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READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O. No. 481, Educational, dated 17th July 1911.

ABSTRACT.—Communicating to the Director of Public Instruction letter from the Government of India on the subject of the preparation of the quinquennial report on education.

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G.O. No. 749, Educational, dated 27th October 1911.

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Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOUENE, D.Sc., F.R.S., C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—Madras, the 14th November 1912.

No.—Ref. on Cur. 4991-11.

With reference to paragraph 3 of G.O. No. 481, Educational, dated 17th July 1911, I have the honour to state that two new general tables numbering 9 and 10 have been appended to the Public Instruction Report for the quinquennium ending with 31st March 1912 as required by the Government of India. As regards the expediency of retaining these tables, I consider that no useful purpose will be served by making table 9 which relates to the classification by ages of pupils an annual one; but I think a quinquennial table might be useful, as it would show more clearly whether the tendency to stay in school is increasing than do the mere figures for various standards, classes and forms.

The particulars as to the number and qualifications of teachers are mostly available from the supplemental statistics printed in volume II of the Public Instruction Report and I see therefore no reason for retaining table 10.

Order—No. 163, Educational, dated 20th February 1913.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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No. 164.

From

THE HON'BLE MR. L. DAVIDSON, C.S.I., I.C.S.,

Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Dated Fort St. George, the 20th February 1913.

SIR,

With advertence to the questions raised in paragraph 9 of your letter No. 876, Educational, dated 26th June 1911, regarding the continuance of the additional tables Nos. 9 and 10, relative to the classification of pupils by age and the qualifications of teachers respectively, I am directed to say that His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that table No. 9 may usefully be attached to future quinquennial reports in order to bring out whether or not the tendency of pupils to stay at school is increasing. He considers that attempts to draw conclusions from such a statement at shorter intervals would be of little value and therefore does not advocate its being made an annual return.

2. As at present advised His Excellency in Council is not convinced of the necessity to retain table 10, especially as particulars of the number and qualification of teachers are largely available in the supplemental statistics printed with the reports on public instruction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. Nos. 163, 164, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 20TH FEBRUARY 1913.

[SUBJECT.—Retention of general tables 9 and 10.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 4991, dated 14th November 1912.

Please see paragraphs 3 and 9 of the Government of India's letter, dated 26th June 1911, on pages 2 and 3 of G.O. No. 481, Educational, dated 17th July 1911. In paragraph 3 of the letter the Government of India prescribed the addition of two general tables Nos. 9 and 10 to the quinquennial report on education for the period ending the 31st March 1912 and in paragraph 9 they desired to be

furnished with the views of this Government as to the expediency of continuing those tables after the submission of the report for 1912. The Director of Public Instruction who was requested to report on the subject now submits his views. He considers that table 9 showing the classification of pupils by ages may be useful if prescribed as a quinquennial one, but that it need not be made an annual one. As regards table 10 showing the number and qualifications of teachers, he states that it need not be retained as the particulars given in it are mostly available from the supplemental statistics given in Volume II of the Public Instruction Report. The Director's view as regards table 9 may, it is submitted, be accepted.

2. As regards table 10 the supplemental statistics referred to by the Director of Public Instruction are those given in statements (48), (59), (101) and (107) in Volume II of the Public Instruction Report. From these statements, the total number of trained and untrained teachers and of those holding a University degree in elementary and secondary schools except colleges may be compiled—but not separate figures for different classes of schools such as government, board, municipal, aided and unaided. If the particulars given in the new table 10 are obtainable from the statistics annually collected for the report on public instruction, the new table may well be retained as it gives more information than contained in the statements above mentioned and the preparation of it will not involve much additional labour. In these circumstances it is for consideration whether the new table 10 may be retained.

T.K.—6-12-12.

C.R.—7-12-12.

I am inclined to think so. It is an advantage to be able to lay one's finger at once on data showing the way in which Government and other classes of schools compare in the matter of trained staff.

L. DAVIDSON—9-12-12.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

So far as trouble in compilation goes the table may very well be retained as the statistics are in any case collected. Without comparing the number of trained and untrained teachers with the number of institutions or pupils or both under various managements no conclusions as to staffing can be reached. A table of ratios would therefore be a good deal better with such headings as "pupils to teachers" in primary schools under Government, Boards, etc. Pupils to trained teachers in primary schools under Government, Boards, etc.

Another defect in the table from a Madras point of view is that it takes no account of the L.T. degree. We ought to show—

Pupils to graduate teachers. { Trained.
Untrained.
Pupils to non-graduate teachers. { Trained.
Untrained.

I do not think it would be worth doing this at shorter intervals than five years, however, as even then the variations would be very small.

J. H. STONE—12-12-12.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

It is for consideration whether the retention of table (10), as it is, may be recommended to the Government of India or its modification as suggested by the Hon'ble Mr. Stone.

T.K.—17-12-12.

Submitted that the Government of India may be informed that there is no objection to the retention of tables 9 and 10 as quinquennial ones and that they are advised that the usefulness of the latter statement might be enhanced by the opening of additional columns one by the side of each of the existing columns to show the proportion which the number of teachers bears to the total number of pupils and two additional columns in the end to show the graduate and non-graduate teachers and their proportions to pupils.

Mr. Stone's note above show that there is *no objection* to the preparation of the statement required by the Government of India. It would, however, appear that he *prefers* a table of ratios to that of numbers. A suggestion for the combination of the two would, it is thought, be better for all purposes.

C. RAMANUJA CHARI—18-12-12.

I am loath further to delay the disposal of this case, but surely with the educational boom now in progress we may reasonably expect substantial annual additions to the numbers of trained teachers and accessions to the school-going population on such a scale as to make it desirable to have up-to-date statistics instead of only quinquennial figures. Accurate age figures would have been of great use a year or two ago when Mr. Gokhale's Education Bill was on the stocks. I cannot help thinking that both these statements should be retained as annual returns, the latter (10) amplified so as to show the number or ratio of trained teachers, graduate and under-graduate.

L. DAVIDSON—21-12-12.

I dealt with the current and am inclined to adhere to the proposals therein made, but the matter is doubtfully important. Both these tables require expert editing and interpretation and with a curtailed annual report this would be hardly possible.

As to the age table we have it now for reference for last year and to attempt to draw conclusions at less than, say, five year intervals would be of little value.

2. The table about trained teachers I rather object to as it emphasizes the idea that there is a great gulf between the trained and the untrained. By training we make teachers of a sort out of men who would never have become teachers but many persons do become excellent teachers without any training. The figures are to be found by those who want them and know how to use them, but it will be interesting to see what use is made of them in reviewing the quinquennial reports. It is a little early to settle definitely what should be in the next quinquennial report.

A. G. BOURNE—7-1-13.

This case may be put up with the quinquennial report which really must be expedited.

When dealing with Mr. Gokhale's Elementary Education Bill, I believe Sir Harold Stuart or someone else drew attention to the special need for more detailed figures of the school-going population at various ages. I should like to see those notes. The point, so far as I remember, was that the census gave us no means of saying how many of the age-group 6 to 10 were at school.

L. DAVIDSON—14-1-13.

The Hon'ble Sir Harold Stuart, as Chief Secretary, suggested that a detailed age return of the pupils in all educational institutions should be prescribed. Please see paragraph 2 of his note, dated 14th August 1911, and that of the Honourable Member on page 31 of the Notes with G.O. Nos. 612-613, Educational, dated 2nd September 1911. It cannot be traced what action was taken thereon. General Table No. 9 attached to the current quinquennial report gives the statistics for the whole Presidency. What apparently the Hon'ble Sir Harold Stuart wanted was differentiation of these statistics by areas, municipal and rural. There are two other statements in the quinquennial report which deal with municipal and non-municipal statistics. These are appendix A in Volume II and supplemental table No. (15) on page 42 of the same Volume. It may perhaps be useful if general table (9) had two sub-columns under each of the 20 columns showing the statistics for municipal and non-municipal areas separately.

T.K.—28-1-13.

C.R.—29-1-13.

I do not think this would be any use when one considers how many boys living outside municipal limits come in to municipal schools.

You may draft a reply to India on the basis of the Director of Public Instruction's letter and notes, briefly.

L. DAVIDSON—11-2-13.

A draft is submitted for approval.

T.K.—12-2-13.

C.R.—17-2-13.

Please mark for His Excellency the Governor.

L. DAVIDSON—17-2-13.

[G.O. Nos. 163, 164, Educational, dated 20th February 1913.]

Read again G.O.No.481 Edl., dated 17th July 1911.

" " G.O.No.749 Edl., dated 27th October 1912.

Read also

C.No.5081 From the D.P.I. No.4991/11, d/ 14th November 1912.

Order:- No. 163 of 20.2.13.

The Government of India will be addressed.

C.R.
17-2-13.

L.D.
17-2-13.

Letter :- No. 164 of 20.2.13.

To
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of India,
Department of Education.

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