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No. 20. Read the following letter from J. R. COCKERELL, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Coonoor, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Ootacamund, 24th March 1874, No. 25 :—

I have the honour to submit the Budget Estimate of the Coonoor Municipality for 1874-75 prepared in the prescribed forms.

2. The assets are given at Rupees 10,290 against an income in the current year of Rupees 7,500. This enhancement is due primarily to the improving condition of the place. The items of special increase are under the head "Miscellaneous," that is to say, the Market and Slaughtering Fees and the Sale of Sweepings. The increments in the income proper of the Municipality shown in the Budget Estimate would of themselves make the income 8,225 Rupees against 7,500 Rupees in the current year. The difference between the income derivable from the taxes and the actual income in the coming year arises from a grant of 2,065 Rupees for the Coonoor roads made by the Local Fund Board.

3. The expenditure proposed is Rupees 10,240, and it is distributed as under :—

Grant I.—	RS.	RS.
New Works	750	
Repairs	3,550	
Tools and Plant	100	
		4,400
Grant II.—		
Results Grant	100	
Inspection	50	
		150
Grant III.—		
Dispensaries	400	
Vaccination	180	
Registration of Births	60	
Conservancy	2,840	
		3,480
Grant IV.—		
Lighting...	660	
Rent, Bandypettah	100	
		760
Grant V.—		
Office	1,150	
Miscellaneous	300	
		1,450
Grand Total ...		10,240

New Works.—The drainage of the station roads will be completed with a further expenditure of 250 Rupees, when 2,500 Rupees will have been spent on the entire scheme. New latrines will be erected at a cost of Rupees 500.

Repairs.—One hundred and four miles of the road between Coonoor and Ootacamund, at 275 Rupees a-mile, absorb 1,100 Rupees. Repairs to the Lady Canning's Seat and Lamb's Rock Road absorb Rupees 660, and repairs to the Coonoor station roads at the usual sum of Rupees 880 a-mile. The miscellaneous repairs are budgeted for at 1,000 Rupees against 1,050 Rupees in the current year.