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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

I

G.O. No. 582, Educational, dated 31st May 1915.

ABSTRACT.—Sanctioning the employment of an additional assistant on Rs. 200 per mensem in the Madras College for Women for one year from the 1st July 1915.

II

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

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department (through the Accountant-General).

Dated—Madras, the 21st January 1916.

No.—Ref. on Cur. 317.

I have the honour to submit the following proposals for the additions to the staff in the Madras College for Women that will be necessary in consequence of the opening of the B.A. class in July 1916.

2. The present professorial staff of the college consists of a principal and a professor engaged for a term of three years, as per G.O. No. 754, Educational, dated 9th July 1915, and an additional assistant on Rs. 200 per mensem, sanctioned for a period of one year in G.O. Mis. No. 582, Educational, dated 31st May 1915, in consequence of the opening of the senior Intermediate class in July last. In the event of the B.A. classes being opened in July 1916, provision will have to be made for the teaching, under Part I, of English Language and Literature, which is a compulsory subject, and for the introduction of at least two of the optional groups specified under Part II of Regulation 190 of the local University, preferably Group IV—Psychology, Ethics and Logic, or a language and Group V—History and Economics, for the reasons that these are among the subjects of the B.A. Pass course most frequently taken by women and that the teaching of the subjects included in any of the other groups, particularly Mathematics and the Physical and Natural Sciences, will present difficulties in the way of staffing and of providing additional class and laboratory accommodation which cannot at present be met. The third-year class only will be opened in July 1916, and assuming that the work in the above subjects will follow more or less that of the Presidency College, provision will have to be made for eleven hours' work a week in English, 12 hours in History and 10 in Philosophy in respect of that class.

3. The present staff of the college is fully occupied with the work of the Intermediate classes and it will therefore be necessary to employ next year at least two additional lecturers who will be qualified to undertake the additional work that will be thrown upon the staff by the opening of the third-year class. It may be mentioned in this connection, that of the present staff, Miss de la Hey is specially qualified in Modern History and Miss McCormick in Philosophy, and it is therefore highly important to employ in the college persons with such special qualifications as will supplement those of the present staff, i.e., a professor with English training possessing special qualifications in English, who should be in charge of English in the B.A. class primarily and be able to organize the teaching of the subject throughout the whole college, and also an assistant professor who has specialized in History.

If Misses de la Hey and McCormick come to be placed respectively in charge of Groups V and IV, then the additional professor will be required to be in charge of the English work in the college and the other to share in both the English and History work. In view of the above considerations, I would suggest that the additional professorship proposed be on the minimum scale of pay attached to the existing professorship, viz., Rs. 400 per mensem, and that the additional assistant professorship carry a salary of Rs. 200 per mensem.

4. These, I beg to point out, are the minimum requirements, but Miss de la Hey strongly urges the appointment of another assistant professor, with a view to lightening her own work and affording her more time for general supervision and also to ensure the representation on the staff of as many religious communities as possible. Since the latter of these two reasons is the more cogent, I should not fill up the proposed additional assistant professor's post unless I could do so by the appointment of a Hindu lady. This would greatly extend the representative character of the staff, which at present has two Protestant and one Roman Catholic member, but no Hindu or Muhammadan. The total number of the professorial staff would be six, excluding language teachers, and for the work of the four years of the B.A. course in English and two groups, I do not think this staff at all excessive.

In the circumstances set forth above, I beg to request that Government will be pleased to accord sanction to the employment for a period of two years from 1st July 1916 of one additional professor and two assistant professors in the Women's College, on the rates of salary specified above. It would not be absolutely necessary, however, to appoint all these new members of the staff from next July, and I should therefore not recommend the appointment of a second assistant professor until the services of a well qualified and suitable Hindu lady can be secured for the post.

The post of professor may, I think, be considered as ear-marked for Miss Waddell, recommended by the Secretary of State. I have no doubt of being able to fill up one of the assistant professor's posts by the appointment of a lady now in India. There are also prospects of my being able to secure a Hindu lady for the other assistant professorship, but I could not recommend the appointment of such a lady to the first assistant professorship in preference to a European, because I am practically certain that no one of sufficiently high academic status is available.

5. If Government approve of my proposals, I shall take steps to apply for the affiliation of the college to the local University in Part I and Groups IV and V of the B.A. Degree (Pass) course.

6. I further request that the necessary provision for the extra charge proposed may be included in the Budget estimates for 1916-17, and that sanction may be accorded to the retention of the assistant's post sanctioned in G.O. Mis. No. 582, Educational, dated 31st May 1915, for a further period of two years from 1st July 1916. If it is not found possible to include this extra charge in the budget estimates for 1916-17, I shall endeavour to meet it by re-appropriation during the course of the year.

It will be seen that the extra charge will not exceed Rs. 6,400 during 1916-17, being the salaries of one professor at Rs. 400 per mensem and two assistant professors at Rs. 200 per mensem each for eight months, from 1st July 1916, and may be only Rs. 4,800.

III

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

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department (through the Accountant-General).

Dated—Madras, the 25th January 1916.

No.—Ref. on Cur. 317.

In continuation of my letter Ref. on Cur. No. 317, dated 21st January 1916, I have to bring to the notice of Government that the allowance of Rs. 60 per mensem sanctioned in G.O. Mis. No. 1103, Educational, dated 4th October 1915, for an instructor in Logic at the College for Women is no longer being paid, since this work has been undertaken by Miss McCormick. If the proposals made in my letter referred to above are accepted by Government, it will be possible to make an additional saving of Rs. 65 per mensem which is now being paid for instruction in French, since this work will then be undertaken by the regular staff.

IV

Endorsement of the Accountant-General, No. G.A. 31/1-21937, dated
5th February 1916.

Forwarded.

2. The proposal to create an additional professorship on the scale of pay attached to the existing professorship requires the sanction of the Secretary of State, as the lady professor is to be recruited in England and is to belong to the Indian Educational Service—vide article 277 (III) 2 of the Civil Account Code, Volume I. The whole scheme proposed by the Director of Public Instruction including the temporary appointments of two assistant professors on Rs. 200 per mensem therefore requires the sanction of the Secretary of State, although these two appointments by themselves are within the powers of sanction of the local Government—vide Government of India, Finance Department, letter No. 1045 E.B., dated the 6th August 1915.

3. The additional expenditure on account of the Director's proposals is not remunerative, and it is for Government to decide therefore whether it is of imperative and immediate necessity—vide Government Memorandum (Confidential) No. 8349-1, Financial, dated the 28th December 1915.

4. As regards, however, the retention for a further period of two years from the 1st July 1916 of the existing assistant professor's post on Rs. 200 per mensem, sanctioned in G.O. Mis. No. 582, Educational, dated 31st May 1915—vide paragraph 6 of the letter of the Director of Public Instruction, there is no audit objection to the proposal being sanctioned by the local Government as it is not a part of the scheme newly proposed now.

5. A further reference from the Director of Public Instruction, No. 317, dated the 25th January 1916, is enclosed. The Director may be asked to submit a re-appropriation statement to meet the actual extra expenditure involved, in the course of the next year, before the expenditure is actually incurred.

A. NEWMARCH,
Accountant-General.

To the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Order—No. 181, Educational, dated 18th February 1916.

The Government sanction the retention, for a further period of two years from the 1st July 1916, of the additional assistant on Rs. 200 per mensem employed in the Madras College for Women.

2. The Government of India will be addressed with regard to the creation of an additional professorship on Rs. 400 and an additional assistant professorship on Rs. 200 per mensem for the college. The proposal to appoint a second additional assistant professor on Rs. 200 per mensem will be deferred till the appointment is shown to be imperatively necessary.

(True Extract.)

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction
(with copy of Accountant-General's endorsement).
" Accountant-General.
" Financial Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 182.

From

THE HON'BLE DIWAN BAHADUR

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR AVARGAL, C.I.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Educational Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Dated Fort St. George, the 18th February 1916.

SIR,

With reference to the correspondence ending with Mr. Porter's letter No. 1072, dated the 17th June 1915, I am directed to address the Government of India on the subject of the additional staff required for the Madras College for Women.

2. At present the college is affiliated to the University of Madras in Group (iii) of the intermediate courses of study and has a professorial staff consisting of—

	RS.
A lady principal on	400—20—500 per mensem,
with a local allowance of Rs. 150 per mensem.	
A lady professor on	400—20—500 per mensem.
An assistant professor on	200 "

It is now proposed to provide instruction in the B.A. (Pass) degree courses, namely, in Part I—English Language and Literature—which is compulsory, and in two of the optional groups of Part II, viz., Group IV—Psychology, Ethics and Logic or a language, and Group V—History and Economics. The third year or junior B.A. class will be opened next July and the senior B.A. class in July 1917. The existing staff of the college is fully occupied with the work of the intermediate classes and the Governor in Council considers it necessary to employ at least an additional professor and an additional assistant professor in order to cope with the increased work which will be thrown on the staff by the opening of the additional classes. These professors should possess such special qualifications as will supplement those of the existing professors, so that all together should be able to arrange among themselves for the teaching of the various subjects. In order to attract ladies possessing the required qualifications the Governor in Council considers that the post of additional lady professor should be included in the cadre of the Indian Educational Service and the

salary fixed at Rs. 400 permensem (without exchange compensation allowance), which is the minimum pay sanctioned for the existing professors, and that the pay of the additional assistant professor should be fixed at Rs. 200 per mensem.

3. Though this Government could sanction the appointment of the assistant professor by itself, the Accountant-General, Madras, considers that it also requires the sanction of the Secretary of State, as it forms part of a scheme which requires such sanction under Government of India, Finance Department, letter No. 1045 E.B., dated the 6th August 1915. I am directed to request that the Government of India will be pleased to obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State to the creation of a lady professorship on Rs. 400 per mensem in the Indian Educational Service and an assistant professorship on Rs. 200 per mensem, in the Madras College for Women, for a period of two years from the 1st July 1916.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR,
Secretary to Government.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. Nos. 181, 182, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED THE 18TH FEBRUARY 1916.

[SUBJECT.—*Additional establishment for the Madras College for Women.*]

*From the Director of Public Instruction, dated the 21st and the 25th January 1916,
R.O.C. No. 317.*

The Director of Public Instruction now submits proposals for strengthening the staff of the Madras College for Women with a view to open the junior B.A. class in July 1916 and providing for the teaching under Part I—English Language and Literature, which is a compulsory subject and of two optional subjects under Part II, namely,

Group IV.—Psychology, Ethics and Logic or a language, and
Group V.—History and Economics.

Staff—

(i).—The Director requests sanction to the employment for a period of two years from the 1st July 1916 of—

One additional professor on Rs. 400 per mensem, and
Two additional assistant professors on Rs. 200 each per mensem.

He states that the appointment of a second assistant professor may not be necessary from 1st July next, but proposes to defer it until the services of a well qualified and suitable Hindu lady can be secured for the post. The Director states that the post of professor may be considered as earmarked for Miss Waddell recommended by the Secretary of State. The necessity for the extra staff is explained in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Director of Public Instruction's letter.

It may be noted that the intention of the Government was to develop the institution to the status of a first-grade college (vide paragraph 3 of letter No. 615, Educational, dated the 27th May 1914), and the Secretary of State has sanctioned the scheme as a tentative and experimental measure (vide pages 3 and 4 of G.O. No. 754, Educational, dated the 9th July 1915). The proposals therefore seem to be moderate.

The Accountant-General points out that the scheme now proposed by the Director of Public Instruction requires the sanction of the Secretary of State, vide paragraph 2 of his endorsement. As the scheme is imperative and necessary, it is submitted that the Government of India may be addressed with a view to obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State for the creation of the additional appointments.

(ii) The Director also requests sanction to the retention of the assistant's post on Rs. 200 per mensem sanctioned in G.O. No. 582, Educational, dated the 31st May 1915 for a further period of two years from the 1st July 1916. There is no audit objection to this proposal (vide paragraph 4 of Accountant-General's endorsement). Submitted that this may be sanctioned. The necessary provision has been made in the budget estimate for 1916-17.

2. *Provision of funds.*—The additional expenditure involved by the proposals in paragraph 1 (i) ante will amount to Rs. 5,620 (Rs. 6,400—Rs. 780 saving on account of the abolition of the post of French Instructor), and the Director requests that the necessary provision may be made in the budget estimate for 1916-17. If this is not possible, he states that he would endeavour to meet it by re-appropriation during the course of the year—paragraph 6 of his letter.

3. The file may, it is submitted, be sent to the Financial Department for remarks.

T.K.—9-2-16.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—10-2-16.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

There are at present in the Women's College—

One principal (Rs. 400—20—500) +	} Appointments sanctioned for a period of three years in the first instance (G.O. 154, Educational, dated the 9th July 1915).
local allowance of Rs. 150.	
One professor on (Rs. 400—20—500).	} Sanctioned for one year from 1st July 1915 (G.O. 582, Educational, dated the 31st May 1915).
One assistant professor on Rs. 200	

The proposals now made are—

(i) to continue for a further period of two years from 1st July 1916 the temporary assistant on Rs. 200, and

(ii) to sanction the creation for a period of two years from 1st July 1916 of the following new appointments :—

	RS.
One professor	400
Two assistant professors, Rs. (200)	400
	800 per mensem.

Against the extra cost in item (ii), there will be a saving of Rs. 65 per mensem on account of the remuneration now paid to an instructor in French. The Educational Department consider that the proposals are of imperative necessity (page 1 ante).

2. *Item (i) above.*—The proposal may, it is submitted, be accepted. Necessary provision has been made in the Budget Estimates for 1916-17 on account of this item.

L. E. KERSHAW.

3. *Item (ii)*—It is not quite clear from the letter of the Director of Public Instruction if the appointment of professor is to be held by a member of the Indian Educational Service. If it is so, the view taken by the Accountant-General in paragraph 2 of his Endorsement G.A. 31/1-21987, viz., that the sanction of the Secretary of State is necessary for the proposals in this item, seems, it is submitted, correct. The rates of pay proposed follow those fixed for similar existing appointments and may be accepted. As

Subject to orders on the point raised below.

L.E.K.

require the sanction of higher authority, the suggestion of the Accountant-General that the Director of Public Instruction may be asked to forward in the course of next year a re-appropriation statement to meet the extra expenditure may, it is submitted, be agreed to and Educational

L.E.K.

the Director of Public Instruction accordingly.

F.F.—14-2-16.

C.P.K.—14-2-16.

The Education Department certify that the scheme is imperative and necessary. There is one appointment, however, which I think can hardly be said to be imperatively necessary, and that is one of the additional appointments of assistant professor. It is admittedly not required in connexion with the affiliation of the college. Miss de la Hey asks for the additional assistant with a view to lightening her own work and also to ensure the representation on the staff of as many religious communities as possible. Mr. Stone regards the latter of these two reasons as the more cogent, and he is not prepared to fill up the appointment unless he can find a suitable Hindu lady. Obviously then this appointment is not urgently required; it has been suggested to a great extent on the ground of sentiment. I am doubtful whether during the present financial stringency we can pander to sentiment in such a manner. I therefore submit that Financial should ask that this appointment should be excluded from the scheme.

L. E. KERSHAW—15-2-16.

I agree with the Assistant Secretary that the appointment of the second assistant should be deferred till the post is shown to be imperatively necessary.

A. BUTTERWORTH—15-2-16.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

A draft order and a draft letter to the Government of India are submitted for approval.

The Director of Public Instruction is of opinion that the post of additional professor may be considered as earmarked for Miss Waddell recommended by the Secretary of State. Miss Waddell was recommended for the post of Principal of the college, but this Government considered her unsuitable for that post. The Director then stated that there was every possibility of Miss Waddell's employment in the college and he now says that the post of additional professor may be earmarked for her. He has not submitted formal proposals for her appointment, nor is it known whether she has consented to take up the post. India will have to be addressed in regard to Miss Waddell's appointment to the post of additional professor (if she is in India at the time, otherwise the sanction of the Secretary of State will be necessary), but this may await the receipt of sanction of the Secretary of State to the creation of the additional posts. The draft order and letter are submitted for approval.

T.K.—17-2-16.

Drafts for approval.

P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—17-2-16.

This should go on without delay.

P[ENTLAND]—18-2-16.

Issue sharp.

P.R.—18-2-16.

[G.O. Nos. 181, 182, Educational, dated the 18th February 1916.]

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Will the D.P.J. please state briefly what is known of the lady referred to in the extracts attached?

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Miss Ramon House is a Tamil Brahmin originally from Bangalore. She has had school experience in Madras - (she passed the London D.A. as an external candidate without undergoing any course). When she was appointed to the High School there was no vacancy in the Women's College.

I am keeping her in mind in preparation for the staff of the Women's College which will have to be strengthened from next July. I am consulting Mrs. Colaboy as to whether her wages place must be filled up after Christmas.

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Educational Department

For orders whether the papers may be lodged pending receipt of the proposals for strengthening the staff of the Women's College.

PM
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H. S. The Governor will perhaps be interested to see these papers

21.12.15

Thanks.

P.
21.12.



~~the papers are ready~~

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PM
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Subject - Additional establishments for the Madras College
Educational Deptt.

C.F. [Re No: 4758/15] from the D.P.F., R.O.C. No: 317/16
of the 21st & 22nd January 1916

The D.P.F. now submits the proposals

for strengthening the staff of the Madras College

Note this in the Reg to have been lodged + return to me please
PM
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Again G. O. No. 582 Edl., dated the 31--5--15.

G. No. 475, From the D. P. I. R.O.C.No. 317/16 dated the 21st Jan. 16.

Endt. of the A. G. G.A.31/1-21937 dated the 5--2--1916.

ORDER No. 1818/2-16

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To the D. P. I. (with copy of the A. G. G's endt.) the Financial Deptt. (A.G.)

Letter No 182 Esd 18-2-16

To the Secretary to the Govt. of
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a Lady Professor on	Rs.400-20-500 p.m.
an Asst. Professor on	Rs.200. "

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on Rs.200 per mensem ⁱⁿ the Madras

College for Women, for a period of two --

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Educational DEPARTMENT.

CUTTINGS FROM NEWSPAPERS.

1. Name of Paper— *The Indian Patriot*
2. Published at— *Madras*
3. Dated— *9. 12. 15.*

Personalities

[*By S. K. N.*]

A BRAHMIN LADY GRADUATE.

Appeal to Government.

[To the Editor of the *Indian Patriot*.]

Sir,—Will you please allow me to congratulate you on your leaderette on Miss Rama Monee, a Brahmin lady graduate of the London University. This certainly shows that nothing deserving will escape your observant eyes. Miss Rama Monee, to-day, stands unique among the Indian ladies of our Presidency. She is certainly an object of admiration. A custom-ridden young Brahmin lady to have become a graduate of the London University, is what surpasses the conception of an ordinary Madrassee. I wish that our Benign Paternal Government have proceeded you in recognising her merits and have given her a more important position in the educational department instead of showing her to a corner and thus allowing this 'rose to waste its fragrance on a desert air'. Her remaining in any institution in the metropolis will certainly be an inducement and emulation to parents and to pupils in the direction of the female education. It should have been extraordinary circumstances that prevented our well meaning Government from giving her a prominent place in Madras. I hope she will be very soon here and I trust for this the good intentions of the Government. I wish Miss Rama Monee will, ere long, prove herself to be a gem of the Indian ladies (as her name indicates), an ornament to the Indian Society, a distinguished servant of the Educational Department and a pride of her country.

I am agreeably surprised that a Tamil Brahmin woman should have become a graduate of the London University; and I am very disagreeably surprised that the Government of Madras, with its enthusiasm for female education, should have thrown her into the lumber room of a High School. Now, that her qualifications are known to the Government, I hope that she will at once be given a place. Otherwise, well, Madras will lose her and Mysore or Travancore or Baroda will have her. If I am disposed to enter into the qualifications of those now placed above this Indian lady, I can say much. It is enough to say that I have faith in the educational enthusiasm of the Government.

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Educational DEPARTMENT.

CUTTINGS FROM NEWSPAPERS.

1. Name of Paper— *The Indian Patriot*
 2. Published at— *Madras*
 3. Dated— *8th December 1915.*

WANTED ENCOURAGEMENT.

Miss Rama Monee, a Brahmin lady graduate of the University of London, has been appointed assistant in the Government School for girls at Vizagapatam. We were under the impression that her present appointment at Vizagapatam was intended only for a short time, and that she was then to join the College for Women. We must point out that a Brahmin lady graduate, with such qualifications, could have been started in a better position and could have received, at the hands of the Government, far more encouragement. The Government College for Women, we believe, must look to the Indian section of the population for support; at any rate it is the Indian sections that has at present taken advantage of this institution, and very soon a steady flow of students would issue out from the High School to the College. The presence of an Indian teacher in the College would add to the attractions of the College. That is to the advantage of the institution. But it is not from that standpoint alone that we look upon the appointment. An Indian lady graduate is quite an unusual phenomenon. A Brahmin lady graduate of the London University is much more so. When an Indian woman, with the requisite qualification, is available, and especially from our own Presidency, who independently pursued her education until she graduated in the London University, we surely expect more generous treatment for her. We hope that the Government of Madras would show an Indian woman with high qualifications all the encouragement that she deserves—it would not be encouragement so much to Miss Rama Monee as to female education itself.

The following quotation from the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Abdur Rahim is going the round in Indian papers:

"From the little experience that I have had," said he, "I think there is much too great a strain upon the boys in the secondary school. From what I have seen of the subjects of study I think a boy is required to do more than what the average boy will be able to stand without injury to his health. This is, I believe, the honest opinion of all and the result is physical degeneration."

Why should not a striking Indian Educational Reformer rise to sweep away the existing cobwebs. The question has attracted a good deal of attention in England. We want men of Mr. Justice Abdur Rahim's strength to give time and thought for the problem.

B.G.
7-12-15

CUTTINGS FROM NEWSPAPERS.

1. Name of Paper—

The Indian Patriot

2. Published at—

Madras

3. Dated—

13-12-15

A BRAHMIN LADY GRADUATE.

[To the Editor of the "Indian Patriot".]

Sir,—It is a service that you have done to the cause of female education itself to have pointed out the injustice done to Miss Ramamoni and the utter lack of appreciation of her qualifications and claims by the Government. The Government seems to have quite a good knack of forgetting things when it is most important to remember them. Perhaps it is convenient for it to be so. So much is said about female education *ad nauseum* and the dearth of qualified ladies to take up the post of lecturers and professors in College for women. Here is a qualified lady graduate, and that a Brahmin lady, which, as you say, is quite a phenomenon, of the London University (where the tests are said to be harder and more difficult than in the other universities) taking her degree in mathematics. When such a person is available, she must be relegated quite unceremoniously into some northern corner of the Presidency and female education must also progress! It will be interesting to know if the European lady professors or others in the Madras College for Women possess greater and better qualifications than Miss Ramamoni. She is an extremely intelligent lady, though very young in years, with noble and advanced views, moulded by her experiences varied and vast and aided by travels far and wide. Surely there is much in your advice, for to the orthodox Indian mind and to the highly conservative and sometimes hysterical mind of the Indian women, the presence of a Brahmin lady professor would inspire confidence and allay all suspicions and fears. She will certainly be a force and an influence among the students of the College. If the Government really cares for female education at all as is so often proclaimed, here is an opportunity, for it to show its earnestness. It is worthwhile some Hon'ble member interests himself to see that justice is done to her claims, for it is a right which she has and it is the duty of the Government to recognise it and remedy the error as soon as possible.

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