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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
23rd March 1864.*

No. 512. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Ecclesiastical Department:—

Promising to consider, after the receipt of an application in the prescribed form, the expediency of making provision in the Budget of 1865-66, for a grant-in-aid of the erection of a new Church at Bangalore. } (Here enter 10th March 1864, No. 60.)

No. 513. ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1864, No. 861.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, with reference to his letter of the 23rd October 1863, No. 1,134.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.
,, Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Read the following papers:—

No. 7. Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department.

Communicate papers relative to the improvement to Saint Mark's Church at Bangalore. } (Dated 30th October 1863, No. 3164.)
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No. 8. From the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras; to His Excellency the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Bombay, 1st December 1863.

For some time past a need has been felt at Bangalore of more Church accommodation; and a considerable sum was raised last year towards the erection of a Church in the portion of the Cantonment called Shoolay.

2. The need of this new Church has been recently rendered the more pressing owing to the abandonment on the part of the Government of the proposed enlargement of Saint Mark's Church.

3. I beg to lay before your Excellency in Council, for the favorable consideration of Government, the accompanying letter and papers which I have received from the Church Building Committee at Bangalore.

(Signed) F. MADRAS.

From the Shoolay Church and School Building General Committee; to the Right Reverend F. GELL, D. D., Lord Bishop of Madras, dated Bangalore, 21st November 1863.

By a Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Shoolay Church and School Building General Committee, held on the 12th instant, we have been requested to communicate with your Lordship, begging the favor of your opinion and advice regarding the erection of the proposed new Church for the District at Shoolay.

2. Upon receipt of the designs for the Church, which your Lordship was good enough to procure for the Committee from England, and which have been very generally approved of, it was determined at a General Meeting, held on the 9th of October, to refer the same for consideration to a Sub-Committee, with a view to their obtaining, for submission to the General Committee, an approximate estimate of the probable cost of erecting a Church at Bangalore of the dimensions shown in the English plans. As these dimensions, it was found, were barely sufficient to afford accommodation (according to the standard requirements of space in an Indian Church) for 400 sittings, it was determined by a Resolution of the Committee to reduce the number of sittings which the proposed Church was to be made capable of containing from 500, as originally determined upon, to 400.

3. Captain Goddard, the Executive Engineer of Bangalore, having intimated his inability to prepare the required estimates within anything like a reasonable period, owing to the excessive pressure of his other more emergent official duties, the Committee thankfully accepted the offer of Colonel Carpendale, Officiating Chief Engineer of the Mysore Government, to superintend the preparation in his own office of approximate estimates of the cost of erecting the new Church at Shoolay in accordance with the above plans.

4. We annex for your Lordship's perusal and information copies of the proceedings of the several Meetings of the Committee which have been held during the past and present month, as also a copy of the rough approximate estimate which has been drawn up by Colonel Carpendale, and which shows that at the lowest computation the proposed Church at Shoolay cannot be constructed, in conformity with the English designs, for a sum less in round numbers than Rupees 26,000, inclusive of the interior fittings.

5. The estimate which Colonel Carpendale has been good enough to prepare is merely a rough and approximate one, in which he has provided for the work being carried out in the simplest and most inexpensive style. It is probable that if a fully detailed and accurate estimate be prepared, the total cost of erecting the edifice will be found to be considerably in excess of the amount above stated, but Colonel Carpendale is of opinion that the proposed Church might and ought to be constructed of the very best materials and workmanship, with stone or iron mullions to the windows, and with glazed doors and venetians, and inclusive of the spire, porch, &c., for Rupees 35,000. As Colonel Carpendale has now left this station to take up his new appointment as Mint Master at

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Madras, he will be able, if called upon, to give your Lordship the benefit of his professional opinion on the subject, as well as the fullest information in regard to the proposed details of construction of the new Church.

6. The amount which has been already subscribed or promised towards the erection of the Shoolay Church, independently of Rupees 1089 subscribed for the new School buildings, which it is proposed to erect in connection therewith, does not at present exceed Rupees 3759. This amount, it is understood, will be further supplemented by a grant of Rupees 3000 from the Church Building Society, making a total of Rupees 6759; and it is possible that an additional grant of Rupees 1000 more or less may be obtained from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. In addition to the above, it is highly probable that a further considerable sum may be hereafter obtained from local subscriptions, when the foundation stone of the edifice shall have been duly laid, and an interest in the undertaking re-awakened by the prospect of its being brought to an early and successful termination.

7. The Committee feel, however, that the means which are likely to be at their command either from local voluntary subscriptions or from other independent sources, such as have been above indicated, will prove perfectly inadequate to enable them to undertake the erection of the proposed Church at Shoolay upon the plans made over to them by your Lordship, unless the Government will be prepared to aid the work with a very liberal grant.

8. It is under these circumstances that we have been requested to solicit the favor of your Lordship's submitting for the favorable consideration of Government (in the event of your concurring in the views of the Committee), the following definite proposition, which has for its object the providing, at a comparatively small cost, of additional Church accommodation at this station, to meet the pressing and rapidly increasing requirements, not only of the community residing within the District of Shoolay and its immediate neighbourhood (the greater proportion of whom are pensioners, and have therefore a special claim upon the Government), but also both directly and indirectly of the troops and their families.

9. The proposition, as embodied in the first Resolution passed at the late Meeting, runs as follows:—

"That as the Madras Government have already sanctioned an expenditure of Rupees 25,000 in providing additional Church accommodation at Bangalore by enlarging Saint Mark's Church by 250 sittings, the Bishop be requested to move the Government to transfer the same sanction towards building an additional Church, on the plans received from England, which will provide 450 sittings, and the estimate of which is Rupees 35,000. Further, that the Government be solicited to allow the item to appear in the ensuing Budget, with an assignment of Rupees 15,000 for the year, on the understanding that the remaining 10,000 Rupees out of the estimated cost of Rupees 35,000 shall be provided by private subscriptions, and that complete plans and estimates shall be before Government by the 15th of January next."

10. In commending the above proposition to your Lordship's favorable consideration, and to that of Government, we deem it right to state that the Committee have been led to adopt the above Resolution unanimously, in consequence of there appearing to be no immediate probability of the proposed alterations and additions to the Parish Church of Saint Mark's being carried out, and the difficulty which is undoubtedly experienced in preparing any satisfactory plan of enlarging the present building, and at the same time improving, from an Ecclesiastical point of view, its architectural appearance. It is this difficulty which has mainly retarded and delayed the accomplishment of the above important work for several years past, and it is now, we believe, admitted on all sides that if the requirements of critical taste in Ecclesiastical architecture must be implicitly obeyed, it will be necessary to demolish the present Church of Saint Mark's and to build an entirely new Church, in a good style of Gothic or other Ecclesiastical architecture, on its site. That this will eventually be accomplished we have every reason to hope, but there is certainly no great probability of such an undertaking being carried out for several years to come.

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11. Without therefore prejudicing any project which may hereafter, at some distant date, be submitted to the consideration of Government, for the re-construction of Saint Mark's Church, we are of opinion that the plan proposed by the Committee will be found to afford, at the least cost to Government, for the time being, the means of providing sufficient Church accommodation to meet all the requirements of the general community and of the troops at present cantoned in Bangalore, while it will have the additional advantage of specially meeting the wants of the rapidly increasing population of the immediate neighbourhood, and of affording suitable, if not sufficient Church accommodation for the troops, at any future date, when it may be found absolutely necessary to level and demolish the present Church of Saint Mark's preparatory to the erection of a more commodious and Ecclesiastical looking edifice.

12. We regret that we are unable to forward at present to your Lordship the original plans and designs of the proposed Church, as they are at present in the hands of Major Sankey, who is officiating as Chief Engineer of Mysore, and who has kindly undertaken to prepare the requisite detailed estimates of the cost of constructing the Church, with such slight alterations in the design as may serve to adapt it to the climate, for submission to the Madras Government by the 15th January next.

BANGALORE,
21st November 1863.

(Signed) A. A. SPENCER, Major General.
Commanding the Division.

(") C. B. SAUNDERS,
Judicial Commissioner.

(") S. T. PETTIGREW,
Secretary, Chaplain Saint Mark's.

(") J. GORTON,
Chaplain, Saint John's.

PROCEEDINGS of a Meeting of the Shoolay Church and School Building General Committee, held at the residence of C. B. Saunders, Esq., November 12th, 1863, at 7 o'clock.

Present.
Major General the Honorable A. A. Spencer, C. B., President.
C. B. Saunders Esq., Major Sankey,
Colonel Carpendale, Revd. S. T. Pettigrew,
Reverend P. Webber, Colonel Dobbs,
Captain Campbell,
Revd. J. Gorton,

Prayers read by Reverend J. Gorton.

Read Proceedings of the late Meeting of the Sub-Committee.

Read also the approximate estimate prepared by Colonel Carpendale.

RESOLVED.—I. That as the Madras Government have already sanctioned an expenditure of Rupees 25,000 in providing additional Church accommodation at Bangalore by enlarging St. Mark's Church by 250 sittings, the Bishop be requested to move the Government to transfer the same sanction towards building an additional Church on the plans received from England which will provide 450 sittings, and the estimated cost of which is Rupees 35,000. Further, that the Government be solicited to allow the item to appear in the ensuing Budget, with an assignment of Rupees 15,000 for the year, on the understanding that the remaining 10,000 Rupees out of the estimated cost of 35,000 shall be provided by private subscriptions, and that complete plans and detailed estimates shall be before Government by the 15th January next.

RESOLVED.—II. That the following gentlemen be requested to lay the subject before the Bishop for submission to Government, explaining that by erecting an additional Church at Shoolay, extra accommodation will be indirectly provided for the troops and their families, as it will throw open a number of sittings in St. Mark's. Moreover, that a large portion of the community at Shoolay are pensioners who have a claim on the Government for Church accommodation:—

Major General the Honorable A. A. Spencer, C. B.
C. B. Saunders, Esq.,
Revd. J. Gorton,
Revd. S. T. Pettigrew.

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RESOLVED.—III. That the sum of Rupees 200 be placed at the disposal of Major Sankey for the preparation of detailed estimates, plans, and drawings.

That the Secretary be requested to hand over that sum to Major Sankey.

PROCEEDINGS of a Meeting of the Shoolay Church and School Building Sub-Committee, held at Hopeville at 7 A. M., November 9th, 1863.

Present.

C. B. Saunders, Esq.,
Colonel Carpendale,
Major Sankey,
Rev. S. T. Pettigrew,
Rev. J. Gorton.

Read proceedings of the Meeting of General Committee.

RESOLVED.—That in compliance with the resolution of the General Committee, the approximate estimate prepared by Colonel Carpendale, amounting to Rupees 25,877, having been taken into consideration by the Sub-Committee, they are of opinion that there should be a Meeting of the General Committee to decide what further steps should be taken, and that the Secretary be requested to convene a Meeting.

SHOOLAY CHURCH.

Approximate estimate, according to the drawings received from England, supposing the structure to be erected in the most economical style. No cut stone is provided, of which the drawings show a good deal. The windows estimated for are in the same style as St. Mark's Church, and the doors in character.

2. The number of seats is obtained as follows. For each person a breadth of 22½ inches is allowed, and a depth for seat and space between seats 4 feet:—

Each Transept 56; for two Transepts.....	112
Choir.....	20
Nave.....	268
Total...	400

	Quantity.	Rate.	Rupees.
Excavation.....	Cubic Feet. 23,266	0 0 0½	91
Filling.....	" 8852	0 0 1	46
Foundation stone in chunam.....	" 5312	0 1 9	581
Walls above do. do.	" 47,982	0 2 0	8998
Arch-work, brick in chunam.....	" 4426	3 0 0	1000
Flooring.....	" 12536	30 0 0	133
Covering of roof.....	" 1446	3 0 0	3750
Timber in roof, Teak.....	Cubic Feet. 834	0 3 0	4338
Iron.....	lbs. 8	50 0 0	156
Doors.....	No. 34	50 0 0	400
Windows.....	" 151	3 0 0	1700
Plastering inside, plain.....	Sqr. 121	1 8 0	453
Pointing outside.....	" 400	5 0 0	182
Spire.....	" 400	5 0 0	800
Seats.....	" 400	5 0 0	2000
Pulpit, Desk, Communion Table and Rails...	"	"	800
Bell, complete.....	"	"	400
	Rupees...	25,827	

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PROCEEDINGS of a Meeting of the Shoolay Church and School Building Committee, held at the residence of C. B. Saunders, Esq., at 7 A. M., October 9th, 1863.

Present.

Major General the Honorable A. A. Spencer, C. B. *President.*

C. B. Saunders, Esq.,
Rev. P. Webber,
Colonel Dobbs,
Major Sankey,

Captain Fitzgibbon,
Colonel Carpendale,
Rev. W. T. Trotman,
Captain Goddard,

Rev. J. Gorton.
Rev. R. Firth, M. A., Secretary.

Prayers read by Reverend J. Gorton, M. A.

RESOLVED.—I. That Colonel Carpendale, and Captain Goddard be invited to join the Committee, and that the Rev. R. Firth be appointed Secretary in succession to Rev. J. Y. Bull.

II. That two vacancies having occurred in the Sub-Committee, Captain Goddard and Mr. Firth be requested to fill the places of Colonel Miller, and Mr. Bull; and that Colonel Carpendale be requested also to join as an additional member.

III. That the Sub-Committee be requested to take the plans sent out from England into consideration, and obtain estimates of the cost for submission to the Committee.

IV. That Colonel Carpendale's offer to prepare approximate estimates be accepted with thanks; and Captain Goddard be requested to insert an application for a grant of Rupees 7500 in his Budget for submission to Government.

V. That as there is no probability of obtaining more than Rupees 15,000 for building the Church, the number of sittings be reduced from 500 to 400.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 10th March 1864, No. 60.

It is not probable that the Government will be able to make any Grant-in-aid of the erection of a new Church at Bangalore during the ensuing official year, but on receiving from the Church Building Committee an application in the prescribed form,* the Governor in Council will be prepared to consider the expediency of making provision for such a grant in the Budget for 1865-66.

* Copy annexed.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Right Reverend the Bishop, with the Form.
Public Works Department.

Ed. J. Tulloch.

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After the receipt of an address
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