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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.  
Civil Works.

No. 160.

READ—the following papers :—

G.O., dated 17th October 1882, Mis. No. 1197, Public.

From Lieutenant-Colonel H. R. MEAD, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Trichinopoly, 19th October 1882, No. 1285 T.J.

With reference to G.O., No. 2622 W., of 9th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Fort Church at Tanjore is in the custody of the S.P.G. Missionaries and that it belongs to the Society.

2. I understand that the Collector has sent in a report with reference to His Excellency the Governor's remarks.

No. 160-A.

Read—the following letter from the Acting Collector, Tanjore, dated 10th October 1882, No. 5855.

With reference to G.O., No. 104, dated 18th August 1882, Ecclesiastical Department, I have the honor to report that I inspected the Swartz monument on the 2nd October in company with the Executive Engineer, Mr. Hughes.

2. The crack extends all along the arched roof and down the end wall into which the monument is let, passing close by the side of it. The Executive Engineer is of opinion that there is no danger of any injury to the monument by collapse of the building or roof, which he considers to be safe; but he thinks that the marble of the monument may possibly be discolored by the damp which must result from the percolation of water through the crack. The simplest remedy is to turn an arch in the wall over the monument and to protect the arch with cement.

3. The church and monument are the private property of the S.P.G. Mission, but from the enclosed copy of letter (which is a reply to one of Mr. Whiteside's, written subsequent to His Excellency the Governor's inspection of the church) Government will see that the Society desire that such work as may be necessary for the preservation of the monument shall be executed at the public expense.

ENCLOSURE.

From the Reverend W. H. BLAKE, Tanjore, dated 7th October 1882.

With reference to the letter of W. S. Whiteside, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, No. 4095, dated 27th July 1882, I have the honor to forward the following Resolution of the Madras Diocesan Committee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts :—

"With reference to the letter from the Collector of Tanjore to the Reverend Mr. Blake, calling attention to the desirability of repairing the western wall of the Tanjore Fort Church, with the

view of preserving the Swartz monument erected by a former Rajah of Tanjore, the Committee observe that the expenditure which would be entailed by such repairs is not called for on strictly Missionary grounds, as the church is at present only nominally in use. Under the circumstances they trust that the Government may be pleased to direct their Engineer to examine the wall and execute such repairs as may be necessary for the preservation of the monument at the expense of the State, the monument being a work of historical interest."

*Order*—dated 17th October 1882, Mis. No. 1197, Public.

Communicated to the Public Works Department, where an estimate will be called for of the cost of the work suggested in paragraph 2 of Mr. Stokes' letter for protecting the monument of Swartz from injury.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,  
for Chief Secretary.

No. 161.

*ORDER*—dated 25th October 1882, No. 2778 W., Public Works.

The foregoing Proceedings in the Public Department will be communicated to the Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle, who will submit the estimate called for as early as practicable.

(True Extract.)

Lient.-Col., R.E.,  
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle.  
„ Public Department.

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Dated October, 25th.

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G.O., 25th Oct. 1882, No. 2778 W.

OCTOBER.  
Nos. 160-161.

Swartz Monument in the Fort  
Church, Tanjore.

The Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle,  
directed to submit an estimate for turning an  
arch in the wall over the — and to protect  
the arch with cement.

No 1285 T.J. Sup<sup>r</sup> Engineer's office circle.  
Trichinopoly. 19<sup>th</sup> October 1882.

From

Lt Col H. R. Mead R.E.

Sup<sup>r</sup> Engineer, circle.

To.

Colonel R. H. Sankar C.B. R.E.

Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No 2622 W  
of 9<sup>th</sup> Instant, I have the honor to inform  
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is in the custody of the S.P.C.K. Mission-  
aries and that it belongs to the Society.

I understand that the collector  
has sent in a report with reference  
to His Excellency the Governor's re-  
marks.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

M. M. S. Lt Col R.E.

Sup<sup>r</sup> Engineer, circle.

From

The Sup<sup>r</sup>. Engineer  
6<sup>th</sup> circle

To

The Chief Engineer  
P.W.D.

No 1285 T.J.

Dated 19<sup>th</sup> } October/82.  
Recd. }

Fort Church at Tanjore

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S.P.G. Missionaries.

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Letter from  
the Reverend W. A. Blake, Tanjore, dated 7<sup>th</sup>  
October 1882, N<sup>o</sup>. 57

With reference to the letter  
of W. S. Whiteside, Esquire, Collector of Tanjore,  
N<sup>o</sup>. 4095, dated 27<sup>th</sup> July 1882, I have the honor  
to forward the following Resolution of the  
Madras Diocesan Committee of the Society  
for

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for the Prosecution of the Gospel in Foreign  
Parts.

\* With reference to the letter from the  
Collector of Tanjore to the Reverend Mr. Blake  
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Order

Order thereon 17<sup>th</sup> October 1882, N<sup>o</sup> 1197/this/

Communicated to the  
Public Works Department where an estimate  
will be called for of the cost of the work  
suggested in para 2 of Mr Stokes's letter  
for protecting the monument of Schwartz  
from injury.

True Extracts

Edmund H. H. H.

For Relief Secretary

To

The Public Works Department  
Collector of Tanjore.

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The P. W. Dept

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will be communi-  
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Engineer Sixth Circle  
who will submit  
the estimate called  
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Proceedings, dated 17 Oct 1882.

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Muniment in the  
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The Sd. Engr. Civil  
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