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READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914.

II

Letter—from H. TEMPLE WILLS, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.

To—the Chief Secretary to Government.

Dated—the 6th June 1918.

As instructed by my committee I have the honour to address you on the subject of the grant made by Government to the Ootacamund Friend-in-Need Society.

2. In a G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914, a grant of half the amount collected up to a maximum of one thousand rupees (Rs. 1,000) was sanctioned.

3. We now pray for a further increase principally on the following grounds :—

(i) It is considered that the limitation of the grants acts as a serious deterrent to increasing the income, as subscribers feel that when Rs. 2,000 have been collected the 50 per cent benefit *ipso facto* ceases.

(ii) Owing to the war the enormously increased cost of all the necessities of life makes an increase in the amount of the doles a very urgent necessity especially to Anglo-Indians, while the number of pensioners is also increasing.

(iii) At a recent meeting of the Society it was regretfully decided that owing to want of funds no increase in the amount of doles could be authorized.

4. It is clear that the above considerations mean a very heavy extra demand on our funds. We, therefore, earnestly pray that Government may be pleased to sanction with effect from the 1st April 1918 a grant without limitation of half the collections obtained by private subscription.

III

Memorandum No. 1750-1, Home (Miscellaneous), dated 20th June 1918.

A copy of letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, dated the 6th June 1918, is forwarded to the District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, who is requested to obtain from the Society a statement of its financial position for the past four years together with a statement of its receipts and expenditure and to forward it to Government with his remarks on the request for an increased grant contained in the Honorary Secretary's letter.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

Further papers

G.O. 1785 P.H. & / 29.7.43

G.O. 494 F.D. dt. 5/6/50

IV

Letter—from A. R. CUMMING, Esq., I.C.S., District Magistrate, The Nilgiris.
To—the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
Dated—the 9th August 1918.
No.—D. Dis. 229 M.

With reference to Memorandum No. 1750-1, dated 20th June 1918, I have the honour to enclose copies of the reports of the Friend-in-Need Society for the last four years, in which will be found the statement of receipts and expenditure as also information regarding the number of pensioners on the rolls, the amount spent in doles to regular pensioners, and the outlay in giving occasional relief.

2. The following statement shows the income of the Society in the shape of subscriptions and donations during the past four years:—

		RS.	A.	P.			RS.	A.	P.
1914-15	...	2,079	15	1	1916-17	...	2,383	0	0
1915-16	...	2,236	9	8	1917-18	...	2,324	12	0

The figures for the last three years include the collections made by the women's workshop, viz., Rs. 333, Rs. 463 and Rs. 409 respectively. In return for this, the Society has given the women's workshop a grant of Rs. 150 annually during the last three years. It was recently decided by the Committee of the Society to cut itself away from the women's workshop and this was given effect to from the 1st July last. Taking the average of the collections during the past three years as a basis, the income (from collections and subscriptions) may be put down at Rs. 1,912 per annum. So, in future years, the Society may not even earn the full amount of Rs. 1,000 now contributed by Government. *Contra* it will be saved the contribution of Rs. 150 now given to the women's workshop.

3. Of the three reasons given by the Honorary Secretary, the first does not seem to be a very sound one. Individual members of the public are not likely to know whether the collections fall below or exceed the Rs. 2,000 limit even if they know at all about the condition attaching of the Government grant. Moreover, the subscriptions are regularly distributed all the year round, while the donations are given mainly during the season, i.e., at the beginning of the official year, when it is too early to know what the gross collections are likely to be. The second and third reasons are, however, more cogent. Each Indian now gets a monthly dole of Rs. 2 and each Anglo-Indian from Rs. 4 to Rs. 6. This is hardly enough to keep a person going in these hard times. The Society is not only unable to make even a small increase to its doles, but is also unable to provide for new mendicants, who are constantly applying for help.

4. I, therefore, recommend that Government be pleased to make an annual grant of Rs. 1,250 irrespective of the amount collected in a year.

Order—No. 698, Home (Miscellaneous), dated 9th October 1918.

The Government are unable to comply with the request of the Honorary Secretary of the Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, for the withdrawal of the condition limiting the Government grant to half the amount realized from subscriptions and donations. They are, however, pleased to raise the maximum of the annual grant subject to this condition from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,500.

(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To the Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.
" District Magistrate, The Nilgiris.
" Financial Department.
" Accountant-General (through Financial).

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 698, HOME (MISCELLANEOUS), DATED 9TH OCTOBER 1918

[SUBJECT.—*Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.*]

Previous papers:					
G.O. 1103, Public,	16th July 1878	G.O. 86, Public,	20th Jan. 1914		
" 496 "	7th June 1904	" 484 "	20th Apr. "		
" 517, Financial,	20th Nov. 1909	" 664 "	3rd June "		
" 208, Public,	16th Mar. 1910	" 1208 "	22nd "	1916	
" 1463 "	2nd Dec. 1912	" 508, Home (Mis.),	29th May 1917		
" 1465 "	2nd " "	" 322, Home (Edn.),	9th Mar. 1918		

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

I

From the Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, dated 6th June 1918.

The society does not regularly submit its annual report and it is not possible to note on its financial position for want of statistics regarding its receipts and expenditure. A draft memorandum to the District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, requesting him to obtain the figures for the last four years and to report on the request contained in the Honorary Secretary's letter is submitted.

A.V.S.—13-6-18.

P.DER.—17-6-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—19-6-18.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—20-6-18.

[Memorandum No. 1750-1, dated 20th June 1918—II.]

III

From the District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, dated 9th August 1918.

The District Magistrate reports that the income of the society from subscriptions and donations during the past three years, including the collections made by the Women's Workshop, has been as follows:—

		RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	2,236	9	8
1916-17	...	2,383	0	0
1917-18	...	2,324	12	0

Excluding the proceeds of the Women's Workshop, which is reported to have now been separated from the society, the income from subscriptions and donations works out as follows:—

		RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	1,903	9	8
1916-17	...	1,920	0	0
1917-18	...	1,915	12	0

The average receipts from subscriptions and donations thus come to Rs. 1,913-1-10 per annum. The District Magistrate points out that at this rate the society may not even earn the full amount of the Government grant of Rs. 1,000 in future years, the grant amounting to an average of Rs. 956-8-11 per annum. But it may be observed that the loss which is not much, will be more than counterbalanced by the saving of Rs. 150, which the society was hitherto granting to the Women's Workshop.

2. The following statement shows the financial position of the society during the last three years, excluding the income from and the expenditure on the Women's Workshop :—

Year.	Receipts.			Expenditure.			Surplus (+) or deficit (—).		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	...	...	3,144	1	8	2,999	3	2
1916-17	...	...	...	3,032	8	0	3,128	15	4
1917-18	...	...	...	3,092	12	0	3,011	10	4

It will thus be observed that the expenditure almost comes up to the receipts, and that the balance to the credit of the society is steadily decreasing, the accounts for 1916-17 even disclosing a deficit.

3. The District Magistrate recommends the grant of Rs. 1,250 annually, irrespective of the amount collected in a year. The principle of making the Government grant depend on the subscriptions raised was first accepted in the notes to G.O. No. 1463, Public, dated the 2nd December 1912, and subsequently acted upon in G.O. No. 86, Public, dated the 26th January 1914, when the grant was raised from a lump sum of Rs. 300 per annum to a contribution equal to half the amount realized by the society from subscriptions and donations subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 a year.

It is for orders whether the circumstances justify the increase of the grant to Rs. 1,250 yearly, irrespective of the amount of the subscriptions and donations.

M.D.R.—14-8-18.

The society prays for a grant without limitation of half the collections obtained by private subscription.

P.D.R.—15-8-18.

The transactions of the society are of a hand-to-mouth character. The receipts and expenditure closely balance each other, leaving little of margin. To remedy this it is sought to increase the Government contribution. Private donations and subscriptions have not improved. During the last three years, they have been almost stationary (Rs. 1,904 in 1915-16, Rs. 1,920 in 1916-17 and Rs. 1,916 in 1917-18). The committee's activities in this regard need first to be increased. The conditional grant based on collections acts apparently as an incentive to sustained efforts in collecting subscriptions; and the removal of it may result in a relaxation of the activities in this direction. In the case of all similar institutions, the amount of Government grant is always made to bear some relation or other to the amount of private subscriptions and donations, the object being obviously to prevent a relaxation of the efforts of societies in realizing public donations and subscriptions. The Madras Friend-in-Need Society is given a grant of two-thirds of such collections subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000; the Madras Society for the protection of children is granted a contribution amounting to two-thirds of the amount of subscriptions and the Madras Civil Orphan Asylum is granted Rs. 1,200 provided the donations and subscriptions amount to not less than Rs. 3,000. There is thus no case here for fixing the grant irrespective of the amount of private subscriptions.

2. Perhaps we may agree to raise the outside maximum from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,250, still stipulating that the amount of grant will, within this maximum, not exceed half the collections. This may stir up the committee to greater activities.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—20-8-18.

I see no reason to modify the existing rules of grant, viz., to give a grant equal to half the sum of subscriptions and donations subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 per annum.

2. At the same time there is no doubt that the increasing prices tell on the usefulness of the society. I propose an additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum to be paid during the currency of the war and six months thereafter.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—29-8-18.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.—In G.O. No. 1103, Public, dated 16th July 1878, the Government sanctioned a grant of Rs. 300 per annum to the Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, to commence from 1879-80 (although the society asked for a grant equivalent to one-half of its total collections).

Subsequently in 1904 and again in 1912 the society renewed its request for a grant equivalent to a half of its total collections. The Government however declined to comply with the request—vide G.Os. No. 496, Public, dated 7th June 1904 and No. 1463, Public, dated 2nd December 1912.

2. Later on in 1914, the society again came up to Government and in G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914, the Government sanctioned with effect from 1st April 1914 an increased annual grant equal to half the amount realized by the society from subscriptions and donations, subject however to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 in a year.

The above decision was based on the notes of the Honourable Members extracted below :—

"The society is doing good work, but is greatly hampered for want of funds. Given more money, it could do much more, and there is a great deal of destitution and poverty in and about Ootacamund. I would give a grant equal to half the annual subscriptions subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 (page 6 of Notes to G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914)."

J. N. A[TKINSON]—8-1-14.

I agree (page 6 of Notes to G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914).

H. A. S[TUART]—9-1-14.

3. The Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, now requests the Government to sanction, with effect from the 1st April 1918, a grant without limitation of half the collections obtained by private subscription.

The District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, recommends that the annual grant may be increased to Rs. 1,250 irrespective of the amount collected in a year.

4. It has been pointed out in the notes at pages 3-4 ante that the receipts and expenditure of the society nearly balance each other making it difficult to meet the situation caused by the increase in prices. The society's balance on 31st March 1918 was Rs. 186-9-1.

5. The Home Secretary suggests that in view of the increasing prices now prevailing, the existing maximum grant of Rs. 1,000 per annum (equivalent to half the subscription) may be raised by an additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum temporarily, during the currency of the war and six months thereafter.

Submitted for orders whether the suggestion of the Home Secretary to raise the grant temporarily may be accepted. It is, however, submitted that in order to emphasize the fact that the concession is only temporary, it seems preferable to lay down that the additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum will be sanctioned every year from next year onwards on receipt of an application therefor by the Society showing its financial position.

Orders are solicited.

C.R.S.—11-9-18.

V.G.K.—12-9-18.

I understand Secretary, Home, to suggest that the society should be given an annual grant for the present of Rs. 250 and also the usual grant of half the amount collected subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000.

We may, I think, accept.

J. M. HOOVER—14-9-18.

L. DAVIDSON—16-9-18.

Honourable Member should see.

L.D.—16-9-18.

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Home

Department.

Miscellaneous Branch.

226618 REMINDER.

REPLY.

To

The District Magistrate,
The Nilgiris.

To

THE

The undersigned ~~has the honour to invite~~
is directed to invite
~~invites~~

attention to the communication noted in the
No. 1750-1, dated 20-6-18 margin and to
request that
this reminder may be returned at once with
information as to—

- (1) ~~the stage at which the matter now is,~~
- (2) the date by which a reply may be expected ~~and~~
- (3) ~~the circumstances which have caused the delay.~~

2. It is requested that the reply to this
reminder may be sent not later than ~~the~~

5th ~~last~~ of August 1918.

Home Dept.

Office

Ootacamund

Station

The 18th August 18.

Dated

A. Annamalai
1-8/18

Registrar, Home Dept.

Designation.

SUBJECT.

Application from the Honorary
Secretary of the Friend in Need
Society, Ootacamund, for an
increased grant.

A draft is being
prepared & will be
submitted shortly

W. B. Munn
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8 AUG 1918



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REPORT
OF THE
Ootacamund
Friend-in-Need Society
FOR THE YEAR
1914-1915.

OOTACAMUND AND NILGIRI PRESS.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
2-11-1918
THE NILGIRIS

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
5-11-1918
THE NILGIRIS

RECEIVED
2-11-1918
NILGIRI DISTRICT

Station
18-11-1918
Registered
Office

Committee.

Members who died or left during the year.

Sir Stanley Ismay, K. C. S. I.
Rev. Father J. Gudin.

Members at the close of the year, (31st March).

- 1 Colonel E. A. Gayer, I. A., *President.*
- 2 Mr. F. Rowlandson, L. L. B.
- 3 Rev. H. A. D. Moorhouse, C. M. S.
- 4 Mr. W. M. Theobald.
- 5 Mr. M. Young, I. C. S.
- 6 Mr. P. C. Lobo.
- 7 Captain E. E. Price.
- 8 Rev. C. D. Giles, M. A.
- 9 Khan Bahadur A. R. Hajee Fakeer Mahomed Sait.
- 10 Rev. Father C. Biolley.
- 11 Mr. C. Gahan, *Honorary Treasurer.*
- 12 Mr. C. S. Simpson, *Honorary Secretary.*

REPORT.

The year 1914-15 opened with a credit balance of Rs. 85-6-6, and the receipts during the year were Rs. 3,204-5-9, making a total of Rs. 3,289-12-3. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 2,692-12-0, leaving a balance to the credit of the Society on the 31st March 1915, of 597-0-3. The receipts in 1913-14 were Rs. 2,861-0-1 and the expenditure Rs. 3,443-4-6. Under subscriptions and donations alone, the receipts in 1913-14 were Rs. 2,339-6-2, while those in 1914-15 were Rs. 2,079-15-1. The receipts in 1914-15 included the increased Government grant of Rs. 1,000. The receipts under subscriptions and donations compare favourably with those of the previous year, if a special contribution of Rs. 563-8-0 received in 1913-14 be excluded.

A statement classifying the receipts and expenditure is annexed.

The roll of pensioners on the 31st March 1915 comprised 10 Anglo-Indians, of whom 7 were destitute widows and 3 infirm men; and 57 destitute Indians (14 males and 43 females) of whom 29 were Christians, 19 Muhammadans and 9 Hindus. Payments are made twice a month, the Anglo-Indians receiving Rs. 2 a fortnight, and the Indians 1 Rupee. In one case, an Anglo-Indian widow is allowed Rs. 15 a month from a special contribution paid through the Society.

A sum of Rs. 212-4-0 was spent under the head of occasional relief in assisting 123 persons, of whom two were European ex-soldiers, 101 Anglo-Indians and 20 Indians.

In many cases, the recipients were persons in search of employment, who were helped with food at the Travellers' Home and travelling expenses to other stations, but there were also cases of local destitution, recommended for relief by members of the Society. The outlay on monthly doles and occasional relief was as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.	R.	A.	P.
Doles, Anglo-Indians	729	0	0			
Do. Indians	1,407	8	0	2,136	8	0
Occasional relief				212	4	0
Total Rupees...	2,348	12	0			

The expenditure under the same heads during the preceding twelve months was Rs. 2,397-12-0.

The Society owns three buildings, all in one compound viz:—

The Women's Workshop and out houses, the Travellers' Home, and out houses, and the Alms House.

Up to November 1913, the conduct of the affairs of the Women's Workshop was in the hands of a Sub-Committee, of which the Chairman and Honorary Treasurer were members of the General Committee, while the Honorary Secretary and the other members were ladies. On account of financial considerations the committee was compelled to close the workshop at the end of November 1913, but it was reopened in January 1914 under the management of a new Committee of ladies, who endeavoured to work the shop independently of the Society. Owing to lack of pub-

lic support, however, the ladies resigned the management of the shop at the end of February 1914. Miss T. M. Mergler, B. A., then made an offer to take over the Workshop on certain terms, and to work it in affiliation with the Friend-in-Need Society. Her offer was accepted, and the institution was handed over to her free of rent for one year, from the 1st July, 1914.

Miss Mergler began the Workshop with only three of the women workers who had previously attended the institution. By the 31st March 1915, the average daily attendance had risen to eight, while the number of workers on the list was 18 (14 Anglo-Indians and 4 Indians). Some of the women who were unable to stay at the workshop during the day, were allowed to do their sewing in their homes. The earnings of the women ranged from Rs. 2 to Rs. 12 per mensem, according to their work. The total amount of subscriptions and donations collected from the public on account of the workshop was Rs. 300.

The Travellers' Home was used by 32 persons, of whom 20 paid fees amounting to Rs. 28-8-0 for their accommodation. In cases of poverty, free occupation is allowed to travellers, who are also supplied with food when necessary. The fees charged to those able to pay are 1 rupee or 8 annas per diem, according to circumstances, and no person is allowed to occupy the home free or at the lower rate of 8 annas a day without the sanction of the Honorary Secretary.

The Alms house is occupied by four destitute women.

In accordance with Rule X, the Annual General Meeting of the Society was held in the Nilgiri Library, on Saturday the 23rd May 1914. In the absence on account

of illness of Sir Stanley Ismay, K.C.S.I., the President of the Society, Mr. F. Rowlandson, L.L.B., was voted to the chair. The adoption of the report for the year 1913-14 was moved by Mr. S. J. Gonsalves, seconded by Mr. W. M. Theobald, and carried unanimously.

The Society sustained a severe loss by the death in June 1914, of its President, Sir Stanley Ismay, K.C.S.I. The committee recorded the following Resolution on the occasion :—

“The Committee desires to place on record its appreciation of the services rendered to the Ootacamund Friend-in-Need Society by its late President, Sir Stanley Ismay, K. C. S. I., and its deep sense of the loss sustained by the Society by his lamented death. The Committee begs to tender to Lady Ismay its sincere sympathy in her sad bereavement.”

The Rev. Father J. Gudín resigned membership on leaving the station, and the vacancies on the Committee were filled by Khan Bahadur A. R. Hujee Fakeer Muhammed Sait and Rev. Father C. Biolley.

In a G. O. dated the 20th January 1914, No. 86, Public, the Government were pleased to sanction an arrangement by which, instead of a fixed grant of Rs. 300 per annum, the Society draws from Government a sum equal to half the amount realised from subscriptions and donations, the Government contribution not in any case to exceed Rs. 1,600 per annum. This arrangement was sanctioned with effect from the 1st April 1914, and the Society was permitted to draw the grant for 1914-15 on the basis of the collections made in 1913-14.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure.

RECEIPTS.

EXPENDITURE.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance 1st April 1914	...	...	...	85	6	6	162	2	0
Government Grant	...	...	...	1,060	0	0	12	0	0
Donations	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	174 2 0
Subscriptions	...	...	...	582	0	0	729	0	0
Contribution from	...	...	...	1,270	12	0	1,407	8	0
St. Stephen's Church	...	...	...	180	0	0	212	4	0
Collection boxes	...	...	...	47	3	12,079	...	...	2,318 12 0
Rent from Traveller's Home.	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0
Rent of land leased for	...	...	...	28	8	0	6	11	0
cultivation...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	0	0
Refunds	...	...	...	50	0	0	11	2	0
Sale of Workshop materials...	...	...	...	21	8	6	4	11	0
	...	...	...	24	6	8	30	0	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	6	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	0	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	566	12	3
	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	4	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	597 0 3
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,289 12 6
Total Rupees...	...	...	...	3,289	12	3	Total Rupees...	...	...

C. S. SIMPSON,
Honorary Secretary.
15-4-15.

C. GAHAN,
Honorary Treasurer.
15-4-15.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	Rs.		Rs.
Arumugam Pillai,		Hajee Oomer Rahim	
Mr. T. M.	6-0	and Co., Messrs.	1-12
Baker, Mrs. R. J.	24-0	Harman, Mrs.	12-0
Barber, Mrs. E. F.	12-0	Hazary, Mr. H. N.	6-0
Barton & Sons, Messrs.	12-0	Irvine, Mr. A. E.	12-0
Billimoria, Mr. S. M.	6-8	Ismay, Lady	18-0
Biolley, Rev. Father, C.	12-0	James, Mr. C. S.	3-0
Boesinger, Mr. J.	12-0	Keogh, Miss	12-0
Carter, Col. E. J.	56-0	Ku Ram & Co., Messrs	11-0
Chakona, Mr. A.	12-0	Langlet, Rev. Father, E.	12-0
Church Missionary		Leggatt, Miss	24-0
Society	12-0	Leonard, Colonel A.W.	12-0
Coomaraswami Pillai,		Liardet, Mrs.	36-0
Mr. T. C.	12-0	Lobo, Mr. P. C.	12-0
Corker, Surgeon-		Macanamara, Lt-Col.	
General T. M.	3-0	R. J.	10-0
Crayssac, Rev. Father, P.	5-0	Mahomed Oomer and	
Cruickshank, Mrs. W.	5-0	Co., Messrs.	11-0
Davis, Mr. J. A.	10-0	Maruthachellam, Mrs.	
Edge, Mr. S. V.	12-0	and Sons	26-0
Elwes, Mrs. Weston	12-0	Meanjee Sait and Co.,	
Esaw Sait, Mr.	3-0	Messrs.	12-0
Esuff Sait, Mrs.	55-0	Michael, Mr. M. A.	4-0
Frost, Miss M. E.	6-0	Moorhouse, Rev. H.A.D.	12-0
Gahan, Mr. C.	12-0	Moosa Sait and Sons,	
Gayer, Colonel E. A.	12-0	Messrs.	6-0
Gell, Miss	24-0	Municipal Council	220-0
Genge, Mr. H. A, P.	12-0	Perkins, Mr. E.	1-8
Giles, Rev. D.	12 0	Price, Captain E. E.	11-0
Gonsalves, Mr. S. J.	12-0	Proudfoot, Mrs. J.G.	12-0
Hajee Fakeer Mahomed		Rhenius, Mr. C. E.	210-0
Sait, A. R., K. B.	12-0	Rogers, Mrs. J.B. Leslie	12-0

	Rs.		Rs.
Rolle, Mr. R. H.	1-0	Stevenson, Col. K. F.	12-0
Rawlandson, Mr. F.	12-0	Theobald, Mr. W. M.	12-0
Richter and Co.,		Tomlinson, Mr. J. J.	12-0
Messrs. A. E	5-0	Venis, Miss R. A.	12-0
Saxby, Mr. C. F. Argyll	11-0	Wrenn Bennett and	
Sebastian, Mr. J. S.	6-0	Co., Messrs.	5-0
Simpson, Mr. C. S.	12-0	Young, Mr. M., I.C.S.	12-0
Spencer and Co.,		Anonymous	44-0
Messrs.	12-0		
St. Stephens' Church	180-0	Total Rs.	1,450-12

DONATIONS.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Allanson, Captain C.	4	0	0
Ami, the Jaghidar of	10	0	0
Atkinson, The Hon. Sir J. N.	30	0	0
Bailward, Captain T.	2	0	0
Bannerman, Surgeon-General W. B.	20	0	0
Beath, Mr. D.	15	0	0
Boy Scouts, the 1st Nilgiri Troop	5	0	0
Butler, Captain R. B.	3	0	0
Butterworth, The Hon. Mr. A.	25	0	0
Cahusac, Captain N.	2	0	0
Campbell, Lieut.-Col. R. H.	10	0	0
Cardew, The Hon. Mr. A. G.	25	0	0
Cavendish, Captain R. H.	3	0	0
Corker, Surgeon-General T. M.	15	0	0
Cotterell, Mr. C. B.	5	0	0
Cowdell, Mr. A. S.	5	0	0
Curgenvin, Mr. A. J.	5	0	0
Daly, Colonel the Hon'ble Sir H.	10	0	0
Davidson, the Hon. Mr. L.	15	0	0
Ellis, the Hon'ble Colonel W. M.	18	0	0
Fowler, Colonel F. J.	5	0	0
Francis, the Hon. Mr. W.	10	0	0
Fraser, Mr. S. M.	10	0	0
Gadsden, Mr. G. H.	5	0	0
Galletti, Mrs. A.	5	0	0
Grove, Captain J. R. W.	2	0	0
Hadfield, Mr. G.	10	0	0
Howley, the Hon. Mr. W. J.	20	0	0
James, Mr. G. R.	1	0	0
Lawrence, Lt.-Col. R. T. R.	25	0	0

			Rs.	A.	P.
Loveluck, Mr. E. B.	...	...	5	0	0
Lynn, Captain E.	...	...	5	0	0
Milne, Mr. E. B.	...	...	2	0	0
Murray, the Hon. Mr. S. B.	...	...	20	0	0
Mysore, H. H. the Maharaja of	...	...	20	0	0
Onslow, Col. R. C.	...	...	12	0	0
Pentland, H. E. Lord	...	...	50	0	0
Pentland, H. E. Lady	...	...	30	0	0
Phayre, Major-General A.	...	...	40	0	0
Robinson, Mrs. J.	...	...	2	0	0
Ross, Mr. A. M.	...	...	5	0	0
Sivaswami Ayyah, the Hon. Mr. P. S.	...	...	15	0	0
Stone, the Hon. Mr. J. H.	...	...	5	0	0
Stott, Captain H.	...	...	4	0	0
Stuart, the Hon. Sir H. A.	...	...	25	0	0
Walker, Mr. S. A.	...	...	12	0	0
Special donation for funeral expenses of a pauper	...	...	10	0	0
Total Rupees			582	0	0

REPORT

OF THE

Ootacamund

Friend-in-Need Society

FOR THE YEAR

1915-1916.

OOTACAMUND AND NILGIRI PRESS.

Committee.

Members who left during the year.

Mr. M. Young, I. C. S.

Rev. C. D. Giles.

Mr. C. Gahan.

Members at the close of the year. (31st March).

- 1 Colonel E. A. Gayer, I.A., *President.*
- 2 Mr. F. Rowlandson, L.L.B.
- 3 Rev. H. A. D. Moorhouse, C.M.S.
- 4 Mr. W. M. Theobald.
- 5 Mr. P. C. Lobo.
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- 8 Rev. Father C. Biolley.
- 9 Rev. H. C. Loasby, M. A.
- 10 Mr. A. R. Knapp, I. C. S.
- 11 Mr. W. S. Marshall, *Honorary Treasurer.*
- 12 Mr. C. S. Simpson, *Honorary Secretary.*

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Friend-in-Need Society.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1915-16.

The year 1915-16 opened with a credit balance of Rs. 597-0-3, and the receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 3,144-1-8, making a total of Rs. 3,741-1-11. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,149-3-2 leaving a balance to the credit of the Society on the 31st March 1916 of Rs. 591-14-9. The receipts in the previous year were Rs. 3,204-5-9, and the expenditure Rs. 2,692-12-0. The total of the monthly subscriptions collected in 1915-16 were less by Rs. 85, than the total for the previous year, and the donations were less by Rs. 91-3-5. The fall-off is to be regretted, but considering the many calls on the public purse made during the year on account of the war, the Friend-in-Need Society cannot be regarded as having done badly. The receipts include a Government grant of Rs. 1,000.

The roll of pensioners on the 31st March 1916 comprised 12 Anglo-Indians, of whom 8 were destitute women and four infirm men; and 58 destitute Indians (18 males and 40 females) of whom 30 were Christians, 11 Hindus and 17 Mahomedans. There were three casualties among the Anglo-Indians, and four permanent and two temporary admissions, while among the Indians there were six casualties and 8 admissions.

A sum of Rs. 182-9-0 was spent under the head of occasional relief in assisting 113 persons, of whom 74 were Anglo-Indians and 39 Indians. Of those relieved only 43 were travellers in search of employment, while the remainder were cases of local destitution. There was a marked fall-off during the year in the number of wandering Anglo-Indians applying to the Society for help.

The total outlay on monthly doles and occasional relief was as follows:—

Doles, Anglo-Indians	Rs.	925	0	0
„ Indians	„	1,406	8	0
Occasional relief	...		182	9
				0
Total Rs....		2,514	1	0

The expenditure under the same heads during the previous year, 1914-15, was Rs. 2,348-12-0.

The Society owns three buildings viz, the Women's Workshop and out houses, the Travellers' Home and out houses, and the Alms House.

The Women's Workshop continued to work, in affiliation with the Society, under the management of Miss T. M. Mergler, B.A., assisted by a resident superintendent. The number of regular women workers was 11, of whom 8 attended the workshop, and 3 were allowed to work at their homes. The average daily attendance at the workshop was 6. The amount collected from the public, by subscriptions and donations, during the nine months ending the 31st March 1916, was Rs. 333, orders and box sales brought in Rs. 410, and a special sale in December 1915 re-

alised Rs. 184. The amount spent on workers' wages in the 9 months was Rs. 242-12-6. Details are given in statement B.

The 'Travellers' Home was used by 29 persons, of whom 21 paid fees amounting to Rs. 30-8-0 for their accommodation. In the other cases, free occupation was allowed. In cases of poverty no charge is made for accommodation to *bona fide* travellers, who are further supplied with food when necessary. The fees charged to those able to pay are 1 rupee or 8 annas a day, according to circumstances, and no person is allowed to occupy a room free or at the lower rate without the sanction of the Honorary Secretary.

The Alms House has accommodation for four destitute women. During the year the average number of occupants was three.

In accordance with Rule X of the Society's rules, the annual General Meeting of Members was held on Saturday the 22nd May 1915, the Nilgiri Library having been kindly lent for the purpose. The chair was occupied by Colonel E. A. Gayer, the President of the Society. The adoption of the report for the year 1914-15 was moved by Mr. S. J. Gonsalves, seconded by Mr. Adam Sait, and carried unanimously. Mr. C. Gahan, the Treasurer of the Society, resigned towards the end of the year, in consequence of his retirement from the Government service and departure from the station.

A
Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in the General Fund for the year 1915-16

RECEIPTS.	Rs. A. P.		EXPENDITURE.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	
	Rs.	A. P.			Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
Balance on 1st April 1915	...	...	Establishment	✓	160	0 0	160	0 0
Government Grant	...	...	Clothing for caretaker	✓	14	0 0	14	0 0
Subscriptions	...	...	Relief to local destitute	✓	...	...	...	...
Donations	...	...	Anglo-Indians	✓	925	0 0	925	0 0
Collection boxes	...	...	Indians	✓	1,406	8 0	2,331	8 0
Rent from Travellers' Home	...	...	Occasional relief all classes.	✓	11	1 8	182	9 0
Rent of land leased for cultivation	...	...	Municipal taxes	✓	50	2 6	...	...
Deposit by a dependent	...	...	Printing and Stationery	✓	14	2 0	...	...
			Contingencies	✓	...	...	75	6 2
			Repairs to Buildings	✓	...	...	181	0 0
			Grant to Women's Workshop	✓	...	...	150	0 0
			Withdrawal by a dependent.	✓	...	...	50	0 0
			Bank charges	✓	...	...	4	12 0
							3,149	3 2
			Balance in the Bank of Madras.		565	2 9	...	...
			Balance of contingent grant with Honorary Secretary.		26	12 0	...	...
			Total Rs....				591	14 9
							3,741	1-11
Total Rupees ...								

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in the Women's Workshop for the 9 months ending 31st March 1916.

RECEIPTS.		Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	EXPENDITURE.		Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
Donations	...	165	0 0			Salary of Superintendent	...	225	0 0		
Subscriptions	...	168	0 0	333	0 0	" " Servant	...	90	0 0		
By orders	...	301	11 3			" " Peon	...	50	9 9	365	9 9
By box sales	...	108	5 3	410	0 6	Worker's wages	...			242	12 6
By sale held in December 1915.				184	0 0	Purchase of Materials	...			136	2 6
Grant from F.-in-Need Society for Christmas treat for workers.				10	0 0	Workers' Teas	...	5	11 6	25	0 0
						Stationery and Printing	...	6	0 0		
						Whitewashing interior of workshop.	...	7	12 0	19	7 6
						Contingencies	...			10	0 0
						Help to Miss Wildegose	...				
						Expenses of sale in December 1915.	...			24	0 0
						Purchase of stock	...			50	0 0
						Balance in hand	...			873	0 3
						Total Rs....				64	0 3
Total Rs....				937	0 6					937	0 6

REPORT

OF THE

Ootacamund
Friend-in-Need Society

FOR THE YEAR

1916-1917.

OOTACAMUND AND NILGIRI PRESS.

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Committee.

Member Who left during the year.

Mr. A. R. Knapp, I. C. S.

Members at the close of the year (31st March).

1. Colonel E. A. Gayer, I. A., *President*.
2. Mr. F. Rowlandson, L. L. B.
3. Rev. H. A. D. Moorhouse, C. M. S.
4. Mr. W. M. Theobald.
5. Mr. P. C. Lobo.
6. Captain E. E. Price.
7. Khan Bahadur A. R. Hajee Fakeer Mahomed Sait.
8. Rev. Father C. Biolley.
9. Rev. H. C. Loasby, M. A.
10. Mr. A. R. Cumming, I. C. S.
11. Mr. W. S. Marshall, *Honorary Treasurer*.
12. Mr. C. S. Simpson, *Honorary Secretary*.

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Friend-in-Need Society.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1916-17.

The year 1916-17 opened with a credit balance of Rs. 591-14-9, and the receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 3,032-8-0 making a total of Rs. 3,624-6-9. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,278-15-4 leaving a balance to the credit of the Society on the 31st March 1916 of Rs. 345-7-5. The receipts in the previous year were Rs. 3,144-1-8, and the expenditure Rs. 3,149-3-2. The total of the monthly subscriptions collected in 1916-17 were more by Rs. 103-12, than the total for the previous year, but the donations were less by Rs. 86-9-0. Considering the many calls on the public purse made during the year on account of the war, the Friend-in-need Society did as well as could be expected. The receipts include a Government grant of Rs. 1,000.

The roll of pensioners on the 31st March 1916 comprised 13 Anglo-Indians, of whom 9 were destitute women and four infirm men; and 58 destitute Indians (19 males and 39 females) of whom 32 were Christians, 11 Hindus and 15 Mahommedans. There was one casualty and one removal among the Anglo-Indians, and three admissions, while among the Indians there were six deaths one removal and 8 admissions.

A sum of Rs. 293-12-8 was spent under the head of occasional relief in assisting 174 persons, of whom 110 were Anglo-Indians and 64 Indians. Of those relieved 50 were travellers in search of employment, while the remainder were cases of local destitution.

The total outlay on monthly doles and occasional relief was as follows :—

Doles, Anglo-Indians	Rs. 1,061	0	0		
„ Indians	„ 1,408	0	0	2,469	0 0
Occasional relief	...			293	12 8
Total Rs ..				2,762	12 8

The expenditure under the same heads during the previous year, 1915-16, was Rs. 2,514-1-0.

The Society owns three buildings viz., the Women's Workshop and out houses, the Travellers' Home and out houses, and the Alms House.

The Women's Workshop continued to work, in affiliation with the Society, under the management of Miss. T. M. Mergler, B.A., assisted by a committee of ladies and a superintendent. Since July 1916, the Superintendship has been most ably filled by Miss Smith, who had much experience in similar work in Bangalore. The number of regular women workers was 11, of whom 9 attended the workshop, and 2 were allowed to work at their homes. The average daily attendance at the workshop was 6. The amount collected from the public, by subscriptions and donations, during the year ending the 31st March 1917, was Rs. 463, and orders and box sales brought in Rs. 574-3-7. The amount spent on workers' wages in the

year was Rs. 510-2-9. Details are given in statement B. Employment as children's nurse has been secured for two women who were unable to do needle work.

The Travellers' Home was used by 42 persons, of whom 35 paid fees amounting to Rs. 52-8-0 for their accommodation. In the other cases, free occupation was allowed. In cases of poverty no charge is made for accommodation to *bona-fide* travellers, who are further supplied with food when necessary. The fees charged to those able to pay are 1 rupee or 8 annas a day, according to circumstances, and no person is allowed to occupy a room free or at the lower rate without the sanction of the Honorary Secretary.

The Alms House has accommodation for four destitute women. During the year the average number of occupants was three.

In accordance with Rule X of the Society's rules, the annual General Meeting of Members was held on Saturday the 20th May 1916; the Nilgiri Library having been kindly lent for the purpose. The chair was occupied by Colonel E. A. Gayer, the President of the Society. The adoption of the report for the year 1915-16 was moved by Mr. S. J. Gonsalves, seconded by Mr. Sathasiva Mudaliar, and carried unanimously.

A
Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in the General Fund for the year 1916-17.

RECEIPTS.	Rs.			EXPENDITURE.			Rs.		
	A.	P.	P.	A.	P.	P.	A.	P.	P.
Balance on 1st April 1915	...	...	...	...	...	...	180	0	0
Government Grant	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	8	0
Subscriptions	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,061	0	0
Donations	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,408	0	0
Rent from Travellers' Home...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	1	8
Rent of land leased for cultivation	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	11	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	12	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	58	8	8
	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	0	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	0	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	0	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,278	15	4
	...	...	...	...	...	...	340	13	5
	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	10	0
	...	...	...	...	...	...	345	7	5
	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,624	6	9
Total Rupees ...				Total Rs...					

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Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in Women's Workshop, for the year ending 31st March 1917.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
By opening balance	...			Superintendent's allowance...	510	0	0
" Donations	265	0	0	" travelling expenses...	19	0	0
" Subscriptions	198	0	0	Peon's salary	53	15	1
" Special donations for	...			Worker's wages	...		
Workers' teas	...			" teas	...		
Orders	422	4	7	" Xmas gifts	...		
Box Sales	151	15	0	Purchase of materials	...		
Grants per F.I.N. Society	...			Whitewashing and repairs ...	12	10	0
Government Grant	150	0	0	Cost of door in office room...	20	0	0
Towards cost of door in	...			Printing and Stationery	...		
Workshop Office Room	10	0	0	Contingencies	...		
Towards Xmas Treat for	...						
Workers	10	0	0				
By temporary advance	...						
	...						
Total	...			Total	1,516	10	4

REPORT
OF THE
Ootacamund
Friend-in-Need Society
FOR THE YEAR
1917-1918.

OOTACAMUND AND NILGIRI PRESS.

Committee.

Member who died during the year.

Mr. C. S. Simpson.

Members who left during the year.

Capt. E. E. Price.

Mr. W. S. Marshall.

Members at the close of the year (31st March).

1. Colonel E. A. Gayer, I. A., *President*.
2. Rev. H. A. D. Moorhouse.
3. Mr. W. M. Theobald.
4. Mr. P. C. Lobo.
5. Khan Bahadur A. R. Hajee Fakeer Mahomed Sait,
6. Rev. Father C. Biolley.
7. Rev. H. C. Loasby.
8. Mr. A. R. Cumming, *Collector*.
9. Mr. A. P. Marsden.
10. Mr. J. W. Short.
11. Mr. W. H. H. Chatterton, *Honorary Treasurer*.
12. Mr. H. Temple Wills, *Honorary Secretary*.

Ootacamund

Friend-in-Need Society.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1917-18.

During the year Mr. Marshall, who had filled the post of Hon. Treasurer, and Capt. Price, left the Station, and Mr. C. S. Simpson, who for five years had been our most efficient and kindly Hon. Secretary, died, to the very great regret of all who knew him. The vacancies on the Committee were filled by the election of Messrs Chatterton, who undertook the duties of Hon. Treasurer, J. W. Short, and H. T. Wills, who was appointed Hon. Secretary.

The financial year opened with a credit balance at the Bank of Rs. 345-7-5, and the receipts during the year amounted to Rs. 3,092-12-0, making a total of Rs. 3,438-3-5. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,251-10-4, leaving a balance to the credit of the Society of Rs. 186-9-1 on the 31st March 1918. The receipts in the previous year were Rs. 3,624-6-9, and the expenditure Rs. 3,278-15-4. The total of the monthly subscriptions collected in 1917-18 was less by Rs. 34-12-0 than the total for the previous year but the donations were more by almost the same amount, viz., Rs. 30-8-0. At a time when everyone is being pressed for funds to the utmost it is a matter for congratulation and thankfulness that this most deserving charity received so much help. But as we are never able to meet all the demands made upon our funds, there is consequently always room for increased support. The Government kindly made a grant of Rs. 1,000, which sum is included in the receipts.

The roll of pensioners on the 31st of March 1918 included 13 Europeans and Anglo-Indians, of whom 10 were destitute women, and 3 infirm men: and 58 Indians of whom 32 were Christians, 12 Hindus, and 14 Muhamadans. There were no changes among the former, while among the Indians there were three deaths, the consequent vacancies being filled from waiting cases.

The total outlay on monthly doles and occasional relief was as follows:—

Doles, Europeans and Anglo-Indians	Rs. 1,095	0	0
„ Indians	„ 1,376	8	0
Occasional relief	„ 227	15	8
Total	Rs. 2,699	7	8

The expenditure under the same heads in the previous year was Rs. 2,762-12-8.

The Society owns a valuable property comprising three buildings, viz., the Women's Workshop and out houses, the Travellers' Home and out houses, and the Alms House.

The Women's Workshop continued to work in affiliation with the Society, under the management of Miss. T. M. Mergler, assisted by a committee of ladies. In January 1918 Miss Smith, the Superintendent resigned her connection with this work, to accept a more remunerative appointment in Coimbatore. During February and March the workers were kindly supervised by Mrs. Harman and Mrs. Baker, to whom we are indebted for their honorary services.

In the absence of a resident superintendent orders from the public have not been accepted, the workers being kept busy with stock work which has been sent round for sale.

The number of workers shows a decrease of 6, leaving 5 regular in attendance at the workshop.

The amount collected from the public by subscriptions and donations, during the year ending March 31st 1918 was Rs. 409-0-0, orders and box sales brought in 823-12-6. The amount spent on workers' wages was Rs. 411-4-7.

Details are given in Statement B. The ladies on the committee have continued their personal work among the poor of the station, the workshop has been recognised by the poor as a place to which they can come for advice and help.

The Travellers' Home was used by 25 persons, of whom 15 paid fees amounting to Rs. 27 for their accommodation. In the other cases free occupation was allowed. In cases of poverty no charge is made for accommodation to bona-fide travellers who are further supplied with food when necessary. The fees charged to those able to pay are Re. 1 or As. 8 per day, according to circumstances, and no person is allowed to occupy a room free or at the lower rate without the sanction of the Hon. Secretary.

The Alms House has accommodation for four destitute women. It has been quite full throughout the year.

In accordance with Rule X the Annual General Meeting of Members was held on Tuesday the 29th of May 1917, the Nilgiri Library Committee Room having been kindly lent for the purpose. The chair was occupied by Col. E. A. Gayer, the President of the Society. The adoption of

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the Report for the year 1916-17 was moved by Mr. Theobald, seconded by Mr. Davis and carried unanimously.

The thanks of the Committee are cordially given to the Committee of the Nilgiri Library for the use of the Committee Room for the monthly meetings.

H. T. WILLS,

Hon. Secretary.

A
Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in the General Fund for the year 1917--18.

RECEIPTS.	Rs.			EXPENDITURE.			Rs.			Rs.		
	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.
Balance on 1st April 1917	...											
Government Grant	...		345	7	5	Establishment, peon	...			180	0	0
Subscriptions	...		1,000	0	0	Clothing, peon	...			14	8	0
Donations	...		1,434	12	0	Dotes, Europeans and Anglo-Indians	...			762	0	0
Rent from Travellers' Home	...		481	0	0	Mrs. Sheffield	...			333	0	0
Rent from Land	...		27	0	0	Indians	...			1,376	8	0
Deposit by Mrs. Pereira	...		40	0	0	Occasional Relief	...			227	15	8
Repayment of loan to Women's Workshop	...					classes	...			9	9	8
						Municipal taxes	...			36	0	0
						Printing, Stationery etc.,	...			6	4	0
						Contingencies	...			34	4	0
						Repairs to Buildings	...			150	0	0
						Women's Workshop Grant	...			80	0	0
						Do. Advance for Sewing Machine	...			10	0	0
						Do. Grant towards Christmas Treat	...			30	0	0
						Withdrawal by Mrs. Pereira	...			1	9	0
						Bank charges	...					
						Balance at Bank	...			181	13	1
						Balance with Hon. Secretary	...			4	12	0
Total Rs. ...			3,438	3	5	Total Rs. ...				3,438	3	5

This is without including receipts from women's workshop.

H. T. WILLS, Hon. Secy.

W. H. H. CHATTERTON, Hon. Treasurer.

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B.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure in Women's Workshop for the year ending, March 31st 1918.

RECEIPTS.				EXPENDITURE.			
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
By amount of Donations ...	149	0	0	To Deficit from 1916-17	524	0	0
" " Subscriptions ...	260	0	0	(covered by advance) ...	55	0	0
" " received on orders ...	450	0	0	Superintendent's allowance. ...	411	4	7
" " box sales ...	373	12	6	Peon's wages ...	47	14	5
" proceeds of sale held in	63	6	0	Workers' earnings ...	27	0	0
December 1917 ..	3	14	0	" teas ...	2	0	0
proceeds of Jumble Sale...				" Christmas Treat..	4	2	0
" amounts received per the				Amount given in relief ...			
Secretary of the Friend-				" paid for repairs			
in-Need Society				to doors ...			
(a) Government Grant in	150	0	0	" paid coolies for	3	12	0
June ..				cleaning compound ...	1	8	0
(b) Loan for purchase of				Scavenging tax ...	5	15	0
Sewing Machine in	80	0	0	Packing and postage ...	8	8	0
August ...				Sundries ...	229	0	0
(c) Towards Xmas Treat	10	0	0	Purchase of Stock ...			
for Workers ...				Refund of amount advanced			
Deficit (covering by advance)				by F. I. N. S. for Sewing	80	0	0
				Machine ...			
Total Rs....	1,608	13	6	Total Rs. ...	1,608	6	6

T. M. MERGLER, Hon. Secy., Women's Workshop.

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G.O. No. 698, 9th October 1918

Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund

Stating that the Government are unable to comply with the request of the Honorary Secretary of the — for the withdrawal of the condition limiting the Government grant to half the amount realized from subscriptions and donations, and ~~the Government grant to half the amount realized from subscriptions and donations, and~~ *maximum grant Rs. 1,500.*
Rs. 1,500 per annum.

READ—the following papers :—

I
G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914.

II
Letter—from H. TEMPLE WILLS, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.

To—the Chief Secretary to Government.

Dated—the 6th June 1918.

As instructed by my committee I have the honour to address you on the subject of the grant made by Government to the Ootacamund Friend-in-Need Society.

2. In a G.O. [No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914] a grant of half the amount collected up to a maximum of one thousand rupees (Rs. 1,000) was sanctioned.

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R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

IV
Letter—from A. R. CUMMING, Esq., I.C.S., District Magistrate, the Nilgiris.

To—the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department

Dated—the 9th August 1918.

No.—D. Dis. 229 M.

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The figures for the last three years include the collections made by the women's workshop, viz., Rs. 333, Rs. 463 and Rs. 409 respectively. In return for this, the Society has given the women's workshop a grant of Rs. 150 annually during the last three years. It was recently decided by the Committee of the Society to cut itself away from the women's workshop and this was given effect to from the 1st July last. Taking the average of the collections during the past three years as a basis, the income (from collections and subscriptions) may be put down at Rs. 1,912 per annum. So, in future years, the Society may not even earn the full amount of Rs. 1,000 now contributed by Government. *Contra* it will be saved the contribution of Rs. 150 now given to the women's workshop.

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Secretary to Government.

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" District Magistrate, The Nilgiris.
" Financial Department.
" Accountant-General (through Financial).

G.O. No. 26, Public, dated 30th January 1918.

Letter from H. Ramachandra Rao, Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.
To the Chief Secretary to Government.
Dated the 6th June 1918.

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(True extract)

Letter from A. E. Gurney, Esq., District Magistrate, Nilgiris.
To the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
Dated the 9th August 1918.
No. D. 239 M.

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1916-17	2,326 8 8	2,326 8 8	4,652 17 6
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 (Two extracts)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAU,
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To the Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.
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 Financial Department.
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G.O. No. 698, 9th October 1918

Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund

Stating that the Government are unable to comply with the request of the Honorary Secretary of the— for the withdrawal of the condition limiting the Government grant to half the amount realized from subscriptions and donations, and sanctioning an increased grant of Rs. 1,500 per annum.

READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914.

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Letter—from H. TEMPLE WILLS, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.

To—the Chief Secretary to Government.

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" District Magistrate, The Nilgiris.
" Financial Department.
" Accountant-General (through Financial).

Statement that the Government are unable to comply with the request of the Honorary Secretary of the Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, for the withdrawal of the condition limiting the Government grant to half the amount realized from subscriptions and donations, and sanctioning an increase from Rs. 1,000 per annum.

Letter from the Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.

G.O. No. 88, Public, dated 20th January 1918.

Letter from H. Tamara Wynn, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.

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(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

Letter from A. H. Cumming, Esq., I.C.S., District Magistrate, the Nilgiris.
To the Secretary to Government, Home (Miscellaneous) Department.
Dated—the 3rd August 1918.

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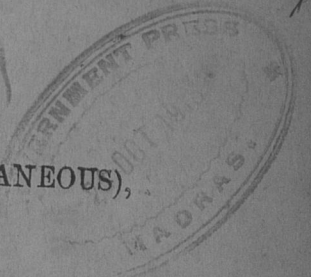
2. The following statement shows the income of the Society in the shape of subscriptions and donations during the past four years:—

Year	Subscriptions	Donations	Total
1914-15	2,072 15 1	383 0 0	2,455 15 1
1915-16	2,384 0 0	333 0 0	2,717 0 0
1916-17	2,384 0 0	333 0 0	2,717 0 0
1917-18	2,384 0 0	333 0 0	2,717 0 0

M. A.

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NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 698, HOME (MISCELLANEOUS),
DATED 9TH OCTOBER 1918

[SUBJECT.—*Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.*]

Previous papers :			
G.O. 1103,	Public,	16th July 1878	G.O. 86, Public, 20th Jan. 1914
" 496	"	7th June 1904	" 484 " 20th Apr. "
" 517, Financial,	"	20th Nov. 1909	" 664 " 3rd June "
" 208, Public,	"	16th Mar. 1910	" 1208 " 22nd " 1916
" 1463	"	2nd Dec. 1912	" 508, Home (Mis.), 29th May 1917
" 1465	"	2nd " "	" 322, Home (Edn.), 9th Mar. 1918

From the Honorary Secretary, *Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund*, dated 6th June 1918.

The society does not regularly submit its annual report and it is not possible to note on its financial position for want of statistics regarding its receipts and expenditure. A draft memorandum to the District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, requesting him to obtain the figures for the last four years and to report on the request contained in the Honorary Secretary's letter is submitted.

A.V.S.—13-6-18.
P.D.R.—17-6-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—19-6-18.
R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—20-6-18.

[Memorandum No. 1750-1, dated 20th June 1918]

From the District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, dated 9th August 1918.
The District Magistrate reports that the income of the society from subscriptions and donations during the past three years, including the collections made by the Women's Workshop, has been as follows:—

	RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	...	...
1916-17	...	...	...
1917-18	...	...	...
	2,236	9	8
	2,383	0	0
	2,324	12	0

Excluding the proceeds of the Women's Workshop, which is reported to have now been separated from the society, the income from subscriptions and donations works out as follows:—

	RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	...	...
1916-17	...	...	...
1917-18	...	...	...
	1,903	9	8
	1,920	0	0
	1,915	12	0

The figures for the last three years including the collections made by the Women's Workshop, viz. Rs. 335, Rs. 488 and Rs. 409 respectively. In return for this the Society has given the Women's Workshop a grant of Rs. 150 annually during the last three years. It was recently decided by the Committee of the Society to continue this way from the Women's Workshop and this was given effect to from the 1st July last. Taking the average of the collections during the past three years as a basis, the income (from collections and subscriptions) may be put down at Rs. 1,913 per annum. So, in future years, the Society may not even earn the full amount of Rs. 1,000 now contributed by Government. Consequently it will be saved the contribution of Rs. 150 now given to the Women's Workshop.

3. Of the three reasons given by the Honorary Secretary, the first does not seem to be a very sound one. Individual members of the public are not likely to know whether the collections fall below or exceed the Rs. 2,000 limit even if they know at all about the condition attaching to the Government grant. Moreover, the subscriptions are regularly distributed all the year round, while the donations are given mainly during the season, i.e., at the beginning of the official year, when it is too early to know what the gross collections are likely to be. The second and third reasons are, however, more cogent. Each Indian now gets a monthly dose of Rs. 2 and each Anglo-Indian from Rs. 4 to Rs. 6. This is hardly enough to keep a person going in these hard times. The Society is not only unable to make even a small increase to its dues, but is also unable to provide for new members, who are constantly applying for help.

4. I, therefore, recommend that Government be pleased to make an annual grant of Rs. 1,250 irrespective of the amount collected in a year.

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(True extract)

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

To the Honorary Secretary, *Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund*.
District Magistrate, The Nilgiris.
Financial Department.
Accompanied by a copy of the Memorandum.

M.A.

The average receipts from subscriptions and donations thus come to Rs. 1,913-1-10 per annum. The District Magistrate points out that at this rate the society may not even earn the full amount of the Government grant of Rs. 1,000 in future years, the grant amounting to an average of Rs. 956-8-11 per annum. But it may be observed that the loss which is not much, will be more than counterbalanced by the saving of Rs. 150, which the society was hitherto granting to the Women's Workshop.

2. The following statement shows the financial position of the society during the last three years, excluding the income from and the expenditure on the Women's Workshop:—

Year.	Receipts.			Expenditure.			Surplus (+) or deficit (—).		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1915-16	...	...	...	3,144	1	8	2,999	3	2
1916-17	...	...	...	3,032	8	0	3,128	15	4
1917-18	...	...	...	3,092	12	0	3,011	10	4

It will thus be observed that the expenditure almost comes up to the receipts, and that the balance to the credit of the society is steadily decreasing, the accounts for 1916-17 even disclosing a deficit.

3. The District Magistrate recommends the grant of Rs. 1,250 annually, irrespective of the amount collected in a year. The principle of making the Government grant depend on the subscriptions raised was first accepted in the notes to G.O. No. 1463, Public, dated the 2nd December 1912, and subsequently acted upon in G.O. No. 86, Public, dated the 26th January 1914, when the grant was raised from a lump sum of Rs. 300 per annum to a contribution equal to half the amount realized by the society from subscriptions and donations subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 a year.

It is for orders whether the circumstances justify the increase of the grant to Rs. 1,250 yearly, irrespective of the amount of the subscriptions and donations.

M.D.R.—14-8-18.

The society prays for a grant without limitation of half the collections obtained by private subscription.

P.D.R.—15-8-18.

The transactions of the society are of a hand-to-mouth character. The receipts and expenditure closely balance each other, leaving little of margin. To remedy this it is sought to increase the Government contribution. Private donations and subscriptions have not improved. During the last three years, they have been almost stationary (Rs. 1,904 in 1915-16, Rs. 1,920 in 1916-17 and Rs. 1,916 in 1917-18). The committee's activities in this regard need first to be increased. The conditional grant based on collections acts apparently as an incentive to sustained efforts in collecting subscriptions; and the removal of it may result in a relaxation of the activities in this direction. In the case of all similar institutions, the amount of Government grant is always made to bear some relation or other to the amount of private subscriptions and donations, the object being obviously to prevent a relaxation of the efforts of societies in realizing public donations and subscriptions. The Madras Friend-in-Need Society is given a grant of two-thirds of such collections subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000; the Madras Society for the protection of children is granted a contribution amounting to two-thirds of the amount of subscriptions and the Madras Civil Orphan Asylum is granted Rs. 1,200 provided the donations and subscriptions amount to not less than Rs. 3,000. There is thus no case here for fixing the grant irrespective of the amount of private subscriptions.

2. Perhaps we may agree to raise the outside maximum from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,250, still stipulating that the amount of grant will, within this maximum, not exceed half the collections. This may stir up the committee to greater activities.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—20-8-18.

I see no reason to modify the existing rules of grant, viz., to give a grant equal to half the sum of subscriptions and donations subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 per annum.

2. At the same time there is no doubt that the increasing prices tell on the usefulness of the society. I propose an additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum to be paid during the currency of the war and six months thereafter.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO--29-8-18.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund.—In G.O. No. 1103, Public, dated 16th July 1878, the Government sanctioned a grant of Rs. 300 per annum to the Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, to commence from 1879-80 (although the society asked for a grant equivalent to one-half of its total collections).

Subsequently in 1904 and again in 1912 the society renewed its request for a grant equivalent to a half of its total collections. The Government however declined to comply with the request—vide G.Os. No. 496, Public, dated 7th June 1904 and No. 1463, Public, dated 2nd December 1912.

2. Later on in 1914, the society again came up to Government and in G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914, the Government sanctioned with effect from 1st April 1914 an increased annual grant equal to half the amount realized by the society from subscriptions and donations, subject however to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 in a year.

The above decision was based on the notes of the Honourable Members extracted below :—

“The society is doing good work, but is greatly hampered for want of funds. Given more money, it could do much more, and there is a great deal of destitution and poverty in and about Ootacamund. I would give a grant equal to half the annual subscriptions subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 (page 6 of Notes to G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914).”

J. N. A[TKINSON]—8-1-14.

I agree (page 6 of Notes to G.O. No. 86, Public, dated 20th January 1914).

H. A. S[TUART]—9-1-14.

3. The Honorary Secretary, Friend-in-Need Society, Ootacamund, now requests the Government to sanction, with effect from the 1st April 1918, a grant without limitation of half the collections obtained by private subscription.

The District Magistrate, The Nilgiris, recommends that the annual grant may be increased to Rs. 1,250 irrespective of the amount collected in a year.

4. It has been pointed out in the notes at pages 3-4 ante that the receipts and expenditure of the society nearly balance each other making it difficult to meet the situation caused by the increase in prices. The society's balance on 31st March 1918 was Rs. 186-9-1—vide page 2 of report for 1917-18.

5. The Home Secretary suggests that in view of the increasing prices now prevailing, the existing maximum grant of Rs. 1,000 per annum (equivalent to half the subscription) may be raised by an additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum temporarily, during the currency of the war and six months thereafter.

Submitted for orders whether the suggestion of the Home Secretary to raise the grant temporarily may be accepted. It is, however, submitted that in order to emphasize the fact that the concession is only temporary, it seems preferable to lay down that the additional grant of Rs. 250 per annum will be sanctioned every year from next year onwards on receipt of an application therefor by the Society showing its financial position.

Orders are solicited.

C.R.S.—11-9-18.

V.G.K.—12-9-18.

I understand Secretary, Home, to suggest that the society should be given an annual grant for the present of Rs. 250 and also the usual grant of half the amount collected subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000.

We may, I think, accept.

J. M. HOOPER—14-9-18.

L. DAVIDSON—16-9-18.

4 NOTES TO G.O. No. 698, HOME (MISCELLANEOUS), 9TH OCTOBER 1918
Honourable Member should see.

L.D.—16-9-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.
For orders as to circulation.

M.D.R.—17-9-18.

P.D.E.R.—17-9-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—18-9-18.
A above. Yes. For approval.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—19-9-18.

H. F. W. G[ILLMAN]—19-9-18.

Submitted to Honourable Member (Financial).

R.R.—20-9-18.

I do not think Home Secretary's proposal suitable. The request for the withdrawal of the condition which limits the Government grant to half the subscriptions must be negatived, but the condition which limits the Government grant to Rs. 1,000 per annum may be altered and Rs. 1,500 substituted. If the society exerts itself to raise larger funds, it can thus raise its income from Government and subscription from the present maximum of Rs. 3,000 to Rs. 4,500.

A. G. C[ARDEW]—24-9-18.

For orders as to circulation to Honourable Member (Miscellaneous).

C.R.—25-9-18.

R.R.—26-9-18.

I accept Honourable Member Financial's view.

H. F. W. G[ILLMAN]—26-9-18.

Draft order is submitted. It may be sent to Financial for perusal.

M.D.R.—27-9-18.

P.D.E.R.—30-9-18.

C.R.—1-10-18.

R.R.—2-10-18.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft order, which follows Financial Honourable Member's orders *supra* may be perused and the file returned to Home (Miscellaneous). *ital*

V.U.K.N.—3-10-18.

V.G.K.—4-10-18.

L.D.—5-10-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.
May issue.

C.R.—8-10-18.

R.R.—9-10-18.

[G.O. No. 698, Home (Miscellaneous), dated 9th October 1918.]

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To The Chief Secretary to Government.

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by my Committee to acknowledge your letter, G.O.No. and to thank you for it. We note that Government are willing to raise the maximum of their annual grant to the Society from Rs.1,000 to Rs.1,500.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient servant,

H. Templeton

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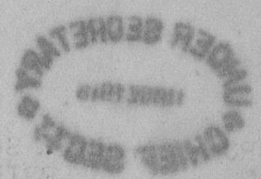
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 Your obedient servant,
 H. Templeton
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