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Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

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G.O., No. 805 M.

DATED 8-6-99.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Education.

Passing orders on certain proposals regarding the reorganization of the Breek's Memorial School, Ootacamund and agreeing with the Collector in considering that an increase in the number of the School Committee would be of benefit to the School.

BACK PAPERS.

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From The Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

No. 4103

Dated 6th April 1899.
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SUBJECT.

Submitting with remarks a letter from the Chairman, Breeks' Memorial School Committee, Ootacamund, in regard to the constitution of the school.

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appointment of an English Science Graduate on Rs. 200/- If there is a probability of our getting such a man, it wouldn't be worth while for the Trustees to take on another man of the Evans type, but they might get a man of some sort pro. tem. to fill up the vacancy till the Science graduate was sanctioned. If you could give me any idea of how Butterworth's proposals are likely to be regarded I should be able to advise the Trustees as to the best course to adopt.

I am going home at the end of next month for about 3 months & might perhaps be able to pick out a suitable man, if the appointment was sanctioned.

The boarding-house has started with 5 boarders & will, I think, get more & Hodgson has managed to haul a boy through the Matric. I think if the school has a fair chance given it this year it

BACK PAPERS

[E. & L. Dept.
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I wrote about them in L & M but they have not yet come in.

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Office of the Director of
Public Instruction,
Madras, 6th ~~April~~ 1899.

No. 4103

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
Madras, 6th ~~April~~ 1899.

No. 4103

From

THE HONORABLE MR. G.H.Stuart,M.A., ~~D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.SC., LL.D.,~~

Ag. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
Madras,

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
CURRENT No. 975 M

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Local a~~nd Municipal~~ DEPARTMENT,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

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In continuation of paragraph 2 of this office letter No 1072, dated 27th January last, I have the honour to submit the enclosed letter addressed to Government by the Chairman, Breeks Memorial School Committee, Ootacamund, and to offer the following remarks.

2. The proposals of the Committee are that
(i) the school should be continued as an upper secondary school,
(ii) the headmaster's pay should be raised to ₨.550,
and (iii) an English Science graduate or a trained Board schoolmaster from England should be appointed on a salary of ₨.200 per mensem.

The continuance of the school as an upper secondary school is recommended on the ground that the establishment of the boarding house will render the school more attractive. This is also the opinion of the Honourable Dr.Duncan with whom I agree. In regard to the appointment of a science graduate or a trained Board schoolmaster, the Committee urges that the failures at the Matriculation Examination in four successive years were mostly in Mathematics and Science and that the new teacher is absolutely necessary to impart efficient instruction in these subjects. A good science graduate cannot be got for the salary proposed to be offered and I doubt whether the services of a good Board school-master can be secured, as competent men of this class are well paid in England. But as the Committee seems to be sur

that a man of the latter description can be had, the proposal may be sanctioned.

3. The increase proposed to the pay of the headmaster would, at first sight, appear unnecessary in view of the very poor outturn at the Matriculation Examination. But the Committee thinks that the headmaster is not responsible for the failures which were mostly in Mathematics and Science, subjects which the headmaster is not competent to teach and does not profess to be able to teach; that the increased pay is necessary to remunerate him for the arduous duties and responsibilities which would devolve on him on account of the establishment of the boarding house; and that, if it be not given, Mr. Hodgson will resign and his "resignation before the boarding house arrangements had been fairly established would be likely to be disastrous to that scheme for developing the school". In the circumstances set forth, I would support the proposal.

4. These recommendations would entail an increased expenditure of Rs.250 per mensem. To meet a portion of this cost, the Committee proposes to do away with the first assistant's post to which is attached a salary of Rs.100 per mensem. There remains still an increase of Rs.150, and, excluding a moiety of it which may be expected from provincial funds as salary grant, the net increased cost is Rs.75. In paragraph 9 of the Chairman's letter is given a statement showing the estimated receipts and expenditure for 1899-1900. Provision has been included for the increase to the headmaster and for the raising of the pay of the first assistant's post as suggested above. As it will be some time before the teacher will enter on his duties, should it be decided to appoint one, there will be some savings and the Committee hopes to effect an equilibrium between receipts and charges during the current year. Should, however, there happen to be a deficit, either during the current year or in future years, it is the Committee's prayer that it should be met from Provincial funds. It is doubtful whether the funds at the disposal of this Department would permit of this. In any case, Government shou not accept an indefinite responsibility,

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and I would recommend that it guarantee Rs.75 a month which is the net increase as calculated above.

5. In regard to the management of the institution, the Municipal Council suggested that it might be entrusted to a committee consisting of the present trustees and certain members of the Municipal Council and of the general public. Personally, the Chairman of the Committee is strongly in favour of the suggestion; but his views do not seem to be shared by the other trustees who concur with the Chaplain in thinking that a large Committee will only hamper the work of the school. There is no doubt some force in the objection, but I am inclined to agree with the Chairman and the Municipal Council. With a large Committee, there will be a greater public interest taken in the welfare of the school and in a town like Ootacamund, I think the additional members are not likely to interfere injuriously.

6. To give a fair trial, I would recommend that these proposals be sanctioned tentatively for five years. If, after five years' experience, it is found that the new scheme has not worked successfully, the upper secondary department may be closed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

G A Stuart

Ag. Director of Public Instruction.

RR No. 1175

Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No.

Order

From The Collector of the Nilgiris

B.G.R No. 44 of 1899.

Dated 13th January 1899

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SUBJECT.

Breeks' Memorial High School Ootacamund

Addressing Government on behalf of the Trustees of the — in respect of certain changes which it is proposed to effect in the staff & control of that institution & as regards the establishment of a Boarding house attached to that School

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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Enclosure No. 1.

26th April 1888

On this date, the Trustees passed the following resolution:–

"Read again memorandum
"regarding the financial position
"of the school. In view of the facts
"set forth in the above memorandum,
"the Trustees resolve to address
"the Municipal Council urging
"upon them the expediency of
"immediate effect to the intention
"of the original Subscribers to the
"Brecks' Memorial Trust by taking
"over the institution in the manner
"provided for in the Trust Deed.
"In doing so, the Trustees desire
"to impress on the Council the
"great advantage it will be
"to the Town and District to have
"the financial position of the
"School thoroughly assured; by
"which not only will it probably
"be possible to work the school
"more satisfactorily, but also
"more economically, whilst such
"assured position will unquestionably
"react on the school, and tend

"to increase its attendance, and
"render it more efficient and
"popular. Should this appeal be
"viewed favourably by the Council
"the Trustees would suggest the
"immediate administration of
"the affairs of the school should
"remain as at present in the
"hands of the Trustees, subject to
"the financial Control of the
"Municipal Council according
"to such rules as they may see
"fit to prescribe. A Copy of G.O
"No. 52 dated 26th ~~May~~ Feby 1874 to be
"forwarded with this resolution."

(G.O No. 52 of 26th May 1874 referred to in the above resolution is in fact dated the 26th February 1874 & is circulated herewith)

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E. E. Roberts
for Ag Collector

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Enclosure No. 2

Minutes of Proceedings of the Trustees of the Breeks' Memorial High School at a meeting held on the 8th and adjourned to 9th August 1898.

8th August at the Collector's office

Present:—

A. Butterworth Esquire I.C.S President
Revd J. W. Crowther Vice President
G. Hammett Esquire C.I.E
L. C. Hodgson Esquire
The Honorary Secretary.

I The question of a suitable Boarding House for the school having been discussed, it was

Resolved that the Trustees with the Head master & Honorary Secretary meet at "Peplerook" on the following day at 4.45 to view this house and also to look over "Walthamstowe".

II Resolved with reference to the furnishing of the Boarding House that the Head Master & Honorary Secretary be requested to see what arrangements could be made with tradesmen for hiring the necessary furniture or taking it on the hire and purchase system.

III Read extract from Proceedings of Ootacamund Municipal Council No. 2210 of 6th August 1898 with reference to sanction of Government for Mr. Evan's appointment as first Assistant.

Resolved that the Honorary Secretary be requested to take the necessary steps to obtain the required sanction.

IV Resolved that the Annual School Prize-giving be held as usual in September & that His Excellency the Governor be asked to distribute the prizes. The meeting then adjourned till the following day at 4.45 P.M. to allow of the inspection of 'Peplerook' and 'Walthamstowe'.

9th August 1898

The following met at Walthamstowe:

A. Butterworth Esquire I.C.S
The Revd F. N. Crowther
G. Hamnett Esquire
L. C. Hodgson Esquire
The Honorary Secretary

The Honorary Secretary confirmed his

previous notification that 'Peplerook' was no longer available having been let on lease the previous day to Mr Dosogne. The Trustees then inspected 'Walthamstowe'.

I Resolved that the Honorary Secretary be requested to enquire from the owner the rent of this house if taken for a year & if the owner would undertake any, & if so, what repairs.

II That the Head Master & Honorary Secretary be requested to inspect "Kelso" (Hotel de Paris) with a view to ascertaining its suitability for a boarding house.

The meeting then closed.

August 1898.

(Signed) A. Butterworth
Chairman

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Enclosure No. 3.

Buck's Memorial High School

Minutes of a meeting of the Trustees held at the Collector's office on Friday, October 7th at 3 P.m.

Present: J. Butterworth Esquire I.C.S. President.

The Revd. F. N. Crowther Vice President.
George Hammett Esquire C.I.E.
Surgeon Major Sampson.
L. C. Hodgson Esquire
The Honorary Secretary.

Read letter dated 19th September from Messrs. A. R. H. Fakeer Mahomed Sait & Sons agreeing to let "Belmont" to the Trustees for a Boarding House from 1st March 1899 to end of February 1900 at a rent of Rs 150 per mensem and to undertake the required repairs.

Read also letter from Mr. A. G. Cardew of 1.x.98 stating that he would probably not be able to vacate the house before the middle of February next.

The Head Master & the Honorary Secretary having explained that, owing to the uncertainty of the date of Mr. Cardew's departure, it was advisable to take another house for the time being, in order that the boarding house might be opened at the beginning of the term, and it having been stated that Mr. Baldrey's house "Glenrock" was available and would answer the purpose.

I It was resolved that the Honorary Secretary be requested to arrange with Mr. Baldrey to rent this house from him from 1st January 1899 till "Belmont" was available for a rent not to exceed Rs 70/- per mensem.

II It was further Resolved that having regard to the fact that the Trustees contemplated taking Mr. Baldrey's house from 1st January, the Honorary Secretary be requested to arrange, if possible, with Messrs Jaker Mahamad Sait & Sons to let "Belmont" for 9 months from 1st March 1899 instead of for a year.

III Resolved with reference to the additional furniture required for the use of the boys, that the Head Master be asked to make enquiries with a view to ascertaining whether it would be better to buy or hire furniture from dealers or to allow the landlord to supply it & to pay a small additional rent for it.

IV Resolved with reference to the question of ready money for boarding-house expenses, that the Honorary Secretary be requested to apply to Government for the payment of Rs 200 of the guarantee in advance on the 1st day of each month.

Read draft Prospectus of the Boarding House prepared by Mr. Hodgson.

V Resolved that the prospectus be printed for circulation & distribution & also that the opening of the Boarding-House be advertised in the Newspapers & that application be made to ——

the Municipality to sanction payment of the cost incurred

Read letter from Mr Hodson dated 3rd instant with extracts from Proceedings of Director of Public Instruction No 8909 dated 10th August 1898 with reference to appointment of a science graduate.

VI Resolved that the Municipality be addressed on the subject of the appointment of an English Science Graduate on a salary of Rs 200 per mensem plus free-quarters.

Read previous Proceedings of Trustees & Proceedings of Government on the question of raising of the School-fees of Mahammadans & other classes.

VII Resolved that the fees of Mahammadan boys be raised as from the beginning of next year & that the question of raising the fees of the other classes stand over for the present.

Read letter from the Headmaster dated

dated 6th September 1898 with extract from Report of Inspector of Schools of 10th August 1898, requesting that application be made to the Municipal Council to appoint a master to teach drawing in this school as well as in other Schools in the town.

VIII. Resolved that the Head-master be requested to make enquiries as to the possibility of obtaining the services of a drawing master to teach drawing for a few hours in each week.

Read letter dated 6th September 1898 from Head Master requesting that the Municipal Council be asked to sanction expenditure for certain maps & globes.

IX. Resolved that the O. M. C be asked to allow for the cost of the Globes & Maps in its next years' budget.

(The Headmaster then withdrew)

Read application dated 3rd October 1898 from the Headmaster for an increase of Salary

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as from 1st November. Read also Correspondence that had passed between the late Honorary Secretary & the Head Master at the time of the latter's appointment in 1895.

X **Resolved** that, in view of the establishment of the Boarding-House & the consequent increase of the Head Masters' work, the O.M.C. be asked to sanction an increase of Rs 50/. per mensem in his Salary as from 1st January next.

(Signed) A. Butterworth
Chairman.

11th October 1898.

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No 4629

Extract from the Proceedi
Meeting of the Ootacamu
-cipal Council held on Saturday
the 10th December 1898

Subject No II.

Read Resolution No 7 dated 14th Novr 1898 deferring for consideration the letter from the Honorary Secretary Breeks' Memorial High School dated 13th October 1898 regarding the increase of pay to the Head Master, the purchase of Globes, & Maps & appointment of a Science Master on Rs 200/. with Chairman's note dated 22nd Octr 1898.

2. Read Letter from the Collector of the Nilgiris dated 26 Novr 1898 requesting to place before the Council the application from the Head Master Breeks' Memorial High School for increase of pay with the proposals of the Trustees & the appointment of a Science Teacher.

Resolution:—

The Council will endeavour to provide Rs 2000 in the Budget for 1899–1900 & to do the same in future years if required, but it must be clearly understood that any portion of this provision which is not actually required will lapse to the Council & that nothing in excess of this figure will be paid in any year. The Council accordingly suggests that the arrangement will be reported by the Trustees to Government & that Government be moved to guarantee any deficit which the Municipal Contribution may not cover. The Council resolves to make this large Contribution on the understanding that it is either a case of materially improving the Standard of the School—

or withdrawing all
assistance on the
ground that the results
achieved by it have
in recent years been
unsatisfactory & the
Council recognises
that if the result
of the proposed changes
is a material improve-
-ment of the School
the station generally
may expect to benefit
thereby in consequence of
the attraction which
a good school will afford.

The Council takes
this opportunity to suggest
that the management of
the school should be placed
on a more satisfactory basis
by the formation of a Committee
containing the present Trustees
& certain members of the
Municipal Council & of
the general public.

If the Trustees
concur in this last proposal
it is requested that Govern-
-ment be addressed by
them on the subject.

Carried by a majority
(True extract) (Sd) Geo. Hammett
Chairman

True copy
S. G. Roberts

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Enclosure 5

Statement No I.

Breeks' Memorial School

Table showing the number of boys in the School during the years 1894–1898

	Europeans & Eurasians	Muhammadans	Hindus	Total	Remarks
1894	45	17	nil	64*	* 2 Parsis
1895	32	14	nil	47°	° 1 classed as "Other"
1896	50	20	nil	70	
1897	49	28	1	80ε	ε 1 Native Christian 1 Badaga.
1898	50	23	1	76×	× 1 Badaga 1 Parsi

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Ag. Collector

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Enclosure No 6

Table Showing the Teaching Staff for the years 1894–1898 with pay & Educational qualifications

Statement No 2.

	Head Master	First Assistant	2nd Assistant	3rd Assistant	School Mistress	Munshi	Drill Instructor.
1894.	Revd E. S. Burgess Calcutta Entrance examination Rs 300 per mensem.	W. V. Brown Madras Matriculation & Teacher's Certificate Rs 70 per mensem	S. Lakshiminarayana Iyer, Madras F. A. & Teachers Certificate Rs 60 per mensem	Vacant	Miss Regel - Middle School Exn & Teachers' Certificate Rs 50 per mensem.	Syed Fakhruddin No qualification Rs 30 per mensem	S. Sergt Major Kirkby 1st class Aldershot. Rs 15 per mensem
1895	the Same.	the Same	the Same	Vacant	Miss Ryan. Higher Test for women Teachers' Certificate Rs 40 per mensem	the Same	the Same.
1896	L. C. Hodgson. 2nd class Classical Honors Cambridge. Rs 300 per mensem.	the Same Rs 80 per mensem.	the Same	Mr A. Parsons B.A., Madras No certificate, was appointed Mathematical Asstt on Rs 100, but served only one month.	the Same	the Same	the Same.
1897	the Same.	the Same.	D. H. Kelly. Madras Matriculation & Teachers Certificate Rs 80 per mensem	C. Sidney Smith Madras Matriculation & Teachers Certificate Rs 80 per mensem	the Same	the Same	the Same.
1898	the Same.	W. A. Evans. Madras FA & Teachers certificate Rs 100 per mensem	W. V. Brown	D. H. Kelly.	the Same	the Same	the Same.

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Enclosure No. 7.

Statement No. 3.

Table showing average strength of each Class or Form during the years 1894 — 1898

Forms	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
VI	1	nil	1	4	2
V	5	2	3	1	5
IV	5	3	4	6	8
III	12	4	6	10	8
II	8	4	8	6	4
I	nil	nil	3	3	7.
Classes					
4th	2	6	4	13	12
3rd	10	4	15	10	8
2nd	2	7	5	8	9
1st	1	3	5	7	10
Infant	15	3	14	9	1
Total.	61	36	68	77	74.

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Enclosure No. 8

Table showing the number of candidates who, "Statement No. 4" passed (1) the Matriculation (2) the Lower Secondary in the years 1894-1898 & the Subjects in which the Matriculation Candidates failed.

	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
appeared	1	none	1	3	1
Passed	none	none	none	none	—
Subjects in which the boys failed.	There is no record, but the candidate is said to have failed in Science.	—	Science, Mathematics & General Knowledge	2 failed in Science & Mathematics 1 in Mathematics only.	—

Lower Secondary.

	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898
appeared	11	3	6	10	10
Passed.	8	1	1	8	—

Note. There is no record of any candidates from this School having appeared for the Upper Secondary.

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for ag Collector

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Enclosure No 9

Statement No 5

Statement showing the income of the School during the years 1894 – 1898

	Fees.	Municipal Contribution	Government Grants		Other receipts	Total.
			Results	Salary		
1894 – 5	Rs 1890-1--	Rs 605-8-9	nil	Rs 3060----	Rs 1337-8--	Rs 6893-1-9
1895 – 6	Rs 1523-15--	Rs 1591-8-6	nil	Rs 3013----	Rs 870----	Rs 6998-7-6
1896 – 7	Rs 2595-12--	Rs 839-13-8	nil	Rs 3210--10	Rs 875---	Rs 7520-10-6
1897 – 8	Rs 2511-9--	Rs 1675-2-5	nil	Rs 3025-13-4	Rs 1085----	Rs 8297-8-9
* 1898 – 9	Rs 1309-1--	Rs 1039-12-6	nil	Rs 1475----	Rs 490----	Rs 4313-13-6

* These figures are for the half year ending 30 September 1898

E. S. Robert
tr as Collector

Enclosure No. 10.

Statement No. 6.

The following are the usual holidays in the year.

Christmas —— 5 weeks.
Easter —— 5 days.
Summer —— 5 weeks
Michaelmas —— 5 days.

The following days are also whole Holidays:—

All Saturdays, Ash Wednesday, Ascension day, Whit-Monday, Queens Birthday, Prince of Wales' Birth-day.

The Muhammadans have in addition about 20 days holidays in the year.

The rates of School fees are.

Forms VI, V & IV. Rs 30 per term of 6 months.
Forms III, II & I Rs 24 " "
Classes 4 & 3 Rs 3 per mensem.
Classes 2, 1 & infant Rs 1-8- " "

Entrance Fees

Forms VI, V & IV Rs 3.
Forms III, II & I, Classes 4 & 3 — Rs 2.
Classes 2, 1 & infant Rs 1-8-.

S. G. Roberts
Head Master

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Enclosure No 11

Statement No. 7:

Contributions from the Municipal Council Ootacamund to the Breeks' Memorial School.

Net expenditure on account of Breeks' Memorial High School as per Municipal accounts.

Breeks' Memorial High School account is not traceable from Municipal accounts separately for the year ending 31st March 1886.

Do. Do. Do. Do. for the year ending 31st March 1887.

1887-88	Rs 600 — " — "	
1888-89	Rs 1236 — " — "	
1889-1890	Rs 1198 — 5 — 3	
1890-91	Rs 161 — 11 — 10	
1891-92	Rs 1619 — " — "	
1892-93	Rs 1377 — " — "	
1893-94	Rs 298 — 14 — 3	
1894-95	Rs 563 - 8 - 9	
1895-96	Rs 1444 - 10 - 3	
1896-97	Rs 800 - 11 - 6	
1897-98	Rs 1675 - 2 - 5	

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The Nilgiri COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated, 13th January 1899.

FROM

A. Butterworth Esquire I.C.S

COLLECTOR ~~OF~~ and Chairman, Breek's Memorial School Committee.
the Nilgiris,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local & Municipal DEPARTMENT.
through the Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honour to address Government on behalf of the trustees of the Breek's Memorial School in respect of certain changes which it is proposed to effect in the staff & control of that institution, and with a view to render the matter clearer, I commence with a brief summary of the history of the School.

2. In or about 1872, a fund was raised by Public subscription to perpetuate the memory of Mr. Breeks and it was resolved to found a School. The sum raised by subscription seems to have amounted to about Rupees 7000, the Municipality also gave a grant of Rupees 3000 and Captain Morant who was entrusted with the building of the school-house is believed to have spent a large sum out of his own pocket on it. Afterwards the School-house was extended at a cost of Rs 16,800

which was raised partly by further public subscriptions, partly on debentures, & partly by an unconditional grant from Government. Later on, the School-house was handed over for use as a Court-house to Government which, in return built the present School-house & paid off the debentures (Rs 6000).

3. The trust deed of the School bears date the 1st July 1874. It was executed by

(1) The Breek's Memorial School Committee.

(2) The Commissioner, Vice President of the Municipality, Chaplain & Senior Civil Surgeon as Trustees of the School, and

(3) The Chaplain & Lay Trustees of St. Stephen's Church.

The main terms of the deed are, briefly as follows:—

Vide the intention in G.O. No. 52M
26-2-74

(1) The School is founded for the purpose of educating the Children of the poorer European and East Indian, and the more respectable native inhabitants of the place.

(2) The School-house is vested in the hand of the four Trustees mentioned above for the purpose of transferring the School-house to the Municipality.

(3) The Chaplain & Lay Trustees of St. Stephen's Church transfer to

the

the aforesaid Trustees, for the benefit of the Breek's Memorial School, the land & buildings appertaining to the St. Stephens Chaplaincy School, subject to certain minor conditions and to their right to resume the same if the said conditions are not observed (the building and land referred to now form the premises of Messrs. W. E. Smith & Sons);

(4) In the event of the Municipality ceasing to exercise control of the school or desiring that the Trustees shall exercise control, the Trustees are to arrange for its management either by means of themselves, or by means of any other persons.

4. It appears that, for some years, the Municipality left the management of the School entirely to Trustees, though contributing towards the cost of the establishment and making an annual grant of Rupees 600 towards general expenses. In 1888, however, the Trustees passed a Resolution that the Municipal Council should give effect to the original intention of the Trust by taking over the school, while leaving the immediate administration in

the hands of the Trustees subject to
the Financial Control of the Council
(a copy of this Resolution dated 26th
April 1888 is appended). Upon this
the Municipal Council passed
the following Resolution.

"Resolved that the Council
take over the School with effect
"from the 1st June in the manner
"provided for in the Trust deed.
"It is understood that the additional
"expenditure from Municipal Funds
"will not be materially increased
"by this step. The Council resolve
"at the outset to adopt the Suggestion
"of the Trustees that the immediate
"administration of the affairs of
"the School should remain as at
"present in the hands of the Trustees.
"It is understood that the Control
"of the Council over the trustees
"in general & Complete in all matters
"except the discipline of the School
"and that it is competent to the
"Council to divest themselves of
"the charge of the school by giving
"the Trustees six months' notice"

When Government came
to

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to hear of this change in administration
it passed the following order (G.O
dated 18th October 1888, No 1148, M).

"It appears from the financial
"statement submitted with the Chairman's
"second letter that the expenditure
"in the Breeks Memorial School for
"1887/1888 exceeded the receipts for
"that year by Rupees 133. So long as
"the net annual charges of the School
"do not greatly exceed this figure,
"the Government will not object
"to its maintenance by the Ootacamund
"Municipal Council. The Council
"should not, however, have taken
"over the school without the previous
"sanction of Government."

The arrangement sanctioned
in 1888 is that which is still
in force.

5. On the 1st September 1890
the property vested in the Trustees
by the Chaplain & Lay Trustees of
St Stephens Church was leased to
Mr W. E. Smith for 25 years at Rs
per mensem which sum goes of
course, to the Breeks Memorial School

6. I must now go back
to 1874 when Government (G. O dated
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20th April 1874 No 40) expressed the opinion
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that the school should be of the Middle grade and should not be advanced beyond the fourth class of a Zillah School.

In 1876 the Trustees applied to Government for permission to open a Matriculation class, but in G. O dated 1st December 1877 No. 452 Educational, Government expressed the opinion that the intention of the founders was to provide middle class education for the poorer classes and that it should be a condition of further Government-aid that the ambitious scheme of the Trustees should be abandoned. In G. O dated 1st August 1879, No. 300 Educational Government commented on the unsatisfactory state of the School and observed that the original design had been practically abandoned in favour of an ambitious scheme not calculated to effect the object of the projectors of the memorial.

In 1889, when the Upper Secondary Examination

Examination was instituted, the Trustees resolved to recast the Constitution of the School, to raise the fees, & to arrange for educating boys up to the Upper Secondary Standard. A similar Resolution was passed in 1890 and in 1892 the Director of Public Instruction recognised the school as an upper Secondary one.

In 1895 Mr. Rees, the Collector made certain proposals upon which the Trustees passed Resolutions to the effect that

(1) the School should remain of the upper Secondary Standard and should not be reduced to a lower grade.

(2) the system of dual control is unsatisfactory & the system of management by the Trustees should be abolished;

(3) the results obtained are incommensurate with the expenditure.

With reference to these Resolutions, Mr. Rees addressed the Director of Public Instruction in a letter dated 3rd April 1895 R on C No. 294/95. Mr. Rees was of opinion that the school had been diverted from its original purposes, that it cost too much, that the staff should be reduced and that the Trustees might with advantage be abolished.

The Director of Public Instruction replied in a letter dated 16th July 1895, No. 7574. He disagreed with Mr. Rees' views and, while admitting that the School as an upper secondary ~~one~~ institution had not been a success, urged that it should be given a further trial and that a liberal policy was essential to secure ultimate success. The Trustees met to consider this letter and resolved to accept Dr. Duncan's views and to continue the school on its existing basis.

7. The previous history of the institution closes with G. O. dated 21st January 1897 No. 78 M. wherein occurs the following passage:—

"It is observed that the "net cost to the Municipality "of maintaining the School in question in

"in 1895/96 was considerably higher "than it was in 1888, when the Muni-"cipal Council took over the "management of the institution. "Some additional establishment having "been recently entertained, there will "be a further increase in expenditure "in the current & ensuing years. The "State of Municipal finances is now "anything but satisfactory. In view "therefore of this fact & of the increasing "demands on the Council's resources, "it does not appear expedient that "any considerable portion of its revenue "should be spent on the upkeep "of the institution. The Municipal "Council is accordingly requested "to consider the desirability of "disconnecting itself from the School "if it does not become self-supporting "or nearly so by the end of December "1898, when the Director of Public "Instruction will submit a report "on the subject."

8. The whole question of the Constitution of the School has recently been under the Consid[illegible] of the Trustees and of the [illegible]

and Copies of the Resolutions of those bodies are enclosed.*

* Proceedings dated 8th & 9th Aug 98 of the Trustees. Do dated 7 Octr 98 Do Do. Resolution dated 10 May 98 of the Municipal Council.

It is not necessary now to consider whether the raising of the school to the upper Secondary Grade was opposed to the intentions of the founders of the institution. That step was taken several years ago and it is too late to question it now. It is however a subject for consideration whether the retention of the School as an U. S. institution is expedient on other grounds and this is a matter which has been discussed among the Trustees & in the Municipal Council. There is a general consensus of opinion that the school has been unsuccessful as an upper Secondary institution & the table appended to this letter justifies this view, for it shows that not a single boy passed the Matriculation Examination of 1894, 1895, 1896 & 1897 & that only

5 boys appeared for this examination in those years. In view of these figures the Trustees consider that some radical change is essential & that either the School should be reduced to the Lower Secondary Grade or the instruction imparted should be so improved in quality as to justify the retention of the institution on its present basis.

After considerable discussion the Trustees have resolved with the permission of Government to adopt the latter course.

G.O. No 230. Edl. 5-4-98. O.

Government has recently suggested that the Trustees should arrange for the opening of a boarding house in connection with the School & has guaranteed to meet the cost of the experiment up to a sum of Rs 200 per mensem (G. O dated 5th April 1898 No 230 Educational).

only for one year. M.t

The Trustees concurring with Government that this scheme will not improbably enhance the popularity of the School, have made the necessary arrangements for arrangements by renting as a temporary measure the house known as 'Lambs Knowe' at a monthly rental of Rs 80 & boarders will be received there* with effect from the beginning of the January term. I understand that, at the outset about 5 boarders are expected. Further it has been resolved to raise the pay of the Head master from Rs 300 to Rupees 350. Mr Hodgson, the present Head master, was appointed in 1896. He holds 2nd Class Classical Honours of the University of Cambridge. It was not without considerable hesitation that the Trustees consented to support the Head master's application for enhanced pay in view of the highly unsatisfactory results at the Matriculation Examination. It appears, however, that the principal cause of failure at that examination was want of proper instruction in Mathematics & Science, subjects which Mr Hodgson es not profess to be able to teach.

* When Belm is vacated in the course of a few months the boarding house is to be moved thither. The rent of Belmont is Rs 150 *per mensem*, but th negotiations are not quite complete.

The unsatisfactory results obtained cannot therefore be attributed altogether to him. Moreover, the Trustees feared that, if Mr Hodgson's application were rejected, he would resign & that his resignation, before the boarding house arrangements had been firmly established, would be likely to be disastrous to that scheme for developing the school. Another consideration which weighed with the Trustees was the fact that the Head Master's duties & responsibilities would be largely increased in consequence of his undertaking the charge of boarders. It should be mentioned too that the strength of the School during Mr Hodgson's tenure of office has been higher than in the years immediately preceding. A more important change proposed by the Trustees is the entertainment of an English Science Graduate on Rs 200 *per mensem*. It is believed that a competent man might be found to take up the appointment for a few years in which time the success or otherwise of the new arrangements would be demonstrated. Should the school hereafter show no marked improvement, the new appointment could be abolished and it would then have to be considered whether Mr. Hodson should be retained as Head master or whether the post should be bestowed on the Science Master. In saying this, the Trustees make no personal reflection upon Mr. Hodson, but merely wish to place on record their opinion that it was a mistake to appoint a Classical Graduate to be Head master of a School of this description. As an alternative and perhaps a better alternative, to the appointment of a Science Graduate, it has been proposed that a trained Board School master should be procured from England. A competent Mathematician of this class should

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be readily procurable for Rs 200 whereas the Trustees are doubtful whether a Graduate could be procured on that pay unless he were also given free quarters. In any case a sum of £50 or thereabouts would have to be given as passage money to the person selected. This sum might be available from savings if the new master were not appointed at the commencement of 1899–1900. The Trustees intend also to secure the part-time services of a Drawing master at a small cost, but as yet no definite arrangements have been made on this subject.

9. It has now to be considered how the cost of the new arrangements is to be met.

It is proposed to save 100 Rs *per mensem* by abolishing the post of 1st Assistant. This step will (if no drawing master is appointed or if the new Science Master can teach drawing) leave an additional monthly charge of Rs 150 to be provided for. Half this charge will fall

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on Government in the form of Salary grants. The rest will be met by an enhanced grant from Municipal funds.

The anticipated receipts & charges of 1899/1900 are set out below:—

Receipts		Charges	
Fees	Rs 2600	Teaching staff	Rs 9540
Salary grants	Rs 4770	Writer	180
Cadet grants	Rs 50	Peon	120
Endowment	Rs 840	Watchman	96
Municipal grant	Rs 2000	Rates	124
		Contingencies & furniture	Rs 200
Total	Rs 10260	Total	10,260

The charges, however, provide for twelve months' salary to the Head master & Science Master or Board School teacher, whereas if the proposed arrangements come into force from the 1st April 1899, the Salary of the Science master or Board School teacher & the increase of pay to the Hd master will be payable for 11 months only. It is also improbable that a Science master or Board School teacher will have been procured by the 1st April. The charges for 1899–1900 are therefore likely

likely to be lower than the figure [illegible] above. On the other hand, as pointe [illegible] above, provision ought to be made [illegible] the charge side for the passage money [illegible] man procured from England. This c [illegible] can probably be met from Savings [illegible] Salaries as indicated above. With regar [illegible] the Municipal contribution, the Municip [illegible] has made it clear that Rs 2000/- is a maximum & has asked the Trustees to move Government to agree to make good any excess of expenditure over receipts should the aforesaid contribution of Rs 2000 prove insufficient to cover this excess. The Trustees hope that the Municipal contribution will prove sufficient in 1899–1900, but should there be any excess of expenditure it will be small and it is trusted that Government will agree to defray it. In this connection it is observed that there seems to have been some misapprehension on the part of Government when G.O dated 18th October 1898. No 1145 & G.O dated 21st January 1897. No 73, M. were passed. The exact cost of the school to the Municipality in 1887/1888 is not clearly ascertainable from the Municipal accounts but it was apparently not only Rs 133 as Government thought. That sum apparently represented the excess of

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Sum of Rs 133 excludes grant of Rs 600 paid from Mul. Funds. Vide the note for orders in G.O. No 73 M / 21–1–97 N.

on charges after allowing for certain municipal grants. The Municipal accounts show the cost of the school to the Municipality in 1887/1888 as Rs 600, while the Inspectors' reports put it at Rs 1200 (the difference cannot be reconciled). I append a table (Statement 7) showing the Municipal contributions since 1887/1888 prior to which year the Municipality seems to have made an annual allotment of Rs 600 to the School in addition to paying it an equal sum for the use of a room. It will be seen that the annual contributions since 1887/1888 have fluctuated considerably in amount. The average contribution during the last eleven years has been Rs 998, but in 1897/98, the cost to the Municipality was Rs 1675 & in five other years it has been over Rs 1100. The contribution which the Council has now promised to provide as a maximum is considerably in excess of any contribution heretofore made, but if the school prospers, there will be no occasion to draw so largely upon the Municipal resources

viz: Rs 2300

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and it is well understood th[illegible] Municipality is binding itself to provide the promised amo[illegible] for a few years only, that is un[illegible] it is seen whether the new scheme is a success. The Trustees, therefore, earnestly hope that Government will permit the allotment of Rs 2000 on account of the school to remain part of the Municipal budget for 1899-1900. The Trustees have recently doubled the fees payable by Mahammadan pupils (G.O dated 5th April 1898 No. 230 Educational), but no increase in fee-receipts has been budgeted for on this account, as some of the Mahommadan pupils are likely to be withdrawn as a consequence. The Trustees also considered the question of a general increase of fees, but resolved to defer the change until the results of the reorganization are ascertainable. Another reason for not raising the fees generally is the fact that such a step would tend to exclude the very class for whom the School was founded.

10. The Trustees invite the attention of Government to the expression of opinion as to the management of the school which the Municipal Council has recorded. With the opinion I am personally in full accord as I consider that the welfare of the school will be furthered by entrusting the immediate management (financial control resting with the Municipality) to a larger & more representative body. Such a step is likely, I think to result in closer & more efficient management and to evoke a general interest in the institution. The Trust deed contemplates such delegation on the part of the Trustees and I therefore propose that they should entrust the management to a Committee composed of the Trustees, of two Municipal Councillors elected by the Municipal Council and of three members of the general public appointed by Government. My views on this subject are not,

however,

however, shared by the other Trustees who incline to concur with the opinions expressed by the Chaplain in the following note:—

"I doubt the practical use
"of entrusting the management of the
"School to a larger body. The welfare
"of the school really depends on the
"Head Master, the present Trustees
"ought to be able to decide whether
"the Head Master is doing his duty
"satisfactorily or not & if he is not
"they should dispense with his services,
"the Head master must be given
"a free hand & I fear that a
"larger Committee of management
"which might be composed of members
"with no experience in schools might
"only hamper the work of the School"

11. The Trustees desire finally to express the opinion that, if the results of the new scheme prove, after a few years' experience, to be unsuccessful, the Upper Secondary Department should be abolished as it will then be plain

that there is not sufficient demand at Ootacamund for Upper Secondary Education to justify the retention of an expensive High School at a considerable cost to public revenues. The Trustees hope, however, that the changes now proposed will have the effect of rendering the school self-supporting in a few years, and of indirectly benefiting the station by attracting hither parents who desire to take advantage of the institution.

Should Government be unable to assent to the proposed improvement of the school, it is the opinion of the Trustees that the Upper Secondary Department should be abolished as soon as possible & the establishment reduced, as the School as an upper secondary institution will clearly not flourish on its present basis.

12. Appended will be found tables relating to attendance,

Staff

staff, classes, examinations, income, holidays, fees & Municipal contributions.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

J. G. Rolt
For Collector & Chairman in charge
Breeks' Memorial School
Committee.

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Local & Munl. (189) Department.

D.O. No. 15 M

Order

From
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No.

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SUBJECT

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

D. O.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, 8 June 1899.

My dear Hannick

Your D.O. No. 17 dated 29th ult.

I wrote to Mr. Payne asking whether he was sufficiently acquainted with science and ~~mathematics~~ mathematics for the Breeks school. He is well enough up in mathematics, but science he has not studied at all.

Herewith submitted.
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22/6/99

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT JUN 1899 LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Subject — Reorganization of the Breeks' Memorial School, Ootacamund.

H.M. & Hl.

FOR ORDERS:-

In para. 3 of its Proceedings, No. 73 M., dated 21st January 1897, the Government, while observing that the net cost to the Municipality of maintaining the Breeks' Memorial School in 1895-96 was considerably higher than it was in 1888, when the Municipal Council took over the management of the institution, stated that as some additional establishment had then been entertained, there would be a further increase in expenditure in 1896-97 and 1897-98, and that in view of the unsatisfactory state of the municipal finances and of the increasing demands on the Council's resources, it did not appear expedient that any considerable portion of its revenue should be spent on the up-keep of the institution. The Government accordingly called upon the Municipal Council to consider the desirability of disconnecting itself from the

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Vide the concluding portion of para. 3 of G.O. No. 73 M 21-1-97 N.

the school, if it did not become self-supporting or nearly so, by the end of December 1898, when the Director of Public Instruction was directed to report on the subject.

2. In submitting his remarks on the budget estimate of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1899-1900, the Director of Public Instruction, while referring to the G.O. above quoted, observed that the Council had allotted an additional sum of Rs.2,000 on account of the school and proposed to continue it year by year "instead of the existing arrangement of defraying all expenditure in excess of the receipts", that he was not quite sure what the exact intention of the Council was, but as the Chairman said that the trustees of the school were addressing Govt specially on the subject, he recommended that the figures entered by the Chairman might be allowed to stand, pending the decision that might be arrived at on the subject. The Director further stated that he was also referring the question to the trustees of the Breeks' Memorial School and that on hearing from them, he would address Government.

Vide para. 2 of his letter in G.O. No. 450 M / 29-3-99 K.

3. With his letter read above, the Director forwards with his remarks, a communication from the Collector and Chairman of the Breeks' Memorial School Committee, requesting the sanction of Government to certain proposals made by the Committee for the improvement of the school. The

Letter No 44/99 d 13-1-99. A.

Committee's

Committee's proposals are:-

(1) that the school should be continued as an Upper Secondary school;

(2) that the head-master's pay should be raised from Rs.300 to Rs.350;

(3) that an English Science graduate or a trained Board School-master from England should be appointed on a salary of Rs.200 per mensem; and

(4) that the post of the 1st assistant master on Rs.100 should be abolished.

4. With regard to the first of these proposals, the Collector states that there is a general consensus of opinion that the school has been unsuccessful as an Upper Secondary institution, that this opinion is justified by the unsatisfactory results obtained at the Matriculation Examination, not a single boy having passed this examination in the years 1894 to 1897 and that the trustees therefore consider it essential to effect some radical change in the institution either by reducing the school to the Lower Secondary grade or by improving the quality of the instruction imparted so as to justify the retention of the institution on its present basis. A boarding house has been started in connection with the school, as suggested by Government in its Order, No.230, Educational, dated 5th April 1898 and

One boy appears to have passed at the last examination.
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and as the trustees believe that this measure will not improbably enhance the popularity of the school, they have resolved to retain the school as an Upper Secondary institution and to effect the changes contemplated in proposals 2 to 4 above referred to. The Director recommends the continuance of the institution as an Upper Secondary school on the ground that the establishment of the boarding house will render the institution more attractive and also supports the proposed increase in the salary of the head-master from Rs.300 to Rs.350 and the entertainment of a European Assistant on Rs.200 - Vide paras 2 and 3 of his letter. The abolition of the post of the first assistant master is proposed in order to meet a portion of the extra cost which this arrangement would involve. The Director further recommends that these proposals may be sanctioned tentatively for five years and that if after five years' experience, it is found that the new scheme has not worked successfully, the Upper Secondary Department, may ~~will~~ be closed.

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Vide para. 6 of his letter.

5. The financial effect of these proposals is a net increase of Rs.150 ⊗ in the monthly ~~annual~~ expenditure on the school. A moiety of this sum is expected from Provincial funds as salary grant and the balance, namely, Rs.75, will have to be met from the Municipal funds. In its resolution, No.4629, dated 10th December 1898, the Municipal

Council

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Present scale		Proposed scale	
Hd. master	300	Hd. master	350
1st. Asstt.	100	Science master	300
	400		550.

net increase Rs 150.

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Nothing is said about the rent of the Boarding House wh. Govt. has guaranteed up to the sum of Rs 2400 [illegible] The Collr. p. 11 of his letter

Council of Ootacamund states that it will provide Rs.2,000 on account of this school in the budget estimate for 1899-1900 and the ensuing years, on the distinct understanding, that any portion of this provision which is not actually required will lapse to the Council and that nothing in excess of this figure will be paid in any year, and it suggests that this arrangement should be reported to Government, that Government should be moved to guarantee any deficit ~~in~~ which the municipal contribution may not cover and that the management of the school should be placed on a more satisfactory basis, by the formation of a committee consisting of the present Trustees and certain members of the Municipal Council and of the general public.

Vide para. 9 of his letter.

6. The Collector points out that the amount which the Council has now promised to provide annually as a maximum is considerably in excess of any contribution hitherto ⊗ paid by it, that, if the school prospers, there will be no occasion to draw so largely upon the municipal resources and that the Municipality has bound itself to pay the promised amount for a few years only, that is, until it is seen whether the new scheme is a success; and he states that the trustees earnestly hope that the Government will pass the allotment of Rs.2,000 made in the budget for 1899-1900, on account of this school.

⊗ Vide the Statement flagged V.

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Vide para. 4 of the D.P.I.'s letter. B.

The Director however observes that it is doubtful whether the funds at the disposal of the Educational Department will permit of his acceding to the Council's (committee's) request, that any deficit which is not covered by the Municipal contribution should be met from Provincial funds, and that in any case the Government should not accept an indefinite responsibility and he recommends that the Government guarantee only Rs.75 a month which is the net increase. If this recommendation is accepted, the whole of the extra cost on account of the proposed changes in the establishments will be met from Provincial Funds and the allotment of Rs.2,000 which the Council has annually undertaken to make for this school will be quite sufficient to meet the cost of the institution. But, if, as is apparent from para.10 of the Collector's letter, the financial control of the school continues to rest with the Municipality the Council's resolution of the 10th December 1898, that it will not allot anything more than Rs.2,000 from its funds for this institution, will be meaningless, for then, it will have to meet the whole of the net cost on its account as the Government guarantees to pay only Rs.75 a month to meet the extra expenditure. Before therefore passing final orders in this matter it seems to be desirable to ask the Municipal Council whether it is prepared to continue to manage the school under the altered circumstances above referred to.

C.

P. What no doubt will happen is that if the expenditure exceeds R2000 - The Municipality will ask for a contribution or close the Upper Secondary school. Giving notice to Mr. Hodgson.

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Submitted that no reference is necessary to the Council - If Govt is ready to guarantee the whole ~~pay~~ increased expenditure on salary viz. R150 a month for five years - the Municipal contribution of R2000 - will be ample.

Vide the concluding portion of the Council's resolution flagged P.

7. With regard to the Council's suggestion regarding the appointment of a larger Committee for managing the school, the Director of Public Instruction observes as follows:-

" Personally the Chairman of "the committee (Collector) is strongly in "favour of the suggestion; but his views "do not seem to be shared by the other trustees "who concur with the chaplain in thinking "that a large committee ~~would~~ will only hamper "the work of the school. There is no doubt "some force in the objection, but I am in- "clined to agree with the Chairman and the "Municipal Council. With a large commit- "tee, there will be greater public interest "taken in the welfare of the school and in "a town like Ootacamund, I think the addi- "tional members are not likely to interfere "injuriously". The trustees may be asked to reconsider the matter in the light of the Director's remarks.

Vide para. 5 of his letter.

A larger Committee is probably advisable - If Govt nominate 3 members, & the Municipality elect 3 or two - the additional members are not likely to hamper the Hd. Master, as the Chaplain fears - It is possible that the school or, at least the opportunities afforded by the school, are not sufficiently known & a larger Committee may help matters

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Govt has hitherto contributed about R3000 a ~~months~~ year. If the new scheme is sanctioned the additional expense will be R1800 a year. [R150 × 12] In any case under grant in aid code the Govt will contribute R900 - of this - The increased grant of R2000 budgetted for by the Municipality will mean apparently about Rs 800 of the remaining R900 - as hitherto the Municipal expenditure is about R1500 - So that if governmt

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promises to contribute the excess cost of the new arrangements - over & above the Rs 2000 contributed by the municipality, the probability is that Govt will have to pay about R400 to R800:

If however the D.P.I's proposal that the whole additional expenditure of Rs 1800 - be met from Provincial funds - the municipality will not probably spend the R2000 they have allotted - or if they do spend it, they will spend the sum on books, School fittings etc -

It is to be noted that Sir H. Bliss' idea of warning the council not to spend so much on the school results in a proposal to spend considerably more than hitherto has been the case -

Considering the value of the school to the Eurasians, ~~as~~ that it is now the only Upper Secondary school in the place, that the new Boarding house has just been started, it seems advisable to secure that the school be improved & continued for at least another five years. as the D.P.I. proposes. If it then is proved a failure it may be closed as an upper Secondary school -

HA 15 v. 99

B.

I think this course should be adopted.

With regard to the increase in the Head Master's salary on account of the boarding house it should be deferred until the D.P.I can inform Govt that ~~it~~ the boarding house is being satisfactorily worked by Mr. Hodgson, the Hd Master.

The Colr. has apparently misread G.O. No. 230 dy 5.4.98 which sanctions a lump sum of Rs 2400 for one year as rent of the boarding-house, & not a general guarantee of Rs 200 a month to be indefinitely.

I agree with the Colr. that an increase of the committee as proposed may be of benefit to the school & is not likely to hamper the Hd master. A more general & diffused interest in the institution is desirable.

As regards the science and mathematical master there is knocking about somewhere in the Presy a Mr Payne, till lately tutor to the Raja of Bobbili's son. He is I believe graduate of an English nivy. but whether in Maths not I cannot say. f he is he might suit the ustees or they might like give him a trial. The ecy. can probably find out hat he is now doing & his ualifns. & ~~[illegible]~~ if the latter are suitable let the Trustees know about him do.

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The draft has been checked and found to be all right, but an addn similar to that shown in pencil at the end of para 5 seems to be necessary as otherwise no orders will have been passed on proposal (c) made by the Committee. The addn suggested above is submitted for approval together with fair copies of the G.O. for the Secretary's signature. They may be despatched from Ooty as soon as the fair copies are signed by the Secretary. The D.O. has been despatched to Dr Duncan.

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Educational Depart

No. 17

Government of Madras.

Ootacamund

29-v-1899.

My dear Duncan.

In connection with the reorganization of the Breeks School - Ootacamund - a G.O. is issuing authorising the changes proposed. With reference to the new Science & Mathematical master proposed on a salary of Rs 200 *per mensem*, there is a Mr. Payne, who lately was tutor to the son of the Bobbili rajah. He is,

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-tics or not I do not know. If he is a
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-ment thinks that he might possibly
do for the post and the trustees of the
school should know about him. Can
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Mr. Payne and will you kindly - if he
is a Mathematical or Science man -
bring his name to the notice of
the trustees if they care to

appoint him?

Yours
sincerely
(Sd) M. Hammick.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. 189 .
Again G.O., No. 189 .
Current No. , dated , from
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For H.E.

ORDER. No. 805 Mis. 8/6/99

This order has been drafted on the orders passed by the Hon'ble Mr Arundel — The draft is submitted for His Excellency's orders.

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A.G.K.
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The Director of P. Ins. submits certain proposals from the Committee of the Breeks Memorial School (~~Committee~~ Ootacamund); these proposals are :—

(a) that the school sh. be continued as an Upper Secondary School.

(b) that the Hd. Master's salary sh. be raised to Rs. 350 — per mensem.

(c) that an English Science graduate or a trained Board School master from England should be appointed on a salary of Rs 200 per mensem in lieu of the present 1st assistant teacher on Rs 100

(2) In G.O. No 73 M. d 21. i. 97 the Government called upon the Municipal Council — Ootacamund, to consider the desirability of disconnecting itself from the school, if it did not become self supporting or nearly so by

the close of 1898. Matters have however altered since the issue of this order, owing to the institution of a Boarding house in connection with the school, which will probably enhance the popularity of the school as an Upper Secondary institution. It now appears that the Municipal Council have allotted a fixed sum of R 2000 on account of the school and propose to continue that sum year by year instead of the existing arrangement of defraying all expenditure in excess of the receipts. The arrangement is apparently intended to continue until results show whether the new scheme proves a success.

3. The Acting Dir of P. I. observes that it is doubtful whether the funds at the disposal of the Educational Dept will permit of his acceding to the request of the Council, that ~~he shd~~ any deficit which is not covered by the Municipal Contribution shd be met from Provincial funds, & he recommends that Government shd guarantee R 75 per mensem which is the net increase in expenditure under the new scheme. The Director recommends that on this understanding

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the proposals of the Committee shd be sanctioned as an experiment for five years.

4. The Government has hitherto contributed about R 2000 a year to the Breeks School, the contribution taking the form of a salary grant. Under the new scheme the total ~~and~~ additional expenditure will be R 1800 a year, half of which in any case the Government will contribute under the grant in aid Code. Perhaps the increased grant from Municipal funds will be sufficient to meet about R 500 of the remaining R 900. Under these circumstances, His Ex the G. in C. is prepared to contribute from Provl. funds the excess cost of the new arrangements, over and above the R 2000 contributed by the Municipality.

This contribution will be continued until it is clear whether or not the new arrangements will have the desired effect in increasing the efficiency and popularity of the school.

5. With regard to the increase in the Hd. Master's salary on account of his additional responsibilities in ~~regard~~ connection

~~As~~ With the Boarding house, the Govt will not pass orders on the matter ~~Consider that it should be deferred~~ until the D.P.I. ~~Con~~ ~~inform~~ ~~Govt~~ reports in that ~~that~~ the Boarding House is being satisfactorily worked by Mr Hodgson. This report will be awaited before final orders are issued on the point.

The proposed Entertainment of an English Graduate in Science & Mathematics on a salary of Rs 200, in lieu of the present 1st Assistant Master on Rs 100 is sanctioned.

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6 Mr. Butterworth apparently misunderstood (the order — G.O. No 230 Edl d/ 5. iv. 98 (—) which sanctioned a lump sum of R 2400. for one year as rent of the Boarding house. That order did not convey any general guarantee of Rs 200 per mensem in deficiency.

7. This Ex. Govt in Council agrees with the Collector that an increase in the numbers of the School Committee would be of benefit to the school. It is probably true that with a larger Committee there will be a greater public interest taken in the welfare of the school. This is very desirable,

unless the guarantee is permanent.

And the Dir of P.I. is requested to make definite proposals upon the subject, after consulting the Collector and the existing School trustees.

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