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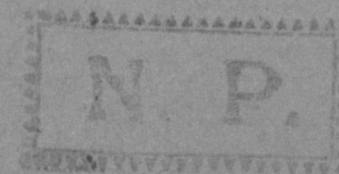
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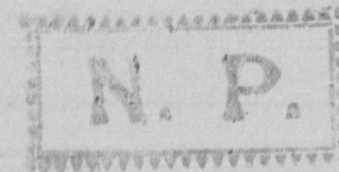
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READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from H. G. STOKES, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Education).

To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Department.

Dated—Calcutta, the 4th February 1910.

No.—105.

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Governor in Council, a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 161 (Public), dated the 26th November 1909, enclosing a copy of a letter from the University of London regarding a proposal to hold in India their examination for a certificate in religious knowledge, and to request that the Government of India may be informed whether, in the opinion of His Excellency in Council, there is any objection to the proposal and whether, so far as is known, the need of such facilities as it is proposed to offer has in fact been felt. It will be seen from the papers forwarded with the despatch from the Secretary of State, No. 3 (Public), dated the 18th August 1905, that arrangements have been made for the holding of Divinity examinations of the University of London in India.

ENCLOSURES.

(i)

Despatch—from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

To—His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council.

Dated—India Office, London, the 26th November 1909.

No.—161 (Public).

I forward, for the consideration of your Excellency's Government, the enclosed copy of a letter from the University of London regarding a proposal to hold in India their examination for a certificate in religious knowledge.

2. I shall be glad to learn the views of your Excellency's Government in the matter.

(ii)

Letter—from R. D. ROBERTS, Esq., Registrar of the Board for the Extension of University Teaching, University of London.

To—the Under Secretary of State for India.

Dated—South Kensington, S.W., the 29th October 1909.

No.—500.

The University established an examination for a certificate in religious knowledge about a year ago. I enclose a copy of the Regulations.

We have now received from the Reverend Sydney Cave, Scott Christian College, Nagercoil, Travancore, an enquiry as to whether this examination could be held there, as one candidate is desirous of taking it and it is probable that others may also wish to do so. Under the arrangement recently made, the examinations for the degree of Bachelor of Divinity are to be held in India. It certainly seems probable that this examination in religious knowledge may be found exceedingly useful to non-matriculated students who wish to obtain a qualification in Scripture knowledge but are not in a position to proceed to the degree of B.D.

The Board will be glad to know whether the Government of India would be likely to view with favour an application for the holding of the examination for a certificate in religious knowledge in India.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

Regulations for the Examination for a Certificate in Religious Knowledge.

An examination for a certificate in religious knowledge shall be held once in each year; and shall commence on the Second Monday in January.*

This examination and all other examinations of the University are open to men and women alike.

Candidates will be allowed to take the examination either as a whole or in two parts, provided that they offer in each part two of the compulsory and one of the optional subjects.

Every candidate must apply to the Registrar for a form of entry on or before November 25th, which must be returned on or before December 1st, accompanied in each case by a certificate showing that the candidate has completed his twentieth year,† and by the proper fee.‡

Every candidate taking the whole examination at one time must pay a fee of two pounds, and every candidate taking the examination in two parts must pay a fee of two pounds and of one pound for the first and second parts respectively.

A candidate entering for the whole examination on one occasion, and passing in two of the compulsory subjects and in one of the optional subjects, will be permitted, on payment of a further fee of one pound, to complete the examination on a subsequent occasion by passing in the two remaining compulsory subjects and in one optional subject.

A candidate entering for the whole examination on one occasion, and passing in five out of the six subjects, may, with the consent of the Examiners, offer the sixth subject alone at the next following examination for the certificate in religious knowledge on payment of a fee of one pound.

If a candidate withdraws his name before the last day of entry to the examination the fee shall be returned to him. If he fails to present himself at the examination or the part of the examination for which he has entered, he shall be allowed to enter for the next following examination or part of the examination for the certificate in religious knowledge on payment of a fee of one pound for the whole or for the first part of the examination, and of ten shillings for the second part of the examination. If he retires after the commencement of the examination, or fails to pass it, the full fee prescribed in the foregoing paragraphs shall be payable upon every re-entry for the whole or part of the examination.

The examination shall be conducted by means of printed papers; but the Examiners shall not be precluded from putting, for the purpose of ascertaining the competence of the candidate to pass, *vivâ voce* questions to any candidate in the subjects in which they are appointed to examine.

[*Note*.—Attention is called to the following Regulation of the Senate :—

No question shall be so put as to require an expression of religious belief on the part of the candidate.

No answer or translation given by any candidate shall be objected to on the ground of its expressing any peculiarity of doctrinal views.]

Candidates shall not be approved by the Examiners unless they have shown a competent knowledge in both the compulsory and optional subjects taken in the manner provided in these Regulations and as specified under the following heads :—

A. *Compulsory Subjects*—

- (a) Old Testament.—Introduction and Subject Matter (one paper).
- (b) Old Testament.—A portion or a subject to be studied in more detail (one paper).
- (c) New Testament.—Introduction and Subject Matter (one paper).
- (d) New Testament.—A portion or a subject to be studied in more detail (one paper).

B. *Optional Subjects*—Two to be taken—

- (e) Greek Testament (one paper).
- (f) A Period of Church History (one paper).
- (g) History of Christian Doctrine (one paper).
- (h) History of Christian Worship (one paper).
- (i) Christian Ethics (one paper).
- (j) Philosophy of Religion (one paper).
- (k) Comparative Study of Religions (one paper).

* The examination may be held at any of the Provincial centres at which the January Matriculation Examination is appointed to be held as well as in London (see page 4).

† A certificate from the Registrar-General in London or from the Superintendent Registrar of the district, or a certified copy of the baptismal register, or a declaration of the candidate's age made before a Magistrate or a Commissioner of Oaths by his parent or guardian, or by the Principal of his school, or by the candidate if of full age, will be accepted. In any case in which the name used by the candidate differs from that given in the certificate, a similar declaration must be produced in support of the change.

‡ As candidates cannot be admitted after the list is closed, any candidate who may not have received a form of entry within a week after applying for it should communicate immediately with the Registrar stating the exact date of his application and the place where it was posted.

SYLLABUSES.

A. Compulsory Subjects.

(a) Old Testament (Introduction and Subject Matter).

- (1) A general knowledge of the contents of the narrative portions of the Old Testament.
 - (2) The historical circumstances under which the books of the Old Testament were composed.
 - (3) The general features of the teaching of the books of Amos, Isaiah and Jeremiah.*
- Candidates will be expected to have a general knowledge of the different opinions held on the more important questions.

A careful study of the English Old Testament itself is essential.
A choice of questions will be given in each section of the paper.

(b) Old Testament (Special Subject).

A portion or a subject to be announced from time to time.†

(c) New Testament (Introduction and Subject Matter).

- (1) A general knowledge of the contents of the narrative portions of the New Testament.
 - (2) The circumstances under which the books of the New Testament were composed.
 - (3) The general features of the teaching of I Corinthians, Hebrews, I John, and James.‡
- Candidates will be expected to have a general knowledge of the different opinions held on the more important questions.

A careful study of the English New Testament itself is essential.
A choice of questions will be given in each section of the paper.

(d) New Testament (Special Subject).

A portion or a subject to be announced from time to time.§

B. Optional Subjects.

(e) Greek Testament.

Specified portions of the New Testament: Introduction, Translation, Exegesis and Grammar.

For 1909-11—

The Gospel according to St. Mark.
The Epistle of Paul, the Apostle to the Philippians.

(f) A Period of Church History.

For 1909-11—

History of the Christian Church to A.D. 312.

(g) History of Christian Doctrine.

For 1909-11—

The Doctrine of the Person of Christ to A.D. 451.

(h) History of Christian Worship.

For 1909-11—

The History and Contents of the Book of Common Prayer.

(i) Christian Ethics.

The Ethical Ideas—The Highest Good—Duty—Virtues.
Social Teaching of the New Testament.
Moral and Social Progress in Christendom.

(j) Philosophy of Religion.

Nature and Grounds of Religious Belief.
The Idea of God.
God and the World. Creation, Evolution, Providence.
Personality of Man.
Immortality.
Problem of Evil, Suffering, Sin.
Reason and Revelation.

* For 1909-1911.

† For 1909 to 11—1 and 2 Samuel.

‡ For 1909-1911.

§ For 1909 to 1911—The Times, Life and Teaching of Christ.

(k) Comparative Study of Religions.

Nature of Religion and its Early Forms.
A general knowledge of the principal Historical Religions.
Selected Religion or Religions.

For 1909-11—

Brahmanism, Buddhism and Hinduism.

The examination shall be conducted in the following order* :—

Monday—

Afternoon, 2 to 5—Old Testament.

Tuesday—

Morning, 10 to 1—Old Testament.

Afternoon, 2 to 5—New Testament.

Wednesday—

Morning, 10 to 1—New Testament.

Afternoon, 2 to 5—Optional Subjects.

Thursday—

Morning, 10 to 1. } Optional Subjects.

Afternoon, 2 to 5. }

At 2 o'clock on Saturday in the fourth week after the examination, a list shall be published of the candidates who have passed, arranged in alphabetical order.

A certificate to be called the "Certificate in religious knowledge" shall be delivered to each candidate who has passed the whole examination after the report of the Examiners shall have been approved by the Senate.

PROVINCIAL EXAMINATIONS.

Candidates wishing to be examined at Provincial centres must give notice upon their forms of entry, when all necessary arrangements will be made by the University.

A local fee varying in amount from £1 to £3 is payable to the authorities of the Provincial centres by candidates desiring to avail themselves of the accommodation thus provided. This fee is in addition to the University fee. The amount of the local fee and the time for its payment at the Local centre will be announced on the time table of the examination with which every candidate is supplied. The University fee must be sent to the University along with the entry form; *the local fee must not be sent to the University, but must be paid at the Local centre.*

The answers of the candidates at the Provincial examinations are reviewed by the Examiners at the same time as the answers of the candidates examined in London; and a list of the candidates who have passed at each Provincial examination is published, at the time fixed by the Regulations, at the place where such examination has been held.

Provincial Centres at which the Matriculation Examination will be held in January 1910 and 1911, and at which the Examination for the Certificate in Religious Knowledge may also be held.

1910.

The January Matriculation Examination will be held at—

Birmingham—The University;
Bradford—The Commercial College (Mechanics' Inst.);
Brighton—The Municipal Technical College;
Bristol—The Merchant Venturers' Technical College;
Cardiff—College and Technical Buildings, Dumfries Place (University College);
Exeter—The Royal Albert Memorial University College;
Glasgow—The Technical College;
Hull—The Municipal Technical School;
Leeds—The University;
Liverpool—The Royal Institution;
Manchester—Owens College;
Newcastle-on-Tyne—Rutherford College;
Norwich—The Municipal Technical Institute;
Nottingham—The High School;
Plymouth—(Communications to be addressed to I. S. Hawker, Esq., J.P., B.A., Mutley House, Plymouth);
Portsmouth—The Grammar School;
Southampton—Hartley University College.

* Changes in the details of this order may be found necessary from time to time, but in all such cases due notice will be given to candidates.

1911.

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Bristol—The Merchant Venturers' Technical College;*Exeter*—The Royal Albert Memorial University College;*Leeds*—The University;*Plymouth*—(Communications to be addressed to I. S. Hawker, Esq., J.P., B.A., Mutley House, Plymouth);*Southampton*—Hartley University College.

[Other Provincial centres may be added by the Senate.]

II

Memorandum No. 237-2, Educational, dated 23rd February 1910.

The letter from the Government of India read above on the subject of a proposal of the University of London to hold in India their examination for a certificate in religious knowledge, with its enclosures, is referred to the Lord Bishop of Madras for favour of report as to whether any need for such an examination has in fact been felt.

(By Order.)

A. GALLETTI,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras (with C.L.).

III

Letter—from the Rev. H. N. BRIDGE, M.A., Bishop's Chaplain.*To*—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.*Dated*—Teynampet, Madras, the 1st March 1910.*No.*—3021.

In reply to your Memorandum No. 237-2, Educational, dated 23rd February 1910, with reference to the subject of a proposal of the University of London to hold in India their examinations for a certificate in religious knowledge, I have the honour, by order of the Bishop, to say that his Lordship is not aware that the need for such examinations has been felt except in the case of the particular candidate referred to in the correspondence.

Order—No. 141, Educational, dated 19th March 1910.

The following letter will be addressed to the Government of India.

[Here enter letter No. 142, Educational, dated 19th March 1910.]

(True Extract.)

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

From

L. M. WYNCH, Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.,

Ag. Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Dated Fort St. George, the 19th March 1910.

SIR,

In reply to Mr. Stokes's letter No. 105, Education, dated the 4th February 1910, regarding the proposal of the University of London to hold in India their examination for a certificate in religious knowledge, I am directed to state that the Governor in Council sees no objection to the proposal, but that, so far as results from the enquiries that have been made, the need of such facilities as it is proposed to offer has not in fact been felt except in the case of the particular candidate referred to in the correspondence.

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. 141, 142, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 19TH MARCH 1910.

[SUBJECT.—*Holding in India of the London University examination for a certificate in religious knowledge.*]

From the Government of India, dated 4th February 1910/No. 105.

The Government of India forward a copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State on the subject of holding in India the London University examination for a certificate in religious knowledge and request to be informed whether, in the opinion of this Government, there is any objection to the proposal and whether, so far as is known, the need of such facilities as it is proposed to offer has in fact been felt.

2. The University of London appears to have made the proposal at the suggestion of the Rev. Sydney Cave, Scott Christian College, Nagercoil, Travancore—*vide* the University's letter, dated 29th October 1909.

3. Submitted that the paper may be forwarded u.o. to the Director of Public Instruction for remarks.

T.K.—9-2-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—9-2-10.

C. A. SOUTER—10-2-10.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

I do not think there is any objection to the proposal. I have never heard of any need for such facilities.

2. The proposal comes from Travancore; it would seem as though there should be some fairly widespread demand within the Presidency before arrangements are made to hold the examination.

3. I should have thought a mission might arrange to hold its own examinations in religious knowledge; the London certificate can have no special virtue for Indian Christians.

A. G. BOURNE—13-2-10.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

It is for consideration whether the Government of India may be informed, with reference to the enquiry contained in their letter of the 4th February 1910, as in paragraph 1 of Dr. Bourne's u.o. note *supra*.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—17-2-10.

The proposal seems to be harmless, but the Government of India want to know whether the need has been felt. For the Anglican Church, the Bishop should be able to answer. The papers might be referred to him officially.

A. GALLETT—18-2-10.

Nos. 141, 142, EDUCATIONAL, 19TH MARCH 1910.

Yes. Please make a reference to the Bishop.

L. M. WYNCH—19-2-10.

Draft submitted for approval.

T.K—21-2-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-2-10.

Issue.

A. GALLETI—22-2-10.

[Memø. No. 237-2, dated 23rd February 1910.]

From the Bishop of Madras, dated 1st March 1910, No. 3021.

The Bishop states that he is not aware that the need for the London University examination for a certificate in religious knowledge has been felt except in the case of the particular candidate referred to in the correspondence.

2. A draft letter to India is submitted for approval.

T.K-7-3-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—9-3-10.

A. GALLETTI—10-3-10.

L. M. WYNCH—10-3-10.

The Bishop is not likely to know much about the needs for an examination of this kind, which probably appeals much more to the nonconformist branches of Christianity than it would to the Church of England. However the matter is not of much importance and the draft may issue.

M. H[AMMICK]—18-3-10.

Issue.

L. M. WYNCH—19-3-10.

[G.O., Nos. 141, 142, Educational, dated 19th March 1910.]

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LETTER to

Nº 16,2 dated 19.3.10

The Secretary to the

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Home Department.

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