



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper :-

*From the Director of Public Instruction, Madras,
dated 19th March 1888, No 1905.*

I have the honor to state that in October 1886, on receiving intimation of the purchase by Government of the building in Egmore now occupied by the Presidency Training School for Mistrees, Dr. Duncan informed the Executive Engineer, Presidency Division, that the building stood much in need of repair, and that certain alterations and additions were necessary to adapt it to school purposes. The Executive Engineer furnished Dr. Duncan, in his letter No 4702, dated 23rd December 1886, with an approximate cost of the proposed additions and alterations and stated that a detailed estimate for putting the building in a thorough state of repair would be prepared and forwarded. In April 1887, the Public Works Officers having addressed the Superintendent, Presidency Training School, regarding the vacation of the building for carrying out the repairs, the Executive Engineer was informed in this office letter

No 2243, dated 5th April, that the lower storey
would be placed immediately at his disposal
for beginning the work, and that the whole
building would be vacated by July following.
The above officer was also requested to carry out
the work as early as possible so as not to affect
seriously the working of the school. The estimate
for the repairs was countersigned and returned in
this office letter No 3222 dated 13th May 1887.
In July following, the Superintending Engineer
was addressed regarding the plans for additions
and alterations and was also asked to make
the necessary arrangements for carrying out the
work of repair. Nothing however having been
done by August 1887 it was found necessary to
remove a part of the school to the "Museum View"
and the sanction of Government was accordingly
requested for renting the house for six months
at Rs. 85 per mensem which was granted in
G.O. Educational, No 515, dated 19th September 1887.
I regret very much to have to report that the
P.W.D. have not as yet commenced the work,
although I have sent two reminders to the
Superintending Engineer, Fifth Circle, the first
on the 7th December and the second on the
3rd February last, pointing out that the delay
is causing serious injury to the school,
besides entailing extra expenditure on Government
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and enquiring when the work of repairs will
be taken in hand. No reply has as yet
been received to the above communications. The
Superintendent, Presidency Training School for
Mistrees, now writes to me requesting that sanction
of Government may be obtained for renting
the house now occupied for a further period
of six months, or until such time as the
repairs and alterations of the building shall
be completed. Miss Carr also brings to my
notice for the third time the great inconvenience
she is put to and the serious injury caused
to the work of the institution by the present
condition of the school building. The
clashes that are at present held in the rented
building are confined to very small rooms,
which at this season of the year render any
efficient work an utter impossibility. As
some of the clashes are located in a bungalow,
the work of supervision is doubled, which is
also highly prejudicial to the work of this
important

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No 1238 W of 26 April 1888

Communicated
to the St. V Circle
who will see that
the repairs are com-
pleted as soon as
possible, & explain
why they have been
delayed

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To
The P. W. Dept

No 1238 W of 26 April 1888

By 21.4.88
Proceedings, dated 13 April 1888
No. 196

Subject.

Sanctioning the Director
proposal to print Museum
view for a period of six months
from the 15 March last at Rs 80
per annum

W. H. S. S. S.