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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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, Ref. on Cur. No. 5029, dated 12th June 1905.

I have the honour to submit the report on the operations of the Text-Book Committee for the official year 1904-1905.

2. Messrs. J. A. Yates and A. Mayhew were appointed members, the former kindly accepting the office of Secretary in the place of Mr. Moffat who resigned it prior to going home on furlough. Proposals for the appointment of successors to Mr. Stone who went on furlough in February last and Mr. Bilderbeck who has since the close of the year resigned his seat will be submitted separately.

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4. The committee completed during the year the revision and re-arrangement of the consolidated list of text-books, the books being classified according to the grade of school or department in which they may be used and not according to classes as in the old list. One advantage of the new arrangement is that it gives managers and headmasters a wider choice of books for individual classes. A separate list for teachers and libraries has been added to the new list. I have relieved the committee of the work of revising the list for Government and Board Schools to which reference was made in my letter Ref. on Cur. No. 4463, dated 7th June 1904, as it has seemed to me desirable upon further consideration that its revision should be entrusted to Government officers. The matter has however been allowed to lie over until various questions which are now pending such as that of the school final examination, the relaxation of the curriculum in rural schools, etc., have been settled.

5. The committee did the work entrusted to them satisfactorily and the thanks of Government are due to the members for their disinterested labours.

ENCLOSURE.

REPORT ON THE OPERATIONS OF THE MADRAS TEXT-BOOK COMMITTEE FOR THE OFFICIAL YEAR 1904-1905.

The constitution of the Committee on 1st April 1904 was as follows :—

Revd. D. Anantam.	Mr. J. B. Bilderbeck, M.A.
Miss Carr.	Mr. R. Ll. Jones, M.A., F.R.A.S.
Khaja Khan Sahib, B.A.	M.R.Ry. B. Hanumanta Rao, B.A.
M.R.Ry. M. Krishnan, B.A., B.L.	M.R.Ry. K. Nagoji Rao, B.A., Rao Bahadur.
M.R.Ry. S. Rangayya Chettiyar, B.A.	M.R.Ry. M. Rangachariyar, M.A., Rao Bahadur.
M.R.Ry. J. M. Velu Pillai.	M.R.Ry. K. Viresalingam Pantulu, Rao Bahadur.
Revd. J. D. W. Sewell, S.J.	M.R.Ry. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, B.A., L.T.
Revd. T. Walker, M.A.	Revd. A. Moffat, M.A., B.Sc.
Revd. Canon Sell, D.D.	
Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A.	

2. Mr. Moffat, being about to proceed on furlough, resigned the office of Secretary in May 1904 and Mr. Yates was appointed in his place. Mr. A. Mayhew was appointed to the Committee in June. Revd. T. Walker returned from furlough at the end of the year. Mr. J. H. Stone went on furlough in February 1905.

3. During the year 323 books were examined as against 305 in the previous year. Of these books, 221 were considered suitable for class use and 102 unsuitable. As usual many of the books considered unsuitable for class use were recommended as being suitable for teachers and libraries. The results of the Committee's work are tabulated below :—

Subject.	Suitable.	Unsuitable.	Total.
English	89	19	108
Mathematics	16	12	28
History and Geography	39	24	63
{ Tamil	10	13	23
{ Telugu	14	14	28
Vernaculars. { Canarese	4	2	6
{ Malayalam	6	1	7
{ Uriya	1	...	1
Hindustani, Arabic and Persian	5	2	7
Sanskrit	3	...	3
Latin and Greek	...	2	2
French and German	10	...	10
Physics, Chemistry and Hygiene	3	4	7
Kindergarten and Object Lessons	...	5	5
Handwriting	6	4	10
Drawing	15	...	15
Total	221	102	323

(By order of the Committee.)

MADRAS,
26th April 1905.

J. A. YATES,
Secretary, Madras Text-Book Committee.

[Appendices.

APPENDIX A.

RULES FOR THE TEXT-BOOK COMMITTEE.

1. The Madras Text-Book Committee has been appointed for the following purposes :—

(a) To take into consideration such books as may be submitted to it by the Director of Public Instruction and to advise Government in regard to their suitability as text-books for the several classes and forms in recognised schools in accordance with the curricula from time to time prescribed for such classes and forms, the list in each subject and for each class or form being as varied and complete as possible, so that managers of schools may have a wide field in which to exercise the freedom of choice vested in them.

(b) To advise the Educational department as to the steps to be taken for the preparation and publication of new text-books when necessary.

(c) To help in forming, under the control of the Director of Public Instruction, (i) an educational library containing copies of all text-books approved from time to time by the department, copies of text-books approved or prescribed in other provinces of India and in other countries, and copies of works on the theory, the practice, and the history of education; and (ii) an educational museum containing plans and models of school buildings and specimens of maps, diagrams, apparatus and appliances suitable for schools.

2. The committee shall consist of not more than twenty members in addition to the president.

3. The members of the committee shall be appointed by Government, which may, at any time and without assigning reasons, remove any member. A member leaving the presidency for an absence exceeding six months shall vacate his seat, and the vacancy thus caused shall be filled by Government on the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction. Vacancies not exceeding six months in duration may be temporarily filled by the Director.

4. The Director of Public Instruction shall be *ex-officio* president, and one of the members shall be secretary.

5. The committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees, each consisting of not more than five members in addition to the chairman, for the purpose of dealing with different subjects and languages. It shall also have power to consult specialists who are not members of the committee. Any member appointed to fill a temporary vacancy on the committee shall *ipso facto* become a member of the sub-committees to which the absent member belongs. Every book referred to the committee by the Director shall be referred by it to the appropriate sub-committee for examination and report.

6. The chairman of each sub-committee shall be appointed by the committee, with the limitation that in the case of the sub-committees for the vernaculars an inspector of the department shall always be chairman.

7. The committee shall meet ordinarily twice a year, on the last Wednesday in March and the last Wednesday in October. The president shall have power to convene special meetings as occasions arise or on the requisition in writing of not less than four members. Sub-committees shall meet at such times as their respective chairmen may consider necessary.

8. Seven members of the committee shall form a quorum. The quorum for a sub-committee shall be not less than half the members of such sub-committee, who are resident in Madras.

9. The meetings of the committee and of sub-committees shall ordinarily be held at the office of the Director of Public Instruction.

10. At all meetings of the committee or of sub-committees, the president or the chairman, as the case may be, shall take the chair; but in case of his absence the members present shall appoint a chairman.

11. All questions that may arise at meetings of the committee or of sub-committees shall be decided by a majority of the votes of those present. In the event of the votes, including that of the president or the chairman, being equal, the president or the chairman shall have a second or casting vote. Opinions of absent members may be submitted in writing, but shall not count as votes.

12. It shall be the duty of the secretary to give notice of the meetings of the committee and of sub-committees when held at the ordinary place of meeting, to attend the meetings of the committee and whenever possible the meetings of the sub-committees, and to keep a record of the proceedings. When the secretary cannot be present at a meeting of a sub-committee, a similar record of the proceedings shall be kept by the chairman of the sub-committee, who shall forward it to the secretary.

13. A copy of the proceedings of every committee meeting shall be forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction within two weeks after the meeting.

14. The committee shall, not later than the 1st June in each year, forward to the Director of Public Instruction a report on the work done during the official year. This report shall be submitted to Government by the Director with such remarks as he may see fit to offer on the operations of the committee.

15. Each book forwarded to a sub-committee shall be referred to not less than two of its members for expression of opinion.

16. No books referred to a member shall be kept for more than a month.

17. In the case of books rejected as unsuitable by the Text-Book Committee, some brief indication of the grounds on which the judgment has been formed shall be given.

18. The lists of books passed by the various sub-committees shall be printed and circulated among the members of the committee at least a fortnight before the date of the meeting at which they are to be approved.

19. The committee will have no concern with the text-books of schools classed as European schools by the Director of Public Instruction unless they are specially referred to them for opinion by Government or by the Director.

APPENDIX B.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE SUB-COMMITTEES CORRECTED UP TO
31st MARCH 1905.

SUB-COMMITTEES.

(1) English (including Hand-writing).

Mr. J. B. Bilderbeck, M.A., *Chairman*.
Miss Carr.
M.R.Ry. S. Mangesh Rao, B.A.
Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A.

M.R.Ry. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, B.A., L.T.
Mr. A. Mayhew, M.A.
Mr. J. A. Yates, M.A.

(2) Mathematics (including Drawing).

M.R.Ry. B. Hanumanta Rao, B.A., *Chairman*.
M.R.Ry. S. Rangayya Chettiyar, B.A.

Rev. J. D. W. Sewell, S.J.
Mr. R. L. Jones, M.A., F.R.A.S.

(3) History and Geography.

Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A. (*for Geography*),
Chairman.
Miss Carr.

Mr. A. Mayhew, M.A.
Mr. J. A. Yates, M.A.
M.R.Ry. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, B.A., L.T.

(4) Vernaculars (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Canarese).

Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A., *Chairman*.
M.R.Ry. J. M. Velu Pillai (*for Tamil*).
Rev. T. Walker, M.A. (*for Tamil*).
M.R.Ry. K. Nagoji Rao, B.A., Rao Bahadur
(*for Tamil*).
Rev. D. Anantam, B.A. (*for Telugu*).
M.R.Ry. S. Rangayya Chettiyar, B.A. (*for
Telugu*).

M.R.Ry. K. Viresalingam Pantulu, Rao
Bahadur (*for Telugu*).
M.R.Ry. M. Krishnan, B.A., B.L. (*for
Malayalam*).
M.R.Ry. S. Mangesh Rao, B.A. (*for
Canarese*).
M.R.Ry. M. Rangachariyar, M.A., Rao
Bahadur (*for Canarese*).

(5) Hindustani, Arabic and Persian.

Rev. Canon Sell, D.D., *Chairman*.

Khaja Khan Sahib, B.A.

(6) Sanskrit.

M.R.Ry. M. Rangachariyar, M.A., Rao Baha-
dur, *Chairman*.

M.R.Ry. V. Srinivasa Sastri, B.A., L.T.

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(7) *Latin and Greek.*

Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A., *Chairman.*

(8) *French and German.*

Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A., *Chairman.*
Mr. A. Mayhew, M.A.

Mr. J. A. Yates, M.A.

(9) *Physics, Chemistry and Hygiene.*

Mr. R. Ll. Jones, M.A., F.R.A.S., *Chairman.*

Rev. J. D. W. Sewell, S.J.

(10) *Kindergarten Teaching and Object Lessons.*

Miss Carr, *Chairman.*

M.R.Ry. J. M. Velu Pillai.

(11) *Library.*

Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A., *Chairman.*
Miss Carr.

M.R.Ry. S. Rangayya Chettiyar, B.A.
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H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
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