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2. These roads were until recently in charge of a Mussulman Maistry, under the supervision of the Taluq Overseer, who periodically visited the Hills and made payments to the coolies.

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6. In such cases, if the Taluq Overseer and the Range Officer are absent, there is a wide margin open to the Maistry, who is the only person who is aware of the nature and extent of the damages sustained by the roads, for fraudulent overcharges.

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8. Under these circumstances, the Local Fund Board considered the employment of a trustworthy Overseer for the roads on the Hills the only remedy against abuses.

9. Considering the nature of the climate of the Shevaroys, which is not agreeable to natives, and in the absence of proper accommodation for a European or an East Indian, the Board proposed to entertain the services of a European on a salary of Rupees 50 and horse allowance of Rupees 15 per mensem, agreeing at the same time to provide him with a house at Yercaud, in the hope that this increased expenditure on account of supervision would be fully compensated by securing a better quality of work for the outlay.

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(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 96. ORDER THEREON, 14th August 1872, No. 1079.

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(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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