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No. 208. Read the following letter from J. HOPE, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kurnool, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Kurnool, 31st July 1874, No. 12 :—

I have the honor to forward the original report of the Municipality of Cumbum for the year 1873-74, with usual statements.

From H. R. FARMER, Esq., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Cumbum, to J. HOPE, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kurnool, dated Cumbum, 27th June 1874, No. 84.

In accordance with orders noted in the margin, I have the honor on behalf of the Commissioners to forward, herewith, for submission to Government, the report of the proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Cumbum for the official year which ended on the 31st of March last. I beg to offer the following explanations with regard to entries in detail.

Section 34, Act III. of 1871.
G.O., No. 1646, dated 18th October 1871.

2. *Variations between Actuals and Estimates.*—In framing the budget it was anticipated that our total revenue would amount to Rupees 7,203 (including Rupees 60 on account of arrears due for the year 1872-73), and that we should expend it all except Rupees 42. From the statements accompanying this report it appears that our revenues amounted to Rupees 8,205, that none of the arrears due for 1872-73 were collected, and that out of this Rupees 8,205 we have expended Rupees 5,987, leaving a balance unexpended of Rupees 2,218.

The items of variations which seem to call for notice are the following :—

Receipts.	Estimates.	Actuals.
	Rs.	Rs.
1. Opening Balance	1,300	2,498
2. Rates on Houses and Lands..	1,420	1,260
3. Tax on Arts, &c.	1,150	1,001
4. Tax on Carriages and Animals	500	364
5. Tolls	1,200	1,514

Expenditure.	Estimates.	Actuals.
	Rs.	Rs.
6. New Works—		
Communications	500	...
7. New Works—		
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	600	304
8. Repairs—		
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	400	72
9. Hospital	1,226	1,459
10. Closing Balance	42	2,218

The first item in the list of variations was the result of a miscalculation, or perhaps rather of calculating on insufficient data, when framing the budget for the year now under report. The cause of this error in calculation, and the steps taken to prevent its recurrence, are given in paragraph 2 of my letter, No. 6, dated the 16th of January 1874, and printed with Government Proceedings, No. 477, dated the 20th March 1874.

With regard to our failure to realize the expected amount shown in the second, third, and fourth items, it would appear now that the probable receipts were overrated. The Budget Estimates for House-tax and Profession-tax amounted to Rupees 2,570,

Under these heads Rupees 2,261 have been collected at the end of the official year, Rupees 97 have been collected since, and we still expect to collect Rupees 40. The estimates appear to have been about Rupees 170 above the mark in these two heads.

Better results would no doubt have followed if there had been a European Commissioner who took an interest in municipal affairs continually at Cumbum to urge on the Municipal employés. This they need very much. Under the head of Tolls our receipts have exceeded by Rupees 314 what was expected.

The competition amongst Contractors was good. It seems doubtful, however, whether they will be likely to bid so high in future.

With regard to the sixth item it is to be remarked that there is nothing to show what specific new roads were contemplated when the budget was framed. It was deemed advisable to reserve this allotment with a view to erecting a Municipal Office building. No other new work seemed so emergent.

The same remark applies to the allotment (Rupees 400) for new latrines and drains, included in the seventh item.

The amount (Rupees 220) allotted for improvement to the Civil Dispensary as recommended by Dr. Ranking (paragraph 5, G.O., No. 1467, dated 13th October 1873) was fully expended on the object contemplated.

Dr. Ranking recommended the erection of a store-room, a surgery, and two bath-rooms. The Municipal Commissioners have erected the two former, and hope, with reference to paragraph 5 of the Government Order above quoted, and paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 477, dated 20th March 1874, that the Local Fund Board will soon place at their disposal funds for the completion of the improvements recommended by Dr. Ranking.

The expenses of the Civil Dispensary are steadily increasing. It is to be feared that, unless the Local Fund Board can pay half the expenses, the sphere of operations of this useful institution will have to be curtailed.

The Local Fund Board have resolved to raise their contribution from Rupees 600 to Rupees 800. The total expenditure to be met from Municipal and Local Funds will probably amount, at a low estimate, to about Rupees 2,000 in the current year. This is exclusive of Rupees 200 which it is hoped the Local Fund Board will contribute towards the improvement recommended by Dr. Ranking.

If Government is pleased to contribute twenty-five per cent. of the Medical officer's salary, there will probably remain at least Rupees 1,800 to be met from Municipal and Local Funds. Besides the surgery and store-room, a cook-room at a cost of Rupees 83 was erected. Thus the seventh item of variations between estimates and actuals is explained. With regard to the eighth item, where it apears that Rupees 328 out of an allotment of Rupees 400 for Sanitary and Miscellaneous repairs remains unexpended, it is to be observed that Rupees 200 was allotted for the repairs of drains, and the same amount for the repair of latrines. It is not easy to understand how so large an allotment for the repair of latrines could have been made. The allotment is equal to more than half the sum spent in erecting these latrines.

The allotment of Rupees 200 for the repair of drains seems to be even more exorbitant.

The ninth item of variations is with regard to the expenses incurred on account of the hospital. A sum of Rupees 200 was allotted for medicines; Rupees 382 were paid. The allotments for dieting sick and contingencies were also found to be insufficient by about Rupees 100.

The closing balance is shown as Rupees 2,218; but the pay of the medical subordinate for the two last months of the year has not yet been paid.

As the allotments made in the budget for the current year have been made for specific works already determined on, there is reason to hope that estimates and actuals will tally better in future.

3. *Noticeable Results of Year's work with reference to Expenditure.*—Besides the improvements, already noticed, made to the Civil Dispensary by adding a surgery, store-room, and cookroom, two roads, the Nagumpalli Road and the Kakerla Road, were remade. The former was done with labor paid directly by the Commissioners, the latter by contract. The convenience of the ratepayers has been much promoted by the execution of these two works. Some drains and culverts were repaired, and the Civil Dispensary thatched.

Coming to Grant II., Education, it will be observed that out of Rupees 864, the estimated cost of the Anglo-Vernacular School, Rupees 826 have been expended. The Head Master of this school requires more supervision than the Commissioners can give. The Commissioners have on more than one occasion had to notice his persistent want of punctuality. The number of pupils on the rolls and the average daily attendance for the quarters of 1872-73, as compared with the quarters of 1873-74, is shown in the subjoined table:—

—	1872-73.		1873-74.	
	On the rolls.	Average daily attendance.	On the rolls.	Average daily attendance.
First Quarter	56·3	52·3	41	32·75
Second Quarter	68·3	58·47	41·6	35·125
Third Quarter	68·3	52·92	41·6	36·945
Fourth Quarter	61·3	45·47	40 3	31·298

The Head Master attributes the falling off to a deficiency in the number of masters. There were, however, no more masters when the present Head Master came to the school and found seventy boys on the rolls. The Commissioners are convinced that a little more attention to his work, on the part of the Head Master, would be attended with good results. To secure this it would seem advisable to make his pay depend to some extent on the state of the school. It requires perhaps a man of more energy and fixity of purpose to work steadily under the enervating influence of the Cumbum climate. This must, if necessary, be represented to the Educational authorities.

It is to be observed that out of Rupees 67 expended on Results Grants, Rupees 28 were earned in 1872-73, and Rupees 39 in 1873-74. The former sum was earned by two masters, and the latter by one. The master who got Rupees 39 this year is a pensioned Havildar, and seems to be very attentive to his work.

The Commissioners, with reference to G.O., No. 712, dated the 27th of April 1874, and No. 741 dated the 30th of April 1874, propose to adopt the system of payment advocated by the Director of Public Instruction in his letter embodied with the former of the Proceedings, and gradually, if warranted in so doing, to extend the system after seeing how it works, and what views the Government express in reviewing the reports called for in the latter of these Proceedings.

With regard to the expenditure of Rupees 1,459 on the Civil Dispensary entered under Grant III., major head I., and the sum of Rupees 1,775-15-9 entered in the Medical officer's report, herewith enclosed, it is to be observed that the difference (Rupees 316-0-9) is accounted for by the fact that three items entered in the medical subordinate's financial statement, shown below, are not brought to account under Grant III., major head I., in the statements herewith submitted, but under the heads set opposite them below—

Items.	Rs.	A.	P	Where brought to account.
Erection of Store and Surgery Rooms	220	0	0	Grant 1. 1 (c).
Do. of Cookroom	83	3	9	Do.
Repairing and Whitewashing	12	13	0	Do. 2 (c).
Total ...	316	0	9	

We have had four medical subordinates in charge since the beginning of February last. No doubt the falling off in the number of patients is owing to these frequent changes. The present Hospital Apprentice cannot talk Telugu. Even men like the Tahsildar and Inspector of Police have written to me when absent from Cumbum asking me to allow the Dresser attached to the Head Assistant Collector to attend on them and their families. The people have been much disappointed at Government being unable to send them a Dresser.

With regard to the remark of the Hospital Apprentice (lately in charge) in paragraph 2 of his report, I beg to submit the following resolution of the Commissioners at a meeting held on the 24th of March 1874 :—

Resolution No. 6.

"The Commissioners observe that the water of the large and small channels which is used for drinking purposes is fouled by persons washing cloths, bathing, &c. Resolved that notice be given by beat of tom-tom that the provisions of Section 116 of the Act will be strictly enforced after five days' grace has been given."

Notices were posted up as directed, and prosecutions will, if necessary, be instituted.

The improvements and additions noted by the Hospital Apprentice are needed, and the Commissioners hope that, with the help of Local Funds, they may be able to undertake some of them before long.

The results of the other expenditure (Vaccination, Registration, &c.,) call for no special remark in the year under report.

The operations under these heads may be considered satisfactory.

4. *Public Health.*—The position of Cumbum with regard to the tank makes it almost impossible that it should be otherwise than one of the most unhealthy, if not the most unhealthy, town in the Presidency.

Kurnool is now, it is believed, acknowledged to be the most unhealthy district in the Presidency. The Cumbum Head Assistant's Division is dreaded by persons living in other parts of the district; and having been from one end of that division to the other, I can confidently say that the town of Cumbum is the most unhealthy spot in this division.

This is borne out by the fact that during the year 1872, out of a total population of 7312, 284 deaths or 39 per mille were registered. The mortality was even greater in 1873.

No doubt some deaths were not registered.

I have brought the extremely unhealthy state of Cumbum to your notice in my letters, No. 18, dated the 31st January 1874, and No. 41, dated 31st March. The officers stationed here, or who have visited the station, will, I think, bear out what I say. No one stays at headquarters longer than possible, and a change for the worse is observable on the first day after reaching Cumbum. One of our Commissioners, a comparatively young man, died from fever a few days since.

Another Commissioner (Mr. Sullivan, the Assistant Superintendent of Police) left here two months ago too weak to walk more than a few yards. A third Commissioner (the Range Officer) is informed by the Officer in charge of the Civil Dispensary that his next attack of fever will compel him to visit Europe to recover his health. The fact that these two last-named Commissioners have only attended four meetings each during the year is accounted for by their being unwilling to remain in Cumbum longer than they can help, and by their often being too indisposed to attend the *meetings* when they are at Cumbum. Any one can feel a change for the better within a few hours after leaving Cumbum, and a feeling of depression and lassitude is the invariable and immediate consequence of coming into Cumbum. I do not consider a man capable of doing in a day at Cumbum half a good day's work.

I would strongly urge the necessity of having quarterly reports, with full statistics of the health of Cumbum, submitted to Government through the Sanitary Commissioner. I believe the result would be a change in the headquarters of the division, and a consequent improvement in the health and work of all officers whose lot it is to be sent here.

5. *Municipal Servants.*—From the foregoing it may be concluded that Cumbum is not the place to attract men who can get employment anywhere else. I shall notice the Manager, Overseer, and Clerk here.

The Manager is an ex-Head Constable, who, if he had not resigned his post in the Police, would probably have been discharged. He is mentally as well as physically incapable of being efficient. He has been reduced and punished many times. Notwithstanding the warning contained in paragraph 8 of the Vice-President's letter embodied in G.O., No. 1389, dated the 11th September 1871,

reviewing the Administration Report for the year 1870-71, and notwithstanding frequent warnings from myself, there is little if any improvement, nor can it be expected. The Auditor's report, herewith enclosed, will show the state of the accounts.

I have seen the Manager dividing by Long Division when the divisor was a single figure. I have had to notice his inefficiency in both my last year's report and in submitting the current year's budget.

With regard to the Overseer he had to be dismissed for attempting to support a false statement by reading before a meeting from his diary a sentence which in looking into his diary was found not to be there.

Of the Clerk I may mention that he can hardly read two lines of a Telugu arzi without a mistake.

I found that the Court Fees Stamps had been removed from fifteen arzis which were found, some in his desk, and some in a dufter behind him.

This was discovered owing to the Treasury Deputy Collector sending me an arzi from this clerk, to which a stamp which had evidently been used before had been attached. The paper on the back of the stamp used by the clerk corresponds with the paper upon which an arzi from which the stamp has been removed was written. The clerk attempts to account for this by saying that he first wrote a rough copy of the arzi to which he attached the stamp, and then took it off after making a mark with ink on the stamp which now appears on it. He says his brother gave him the stamp, and his brother denied this to the Police Inspector. I am of opinion that he should be dismissed.

He has since resigned.—H. R. F.

With such servants as these, it is very hard to expect much satisfactory work in a Commission where the Vice-President, Range Officer, and Assistant Superintendent of Police (the only Commissioners who have ever recorded the proceedings of a meeting) are continually absent for prolonged periods from Cumbum. As stated before, the Range Officer and Assistant Superintendent of Police have only been able to attend four meetings out of twenty-four held during the year under review.

Under these circumstances, I think steps should be taken to secure better municipal servants. If this is not done the interests of the ratepayers will continue to suffer.

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From C. CHITHUMBARA PILLAY, Auditor of the Municipal Accounts, Cumbum, to H. R. FARMER, Esq., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Cumbum, dated Cumbum, 6th July 1874.

I most respectfully beg to report the result of my audit of the Municipal accounts for the official year 1873-74.

Rupees 12-8-0 was found to be twice entered in the Telugu chitta and the same rectified. Arrears in the House and Profession taxes remain to be collected. The totalling of the chitta of receipts and expenditure has been done in an irregular way; the Manager has been taught the proper method. The dates of remittances not being entered in the chitta and the dates not tallying with the entries of Treasury receipts have given me some trouble in auditing. This the Auditor for 1873 has also remarked.

I had to notice whether the remarks of the previous Auditors have been attended to or not. I see that the Register of Lands, &c., has been only totalled page by page and some in pencil—no brought forward and no grand total, which are very essential. The same is the case with the Register of Carts and Animals. Remittances are still being made occasionally once in two or three days even when the treasury is open, though this has been pointed out in 1871. Licenses were not granted to those that paid on prosecution and to those that paid after the prescribed time of payment has elapsed. The Manager's explanation for these defects are not satisfactory.

I am satisfied as to the correctness of the receipts, expenditure, and balance, and they agree with the Treasury accounts :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance on the 1st April 1873 was	2,498	6	7
Receipts under all the heads during the current year	5,706	9	8
Total ...	8,205	0	3
Total expenditure under all the heads during the current year ..	5,987	0	11
	2,217	15	4
Deduct advance in the possession of the Manager	50	0	0
Balance ...	2,167	15	4

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Report on the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum, for the Year 1873-74.

The hot season set in rather early this year. The rainfall has been 34½ inches showing an increase of 5½ inches compared with that of last year. The public health is pretty fair, considering the general unhealthiness of the district. Vaccination is carried on by the Municipality under supervision.

2. Wet cultivation is carried on to a great extent both in and around the place, rendering the climate comparatively cool. The water supply both for irrigation and drinking purposes is derived from the large inland lake by means of small channels, two of which run through the town itself; but I do not see that there are any precautions taken to prevent the water being polluted by washing cattle and dirty cloths in these channels.

3. There has been no epidemic of any kind whatever this year.

4. Malarial fever prevails to a great extent in the town and surrounding districts, and the chief admissions are from it.

5. The working of the Civil Dispensary as compared with that of last year is as follows :—

	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1872-73	70	2,705	2,775
1873-74	107	2,616	2,723

Fifteen of the in-patients were dieted by themselves, and a few "Police cases" by the Government. The slight difference existing this year may be in a measure accounted for by the many changes which took place among the medical subordinates. The prevailing diseases were chiefly ague, rheumatism, conjunctivitis, and ulcers.

6. There have been two small rooms constructed out of the back veranda of the Civil Dispensary, one at either end, and are used as a surgery and an office and store-room. Each has a door and a window. I am very sorry to have to remark that there is no special accommodation for caste persons, bad cases, and even contagious diseases. Neither is there any dead-house attached to the Dispensary, and if any bad case happens to die during the night, the body being allowed to remain in the ward, the patients all desert, in total disregard to the diseases they may be suffering from at the time. *Post mortem* examinations are at present performed under the trees in front of the Dispensary, and not far from the public road.

7. A financial statement showing the working of the Dispensary is herewith attached.

CUMBUM,
1st April 1874.

(Signed) F. A. WYNNE,
Passed Hospital Apprentice, in Medical charge, Civil Dispensary, Cumbum.

Financial Statement exhibiting the Working of the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum, for the Year 1873-74.

In-patients 107
Out-patients... ... 2,648

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	RS.	A.	P.
Balance on hand	...	...	...
Received during the year... ...	...	...	...
From Local Funds	600	0	0
Municipal Funds	1,175	15	9
Interest on vested money... ...	...	...	...
European Donations and Subscriptions	...	...	...
Native Donations and Subscriptions	...	...	...
Sale of articles, &c.	...	...	...
Total Income	1,775	15	9
Balance in hand on 1st April 1874			
Total Expenditure ...	1,775	15	9

Dr.

	RS.	A.	P.
By Medical Subordinates' salary.	495	0	0
European Medicines from Medical Stores for 1871-72 and 1872-73	382	1	11
Half-yearly supplies	...	...	...
Dieting Sick	318	14	0
Wines and Spirits	...	...	...
Monthly perishable Articles ...	95	15	1
Servants' Wages	156	0	0
Works additional to Civil Dispensary of two Rooms	220	0	0
Works additional to Civil Dispensary Cookroom...	83	3	9
Repairing Civil Dispensary ...	12	13	0
Conveyance, &c., of a Patient sent to Cuddapah Civil Dispensary	12	0	0
Total ...	1,775	15	9

I certify the above to be a correct return of the income and expenditure of the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum.

CUMBUM,
1st April 1874.

(Signed) W. GRANGER,
Passed Hospital Apprentice, in Medical charge, Civil Dispensary, Cumbum.

Extracts from the Visitors' Book, Civil Dispensary, Cumbum, for the Year 1873-74.

11th June 1873. *Remarks by* H. R. FARMER, Esq.—"Surgery inconceivably small. The contract for new buildings must be given at once, and the work commenced. The windows of the Civil Dispensary were all closed. Dresser promises to see that this does not occur again."

7th August 1873, *by* H. R. FARMER, Esq.—"No answer has yet been received from the President, Local Fund Board, relative to the repairs and alterations recommended by Dr. Ranking."

20th October 1873, *by* H. R. FARMER, Esq.—"The Dispensary roof leaks. The Municipal Commissioners have resolved to commence the building of a small Dispensary and store-room, without waiting for the decision of the Local Fund Board."

9th January 1874, *by the Vice-President, Municipal Commission.*—"Civil Dispensary requires whitewashing, and roof requires repair."

CUMBUM,
6th June 1874.

(Signed) H. R. FARMER,
Vice-President, Municipal Commission.

No. 209. ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1874, No. 1442.

The estimates and actuals of the Cumbum Municipal receipts and expenditure for the year 1873-74 are compared below:—

RECEIPTS.

	1873-74. Estimate.	1873-74. Actuals.
	RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ...	1,300	2,498
Assignment by Government ...	378	363
House-tax...	1,420	1,260
Tax on Arts, &c.	1,150	1,001
Tax on Vehicles	500	365
Registration of Carts	264	280
Tolls	1,200	1,514
Fees	30	36
Fines	100	42
Contributions from Local Funds	600	600
Miscellaneous	261	246
Total ...	7,203	8,205

CHARGES.

	1873-74. Estimate.	1873-74. Actuals.
	RS.	RS.
Grant I.—		
New Works—		
Communications	408	...
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	620	304
Repairs—		
Communications	572	470
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	400	72
Grant II.—		
Municipal Schools	864	826
Results Grants	150	67
Other items	...	50
Grant III.—		
Hospitals	1,226	1,460
Vaccination	124	133
Registration of Births and Deaths	82	71
Conservancy	1,354	1,210
Grant IV.—		
Lighting	248	240
Other items	50	86
Grant V.—		
Office	1,063	961
Miscellaneous		35
Advances	...	2
Balance	42	2,218
Total ...	7,203	8,205

2. The actual receipts amounted to Rupees 8,205 against an estimate of Rupees 7,203, the increase of Rupees 1,002 being more than accounted for by an increase of Rupees 1,198 in the opening balance. Amongst rates and taxes the receipts from the House-tax and Profession-tax fell short of the estimates by Rupees 160 and Rupees 149 respectively, while those from Tolls exceeded the estimate by Rupees 314.

3. The expenditure fell short of the estimate by Rupees 1,174, and short of the income by Rupees 2,218. The short expenditure in 1872-73 was Rupees 2,498, and in 1871-72 Rupees 2,742. The President will submit an explanation of this annually-recurring failure to utilize the funds at the disposal of the Municipality, and will report what prospect there is of the taxes taken from the people being spent for their benefit during the current year.

4. The principal public works executed during the year were improvements to the Civil Dispensary and the remaking of two roads.

5. The Municipal School is evidently in an unsatisfactory state, and the President will report what action he has taken on the Vice-President's complaints against the conduct of the Head Master. It is observed that, in the case of the Results Grants Schools, the Commissioners propose to give a trial to the system of a combination of fixed stipends and results grants, and to extend the system gradually if it proves successful.

6. The Dispensary appears to have worked fairly, but the attention of the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, is called to the fact that the Hospital Apprentice at present in charge of the institution is unable to talk Telugu. A colloquial knowledge of the language of the district in which he serves is an essential qualification for a medical subordinate detached for employment under local bodies, and, in the event of there being no Hospital Assistant available who is properly qualified in that respect, the Government will not object to the appointment of a Native Hospital Assistant. The President is requested to expedite the report called for in G.O., dated 20th March 1874, No. 477, as to the claim which the institution has to a contribution from Government of twenty-five per cent of the Medical officer's salary. He will also report what steps he has taken with reference to the Vice-President's remarks on the inefficiency of the municipal servants. With so many points calling for notice, it is to be regretted that the President should have contented himself with a mere covering letter forwarding the Vice-President's report.

7. The proposal to change the Headquarters of the Division is out of place in a municipal report.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONS,
Kurnool,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August, 27th.

Read. Encl.

G.O., 27th August 1874, *No.* 1442.

AUGUST.
Nos. 208-209.

Cumbum Municipality.—Orders passed on the annual report of the working of this Municipality for the year 1873-74.

Report on the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum, the year 1873/74.

The Hot season set in rather early this year. The rainfall has been 34½ inches showing an increase of 5½ inches compared with that of last year. The public health is pretty fair, considering the general unhealthiness of the District. Vaccination is carried on by the Municipality under supervision.

2. Wet cultivation is carried on to a great extent both in and around the place, rendering the climate comparatively cool. The water-supply both for irrigation and drinking purposes is derived from the large inland lake by means of small channels, two of which run through the town itself; but I do not see that there are any precautions taken to prevent the water being polluted by washing cattle and dirty cloths in these channels.

3. There has been no Epidemic of any kind whatever this year.

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5. The working of the Civil Dispensary as

compared with that of last years is as follows:-

	Inpatients -	Out-Pat^{ts}. -	Total.
1872/73	70	2705	2775.
1873/74	107	2616	2723.

15 of the in-patients were dieted by themselves and a few "Police Cases" by the Government. The slight difference existing this year may be in a measure accounted for by the many changes which took place among the Medical Subordinates. The prevailing diseases were chiefly Ague, Rheumatism, Conjunctivitis and Ulcers.

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the trees in front of the Dispensary and not far from the Public Road.

7. A Financial Statement shewing the working of the Dispensary is herewith attached.

1891. F. A. Wynne.
Passed Hosbl: Apprentice
In medical charge.
Civil Dispensary, Cumbum

Cumbum
1st Apl: 1874

True Copy.

W Wynne
pd Hosbl: Appce
In medl: Charge.
Civil Dispy, Cumbum.

Cumbum.
6th June 1874

Statement on file Civil Dispensary Cumbum for the year 1873/74.

Financial Statement exhibiting the working of the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum for the year 1873/74.

In-Patients — 107.
Out-Patients — 2648.

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	R.	A.	P.
Balance on hand.			
Received during the year:-			
From Local Funds.	600	"	"
Municipal Funds.	1175	15	9.
Interest on Vested Money.			
European Donations & Subscriptions			
Native " "			
Sale of articles &c.			
Total Income.	1775	15	9.
" Expenditure	1775	15	9.
Balance in hand, 1st April 1874.	"	"	"

Dr.

	R.	A.	P.
By Medl: Subordtes' Salary	495	"	"
European Medicines from Medl: Stores for 1871/72 and 1872/73	382	1	11.
Half yearly supplies.			
Dieting Sick	318	14	"
Wines & Spirits	"	"	"
Monthly Perishable Articles	95	15	1.
Servants' Wages.	156	"	"
Works additional to Civil Dispy: & 2 rooms. cookroom	220	"	"
" Repairing Civil Dispensary	83	3	9.
Conveyance &c of a Patient sent to Cuddapah Civil Dispensary.	12	13	"
Total Rupees	12	"	"
	1775	15	9.

I certify the above to be a correct Return of the Income and Expenditure of the Civil Dispensary, Cumbum.

Cumbum
1st April 1874.

W. Thompson
Native Hospital Assistant
In Medical Charge
Civil Dispy. Cumbum.

Municipal Minutes
Extracts relating to working
of the Civil Dispensary
Cumbum for the year
1873/74.

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Extracts from the Visiting Book, Civil Dispensary, Cumbum for the year 1873/74.

11th June 1873. Remarks by H. R. Farmer, Esq:

"Surgery inconceivably small. The contract
"for new buildings must be given at once. and
"the work commenced. The windows of the
"Civil Dispensary were all closed. Dresser
"promises to see that this does not occur again"

7th Augt 1873. By H. R. Farmer. Esq:

"No answer has yet been received from the
"Presd. L. F. Board relative to the repairs & altera-
"tions recommended by Dr. Rankine"

20th October 1873. By H.R. Farmer. Esq:

"The Dispensary roof leaks. The Municipal
"Commissioners have resolved to commence
"the building of a small dispensary &
"Store-room, without waiting for the de-
"cision of the L. F. Board."

9th January 1874. By the Vice-President, Municipal Commrs.

"Civil Dispensary requires white-washing
"and roof requires repair".

Sgd/ H.R. Farmer.
Vice-Presdt. municipl. Commrs.

True Copies

Cumbum.
6th June 1874

W Brander
Assd Hospl. Apprce.
In medl. Charge.
Civil Dispensary, Cumbum

Extracts from Weekly Book Civil Dispensary Cumbum for the year 1873/74

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Financial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the President of the Municipal Commissions, Kurnool, dated 31st July 1874. No 12.

Order thereon 7 Octo 27 Augt 1874 No 1462

The estimates and actuals of the Cumbum Municipal receipts and expenditure for the years 1873-74 and 1874-75, are compared below:-

Receipts	Estimate: 1873-74 Rs	Actuals Rs
Balance brought forward	1,300 —	2,498
Assignment by Govt	378 —	363
House Tax	1,420 —	1,260
Tax on arts, &c.,	1,150 —	1,001
Tax on vehicles	500 —	365
Registration of carts	264 —	280
Tolls	1,200 —	1,514
Fees	30 —	36
Fines	100 —	42
Contributions from Local Funds	600 —	600
Miscellaneous	261 —	246
	7,203	8,205

Charges

Charges	Rates 1873-74 Rs	Actuals Rs.
Grant I.		
New Works		
Communications	408	"
Sanys & Miscellaneous	620	304
Repairs		
Communications	572	470
Sanys & Miscellaneous	400	72
Grant II.		
Munt Schools	864	826
Results grants	150	67
Other items	"	50
Grant III.		
Hospitals	1,226	1,460
Vaccination	124	133
Regn of births & deaths	82	71
Conservancy	1,354	1,210
Grant IV.		
Lighting	248	240
Other items	50	86
Grant V.		
Office	1,063	961
Miscellaneous		35
Advances		2
Balance	42	2,218
Rs.	7,203	8,205

The actuals receipts amounted to Rs 8,205 against an estimate of Rs 7203 – the increase of Rs 1,002 being more than accounted for by an increase of Rs 1,198 in the opening balance. Amongst rates and taxes the receipts from the House tax and Profession tax of the current year fell short of the estimate by Rs 160, and Rs 149 respectively; ~~the estimates~~; while those from tolls exceeded the estimate by Rs 314.

The expenditure fell short of the estimate by Rs 1,174, and short of the income by Rs 2,218, ~~The short expenditure in 1872-73 was Rs 2493 and in 1871-72 Rs 2742.~~ The President will submit an explanation of this annually recurring failure to utilize the funds at the disposal of the Municipality and will report what proportion there is of the taxes taken from the people being spent for their benefit during the current year.

The principal Public Works executed during the year were improvements to the Civil Dispensary and the remaking of two roads.

The Municipal School appears to be in an unsatisfactory state and the President will report what action he has taken on the Vice President's complaints against the conduct of the head masters. It is observed that in the case of the Results grants Schools, the Commissioners propose to give a trial to the system of a combination of fixed stipends and results grants, and to extend the system gradually

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gradually if it proves successful.

The Dispensary appears to have worked fairly, but the attention of the Surgeon General, Indian Medical Department, is called to the fact that the Hospital Apprentice at present in charge of the institution is unable to talk Telugu. A colloquial knowledge of the language of the District in which he serves is an essential qualification for a medical subordinate detached for employment under local bodies, and in the event of there being no Hospital ~~Assistant~~ apprentice available who

who is properly qualified in that respect, the Govt. will not object to the appointment of a Native Hospital Assistant. The President is requested to expedite the report called for in G.O. dated 20th March 1874. No. 477, as to the claim which the institution has to a contribution from Govt. of 25 per cent of the Medical officer's salary.

He will also report what steps he has taken with reference to the Vice President's ~~report~~ remarks on the inefficiency of the Municipal Servants. With so many points calling for notice, it is to be regretted that the President should have contented himself with a

a mere covering letter forwarding the Vice President's report.

The proposal to change the Head-quarters of the Division is somewhat out of place in a Municipal report, but Mr. Farmer is at liberty to address the Collector on the subject if he thinks fit. He has shown that the Municipality would inevitably suffer from the adoption of the change which he advocates.

To

The Presidt. of the Munl. Comrs. Kurnool

" Public Works Department-16
" Revenue Department-6
" Board of Revenue-14
" Accountant General-6
" Sanitary Commissioner for Madras-6
" Surgeon Genl. Indian Medl. Deptt-6
" Director of Public Instruction-7
" Presidt. of the Local Fund Board, Kurnool-

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Govt. of {187½} Madras

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To

The President of the
Imm.t Commrs
Kurnool
& co

Dated 27 Oct 187½ 187½, No. 164

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Cumlems Municipality

Proceedings on the
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