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No. 207. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd June 1874, No. 1537:—

Read letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Kurnool Circle, dated 10th February 1874, No. 65.

The Local Fund Report of the Kurnool Circle for 1872-73 will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. Receipts.—According to the President the Local Fund commenced the year with a balance in its favour of Rupees 83,810, and the actual receipts aggregated Rupees 1,58,291, making a total of Rupees 2,42,101. According to the Accountant-General the opening balance was Rupees 80,568, the actual receipts Rupees 1,58,069, and the total assets Rupees 2,38,637. The Accountant-General credits Rupees 7 and Rupees 8 more as Public Works and Miscellaneous receipts, respectively; but the President enters Rupees 237 as Cash recoveries, which the Accountant-General omits.

3. The collections in 1872-73, excluding the balance, were Rupees 1,58,291, or Rupees 28,501 more than in 1871-72. In 1872-73 Rupees 516 were given from Provincial Funds for the Middle Class Schools taken over by the Local Fund Board, Rupees 71 against nothing in the previous year were credited from Ferry rents, the Road and Land-cess yielded Rupees 32,892 more, the House-tax Rupees 1,558, and School fees Rupees 393. The Sale of School books realized Rupees 95, and the Sale of materials Rupees 239. Public Works receipts amounted to Rupees 231, the Miscellaneous Debt account provided Rupees 1,020, and four* Travellers' bungalows, which were made over to the Local Fund Board during the year, contributed Rupees 259 in fees, etc. On the other hand the Provincial grant for roads was reduced by Rupees 4,430, Rupees 5,000 less were credited from the Surplus Pound Fund, nothing or Rupees 5 less from Avenues, and nothing or Rupees 3 less from Miscellaneous Special funds, and Miscellaneous receipts contributed Rupees 234 less.

* 1. Tekur. 3. Dhone.
2. Yelldurty. 4. Peapally.
G. O., Financial Department, 2nd December 1872, No. 1,608.

4. The Provincial grant assigned in the budget for the schools was Rupees 350. This was raised to Rupees 516 in consequence of the increased grant sanctioned† by the Director of Public Instruction for the school at Nundial.

† Director's Proceedings, dated 9th May 1872, No. 957.

5. The order, placing the ferries of the district under Act I. of 1870, having been cancelled, Rupees 71 of Ferry rents were credited to the Local Fund.

G. O., Revenue Department, 12th October 1871, No. 1,787.

6. The increase under Road and Land-cess was the result of the collection of arrears. Compared with the estimate of the year the collections show a decrease of Rupees 22,283, caused by delay in completing the settlement in consequence of the introduction of the new rates of assessment.

7. The House-tax, Rupees 1,558, was collected in four out of the five Unions in the circle. The estimate was Rupees 2,800, and the balance uncollected at the close of the year is reported to have been since realized.

8. The increase in School fees is due to the Union Schools having been raised from two to five in number.

9. In 1871-72 the whole of the net surplus collections of the Pound Fund were credited to the Local Fund. In 1872-73 only a moiety was credited with reference to G. O., Financial Department, dated 10th October 1871, No. 541.

10. EXPENDITURE, GRANT I., PUBLIC WORKS.—The allotments for Public Works according to the Registers kept in this office were—

		Rs.	Rs.
New Works.	Communications by Public Works Department ...	1,14,378	
	Do. by Other Agency	26	
	Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	1,803	
			1,16,207
Repairs ...	Communications by Public Works Department ...	60,814	
	Do. by Other Agency	4,508	
	Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	233	
	Do. (Avenues) by Other Agency	2,000	
			67,555
		Total...	1,83,762

11. The actual expenditure was—

	President.	Accountant-General.	Controller.
New Works.			
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Communications by Public Works Department ...	46,054	46,054	46,054
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	419	796	419
	46,473	46,850	46,473
Repairs.			
Communications by Public Works Department ...	57,319	57,319	57,319
Do. by Other Agency	2,387	2,387	1,153
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	99	99	99
Do. by Other Agency...	2,717	2,480	1,156
	62,522	62,285	59,727
Total...	1,08,995	1,09,135	1,06,200

12. On the whole only 57·79 per cent. of the allotment sanctioned was expended taking the expenditure given by the Controller of Public Works Accounts. This is unsatisfactory in the extreme, and the President shows that it is not an unprecedented state of affairs in the district.

13. The allotments assigned to the Other Agency, *i.e.*, Revenue Deepartment, were for the following works :—

	Rs.
Compensation for land taken up	26
Village street improvements	3,000
Clearing Nundica Ghaut jungles	1,500
Maintaining Avenues...	2,000
Repairs of Chittur and Kurnool road	8
Total...	6,534

14. According to the Controller of Public Works Accounts only Rupees 2,309 of this amount were spent, but according to the President Rupees 5,104 were expended (Rupees 887 on the second item, the full amount Rupees 1,500 of the third item, and Rupees 2,717 on the fourth item.) As regards the short expenditure on the second item it is explained that owing to non-measurement of work done or other causes Rupees 1,798 are still unpaid.

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15. The following statement shows the extent to which the Public Works Department utilized the allotments sanctioned for the different classes of works :—

	Allotment.	Expenditure.	Percentage of expenditure to allotment.
New Works.	Rs.	Rs.	
Communications by Public Works Department ...	1,14,378	46,054	40·26
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	1,803	419	23·23
Repairs.			
Communications by Public Works Department ...	60,814	57,319	94·25
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	233	99	42·48

16. The expenditure on Communications—Repairs—is satisfactory, but not so the expenditure on new roads. The Progress Report sent by the President gives no satisfactory clue to the causes of this short outlay, and the President says that it was not due to any exceptional causes peculiar to the year. The dilatoriness of the Public Works Department being a subject of frequent complaint the Local Fund Board called upon the District Engineer to report the causes which prevent the full expenditure of allotments. The Board will be glad to see this report. Considering the large share of the cost of the District Public Works Establishment paid by the Local Fund it seems to be inexcusable that their work should be so grossly neglected.

17. The expenditure on Establishment was as follows :—

	President.	Accountant-General.	Controller.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Public Works Department General Establishment ..	35,900	20,500	24,503
Petty Establishment	3,667	3,068	3,794
Total...	39,567	23,568	28,297

18. The Controller's charge for Supervision is 23·58 per cent. on the expenditure on works supervised by the Public Works Department. The total cost of the Public Works Establishment in the district seems to have been Rupees 37,372, and the portion of it paid by the Local Fund was Rupees 24,503, or 66 per cent. (not 75 per cent. as supposed by the President). The expenditure by the Local Fund was 79·8 per cent. of the total expenditure—Imperial, Provincial, and Local Fund—supervised by the Public Works Department, so that the proportion charged against the Local Fund is not *obviously* excessive.

19. The expenditure on Tools and Plant was Rupees 26 according to the President, Rupees 1,766 according to the Accountant-General, and Rupees 1,765 according to the Controller.

20. Four hundred and six and-a-half miles of road were maintained in good order, 64⅞ completed, and 34⅝ in progress. Three village roads were constructed and four were improved, and some clearances in the Nundicanama Ghaut jungles were made. The construction of the Gazalapulli Choultry was proceeded with, and the walls were raised to roof height (nine feet), and materials for the roof collected. The walls are said to contain cracks, the result of too shallow foundations, and the plan of the building to be unsuitable. The President will report whose fault this is, and state whether any revision of the plan and estimate has been found to be necessary. The Yeldurty Travellers' bungalow was being repaired, and avenue trees, of which there are 9,698, were maintained.

21. The principal new works in progress were—

		Rs.
1.	Road from Rampur Pass to Nundicanama Ghaut ...	30,286
2.	Do. from Madicara to Lugali	2,063
3.	Do. from Tadicherla to Cuddapah frontier	2,646
4.	Do. from the end of the western approach of the Madras Irrigation Canal Company's bridge near Kotala to where the road leaves the bund of the Nundial tank	3,757
5.	Road from Nundicotkur to Bairluty	4,819
6.	Gooty, Aspery, and Raichore roads	1,329

22. The expenditure under Grant I. was Rupees 1,48,583 according to the President, and Rupees 1,34,470 according to the Accountant-General.

23. GRANT II.—Two Deputy Inspectors and four Inspecting Schoolmasters were employed at a cost of Rupees 4,208 to the Local Fund. They examined 118 schools with 1,201 pupils, and awarded Rupees 1,932 in Results grants, besides attending to the five Union Schools. The work seems very little indeed for so large a staff. The President's attention is drawn to the subject.

24. There were five Educational Unions in the circle, formed in connection with Middle Class subscription schools. Two were organized in 1871-72, and the remaining three in the year under report. The charges of the schools amounted to Rupees 2,271, and 165 boys received instruction in them. From the figures given in paragraph 17 of the President's report it would seem that it is scarcely worthwhile to keep up the badly attended schools at Narnur and Yelduty.

25. Rupees 1,262 were expended on the purchase of School books.

26. The expenditure under Grant II. was Rupees 9,797.

27. GRANT III., SANITATION.—The Local Fund Dispensary at Nundial, held in a rented building, cost the Board Rupees 947. Relief was given to 23 in-patients and 3,121 out-patients. Contributions, amounting to Rupees 1,800 and Rupees 600, were paid to the Kurnool and Cumbum Municipalities on account of Civil Dispensaries.

28. Four 1st Class and seven 2nd Class Vaccinators, supervised by a Superintendent, vaccinated 193 subjects, each at a cost of 1 Rupee and 2 Annas per case, and 81·28 per cent. of the cases were successful. The cost of vaccination is enormously high and the number of cases small, whilst the percentage of successful cases is not satisfactory. The prevalence to an unusual extent of fever and diarrhœa throughout the district is said to have caused a falling off in the number of people vaccinated, which in 1871-72 amounted to 3,258.

29. Rupees 2,885 out of an allotment of Rupees 6,220 were expended on sanitation as detailed below:—

	Rs.
Cleansing of Tanks and Wells...	72
Sanitary arrangements at Fairs and Festivals ...	575
Scavengering of seventeen important Villages and Towns	2,238

30. The servants employed in the Kristamchettipalli and Patcherla Choultries cost Rs. 72.

31. Establishment in and contingencies of the Travellers' bungalows cost Rupees 468, and Rupees 99 were spent on repairs to the Yeldurty bungalow; 323 travellers used them.

G. O., Financial Department, dated 12th September 1872, No. 1,205.

32. The Local Board contributed Rupees 50 to the Cumbum Municipality for sinking a well.

33. The expenditure under Grant III. was Rupees 9,216.

34. GRANT IV.—The expenditure shown by the President under Grant IV. (excluding Rupees 48, the debit balance of the late Bungalow Fee Fund, which should be separately shown and is so shown by the Accountant-General) amounts to Rupees 2,242, which agrees with that shown by the Accountant-General.

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35. Both the President and the Accountant-General show Rupees 2,741 under Miscellaneous Debt account.

36. BALANCES.—The outlay and balance were—

	President.	Accountant-General.
	Rs.	Rs.
Expenditure	1,72,632	1,58,514
Balance	65,468	80,124

37. The President will be good enough to report how the Local Fund Board system has worked, stating the total number of official and non-official members on the rolls, the number of Meetings held during the year, and the average attendance of each class of members.

38. A Memorandum will be sent to the President showing the errors and discrepancies in his accounts which require rectification and explanation.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 208. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1874, No. 1208.

The reports referred to in paragraphs 16 and 20 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue should be forwarded for the information of Government when received.

2. The remarks made by the Board of Revenue on the unsatisfactory nature of the educational expenditure are approved, and the attention of the Superintendent-General of Vaccination is drawn to the meagre results obtained by the Vaccinators. The explanation given seems hardly satisfactory.

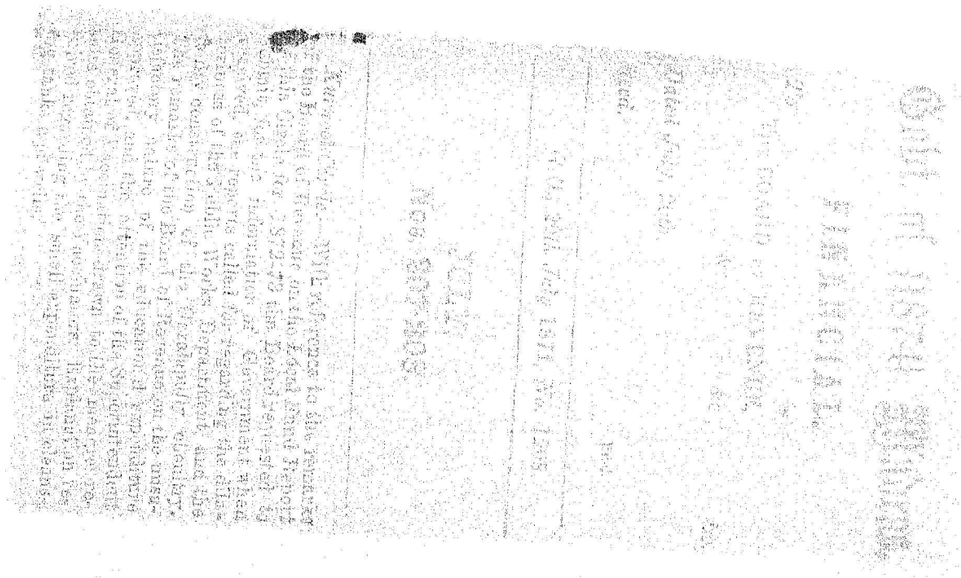
3. Explanation should be submitted regarding the small expenditure in cleansing tanks and wells.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.
,, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
,, Director of Public Instruction.
,, President of the Municipal Commission, Kurnool.

Exd. J. Tulloch.



KURNOOL, 19th February 1874.

No. 65.

From J. HOPE, Esq.,

President of the Local Fund Boards,

To J. GROSE, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

WITH reference to the Board's Official Memorandum No. 167, dated 10th February 1874, I have the honour to submit the revised report on the operation of the Local Fund for 1872-73 in the Kurnool Circle, Kurnool District.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the same Officer, dated 17th June 1874, No. 229.

I HAVE the honour to forward the usual report on the administration of Local Funds for 1872-73, as approved by the local Board, with explanatory statements.

2. *Receipts.*—The total receipts of the year from all sources of income was Rupees 1,58,291, against Rupees 1,29,789 in the previous year as shown below :—

	1872-73.	1871-72.
	RS.	RS.
Allotments from General Revenues	35,736	44,588
Land Cess...	1,17,717	84,825
House tax...	1,558	.....
School fees	442	48
Miscellaneous	918	328
Miscellaneous debt account	1,920	.....
Total ...	1,58,291	1,29,789

which, added to the balance at the beginning of the year, raises the amount available for expenditure to Rupees 2,42,100.

3. The first item shows a decrease of Rupees 8,852 as compared with the preceding year, which is attributable partly to the reduction in the grants from Provincial Funds, and partly to the transfer of a less amount from the surplus Pound Fund than was the case in 1871-72.

The revenue from Land Cess was realized on Inam and Government lands as follows :—

	RS.
Inams	47,057
Ryotwary	70,660
Total ...	1,17,717

which shows an increase of Rupees 32,892, over the receipts of the last year. But this increase is only nominal, and was more the result of large outstanding arrears at the beginning of the year than any increase in the annual demand.

4. As compared with the estimate, however, the actual collections show a decrease of Rupees 22,283, which was due to delay in completing the settlement in consequence of the introduction of the new rates of assessment, and the change of officer caused by the departure of the Collector on furlough.

The decrease in the item of house tax was due chiefly to delay in the collection of the tax, of which Rupees 850 was uncollected at the close of the year. This, however, has since been realized.

5. *Expenditure.*—Of the sum of Rupees 2,42,100, which was available for expenditure, Rupees 1,72,632 was spent, leaving a balance of Rupees 69,468, which is nearly twenty times the estimated closing balance of the Budget. In their order, dated 16th April 1873, No. 489, revising

the Budget of the current year, the Government have expressed their surprise that the opening balance should be estimated at Rupees 51,310, or nearly ten times the anticipated balance. But they will now perceive that the actual balance was much more than the estimate, which caused their surprise. The fact is that the Public Works Department in this district do their work so tardily that the local Board expected that much money would be left unexpended at the close of the year and framed the estimate accordingly.

6. Road Fund.—The sum realized during the year on account of Road Fund was Rupees 1,32,183, as particularized in the subjoined abstract :—

	Rs.
¾rds of collections of Land Cess	78,653
Additional appropriation	18,000
Allotments from Provincial Funds...	30,150
Do. from Special Funds	5,071
Receipts from Public Works Department	274
Miscellaneous...	75
Total ...	1,32,183

which, added to the opening balance of the year amounting to Rupees 78,774, raised the sum available for expenditure during the year to Rupees 2,10,957. Of this, Rupees 1,17,191 were spent as shown below :—

	Rs.
By the Revenue Department	4,136
By the Public Works Department	1,12,966

7. The sum placed at the disposal of the Revenue Department was expended as usual in clearing jungles on the Nandikanamah Ghaut and making village street improvements. The clearing of jungles on the sides of the Nandikanamah road was first commenced in 1867 when the ghaut was infested with tigers and travelling was dangerous, and has since been continued at an annual cost of about Rupees 1,500. During the last six years, upwards of Rupees 11,800 have been spent on this account, and the local Board are of opinion that this cutting of trees which is speedily followed by a more rancorous growth of vegetation is of doubtful advantage, and that the necessity for the continuance of this charge no longer exists, more especially now that fear of tigers has been removed, and the ghaut road itself is being widened at an estimated cost of Rupees 17,100.

8. *Village Street Improvements.*—A sum of Rupees 3,000 was provided in the Budget for expenditure by the Revenue Department, but the Board regret to state that only Rupees 867 was actually spent within the year, and that four out of eight taluqs have not been benefited by it. They must, however, observe that owing to the non-measurement of work done or other causes, Rupees 1,798 are still due. One chief cause of the short expenditure, the Board think, is the want of some special establishment in the taluqs for the performance of Local Fund works. This want they propose to supply in their next Budget.

9. *Public Works Department.* The sum spent by this Department was Rupees 1,42,966 as detailed below :—

	Expenditure.	Allotment.
	Rs.	Rs.
Original works...	46,054	1,13,380
Repairs	57,319	60,180
Establishment...	39,567	40,620
Tools and Plant	26	1,490
Total ...	1,42,966	2,15,670

10. *Original Works.*—The sum allotted in the Budget for new works was Rupees 1,13,380, but the sum actually spent was Rupees 46,054, or only forty per cent. on the allotment as particularized below :—

	Allotment.	Expenditure.
	Rs.	Rs.
Kurnool Range	23,517	8,571
Nundial do.	56,720	34,098
Cumbum do.	33,143	3,385
Total ...	1,13,380	46,054

The result is far from satisfactory. From the Progress Reports it appears that Rupees 20,519, or nearly two-thirds, was paid in March the closing month of the year, and Rupees 6,660 in February, so that the amount expended during the first ten months was not more than twenty-one per cent. of the whole expenditure, or 8½ per cent. of the allotment, which shows that, during the greater part of the year, either no work was done, or that the supervising officers neglected their inspection of work to such an extent as to allow contractors or other subordinate agency to proceed with the work as tardily as they liked.

11. The Board regret that from the very meagre information supplied in monthly Progress Reports (which show only the sums paid and not the quantity of work done), they are unable to give any satisfactory explanation. But as this result was not due to any exceptional causes peculiar to the year under report, but has always been a subject of complaint in almost every report submitted during the last five or six years, the Board have thought it proper to call upon the District Engineer to report briefly on the causes which impede the progress of work in this District, and they hope to adopt necessary steps for ensuring better results for the present year.

12. *Repairs.*—The allotment for repairs of roads was Rupees 60,180, and as usual nearly the whole of this amount was spent within the year. From the reports of Divisional Officers, it appears that some of the roads are in good condition, while others are not so. Some portions are properly metalled, while other portions are altogether neglected. As pointed out by the Deputy Collector of Nundial, the maintenance allowance (Rupees 150 a mile) sanctioned in the Budget is not distributed properly over the whole length of roads, and as details of work done or expenditure incurred on each mile are not given in Progress Reports, the Board have not had the means of ascertaining the real state of the roads, or of taking any notice of it from time to time although, as will be presently pointed out, nearly seventy-five per cent. of the cost of establishment is paid by Local Funds.

13. It may be remarked here that the whole work of repairs was done by Departmental agency in the year under report. Even the road materials, as gravel, etc., were purchased without the intervention of a contractor. Whatever may have been the necessity for having the work executed under the immediate supervision of professional maistries, the Board are of opinion that the supply of materials might, with advantage, be left to contractors or persons unconnected with the Public Works Department.

As desired in paragraph 7 of the Circular Memorandum No. 867, dated 20th June 1873, a statement showing the number of miles maintained, completed or in progress is given below :—

	Number of Miles maintained and in good order.			Number of Miles completed.			Number of Miles in progress.		
	M.	F.	YDS.	M.	F.	YDS.	M.	F.	YDS.
Kurnool Range ...	235	2	40	34	0	0	8	0	0
Nundial do. ...	102	3	17	30	6	202	14	0	172
Cumbum do.	68	7	36	...	...	...	12	4	95
Total ...	406	4	93	64	6	202	34	5	47

14. *Establishment.*—A sum of Rupees 39,567 is shown in the accounts herewith forwarded as the cost of establishment. Of this, Rupees 35,900 is entered for Public Works supervision, with reference to the Budget sanction as done in the last year. From Government Order No. 1,565, dated 25th November 1872, it appears that the cost of Public Works supervision should be charged rateably on the total cost of Local Fund Works and on the entire expenditure on Imperial and Provincial works so that the Board are not now able to state the exact sum chargeable to Local Funds for the whole year. Up to November last, however, the accounts have been adjusted by the Controller, which shows that the charge up to that month was Rupees 15,242, or eighty per cent. of the entire cost. But on comparing the Imperial Progress Reports with Local Fund Report for March, it appears that the entire expenditure on the Imperial works amounts to Rupees 25,690, and that on local works to Rupees 1,03,890, from which the Board infer that the cost of supervision payable by the Local Funds would amount to nearly seventy-five per cent. of the whole establishment.

	Rs.
Total expenditure on Imperial and Provincial Works up to November	9,377
Do. Local Fund Works up to do.	39,500
Total ...	48,877

15. Union Fund.—As the Board are aware, two Unions were formed in 1871-72 at Peapalli and Narnur. In the year under report, three more Unions have been organized at Nundial, Patticonda, and Veldurti, and the private schools there taken over by the Board. Owing to delay in the collection of house tax in 1871-72, there was, at the opening of the year, a debit balance of Rupees 151 against Peapalli, and of Rupees 165 against Narnur, but the collections in these and other Unions during the year under report were more satisfactory as shown in the subjoined abstract :—

Union Schools.	Opening balance.	Receipts.	Expenditure.	Closing balance.	Outstanding arrears.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Peapalli	— 151	431	424	— 145	282
Narnur	— 165	717	332	221	7
Patticonda	...	493	328	165	2
Veldurti	...	314	223	91	3
Nundial	...	560	964	— 404	400
Total ...	— 316	2,515	2,271	— 72	700

16. From the above abstract it will be seen that the total liability of the Union Fund to the General Fund at the close of the year was Rupees 72. But the assets of the Fund, in the shape of outstanding arrears of house tax, amounts to no less than Rupees 700. The whole of which amount is recoverable, and when realised will be credited to General Fund, from which all charges on account of the Union Schools have henceforth to be defrayed now maintained.

17. The schools are all of the middle class, in which both English and Telugu are taught. The total number of boys receiving instruction was 165, the number in each school varying from twenty in Narnur to forty-eight in Nundial. In three of these schools there was only one teachers but provision has been made for an additional teacher in the current year's Budget.

The average number of scholars attending the several classes of schools is given below :—

Name of School.	Average number of Boys attending 3rd Class.	2nd Class.	1st Class.
Nundial	$7\frac{11}{20}$	$7\frac{1}{4}$	$21\frac{2}{3}$
Patticonda...	4	5	16
Peapalli	$4\frac{1}{4}$	13	$26\frac{1}{4}$
Narnur	$4\frac{1}{4}$	$5\frac{11}{12}$	$6\frac{2}{3}$
Veldurti	$6\frac{1}{6}$	$5\frac{7}{14}$	$7\frac{3}{3}$

18. Endowment Fund.—There are no Endowment Funds in this district.

19. General Fund.—The balance at the beginning of the year was Rupees 5,352, and the receipts amounted to Rupees 41,592, making a total of Rupees 46,944. Of this, Rupees 41,258 were spent for the following purposes :—

	Rs.
Choultries	419
Repairing travellers' bungalows	99
Maintenance of avenues	2,717
Education	7,525
Dispensaries	947
Vaccine Establishment	2,395
Village Conservancy	2,238
Sanitary arrangements during festivals	575
Bungalow and Choultry establishment	540
Cleansing wells	72
Contribution to Municipal Hospitals	2,400
Do. to Cumbum Municipality...	50
Amount transferred to Road Fund	18,000
Advances recoverable	2,740
Miscellaneous...	541
Total ...	41,258

20. *Public Works.*—In 1871, a choultry for the use of Native travellers at Gazulapalli, at the foot of the Nallamalla Hills, was sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rupees 2,000, and Rupees 377 were spent in that year (paragraph 20 of last report). During the year under report, a further sum of Rupees 419 was expended, thus raising the total expenditure on the work up to date to Rupees 796. It is now reported by the Division Officer who inspected the place that "the walls have been raised to roof height nine feet, and there are cracks in some parts," which the District Engineer, after personal inspection, pronounced to be the result of shallow foundation. The Deputy Collector adds, that "the plan of the building does not seem quite to meet the requirements of travellers, the space, with cooking compartment, is very limited, and unless verandahs are built all round within the old walled enclosure, the building will be utterly useless." The attention of the District Engineer will be drawn to these remarks and, if necessary, revised plans and estimates will be submitted in due course.

21. *Avenues.*—Rupees 2,717 were spent on the maintenance of avenue trees, of which there are 9,698 in number. In some places the trees are in a thriving state ; in others they are of stunted growth. The local Board have asked the Forest Officers, through the Collector of the District, to report on the cause of this failure, and hope to be able before long to apply the necessary remedy.

22. *Education.*—On this account Rupees 7,525 were spent as detailed below :—

	Rs.
Cost of Inspection	4,208
Results grants	1,932
Purchase of books	1,262
Charges in Union Schools...	123
Total ...	7,525

There are two Deputy Inspectors in the District for the inspection of Union and Village Schools, and they are aided in this by four Inspecting Schoolmasters. The number of schools

examined for result grant is 118, the number of boys presented for examination was 1,201, and the number passed 922, as shown below :—

1st Standard	472
2nd do.	296
3rd do.	119
4th do.	35

From this it appears that the greater number of successful pupils passed the lowest standard, *i.e.*, reading Book No. 1 and shaping letters. The few boys (154) who passed the higher two standards were only successful in reading and writing and a little Arithmetic. In Grammar and District Geography, the only new subjects introduced under the new system, only thirty-six have passed in Grammar and eighteen in Geography, and from the reports of Deputy Inspectors it appears that even in books of Lessons they seldom understand the meaning of what they read.

23. *Dispensary.*—The Board maintain a Dispensary at Nundial in the central part of the district, and the cost of it was Rupees 930 for salaries and Rupees 212 for medicines, according to price list sent by Government. The number of in-door patients was twenty-three, and of out-door patients 3,121. The average daily attendance is above fifty, which shows that the advantage of European medicines are fully appreciated. A copy of the Hospital Assistant's report is herewith sent.

24. *Vaccination.*—The cost of the establishment was Rupees 2,395, and the number of persons vaccinated was 2,127 against 3,258 in the previous year, or a little more than one Rupee for each man. This large falling off is attributable in a great measure to the prevalence of fever and diarrhœa throughout the district, and to an unusual extent in the year under report.

As required in paragraph 14 of Circular Memorandum No. 867, dated 20th June 1873, a statement of the number of Vaccinators employed and the work done by them is given below :—

1 Superintendent, at Rupees 70 per mensem.
4 1st Class Vaccinators, at Rupees 18 each per mensem.
7 2nd Class Vaccinators, at Rupees 10 each per mensem.

Number of persons vaccinated is	2,127
Do. of successful cases	1,729

25. *Sanitation.*—A sum of Rupees 2,238 was expended in maintaining sweeper establishment in seventeen of the more important villages in this district, but in these as in other villages of less importance the Board find it difficult to enforce strict conservancy in consequence of the unwillingness of the ryots to remove manure pits from within their compounds. This reluctance on the part of the people is due partly to the inconvenience of guarding pits at a distance from their houses, and partly to the difficulty of obtaining proper sites for depositing their daily sweepings at a moderate distance from the village, and unless some arrangements are made to supply these wants, the Board are of opinion that sanitary improvement in rural villages would be impracticable, and that the sweepers now maintained would be of little or no practical benefit. The question is now under the consideration of the Board, and they hope to make some provision (necessarily very partial and experimental) in the Budget for 1874-75.

26. *Festivals.*—The item of Rupees 575 was spent at nine places in the District, the more important of which, Sreesailem, Mahanaudi, and Ahobalam, are situated on the Nallamallah Hills where six to ten thousand people assembled, and the Board are glad to be able to report that no sickness of any kind occurred. As usual, these arrangements were superintended by Divisional Officers and Taluq Tahsildars. On one occasion the Dresser, attached to the Local Fund Dispensary at Nundial, was detached for duty at Mahanaudi.

The expenditure under Sanitary establishment, etc., is as follows :—

	Rs.
Cleansing tanks and wells	72
Improving village sites	...
Sanitary arrangements at fairs and festivals	575
Scavengering of villages and towns	2,238

27. Rupees 72 was spent on repair of wells, out of Rupees 2,400 allotted in the Budget. As the season was favourable, the necessity for deepening wells did not arise. The Board sanctioned during the year estimates for repairing wells to the extent of Rupees 1,114, but, as stated in a former paragraph, the difficulty of getting all the Local Fund work done without any addition to the present taluq establishment, seems to have retarded its progress to some extent.

28. *Travellers' Bungalows.*—These bungalows lie on the road from Kurnool to Ghooty and were taken over by the local Board during the year under report. The cost of their maintenance was Rupees 375, exclusive of the repairs amounting to Rupees 99, and the income is Rupees 166. The bungalow at Peapalli was inspected by D. Timmapah Pantulu, Deputy Collector, and is reported to be in good condition. I have not been able to inspect the bungalows as yet, and as no notes have been left by Mr. Chase who, I understand, visited them on several occasions, I regret I am not able to give an account of their condition in the present report.

29. *Contributions to Municipalities.*—A sum of Rupees 2,450 was paid out of the Local Funds to the Municipalities as shown below.

Kurnool Municipality,	Rupees	1,800	for Dispensary.
Cumbum do.	,,	600	for do.
Do. do.	,,	50	for sinking a well.

30. Statements already forwarded contain the information required in the Circular Memorandum, except Statements Nos. 3, 4 and 8 of which revised forms are herewith sent.

Enclosure No. 2.

Report upon the operations of the Public Civil Dispensary, Nundial, from 1st April 1872 to 31st March 1873.

During the period under report there have been 3,121 out-door admissions and 23 in-door admissions, with 3 deaths in the latter.

2. Among the in-door patients, the admissions were from phagedenic ulcer, one, lung affection one, nervous affection one, puerperal fever one, wounds and injuries eight, other complaints eight.

3. The deaths among the in-door patients were, one from sloughing of cellular tissue, one from pneumonia, and one from puerperal fever.

4. Of the out-door, the principal diseases were fevers, from which 529 were admitted, rheumatisms 235, diseases of lungs 112, of liver 8, of stomach and bowels 492, of skin 713, wounds and injuries 128, and other complaints 904—Total 3,121.

5. Of the number of out-door admissions shown above, 1,009 were alone from the town of Nundial, giving a percentage of 33·00 to the total amount of population. This large number of disease to health, I think, is attributable to the absence of attention to the sanitation of the town, and I venture to think that improvement towards this point will go far to lessen the future admissions into Hospital. However, the Local Fund Board has sanctioned Rupees 300 for the cleansing of the town, and for such arrangements as would improve its sanitary condition. The necessary suggestions have been made to the authorities of the place regarding the same. All classes of patients freely resort to the Dispensary for medical aid, and many from distant villages come in for medical treatment with a confidence reassuring to the medical attendant, considering the age of the Institution, and the supposed diffidence of the people to avail themselves of anything they are unaccustomed to.

6. The building now used for the Dispensary is a rented one, and it is found to answer well enough as a Dispensary, but as an Hospital the state of ventilation is bad, and its situation in the centre of the town is objectionable. There are three apartments in the building of equal dimensions, viz., nine and twenty-seven feet each, with communication to one another.

7. There is a shed adjacent to the building intended for patients of low caste. Serious cases of illness and of grievous hurt were alone treated in the Dispensary.

8. The patients that were treated in the Dispensary during the year under report were not dieted in the Hospital, and owing to this reason, I think, the poorer classes did not avail themselves of the benefits of intreatment of the Institution to the extent they would have done otherwise. In consequence, I humbly beg to suggest that the dieting of at least three patients a day may be allowed. With regard to the supply of cooked food for patients, I shall, in communication with the Tahsildar, make such arrangements as would best suit every caste and person.

9. *Privy.*—The want of a privy for the use of the Hospital inmates is much felt.

10. *Dead-house.*—A dead-house has been sanctioned by the Local Fund Board, but the work is not as yet undertaken. I beg to say with regard to the site now marked out for it, should not be approved of till a site at a relative distance for the Dispensary is elected.

11. *Hospital Servants.*—There are two peons on 6 Rupees each, and one sweeper on Rupees 4 a month. The peons have been of very little assistance to me, notwithstanding my endeavours, ever since their entertainment, to train them to the duties they are daily required to perform, owing to their perfect incompetency to receive instruction or improvement, both being addicted to the use of some norcotic drug. I am therefore compelled to beg permission to dispense with the services of both, and to employ in their stead a peon and a compounder. The latter ought to be a person possessing a little knowledge of English, on a salary of Rupees 10 a month. Such a person as this, with a little training, will be able to afford me intelligent assistance in cases of need, such as surgical cases of urgency, outbreak of epidemics, etc. In an outlying station like Nundial, a compounder in the Dispensary, at an increase of Rupees 4 over the rate of pay now allowed to a peon, would be of incalculable help to the only medical man on whom the varied duties of a Hospital charge devolve, namely, the attendance upon a large number of out-patients generally above fifty, the in-patients, the Police sick, visiting Government servants sick at their quarters, and the preparation of periodical Returns and Reports. In fact the work in the Dispensary is equivalent to many a Zillah Dispensary. Owing to the pressure of work from attendance on a large number of sick throughout the year, and the incapability of servants in rendering me any help, I was obliged to be behind time in the submission of the periodical Returns and Reports, to the Medical authorities during the past year, and I beg leave to forward a true copy of the communication to the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, through the Deputy Inspector General of the Division, accounting for the delay in the transmission of Returns and Reports which will, it is hoped, afford sufficient ground for the application now made for a compounder in room of a peon.

12. The Nundial Dispensary (although only a year old) is rapidly rising, and I have every hope of its keeping up, if not spreading its usefulness further, the large number of attendance of sick with which it commenced. Already the institution is well appreciated by every class of the population.

13. I subjoin the remarks made by the Deputy Inspector General in the Hospital Visitors' Book during his annual inspection :—

"13th January 1873. Made the annual inspection of the Dispensary. Found it very clean and remarkably kept, and the number of out-patients treated testifies to the Hospital Assistant being held in good estimation by the community."

14. The average daily number of out-patients, fifty.

(Signed) M. THUMMON SINGH,
2nd Class Hospital Assistant,
In Charge of Principal Civil Dispensary.

NUNDIAL,
19th May 1873.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. HOPE,
President.

No. 1,537.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 23rd June 1874.

Read letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Kurnool Circle, dated 19th February 1874, No. 65.

THE Local Fund Report of the Kurnool Circle for 1872-73 will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. RECEIPTS.—According to the President the Local Fund commenced the year with a balance in its favour of Rupees 83,810, and the actual receipts aggregated Rupees 1,58,291, making a total of Rupees 2,42,101. According to the Accountant-General the opening balance was Rupees 80,568, the actual receipts Rupees 1,58,069, and the total assets Rupees 2,38,637. The Accountant-General credits Rupees 7 and Rupees 8 more as Public Works and Miscellaneous receipts, respectively; but the President enters Rupees 237 as Cash recoveries, which the Accountant-General omits.

3. The collections in 1872-73, excluding the balance, were Rupees 1,58,291, or Rupees 28,501 more than in 1871-72. In 1872-73 Rupees 516 were given from Provincial Funds for the Middle Class Schools taken over by the Local Fund Board, Rupees 71 against nothing in the previous year were credited from Ferry rents, the Road and Land-cess yielded Rupees 32,892 more, the House-tax Rupees 1,558, and School fees Rupees 393. The Sale of School books realized Rupees 95, and the Sale of materials Rupees 239. Public Works receipts amounted to Rupees 231, the Miscellaneous Debt account provided Rupees 1,920, and four* Travellers' bungalows, which were made over to the Local Fund Board during the year, contributed Rupees 259 in fees, etc. On the other hand the Provincial grant for roads was reduced by Rupees 4,430, Rupees 5,000 less were credited from the Surplus Pound Fund, nothing or Rupees 5 less from Avenues, and nothing or Rupees 3 less from Miscellaneous Special funds, and Miscellaneous receipts contributed Rupees 234 less.

* 1. Tekur. 3. Dhone.
2. Yeldurty. 4. Peapally.
G. O., Financial Department, 2nd December 1872, No. 1,608.

4. The Provincial grant assigned in the budget for the schools was Rupees 350. This was raised to Rupees 516 in consequence of the increased grant sanctioned† by the Director of Public Instruction for the school at Nundial.

† Director's Proceedings, dated 9th May 1872, No. 957

5. The order, placing the ferries of the district under Act I. of 1870, having been cancelled, Rupees 71 of Ferry rents were credited to the Local Fund.

G. O., Revenue Department, 12th October 1871, No. 1,787.

6. The increase under Road and Land-cess was the result of the collection of arrears. Compared with the estimate of the year the collections show a decrease of Rupees 22,283, caused by delay in completing the settlement in consequence of the introduction of the new rates of assessment.

7. The House-tax, Rupees 1,558, was collected in four out of the five Unions in the circle. The estimate was Rupees 2,800, and the balance uncollected at the close of the year is reported to have been since realized.

8. The increase in School fees is due to the Union Schools having been raised from two to five in number.

9. In 1871-72 the whole of the net surplus collections of the Pound Fund were credited to the Local Fund. In 1872-73 only a moiety was credited with reference to G. O., Financial Department, dated 10th October 1871, No. 541.

10. EXPENDITURE, GRANT I., PUBLIC WORKS.—The allotments for Public Works according to the Registers kept in this office were—

		Rs.	Rs.
New Works.	Communications by Public Works Department ...	1,14,378	
	Do by Other Agency	26	
	Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	1,803	
			1,16,207
Repairs ...	Communications by Public Works Department ...	60,814	
	Do. by Other Agency	4,508	
	Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	238	
	Do. (Avenues) by Other Agency	2,000	
			67,555
		Total...	1,83,762

11. The actual expenditure was—

	President.	Accountant-General.	Controller.
New Works.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Communications by Public Works Department ...	46,054	46,054	46,054
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	419	796	419
	46,473	46,850	46,473
Repairs.			
Communications by Public Works Department ...	57,319	57,319	57,319
Do. by Other Agency	2,387	2,387	1,153
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Public Works Department	99	99	99
Do. by Other Agency...	2,717	2,480	1,156
	62,522	62,285	59,727
Total...	1,08,995	1,09,135	1,06,200

12. On the whole only 57·79 per cent. of the allotment sanctioned was expended taking the expenditure given by the Controller of Public Works Accounts. This is unsatisfactory in the extreme, and the President shows that it is not an unprecedented state of affairs in the district.

13. The allotments assigned to the Other Agency, *i. e.*, Revenue Department, were for the following works :—

	Rs.
Compensation for land taken up	26
Village street improvements	3,000
Clearing Nundicanama Ghaut jungles	1,500
Maintaining Avenues...	2,000
Repairs of Chittur and Kurnool road	8
Total...	6,534

14. According to the Controller of Public Works Accounts only Rupees 2,309 of this amount were spent, but according to the President Rupees 5,104 were expended (Rupees 887 on the second item, the full amount Rupees 1,500, of the third item, and Rupees 2,717 on the fourth item.) As regards the short expenditure on the second item it is explained that owing to non-measurement of work done or other causes Rupees 1,798 are still unpaid.

15. The following statement shows the extent to which the Public Works Department utilized the allotments sanctioned for the different classes of works :—

	Allotment.	Expenditure.	Percentage of expenditure to allotment.
New Works.	Rs.	Rs.	
Communications by Public Works Department ...	1,14,378	46,054	40·26
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	1,803	419	23·23
Repairs.			
Communications by Public Works Department ...	60,814	57,319	94·25
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by do. ...	233	99	42·48

16. The expenditure on Communications—Repairs—is satisfactory, but not so the expenditure on new roads. The Progress Report sent by the President gives no satisfactory clue to the causes of this short outlay, and the President says that it was not due to any exceptional causes peculiar to the year. The dilatoriness of the Public Works Department being a subject of frequent complaint the Local Fund Board called upon the District Engineer to report the causes which prevent the full expenditure of allotments. The Board will be glad to see this report. Considering the large share of the cost of the District Public Works Establishment paid by the Local Fund it seems to be inexcusable that their work should be so grossly neglected.

17. The expenditure on Establishment was as follows :—

	President.	Accountant-General.	Controller.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Public Works Department General Establishment ..	35,900	20,500	24,503
Petty Establishment	3,667	3,068	3,794
Total...	39,567	23,568	28,297

18. The Controller's charge for Supervision is 23·58 per cent. on the expenditure on works supervised by the Public Works Department. The total cost of the Public Works Establishment in the district seems to have been Rupees 37,372, and the portion of it paid by the Local Fund was Rupees 24,503, or 66 per cent. (not 75 per cent. as supposed by the President). The expenditure by the Local Fund was 79·8 per cent. of the total expenditure—Imperial, Provincial, and Local Fund—supervised by the Public Works Department, so that the proportion charged against the Local Fund is not *obviously* excessive.

19. The expenditure on Tools and Plant was Rupees 26 according to the President, Rupees 1,766 according to the Accountant-General, and Rupees 1,765 according to the Controller.

20. Four hundred and six and-a-half miles of road were maintained in good order, 64½ completed, and 34½ in progress. Three village roads were constructed and four were improved, and some clearances in the Nundicanama Ghaut jungles were made. The construction of the Gazalapulli Choultry was proceeded with, and the walls were raised to roof height (nine feet), and materials for the roof collected. The walls are said to contain cracks, the result of too shallow foundations, and the plan of the building to be unsuitable. The President will report whose fault this is, and state whether any revision of the plan and estimate has been found to be necessary. The Yeldurty Travellers' bungalow was being repaired, and avenue trees, of which there are 9,698, were maintained.

21. The principal new works in progress were—

		Rs.
1.	Road from Rampur Pass to Nundicanama Ghaut ...	30,286
2.	Do. from Madicara to Lugali	2,003
3.	Do. from Tadicherla to Cuddapah frontier	2,646
4.	Do. from the end of the western approach of the Madras Irrigation Canal Company's bridge near Kotala to where the road leaves the bund of the Nundial tank	3,757
5.	Road from Nundicotkur to Bairluty	4,819
6.	Gooty, Aspery, and Raichore roads	1,320

22. The expenditure under Grant I. was Rupees 1,48,588 according to the President, and Rupees 1,34,470 according to the Accountant-General.

23. GRANT II.—Two Deputy Inspectors and four Inspecting Schoolmasters were employed at a cost of Rupees 4,208 to the Local Fund. They examined 118 schools with 1,201 pupils, and awarded Rupees 1,932 in Results grants, besides attending to the five Union Schools. The work seems very little indeed for so large a staff. The President's attention is drawn to the subject.

24. There were five Educational Unions in the circle, formed in connection with Middle Class subscription schools. Two were organized in 1871-72, and the remaining three in the year under report. The charges of the schools amounted to Rupees 2,271, and 165 boys received instruction in them. From the figures given in paragraph 17 of the President's report it would seem that it is scarcely worthwhile to keep up the badly attended schools at Narnur and Yeldurty.

25. Rupees 1,262 were expended on the purchase of School books.

26. The expenditure under Grant II. was Rupees 9,797.

27. GRANT III., SANITATION.—The Local Fund Dispensary at Nundial, held in a rented building, cost the Board Rupees 947. Relief was given to 23 in-patients and 3,121 out-patients. Contributions, amounting to Rupees 1,800 and Rupees 600, were paid to the Kurnool and Cumbum Municipalities on account of Civil Dispensaries.

28. Four 1st Class and seven 2nd Class Vaccinators, supervised by a Superintendent, vaccinated 193 subjects, each at a cost of 1 Rupee and 2 Annas per case, and 81·28 per cent. of the cases were successful. The cost of vaccination is enormously high and the number of cases small, whilst the percentage of successful cases is not satisfactory. The prevalence to an unusual extent of fever and diarrhœa throughout the district is said to have caused a falling off in the number of people vaccinated, which in 1871-72 amounted to 3,258.

29. Rupees 2,885 out of an allotment of Rupees 6,220 were expended on sanitation as detailed below:—

	Rs.
Cleansing of Tanks and Wells...	72
Sanitary arrangements at Fairs and Festivals ...	575
Scavengering of seventeen important Villages and Towns	2,238

30. The servants employed in the Kristamchettipalli and Patcherla Choultries cost Rs. 72.

31. Establishment in and contingencies of the Travellers' bungalows cost Rupees 468, and Rupees 99 were spent on repairs to the Yeldurty bungalow; 323 travellers used them.

G. O., Financial Department, dated 12th September 1872, No. 1,205.

32. The Local Board contributed Rupees 50 to the Cumbum Municipality for sinking a well.

33. The expenditure under Grant III. was Rupees 9,216.

34. GRANT IV.—The expenditure shown by the President under Grant IV. (excluding Rupees 48, the debit balance of the late Bungalow Fee Fund, which should be separately shown and is so shown by the Accountant-General) amounts to Rupees 2,242, which agrees with that shown by the Accountant-General.

35. Both the President and the Accountant-General show Rupees 2,741 under Miscellaneous Debt account.

36. BALANCES.—The outlay and balance were—

	President.	Accountant-General.
	Rs.	Rs.
Expenditure	1,72,632	1,58,514
Balance	69,468	80,124

37. The President will be good enough to report how the Local Fund Board system has worked, stating the total number of official and non-official members on the rolls, the number of Meetings held during the year, and the average attendance of each class of members.

38. A Memorandum will be sent to the President showing the errors and discrepancies in his accounts which require rectification and explanation.

(A true Extract.)

J. Grote

Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
with a printed copy of the President's Report.
,, the President of the Local Fund Board, Kurnool.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Financial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd June 1874, No. 1,537.

Order thereon & dated 25 July 1874 No 208.

The reports referred to in paragraphs 16 and 20 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue should be forwarded for the information of Govt when received. The remarks made by the Board of Revenue on the unsatisfactory nature of the educational expenditure are approved, and the attention of the Superintendent General of Vaccination is drawn

Read 29 July 1874.
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BOARD of REVENUE,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 23RD JUNE 1874, No. 1,537.

Read 26 Dec 1874 Encl. 1

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Local Fund Report—of Kurnool Circle for 1872-73 submitted to Government with remarks.—President to report how Local Fund Board worked showing number of Meetings and attendance of official and non-official members.

No 208

drawn to the meagre results obtained by the vaccinators. The explanation given seems hardly satisfactory.

2. Explanation should be submitted regarding the small expenditure in cleaning tanks and wells.

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The Board of Revenue
" Public Works Depart
" Revenue Department
" Accountant General
" Sanitary Commissioner
for Bombay
" Surgeon General Grade
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To

The Board of Revenue

Dated 20 July
Recd. } 1874, No. 1288.

Nos. 207-8.

Kurnool Circle. With reference to the remarks of the Board of Revenue in the Local Fund Report of this Circle for 1872-73 the Board requested Asst.-mit Jr. the information of Govt. when rec.d the Reports called for regarding the dilatoriness of the P.W. Offr. and the faulty construction of the Gazalapelli Choultry. The remarks of the Board of Revenue on the unsatisfactory nature of the educational Expenditure approved and the attention of the Supt. General of Vaccination drawn to the meagre results obtained by the Vaccinators. Explanation required regarding the small Expenditure on cleansing tanks and wells.