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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

14th February 1879, No. 460 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper :—

No. 125. Endorsement of the Acting Chief Secretary to Government in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated Fort St. George, 1st February 1879, No. 249.

From the Venerable C. R. DRURY, M.A., Archdeacon, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 1st February 1879, No. 14.

I AM desired by the Bishop to forward to Government the enclosed letter from Mr. Horsfall, Lay Trustee of St. John's Church in the fort at Masulipatam, containing suggestions of the Church Committee as to the removal and disposal of the church furniture in St. John's Church. The sea wave in 1864 emptied the fort of its inhabitants, and the church has not been used since, and for a short time only has been used as a school. The building is deteriorating, and the beams are worm-eaten.

2. Under these circumstances the Bishop is of opinion that what the Church Committee suggest is the best way of turning the materials to account, and therefore his Lordship recommends that the proposal of the Church Committee should be carried out. The fort is about two miles from the other church which is now in use.

From J. G. HORSEFALL, Esq., Lay Trustee of St. John's Church, Masulipatam, to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras, dated 23rd January 1879.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the meeting of St. Mary's Church Committee held here on the 21st instant, I have the honor to solicit your Lordship's sanction to the disposal of the furniture, &c., now lying useless and being gradually destroyed in St. John's Church at the fort, and to the appropriation of the proceeds thereof to the improvement of the furniture in St. Mary's Church.

2. St. John's Church, as your Lordship is aware, has not been used since some years, nor is there any probability, so far as we can see, of its being used again for divine worship. In the meantime the building is rapidly deteriorating, the beams are worm-eaten, and it seems advisable that the furniture including reading-desk, pulpit, pews, seats and lamps should be removed; none of these are suitable or required for St. Mary's Church. The Church Committee are of opinion that they should be sold and the proceeds utilised in obtaining good lamps and in effecting such other improvements as your Lordship may hereafter approve for St. Mary's Church.

APPROVED and transferred to the Public Works Department for disposal.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

No. 126. ORDER THEREON, 14th February 1879, No. 460 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer, First Circle, who will call upon the Divisional Officer to arrange for the sale of the furniture and will report on the condition of the church itself.

2. The amount realised by the sale should be reported and credited to Provincial, and the Executive Engineer should ascertain from the Church Committee what are the exact requirements of the other church, and submit the estimate for sanction in the usual course.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
" Ecclesiastical Department.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

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THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
FIRST CIRCLE.

Dated February 14th.

G. O. 14th February 1879, No. 460 W.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 125-126.

St. John's Church and St. Mary's Church at Masulipatam. — The sale proceeds of the furniture of the former church to be credited to Provincial, and the estimate of the exact requirements for the latter to be submitted.

Madras. 1st February 1879.

No. 14.

To. H. G. Mather, Esq.
Actg. Chief Secy. to Govt.
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I remain, Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
C. R. Drury.
Archdeacon.

No 249

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to the Public Works Department for
disposal.

Herb. S. George
1st February 79
to the Public Works Department.

Master
By Chief Secy

Recd 1st Feb 79
No. 114
St. George's letter from
the Church Committee
re the sale of the Church
furniture be carried out.
W. S. S. S. S. S.

Dec 9 14-2-79 No. 46 to

Copy Recd

B. K. Sivaram

No 460 W Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 14 Feb/79

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any work charges

S. M. S. First Circle
Eccl. Dept.
By Mr. Secy
Dec 28-2-79

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G. O. 14 July 1879, No. 460 to

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St John's Church and
St Mary's Church

Masulipatam
Instructions issued for the
Sale of the Furniture of
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