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THE RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD.

SIR,

CIVIL WORKS, No. 85.

I am directed by the Right Honourable the Governor in Council to forward for your information a copy of an Order in the Ecclesiastical Department of the 20th May 1867, No. 119, and, with reference to paragraph 1, to request that you will be so good as to cause this Government to

to be furnished with estimates for the works noted in the margin, which are stated to be required in connection with the Cantonment Cemetery at Secunderabad.

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No. 36. Read the following letter from the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 14th February 1867, No. 36.

I have the honor to forward reports of the Burial Grounds of Secunderabad, Bolarum, and Cuddalore, made in accordance with Rule XII of the revised Rules for Burial Grounds.

2. The Reverends C. W. Taunton and R. C. W. Raban, Joint Chaplains of Secunderabad, and the Executive Engineer, Captain Swetenham, have made several suggestions for the improvement of the Burial Ground at that large and important station, which have been submitted to Government through the Public Works Department, and which I hope may be sanctioned.

3. They also represent the need of two extra servants, namely a Chowkedar and Mali.

4. The Reverend Mr. Raban, the Chaplain in charge of Bolarum (an out-station of Secunderabad) and Captain Swetenham, Executive Engineer, represent that the Bolarum Cemetery is, on the whole, in good order, but apply for two servants. Such a moderate establishment would seem to be a necessity in a place where there is a handsome Church and Cemetery.

5. The Reverend Mr. Trotman makes several suggestions for the improvement of the Burial Ground at Cuddalore, and represents the need of a room or vestry, usual in Cemeteries detached from Churches. I trust the Executive Engineer may be allowed to prepare an estimate of the cost of such a building.

From the Reverend C. W. S. TAUNTON, Joint Chaplain of Secunderabad, to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras; dated Secunderabad, 21st December 1866.

I have the honor of sending, herewith, a report of an inspection of the larger Cemetery at this station, made by the Chaplains and the Executive Engineer.

2. As you will see, the state of this Cemetery is not at all satisfactory, and a good deal is required to be done. I hope our suggestions may be listened to by Government. Will you kindly use your best influence in the matter, as I think it is very important that Cemeteries in this country, and especially in military stations, should be kept in decent order?

REPORT.

On Thursday, 6th December, the Revd. C. W. S. Taunton and the Revd. R. C. W. Raban, in company with the Executive Engineer, inspected the Cantonment Cemetery.

2. The drainage being found to be very defective, we recommend that drains be constructed, so as to convey off the water accumulating outside the Cemetery wall from the parade ground.

3. The paths require in many places to be raised, as they are under water after heavy rain.

4. The walls enclosing the Cemetery should either be raised or covered on top with glass, as, at present, they are not a sufficient obstacle to prevent men and wild animals from entering the Cemetery.

5. It is most strongly recommended that a Chowkedar be employed to guard the Cemetery, as it appears that many depredations have already taken place therein: the inscription stones have been stolen from several tombs; from the iron railings round one tomb 15 uprights have been stolen; the small vestry was on one occasion broken into and a plank abstracted; mischief has been done in several cases to tombs by the workmen employed in working at new tombs; and every year grass has been stolen by men entering from the outside. The present establishment is utterly insufficient to provide for the proper protection of the Cemetery, as there are only one Sexton and three Lascars to look after the Church and three Cemeteries (one of these distant a mile and a half from the others). The work required of these men is very considerable, so much so that one (a willing man and good servant) has recently been obliged to resign on account of being unable to stand the hard work. Besides having to look after the Church and its compound, and to clean the lamps, they have to dig graves for both Episcopalians and Presbyterians, and keep the Cemeteries in good order. The Cemetery work, to be well done, is quite sufficient in itself to occupy them. Two extra men are required to take charge of the Church and its furniture, and to keep it and its surroundings in decent order.

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6. Many tombs being found to be in a hopelessly dilapidated state, orders were given to have them levelled with the ground, and for any slab they contained to be placed over the grave in simple masonry.

7. Since the rules direct the Chaplains to keep the Cemetery in decent order, and to take means to preserve its proper character, it is recommended that a Mali be employed, as it is impossible to carry out these directions in so large a Cemetery without the help of a man especially told off to the work. The Cemetery having been much neglected of late years, there is consequently much to be done to put it in decent order.

SECUNDERABAD,
14th December 1866.

(Signed) C. W. S. TAUNTON,
Joint Chaplain.

(..) R. C. W. RABAN,
Joint Chaplain.

(..) G. SWETENHAM, Capt. R. E.,
Executive Engineer.

From the Reverend C. W. S. TAUNTON, Joint Chaplain of Secunderabad, to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras; dated Secunderabad, 11th January 1867.

The estimate of the expense of building houses for the Chowkedar and Mali in the Cantonment Cemetery, of raising the wall, and executing the necessary repairs, has already been sent in for sanction through the Executive Engineer.

2. The particulars of cost are as follows:—

(1). Cemetery repairs &c., Rupees	165
(2). Do. wall raising.....	704
(3). Houses for Chowkedar and Mali ..	659
Contingencies.....	16

Grand Total...1604

Two new servants will be required, a Chowkedar and a Mali; the former at 7 Rupees per month, the latter at 6.

Half-yearly Inspection of Bolarum Cemetery within the Chaplaincy of Secunderabad.

The Reverend R. C. W. Raban, M. A., Chaplain and Minister of Bolarum, in company with Captain Swetenham, R. E., Executive Engineer, inspected the Burial Ground now in use at Bolarum on the 15th day of January of the present year.

2. The Burial Ground is in very nice order, and the tombs are in careful preservation; this is, however, due to the energy and liberality of a private individual.

3. On the northern side of the Cemetery, the wall for a few yards requires repair, as it has sustained injury in the monsoon; the expense, however, will be very trifling.

4. There being no proper Church establishment, it is exceedingly desirable that a Chowkedar be provided to watch the Church and Burial Ground (several robberies having been lately committed), at a salary of seven Rupees per month.

5. There being no Church servant to attend to the keeping up of the Burial Ground, it is exceedingly desirable that a gardener should be provided, at a salary of 6 Rupees per month.

(Signed) R. C. W. RABAN, M. A.,
*Chaplain and Minister of Bolarum,
Secunderabad.*

SECUNDERABAD,
17th January 1867.

(..) G. SWETENHAM, Captain R. E.,
Executive Engineer.

From the Reverend W. S. TROTMAN, Chaplain of Cuddalore, to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras; dated Cuddalore, 3rd January 1867.

I have the honor to inform you that, in compliance with the new rules, relating to Cemeteries, issued by Government, and dated the 29th of October, Mr. Harington, the Executive Engineer, Mr. Rice, Assistant Collector, and myself went over the Cemetery at Old Town, Cuddalore, November 26th, and, on inspection, agreed that the following steps should be represented to you, as advisable to be taken at once for the improvement of this Burial Ground:—

(1.) That, in compliance with Rule X, all the cocoanut trees should be cut down, as entirely out of place in a Burial Ground, and that the walks be put in good order. (In order to do this

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Mr. Harington has recommended that a good metal foundation be placed underneath, and gravel on the top. Hitherto, it has been impossible to keep the walks free from grass, because there is no good foundation, and the grass was able to make its way through the gravel). That, on either side of the walks, and along the wall, Cassuarina or other ornamental trees be planted, at suitable distances.

(2.) That six tombs, which are in a very dilapidated condition, be levelled with the ground, if it be found that none of the friends or relatives of those in whose memory the tombs were erected shall be willing to come forward and pay for their repair.

(3.) That a new gate be supplied by Government, the present one being very old and rickety. Mr. Harington has frequently applied for a new gate during the last few years, but hitherto it has not been sanctioned.

I also suggest the building of a small room or vestry, as at the Cemetery at Madras, which may serve as a shelter from the inclemency of the weather, and as a place where the officiating Clergyman may retire for the purpose of putting on his robes. This is the more necessary as the Burial Ground is a long way from any European house. The necessity for this last improvement is fully concurred in by the Collector.

Trusting that you will obtain an early sanction for these improvements, I have the honor to remain, &c.

No. 37.

ORDER THEREON, 20th May 1867, No. 119.

Estimates will be called for in the Public Works Department for the works indicated in the margin.

CANTONMENT CEMETERY, SECUNDERABAD.
Construction of drains.
Raising the paths.
Raising the walls or putting on glass coping.
CEMETERY, BOLARUM.
Repairing the wall.
CEMETERY, OLD TOWN, CUDDALORE.
A new gate.
A Robing Room.

2. The Governor in Council requests that the Venerable the Archdeacon will be good enough to report whether the improvements proposed to the Cemetery in the Old Town, Cuddalore, cannot be carried out by the Chaplain from funds derived from monumental fees, and from the sale of grass, as directed in the Rules relating to Burial Grounds.

3. It is represented that the number of inferior servants on the Church establishment at Secunderabad, consisting only of a sexton and three lascars, is insufficient for the proper protection of the Church and the three Cemeteries at the station, and, as frequent depredations have been committed in the Cantonment Burial Ground, it is requested that a Chowkedar and a Mali be added to the establishment.

4. A Chowkedar is, it is stated, also required to watch the Church and Burial Ground at Bolarum, and a gardener to take care of the latter. The Governor in Council sanctions, accordingly, the extra servants proposed, on the salaries indicated in the margin.

5. The additional cost will be included in the monthly Statement of Fresh Charges to be submitted to the Government of India, and their sanction to it, as a permanent charge, will be requested.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Venerable the Archdeacon.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant General.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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Public Works Department.
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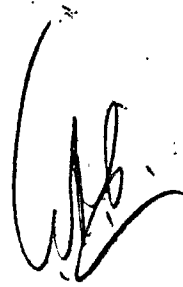
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