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N^o. 6494.

Office of the Inspector of schools,
Western Circle,
Coimbatore,
7. October 1894.

From, The Inspector of schools,
Western Circle.

To, The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,
With reference to your memo N^o. $\frac{6815}{24-7-94}$

I have the honour to submit herewith letters
nos. $\frac{130}{30-8-94}$ and $\frac{148}{2-10-94}$ from the Principal, Victoria
College, Palghat, and enclosures A. B. C. D.
and E and to remark that according
to the concluding sentence of your letter
N^o. $\frac{6814}{24-7-94}$ to Government, that, "in the
interests of the College it is desirable
that reductions should be made
gradually," the necessary reductions
have been already made by
reducing the staff by four masters
and one peon at an annual saving
to

As the Municipality of Rs 1460-3-1, and it is not at present necessary that any further reductions should be made, for reasons given by Mr. Barrow in his memorandum.

2. Mr. Barrow and I went over the figures relating to the strength of the several classes, and have arrived at the figures given in statement B, according to which the fees that will be realized for 94-95 is Rs 16,291-2-0 as given in Statement E. The salaries of masters, contingencies and cost of Public Works will amount to Rs 21,379-4-4 as given in Statement C, and thus according to statement D, there will be a balance of Rs 534-2-0 in favour of the Municipality. Hence there is no

no present necessity for making any further reductions. Mr. Barrow contends, and I agree with him so far as the present is concerned.

3. But in para 4, 5 & 6 of the Chairman's letter embodied in L.C. No. 492, M.L.M. dated, 18 April 1894, the Chairman has set forth the financial embarrassments experienced by the Council on account of the falling off in the anticipated fee income of the college. The Chairman to whom I spoke on the subject, told me on behalf of the Council, that the latter are dissatisfied with the present expenditure on the college specially owing to the fact that the house tax was raised by 50 per cent by Government. They think that it is more prudent that the cost of the staff should be materially reduced, so that they may always be prepared

to meet a bad year, and not live in the
hands to mouth fashion they have been
doing till now. From copies of the
Proceedings of the Council dated, 19th
September 1894, and 23 August 1894,
enclosed, it will be seen that they
consider "the College staff is too highly
paid" and that the retention of a
European 1st Assistant is too costly,
as is remarked by the Director of Public
Instruction in his letter embodied in
the said G.O. (April ~~April~~ 1894,
N^o 49290) notwithstanding the
reductions already made. They
request the Chairman "to move the
Director of Public Instruction to make
some provision elsewhere at the
earliest opportunity". This is
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a question which requires to be settled by
you. The Council are of opinion that
the services of Mr. Payne at a cost of
Rs 300 per mensem are unnecessary and
that the College may be worked efficiently
without him. I find that you did at the
onset object to the appointment of a
European Assistant as too costly; and
seeing that other second grade colleges
are efficiently conducted with a European
Principal getting about Rs 400 or 500, one
cannot but say that a European
Assistant is too costly a luxury for a
second grade College; and this has
been proved by last year's deficit
in the finances of the College.
But I find that the Municipality
is bound to retain Mr. Payne's
services for three years' more,
so

so he cannot be sent away for another three years. The salaries of the Native Assistants cannot be said to be too high. On the other hand, I should think that the first Assistant, a Master of Arts and Kalyana Ramier with his 12 years' experience are underpaid. So I cannot recommend any reduction in the salaries of the Native Assistants; and even if a few rupees be saved in the pay of each, it will not be much that can be thus saved, while the discouragement caused by the action will tell on the efficiency of the staff.

4. In my conversation with the
Chairman

Chairman he told me that the Council think that some of the teachers do not work a sufficient number of hours a day. From the statement given as an enclosure to Mr. Barrow's letter N^o. 148, it will be seen that the minimum number of hours that a teacher works is 2, that is Mr. Barrow himself and the maximum 4 hours 27 minutes. The teachers of higher classes have composition and other paper work to do besides, and Mr. Barrow has supervision and correspondence work. The grant-in-aid code allows 2 hours teaching to the Principal of a College. I leave it to you to decide about the adequacy of the number of hours that each teacher works under the present arrangement.

If you should think that they

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can work more than they do now, it may be
so arranged that the services of one of the
Assistants may be dispensed with.
Mr. Barrow is much against the reduction
of the staff and thinks that each
teacher does a sufficient amount of work.
5. In conclusion, I beg to state that
this letter was delayed so long,
because I wanted to visit the College,
and to speak to Mr. Barrow and the
Chairman in person, which I did on the
1st instant.

I have to
Sd/- L. C. Williams.
Ag. Inspector of schools,
W Circle.

(True Copy)

J. Duncan
Director of Public Instruction

Recd. Enclosure
No. 904
29.1.95.

No. 1

No. 3169.

Municipal office,
Palghat, 20 December 94.
Local & Municipal Dept.
CURRENT No.

From,

M. R. Ky.

P. I. Shinnasawmy Pillai Avasgal, Rao Bahadur,
Chairman, Municipal Council,
Palghat.

To,

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement, dated,
2nd November 1894, No. 10508, herewith returned,
I have the honour to make the following
remarks :-

2. I was unable to send this letter
earlier as I have been waiting to understand
from the District Board of Malabar
whether there was any possibility of its
helping the Municipal Council
towards the upkeep of the Victoria
College. On the 17th instant the
District Board adopted a resolution
to

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As the effect that it regretted that the state of its funds did not permit of its helping the Municipal Council.

3. Mr. Filanigan expressed it as his opinion that the college staff was too highly paid and the Council agreeing with him requested me to move the Educational Department to furnish them with a revised scale of pay for the college establishment. If you also are of opinion that the college staff is too highly paid, I think that the salaries of the teachers should be reduced at the earliest opportunity irrespective of the consideration whether the college works at a profit or a loss every year.

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But the college worked for the last two years "in the hand to mouth fashion". It was worked at a loss of Rs 4557-11-1 in the year 1893-94 and Mr. Barrow shows in his revised estimate that it will work at a profit of only Rs 433-12-9 in the current year notwithstanding the reductions effected in the establishment in the current year under G.O. dated, 18 April 94 and 14 August 94, Nos 492 M. L. & M. and 1086 M. His respectively. The college would have worked efficiently without the European Assistant whose retention the Council now feel to be too costly, and I entirely agree with Mr. Williams that "one cannot but say that a European Assistant is too costly a luxury for a 2nd. grade college and this has been proved by the last

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last year's deficit in the finances of the College" - a luxury which met the strongest opposition from you and the then Collector of Malabar (Mr. Dummergyne,) a luxury the Council are bound to have for three years more.

4. If you agree with Mr. Williams in considering that "the salaries of the Native Assistants cannot be said to be too high" I would suggest that Mr. Williams' proposals contained in para 4 of his letter may receive your favourable consideration. In the opinion of several Councillors, some of the teachers do not work a sufficient number of hours a day. Although the grant-in-aid code allows a minimum

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minimum number of hours teaching for masters
to enable them to qualify for Provincial
grants. It is no reason why they should
not work for more hours, as was the
case in the previous years when five hours
teaching was not unusual in the case of
many teachers. If you consider that the
teachers can work more than they do
now I request that you will be good
enough to recommend that the services
of one of the teachers may be dispensed
with as suggested by Mr. Williams.
5. In conclusion I may be permitted to state
that, if the cost of the staff is not
materially reduced, it will not be possible
for the Council to allot any funds out of
its receipts for the improvement of the
Victoria College for many years more.

I have &c

Sd/- P. J. Chinnaboomi Pillai
Chairman.

(True copy)

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minimum number of hours teaching for masters
to enable them to qualify for Provincial
grants. It is no reason why they should
not work for more hours, as was the
case in the previous years when five hours
teaching was not unusual in the case of
many teachers. If you consider that the
teachers can work more than they do
now I request that you will be good
enough to recommend that the services
of one of the teachers may be dispensed
with as suggested by Mr. Williams.
5. In conclusion I may be permitted to state
that, if the cost of the staff is not
materially reduced, it will not be possible
for the Council to allot any funds out of
its receipts for the improvement of the
Victoria College for many years more.

I have &c

Sd/- P. J. Chinnabrami Pillai.

Chairman.

(True copy)

J. Duncan
Director of Public Instⁿ.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras 29 January 1895.

Local & Municipal Dept.

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No. 904

From

THE HONORABLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.Sc.,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

FORT ST. GEORGE.

SIR,

In his letter, N^o $\frac{6816}{24-7-94}$ to Government.

Mr. Monro recommended certain reductions
in the establishment of the Victoria
College, Palghat, and promised to submit
later on proposals for a further curtailment
in expenditure after consulting the Inspector
of schools, Western Circle, on the subject.
In its order, N^o $\frac{1086 M mis}{14-8-94}$, Government
sanctioned Mr. Monro's recommendations.

2. From the enclosed copy of a letter
from Mr. Williams Pillay, the late
acting Inspector of schools, N^o $\frac{6494}{7-10-94}$,
Government

Government will observe that he is not in favour of any further reduction at present.

3. I have the honour to enclose for perusal and favour of return letter, N^o. $\frac{148}{2-10-94}$, from the Principal of the College, to which he has appended a time-table showing the number of hours per day during which the several members of the staff are engaged in teaching. It would appear that on an average each works at school four hours per diem. This ~~includes~~ the time occupied by them in the correction of home exercises, &c., which is calculated by the Principal at not less than two hours per day. From this it is seen that no reduction could be made in the number of teachers as at present constituted.

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4. I also beg to submit herewith statements B.C. and D (requested to be returned) received from the Principal. According to statement B, there are twelve classes or divisions of classes; and in view to efficiency, none of them admit of an amalgamation with any other, each of them being sufficiently strong in itself. In two cases, namely, VII A and VI B, the divisions are unwieldy, the sanctioned strength being 40 in a Secondary school, vide rule 4 Section IV, Educational Rules. From statements C and D, Government will observe that after meeting the expenses for the current official year, the Municipality will have a surplus of more than Rs 500 in its favour.

5. As remarked by Mr. Williams Pillai as well as by the Chairman, copy of whose letter expressing his views on

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on the subject is enclosed for information,
the cost of maintaining the institution is
no doubt excessive. But this is solely
due to the high salary that has to be
paid to the European Vice-Principal
and the expenditure will continue to be
so, so long as the Vice-Principal continues
to work in the college. The Council
is according to its engagement bound
to retain him for three years more.
Here, I would invite the attention of
Government to my letter embodied
in L. C. N. 1454 M. Mis. 10-9-91, wherein I was
strongly opposed to the appointment
of a European Vice-Principal. But the
Council was over-confident of its
finances and appointed Mr. Payne
the present Vice-Principal, on a salary
of Rs 250 rising to Rs 300.

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b. In the above circumstances, I beg to submit
that I am not in favour of any further
reduction at present. I would also point
out that even should any reduction
be made in the number of subordinate
teachers, the pecuniary gain would be
little, while the efficiency of the institution
would be seriously affected.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. D. D. S. S.
Director of Public Instruction

The permanent Director
Mr. Gregg strongly
supported all the
wards - the letter
no 4780 of 4 April 192
no 80 of 6 May 192
no 783 M

D.

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 paid to the European Vice-Principal
 and the expenditure will continue to be
 so, so long as the Vice-Principal continues
 to work in the college. The Council
 is according to its engagement bound
 to retain him for three years more.
 Here, I would invite the attention of
 Government to my letter embodied
 in G. O. No. 1454 M. Mis
10-9-91, wherein I was
 strongly opposed to the appointment
 of a European Vice-Principal. But the
 Council was over-confident of its
 finances and appointed Mr. Payne
 the present Vice-Principal, on a salary
 of Rs 250 rising to Rs 300.

6.

The permanent Director
 Mr. Gregg strongly
 supported the
 wards - the letter
 No 4780 of 4 April 92
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From,
 The Director of Public Instruction,
 Madras.

To
 The Honble the Chief Secretary
 to Government
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SECRETARY
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 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Subd. that he is not in favour
 of any further reduction
 in the staff of the
 Victoria College, Palghat.

To.
 The Director of Public Instruction
 " Chairman the Palghat
 19/1/95

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178th 22-11-94 78th 65
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 97th 11-9-94 1004th 23-7-90
 846th 2-7-94
 492th 18-9-94

C.S. order 18-2-95 No 260 M. Mis

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b. In the above circumstances, I beg to submit
that I am not in favour of any further
reduction at present. I would also point
out that even should any reduction
be made in the number of subordinate
teachers, the pecuniary gain would be
little, while the efficiency of the institution
would be seriously affected.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. S. S. S.
Director of Public Instruction

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