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

R. H. Macdonnell
Director of Public Instruction.

Encl. No. 2

Govt. of Madras.

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To

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
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Dated October, 4th.

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From
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

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Dated 25th May 1875.
Received 1st June 1875.

No. 1294

No. 1176.

Enclosures.

Submitting copy of a letter from the Inspector of Schools, Southern Division, forwarding a letter from the Revd. Mr. Caldwell, relative to the proposed establishment of a Girls' School at Tinnevelly.

No. 875. Inspector's Office
Calicut 18th May 75.

From
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I have &c.
to Hy Dr L Garthwaite
Inspector of Schools
6th Divn.

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R. M. Maunsell
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Office of the Director of Public Instruction
Madras 1st June 1875.

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The Hy Chief Secretary to Government
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By Order
Chief Secretary

To The President of the Pallicherry Municipality

15/6/75

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(True Copy)
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Director of Public Instruction.

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President's Office
Calicut 6th August 1870.

No. 19

From

W. Logan, Esqr.,
Asst President of the Municipal
Commission. Tellicherry

To,

The Honble D. F. Carmichael
Asst Chief Secretary to Government
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W. Logan
As: President.

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Municipal Office

№ 26 Tellicherry 8th July 1875

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The Vice President
Tellicherry Municipal
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(Signed) Canaran
Vice President.

(True Copy)

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Copy of Letter from the Vice President Tellicherry transmitting Estimate

Rec'd 18th Aug

Financial Department.

Nos 1411, 1294 & 1864.

From The Director of Pub. Instn. dated 26 May & 10 June / 75
From the Vice President, Comm. Canara
Dated 6 August 1875.

FOR ORDERS.

Establishment of a Girls' School at Tellicherry.

As the Govt. is to strengthen in power the Municipality, I wish to ask, the opinion of Govt. whether the Council should have the power of sanctioning such grants. It was under the impression that Municipal grants were limited to Municipal purposes, & from Govt. Municipal Proceedings of 28th June last, that the Municipality

I would earnestly recommend this matter to the favourable consideration of

Govt.

Rupees 1200 for the purpose available for a special grant in aid of the proposed school. It is any case Govt. do not wish the proposed grant to be disposed of, give any further grants to Municipalities. The proposition already rec'd. is excessive beyond reason

Govt.

of my Honble: Colleagues as one I thoroughly understand & gradually appreciate the movement in Tellicherry and it will be observed that the Superintendent Collector strongly supports the application and will himself examine and report on the School in a few years. A respectable Native Community earnestly solicit the aid & themselves provide the large share of the means. Tanticipate honorable success but at least solicit a trial

Somelty Court new for Malabar.

The Govt. have promised the countenance and support as part of the deliberately accepted policy of Govt... Mr. Garthwaite asks us not to fulfil our promise on grounds which are quite untenable & in a spirit which I think shows he little understands the people

Moplah

Moplah Schools now draw Rs: 22,000 a year in Malabar from Provincial Funds while first schools probably draw nil. Moplahs of Tellicherry are the wealthiest in the Country and are well able to provide for the Education of their own children. They doubtless do not grudge the little aid to female instruction which Mr Garthwaite condemns.

Mr Garthwaite's observations are improper and uncivil and we should tell him we do not share his views. I would follow the advice of the Collector & no doubt the earnest promoters of the movement will find a suitable Mistress & make it a success

As regards Foyer Girls attending Boys school, the thing is demoralizing both, as any one who knows Malabar sees less reckless in moral perceptions than

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To The Director of Public Instruction.
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