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[Despatch Abstract.]

Legislative Council.-

Recording notes connected with a question asked at the meeting of the----- held on 19th November 1919 regarding the accessibility of the library of the office of the Registrar of Books to the public.

Question—No. 158

for the meeting of the Legislative

Council to be held on the

19-11-1919.

SUBMITTED that two copies of this Question may be forwarded to the
Home (Bowl) Department with reference to Nos. (1) and (4) of the
rules regulating Secretariat procedure in dealing with these Questions in the
Legislative Council. Orders regarding admission will be communicated in due
course.

L.A.C.
1-11-19.

U.O. No. 2692, dated 3-11-19

To

The Home (Bowl)

Department. With Q 158.



The Hon'ble Mr. M.C. Raja.

Home (Education) Department.

Q.158. Will the Government be pleased to order that the library attached to the Registrar of Books, Madras may be thrown open to the public?

Home (Edn.)

It does not appear that the library attached to the office of the Registrar of Books was ever notified to be a public library in any effective sense, though till about 1906 it was intermittently used by a limited no. of persons. In 1906 it was definitely decided to close the library to the public & ^{(to maintain it solely} ~~to maintain it solely~~ as a reference library for the Registrar's office - L.O. No. 520 Edn., d/4th

(A) August '06.

2 At the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 18th Feb. 1913, the Hon'ble Mr. P. Kesava Pillai asked a question enquiring whether arrangements could not be made to render the collection of

(N) $\frac{190827}{28.2.13}$

(B) $\frac{588 \text{ EN.}}{23.6.13}$

3 The Additional Member
seems to require that the library
should be kept as a ~~free~~ library
to all & sundry. Now almost similar
suggestion originated from the Govt.
of India in 1918 (para 3 (1) of ^(p. 102) L. No. 498 Ed. III, 2/18.4.18) but it
was not possible to give effect to
it; for, apart from the provision
of additional accommodation and
staff which any such expansion of
the library would necessitate, the
practical utility of adopting the

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(W) 529.68

Suggestion was considered to be almost nil. It was held that people who have really to refer to books or investigate a question were always at liberty to do so and nothing further was necessary. (p. 6 of Geo. No. 11, 63 Ed. 2, 11 5-9. 18.)

(W) 4 The following draft answer is for appl. —

Draft answer.

"The library attached to the office of the Registrar of books is already open to students who are ~~the only ones~~ ~~being~~ ~~limited to~~ readers in other the university library, or the Government Public Library or Oriental MS. ~~the university~~ library. The Govt. do not consider that any useful purpose would be served ~~by making the library available to the public~~ by making the library available to the public."

For
W. H. G.

The D.P. I may be consulted no.

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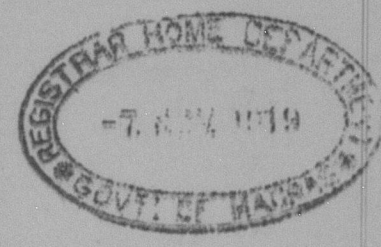
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NOTES.

U.O.Reply No. 3398 7-11-19.

I should prefer the following answer:-

'The library attached to the Registrar of Books, Madras, is ^{already} open to readers in the Connemara Public Library, the University Library and the Oriental Manuscripts Library, who are unable to procure the books they require in these libraries!



Answer (Ed 2)
Subd: for appl. of the draft answer proposed by the D.P.D.

8.11.19
J.L.
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M.K.
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M.K.
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The final form of the question and answer was as follows:

- Library of the Registrar of Books, Madras.
- 201 Q.-Will the Government be pleased to order that the library attached to the Registrar of Books, Madras, may be thrown open to the public?
 - 201 A.-The library attached to the Registrar of Books, Madras, is already open to readers in the Connemara Public Library, the University Library and the Oriental Manuscripts Library, who are unable to procure the books they require in these libraries.

Legis. cl.:

Recording notes connected with a ques. asked at the meeting of the - held on 14th Nov. 1919: The necessity of the library of the Registrar of Books to the public

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