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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Order—No. 107, Educational, dated 22nd February 1911.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to be Government members of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute and to hold office for a period of three years:—

The Hon'ble Mr. Alfred Chatterton, B.Sc., A.C.G.I., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.M.E.

Mr. John Robertson Henderson, M.B., F.L.S.

2. The Secretary to the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute will be requested in future to inform Government whenever a vacancy occurs among the Government members of the Council.

(True Extract.)

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Secretary to the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute.
" the Hon'ble Mr. A. Chatterton.
" J. R. Henderson, Esq.
Gazette.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 107, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
22ND FEBRUARY 1911.

[SUBJECT.—Victoria Technical Institute.]

Previous papers:

G.O., No.	635, Educational, dated	16th December	1900.
" "	371	" 8th November	1906.
" "	R. 383	" 15th "	" "
" "	R. 226	" 23rd May	1907.
" "	R. 135	" 31st March	1908.
" "	116	" 29th "	1909.
" "	3468, Revenue	" 17th December	" "
D.O.	294-1	" 8th February	1911.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. J. N. ATKINSON, C.S.I.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational department.
Dated—the 14th October 1910.

Castle Stuart tells me that Educational has recently been issuing orders on matters connected with Victoria Technical Institute—deputation of Hadaway to Allahabad exhibition. Will you send any such orders to me to see, and in future circulate to me all papers connected with the institute or its affairs.

Show me the orders please.

L. M. WYNCH—14-10-10.

No orders have recently been issued in Educational regarding the Victoria Technical Institute, and the question of the deputation of Mr. Hadaway to the Allahabad exhibition has not been raised or considered by the Educational department.

2. The Honourable Member's orders at A have been noted.

K. RANGASWAMI AIVANGAR—14-10-10.

To the Hon'ble Mr. Atkinson, C.S.I.

L. M. WYNCH—14-10-10.

Thanks The proposal about Mr. Hadaway's deputation is, I believe, going to be made.

I am not sure whether questions connected with the Victoria Technical Institute Council are dealt with in Educational or Revenue, I think. Revenue, but any way we should be

L. M. WYNCH—15-10-10.

thinking of a successor to Mr. Stuart in the Council, and we must get rid of Mr. Couchman out of it. He is useless. Please let me have a list of Government members of the Council, their length of tenure of office, and how they are to be replaced, with suggestions as to their successors.

J. N. A[TKINSON]—15-10-10.

All questions relating to the Victoria Technical Institute are now dealt with in the Revenue department. When the Department of Industries ceases to exist, which will be on Mr. Chatterton's return from leave, the Victoria Technical Institute will come back to the control of the Educational department, and then all papers relating to the Institute will have to be disposed in Educational.

K. RANGASWAMI AIVANGAR—15-10-10.

Revenue may be requested to furnish the list asked for by the Honourable Member.

M. S. MASCARENHAS—15-10-11.

L. M. WYNCH—17-10-10.

To the Revenue department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

* Members appointed by Government.

The "Government" members* of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute are the following:—

The Hon'ble Mr. J. N. Atkinson, C.S.I., President.

G.O., No. 3468, dated 17th December 1909.

Rule V (c) relates to the appointment by the Council of additional trustee members. How comes Mr. Couchman to be appointed under this rule?

L.M.W.—5-11-10.

The "Government members" hold office during the pleasure of Government—vide rule VI.

Mr. Castlestuart Stuart is an "Honorary" member appointed by the Council under rule V (b). An "Honorary" member holds office for three years from the date of appointment—rule VI (b). Rule XIII however provides that the office of a member of the Council shall be vacated if he absent himself from the meetings of the Council during a period of six calendar months without special leave of absence from the Council; but that, in such a case, the Council may, in their discretion restore him to his office.

Mr. Castlestuart Stuart will therefore cease to be an "Honorary" member only if he be absent for more than six months and without the special leave of absence from the Council. In any case, the appointment of another member in his place, if considered necessary, is, it is submitted, a matter for the Council and not for Government. It may at the same time be pointed out that there is a vacancy in the Council for a regular "Government member," as under rule IV the Government may appoint the President and four ordinary members on the Council; but there are at present only three ordinary members in addition to the President who have been appointed by Government.

Attention is in this connection invited to the notes on pages 20—44 of G.O., No. 1572, dated 13th May 1910, in which the question of alteration of the constitution of the Council was discussed.

E.S.J.—29-10-10.

The question of the constitution of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute was very fully discussed in the notes to G.O., No. 1572, Revenue, dated 13th May 1910

F. NOYCE—31-10-10.

Notes connected with G.O., R. No. 226, dated 20th May 1907, were received from Educational, on 21st November 1910.

S.R.G.—21-11-10.

Please put up the orders appointing Mr. Couchman, member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute.

F. NOYCE—5-11-10.

In G.O., R. No. 226, Educational, dated 20th May 1907, Mr. Couchman was appointed an additional Government member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute under rule V (a). The notes relating to his appointment under rule V (c) are probably in the sealed cover.

S.R.G.—21-11-10.

V. PONNAYYA—22-11-10.

The office has taken over a fortnight to get a paper which contains no information whatever. The point which requires solution is *when* and *why* was Mr. Couchman's membership of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute changed from V (a) to V (c). Please now get from Educational without further delay all the papers relating to Mr. Couchman's appointment and also that of the other Government members of the Council.

F. NOYCE—22-11-10.

* Not returned by Educational.

Submitted that requisition* for the notes to G.O., No. 226, Educational, dated 23rd May 1907, relating to Mr. Couchman's appointment was sent to the Educational department on 5th November 1910 and a reminder was sent on 11th November 1910, but the Government Order with notes was furnished on 21st November 1910. From the despatch entry at the foot of the Government Order it will be seen that the notification appointing Mr. Couchman a Government member under rule V (a) was despatched to the Honorary Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, on 23rd May 1907. But a revised copy with rule V (c) substituted was despatched on 10th June 1907. The confidential cover contained the entries "Notes with G.O., R. No. 226, Educational, dated 23rd May 1907. Further notification No. , dated 20th June 1907". It was therefore thought the cover contained the notes connected with Mr. Couchman's appointment under rule V (c). Submitted that the Educational department may now be requested to put up all the papers connected with Mr. Couchman's appointment.

† The superscription on the cover is not "further notification", but "Gazette notification."

K. RANGASWAMI AYYANGAR—3-12-10.

connected with Mr. Couchman's appointment under rule V (c). Submitted that the Educational department may now be requested to put up all the papers connected with Mr. Couchman's appointment.

2. The other Government members are—

(1) Mr. J. Adam appointed under G.O., No. 635, Educational, dated 10th December 1900.

(2) Mr. A. Chatterton appointed in G.O., R. No. 383, Educational, dated 15th November 1906. It is not known whether any one was appointed in his place during his absence on leave. He was not re-appointed after his return from leave.

(3) Mr. Hadaway's appointment paper is not in the file. Submitted that the Educational department may be also requested to complete the file with papers

L. DAVIDSON—23-11-10.

relating to the appointment of the Government members.

V. PONNAYYA—23-11-10.

Will Educational kindly do this?

F. NOYCE—23-11-10.

To the Educational department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The superscription on the cover is not "Further notification" as presumed by the Revenue department but "Gazette notification." This notification is the one which is stitched with G.O., R. No. 226, dated 23rd May 1907, and which was published as notification No. 49 on page 296 of Part I-B of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 28th May 1907.

2. The minute appointing Mr. Couchman as a member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute, as originally prepared, referred to rule V (a), but this reference was found to be incorrect, as the Council had not added during that year

any life members under rule V (a). The Council had added only two "Trustee" members under rule V (c), namely, Sir V. C. Desika Chariyar and Mr. Thurston, and the Government appointed Mr. Couchman as a Government member of the Council under the proviso to that rule [rule V (c)].

3. When Mr. Chatterton went on leave he did not resign his membership on the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute and nobody was appointed in his place.

4. The present Government members are —

G.O., No. 3468, Revenue, dated 17th December 1909.	(1) The Hon'ble Mr. Atkinson, C.S.I. (<i>President</i>).
G.O., No. 635, Educational, dated 16th December 1900	(2) Mr. J. Adam.
G.O., R. No. 383, Educational, dated 15th November 1906.	(3) Mr. A. Chatterton.
G.O., R. No. 135, Educational, dated 31st March 1908.	(4) Mr. W. S. Hadaway.
G.O., R. No. 226, Educational, dated 23rd May 1907.	(5) Mr. M. E. Couchman.

Papers regarding the appointments of all the Government members except Mr. Hadaway are already in the file. Mr. Hadaway's appointment paper (G.O., R. No. 135, Educational, dated 31st March 1908) has now been added.

[A careful and thorough search was made to see if there were any papers relating to the amendment of the notification issued with G.O., R. No. 226, Educational, dated 23rd May 1907, by the addition of the words "under rule V (c)". But none are forthcoming.]

5. The file may be returned to the Revenue department u.o.

P.R.—3-12-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—3-12-10.

C. A. INNES—3-12-10.

To the Revenue department.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Submitted.

2. Paragraph 2 of the Educational department note explains the circumstances in which Mr. Couchman was appointed as a Government member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute under the proviso to rule V (c).

S.R.G.—6-1-10.

V. PONNAYYA—6-12-10.

F. NOYCE—6-12-10.

When Dr. Bourne vacated his seat on the Council in 1906 Mr. T. T. Logan, the acting Director of Public Instruction, was put on. He resigned on leaving Madras in 1907 and the place was never filled apparently.

Vide page 7 of report for 1907.

Mr. Couchman was appointed in 1907 under rule V (c), i.e., as supernumerary to the four members to be appointed by Government on account of the election of two trustee members under that rule.

G.O., R. No. 226, Educational, dated 20th May 1907.

A fourth ordinary Government member should therefore be appointed under rule IV and if Mr. Couchman is asked to resign, another member can be appointed by Government in his place apparently.

Page 27 of the report for 1908.

Vide bottom of page 1 of reports 1906, 1907, 1908.

Page 27 of report for 1908.

Page 27 *ibid*.

The two trustee members are Sir V. C. Desikachari and Mr. Thurston and unless the latter has withdrawn under rule VI (c) he is still a member and Government can have a supernumerary member under rule V (c).

Dr. Henderson might perhaps be appointed, and it is for consideration whether the acting Director of Public Instruction Mr. Stone might be appointed. Up to 1907 apparently it was the practice to have the Director of Public Instruction on the Council.

L. M. WYNCH—10-12-10.

I have written to Couchman asking him to resign (u.o., copy kept, I wrote rather as President, Victoria Technical Institute). His answer may be awaited; but it will have to come to Government from the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute. A | Meanwhile write to the Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, and ask him for an exact statement of the members of the Council, with dates of their appointment, and ask in particular if Mr. Thurston continues to be a trustee member.

J. N. A[TKINSON]—12-12-10.

Draft demi-official to the Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, as at A please.

L. M. WYNCH—13-12-10.

A draft demi-official is submitted for approval.

N.K.—13-12-10.

V.P.—14-12-10.

Issue.

F. NOYCE—14-12-10.

Demi-official from F. NOYCE, Esq., I.C.S., Under Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

To—J. C. ADAM, Esq., Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, Madras.

Dated—the 14th December 1910.

No.—4296/A. 10-2.

I am desired to ask you to furnish Government, with a complete list of the present members of the council of the Victoria Technical Institute with the dates of their appointment and the rules under which they were appointed. I am also to ask if Thurston continues to be a 'Trustee member' of the Council.

Letter—from J. C. ADAM, Esq., Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, Madras.

To—the Under Secretary to Government, Revenue department.

Dated—the 16th December 1910.

No.—1275-S.

[Your Demi-official 4296-A/10-2.]

I have the honour to submit herewith a list of the present members of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute showing the dates of their appointments.

2. I also enclose a copy of the rules and regulations of the Institute as now in force which will show the terms of their appointments.

3. As regards Mr. Thurston, c.i.e., I beg to state that he has vacated membership under rule XIII (a) and also under article VI of the trust-deed 1902, a copy of which is appended. A new trustee has not yet been appointed in his place as it was uncertain until recently whether he would return or not and the formalities of transferring the trust property were sought to be avoided.

4. Government has now power to nominate two members of the Council under rule IV and as soon as a trustee member is appointed in place of Mr. Thurston it will have power to nominate yet another under rule V (c) proviso.

ENCLOSURES.

President of the Council (rule IV).

Hon'ble Mr. J. N. Atkinson, C.S.I., I.C.S., re-nominated 20th October 1909.

Members of the Council.

Nominated by Government under rule IV.

Mr. John Adam, 29th October 1888.

Mr. W. S. Hadaway, 3rd April 1908.

Elected under rule X for three years.

Rao Bahadur G. Narayanaswami Chetti Garu, 3rd April 1908.
 Hon'ble the Raja of Kollengode, 21st April 1909.
 Mr. R. T. Menzies, 11th April 1910.

Trustee member under rule V(c).

Sir V. C. Desika Chariyar Avargal, *Kt.*, 23rd January 1902.

Trust-deed of 23rd January 1902.

6. Provided also and it is hereby agreed and declared that if the original Trustees or any or either of them or any Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinafter provided shall die or be abroad or desire to be discharged or refuse or become incapable to act, then and in every such case it shall be lawful for the Council for the time being of the Institute to appoint a new Trustee or new Trustees being respectively a member or members of the said Council in the place of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or being abroad or desiring to be discharged or refusing or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid and that upon every or any such appointment the number of Trustees may be augmented or reduced but so nevertheless that the number shall in no case be less than three AND upon every such appointment the trust property shall be assigned and conveyed so that the same may be vested in the Trustees or Trustee for the time being AND every Trustee so appointed as aforesaid may as well before as after such assignment and conveyance of the trust property act or assist in the execution of the trust and powers of these presents as fully and effectually as if he had been hereby constituted a Trustee.

A list of members on the Council of Victoria Technical Institute is furnished by the Secretary of the Institute on page 5 *supra*. Mr. Thurston has vacated his seat—*vide* paragraph 3 of Mr. Adam's letter on page 5 *supra*.

2. The names of Mr. Castlestuart Stuart, Mr. Chatterton and Mr. Couchman do not appear in the list. It is not apparent how Mr. Castlestuart Stuart has vacated his seat unless he has resigned, but as he was not a "Government member" nominated by Government but an honorary member under rule V (b), Government do not seem to be concerned about him. Mr. Chatterton probably vacated his seat under rule xiii (a) by his absence on leave in England. It is not clear how Mr. Couchman vacated his seat. He might either have resigned as directed by the Honourable Member or possibly might have vacated his seat when the number of "Trustee members" appointed by the Council under rule v (c) was reduced to one when Mr. Thurston vacated his seat, although it is not clear from the rules that Mr. Couchman so vacates.

3. As pointed out by Mr. Adam the Government may now nominate two members of the Council under rule iv. Whether a substitute may be appointed for

I think not.

F. NOYCE—14-12-10.

Mr. Couchman as trustee member until a second trustee member *vice* Mr. Thurston is appointed, seems doubtful.

V. PONNAYYA—17-12-10.

A further reference may perhaps be made to Mr. Adam as to the circumstances in which Messrs. Chatterton and Couchman vacated their seats and it might, I submit, be pointed out that the Government should be informed by the Council of the Institute immediately seats on the Council to which the Government have made an appointment become vacant. In the present instance the Government have only now been informed as the result of enquiries made by them that two Government members Messrs. Chatterton and Couchman have vacated their seats.

F. NOYCE—19-12-10.

Mr. Couchman, I understand, resigned his seat on receipt of the Honourable Member's letter, but it is not clear how or when Mr. Chatterton's seat became vacant.

There being at present only one trustee member, it is not open to Government to nominate a supernumerary member in place of Mr. Couchman until a second trustee member is appointed.

Perhaps Mr. Chatterton and Dr. Henderson might be appointed as Government members.

But, first please ask the Secretary how Mr. Chatterton vacated his seat and when.

L. M. WYNCH—20-12-10.

A draft demi-official is submitted for approval.

U.K.—20-12-10.

Issue.

F. NOYCE—21-12-10.

Demi-official—from F. NOYCE, Esq., I.C.S., Under Secretary to Government, Revenue department.
To—J. C. ADAM, Esq., Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, Madras.
Dated—the 21st December 1910.
No.—4296-A/10-3.

In continuation of my demi-official No. 4296-A/10-2, dated 14th December 1910, and with reference to your demi-official L. No. 1275-S., dated 16th September, I am to request you to state the circumstances in which the Hon'ble Mr. A. Chatterton vacated his seat on the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute and when the vacancy occurred.

Demi-official—from J. C. ADAM, Esq., Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, Madras.
To—the Under Secretary to Government, Revenue department.
Dated—the 26th December 1910.
No.—L. 13105-S.

[Your demi-official No. 4296-A/10-3.]

The Hon'ble Mr. Chatterton, who was at the time a Government member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute and acting President, took long leave to Europe and left Madras at the end of March 1909. Under orders from Government, he handed over charge to the Hon'ble Mr. A. E. Castlestuart Stuart, c.s.i., I.C.S., who was appointed President by Government. As Mr. Stuart was not a Government member when he was appointed President, I think it must be taken that Mr. Chatterton ceased to be not only acting President but also a Government member.

2. In any case he would cease to be a member of the Council in any capacity six months after he left India.

3. I cannot find any orders on the subject, but I have a letter from Mr. Chatterton, dated 28th March 1909, stating that he had been ordered by Government to hand over charge to Mr. Stuart. He thinks the order was verbal, but I think he is mistaken and that you will find a copy of the demi-official to him in your office.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. J. N. ATKINSON, c.s.i., I.C.S.
To—the Secretary to Government, Revenue department.
Dated—the 9th January 1911.

What is being done about Couchman's resignation of the Victoria Technical Institute? J. Collyer Adam, the Secretary of the Victoria Technical Institute, told me that he had received the resignation, and I told him to inform Government of the fact.

Is Chatterton a member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute? I thought he was; but on some Victoria Technical Institute papers that came to me in circulation this morning his name was not shown.

As to Couchman's successor, there is Butterworth; Clegg (whom Castlestuart thought likely to be useful, but I query); Major Elliot (who takes a keen interest); Horne, who told me he would go on the Committee if he was wanted. These are possible names that occur to me. Also of course Henderson, but he could probably not take it now till relieved of Christian College work.

Demi-official—from M. E. COUCHMAN, Esq., I.C.S.
To—the Hon'ble Mr. J. N. ATKINSON, C.S.I., I.C.S.
Dated—the 13th December 1910.

I am sending in my resignation of my seat on the Council to the Secretary to-day.

It is true that I have not done anything to introduce any new arts, etc., to the Institute, and that I have no special knowledge of technical subjects. I am, however, very interested in the work, and have taken every opportunity to mention it to people up-country, as I firmly believe that the work is most valuable and beneficial.

The reason why I have not attended many meetings lately is that Mr. Castlestuart Stuart, for some reason unknown to me, has taken to 'cutting' me whenever I meet him in public.

It is, therefore, natural that I should avoid meeting him as much as possible.

I thought that I ought to let you know this, to prevent your thinking that indifference or slackness was the cause of my non-attendance.

Demi-official—from J. C. ADAM, Esq., Secretary, Victoria Technical Institute, Madras.
To—the Under Secretary to Government, Revenue department.
Dated—the 12th January 1911.
No.—G. 33-S.

The letter appointing the Hon'ble Mr. A. E. Castlestuart Stuart was demi-official No. 645-1, dated 29th March 1909. Mr. Chatterton proceeded on leave on the 29th March 1909. The letter does not specifically state whether Mr. Chatterton's appointment as a Government member was cancelled, but I think it means that. In any case, he must have ceased to be a member of the Council, under the rule already referred to, on the 29th September 1909.

I attach a copy of the demi-official for your information. I also attach Mr. Castlestuart Stuart's reply thereto.

P.S.—Mr. Couchman has tendered his resignation as a member of the Council, but no intimation thereon has been received from Government.

Demi-official—from A. BUTTERWORTH, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational department.
To—the Hon'ble Mr. A. E. CASTLESTUART STUART, I.C.S.
Dated—the 29th March 1909.
No.—645-1.

The Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint you to be President of the Victoria Technical Institute, Madras, in the place of Atkinson on the understanding that you will resign the appointment if Atkinson wishes to retain it on his return from leave. I am to request that you will take charge immediately from Chatterton who is proceeding on leave on the 29th instant.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. E. CASTLESTUART STUART, I.C.S.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 29th March 1909.
No.—D.O. 14.

With reference to your demi-official No. 645-1, dated 29th March 1909, I write to say that I have taken charge from Chatterton of the appointment of President of the Victoria Technical Institute, Madras, which I shall resign, if Atkinson wishes to hold it on his return from leave.

Before he went on leave in March 1909, Mr. Chatterton* was a Government member of the Victoria Technical Institute and acting President. Just before going on leave, Mr. Chatterton requested that some one might be appointed President during his absence. In demi-official No. 645-1, Educational, dated 29th March 1909, the Hon'ble Mr. A. E. Castlestuart Stuart was appointed President of the Institute and he was asked to take charge from Mr. Chatterton. Mr. Adam† considers that, though the demi-official did not specifically state whether Mr. Chatterton's appointment as a Government member was cancelled, it means that. Submitted that this view is not correct. Mr. Adam however adds that Mr. Chatterton would cease to be a member in any capacity under rule XIII (a) of the rules as he was away for more than six months.

† *Vide* Mr. Adam's demi-official *supra*.
Ibid.

2. Mr. Adam reports that Mr. Couchman has tendered his resignation as a member of Council, but that no intimation thereon has been received from Government. What he means by this latter statement is not clear. It is for the Council to transmit Mr. Couchman's resignation to Government, so that a substitute may be appointed in his place. In the present circumstances however, no substitute can be appointed for Mr. Couchman as pointed out in the Secretary's note at pages 6 and 7 *supra*.

Paragraph 4 of Mr. Adam's demi-official at page 5 *supra*.
3. But the Government may now nominate two members of the Council under rule IV.

The names suggested are:—

Vide Secretary's note at pages 6 and 7 *supra*.
Vide Honourable Member's demi-official at page 7 *supra*.

{	The Hon'ble Mr. A. Chatterton.
{	Dr. J. R. Henderson.
{	The Hon'ble Mr. A. Butterworth.
{	The Hon'ble Mr. R. B. Clegg.
{	Major R. H. Elliot.
{	The Hon'ble Mr. W. O. Horne.
{	Dr. J. R. Henderson.

S.R.G.—17-1-11.

V.P.—18-1-11.

F. NOYCE—18-1-11.

For a list of the Council as it exists at present, please see page 16.

The Hon'ble Mr. Chatterton and Major Elliot may perhaps be nominated now under rule IV.

L. M. WYNCH—19-1-11.

We can at once appoint two Government members. As soon as the Council elect a trustee member *vice* Mr. Thurston, we can appoint a third Government member.

2. We must look ahead. If Mr. Castlestuart Stuart comes back to India, as seems not unlikely, it is probable that the Council would again elect him as an Honorary Member. At any rate Government cannot now appoint him as a Government member, but if he comes back and is elected as an Honorary Member, we must have some one who can stand up to him in the Council's meetings. Moreover we want a Government member who would be fitted to act as President in my place when Government go to Ootacamund. Mr. Chatterton has acted as President before, and he is a most useful member of the Council; but he is not artistic, and at times rules people up the wrong way.

3. Mr. Butterworth would probably be a useful member and might act as President successfully. Of course it is possible that in certain contingencies he might have to vacate the Board and Madras: but we need not consider that now. If he does leave Madras, he must resign and we can find someone to take his place. I believe he has good artistic feeling, and is interested in the work of the Victoria Technical Institute.

4. On the whole I think the two best men to put in now as Government members will be Messrs. Butterworth and Chatterton; with Dr. Henderson to follow, when the Council appoints a trustee member *vice* Mr. Thurston.

5. I have not forgotten the possibility of putting in an Indian member; but my experience of them is that none of them ever takes any interest, and that ever since I have been on the Council, excepting Mr. G. Narayanaswami Chetti, no Indian member has ever attended the meetings otherwise than very rarely.

6. On the whole I think Major Elliot had better not be appointed.

7. The Secretary will presumably take His Excellency's orders, and can then obtain the consent of whoever His Excellency decides on.

8. It would be a very good thing to get the rules altered, so that Government members should hold office only for a term of years. Perhaps we might inform men now appointed that Government will expect them to resign at the end of three years. As the rule [VI (a)] stands at present, it is very difficult to get a man who lags superfluous (like old Mr. Adam) out

J. N. ATKINSON—20-1-11.

L. M. WYNCH—21-1-11.

I think Government had better nominate Chatterton and Henderson. I see no objection to the proposed alteration of the rules so as to limit the term of office of the Councillors to three years.

A. L. AWLEY—27-1-11.

Please draft.

L. M. WYNCH—27-1-11.

A draft demi-official informing Messrs. Chatterton and Henderson that Government propose to appoint them as members of the Council of the Victoria Technical

Institute and to limit the period of appointment to three years, and enquiring whether they are willing to serve on the Council is submitted for approval.

2. With regard to the proposal to amend rule VI (a) so as to limit the term of Government members of the Council to three years, it would appear from rule

F. NOYCE—3-2-11.

XXXI that the amendment should be passed by a resolution of the Council subject to the approval of a General Meeting of the Institute. The Honourable member as President of the Council will perhaps initiate action in this respect. The present Government members will apparently hold office till they resign or are told to do so.

3. With reference to the Under Secretary's remarks on page 7 *supra*, the Secretary to the Council of the Institute may, it is submitted, be requested (when

F. NOYCE—3-2-11.

L. M. WYNCH—3-2-11.

final orders issued) to inform Government when seats on the Council to which Government have made an appointment become vacant.

4. As the control over Industrial Institutions has been re-transferred to the Educational department, it is submitted that the file may be sent to that department for acceptance and issue of the draft and for further action.

N.K.—2-2-11.

V. PONNAYYA—2-2-11.

F. NOYCE—3-2-11.

L. M. WYNCH—3-2-11.

To the Educational department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft demi-official may be accepted and issue in Educational.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—6-2-11.

Accepted. Issue.

G. F. PADDISON—8-2-11.

* The demi-official has been issued as demi-official No. 294-1, dated 8th February 1911.

* After issue submit to the Honourable Member again. His attention is drawn to the note above as to the alteration of rule VI (a). It appears that

the rule can be altered by the Council of the Institute according to rule XXXI. But it would be very invidious for the Council to limit the term of office of the members appointed by Government. It will, it is submitted, be sufficient if all future Government members are informed by Government the term of appointment that they are only appointed for three years.

G. F. PADDISON—8-2-11.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. L. M. WYNCH, C.I.E., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue department.

To—the Hon'ble Mr. A. CHATTERTON.

J. R. HENDERSON, Esq.

Dated—the 8th February 1911.

No.—294-1.

The Government propose to appoint you as a member of the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute. They consider that the tenure of the appointment should be limited to three years. I am to enquire whether you are willing to serve on the Council.

Demi-official—from J. R. HENDERSON, Esq., Ag. Superintendent, Government Museum.

To—G. F. PADDISON, Esq., I.C.S., Deputy Secretary to Government, Educational department.

Dated—the 10th February 1911.

No.—103.

In reply to your demi-official of the 8th instant, I am willing to serve on the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute.

Demi-official—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. CHATTERTON.

To—G. F. PADDISON, Esq., I.C.S., Deputy Secretary to Government, Educational department.

Dated—the 9th February 1911.

In reference to your demi-official No. 294-1, dated 8th February 1911, I am prepared to serve on the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute, if appointed to it by Government.

Both Messrs. Chatterton and Henderson have expressed their willingness to serve on the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute. Submitted that the file may now be circulated to the Hon'ble Sir M. Hammick, K.C.S.I., C.I.E., with reference to the Deputy Secretary's note on page 10 *ante*.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—11-2-11.

Submitted to Honourable Member.

G. F. PADDISON—13-2-11.

I have no objection to raise.

M. H. HAMMICK—18-2-11.

Draft submitted for approval.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—21-2-11.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-2-11.

Issue.

G. F. PADDISON—22-2-11.

[G.O., No. 107, Educational, dated 22nd February 1911.]

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B.Sc., A.C.G.I., A.M., I.C.E.
M.I. N.E.

Mr. John Robertson Henderson,
M.B., F.L.S.

2. The Secretary to the Council of the Victoria Technical Institute will be requested in future to inform Government whenever a vacancy occurs among the Government members of the Council.

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