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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 582, Educational, dated 24th November 1903.

Read—the following papers:—

From W. S. MARRIS, Esq, I.C.S., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home department (Education), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational department, dated Simla, 28th August 1903, No. 524.

With reference to paragraph 8 of the Home department letter No. 466, dated the 6th November 1901, in which the views of the Government of India regarding the rates of fees at colleges and schools were communicated to the Government of Madras, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Governor in Council, a representation received from the Committee of Management of the Coimbatore College on the subject. I am to request that with the permission of the Governor in Council, inquiry may be made into the present representation and the result intimated to the Government of India.

Enclosure.

From the Committee of Management of the Coimbatore College, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home department, dated 31st July 1903, No. 38.

In the letter addressed by you to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational department, dated 24th October 1902, in paragraph 8, it is stated that the intention of the Government of India in publishing the report of the University Commission as soon as possible was to evoke the fullest and freest expression of opinion not only from Governments and officials, but also from individuals, representative bodies, etc.

On the strength of this clause this committee ventures to submit to you the following note with reference to the question of fixing a minimum rate of fees, pointing out how the abolition of a fixed minimum will affect the conditions of university education in this town.

There are two second-grade colleges in Coimbatore, the Coimbatore College of which we at present form the Managing Committee and St. Michael's Roman Catholic College. The Coimbatore College was affiliated to the University of Madras in 1877, and St. Michael's College in 1892. The ground on which affiliation was obtained by the latter college was the hardship that its poor Christian students were said to experience in having to continue their education beyond the matriculation in non-Christian colleges charging higher fees than missionary colleges. The report of the Principal of St Michael's college for the year 1901–902 clearly states that this was the reason for which affiliation was granted to them. He said: "It will be seen from paragraph 2 that more than half the strength of the college is composed of Native Christians, and we note it with pleasure, as our college was affiliated for educating Catholic Christians though we now admit other students, whatever denominations they belong to."

Now the admission of non-Christian students by St. Michael's College into their college classes in itself might justify, though it would never have evoked a word of complaint from us; but we have, we venture to submit, a legitimate cause for complaint against this Roman Catholic institution for admitting non-Christian students into their F.A. classes for little more than half the fees that are charged at this college. Our rate is, and has been, for very many years the old "standard rate" of Rs. 28 per term, whereas the other college charges only Rs. 17 per term.

It is evident from this that the competition between the two colleges is by no means on equal terms, and it is difficult to see how a college that sought affiliation for the alleged purpose of cheaply educating Christian students only can be held to be justified in the course it has adopted after obtaining affiliation on this special ground of holding out to Christians and non-Christians alike the strongest of all inducements to Indian students, viz., that of very low fees.

The natural effect of their action is that not only do some of our own students leave us after passing the matriculation and join the other college on account of the lower rate of fees, but we by charging a comparatively high rate are seriously handicapped in the competition to secure the matriculates from the various high schools in the district. We are in consequence, much against our will, compelled to grant remissions, amounting to about one-tenth of the total demand, in order to keep our classes up to their proper strength. In the high school and lower secondary departments we have recently abolished remissions altogether, but so long as there is an adjacent college that admits under-graduate students at lower rates than we charge we fear that remissions in our F.A. classes are likely to increase rather than to diminish. We beg respectfully therefore to point out that the absence of a fee minimum must necessarily cause serious injury to this self-supporting non-denominational college, and we entreat the Government of India to take the circumstances of Coimbatore and similarly situated localities into consideration before deciding against the introduction of a minimum or fixed rate of fees. We should not complain if Christian students, *i.e.*, those that have actually been baptised, were admitted at reduced rates, or even free to St. Michael's college; but we consider it of vital importance that both colleges should be obliged to charge the same rate of fees for non-Christian students in order that the competition between the two institutions may be upon equal terms as it certainly should be in this respect seeing that St. Michael's college only obtained affiliation not because this was necessary on general grounds but upon a special ground as a special concession. The Coimbatore College is a long established one and has taken an honourable part in education for many years. In spite of the unequal competition it has now to encounter it has lately spent large sums on improvements and additions to its staff, buildings, furniture and apparatus, and we, its committee, have done and are doing every thing in our power to keep it at a high level of efficiency; but unless it can be protected against the underselling that now prevails in Coimbatore it cannot hope to survive for many years as it depends solely upon local subscriptions and its fee income for its maintenance. If remissions are not increased numbers must fall, and in either case its income must dwindle away and its college classes have to be closed. Thus an institution of the kind that the Government of India particularly wishes to encourage, and one that, given fair terms of competition—which is all we ask—might well in a few years become a yet more flourishing first-grade college, will be driven from the field by one supported almost entirely by money poured in from the continent of Europe, that is neither Indian nor British, and whose admission of non-Christian students is, strictly speaking, unjustifiable when considered in the light of their own definition of the grounds on which they were granted affiliation.

Endt. No. 491, Educational, dated 8th September 1903.

Referred to the Director of Public Instruction for inquiry and report.

(By Order.)

A. T. PRINGLE,
Assistant Secretary to Government.

From the Hon'ble Mr. G. H. STUART, M.A., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Educational department, dated Madras, 26th October 1903, Ref. on C. No. 6844.

With reference to memorandum No. 589, Educational, dated 21st October 1903, calling for an early reply to endorsement No. 491, dated 8th September 1903, referring to me, for report, letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India requesting that an enquiry be made into the representation received from the Committee of Management of the Coimbatore College on the subject of fees in schools and colleges, I have the honour to state that a reply will be submitted to Government immediately on receipt of a report from the Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, to whom a reference has been made on the subject.

Memorandum No. 609, Educational, dated 30th October 1903.

The Director is requested to be so good as to state when the reference mentioned by him was made to the Inspector of schools, Western circle, and whether any, and if so how many, reminders have since been sent for the reply.

No further delay should be allowed to occur in dealing with this reference from the Government of India.

A. G. CARDEW,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

From the Hon'ble Mr. G. H. STUART, M.A., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Educational department, dated Madras, 4th November 1903, Ref. on C. No. 6844.

In reply to memorandum No. 609, dated 30th October 1903, I have the honour to state that the papers bearing Government endorsement No. 491, dated 8th September 1903, were received in this office on the 11th September 1903 and were referred to the Inspector of schools, Western circle, on the 26th idem. A reminder was sent to him on the 26th ultimo, and he was again reminded, by telegram, on the 2nd instant.

From the Hon'ble Mr. G. H. STUART, M.A., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Educational department, dated Madras, 6th November 1903, Ref. on C. No. 6844.

With reference to your endorsement No. 491, dated 8th September 1903, on the Government of India letter No. 1379, dated 28th August 1903, herewith returned, I have the honour to state that a special inquiry into the question of fees levied at St. Michael's college, Coimbatore, was made by the Inspector of schools, Western circle.

2. He reports that out of the 55 students in the college classes 10 are Native Christians who pay practically no fees and the remaining 45 pay fees at rates ranging from Rs. 20 to Rs. 4 per term, the average being about Rs. 15. The fees are thus considerably less than those at the Coimbatore college where a uniform rate of Rs. 28 per term is levied, the standard rate in institutions under public management being Rs. 32 (or Rs. 34 when paid in instalments). It is clear that the low rate of fees has attracted to St. Michael's college many students who would otherwise have gone to the Coimbatore college, for other things being equal, Hindu students prefer to attend an unsectarian college. So far, these facts would not necessarily call for departmental interference, as it is not contended that St. Michael's college is inefficient or that the instruction imparted there is inferior to that given at the Coimbatore college; and under the Grant-in-Aid Code in force in this presidency St. Michael's college is entitled to no more grant than if it had levied fees at the Coimbatore college rates or even at standard rates. The circumstance mentioned by the Coimbatore college committee in the last paragraph of their letter, that the resources which enable St. Michael's college to be content with a low rate of fees are drawn from the continent, is irrelevant.

3. In the present case, however, there are special features. Coimbatore is not large enough to maintain two strong second-grade colleges, and the affiliation of St. Michael's college was only allowed on the ground that the college was meant for a special class of students, viz., Native Christians. As less than one-fifth of the strength of the college department is made up of Native Christians, it is seen that the college is not confining itself to the special purpose for which it was affiliated and is competing with the Coimbatore college in the case of non-Christian students. Two colleges are thus doing the work for which one alone would suffice, and there is a waste of effort.

4. The grievance of the Coimbatore college is a special one, and its remedy lies not in fixing a minimum rate of fees for all colleges, but by limiting St. Michael's college to the special objects which constituted its claim for affiliation.

Order—No. 582, Educational, dated 24th November 1903.

The Director of Public Instruction's report shows that the fees levied in St. Michael's college, Coimbatore, are far below the standard fees in institutions under public management and are also below the uniform rate of fee levied in the Coimbatore college. The Director states that the effect of the levy of the low rate of fees in the former college is to attract many students who would otherwise have gone elsewhere; if this is so, it would seem to follow that St. Michael's college is improperly competing with its rival by means of unduly lowering its fees in contravention of the rule published in G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903, as an additional paragraph of rule 1 of chapter IV of the Educational rules. The Director of Public Instruction will call upon the college authorities of St. Michael's college to show cause why such competition should not cease, and why if it continues, aid should not be withheld.

2. The Director will also ascertain and report whether it is a fact as he suggests that the affiliation of St. Michael's college was allowed only on the ground that the college was meant for Native Christians.

(True Extract.)

A. G. CARDEW,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

From the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Educational department, dated 27th January 1904, Ref. on Cur. No. 6844 of 1903.

In G.O., No. 582, Educational, dated 24th December 1903, I was directed to call upon the College authorities of St. Michael's College, Coimbatore, to show cause why improper competition with its rival—the Coimbatore College—should not cease and why, if it continues, aid should not be withheld.

Further I was directed to ascertain and report as to the grounds upon which affiliation was granted to the St. Michael's College by the University.

I have the honour to submit a copy of the reply received from the Principal of the College and of the remarks thereupon of the Inspector and a copy of the application for affiliation, from which it may be assumed that the Syndicate recommended affiliation because it sympathized with the avowed object of the Mission, viz, to provide for the higher education of the European and Native Catholic community of the Coimbatore Diocese.

Enclosures.

From the Manager, Catholic High School, Coimbatore, to the Registrar, University of Madras, dated 22nd October 1891.

I have the honour to submit the following application for the affiliation of the Catholic High school, Coimbatore, to the University of Madras up to the standard of the First Arts Examination, and to request that it may be placed before the Syndicate for its favourable consideration.

The want of an institution for higher education is very much felt by the Catholic population of the Coimbatore Diocese, who experience great difficulties to send their children either to Trichinopoly or Cuddalore to be educated in the Catholic colleges there, and it is to place the

benefits of a liberal education within the reach of the Catholic community of the diocese, which numbers presently 30,000 and to train the Catholic youths to virtue and piety that the mission has resolved on raising the present High school at Coimbatore to the status of a college.

The number of students on the rolls of the present High school is 316. There is also a boarding establishment attached to the school in which there are 90 boarders. Judging from the steady increase of the students as well as of the boarders for the past five years, there is every reason to hope that their number will within a few years be doubled. Consequently, there is no need to fear that the strength of the school will ever fall down.

The college classes will be located in the hall of the upper storey of the new Catholic school at Coimbatore. The hall is 100 ft. by 18 opening on a strong built verandah of 100 × 9 facing the south. The building is surrounded by an enclosed compound wall of 410 acres, thus affording ample ground for physical exercises and for other healthy recreations of the students. It is situated in one of the most beautiful and healthy localities of the town between the Catholic Cathedral and the road leading to the railway station. Its site is far removed from the noisy and crowded quarters of the town and thus well fitted for an institution for higher education. The school and its surroundings have been inspected by the local medical officer and a copy of the sanitary certificate given by him is herewith sent. The building was erected at a cost of Rs. 8,000 of which the Government contributed Rs. 2,500, and its plan was approved by the Director of Public Instruction in communication with the Superintending Engineer of the circle. The college classes will be provided at the cost of the mission with all the necessary furniture and apparatus required for the same, as soon as affiliation is granted. The teaching staff of the college will consist of the following :—

Principal and Professor of Latin and History	.. R. Father Rondy.
Professor of English Literature	.. Mr. A. Deas, B.A., trained.
Tamil Pandit	.. C. Swaminatha Pillai.
Assistant Professor of History	.. G. Paranjothi Chettiar, F.A., trained.
Professor of Mathematics	.. To be appointed.
Professor of Physiology	.. do.
Professor of Physiography	.. do.

If the Syndicate, at any time, recommend any improvements or additions to be made to the teaching staff, the mission will be quite ready to act up to their suggestions.

The college is to be designated St. Michael's College. The first and third terms of the college will begin on the Wednesday after the 24th January and end on the Thursday after the 30th April. The second and fourth terms will begin after the 30th June and end on the Friday before the 1st December in the case of the Junior F.A. class and on the Friday before the 1st December in the case of the Senior F.A. class.

The college will be supported by an annual allowance of Rs. 5 000 from the Mission funds which, together with the Government grant and the fees of the students, will, it is hoped, be sufficient to meet the cost of its maintenance. The Mission is prepared to contribute more in the case it be necessary in order to maintain the institution in a state of efficiency.

Furthermore, I beg to state that the Catholic mission is presently erecting a large boarding establishment for the European children at Coonoor at a cost of Rs. 39,600, of which the Government have contributed Rs. 12,500.

The affiliation of the Catholic High school in Coimbatore is also intended to afford to the successful candidates of the said institution the benefit of higher education, whereas the secondary schools of Coonoor and Ootacamund will serve as feeders to the school department.

I hope that, in the interests of the higher education of the European and native Catholic community of the Coimbatore Diocese, the Syndicate will be pleased to sanction the affiliation of the Catholic High school, and confer on the Catholic Diocese of Coimbatore the favour they have already granted to the Diocese of Madras, Trichinopoly, Cuddalore and Bangalore.

From the Principal, St. Michael's College, Coimbatore, to the Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, dated 1st January 1904.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction and the Endorsement No. 629 thereon of the Acting Inspector of Schools Western Circle, dated 20th December 1903, I have the honour to state what follows for your kind consideration and favourable endorsement.

Whether the Hindu College of Coimbatore levies any uniform rate of fees and what the rate is, I cannot say, but I sincerely declare that no rate of fees in any department of our college has ever been fixed with a view to injure the said institution, which I never considered as a rival. Our primary object was to give higher education to the Catholic boys in our boarding here and elsewhere who constitute more than half the numerical strength of the whole college. The increasing success of the college classes at the University and public examinations has begun

to attract students from the taluks and the neighbouring parts. I can say that 90 per cent. of the non-Christian boys of the college are the sons of parents getting a monthly income of less than Rs. 15 at most. In the absence of our college these poor boys cannot afford to have higher education but will simply give up their studies and "not turn elsewhere."

The fact is that, as a missionary, I have to bear such a pressure from every quarter, either from the parents of the boys or of their friends, that I have often to yield to their entreaties. I could even add that in January last a member of the Hindu College Committee wrote to me for the admission, in the Junior F.A. class, of a student as a free scholar and I had to refuse him. The rich or well-to-do boys of the town go to the Native College partly for caste scruples and partly because it is the alma mater of their parents. I have been in charge of the Catholic schools in the town since 1896. I challenge any one to cite a single instance in which I have tried to induce any boy to join our college. In fact I refused many and admitted but few.

Nay at one time—in a time of need—I was urgently pressed by the then Collector of Coimbatore, the Superintendent of the Central Jail, and other members of the Committee of the Native College to serve in the said Committee, and when I objected that being the manager of a High school they might think that I would rather work against the Native College; they said that "we know you too well; you will never do any such thing". I consented at last, but after a few months seeing that I could do no good I positively resigned.

Now I come to know that the said college authorities have made a move and threaten St. Michael's College with destruction.

However, we are prepared so long as we receive Government aid to levy the rates of fees that Government may once for all fix for the denominational schools and colleges throughout the Presidency.

To give the managers discretion in the matter of levying fees and to fetter it solely to suit the repeated cry of the zealous neighbours seems to me rather strange.

But we are ready to satisfy the Government with an efficient staff, suitable accommodation and to comply with all the provisions required, so that the standard of education given in our college may not fall one inch or one degree below that of any institution under private management.

The Catholic college authorities never considered a college as a paying business. They work it at a great loss, but they do it cheerfully for the benefit, as in duty bound, of the boys committed to them, as well as of those who like to resort to them. Their only aim is to make good citizens, and we have been encouraged to do so by the kind words of Their Excellencies Sir Havelock and more recently of Lord Ampthill, when they honoured St. Michael's College with their visit.

II. Above all the Government Order No. 198, dated 2nd May 1903, reached us only in the second half of the last year, but it will receive the due attention of the college authorities in the present year if the dire disease that makes a havoc of the town shall have been clean swept out of it by the time fixed for the re-opening.

I have spoken plainly and confidentially as it were to the Director of Public Instruction, and I hope that the fairness of my motives and of my conduct towards the Hindu College these last 28 years will be recognised and admitted.

From the Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, to the Director of Public Instruction, Ref. on C. No. Supr. 629 of 1903, dated 11th January 1904, submitting remarks on the above letter of the Principal.

With reference to your No. 6844, dated 4th December 1903, and your reminder of the 8th instant, I have the honour to submit the reply of the Principal, dated 1st instant.

2. Much of the Principal's reply is irrelevant and seems to evade the main point anent the reduction of fees in the case of non-Christian pupils. The Principal in the absence of a pertinent reply admits that his college was meant for Native Christians.

Order—No. 157, Educational, dated 8th March 1904.

The Government agrees with the opinion expressed by the late Mr. Stuart that St. Michael's College has been competing unfairly with the Coimbatore College, and unless the authorities of St. Michael's College put a stop to this unfair competition by levying proper fees or by confining themselves to their original programme, namely, the education of Roman Catholic youths, it will be necessary for Government to intervene.

2. The Director of Public Instruction will place himself in communication with the authorities of St. Michael's College, and will report at an early date what arrangements can be made with them for terminating the unfair competition already referred to.

3. The Government is not prepared to lay down any general rule but will deal with each case on its merits.

(True Extract.)

A. G. CARDEW,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

Letter—No. 158, Educational, dated 8th March 1904, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home department.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Marris's letter No. 524, Educational, dated 28th August 1903, forwarding a representation received from the committee of management of the Coimbatore College on the subject of college fees, and desiring to be informed of the result of such inquiry as this Government may make in the matter.

2. In reply I am to state that the result of the enquiries which this Government has caused to be instituted is to show that there has been some amount of unfair competition between the two colleges; and that orders have been issued to the Director of Public Instruction to effect such an arrangement as will put an end to this state of things.

A. G. CARDEW,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

Exd. V. A. Rajavelu.

Educational Department.

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NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., Nos. 157, 158, EDUCATIONAL, DATED 8th MARCH 1904.

[Subject.—*Fees in St. Michael's College, Coimbatore.*]

From the Government of India, Home department, No. 524, *dated* 28*th August* 1903.

The Government of India forward a representation received by them from the committee of management of the Coimbatore college on the subject of fixing a minimum rate of fees for colleges, and request that an inquiry may be made and the result intimated to them. The committee say that there are two colleges in Coimbatore, the Coimbatore college which is under their management and the St. Michael's college which is a Roman Catholic missionary institution, that the former was affiliated to the University in 1877 and the latter in 1892, that the ground on which affiliation was obtained by the latter was the hardship which the poor Christian students of the mission were said to experience in having to continue their education beyond the Matriculation in non-Christian colleges charging higher fees than missionary colleges, that non-Christian students are now admitted on payment of fees which amount to only a little more than half of what are levied in the native college and that they (the committee) are thus handicapped in their competition to secure the non-Christian matriculates from the various high schools in the district. They would not complain if Christian students were admitted to the mission college on low rates of fees or even free, but they consider that both colleges should be obliged to charge the same rate for non-Christian students. They pray therefore that the circumstances of Coimbatore and of localities similarly situated may be taken into consideration before deciding against the introduction of a minimum or fixed rate of fees.

2. The general question of fixing a minimum scale of fees in schools and colleges was fully discussed in the Madras Government's letter to the Government of India, No. 453, Educational, dated 5th August 1902. The Government of India agreed with this Government and said that the establishment of a minimum scale of fees would not be further pressed—*vide* their letter in G.O., No. 23, Educational, dated 22nd January 1903. At their instance, however, an addition was made to rule 1 of Chapter IV of the Educational rules to the effect that "the Government of India have declared that fees must be reasonable and that institutions must not improperly compete by means of unduly lowering the fees"—*vide* G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903.

3. The present complaint is against a particular college: the action which the Director is going to take in the matter may be awaited and the draft reference placed below may issue.

P. T. Tharyan—7-9-03.

Yes. The call for a report is most unusual. The matter should have been left to the Presidency Government.

A. T. Pringle—8-9-03.
A. G. Cardew—8-9-03.

[Endorsement No. 491, Educational, dated 8th September 1903.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 6844, *dated* 26*th October* 1903.

The Director of Public Instruction does not say that any reminders have issued to the Inspector. We can't allow indefinite delay in dealing with references from the Government of India. Ask when reference was made to Inspector and what reminders have issued.

A.G.C.—27-1-03.

The draft placed below may issue.

P.T.T.—28-10-03.

A.G.C.—29-10-03.

[Memorandum, No. 609, dated 30th October 1903.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 6844, *dated* 4*th November* 1903.
" " " 6844 " 6*th* " "

From the Director's reply it appears that the St. Michael's college does not charge reasonable fees and that the grievance of the committee of the Coimbatore college is real. The Director, however, says that this is a special case and that the remedy lies not in fixing a minimum rate of fees for all colleges as suggested by the committee but in limiting St. Michael's college to the special object (education of poor Native Christians) which constituted its claim for affiliation. He does not say how or by whom this remedy should be applied, but it is evident that any action in this direction should be taken by the Syndicate and he may therefore be asked to move that body in the matter. The Syndicate can enforce its demand on the authorities of the St. Michael's college by threatening disaffiliation which can be effected when a college ceases to fulfil the conditions of affiliation—*vide* University by-law No. 302 *. In the Government Order † sanctioning the affiliation of the college, however, there was no special condition of the kind mentioned, but the Director will satisfy himself about this by reference to the Registrar before he formally addresses the syndicate and he may be specially asked to do so.

* Page 144 of the calender.

† No. 115, Educational, dated 5th February 1892.

2. It is also open to the Director to take action under the rule sanctioned in G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903, and call on the authorities of the St. Michael's college to raise their rate of fees, but so long as they have ample funds at their disposal, this will be useless as they can easily raise the rate and pay back the increase to the students in the shape of scholarships. If the college authorities decline to raise the rate, the Government grant can be withdrawn; but this too they may not feel as they have enough of funds. In the present case, therefore, the Director's proposal to deal with the college by enforcing the conditions of affiliation seems preferable.

3. It is submitted that the reply to the Government of India need not wait for the result of the action to be now taken. That Government may be informed that the allegations in the committee's representation are true and that remedial measures are being taken--also that there is no case to reopen the question of fixing a compulsory rate of fees.

P. T. Tharyan—12-11-03.

I think a draft on the lines above proposed may be prepared, but the Director of Public Instruction should be told to use G.O., No. 198, as well. (But I am not at all sure that this is a special case. The Kumbakónam college is, I believe, being undersold in exactly the same way by the neighbouring college at Trichinopoly.)

A. G. Cardew—13-11-03.

A draft is submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—17-11-03.

A. Galletti—18-11-03.

A.G.C.—19-11-03.

The whole procedure is most unusual; but at the same time, I think, it was improper for the committee of the school to address the Government of India directly. The Government of India probably admitted it in order to have a first-hand illustration of such complaints.

2. But the note of 8th September is wrong in saying the Government of India call for a report. They merely desire to be informed of the result of the inquiry made by this Government which is not quite the same thing at all. To call for a report means that the decision is with the Government of India. Of course they do not mean this.

3. I do not think we can go so far as proposed until we know more about the circumstances of the affiliation. In any case we could not at this stage ask the Director to give notice at once in the terms proposed. We should have to ask them to show cause, and not only the Director but Government should adjudicate as to whether in the circumstances there is improper competition. It must be kept in mind that when the college was affiliated and during the course of its growth till now such low scales of fee were apparently no ground for intervention. Even if an interdict has to be issued, it may be proper to give time or allow certain conditions.

4. The Director should also send up the correspondence about the affiliation. I have altered the draft accordingly. No communication can as yet be made to India.

5. The papers printed with G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903, are incomplete. Mr. Stuart's draft has not been printed. Please have the Government order reprinted with Mr. Stuart's enclosure complete. It is not even cited in the notes. It is most essential, apart from the incompleteness of the record, to know what Mr. Stuart proposed, and whether Government accepted or modified his proposal.

Note not initialled by Honourable Member, but received on 23rd November 1903.

Carried out.

P.T.T.—30-1-04.

The draft may issue, and the office will please carry out Honourable Member's instructions as to the printing of G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903.

A. G. Cardew—23-11-03.

[G.O., No. 582, Educational, dated 24th November 1903.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 6844, *dated* 27*th January* 1904.

In G.O., No. 582, Educational, dated 24th November 1903, the Director was asked to call upon the authorities of St. Michael's College, Coimbatore, to show cause why its improper competition with the Coimbatore College should not cease and why if it continued, aid should not be withheld.

He was also asked to ascertain and report whether the affiliation of St. Michael's College was allowed on the ground that the college was meant for Native Christians.

2. The Director now submits a copy of the reply he has received from the Principal of the college and a copy of the application for affiliation made in 1891.

3. In the application for affiliation it is distinctly stated that the college is intended to provide for the higher education of the European and Native Catholic community of the Coimbatore Diocese—*vide* portions marked on pages 5 and 6 of the current file. The Director says that from this it may be presumed that the Syndicate recommended affiliation because it sympathized with the avowed object of the mission.

4. In his reply to the Director the Principal of the college does not touch upon the subject of the reduction of fees in the case of non-Christian pupils. He says that 90 per cent. of the non-Christian boys of the college are the sons of parents getting a monthly income of less than Rs. 15 at most and that if not for their college these poor boys will give up their studies and not go elsewhere. He also says that they are prepared so long as they receive Government aid to levy the rates of fees the Government may fix for the denominational schools and colleges throughout the Presidency, that G.O., No. 198, Educational, dated 2nd May 1903, on the subject of improper competition by means of unduly lowering fees reached them only in the second half of last year and that it will receive their due attention in the present year.

5. The Principal's reply is thus not satisfactory. It appears, however, that, if pressed, the college authorities will raise the rate of fees. Before proceeding further therefore the Director may perhaps be asked to furnish the college authorities with the rates of fees now levied in the Coimbatore College and ascertain whether they are prepared to levy fees at rates equal or nearly equal to them.

T. Kanakasundarum Pillai—29-1-04.

P. T. Tharyan—30-1-04.

From the affiliation-application it is clear that the college was affiliated as a college for the (European and Native) Roman Catholic community of Coimbatore. But perhaps the Syndicate could hardly be asked to threaten the mission with disaffiliation if it continues to educate boys who are not Roman Catholics, although an equitable reason could be given: that it charges even non-Roman Catholics low fees to the detriment of the Coimbatore College.

2. The Principal seems to think that if he is called upon to raise his fees, it should only be under an order fixing rates of fees for all denominational schools and colleges throughout the Presidency. Possibly the question whether a special order applying only to St. Michael's College or a general order applying to all private colleges should issue may be considered.

3. The Principal's defence is that the boys he educates are sons of poor parents and that if the mission did not educate them for a low fee, they would not be educated at all. At the same time he is prepared to raise the fee if a scale of fees is prescribed on pain of withdrawal of aid.

A. Galletti—1-2-04.

Where is the file now about removal of the American Mission College at Madura from Pasumalai to Madura.

It would be well to send it up with the Coimbatore case.

A. G. Cardew—3-2-04.

The file about the Pasumalai College is now linked with this. A requisition has gone to the Director for a copy of the application for affiliation. Pending the receipt of this paper the files may lie over.

P. T. Tharyan—3-2-04.

A.G.—3-2-04.

The Director has now submitted a copy of the application for affiliation and the file about the Pasumalai College is ready for further consideration. The two files are therefore resubmitted. A reminder has been received from the Government of India on this subject—*vide* G.O., No. R. 46, dated 6th February 1904.

P.T.T.—24-2-04.

A.G.—25-2-04.

The actual letter on which affiliation was granted was hardly needed in order to show that a Roman Catholic college was primarily intended for "the higher education of the European and Native Catholic community of the Coimbatore diocese." But such a declaration does not warrant the inference that only Roman Catholics will be admitted. If, indeed, such a condition were enforced, it would be a ground for refusal

of Government aid. I submit, therefore, that the questions whether the pupils are Christian or non-Christian, or what the application for affiliation said, are unimportant.

2. The real question is whether the St. Michael's College (which happens to be Roman Catholic) competes unfairly with the Coimbatore College (which happens to be Hindu). It was held in G.O., No. 582, Educational, dated 24th November 1903, that the former college was competing unfairly, because it levies a fee of only Rupees 17 per term, while the Hindu college levies Rs. 28 per term. In fact the actual fees in St. Michael's seem to average only Rs. 15 per term. But the manager appears to be ready to promise to attend to any directions of Government on the matter of fees, and the next step should be, I think, to direct the Director of Public Instruction to inform the manager that the Government still considers his college is competing unfairly with its neighbour, and that if he does not raise his fees to the satisfaction of the educational authorities, Government aid will be withdrawn.

A.G.C.—25-2-04.

Call on the Director to state forthwith what he proposes to do in the circumstances. He ought to have done so when he wrote his reply to G.O., No. 582, dated 24th November 1903. Set forth the reasons as given above why action must be taken.

2. It is disgraceful that a matter of this sort cannot be dealt with within six months, and, especially, when it was known how interested the Government of India had been in this phase of the educational question.

3. Looking at the file again, it may be that Dr. Bourne accepts Mr. Stuart's opinion given in his letter of 6th November 1903.

4. He may therefore be told that Government agrees in the late Director's opinion that competition unfair to the Coimbatore College is going on and unless the Christian institution can end or minimize this competition by levying proper fees or confining itself primarily to its original programme of the education of Roman Catholic Christian youth or both, the interposition of Government will be necessary.

5. The Director should now report what arrangements he can effect with the Principal. Government will not deal with this case as one for the issue of general directions: each such case can best be decided on its own merits.

J. T[homson]—2-3-04.

A draft is placed below for approval.

T.K.—2-3-04.

A draft letter to India is also submitted for approval.

P. T. Tharyan—3-3-04.

A. Galletti—4-3-04.

For approval.

2. It seems undesirable to go into details in the letter to India.

A. G. Cardew—5-3-04.

J.T.—7-3-04.

[G.O., Nos. 157, 158, Educational, dated 8th March 1904.]

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From

[*Name*] The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

[*Designation*] Director of Public Instruction,

[*Station*] Madras.

Ref to *No.* Cur No. 6844 of 03

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SUBJECT.

Submitting report called for in G.O.No. 528 Educational, dated 24th November 1903 regarding the improper competition of St Michael's College with the Native College, Coimbatore.

BACK PAPERS.

FURTHER PAPERS.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Sir,

In G.O. No. 582 Educational dated 24th December 1903 I was directed to call upon the College authorities of St. Michael's College, Coimbatore to show cause why improper competition with its rival the Coimbatore College should not cease and why, if it continues, aid should not be withheld.

Further I was directed to ascertain and report as to the grounds upon which affiliation was granted to the St. Michael's College by the University.

I have the honour to submit a copy of the reply received from the Principal of the College and of the remarks thereupon of the Inspector and a copy of the application for affiliation, from which it may be assumed that the Syndicate recommended affiliation because it sympathized with the avowed object of the Mission viz. to provide for the higher education of the European and Native Catholic community of the Coimbatore Diocese.

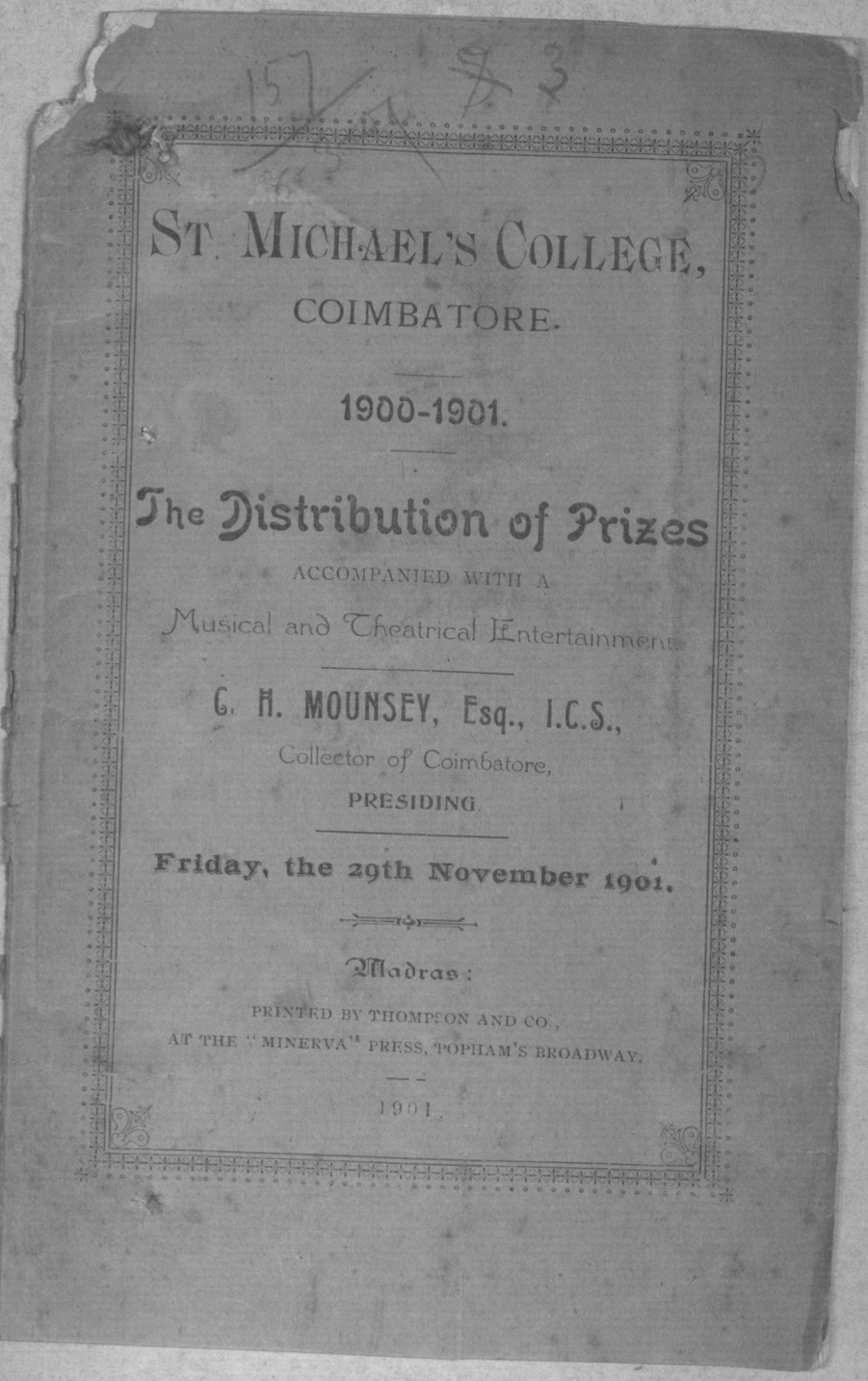
I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E.W. Middlemost

For Director of Public Instruction



ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE,

COIMBATORE.

1900-1901.

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REPORT

ON

St. Michael's College,

COIMBATORE.

1900-1901.

MR. CHAIRMAN, MY LORD, LADIES, AND GENTLEMEN,

Since the last distribution of prizes, the following changes have been made in the staff of the College. Mr. A. G. W. deRozario, M.A., has succeeded Mr. M. A. Dias, B.A., deceased, whose valuable service to the College extending over a decade cannot be overestimated. A new appointment was created last year, *viz.*, that of Professor of English, and Mr. M. S. Purnalingam Pillai, B.A. was appointed to it. Mr. Sundraraja Aiyar, B.A., L.T., a Mathematics Graduate of ten years' experience, has taken the place of Mr. P. Ganapathi Aiyar, B.A., L.T., who has gone as Headmaster to the Municipal High School, Tirupatur. A Malayalam Pandit has been added to the staff.

2. The number on the rolls on June 1st 1901 was 597 and is distributed as follows :—

Native Christians ...	281
Europeans and Eurasians	5
Brahmins ..	161

Non-Brahmins	...	140
Muhammadans	...	10

When compared with the numerical strength of the College as given in the last report, our present figure is less by 74. This fall is due to the strict discipline adopted during the year under review, and also to the strictness in promotion from class to class.

The results of the public examinations have been excellent in the Primary and Lower Secondary, fair in the First-in-Arts, but poor in the Matriculation, of which the least said is the best.

4. A few books have been added to the Library, and the Reading Room had its usual supply of the English and Vernacular Journals.

5. Fifty desks have been added to the furniture at a cost of Rs 300, and we thank the Director for the sanction of a third grant for it.

6. A Literary Society was instituted this year, and its first public meeting was held in June last with C. H. Mounsey, Esq., I. C. S., in the Chair. It holds fortnightly meetings, and gets a number of papers and periodicals, for the perusal of which we have set apart the building formerly occupied by the late Mr. Dias. We thank Mr. Arokyasamy Pillai, B A., for the prizes he has offered for the best debaters.

7. Our Foot-ball, Cricket, and Tennis Clubs have done good work as usual.

8. The College was inspected by Mr. T. T. Logan, B.A., Inspector of Schools, on the 21st and 22nd June 1901. He says in his report, "The tone, the discipline of the school, and the dress and general behaviour of the pupils continue to be satisfactory."

9. It will be seen from para. 2 that more than half the strength of the College is composed of Native Christians, and we note it with pleasure, as our College was affiliated for educating Catholic Christians, though we now admit other students, whatever denomination they belong to.

10. The Department of Education is satisfied with the efficiency of our staff, apparatus, and appliances, and with the discipline and tone of our College. While expressing our thanks to some of the educated Hindu parents for their effective co-operation with us in matters connected with the education of their children, we must express the wish that their example should be followed by all, to the best advantage of the pupils as well as of the institution. We take this opportunity to announce to the parents that we have resolved to open a Home for reading for our boys, especially for those who have and may come to our College from the Taluqs and remote villages of this District. This will enable us to have a direct supervision over their studies and morals, wherever they may mess, in hotels or in the houses of friends or relatives.

11. In conclusion, we express our hearty thanks to the public of Coimbatore in general, to our former pupils, and to other gentlemen in special, who, as a mark of their continued interest in the College, have helped us to award these prizes.

12. Our best thanks are due to C. H. Mounsey, Esq., I. C. S., our much esteemed Collector, for kindly consenting to distribute the prizes this evening.

N. RONDY,
Principal.

Good Conduct Prizes.

Voted by the pupils with the approval of their Director:—

BOARDERS.

Prize awarded by the Right Rev. J. Bardou, D. D., Bishop of Coimbatore.

Stephen Medina.

Orphans.

Prize awarded by the Rev. J. Marin.

S. R. Saverimuthu.

Religious Instruction.

1ST DIVISION.

Prize awarded by the Rev. L. Robin.

A. Michael.

Next in merit.

D. M. Mangalam. A. Periyanayagam.

2ND DIVISION.

Prize awarded by the Rev. F. X. Vieillard.
M. S. Chinnaswami.

Next in merit.

I. Antonimuthu M. Susai.

3RD DIVISION.

Prize awarded by the Rev. F. Gaymard.

M. Madalaimuthu.

Next in merit.

Lourde Antonimuthu. S. Arulappan.

4TH DIVISION.

Prize awarded by the Rev. P. Jambeau.

A. P. Lourdu.

Next in merit.

K. Singarayar. S. Arulanandam.

5TH DIVISION.

Prize awarded by the Rev. C. Villien.

A. Arulappan.

Next in merit.

R. Lourdeswami. M. Sinnappan.

College Department.

Senior F. A. Class.

ENGLISH.

Prize awarded by C. H. Mounsey, Esq., *Bar.-at-Law*, I.C.S., Collector of Coimbatore.

D. P. Varadarajan.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. V. Chappan Menon Avergal, Dy. Collector of Coimbatore.

D. P. Varadarajan.

SANSKRIT.

Prize awarded by G. Simon, Esq., Merchant, Coimbatore.

D. P. Varadarajan.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by C. V. Narasiah, Esq., *Bar.-at-Law*, Coimbatore.

S. Chinnaswami.

HISTORY.

Prize awarded by the Rev. L. Boulanger (Paris).

D. P. Varadarajan.

PHYSIOGRAPHY.

Prize awarded by the Rev. G. Boulanger, B.A.

C. A. Subbaiya.

Junior F. A. Class.

ENGLISH.

Prize awarded by V. A. Brodie, Esq., I. C. S., District and Sessions Judge, Coimbatore.

R. David.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by J. C. Fernandez, Esq., B.A., M.L., Ag. Subordinate Judge, Ootacamund.

T. Rama Aiyangar.

SANSKRIT.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. C. M. Padmanabachar Avl., B.A., B.L., High Court Vakil, Coimbatore.

P. S. Guruswami.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. A. T. Thiruvengadaswami Mudaliyar Avergal, Chairman, Municipal Council, Coimbatore.

T. Rama Aiyangar.

HISTORY.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. I. Venkataswami Naidu Garu, Sheristadar, District Court, Coimbatore.

R. David.

PHYSIOLOGY.

Prize awarded by A. G. W. deRozario, Esq., M.A., Head Master, St. Michael's College, Coimbatore.

T. Rama Aiyangar.

High School Department.

Sixth Form.

ENGLISH.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. R. Rayappa Pillai, (Former Pupil) in memory of the late Mr. Dias, B.A., Headmaster.

M. V. Vijendra Rau.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. C. Stanislaus Pillai Avargal, Ootacamund.

V. Kuppuswami.

Next in merit.

P. Kumaraswami. T. S. Thirumalaiswami.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by the Rev. W. J. Hatch, Manager, London Mission High School, Coimbatore.

A. Michael.

Next in merit.

B. V. Narayana Rau. N. Nanjappan.

SCIENCE.

Prize awarded by the Rev. C. Petite.

V. Chidambaram.

Next in merit.

A. Michael. M. Rajaratinam.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. C. S. Devasahayam Chettiar Avargal (Former Pupil), Office of the Inspector-General of Prisons, Ootacamund.

V. Chidambaram.

Next in merit.

A. Michael. M. Vijendra Rau.

Fifth Form

ENGLISH.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. P. S. Vasudeva Rau Avargal, Huzur Sheristadar, Coimbatore.

S. Ramaswami.

Next in merit.

A. Ratinam. C. Ratinam.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. M. Gnanaprakasam Pillai Avargal, Overseer, D. P. W., Coimbatore.

C. Ratinam.

Next in merit.

A. Sundararajulu. S. Ramaswami.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by E. Nicholas, Esq., Ooty.
S. S. Tiruvikraman.

Next in merit.

S. Ramaswami. P. J. George.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. T. S. Amirthaswami Pillai (Former Pupil), Sub-Court, Ooty.

P. J. George.

Next in merit.

S. Ramaswami. S. Sinnappavu.

SCIENCE.

Prize awarded by a Former Pupil.

P. J. George.

Next in merit.

S. Ramaswami. A. Ratinam.

Fourth Form.

ENGLISH.

Prize awarded by M. R. Ry. M. S. Purnalingam Pillai Avargal, B. A., Professor of English, St. Michael's College, Coimbatore.

B. V. Rama Rau.

Next in merit.

B. M. Janardanan. A. Madalaimuthu.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by M. R. Ry. B. Rama Rau Avargal (Former Pupil), Pleader, Ooty.

P. Mariyannan.

Next in merit.

P. R. Subharaman. R. Subrahmanyan.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by M. R. Ry. A. P. Samu Aiyar Avargal (Former Pupil), O. M. C., Ooty.

B. M. Janardhanan.

Next in merit.

P. R. Subharaman. A. Madalaimuthu.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

Prize awarded by M R.Ry. K. V. Subrahmanya Aiyar Avargal, B. A., (Former Pupil) Head Assistant, Collector's Office, Ooty.

A. Madalaimuthu.

Next in merit.

B. M. Janardanan. N. V. Chinnaswami.

SCIENCE.

Prize awarded by Mr. Hartnett, Retired Police Inspector, Ooty.

A. Madalaimuthu.

Next in merit.

B. M. Janardanan. P. R. Subbaraman.

Lower Secondary Department.

Third Form A.

ENGLISH.

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K. Pratab.

Next in merit.

T. Antonimuthu. S. Guruswami.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. C. L. Madhava Rau Avargal, (Former Pupil), First Assistant, St. Joseph's School, Ooty.

M. Susai.

Next in merit.

T. Antonimuthu. K. Pratab.

MATHEMATICS.

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Next in merit.

S. Guruswami. I. Antonimuthu.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

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T. Antonimuthu.

Next in merit.

K. Pratab. S. Mariasusai.

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R. Anantapadmanabhan.

Next in merit.

V. Subrahmanyan. S. S. Ramakrishnan.

TAMIL.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. R. Sundaram Pillai Avargal, Ranger, Ooty.

V. Vedanayagam.

Next in merit.

R. Anantapadmanaban. V. Srinivasa Rau.

SANSKRIT.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. M. G. Arogyaswami Pillai Avargal, B.A., Coimbatore.

C. S. Visvanadhan.

MATHEMATICS.

Prize awarded by M.R.Ry. R. Subrahmanya Sastriyar Avargal, B.A., L.T., Coimbatore.

V. Subrahmanyan.

Next in merit.

A. V. Venkatesan. V. Narayanan.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

Prize awarded by C. Periz, Esq., Senior Hospital Assistant, Ooty.

V. Vedanayagam.

Next in merit.

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ENGLISH.

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S. Arulswami. S. Gnanaprakasam.

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S. Arulswami.

Next in merit.

M. Ignasimuthu. M. Tirupati.

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V. Srinivasan.

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Chinnasami, R.

Next in merit.

Madalaimuthu. R. Narayanan.

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A. Krishnan.

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Next in merit.

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S. Arulanandam. P. Lourdu.

TAMIL.

Prize presented by the Rev. E. Terrat.
S. Arulanandam.

Next in merit.

C. S. Ramaswami. P. Lourdu.

ARITHMETIC.

Prize presented by the Rev. L. Trembleau.
Kadithamalai.

Next in merit.

S. Arulanandam. P. Muthuswami.

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY.

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College and High School Department.

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Fourth Form

Prize.—A. Madalaimuthu.

Third Form A.

Prize.—S. Ramalingam.

Third Form B.

Prize.—Sabapathy.

Second Form.

Prize.—M. Muthu.

First Form.

Prize.—T. L. Joseph.

FOURTH CLASS.

Prize.—M. D. Arokiasami.

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Prize.—A. Gnanapragasam.

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Prize.—M. Arokiasami.

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intervene.

2. The D. P. I. will place himself in communication with the authorities of St. Michael's college and will report at an early date what arrangements can be made with them for terminating the unfair competition already referred to.

3. The Govt. is not prepared to lay down any general rule but will deal with each case on its merits.

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To the D.P.I. Despd 9/3/4

Letter to No. 1584/8.3.

The Secretary to the Govt of I
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Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Marris' letter N: 524, Education, dated 28th August 1903 forwarding a representation received from the Committee of Management of the Coimbatore College on the subject of College fees and desiring to be informed of the result of such inquiry as this Govt. may make in the matter.

2. In reply I am to state that the result of the enquiries which this Government has caused to be instituted is to show that there has been some amount of unfair competition between the two colleges; and that orders have been issued to the D. P. I. to effect such an arrangement as will put

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