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[Despatch Abstract.]

Approving, subject to certain omission, the
change suggested by the S. S. I in the
form of the leaving-certificate,
& directing the publication of the
necessary for notification.

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From
The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

No 5928

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SUBJECT.

Requesting the sanction of Government
for the addition of certain columns
to the form of leaving certificate
presented in the Madras Educational
Rules.

Order

The change proposed in
the form of the leaving certificate
is approved and it will be
notified in the Fort St George
Gazette.

Note for orders

May the draft notification
be altered as noted in pencil?

To
The D.P.O. 940
Gazette.

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Notification. 19-7-00

Madras Educational Rules.

It is hereby notified that

His Excellency the Governor in Council hereby has sanctioned the opening of ^{three} in their appropriate places notifies that the following ~~four~~ Columns have been

newly opened in the form of leaving Certificate prescribed in Appendix G of the Educational Rules.

(i) Date on which the pupil actually left the school.

(ii) Date on which application for leaving Certificate was made on behalf of the pupil by his parent or guardian.

(iii) Highest examination passed and the date of passing the same.

(iv) Remarks.

omit.
16.7.1900

No. 5928

From

THE HON'BLE MR. G. H. STUART, M.A., Barrister-at-Law,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Educational DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

I have the honour to request the sanction of Government for the addition of the following four Columns to the form of leaving certificate prescribed on page 121 of the revised Educational Rules.

(i) Date on which the pupil actually left the school.

(ii) Date on which application for leaving certificate was made on behalf of the pupil by his parent or guardian.

(iii) Highest examination passed and the date of passing the same.

(iv) Remarks.

It has been observed in several cases that the date of the leaving certificate is not the date on which the

pupil

pupil actually left the school; there being an interval between the date on which application for leaving Certificate is made and the date on which it is given.

It is to determine the length of this interval and also to see whether any unnecessary delay has been made in the issue of the certificate that the first two Columns are now proposed. The information to be given in the third column is required for Column 9 of the "Register of Admissions or Withdrawals" the form of which is prescribed on page 122 of the Educational Rules. A Headmaster may sometimes have occasion to remark on the Character of the pupil who is leaving his school: the fourth Column is intended for such remarks.

2. I beg to submit a draft notification for approval and publication in the Port St George Gazette.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. H. Street

Director of Public Instruction.

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Educational DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 819

SUBJECT.

Addition of certain Columns to the form of leaving certificate.

FOR ORDERS.

Submitted again to the
Hon. with reference to the
order of the Hon. Mr. W. W. Cohen
A.R.

A.

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18 10/10

Save
17.00

As to whether the draft notification submitted by the D.P.I. may be altered as shown in pencil and whether the proposed new columns may be approved. The only doubt is about the Column of remarks. The object of this column is, the Director says, to enter remarks, if any, on the Character of the pupil. When a new Column "conduct" was added on the recommendation of Mr. Duncan in October last there was a loud protest from the Heads of aided Colleges - and Govt. had to give in. Please see para 5 of Mr. Duncan's letter on page 3 of L.O. no 706826 dt 20th October 1899 and resolutions 1 & 2 ~~on subject~~ of the Educational Conference convened in Feb. last on subject I printed on page 6 of L.O. no 160801 dt 31st March 1900. The Director's present proposal does not seem to vastly differ from the above

B.

C.

old proposal.

P.H.

23/1/00

I think it may be well to ask the D.P.S. ago whether he wishes to prep for the addition of the column of "remarks" in the leaving certificate, & if so to give his reasons more fully than in his present letter.

2. "Remarks" about a boy's character, made in a column so headed, & forming an official record, cannot easily be distinguished from remarks made in a column headed "conduct".

Surely if "injury to boys" is "from official record of juvenile faults" in the one case, it may do so in the other. It seems at any rate too early to go back from what was practically settled only not three months ago.

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26.6.1900

To D.P.S. as above

For the A.S.
Please see the D.P.S.'s reply below.
P.H. 26/7/00

* G.O. No. 160, Educ., 31 March 1900. para. 4

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If the change in the form of leaving certificate proposed by Dr. Diencan had been carried out, it would have been compulsory for managers or headmasters of schools to comment on the character conduct of every pupil, and this compulsion was what was objected to. The column I propose to add will usually be left blank: there is no obligation on headmasters to make any remark. A boy may be expelled from a school: in that case I think he should still be able to get a leaving certificate if he has paid all the fees due. But in that case the fact of his expulsion should be noted in the certificate so that if any other headmaster chose to admit him, he might know exactly what he was doing. Again it sometimes happens that though a boy is not expelled his conduct is such that

There are other means of ascertaining a boy's previous history

he is requested to leave the school. In that case he can claim a leaving certificate, but his headmaster is debarred from making any remarks. I think it undesirable that such a pupil should be able to enter another school without the circumstances in which he left his former school being known.

In my letter read in G.O. No 160 Ed. I 31.3.00

stated my opinion (with which Govt. agreed) that the question of recording the conduct of pupils might safely be left to headmasters. My present proposal enables them to record it if they wish & in no way compels them to do so.

Attendance & Leaving (i.e. acquittance) certificates are included among the records that may be destroyed after ^{one year} ~~one year~~ (G.O. No 1123 (Hk) 12.10.96) so there could be no permanent record.

The proposed column would be but seldom used, though I think it desirable & unobjectionable. I do not press for its addition. 2.7.0. GHS

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For the Assistant Secretary.

Please see the D.P.I's reply above.

(Id.) P.T.T.
3-7-00.

Under this explanation, Govt. may accept the proposals. & the notification may issue? The pencil alterations are of no consequence.

M.P.
6.7.1900

Secy.

Hu & Circ.

If I must give an opinion I think it would be more discreet to omit the column - the Director says he does not press for it - Schoolmasters can find out about a new boy's previous conduct from other sources. I think it would be better to omit the column. A.C.H. 11.7.00

This will do.
H.A. 7.7.00

In drawing up a form of leaving certificate, the D.P.I. inserted a column "Remarks", saying in his letter "A Headmaster may sometimes have occasion to remark on the character of the pupil &c. The fourth column is intended for such remarks."

As this is a delicate subject, the Director was given an opportunity of meeting &c. the obvious objections. For orders whether the column

- (a) shd. be retained.
 - (b) " " with addition of words "If any".
 - (c) " " struck out.
- Perhaps (b) is the best. H.T. 6.7.00.

C. No. 819
1800

SUBJECT.

additions to the form
of leaving certificate.

resp

ORDER. No. 295 of 19. 7. 00

The Government considers
that the fourth of the
~~additional~~ columns which
the D. proposes to add to
the leaving certificate should
be omitted. Subject to
this, the suggested change
in the form of the certi-
ficate is approved, &
the necessary notification
will be published in
the Fort St. George Gazette.

for orders
A.S.P.

16. 7. 1800

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