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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. 4842, dated 30th May 1905.

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, a copy of my Proceedings, Dis. No. 3665, dated 24th May 1905, reviewing the report on the working of the Arts College, Rajahmundry, during the year 1904.

ENCLOSURE.

Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, Dis. No. 3665, dated 24th May 1905.

Read—the following letter from H. J. ALLEN, Esq., M.A., Acting Principal, Rajahmundry College, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, No. 128, dated 14th March 1905:—

I have honour to submit my report on the working of the Rajahmundry Arts College during the year 1904.

2. *Staff and distribution of work, Appendix A.*—Until 8th November Mr. Hunter was in charge of the college and when he left for home, M.R.Ry. A. C. Pranatharthihara Aiyar was lecturer in charge for the rest of the year under review. On 14th January 1905, I assumed the duties of Acting Principal.

In October, the college sustained a serious loss by the lamented death of M.R.Ry. A. Ramalinga Aiyar, M.A., who, to his services as lecturer, added an active interest in the newly started hostel.

The other changes in the staff can be seen most conveniently in the annexed table.

3. *Accommodation and furniture.*—The scheme of extending the main building did not progress perceptibly during the year, though, as I write, it is engaging the attention of the Public Works Department. Having sold the dilapidated carpentry shed and its roofless neighbour, the former gymnasium, by public auction for Rs. 57, the department has prepared plans for a new shed and a distillery for the science section. By G.O., No. 236 of 10th May 1904, the acquisition of a site for the Metcalfe Hostel was sanctioned and steps are being taken to obtain for the purpose a plot on the south side of the college. For the use of the staff, a third tennis court was laid out. A special grant of Rs. 1,000 was made to furnish two of the lecture rooms with galleries and desks. On an estimate approved by the Executive Engineer and the Director of Public Instruction, the work has been entrusted to a local contractor and should be completed before long. To provide the science sections with similar seats, another grant of Rs. 1,000 has been applied for in the budget for 1905-1906. For the laboratory, chemicals to the extent of Rs. 1,000, approximately, were indented for and are now being received from home.

4. *Strength and attendance.*—Appendix B gives the strength of the four classes in each term of 1904, as compared with the previous year. While the Junior F.A. sank to less than a half, it was found necessary in class II, for want of accommodation, to refuse admission to some applicants. Though the total strength on 31st December 1904 was 12 below, it had been in the middle of September 8 above the figures of the previous year; 20 students left in October, most of them to appear as private candidates for their examinations.

The average daily attendance was 212.8 out of an average of 230 students on the rolls.

In appendix B (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6), the students will be found arranged according to class, wealth, occupation, locality, second language and optional subject.

Class.—Non-Brahmins and Muhammadans increased by 6 and 3, respectively, while Brahmins declined by 20.

Wealth.—Students of the "poorer class" fell from 60 to 22: those of the two other classes increased by 3 and 23.

Occupation.—A fall of 53 in the official classes was largely met by an increase of 39 among the sons of landholders.

Locality.—The decrease of the Gódvári contingent is marked, but as against the Kistna, Ganjam and Vizagapatam, each shows a more than proportional rise.

Optional subject.—Physical science is still easily first in popularity.

5. *Library.*—Appendices C and D show the number of volumes added to the library and the use made of it by the students and staff during the year. The revised catalogue mentioned in last year's report is now in their hands.

6. *Results of examinations.*—From appendix E it will be seen that the University results were on the whole better than those of last year. It is true that the percentage of passes in English decidedly and in Telugu slightly fell off, but against these may be set the much improved results in the F.A. and the Science divisions of the B.A. The Philosophy rose from 33 per cent. to 80 per cent. with more passes in the second than in the third class—a satisfactory sign. In Telugu the college headed the list and in the F.A. also obtained a first class.

In appendix E (1) and (2), the failures are assigned to the lecturers responsible. The F.A. Mathematics show a gratifying improvement.

College examinations.—As usual examinations were held for all the classes at the end of the first term; in August for the Senior F.A. and B.A.; and in December for the first and third year students. On the results of this last, the annual promotions were awarded.

7. *Physical training.*—Cricket, foot-ball and tennis were played during the year. In March athletic sports organised by the efforts of Messrs. M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastri and K. R. Ramaswami Aiyangar were held under Mr. Hunter's presidency. The students were drilled and taught gymnastics as usual.

8. *Carpentry class.*—The production of cots, chairs, book-shelves, etc., continued throughout the year; their sale brought in Rs. 16-9-7 from the students concerned. The class fell off in number from 65 to 43 and was for lack of other accommodation located in a portion of the college stables; this may possibly have had a depressing effect.

9. *Literary societies.*—The Metcalfe Literary Association held its meetings during the year.

10. *Scholarships and prizes.*—(a) *Gavarrazu scholarships.*—The previous holders A. Gurumurti and K. Gopalan were continued in their tenure for another year.

(b) *Young scholarship.*—S. Syamala Rau held this during the first term after which he left to join a Madras college.

(c) *Subrahmanya Aiyar's prize.*—This was awarded to A. Gurumurti of the Senior B.A. class.

(d) *Sundara Rao prize.*—V. Venkata Rao obtained this on the results of the annual examination of the Junior F.A.

Metcalfe loan scholarships.—These have been discontinued for want of money. As noticed in last year's report, the gratitude of those who in past years were assisted to an education by this fund does not take the form of repayment, and other pressure will be necessary to remind the majority of their obligations.

11. *Finances.*—Appendix F gives the receipts and charges for 1904; also a comparative statement for the last 4 years. It will be seen that the net cost to Government rose from Rs. 9,933 to Rs. 12,064 and the net cost per student from Rs. 44 to Rs. 52. Nearly Rs. 2,000 of this increase arose under the head of lecturers' salaries, as a senior officer was transferred to the college and some of the staff received higher pay.

12. *College hostel*.—A chief feature of the year has been the opening of a hostel. A row of houses on the north side of the compound were rented for the use of the students, and a constitution and set of rules modelled on those of the Saidapet hostel received the Director's approval. During last term, 55 students were members—a number that strained the available accommodation to the uttermost. The rate per head for board and lodging did not rise above Rs. 9 in any month.

13. *General*.—The Educational rules were observed.

The tutorial system continued throughout the year.

Discipline was maintained.

All the service-books have been verified and brought up to date.

APPENDIX A.—Staff and distribution of work.

Appointment.	Officer's name.	Date.	Permanent or Acting.	Remarks.
1. Principal Lecturer in English.	Mr. Mark Hunter, M.A.	January to November.	Permanent.	Proceeded home on furlough.
2. Lecturer in English ..	„ I. S. Ince, B.A.	January to August.	Do.	Transferred to the Ceded Districts as Assistant Inspector.
3. Do. ..	„ A. C. Pranatharthihara Aiyar, B.A.	August to December.	Do.	....
4. Do. ..	„ M. R. Vaidyanatha Sastri ..	January to December.	Do.	} Second Assistant Lecturer.
5. Do. ..	„ Ch. Bhagavanulu, B.A.	Do.	Do.	
6. Lecturer in English and History.	„ Abel Arulanandam ..	Do.	Acting ..	....
7. Lecturer in Mathematics.	„ T. Sankara Rau, B.A.	Do.	Permanent.	First Assistant Lecturer.
8. Assistant Lecturer in Mathematics.	„ K. R. Ramaswami Aiyangar, M.A., L.T.	January to April.	Temporary.	} Additional assistant.
9. Do. ..	„ K. Narasimham, B.A., L.T.	April to December.	Do.	
10. Lecturer in Philosophy.	„ K. P. Guruswami Aiyar, B.A.	May to December.	Permanent.	....
11. Assistant Lecturer in Philosophy.	„ L. A. Ganapati Aiyar, B.A.	January to December.	Do.	Third Assistant Lecturer was doing the Chief Lecturer's work from January to April.
12. Lecturer in Physical Science.	„ A. Ramalinga Aiyar, M.A.	January to October.	Do.	Died on the 25th October 1904.
13. Assistant Lecturer in Physical Science.	„ M. C. S. Anantapadmanabha Rao, M.A., L.T.	January to December.	Acting ..	Fourth Assistant Lecturer.
14. Telugu Pandit ..	„ K. Venkataratnam Pantulu ..	Do.	Permanent.	....
15. Sanskrit Pandit ..	„ A. Vyasamurthi Sastri ..	Do.	Do.	....
16. Hindustani and Persian Munshes.	Moulvie Mr Hyder Ali ..	Do.	Sub. <i>pro tem</i>.	....
17. Mechanic ..	Muhammad Abdul Aziz ..	Do.	Permanent.	....
18. Clerk ..	P. Virabhadrayya ..	January to March.	Do.	Retired on pension from 1st April 1904.
19. Do. ..	C. V. Ramanujachari ..	April to December.	Do.	Transferred from the Teachers' College, Saidapet.
20. Librarian ..	M. L. Narasinhachari ..	January to December.	Do.	....
21. Gymnastic Instructor.	Y. Ramachandra Rao ..	Do.	Do.	....

APPENDIX B.—Strength during 1903 and 1904.

Class.	1903.		1904.	
	First term.	Second term.	First term.	Second term.
Junior F.A. class ..	87	89	40	41
Senior do. ..	67	73	100	97
Junior B.A. class ..	38	37	37	33
Senior do. ..	29	35	40	50
Total ..	221	233	217	221

APPENDIX B (1).—Distribution of students according to class of community.

Class.	Brabmans.	Non-Brabmans.	Muhammadans.
Junior F.A. ..	35	4	2
Senior F.A. ..	80	16	1
Junior B.A. ..	27	6	..
Senior B.A. ..	41	9	..
Total ..	183	35	3

APPENDIX B (2).—Distribution of students according to wealth.

Class.	Richer.	Middle.	Poorer.
Junior F.A. ..	1	37	3
Senior F.A. ..	3	81	13
Junior B.A. ..	1	51	1
Senior B.A. ..	..	45	5
Total ..	5	194	22

APPENDIX B (3).—Distribution of students according to the occupation of parents or guardians.

Class.	Officials.	Petty officials.	Traders.	Artisans.	Land-holders.	Total.
Junior F.A. ..	10	2	2	1	26	41
Senior F.A. ..	32	4	11	..	50	97
Junior B.A. ..	16	1	5	..	11	33
Senior B.A. ..	15	1	5	..	29	50
Total ..	73	8	23	1	116	221

APPENDIX B (4).—Distribution of students according to districts.

Class.	Ganjan.	Vizagapatam.	Gódvári.	Kistia.	Nellore.	South Arcot.	Tanjore.	Madura.	Kurnool.	Bangalore.	Total.
Junior F.A. ..	..	1	35	3	..	..	1	..	..	1	41
Senior F.A. ..	8	5	70	10	..	..	2	1	1	..	97
Junior B.A. ..	..	3	19	5	..	..	1	..	..	..	33
Senior B.A. ..	1	2	38	6	1	1	1	..	..	..	60
Total ..	14	11	162	24	1	1	5	1	1	1	221

APPENDIX B (5).—Statement showing the number of students studying the various Second Languages.

Class.	Telugu.	Sanskrit.	Tamil.	Hindustani.
Junior F.A. ..	34	4	1	2
Senior F.A. ..	79	15	2	1
Junior B.A. ..	29	4	..	..
Senior B.A. ..	30	4	1	..
Total ..	172	27	4	3

APPENDIX B (6).—Statement showing the Science branch taken by students during 1903 and 1904.

Science Branch.	Junior B.A.		Senior B.A.	
	1903.	1904.	1903.	1904.
Mathematics	9	12	8	12
Physical Science	21	13	13	24
Philosophy	7	8	8	6
Total ..	37	33	29	42

APPENDIX C.—Statement showing the number of books issued during the years 1903 and 1904.

Subject.	1903.		1904.	
	Students.	Staff.	Students.	Staff.
Language and general literature	1,853	622	1,522	660
Mathematics	133	57	161	58
Philosophy	60	150	98	210
History	140	55	137	72
Physical Science	250	200	117	77
This excludes the number of volumes issued to the students for casual reference during the year which comes to 1,550.	2,436	1,084	2,035	1,077
	3,520		3,112	

APPENDIX D.—The total number of volumes in the library on the 31st December 1904 = 4,767 (4,544 on 31st December 1903 + 223).

APPENDIX E.—Results of F.A. and B.A. examinations of 1904.

Examinations.	Subjects.	Number appeared.	Number passed.			Total.	Percentage passed.	Remarks.	Percentage of 1903.
			First class.	Second class.	Third class.				
F.A.	....	84	1	37	..	38	45.2	....	34.8
	English Language division ..	35	..	5	18	23	65.7	Two ex-students also passed.	90.5
	Second Language division—								
	Telugu	29	1	10	15	26	89.7	....	94.1
	Sanskrit	5	..	..	1	1	20	....	..
	Tamil	1	..	..	..	..	..	....	..
	Total ..	35	1	10	16	27	77.1	....	88.8
B.A.	Science division—								
	Mathematics	9	..	1	4	5	55.5	One ex-student also passed.	50
	Physical Science	20	..	3	7	10	50	Two ex-students also passed.	33.3
	Philosophy	5	..	3	1	4	80		33.3

APPENDIX E (1).—Statement of failures in the F.A. examination of 1904.

Number.	Subject.	Number appeared.	Number failed.	Name of Lecturer responsible.
1	English	84	31	Messrs. Mark Hunter, T. S. Ince, and A. C. Pranatharthihara Aiyar.
2	Mathematics	84	12	Messrs. T. Sankara Rao, K. R. Ramaswami Aiyangar and K. Narasimham.
3	Physiology	83	14	Mr. L. A. Ganapati Aiyar.
4	Physiography	1	..	Mr. A. Ramalinga Aiyar.
5	History	84	18	Mr. Abel Arulanandan.
6	Telugu	72	9	Mr. K. Venkataratnam Pantulu.
7	Sanskrit	11	1	Mr. A. Vyasamurti Sastri.
8	Tamil	1	1	....

Six students failed in deficient totals.

APPENDIX E (2).—Statement of failures in the B.A. examination of 1904.

Number.	Subject.	Number appeared.	Number failed.	Name of Lecturer responsible.
1	English	35	12	Messrs. Mark Hunter, T. S. Ince and A. C. Pranatharthihara Aiyar.
2	Sanskrit	5	4	Mr. A. Vyasamurti Sastri.
3	Telugu	29	3	Mr. K. Venkataratnam Pantulu.
4	Tamil	1	1	....
5	Mathematics	9	4	Messrs. T. Sankara Rao, K. R. Ramaswami Aiyangar and K. Narasimham.
6	Physical Science	20	9	Messrs. A. Ramalinga Aiyar and M. C. S. Anantapadmanabha Rao.
7	Philosophy	5	1	Messrs. K. P. Guruswami Aiyar and L. A. Ganapati Aiyar.

APPENDIX F.—Statement of receipts and charges for 1904.

Receipts.

	RS.
Fees and other miscellaneous receipts	15,966

Charges.

	RS.
Principals, Lecturers and Assistant Lecturers	21,203
Masters and teachers	2,357
Establishment	1,068
Ordinary contingent and other miscellaneous charges	2,401
Total	27,029

STATEMENT of receipts and charges for the four years from 1901 to 1904.

Year.	Receipts.	Charges.	Net cost.	Cost of educating each student.
1901	RS. 5,826	RS. 39,094	RS. 33,268	RS. 312
1902	9,566	36,983	27,417	160
1903	15,966	25,901	9,935	44
1904	15,966	27,029	11,063	52

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Staff.—There were several changes in the staff as shown in appendix A to the report. Mr. Mark Hunter was in charge of the college till 8th November, when, on his departure to England on furlough, M.R.Ry. A. C. Pranatharthihara Aiyar Avargal, B.A., was placed in charge of the Principalship for the remaining period of the year. The Director agrees with the Acting Principal as to the loss sustained by the college by the death of M.R.Ry. A. Ramalinga Aiyar.

2. *Strength and attendance.*—The number on the rolls at the close of the year was 221, *i.e.*, 12 less than in the previous year, the Junior F.A. and the Junior B.A. classes having contributed to the decrease, which has not been explained. The Principal is requested to be good enough to state to which class the twenty students, who are reported to have left the college in October 1904, to appear as private candidates belonged and whether their withdrawal was due to their having been declared unfit to appear for the University examinations for which they were being prepared. The average number on the rolls and the average daily attendance were 230 and 212.8 as against 225 and 202, respectively, in the previous year. The increase under non-Brahman caste Hindus and the attendance of three Muhammadans as against none last year were satisfactory, but Uriyas were totally absent.

3. *Library.*—The library received an addition of 223 books. A revised catalogue was issued during the year.

4. *Examinations.*—The results of the First Examination in Arts and in the several branches of the Science division of the B.A. degree examination, notably in Philosophy, were an improvement on those of the previous year. The results in Sanskrit in the Second language division were again very poor.

5. *Finance.*—The receipts were Rs. 15,966, the same as in the previous year, but the charges rose owing to increased expenditure on salaries from Rs. 25,901 to Rs. 27,029. The net cost of the college thus rose from Rs. 9,935 to Rs. 11,063 (not Rs. 12,064 as shown in appendix F), and the net cost per student from Rs. 44 to Rs. 48 (not Rs. 52 as stated by the Principal). The figures relating to net cost in appendix F do not, with the exception of those for 1903, appear to be correct.

6. *General.*—Steps should be taken to recover the arrears due by the students who had taken advantage of the Metcalfe Loan fund. Physical training received the usual attention. The carpentry class was waning in strength for lack, it is alleged, of proper accommodation. Steps should be taken to improve the attendance in this class. The establishment of a hostel was an important feature of the year.

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

(True Extract.)

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

To the Principal, Rajahmundry College;
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2. The Principal's explanation of the matters referred to in paragraphs 2 and 5 of the Director's review should be forwarded to Government for information.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Director of Public Instruction.

Ed. K. Murugasen.

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From the Director of Public Instruction, No. 4842, dated 30th May 1905.

A draft is placed below for approval.

2. There are some printing mistakes in the Appendices D and E to the report and they have been corrected in pencil.

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