

Public (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 81

Dated 13th Feby 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

D. O. to Mr Pringle in connection with
his note regarding Madras Press lists.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

This file is re-
submitted in com-
pliance with the
C's instructions
of 19.9.96 on Mr
Tringle's d/o of 16.3.96
within.

J.D.B.

15/1/97

I should like to have the latest
figures - say up to the 31st Dec?
Also information as to the number
of volumes put through during
the past year. This will enable
us to test as to whether the
estimate made of the rate
of progress some time back
was a correct one.

I have made up my mind
upon one point and that
is not to supply the extra so
establishments. I think we
continue to let some other
Office raise the question
of the India Office taking
responsibility at any time
to the rate of progress.

S.L.R.

for com-
pliance

J.D.B.

When 1870 is reached work
should stop. I don't think
it necessary at any time to
examine & substantiate D's 16/97

NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

89 volumes were completed in 1896. It may be taken that four men were continuously employed on the work, after allowing for proof examining, absence, &c. The outturn is a little less than the estimate of two per head per man which would come to 118.

The total n^o of vols. finished to Dec: 96 is 590 leaving about 1182 yet to be done.

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The work began in
April '91-
J. C. L. 3/2/97.
5 years 4 months.

NOTE FOR THE *Chief Clerk*

He may take it that the rate of
progress is 8 volumes a month,
590 having been completed in
5⁹/₁₀ months.

There are still 1182 to get through
and at the rate mentioned above
it will take about 12 years more
to complete the work. This is
certainly a long ^{while} ~~time~~ but the
S. of S. has raised no objections and
the present is not the time for
looking for increase of establishment
for work about which there seems to be
no particular hurry. It will be for
my successor to consider whether
the rate of progress is such as to
warrant the adoption of measures
to increase it. As far as I am
concerned I have decided to leave
things as they are.

Richard Hill
Chief Clerk

4/2/97

13 February 1897

My dear Pringle

I must thank
you for your letter of
the 16 March last en-
closing a note regarding
the Madras Prep list.
I do not think it ne-
cessary, at any rate at
present, to go further
than the year 0000, &
as the Secretary of
State has raised an
objection to the present
rate of prep in
the Prep list I as ^{the} ~~the~~
present is ^{hardly} ~~not~~ the time
for ~~asking~~ for increase
of establishment for work
about which there seems
to be no particular hurry.
I have decided to leave
things as they are.

SECRETARIAT, D. O. No. Dated, ... 1897.

A. T. Pringle Esq.

Yours sincerely,

12/2/97

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