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READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. H. SHARP, Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education (Education).

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

Dated—Simla, the 9th June 1911.

No.—784.

I am directed to address you regarding the encouragement of the Imperial idea in educational institutions through the means of visual instruction.

2. In the Home Department letter No. 1030-37, dated the 14th December 1907, the Government of India intimated the despatch of sets of slides intended to promote the growth of a knowledge among the school children of the Empire and of the condition of countries other than their own. With the permission of the Governor in Council, they would be glad to receive information regarding the use which has been made of these slides and the success attending the experiment, how far the slides have been found suitable for (a) Vernacular and (b) English schools, and what type of lantern has been found best for their demonstration.

3. Should the supply of new slides be desirable, I am to suggest that any new sets supplied for colleges and for English schools might with advantage be specially calculated to encourage a knowledge of the British Empire, *e.g.*, they might contain slides dealing with the British Isles, with the Colonies, with the Army and the Navy, with Indian scenes and subjects and with the forthcoming Coronation and the Imperial Darbar. The Government of India would be glad to be favoured with the opinion of His Excellency in Council upon these suggestions.

4. The Governor General in Council considers it desirable that every school in the Indian Empire should possess some portrait or likeness of Their Majesties the King and Queen, to be placed in the most conspicuous position in the school, it being clearly understood that portraits of Their Majesties should not be distributed to schools where there is the least likelihood of their being exposed to insult or disfigurement through sentiments of disloyalty or otherwise. I am to request that information may be furnished regarding the arrangements which at present exist for supplying such portraits in various kinds and classes of schools, and at what cost. It would no doubt be possible to provide for the supply of portraits at special rates for large quantities and I am to ask what numbers would be required for the province of Madras should a distribution be decided upon.

II

Memorandum No. 1428-1, Educational, dated 29th June 1911.

With reference to the correspondence ending with G.O., No. 15, Educational, dated 8th January 1908, relating to the supply of seven sets of lantern slides intended to promote the growth of a knowledge among the school children of the Empire of the conditions of countries other than their own, the Director of Public Instruction is requested to state—

- (1) what use has been made of those slides and what success has attended the experiment;
- (2) how far the slides have been found suitable for
 - (a) Vernacular, and
 - (b) English schools; and
- (3) what type of lantern has been found best for their demonstration.

2. The Government of India suggest that, should the supply of new slides be desirable, any new sets supplied for colleges and for English schools might with advantage be specially calculated to encourage a knowledge of the British Empire, *e.g.*, they might contain slides dealing with the British Isles, with the Colonies, with the Army and the Navy, with Indian scenes and subjects and with the Coronation and the Imperial Darbar. The Director of Public Instruction is requested to furnish Government with his opinion on these suggestions.

3. The Government of India also consider it desirable that every school in the Indian Empire should possess some portrait or likeness of Their Majesties the King and Queen, to be placed in the most conspicuous position in the school, it being clearly understood that portraits of Their Majesties should not be distributed to schools where there is the least likelihood of their being exposed to insult or disfigurement through sentiments of disloyalty or otherwise. The Director of Public Instruction is requested to report—

(1) whether any arrangements exist at present for supplying such portraits in various kinds and classes of schools and at what cost, and

(2) what numbers will be required for the schools in this Presidency, should a distribution of portraits among them be decided upon.

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government

To the Director of Public Instruction.

III

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. J. H. STONE, M.A., F.R.H.S., Acting Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 1st August 1911.

No.—Dis. 4083.

With reference to Memorandum No. 1428-1, Educational, dated 29th June 1911, I have the honour to say that the slides already supplied have been taken on tour and made use of by inspecting officers, and have been lent to educational exhibitions, to training schools, to subordinate officers, and above all, to secondary schools. They have been of great value in illustrating history, geography and science and in promoting a knowledge of the British Isles and the Empire.

2. The vernacular schools are not yet sufficiently advanced to benefit by the slides though it has been found useful to give lantern lectures at convenient centres to the teachers of these schools. The slides are quite suitable for "English" schools though Indian teachers naturally find difficulties in lecturing with slides dealing with such unfamiliar points as British scenery, men-of-war, etc.

3. The best lanterns for this country are paraffin oil lanterns of which there is a variety to select from. This kind of lantern is obtainable even in Madras (*e.g.*, Messrs. Spencer & Co.).

4. A supply of new slides does not appear to be very necessary. The present supply contains sufficient materials to encourage a knowledge of the British Empire. Slides of Their present Majesties, however, might be supplied together with some, representing recent and approaching Imperial events, *e.g.*, the funeral of the late Emperor, the Coronation of the present Emperor, the Darbar to be held at Delhi, etc. These slides will be obtained on indent to the Director-General of Stores early next year.

5. No special arrangements exist at present for supplying to schools the portraits of Their Majesties the King and Queen but in practice it is exceptional for schools not to have such portraits. Accordingly all that appears to be necessary is to see that all institutions enjoying the privileges of departmental recognition possess such portraits. Institutions under departmental management can be supplied with such portraits and the charges can be met from their library allowances. In the case of other institutions the inspecting officers will be required to see that such portraits are invariably supplied by the management.

IV

Official Memorandum No. 1876-2, Educational, dated 31st August 1911.

The Director of Public Instruction is requested to give effect to the proposals contained in paragraphs 4 and 5 of his letter, Dis. No. 4083, dated 1st August 1911, regarding the magic lantern slides and pictures of Their Majesties the King and Queen. The Government of India have been informed that in addition to the slides mentioned in paragraph 4 of the Director's letter quoted above, slides dealing with the investiture of the Prince of Wales at Carnarvon will also be obtained from the Director-General of Stores. The Director is accordingly requested to include in the indent for slides which he proposes to forward early next year slides dealing with the investiture of the Prince of Wales.

(By Order.)

M. S. MASCARENHAS,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

Order—No. 569, Educational, dated 15th August 1911.

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

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L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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LETTER:

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Dept. of Education.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 784 Education, dated 9th June 1911, I am directed to state that the magic lantern slides already supplied to this Government have been taken on tour and made use of by inspecting officers, and have also been lent to educational exhibitions, to training schools, to subordinate offices of the department and ~~also~~ to secondary schools. They have been of great value in illustrating history, geography and science and in promoting a knowledge of the British Isles and the Empire. The vernacular schools in this Presidency are not yet sufficiently advanced to benefit by the slides although it has been found useful to give lantern lectures at convenient centres to the teachers of these schools. The slides are ^{in every way} quite ^{but} suitable for English schools though Indian teachers naturally find difficulties

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2. The best type of lantern for use in this country is ^{reported the} the paraffin oil lantern of which there is a large variety to select from. ^{This type is procurable in A. Maras city.}

3.R. As regards new slides, I am to state that a ^{fresh} supply of such ~~slides~~ ^{is not recently} does not appear to be very ^{stock on hand} necessary. The ~~present supply~~ contains sufficient materials to encourage a

^{present} knowledge of the British Empire. Slides of Their ~~Majesties~~ ^{The King and Queen} ~~Majesties~~ might, however, be ^{obtained} ~~supplied~~ together with some representing recent and approaching

the investiture of the Prince of Wales at Carnarvon

Imperial events, for example, the ~~the coronation of the present Emperor and~~ ^{the coronation of the present Emperor and} funeral of the late Emperor, ~~the Durbar~~ to be held at Delhi, and it is proposed to obtain these ~~slides~~ by indent on the Director General of Stores early next year.

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4. S. With reference to paragraph 4 of your letter under reply, I am ^{to say} directed to state that although no special arrangements at present exist in this Presidency for the supply to schools of the portraits of Their Majesties the King and ~~the~~ Queen, it is in practice exceptional for schools not to have such portraits. The Governor in Council accordingly considers that a general distribution of the portraits is not necessary so

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far as the schools in this Presidency are concerned and that the only ^{action} ~~thing~~ ^{to be done now} ^{is} to see that all institutions enjoying the privilege of departmental recognition possess such portraits. In ~~the case of~~ ^s institutions under departmental management these can be supplied from the library allowances attached to them, while in the case of other institutions inspecting ^{can and} officers will be required to ^{arrange} ~~see~~ that such portraits ^{shall be} ~~are~~ invariably supplied by the management.

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