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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

3rd August 1881, No. 1419.

Municipal—Education.

Read the following paper :—

From P. RATNAVELU CHETTI, Esq., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Pálghat, to the President of the Municipal Commission, Malabar, dated Pálghat, 8th July 1881, No. 188.

I have the honor to forward an extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Commissioners held on the 29th June. The backwardness of female education in this Municipality has often been commented upon, and the figures of the statement of elementary education, No. V, which accompanied the Administration Report, show that no improvement can be expected in this direction so long as the work is left to private enterprize. The Commissioners have already tried the plan of offering additional inducements to the Managers of private schools provided girls were admitted to them, but whether from the supineness of the Managers or the apathy of the parents, girls' schools have not thriven in the Municipality. They have either been entirely abandoned or reopened as pure boys' schools. The Commissioners wish therefore to start three elementary schools in different parts of the town for girls alone; but their places have not yet been thoroughly matured by the Education Committee to which the matter has been referred. They desire, if possible, to entertain Mistresses for these schools in preference to Masters, but they are not in a position to say whether three Mistresses of the required stamp will be available. Nor can I estimate with any degree of accuracy what expenditure will have to be incurred in providing accommodation for the schools, or in the shape of pay to the Masters or Mistresses employed. I cannot therefore fix the sum which will be required for expenditure in the year.

2. But in the Budget for 1879-80 the Commissioners proposed to set apart a sum of Rs. 1,000, apparently to reduce the large closing balance under the budget, for the purchase of a site for a play-ground for the boys of the Municipal School. This proposal met with the approval of Government in their Order, No. 197, dated 6th February 1879; and when the Vice-President sought later on to appropriate it towards the building of the Municipal School, the Government objected to the measure and left the provision to stand over. Considering that the closing balance of the current year's budget, as passed by Government, is only Rs. 1,710, the Commissioners have nothing to fall back upon but the allotment of Rs. 1,000 above referred to. The play-ground will hardly be wanted, as Government contemplate erecting a gymnasium in connection with the High School, and the boys of the Municipal School may, by a mutual arrangement in regard to its upkeep, obtain the use of it for the purpose of recreation. Besides the negotiations for the purchase of a site for the play-ground appear to have fallen through, and there is no appropriate land available in the vicinity. I request, under all these circumstances, you will kindly apply to Government for sanction to appropriate the sum of Rs. 1,000 to elementary female education, and to transfer it from Grant IV, Public Garden 3, to Grant II, sub-head 2, Municipal School.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

EXTRACT from Proceedings of a Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners of Pálghat held on the 29th June 1881.

Present :

P. Ratnavalu Chetti, Esq., Vice-President.
 T. C. Elsworthy, Esq.
 W. E. Gay, Esq.
 Mr. P. O. Pothan, Deputy Inspector of Schools.
 M.R.Ry. Vengdapathi Naidu.
 M.R.Ry. Sivarama Iyen.
 M.R.Ry. Govinda Putter.

Paragraph 13.—Proposal of the Vice-President to open girls' schools, and also Proceedings, No. 2378, dated 21st May 1881, of the Director, that full grants to such schools will be paid from Provincial Funds.

Resolved that three girls' schools be opened at places to be hereafter selected by the Educational Sub-Committee, and application be made to Government for the appropriation to their maintenance of the Rs. 1,000 set apart some time ago for a play-ground in connection with the Municipal School.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) P. RATNAVELU CHETTI,
Vice-President.

No. 195 [Current, No. 1850].

Submitted for the favorable consideration of Government. A separate Municipal play-ground is not now necessary, and the allotment of Rs. 1,000 could not be better spent than in aiding female education as proposed by the Commissioners.

(Signed) G. McWATTERS,
President.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd August 1881, No. 1419.

Sanctioned accordingly.

(True Extract.)

R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Pálghat.
 „ Director of Public Instruction.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Govt. of 1881 Madras.
FINANCIAL.

To
THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Palghat,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August, 3rd.

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G.O., 3rd August 1881, No. 1419.

AUGUST.

Municipal—Education.—The appropriation of the sum of Rs. 1,000 set apart for a play-ground in connection with the Municipal School at Palghat towards the maintenance of the three girls' schools proposed to be opened in that Municipality, sanctioned.

No. 188

From,

Palghat 8th July 1881 18

189/3 CURRENT No. 1850.

P. Retnavelu Chetti Esq
Vice President, Municipal Commission
Palghat

G. Matthews Esq
President, Municipal Commission
Malabar.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward an extract from the Proceedings of a meeting of the Commissioners held on the 29th June. The backwardness of female education in this Municipality has often been commented upon, and the figures of the statement of elementary education, No. V, which accompanied the Administration report, shew that no improvement can be expected in this direction so long as the work is left to private enterprise. The Commissioners have already tried the plan of offering additional inducements to the managers of private schools provided girls were admitted to them, but whether from the supineness of the managers or the apathy of the parents, girls' schools have not thriven in the Municipality. They have either

either been entirely abandoned or reopened as pure boys' schools. The Commissioners wish therefore to start three elementary schools in different parts of the town for girls alone, but their places have not yet been thoroughly matured by the Education Committee to which the matter has been referred. They desire if possible to entertain mistresses for these schools in preference to masters, but they are not in a position to say whether three mistresses of the required stamp will be available. Nor can I estimate with any degree of accuracy what expenditure will have to be incurred in providing accommodation for the schools, or in the shape of pay to the masters or mistresses employed. I cannot therefore fix the sum which will be required for expenditure in the year.

But in the Budget for 1879/80 the Commissioners proposed to set apart a sum of Rupees 2000 apparently to reduce the large closing balance under the budget, for the purchase of a site for a play ground for the boys of the Municipal School. This proposal met with the approval of Government in their order No 197 dated 6th February 1879, and when the Vice President sought later on to appropriate it

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it towards the building of the Municipal School, the Government objected to the measure and left the provision to stand over. Considering that the closing balance of the current years Budget, as passed by Government, is only Rs 1710, the Commissioners have nothing to fall back upon but the allotment of Rs 1000 above referred to. The play ground will hardly be wanted, as Government contemplate erecting a gymnasium in connection with the High School, and the boys of the Municipal School may, by a mutual arrangement in regard to its upkeep, obtain the use of it for the purpose of recreation. Besides the negotiations for the purchase of a site for the play ground appear to have fallen through, and there is no appropriate land available in the vicinity. I request under all these circumstances, you will kindly apply to Government for sanction to appropriate the sum of Rs 1000 to elementary female education and to transfer it from Grant IV Public Garden 3 to Grant II sub-head.

2. Municipal School.

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(Ad) P. Retnavechi Chetti

No Vice President

(True copy) submitted for the
favourable consideration of Government.
A separate Municipal play ground is not
now necessary and the allotment of
Rupees 1000 could not be better spent
than in aiding female education as
proposed by the Commissioners

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President.

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Extract from Proceedings of a meeting of the
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held on the 29th June 1881.

Present.

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G. C. Schworthy Esq^r

W. L. Gay Esq^r

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Resolved that three girls schools be opened
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appropriation to their maintenance of
the Rs 1000 set apart sometime ago for a
play ground in connection with the
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Municipal School.

(Ed.) P. Petrucci chetti
Vice President

(True copy)

Procurator
President

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Order 3rd Augt 1881. No. 1419.

Sanctioned accordingly.

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Note: The Budget Statement of 1881/82 are not here to refer to. They having been sent to the Comptroller in 1881 - but the abstract in the 30 sheets of the 1100 and 1200 and 1300 which is a summary of the 1100 and 1200 and 1300 in 1881/82 No. 25.

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Municipal Department.
From: The President, M.C.
Malabar

To: The Chief Secretary to Govt.
Colonial Office

Dated 19th
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CURRENT No. 195. 1850

Enclosure 1

Subject:

Forwarded Copy of a letter No. 188 from the Hon. President Mr. Polghant requests the sanction of Govt. for appropriating 1000 Rs. allotted for play ground to Elementary female Education.

Secretary

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in connection with the Municipal
School at Patphaut, towards
the maintenance of the three girls
schools proposed to be opened
in that Municipality, sanctioned.