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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th May 1867.*

No. 233. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Ecclesiastical Department:—

Communicating letter from the Senior Chaplain
of the Church of Scotland, and requesting the
issue of orders in the Public Works Depart-
ment for the preparation, after inspection, of
an estimate of such repairs and alterations as
may be required to St Andrew's Church at
Madras } (Here enter 1st May 1867, No. 99)

No. 234. ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1867, No. 1,407.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 28.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineer of the 4th Division for
early attention,

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Ecclesiastical Department,
1st May 1867.*

No. 5 Read the following letter from the Senior Chaplain of the Church of Scotland, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 24th April 1867, No. 18.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the dilapidated condition in which the building of Saint Andrew's Church, Madras, at present is, with the view that His Excellency may be pleased to order an inspection of the same, so that the requisite repairs may be forthwith commenced

2 I will leave it to the Inspecting Officer to specify all that must be done. I will now merely take the liberty of stating that the whole building is in a filthy state from the accumulated dust of years; that the chunam coating of the dome is falling down in large pieces, that the pulpit fittings are worn and thread-bare; that the bell is cracked and useless, and that the sittings of the Church are in many places worm-eaten and rotten, and, moreover, totally unsuited for the mode of worship which is now almost universal in the Church of Scotland

3 I have the honor to enclose a petition from a few of the influential members of the congregation, for the repairing and re-seating of the Church, which I would respectfully commend to the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

To

His EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE LORD NAPIER, K. T.,
Governor in Council.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We the undersigned Ministers, Kirk Session, and members of the congregation of Saint Andrew's Church, Madras, beg respectfully to approach your Lordship in Council with the request that you would be pleased to take into consideration the present dilapidated state of Saint Andrew's Church, with the view to the issue of orders, in the Department of Public Works, for a thorough renovation and repair of the building

2 We would, at the same time, solicit the favorable consideration of Government to the urgent necessity of the Church being re-seated, in accordance with the requirements of the modern form of worship, now in process of universal adoption by the Church. This measure is no less required for the above reason, than on the ground of safety and sanitary considerations; the present sittings, being not only worm-eaten and unsound, but consisting of enclosed pews, are utterly unsuited to the climate of this country, totally impeding, as they do, the under current of ventilation. This evil has been long felt, but we have abstained from pressing it on the notice of Government, until new sittings appeared requisite in the ordinary course of repair. We may add, as a matter of, perhaps, secondary, though not irrelevant, consideration, that the space at present allotted to each sitter is altogether too restricted for the ordinary comfort of the occupant.

With every sentiment of respect, we beg to remain, &c.
(Signed) STEWART WRIGHT,
Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland.
and thirty-eight others.

No. 6 ORDER THEREON, 1st May 1867, No 99
Communicated to the Public Works Department, where the necessary orders will be issued for the inspection of Saint Andrew's Church, with a view to the preparation of an estimate of such repairs and alterations as may be required
(True Extract).

C. J. Cunningham
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
,, Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland.

Ed. J. H. Burns

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