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[Despatch Abstract.]

DR. D. DUNCAN.

Sanctioning the retention in the public service of -- until the
31st March 1896.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

From

The Secy. General.

CURRENT No. 352

Edinburgh 1895

No. 3271, D. 18.3.95
Recd & Regd 20/3.

Submitted to Government
with the remark that
the date of my birth is
5th November 1839, not
6th November.

J. Duncan
Secy. of Pub. Instr.



Dated 14

Received 15

Enclosures

Feb 24/95

SUBJECT.

For forwarding for
submission to Govt. list
of gazetted officers employed
under the Madras Govt.
who will attain the age of
55 years or whose extension
of service after attainment
of that age will expire during
current official year 1895/96.



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who will attain the age of 55 years or whose extensions of service after
ire before 1st October 189 .

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attainment of that age will

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FOR ORDERS.

The question is whether Dr. Dimes should be retained after the 6th Nov. 1894 when he attains the age of 55.

In para. 5 of his letter read in
G. O. of 23. 6. 93, N^o 79, Routine, D^r
Duncan intimated his desire
to remain in the public service
after he attained the age of
55 but, when the Act. Gen.
submitted his report on officers
who would attain that age during
1894, Gov^t. decided (G. O. of
19 March '94, N^o 190, Ed.) that
the question of retaining D^r. D.
might lie over for the time
being.

The Financial Dept. has now brought the matter to notice again.

Dr. D.'s leave expires on the 27th prox. so, if H. M. decide that he should be kept on, he can be asked on his return to India whether he still desire to stay.

1) Let us await 22 June and
return

2) If W. Duncan's leave expires on the 27th Sept, it seems to me that, unless it is decided that on his attaining the age of 55 years on Nov. 6 his service will be extended, it will be a cruel kindness to allow him to ~~return~~ return to duty without any warning of the decision of the Govt. He has taken his passage, I see, by the "Kew" leaving London on the 24th inst, so there can be no doubt of his intention to return. If Govt. does not intend to extend his service, therefore, I think he should be warned by telegraph at once, so that he may have the option of cancelling his passage & of remaining in England. I would not therefore await his return before deciding whether an extension of service should be granted him.

As to the extension of Dr. Sam-
cay's service, I observe that,
when he applied for his furlough,
he raised this question in an indirect
out-of-way. It seems true that, as his
leave was granted, hence we can-
~~not~~ naturally infer that it was

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Questions Beyond the Medical

OWEs have already been assessed

NOTE FOR THE Educational Dept.

From a return recd. from the Ag. and now under disposal, it appears that Dr. Duncan, the Director of Public Instruction, will attain the age of 55 years on the 6th November 1894 and that no orders have been passed as regards his further retention in service

C.S.
1.8.94

* I have seen nothing wrong in that way. His work since his return from foreign has seemed to me thoughtful & careful & good, & he has a good reputation as Director. His reports about the Financial accounts of the School of Arts and its reorganization have been very thorough & exhibited great industry and judgment. There is always difficulty & loss of power when a new Head is placed in charge of so complicated a system as that of Education & there will be greater dif-

I don't quite understand him. He is 50 now & 834 but on the 5th Nov 1895.

I think, however, that Dr. Duncan is to go home he did be warned of the fact some. For my own part I think another year extension should be granted. Dr. Duncan hopes for this. In his letter to the C.S. 6. Oct 94 he said:

"My present hope is that I shall continue in my present office for several years". The Hon. Mr. Bliss stated in a note @ 17.8.94 that Dr. Duncan was working in those ideas of discipline which are xx were more essential in the case of the D.P.I. than in any other case & that he considered that his retirement would be a distinct advantage to the Public Service. I don't know how far Dr. Duncan has shown him only deficient as regards ideas of discipline.

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to the Hon. Mr. Bliss with reference to the remarks of Mr. E. the Gov. & the Hon. Mr. Grose. Dr. Duncan will accordingly be asked on his return whether he desires to remain in the service as this is understood to be the decision of the majority.

20 Aug
21/8/94

(For O.D. only)

3) My own impression most strongly felt is that Dr. Duncan's conduct in office after he returned from foreign was fully justified, and that Dr. Duncan was quite aware of this justification. I do not think it would be at all fair to him to retire him now, but if my hon. colleague feels so strongly about him a year hence as he does now, after observing his work for a year, he can make fresh representations about him.

17 Aug

4) I agree with Mr. Dr. Duncan has done good work for the Service & has held his high office of D.P.I. with a very high reputation.

frustrated, under the special circumstances advanced by him, namely that if not granted at the time it is not granted subsequently during any extension of service after he was 55; & that he may therefore argue that he was, at least in principle, granted permission to believe that he would get an extension. But as the question was disposed of in principle there are no rules to show what grounds, or with what promises or hope, or implied, the leave was granted. If he wanted to improve the extension of service would be granted him, there is no more to be said. If not, I should myself strongly oppose any grant of extension of Dr. Duncan's service. I sat with him in the Comtee where report led to the issue of the Madras Educational Rules and what I then saw of him entirely convinced me that he was wanting in those ideas of discipline which are essential in the case of any head of a dept. and ~~which~~ were essential in the case of the D.P.I. than in any other case. In fact, I consider him quite unfitted by character for the office he holds. As Principal for a lengthened period of the Presidency College, he is more responsible than any one else in the Presidency, except perhaps Dr. Miller, for the lax discipline in schools & Colleges which is now so much complained of. I consider that his retirement would be a distinct advantage to the Public Service.

17/8/94

financially than usual now that
funds are so restricted and
economies are necessary
every where.

28/3/95

Note for Ed. Dept

Kanakkasundaram Pillai

Put up the papers
please. It was I think
ordered at the beginning
of the year that the
matter should lie
over.

30/1908/19.3.94
R 1348/4.9.93
R 798/23.6.93

Submitted
7/4/95

Educational

35-2 of 1895

For orders.

as to whether an extension
of service should be granted to
D. Duncan. In this connection
please see H.M.'s notes in the
lodged file marked with red tape.

2. Kachappa Sastri is a non-fazette
officer now acting in a gazetted
appointment - to whom the Director
can himself grant or refuse an
extension under No. 657 No. Finand.
16.9.90

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year, ending on March 31st should
be brought up much sooner than they
are - because it is not fair to keep
officers in suspense, & not let them
know till a few days before April
1st what their fate is to be when
the clock strikes midnight on March
31st.

30 Mar

Order of 9th Apr: '95 No. 276
under Art. 503. C.S.R. the
Govt sanctions D. Duncan's retention
in the public service until the 31st
March 1896.

(From order)
2.7.95 5/4/95

The A.G. Govt
the D.P.

Note with ref to D.P.'s remark
is no need to take action as the necessary
orders have already been issued.

See remarks in margin
Note for the Educational Dept

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This is unnecessary to enter now,
I think, into the question of D.
Duncan's competency. When an
extension was granted the other day,
understood it was to be granted
for a considerable period. Indeed,
just, there was no object in
granting it at all - But, if granted,
the extension should run for the
usual period, i.e., to the end
of the off. year on Mar 31, 1896.

29/3/95

I am all in favour of Dr. Duncan's
serving out his time of 54 years from
the time of his being confirmed as
D. P. S. At least I fancied that
this was the rule. But when
the question of his being retained
or not came up the other day, I
understood that this question was
to be revised every year, & so I
noted that I thought he certainly
shd. be allowed another year.
This question is raised now at the
end of a financial year, & I
quite approve of his being granted
the extension asked for.

In connection with this matter
I think the question of granting
extensions beyond the financial

Private & confidential

Extension of
Service of J. Duncan

Order of Government

Order of Government

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