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[Despatch Abstract.]

Approving the action of the S.P. I
in regard to the punishment of a
pupil of the Reformatory school, Chirapoor
for an unnatural offence.

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From

The Director of Public Instruction
Madras.

Order

No. 9601-

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SUBJECT,

Reporting case of un-
-natural offence committed
in the Reformatory school,
Chingleput and requesting
to approve of the Supt's
recommendation in regard
to the punishment to be
inflicted upon the culprit.

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No 1753.

28th August 1900.

To

The Director of Public Instruction,

Madras.

Sir,

I deeply regret to bring to your notice a case of unnatural offence which was committed by two pupils yesterday at about 2.15 P.M. It is more than eleven years ago that a case of the kind occurred in this school (Vide Proceedings, dated 10th and 17th July 1889, Nos. 0/485 and 0/534 respectively).

2. Pupil Tandavarayan, No 251, the one who escaped on the 11th May last and was recaptured and brought back, committed the offence on a little boy about 10½ years of age named Ponrangam No 483 who was admitted in March last. This boy was not a willing party to the offence, but he was intimidated and compelled to submit by the other who is a much bigger, stronger and older boy. The offence was committed in one of the wards of the main barrack which happened to be left open and unwatched at the time through the carelessness of peon No VI Manikka Nayakar.

3. I consider Vedamanikkam, 2nd Master who is in charge of the general education classes (during the absence of the Headmaster on leave) is very much to blame in the matter. He "kept in" some boys to study in the main barrack, because they failed in their lessons and placed them in charge of senior boy of bad character named Nachi No 287 instead of placing them in charge of a monitor as he should have done. This Nachi allowed No 251 to enter the barrack, mix with the boys under his charge of whom No 483 was one, stayed behind after all the other boys, except No 483 had left the barrack and committed the offence.

4. The only explanation that the 2nd Master has to offer for placing the boys in charge of such a bad character as Nachi is that he is a senior boy who is to be discharged on the 7th of September next. Seniority does not necessarily imply goodness of character as in the case of Nachi himself. He is a boy from whom Mr. Lewis has withheld all the privileges of a senior boy. In placing an irresponsible pupil like him in charge of the boys who were "kept in" and not a monitor, the

2nd Master has not only ignored the position and use of a monitor, but has acted very imprudently. Admitting that Nachi was placed in immediate charge of the boys, the 2nd Master should have specially directed a monitor or the barrack peon to keep an eye on him and the boys under his charge. Having failed to do so, he has rendered himself culpably negligent. This is not the first time that general education masters have failed to exercise a vigilant supervision on boys when under their care. The escape of two boys reported on the 14th May last, was also due to laxity of supervision on the part of general education masters (vide paragraph 7 of this office report dated 14th May 1900, No 910). I have, therefore, subject to your approval, inflicted a fine of Rs.5 on S.G.Vedamanikkam, the 2nd master for his imprudent action and negligence as detailed above and hope the fine will serve to arouse the general education masters to a better sense of their duties.

5. I think it is necessary to mention in this connection that between 11.30.A.M. and 2.30 P.M. (general education and recreation hours) when the Deputy Superintendent and the Industrial Instructors go home for breakfast and rest, the boys are under the immediate charge of the general education masters.

6. In the case of the two culprits, I have kept them apart from the other boys pending orders from you as provided in Rule XIII (v).

7. There is no proper accommodation at present to completely separate the culprits from the other boys. When the two barracks are occupied by boys for study or for work and at nights, the two boys will be confined each one in his own cubicle and at other times, one boy will be in the yard of the main barrack and the other in the small barrack.

8. Tandavarayan, No 251 the chief culprit will in the ordinary course be discharged on the 10th October next after a stay of 7 years in this school. It would be a great pity to blast his prospects for life, which would be the inevitable result, if he were prosecuted and convicted. As this is the ^{first} offence of the kind after eleven years, and as the boy has passed the Primary Examination and two Technical Examinations and has a good prospect before him, I would strongly recommend that his case be disposed of by you and the matter be reported to Government, if necessary. I think a sound birching (15 cuts) will be an exemplary punishment and to it gunny clothing, penal diet and solitary confinement may be added; and he will be kept

apart from the other boys until he is discharged. If you have recommended the introduction of birching into this school, you can in anticipation of sanction award the punishment in this case. 9. As regards Ponrangam No 483, he is a very young boy who was not a willing party to the offence, as reported above. He has been more sinned against than sinning. I would recommend in his case,

15 stripes on the one hand

3 days solitary confinement

10 days gunny clothing.

10. As regards peon Manikka Nayakar it was his business to turn all the boys out of the main barrack at the time and to close its doors, but as there were boys there at work he should have been present and watched them, which he failed to do; and hence an opportunity was afforded for the commission of the offence. I have degraded him one step from peon No VI to peon No VII. This degradation does not affect his salary which is Rs.7 in either case, but it will retard his promotion.

11. Due punishment will be awarded to pupil Nachi No 287 for allowing No 251 to enter the barrack during prohibited hours.

I have &c &c

(Signed) W.H.Murray, M.B., C.M.

Ag. Superintendent.

/True Copy/

G.H. Stuart
Director of Public Instruction.

Enclosure to D.P.S. no 9601
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CURRENT NO. 1335

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras, 27 September 1900.

No. 9601.

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,

In submitting herewith a copy of a letter from the Superintendent, Reformatory School, Chingleput, No 1753, dated 28th August 1900, reporting a case of unnatural offence committed in the school, I have the honour to request that Government will be pleased to approve of the Superintendent's recommendation in regard to the chief culprit, Tandavarayan, Pupil No 251, viz, that he be awarded the punishments mentioned

Birching (15 stripes)	& in the margin, instead of being
Solitary confinement	&
Penal diet	& prosecuted as required in article
Gunny clothing	&
Separation from other boys	& XIII (v) of the Rules sanctioned
till discharge.	&
	in G.O. No 599, Educational, dated

26th September 1898. The pupil will in the ordinary course be discharged on the 11th October next after a stay of seven years during which he has passed the Primary and two Technical examinations. There is nothing to be said in extenuation of his crime except his youth, but it would be a great pity to ruin his prospects by having him prosecuted and convicted. I beg to add that, as the boy is to be discharged shortly, I have in anticipation of the sanction of Government, instructed the Superintendent to award the punishments above referred to.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G.H. Stuart

Director of Public Instruction.

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C. No. 1335

SUBJECT.

Unnatural offence committed in the
Reformatory School, Chingleput.

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FOR ORDERS.

A case of unnatural offence committed in the Reformatory School, Chingleput, was reported in 1889. The rules did not then provide for the disposal of such cases and the Govt. therefore dealt with it departmentally, directing that if any similar offence was again committed the offender should be prosecuted - Vide G.O. N^o. 1322 Judd. dt 29 July 1889.

2. When the rules were revised in 1898 the necessary provision was inserted in clause (V) of article XIII. Vide G.O. No. 559 Edl. dt 26 September 1898.

3. Another case has now occurred and the letter read above is the Director's report on it. The Chingleput

culprit here has been in the school for nearly seven years during which period he has passed the primary and technical examinations and his period of detention will be over on the 11th Instant. The Director therefore thinks that the following punishment will be sufficient and he has in anticipation of the sanction of Govt, ordered them to be inflicted:-

Birching (15 stripes)
 Solitary confinement
 Penal diet
 Gummy clothing
 Separation from other boys till discharge.

His action may now be approved.

4. As regards the other culprits involved in the case the Superintendent recommends

(1) For the accomplice:

15 stripes on the hand
 3 days solitary confinement
 10 days gummy clothing

(2) For the peon on duty for negligence

Degradation one step
 in peon no VI to peon no VII

(3) For the General Education master, for his negligence
 a fine of Rs 5.

The Director's letter does not deal with these punishments but he must have issued the necessary orders to the Superintendent. It is presumed that the instructions in G.O. N^o 724 of 27th July 1900 are not applicable to the fine inflicted on the teacher.

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* Certainly not, it is thought

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The punishments appear ~~Can the whole of the~~ ~~to meet the case~~ suitable in the circumstances. That in the case of (3) is perhaps too lenient; the man's proceedings were singularly ill-advised. But the fine will make him wise in future.

The Director's action should be approved.

Ask him to report whether the Senior & Junior Div^s cannot be kept apart.

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It would be well if it could be managed that complete separation could be effected between Senior & Junior Divisions - under Rule IV. ~~Partake~~ ~~There are~~ ~~Satara~~

as far as the arrangements
admit

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(which follows the H. M. L.'s remarks
written in the margin of the
last page) may issue.

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NOTE FOR THE SECRETARY.

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The action taken by
the Director is approved.
He will be requested to
report whether it ~~will~~
is possible to ^{separate}
the senior & junior divisions
completely, under rule-IV(iii).

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