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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

27th May 1878, No. 2,289 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 304. From J. W. RUNDALL, Esq., District Engineer, Bellary, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Yettenhutti, 11th May 1878, No. 693.

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith a copy of a letter from the Church Committee, Trinity Church, Bellary (the Fort Church), and request Government will be pleased to sanction and allot funds to

enable me to pay a grant-in-aid of Rupees 2,196-12-6 for reseating and relighting this church.

2. I agree with the Church Committee in thinking that G.O. (Public Works Department), of the 15th September 1876, No. 2,466, must have been passed under a misapprehension. The fact that the congregation of Trinity Church has subscribed a large sum for the purpose of reseating and relighting the church was brought before Government in a letter from the Venerable the Archdeacon, printed with G.O. (Public Works Department), No. 344, of the 8th February 1876. In this order the District Engineer is directed to submit the necessary estimates for the church furniture. These were accordingly forwarded through the Ecclesiastical Department.

3. It seems to me from the wording of the Government Order of the 15th September 1876, that these estimates could not have been sent on by the Archdeacon. This gentleman merely states that he has countersigned them, and the Government say they are awaited. I therefore beg to forward a copy of the estimate.

4. The greater portion of the work provided for has been completed. As the new seats were taken into use, the old ones were sold by auction and realized Rs. 213-14-0. The contributions being Rs. 2,589-5-6, all that the Government are now asked to contribute for new furniture and for lighting is Rs. 2,196-12-6.

5. With regard to the estimate for improvements to the church to which the troops are marched, I have the honor to state that on taking charge of the district in January last, I found that a design had been prepared by Mr. Leggatt for adding two transepts to the existing building, which was originally built for a school-room. The building thus added to would seat, I calculated, a congregation of 550, but as there was nothing on record in my office to show the number of soldiers and their families for whom sittings would be required, I applied to the Chaplain for information as to the average attendance. In reply, the Rev. Mr. Wace informed me that in the latest Return of the attendance at Divine Service of the troops in garrison, the numbers were—officers and men 590, women and children 170. I am informed that the men are terribly crowded up in the present building. If these numbers represent a fair average, the transepts proposed by Mr. Leggatt would be insufficient.

6. Before taking any steps to revive Mr. Leggatt's plan, I thought it right to apply to the Military authorities to know whether there was any probability of the school-room, which it was proposed to convert into a church by adding transepts, was likely to be required again as a school-room, and whether if this building were converted into the Garrison Church, Government would hereafter be called upon to build a new school-room. In reply, the Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General

informed me, by order, that it would be advisable to let the matter stand over, until it was known of what religious persuasion the incoming Regiment, Her Majesty's 2nd Battalion, 13th Light Infantry, might consist. I have not received any further information, and I cannot therefore prepare any plans or estimates till I receive definite instructions from the Military authorities.

7. As the matter of the Garrison Church is referred to in the last Government Order about the Trinity Church furniture, I take the present opportunity of explaining the state of the reference, although in reality the two subjects have no connection.

From the Rev. D. FRENCH, and others, Church Committee, Trinity Church, Bellary, to the District Engineer, Bellary, dated Bellary, 2nd May 1878.

We have the honor to request that you will be good enough to take the necessary steps to obtain from Government a grant-in-aid to meet the contributions locally collected towards reseating and relighting Trinity Church.

2. The application has, you are aware, already been before Government—vide G.O., Public Works Department, 8th February 1876, No. 344, and Proceedings, Madras Government, No. 2,166, 15th September 1876—but there seems to have been some misapprehension both on the part of the Ecclesiastical Department at Madras and of Government as to the nature of the work applied for.

3. It has nothing whatever to do with the Military church. The congregation of Trinity Church have subscribed a considerable sum of money, Rupees 2,589-5-6, for reseating and relighting Trinity Church. They cannot afford to carry out the whole of the work, and ask Government for a grant-in-aid.

4. At the recommendation of the Archdeacon they have deferred resubmitting their application until now, owing to the prevailing distress of the past two years.

5. The original estimates amounted to Rupees 5,000. The congregation having contributed Rupees 2,589-5-6, we now ask Government for the remainder Rupees 2,410-10-6, from which may be deducted Rupees 213-14-0 on account of sale of old seats, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,196-12-6, which we request you will apply for.

6. The work was commenced apparently with the intention of spending the money contributed locally, but on presentation of the bills it has been found that Rupees 1,024-2-0 have been spent over and above that sum. This amount must therefore be paid, and we trust that Government will see fit speedily to sanction the grant we ask for, viz., Rupees 2,196-12-6, to enable us to pay the above bill and complete the work.

No. 305. ORDER THEREON, 27th May 1878, No. 2,289 W.

THE estimate of Rupees 5,000 for reseating and relighting the Trinity Church at Bellary is sanctioned.

2. Rupees 2,589 having been contributed by the congregation, and Rupees 214 realized by the sale of old seats, the balance of Rupees 2,197 to be provided by Government is appropriated from the Provincial Reserve.

3. This sanction has been registered as Provincial No. 32 B of 1878-79.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

(True Copy.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Bellary.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Ecclesiastical Department.

Edw. T. O'Connor,
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THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
BELLARY,
Sd., Sd., Sd.

June 25, 1964

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G. G. Smith, Jr., M.D., F.R.C.P.

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Trinity Church, Bury.—The officers of Trinity Church for receiving and relieving the poor.—

Ballany. 22 May 1875

From

The Church Committee

Trinity Church

Billary

J. W. Randall Esq.

District Coroner

Lie

Bellamy.

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At the recommendation of the Archdeacon they have deferred resubmitting their application until now, owing to the prevailing distress of the past two years.

The original Estimates amounted to Rs 5000. The Congregation having contributed Rs 2589-5-6 we now ask Government for the remainder Rs 2410-10-6 from which may be deducted Rs 213-14-0 on account of sale of old seats leaving a balance of Rs 2196-12-6 which we request you will apply for.

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I have &c.
Church Committee
Trinity Church
Bellingham

Signed / D. French Chaplain
" N. V. Laughton Chaplain
" J. H. Master

/ True Copy /
J. W. Russell
District Engineer
Bellingham

General

No. 693 District Engineer's Office
Bellary
Camp. Yellamilly
Dated 11th May 1878.

From The District Engineer
Bellary.

To The Chief Engineer and
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Enclosures.

1 Copy of letter

1 do. Estimate

Sir

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Church has subscribed a large sum for the purpose of reseating and re-lighting the Church was brought before Government in a letter from the Venerable the Archdeacon, printed with L. O. (P. H. D.) No. 311, of the 8th February 1874. In this order the District Engineer is directed to submit the necessary Estimates for the Church Furniture. These were accordingly forwarded through the Ecclesiastical Department.

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Yours Most Obed^{ly} Serv^t

J. W. Russell

District Engineer

Bellary.

From
The District Engineer
Bellary
To
The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.
Dated 11th }
Decr 14 } May 78
Recd.
Enclosures 2.

No. 693

Trinity Church
Bellary.

Forwarding Copies
of a letter from the
Church Committee
and of an Estimate,
and requesting sanction
to pay a Grant-in-aid
of Rs 2196-12-6 for
re-seating and relighting
the —

Cir 23.5.78. Dtd 27.5.78
21.5.78

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clerks.
Public Works Department.
No 22894.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.
Under date the 27th May 78.
Read the following:—

From the D. Eng. Bellary (H.B. No 693 of 11th May 1878)

The estimate of
Rs 5,000 for re-seating and
relighting the Trinity
Church at Bellary is
sanctioned.

2. Rs 2,589 having
been contributed by the
Congregation, and Rs 214
realized by the sale of
old seats, the balance of
Rs 2,197 to be provided
by Government, is appro-
priated from the Provincial
Reserve.

H.B.
22.5.78

D. Eng. Bellary
Commissioner P.W. Accts. (H.B. 18648)
Ecclesiastical Dept.
This sanction has been
registered as Provincial No 3213
of 1878-79.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

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G. O. 27 May 1874, No. 2287

Trinity Church, Bellary.

The estimate of Rs 500
for re-seating and relighting
the —, sanctioned.

Curdwin Rgt.

Curdwin Rgt. 27.5.74