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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	713-14	Press Mis.
Dated	26-5-	19 1871

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
26th May 1871.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 115. From E. C. BAYLEY, Esq., C.S.I., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort William, 4th March 1871, No. 1249.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 102, dated the 26th January last, containing a proposal for the adjustment of the debt incurred by Dr. Hunter, Superintendent, School of Arts, Madras, in obtaining casts and photographs of antique remains in that Presidency, and, in reply, to communicate the following orders.

2. It is observed that Rupees 2,165-5-0 are exhibited as interest due on the special debt of Rupees 8,824-4-0 which has already been sanctioned. But, in the absence of any explanation, this interest appears very excessive, the more especially as, on Dr. Hunter's own showing, the debt has been contracted since March 1868. It should be ascertained if Messrs. Binny and Co.'s charge for this item is not susceptible of reduction.

3. The deficit of Rupees 2,869-2-0 is very vaguely accounted for in paragraph 2 of Dr. Hunter's letter, No. 121, dated 12th December last, and a full explanation of the circumstances under which this charge was originally incurred should be called for and submitted.

4. I am further to request that a full report may be submitted showing the manner in which the accounts of this School have hitherto been kept, as also how they are kept now.

5. I am to add that, whatever may be the result of these inquiries, Dr. Hunter's proceedings in the matter are wholly irregular, and are considered by the Governor-General in Council to be deserving of grave censure. Dr. Hunter should be so informed.

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Forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction, with a request that he will furnish the information and report called for in paragraphs 2, 3, and 4 of this letter.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
16th March 1871.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

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No. 116. From the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 5th April 1871, No. 579.

I have the honour to return Mr. Secretary Bayley's letter, No. 1249, of the 4th ultimo, forwarded to me with endorsement, dated the 16th idem. I also submit a letter from the Superintendent of the School of Arts, dated the 3rd instant, intended to afford the information called for by the Government of India. The letter is the second I have received, as I returned the first, considering it not to meet the requirements contained in Mr. Bayley's communication. The present letter is, no doubt, also defective; but I believe Dr. Hunter to be unable to account, in a more specific manner, for the deficit of Rupees 2,869-2-0.

2. Application was made to Messrs. Binny and Co. by myself, as well as by Dr. Hunter, to know if the charge for interest could not be reduced. The reply of the Firm was in the negative.

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3. With regard to the keeping of accounts, I have to observe that, as noticed by Dr. Hunter, a Quarterly Statement is forwarded to me; a copy of one of these statements is appended for information of Government. It is to be remarked, however, that the Superintendent's Quarterly Statements never contained any information as to the debt incurred by the school. Consequently the statements were practically worthless in respect to showing the real financial position of the institution.*

4. I have already suggested that the Accountant-General should be requested to propose, after consultation with Dr. Hunter, a system of accounts adapted to the circumstances of the School of Arts. So long as the School is, to some extent, a Manufactory, I consider the Superintendent must be allowed far greater latitude in his financial arrangements than would be permissible in the case of an ordinary school.

From A. HUNTER, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S.E., Superintendent of the School of Industrial Arts, to the Director of Public Instruction, dated Madras, 3rd April 1871, No. 503.

I have the honour to inform you, in reply to the Proceedings of your Department, No. 477, dated 21st March 1871, enclosing copy of letter, No. 1249, dated 16th March, from E. C. Bayley, Esq., C.S.I., Secretary to the Government of India, that the sum of Rupees 2,168-5-0, charged by Messrs. Binny and Co. as interest on the debt of Rupees 8,824-4-0, is at the usual rate of eight per cent. for thirty-three months, with one per cent. of Agency Commission for receiving money and paying bills. I called upon Messrs. Binny and Co. to ask if any reduction could be made in this sum, and they stated that they could not reduce the terms, as these were the usual charges of their Firm for money transactions.

2. As regards the deficit of Rupees 2,869-2-0 and Rupees 991 still due to Messrs. Binny and Co. by the School of Arts on account of the Agra, Nagpore, and Jubbulpore Exhibitions, I beg to state that these local exhibitions have entailed considerable expenses and losses upon the School of Arts. Drawing lessons, studies, casts of ornament, and works of art were lent to these exhibitions from the Madras School on condition that they should be returned at the close of the exhibitions. The return freight had to be paid by the school, and several of the works lent got seriously damaged or broken. The accounts for these exhibitions were kept separate from the accounts of the school, and were not furnished to the Director of Public Instruction. Of the sum of Rupees 991, due for the Jubbulpore exhibition, Rupees 661 was charged by Agents in Jubbulpore and Calcutta for return freight by rail and steamer to Madras. The remaining sum, Rupees 330, was interest, commission agency, and shipping and landing charges by Messrs. Binny and Co.

3. Another expense which has been entailed was caused by assisting other schools, and thirty-three schools have received assistance in the form of drawing lessons, engravings, casts of ornament, models and moulds of furnaces, fire-bricks, and ornamental building materials. Small sums were charged for the lessons, tools, and moulds, so as to help to cover the expenses; but, in several instances, the receipts did not cover the outlay incurred. The simplest explanation of the cause of the deficit of Rupees 2,869-2-0 is that there has been no allowance to meet the current expenses of the school, and none for assisting other Schools of Art. All this has been paid for out of the earnings of the school, besides which all the clays, stones, plaster, fuel, tools, copper, stationery, and prizes have to be paid for out of the earnings. All the monthly allowance sanctioned by Government goes for the pay of the establishment.

4. A great many applications have been received for testing clays and minerals for use in schools, and for work of this kind no charge has been made; orders for work have also been received which it was not always possible to perfect, and the school has had to bear the losses which have been chiefly in the perfecting of glazed articles.

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5. As to the mode of keeping the accounts in the school, every item of expenditure is entered daily as it occurs; on Friday an abstract is made of each week's work with a list of all the orders, correspondence, receipts, and disbursements. This is written out in my own Diary once a week, and the accounts are balanced every week with all items of expenditure and all receipts clearly stated. Every three months a report of the school is furnished to the Director of Public Instruction, containing tables of work executed, and the financial position of the school, with all receipts and disbursements, each department of the school being given separately, viz., the Artistic, Photographic, and the Industrial. The allowance for the school from Government is Rupees 600 per mensem, with Rupees 35 for scholarships and Rupees 250 for house-rent, besides my consolidated pay of Rupees 1,000 monthly. There has been no increase to the allowance for the school for the last fifteen years, although its operations have greatly extended in that time. The increased expenditure has been paid for out of the earnings of the school.

6. I am sorry that so much trouble and correspondence should have been entailed upon Government by our over-anxiety to procure good photographs and casts of the antiquities of Southern India, but the error which was committed by us arose from a misinterpretation of the printed letter of instructions from the Madras Government to carry out the orders of the Supreme Government, communicated in Despatch, dated 9th December 1867, relative to the organizing of a Department of Modellers and Photographers to be trained for taking copies of the best Indian sculptures and ornaments for the use of the Department of Science and Art in London, and the various Schools of Art in Great Britain, Europe, and India.

No. 117. ORDER THEREON, 26th May 1871, No. 713.

Ordered that the Director's letter, with the enclosure, be forwarded for submission to the Governor-General in Council, with reference to Mr. Secretary Bayley's letter of 4th March 1871, No. 1249 (Home), and with a renewed request for authority to adjust the excess expenditure of Rupees 14,852-11-0, as proposed in the letter from this Government, dated 26th January 1871, No. 102.

2. The Director of Public Instruction will, in communication with the Accountant-General, prescribe a system of accounts to be maintained by the Superintendent of the School of Arts, and sent monthly to the Director, so as to show, at the close of each month, the whole of the receipts and disbursements and the actual financial position of the institution with all outstanding liabilities and amounts due to the school.

3. The Government desire to be informed whether they rightly infer that the school is free from debt at the present date.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 1249. 1

From
C. C. Bayley Esquire C. S. I.
Secy to the Govt of India
To The Chief Secy to the Govt of
Fort St. George.

Fort William the 4 March 1871.

Home Department
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Govt. of 1871 30th March.

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To THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
INSTRUCTION,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated May, 26th.

Encl.

G. O., 26th May 1871, No. 713.

MAY.
Nos. 115-118.

Passing orders, and again addressing the Govern-
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C. D. Pyle
Secy to the Govt of India

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Forwarded to the Director of
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R. S. M. S.

16 March 1871

To the Director of Public Instruction

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Received the Secretary's letter,
some Department.

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No 457.

County order in
 regard to the adjournment
 of the next session of the
 Court, held at 10/12/71,
 in relation to the
 proceedings of the
 Bureau in the case.

Forwarded.

22 Dec 1871

Industrial Department

Receipts

1890 January	By cash in hand	1523 9	
	By cash pupils fees for the month	20 8	
	As per Acquittance Roll for January	221 14	
		<u>1765 11</u>	
February	By cash pupils fees for the month	20 8	
	As per Acquittance Roll for February	212 14	
		<u>233 6</u>	
March	By cash pupils fees for the month	17	
	As per Acquittance Roll for March	212 14	
		<u>229 14</u>	

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Disbursements

1890 January	To cash paid Contingent expenses for Paper, Pencil Chalk &c	16 5 9	
	As per Acquittance Roll for January	221 14	
		<u>238 3 9</u>	
February	To cash paid Contingent Expenses for Paper, Pencil Chalk &c	16 9	
	As per Acquittance Roll for February	212 14	
		<u>229 7</u>	
March	To cash paid Contingent expenses for Paper Pencil Chalk &c	16 8 3	
	As per Acquittance Roll for March	212 14	
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Balance in hand transferred
to General Account 1532 2

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(Signed) Alex Hunter M.
Superintendent
School of Industrial Arts

13th May 1890

(True Copy)

R. H. H.

No.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

MADRAS,

1871

From

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

W. M. B. M.
Director of Public Instruction

E. C.

2. The Director of Public Instruction will, in communication with the Accountant General, prescribe a system of accounts.

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For Sam Gregory.

Dated 20th March 1914
Received 20th March 1914

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Enclosures 2

No. 626

Admission to the report
called for on the
disposal of the assets
of the estate.

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To,
The Director of Pub. Instruction }
.. Accountant General } *deposited*

dispd 3/6/1871
into 3 copies of No. 713.

Public Department.
No. 714

To
The Secretary to Government
of India.

Home Department.

Sir,

In reply to
your letter of the 4th March
last, No. 1219, I am direct-
ed to transmit, for sub-
mission to the Governor
Genl. in Council, a copy
of the Proceedings of
this Govt. to date as per
margin, containing the
explanation afforded by
Mr. Hunter, the Sup^t of
the School of Arts res-
pecting the interest
of Rs 2,165-5-0 due to
Messrs Baring & Co, and
the.

S. B. L.
* Pro 26 May 1871. No 713.
A. A.

Govt. of 1871 } Minutes.

To
The Secretary to Government

of India.
Home Department.

Dated May 26. }
Recd. 1871, No. 713.

Nos. 113-115.

Having noted and examined
the accompanying letter of Mr. Hunter
with regard to the payment
of the arrears of interest
by Mr. Hunter, the Sup^t of
the School of Arts in relation
to the interest of Rs 2,165-5-0
due to Messrs Baring & Co, and
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in the letter from this
Dept. of the 26th Jan'y. /71.
No. 102 -

2. Dr. Hunter in
paragraph 5 of his letter
explains the manner
in which his accounts
are kept at present,
but the Director of
Public Instruction has
been instructed to
prescribe, in connec-
-tion with the
Acct. Genl., a system

of accounts to be main-
-tained, in future, by
the Sup^t of the School
of Arts - *LB*

For *W. George*
26th May 1871

Home 187/ . Dept.

Received of
May 26 1871
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Nos 115-118.

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1871 Department

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To

The Secretary to the
Government of

Department

Dated

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