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Read—the following paper:—

From the Hon'ble Mr. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.Sc., LL.D., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated Madras, 1st June 1897, No. 5838.

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, three copies of my Proceedings, No. 5745, dated 27th ultimo, reviewing the report on the working of the Oriental Manuscripts Library during 1896–97.

Enclosure.

Read letter from M. SESHAGIRI SASTRI, Curator, Government Oriental Manuscripts Library, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, No. 15, dated 4th May 1897.

I have the honour to forward herewith the following report on the working of the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library for the year 1896–97.

2. S. Vaidyanatha Sastri, Vernacular Munshi of the Library, who had been absent on sick leave on medical certificate from September 1894, retired on invalid pension on the 6th September 1896. P. Varadachari, the sub. *pro tem.* Assistant Librarian, was provisionally appointed vernacular munshi, while his place was given provisionally to K. Venkatesvara Sastri, the late Sanskrit Pandit of the Training College, Calicut, who took charge of the appointment on the 24th October. From the 25th November 1896, T. Visvesvara Sastri who was acting for Vaidyanatha Sastri from January 1896 was therefore obliged to go down to the post of clerk, to which C. Rajagopalachariyar had been appointed temporarily.

3. The annual grant of Rs. 600 for contingent expenses was spent in the following manner:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Transcription of manuscripts	327	9	9
Purchase of manuscripts, including the subscription for "The Pandit"	143	0	0
Minor contingencies including binding charges	129	6	3
Total ...	600	0	0

4. During the year under report, the library was visited by 1,676 persons, of whom 780 are readers, 856 copyists and 40 mere visitors. Owing to the dangerous condition of the museum tower, visitors were not allowed to attend the library from the 15th March. But the library was not closed during the Christmas and Easter holidays for the convenience of visitors. The corresponding numbers for the last year are 1,531, 672, 825 and 34.

The following table shows the number of manuscripts acquired in detail:—

—	Sanskrit.	Tamil.	Telugu.	Canarese.	Total.
By transcription and restoration	30	16	2	..	48
By purchase	48	12	..	..	60
By present	109	91	..	1	201
Total ..	187	119	2	1	309

5. I beg to append the following statements showing the number of manuscripts in each year from 1886 in which year the annual grant of Rs. 3,200 was withdrawn and a small annual grant of Rs. 600 was allowed in its stead:—

—	1886–87.	1887–88.	1888–89.	1889–90.	1890–91.	1891–92.	1892–93.	Total.
Manuscripts transcribed ..	13	20	8	13	49	37	6	146
,, purchased ..	283	432	10	192	..	16	36	969
,, presented ..	34	102	158	..	..	26	43	363
Total ..	330	554	176	205	49	79	85	1,478

—	1893–94.	1894–95.	1895–96.	1896–97.	Total.
Manuscripts transcribed	23	42	62	48	175
,, purchased	104	73	39	60	276
,, presented	204	133	79	201	617
Total ..	331	248	180	309	1,068

The total number of manuscripts acquired for seven years from 1886–87 to 1892–93 is 1,478 which gives an average of 211 for a year; and the total number of manuscripts acquired for the four years after my appointment to the curatorship is 1,068 and the average per year is 267.

I beg to state that, in obedience to the wish of Government expressed in paragraph 3 of their Proceedings No. 400, dated 6th July 1896, I instituted at my own cost a search for Sanskrit manuscripts in the Cuddapah district, an account of which is given elsewhere in this report; and this has enabled me to get much information about the Sanskrit manuscripts existing in the country, and to purchase and transcribe many useful and rare manuscripts. In this way I have been able to raise the number of the manuscripts acquired during the last year far above those of the manuscripts acquired during the previous two years; and the number very nearly approaches the quantity of the acquisition of the first year of my curatorship.

From this it is clear that, if we institute a regular search for sanskrit manuscripts in addition to what is already done in that direction to a limited extent by the travels of the pandits of the library, we can get a good number of manuscripts every year uniformly for some years.

I beg to invite the attention of Government to the fact that the limited annual grant of Rs. 600 was calculated from the average expenditure of some years under the headings of transcripts and purchases of manuscripts as shown below:—

	Rs.
Purchase of manuscripts	15
Transcripts of manuscripts	27
Stationery and binding	16
	58

From the above total, Rs. 58, Rs. 8 was deducted, and Rs. 50 was allowed as the monthly grant, and the annual grant was thus fixed at Rs. 600. It is said in the Proceedings withdrawing the big annual grant of Rs. 3,200, that the Curator is relieved of the duty of travelling in search of Sanskrit manuscripts in the various districts of the Presidency. In the annual grant no provision is, however, made for the expenses of travelling, and the existing staff of the library is not strong enough to attend to the work of travelling for a long time. Owing to want of sufficient staff and

money, we cannot send out each of the two pandits for more than a month in the year, and in consequence of the absence of reliable information about the manuscripts and their owners, even the short journeys undertaken by the pandits do not prove so successful as they would be if the pandits were in possession of sufficient previous information. Within the first three years since my appointment to the curatorship, in addition to sending out the pandits of the library as shown above, I tried through the agency of my friends to get information about the existence of manuscripts, the owners of which would part with them for pecuniary considerations. Two brothers who had a library in their possession offered to sell their manuscripts to me. My bargain with the elder of the two succeeded; and I made a good acquisition for the library in 1893–94. The younger followed suit in the next year, and sold his share of the manuscripts to me. But as his share was not so rich as that of his elder brother, the quantity of the second year's acquisition was less than that of the previous year. In the third year my effort was still less successful. Even in Dr. Oppert's time, the number of manuscripts acquired in each year was as fortuitous and fluctuating as it has been subsequently, as can be seen from the above statement. In the first four years the numbers of the manuscripts acquired were satisfactory, but in the next three years, they fell off considerably; and the decrease must be owing to the want of any provision for instituting regular travels for the search of Sanskrit manuscripts. I am labouring under the same disadvantages, but I shall try my best not to allow the acquisition of manuscripts to fall below 85 which was the number of manuscripts acquired in 1892–93 and which has been approved by you in your review of that year's annual report, and I beg to quote here the passage—

> The number of manuscripts added to the library during the year 1892–93 was 85 . . . . Considering the difficulties in the way of persuading owners to part with their manuscripts, the advance in the number of purchases made and the gifts obtained is very gratifying (*vide* paragraph 3 of the Director's Proceedings, No. 405-B.B., dated 25th May 1893).

6. With regard to the work done during the year in the library, I beg to state that the whole staff has worked very satisfactorily. Besides attending to the daily routine work, the peons have cleaned the manuscripts of the whole library and applied the earth oil when necessary. A list of injured manuscripts was made during the course of the examination of the manuscripts, and some of them were restored. This examination of the contents of the library made once a year since my appointment to the curatorship in 1893 has contributed a good deal towards the preservation of the manuscripts. The manuscripts collected during the year were examined, and a catalogue containing short notices was prepared as usual and is appended to this report. In conformity to paragraph 4 of your review of my report on the working of the library during the last year (1895–96), the annual report is accompanied by an account of each of the rarest and most important of the manuscripts collected during the last year and extracts made from them. This addition has increased the work of the pandits and myself. We had to study all the rare and important works collected during the year, to mark and excerpt passages and words which are likely to be of any use in throwing light on the history of the works, their authors, the contemporaries of those authors, and the like, and to embody all the information thus obtained in the report. I beg to submit that this is really a very important work and should be done leisurely and carefully as is the case in the Bombay Presidency where Professors Peterson and Bhandarkar have been publishing their reports on the search of manuscripts not every year but once in two or three years. But as such a report was to be prepared and submitted along with the annual report of the library for each year according to your orders above referred to, the pandits and myself were obliged to work harder and devote more time to the examination and study of the manuscripts collected during the year. I have to observe, however, that owing to want of time, I was obliged to wind up the examination and study of the manuscripts with a view to finish and submit the annual report within time. But I hope to supply the omission and to correct the errors that may arise by issuing a separate special report leisurely once in two or three years, similar to that which was prepared for the manuscripts collected during 1893–94 and the publication of which was sanctioned by you.

Annual report with notices of rare manuscripts and extracts.

Special report.—The special report on the manuscripts collected during 1893–94 was finished and submitted in July last. From the commencement of the official year, the pandits and myself were engaged very hard in the preparation of the report, and I was obliged to stay at Madras during the summer vacation of the college till the completion and submission of the report in the first week of July 1896. The report was returned to me with your Proceedings, No. 12958, dated 1st December 1896, granting premission to print it. But, owing to the heavy work in connection with the examination and study of the manuscripts collected during the last year and the revision of the descriptive catalogue of the Sanskrit manuscripts of the library, I could not send the special report to the Press; and I shall do so after the publication of this annual report and the accounts of the rare and important manuscripts and the extracts appended to the report.

Descriptive catalogue.—With regard to the descriptive catalogue which is now being revised, I beg to state that a good deal of work was done during the last year. The slips prepared under the superintendence of Dr. Oppert are arranged according to the subject matter; and each slip is revised by reference to the original manuscript to which it relates. In many cases the slips contain little or no information in consequence of the hurry with which they were prepared as already explained in my annual reports for the last three years. In some cases the manuscripts were wrongly named; and different works contained in the same manuscript are taken as one work, and conversely, the different portions of the same work found in one manuscript are treated as separate works with different titles. If I have to revise all the slips of the descriptive catalogue according to my original plan of revision, the period of two years which Government were pleased to grant me (in their Proceedings, No. 400, dated 6th July 1896) for the revision, will not be sufficient. I beg to add also that according to paragraph 4 of the above proceedings, the descriptive catalogue should be revised and prepared for publication on the lines indicated in paragraph 8 of my annual report of the year and should contain as much useful information as possible; and this addition will give to the descriptive catalogue a new form altogether and is to be done with a patient and critical study and examination of the contents of each manuscript. Under these circumstances, though I originally proposed to examine the slips one by one, and afterwards to arrange them according to the subject matter and then to print them, I had to abandon this original plan and to adopt a more convenient and expeditious one. As the slips of the catalouge should be finally arranged according to the subject matter and printed in a new form, I collected all the slips belonging to the Vedic literature, viz., the Sainhitas of the four Vedas, the Brahmanas, the Upanishads, the Srauta, the Grihya and Dharmasutras and the like, and by comparing them with the originals corrected them, supplemented them with new matter and recopied them. I have thus prepared the first volume of the descriptive catalogue which will be shortly ready for the press after a final perusal. The greater part of the year was devoted to the preparation and expediting of this catalogue. While the first volume is in the press, a second volume will be prepared during the present year and made ready for publication in the next year. In this way I hope to bring out one volume of the descriptive catalogue each year.

7. *Tours.*—With regard to the tours undertaken in search of Sanskrit manuscripts I beg to state that the pandits and others were sent out when convenient to many places near and distant from Madras, Kumbhakónam, Coimbatore, Chingleput, Kanchivaram, Tiruppurankunram and Tiruvathiyur and some of the suburbs of Madras were visited. I shall mention some instances of the successful and unsuccessful efforts which I made to get copies of manuscripts from remote places or to acquire the manuscripts otherwise.

The Collector and Government Agent [illegible]anjore, was requested to be good enough to have arrangements made for getting a transcript of the manuscript of the Sáhasánkacarita found in the palace library of Tanjore; and he was good enough to comply with my request and send me a Devanagari transcript of the work made at a cost of Rs. 13–8–0.

I requested Mr. Rajarajaravarma, Principal of the Maharaja's Sanskrit College at Tirvandrum, to get transcripts of the manuscript of a very old commentary of the Namalinganusasana of Amarasimha written by Khirasvami, and a manuscript of the

Bhallatasataka, an ancient didactic poem like the Subhashitatnóati of Bhartrihari; and he was kind enough to get a copy of the manuscript in the Devanagari character of the latter work; and I hope that the gentleman will supply me with a copy also of the other work which possesses much value in reference to sanskrit philology.

Through the assistance of Mr. Balasubrahmanya Aiyar, M.A., student of the Presidency College, I got the manuscript copies of the Janninigrihya Sutra, and the Janninigrihyakarika, which were copied at the library and returned to the owner in the Trichinopoly district.

Mr. Venkatesachariyar a good sanskrit pandit, whom I requested to search for Sanskrit manuscripts in the Tanjore district got information about the existence of a library of works on the religion of Vallabhacharya and his followers, which is known by the designation of Pushtimaraga; and through his exertions I got the whole library which contained about fifty works.

Visvesvara Sastri, the clerk of the library, obtained manuscripts of the commentaries, the Samaveda Samhita and the Grihya and Prayagar and other works which are very rare; and they were copied for the library.

C. Rajagopala charyar who was clerk of the library and was thrown out of employment by the appointment of Venkatesvara Sastri of Calicut to the place held by Visvesvara Sastri, travelled to Kanchi and other places in the Chingleput district and came across a library of Tamil works, the owner of which sold the manuscripts to the library. Many of the manuscripts thus purchased are very rare and possess a great library and historical value.

On the 17th August 1896, I appointed V. Tiruvenkatacharyar to travel in the Cuddapah district in search of Sanskrit manuscripts and gave him an order authorizing him to do so on behalf of Government in the district and requesting the Collector and other officers to be good enough to render him as much help as they could according to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 158, dated 20th July 1882. He first went to Madanapalle and saw the Tahsildar and requested his assistance according to the above Government Order. The officer referred the matter to the Sub-Collector who was kind enough to issue orders to all the officers in his jurisdiction. The pandit visited Madanapalle, Tamballapalle, Badikayapalle, Peddatippasamudram, Kandukuru, Rangasamudram, Ghattu and Vavilpadu, and examined and catalogued all the available Sanskrit libraries of those places. On the 24th January 1897 he returned to Madras. He was then sent to Tirupati, Trichanur, Virapuram and other places in the North Arcot district in search of some particular important manuscripts and returned to Madras in March last.

In the catalogue of the Sanskrit library of the Sringeri Math printed in the list of Sanskrit manuscripts in the private libraries of Southern India, I noticed a copy of a lexicon named Bhagurikosa mentioned; and I took steps to have a transcript made of the work. The library was examined, and it turned out that the work entered as Bhagurikosa was a work on the Dharmasastra written by a person named Bharuchi. As this work was rare though quoted in ancient works, I made arrangements through S. Vaidyanatha Sastriyar, late Vernacular munshi of the library and now employed as the Superintendent of the Sanskrit School of the Math to have a copy of the work made. But the transcript of the work has not reached me yet.

I have also to mention here, one at least of the many attempts which failed in the end notwithstanding the labour and money spent. I heard that a Tamil pandit (I omit the name and the place of the pandit), had in his possession, manuscript copies of the Tamil இசைநுணுக்கம் Isa-inunukkum, a work on music, and மாபுராணம் Mapuranam, claiming great antiquity and possessing immense interest for the antiquarian and literary scholar. The works are mentioned by Nachinárkiniyar the well known commentator of the Tamil Grammar Tolgáppiyam, as belonging to the period of the second assembly of the ancient Tamil poets and as works which were in existence when the above Tamil Grammar was written. If we secure copies of these works, we can study them and from the internal evidence we can approximately fix their dates, and the dates of the composition of the Tolgáppiyam and also the dates of many Sanskrit works, the existence of which is borne out by the contents of the Grammar. I have been trying to get copies of these works for the last four or five years, and the *soi disant* owner of them has been too inexorable to satisfy my literary curiosity.

There are many such attempts both successful and unsuccessful, but the instances quoted above are quite sufficient to show to you what pains have to be taken and time spent in getting information about the existence of rare and important manuscripts in the various districts of the Presidency, and in taking steps to secure copies of those manuscripts or to purchase them.

8. A list of printed books, catalogues, and journals presented to the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library during 1896–97 is given here below :—

Name of work.	Number of copies.
1. The Pandit Volume XVIII except No. 3	1
2. Translation of the Mahabharata, Nos. 98, 99 and 100 each	2
3. Descriptive catalogue of Sanskrit Manuscripts in the Library of the Calcutta Sanskrit College, No. 415, &c., each.	1
4. Catalogue of the Library of Teikoku Daigaku, Part of 1896 ...	1
5. The Fifth report of Operation in search of Sanskrit manuscripts in the Bombay Circle, from April 1892 to March 1895.	1
6. Catalogue of the India Office Library, Parts V and VI	1
7. Hindujanasamskarini, Volume, II Nos. 9 to 12, Volume 12, Nos. 4 to 7.	1
8. Epigraphica Indica, Volume IV, Parts III and IV, each	1
9. Rasarnavasudhakara	1
10. Bobbilirajukatha	1
11. Kumara, &c.	1
12. Jagannatha Vijaya of Mahakavi Rudrabhatta	1
13. Kaniyasulkamu by G. V. Appa Rau Pantulu, B.A.	1

9. A catalogue of all the manuscripts acquired during the last is appended hereto.

Alphabetical List of Sanskrit Manuscripts transcribed for the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library during the year 1896–97.

No.	Name of Manuscripts in Dēvanāgarī.	Name of Manuscripts in English.	Subject-matter.	Author's name.	Substance.	Character.	Pages.	Lines.	Remarks.
1	ऐतरेयोपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Aitarēyōpaniṣadbhāṣya-ṭippaṇam.	Advaita Vēdānta.	.....	Paper ...	Dēvanā-garī.	31	17	Complete.
2	जैमिनिगृह्यसूत्रम्	Jaiminigṛhyasūtram ...	Gṛhya ...	.....	Do. ...	Do.	48	15	Do.
3	जैमिनिगृह्यसूत्रकारिका ...	Jaiminigṛhysūtrakārikā ..	Do. ...	Bālāgnihōtri ...	Do. ...	Do.	25	16	Do.
4	द्राह्यायणगृह्यपरिशिष्टम् ...	Drāhyāyaṇagṛhyapariśiṣ-ṭam.	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do.	96	14	Do.
5	द्राह्यायणपूर्वापरप्रयोगः ...	Drāhyāyaṇapūrvāpara-prayōgaḥ.	Prayōga ...	.....	Do. ...	Telugu ...	182	18	Do.
6	प्रश्नोपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Praśnōpaniṣadbhāṣyaṭip-paṇam.	Advaita Vēdānta.	.....	Do. ...	Dēvanā-garī.	29	18	Do.
7	ब्रह्मसूत्रभाष्यव्याख्या (भाष्यरत्नप्र-भा).	Brahmasūtrabhāṣyavyā-khyā (Bhāṣyaratna-prabhā).	Do.	Gōvindānanda ..	Do. ...	Telugu ...	262	20	3rd and 4th adhyāyas.
8	ब्रह्मसूत्रभाष्यव्याख्या (सूत्रोपन्यासः)	Brahmasūtrabhāṣyavyā-khyā (Sūtrōpanyāsaḥ).	Do.	Rāmēśvarabhārati ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	290	20	Complete.
9	भल्लटशतकम्	Bhallaṭaśatakam ...	Kāvya ...	Bhallata	Do. ...	Dēvanā-garī.	...	...	.....
10	सामवेदसंहिताभाष्यम्	Sāmavēdasaṁhitābhā-ṣyam.	Vēdabhāṣya.	Bharatasvāmi ...	Do. ...	Telugu ...	268	18	Pūrvark com-plete.
11	सिद्धान्तकौमुदीव्याख्या (बालमनो-रमा).	Siddhāntakaumudīvyā-khyā (Bālamanōramā).	Vyākaraṇa ...	Vāsudēva	Do. ...	Dēvanā-garī.	104	13	Up to Acsandhi.
12	सौन्दर्यलहरीव्याख्या (सुधाविद्योति-नी).	Saundaryalaharīvyākhyā (Sudhāvidyōtinī).	Mantra ...	Pravarasēna ...	Do. ...	Do.	248	11	Incomplete.

Alphabetical List of Tamil Manuscripts transcribed for the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library during the year 1896–97.

1	ஆசாரக்கோவை	Ācārakkōvai	Ācāra ...	Muḷḷi	Paper ...	Tamil ...	34	25	.....
	ஷி உரை	Do. commentary.							
2	ஐங்குறுநூறு	Aiṅkuṟunūṟu	Kavya ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	46	24	.....
3	திணைமாலை நூற்றைம்பது ...	Tiṇaimālainūṟṟaimbadu.	Do. ...	Kaṇimēdāviyār ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	71	25	.....
	ஷி உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
4	தொல்காப்பியம், சொல் ...	Tolgāppiyam, Etymology.	Grammar ...	Tolgāppiyar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	228	25	.....
	ஷி இளம்பூரணருரை...	Do. commentary.	...	Iḷampūraṇar ...					
5	நளவெண்பா (வசனத்துடன்) ...	Nalaveṇbā (with prose).	Kāvya ...	Pugaḻēndippulavar...	Do. ...	Do. ...	126	25	.....
6	நற்றிணை நானூறு	Narṟiṇainānūṟu ...	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	300	15	.....
7	நீதித்திரட்டு (அறத்துப்பால்) ...	Nītittiraṭṭu (Aṟattuppāl).	Nīti ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	320	25	.....
8	பந்தனந்தாதி	Pandaṇandādi	Kāvya ...	Auvaiyār	Do. ...	Do. ...	21	25	.....

Alphabetical List of Sanskrit Manuscripts restored in the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library during the year 1896–97.

1	क्रियाप्रदीपः	Kriyāpradīpaḥ ...	Āgama ...	.....	Paper ...	Telugu ...	147	14	Incomplete.
2	देवताध्यायब्राह्मणभाष्यम् ...	Dēvatādhyāyabrāhmaṇa-bhāṣyam.	Sāmavēda brāhmaṇa.	Sāyanācārya ...	Do. ...	Dēvanā-garī.	26	15	Complete.
3	नाथमुनिविजयः	Nāthamunivijayaḥ ...	Campukāvya.	Rāmānujadāsa ...	Do. ...	Telugu ...	59	30	Four ullāsas.
4	नारायणीविलासः	Nārāyaṇīvilāsaḥ ...	Nāṭaka ...	Virūpākṣa	Do. ...	Do. ...	19	17	Complete.
5	नृत्ततालकपूर्त्तनम्	Nṛttatālakapūrttanam ...	Nāṭyaśāstra.	Śārṅgadēva ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	66	21	Incomplete; with Telugu notes.
6	पदकारिकारत्नमाला	Padakārikāratnamālā ...	Vēdalakṣaṇa.	Śaṅkarācārya ...	Do. ...	Dēvanā-garī.	110	16	Complete.

Alphabetical List of Sanskrit Manuscripts restored in the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library, during the year 1896-97—*cont.*

No.	Name of Manuscripts in Dēvanāgarī.	Name of Manuscripts in English.	Subject-matter.	Author's name.	Substance.	Charactor.	Pages.	Lines.	Remarks.
7	यजुर्वेदभाष्यम् (वेदार्थप्रकाशिका).	Yajurvēdabhāṣyam (Vēdārthaprakāśikā.	Vēdabhāṣya.	Sāyaṇācārya ...	Paper ...	Dēvanāgarī.	566	15	From the beginning of the 1st kāṇḍa up to 11th anuvāka of the 6th praśna.
8	यजुर्वेदभाष्यम् (वेदार्थप्रकाशिका) ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Telugu ...	176	21	From the beginning of the 7th kāṇḍa up to 18th anuvāka of the 4th praśna.
9	रामायणामृतकतकटीका ...	Rāmāyaṇāmṛtakatakatīkā	Ādikāvya ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	43	32	26 sargas in the beginning of Sundarakāṇḍa
10	लक्ष्मीस्वयंवरः	Lakṣmīsvayamvaraḥ ...	Nātaka ...	Srīnivāsacatuṣkavīndra.	Do. ...	Do. ...	60	16	2 to 5 acts.
11	वंशब्राह्मणभाष्यम्	Vaṁśabrāhmaṇabhāṣyam.	Sāmavēda brāhmaṇa.	Sāyaṇācārya ...	Do. ..	Dēvanāgarī.	19	15	Complete.
12	सहचारवादः	Sahacāravādaḥ ...	Nyāya ...	.....	Do. ...	Telugu ...	164	22	Do.
13	सामतन्त्रसूत्रभाष्यम्	Sāmatantrasūtrabhāṣyam.	Vēdalakṣaṇa.	.. ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	184	24	Do.
14	सामवेदगानलक्षणम् (संज्ञाप्रकरणम्).	Sāmavēdagānalakṣaṇam (Samjñāprakaraṇam).	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	21	51	2 praśnas.
15	सामवेदमन्त्रखण्डभाष्यम् ...	Sāmavēdamantrakhaṇḍa-bhāṣyam.	Sāmabrāhmaṇa.	Sayaṇācārya ..	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī.	181	14	Complete.
16	सिद्धान्तकौमुदीव्याख्या (लघुशब्देन्दुशेखरः).	Siddhāntakaumudīvyākhyā (Laghuśabdēnduśēkharaḥ).	Vyākaraṇa ...	Nagēśabhaṭṭa ..	Do. ...	Do. ..	244	18	Uttrārdha, complete.
17	संहितोपनिषद्ब्राह्मणभाष्यम् ...	Samhitōpaniṣadbrāhmaṇa-bhāṣyam.	Sāmabrāhmaṇa.	Sāyaṇācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	11	15	Complete.
18	स्मृतिसारसङ्ग्रहः	Smṛtisārasaṅgrahaḥ ...	Yati viṣaya-dharma.	Puruṣōttamānanda-sarasvati.	Do. ...	Telugu ...	74	22	Do.

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1	அகப்பொருள்விளக்கம் ...	Agapporuḷviḷakkam ...	Alaṅkāra-śāstra.	Nāṟkavirājanambi ...	Paper ...	Tamil ...	265	24	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
2	உதயனகுமாரகாவியம் ...	Udayanakumārakāvyam .	Kāvya ...	.. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	71	25	.....
3	கல்லாடம்	Kallādam	Do. ...	Kallādar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	120	25	.....
	ஷை உரை	Do. commentary.	.....	Mayilēṟumperumāḷ-piḷḷai.					
4	தண்டியலங்காரம்	Daṇḍiyalaṅkāram ...	Rhetoric ...	Daṇḍi ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	220	25	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary...							
5	திருக்குறள்	Tirukkuraḷ	Nīti ...	Tiruvaḷḷuvar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	338	25	.....
	ஷை பொழிப்புரை ...	Do commentary.							
6	நாலடியார்	Nāladiyār	Do. ...	Śamaṇa Munivar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	208	25	.....
	ஷை பழையவுரை ...	Do. old commentary.	.....	Padumaṇār ...					
7	நீதிசாரம்	Nītisāram	Nīti ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	37	25	.....
	ஷை உரை	Do. commentary ...							
8	வீரசோழியம்	Vīraśōḷiyam	Grammar ...	Buddha Mitraṇār ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	290	25	.....
	ஷை உரை	Do. commentary...	.....	Perundēvaṇār ...					

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1	భోజరాజీయము	Bhōjarājīyamu	Caritra ...	Anantakavi ...	Paper ...	Telugu ...	82	24	6th and 7th adhyāyas.
2	సకలనీతికథానిధానము	Sakalanītikathānidhāna-mu.	Nīti ...	Errayyakavi ...	Do.	Do. ...	58	24	4th and 5th āśvāsas.

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1	अमरकोशपदविवृतिः	Amarakōśapadavivṛtiḥ ...	Nighaṇṭu ...	Vaṅgala Liṅgayya-sūri.	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	292	9	First kāṇḍa complete; in the 2nd up to Vaiśyavarga; injured.
2	अलङ्कारप्रकरणम्	Alaṅkāraprakaraṇam ...	Alaṅkāra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	203	13	Complete; good order.

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3	अलङ्कारेन्दुशेखरः (लक्षणमालाव्याख्या).	Alaṅkārēnduśēkharah (Lakṣaṇamālāvyākhyā).	Alaṅkāra ...	Nṛsimhakavi ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	125	8	Up to Utprēkṣa.
4	अष्टश्लोकीव्याख्यानम् ...	Aṣṭaślōkīvyākhyānam ...	Viśiṣṭādvaita vēdānta.	Vaiṣṇavadāsa ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	24	7	Complete.
5	उदारराघवम्	Udārarāghavam ...	Kāvya ...	Kavimalla Mallayārya.	Do. ...	Do. ...	62	9	From the beginning up to the 14th ślōka of the 8th sarga.
6	उदारराघवव्याख्या (प्रद्योतिनी) ...	Udārarāghavavyākhyā (Pradyōtinī)	Do. ...	Cauṇḍipaṇḍita ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	56	8	First 2 sargas.
7	गोवर्धनगिरिमाहात्म्यम् ...	Gōvardhanagirimāhātmyam.	Purāṇa ...	.....	Paper ...	Dēvanāgarī.	50	9	11 adhyāyas.
8	चन्द्रकलाकल्याणम्	Candrakalākalyāṇam ...	Nāṭaka ...	Narasimha	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	90	6	Complete, torn at the ends.
9	चरकसंहिता	Carakasamhitā	Vaidya ...	.....	Do. ...	Do.	44	7	Incomplete.
10	ज्ञानवासिष्ठसप्तशती	Jñānavāsiṣṭhasaptaśatī ...	Advaita vēdānta.	.....	Paper ...	Do. ...	173	24	Complete.
11	तत्त्वदीपनिबन्धनम्	Tattvadīpanibandanam ...	Bhāgavatapurāṇa.	Vallabha and Viṭṭhala.	Do. ...	Grantha.	554	12	4 skandhas complete ; 5th incomplete.
12	तत्त्वदीपप्रकाशः	Tattvadīpaprakāśaḥ ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Pītāmbara	Do. ...	Do. ...	296	14	Complete.
13	द्रव्यशुद्धिदीपिका	Dravyaśuddhidīpikā ...	Dharma ...	Puruṣōttama ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	144	10	Do.
14	निरोधविवृतिव्याख्या	Nirōdhavivṛtivyākhyā ...	Purāna ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	156	11	7 adhyāyas in the beginning of the 10th skāndha of the Bhāgavatam.
15	परतत्त्वाञ्जनम्	Paratattvāñjanam ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Muralidharadāsa ..	Do. ...	Do. ..	91	27	Complete; good.
16	परतत्त्वविलासः	Paratattvavilāsaḥ ...	Do.	Kṛṣṇatīrtha ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	73	26	Do.

17	प्रयोगरत्नम्	Prayōgaratnam	Āśvalāyana-prayōga.	Bhaṭṭanārāyaṇa ...	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī.	286	12	Do.
18	प्रश्नोत्तररत्नमाला	Praśnōttararatnamālā ...	Vaidya ...	Śrīśailanātha ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	78	7	Do.
19	प्रेमभक्तिरसायनम्	Prēmabhaktirasāyanam...	Bhaktivēdānta.	.. ...	Paper ...	Grantha...	27	22	Do.
20	बाणासुरविजयचम्पुः	Bāṇāsuravijayacampuḥ .	Campukāvya .	Venkatācārya ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	78	7	Do.
21	ब्रह्मसूत्रभाष्यम्	Brahmasūtraabhāṣyam ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Vallabhācārya ...	Paper ...	Grantha...	1,346	10	Do.
22	भक्तिचिन्तामणिः	Bhakticintāmaṇiḥ ...	Do.	Muraḷīdharadāsa ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	29	22	Do.
23	भक्तिसूत्रम् (सभाष्यम्) ...	Bhaktisūtram	Do.	Śāṇḍilya	Do. ...	Do. ...	63	14	Do.
		Do. commentary.	.....	Muralīdharadāsa ...					
24	भक्तिहंसः	Bhaktihamsaḥ	Do.	Viṭṭhalācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	14	25	Do.
25	भक्तिहेतुनिर्णयः	Bhaktihētunirṇayaḥ ..	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī.	14	9	Do.
26	भक्तिहेतुनिर्णयविवृतिः ...	Bhaktihētunirṇayavivṛtiḥ.	Do.	Raghunātha ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	38	8	Do.
27	भगवन्नामदर्पणः	Bhagavannāmadarpaṇaḥ .	Do.	Muraḷīdharadāsa ...	Do. ...	Grantha...	50	15	Do.
28	भगवन्नामवैभवम्	Bhagavannāmavaibhavam.	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	63	25	Do.
29	भागवतमाहात्म्यम्	Bhāgavatamāhātmyam ...	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	143	12	Do.
30	भागवतव्याख्या	Bhāgavatavyākhyā ...	Do. ...	Vīrarāghava ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	54	14	Incomplete.
31	भागवतव्याख्या (सुबोधिनी) ...	Bhāgavatavyākhyā (Subōdhinī).	Do. ...	Vallabhadīkṣita ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	842	12	First skandha complete.
32	भागवतव्याख्या (सुबोधिनी) ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	208	14	In the first part of the 10th skandha, 12 to 20 adhyāyas.
33	भागवतव्याख्या (सुबोधिनी) ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	610	10	In the latter part of the 10th skandha from the 9th to the 35th verse of the 35th adhyāya.

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34	भागवतसाहित्यमञ्जूषा	Bhāgavatasāhityamañjūṣa	Alaṅkāra ...	Bhaṭṭavēnkata ...	Paper ...	Grantha.	96	22	Complete.
35	भागवतसुबोधिनीव्याख्या ...	Bhāgavatasubōdhinīvyākhyā.	Purāṇa ...	Bālakṛṣṇa *alias* Lālabhaṭṭa.	Do. ...	Do. ...	142	12	Janmaprakaraṇa; complete.
36	भार्गवपुराणम्	Bhārgavapurāṇam ...	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Telugu ...	220	16	40 adhyāyas in the latter part.
37	यजुर्वेदभाष्यम् (ज्ञानयज्ञः) ...	Yajurvēdabhāṣyam (Jñānayajñaḥ).	Vēdabhāṣya.	Bhaṭṭabhāskara ...	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	214	12	First kāṇḍa complete; in the 2nd from the 7th anuvāka of the 5th praśna to the 12th of the 6th praśna.
38	यादवगिरिमाहात्म्यम्	Yādavagirimāhātmyam...	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	78	8	12 adhyāyas.
39	रसिकजनरसोल्लासभाणः ...	Rasikajanarasōllāsabhāṇaḥ.	Bhāṇa ...	Vēnkaṭa	Do. ...	Do. ...	35	7	Complete.
40	वल्लभाचार्यचरित्रम्	Vallabhācāryacaritram ...	Caritra ...	Muraḷīdharadāsa ...	Paper ...	Grantha.	38	14	Do.
41	विष्णुसर्वोत्तमम्	Viṣṇusarvōttamam ...	Purāṇa ...	... .	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	14	6	14 to 17 adhyāyas.
42	वृषाद्रिस्तोत्रम्	Vṛṣādristōtram	Stōtra ...	Raghunātharāya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	6	9	Complete.
43	सद्वैद्यजीवनम्	Sadvaidyajīvanam ...	Vaidya ...	Lōlambarāja ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	47	7	Do.
44	सम्प्रदायकुलदीपिका	Sampradāyakuladīpikā ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Gadācārya	Paper ...	Grantha.	63	25	Do.
45	सुवर्णसूत्र (विद्वन्मण्डनयुक्तिव्याख्या).	Suvarṇasūtra (Vidvanmaṇḍanayuktivyākhyā).	Do.	Puruṣōttama ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	148	13	Incomplete.
46	स्वच्छन्दपद्धति	Svacchandapaddhati ...	Pūjā ...	Madhusūdanatīrtha.	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī	86	8	Injured.
47	सेवाकल्पतरुः	Sēvākalpataruḥ	Bhaktivēdānta.	Muraḷīdharadāsa ...	Kadjan ...	Grantha.	42	7	Complete.
48	हरिवंशध्यानम्	Harivaṁśadhyānam ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Paper ...	Do. ...	26	14	Incomplete.

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1	அருங்கலச்செப்பு	Aruṅgalacceppu ...	Dharma ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Tamil ...	21	9	.....
2	அரும்பொருள்விளக்கநிகண்டு ...	Arumporuḷviḷakkanighaṇṭu.	Nighaṇṭu ..	Śivaprakāśaṇ ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	355	7	.....
3	ஆசாரக்கோவை	Ācārakkōvai	Ācāra ...	Muḷḷi	Do. ...	Do. ...	63	9	.....
	ஷி உரை	Do. commentary.							
4	ஆத்திசூடி	Áttiśūḍi	Nīti ...	Auvaiyār	Do. ...	Do. ...	71	7	.....
	ஷி பழையவுரை ...	Do. old commentary.							
5	இலக்கணவிளக்கம்	Ilakkaṇaviḷakkam ...	Grammar ..	Vaidyanāthanāvalar.	Do. ...	Do. ...	812	10	.....
	ஷி உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
6	திரிகடுகம்	Tirikaḍugam	Nīti ...	Nallādaṇār	Do. ...	Do. ...	83	8	... ..
	ஷி உரை	Do. commentary.							
7	திருக்குறள்	Tirukkuraḷ	Do. ...	Tiruvaḷḷuvar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	411	5	.....
	ஷி பொழிப்புரை ...	Do. commentary...							
8	திருவிளையாடற்புராணம் ...	Tiruviḷaiyāḍaṟpurāṇam.	Purāṇa ...	Parañjōtimuṉivar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	620	10	.. ...
9	நளவெண்பா	Naḷaveṇbā	Kāvya ...	Pugaḻēndippulavar...	Do. ...	Do. ...	207	6	.....
	ஷி வசனத்துடன் ...	Do. (with prose) ...							
10	நாலடியார்	Nāladiyār	Nīti ...	Śamaṇamuṉivar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	280	7	.....
	ஷி பதவுரை ...	Do. commentary...							
11	நீதிநெறிவிளக்கம்	Nītineṟiviḷakkam ...	Do. ...	Kumaraguruparasvāmigal.	Do. ...	Do. ...	84	8	.....
	ஷி பதவுரை ...	Do. commentary.							
12	யாப்பருங்கலக்காரிகை ...	Yāpparuṅgalakkārigai ...	Prosody ...	Amṛtasāgarar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	307	9	.....
	ஷி உரை ...	Do. commentary.	...	Guṇasāgarar ...					

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1	अघपञ्चषष्टिः	Aghapañcaṣaṣṭiḥ ...	Dharma ...	Vīṣināṭha	Kadjan.	Grantha...	80	9	56 stanzas only; injured.
	(सव्याख्या)	with commentary ...	...	Rāmacandrabudha.					
2	अनेकार्थमञ्जरी	Anēkārthamañjarī ...	Nighaṇṭu ...	.....	Paper ...	Dēvanāgarī.	16	11	Second and third chapters; injured.
3	अन्तःकरणप्रबोधः	Antaḥkaraṇaprabōdhaḥ...	Stōtra ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Grantha...	1	25	Complete.
4	अलङ्कारकौस्तुभः	Alaṅkārakaustubhaḥ ...	Alaṅkara ...	Vēnkaṭācārya ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	70	8	Do.
5	आचार्यनामावलिः	Ācāryanāmāvaliḥ ...	Stōtra ...	Harirāya	Paper ...	Grantha...	3	25	Do.
6	आत्मनिवेदनम्	Ātmanivēdanam ...	Do. ...	Sanatkumāra ...	Do. ...	Do ...	1	25	Do.
7	आपस्तम्बगृह्यसूत्रम्	Āpastambagṛhyasūtram.	Gṛhya ...	Āpastamba ...	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	28	7	First kāṇḍa only; injured.
8	आपस्तम्बपूर्वप्रयोगः	Āpastambapūrvaprayōgaḥ.	Prayōga ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	78	6	Complete; injured.
9	आराधनास्तोत्रम्	Ārādhanāstōtram ...	Stōtra ...	Raghunātha ...	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
10	आलवन्दारस्तोत्रम्	Ālavandārstōtram ...	Do. ...	Ālavandār	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	5	6	Do.
11	इष्टिहौत्रम्	Iṣṭihautram	Śrauta ...	.....	Do. ...	Grantha...	22	6	Do.
12	ईशावास्योपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Īśāvāsyōpaniṣadbhāṣya-tippaṇam.	Advaita vēdānta.	Śīvānandayati ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	22	6	Complete; slightly injured.
13	काठकोपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Kaṭhakōpaniṣadbhāṣya-tippaṇam.	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	34	6	Do.
14	केनोपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Kēnōpaniṣadbhāṣyatippa-ṇam.	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	50	6	Do.
15	केनोपनिषद्भाष्यटिप्पणम् ...	Do.	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	26	6	Do.
16	गणपाठः	Gaṇapāṭhaḥ	Vyākaraṇa ...	Pāṇini	Do. ...	Telugu ...	42	7	Do.
17	गद्यत्रयम्	Gadyatrayam	Stōtra ...	Rāmānujācārya ...	Paper ..	Grantha...	22	14	Do.

18	गिरिधार्यष्टकम्	Giridhāryaṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Raghunātha ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
19	गोवर्धनार्या	Gōvardhanāryā	Do. ...	Gōvardhana ...	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī	30	8	204 stanzas.
20	गौरीदशकम्	Gaurīdaśakam	Do. ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Grantha.	2	5	Complete; slightly injured.
21	चतुःश्लोकी	Catuśślōkī	Do. ...	Viṭṭalanātha ...	Paper ..	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
22	चम्पुभारतम्	Campubhāratam ...	Campukāvya.	Anantabhaṭṭa ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	146	8	Do.
23	चरणचिह्नवर्णनम्	Caraṇacihnavarṇanam ...	Stōtra ...	Harirāya	Paper ...	Grantha.	4	25	Do.
24	जन्मवैफल्याष्टकम्	Janmavaiphalyāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
25	जलभेदस्तोत्रम्	Jalabhēdastōtram ...	Do. ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	2	25	Do.
26	जलभेदस्तोत्रटीका	Jalabhēdastōtraṭīkā ...	Do. ...	Kalyāṇarāya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	28	25	Do.
27	तैत्तिरीयोपनिषत्	Taittirīyōpaniṣad ...	Upaniṣad ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	144	5	Complete; injured.
28	दक्षिणामूर्तिमानसिकपूजा ...	Dakṣiṇāmurtimānasika-pūjā.	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	6	Complete; slightly injured.
29	दक्षिणामूर्त्यष्टकम्	Dakṣiṇāmūrtyaṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	4	5	Do.
30	दासभावाष्टकम्	Dāsabhāvāṣṭakam ...	Do. ..	Haridāsa	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
31	देवतार्चनविधिः	Dēvatārcanavidhiḥ ...	Prayōga ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	16	6	Do.
32	दैन्याष्टकम्	Dainyāṣṭakam	Stōtra ..	Haridasa	Paper ...	Grantha.	1	22	Complete, two copies.
33	धनञ्जयविजयव्यायोगः ...	Dhanañjayavijayavyā-yōgaḥ.	Nāṭaka ..	Kāñcanakavi ...	Do. ...	Dēvanāgarī	22	9	Complete.
34	नञ्जराजयशोभूषणम्	Nañjarājayaśōbhūṣaṇam.	Alaṅkāra ...	Narasimhakavi ...	Kadjan ...	Grantha.	354	11	Do.
35	नन्दसून्वष्टकम्	Nandasūnvaṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
36	नवग्रहस्तोत्रम्	Navagrahastōtram ..	Do. ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	3	5	Complete; slightly injured.
37	नवनीतप्रियाष्टकम्	Navanītapriyāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.

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38	निरोधलक्षणम्	Nirōdhalakṣanam ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Puṣṭipravartakācārya.	Paper ...	Grantha...	2	25	Complete.
39	निरोधविवृतिव्याख्या	Nirōdhavivṛtivyākhyā ...	Bhāgavatapurāṇa.	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	4	25	Incomplete.
40	पञ्चाक्षरस्तोत्रम्	Pañcākṣarastōtram ...	Stōtra ...	Haridāsa	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
41	परिबृढाष्टकम्	Paribṛḍhāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
42	पुरुषोत्तमसहस्रनामानि ...	Puruṣōttamasahasranamāni.	Do. ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	22	25	Do.
43	पुष्टिप्रवाहमर्यादा	Puṣṭipravāhamaryādā ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	2	5	Do.
44	पुष्टिप्रवाहमर्यादाविवृतिः ...	Puṣṭipravāhamaryādāvivṛtiḥ.	Do.	Viṭṭhalācārya ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	39	25	Do.
45	प्रक्रियाकौमुदी	Prakriyākaumudī ...	Vyākaraṇa ..	Rāmacandrācārya ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	174	7	From अचसन्धि to कृदन्त.
46	प्रहसननाटकम्	Prahasananātakam ..	Nāṭaka ...	.....	Paper ...	Grantha...	62	10	Complete.
47	प्रेमामृतरसायनम्	Prēmāmṛtarasāyanam ...	Bhaktivēdānta.	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	3	25	Incomplete.
48	बालबोधः	Bālabōdhaḥ	Do.	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	2	5	Complete.
49	बोधायनपूर्वप्रयोगः	Bōdhāyanapūrvaprayōgaḥ.	Prayōga ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	18	6	Complete injured.
50	ब्रह्मयज्ञः (याजुषः)	Brahmyajñaḥ (yājūṣaḥ) ..	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Telugu ...	9	6	Complete.
51	भगवद्गीताभाष्यम्	Bhagavadgītābhāsyam ...	Advaitavēdānta.	Śaṅkarācārya ...	Paper ...	Grantha...	109	25	13 adhyāyas only.
52	भगवद्गीताभाष्यम्	Do. ...	V. Vēdānta...	Rāmānujācārya ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	188	8	Complete.
53	भागवतम् (दशमस्कन्धः) ...	Bhāgavatam (Daśamaskandhaḥ).	Purāṇa ...	Vyāsa	Do. ...	Do. ...	35	6	82, 63, 64 and 38 to 44 adhyāyas.
54	भुजङ्गप्रयाताष्टकम्	Bhujaṅgaprayātāṣṭakam.	Stōtra ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Paper ...	Grantha...	1	26	Complete.
55	मङ्गलाष्टकम्	Maṅgalāṣṭakam	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
56	मन्त्रशास्त्रम्	Mantraśāstram	Mantra ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	150	6	Incomplete; injured.
57	मानसपूजा	Mānasapūjā	Stōtra ..	.....	Do. ...	Grantha.	2	5	Complete; slightly injured.
58	मार्कण्डेयशिवस्तोत्रम्	Mārkaṇḍēyaśivastōtram .	Do. ...	Mārkaṇḍēya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	3	5	Do.
59	मुख्यशक्तिस्तोत्रम्	Mukhyaśaktistōtram ...	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
60	मुण्डकभाष्यटिप्पणम्	Muṇḍakabhāṣyatippaṇam.	A. Vēdānta ...	Śivānanda yati ...	Kadjan .	Do. ...	42	6	Do.
61	यजुःप्रातिशाख्यम्	Yajuḥprātiśākhyam ...	Vēdalakṣaṇa.	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	22	7	2 praśnas; injured.
62	यजुर्वेदमन्त्रप्रश्नः	Yajurvēdamantrapraśnaḥ.	Yajurvēda ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	48	7	Complete.
63	यमुनानामावलिः	Yamunānāmāvaliḥ ...	Stōtra ..	.....	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
64	यमुनाविज्ञप्तिः	Yamunāvijñaptiḥ ...	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Do. .	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
65	रसार्णवसुधाकरः	Rasārṇavasudhākaraḥ ...	Alaṅkāra ...	Śiṅgabhūpāla ..	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	236	8	Complete; injured.
66	राघवाष्टकम्	Raghavāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Grantha .	2	5	Complete; slightly injured.
67	राधास्तोत्रम्	Rādhāstōtram	Do. ...	.....	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
68	रामायणम् (सुन्दरकाण्डः) ...	Rāmāyaṇam (Sundarakāṇḍaḥ).	Ādikāvya ...	Vālmīki	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	279	12	Do.
69	वल्लभभावाष्टकम्	Vallabhabhāvāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	Haridāsa	Paper ...	Do. ..	1	25	Do.
70	वल्लभशरणाष्टकम्	Vallabhaśaraṇāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
71	वल्लभाचार्यचिन्तनप्रकारः ...	Vallabhācāryacintanaprakāraḥ.	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	2	25	Do.
72	वल्लभाचार्यस्तोत्रम्	Vallabhācāryastōtram ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
73	वल्लभाचार्याष्टकम्	Vallabhācāryāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
74	वल्लभाष्टकम्	Vallabhāṣṭakam	Do. ...	Viṭṭhalēśvara ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	2	25	Do.
75	वात्स्यायनसूत्रम्	Vātsyāyanasūtram ...	Kāmaśāstrā...	Vātsyāyana ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	10	25	3 adhyāyas in Part II.

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76	वैभवप्रकाशिका	Vaibhavaprakāśikā ...	Stōtra ...	Srīnivāsācārya ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	24	6	Complete.
77	विक्रमसेनचरितम्	Vikramasēnacaritam ..	Gadyakāvya	.....	Paper ...	Dēvanāgarī.	33	9	Incomplete.
78	विट्ठलेशाष्टकम्	Viṭṭhalēśāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	Haridāsa ...	Do. ...	Grantha...	1	25	Complete.
79	विट्ठलेश्वरचिन्तनप्रकारः ...	Viṭṭhalēśvaracintanaprakāraḥ.	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	2	25	Do.
80	विट्ठलेश्वराष्टोत्तरशतम्	Viṭṭhaleśvarāṣṭōttaraśatam.	Do. ...	Mahādēva ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	3	25	Do.
81	विवेकधैर्याश्रयणम्	Vivēkadhairyāśrayaṇam .	Bhaktivēdānta	Vallabhācārya ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
82	विष्णुपुराणम्	Viṣṇupurāṇam ...	Purāna ...	Vyāsa ...	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	248	11	Do.
83	विष्णुवैभवम्	Viṣṇuvaibhavam ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Paper ...	Grantha...	28	14	Incomplete.
84	विष्णुशतनामावलिः	Viṣṇuśatanāmāvaliḥ ...	Do. ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Complete.
85	वैद्यनाथसङ्ग्रहः	Vaidyanāthasaṅgrahaḥ ...	Dharma ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	23	10	Incomplete; injured.
86	शब्दकौस्तुभः	Śabdakaustubhaḥ ...	Vyākaraṇa ...	Bhaṭṭōjidīkṣita ...	Do. ...	Telugu ...	48	7	First āhnika of the 1st adhyāya.
87	शरणाष्टकम्	Śaraṇāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ..	Haridāsa ...	Paper ...	Grantha...	1	25	Complete.
88	शास्त्रदीपिका	Śāstradīpikā ...	Mīmāmsa ...	Pārthaśarathimiśra .	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	290	14	6 adhyāyas; injured.
89	शिवशङ्कराष्टकम्	Śivaśaṅkarāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	4	5	Complete; slightly injured.
90	शिवस्तोत्रम्	Śivastōtram ...	Do. ...	Patañjali ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	3	5	Do.
91	श्रीगुणरत्नकोशः	Srīguṇaratnakōśaḥ ...	V. Vēdānta..	Parāśarabhaṭṭa ...	Do. ...	Telugu ...	9	6	Do.
92	श्रीनाथाष्टकम्	Śrīnāthāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	Vallabhācārya ...	Paper ...	Grantha ..	1	22	Do.
93	श्रीमदष्टकम्	Srīmadaṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Haridāsa ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	1	22	Do.
94	श्रीरङ्गराजस्तवः	Srīraṅgarājastavaḥ ...	Do. ...	Parāśarabhaṭṭa ...	Kadjan ..	Telugu ...	17	6	Do.
95	श्रीविज्ञप्तिः	Srīvijñaptiḥ	Do. ...	.....	Paper ...	Grantha ..	1	25	Do.
96	सङ्क्षेपहालास्यमाहात्म्यम् ...	Saṅkṣēpahālāsyamāhātmyam.	Purāṇa ..	.....	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	40	6	Do.
97	सत्यक्षेत्रमाहात्म्यम्	Satyakṣētramāhātmyam...	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	64	8	Do.
98	सन्न्यासनिर्णयः	Sannyāsanirṇayaḥ ...	Dharma ...	Vallabhācārya ..	Paper ...	Do. ...	3	25	Do.
99	सर्वार्थचिन्तामणिः	Sarvārthacintāmaṇiḥ ..	Jyautiṣa ...	Vēnkatēśa	Kadjan ...	Do. ...	364	6	14 adhyāyas; injured.
100	सर्वोत्तमस्तोत्रम्	Sarvōttamastōtram ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	28	Complete.
101	सिद्धान्तः	Siddhāntaḥ	Do. ...	Haridāsa	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
102	सिद्धान्तकौमुदीव्याख्या ...	Siddhāntakaumudīvyākhyā.	Vyākaraṇa ...	.....	Kadjan ...	Telugu ...	98	7	Incomplete.
103	सिद्धान्तकौमुदीव्याख्या (प्रौढमनोरमा).	Siddhantakaumudīvyākhyā (Prauḍhamanōramā.	Do. ...	Bhaṭṭojidīkṣita ...	Do. .	Do. ...	110	7	Upto अजन्तपुल्लिङ्गः.
104	सिद्धान्तकौमुदीव्याख्या (लघुशब्देन्दुशेखरः.	Siddhāntakaumudīvyākhyā, Laghuśabdēndusēkharaḥ.	Do. ..	Nāgēśabhaṭṭa ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	100	7	Only कृद्वैदिकप्रकरणम्.
105	सुदर्शनशतकम्	Sudarśanaśatakam ...	Stōtra ...	Kūranārāyaṇa ...	Do. ...	Grantha...	12	8	Complete.
106	सेवाफलम्	Sēvāphalam	Bhaktivēdānta.	Vallabhācārya ...	Paper ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.
107	स्मरणाष्टकम्	Smaraṇāṣṭakam ...	Stōtra ...	Haridāsa	Do. ..	Do. ...	1	22	Do.
108	स्वामिनीप्रार्थना	Svaminīprārthanā ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	20	Do.
109	स्वामियुगलाष्टकम्	Svāmiyugalāṣṭakam ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1	25	Do.

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1	அஞ்ஞவதைப்பரணி ...	Añña vadaipparaṇi ..	Vēdānta ...	Tattuvarāyar ...	Kadjan ...	Tamil ...	112	7	.....
2	அத்துவிதவேதாந்தக்கட்டளை ...	Attuvidavēdāntakkaṭṭaḷai.	Do. ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	36	8	.....
3	அருணாசலபுராணம்	Aruṇācalapurāṇam ...	Purāṇa ...	Ellappanāvalar ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	522	8	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
4	அருணாசலபுராணம்	Aruṇacalapurāṇam ...	Do. ...	Do.	Do. ...	Do. ...	417	7	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
5	அறிவானந்தசித்தியார் ...	Arivānandaśittiyār ...	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	142	6	.....
6	இராகவர்பிள்ளைத்தமிழ் ...	Irāgavarpiḷḷaittamiḻ ...	Stōtra ...	Kuḷandai Mudaliyar.	Do. ...	Do. ...	85	6	Incomplete.
7	இராமாயணகீர்த்தனை	Irāmāyaṇakīrttaṇai ...	Rāmāyaṇa ...	Aruṇācala Kavirāyar.	Do. ...	Do. ...	1,057	7	Do.
8	உபதேசகாண்டம்	Upadēśakāṇḍam ...	Purāṇa ...	Ñānavarōdayapaṇḍāram.	Do. ...	Do. ..	523	8	.....
9	உள்ளமுடையான்	Uḷḷamuḍaiyān ...	Jyautiṣa ...	.....	Do. ..	Do. ...	251	7	.....
10	ஒழிவிலொக்கம்	Oḻiviloḍukkam	Vēdānta ...	Kaṇṇuḍayavaḷḷalār.	Do. ...	Do. ...	60	8	.....
11	கச்சியப்பசுவாமிகள் தோத்திரம்...	Kacciyappasuvāmigaltōttiram.	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	6	8	.....
12	கச்சியப்பதேசிகன் நெஞ்சவிடுதூது.	Kacciyappadēśikaṉ neñjuviḍutūdu.	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	86	8	.....
13	கந்தபுராணகீர்த்தனை	Kandapurāṇakīrttaṇai ...	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	406	9	.....

14	காந்தக்கலிவெண்பா	Kāndakkaliveṇbā ...	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	71	9	.....
15	கலிமடல்	Kalimaḍal	Vēdānta ...	Tattuvarāyar ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	20	8	.....
16	காந்தச்சுருக்கம்	Kāndaccurukkām ...	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	236	8	.....
17	கிரஹஸ்புடம்	Grahasputam	Jyautisa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	85	7	.....
18	குறுந்திரட்டு	Kuṟundiraṭṭu	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	400	8	.....
19	கூர்மபுராணம்	Kūrmapurāṇam	Puraṇa ...	Ativīrarāmapāṇdiyaṉ	Do. ...	Do. ...	430	7	Incomplete.
20	கோயிற்புராணம்	Kōyiṟpurāṇam	Do ...	Umāpatiśivācāryar ..	Do. ...	Do. ...	148	6	.....
21	சிவஞானபோதம்	Saśivannabōdam ...	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	22	7	.....
22	சிவஞானபோதம்	Do.	Do. ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	62	8	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary							
23	சாதகாலங்காரம்	Jātakālaṅkāram ...	Jyautisa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	98	7	Incomplete.
24	சிதம்பரபுராணம்	Cidambarapurāṇam ...	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	296	7	.....
25	சித்தரத்தாதி	Siddharandādi	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	40	7	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary							
26	சிலேடையுலா	Śilēdaiyulā	Vēdānta ...	Tattuvarāyar ...	Do. ...	Do. ..	51	9	.....
27	சிவஞானசித்தியார், பரபக்கம் ...	Śivañānaśittiyār-Parapakkam.	Do. ...	Aruṇandi	Do. ...	Do. ...	685	9	.....
	ஷை உரை ...	Do. commentary	.....	.....					
28	சிவஞானதீபம்	Śivañānadīpam	Vēdāntā ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	150	9	.....
29	சிவஞானபோதம்	Śivañānabōdam	Do. ...	Meykaṇḍadēvar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	178	7	.....
	ஷை சிற்றுரை ...	Do. commentary	.....	.....					

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64	நம்பியாண்டார் நம்பிதிருவந்தாதி.	Nambiyāṇḍārnambitiruvandādi.	Stōtra ...	Nambiyāṇḍārnambi.	Kadjan...	Tamil ...	34	7	.....
65	நன்னூல்	Nannūl	Grammar...	Pavaṇandimunivar...	Do. ...	Do. ..	174	7	Incomplete.
	ஷ விருத்தியுரை ...	Do. commentary ...	.....	Śaṅkaraṇamaccivāyappulavar.					
66	நாலடியார்	Nāladiyār	Nīti ...	Śamaṇamunivar ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	292	5	.. ...
	ஷ பதவுரை ...	Do. commentary ...							
67	நாலடியார்	Do.	Do. ..	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	292	5	.....
	ஷ உரை	Do. commentary ...							
68	நான்மணிமாலை	Nānmaṇimālai	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	29	8	.....
69	நீதிவெண்பா	Nītiveṇbā	Nīti ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	47	7	.....
	ஷ உரை	Do. commentary ...							
70	நெல்லைக்குமாரசாமிதோத்திரம் ...	Nellaikkumārasāmitōttiram.	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	10	7	.....
71	நைடதம்	Naiḍadam	Kāvya ..	Ativīrarāmapāṇḍiyan.	Do. ...	Do. ...	294	7	.....
72	பகவற்கீதைதாலாட்டு	Bagavaṛkīdaitālāṭṭu ...	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	14	9	.....
73	பட்டணத்தார்பாடல்	Paṭṭaṇattārpāḍal ...	Stōtra ...	Paṭṭaṇattār ..	Do. ...	Do. ...	42	6	Incomplete.
74	பதினோராவது திகண்டு ...	Padinōrāvadunighaṇṭu ...	Nighaṇṭu.	Maṇḍalapuruṣan ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	330	7	.....
	ஷ பதவுரை ...	Do. commentary.	.....	.. ...					
75	பழனிநகர்விருத்தம்	Paḷaninagarviruttam ...	Stōtra ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	10	6	.....
76	பாரதம், களப்பலிச்சருக்கம் ...	Bhāratam, Kaḷappaliccarukkam.	Itihāsa ...	Villiputtūrār ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	81	7	.....
	ஷ உரை ...	Do. commentary.	.....	.....					
77	பிரமோத்திரகாண்டம் ...	Piramōttirakāṇḍam ...	Purāṇa ...	Varatuṅgarāman ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	312	8	.....
78	பிரமோத்திரகாண்டம் ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	340	9	.....
79	பெரியதிருமொழி	Periyatirumoḻi	Stōtra ...	Tirumaṅgaimannaṉ.	Do. ...	Do. ...	216	8	.....
80	பெரியபுராணம்	Periyapurāṇam	Purāṇa ...	Śēkkiḻar	Do. ...	Do. ...	186	10	Incomplete.
81	போகனையனர், எழுநூறு ...	Bhōganāyanār, seven hundred stanzas.	Vaidya ...	Bōganāyaṇār ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	94	9	Do.
82	மகாவாக்கியம்	Mahāvākkiyam	Vēdānta ..	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	276	10	.....
	ஷ உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
83	மகாவாக்கிய தெசகாரியம் ...	Mahāvākkiyadēśakāriyam.	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	20	7	.....
84	மகாவாக்கிய தெசகாரியக்கட்டளை.	Mahāvākkiyadēśakāriyakkaṭṭaḷai.	Do. ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	6	9	.....
85	மும்மணிக்கோவை	Mummaṇidkōvai ...	Stōtra ...	Pattaṇaṭṭār ...	Do. ..	Do. ...	17	10	.....
86	யாப்பருங்கலக்காரிகை மூலம் ...	Yāppuruṅgalakkarikaimūlam.	Prosody ...	Amṛtasāgarar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	14	7	.....
87	வாதவூர்புராணம்	Vadavūrpurāṇam ...	Purāṇa ...	Kaḍavuḷmāmuṇivar.	Do. ...	Do. ...	610	6	.....
	ஷ உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
88	விருத்தாசலபுராணம்	Viruddhācalapurāṇam ...	.....	Ñānakkūttasvāmigaḷ.	Do. ...	Do. ...	416	7	.....
	ஷ உரை ...	Do. commentary.							
89	வேதாந்தவுரைப்படிகட்டளை ...	Vēdāntavuraippaḍikaṭṭaḷai.	Vēdānta ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ...	34	9	.....
90	வைராக்கியதீபம்	Vairāgyadīpam	Do. ...	Sāntalingadēsigar ...	Do. ...	Do. ...	182	7	.....
	ஷ உரை ...	Do. commentary.	.....	...					
91	ஸானந்தகணேசர்புராணம் ...	Sānandaganēśarpurāṇam.	Purāṇa ...	.....	Do. ...	Do. ..	176	8	.....

Alphabetical List of Kanarese Manuscripts presented to the Government Oriental Manuscripts Library during the year 1896–97.

1	ಕನ್ನಡಭಾರತವು	Kannada Bhāratavu ...	Itihāsa ...	.....	Kadjan.	Kanarese.	400	8	A little incomplete; injured.

Read also letter from the same officer, No. 17, dated 10th May 1897.

Proceedings, No. 5745 of 1897.

Staff.—The changes in the *personnel* of the establishment were the retirement in September of Vaidyanadha Sastri, the Vernacular munshi, who had been on sick leave for two years, and the appointment of Venkateswara Sastri, late Sanskrit pandit of the Calicut College, thrown out of employment on the reduction of that institution. The work of the library does not seem to have been seriously affected by the above changes.

2. *Collection of manuscripts.*—The large increase in the number of manuscripts acquired for the library is very satisfactory and creditable to the Curator and his staff, the expenditure incurred thereby being Rs. 470—nearly the same as in the previous year. Forty-eight manuscripts were transcribed or restored, sixty purchased, and 201 acquired by gift, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 62, 39 and 96, respectively. The entry of "79," in the statement appended to paragraph 5 of the report, as the number presented to the library during 1895–96, does not seem correct. The Curator has apparently excluded the 17 manuscripts which were obtained by Dr. Hultzsch. The figures given in the above statement for 1887–88 and 1894–95 have also been found wrong and have been corrected in this office. The comparison instituted by the Curator between the average during Dr. Oppert's time and that during his own time does not seem to be of much importance, seeing that the average relates to seven years in the one case and to four years in the other. The Director has perfect confidence in M.R.Ry. Seshagiri Sastriyar that he will let no opportunity slip for extending the scope and usefulness of the library entrusted to his care. His remark that the annual grant of Rs. 600 is hardly sufficient to permit of frequent and extended tours being undertaken in search of manuscripts is noted. But the state of the finances does not admit of a larger grant being made for the present at any rate. In G.O., No. 2827, Public, dated 4th December 1885, Government distinctly stated that the Curator would be relieved of the *search* for Sanskrit manuscripts, the duty being transferred to Dr. Hultzsch. It has not been stated how far the library has benefited by this officer's exertions during the year under report. Information on this point should be given in future reports, with a statement showing the number of manuscripts acquired by Dr. Hultzsch for the library each year from 1886–87—the year in which the Government order quoted above took effect. The Curator misconstrues the remark made by the Director in Proceedings, No. 405-B.B., dated 25th May 1893, regarding the number of manuscripts—viz., 85—acquired during 1892–93. In the Proceedings quoted the Director merely noticed with satisfaction the increase in the number of manuscripts obtained during the year by purchase and by gift as compared with that during the previous year, but did not say that he considered the number obtained during the year as a satisfactory record of a year's work or that the number—85—should be taken as the standard gauge of work for subsequent years.

3. *Visitors.*—There had been a further increase in the number of visitors to the library, the increase extending to all classes—readers, copyists and casual visitors. But for the closing of the library during the latter half of March, the number of visitors would have been larger. No information has been given in the report as to the number of persons who read and copied manuscripts on each subject.

4. *Publication of catalogues.*—It is satisfactory to note that some progress was made during the year towards the publication of the descriptive catalogue which had long been under revision. In Proceedings, No. 5794, dated 28th May 1896, the Curator was directed to submit a half-yearly report of the work done by the establishment in this direction. But no report has as yet been submitted, nor has any explanation been given for the omission. It is hoped that the descriptive catalogue will be completely ready for publication before the expiry of the period of two years fixed in G.O., No. 400, Educational, dated 6th July 1896. The Curator is requested to make all possible efforts to see that this is done.

5. *General.*—The Director is glad to observe that the work of the Curator and his staff during the year compares favourably with that of the year previous, and that the popularity of the library has been fully maintained. The notices of rare manuscripts forwarded with the second of the letters read above are herewith returned for publication in due course.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) D. DUNCAN,
Director of Public Instruction.

To the Curator, Government Oriental Manuscripts Library.
" Principals, First-grade Colleges and Teachers' College.

Order—No. 574, Educational, dated 11th October 1897.

The report on the working of the Oriental Manuscripts Library during the year 1896–97 is, on the whole, satisfactory. There was an increased number of visitors as compared with the previous year, and the library itself was enriched by the acquisition of a larger number of manuscripts.

2. Some misapprehension seems to exist as regards the duty of acquiring manuscripts for the library. G.O., No. 2827, Public, dated 4th December 1885, while it relieved the Curator of the *search* for Sanskrit manuscripts which he undertook from time to time in his holidays, did not relieve him of the duty of collecting manuscripts for the library and of collating and publishing such of them as are of value. These remain his duties still.

3. As has been observed in G.O., No. 385, Educational, dated 29th June 1897, future reports on the library should give full information as to the rarity, usefulness and other characteristics of the manuscripts acquired during the year, should record the history of their acquisition, and should mention any facts worth knowing regarding them.

4. The Government agrees with the Director of Public Instruction in his opinion that the work of the Curator and his staff during the year under review compares favourably with that of the preceding year.

(True Extract.)

G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

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The following note is submitted in explanation of para 2 of the draft review below.

The D.P.I., in para 2 of his review on the report on the O. Mss. library, speaks of Dr Hultzsch acquiring Mss. for the library. This is not Dr H's duty. By G.O. 2827 Pub Dr 4 Dec. 85, Dr H. was entrusted with the duty of making search for and discovering Sanskrit Mss. The duty of collecting more Mss was not transferred to him & the G.O. expressly stated that it belonged to the Curator of the library. Dr. H. has published as the result of his search two reports on Sanskrit Mss.; the Curator it seems should read the report and see for himself what Mss should be acquired for the library. He & his clerks need not make any tour in search of Mss.

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