Read the following papers:—

No. 116. From the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort St. George, dated Madura, 25th June 1872, No. 1339.

I have the honour to report that, as the annual allotment of Rupees 2,000 for maintaining the sand-bank channel at Paumben has not been entered in the Local Fund Budget of the current official year, I requested the President, Local Fund Boards, Madura, to allot the usual sum of Rupees 2,000 for this service; but Mr. McQuhae informs me, in reply, that, "as no money was allotted or spent from the Local Funds for that work during 1871-72, he cannot apply for funds for it."

2. It will be observed, however, that an allotment of Rupees 2,000 was entered in Part II., Item 544, of the original Local Fund Budget of 1871-72, and from the Progress Report it will be seen that an expenditure of Rupees 1,800 has been incurred therefrom in that year. Nevertheless, the item has been entirely omitted in the revised Local Fund Budget for 1871-72 received in this office on the 31st January 1872.

3. Under these circumstances, I trust that the Government will be pleased to authorize the early allotment from Local Funds of Rupees 2,000 for the maintenance of the channel in question, and also to issue the necessary orders for including this item in future Local Fund Budgets of the Madura Circle.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

5th July 1872.

Referred to the Acting Collector, Madura, for report, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, as to the principle on which this portion of the Paumben Channel works is considered a local communication and chargeable to the Local Fund.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

OOTACAMUND,
11*th July* 1872.

No. 117. From W. McQUHAE, Esq., Acting Collector of Madura, to the Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madura, 6th August 1872, No. 1566.

With reference to the endorsement, No. 117, dated 11th July last, on the Superintending Engineer's letter, dated 25th June, No. 1339, herewith returned, I have the honour to report that I have communicated with the Superintending Engineer, and that he appears to have abandoned the idea that the Paumben Channel is a Local Fund work.

2. I enclose a statement showing the number of vessels which passed through the channel in June last, and the trade in which they were engaged. The Master Attendant informs me that this statement may be taken as a fair average of the whole year.

3. During the year 1871-72, Government received from pilotage fees Rupees 22,385-6-1, while the total cost of the light-house and of the Master Attendant and his establishment amounted only to Rupees 4,789-1-2. No further argument seems necessary to show that the cost of clearing the Paumben Channel should not be thrown on Local Funds.

LIST of Vessels which passed through the Paumben Channel during the month of June 1872 and the amount of Government share of pilotage collections, and showing the difference in the district, coasting, and foreign trade.

District Trade.		Coasting Trade.		Foreign Trade.		Total.	
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PAUMBEN,
23rd July 1872.

(Signed) E. H. DAVIOT,
Master Attendant.

No. 118. THEREON, 17th August 1872, No. 1092.

To be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. H. Burns

Govt. of Madras.

FINANCIAL.

Dated August, 17th.

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No. 1339

Superintg Engineers Office 8th Dn.
Madura 25th June 1872.

From.

Lieutenant Colonel R A Roberts &c.
Superintending Engineer
8th Division.

To

Colonel C W Walker &c.
Secretary to Government P.D. P.W.
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that as the annual allotment of Rupees 2,000 for maintaining the sand bank Channel at Paumben has not been entered in the Local Funds Budget of the Current Official year, I requested the President Local Fund Boards Madura to allot the usual sum of Rupees 2,000

2000 for this service. But Mr. Mc. Duhae informs me in reply, that "as no money was allotted or spent from the Local Funds for "that work during 1871-72; he cannot "apply for funds for it." —

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3. Under these circumstances I trust that the Government will be pleased to authorize the early allotment, from Local Funds, of Rupees 2,000 for the maintenance of the Channel in question; and also to issue the necessary orders for including this item in future Local Fund Budgets of the Madura Circle. —

I have the honor to be.

Sir

Your Most Obedient Sv.

Ricd. Nevill Lieut. Colr.

Superintending Engineer S. D.

No 1566 Collector's Office
Madura.
6th August 1872

Sir,

W. McQuhae Esquire
Acting Collector of
Madura

To,

W. Hudleston Esquire
Secretary to Government
Pottacamund

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No 117 dated 11th July last on the Supt.
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I have the honorable
Sir
Your Most Obed.t Servt.

Wm McPherson
Ag Collector

Public 1872. Department

From The Agt Collector of Tanjore

To The Secretary to Govt Fort St George

Dated 6th August 1872

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No 1576

Reporting that the Superintending Engineer appears to have abandoned the idea that the Vanhow Channel is a Local Fund work & giving reasons that the cost of clearing the said Channels should not be charged in the Local Funds

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