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Accepting the recommendation of the Director of Public Instruction that G.O., No. 271, Public, dated 15th March 1897, requiring the — to do duty at the General Hospital during the long vacation of the College be not brought into force until after final orders have been passed on the re-organization of the institution.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

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, 2nd March 1898, No. 2133.

I have the honour to submit the enclosed copy of a letter from the Principal, Medical College, dated 25th January 1898, No. 328, explaining the difficulties that stand in the way of giving effect to the instructions contained in paragraph 1 of G.O., No. 271, Public, dated 15th March 1897. I would recommend that, in the circumstances stated therein, the order requiring the Assistant Professors of the Medical College to work in the General Hospital each for six weeks during the long vacation of the College be held in abeyance until final orders have been passed on the re-organization of the Medical College, when, it is hoped, a redistribution of the work of the officers of the General Hospital and of the Professors of the Medical College and their Assistants could be satisfactorily effected.

2. The Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, whom I have consulted, is of the same opinion.

ENCLOSURE.

From Dr. W. R. BROWNE, M.D., Principal, Medical College, to the Director of Public Instruction, dated 25th January 1898, No. 328.

In G.O., No. 271, Public, dated 15th March 1897, it is directed that the Assistant Professors should have each full work for six weeks in the General Hospital during the long vacation of the Medical College. If then the Assistant Professors are to be divided into two batches who are to be given six weeks' full work at the General Hospital, while the other six weeks are to be spent by these Assistants on leave, it will follow that, during the whole of the vacation, there will be no Assistants left in the College to carry on the work that has to be done during the vacation. Although the vacation is said to last three months, this does not mean that there is absolutely no work to be done in the College, directly the actual working session comes to an end. On the contrary, the Senior Assistant and the office is kept extremely busy in preparing the annual report and the multifarious duties connected with the out-going and in-coming students. The other Assistants have to prepare indents and stock returns, take stock, receive stores in their departments as they arrive from England, &c. For years past, this has implied that all the Assistants (except the Senior Assistant) have only been permitted at the longest to take two months' leave, although they are entitled under paragraph 306, page 78, of the Civil Service Regulations, to the full period of the vacation, viz., three months.

2. In this connection, I have also to point out that the Assistants have to be present at the necessary examinations that are held during the first month of the vacation.

3. No exception is made in the Government Order in question and therefore it follows that the Senior Assistant Professor, First-grade Senior Assistant Surgeon R. Hollingsworth holding the honorary rank of Surgeon-Captain, will, if the order be rigidly carried out, be posted to do duty under his junior and be expected to carry out the duties of a ward apothecary, which are, I submit, wholly unsuitable to an officer of his service and standing.

4. I have also to point out that since January 1897 two of the Assistants have been carrying on daily duty at the Native Infirmary and it is, I consider, quite impracticable to depute any more of the Assistants for work outside the College and allied school. I therefore venture to hope that Government may be good enough to postpone the carrying out of G.O., No. 271, Public, dated 15th March 1897, until final orders on the re-organization have been sanctioned and brought into force.

Endt. No. 646, dated 10th March 1898.

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A. EDGINGTON,
Ag. Assistant Secretary.

ORDER—No. 446, Public, dated 16th March 1898.

The Director of Public Instruction's recommendation is accepted.

(True Extract.)

A. T. ARUNDEL,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Educational Department.

Exd. A. F. Eccleston.

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SUBJECT.

Note - The College Vacation for the year commences from 1st proximo and it will be some time before the question of reorganisation is disposed of. The Sg's + D.P.'s replies to G.O. 263 4/12.3.97 were received only the other day and are being put in type.

Recommending that the order of Govt. in granting the assistant professors of the medical college to be on duty at the General Hospital during the long vacation of the College be not be brought into force until after final orders have been passed on the reorganisation of the establishment.

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