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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 13th October/88

READ the following

Letter from Mr J. W. M. C. Donovan of 8th Oct- 1888
Office note from the Secy to Govt of 12th - - - - - No 2399.

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Mr Donovan has been paid, from the date on which he joined his appointment at Madras (9: July 1888) to that on which he left his station. He is not entitled to any pay beyond this (vide memorandum No 3783 C of 8th Oct- 1888)

2. Mr Donovan being unable to produce a voucher for his passage money from Calcutta to Madras, the Secy is authorised to pass to him the contract sum

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No. 1795.

The Executive Engineer reports that the fee in question was paid neither to Government nor to the Registrar of the Diocese. It has been retained by the Rev. G. F. G. Wintour, Incumbent, Christ Church, Nellore, to whom it was originally paid.

2nd July 1888.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

No. 383-D.

Transferred to the Chief Secretary to Government.

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

7th July 1888.

Order—dated 26th July 1888, No. 108, Ecclesiastical.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

Letter to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Ootacamund, 26th July 1888, No. 109.

With reference to rule IV, section 3 of the Ecclesiastical rules published with Home Department Notification No. 103, dated 20th June 1885, I am directed to inquire whether any fees are chargeable when registers have to be searched and copies of entries given on behalf of Government officers for official purposes. In the particular case which has given rise to this inquiry, a copy of the register regarding the burial of the wife of Sergeant Cope of the Public Works Department was required to complete a periodical return furnished by that department to the Adjutant-General. A fee of Rs. 2½ was demanded and paid, but the amount is held under objection by the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, pending the orders of the Government of India on this reference.

2. I am also to inquire to whom such fees should be credited, whether to Government or to the officer searching the registers. In the case under reference, the incumbent of the Nellore Church is said to have retained the fee.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

READ—also the following paper:—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, Ecclesiastical, to the Chief Secretary to Government of Madras, dated Simla, 31st August 1888, No. 199.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 109, dated the 26th ultimo, and in reply to say that no fees are chargeable under rule IV, part III of the Ecclesiastical rules, when registers have to be searched and copies of entries given on behalf of Government officers for official purposes, and that therefore no fee should have been charged in the case referred to in your letter for furnishing a copy of the entry regarding the burial of the wife of Sergeant Cope of the Public Works Department.

2. I am to add, with reference to paragraph 2 of the letter under acknowledgment, that when fees are levied under the rule in question they are to be assigned to the Chaplain's clerk where there is one, or when there is no clerk, to the officers searching the register.

ORDER—dated 28th September 1888, No. 138, Ecclesiastical.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department, with C. No. 106 returned.

„ Accountant-General.
„ Venerable the Archdeacon.
„ Right Rev. the Bishop of Madras.
„ Registrar of the Diocese.

Copy to Superintendent, General Records.

„ Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

Exd. W. H. French.