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READ—again the following paper:—

Extract from Resolution of the Government of India, Home Department, No. 495, dated 28th October 1899.

17. Attention is invited to the views of the Government of India regarding scholarships as expressed in paragraph 24 of Home Department Resolution of 23rd October 1884. The object before Government was that "provision should be made by means of a proper system of scholarships for the rise of youths of proved ability from the lowest to the highest grade of institution." It was pointed out that the funds available "ought in any case to be so distributed that ample facilities for obtaining a good secondary education are held out to a large number of youths in the lower schools. The provision for scholarships tenable during a University course need not be so liberal." The recommendations of the Education Commission to give effect to this object were approved by the Government of India. These recommendations are contained in paragraph 283 (12 to 14) and paragraph 338 (14) of their report. The following figures taken from pages 102, 170, and 216 of the review are instructive in this connection:—

Province.	Percentage of total expenditure on scholarships devoted in 1896-97 to—		
	Primary schools for boys.	Secondary schools for boys.	Arts Colleges.
Madras	1	22	31
Bombay	14	38	20
Bengal	8	37	42
North-Western Provinces and Oudh.	1	46	36
Punjab	9	51	17
Central Provinces	13	65	15
Burma	13	22	19
Assam	7	44	38
Coorg	2	...	62
Berar	2	78	20
Average	8	41	30

It will be observed that the order regarding the preference to be given to secondary education is overlooked in Madras and Bengal and does not receive sufficient consideration in other provinces. The figures for Coorg are exceptional and require explanation. Again, if the figures in column 2 of table LVIII (page 102) of the review be compared with those in table XXV on page 33, it will be seen also that Bengal has considerably exceeded, and the Punjab has reached the 2 per cent. limit fixed by the Education Commission for scholarships tenable in Arts Colleges,

to which attention should be drawn. The Government of India must insist on their orders being observed.

READ—also the following paper:—

Letter from the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 25th June 1900, No. 6091.

ORDER—No. 382, Educational, dated 23rd August 1900.

Ordered that the following letter be sent to the Government of India:—

(True Extract.)

M. HAMMICK,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

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In the 17th paragraph of Home Department Resolution, No. 495, dated 28th October 1899, attention was invited to the views of the Government of India regarding scholarships, and reference was made to the views of the Education Commission in paragraphs 283 (12—14) and 338 (14) of their report. It was also observed that the instructions in regard to the preference to be given to secondary education in the matter of scholarships had been overlooked in this presidency.

2. In reply, I am directed to state that towards the end of the quinquennium ending 1896-97 effect was given to the recommendations of the Education Commission by a notification completely recasting the system, so as to provide as recommended by that Commission for a larger number of scholarships being awarded in the lower secondary and upper secondary departments; and the effect of the change could not be anticipated and noticed in the report for the five years ending 1896-97. I am to annex a copy of the last scholarship notification, from which it will be seen how largely the number and value of scholarships tenable in Arts colleges have been reduced. The amount of expenditure on scholarships in Arts colleges is likely to be reduced by about 25 per cent. in future years, while the amount of expenditure on secondary schools will be very largely increased. I am to point out that the expenditure from Provincial funds on scholarships in Arts colleges during 1896-97 was only Rs. 11,124 which was less than one per cent. of the Provincial grant for education. It will be seen from the above that the recommendations of the Education Commission are not being neglected at present in this presidency.

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Note.-

The future expenditure on Arts Scholarship will be

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