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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th May 1871.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 185. Endorsement of the Ecclesiastical Department.

Transfers a letter from the Right Rev Dr. Fennelly giving cover to a communication from the Rev J B Pierron intimating that private subscriptions for the re-construction of a portion of the Roman Catholic Church at Ootacamund have been already realized. (Here enter 28th April 1871.)

No. 186 From do. do.

Intimating that the Executive Engineer at Ootacamund has approved of the plan and estimate for the above work with certain modifications (Here enter 5th May 1871.)

No. 187. ORDER THEREON, 11th May 1871, No. 1,292.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 19.

As the conditions on which the Government in their Orders in the Ecclesiastical Department, No. 63, dated 29th March 1871, promised to make a grant-in-aid for the re-construction of a portion of the Roman Catholic Church at Ootacamund have been fulfilled, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to direct that the sum of Rupees 2,000 be disbursed to the Rev. J. B Pierron from the Reserve under Civil Buildings in the outgoing Provincial Budget. The Controller will arrange accordingly.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Ecclesiastical Department.
" Right Rev. Dr. S. Fennelly, Bishop and Vicar Apostolic of Madras.

Exd. C. Augustin.

I had to raise by subscriptions

From Rev. J. B. Pierron, m.a., Roman Cath. priest
at Ootacamund,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

According to Government order dated
29th March 1871, no 63, regarding the
Grant-in-Aid of Rupees 2000 graciously
granted under certain conditions towards the
reconstruction of a portion of the Roman
Cath. Church of Ootacamund, I have
the honour to forward for the information
of His Excellency the Right Honourable
the Governor in Council, a list of donations
and subscriptions showing that the first
condition required by Government has
been duly fulfilled, viz. that the sum
of Rupees (2000) two thousands which
I had to raise by subscriptions have

been actually paid.

2. That I have submitted the plan and estimate of the work to the Executive Engineer in charge of Ootacamund who came to see and inspect the work by himself and was requested by me to suggest any alteration or modification which in his opinion he might deem necessary.

I have the honour to be,

Honourable Sir,

Your most humble and obedient servant,

J. B. Pierson

Ootacamund 18th April
1871.

List of Subscriptions and Donations ^{SD} collected for the re-construction of a portion of the new Roman Cath. Church at Ootacamund.

Names of Subscribers, Donors &c.	Rs	as	p.
From 63 inhabitants of city chiefly natives	103	4	"
Collections made in the Church on Sundays	197	12	8
Funds of the Church offered by Christians	201	2	
From a friend	100		
E. Lecot Esq.	300		
G. Lecot Esq.	300		
a friend	10		
Mr. Ryan Esq.	100		
Rev. De Herissonet, Cath. Missionary	400		
The Lady Superiors of the Convent of Bangalore	50		
Rev. Garnier M. a	10		
Very Rev. De Gelas Prov. sup.	150		
Rev. J. B. Pierson, M. a.	100		
Grand Total	2022	2	8

True copy from the Subscription and Collection Books of the Cath. Church at Ootacamund

J. B. Pierson M. a.
Ootacamund 18th April
1871.

No. 5.

Catholic Cathedral Madre 7D

22^d April 1871

Is the Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort Saint George.

Sir
With reference to Proceedings of Government,
Ecclesiastical Department, dated 29th March 1871,
I have the honor to forward the enclosed
Communication from the Rev. J. B. Pierron
M. A. Roman Catholic priest at Potacamund.

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most obedient servant

+ Humally

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Annals of the Rev. J. B. Pierron

From
Rev. J. B. Pierson, M. A. Cath. priest
Potomac
To
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Honourable Sir,

2. The Executive Engineer suggests only some modifications, though not material to the stability of the work, will be, he thinks, an improvement to the Church. I shall very gladly comply with his request, and I think the estimate will suffice, even for those modifications, as many Christians will be happy to work gratuitously for their own Church.

3. I would therefore humbly request the

[illegible]

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council
to be graciously pleased to allow the Grant
in aid to be disbursed, as the conditions
required by Government have been fulfilled. If
the Church was not covered before the monsoon,
a great damage might again befall it.

I have the honour to be,

Honourable Sir,

Your most humble and obedient servant,

J. B. Perron M. A.

Ootacamund 2^d May 1871

Ecclesiastical Deptt. 71

No.

From
Rev.^d J. B. Perron
Ootacamund

To. The Chief Secy to Govt
Fort St. George.

P. 112042/71

Dated 2^d May 1871.
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Enclosure 1.

Forwards, with reference
to the Proceedings of Govt
Eccles. Deptt. No 63, Dated 29
March 71, the report of the
Executive Engineer, Ooty, re
fording the plan & estimate
of the repairs required for the
Catholic Church at that
station, and solicits that
the Govt be pleased to pass
the required grant in aid

N^o 61

Engineers Engineer's Office &
Wilmington 20th April 1871
(1)

From

Lieut J. L. Howard B. E.
Engineers Engineer's
Wilmington

To

Wm. D. J. M. Pirron M. A.
Boston Catholic Direct
Wilmington.

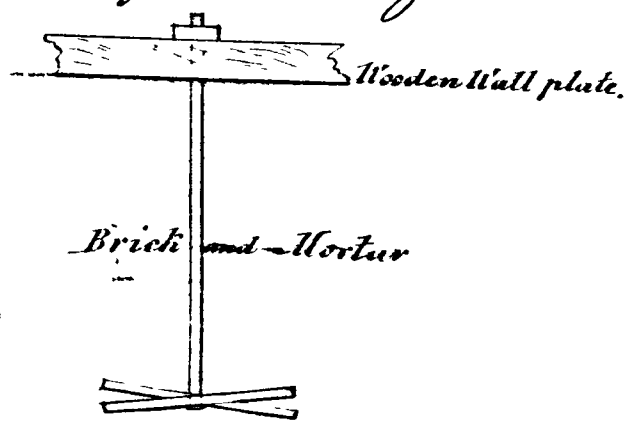
Sir

With reference to G. O. N^o 63 of the
29th of March last and the Plans
and Estimate forwarded to me by
you, I have the honor to observe
that the four brick Arches which
have been built to support the
Wooden Domes, appear to be
sufficiently strong for the purpose.
They would not bear a brick dome
but will answer for the lighter wood
- in domes now proposed -

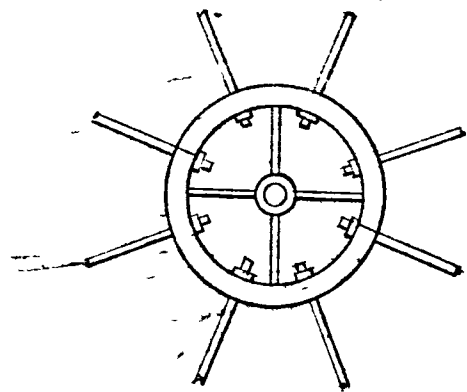
2. The Domes which I believe to be
a frame work of wood covered with iron,
needs a few improvements - 1st -
The iron clamps are made of some-
what inferior iron. They should
be 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide & thick, and placed
exactly

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Exactly in the center of the piece of wood which they connect - They ought to all be fastened with bolts & nuts instead of with screws as at present 2nd. The wooden wall plate might have been thicker & wider so as to give some weight to the lower part of the beam - It should however in any case be well bolted down into the brickwork by long bolts about 4 feet long thus -



3rd The horizontal radiating bars are placed one over the other around a perpendicular vertical bar - They ought to have been arranged in this way -



If the estimate admits of this improvement, it ought to be done.

4th To prevent the noise of falling rain on the iron, a covering of some thickness should be laid over the rafters or lathes under the iron. 5th And the surface covering of iron should be bolted down to the wooden frame. Both audibly removed.

3rd I think with these modifications &c the structure as far as stability goes will answer. Great care should, I think, be taken in all future work to have the workmanship of the best. Some of the present fittings of iron seem not so good as they ought to be.

4th To admit of the above being carried out, I have added 10 per cent to the estimate, which will otherwise suffice thus making it 5580 or say 5600 Rupees.

The Pl. & Papers you gave me are returned with thanks.

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Your most obed^t & devo^t
 servant. J. R. R.
 Executive Engineer

Catholic Cathedral Madras
4 May 1871
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To
W. Henderson Esq, Secretary & Port.
Acting Chief Secretary
Fort Saint George.

Sir, With reference to Proceedings of Government,
Ecclesiastical Deptt, No 63, dated 29 March 1871, I have
the honor to forward a further communication from
the Rev^d J. B. Piarre of Cotacaimund, with one
enclosure

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant.
- H. H. H.

For the work
have received the approval
of the Executive Engineer
at Cotacaimund.

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at Cotacaimund.

Ecclesiastical Deptt

To
Rev^d J. B. Piarre
Cotacaimund

To the Rev^d J. B. Piarre
Cotacaimund

Date 20 April 1871
Rev^d

Enclosure none.

Reports on the plan
and estimate of the proposed
improvements for the Catholic
Church at Cotacaimund,
with reference to the proceedings
of the Ecclesiastical Deptt. April 1871
dated 29 March 71

Public Works Department.
 No. 1292
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 11 May 1871

Read the following

Endorsement from the Ecclesiastical Dept.

Transfers a letter from the Right Rev.
 Dr. Francis giving cover to a communication from
 the Rev. J. B. Pierson intimating that pri-
 vate subscriptions for the reconstruction of a
 portion of the Roman Catholic Church at Otta-
 camund have been already pledged.

From Dr. ———
 Intimating that the Ex. Eng. at Otta-
 camund has approved of the plan & estimate for
 the above with certain modifications.

P.H.E. No. - of 28 April

P.H. No. - of 5 May

As the condition
 on which the Govern-
 ment in their orders
 in the Ecclesiastical
 Department. No. 63
 dated 29th - March 1870
 promised to make a
 grant in aid for the
 reconstruction of a por-
 tion of the Roman
 Catholic Church at
 Ottacamund have
 been fulfilled. His
 Excellency - the Governor
 in Council resolved

Handwritten initials: A.A. and J.B.

to direct that the
sum of Rs. 2000 be
disbursed to the Rev^d
J. B. Perron from the
Reserve under Civil
Buildings in the
~~Provincial~~
~~Local Fund~~ Budget.

The Controller will arrange
accordingly -

[Signature]

Recd 12/6/11

S. Eng. 7th Div.
Civil Div.
Ecclesiastical Dept.
Right Rev^d Dr S. Fennell
Bishop & Vicar Apostolic of Madras.

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Nos. 185th 187

1. June 11th. The Church at Totac-
camunda. Receiving the dis-
missament at the 12th. J. C.
 2. June 11th. — Frank. in. and
 3. June 11th. For the Massachusetts
 4. June 11th. The R. C. Church
 5. Totacamunda.

your friend & S^r Fennell of
Bishop & Vicar Apostolic of Mardo.