

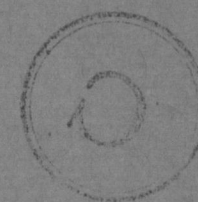
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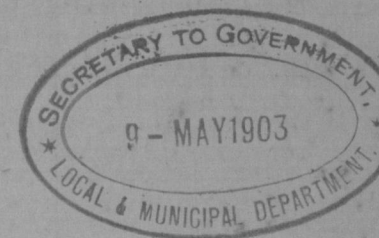
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The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, a copy of my Proceedings Dis No 2796, dated 5th instant reviewing the report on the working of the Rajahmundry Arts College during 1902.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. N. S. W.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, dated 5th May 1903.

Report on the Rajahmundry Arts College during the year 1902.

Read the following letter from MARK HUNTER, Esq., M.A., Acting Principal, Rajahmundry College, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated 14th March 1903, No. 68:—

I have the honour to submit my report on the working of the Rajahmundry Arts College during the year 1902. In accordance with your instructions all statistical tables are placed in an appendix to the report.

2. *Staff*.—There was only one actual change in the teaching staff during the year. Mr. Stone having been transferred to the Teachers' College, Saidapet, I took over charge as acting Principal on the 30th June.

3. *Accommodation and furniture*.—The sum of Rs. 600 was set apart for the purchase of furniture, but was not utilised during the academic year. It is proposed, however, before the close of the official year to provide some new furniture for the library, the examination hall, the common room and two lecture-rooms.

The roof of the laboratory, which leaked badly during the rains, has been repaired. The verandahs are now being refloored, and a roofless building to the north of the laboratory will, it is hoped, soon be re-roofed and accommodation be found in it for a carpenter's shop and a smithy besides a store-room, furnace and still for the use of the science department. The present carpenter's shed, which is past repair, will be demolished.

4. *Strength and attendance (tables I—V)*.—There was a marked increase in the total strength of the college, viz., 138 as against 93 of the previous year. There was, however, a slight falling off in the senior B.A. class, and the senior department as a whole was decidedly small. This is fortunately no longer the case.

The statistics shown in tables II—V do not call for special comment. The number of students belonging to the poorer (table IV) and the landholding (table V) classes was relatively smaller than in the previous year. It is to be regretted that no non-Hindu communities are represented in the college.

Attendance was, from the point of view of discipline, satisfactory, absence in almost all cases having been due to unavoidable circumstances. Sickness was unhappily prevalent in the town during a part of the second term and necessarily reduced the average daily attendance to 116 as against 129, the average number on rolls.

5. *Library (table VI)*.—Two hundred and eighty nine volumes were added to the library. These include six volumes (XXII—XXVII) of the Dictionary of National Biography. The earlier volumes of this work were formerly procured for the library as they were issued from the press, but for some reason the later volumes (XXII to the end) were not ordered. As the absence of these volumes is often keenly felt by lecturers, I venture to suggest that a special grant, if necessary, in the shape of an advance recoverable from the annual library allotment, be set apart to enable the set to be completed.

A fair use was made of the library by students, the average issue to each student being about one book in a fortnight. I am inclined to suspect that more use was made of philosophical and scientific works than the figures show. The practice of removing all works on these subjects from the general library to class libraries seems unsatisfactory and unnecessary and has been discontinued.

6. *Examination results (tables VII—VIII)*.—The results of the University examinations were distinctly better than the results of the previous year, which, however, were not unsatisfactory, and the percentage both in the F.A. and the B.A. examinations will probably be considerably above the average percentage throughout the Presidency.

In the B.A. degree examination, one student, K. Gopalakrishnamma, was placed in the first class in Sanskrit, and a very fair proportion of students in all subjects and divisions were ranked in the second class. The Macdonald gold medal, awarded to the student who stands first in the English language division from the affiliated colleges in the Northern Circars, has been, for the first time, won by a student of this college, Ch. Venkatramiah. Another student of this college, S. Gopalan, stood third in the list of successful candidates in mathematics, obtaining the first place in the second class.

In the First examination in Arts 23 out of 43 candidates passed, one being placed in the first class. The F.A. failure list also shows an improvement upon that of last year. The percentage of failures in English, upon which you commented unfavourably in your review of the report for 1901, has been, it will be noticed, very considerably reduced.

The results of the annual college examinations were, on the whole, very satisfactory. In the junior F.A. class only three out of 63 were judged unfit for promotion, and all the junior B.A. students were promoted to the higher class with one exception, and he was retained in the lower class for physical science alone.

7. *Divisions of the B.A. classes (table X)*.—The physical science junior B.A. class, which was much the smallest of the three classes the year before last, was last year much the largest. Physical science is undoubtedly increasing in popularity amongst students who join this college, but the fluctuating strength of the other two classes is, I think, without significance.

8. There were no M.A. students in this college last year.

9. *Physical training*.—A fair proportion of students take part in foot-ball and tennis. No cricket is played, although the college recreation ground would make, and has made, an excellent cricket field. Probably a good many students would take to cricket, were there any one qualified to give them the necessary instruction. I regret I have neither the skill nor the time to discharge this function. Much would be done, I venture to think, to promote a taste for and proficiency in athletic exercises amongst under-graduates and school boys, were it possible to attach to the establishment of schools and colleges a person qualified to give instruction in out-door games of skill, particularly in cricket. There seems little reason to doubt that, if there were a demand for native cricket professionals, the supply would be speedily forthcoming.

Drill and gymnastics were, I imagine, neither better nor worse than in other colleges in the Presidency.

No athletic sports were held last year, but arrangements are being made for a meeting next term.

10. *Literary societies*.—There were 14 meetings of the Metcalfe Young Men's Literary Association during the year as against 10 in the previous year. In the first term the number of members was 38, and in the second the number was 53. The meetings were well attended and the discussions animated.

11. *Scholarships*.—No yeomiah scholarships were awarded.

The Gavarrazu scholarships were held last year by S. Gopalan of the senior B.A. class and A. Gurumurti of the senior F.A. class. These students have passed the recent B.A. and F.A. examinations, respectively, S. Gopalan being placed in the second class in all the divisions and obtaining the third place in the Presidency in mathematics, and A. Gurumurti obtaining a first class in the F.A. examination.

Metcalfe Loan scholarships (Poor scholars' fund).—Although a sum of about Rs. 8,000 was due from past students, who had received loans from this fund, it would not have been possible to allot the usual grants to poor students, had it not been for the proceeds of a dramatic performance held in 1901. Steps have been taken to prevent the recurrence of so discreditable a state of affairs, and on last "college day" (23rd December) a committee of past students was formed, who undertook to collect arrears and who actually collected a sufficient sum to enable me to make the usual loans for the first term of 1903. A system of awarding these loan scholarships on the results of a competitive examination of nominated candidates, duly qualified on grounds of poverty, has been introduced.

12. *Finances*—(Tables XI and XII).—The receipts from fees show an increase of Rs. 3,740 on the receipts of 1901, while the charges were reduced by Rs. 2,126. The saving effected was due to the lower salary drawn by the Acting Principal during the last six months of the year and to the transfer to Madras of Mr. M. Rangachariar in July 1901. Under all other heads the rate of expenditure was higher.

The net cost to Government of educating each pupil was Rs. 160 as against Rs. 312 of the previous year. Both figures are obtained on the same method of calculation, one-third of the Acting Principal's salary, a fifth of Mr. A. C. Pranatarthihara Aiyar's and the whole of Mr. V. Narasimharayudu's being debited to the training college. As the strength of the college has greatly increased since last year, a still further reduction in the net cost may be expected.

13. *Educational rules*.—The Educational rules have been observed.

14. The tutorial system continues to work satisfactorily.

15. All the service books have been written up and verified to date.

16. *Carpentry class*.—New tools of the value of Rs. 244-12-0 were purchased during the year. The class numbered 54 as against 30 in the previous year. The assistant lecturer, who supervises the work, reports that a few of the students composing the class take an interest in the work and have made satisfactory progress.

17. *The Metcalfe hostel*.—Government were pleased to sanction a grant-in-aid of Rs. 6,500 towards the Metcalfe hostel. The hostel committee thereupon resolved to purchase a piece of land adjoining the college compound as a site, to construct the building as soon as possible, and on completion to hand over the building with the site to Government, provided Government would consent to undertake the management of the hostel. Government were pleased to approve this arrangement, and the committee are now awaiting the approval of the plans and estimate by the Consulting Architect to Government to begin the work. I submitted in a separate report proposals for the management of the hostel.

18. *Discipline*.—The discipline of the students was entirely satisfactory. The senior lecturer Mr. A. C. Pranatarthihara Aiyar, who is in a position to form a comparative estimate, assures me that there has been a marked improvement within the last few years in the conduct of students of this college, especially in the matter of attention and application to studies.

19. *General*.—During the second term an attempt was made to improve the external appearance of the college by laying out a garden. Mr. M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastry, Acting Assistant Lecturer, has taken a special interest in the scheme, and owing to his labours the garden promises to be a success. Some of the students take an active part in gardening.

Successful performances of Shakespeare's 'Coriolanus,' in which students of the arts and training colleges took part were held in October and December.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the thorough and successful work done by all members of the staff during the year.

TABLE I.—Comparative strength during 1901-1902.

Class.	Strength on 31st December.	
	1901	1902
Junior F.A.	25	63
Senior F.A.	31	43
Junior B.A.	16	18
Senior B.A.	21	14
Total	93	138

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TABLE II.—Distribution of students according to districts.

Class.	Ganján.	Vizagapatam.	Gódvári.	Kistna.	Cuddapah.	Madura.	Nellore.	Total.
Junior F.A.	..	..	60	1	1	1	..	63
Senior F.A.	..	..	36	6	..	..	..	43
Junior B.A.	..	1	14	2	..	..	1	18
Senior B.A.	..	..	12	..	..	..	1	14
Total	2	1	122	9	1	1	2	138

TABLE III.—Distribution of students according to classes of community.

Class.	Brahmans.	Non-Brahman Caste Hindus.	Uriyas.	Muham-madans.	Total.
Junior F.A.	50	13	..	..	63
Senior F.A.	37	5	1	..	43
Junior B.A.	14	4	..	..	18
Senior B.A.	10	4	..	..	14
Total	111	26	1	..	138

TABLE IV.—Distribution of students according to wealth.

Class.	Richer classes.	Middle classes.	Poorer classes.	Total.
Junior F.A.	1	46	16	63
Senior F.A.	..	30	13	43
Junior B.A.	..	14	4	18
Senior B.A.	..	11	3	14
Total	1	101	35	138

TABLE V.—Distribution of students according to occupation of parents or guardians.

Class.	Officials.	Petty officials.	Traders.	Land-holders.	Total.
Junior F.A.	30	12	7	14	63
Senior F.A.	21	10	4	8	43
Junior B.A.	9	4	2	3	18
Senior B.A.	7	3	1	3	14
Total	67	29	14	28	138

TABLE VI.

(a) Number of books issued to students and staff.

	Students.	Staff.
Language and general literature	1,013	575
Mathematics	139	40
Philosophy	55	74
History	80	45
Physical science	122	65
Total	1,409	799

(b) Total number of volumes in the Library at the close of the year—4,380.

TABLE VII.—Results of F.A. and B.A. examinations, 1902.

Examinations.	Subject.	Number appeared.	Number passed.				Percentage passed.	Remarks.
			First class.	Second class.	Third class.	Total.		
F.A.	...	43	1	22	..	23	53.4	One ex-student also passed.
	English Language division	10	..	3	5	8	80	
	Second Language division—							
	Sanskrit	3	1	1	..	2	66.6	
	Telugu	9	..	3	4	7	77.7	
B.A.	Total	12	1	4	4	9	75.	
	Science division—							
	Branch I	5	..	3	..	3	60	One ex-student also passed.
	Branch II (a)	4	..	1	2	3	75	Do. do.
	Branch IV	2	..	1	1	2	100	

TABLE VIII.

(a) Statement of failures in the F.A. examination.

Subjects.	Number appeared.	Number failed.	Names of responsible teachers.
English	43	11	Messrs. J. H. Stone, Mark Hunter, A. C. Pranatarthihara Aiyar, M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastri and G. Ramadass.
Mathematics	43	9	Messrs. T. Sankara Rao and P. V. Seshu Aiyar.
Physiology	43	7	Mr. M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastri.
History	43	5	Messrs. A. Subba Rao and L. A. Ganapati Aiyar.
Telugu	40	8	Mr. K. Venkataratnam Pantulu.
Sanskrit	3	1	Mr. A. Vyasamurti Sastri.

(b) Statement of failures in the B.A. examination.

Subjects.	Number examined.	Number failed.	Names of responsible teachers.
English	10	2	Messrs. J. H. Stone, Mark Hunter, A. C. Pranatarthihara Aiyar, M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastri and G. Ramadass.
Second Language division—			
Sanskrit	3	1	Mr. A. Vyasamurti Sastri.
Telugu	9	2	Mr. K. Venkataratnam Pantulu.
Science division—			
Branch I	5	2	Messrs. T. Sankara Rao and P. V. Seshu Aiyar.
Branch II (a)	4	1	Mr. A. Ramalinga Aiyar and G. S. Raghunatha Chari.
Branch IV	2	..	Mr. A. Subba Rao and L. A. Ganapati Aiyar.

TABLE IX.—Annual college examinations.

Class.		Number examined.	Number promoted.
Junior F.A.		63	60
English language division		18	18
Second do.		..	..
Telugu		17	17
Sanskrit		1	1
Junior B.A.		..	..
Science division		..	..
Branch I		2	2
Branch II (a)		11	10
Branch IV		5	5

TABLE X.—Divisions of the B.A. classes in 1901 and 1902.

Branch.	1901.			1902.		
	B.A. Junior.	B.A. Senior.	Total.	B.A. Junior.	B.A. Senior.	Total.
Branch I	7	2	9	2	5	7
Branch II (a)	3	9	12	11	4	15
Branch IV	6	4	10	5	2	7
Total	16	15	31	18	11	29

TABLE XI.—Receipts and charges.

Receipts.		Charges.						
Fees.		Principal, Lecturers and Assistant Lecturers.	Masters and Teachers.	Establishment and Librarian.	Ordinary and laboratory contingent charges.	Library.	Miscellaneous.	Remarks.
RS. 9,566		RS. 30,967	RS. 2,520	RS. 1,226	RS. 656	RS. 1,000	RS. 599	RS. 36,968
								* The budget allotment for the library for 1901 and 1902 was drawn in the calendar year 1902 in March and November, respectively.

TABLE XII.

Average number on rolls	...	...	...	...	129
Cost of educating each pupil	...	...	...	...	RS. 234
Net cost to Government	...	...	...	...	160

Proceedings, No. 2796 of 1903.

Staff.—The Principalship changed hands during the year in consequence of the transfer of Mr. Stone to the Teachers' College.

2. *Strength and attendance.*—There was a substantial advance in the total strength of the college, but the senior B.A. class was weaker than in the previous year. One of the students was an Uriya and the rest were either Brahmans or non-Brahman Caste Hindus: the other classes of the community were entirely unrepresented.

3. *Library.*—The question of the sanction of a special grant on account of the library should form the subject of a separate communication.

4. *Examinations.*—The results of the public examinations on the whole compared favourably with those of the previous year. Those of the first examination in Arts showed a decided improvement; while the failure list also indicated that the work of the year in all subjects had been more efficient. In the B.A. degree examination, the percentage of success was higher in all branches except Sanskrit and Physics. It is observed also that the proportion of passes in the third class was much smaller than in the previous year.

5. *Finance.*—In consequence of the increase in the attendance, the fee receipts during the year rose by Rs. 3,740, while there was a reduction in the total net expenditure and the net cost to Government of educating each pupil fell from Rs. 312 to Rs. 160.

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160
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6. *General.*—Endeavours should be made to start a cricket club in connection with the college and to create in the students an interest in the game. It is hoped that the proposed meeting for athletic sports will be held next term. The formation of a garden in the college premises is noted with pleasure. The strength of the carpentry class increased from 30 to 54, but apparently not many of the students take a real interest in the work. Some details of the progress made by the students and of the practical working of the class should in future be furnished.

7. The efficient working of the college during the year reflects credit on the Principal and the staff.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) G. H. STUART,
Director of Public Instruction.

To the Principal, Rajahmundry College, with four spare copies.

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(True Copy.)

J. A. Scott

Personal Asst. to the Director of Public Instruction.

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make a list of the Pfrals of this College
for the last 5 years, showing the period
each held charge. Mr. Hunter has
now been moved, hasn't he?

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Mr. Middlemast from 26th March 1896 to 27th August 1898
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Mr. Stone from 22nd October 1898 to 15th June 1899
about 8 months

Mr. H. S. Duncan from 16th June 1899 to 5th July 1900
about 1 year & 3 weeks

Mr. Stone from 6th July 1900 to 29th June 1902
about 2 years.

Mr. Hunter ~~from~~ from 30th June 1902.

Mr. Hunter is still acting there as Mr. H. S. Duncan
who has been permanently posted to Rajahmundry is
still on leave.

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* There was a break about
2 months but none of the
lists here show who was in
charge then.
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The working of the college was again satisfactory. There was a considerable advance in strength from 93 to 138 and a corresponding falling off in the average cost per pupil from Rs 3 1/2 to Rs 1 60. The results of the university examinations were also good & much credit is due to the Principal ^{concerned} & the staff.

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