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To

The Chief Secretary to the Govt of
Fort Saint George.

Financial Dept. Sir,

I am directed to request, that
this Department may be favored -
with early information as to the
nature of the Fund which exists in
Madras called the "Widows and Orphans
Fund", and as to whether it receives
any sort of aid from or control by
Government.

Fort William, }
the 21st January 1870.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. M. Butler

Under Secy: to the Govt of India.

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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

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FROM

J. I. MINCHIN, Esq.,
Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In reply to your letter, dated the 21st ultimo, No. 501, I am directed to transmit copy of a letter from the Secretary and Treasurer of the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund, dated the 5th November last, together with a copy of the Rules of the Fund.

2. The Fund receives no aid from Government. It is supported by members of the Uncovenanted Civil Service and others not in the Service.

3. The Secretary's letter was allowed to lie over pending the receipt of a reply from the Government of India to the letter from this Government in the Public Works Department, dated the 11th November last, No. 259, copy of which is enclosed.

4. I am to request that the Government of India will be pleased to favour this Government with their views on paragraph 10 of the letter from the Secretary to the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund, requesting that there may be extended to that Fund the privilege conceded to the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund at Calcutta, in respect of the rate of interest on all deposits made into the Government Treasury.

I have the honour to be,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18th February 1870.

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Acting Chief Secretary.

From the Secretary and Treasurer of the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund,
to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras,
5th November 1869.

With their Proceedings of the 21st September last, No. 3084, Public Works Department, the Government communicated to the several departments the Circular of the Government of India, dated 1st August 1869, No. 63, intimating that, if Uncovenanted officers neglect to provide for their families, they must not expect the Government to do so after their death, and calling attention to the existence of the Uncovenanted Civil Service Family Pension Fund at Calcutta.

2. A similar institution was established in Bombay some years ago, and is open to all persons in the Uncovenanted Service of Government employed on civil duties in public offices within the Bombay Presidency, without distinction of creed or caste. In this Presidency, also, there are two Funds having for their object the provision of maintenance for the widows and legitimate children of subscribers, viz., the Mount Soldiers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, established in 1830, and enjoying to some extent the patronage and countenance of the Madras Government, and the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund, which has been in existence for the last thirty-six years, embracing among its members a large and influential body of subscribers.

3. The Government of India do not appear to be aware of the fact that "Christian men in the Uncovenanted Service of Government in the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal, including the North-Western Provinces and Eastern Settlements, are alone eligible as subscribers to the Calcutta Fund, and that candidates for admission from the Madras Presidency have been repeatedly refused admission notwithstanding their willingness and anxiety to join that Fund. Even since the publication of the order above referred to, applications from the members of the Service here have been equally unsuccessful.

4. Under these circumstances, I am instructed by the Directors of the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund to bring this Fund to the notice of Government, with a view to its being commended to the attention of the Uncovenanted Servants of this Presidency.

5. The Fund was established in 1834, and, during the thirty-six years of its existence, has met with great success. Its vested capital, amounting at the present date to about 11½ lacs of rupees, has been steadily augmented year by year, and there is every prospect of its continuing to increase, the receipts of the Fund being much in advance of its expenditure. During the last nine months 46,600 rupees have been added to the capital.

6. The number of members on its rolls is 712, of whom more than one half are Government servants, contributing an aggregate sum of Rupees 5543½ monthly; and the number of incumbents 310, of whom 191 are widows receiving pensions to the extent of Rupees 5410, and 119 children receiving Rupees 1353, or together Rupees 6763 per mensem.

7. The subscribers are divided into six classes, whose monthly payments range from one to ten rupees in the Widows' branch, and from four annas to ten rupees in the Childrens' branch; but having regard to the many appointments of high emoluments that have been recently opened to Uncovenanted officers, the Directors have resolved to revive two other grades of subscribers suitable for officers receiving liberal salaries which have been for some time in abeyance, and the monthly payments in which will be 14 and 20 rupees, respectively.

8. The pensions to widows range from Rupees 6 to 60 per mensem, and to children from Rupee 1 to Rupees 40, or respectively six and four times the amount of the husband's and father's subscriptions. In the grades now to be opened the widows will receive Rupees 84 and 120, respectively.

9. The accompanying Rules of the Fund will give fuller details of the payments to be made, and the advantages to be derived therefrom.

10. I am further instructed to solicit that, considering the adaptability of this Fund to meet the object the Government of India have in view, and the facilities it affords to the Service and the public in general to make suitable provision for their

families after death, and in advertence to the fact that those in this Presidency are shut out from joining the Calcutta Fund, the Government of India may be moved by this Government to extend to it the same privilege as is enjoyed by the Bengal Fund in regard to the rate of interest allowed on all deposits paid to the account of Government. This indulgence will add to the stability of the Fund, and be a strong inducement to the members of the Service to embrace the advantages afforded by it. The Directors will be prepared, with the concurrence of the subscribers, to make over the present Capital of the Fund to Government if they are willing to receive it on these terms, and they seek for no further connexion between Government and the Fund than what has been conceded to the Calcutta Family Pension Fund. It will be managed as heretofore, and both members in the Service and out of it will continue to enjoy the privileges now secured to subscribers by the rules, subject of course to such modifications as may be hereafter determined upon by the general body of subscribers.

Exd. J. Wright.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT

From

The Acting Chief Secy. to Government.

Fort Saint George

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,

Financial Department.

Dated 1st February 1870.

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FEBRUARY.

Nos. 74-76.

Furnishing information called for in regard
the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Madras. 5th November 1869

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

W. Pemberton Williams

Secretary & Treasurer
Madras Widows & Orphans Fund

Recd 24/4/79
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To
The Secretary to the
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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From *The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.*

To *The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
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Dated *July 20* 18*90*

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