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No. 3 939.

FROM

A. P. MACDONNELL, ESQ., C.S.I.,
Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras

Home Department.
Judicial.

Simla, the 13 July 1889.

SIR,

THE Governor-General in Council thinks it desirable, in order to remove any objections which may be felt by the clergy in accepting appointments as Registrars of Births and Deaths under Act VI of 1886, that executive instructions should be issued for guiding the action of Local Governments and Administrations under section 12 of the Act. His Excellency in Council is of opinion that in making appointments under the section, the "class of persons" for whom clergyman may be required to act as Registrars of Births and Deaths should be defined to be those at whose baptisms or funerals they have themselves officiated. It is believed that this course is already followed in some provinces, but the Government of India thinks it necessary to invite the attention of all Local Governments and Administrations to the matter in order that the practice may be uniform throughout India.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. P. MACDONNELL,

Secretary to the Government of India.

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COPY forwarded to the Foreign Department for information, and communication to Administrations and Officers subordinate to that department.

By order,

J. P. HEWETT,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

[R. S. W.]

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Chief Secretary

To

The Registrar General

of Births, Deaths & Marriages

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It is requested that the following department and number may be quoted in the reply to this letter:—

Public No. 65

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Chief Secretary's Office,

FORT ST. GEORGE, 30th January 1890.

SIR,

With reference to your No. 12/1744, dated 19th December 1889, I am directed to invite attention to this office No. 962 A dated 24th September 1889 and to inform you that the only clergymen in this Presidency who are Registrars of Births and Deaths are those in Mysore who were appointed by the Governor General in Council in Foreign Department Notification No. 342-I, published at page 53 of the Gazette of India dated 26th January 1889.

2. Of the two clergymen of the Madras Establishment named in the Notification the Reverend J. N. Ogilvie alone continues to serve in Mysore.

3. The remarks in paragraph 2 of your

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,

Home Department (Judicial)

your letter under reply will be communicated to the Registrar General of Births Deaths and Marriages for guidance

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

(Signed) J. Grose

Ag. Chief Secretary.

No. 1743.

FROM

C. J. LYALL, ESQ., C.I.E.,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

To

THE BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN.

Home Department.

Judicial.

Calcutta, the 19th December 1889.

SIR,

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 702, dated the 7th ultimo, communicating the views of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Calcutta upon the proposal made by Mr. Filgate, Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Bombay, that the functions of ministers of religion who may be appointed to be Registrars of Births and Deaths under Act VI of 1886, should not be restricted in the manner indicated in the Home Department circular marginally noted, but that the class of persons for whom they may be required to act in that capacity should be that class of the community in respect to which they are, by reason of their respective denominational callings, in the habit of officiating at baptisms and burials.

Nos. 3—939-947, dated 13th July 1889.

2. His Lordship, though not satisfied that it is necessary, has no objection to the proposed alteration in the definition, but is apparently apprehensive lest the clergy in their capacity as Registrars may be brought too much under the control of the Registrar General. I am therefore to explain for His Lordship's information that, though section 16 (1) of Act VI of 1886 contemplates that each Registrar of Births and Deaths should have an office at which applicants for registration can attend, there is no intention of giving the Registrar General authority to direct the clergy to open offices as Registrars, and that Local Governments will no doubt arrange that section 16 (2) shall not be applied to clergy on the establishment and will avoid placing them under the direct control of the Registration Department. Their connection with the Registrar General will, the Governor General in Council hopes, be confined to the transmission to him of the documents which the rules promulgated by Home Department Notification No. 1173, dated 19th July 1888, require them to send to him.

3. In these circumstances the Governor General in Council thinks it best to leave to the Local Governments and Administrations the discretion of deciding whether they will adopt the definition of the duty of the clergy who act as

Registrars which has been suggested by Mr. Filgate or not, and trusts that, in view of the explanation offered in the present letter, the Lord Bishop will be satisfied that the consequences apprehended by His Lordship will not be involved in making over to the clergy on the establishment the duty of registering the baptisms and burials of members of the Church of England.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. J. LYALL,

Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 12/1744

COPY, with copies of the papers marginally noted,* forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted,† Foreign Department for information and guidance, in continuation of the Circular of 13th July last, endorsement No. 948, dated 13th July 1889.

* Letter from Bombay Government, No. 3673, dated 5th September 1889, with enclosure.
Letter to Bombay Government, No. 1448, dated 17th October 1889.
Letter to the Bishop's Chaplain, No. 1449 of the same date.
Letter from the Bishop's Chaplain, No. 702, dated 7th November 1889.

† Madras. | Punjab.
Bengal. | Central Provs.
N. W. Provs. and Oudh. | Burma.
Assam.
Coorg.

No. 12/1753.

COPY, with copy of the letter to which this is a reply, forwarded to the Government of Bombay for information and guidance, with reference to the letter from this Department No. 1448, dated the 17th October last.

By order,

J. P. HEWETT,

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

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No. 3673, dated Bombay Castle, the 5th September 1889.

From—J. NUGENT, Esq., C.S., Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, General Department.

To—The Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.

With reference to your letter No. 3—940, dated the 13th July last, stating that His Excellency the Governor General in Council is of opinion that in making appointments under section 12 of Act VI of 1886 the class of persons for whom clergymen may be required to act as Registrars of Births and Deaths should be defined to be those at whose baptisms or funerals they have themselves officiated, I am directed to forward herewith, for the consideration of the Government of India, copy of a letter No. 1962, dated the 3rd ultimo, from the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Bombay.

No. 1962, dated Bombay, the 3rd August 1889.

From—The Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Bombay.

To—The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, General Department.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of Government Resolution, General Department, No. 3038, dated the 31st ultimo.

2. As I understand the views of the Governor General in Council as quoted in the preamble to the above quoted Resolution it is contemplated that in future a Minister of Religion appointed as a Registrar of Births and Deaths under Act VI of 1886 shall only be required to register the birth of an infant whom he may have himself baptised or the death of a person at whose funeral he may have himself officiated.

3. I venture, with the very greatest respect, to urge that the registration powers of these Minister-Registrars should not be narrowed down in this manner. If it be laid down that the class of persons for which clergymen may be required to act as Registrars of Births and Deaths should be that class of the community in respect to which these Minister-Registrars are by reason of their respective denominational callings in the habit of officiating at baptisms and burials the object of the Government of India will be secured, and seeing that each Minister-Registrar in this Presidency has jurisdiction as a Registrar throughout the entire Presidency it will enable, let us suppose, a Baptist Minister-Registrar residing at Dharwar to accept and register notice of a birth or death which has occurred amongst the Baptist Community at Karachi and which the tenderer of the notice at Dharwar may have been unable to register at Karachi before his departure from the latter place.

No. 1448, dated Simla, the 17th October 1889.

From—C. J. LYALL, Esq., C.I.E., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India.

To—The Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3673, dated the 5th ultimo, submitting for consideration a representation by the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Bombay, in connection with the instructions conveyed in the Home Department circular marginally noted that, in making appointments under section 12 of Act VI of 1886, the class of persons for whom clergymen may be required to act as Registrars of Births and Deaths should be defined to be those at whose baptisms or funerals they have themselves officiated. For the reasons mentioned in his letter, Mr. Filgate urges that the functions of ministers of religion who may be appointed to be Registrars under the Act should not be restricted in the manner indicated in the circular, and that the class of persons for which they may be required to act in that capacity should be that class of the community in respect to which they are, by reason of their respective denominational callings, in the habit of officiating at baptisms and burials.

No. 3—940, dated 13th July 1889.

2. In reply I am to say that the reasons which induced the Government of India to issue the instructions referred to will be gathered from the correspondence with the Bishop's Chaplain, Calcutta, which forms part of the enclosures of the communication from this Department, No. 9—1236, dated the 31st August last. I am at the same time to point out that, as it is left to Local Governments to make the necessary rule in order to secure the object in view,

the Government of Bombay may, if it thinks fit, instead of defining the class for which clergymen are to be Registrars as those persons at whose baptisms or burials they *have officiated*, adopt the definition proposed by Mr. Filgate.

No. 1449, dated Simla, the 17th October 1889.

From—J. P. HEWETT, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India.

To—The Bishop's Chaplain.

With reference to the correspondence ending with the letter from this Department, No. 1145, dated the 16th August last, I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a communication* from the Government of Bombay, submitting a representation by the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages, Bombay, in connection with the instructions conveyed in Home Department Circular of 13th July last that, in making appointments under section 12 of Act VI of 1886, the class of persons for whom clergymen may be required to act as Registrars of Births and Deaths should be defined to be those at whose baptisms or funerals they have themselves officiated. It will be seen that for the reasons mentioned in his letter Mr. Filgate urges that the functions of ministers of religion who may be appointed to be Registrars under the Act should not be restricted in the manner indicated in the circular, and that the class of persons for which they may be required to act in that capacity should be that class of the community in respect to which they are, by reason of their respective denominational callings, in the habit of officiating at baptisms and burials. I am to enquire whether this suggestion commends itself to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop.

* No. 3673, dated 5th September 1889.

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No. 702, dated (on tour, Morar), the 7th November 1889.

From—The Reverend H. O. MOORE, Bishop's Chaplain.

To—The Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1449 (Judicial), dated the 17th October 1889, together with enclosure,* on the subject of the limitation of the duties of Clerical Registrars of Births and Deaths.

* Copy of Government, Bombay, to Home Department, No. 3673, dated 5th September 1889.
Registrar General, Bombay, to Government, Bombay, No. 1932, dated 3rd August 1889.

2. I am directed to say in reply that the Bishop of Calcutta never contemplated that the recommendations issued by the Government of India to Local Governments defining what was to be required of the Clergy would necessarily have the effect of absolutely restricting them within the limits there laid down. His Lordship considered that Clergy who were Registrars would be at liberty, and, he hoped, also willing, to act for any member of their own communion, whenever there was any good reason for so doing. His Lordship expected that the effect of the limitation would be that as a general rule those persons who wished to register a birth or death would do so at the time of the baptism or burial. If this were the general practice it would be unnecessary for the Clergy to have a Registration Office, or for the Registrar General to fix for them times of attendance, which would be both impracticable and undesirable; and in consequence His Lordship thinks that the Clergy would be less disinclined to accept the office.

3. If, however, the Government of India is of opinion that the present definition of the duties of Clergy who are Registrars will have the effect of preventing them altogether from acting outside the limits laid down, His Lordship has no objection to their duties being defined as suggested by Mr. Filgate. But he is of opinion that the alteration is hardly necessary, and that it would be undesirable should it have the effect, by widening the limits within which they would be expected as a general rule to act, of making it necessary for the Clergy to keep a Registry Office, and to be under the orders of the head of another department than their own as to times of attendance; or should it have the effect of making the Clergy still more disinclined to accept the office.

4. I am to add that His Lordship feels very strongly that it cannot be expected that the Clergy will be able to undertake these duties, if it should be considered necessary for them to keep such an Office and times of attendance fixed by the Registrar General; and further that His Lordship feels bound to support the Clergy, as ecclesiastical officers, in declining to place themselves in any degree under the direct control of the Registration Department.

No. 154, dated Hyderabad Residency, the 6th August 1891.

From—Sir DENNIS FITZPATRICK, K.C.S.I., Resident at Hyderabad,

To—The Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the information of the Government of India, copies of the correspondence marked in the margin, with reference to the voluntary registration of births and deaths amongst certain classes of persons in the Cantonment of Secunderabad and the Hyderabad State.

Circular letters, No. 3212, dated 30th June 1891, and No. 3677, dated 17th July 1891.

Replies to the above.

Letter dated 6th July from Revd. W. G. Barry.
" " 6th " " Revd. V. David.
" " 6th " " Revd. W. Burgess.
" " 6th " " Revd. W. E. Lee-Clarke.
" " 7th " " Revd. V. Bigi. Revd. A. Tagliabue. Revd. J. B. Ciccolungo. Revd. P. Vigano.
" " 18th " " Revd. W. George Barry.
" " 18th " " Revd. J. Dobie.
" " 20th " " Revd. C. H. S. Wright.

2. I understood that the objects of the Act and the duty of Government chaplains to co-operate in giving effect to it had been explained to them through the proper channels. If this has not been done, I would beg to suggest that it should be.

Circular No. 3212, dated Hyderabad Residency, the 30th June 1891.

From—LIEUTENANT C. H. PRITCHARD, for First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad,

To—The REVD. A. H. B. BRITTAIN, Church of England, Secunderabad.
The REVD. W. G. BARRY, Church of England, Trimulgherry.
The REVD. V. DAVID, Church of England, S. P. G. Mission, Secunderabad.
The VERY REVD. V. BIGI, Roman Catholic, Secunderabad.
The REVD. A. TAGLIABUE, Roman Catholic, Trimulgherry.
The REVD. J. DOBIE, Established Church of Scotland, Secunderabad and Trimulgherry.
The REVD. W. BURGESS, Wesleyan Mission, Trimulgherry.
The REVD. W. E. LEE-CLARKE, American Methodist Episcopal Church, Secunderabad.
The REVD. P. VIGANO, Secunderabad.
The REVD. J. B. CICCOLUNGO, Trimulgherry.

I AM directed to invite your attention to the accompanying copy of the Secunderabad Births, Deaths and Marriages, Registration law, 1888, (published in Residency Orders of 15th March 1889), and to request that you will be so good as to state whether you have any objection to being appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths under rule 12 of the law in Secunderabad and Trimulgherry.

2. I am to explain that your duties as Registrar would be confined to the persons at whose baptisms or burials you yourself actually officiate, and that your co-operation in the matter is desirable to afford every possible facility for carrying out the provisions of the law and to secure the benefits of it to the classes of persons to whom your ministrations extend.

Circular No. 3677, dated Hyderabad Residency, the 17th July 1891.

From—J. A. CRAWFORD, Esq., First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

To—The REVD. A. H. B. BRITTAIN, Church of England, Secunderabad.
The REVD. W. G. BARRY, Church of England, Trimulgherry.
The REVD. V. DAVID, Church of England, S. P. G. Mission, Secunderabad.
The VERY REVD. V. BIGI, Roman Catholic, Secunderabad.
The REVD. A. TAGLIABUE, Roman Catholic, Trimulgherry.
The REVD. J. DOBIE, Established Church of Scotland, Secunderabad and Trimulgherry.
The REVD. W. BURGESS, Wesleyan Mission, Trimulgherry.

The Revd. W. E. Lee-Clarke, American Methodist Episcopal Church Secunderabad.

The Revd. P. Vigano, Secunderabad.

The Revd. J. B. Ciccolungo, Trimulgherry.

I am directed to invite your attention to Chapter V of the Secunderabad Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration law, 1888, a copy of which was sent to you with my Circular letter No. 3212, dated 30th June 1891.

2. I am to request that any registers, such as are referred to in section 29 of the law, which may be in your custody may be sent before the end of November next to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages at Amraoti, who is also the Registrar-General for Secunderabad.

3. I am to explain that the object which Chapter V of the law is intended to secure is merely to give evidential value to existing registers which appear to have been regularly kept, but which have not been kept by a public servant in the discharge of his duty or by any other person in performance of a duty specially enjoined by law, and are therefore not admissible as evidence under Section 35 of the Indian Evidence Act I of 1872. It is for you to consider whether your registers are admissible under the existing law of evidence, and, if not whether the advantage offered by the procedure laid down in Chapter V of the law does not, outweigh the inconvenience and risk of entrusting your registers to the care of the Registrar-General for a few months.

Dated Trimulgherry, the 6th July 1891.

From—The Revd. W. G. Barry, Acting Chaplain, Trimulgherry,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

In answer to your communication of the 30th ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that I have an objection to being appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths for Trimulgherry.

Dated Secunderabad, the 6th July 1891.

From—The Revd. V. David, Missionary, S. P. G., Secunderabad,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

With reference to Circular No. 3212 of 1891, I have the honour to inform you that I have no objection to being appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Dated Secunderabad, th 6th July 1891.

From—The Revd. William Burgess, General Superintendent, Wesleyan Mission, His Highness the Nizam's Dominions,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

Touching your Circular No. 3212 of 1891 and dated 30th June 1891, I desire to say that I have no objection to being appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths under rule 12 of the Secunderabad Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration law, 1888 (published in Residency Orders of the 15th March 1889), in Secunderabad and Trimulgherry.

With reference to paragraph 2 in your Circular, I am in doubt on two points—

(*a*) As General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Mission, I have other ordained ministers working under my directions. Am I to understand that my duties would refer to such baptisms and burials at which they officiate? any other arrangement would lead to complications.

(*b*) In connection with our work adults from Hindooism are frequently baptised into the Christian faith. Does the word "baptisms" refer to these as well as the children of Christian parents?

Dated Secunderabad, the 6th July 1891.

From—The Revd. W. E. Lee-Clarke, American Methodist Episcopal Church, Secunderabad,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

I have the honour to acknowledge your communication dated 30th June 1891, Circular No. 3212 of 1891, and beg to state in reply, that I have no objections whatever to being appointed Registrar of Births and Deaths under rule 12 of the law in Secunderabad and Trimulgherry, for such persons at whose baptisms or burials I officiate.

Dated 7th July 1891.

From—The Very Revd. V. Bigi, Vicar General, Secunderabad,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

With reference to the Circular No. 3212, dated 30th June 1891, Hyderabad Residency, forwarded to me and to Revd. Fathers A. Tagliabue, J. B. Ciccolungo and P. Vigano, I beg to state that our duties are too onerous to accept the office of a Registrar of Births and Deaths, &c., in the Cantonment. Moreover we depend entirely on the Right Reverend Dr. Caprotti, the Bishop of the Diocese of Hyderabad, and may be removed from the station at any time, consequently we beg to be exonerated.

Dated Trimulgherry, the 18th July 1891.

From—The Revd. W. G. Barry, Acting Chaplain, Trimulgherry,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

In answer to your communication, Circular No. 3677 of 1891, received this morning, I have the honour to state:—

(1) That, as at present advised, I cannot consent to the registers under my charge being sent to the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages at Amraoti, or to any one else.

(2) That the above registers are duly and regularly transmitted to the Diocesan Registrar of Madras, Fort St. George, under our Ecclesiastical Rules and Regulations.

(3) Communications with regard to them can only be considered through the Office of the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras.

Dated Trimulgherry, the 18th July 1891.

From—The Revd. J. Dobie, Assistant Chaplain, Secunderabad,

To—The First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

I have the honour to state, in reply to your communications of 30th ultimo and 17th instant, that the present mode of registering the baptisms, marriages and deaths of persons connected with the Church of Scotland fully extends the benefits of the law to the classes of persons to whom my ministrations extend, that their registers are admissible as evidence under the Indian Evidence Act I of 1872, and further that inasmuch as the present arrangements are perfectly adequate to meet the wants of presbyterians in this station, I see no reason why they should be disturbed.

No. 63, dated Secunderabad, the 20th July 1891.

From—The Revd. C. H. S. Wright, M. A., Chaplain of Secunderabad,

To—J. A. Crawford, Esq., First Assistant Resident at Hyderabad.

Referring to your Circular No. 3677 of 1891, I have the honour to inform you that I have not received your Circular letter No. 3212 of 30th June 1891.

I have the honour to state that, my registers being admissible under the existing law of evidence, I must réfuse to send them to the Registrar-General for Secunderabad.

No. 3971-I.

A COPY of the foregoing * letter is forwarded to the Home Department for favour of issue of such orders as may be necessary.

By order &c.,
C. ARCHER, *Lieutenant*,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT,
Simla, the 26th September 1891.

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* From the Resident at Hyderabad No. 154, dated the 6th August 1891, and enclosures

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officiating at Baptisms and Burials; and (4) shall not in any degree be un-der the direct control of the Registration Department. The Bishop however desires that if a Chaplain, foreseeing that the proposed work of Registration will interfere with his proper duties, should decline thus to serve as a Re-gistrar; or if any Chaplain, having accepted the office, should find that it does so interfere and should request to be relieved of it, such Chaplain should be left free so to decline or resign.

2. The Senior Chaplain, Ch: of Scotland sees no objection to the Chaplain of Secunderabad being appointed a Registrar of Births & Deaths at that Station under the Secun-derabad Act of 1886, ~~Registration of Births and deaths~~, provided that he shall not be required to keep an office, or be bound to be in attendance at his house for registration purposes except at hours fixed by himself.

3. I am to add that this Govt. con-curs in the views expressed by the Bishop & Senior Chaplain.

F.D.B. 29/VII

29 July

Public Dept

Read again.-

G.O.d/ 3-11-91, No.928.

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Read also.-

Currents 1884 & 1885.

ORDER.- 30th July 92 No. 530

The Govt. of India will be address-
-ed accordingly.

No. 531

Letter

To

the Secretary to the Govt. of India

Home Dept.

Sir,

With reference to Mr.Melitus' letter No.1877 d/19th Octr.1891,I am directed to inform you that the Rt. Revd.the Bishop has intimated that he will advise the Chaplains in the territory of Hyderabad, if still requested by the Resident to become Registrars of Births and deaths under the Act of 1886, to comply with that request,provided that(1) they shall not be required to keep an office;nor(2) be tied to fixed hours other than those of their own defining; (3) shall only be responsible for registering the Births and deaths of that class of the Community in respect to which they are in the habit of

he Rt. Revd. the Bishop.
, Senior. Ch. of Scotland.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following Paper:

FROM

P. G. MELITUS, Esq.,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Home Department.
Judicial.

Simla, the 19th October 1891.

SIR,

WITH reference to the correspondence ending with the endorsement from the Government of Madras No. 295, dated the 18th April 1890, on the subject of the duties of clergymen as Registrars of Births and Deaths under Act VI of 1886, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter* from the Government at Hyderabad and of its enclosures, from which it will appear that the chaplains of the Church of England on the Madras establishment, employed at the Cantonment of Secunderabad and the Hyderabad State, and the Reverend J. Dobie, Chaplain of the Church of Scotland, Secunderabad and Trimulgherry, are not prepared to undertake the duties of Registrars under the Act. I am to invite attention to the communications from this Department marginally noted, and to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, the Bishop of Madras and the Senior Chaplain of the Church of Scotland may be invited to issue to the Chaplains concerned any instructions similar to those given in the case of the Calcutta Diocese that may be necessary in order to secure that they shall undertake the work of registration.

* No. 154, dated 6th August 1891.

Circular No. 3-939, dated 13th July 1889.
Endorsement No. 12-1744, dated 19th December 1889.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

P. G. MELITUS,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

No.

COPY forwarded to the Foreign Department for information with reference to the endorsement from that Department No. 3971-I, dated the 26th ultimo.

By order,

P. G. MELITUS,

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

G. C. Press, Simla.—No. 1028 H. D.—17-10-91.—82.

Order, 3d November 1891 No. 928.

Communicated to the Right Reverend the Bishop and the Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, with copies of G.Os dated 4th August 1889 and 3 January 1890 Nos 662 and 65 respectively. Attention is invited to the request of the Government of Madras.

(Sd) [illegible]

J.W. Brodie
ag: asst: Secy

To

The Right Revd the Bishop
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ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

No. 1105. Potacammund 18th July 1892.

From

REV. S. MORLEY, B.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Stone House

Potacammund

CHIEF SECRETARY'S 18 JUL 92 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

SIR,

With reference to Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department, Order 4th July 1892, No. 463, I have the honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, to state that he will advise the Chaplains in the territory of Hyderabad, if still requested by the Resident to become Registrars of Births and Deaths under the Act of 1886, to comply with that request, provided that (1) they shall not be required to keep an office; nor (2) be tied to fixed hours other than those of their own defining; (3) shall only be responsible for registering the Births and Deaths of that class of the Community in respect to which they are in the habit of officiating at Baptisms and Burials; and (4) shall not in any degree be under the direct control of the Registration Department.

His Lordship however desires that,

if a Chaplain, foreseeing that the proposed work of Registration will interfere with his proper duties, should decline thus to serve as a Registrar; or if any, having accepted the Office, should find that it interferes, and should request to be relieved of it; such should be left free to decline or resign.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

J. Morley

Bishop's Chaplain.

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Public Dept

From, The Bishop's chaplain

No 1105

Dated 18th } July 1892
Recd 19th }

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Subject

Regarding the chaplains in the territory of Hyderabad as Registrars of Births and deaths.

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No 46/A. CURRENT NO. 1/—

From The Senior Chaplain
Church of Scotland.

To The Hon'ble The Chief Secretary
to the Govt of Madras.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
21 JUL 92
GOVERNMENT C. MADRAS

Sir,

With reference to Proceedings of the Govt of Madras Public Dept-Order No 463 of Date 4th/92, I have the honor to state, that I see no objection to the Chaplain of Secunderabad Church of Scotland being appointed a Registrar of Births & Deaths, provided that he shall not require to keep an office, or be bound to be in attendance at his house for registration purposes, except at hours fixed by himself.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most obedt Servt
William J. Archibald
Senior Chaplain.

July 20th 1892.

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From, The Senior Chaplain
Church of Scotland,

No. 76/1

Dated 20th
Rec'd 21st
Regd. 22nd
Encs. } Telegram

Subject

Stating that he has received
application for institution of
Presbyterian Church of Scotland
being appointed a Registrar of
Births & Deaths at that Station