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Reformatory School, Chingleput.

Passing orders on the cases of the members of the Committee of Visitors of the — who have forfeited their membership by reason of their not attending the committee meetings for a period of six consecutive months.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

MEMORANDUM No. 323, Educational, dated 2nd July 1904.

The Director of Public Instruction is requested to be so good as to furnish a statement showing the dates on which each member of the Committee of Visitors of the Reformatory school at Chingleput named in the margin has, since 1st January 1903, visited the school—

1. The District Judge of Chingleput.
2. The Sub-Collector of Chingleput.
3. M.R.Ry. P. Ramanujachariyar Avargal.
4. " K. Seshachariyar Avargal.
5. " C. S. Venkataramayya Garu.
6. " M. A. Rangachariyar Avargal.
7. " G. Narayanaswami Chettiyar Avargal.
8. The Revd. A. Andrew.
9. M.R.Ry. P. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar Avargal.
10. " M. Sundaram Mudaliyar Avargal.
11. The Revd. Johannes Kabis.
12. The Revd. T. Pereira.

(a) casually,
(b) for purposes of Committee meetings.

2. The Director is also requested to state whether any of these members has, for failure to attend for six months *ipso facto* ceased to be a member under section 23 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897.

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

[Statement.

STATEMENT showing the dates on which each member of the Committee of Visitors of the Reformatory School, Chingleput, has visited the school since January 1903, called for in Memo. No. 323, Educational, dated 2nd July 1904.

Number.	Names of visitors.	Date of visit		<i>Ipsa facto</i> ceased to be a member under section 23 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897.	Remarks.
		(a) Casually.	(b) For purposes of committee meetings.		
1	The District Judge, Chingleput.	31st December 1903. 5th March 1904.	8th October 1903 .. 10th December 1903 .. 11th March 1904 .. 14th April ..	..	Ex-officio under G.O., No. 2041, Judicial, dated 6th September 1887.
2	The Sub-Collector, Chingleput.	....	....	..	Ex-officio under G.O., No. 599, dated 8th September 1899.
3	M.R.Ry. P. Ramanujachariyar Avargal.	....	12th February 1903. 12th March 1904. 13th August .. 8th October .. 11th March .. 9th June ..	..	....
4	M.R.Ry. K. Seshachariyar Avargal.	....	12th March 1903. 9th July .. 8th October .. 16th January 1904. 11th March .. 14th April .. 12th May ..	..	....
5	M.R.Ry. C. S. Venkataramayya Garu.	....	12th March 1903. 10th September 1903. 8th October 1903. 11th February 1904. 9th June 1904.	..	....
6	M.R.Ry. M. A. Rangachariyar Avargal.	....	12th March 1903. 10th September 1903. 11th February 1904.	..	....
7	M.R.Ry. G. Narayanaswami Chettiyar Avargal.	3rd March 1903. 23rd April .. 30th .. 25th May .. 12th June .. 17th September 1903. 23rd .. 9th October 1903. 31st .. 27th November 1903. 3rd December .. 9th February 1904. 23rd .. 6th April 1904.	9th April 1903. 9th July .. 8th October 1903.	..	Ceased to be a member for failure to attend a meeting for six months.
8	The Revd. A. Andrew.	....	12th March 1903. 9th July 1903. 8th October 1903. 12th November 1903.	..	Ceased to be a member for failure to attend a meeting for six months.
9	M.R.Ry. P. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar Avargal.	....	14th May 1903. 11th June .. 8th October 1903. 14th April 1904.	..	....
10	M.R.Ry. M. Sundaram Mudaliyar Avargal.	....	12th February 1903. 12th March 1903. 14th May 1903. 9th July .. 8th October 1903. 10th December 1903. 9th June 1904.	..	....
11	The Revd. J. Kabis.	....	10th December 1903. 16th January 1904. 14th April 1904. 12th May 1904.	..	Appointed recently in G.O., No. 557, dated 13th November 1903.
12	The Revd. T. Pereira.	....	....	..	Appointed recently in G.O., No. 348, dated 7th June 1904.

N.B.—Section 23 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act of 1897 might appear somewhat ambiguous, unless read in connection with paragraph (1) of the same section. However, rule II (iv) of the school rules, published in G.O., No. 599, Educational, dated 26th September 1898, makes the point quite clear. It reads "As any member failing to attend a meeting during a period of six consecutive months, vacates his seat", etc.

No. T-3.

Submitted to Government, with reference to memorandum, No. 323, Educational, dated 2nd July 1904.

OOTACAMUND,
20th July 1904.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

ORDER—No. 558, Educational, dated 8th September 1904.

From the statement furnished by the Director it appears that the Revenue Divisional officer at Chingleput has not attended any meeting of the Committee of Visitors of the Reformatory school since the 1st of January 1903. The officers at fault are Messrs. H. L. Braidwood who was in charge of the division up to the 20th of April 1903 and S. G. Roberts who has been in charge since the 3rd of July 1903 except for a period of one month from the 23rd of May 1904. The Government regret the neglect by Mr. Braidwood of this part of his official duties. Mr. Roberts will be called upon to explain his omission to attend any meeting for so long a period.

2. Under section 23, sub-section (2), of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897, a member of the Committee of Visitors whether appointed in virtue of office or nominated forfeits his membership if he fails to attend the meetings of the Committee during a period of six consecutive months. The Revenue Divisional officer at Chingleput has therefore ceased to be a member of the Committee but will now be reappointed for a term of two years. He will be expected to attend all meetings unless he has good reasons to the contrary.

3. M.R.Ry. G. Narayanaswami Chettiyar and the Revd. A. Andrew have also ceased to be members, but the Governor in Council is pleased to re-appoint them for a term of two years from the date of this order.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
„ the Collector of Chingleput.
„ S. G. Roberts, Esq.,
„ H. L. Braidwood, Esq., } through the Public department.
„ the Public department.

Exd. P. Seetharam.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 558, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
8TH SEPTEMBER 1904.

[SUBJECT.—Committee of Visitors, Reformatory School, Chingleput.]

Please have a note drawn up on the subject of the period for which non-official visitors are appointed to the Reformatory school, Chingleput.

2. At present under the Act there appears to be no limit. Who are the present visitors and when was each appointed?

H. D. TAYLOR—17-6-04.

The Reformatory Schools Act, 1876, was brought into force in the Madras Presidency from the 1st of August 1887—*vide* G.O., No. 1113, Judicial, dated 25th May 1887. Meanwhile the Government of India sanctioned the establishment of a Reformatory school at Chingleput in their letter No. 1077, dated 30th June 1887, printed in G.O., No. 1616, Judicial, dated 23rd July 1887.

2. Under section 12 of the Act the Local Government had to appoint a Superintendent with a Committee of Visitors or a Board of Management for the control and management of every Reformatory school. In the case of the school at Chingleput the former course was adopted and the first Committee of Visitors was appointed in G.O., No. 2041, Judicial, dated 6th September 1887.

3. Neither the Act nor this Government Order fixed any limit of period for which a member should hold office, but the Act conferred power on the Local Government to suspend or remove any member of a Committee.

4. Act V of 1876 was superseded by Act VIII of 1897 and section 12 of the former has been re-enacted as section 17 of the latter without any change. But in re-enacting section 18 of Act V of 1876 (which defined the duties of the members of the Committee) as section 23 of Act VIII of 1897 a provision has been added to the effect that “if any member of a Committee of Visitors fails or neglects during a period of six consecutive months to visit the school and assist in the discharge of the duties (assigned to the Committee) he shall cease to be a member of such Committee.”

5. Section 21 of Act V of 1876 empowered the Local Government—in the absence of a Board of Management—to make rules, consistent with the Act, to regulate—

- (1) the management of the school,
- (2) the education and the industrial training of youthful offenders,
- (3) visits to, and communication with, youthful offenders,
- (4) punishment for offences committed by youthful offenders,
- (5) the granting of licenses for employment of youthful offenders and
- (6) the mode in which the Committee of Visitors shall conduct their business.

6. Rules under this section were first made in G.O., No. 2545, Judicial, dated 10th December 1888, but in none of them was any limit laid down as to the period for which members of the Committee should hold office. It is doubtful whether Government had power under this section to lay down any such limit as this was not one of the matters on which rules could be made and the Act did not even confer on Government any powers for making rules generally for the welfare or the management of the institution as, for instance, in section 250 (1) (n) of the District Municipalities Act, 1884.

H. D. TAYLOR—2-7-04.

7. In re-enacting section 21 of Act V of 1876 as section 26 of Act VIII of 1897, additional powers were taken to make rules regarding articles deemed to be "prohibited articles", but no powers were taken to fix the term of office of members of Committee.

8. Since the date of the coming into force of Act VIII of 1897, the old rules of 1888 were revised by G.O., No. 599, Educational, dated 26th September 1898. The rules as thus revised were subsequently modified by G.Os., No. 413, Educational, dated 31st August 1900, No. 150, Educational, dated 13th March 1901, and No. 245, Educational, dated 25th April 1902. In none of these has the period of service of members been fixed. And as no specific powers have been taken to enable Government to do so, the doubt still continues whether Government can make rules on the subject. No reference was made to the matter in the opinions on the Bill which became Act VIII of 1897. These opinions are recorded in G.O., No. 609, Educational, dated 2nd October 1896.

9. As already stated the Committee of Visitors was first appointed in G.O., No. 2041, Judicial, dated 6th September 1887. Nine members were then appointed, but two more were added in G.O., No. 2674, Judicial, dated 24th November 1887, and a third in G.O., No. 1808, Judicial, dated 28th August 1888. The strength of the Committee thus came to be 12, and it has since remained at this strength except during periods of temporary vacancies. The Act prescribes only a minimum—section 17 (2) of Act VIII of 1897.

H. D. TAYLOR.

Nowhere has any maximum strength been fixed for the Committee.

10. Of the members originally appointed, the Surgeon-General, the District Judge of Chingleput, the Sanitary Commissioner, the Inspector-General of Prisons, the Commissioner of Police, Madras, the Sub-Collector of Chingleput and the Tahsildar of Chingleput, were members *ex-officio*; but of these the District Judge and the Sub-Collector alone now remain. The others have been considered to have ceased to be members under section 23 (2) of Act VIII of 1897—*vide* G.Os., No. 67, Educational, dated 5th February 1898, and No. 28, Educational, dated 24th January 1900. Even the Sub-Collector was once deemed to have ceased to be a member but he was reappointed—*vide* G.O., No. 599, Educational, dated 8th September 1899.

11. As far as it can be ascertained, the present members of the Committee and the dates on which they were appointed are as follows:—

Name.	Date of appointment.	
	G.O. No.	Date.
(1) The District Judge of Chingleput ...	2041, Judl.	6th Sept. 1887.
(2) The Sub-Collector of Chingleput ...	...	...
(3) P. Ramanuja Chariyar, B.A., B.L. ...	599, Edl.	8th Sept. 1899.
(4) K. Sesha Chariyar ...	...	...
(5) C. S. Venkataramayya, 1st-Grade Pleader ...	28	24th Jan. 1900.
(6) M. A. Ranga Chariyar, B.A., B.L. ...	605	27th Nov. "
(7) G. Narayanaswami Chettiyar ...	546	5th Sept. 1901.
(8) The Rev. A. Andrew ...	68	11th Feb. 1902.
(9) P. S. Subrahmanya Aiyar, Headmaster, Native High School, Chingleput ...	157	17th Mar. "
(10) M. Sundaram Mudaliyar, retired Senior Hospital Assistant ...	780	19th Dec. "
(11) The Rev. Johannes Kabis ...	557	13th Nov. 1903.
(12) " T. Pereira ...	348	7th June 1904.

P. T. THARYAN—29-6-04.

A. GALLETTI—26-6-04.

Though section 17 of the revised Act, 1897, provides for removal of the members of the Committee of Visitors on specific grounds, yet there is nothing in the Act in my opinion which renders the appointment of any visitor for life essential. The greater may be taken to include the less, and the Government may in their order of appointment limit the periods for which the office of visitor is to be held.

2. The Act makes no distinction between official and non-official visitors. It provides either for a Superintendent and a Committee of Visitors or a Board of Management. The former alternative has been adopted in the case of Chingleput.

3. The order in G.O., No. 67, Educational, dated 5th February 1898, appears to be wrong because while four official members were held to have vacated their seats under section 23 (2) it was held that they could continue to be visitors. The Act does not provide for visitors other than those on the Committee.

4. It also seems doubtful whether the Act contemplates the appointment of *ex-officio* members by virtue of their office. If it does, it should be considered a part of the official duties of such members to visit the school with fair regularity.

Section 23 (2) does not render removal for failure to attend meetings of the Committee obligatory; unless it be held that the words "assist in the discharge of the duties aforesaid" imply attendance at the monthly meetings, mere casual and individual visits would suffice.

Nor do I see how an *ex-officio* visitor can well be removed by the application of section 23 (2). Unless and until provision is made in the Act for *ex-officio* visitors, it would be better to nominate all visitors by name.

5. I consider that the annual administration report should show the number of occasions on which the Committee of Visitors has met during the year, and number of attendances put in by each member, and number of other visits paid. The name of all members who have failed to attend for six months should be at once reported by the Superintendent through the Director of Public Instruction. Government does not appear, even if a reasonable excuse be forthcoming for non-attendance, to extend the term.

6. The Director of Public Instruction may now be asked to furnish a statement showing the dates on which each of the members of the Committee as shown in paragraph 11 of the previous note visited the Reformatory (a) casually (b) for purpose of committee meetings. He should state whether any member has for failure to attend for six months *ipso facto* ceased to be a member under section 23 (2). Please draft official memorandum to the Director of Public Instruction accordingly.

Urgent.

H. D. TAYLOR—2-7-04.

A draft is submitted for approval.

2. It is presumed that the enquiry in paragraph 2 is to be confined to the members shown in the list: for since Act VIII of 1897 came into force, several members have ceased to be members under section 23 (2) thereof and others have been appointed in their stead.

Yes.

Please quote in the margin of the memorandum.

Done.

H.D.T.

P. T. THARYAN.

Please see the Director's letters—

No. 8612, dated 3rd August 1899, paragraph 2, in G.O., No. 599, dated 8th September 1899.
No. 13725, dated 13th December 1899, paragraph 2, in G.O., No. 28, dated 24th January 1900.
No. 11034, dated 6th November 1900, paragraph 1, in G.O., No. 605, dated 27th November 1900.
No. 8671, dated 28th February 1902, paragraph 1, in G.O., No. 157, dated 17th March 1902.
No. 7112, dated 6th December 1902, paragraph 1, in G.O., No. 780, dated 19th December 1902.
No. 2740, dated 27th May 1904, paragraph 1, in G.O., No. 348, dated 7th June 1904.

P.T.T.—2-7-04.

A. GALLETTI—2-7-04.

Yes. I think some of the members in the list have probably forfeited their appointments.

H.D.T.—2-7-04.

[Memo. No. 323, dated 2nd July 1904.]

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 20th July 1904, No. T. 3.

Memorandum No. 323, Educational, dated 2nd July 1904, along with the papers connected with it was sent down on the 8th instant to be printed up. They have not yet been received. Submitted that the present current may lie over pending their receipt. The Madras office has in the meantime been asked to expedite them.

N. LAKSHMANA RAO—22-7-04.

Perhaps this current also may be sent down to be printed in continuation.

P. T. THARYAN—23-7-04.

Yes.

A. GALLETTI—23-7-04.

According to the information furnished by the Director the Sub-Collector of Messrs. H. L. Braidwood and S. G. Roberts. Chingleput has not visited the Reformatory nor attended any meeting for over 18 months. As he has been appointed a member ex-officio it does not appear that he vacates his seat by failure to attend for six months, but the officers concerned, whose names are noted in the margin, should, it is submitted, be asked to explain their failure to attend.

P. T. THARYAN.
Please note periods for which each held office.
H. D. TAYLOR—18-8-04.
Mr. Braidwood held office for 3 months and 20 days in 1903, up to 20th April 1903.
Mr. Roberts—nearly 11 months—from 3rd July 1903 to 23rd May 1904 and from 23rd June 1904 up to date.
P.T.T.

2. M.R.Ry. G. Narayanaswami Chettiar last visited the school on the 6th of April 1904, but the last occasion on which he attended a meeting of the Committee was the 8th of October 1903. Under rule II (iv) of the Reformatory School he has thus ceased to be a member. It may be doubted whether this rule is consistent with the Act and therefore valid, all that sub-section (2) of section 23 says being that any member who "fails or neglects during a period of six consecutive months to visit the school and assist in the discharge of the duties aforesaid" shall cease to be a member. It is submitted, however, that the duties referred to are enjoined on the Committee as a whole and not on individual members—*vide* sub-section (1) of section 23. These words refer back to sub-section (1) and must be taken into account. The duties can't be discharged except at a meeting.

A. GALLETTI.

23. Casual visit alone is therefore of no avail, and the rule is thus consistent with the Act and M.R.Ry. Narayanaswami Chettiar has really ceased to be a member.

3. The Rev. A. Andrew has also ceased to be a member.

P.T.T.—17-8-04.

The questions for consideration are—

A.G.—17-8-04.

(i) Whether a rule can and should be drawn up limiting the period of office of a visitor to a specific period.

(ii) Whether visitors can be appointed ex-officio by virtue of their office or whether nomination to the Committee of Visitors should be by name in each case.

(iii) Whether there can be visitors, ex-officio or otherwise, apart from the General Committee of Visitors.

Certainly.

G. S. F[ORBES].

(iv) Whether Messrs. Braidwood and Roberts should be called on for explanation for their failure to visit the Reformatory.

(v) Whether Mr. G. Narayanaswami Chetti who paid numerous extra visits and Rev. A. Andrew, who paid none, should be held to have vacated their office under section 23 (2) for failure to attend meetings of the Committee of Visitors (see also rule II (iv)).

2. Rule II.—(ii) Provides for the appointment of a Committee of Visitors by Government. There is nothing in the Act which would necessarily imply life membership and under section 26 (2) the Government may make rules consistent with the Act. I consider that visitors may be appointed for a term.

I see no necessity for this. The Joint Magistrates are constantly changing.

G. S. F[ORBES].

Then they can't be made.

G.S.F.

3. I consider that all visitors on the Committee should be appointed by name and not by office but other visitors not on the Committee may be appointed by virtue of their office if Government think fit. Such appointments are not strictly within the Act.

4. I consider that failure to attend meetings of the Committee for transaction of business for six months *ipso facto* involves forfeiture of office irrespective of the number of casual visits that may have been paid.

5. Messrs. Narayanaswami Chetti and Rev. A. Andrew have therefore forfeited their posts on the Committee and two members should be appointed in their place for such period as Government think fit. The rules should be amended to provide for temporary appointment for a fixed term only.

H. D. TAYLOR—18-8-04.

I cannot see that there can be any doubt on the power of Government to appoint members for a term and I think it is desirable that a term of, say, two years should be fixed. The mere fixing of a term is likely to make new members attentive to the duties. Of course a former member can be reappointed. Nor will such term affect the power of Government under section 17 (3) to remove a member at any time.

2. Members may be appointed *ex-officio*, certainly, and the Joint Magistrate who is on the spot should always be a member.

3. I see no power in the Act to make visitors, ex-officio or otherwise, separate from the Committee of Visitors.

4. The Joint Magistrates who failed to attend any meeting for 18 months should be censured, especially Mr. Roberts. If he has an ex-officio duty it is as much the Joint Magistrate's part to attend to it as any other duty. It seems hardly necessary to call on Mr. Roberts for an explanation, having regard to the long period of neglect. With regard to Mr. Braidwood a few words would be quite enough saying that his neglect is unsatisfactory.

5. I would remove Narayanaswami Chetti and Mr. Andrew—one can't well be removed without the other.

6. And I would make a rule that absence from any meeting for six months entails *ipso facto* a forfeiture of membership. This rule however should be restricted to nominated members. In the case of ex-officio members they should be reported by the District Magistrate in view of disciplinary measures being taken.

G. S. F[ORBES]—19-8-04.

I agree with Hon'ble Mr. Forbes throughout. I would certainly reappoint Mr. Andrew and, I think, Narayanaswami Chetti. I do not think the latter can do any harm and he does work. I am strongly of opinion that all future appointments should be for a term, but I doubt if a term limit can be applied to existing members. The rules should be revised as may be necessary.

G. S. F[ORBES]—19-8-04.

With reference to the concluding portion of the Honourable Member's note it is submitted that section 23 (2) of the Act is absolute. No special rule seems necessary. The words are "he shall cease to be a member", and this would apply alike to official members (appointed ex-officio) and to non-official members.

2. Should the renomination of Rev. A. Andrew be for two years only, and does the Honourable Member accept the proposal of the Hon'ble Mr. Stokes to reappoint Narayanaswami Chetti?

H.D.T.—20-8-04.

I have no objection to the reappointment of these two gentlemen for two years. The Government order may point out that they have lost their seats, but Government have been pleased to reappoint them. This will call their attention to their neglect.

2. The Secretary is right as to section 23 (2)—when an ex-officio member ceases to be a member for non-attendance he will have to be reported in view to reappointment and we can then discipline him.

Please draft.

G. S. F[ORBES]—21-8-04.

Please draft accordingly. Revision of the rules may be taken up subsequently.

H. D. TAYLOR—22-8-04.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

2. Under present arrangements an officer of the Sub-Collector's or Head Assistant Collector's grade may be in charge of the Chingleput division. In the draft therefore the term "Revenue Divisional officer" has been used for "Sub-Collector".

3. Between 20th April and 3rd July 1903 and between 23rd May and 23rd June 1904 the Civil List shows the office of Revenue Divisional officer as vacant. Public (office) says that some District arrangements must have been made for charge of the division.

4. Mr. Braidwood was in charge of the division from the 5th May 1902 up to 20th April 1903, but the Director's statement deals only with the period from 1st January 1903.

P. T. THARYAN—23-8-04.

As members of the Civil Service are censured in it, the draft should go to Public (X) for acceptance?

A. GALLETT—23-8-04.

Yes.

H.D.T.—24-8-04.

To the Public Department.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft may be accepted with the request that a copy of the order may be communicated to the Collector of Chingleput and to the Public Department. [Under Standing Rules the case should circulate to His Excellency the Governor.]

A. L. PINTO—26-8-04.

Yes.

C. M. SCHMIDT—28-8-04.

M. HAMMICK—29-8-04.

Circulated for approval.

H.D.T.—30-8-04.

Please put a spare copy of the Act in the file.

G.S.F.

Done.

P.T.T.—1-9-04.

Please comply and return file to Honourable Member.

H.D.T.—1-9-04.

Thanks. The draft is now approved.

G. S. F[ORBES]—3-9-04.

[Approved as altered.]

J. T[HOHSON]—6-9-04.

Resubmitted to the Honourable Member with reference to the modification suggested by His Excellency in the last clause of paragraph 2. This was intended to apply to all members of the Committee and His Excellency's correction refers only to the Sub-Collector. Should the last clause as originally drafted stand *after* the words "to the contrary", the words "on the part of any member of the Committee" being inserted after "failure"?

H. D. TAYLOR—7-9-04.

It would be better; but as His Excellency is not here and as the point is not of vital importance the draft may issue with the modification suggested by His Excellency.

G.S.F.—7-9-04.

Issue.

H.D.T.—8-9-04.

[G.O., No. 558, Educational, dated 8th September 1904.]

Read C. No. 1271, from the D. P. I., No. T-3, dated 20th July 1904.

ORDER:-- no. 558 d/ 8-9-04
P.S.

From the statement furnished by the Director it appears that the Revenue Divisional Officer at Chingleput has not attended any meeting of the committee of visitors of the Reformatory school since the 1st of January 1903. The officers at fault are Messrs. H.L. Braidwood who was in charge of the Division up to the 20th of April 1903 and S.G. Roberts who has been in charge since the 3rd of July 1903 except for a period of one month from the 23rd of May 1904. The Government regret the neglect by Mr. Braidwood

of this part of his official duties. *Mr Roberts will be called upon to explain his omission to attend any meeting for so long a period.*

2. In modification of their order No. 605 B.I., dated 27th November 1900 the Government direct that under section 23, sub-section (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act, 1897, members of the Committee of Visitors appointed in virtue of ~~any~~ office ^{whether or not} should be considered to have forfeited ^{his} membership if ~~they~~ ^{he} fails to attend the meetings of the Committee during a period of six consecutive months. The Revenue Divisional Officer at Chingleput has

therefore

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to attend all meetings
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reasons to the contrary*

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Committee but will now be re-appointed
for a term of two years. ~~Failure to~~
attend meetings for six consecutive
months should be immediately reported
to the Government.

3. M.R. Ry. G. Narayanaswami Chettiyar
and the Rev. A. Andrew have also ceased
to be members, but the ~~Govt.~~ *Govt. inl. is*
pleased to re-appoint them for a term
of two years from the date of this order.

P.T.T.
23-8-04.

A.G.
23-8-04.

H.D.T.
24-8-04.

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To

The Director of Public Instruction.

Cdr. Christie

Public Dept.

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