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21st April 1875.

Local Funds—Education.

No. 222. Read the following letter from E. B. POWELL, Esq., M.A., C.S.I., Director of Public Instruction, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 10th March 1875, No. 514 :—

I have the honor to submit Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 524, of the 4th instant, for the consideration of Government.

2. I think the Ellore Local Fund Board are right in their views, and I recommend that sanction be given to their proposals.

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Read the following letter from W. S. FOSTER, Esq., President, Godavery Local Fund Boards, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Veeranasarum, 1st February 1875, No. 4.

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5. Copies of the resolutions are submitted.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
President.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Letter from Deputy Inspector of Schools.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 3 and 4.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

SUBMITTED for the sanction of Government through the Director of Public Instruction.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 223. ORDER THEREON, 21st April 1875, No. 897.

The proposal of the Ellore Local Fund Board, supported by the Board of Revenue and Director of Public Instruction, is sanctioned.

2. The Director will submit his proposals for the continuance of middle-class education at the villages in question, bearing in mind that the Government cannot sanction any expenditure thereon beyond the Rupees 484 set free by the arrangement above approved, *plus* any amount which may be realised in the shape of fees, and that the Government cannot undertake to keep up a separate middle-class school unless the attendance is higher than it has hitherto been at Palcole and Undi.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with three enclosures.
,, Director of Public Instruction.
Accountant-General.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated April 21st.

Issued

Read. Read.

G.O., 21st April 1875, No. 897.

APRIL.
Nos. 222-223.

Local Funds, Schools.—Proposal of the Local Fund Board, Ellore Circle, to separate elementary classes from middle-class schools and to establish separate elementary schools at certain villages where middle-class schools now exist, sanctioned; and the Director of Public Instruction requested to submit his proposals for the continuance of middle-class education at the villages in question.

Middle-class schools are in fact mere elementary schools with one higher class attached & a few boys and in the report for 1871-72 Mr Macdonald states "the proper course seems to be for the taking school" to take up the pupil at the point" at which the Result school leaves" him, and to carry him on to a" higher standard - In this way" the Results schools would be" reserved as aim instead of" feared as rivals"

The principle of the present proposal appears to be that the Provincial fund Middle class school should take up the pupil at the point at which the Local Fund elementary school leaves him - and it is doubtless the principle which has recommended itself to the Directors

From one of the enclosures to the present proceedings it appears that at the three schools in question 39 boys out of 58 were attending the

Why termed Prov.l Fund Middle-class schools?

What are the pledges of Govt. in respect to Education Schools?

elementary classes and 16 attended 30 out of 32 at Achanta and 30 out of 32 at Undi.- It is thereby obvious that Undi is for all practical purposes a mere elementary school already and as regard both the Inspector remarks in his report for 1872-73 that there were only 3 boys in the highest class when he examined it, and that he did not consider the school entitled to be graded as middle class. - It would therefore appear that if the Local Board proposal is accepted it would probably not be necessary to keep up the a middle class school from Provincial funds except at Achanta where an attendance of about 20 boys may be expected - ~~It would be desirable~~ can and this can easily be done for the 1874 and of the withdrawal of the grant to Local funds, supplemented by the fees levied in all Provincial fund schools - ~~that the existing middle classes~~

The proposal under consideration

invitors an increased expenditure
from Local Funds which Mr
Sewell estimates at £300
but it seems to me, thus:

School at Achanta	£45×12 =	540
" Palede	20×12 =	240
Undi	20×12 =	240
Contingencies	35×3	105
		1125
	£270	
Present expenditure	525	
Saving in Kovvada part	184	709
Increased Expenditure		416

=8½ P. per head of 128 boys now in these Schools = Rs 1088 then must join.

Increased efficiency is promised, however, and the question for the consideration of Govt appears to be whether the promised increase of efficiency justifies the increased expenditure. Even if the increase be disallowed the principle of separation might be sanctioned.

If the separation be allowed it seems necessary to point out that the expenditure on Middle Class schools at these places will not exceed Rs 484 fees, and that the Govt cannot keep up a middle-class school for three or even for eight boys. In the case of two of the schools the Local Board practically takes over the whole school when they take over the Elementary class.

Govt sanction will not increase

Govt are £9 6s in these class Govt bd will be £7 16½ to bd.

Govt is not to bd Local Fund Elem Govt

I think that this matter requires careful examination from an administrative as well as financial point of view. The Local Fund Board apparently seek to eliminate all Elementary classes from the Middle class schools, (old rate schools under Act VII of 1863) & amalgamate them with Elementary in Local Fund Schools, with the apparent intention of having large Elementary Schools and throwing the Middle class Schools secured by Law on the Local Funds) as Under-Stand — on Provincial Funds

Withdrawn

Without entering into the general question of having two sets of schools, it is obvious with reference to the case before us that we cannot abandon the old Union Schools and the Local Fund Boards' proposals amount to largely increasing the charge for Local Fund and Middle Class Schools and perhaps throwing an increased charge on Provincial Funds.

The financial bearing should therefore be most carefully scrutinized

Perhaps it will be found better in every respect to equalize the Local Fund School with the Middle class Schools & widen under the

the necessities of the case the Elementary branch of the existing Middle class Schools.

I would ask the Undersecretary to prepare a Memo showing what will be the financial and other consequences of the movement - more especially of extended

Yes. If these middle-class schools are to vote schools to look for [illegible] view of the addition the Treasury should [illegible] intended to meet any deficiency in the funds for such schools caused by the repeal of the [illegible] Act 1863 are we bound to maintain them? and if we are bound — the Local Board seems to consider that we are bound to maintain them altogether.

No. 524.

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Office of the Director of
Public Instruction,

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From

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Madras.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Fort Saint George.

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Acting Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
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Copy to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District.

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Board of Revenue,

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The Director of Public Instruction,
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To

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