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1st November 1866.

No. 19. Read the following letter from the Reverend H. De ROCHELY, S. J., Superior of the Catholic Mission, Trichinopoly, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Trichinopoly, 25th October 1866:—

1. The Catholic Mission at Trichinopoly has three Orphanages, one composed of Native and Eurasian boys, amounting in all to 110, the plurality of whom are Natives, and a few only East Indians; another of young girls, to the number of 116; and a third of Eurasian girls, eighteen in all. The children in question are either orphans or have been abandoned by their parents.

2. Till now, Sir, the Catholic Mission at Trichinopoly has been able to provide for their entertainment by means of different alms, collected from various quarters; but owing to the general famine of this year, and to a greater affluence of children, as well as to the exorbitant prices of food, she is compelled to make far more considerable expenses. Meantime, Sir, having learnt that the Collector of Trichinopoly has at his disposal 1,500 Rupees of the General Relief Fund, which is no longer required here, I come to entreat you to take pity on these poor children, who likewise are worthy of the compassion of a liberal Government.

3. In addition to this demand on the General Relief Fund, may I be allowed also to solicit, Sir, a subsidy from the Government funds. Actually, the 110 young boys of the Orphanage live in houses too small, and in a ground-plot too narrow and confined. The Catholic Mission desires to fix these children in a more extensive compound, which she possesses. Now, Sir, to raise up the necessary buildings for them, she will have to spend 5,000 or 6,000 Rupees. Although our Orphanages are not recognized by Government, yet, trusting in its liberality, I humbly come to request you, Sir, to be kind enough to recommend this my petition to the good-will of a Governor already well known for his impartial generosity.

No. 20. ORDER THEREON, 1st November 1866, No. 2,961.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Collector is authorized to make a moderate grant to the Orphanage if he has funds available, and considers it desirable to do so.

2. Paragraph 3 will be communicated to the Public Department for disposal.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Trichinopoly.
,, the Public Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Rec'd order
2nd 29th
The Coll. is authorised
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~~The Collector~~ Dr. J.P.
of Public Works
the sum
to Para 3 with
be cancelled
debited to Dist. Board.

Public order
Referred to the Dr. of
P. Works for report
1st Nov. 1866 J.P. Wood

Rec'd 1866 Despatch
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No. 3837

From the Revd
H. A. Rochely S.J.
Superior of the Ca-
tholic Mission
Trichinopoly

Dated 25th Oct
Received 30th 1866

No 2961 - 1st November

Under the circum-
stances represented I re-
quests that the unexpended
portion of the famine fund
in the hands of the Collr
may be transferred to the
Catholic Orphanages of Tri-
chinopoly and in addition
solicits Govt aid in be-
half these institutions -

W. Kan order