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No. 126. Read the following letter from H. E. SULLIVAN, Esq., Acting Collector of South Arcot, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Virdachellum, 8th December 1873, No. 79 :—

In forwarding to you the proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Chellumbrum at a meeting held on the 1st instant, I have the honour to request that early orders may be issued on my letter, dated 31st October 1873, No. 7.

2. It will be seen from paragraph 3 of the proceedings that, although the valuation of houses and lands has been completed, the Commissioners have postponed giving public notice of the lists being ready for inspection, or of a date for hearing appeals. The object of this postponement is to gain time until the Government have decided to accept or reject their proposals that the rate should be reduced from five to three per cent.

3. I beg to point out that any delay at this advanced period of the official year is objectionable. A month must elapse after the publication of the notice required by Section 47 before the lists can be revised and appeals disposed of, and this will occupy a considerable time more, so that, under the most favourable circumstances, collections can hardly begin before the middle of February. In the meanwhile the expenses of the Commission are being defrayed from the advance of Rupees 2,000, sanctioned by Government in their Proceedings, dated 24th July last, No. 1057, which I am therein directed to refund within the official year, and this will be impossible if any further delay on the part of the Commissioners in carrying out the preliminary arrangements is permitted. The fact is that some of the Commissioners, led on by the two persons whose names I have requested may be removed* from the list, are throwing every obstacle in the way of the Act being brought into operation ; and, as long as they continue to exercise municipal functions, I despair of being able to inaugurate it successfully. My other duties will not permit me except occasionally to preside at meetings in this remote part of the district, and unfortunately just at present the Tahsildar, who is able to exercise a wholesome influence over the more reasonably-disposed members, is also precluded from attending by severe illness.

* *Vide* letter, dated 22nd November 1873.

At a Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners held on the 1st instant.

Present :

M. R. Ry. M. Venkatasoobiah Garoo, B.A., Presiding Member.
,, Meer Kajim Ally Rezene.
,, Nattoo Devaroya Pillay.
,, Ambalavana Moodelliar.
,, Venkatasoobboo Chettiar.

Absent seven members.

1. Read and confirmed the proceedings of the last meeting.

By a reference to the records kept at this office the Commissioners find that no communication by the President to Government regarding the minute read by M. R. Ry. M. Venkatasoobiah Garoo, at the meeting of the 12th ultimo, has been up to date received at the office.

Resolved that the President be requested to forward the said minute to Government at his earliest convenience.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
19th January 1874.

2. Read minute from M. R. Ry. C. Aroonachellier, proposing to request Government to organize a separate Town Police.

Resolved that a copy of the minute be forwarded to the President for submission to Government.

3. By a reference to the rough Assessment-book it is found that the work of valuation and assessment of buildings, &c., has almost come to a close, there being only a few houses remaining to be assessed and valued.

Resolved that arrangements about giving public notice thereof be postponed to a future meeting.

4. Read report from the Sanitary Inspector, No. 9, dated 29th ultimo, stating that three persons, named Poonnoo Pillay, Sella Pillay, and Ponnoosawmy Pillay, residents of Rama Pillay and Eda Streets, have removed, without the permission of the Commissioners, half a bandy-load of the roots of the Persian tree, the property of the Commissioners, and that upon interrogating the parties on the subject they pleaded ignorance as to the ownership.

Resolved that the parties referred to be warned, that public notice be duly given against the recurrence of similar offences ; and that the roots now in the custody of the Sanitary Inspector be sold by public auction, and the proceeds credited to the Municipal Fund.

5. Read report from the Sanitary Inspector, No. 10, of the 29th ultimo, stating that, on his inspection of the third and fourth Divisions, on several occasions he found the main road leading to Mannargudy and some others obstructed by weaving twists, machines, &c., and that great inconvenience was thereby caused to traffic and to the passing even of the conservancy carts.

Resolved that the owners of such twists, machines, &c., be directed to remove them from public streets within forty days from this date, and that meanwhile they be directed to carry on their work on the sides of the streets without obstruction to public traffic.

6. Read and disposed of sundry miscellaneous petitions.

CHELLUMBRUM, (Signed) M. VENCATASOOBIAH, B.A.,
1*st December* 1873. *Presiding Member.*

No. 127. ORDER THEREON, 19th January 1874, No. 78.

To be recorded with reference to G.O., 20th December 1873, No. 1863.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

SOUTH ARCOT.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

No. 79

Camp. Virdachellam
8th December 1873.

From

H. E. Sullivan Esqre
Actg: Collector of South Arcot.

To

Honorable W. Hudleston
Chief Secretary to
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G.O., 19th January 1874, No. 78.

JANUARY.
Nos. 126-127.

Virdachellam Municipality.—Letter from the President, requesting that early orders may be passed on his previous letter containing the proposal of the Commissioners that the house-tax should be reduced from five to three per cent., recorded.

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therein directed to refund within the official year, and this will be impossible if any further delay on the part of the Commissioners in carrying out the preliminary arrangements is permitted. The fact is that some of the Commissioners, led on by the two persons whose names I have requested may be removed from the list, are throwing every obstacle in the way of the Act being brought into operation, and as long as they continue to exercise Municipal functions I despair of being able to inaugurate it successfully. My other duties will not permit me except occasionally to preside at meetings in this remote part of the District & unfortunately just at present the Tahsildar, who is able to exercise a wholesome influence over the more reasonably disposed members, is also precluded from attending by severe illness.

dated 7 November 73.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obt. Servant,

Acting Collector

Fin. 1873. Dept.

SOUTH ARCOT.

From No. 2350

The Collector of

South Arcot.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

Dated 8th December 1873.

Received 16th December 1873.

ENCLOSURE /

No. 79

Subject.

Forwarding with remarks Proceedings of the Scheh Cumbrum Municipality and requesting that any orders may be passed on letter No 69 dated 31st October last.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
19*th January* 1874.

No. 128. Read the following letter from Major R. B. KENNEDY, Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Vythery, 22nd December 1873, No. 990 :—

I have the honour to request that I may be authorized to proceed with the work on the road from the foot of the Tambercherry Ghaut to Mysore frontier in anticipation of the funds to be provided by the loan applied for by the Local Fund Board of the Calicut Circle, which, I believe, now only lacks the sanction of the Government of India to be available.

2. The object of the loan, viz., the speedy completion of the road referred to, being known, and the importance of not losing the short working season also, I presume, recognised, I need not dwell on such points; suffice it to say that the principal part of the work remaining to be done is the construction of bridges and culverts, which can only be proceeded with between this date and the month of May; indeed, in most localities not later than March, owing to the fever then becoming prevalent.

3. The budget grant made by the Local Fund Board of Rupees 15,000 has been already exceeded, but I have been going on with the work at the request of the President, and a fresh allotment was voted of Rupees 2,000; this too has been expended, and I have now nothing to go on with.

4. I write direct in order to save the delay of the various channels the application would have to go through if sent through the President of the Local Fund Board, but I can take it on myself to guarantee that both he and the Board will bear me out in making this application.

5. I must add that, unless I am allowed to anticipate the provision of funds, I shall have to dismiss all my working parties, and as men accustomed to the work, and artizans, are difficult to obtain, and mine have all at infinite trouble been collected from distant places, such as Trichinopoly, Erode, Salem, Palghaut, Cochin, &c., I should have no chance of getting them back, and their dismissal would entail the loss of at least a year's work.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8*th January* 1874.

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

No. 129. ORDER THEREON, 19th January 1874, No. 79.

The prosecution of the work in anticipation of sanction to the loan is approved.

2. The President of the Local Fund Board will report whether immediate actual advance of funds by Government is necessary, and if so, to what extent for the remainder of the current year.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Public Works Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of 1874 Works.

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To THE BOARD OF REVENUE.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 1874.
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JANUARY.
Nos. 128-129.

Calicut Circle.—The prosecution of the work on the road from the Tamberchery Ghaut to the Mysore frontier, in anticipation of the loan applied for being sanctioned by the Government of India, approved, and inquiry made if any, and if so, what immediate actual advance of funds is necessary for the remainder of the current year.

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Special Executive Engineers Office
Wynaad, Vythery 22nd December 1873.

From,

The Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad

To,

The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
Madras.

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W S Kennedy Major
Special Ex: Engineer
Wynaad

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C. Walker Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Fort Saint George
8th January 1874

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From

The Special Exc: Engineer
Wynaad.

To

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.
Madras.

Dated 2d } December 1873
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" 9th January 1874
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Requests that he may be authorized to proceed with the work on the road from the foot of the Tamberchery Ghaut to Mysore Frontier in anticipation of the funds to be provided by the Loan applied for by the Local Fund Board of the Calicut Circle.

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Cabinet-Circle. The prosecution of the work on the road from the Tambercherry Ghaut to the Mysore frontier in anticipation of the loan applied for being sanctd. by the Govt. of India approved. Enquiry made if any, & if so what immediate actual advance of funds is necessary for the remainder of the Current year -