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G.O., No. 253, 18th April 1905.

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Text-books for schools.

Approving the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction that the publication of the list of additional readers and that of rejected books may be discontinued.

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READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 306, Educational, dated 17th May 1902.

ABSTRACT.—Approving the lists of text-books for use in the schools in the Madras Presidency and publishing them in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

READ—also the following paper :—

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 Madras, 22nd March 1905, Cur. No. 2647.

In G.O., No. 306, Educational, dated 17th May 1902, Government, while sanctioning the publication of the consolidated list of approved text-books for 1902, approved the suggestion of the late Director to publish separate lists of additional readers and rejected books. I beg to point out that neither the rules of the Text Book Committee nor those of the Educational Department approved in G.O., Nos. 445, 446, Educational, dated 10th September 1900, require that these lists should be published. The main function of the Text Book Committee is to advise Government as to the suitability or otherwise of books proposed for use in schools and Rule V of the rules for the Department lays down that a list of text-books declared suitable and authorized by Government should be published each year in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. It appears to me unnecessary and for some reasons undesirable that separate lists of rejected books and additional readers should also be published. The mere non-inclusion of a book in the authorized list is a sufficient indication that it has been found unsuitable and there appears to be no necessity for the fact being specially notified in a separate list. The use of objectionable books in schools is sufficiently prevented by inspecting officers enforcing the selection of text-books from the authorized list. I have the honour, therefore, to suggest that the list of additional readers and that of rejected books be not published in future. I may add that the Text Book Committee rules make no reference at all to additional readers.

ORDER—No. 253, Educational, dated 18th April 1905.

The Director's proposal is approved.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Director of Public Instruction.

Ed. P. S. Shanmugam.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 253, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
18TH APRIL 1905.

[SUBJECT.—*Publication of the list of Text-books.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 2647, dated 22nd March 1905.

Under rule 5 of the rules for the Educational Department, the list of text-books approved by Government is published annually in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The late Mr. Stuart proposed that the list of books, not approved as text-books but recommended for use as additional readers or found suitable for libraries and the list of books rejected by the Committee altogether as unsuitable, be published by him in the issue of the Gazette next to the one in which the list of approved text-books was published by Government. This proposal was approved by Government in their No. 306, Educational, dated 17th May 1902.

2. The present Director, Dr. Bourne, says that the publication is unnecessary and "for some reasons" undesirable. [Some of the entries in the remarks column may be actionable.] Submitted for orders as to whether the Director's proposal for the discontinuance of the publication of the list may be approved.

K.K.M.—6-4-05.

Please put up G.O., No. 94, Educational, dated 1st March 1900, and see if there is anything about publication in the resolution of the Government of India. Should not intimation be given to the author if a book is rejected?

P. T. THARYAN—6-4-05.

G.O., No. 94, Educational, dated 1st March 1900, is put up. In paragraph 9 of the resolution of the Government of India in that Government order, it is stated that "all lists of authorized text-books should be periodically published under the authority of the local Government in the official Gazette." Nothing is said about the publication of rejected books or of additional readers in the Gazette. It may no doubt be desirable that authors and publishers should know if their books have been rejected in case they are. But they can pay for and get the information from the lists appended to the reports of the Text-Book Committee as the Government orders recording these reports are placed on Editors' Table.

K.K.M.—7-4-05.

The Director's proposal may be approved?

P. T. THARYAN—7-4-05.

A. GALLETI—8-4-05.

The Director of Public Instruction's proposals may be approved. There seems to be no sufficient reason for "pillorying" rejected books.

Yes.

H. D. TAYLOR—14-4-05.

J. T[OMSON]—15-4-05.

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H. D. TAYLOR—15-4-05.

The draft placed below is submitted for approval.

N.L.R.—15-4-05.

P. T. THARYAN—17-4-05.

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A. GALLETTI—18-4-05.

[G.O., No. 253, Educational, dated 18th April 1905.]

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

[Designation] Director of Public Instruction,

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SUBJECT.

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