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Recording letter from the  
Principal and Secretary — reporting the  
closure of the Lawrence Asylum Branch Press at  
Ostacamund.

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Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, reporting the closure of the Branch  
of the Lawrence Asylum Press at Ooty.

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Station Madras, Dated the 19<sup>th</sup> April 1910. ~~1900~~.

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. A. G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S., C.I.E.,

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department.

Sir,

M. S. S.

# OOTACAMUND LAWRENCE ASYLUM.

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Nilgiri District, 31st March 1900

FROM

THE REVEREND W. H. G. PADFIELD, M. A.,

PRINCIPAL AND SECRETARY,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Through

The Director of Public Instruction,

M A D R A S.

SIR,

I have the honour to report for the information of Government that the Trustees of the Lawrence Asylum Press, with the concurrence and on the advice of the Agents to the Press, have decided to close the Branch of the Lawrence Asylum Press which has for many years past been working at Ootacamund. The question whether the Press shall be sold as it stands as a going concern, or otherwise, or be transferred elsewhere, is under correspondence with the Agents, and no final decision has yet been arrived at.

2. The reason for the closure of the Branch is that it has worked at a loss ever since, in November 1905, a branch of the Government Press was opened in Ootacamund and Government directed that, in order to provide this with work during the time Government were not on the hills, the Collector's and other official printing in the district (but not that for the Military departments) should be executed therein. The figures in the margin show the net profit or loss of the Branch since

|                      | Profit | Loss  |
|----------------------|--------|-------|
|                      | Rs.    | Rs.   |
| 1904 ..              | 1,636  |       |
| 1905 ..              | 943    |       |
| 1906 ..              | ..     | 1,531 |
| 1907 ..              | 21     |       |
| 1908 ..              | ..     | 74    |
| 1909 (six months) .. | ..     | 140   |

1904. Endeavours have been made to increase the local custom, but without effect, a press in Ootacamund worked on cheaper methods and supported in other ways having been able to secure most of the work which required no special style or skill. An attempt

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to make a profit on sale of stationery, etc, has also failed.

3. The closure has been under discussion since <sup>1905</sup>1902. In February 1906 the Trustees resolved to give the Branch another trial, but in February 1907 decided to close it. A reorganisation of the Branch was, however, tried but failed to secure a profit, and in September last the Agents again proposed closure. After considerable discussion, the Trustees have come to the conclusion that closure is inevitable, the only official work the Branch now gets is that of the Military departments, which is not enough to pay the working expenses of the Branch.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

*W. A. D. R. A. S.*

Principal and Secretary.

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Submitted to Government.

*G. K. S. S. S.*

for Director of Public Instruction.

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# NOTES.

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C.No.825, from the D. P. I.

No.2323, dated 19th April 1910.

Subject.

Closure of the Lawrence Asylum Branch Press at Ootacamund.

The Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, report for the information of Government that with the concurrence and on the advice of their Agents, they have decided to close the Branch of the Lawrence Asylum Press at Ootacamund. The reason for closing the Branch Press is that it has been working at a loss since November 1905 when a branch of the Government Press was opened at Ootacamund and all official printing in the district was directed to be done at the branch Government Press.

2. The paper may it is submitted be recorded. A draft is submitted for approval.

T.K.  
27-4-10.

The Branch of the Lawrence Asylum Press at Ootacamund was opened in June 1884, mainly for the purpose of doing the printing work of the Army Head Quarters and also of the Government Secretariat while Government was at Ootacamund. Vide Letter No.311 Public, dated 21st February 1884 and G.O. No.1277 Public, dated 14th June 1884. A Branch of the Government Press having been opened at ~~Rookan~~ Ootacamund in November 1905, the Lawrence Asylum Branch Press lost the Secretariat custom and also a lot of Government <sup>work</sup> done for Civil offices here, all of which <sup>came to be</sup> ~~are now~~ executed at the Government Branch Press. If the Lawrence Asylum Branch Press, is a losing concern, the sooner it is closed the better for

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for the Lawrence Asylum, which receives the profits from the Presses (the Press at Madras and the Branch at Ootacamund) - vide G.O. No. 272 Ex. dated 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1871. (This G.O. was available only today.)

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To Secretary for information  
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SSW.

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Dear Ma'am - Had the Shop been managed properly I am little doubt it would have paid, as the only statement shop in Ooty. But for the past 3 years, the Shop has been disgracefully managed, orders not attended to, the Shop opened & shut just when the East Indian or Native in charge thought fit, & the printing done just as casually as possible. It is no wonder it has failed.

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