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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Recording report from the Principal Librarian, — regarding the Subject-indices in existence in the Library and the Subject-indices proposed to be Compiled

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memo. no. 456-1 dated 17-3-10

The Principal Librarian,

Connemara Public Library is requested to state what subject-indexes of books kept in the library are in existence and what further subject-indexes it is proposed to compile. It is observed that the omission of the dates of publication of many of the works given in the History subject-index issued last year ^{as appears to} detract somewhat from its value.

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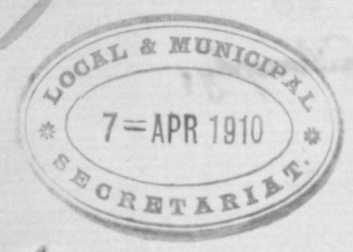
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Reporting what subject indexes of books are in the B.P. Library and the subject indexes proposed to be compiled.

ENCLOSURES.
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No. 89 (C.L.)

Station Madras, Dated the 6th April 1910.

From (Name) J.R. Henderson, Esq. M.B.C.M.F.L.S.

(Designation) Ag. Principal Librarian, Connemara Public Library, Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department.

Sir,

With reference to Memorandum No. 456-1. Education dated 17th March 1910, enquiring what subject-indexes of books in the Connemara Public Library are in existence and what further subject-indexes it is proposed to compile, I have the honour to report as follows.

2. The following subject-indexes printed separately are in existence: —

- 1) Anatomy; Biology; Natural History (animal Zoology).
- 2) Anthropology; folklore.
- 3) Archaeology; Architecture.

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4) Arts and industries.

5) Botany; Arboriculture; horticulture.

6) Dictionaries; encyclopedias, lexicons; gazeteers; guide books; manuals.

7) Economic products and Economic Entomology.

8) Education; Ethics; Logic; metaphysics; philosophy; political economy.

9) Forestry and timbers.

10) Geography; physical geography; physiography.

11) Geology and palaeontology.

12) History; Calendars of State papers; master of the rolls publications.

13) Mineralogy; Metallurgy; petrology.

14) Natural philosophy (general); Astronomy; dynamics; electricity and magnetism; heat and thermo-dynamics; light; mathematics; meteorology; sound.

15) Numismatics; medals; heraldry.

16) Philology and Epigraphy.

17) Physiology.

18) Sport and games.

19) Travels and foreign Countries; Voyages.

20) Religion

21) Forensic medicine; Hygiene and public health; materia medica and therapeutics; medicine; microscope and microscopy.

22) Belles letters.

23) Chemistry; photography.

All the above indexes were published between the years 1896 to 1900, the larger number of them having been issued in the former year. For the convenience of

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readers folio copies are maintained in the library containing the entries in the printed indexes with no additions made from time to time relating to subsequent accessions.

3. The question of issuing revised printed subject-indexes has arisen in connection with the formation of the University Library which, under the orders of Government, is located in the Connemara Library Building, and the books belonging to which will be placed at the disposal of the public on the same terms as those of the latter library. As stated in the report of the Government Museum and the Connemara Public Library for the year 1908-1909, a subject-index comprising all the books available in the combined Connemara and University libraries relating to History and the allied subjects of Economics, Politics and Sociology, was issued in that year. The question of issuing printed indexes relating to other subjects is now engaging the attention of the University Library Committee, of which the Principal Librarian, Connemara Public Library, is ex officio — Chairman. The Committee is being assisted in the work by the several Boards of Studies represented on the University. Though it has not as yet been decided how exactly the several subjects are to be grouped,

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all the books comprised in the Combined libraries will be included in one or another of the indexes eventually decided upon. I may add that the indexes will be issued with the least practicable delay.

4. In the memorandum under reply, it is observed that the omission of the dates of publication of many of the works given in the History Subject-index above referred to would appear to detract somewhat from its value. With reference to this observation, I have the honour to state that the subject-indexes are intended to be used as supplementary to the main Catalogue which is arranged alphabetically according to authors' names and in which the date of publication, together with particulars as to size, is noted in each case. The Subject-index shows under what name any particular item is found in the main Catalogue, and it would appear unnecessary to repeat in the former information already contained in the latter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
J. R. Henderson.

Principal Librarian, Grammar School Library
As Superintendent, Gort Museum

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Office Note.

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The Educational Department may be asked to consider whether there ^{would} ~~will~~ be any objection to instructing the Superintendent, Government Central Museum and ~~the~~ Connemara Library, to make a proper subject index of the Library. At present, there exists a catalogue entitled "Books under Authors' names" - Vol.I, but no Vol.II seems to be in existence. A subject index for History was published last year, but it has been very imperfectly done, no dates being appended to show the dates of the works referred to. In subjects other than History, ^{subject} ~~no~~ index seems to exist and it is consequently impossible to tell what works on any given subject exist in the Library. If, for instance, information is wanted on such a subject as "Rinderpest", there ~~are~~ no means of finding what books exist in the Library on the subject, unless one happens to know the names of all the writers who have dealt with Rinderpest. A Library without a subject index is, to a great extent, useless and as the Connemara Library has been under Government control, it is believed, for a long term of years, it seems desirable that an index should now be prepared.

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Submitted that the Principal Librarian, Commemara Public Library, may be requested to send a Catalogue for reference. The following telephone message may issue: —

From

The Under Secretary to Govt., Ed. Dept.

To

The Principal Librarian, Commemara Public Library.

Please Send for reference ^(Copy of the copies of you.) ~~Catalogue of books in~~

~~the Commemara Public Library.~~ ^{general}

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Reply.— The following catalogues are sent

by a special messenger with reference to your
telephonic message dated 12th instant:—

(1) Catalogue of the Commemara Public Library

Vol. I, Books — Under Author's Names with 1st

Supplement.

(2) 21 "Subject Indexes" issued in 1896-1901

(copies of indexes in the same series relating

to "Forensic Medicine, Hygiene and Public Health,

Materia Medica etc." and "Religion" are not

available).

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(3) "Commemara Public Library and Madras
University Library catalogue, History."

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Submitted for orders.

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The general catalogue of the Commemara Public Library and the Subject Indexes are Submitted.

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The Principal Librarian might now be asked by O.H. (or the D.P.Y. if it is necessary to go through him) to state what subject-indexes are in existence and what further subject-indexes it is proposed to compile. It may be observed that the omission of the dates of publication of many of the works given in the History subject-index of last year seems to detract somewhat from its value.

Do we receive any annual report on the working of the library? 4.5 p3

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The draft memo. placed below is submitted for approval. The Principal Librarian is not under the D.P. and it is not necessary to send the O.M. thro' the latter.

2. An annual report on the working of the Govt Museum and Connemara Public Library is ~~now~~ submitted to Govt. - vide G.O. 492 S.O. 25th August 1909 for the report of 1908-09. Paragraph 12 of the report on pages 5 and 6 of the G.O. deals with the Connemara Public Library.

There is no separate report on the library.

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[O.M. No. 456-1 dated 17 March 1910]

No. 727 from the Principal Librarian Connemara Public Library - dated 6 April 1910, No. 69 -

The Principal Librarian, Connemara Public Library, gives on pages 2 and 3 of the current file a ~~list~~ ^{list} of the subject-indexes already in existence. He states that for the convenience of readers folio copies are maintained in the library containing the entries in the printed copies with manuscript additions made from time to time relating to subsequent ~~accessions~~ ^{accessions}.

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on p. 4 of C.C. file.

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2. The Principal Librarian states that the question of issuing subject-indexes relating to other than History and the allied subjects of Economics, Politics and Sociology which were issued last year, ~~is now~~^{is} now engaging the attention of the University Library Committee of which the Principal Librarian is Ex-officio Chairman. The Committee is being assisted in the work by the several Boards of studies represented ~~in~~^{on} the University. The Principal Librarian adds that though it has not as yet been decided how exactly the several subjects are to be grouped, all the books comprised in the combined libraries will be included in one or other of the indexes eventually decided on, and that the indexes will be issued with the least practicable delay.

3. With regard to the omission of the dates of publication of the works in the History-subject index, the Principal Librarian observes that the subject-indexes are intended to be used as supplementary to the main catalogue which is arranged alphabetically according to authors' names and in which the date of publication together with particulars as to size is noted in each case, ^{and} that, as the subject index shows under what name any particular item is found in the main catalogue it would appear unnecessary to repeat in the former information already contained in the latter. It is for consideration whether in the circumstances ~~stated~~ the Principal Librarian should be required to put the dates against the works in the History subject index.

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It seems quite unnecessary, as these indices are merely ancillary to the general catalogue. I submit that the papers may be recorded

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The papers may be recorded, but it may be observed with ref^{ce} to para 4 of the Principal Librarian's letter that his remarks only apply to books wh. are in the Connemara Library. Vol. 1. of the Index of the Connemara Library furnishes no particulars of the books in the University Library and the particulars of these latter given in the subject index 'History' are of the scantiest description -

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Madras office asked on
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pages of telephone messages
etc.

How is it that the Subject-Indexes of the Connemara Library now produced (e.g. Biology, Anthropology, Arts & Industries etc) were not produced when I made the enquiries w^h led up to my Note d 4 March 10? I made special & repeated enquiries before that note was written. Please put up the telephone messages & notes w^h then passed. Were these subject indexes not supplied to the Govt? Rly 9.5.10.

To Under Secretary

The telephone messages etc at pages 1-4 are Submitted.

2 As regards Secretary's query "were these Subject indexes not supplied to the Government" it is Submitted as follows:-

When the Secretary's note dated 1-3-10 was received, a reference was made to the Chief Secretariat library catalogue. At page 567 ~~the~~ of the Catalogue Vol III under the heading 'Library catalogues' it is given "Connemara Public ^{Madras} Library, Subject indexes 1897 etc x In progress". The librarian Chief Secretariat was shown the note of the Secretary dated 1-3-10 and was

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asked to state whether the Subject indexes were available. He stated that they were not available. A Telephone message was then sent to the Sub-librarian Connamara Library on 2-3-10 to send the Subject index of the library. He stated that the Subject indexes of the Catalogue were in manuscript with the exception of the index relating to 'History' which was issued in print in 1909.

3 The indexes now received from the Educational Department were sent to the Madras office with a request to ascertain whether similar copies were supplied to Government. It is now found that 19 of the 21 indexes (which were issued in 1896) are available in the Secretariat Library bound in one volume. The indexes relating to "Belles Lettres" and "Chemistry; photography" issued in 1900 and 1901 respectively are not available in the Secretariat Library.

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The Librarian of the Sec Library should have discussed this with the Sec Librarian

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The Librarian of the Sec Library does not appear to know his work.

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Yes. & the Librarian of the Sec Library seems no better. It is important that we should

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be able to find out ~~the~~ what books are available in all our Libraries, & copies of the Subject Catalogues, as well as of the General Catalogue, of the Commemorative & Univ. Library, should be kept both at Madras &ooty. Please see that copies are here The Educ. draft is accepted

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It is observed that

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of the Connemara Library, furnishes
no particulars of the books in the

University Library and the

particulars of these ^{letters} ~~works~~ given in
the Subject in desc - History, appear
to be of the scantiest description

It is presumed that a separate
Catalogue for the Univ: library is under
preparation, & also that a revised
catalogue is being prepared to
the books in the Univ: library

Principal Librarian

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 Registrar of the Madras High Court

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