

Educational (1896) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Receiving letter from the D.P.I. intimating
that he ^{has} invited the attention of the ~~University~~
Syndicate to the expediency of steps being taken
to bring the affiliated colleges into closer relations
with and more under the supervision of the
University, and stating that further action
in the matter of the University residing upon
certain students living in the Victoria Students
or ^{some} other recognized hostel may be deferred till the
result of this reference is known.

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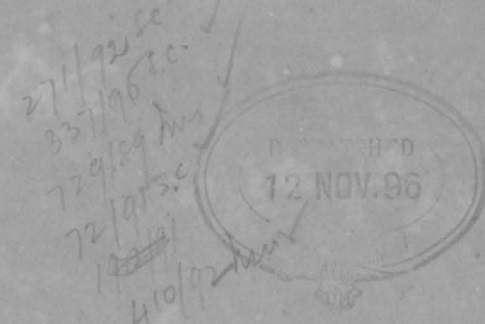
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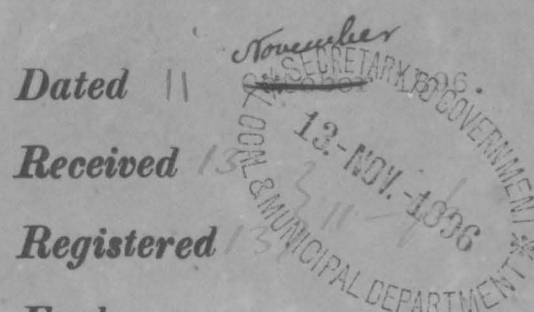
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SUBJECT:

Replying to a reference
 regarding the University insisting
 upon all its students who do not
 reside with friends or relations in
 Madras living in the Victoria
 Students Hostel or some similar
 recognised Hostel or lodging house.

To The O.P. 940 *referred*
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From

THE HONOURABLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.S., LL.D.,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Madras.

To

The ^ePrisoner

University of Illinois

SIR,

I have the honour to invite the attention of the Syndicate to the expediency of steps being taken to bring the affiliated Colleges into closer relations with and more under the supervision of the University. The rules of affiliation embodied in by-laws 283 to 288 inclusive, and more especially by-law 287, contain nearly all the matters connected with these colleges with which the University concerns itself, and I think every one will admit that the parental care of the University towards its affiliated colleges could hardly be less than it is. Beyond testing their intellectual attainments the University does nothing for the students during their undergraduate career. Yet it seems to me incontestible that the University should exercise some kind of control over the physical and moral well-being of its undergraduates. For myself I do not see how the University can do this directly, but indirectly through the affiliated colleges it might ^{exercise} ~~expect~~ a most beneficial influence.

2. With regard to education below the University stage, the Educational Department has instituted a system of "recognition" which is to schools what University "affiliation" is to colleges, only infinitely more effective. In 1889 Government appointed a Committee to revise what was known as the Standing Orders of the Educational Department. This Committee inter alia

drew up two sets of rules namely:-

- i. Rules which should be enforced in every recognised school, and which for the sake of brevity may be called "conditions of recognition"
- ii. Additional rules which should be enforced in every aided institution and which may be called "conditions of aid"

In its report the Committee says: "the conditions of recognition ^{been} drawn up by the Committee have not extended so as to include colleges, ^{inasmuch} ~~in as much~~ as the recognition or affiliation of such institutions is vested in the University subject to the sanction of the Governor in Council."

3. In submitting the report of the Committee to Government Mr. Grigg remarked as follows:-

"As regards this section (II) I observe first that no reference is made to Colleges. This omission, viewed with reference to the remarks in paragraph 9 of the Committee's report, seems rather to imply that unaided colleges are not, or rather the College departments of unaided institutions are not to fall within the operation of these rules. I am inclined to question the expediency of such an arrangement, because I do not think the University possesses through its affiliation system any effective means of securing the efficient management of colleges, and because if the college department is not efficient, it is not likely that the subsidiary school departments will be efficient either. There should be no ground for doubt that the school department of such institutions must be recognised separately, and I have therefore inserted the words "including the school departments of unaided colleges in Rule 10"

Government approved of Mr. Grigg's amendment, as well as of his proposed alteration in the heading of the Committee's second set of rules called "conditions of aid" which was changed into "Special conditions for aided colleges and schools"

The two sets of rules as amended by Mr. Grigg and by Government were finally published in 1892 as sections II and III of the Madras Educational Rules. In 1895 the first edition of the Madras Educational Rules being out of print the opportunity was taken of subjecting the whole book to very careful revision. In submitting the draft of the second or revised edition to

Government in November 1895 I remarked as follows:-

"I have never been satisfied with ~~the~~ section III of the first edition, which, besides being very incomplete, was very anomalous. The Educational rules have nothing to do with the conditions of aid, these belonging to the Grant-in-Aid Code. Further, the department does not concern itself with the recognition of colleges, that being the function of the University. Affiliation takes the place among colleges which recognition takes among schools. I propose, therefore, on receipt of the orders of Government on this letter, to bring the matter before the Syndicate. The University Calendar (page 131) contains what are called "Rules of affiliation," which correspond to the conditions of recognition in the case of schools. But the rules of affiliation are very few and meagre, and it would be well if they were amplified on lines somewhat similar to chapter II of the Madras Educational Rules as now submitted to Government. I have, accordingly, incorporated in article 31 all that applies to schools in section III of the first edition, and what applies to colleges will be recommended to the Senate for incorporation in the rules of affiliation. Those conditions which are neither conditions of recognition nor of affiliation will be incorporated in the next edition of the Grant-in-Aid Code"

More recently in paragraph 192 of my report on Public Instruction, dealing ^{with} hostels and boarding houses I have said

"In paragraph 4 (15) of my letter No 12310, dated 15th November 1895, I stated that ^I intended moving the University to revise and expand the rules of affiliation somewhat on the lines followed in Chapter II of the Revised Educational Rules. This opportunity will be taken of moving the University, as the controlling authority in respect of collegiate education, to consider what should be done for the supervision of students during their college course. Government might, of course, at once and independently of any action on the part of the University, proceed to frame rules for the colleges under its management; and it might also insert ^{rules} to the same effect in the Grant-in-Aid Code so far as aided colleges are concerned; but it is better to await the action of the University"

4. I hope I have said enough to convince the Syndicate of the desirability of at least considering whether the time

has not come for devising measures to bring the University and its affiliated colleges closer together. If I have succeeded in convincing my colleagues, I would suggest that the Syndicate send up to the Senate a recommendation that a representative committee of the Senate be appointed to deal fully with the whole question of the relations of the affiliated colleges to the University and submit a report to the Senate.

5. I enclose a copy of each of the editions of the Madras Educational Rules.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

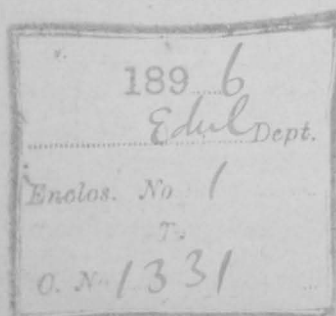
Your most obedient servant,

/Sd/ D. Duncan,

Director of Public Instruction.

/True Copy/

J. G. Duncan
Director of Public Instruction.



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras, 11 November 1896

No. 12131

From

THE HONORABLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.SC., LL.D.,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local & Municipal Dept., FORT ST. GEORGE.

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No 617, Educational, dated 3rd ultimo, I have the honour to submit a copy of my letter to the Registrar, University of Madras, No 11431 of the 23rd idem inviting the attention of the Syndicate to the expediency of steps being taken to bring the affiliated Colleges into closer relations with, and more under the supervision of the University and to state that further action may be deferred till the result of the reference to the University is known.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. G. Duncan
Director of Public Instruction.

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