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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
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READ—the following paper:—

Letter—from the Hon'ble Sir ALFRED GIBBS BOURNE, K.C.I.E., D.Sc., F.R.S.,
Director of Public Instruction, Madras.
To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 27th June 1913.
No.—Ref. on Our. 3520/13.

I have the honour to address Government on the subject of awarding to Miss Corrie Gordon, daughter of a former headmistress and superintendent of the Hobart girls' school, a scholarship to enable her to undergo a course of kindergarten training in England. Miss Gordon has passed the Lower Secondary examination and studied up to the Matriculation standard of the Madras University. She is now in London awaiting the results of the A.R.C.M. examination for which she has appeared after two years' study in the Royal College of Music. Prior to proceeding to England she passed the local Trinity College examinations with honours. If she therefore in addition undergoes training in any of the kindergarten colleges at home, such as the Twibel Institute, she will prove a useful kindergarten teacher. There is at present no specific post of kindergarten mistress in any girls' school. But I anticipate no difficulty in providing Miss Gordon on the completion of her training with a suitable post in one of the girls' high schools. The Inspectress of Girls' Schools, Central Circle, while recommending a scholarship on behalf of Miss Gordon, says that it is necessary to train some one specially as there is a dearth of certificated kindergarten mistresses in this country. In the event of Miss McLeod of the Teachers' College taking leave, there would be no one on the spot to supply her place. In these circumstances, I request that Government may be pleased to sanction for Miss Gordon a scholarship of £50 per annum for a period of two years from September next. The scholarship may be awarded on the conditions that she satisfies the India Office of her character and competence and that after her return she serves the department for at least five years or refunds the scholarship granted to her. I beg to submit that on this last condition an allowance of £50 was sanctioned in G.O. No. 812, Educational, dated 4th September 1912, to Miss Karney for undergoing training at Oxford. The fact that Miss Gordon is now at home ready to join the Twibel Institute and her special competence in Music and her Madras domicile make it desirable in my opinion to take this somewhat exceptional course.

Order—No. 639, Educational, dated 26th July 1913.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

W. FRANCIS,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 690.

From

THE HON'BLE MR. W. FRANCIS, I.C.S.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Dated Ootacamund, the 26th July 1913.

SIR,

I am directed to address the Government of India on the subject of granting a scholarship to a Miss Corrie Gordon to enable her to undergo a course of kindergarten training in England.

2. There is a great dearth of certificated kindergarten mistresses in this Presidency, only one lady being fully qualified, and the Director of Public Instruction strongly urges the necessity of taking advantage of the opportunity which now occurs of specially training Miss Gordon for this work.

3. Miss Gordon is a member of the domiciled community of Madras and is the daughter of a former headmistress and superintendent of the Hobart girls' school, Madras. She studied up to the Matriculation standard of the Madras University and passed the local Trinity College examinations with honours. She then proceeded to London, where, after two years' study in the Royal College of Music, she appeared for the A.R.C.M. examination, the results of which she is now awaiting in England. A training in any of the kindergarten colleges in that country, such as the Twibel Institute, is likely to render her a useful kindergarten teacher. No difficulty is anticipated in providing her, on the completion of her training, with a suitable post in one or other of the girls' high schools in this Presidency.

4. His Excellency the Governor in Council therefore proposes to allow Miss Gordon a scholarship of £50 per annum for a period of two years from September next, subject to the conditions that she satisfies the India Office of her character and competence and that after her return to Madras she serves the Educational department of this Government for at least five years or refunds the scholarship granted to her. This proposal appears to need the sanction of the Government of India and I am accordingly to request that you will kindly obtain this.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. FRANCIS,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

NOTES TO G.O. Nos. 689-690, EDUCATIONAL, DATED

26TH JULY 1913.

[SUBJECT.—Scholarship of £50 per annum for two years to Miss Gordon to enable her to undergo a course of Kindergarten training in England.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 3520, dated 27th June 1913.

The Director of Public Instruction suggests the award of a special scholarship of £50 per annum for two years to Miss Gordon (now in London) to enable her to undergo a course of kindergarten training at the Twebel Institute, on the conditions that she satisfies the India Office of her character and competence and that after her return she serves the Educational Department for at least five years. The Director anticipates no difficulty in providing the lady on the completion of her training with a suitable post in one of the girls' high schools, and it is pointed out that there is a dearth of certificated kindergarten mistresses in this country.

2. No exact precedent is traceable for the award of such scholarships. The case of Miss Karney quoted by the Director is not on all fours with the present case. G.O. No. 812, Educational, dated 4th September 1912. Miss Karney, who was a Government servant, was granted a lump allowance of £50 to enable her to specialize in the

teaching of English and Mathematics at Oxford while she was on leave. Miss Gordon is a private lady to whom an annual scholarship is recommended. Please see, however, G.O. No. 358, Educational, dated 10th June 1907. In this case the sanction of the Government of India was obtained for granting a scholarship from Provincial funds to one Mrs. Kamalakkar, but as the lady had started for England with the aid given by some private body before the receipt of the sanction, it was not availed of.

3. As regards the source from which the cost may be met, it is submitted that if the amount is to be debited to Local Government eventually it may be found from the Imperial grant for European education, the recurring portions of which aggregates Rs. 1,09,000 (Rs. 52,000 * from the Durbar grant of eight lakhs and Rs. 57,000 † from the recent grant). Financial may be

asked whether they see any objection and whether the sanction of the Government of India is necessary. In this connection it may be mentioned that the Government of India in paragraph 55 of their Educational policy recommended to Local Governments the grant of a greater number of scholarships to study abroad.

B. GOPALACHARI.—5-7-13.

C. RAMANUJACHARI.—7-7-13.

That there is no precedent for the course proposed is a strong argument in its favour, for I believe it is very generally lamented that there is no inducement for girls of this class to do well because no one helps them and careers are so few. This small scholarship, which as shown above, would be in accordance with India's wishes, would do much to encourage others to go and do likewise.

W. FRANCIS.—8-7-13

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

It is proposed by the Educational Department to award to Miss Gordon (who is not a Government servant) a scholarship of £50 *per annum* for a period of two years to enable her to undergo a course of kindergarten training in England.

The Educational Department enquire—

(1) whether this Government can sanction the award of the scholarship, without reference to the Government of India; and

(2) whether the expenditure will be debited finally to Home accounts or to the accounts of this Presidency.

2. *Item (1).*—Submitted that there is no ruling in the Civil Service Regulations directly bearing on this point. Article 84A of the Civil Service Regulations lays down that “ordinarily the sanction of the Secretary of State is required to any ‘deputation’ to, or detention on duty ‘in a country outside India.’” In the case of *scholarships* to students proceeding from India to England to complete their studies, the sanction of the Secretary of State is being obtained by the Government of India. Submitted that it seems that in the present case also, the sanction of the Secretary of State will have to be obtained through the Government of India.

G.O. No. 200, Educational, dated 5th April 1907, page 2, paragraph 2 of Government of India Resolution and Government of India Resolution regarding scholarships for girls published in the *Madras Mail* of 15th July 1913.

Cf. also letter to Government of India, No. 359, Educational, dated 10th June 1907 (for precedent).

3. *Item (2).*—Articles 1274 and 1292 of the Civil Account Code, Volume II, lay down:—

“As a general rule, no money should be paid in England on account of the ‘public service, except through the Secretary of State . . .’”

“Salaries and allowances of all kinds are brought finally to account in the ‘Home accounts and are not included in the India Office account current . . .’”

Attention is, however, solicited to the telegram from the Government of India (Education), dated 24th June 1913, in which they stated that they would recommend to the Secretary of State the award of a scholarship payable in England to Mr. Joseph Seers, if the Madras Government were prepared to pay half the amount. It is therefore submitted that, in the case of scholarships paid to Indian students by the India Office, the charge may be debited to the accounts of the Province concerned. Perhaps, the question whether the scholarship in the present case should be debited to Provincial funds may be left to the decision of the Government of India.

4. The case may be returned to the Educational Department.

V. GOPALAKRISHNA AYYAR—18-7-13.

Mr. Schmidt's note, dated 31st May 1907, on page 1 of notes to G.O. No. 358, dated 10th June 1907, would seem to be applicable to this case also, so far as the necessity of obtaining India's prior sanction is concerned. As a general rule it seems

I agree.

A. G. CARDEW—19-7-13.

British training would any way be vastly superior.

A. G. CARDEW.

agree to the sanction of the Government of India being obtained to Miss Gordon's training in England on the terms suggested by the Director of Public Instruction, since a demand appears to exist in Madras schools for trained kindergarten teachers.

C. REILLY—18-7-13.

The case is very similar to that of Miss Karney, though there is the technical difference that she was already in Government Service. It would be cheap to secure an efficient British-trained Kindergarten teacher for five years by the expenditure of £100, and I presume the Director of Public Instruction is satisfied that Miss Gordon is a proper person to train. We may, therefore, agree to the expenditure, but it will have to be sanctioned by the Government of India.

A. G. CARDEW—19-7-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Draft to India.

W. FRANCIS—22-7-13.

A draft letter to the Government of India is submitted for approval.

B.G.—22-7-13.

C. RAMANUJACHARI—24-7-13.

Approved.

W. FRANCIS—25-7-13.

[G.O. Nos. 689-90, Educational, dated 26th July 1913.]

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