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No. 9. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated 2nd March 1857, No. 104.

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Para. 3.

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36 Kneeling Stools.
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(True Extract and Copies.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
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Ecclesiastical Department

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Madras 9th February 1837

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= Chief Engineer's Acquiescence. Church Estimate to the extent of 35 Rs. subject to the confirmation of the Govt. of India.

Public Works
No 410
12 March 1857

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Fort St. George
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