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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

28th September 1877, No. 3,019.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 835. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th September 1877, No. 4,178.

Read the following letter from J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 31st August 1877, No. 690:—

The erection of a new taluq (Anglo-Vernacular) school at Adoni on the site of the old building appears to have been sanctioned during the current year.

2. The existing building has not been used by the Educational Department for some years, a house for the Anglo-Vernacular and for the Mahomedan school having been continuously rented in the tower.

3. Mr. Oldham took possession of the unoccupied building for his subordinates, and his letter, copy enclosed, shows that it is really indispensable for their use.

4. I accordingly addressed the Director of Public Instruction simply asking that the erection of the new building might be deferred for a time.

5. That officer upon a report from Mr. Fortey, Inspector of Schools, 2nd Division, refuses to comply with this very reasonable request.

6. I am sorry to have to refer the matter, but as it is important that, under the peculiar exceptional circumstances of the Adoni Taluq, the subordinates employed under Mr. Oldham should have some place of shelter when sick, and as there is no other building available, I have the honor to request that Government may be asked to permit the erection of the building to be deferred till the famine is over.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to W. B. LEGGATT, Esq., A.I.C.E., Official District Engineer, Bellary, dated 26th June 1877, No. 1,886.

In forwarding in original, a letter, No. 127, dated the 21st instant, from the officer in charge of relief operations in the Adoni Taluq, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to acquaint me with the circumstances of the case in order that I may, if necessary, address the proper authorities as to the postponement of the erection of the new school-house.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From W. B. OLDHAM, Esq., B.C.S., Taluq Officer, Adoni, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, dated Adoni, 21st June 1877, No. 127.

With reference to the enclosed original correspondence from the Executive Engineer (the return of which is requested), I have the honor to report that I am using the school-house as a central shelter or barrack for the numerous European subordinates now doing duty here. The school-house had not been used for a school for sometime anterior to my arrival, and is not likely to be so used again till famine operations are over. I took advantage of its being vacant at the Tahsildar's suggestion, and now find it indispensable as there is no other shelter available for the purpose in Adoni, and I must look after my men who frequently come in invalided or suffering from accidents. One remains permanently posted at Adoni and occupies the school-house. I

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write to ask if, under the circumstance, its demolition could not be delayed till next year, even though the grant will lapse. As it is, it is a good building and I have had the roof made water-tight. I understand that the construction of the other contemplated public buildings here has been deferred, and, as the school-house has now been retained sufficiently for it to last well till next year, hope that it may be left at my disposal for the present.

Enclosure No. 3.

From P. O'RATHGAN, Esq., C.E., Executive Engineer, Gooty Range, to W. B. OLDHAM, Esq., B.C.S., on Special Duty, Adoni, dated Gooty, 19th June 1877, No. 754.

I have the honor to forward, for perusal and eventual return, a letter received from the Overseer of Adoni, and to request that you will kindly order the person occupying the school-house to vacate the same at once, as we have got to pull down the present building and construct a new one instead on the same site, and if the work is not put in hand at once it will not be completed within this fiscal year.

Enclosure No. 4.

From W. B. LEGGATT, Esq., A.I.C.E., Officiating District Engineer, Bellary, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, dated 6th July 1877, No. 1,389.

With reference to your letter, No. 1,886, dated 26th June 1877, I have the honor to refer you to my letter, No. 2,488, dated 2nd October 1876, addressed to you as President, Local Fund Board, wherein the necessity for framing an estimate for the erection of a new school-house at Adoni is explained.

2. In your reply to the letter above alluded to, No. 408, of 7th October 1876, you stated that the building did not belong to the Local Fund Board, and that the Inspector of Schools, 2nd Division, should be addressed on the subject.

3. The estimate was accordingly submitted to Government through that officer, and it received the sanction of Government, vide G.O., No. 418, dated 2nd October 1876, in the Educational Department.

4. Funds have been provided for the work in the Provincial Budget of the current fiscal year, and the Range Officer was ordered to put the work in progress.

5. If you think it necessary that the execution of the work should be deferred till next year for the reasons stated in Mr. Oldham's letter, I request that early orders of Government may be obtained on the subject.

Enclosure No. 5.

From J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, to Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, dated 23rd July 1877, No. 2,182.

I have the honor to forward copy of certain correspondence on the subject of the temporary occupation by the Officers of the Famine Department of the old Anglo-Vernacular school at Adoni, and to request that, considering the emergency of the case, you will be good enough to sanction the erection of the new school building being deferred for another year.

Enclosure No. 6.

From Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector of Bellary, dated Madras, 7th August 1877, No. 3,161.

I have the honor to reply to your letter, No. 2,182, of the 23rd ultimo, to annex copy of a letter, No. 298, of the 1st instant, from the Inspector of Schools, 2nd Division, and to state that there do not seem to be sufficient ground for deferring the erection of the building.

Enclosure No. 7.

From B. FORTEY, Esq., Inspector of Schools, 2nd Division, to Colonel R. M. MACDONALD, Director of Public Instruction, dated Penampang, 1st August 1877, No. 291.

With reference to your Proceedings, No. 2,922, dated the 27th ultimo, referring to me for remarks a letter addressed to you by the Collector of Bellary recommending that the erection of a new school-house at Adoni be deferred for another year because the immediate demolition of the present school-house will put to some inconvenience some persons employed in connection with the relief of the famine who have (without any permission asked from the officers of this department) taken possession of it, I have the honor to make the following observations:

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2. Mr. Master speaks in a general way of the "emergency of the case," but does not state in what the emergency consists. Mr. Oldham, the taluk officer, says, "I took advantage of its being vacant and now find it indispensable." It seems that one man lives in the building, and that others are accommodated there when they come "invalided or suffering from accidents."

3. You are aware that I am fully sensible of the paramount importance of relieving the suffering poor, and that I gladly acquiesced in Mr. Master's proposal that the school-house at Anantapure should be taken up as a grain depot as there was no other building available, but in the present case, although the occupation of the school-house may be convenient for Mr. Oldham's subordinates, I can hardly think that it is "indispensable," for I suppose they would have found some accommodation if the school had had no existence. Both the taluk school and the Government Mahomedan School are at present located in a rented private house in the town, which is, of course, more or less unsuited for a school-house, and, judging from the correspondence referred to me by you, I think the best plan will be for the person living in the school-house to vacate at once in order that the Department of Public Works may commence operations without delay.

4. The papers are herewith returned.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. H. MASTER,
Collector.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Board submit that orders should be issued to the Director of Public Instruction to postpone the demolition of the building so long as it is required for famine purposes. Mr. Fortey seems to think it a small matter that men engaged on arduous famine duty should be deprived of their only refuge in time of sickness.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 836. ORDER THEREON, 28th September 1877, No. 3,019.

Miscellaneous.

The demolition of the old school-house at Adoni will not be proceeded with so long as it is required for the use of Famine Relief Officers.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Bellary.
" the Director of Public Instruction.
" the Board of Revenue.
" the Financial Department.
" the Educational Department.
" the Public Works Department.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

26 Sept 1877 No 3014

Revenue Department

No. 4178

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 7th September 1877.

Read the following

No. 690

From

The Collector of
Bellary

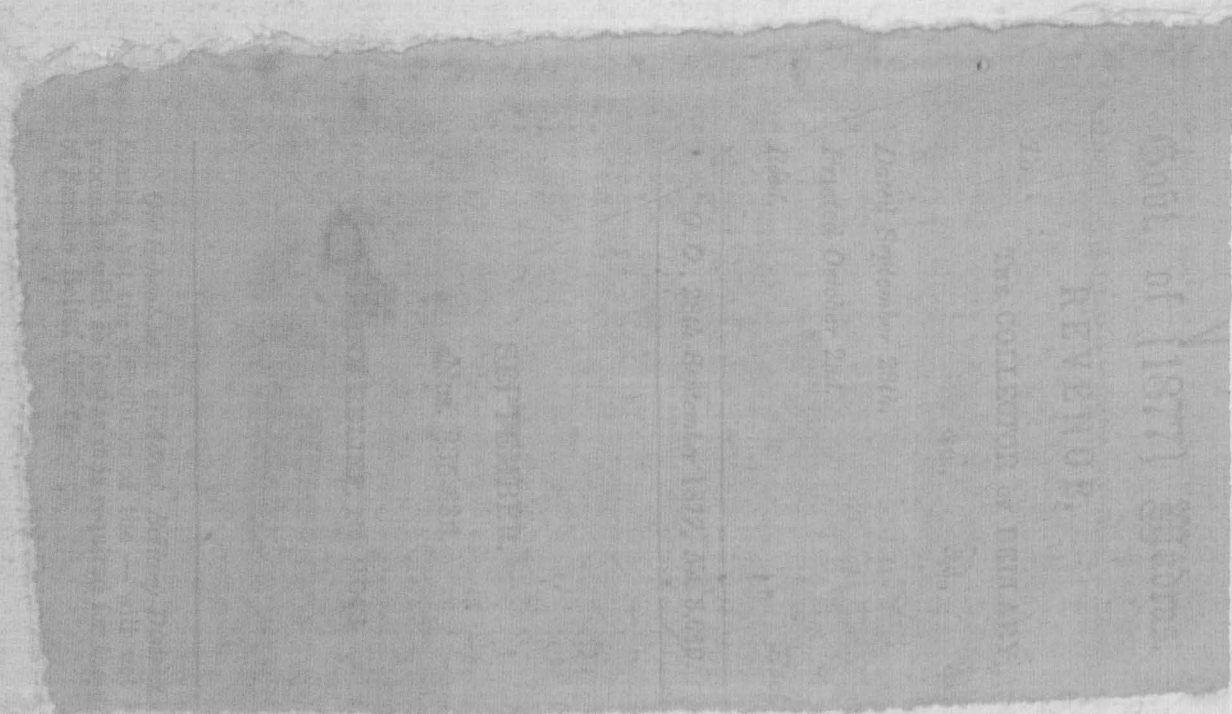
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4. I accordingly addressed the Director of Public Instruction simply asking that the erection of the new building might be deferred for a time.

5. That officer upon a report from Mr. Emsley, Inspector of Schools, S.D. Division, refuses to comply with this very reasonable request.

6. I am sorry to have to refer the

the matter, but as it is important that under the peculiar exceptional circumstances of the Adony Taluk, the subordinates employed under Mr. Oldham should have some place of shelter when sick, and as there is no other building available, I have the honor to request that Government may be asked to permit the erection of the building to be deferred till the famine is over.

Bellary Collect Office. I have recd.
Dated 31st August 1877. Signed J. H. Master.
Collector.

Enclosures

No. 754.

From

The Executive Engineer
Govt. Range

To, W. B. Oldham Esq. B. C. S.
on Special duty
Adony.

Sir, I have the honor to forward for

for perusal and eventual return,
a letter received from the overseer
of Adony and to request that you
will kindly order the person occu-
pying the school house to vacate
the same at once, as we have got
to pull down the present building
and construct a new one instead
on the same site, and if the work
is not put in hand at once it
will not be completed within
this official year.

I have the
honor to be, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
P. B. Patigam C. E.
Executive Engineer

Copy

W. B. Oldham Esq. B. C. S.
Taluk Officer
Adony.

The Collector of Bellary
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contemplated public buildings here
has been deferred, and as the school
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sufficiently for it to last well

till next year, hope that it may be
left at my disposal for the present.
I have &c.
Adony
21st June/77.
Sd/- W. B. Oldham
Talag. Office

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From
The Collector of Bellary
To, The District Engineer.
Bellary.

Sir

In forwarding in original a
letter no. 127 dated 21st Instant from
the officer in charge of Relief opera-
tions in the Adony Talag. I have
the honor to request that you will
be good enough to acquaint me with
the circumstances of the case, in
order that I may, if necessary,
address the proper authorities
as to the postponement of the
erection of the new school house.

Dated 26 June/77 I have &c.
Bellary Collecting Office Sd/- J. H. Master.
Collector
The

No. 1389.

From
The offg. Engr. Bellary.

To
The Collector of
Bellary.

Sir,
With reference to your letter
No. 1386 dated 26 June 1877, I have
the honor to refer you to my
letter No. 2488 dated 2^d October 1876
addressed to you as President Local
Fund Boards, wherein the necessity
for framing an estimate for the
erection of a new school house
at Adony is explained.

2. In your reply to the letter
above alluded to, No. 406 of 7th Octo-
ber 1876, you stated that the
building

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building did not belong to the Local
Fund Board and that the Inspector
of schools 2^d Division, should be
addressed on the subject.

3. The estimate was accordingly
submitted to Government through
that officer, and it received the
sanction of Government, Vide G. O.
No. 418 dated 26th October 1876 in the
Educational Department.

4. Funds have been provided
for the work in the Provincial Budget
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the work in progress.

5. If you think it necessary that
the execution of the work should be
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stated in Mr. Aldham's letter, I
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the subject.

District
Engineer's office

Bellary

Dated 6th July 1877

I have seen

Sigs. W. Leggatt. I.C.B.

offg. D. Engineer

No. 2182.

From

The Collector of Bellary

To,

The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
copy of certain correspondence on
the subject of the temporary occu-
pation by the officers of the Famine
Department of the old Anglo-
vernacular school at Adony,
and to request that, considering
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the emergency of the case, you will
be good enough to sanction the erection
of the new school building being
deferred for another year.

Dated 25th July/77

Bellary Collector's office

I have seen

Sigs. J. H. Master.

Collector

No. 3161.

From

The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

To,

The Collector of
Bellary.

Sir,

I have the honor to reply
to your letter No. 2182 of the 25th
ultimo, to annex copy of a letter,
No. 204 of the 1st Instant, from
the Inspector of Schools, 2^d.
Division

Decision, and to state that there
do not seem to me sufficient ground
for deferring the erection of the
building.

I have &c &c

Office of the
Director of
Public Instruction
Madras 7th August
1877

Signed R. W. Macdonald.
Director of Public
Instruction.

N^o 204.

To

The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

Sir

With reference to your
Proceedings No. 2998 dated the 27th
ultimo referring to me for remarks
at

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Magistrate of Bellary recommending that the
erection of a new school house at
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operations without delay.

4. The papers are herewith returned.

Office of the
Inspector of
Schools, D.
Division
Genoa House
1st August/77

I have & co
Signed H. Forbey
Inspector of Schools

(True copy)

Signed R. W. Macdonald
Director of Public Instruction

(True copy)

Signed J. H. Master
Collector

Submitted for the orders of
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(True copy & Extract)

Col. 
Secy. Secretary

To additional Secretary to Govt. P. D.

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Proceeding of the

Board of Managers

Dated 7 September 1877

No. 4178

Read, 8th

Submitting statement
to Board to Director of
Public Instruction
to postpone the time
of the old school
building at St. Anne's
Mission St. to long as
it is required for same
purpose.

No. 3019 No. 535-536

The duration of the old school house
it seems will not be finished with
it long as it is required for time of
the new school of same.

28 April

18/9/77

W. J. P.

Heard of the
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