

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

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DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
9th May 1868.*

No. 79. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 31st March 1868, No. 756.

I have the honor to address you with reference to Government Order, No. 321, of the 10th instant.

2. On receiving a copy of the above Order, I communicated with the Curator of Government Books; and I now submit a letter from this Officer, dated the 27th instant, conveying his views upon the subject referred to in paragraph 2 of the Order.

3. I agree with Kristnama Charriar in thinking that, if he is to undertake the sale of Administration and other Reports, Proceedings of Government, and papers of literary or scientific interest, it will be absolutely necessary to increase the accommodation and the staff of the Central Dépôt.

4. I beg to urge, however, that the work should not be assigned to the Curator, as I believe his time will be fully occupied in securing the efficient carrying on of the proper business of the Book Department. On this point I may observe that, when some progress has been made in the Vernacular education of the masses, much larger stocks than those hitherto required will have to be kept on hand at the dépôt, and the work of the Book Department generally will be greatly increased.

From V. KRISTNAMA CHARRIAR, Curator, Government Books, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Madras, 27th March 1868, No. 361.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, dated the 10th instant, No. 321, referred to me for my opinion in regard to the suggestion of the Government of India, as to whether the sale of the Administration and other general Reports of local Governments as well as of miscellaneous papers of interest might not be effected by the Curators of Books.

2. I shall gladly undertake the sale of the Reports and papers referred to, but it is at present impossible to say whether the means at my disposal, both as to accommodation and establishment, will be such as to permit of the additional work being done without an addition to both.

3. The present accommodation, as you are aware, is hardly sufficient even for a fair stock of School Books, which is increasing every month, and the make-shift and imperfect arrangements now existing for the storing of books in two different buildings apart from each other are greatly inconvenient and unsatisfactory; and I have also represented to you already the inadequacy of the establishment allowed me to perform the present work of the Book Department. But what addition may be necessary to the building or to the Office Establishment will necessarily depend upon the addition which will be made to the Stock in this dépôt consequent on the proposal under consideration, and cannot be determined without further data or actual experience.

No. 80. ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1868, No. 583.

The Government are of opinion that the objections raised by the Curator and the Director of Public Instruction to the sale of Government Reports and similar papers, by the former, are well founded, and that it is undesirable to impose the duty in question upon the Curator.

2. They observe that there is a very small demand for the publications referred to, and that it appears to be fully met by keeping a stock of the publications in the Government Press where they are on sale; the fact of their being on sale being frequently advertized in the *Gazette*.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction, with enclosure returned.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Order thereon 9 May 1868 No 523.

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