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EXEMPTION FROM EXAMINATION RULES.

Sanctioning the -- until the 1st July 1897 of the
compositors at the Government Press.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS. EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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ABSTRACT.—Exempting certain posts in the Government Press from the Examination rules.

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2. Between the 1st July 1894 and 31st March 1895, there were 37 compositors dismissed for irregular attendance or inefficiency, 2 resigned, 6 were transferred to other public offices, 13 retired, and 5 died, total 63; and he engaged 72 compositors within the above period, of whom 4 only had passed the Upper Primary examination. It was necessary that these 68 non-passed men should be engaged to enable the work to be got out with the expedition required and to prevent arrears of work in the composing departments. Under these circumstances it is solicited that Government will be pleased to modify their orders directing that none but compositors who have passed the Primary examination are to be employed in the Government Press, for without modifying the same, either wholly or for a period of years, the present establishment of 450 compositors will be reduced annually by about 70 vacancies, and other arrangements for getting some of the work done will require consideration.

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ORDER—dated 13th June 1895, No. 490, Educational.

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(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent, Government Press.

„ Commissioner for Government Examinations.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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current N^o 640
From The Superintendent,
Government Press,

To The Chief Secretary
to Government

ON N^o 775

Dated 21st }
Received 25th } May 1895



Subject.

Solicits sanction for exempting
Compositors from passing the
Educational tests either wholly
or for a certain period.

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745 = 5 10 94 original
67 = 2-2-94 3/4
543 = 10 10 94 1/2
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* as expression from which it may be inferred that these men had not passed any examination accepted in Art. 1 of the P.S. W. L. P. 1-6.

The order does not apply to compositors on pay less than Rs. 10/-: perhaps men can be got for that pay.
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A. Hill

Superintendent.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government.

* Probationary Proof-readers

** Reading boys.

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DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 640/95

FOR ORDERS.

I think Mr. Hill shows that it is absolutely necessary to grant him exemption for a time. It may be granted for 2 years. I shall be glad if it can be arranged for Laurence as a young boy to go to the Press.

77 P.O. 745
A of C. 640 of 1895

Order d/13th June 1895 N^o 490

P.S.
Compositors at the Govt Press will accordingly be exempted from the operation of art. 1 of the P.S. Notification until the 1st July 1897.

The Supt^r, Govt Press

The Commissioner for Govt Secy

* & an addition to the effect should be made to Art. 4 (1) of the P.S. Notification

Under the Pub. Service Notⁿ, Compositors in Govt Presses are required to have qualified under Art. 1 (Schedule Col. 1, item 15). The Superintendent, Govt Press, ^{Madras} however, requested that ^{certain} special concessions ^{might} be granted in favour of Press employees, and among them, that Compositors should be exempted from the operation of Art. 1. This was not granted (S.O. Edⁿ no. 745 of 5.10.94) & in para 3 of the order, the Supt^r was informed that the Examination rules should be rigidly observed. He now brings up the matter again (C. no. 640 of 95) saying that

between

Exemption of Compositors of the
Post Press from Examⁿ rules

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educational qualifications and
if matter could be arranged it would
be to the benefit of the Colony &
Press. Mr. Atkinson highly approved
of the suggestion and said that
he would bring it forward.
The only doubt that I have is whether
the wages to be earned would be
enough to keep the lads respectably.
A young fellow who was of any
real use & intelligence would however
soon find his way up to the better
paid appointments and I know
that private employers are only
too glad to get hold of hands who
have had a drilling in the Post
Press. It is one of Mr. Hill's reasons
that private employers of news
by not giving better pay than we
can get hold of some of the best
men.

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In G. Co 13/6/95
No 490
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between 1st July '94 & 31st
March 1895 there have been
66 vacancies of Compositors'
places in his office which
he has not been able to fill
with passed men and requests
that Compositors may be exempted
from the examination rules either
wholly or for a certain prescribed
period. Under the special
circumstances explained by him,
his request may ^{perhaps} be granted
for a period of say, two years,
i.e. till 31st March 1897.

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H-11.

I was talking the other day to Mr. Hill
Mr. Atkinson regarding the subject
of finding employment for boys from
the Laurence Reformatory a matter in
which he told me that he found
great difficulty. The military authorities
will not enlist any but practically
pure Europeans and as regards
trades the native will undertake
either the European or European as
a workman. But few boys go
to the Laurence Reformatory Press and
the demand for telegraph hands
is comparatively small. I suggested
to Mr. Atkinson that he should
place himself in commⁿ with
Mr. Hill who I am sure would be
only too glad to get hold of the
hands that the Reformatory can turn out.
They would have the necessary

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