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READ—the following paper :—

From the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., Director of Public Instruction, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, C. No. 4516, dated 16th May 1905.

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, a copy of my Proceedings, Dis. No. 3205, dated 9th May 1905, reviewing the report on the working of the Kumbakonam College for the year 1904.

ENCLOSURE.

Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, dated 9th May 1905, Dis. No. 3205.

From H. S. DUNCAN, Esq., Principal, Government College, Kumbakonam, to the Director of Public Instruction, dated 23rd March 1905, No. 107.

I have the honour to submit my report on the working of the Government College, Kumbakonam, for the calendar year 1904.

2. *Changes in the staff.*—Mr. Hensman was in charge of the College till the 1st March 1904, when he went on furlough for two months. Dr. S. Sathianadhan was appointed to act as Principal, and he joined duty on the 2nd March. On the termination of my acting appointment as Professor of English in the Presidency College, I took charge of the College from Dr. S. Sathianadhan on the 7th April 1904. M.R.Ry. K. P. Guruswami Aiyar, who was acting as lecturer in the place of Mr. Hensman, when he was acting as Principal and during his absence on furlough, was relieved by him on the 2nd May 1904. Mr. Hensman was appointed to act as Inspector of Schools, Southern Circle, in July 1904, and he handed over charge of the lecturership on the 25th July. On the termination of the acting appointment as Inspector of Schools, he retired from service in the first week of September. Thus a lecturership in the College fell vacant. To that vacancy Mr. P. P. deRozario, Principal, Mangalore College, was appointed permanently. He took charge on the 15th September and relieved M.R.Ry. K. R. Duraiswami Aiyar, who was given temporary promotion in the Provincial Service when Mr. Hensman was appointed to act as Inspector of Schools. By the appointment of M.R.Ry. K. R. Duraiswami Aiyar, First Assistant Lecturer to the acting lecturership, Messrs. T. V. Sivakumara Sastri, P. V. Seshu Aiyar, T. T. Bhavani-sami Rao and K. Srinivasapatrachari; the Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Assistant Lecturers, respectively, were each given a step in promotion; and M.R.Ry. K. V. Subbaiyar, M.A., L.T., was appointed to act as Fifth Assistant Lecturer. He took charge on the 1st August 1904. On the arrival of Mr. P. P. deRozario in September 1904, M.R.Ry. K. V. Subbaiyar was transferred to Chingleput as Sub-Assistant Inspector of Schools. Mr. P. P. deRozario fell ill in the middle of October and died in the General Hospital, Madras, on the 31st October. Again a lecturership in the College fell vacant, and M.R.Ry. K. R. Duraiswami Aiyar, the Senior Assistant Lecturer, was appointed to act as lecturer, and the other Assistant Lecturers named above were given promotion. M.R.Ry. K. V. Subbaiyar was reappointed to act as Fifth Assistant

Lecturer, and took charge on the 10th November 1904. T. S. Srinivasa Aiyangar, Librarian, was transferred to the Presidency College in June 1904, and C. K. Venkatarama Sastri was appointed in his place. V. A. Atmanadhaiyar, acting clerk of the College, was confirmed in the appointment in May 1904.

During the year under report, the department lost by the retirement of Mr. Hensman, an officer who occupied a prominent position in the educational world and who was held in great respect by the educated community of the town; and by the death of Mr. Rozario, the College was deprived of the services of a capable and reliable officer.

3. *Library.*—Appendix A shows in a tabular form the extent to which the library was used.

4. *Strength.*—Appendix B shows the strength of the College during the years 1903 and 1904. There was a slight decrease in the strength of the F.A. classes, but in the Junior B.A. class there was a most welcome increase. It is satisfactory to be able to report that mathematics is attracting a larger number of students. Information regarding the average number on the rolls and the average daily attendance of each class is given in the following statement :—

Class.								Average number on the rolls.	Average daily attendance.
Senior B.A.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	25
Junior "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42	39
Senior F.A.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	76	72
Junior "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	66	62
Total ..								210	198

5. Appendix C shows the distribution of the students according to the districts to which they belonged; and particulars regarding the classes of the community from which the students were drawn, and their social and economic conditions are given in appendix D.

6. *Examinations*—(1) *College.*—The students of the Junior F.A. and B.A. classes were examined for promotion in December 1904. In the Junior F.A. class three students failed to secure admission to the senior class. Of those reading in the Junior B.A. class six were not promoted in the English language division, and three in Branch I. One failed to secure promotion in Branch IV, and all were promoted in Branch V.

(2) *University.*—Appendix E contains the results obtained by the College in the University examinations. For the F.A. examination the whole class appeared, and although the percentage of passes is lower than that of last year, three students were placed in the first class. Appendix F shows the number of failures in the various subjects of examination, and the names of the officers who taught the subjects. From this table it will be seen that the attainments of the class as a whole were not very high. For the English language division of the B.A. Degree examination 24 appeared and 21 passed. I should have been better pleased had there been a greater number in the second class; but considering the changes that took place among the officers responsible for English, I think the result satisfactory. The successes in Sanskrit and Tamil reflect credit on the Pandits M.R.Ry. T. E. Srinivasa-chariyar and M.R.Ry. V. M. Satagoparamanuja Chariyar respectively. The College secured the third place in Tamil in the Presidency. In the various science branches the percentage of passes is also high. The result in Mathematics is specially noteworthy, and M.R.Ry. P. V. Seshu Aiyar and M.R.Ry. K. Srinivasapatrachariyar are to be congratulated. Of the four that appeared in Mental and Moral science three passed, all in the second class. For this good result M.R.Ry. S. Narayanaswami Aiyar and M.R.Ry. T. V. Sivakumarasastri are responsible. Ten appeared for History and six passed, four being placed in the second class. The percentage is not so high as that of last year, but I think that it is in every way creditable. M.R.Ry. Sundararamaiyar reports that one of the students who failed to secure a pass appeared two years ago, and joined the College again only in the second session of 1904.

7. *College prizes and scholarships.*—The following students have been recommended for the Morris' medal and Beauchamp and Muppanar's prizes :—

M. R. Sundaram	..	..	..	Morris' medal.
Do.	..	..	..	Beauchamp and Muppanar's prize (English Composition).
S. Ramanujam	..	..	..	Beauchamp and Muppanar's prize (Mathematics).
V. Krishnama Chari	..	..	..	Beauchamp and Muppanar's prize (History).
N. Mahalingam	..	..	..	Beauchamp and Muppanar's prize (Philosophy).

The Subramanyam scholarships were held by —

S. Ramanujam	..	..	..	B.A. class.	K. Narayanaswami	..	..	F.A. class.
V. Kuppu Rau	..	..	..		S. Ramanujam	..	..	

The Edward Bird scholarship was held by K. Srinivasan.

8. The discipline of the college was satisfactory, and the members of the staff report favourably on the working of the tutorial system.

9. The services of the non-gazetted officers have been verified.

10. The Literary Societies connected with the college held several meetings and on the whole may be said to have had a successful year.

11. Football and tennis attracted a large number of students, while cricket and fives found a few adherents. Football matches were played between the college team and teams from Tanjore and the High schools of Kumbakonam. The college and the two High schools of the town took part in an athletic meeting on the college ground in September, and in October the college was represented at the inter-collegiate and inter-scholastic sports held in Tanjore.

12. In appendix G will be found a statement of the receipts and charges of the Recreation Club.

13. The financial condition of the college for the last two years is set forth in the following tables :—

Receipts.

Year.								Fees, fines and miscellaneous.		
								RS.	A.	P.
1903	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,923	2	5
1904	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,238	0	6

Charges.

Year.	Principal.	Lecturers and Assistant Lecturers and establishment.	Travelling allowance.	Contingencies.	Scholarships.	Special charges.	Total.
1903	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1904	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

14. *General.*—Several students reading in the B.A. classes continued to receive help from poor fund. In December the library was moved into the new room which was handed over by the Public Works Department towards the end of the year. The hostel is nearing completion, but it is not probable that it will be in working order next term as rules have to be framed, furniture has to be purchased, and various details have to be considered. In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the staff for their hearty co-operation in the work of the college and for their willingness to assist me in matters unconnected with their regular teaching work.

APPENDIX A.

General and consulting library.

Class.	Bio-graphy.	Literature.	Novels.	Mathe-matics.	Science.	Logic.	History.	Total.
Senior B.A.	24	168	28	9	1	6	41	277
Junior "	27	240	85	19	3	11	76	461
Senior F.A.	20	153	116	41	9	2	25	366
Junior "	54	298	348	69	3	3	31	806
M.A. students	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
Number of books taken by students								1,962
Do. books taken from class libraries								1,050
Do. volumes taken by members of the staff								410
Total								3,422

Classes.	Books other than dictionaries, shelf B.							
Senior B.A.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	447
Junior "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	436
Senior F.A.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	952
Junior "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,563
Total								3,398
Consultations by the members of the staff								407
Grand Total								3,805

The number of volumes or parts received during the year was 372.

APPENDIX B.

	Number on rolls on the 31st December									
	1903.					1904.				
	Senior B.A.	Junior B.A.	Senior F.A.	Junior F.A.	Total.	Senior B.A.	Junior B.A.	Senior F.A.	Junior F.A.	Total.
B.A. Course—										
Total strength	31	20	..	..	51	29	46	..	..	75
Language Branch	24	20	..	..	..	24	46	..	..	..
Second Language	24	20	..	..	..	20	46	..	..	..
Mathematics	6	5	..	..	..	6	16	..	..	..
History	12	10	..	..	..	11	23	..	..	..
Logic	3	4	..	..	..	4	9	..	..	..
F.A. Course—										
Total strength	..	..	82	64	146	..	..	76	66	142
Total	..	..	..	..	197	..	..	..	..	217

APPENDIX C.

Distribution of students according to districts.

Class.	Tanjore.	Madras.	Trichi-nopoly.	South Arcot.	Salem.	Madura	Coim-batore	Total.
Senior B.A.	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	29
Junior "	44	..	2	..	..	..	..	46
Senior F.A.	74	1	..	1	..	..	..	76
Junior "	63	..	1	..	..	1	1	66
Total	210	1	3	1	..	1	1	217

APPENDIX D.

Classes of the community, and social and economic condition of the students.

Class.	Brahmans.	Non-Brahmans.	Rich.	Middle.	Poor.	Official.	Petty official.	Traders.	Landholders.	Artizans.	Mendicants.	Others.	Total.
Senior B.A.	28	1	..	22	7	4	1	1	22	1	..	..	29
Junior "	43	3	1	35	10	11	1	1	31	..	1	1	46
Senior F.A.	69	7	1	67	8	20	2	2	50	..	2	..	76
Junior "	63	3	1	52	13	13	1	3	45	..	1	3	66
Total	203	14	3	176	38	48	5	7	148	1	4	4	217

APPENDIX E.

Results of examinations.

Examinations.	Number applied.	Number examined.	Number passed.				Percentage for 1903.	Percentage for 1904.
			Class.					
			I.	II.	III.	Total.		
First Examination in Arts	77	76	3	29	..	32	60	42
B.A.—								
English Language	24	24	..	4	17	21	66	88
Second Language { Tamil	8	8	..	4	4	8	92	100
{ Sanskrit	12	12	..	3	8	11	56	92
Mathematics	6	6	..	2	4	6	33	100
History	11	10	..	4	2	6	100	66
Logic	4	4	..	3	..	3	33	75

APPENDIX F.

Failures in F.A.

Subject.	Number failed.	Names of officers.
English ..	25	{ Mr. H. S. Duncan. Moulavi Muhammad Azam Sahib. M.R.Ry. K. P. Guruswami Aiyar. " K. V. Subbaiyar.
Sanskrit ..	6	Sanskrit Pandit.
Tamil ..	9	Tamil Pandit.
Mathematics ..	21	{ M.R.Ry. Duraiswami Aiyar. " P. V. Seshu Aiyar. " Bhavanisami Rao.
History ..	31	{ M.R.Ry. Sundararamaiyar. Moulavi Muhammad Azam Sahib. M.R.Ry. Duraiswami Aiyar.
Physiology ..	22	{ M.R.Ry. Narayanaswami Aiyar. " Bhavanisami Rao.

APPENDIX G.

Recreation Club.

	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.
Receipts—			
Balance on the 1st January 1904 ..	381	15	7
Students' subscriptions ..	451	0	0
Tennis' subscriptions ..	63	0	0
Badminton and fives' subscriptions ..	1	10	0
Interest on Savings Bank deposits ..	9	11	6
Sale-proceeds of old balls, etc. ..	4	8	0
Fines, etc. ..	43	0	0
Subscriptions (sports, etc., 1904) ..	68	0	0
Total ..	1,022	13	1

Charges—			
Tennis ..	162	0	0
Football ..	117	12	0
Badminton and fives ..	0	8	0
Cricket ..	33	0	0
Establishment ..	42	0	0
Sports ..	293	2	9
Balance on the 1st January 1905 ..	374	6	4
Total ..	1,022	13	1

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2. *Staff*.—There were numerous changes in the staff during the year, but they were all unavoidable. The Director takes this opportunity of placing on record his high appreciation of the efficient services rendered during his long connection with the department by Mr. J. M. Hensman, who retired during the year, and his sense of the loss sustained by the department by the untimely death of Mr. P. P. deRozario.

3. *Strength and attendance*.—The college had an accession to its strength, which advanced from 197 to 217, the increase being mainly in the Junior B.A. class. The various sections of the B.A. class were better filled than in the previous year. As usual the bulk of the students were natives of the district.

4. *Examinations*.—The class promotions determined on the results of the annual examinations seem to have been regulated with strictness and care. The results of the First examination in Arts did not compare favourably with those of the previous year, but the college acquitted itself satisfactorily on the whole at the B.A. degree examination. The absence, however, of even a single first class among the successful candidates for the B.A. degree is evidence of the average attainments of the class of students who seek admission into the college.

5. *Library*.—The library was better used than in the previous year. The number of new volumes added to it during the year has not been reported.

6. *Finance*.—Both the receipts and charges increased during the year, the former from Rs. 13,923 to Rs. 16,238, and the latter from Rs. 31,800 to Rs. 35,191. The net cost was thus Rs. 18,953 against Rs. 17,877 in the previous year, but there was a fall in the net cost per student from Rs. 96 to Rs. 90 as the result of an increase in the average number on the rolls.

7. *The Recreation club and other societies*.—The several societies connected with the college worked with fair success during the year. Physical education had received due attention.

8. The Principal and the staff deserve to be congratulated on the generally efficient condition of the college during the year.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

To the Principal, Kumbakonam College,
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" Inspector of Schools, Southern Circle.
" Assistant Inspector of Schools, Tanjore Division.
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H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

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29TH MAY 1905.

[SUBJECT.—*Report of the Kumbakonam College.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 4516, dated 16th May 1905.

No mention is made of the hostel. How is this getting on?

H. D. TAYLOR—18-5-05.

In the last paragraph of the report it is said that the hostel is nearing completion, but that it is not probable that it will be in working order next term as rules have to be framed, furniture has to be purchased and various details have to be considered.

2. A draft is placed below for approval.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—24-5-05.

May be simply "recorded"?

A. GALLETTI—24-5-05.

Yes. There is nothing special to note and it is no good repeating remarks already made by the Director of Public Instruction.

H. D. TAYLOR—25-5-05.

J. T[HOMSON]—28-5-05.

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H. D. TAYLOR—29-5-05.

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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.

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 remarks made by the D.P. I.
 regarding Mr. J. M. Hensman
 who retired during the year
 and share the regret expressed
 at the untimely death of P. P.
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 29.5.06

To the D.P.I. *17/6/5*
17/6/5

Recorded with the following
 remarks -
 (1) The administration of the
 College during the year was
 satisfactory.
 (2) There was a satisfactory
 advance in strength and the
 results of the B.A. degree examination
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