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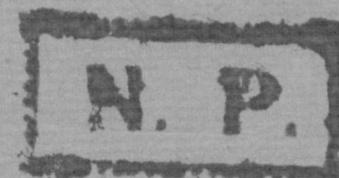
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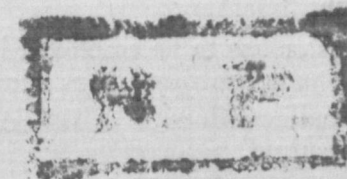
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following papers:—

I

G.O., No. 872, Educational, dated 16th December 1892.

ABSTRACT.—Approving, with remarks, the scheme for the more economical working of the Telegraph class at the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, and directing that it be brought into force at once and that the Government of India and the Director-General of Telegraphs be addressed.

II

Letter—from T. D. BERRINGTON, Esq., M.I.E.E., Director-General of Telegraphs.
To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department.

Dated—Simla, the 14th October 1909.

No.—11696-T.

I have the honour to invite a reference to Order No. 872, Educational, dated the 16th of December 1892, of the Government of Madras approving the scheme for the more economical working of the Telegraph class at the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, and to report, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, that the mode of training now followed in the class in pursuance of the regulation in sub-paragraphs 2 and 3 of paragraph 1 of the orders under reference presents the following difficulties:—

(1) That boys entering the junior Telegraph class being drafted from various standards have by no means the same general educational qualifications, and that it is therefore difficult to teach them together;

(2) that an additional master has to be employed by the asylum to take this junior Telegraph class in non-technical subjects, thus adding to the cost of training boys in school subjects for signallers, though in reality such training should form part of the ordinary school curriculum.

(3) The school year begins on the 15th February and ends on the 15th December. At present boys are drafted into junior Telegraph class on the 15th February, and pass out of the senior Telegraph class about the 15th June. This means that the vacancies in the school caused by such boys leaving have to be filled up by new admissions in the middle of the school year, thus tending to disorganise the working of the classes throughout the school.

2. I have accordingly had revised rules (to take effect from the beginning of the next session) to be observed in the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum at Ootacamund drawn up in consultation with the Principal of the asylum, and submit them herewith for the approval of Government on receipt of which the sanction of the Government of India will be obtained.

ENCLOSURE.

Rules to be observed in the training of Telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum at Ootacamund.

1. The class shall be called the Lawrence Asylum Telegraph Training class.
2. The pupils attending the class shall belong to the Lawrence Asylum only.
3. No boy shall be admitted into the class who is less than 15 and more than 20 years of age, and who is not of a sound vigorous constitution with perfect eye-sight and hearing, and who has not passed the Seventh standard in the school which shall be considered a sufficient test without other examination.

4. The subjects in which the boys will be trained will be subject to the orders of the Director-General of Telegraphs, and will be the same as those laid down for General Service probationers in Chapter B of the Telegraph Code, additions and alterations to which may be made from time to time.

5. The course of instruction will extend over one year at the end of which the examination will be held by an officer of the Telegraph department.

6. Instructions will be given by the Telegraph Instructor who will be provided by the Telegraph department and who will be under the orders of the Principal in everything except technical subjects.

7. Admission to the Telegraph department will be subject to the candidates passing the tests prescribed for General Service probationers in Chapter B of the Telegraph Code that may, from time to time, be ordered by the Director-General of Telegraphs. The examination will be held by an officer of the Telegraph department in December each year, the successful boys to come on to the strength of the paid establishment on the 1st of the month in which they pass. Telegraphists who are in other respects qualified to enter the Telegraph department from the Lawrence Asylum must produce a certificate of good character from the Principal and of good health and constitution from the Medical Officer of the asylum before they can be admitted. No telegraphist will be admitted into the Telegraph department until after he has attained the age of 16.

8. The Superintendent in charge of the Madras division of the Telegraph department or an officer deputed by him will periodically inspect the class.

9. Pupils in the Telegraph class will be subject to all the rules and regulations in force in the Lawrence Asylum.

III

Endorsement No. 1942-1, Educational, dated 5th November 1909.

Referred to the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, for remarks.

(By Order.)

C. A. SOUTER,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.

IV

Letter—from the Rev. W. H. G. PADFIELD, M.A., Principal and Secretary, Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department (through the Director of Public Instruction).

Dated—the 26th November 1909.

No.—2807.

I am directed by the Committee to acknowledge receipt of endorsement No. 1942-1, Educational, dated 5th November 1909, forwarding in original No. 11696-T. from the Director-General of Telegraphs regarding the new rules to be observed in the Lawrence Asylum Telegraph Training class for remarks of the Committee, and to state that the proposals contained therein are in entire accordance with the views of the Committee on the matter.

The original letter abovementioned is returned herewith as requested.

N. Dis. on C. No. 7941, dated 2nd December 1909.

Submitted to Government.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

V

Letter—from T. D. BERRINGTON, Esq., M.L.E.E., Director-General of Telegraphs.
To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department.
Dated—Calcutta, the 2nd December 1909.
No.—9788-T.

I have the honour to invite attention of the Government of Madras to this office letter No. 11696-T. dated Simla, the 14th of October 1909, on the subject of the amendment to the rules to be observed in the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, and to request the favour of an early reply thereto.

VI

Official Memorandum No. 2215-1, Educational, dated 21st December 1909.

With reference to their letter No. 2807, dated 26th November 1909, returning the new rules framed by the Director-General of Telegraphs for the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum and stating that the proposals contained therein are in entire accordance with their views on the matter, the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum are requested to be good enough to report on the following points:—

(1) Whether the rule in clause (2) of paragraph 1 of G.O., No. 872, Educational, dated 16th December 1892, under which the Telegraph class in the asylum is now working has failed to secure any equality in respect of the general educational qualifications of the boys entering the class and, if so, how;

(2) how the proposed rule (3) which allows boys from 15 to 20 years of age to enter the class will secure equality of intellectual attainments among the members of the class;

(3) how boys of 20 are to be available for admission into the class, when under rule 36 of the Asylum rules, boys are required to leave the asylum on attaining the age of 18;

(4) what is the necessity for a special teacher of non-technical subjects for the Telegraph class, and how it is obviated by the proposed rules; and

(5) whether the proposed rules 5 and 7 will not defeat the objects which the Committee had in view in proposing half-yearly examinations in paragraph 4 of their letter No. 690, dated 12th July 1892.

R. F. AUSTIN,
Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund
 (through the Director of Public Instruction).

VII

Letter—from the Rev. W. H. G. PADFIELD, M.A., Principal and Secretary, Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department (through the Director of Public Instruction).
Dated—the 7th February 1910.
No.—C. 3869.

I have the honour, by the direction of the Committee, to reply to Government Memorandum No. 2215-1, dated 21st December 1909, regarding the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum.

2. *Point (1) of the Memorandum.*—Under the present system, lads are selected for the junior Telegraph class (from which they are eventually drafted into the senior class) by an officer of the Telegraph department from the V, VI or VII standards and thus have very varying educational qualifications. Under the proposed rule 3, all the lads selected will have passed the VII standard, and so will be on more of an equality in this matter.

3. *Points (2) and (3).*—The limits of age, 15 to 20 years, laid down in proposed rule 3 are wider than will probably be necessary, most of the boys in the VI

standard being between 15 and 17. The wider limits will, however, have the advantage of obviating the necessity of applying to the Telegraph department for special orders in the case of those exceptional boys who happen to be more than 17 or of those whom Government might, as a very special case, permit to remain on in the asylum after the usual limit of 18 years. As all the boys will be drafted from among those who have passed the VII standard, they will be of approximately the same educational qualifications, even though they may vary slightly in the matter of age.

4. *Point (4).*—At present there are two Telegraph classes, junior and senior. Boys in the junior class stay there for twelve months, inclusive of holidays, and work in the mornings at ordinary school subjects under a master specially entertained for the purpose, and in the afternoons at telegraphy. From this class, they are drafted into the senior class, where they work solely at telegraphy and connected subjects, morning and afternoon, for six months. Under the proposed rules, the boys will be of higher educational qualifications than at present and will require no further special instruction in ordinary school subjects; moreover, there will be only one Telegraph class, lasting one year, instead of two as now. Consequently no special teacher of non-technical subjects will be required.

5. *Point (5).*—The advantages claimed for the half-yearly examinations in the Committee's letter No. 690, dated 12th July 1892, were (1) that more than twelve boys might be passed out in one year and (2) that the boys who had passed would enter the Telegraph department at once and not remain on the school rolls after the usual age limit. But as the Telegraph department will not take more than twelve boys *per annum* and this number usually pass out and join the department at once, these anticipated advantages have proved illusory and as a matter of fact the half-yearly examination has been held in only seven of the sixteen years between 1894 and 1909, both inclusive. Nothing is thus lost by having the examinations yearly in future instead of half-yearly.

6. The enclosures to the Government memorandum under reply are herewith resubmitted.

N. Ref. on C. No. 8472, dated 12th February 1910.

Submitted to Government.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

Order—No. 79, Educational, dated 18th February 1910.

The Government approve the revised rules for the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, which have been framed by the Director-General of Telegraphs and which have been agreed to by the Asylum Committee.

2. The Director-General of Telegraphs will be informed accordingly.

[Here enter letter No. 80, Educational, dated 18th February 1910.]

(True Extract.)

L. M. WYNCH,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.
 „ Director of Public Instruction.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 80.

From

L. M. WYNCH, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department,

To

THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF TELEGRAPHS,
CALCUTTA.

Dated Fort St. George, the 18th February 1910.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 11696-T, dated the 14th October 1909, and to state in reply that the Governor in Council approves the revised rules framed by you for the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum at Ootacamund.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. M. WYNCH,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., Nos. 79, 80, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 18TH FEBRUARY 1910.

[SUBJECT.—*Rules for the training of Telegraphists at the
Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.*]

From the Director-General of Telegraphs, No. 1196 T., dated 14th October 1909.

The Director-General of Telegraphs forwards, for the approval of Government, the revised rules to be observed in the training of Telegraphists at the Telegraph class attached to the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund. He states that these rules have been drawn up in consultation with the Principal of the Lawrence Asylum.

2. It is submitted that the rules may, in the first instance, be referred to the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum for remarks.

3. The draft endorsement is submitted for approval.

P.R.—4-11-09.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—5-11-09.

C. A. SOUTER—5-11-09.

[Memorandum No. 1942-1 dated 5th November 1909.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 7941, dated 2nd December 1909.

The Director of Public Instruction sent the revised rules to the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum for remarks, and the Committee states that the revised rules are in entire accordance with its views on the matter.

2. The revised rules will take the place of those contained in paragraph 1 of G.O., No. 872, Educational, dated 16th December 1892, which, the Director-General of Telegraphs states, presents certain difficulties. The revised rules may be approved.

3. The draft is for approval.

T.K.—9-12-09.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—9-12-09.

C. A. SOUTER—10-12-09.

It is curious that the Director-General of Telegraphs should draft revised rules to obviate difficulties that affect not his department but the internal arrangements of the asylum.

The Committee simply remark that the proposals are in entire accordance with their views, and the Director of Public Instruction merely "submits" the correspondence.

Difficulty (1) refers to difference of educational standards among the pupils of the Telegraph class and the consequent difficulty of teaching them together. Proposal (3) is made to meet this, by requiring all pupils of the class to have passed the seventh standard. But it allows boys from 15 to 20 to enter the class, which

seems to involve considerable differences of intellectual attainments, and some equality in this respect should have been already secured under rule 2 of G.O., Nos. 872-874, Educational, dated 16th December 1892, under which the class is now working. Further under No. 36 of the Asylum rules, a boy is required to leave at the age of 18, so it is difficult to see how boys of 20 are to be available for entry to the Telegraph class.

Difficulty (2).—It is not explained why this class should have a special master to itself for more technical subjects, or how the necessity if it exists is avoided by the newly proposed rules.

Difficulty (3) has apparently not been sufficiently experienced to be a cause of complaint for the last seventeen years. The half-yearly examination was proposed by the Asylum Committee in its letter of 12th July 1892 in order to give boys two chances in a year and to enable the asylum to pass out as many boys into the Telegraph Department as possible. It is not explained how far these objects will be defeated by the new draft rules (4) and (7).

One innovation appears in draft rule (6) by which the Telegraph Department is to provide an instructor. In his letter, dated 10th October 1892, he said

N. S. BRODIE--16-12-09.

that though he could recommend an instructor he could not accept any responsibility for so doing.

The Director-General of Telegraphs should be asked about this last point, I think.

Yes.

N.S.B.-16-12-09

and the Asylum Committee through the Director of Public Instruction about the other points.

R. F. AUSTIN—11-12-09.

Draft submitted for approval.

T.K.—18-12-49.

K. RANGASWAMI AYYANGAR—20-12-09.

Draft passed by the Deputy Secretary. Issue.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-12-09.

[Memorandum No. 2215-1, dated 21st December 1909.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 8472, dated 12th February 1910.

Please see current file. The Committee answers satisfactorily all the points raised in Memorandum No. 2215-1, dated 21st December 1909.

2. It is for consideration whether the draft letter to the Director-General of Telegraphs may now issue.

T K.—16-2-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AYYANGAR—16-2-10.

A. GALLETTI—17-2-10.

Issue.

L. M. WYNCH--18-2-10.

[G.O., Nos. 79, 80, Educational, dated 18th February 1910.]

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READ ALSO:—

C. No. 1942, From the D-G-7 Telegraphs, No. 11696I, dated 14-10-1909.

" " 2215, " " D.P. 9, " 7441, " 2-12-1909.

" 2236, " 2277, " 9758, " 2 - 12 - 1909.

ORDER.

P. S.

No. 79, dated 18-2-1960

The Govt approve the revised rules for the training of telegraphists at the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, which have been framed by the Director-General of Telegraphs and which have been ~~agreed upon~~ ^{agreed to} by the Asylum Committee.

2. The Director General of Telegraphs will be informed accordingly.

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To The Committee of the L. A. city.
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Letter to

The Director-General of Telegraphs
Calcutta

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Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter no. 11696 T
dated the 14th Oct. 1909 and to
state in reply that the Govr. in C.
approves the revised rules framed
by you for the training of Tele-
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