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COMMERCE EXAMINATIONS
ENGLISH SHORTHAND
INTERMEDIATE GRADE – I Paper (Speed)

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Time : { Dictation : 10 Minutes
Transcription : 105 Minutes

[Max. Marks : 100

Instructions to Readers :

The following passage should be dictated at the rate of 100 WORDS PER MINUTE as marked hereunder and the candidates should be asked to take down the same in the reporting style of phonography and transcribe the same into longhand (in English) within the stipulated time.

Mr. Chairman, Sir, I oppose this Child Marriage Restraint Amendment Bill. This is rather misleading in the bill itself, the definition of the child is / given as that the child means a person who if a male, has not completed 21 years and so on. So, a person who // is 20, according to this definition becomes a child. I really feel, Sir, that this bill is uncalled for at this time. We need not /// hurry up to bring this Bill. I quite agree that social reforms are necessary. I also agree that social

problems are there in this country /1/ but, we cannot solve 1 these social problems or we cannot make people socially reformed by enactments. Every member who spoke here, admitted that this is / 1/4 not properly implemented. The Child Marriage Restraint Amendment Act is not being implemented in the villages and I do not know how you are going // to implement it now. 1/2

It is admitted and one member spoke about it also that in Kerala because the

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percentage of educated persons is
 $\frac{3}{4}$ high /// and percentage of literacy
 among the women is high, the
 marriageable age there also has
 gone up. It is not because of the
 2 law there. /2/ So, I submit that
 you could have educated the people
 you could have reformed the people
 by social reforms and not by
 $\frac{1}{4}$ bringing in these / enactments.
 This enactment would firstly offend
 the sentiments and feelings of some
 of the people and minority
 Muslims. Here, Sir, the age for the
 $\frac{1}{2}$ girls // is given as 18 and that of
 the boy as 21. I do not know why
 this difference in age is being given.
 $\frac{3}{4}$ The /// honorable Law Minister
 pointed out that when a man gets
 married he should be physically
 matured and mentally matured and
 3 only then he should be /3/
 married. I agree with it but what is
 the criterion that only at the age of
 18 and 21 they will get mentally
 $\frac{1}{4}$ and / physically matured.
 Sometimes, it may be at the age of

17 in family when her parents may
 think that she should get married.
 Why should // that privilege be $\frac{1}{2}$
 not given to them ? Wy should you
 provide that only at the age at
 18 and 21 they should get
 married./// Why should there be $\frac{3}{4}$
 this compulsion ? As a matter of
 fact you would find that the bulk
 of the educated boys in our country
 do /4/ not get married at the age 4
 of 25 even. They get married only
 after completing their education
 and after getting some job
 somewhere. Even / when there are $\frac{1}{4}$
 marriage proposals, they will say
 that they should get some
 employment and that they should
 be able to stand on their own // $\frac{1}{2}$
 legs before they can think of getting
 married. Therefore, the question of
 their getting married at the age of
 21 does not arise at /// all. I think, $\frac{3}{4}$
 this Bill should not have been
 brought forward in hurry. Child
 Marriage does not exist today in
 the country ? When the Child /5/ 5

Marriage Restraint Act was enacted there were cases where a girl of five got married to a boy of seven, $\frac{1}{4}$ nine, ten or eleven were / the days. Then this Bill was of a necessity. It was known as the Child Marriage Restraint Act. Now, under this Bill, $\frac{1}{2}$ a boy of // twenty would come under definition of child and he would be prevented from getting married. That is why I feel this $\frac{3}{4}$ should not have been /// brought forward in a hurried and hasty manner. Public opinion should have been ascertained. This should have been sent to a Joint Select $\frac{1}{2}$ Committee. They /6/ should have asked the people as to what was wrong. The people would co-operate with you only when you get their $\frac{1}{4}$ consent. Now, you have / brought foward this Bill but the Law which is already there is not being implemented. There is the Sharda $\frac{1}{2}$ Act under which girls could get// married only after they attain the age of fifteen. This is the case in many villages. You would find that

in district, which is very /// $\frac{3}{4}$ orthodox, girls at the young age of eleven or twelve get married. Then how are you going to improve matters further merely by increasing age ? /7/ 7

Dear Sir,

We refer to our letter dated 5th ultimo to which we have not yet received any reply from you.

We have requested you / for $\frac{1}{4}$ an advertisement in the catalogue we are publishing on the occasion of our next book exhibition, being held in March 2017 at Bombay// $\frac{1}{2}$ from 7 to 14.

Nearly 30 publishers from India and abroad have taken advertisements in the catalogue, and we have every hope that you too /// will join them in the $\frac{3}{4}$ advertisement page of the catalogue to bring your publishing organization and publications to the attention of a very large number /8/ of people all over 8 India.

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Apart from the distribution of the catalogue amongst visitors to the book exhibition vitally interested in books and the participating / publishers, over 3000 copies will be mailed to important booksellers and libraries public, Government, university, educational etc. all over India.

Booksellers and libraries, to // whom our catalogue is mailed cater to over 75 per cent of books sales in India and hence an advertisement in our catalogue will go /// a long way in bringing your books to the attention of the right circles in India. We are looking forward to hear from you soon./9/

We look forward to receiving your advertisement order in the

catalogue at an early date. If you place an order for advertisement in the said / catalogue you will be invited to exhibit your books in the exhibition. We are sure you can definitely sell your books.

We attach herewith once // again advertisement rate sheet and space order form.

Kindly fill in the space order form and return the same at an early date. Material for advertisement can follow later, so that it reaches us by 30 April, 2017.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon by wire.

Sincerely yours, /10/ 10
