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DEPARTMENT

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Dated	14-7	2876 —195—

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Read the following papers:—

No. 2. From the Rev. O. DENE, Principal and Secretary of the Lawrence Asylum, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Ootacamund, dated Ootacamund, 6th June 1874, No. 36.

With reference to your official memorandum, No. 181, dated 28th May 1874, I have the honor to inform you that I have made inquiries and find that the sum of Rupees 3,000 paid for tiles to Doctor Hunter, late Superintendent of the School of Arts, Madras, was paid by Colonel Farewell from the Imperial grant made to the Lawrence Asylum Buildings.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal with the following papers:—

Letter from Principal and Secretary, Lawrence Asylum, dated 29th April 1874, No. 123.

Letter from Acting Superintendent of School of Arts, dated 12th May 1874, No. 454.

And Note by Members of Government.

OOTACAMUND,
9th June 1874.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

From the Rev. O. DENE, Principal and Secretary of the Lawrence Asylum, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Ootacamund, dated Ootacamund, 29th April 1874, No. 123.

HAVING been given to understand that glazed tiles of various kinds had been ordered from the School of Arts, Madras, for the ornamentation of the Lawrence Asylum Buildings, and that money had been advanced to the late Superintendent of the School of Arts for the purpose, I addressed Major Hunt on the subject.

2. In a letter from him, dated the 8th instant, he informs me that the records of the School of Arts show that a receipt for Rupees 3,000 was given to Major Farewell, on the 2nd September 1868, by Dr. Hunter, who undertook, for this sum, to supply glazed tiles of all colors for the above purpose.

3. As more than five years have now elapsed and not 100 tiles have been supplied, I have the honor to request that such steps be taken, as may be necessary, either for the supply of the tiles, or for a refund of the money advanced.

REFERRED to the Superintendent, School of Arts, for report.

OOTACAMUND,
30th April 1874.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

SCHOOL OF ARTS,
Madras, 12th May 1874.

No. 454.

Report called for in Memorandum, dated 30th April 1874, from Acting Chief Secretary to Government, forwarding letter No. 123, of 29th April, from Principal and Secretary, Lawrence Asylum, herewith returned.

SUBJECT.—REPORT OF ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, SCHOOL OF ARTS.

Letter No. 123, dated 29th April 1874, from Principal and Secretary, Lawrence Asylum, bringing to notice that Rupees 3,000 were paid to Dr. Hunter, late Superintendent, School of Arts, for glazed tiles of various colors which have not been supplied, and requesting that the tiles be supplied or the money refunded.

ent errors for the Lawrence Asylum have been fired and will be sent in a few days.

THE first notice of this transaction appears in the school records in a letter from Dr. Hunter to Mr. Chisholm, dated 20th August 1868, in which he states that a number of tiles of different

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2. In a letter, dated 2nd September 1868, to the address of Colonel Farewell, Dr. Hunter acknowledges receipt of Rupees 3,000, being an advance made on account of glazed tiles for the Lawrence Asylum. In a second letter of the same date, Dr. Hunter states that a furnace is in course of preparation for making glazed tiles, and that materials for the same purpose are being collected.
3. On the same date, Dr. Hunter forwarded to Messrs. Binny and Co. the sum of Rupees 3,000 for credit to his No. 2 Account, which I am informed was the one connected with this school.
4. An item appears on the receipt side of the School Accounts for September 1868, "work executed Rupees 3,144-8-0." This evidently includes the Rupees 3,000 advanced on account of tiles, though there is no distinct entry to that effect; the value of work executed, however, rarely exceeded Rupees 500 per mensem, and did not often reach this sum; the above, therefore, seems the only conclusion to arrive at.
5. On the 1st October 1868, Dr. Hunter addressed Mr. Chisholm, forwarding samples of tiles, stating that a new furnace had been built and another would be commenced shortly, making in all four furnaces, and that a large number of tiles would be ready soon.
6. On the 2nd November 1868, Colonel Farewell is advised of the despatch of a box containing samples of tiles, pottery, goglets, and toy cups and saucers. In this letter, Dr. Hunter states that a large number of tiles of different colors have been made and are ready for the furnace, and that a machine for stamping and finishing the tiles has been obtained from the Mint.
7. With letter, dated 27th November 1868, samples of plain and glazed ware are sent to Mr. Chisholm, who is requested to forward dimensions, numbers, and colors of tiles required; and a promise is made of a steady supply of tiles owing to the completion of a new furnace.
8. Letter, dated 2nd February 1869, to Mr. Chisholm, states that another large furnace is being built for firing tiles for the Lawrence Asylum, and that a large supply of material is being collected for the same purpose; also that a great variety of colors for glazing purposes have been made. Asks again for the numbers, colors, and sizes required.
9. In letter, dated 30th April 1869, to the same address, the receipt of working drawings is acknowledged, and a promise is made that the tiles shall be commenced at once, and the work continued till completed.
10. On the 17th May 1869, Dr. Hunter informs Colonel Farewell that the particulars of the sizes, etc., of tiles were only received from Mr. Chisholm on 26th April; that the tiles were commenced the next day; and that probably 4,000 per mensem would be turned out. Promises to try and send some the following week. States that had the sizes been sent sooner, the tiles for the Lawrence Asylum tower would probably have been completed at date of letter. States that a large stock of material had been collected and experiments made for improving the glaze, etc. Promises a good supply of tiles by 15th June.
11. On the 14th June 1869, Dr. Hunter forwards to Colonel Farewell samples of glazed tiles, number not mentioned. States that nearly 4,000 red ones are made, and about 2,000 of these fired. Owing to opening the furnace too soon in order to select samples, most of the red tiles, however, had been damaged.
12. On the 4th February 1870, Colonel Farewell is informed that tiles are made now with greater facility; that two Chinese potters are expected to arrive in a few days to assist in their manufacture, and that better material has been obtained.
13. From this date, however, the correspondence appears to have ceased, as no further mention of tiles for the Lawrence Asylum appears in the school records.
14. From the above it would seem that Dr. Hunter added the Rupees 3,000 advanced for these tiles to the other funds of the school, and that this sum was gradually absorbed in the purchase of material and appliances, and in making experiments, chiefly resulting in failures. No trace of the delivery of any large number of glazed tiles can be found.
15. In conclusion, I beg to state that the cash balance of the school at the close of last month amounted to Rupees 127, and that the average throughout the past year would very little exceed this; in fact, the school just pays its way, and no more, with careful management. It would,

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therefore, be quite impossible to repay so large a sum as Rupees 3,000 from the school funds, as suggested by the Secretary and Principal of the Lawrence Asylum, and I regret to state it would be equally impossible in the present condition of the school to supply the tiles, as the art of making and glazing them is not as yet sufficiently understood.

(Signed) W. S. HUNT, Major,
Acting Superintendent.

No. 261A. From Captain J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., District Engineer, Neilgherries, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 13th May 1874, No. 194.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 417 of the 11th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have taken no action in the matter of the advance of Rs. 3,000 made to the School of Arts on account of glazed tiles for the Lawrence Asylums.

2. I trust I have not omitted to perform a duty in taking no action in the matter. The subject was never left in my hands by my predecessor, nor did he ever advise me to recover the amount. I was under the impression that the Government Architect was dealing with the subject, and on this point beg to invite attention to the enclosed copy and extract.

3. Had I at all understood that it was incumbent on me to take action in the matter, I should have done so. The subject did not escape me, for I have been well aware of it.

From R. F. CHISHOLM, Esq., C.E., Executive Engineer, to Major W. T. FAREWELL, Executive Engineer, dated Madras, 24th November 1868, No. 258.

I HAVE the honor to forward, by banghy dawk, all the plans connected with the Lawrence Asylum not prepared in this office. There will be no alterations in the out-buildings further than the alterations shown in the roll of tracings forwarded to you on the 12th October 1868. With regard to tiled roofing, I think perhaps it may look better than corrugated iron; but if the latter is cheaper, I would adopt it.

2. I know nothing whatever about the tiles sent you by Dr. Hunter. He forwarded me some specimens of tiles, red, black, and white, and I approved only of the *black* tiles. As soon as he can produce decent specimens of red and white tiles, I will furnish him with the sizes and numbers required. The specimens sent to me were not glazed. I will address Dr. Hunter on the subject.

No. 262. ORDER THEREON, 14th July 1874, No. 1,891.

ACCOUNT, No. 11.

UNDER the circumstances there is no resource but to leave the outlay, as it now stands, debited against the Lawrence Asylums without recovery of its value from the School of Arts.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Neilgherries.
" Educational Department.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
Exd. S. T Austin.
Spare Copies

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Extract from Public Works Department
G. O. No 1924 dated 27th June 1867.

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b The Glazed tiles are of course purely
ornamental, they take the place of
polished marble in the original specimen
of the style. They do not cost much,
and apart from ornamenting the
structure, I trust the amount expended
in the manufacture may be the means
of introducing the art of encaustic
tile making into Madras. The
sum I have allowed for this work is
large, and I have no doubt a considerable
saving may be effected; as I am
responsible for this item of the estimate
I have taken the precaution to allow
a wide margin.

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/s/ R. F. Chisholm
Architect.

True Extract,

Jas. Morant
— Capt R. F.
District Engineer.

School of Arts. 9th
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School of Arts

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March 17th

Educational DEPARTMENT.
No. 199.

From The Acting Supt., School of Arts.

Dated 12 May 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

Noted on remarks
has made the circum-
stances noted in letter of
28/5 1874

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School of Arts. 97
Madras 12th May 1874.

No 1154.

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Subject Report of Acting Superintendent, School of Arts.

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Insufficiently understood.

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H. Hunter Major
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As Dr Hunter is poor - very little
use in sending him for his furniture -
The Late Principal (Dr's wife) still lives
looked after him to her -

tiles, however, had been damaged.

Adm. No. 1874. Department

From The Acting Superintendent
School of Arts.

To The Acting Chief Secretary
to Government.
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No. 154.
1 Enclosure.

Dated 12th May
Received. 14. —

No. 199

Mr. 3904/74
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The Called for Report in
No. 166 from Acting Chief Secretary
to Government, submitted for
the information of Government.
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No 194

From The District Engineer
Kilgherries

To The Chief Engineer
and Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

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Sir,

Your most obed^t servant

Jose Morant.

Captain R.E.
District Engineer

No 258.

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24th November
1898.

No 258.

Madras
24th November
1878.
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From R. F. Chisholm Esq C.E.
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To Major W. J. Fawcett
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No 194
From The District Engineer
Kilpattur
To The Chief Engineer
& Secretary to Govt
D. P. W.

Dated 13th June 1874
Received

Mr 3904/74
Offers certain explanation regarding the Rs 3000 advanced by Colonel Fawcett to Dr Hunter of the School of Arts for glazed tiles for the Lawrence Asylum

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Josh Hornt Capt R.E.
District Engineer

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to Government
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Having been given to understand that glazed Tiles of various kinds had been ordered from the School of Arts, Madras, for the ornamentation of the Laurence Asylum Buildings, and that money had been advanced to the late Superintendent of the School of Arts for the purpose I addressed Major Hunt on the subject.

2. In a letter from him dated the 8th Instant, he informs me, that the records of the School of Arts show that a receipt for Rs 3000 was given to Major Fairwell, on the 2^d September 1868, by Dr Hunter, who undertook for this sum, to supply Glazed Tiles of all colours, for the above purpose.

3. As more than five years have now elapsed, and not 100 tiles

have been supplied, I have the honor
to request that such steps be taken,
as may be necessary, either for the
supply of the Tiles, or for a refund
of the money advanced.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obed^t serv^t

O. D. W.

Principal Secretary
Laurence Meyhem

Struct. 1874 Sept.
From

The Principal Secretary
Lawrence Aylmer

To
The A. Chief Secretary
to Government
N. 188 Ootacamund

M. 3904/74
N. 723 2

Dated 29th April 1874
P. 30

Brings to notice that Rs
3,000 were paid to Dr Hunter,
late Sup^t of the School of Arts,
Madras for glazed Tiles of
various Colours, which
have not been supplied.

Requests that steps
be taken, either to supply
the Tiles or to refund
the money.

Referred to the Supt. School
of Arts, for report. D. J. J. J.
April 30/74
a/c of the

N. 36.

Lawrence Aylmer
6th June 1874

From

The Principal Secretary
Lawrence Aylmer

To

The Hon^{ble} F. D. Carmichael
A. Chief Secretary to Gov^t
Ootacamund.

Sir.

With reference to your official
Memo N. 181 dated 28th May 1874, I
have the honor to inform you, that
I have made inquiries, and find,
that the sum of Rs 3000 paid for
Tiles, to Dr Hunter, late Sup^t of
the School of Arts, Madras, was
paid by Colonel Farrwell, from
the Imperial Grant made to the
Lawrence Aylmer Buildings.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obed^t Serv^t
J. J. J.

Principal Secretary
Lawrence Aylmer

Under the circumstances there is no resource left to leave the entry as it now stands, deleted against the Lawrence (Longfellow) without recovery of the value from the School of Arts.

W. A. G. Williams is
 a Director of the
 School of Arts
 (disputed) 20/6/74

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Exhibit 1874, Sep 1874
 From The Principal School
 Lawrence Anyhow
 To The A. G. Chief Secretary
 to Government
 No 221 Potacammie
 No 36.
 Dated 6th June 1874
 Recd 8th - -

States that the sum
 of Rs 2000 paid to the
 late Dept of the School of
 Arts, Madras, for colored
 tiles, was paid by Colonel
 Sarswell from the Sarswell
 grant made to the Lawrence
 Anyhow Buildings.

G.O. No: 1891. 1607-74.
 With Order
 Amended.

Transferred to the Public Works Dept.
 - and for the same with following papers.
 - with form from the Secretary, Government
 of 24. April 74. No 121
 - 8. Jan. 74. Dept of Arts & Science of Govt. of Madras
 174. No 454.
 Now kept by Museum of Government of Madras
 18/6/74 by Public Works Dept. Madras
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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Dist. Supt.
Mylapore.

Dated

Recd.

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G. O. 11 July 1874, No. 189

Nos. 261-262

Colored Tiles

(Directing that the pay
on a t. made to the School
of Arts for colored tiles for
the Lawrence Asylum be
left as it now stands,
subject against the
Asylum without recovery.)