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No. 177. Read the following letter from the Collector of Ganjam, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Chetterpore, 18th April 1868, No. 332 :—

1. On the receipt of G. O., Revenue Department, 24th January last, No. 212, I informed the Chaplain, the superior Roman Catholic Priest, and the senior Baptist Missionary, by a circular that there was a sum of Rupees 6,422 at the credit of the "Ganjam Famine Relief Fund," in respect of which I had received the instructions noted in the margin, and I begged to be favored with their suggestions. I have now received their replies, which I submit in original for the information of Government.

"The Collector will, after communication with "the Clergymen referred to, submit a pro- "posal for distributing the amount available "in proportion to the number of orphans "in charge of each Church, and with due "consideration to the extent of assistance "already afforded in each case from this "fund, with the primary object of adding "to or otherwise improving the buildings "allotted to the orphan children."

I. The Chaplain, it will be seen, has eighty-eight children in his charge, forty-two boys and forty-six girls, ten of whom, however, are supported entirely by the charity, receiving no Government stipend. Owing to the delay in purchasing the house, he has incurred Rupees 440 as outlay in rent; this sum he hopes may be reimbursed to the charity; he also seeks a grant of Rupees 300 for present repairs to the building. He then adverts to the expenses that will attend the establishing of the boys at Chetterpore, which he estimates at Rupees 450 beyond the Rupees 1,500 I have recommended that he shall receive for the purpose, out of the Public Works Famine grant, in my letter of this date, No. 324. And, finally, he respectfully solicits *as much as possible* for general purposes. The sums he specifically asks for (Rupees 440+300+450) amount to 1,190 Rupees. The assistance he has already received from the Famine funds is Rs. 2,271-8-0, as under :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Value of cloth	50	0	0
Cash	120	0	0
For repairs	68	8	0
Cost of house*	2,033	0	0
	2,271	8	0

* The purchase is made in the name of the Government, and the title deeds are with me as Collector.

II. The Roman Catholic Priest, the Reverend Mr. Dupont, enumerates ten improvements and additions, as highly desirable for his Orphanage, No. 10 being a small oratory. The cost, he thinks, will exceed Rupees 6,000, but he adds that he does not expect Government to meet all these wants. He has received from the Famine funds Rupees 1,672-8-0, viz. :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Value of Rice	192	8	0
„ Cloth	180	0	0
Cash	100	0	0
For a building	600	0	0
For another	600	0	0
Rupees ...	1,672	8	0

The Roman Catholic Orphanage at present contains 190 children, viz., 86 boys, 104 girls.

III.—The Baptist Senior Missionary, the Reverend Mr. Taylor, asks for Rupees 500 to enlarge and improve the accommodation for the children, who now number 95, viz., 55 boys and 40 girls; also an additional 300 Rupees for enlarging a tank, total Rupees 800; but he adverts strongly to his anxiety to possess funds to enable him to start the children in life.

The amount of assistance the Baptist Mission has received from the Famine funds is Rupees 2,572, viz.:—

	Rs.
Value of Rice	1,072
Cash	200
For a building	500
For another	500
For a tank	300
2. To sum up,	2,572

	Rs. A. P.	Present No. of children.
(Ten supported by the Charity alone.) *(a.)* The Chaplain has received from these funds (subject to the remarks about his limited interest in the house.)	2,271 8 0 and has	88
(b.) The Roman Catholic Priest has received from these funds...	1,672 8 0 and has	190
(c.) The Baptist Mission has received from these funds	2,572 0 0 and has	95

I would propose to give (the entire sum available being Rupees 6,422) Rupees 1,500 each to Mr. Ottley and Mr. Taylor; and the rest, or Rupees 3,422, to the Roman Catholic Mission. The Roman Catholics have not received as much as the other two Societies from the fund, and their number of orphans is as two to one.

3. I must, however, draw attention to the fact, that the Roman Catholic Orphanage is daily receiving fresh children, who are charged to the Government. In March 1866, or shortly after the receipt here of the Order of Government, 25th January preceding, No. 95, sanctioning the Collector's proposals for the maintenance of children left orphans in the famine, Mr. Dupont had 168 children under his charge; he now draws (March 1868) for 190, of whom

24 were admitted in May 1867,
30 „ „ in Dec. „
7 „ „ in Jan. 1868,
5 „ „ in March „

Total 66 fresh children.

It is true that Mr. Forbes, in his letter then before Government, *estimated* the number of the Chaplain's Orphans at 150
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The subject has only recently come to my notice, and pending the orders of Government, I shall not pass the allowance for any new children, to which end nominal rolls will be furnished from the Orphanages with their monthly bills. The maximum number of children for each Orphanage, and the total amount of the maximum monthly cost sanctioned by Government never having been exceeded, the Audit Department has not thought it necessary to raise the question.

4. Other points are, the expediency of ascertaining, as far as may be, and recording the present age of each child, and the laying down a limit in age beyond which the orphans must work for their own bread. At more than one of the Institutions I have noticed boys who must be long past 16, the age at which minority ceases amongst Hindoos, and who should certainly be making their own way in the world.

No. 178. ORDER THEREON, 8th May 1868, No. 1,268.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government approve and sanction the Collector's proposals for the distribution of the balance in hand out of the Ganjam Famine Relief Fund.

2. With reference to paragraphs 3 and 4 of Mr. Carmichael's letter, the Government observe that their former orders did not contemplate payments by the State for children admitted into the Orphanages long after the famine had ceased.

3. They will not object to the continuance of payments on account of children already admitted, but it must be distinctly understood that no payments, on account of Government, are to be made for children hereafter admitted into the Institutions.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Ganjam.
„ the Accountant General.
„ the Board of Revenue.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1426

The Collector of Gorakpur

Dated 18th April 1868.

FOR ORDERS.

The proposals of Mr Carmichael for the redistribution of the balance may, I think, be accepted.

They appear to be equitable.

The points raised in paras 3 & 4 of Mr Carmichael's letter require attention. They might be determined at Council.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
D. F. Carmichael
Collector.

Rec'd 29 April 1868
No 332.
Dept
Public Works

From
The Collector
of Ganjam

To, The Secretary
to Government R.D.
Madras.

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2 Enclosure

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