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Local Funds—Reports.

No. 163. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th March 1875, No. 518:—

Read letter from the President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary District, dated 15th October 1874, No. 369.

THE Local Fund Reports for 1873-74 of the three Circles of the Bellary District will be submitted for the information of Government.

BELLARY.

2. The subjoined statement gives a comparison of the receipts and charges of the year with those of the previous year:—

Receipts.	1872-73.	1873-74.	Expenditure.	1872-73.	1873-74.
	RS.	RS.	*New Works.*	RS.	RS.
1. Balances	1,495	45,947	1. Communications. By P. W. D.	5,121	28,925
			,, O. A. ...	...	309
2. Provincial grant for roads	16,480	31,480	2. Educational ,, do. ...	...	500
3. Provincial Grant for schools	780	1,670	3. Sanitary and Miscellaneous ... By P W. D.	...	1,987
	1,750	5,673	,, O. A....	...	4
4. Surplus Pound Fund.	8,071	8,314			
5. Ferry Rents	6	6	*Repairs.*		
6. Avenues	87	381	4. Communications. By P. W D.	50,497	35,716
7. Fisheries...	181	...	,, O. A. ...	8	...
8. Miscellaneous... ...	329	45	5. Educational ,, do. ...	...	56
9. Road-cess	93,389	78,129	6. Sanitary and Miscellaneous ... By P. W. D.	250	406
10. Land-cess	5,061	2,542	,, O. A....	1,135	1,490
11. House-tax			7. Public Works Department Supervision	12,251	18,307
12. Fees in Schools and Training Institutions	1,350	501	8. Petty Establishment ...	1,929	3,095
			9. Tools and Plant	720	680
13. Contributions from Bellary Municipality for Inspection ...	200	200	Total Grant I...	71,911	91,475
14. Hospitals and Dispensaries	1,329	11			
15. Choultries	1	...	10. Payment for inspection ...	2,865	2,730
16. Bungalow Fees, etc...	472	206	11. Local Fund Schools ...	3,589	3,342
17. Fines and Penalties..	1	1	12. Purchase of books	217	500
18. Sale Proceeds of Books	...	216	13. Salary Grants...	...	184
	73	399	14. Results' Grants	1,728	4,572
19. Sale of Materials ...					
20. Do. of Other Property.	...	17	Total Grant II...	8,399	11,328
21. Contributions for Works	2,803	1,206	15. Hospitals and Dispensaries	1,215	1,157
			16. Vaccination	1,194	1,320
22. Balances of Bungalow Fee Fund ...	704	...	17. Sanitary Establishments, and cleansing of tanks and wells	6,366	13,056
23. Balances of District Road Fund	...	6,494			

Receipts.	1872-73.	1873-74.	Expenditure.	1872-73.	1873-74.
	RS.	RS.		RS.	RS.
24. Public Works Receipts	1,295	250	18. Establishment of Bungalows	688	730
25. Public Works Refunds.	...	310	19. Contribution to the BellaryMunicipalityfor Civil Dispensary	850	850
26. Miscellaneous... ...	1,778	182			
27. Miscellaneous Debt Account	...	65	Total Grant III...	10,313	17,113
			20. Establishments at the Presidency, etc.	1,061	1,338
			21. Refunds of Cesses	...	58
			Total Grant IV...	1,061	1,396
			22. Miscellaneous Debt Account	4	65
			Total Expenditure...	91,688	1,21,377
			23. Balances...	45,947	62,868
Grand Total ..	1,37,635	1,84,245	Grand Total...	1,37,635	1,84,245

3. Receipts.—The assets were Rupees 1,84,245 including an opening balance of Rupees 45,947 in favor of the Fund at the beginning of the year. The balances have been steadily increasing both in the Road Fund and in the General Fund. This must be considered highly unsatisfactory, as the increase cannot be for want of objects of legitimate expenditure. The increase is largely due, as will appear, to short outlay by the Public Works Department to the extent of Rupees 19,000, but the Local Board have showed a want of energy in proposing allotments. The Vice-President states that, as no unforeseen charge occurred, nothing was allotted from the Road Fund reserve. This is not a satisfactory explanation. The President says that steps have been taken for utilizing the balances in the current year, but the December account shows a balance of Rupees 64,436, so that much progress has not been made, and the current year seems likely to close with a balance of Rupees 80,000.

4. The Provincial grants for roads and schools were raised in G. O., Financial Department, dated 24th May 1873, No. 728-A, reviewing the budget estimates of the year. The grant for roads was raised in consideration of the small sum which was available for new works, and that for schools to meet the expenses of the new schools already sanctioned, the house-tax having been held in abeyance; but this enhancement, amounting to Rupees 15,000, was not really called for, as the actual opening balances exceeded the estimate by Rupees 39,240. The balances brought forward for 1875-76 in the estimate are taken as Rupees 8,940, whereas it seems probable that they will be ten times as much. The special grant has been continued for 1875-76.* The President will report without delay and show cause why the grant should not be withdrawn, and assigned to some Circle where it can be used.

* G. O., dated 27th January 1875, No. 155.

5. The receipts from Surplus Pound Fund increased, the surplus due for 1872-73 and that available at the end of each quarter of 1873-74, having been transferred in the year under report.

6. The Road and Land Cess receipts show a decrease compared with the collections of the previous year, when large arrears were realized. Compared with the estimate of the year, there is a small increase, which is stated to be owing to the punctual collection of current dues and to the realization of arrears.

7. The sum of Rupees 2,542 entered against House-tax was the amount of arrears appertaining to 1871-72 and 1872-73.

8. The item of School-fees shows a considerable decrease compared with the previous year's receipts explained by the fact that the latter included Rupees 921, the balance at the credit of the schools when they were transferred to the Local Fund Board. There was a falling off as compared with the estimate also, due to the revised rates of fees having been introduced in certain schools late in the year.

9. The decrease in Bungalow Fees was due to very few travellers having halted in them during the year.

10. Expenditure, Grant I., Public Works.—According to the Registers kept in this Office, the following allotments were sanctioned on account of Public Works:—

New Works.

		RS.	RS.
Communications	by P. W. D.	34,040	
Do.	by O. A.	346	
Educational	by P. W. D.	200	
Do.	by O. A.	300	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	by P. W. D.	7,450	
			42,336
Repairs.			
Communications	by P. W. D.	45,360	
Educational	by O. A.	100	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	by P. W. D.	400	
Do. do.	by O. A.	2,007	
			47,867
	Total ...		90,203

11. The actual expenditure was—

	President and Accountant-General.	Controller.
	RS.	RS.
Communications by P. W. D.	28,925	28,925
Do. by O. A.	308	308
Educational by do.	500	500
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D. ...	1,987	1,987
Do. do. by O. A.	4	...
Total ...	31,724	31,720
Repairs.		
Communications by P. W. D.	35,716	35,466
Educational by O. A.	56	...
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D. ...	405	405
Do. do. by O. A.	1,491	1,491
	37,668	37,362
Total...	69,392	69,082

The difference between the two sets of figures is Rupees 310, and it is not apparent why there should be even this small difference. The Accountant-General is requested to state the cause of the difference.

12. Taking the Controller's figures, the expenditure of the year was 76·58 per cent. of the sanctioned allotment. Under New Works 74·92 per cent. of the allotment was expended, and under Repairs 78·05 per cent. In the previous year the expenditure on New Works and Repairs was 96·92 per cent. of the allotment.

13. The short expenditure is thus explained :—

New Works, Communications.—The President states that the failure to expend nearly Rupees 5,000 under this head "refers to two items only, and is ascribed by the District Engineer to the delay which occurred in the acquisition of land, to paucity of workmen, and to late sanction."

New Works, Sanitary and Miscellaneous.—Rupees 3,322 out of an allotment of Rupees 3,700 for the branch channel from the Basawana Canal to Hospett were left unexpended, because excavation formed an important element in the work, and very few Wudders could be procured. The allotment for the Harpenhully Dispensary was Rupees 3,025, but only Rupees 1,609 were expended owing, it is said, to the incompetency of the Overseer in charge of the work and to the want of an experienced Maistry.

Repairs, Communications.—Under this head there were about Rupees 10,000 left unutilized in the Hospett Range, and is said to be owing to a change of system and the introduction of task-work to which the Overseers were not accustomed. The Board consider these explanations very unsatisfactory, and can only express a hope that the results of the current year will show improvement.

14. The expenditure on Establishments was as follows :—

	President and Accountant-General.	Controller.
	RS.	RS.
Public Works Department General Establishment...	18,307	16,626
Petty Establishment...	3,095	3,037
	21,402	19,663

15. The Controller's charge for supervision was 24·89 per cent. on the expenditure on works by the Public Works Department.

16. The roads were in fair condition. 523 miles were maintained in good order, $8\frac{1}{8}$ miles of new road were completed, and $5\frac{7}{8}$ miles were in progress. The amount of new work, notwithstanding the special grant made by Government, is insignificant. The school-house at Hadgalli was completed. A canal under Sanitary Works (water-supply) and the dispensary at Harpenhully were in progress. The school-house and the dispensary at Hospett were repaired. $14\frac{1}{2}$ miles of avenues containing 3,441 trees were maintained, and 113 new trees were planted.

17. The principal new works in progress were—

	Expenditure in the year.	Amount of Estimate.	Total Expenditure.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Road from Bellary to Sirguppa...	18,710	1,01,130	31,499
Do. do. Raidroog...	5,044	73,200	15,144
Do. Sirguppa to Adoni...	3,000	55,290	10,997
Branch Canal from the tail of the Basavana Canal ...	378	3,700	378
Harpenhully Dispensary	1,609	3,025	1,609

Apparently more money might easily have been spent on the works in progress without necessity for seeking new projects.

18. The expenditure under Grant I. was Rupees 91,475.

19. GRANT II., EDUCATION.—As in the previous year there were one Deputy Inspector and two Inspecting Schoolmasters working in the Circle, and their salaries, &c., amounted to Rupees 2,730, of which Rupees 200 were recovered from the Bellary Municipality. The Deputy Inspector examined the six middle-class Local Fund Schools, and 121 schools for results' grants, and issued certificates for Rs. 3,510 (of which, however, only Rs. 2,645 were disbursed during the year). Rupees 1,927, being the aggregate of the undrawn grants of 1872-73, were also paid. The Inspecting Schoolmasters inspected 184 village schools with 3,871 pupils. The work done by them is considered satisfactory with reference to the large areas they had to traverse.

20. The six middle-class schools under the control of the Local Fund Board cost Rupees 3,340 exclusive of expenditure on buildings. There were 184 boys on the rolls on the 31st March 1874 against 174 at the end of 1872-73, and the cost of educating each pupil fell from Rupees $20\frac{1}{2}$ to Rupees 18. The cost would have been still less were it not for the large amount spent upon new furniture. The schools were entrusted to the care of sub-committees, and were efficiently managed. Canarese was added to the course of studies. The report of the Deputy Inspector on these schools shows that middle-class education is in a sickly condition. The people of Kumply prefer their own village teachers ; and, when the officials left Narayanakerry for a short time, the dissolution of the school was threatened. When the school-fees were enforced at Hadagalli, one-sixth of the boys left ; and one-fifth at Hospett, from the same cause. It appears to the Board of Revenue doubtful whether the Local Board should continue to maintain schools of this class.

21. The expenditure under Grant II. was Rupees 11,328.

22. GRANT III., SANITATION.—The Hospett Dispensary, which is the only one in the western part of the district, cost Rupees 1,157, and seems to have been very successful. It is much resorted to even by people from a distance, and it is stated that the Lingayets, who held back in the previous year from caste-prejudices, resorted freely to the dispensary in the year under report. 76 in and 3,301 out

patients, or 1,341 more patients, on the whole, than in the previous year, were treated with the following results :—

In-patients ...	Discharged cured	64
	Died	8
	Remained	4
Out-patients...	Discharged cured	3,293
	Died	...
	Remained	11

23. Two first-class and four second-class vaccinators operated on 583½ persons each, or 3,501 in all at a cost of 6 annas per subject, and 92·51 per cent. of the cases proved successful. These results compare unfavorably with those obtained in the previous year, when the same number of vaccinators operated on 4,422 persons at a cost of 4 annas and 4 pies per case. The cause is stated to be that three well-trained vaccinators were removed to other districts on promotion and two deserted. Vaccinators are now being locally trained.

24. The expenditure on Sanitation was as follows :—

	Rs.
Cleansing tanks and wells	3,670
Arrangements at fairs and festivals	583
Scavenging towns and villages	712
Improving village sites	2,492
Construction and repair of Chuttrums	2,904
Do. Village roads	2,095
Total...	13,056

This expenditure is satisfactory, and seems to have been appreciated.

25. There are six travellers' bungalows in the Circle, and the establishment and contingent charges in them aggregated Rupees 730. The number of travellers halting in the bungalows during the year was 271.

26. The expenditure under Grant III. was Rupees 17,113.

27. Grant IV., Miscellaneous.—The expenditure under Grant IV. was Rupees 1,395.

28. Balance.—The total expenditure including Rupees 65 debited to the Miscellaneous Debt Account was Rupees 1,21,377, leaving a balance of Rupees 62,868. This large balance has been sufficiently referred to above.

29. Local Fund Board.—Thirteen meetings were held with an average attendance of four members. The President will be requested to report the total number of members, official and non-official, on the Board, and the average attendance of each class of members at the meetings.

GOOTY.

30. The following abstract statement shows the receipts and charges of the year and those of the previous year :—

Receipts.	1872-73.	1873-74.	Expenditure.	1872-73.	1873-74.
	Rs.	Rs.	*New Works.*	Rs.	Rs.
1. Balance	46,276	67,200	1. Communications. By P. W. D.	23,701	12,511
2. Provincial Grant for Roads ...	7,410	12,410	By O. A. ...	483	...
3. Provincial Grant for Education.	300	300	2. Sanitary and Miscellaneous. By P. W. D.	...	1,302
4. Surplus Pound Fund	2,250	4,478	By O. A. ...	...	217
5. Ferry Rents ...	1,466	1,210	*Repairs.*		
6. Avenues	213	119	3. Communications. By P. W. D.	47,410	49,138
7. Fishery Rents.	451	368	By O. A. ...	128	115
8. Grass Rents ...	...	38	4. Educational. By do. ...	...	8
9. Miscellaneous ...	92	...	5. Sanitary and Miscellaneous. By P. W. D.	...	1,149
10. Cess on Land ...	1,10,459	97,605	By O. A. ...	1,533	1,055
11. House-tax ...	2,059	622	6. P. W. D. Supervision	18,423	17,931
12. Fees in Schools and Training Institutions ...	376	255	7. Petty Establishment	2,446	2,716
13. Contributions ...	987	968	8. Tools and Plant	984	1,252
14. Sale of Materials	114	109	9. Contributions...	114	8,640
15. Sale of Books ...	...	74	Total Grant I...	95,222	96,034
16. Sale of Other Property ...	...	115	10. Inspection	2,758	2,765
17. Contributions for Works	800	1,022	11. Local Fund Schools	719	1,292
18. Miscellaneous ...	46	...	12. Purchase of Books...	...	747
19. Public Works Receipts ...	43	198	13. Results' Grants	1,393	1,778
			Total Grant II...	4,870	6,582
			14. Hospitals and Dispensaries...	...	436
			15. Vaccine Establishment... ...	1,308	1,153
			16. Sanitary Establishments, and cleansing of tanks and wells.	2,708	5,943
			17. Choultries' Establishments ...	...	60
			18. Contributions...	801	4,061
			Total Grant III...	4,817	11,653
			19. Establishments at the Presidency and in the Collector's and Local Fund Board's Offices...	1,064	1,287
			20. General Contingencies	165	154
			21. Refund of Cesses	...	7
			Total Grant IV...	1,229	1,448
			22. Miscellaneous Debt Account...	4	...
			Total Expenditure...	1,06,142	1,15,717
			23. Balance	67,200	71,374
Total...	1,73,342	1,87,091	Total...	1,73,342	1,87,091

31. Receipts.—The actual receipts of the year fall short of those of the previous year by Rupees 7,175.

32. The Provincial grant for roads was raised by Rupees 5,000 in the orders passed on the Budget, the amount available for New Works—Communications having been, according to the estimate, small. The estimated balance of the Road Fund was Rupees 9,000, but the actual Rupees 43,995 ; and of the General Fund Rupees 16,790 estimated, and Rupees 23,205 actual. The balances, according to the accounts for December 1874, were Road Fund Rupees 51,873 and General Rupees 22,638. The Provincial grant has been again raised in the estimate for 1875-76, the balance brought forward being Rupees 6,000 only in the Road Fund. The President will furnish at an early date a report similar to that called for from Bellary.

33. The explanation given with regard to the Surplus Pound Fund and Road and Land Cess in the case of the Bellary Circle apply to this Circle also.

	Rs.
Gooty Municipality	138
Adoni do.	138
Anantapore do.	138
Pennacondah Local Fund Board	554

34. The contribution for Educational Inspection was from the Municipalities and Circle noted in the margin.

35. Contributions from private individuals in aid of works of water-supply aggregated Rupees 1,022.

36. Expenditure, Grant I., Public Works.—The Registers maintained in this Office show that the following allotments were sanctioned for Public Works :—

New Works.

	Rs.	
Communications by P. W. D.	14,874	
Do. by O. A.	1	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	7,519	
		22,394
Repairs.		
Communications by P. W. D.	50,494	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	1,137	
Do. do. by O. A.	1,103	
		52,734
Total...		75,128

37. The actual expenditure was—

New Works.

	Rs.	
Communications by P. W. D.	12,510	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	1,302	
Do. do. by O. A.	217	
		14,029
Repairs.		
Communications by P. W. D.	49,138	
Do. by O. A.	115	
Educational by do.	8	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	1,149	
Do. do. by O. A.	1,055	
		51,465
Total...		65,494

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38. These figures agree with those of the Accountant-General and Controller of Public Works Accounts.

39. The expenditure was 62·64 per cent. of allotment under New Works, and 97·59 per cent. under Repairs, or 87·17 per cent. on both New Works and Repairs. The outlay on Repairs is good, but that on New Works very unsatisfactory. In the previous year it was 92·11 per cent. The short outlay on New Works—Communications is explained to be owing to—

1*st.*—Want of energy on the part of an Overseer in the case of two roads and the late receipt of the sanctioned budget.

2*nd.*—Death of a contractor in the case of one road before he could receive payment.

3*rd.*—Objection raised by a Local Fund Member to construct a dam across a vunkah in which he had an interest.

Rupees 6,000 allotted for a building for the Tadpatry Dispensary could not be spent, as the estimate was not ready. These explanations are obviously mere excuses, and should not be accepted.

40. The sum of Rupees 1,302 shown against New Works—Sanitary and Miscellaneous is the expenditure incurred in constructing the out-houses of the Munro's Dispensary at Gooty erroneously debited to Local Funds. The mistake was pointed out to the Accountant-General, and the President reports that it has since been corrected.

41. The expenditure on Establishments was as follows :—

	President and Accountant-General.	Controller.
	Rs.	Rs.
Public Works Department General Establishment ...	17,931	15,958
Petty Establishment	2,716	2,574
Total...	20,647	18,532

42. The charge for supervision, as made by the Controller, was 24·89 per cent. on the expenditure on works by the Public Works Department.

43. $376\frac{7}{8}$ miles of road are reported by the Public Works Department to have been maintained in good order, three miles completed, and $91\frac{5}{8}$ miles in progress. 22 masonry works on roads were constructed, and 78 masonry works were repaired. The alterations to the building occupied by the Tadpatry Dispensary were completed, and 12,105 avenue trees on 108 miles of road were maintained. The Circle Board are not at all satisfied with the way in which the roads of the Circle are made and maintained by the Public Works Department, and think it time that some improvements were introduced. The President points out that it is not advisable to enter into the subject now, as an experienced officer, Colonel Foord, is at the head of the district at present, who will rectify any errors that might have existed in the system. Improvement certainly seems to be called for.

44. The principal new works carried out were as follows:—

—	Expenditure in the year.	Amount of Estimate.	Total Expenditure.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Road from Halwy to Kosgee	2,376	25,790	19,792
Do. Kosgee to Madavaram	2,746	16,280	12,489
Do. Adoni to Yemiganur	3,220	33,190	8,484
Do. Royalchervoo to Yadiki	2,957	9,780	7,906

45. Rupees 8,640 were paid as contribution to three Municipalities for Public Works as detailed below:—

	Rs.
To Gooty Municipality for roads	600
To Adoni do. for do.	300
Do. do. for Dispensary	5,000
To Anantapore do. for Female Ward	240
To complete the Munro's Dispensary at Gooty	2,000

46. The expenditure under Grant I. was Rupees 96,034.

47. Grant II., Education.—As in the previous year one Deputy Inspector and two Inspecting Schoolmasters were employed, the Deputy Inspector having also charge of the Pennacondah Circle. The staff cost Rupees 2,765, of which Rs. 968 were recovered from three Municipalities and the Pennacondah Circle Board. In the Gooty Circle the Deputy Inspector inspected the Tadpatry middle-class school three times, and each of the lower-class schools at Auloor, Ooravacondah, and Havilighi twice, as well as ninety-three pial schools with 1,835 boys, and paid away Rupees 1,778 in Results grants. The work done by the Inspecting Schoolmasters is not reported. This should now be done.

48. The Budget provided for the five Local Fund Schools named in the margin. Of these, the last two were not opened, and the allotments made for them were appropriated, with the permission of the Board of Revenue, for the Havilighi school, which was established in October 1873. The following statement shows the cost of the schools, attendance of pupils, &c.:—

Tadpatry, Auloor, Ooravacondah, Goontacul, and Caroor.

Schools.	When opened.	No. of Masters.	No. of Classes.	No. of Pupils.	Cost.	School Fees.
					Rs.	Rs.
Tadpatry...	Before the Act.	3	4	48	832	178
Auloor	2nd October 1873.	2	2	36	101	22
Ooravacondah...	6th November ,,	2	3	41	213	26
Havilighi	3rd October ,,	2	3	33	155	32

The school at Tadpatry is a middle-class one, and receives a yearly grant of Rupees 300 from Government. The Sub-Committee of Management report favorably upon its progress. A special report on this school was submitted to Government in Board's Proceedings, dated 19th January 1875, No. 109.

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49. The expenditure under Grant II. was Rupees 6,582.

50. Grant III., Sanitation.—The Tadpatry Dispensary was opened on the 1st October 1873, and cost Rupees 435 for salaries of medical subordinates, clerks and servants, contingencies and miscellaneous charges, exclusive of the cost of medicines, which had not been intimated for inclusion in the accounts of the year. The total number of persons treated was 1,625 out-patients. The average daily sick was 42·09. The institution is appreciated by the people.

51. The Local Fund Board made the following contributions for dispensaries:—

	Rs.
To Adoni Municipality for Dispensary	864
To Anantapore do. for do.	435
To Gooty Munro's Dispensary for 1871-72 and 1872-73 ...	2,762

52. Three first-class and two second-class vaccinators vaccinated 831 persons each at a cost of Annas 4-5 per case, and 92·37 per cent. of the cases were successful. The Circle Board think that the results would have been better had there been closer supervision.

53. On Sanitation Rupees 5,943 were expended as follows:—

	Rs.
Cleansing tanks and wells	3,007
Improving towns and villages	1,724
Scavenging establishment	1,212
Total...	5,943

54. The expenditure under Grant III. was Rupees 11,653.

55. Grant IV., Miscellaneous.—The expenditure under Grant IV. amounted to Rupees 1,448 for Controlling, etc., Establishments, General Contingencies, &c., Refund of Cess.

56. Balance.—The total expenditure and balance were Rupees 1,15,717 and Rupees 71,374 respectively.

57. Local Fund Board.—Twelve meetings were held with an average attendance of five official and two non-official members. The President says that the attendance of members in this Circle shows a better average than the others, and that the reason of this is that most of the outlying taluqs lie on the line of rail.

PENNACONDAH.

58. The annexed statement compares the receipts and charges of the year with those of the previous year:—

Receipts.	1872-73.	1873-74.	Expenditure.	1872-73.	1873-74.
	Rs.	Rs.	*New Works.*	Rs.	Rs.
1. Balance	12,689	25,785	1. Communications by P. W. D.	794	12,833
2. Provincial Grant for Roads	15,740	25,740	2. Sanitary and Miscellaneous by O. A. ...	215	3,163
3. Surplus Pound Fund.	1,000	1,804	*Repairs.*		
4. Ferry Rents	...	5	3. Communications by P. W. D.	27,692	26,842
5. Fishery and Grass Rents	329	489	4. Sanitary and Mis. {By P. W. D. / By O. A.	... / 2,887	454 / 2,979
6. Miscellaneous	40	6	5. Public Works Department Supervision ...	8,723	10,872
7. Cess on Land	42,325	41,713	6. Petty Establishment ...	1,190	1,790
8. Tolls...	1,068	1,110	7. Tolls and Ferries... ...	...	141
9. House-tax	1,009	11	8. Tools and Plant	327	870
10. Fees in Schools and Training Institutions.	159	117	Total Grant I...	41,828	59,944
11. Sale of Materials ...	...	193	9. Payment for Inspection.	622	813
12. Do. of Other Property.	30	59	10. Union Schools	628	771
13. Do. of Books	...	38	11. Purchase of Books ...	89	405
14. Miscellaneous	74	...	12. Results' Grants	770	1,808
15. Public Works Receipts	111	136	13. Contribution to Gooty Circle	573	554
16. Do. Refund of Expenditure... ...	...	194	Total Grant II...	2,682	4,351
			14. Hospitals and Dispensaries	319	1,350
			15. Vaccine Establishment.	653	695
			16. Sanitary Establishment, and cleansing of tanks and wells...	2,550	4,177
			Total Grant III...	3,522	6,222
			17. Establishments at the Presidency, and in the Collector's and Local Fund Board's Offices, and Contingencies ...	755	828
			18. Refund of Cesses... ...	...	14
			Total Grant IV...	755	842
			19. Miscellaneous Debt Account	2	...
			Total Expenditure ..	48,789	71,359
			20. Balance	25,785	26,041
Grand Total..	74,574	97,400	Grand Total...	74,574	97,400

59. Receipts.—The assets were Rupees 97,400 inclusive of an opening balance of Rupees 25,785 against an estimate of Rupees 4,600. The actual receipts show an increase of Rupees 9,730 over those of the previous year.

60. Government, in their Order on the Budget, added Rupees 10,000 to the Provincial grant for roads, raising it to Rupees 25,740, to allow of a larger allotment being made for new roads. The grant was, however, unnecessary, the balances having been under-estimated by more than an equivalent sum. The balance of the Local Fund in the account for December is Rupees 27,068, but it is stated that a revised estimate for the year having been sanctioned, the available assets will be utilized. The closing balance of the current year was estimated at Rupees 6,920.

61. There was an increase in the amount transferred from the Surplus Pound Fund for the same reason as that assigned in the case of the other two Circles.

62. The remarks about Land Cess made as regards the other two Circles apply to this Circle also.

63. The toll-gate at Pennacondah, the only one in the Circle, was estimated to yield Rupees 3,000, but it was abolished about the middle of the year with the permission of Government accorded in their Order, Financial Department, dated 8th August 1873, No. 1,109, and only Rupees 1,110 were realized.

64. The school-fees were realized in the Anglo-Vernacular School at Pennacondah.

65. Expenditure, Grant I., Public Works.—The following allotments were sanctioned for expenditure on Public Works according to the Registers maintained in this Office:—

	Rs.	
New Works.		
Communications by P. W. D.	15,141	
Do. by O. A.	113	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	4,361	
		19,615
Repairs.		
Communications by P. W. D.	27,947	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	1,567	
Do. do. by O. A.	3,420	
		32,934
Total...		52,549

66. The actual expenditure was—

	Rs.	
New Works.		
Communications by P. W. D.	12,833	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by O. A.	3,163	
		15,996
Repairs.		
Communications by P. W. D.	26,842	
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by P. W. D.	454	
Do. do. by O. A.	2,979	
		30,275
Total...		46,271

67. These figures agree with those of the Accountant-General and Controller, and show that 88·05 per cent. of the allotment was expended. The expenditure on

New Works was only 81·54 per cent. on the allotment, while that on Repairs was 91·92 per cent.

68. The expenditure on Establishment was as follows:—

	President and Accountant-General.	Controller.
P. W. D. General Establishment.	10,872	9,990
Petty Establishment	1,790	1,750
Toll do.	141	141
	12,803	11,881

69. It will be observed that the cost of Public Works Supervision, according to the Controller, was 24·89 per cent. on the outlay on works as given by him.

70. Three hundred and sixty-four and a half miles of road were maintained, 12 miles of new road were completed with 44 masonry works, and 12 miles were in progress. Eight masonry works were repaired. Four chuttrums, the Pennacondah Dispensary, six cart-stands, and two village roads were completed. Three other chuttrums were nearly completed. 64 miles of avenues were maintained, and are stated to be, for the most part, in a very flourishing condition. With reference to the remarks of the Circle Board on the system of repairing roads and the unsatisfactory character of the Public Works Department operations, the President says "that we are now in the hands of a most experienced officer, Colonel Foord, and whatever money is granted will, I am sure, be advantageously expended. I have already been in correspondence with him regarding the system."

71. The new works in progress were—

—	Expenditure in the year.	Amount of Estimate.	Total Expenditure.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Road from Bellary *via* Kaliandroog to Cumbadoor on the Mysore Frontier	11,646	1,09,650	12,109
2. Culvert across the Coodoor Tank Supply Channel ...	542	1,756	542

72. The expenditure under Grant I. was Rupees 59,944.

73. Grant II., Education.—Rupees 554 were paid to the Gooty Circle Board for the services of their Deputy Inspector, and Rupees 813 were paid to two Inspecting Schoolmasters, one of whom was absent on sick leave. 66 pial schools with 1,209 pupils, of whom 458 passed, were examined for Results grants against thirty-four schools in 1872-73, and Rupees 1,808 were disbursed. The President considers this satisfactory, but says that the Circle requires a Deputy Inspector of its own. The Local Fund Board appear to concur, and have recorded remarks approving the system of Results grants.

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20th May 1875.

74. The Anglo-Vernacular School at Pennacondah cost Rupees 681. There were two masters, but the second master was employed for only 7½ months in the year, and the head master was paid only Rupees 35 instead of Rs. 40 as budgeted for. From 1st October 1873 a Mahomedan School was opened at Pennacondah under the sanction conveyed in G. O., dated 29th August 1873, No. 1,227, and Rupees 90 were expended on account of the salary of a master on Rs. 15 a-month for six months. The school was doing well. No school-fees are charged. The Mahomedan community highly appreciate the school, and there have been frequent applications for similar schools. The average attendance of boys was thirty-two.

75. The expenditure under Grant II. was Rupees 4,351.

76. Grant III., Sanitation.—The charges of the newly-established Pennacondah Dispensary, which is reported to be a great success, aggregated Rupees 1,350. Twenty-seven in-patients and 4,156 out-patients were treated. Of the out-patients six were Europeans. Of the 4,150 native out-patients three died.

77. Four vaccinators operated on 2,993 persons against 2,284 in the previous year, and 94·08 per cent. of the operations were successful. The cost of each vaccination was Annas 3-8.

78. The expenditure on Sanitation is particularized as follows:—

	RS.
Scavenging establishments in 14 towns	2,007
Improving 5 village sites...	1,757
Cleansing 8 wells	374
Sanitary arrangements at the annual festival at Pennacondah	39
Total...	4,177

79. The expenditure under Grant III. was Rupees 6,222.

80. Grant IV., Miscellaneous.—The cost of Controlling, &c., Establishment was Rupees 741, that of General Contingencies Rupees 87, and Rupees 14 of Cess were refunded, making the total outlay Rupees 842.

81. Balance.—The total expenditure was Rupees 71,359, leaving a balance of Rupees 26,041.

82. Local Fund Board.—There were 14 meetings, and the average attendance of members was six. The Vice-President states that the attendance of the non-official members was meagre, only three (those resident in Pennacondah) having attended regularly. The payment of travelling allowance is expected to work improvement. The President is requested to report the total number of members, official and non-official, on the Board, and the average attendance of each class of members at the meetings.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 164. ORDER THEREON, 20th May 1875, No. 1103.

From the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue above recorded, it is sufficiently clear that the closing balance of the current year in the Bellary and Gooty Circles must have been very much in excess of the amounts at which they were estimated when the continuance of the special grants* from Provincial Funds was sanctioned in G.O., dated 27th January 1875, No. 155. The amount will consequently be withdrawn and assigned to the Tinnevelly Circles as directed in a separate order passed on the Board's Proceedings dated 3rd March 1875.

	Rs.
*Bellary	15,000
Gooty	5,000
Total ...	20,000

2. In none of the Circles does the work of the Public Works Department appear to have been entirely satisfactory, and the Gooty and Pennacondah Boards are dissatisfied with both the quantity and quality of the work, but the Government agree with the President in considering that the subject need not be discussed further until some experience has been gained of the manner in which the work is carried out under the present District Engineer.

3. With reference to the remark of the Board of Revenue in paragraph 20 of their Proceedings that it appears doubtful whether the Local Board should continue to maintain schools of the middle class, the Government desire that the question may receive the careful consideration of the Local Board, and that the conclusion arrived at may be reported for the information of Government.

4. The reports regarding the working of the newly-established Local Fund Dispensaries in all three Circles are very encouraging, and it is observed that the expenditure on sanitary improvements in the Bellary Circle is reported to have been appreciated by the people, who supplemented the funds available for such works by a voluntary contribution of Rupees 1,205.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Bellary,

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BELLARY, 15th October 1874.

No. 369.

From J. H. MASTER, ESQ.,
President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary,

To J. GROSE, ESQ.,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Local Fund Reports for 1873-74 received from the Vice-Presidents of the Bellary, Gooty, and Pennakondah Circles of this district, together with the usual statements prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in the Official Memorandum of the Board of Revenue, No. 867, dated the 20th June 1873.

2. The reports generally furnish full explanation for the differences between the estimated and the actual receipts and charges under the several heads of Local Fund, except in regard to the variations under certain items which I beg to notice as shown below :—

3. BELLARY CIRCLE.

RECEIPTS.

(b.) SPECIAL FUNDS—

Surplus Pound Fund.—In paragraph 5 of their report the Circle Board state that they are unable to account for the increase under this head. It can be explained thus : Heretofore it had been the practice to transfer to Local Funds, etc., at the beginning of each year, the Surplus Pound Fund of the preceding year ; but since the receipt of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No 916, dated 2nd June 1873, directing the transfer of the Fund available at the end of each quarter to Local Funds and Experimental Farms equally, not only the Surplus Pound Fund of 1872-73, but also that available at the end of each quarter of the past official year had to be transferred to the above purposes during the latter period. Hence the increase under this head.

	RS.
Gadiganoor	36
Yettinhatty	34
Humpasagur	33
Bellahoonsy	38
Total ...	271

III. *Rates and Taxes*—(*a*) *Land-cess.*—There is a small increase over the estimate under this head. This is owing to the punctual collection of the current dues and to the collections of arrears of previous years.

Rupees 2,541-14-11 entered under "(*d*) House-tax" was the amount of arrears which accrued in 1871-72 and 1872-73.

VII. *Miscellaneous*—Items (*c*) and (*d*). Rupees 377 and 19 were respectively received to the credit of these heads by the sale of fort wall stones and cart-stand sweepings. The estimated income from these sources were erroneously shown in the Budget under "(*b*) Special Funds, Miscellaneous."

(2.) *Miscellaneous.*—The amount entered under this head is Rupees 181-12-5, of which Rupees 163 was the sum refunded by the Tahsildar of Hoovinhadgally out of the money advanced to him for expenditure on village improvements in 1872-73, and the rest, viz., Rupees 18-12-5, was the income derived from some miscellaneous sources.

Miscellaneous Public Works Receipts.—Sums realized by the Public Works Department, as communicated by the Accountant-General from time to time, are entered under this source.

Rupees 65-8-0 exhibited under "suspense account" was the amount recovered from the Bellary Municipality in re-payment of an equal sum erroneously paid from Local Funds on account of results grants to certain schoolmasters residing within the municipal limits.

4. The Circle Board, in paragraph 26 of their report, remark as to the incorrectness of Rupees 620, being advised by the Accountant-General, as the expenditure incurred in repairing

the Travellers' Bungalows, while Rupees 405 were actually spent. But, however, the mistake has been rectified in the statements as shown in the margin in accordance with the instructions subsequently issued by the Accountant-General, on his examination of the Supplemental Local Fund Account for March 1874.

Repairs.	Rs.	A.	P.
Sanitary and Miscellaneous by Department of Public Works	405	6	10
Do. by other Agency	1,490	7	3

5. The Circle Board have failed to furnish a list of Travellers' Bungalows and the number of travellers who halted in them during 1873-74 as required in the Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 1,178, dated the 8th August 1873. The omission has, however, been supplied in this office by a memorandum in the margin.

Memorandum showing the names of the Travellers' Bungalows made over to the Local Fund Board of the Bellary Circle and the number of travellers who halted in them during 1873-74.

Names of Bungalows.	Number of Travellers.
Kooditany	56
Hospett.....	74

6. It will be observed that unexpected large opening balances resulted in similarly large ones being left at the end of the year. With regard to this it will suffice here to say that proposals for their utilization during the current year 1874-75 have already been laid before the Board of Revenue, whose sanction has been received to some of them. Further proposals have also been submitted (*vide* Board's Proceedings as per margin).

No. 6,241, dated 10th September 1874.

7. The failure to expend nearly Rupees 5,000 under the head "New Works, Commuications," refers to two items only, and is ascribed by the District Engineer to the delay which occurred in the acquisition of land, to paucity of workmen, and to late sanction. The small number of miles of new roads completed results from the allotments for roads having been, to a great extent, expended in payment of arrears due to contractors. The non-expenditure of the whole allotment for the Civil Dispensary at Harpenhally is put down to the incompetency of the Overseer.

8. The failure of the Public Works Department to utilize Rupees 13,500 odd under the head "Maintenance and Repairs," is much to be regretted. It is believed that with the system now introduced by the Range Officers that it will not happen again. The roads, however, are said to have been maintained in fair order.

9. The expenditure under education is satisfactory, that for results grants having exceeded the estimate by nearly Rupees 600.

10. The dispensary at Hospett has worked well. A large increase is apparent in the number of patients.

11. Under the head of Vaccination, the expenditure was less than it might have been. Vaccinators could not be had. Now, however, the system of training these men locally has been introduced by the Garrison Surgeon, and the difficulty ought not again to occur.

12. The expenditure on sanitary works and village improvements is satisfactory, amounting to Rupees 13,000.

13. The attendance of Members has been, as usual, unsatisfactory. Matters could not be expected to improve till the batta system, or payment of the travelling expenses of the non-official Members, had been introduced, and the permission to try it did not arrive in the year under review.

GOOTY CIRCLE.

14. The actual receipts under "Surplus Pound Fund" and "Land-cess" are in excess of the estimated income by Rupees 2,417-10-2 and Rupees 5,605-2-6, respectively. The explanation given with regard to the increase under these two sources in the Bellary Circle is equally applicable to this circle also.

15. The sum of Rupees 38-4-0 entered as grass rents was realized in the Gooty Taluq by renting out grass grown in certain topes and plains.

16. The sum of Rupees 50 said to have been collected by the Sub-Collector from the inhabitants of Pamdy, with the hope of securing a corresponding grant from Local Funds for the repair of a chuttrum at that place, has been ordered to be refunded in this month to the parties concerned, under the circumstances stated by the Local Fund Board in paragraph 7 of their report.

17. With reference to paragraph 16 of the Circle Board's Report, I have to state that the mistake in charging to Local Funds, the amount spent on the construction of the out-houses of the Munro Chuttrum Dispensary at Gooty, was pointed out to the Accountant-General, but that officer in his reply, No, 4,045, of 4th August 1874, instructed me to retain the figures as communicated by him, and to make the necessary adjustments hereafter on his information, which has been done accordingly in this month by debiting the Provincial Fund and crediting to Local Funds a corresponding sum as advised by the Accountant-General in his Memorandum, No. 5,157, of 8th September 1874.

18. Adverting to the latter part of paragraph 33 of the Circle Board's report, I have to observe that the contribution due to the Munro Chuttrum Dispensary for 1873-74 has been recovered from Local Funds in the current official year, as the actual charges of the institution, which had to be distributed proportionately between the Local and Municipal bodies, could not be ascertained until after the close of the year 1873-74.

19. The balances at the end of the year turned out to be greater even than those estimated in forming the Budget of the current year, and which gave rise to the remarks of Government in their Order, No. 751, dated the 1st May 1874. With regard to this I have to explain that a Supplemental Budget has already been submitted in the current year for the utilization of the surplus.

20. The short expenditure on the construction of new roads from Halvy to Kosgi and from Kosgi to Mathavaram is attributed partly to want of energy on the part of the Overseer and partly to late sanction being received. That on the road from Adony to Yemmiganoor is in consequence of a contractor having died before he could receive it; and that on the road dam on the Bangalore road owing to a dispute with an Inamdar with reference to its water-way capacity.

21. Some severe remarks have lately been made by the Vice-President with regard to the manner in which the road work is carried on by the Department of Public Works. I think that it is not advisable to enter further into the subject now. The late District Engineer, Captain Edgcombe, who was a most zealous officer, died shortly after the close of the year, and we have now at the head of affairs an experienced officer, Colonel Foord, who, I do not doubt, will rectify any errors which may have existed in the system.

22. The allotment for the Tadpatry Dispensary unfortunately could not be utilized fully, as the plan and estimate could not be prepared in time.

23. The repair allotments have been fairly spent.

24. Particulars regarding the avenues which the Board have in former Proceedings requested are given. The Local Fund Boards in this circle, as also in the Bellary Circle, have accepted the offer of the District Engineer to undertake the charge of these avenues, as the Department of Public Works have constant work along the lines of road, and are better able to look after them.

25. Rupees 1,778-8-0 were paid away in results grants to pial schools. This is satisfactory, although the sum did not nearly reach the allotment.

26. With reference to the remark of the Vice-President that the cost of the medicine purchased for the use of the Tadpatry Dispensary ought to have been debited, I have to observe that such sums cannot be paid till intimation is received from the Accountant-General. The dispensary has worked well.

27. The Circle Board urge for more supervision in the matter of vaccination, and I beg most earnestly to endorse this request which is not made now for the first time.

28. Nearly Rupees 6,000 were spent on village sanitation and improvements.

29. The large excess over the Budget allotment under contributions to other circles, etc., is due to the fact of the arrears of contributions to the Munro Dispensary having been collected under the orders of the Government.

30. The attendance of Members in this circle shows a better average than the others. The reason of this is that most of the outlying taluqs lie on the line of rail.

PENNAKONDAH CIRCLE.

31. In clause 3, paragraph 3 of their report, the Local Fund Board express their inability to account for the increase of revenue under Surplus Pound Fund. A reference to paragraph 3 of this letter will clearly explain the cause of the increase.

32. The sum of Rupees 193 entered under "sale of materials, miscellaneous," and remarked upon by the Circle Board for want of particulars, is made up chiefly of the revenue derived by the sale of fort wall stones.

33. With reference to the remark made by the Circle Board on Item No 1 jointly with Item No. 6 of the Statement No. 3, I have to state that the latter does not form a head of account, and the amount shown under it is intended to cover any unforeseen expenditure under Road Fund, and, therefore, the sum of Rupees 1,187 spent on constructing a culvert on the Roddam road and across the supply channel of the Coodoor tank has been shown under the appropriate head "New Works, Communications, by Public Works Department," though sanctioned from the Road Fund Reserve. Large balances remained at the end of the year, but the Government have so lately as the 5th of last month in their Order, No. 1,493, sanctioned a revised Budget for this circle, which provides for the expenditure of the whole of the income.

34. Under the head New Works, the allotments have been worked out pretty satisfactorily, a sum of Rupees 1,094 only being unexpended out of an allotment of Rupees 12,740 for the Cumbadoor road, on account of the delay in its sanction, and a sum of Rupees 1,214 out of an allotment of Rupees 1,756 for a culvert, on account of the difficulty in procuring work-people. A sum of Rupees 1,218 out of a total grant of Rupees 28,060 for repairs of roads remained unexpended; of this, Rupees 758 was short-spent at the request of the Local Fund Board themselves, the road for which this was a part of the maintenance grant never having been marked out.

35. The toll gate at Pennakondah was abolished during the year by the permission of Government (*vide* their Order, No. 1,109, of the 8th August 1873.)

36. Rupees 411 were spent in the construction and repair of wells, and Rupees 1,206 in miscellaneous village improvements.

37. A school for Mussulman boys was established during the year, and promises to be a success.

38. The sum of Rupees 1,808 has been expended in results grants to sixty-six pial schools, thirty-two of these having come under examination for the first time. This is satisfactory, but the circle requires a Deputy Inspector of its own.

39. Only one dispensary was in existence in the circle in the year, viz., that at Pennakondah. It worked most satisfactorily.

40. The vaccinating staff performed only 7 less than 3,000 operations during the year, against 2,284 in the previous year, although, for some time, the staff was short-handed.

41. A large increase has been made in the scavengering establishment in the large kusbah towns, and a sum of Rupees 2,007 spent upon it.

42. Rupees 2,170 were spent in removing the stones of old fort walls and in clearing wells.

43. With reference to the remark of the Circle Board as to the system of repairing roads, it suffices to say that we are now in the hands of a most experienced officer, Colonel Foord; and whatever money is granted will, I am sure, be advantageously expended. I have already been in correspondence with him regarding the system.

44. The attendance of Members at meetings only averaged six, and ten never appeared once.

45. There is no doubt but that the institution of Local Fund Boards is on the whole popular. The people begin to see that grants are made where they are most wanted, viz., for village improvements, the formation of village roads, and for the conservation of wells. The Land-cess is not considered a hardship; it does not worry the villagers as municipal taxes in the smaller towns do.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From H. T. ROSS, Esq., Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Bellary Circle, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary, dated 19th August 1874, No. 96.

I HAVE the honor to submit my report on the administration of Local Funds of the Bellary Circle during the past official year 1873-74, with the usual statements.

2. The Board sat thirteen times in the year, and the attendance of Members was as unsatisfactory as it was in the previous year, only four having attended a meeting on the average. None of the non-resident Members put in their appearance, except the Tahsildars of Hospett and Raidroog, whose presence was specially required for the passing of the current year's Budget. In the revised list submitted a few months ago and again adopted at the last meeting with reference to a recent order of Government, an addition of six (6) was made to the number of resident Members already on the Board, in hope of securing a larger attendance, and it is very probable that this will be realized.

3. The actual receipts of the year far exceeded those expected, and the increase of Rs. 56,164 was mainly due to the large opening balances of the Road and General Funds and to certain miscellaneous items of income, including the arrear collections of the House-tax.

4. The large amount under the Road Fund Balance is attributable to the excess collections from the Land-cess in 1872-73 and to the unappropriated portion of the reserve set apart for that year, while the increase of Rupees 19,570 in the General Fund Balance was made up of Rupees 6,000 from Land-cess, of Rupees 5,000 from unexpected miscellaneous sources, of Rs. 3,500, balance of the Union Fund, transferred in consequence of the temporary abolition of the House-tax, and of Rupees 5,000 from refunds and small balances of certain allotments.

5. The actual revenue from the Surplus Pound Fund was more than twice its estimate, but I am unable to account for the variation.

6. Ferries and Fisheries were rented out, and, as the renting did not take place before the preparation of the Budget, the receipts therefrom were calculated upon the basis of those of former years; and hence the reason for the difference.

7. The realization from School Fees fell short of their estimate by Rupees 480, and the decrease was owing to the failure on the part of certain local Sub-Committees to introduce into their schools, till a few months before the close of the year, a scale which the Board fixed in supersession of the random rates obtaining previous to 1873. Satisfactory results are, however, hoped in this year.

8. Rupees 398 were, for the most part, realized by sale of fort wall stones, whilst Rupees 17 were the sale proceeds of manure.

9. There was little demand for elementary books, owing partly to a number of village schools having been closed and partly to want of encouragement to Inspecting Schoolmasters acting as Colporteurs by way of commission; and this latter will be evidenced from the fact that each of them hardly got more than one-and-a-half rupee a month on the average. I should think that an enhancement of the rate of commission will tempt them to work harder.

10. The decrease of Revenue under the head of Bungalow Fees was due to very few travellers having halted at the bungalows.

11. When Act IV. of 1871 was introduced, there was a certain balance at the credit of the old Local Funds, and it was distributed amongst the three circles of the district; but, subsequently on the adjustment of accounts by the Accountant-General, it turned out to be larger by Rs. 6,493 and, as the Bellary Circle got little in the distribution in proportion to the shares of the other circles, the difference was added to its receipts last year.

12. Now to turn to the expenditure, a reference to Statements II. and IV. will show that Rupees 29,233 were actually expended on original communications, while Rupees 34,040 was the estimated outlay. The item of Rupees 308 against the Other Agency was compensation paid for land taken up for these works, and is an adoption of the Accountant-General's figure. No particulars are forthcoming, except to the extent of Rupees 248. Out of the amount allotted for the road from Bellary to Sirguppah, about one-third was paid to a contractor for having done work in 1871-72 under the orders of Mr. Claridge, and nearly eight miles of new road made with the remaining two-thirds. Again the allotments for the roads from Bellary to Raidroog and from Sirguppah to Adony were, for the most part, utilized in the payment of arrears due on them to certain contractors under similar circumstances.

13. Very little was spent on the execution of the marginally noted road and sanitary works. The lapse of Rupees 2,660 on the first, according to the explanation furnished by the District Engineer, was through delay in the acquisition of land through which the road had to pass, while the non-utilization of Rupees 2,500 on the second work is attributed to the paucity of workmen generally in the neighbourhood, though the additional reason, that sanction for its construction was not accorded till November 1873, does not afford satisfaction. The third is one in which excavation formed an important element; and, as this could only be done efficiently by Wudders, the reason for the little expenditure is obvious from the fact that very few of these men were forthcoming. The failure as regards the dispensary-house is ascribed to the incompetency of the Overseer in charge of the work and to the want of an experienced Maistry.

1. Road from Chitwadghy to Hoosoor Ferry.
2. Road from seventh mile stone of the Hospett and Kumply Road to the bank of the Toongabudra near Anagundy.
3. Branch channel from the Basavana Canal to Hospett.
4. Civil Dispensary building at Harpenhally.

14. On the maintenance of Roads and Communications, an outlay of Rupees 35,716 was incurred against a Budget provision of Rupees 49,290. Here also the Hospett Range proved a failure, for grants on eight roads, varying from Rupees 300 to 3,880 and amounting to Rs. 10,000, had lapsed. The Board cannot account for this better than transcribe the District Engineer's explanation.

"The system adopted by Mr. Lyon, with regard to the method of carrying out road repairs, is quiet different from that which was in force previous to his arrival in the range. It was the practice before to make payments on nominal rolls without a clear account to show the quantity of work done for such payments. This system was discontinued, and the Overseers were required to have all the works (such as excavation of gravel, collection of material) carried out as far as possible by task-workers who would receive payments at fixed rates on bills supported by measurement lists. By this arrangement every facility is afforded to the Range Officer for exercising a thorough and satisfactory check over the money spent, and a correct record, showing the particulars of work done on every furlong of the road, is secured.

"The Range Officer has also done his best to reduce the rates for labor and material which were unnecessarily high previous to his taking charge of the range.

"This system being quite new and unpleasant to the Overseers, as it throws an amount of extra labor on them, it has taken some time to get the Overseers into the new groove; most of them were in a state of inactivity from want of efficient training and discipline. Now they are fairly started, and it is hoped that the results with regard to the utilization of allotments will be highly satisfactory in the coming year.

"The roads with the little expenditure incurred on them are nevertheless in a fair order."

15. In spite of these drawbacks, the roads are reported to have been in a fair condition. I here beg to append the statement called for in the Revenue Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 1,327, dated 15th October 1872.

	Miles.
Road maintained in good order	523
New road completed	8½
Do. in progress	5½

16. The cost of the Department of Public Works supervision is put down as advised by the Accountant-General and apportioned accordingly between the Road and General Funds. The same is done with regard to tools and plants.

17. Nothing unforeseen turned out under the Road Fund, and consequently the reserve of Rupees 9,720 remained untouched.

18. Fourteen-and-half miles of avenues, containing 3,441 trees, were maintained at an expense of Rupees 1,210. The total number of trees at the beginning of the year under reference was 3,354, of which 26 perished before its close; but this loss was outweighed by the plantation of 113 new trees, the growth of which was attended to by the watchers themselves. In the report for 1872-73, 6,120 was noted down as the number of trees kept up during that year, but this is now ascertained to have been a mistake, as it included large trees on the road sides in certain taluqs.

19. The other items of expenditure under Grant I. call for no remarks.

20. There are six schools (middile class) under the control of the Board, and the charges of these amounted to Rupees 3,340, exclusive of the expenditure on buildings; thus showing a diminution of Rupees 1,530 in the proposed expenditure. This was mainly owing to the cost of masters having been overestimated, though to some extent to the arrangements which followed the introduction of Canarese into these institutions, in hopes of recruiting the strength of the pupils from the mercantile section of the community which showed a decided preference to that language. These schools were committed to the care of Sub-Committees, and were managed by them efficiently.

(*a.*) On the 31st March 1874 there were on the rolls 184 boys against 174 at the end of 1872-73, and it will be seen that the cost of educating a pupil was Rupees 18, while it took Rupees 20½ in the previous year. The cost would have been as low as Rupees 15 if it were not for the large amount laid out on new furniture; and, though the desired effect from the addition of Canarese to the curriculum of studies is still to be produced, yet the increase in the number of students at a less expenditure of Rupees 248 attests the efforts of the Board in the promotion of education.

(*b.*) These schools are treated at length in the Deputy Inspector's Report, an extract from which I beg permission to enclose.

21. Rupees 184 under salary grants was the amount disbursed to the masters of the Sultanpur Mahomedan School in payment of the total grant due for 1873-74 and of the arrears due to them for some months in the year previous to that.

This is a private institution, and is established for the benefit of the camel drivers' children.

22. The only other noticeable item under Grant II. is Rupees 4,572, which was the amount spent on the payment of results grants. The six taluqs comprising the circle were supervised by one Deputy Inspector and two Inspecting Schoolmasters; the latter were engaged in bringing under inspection village schools. The work done by them is satisfactory, considering the large areas they had to traverse. The Hospett Range consists of 2,415 square miles, with a population of 269,510, while the Harpenhally Range numbers 2,079 square miles, with a population of 211,030. More satisfactory results will, however, be produced in the current year by the appointment of a third Inspecting Schoolmaster and splitting the circle into three ranges instead of two as at present. The table given in the margin will show the work done by each of the Inspecting Schoolmasters. They inspected 184 village schools, with 3,871 pupils, of which 129, with 3,012 pupils, were aided. A contrast of these results with those of 1872-73* is indicative of an addition of four, with 242 boys to the aided schools, and a decrease of 26, with

Range.	Name of Inspecting Schoolmaster.	Pay.	No. of School inspected.
		Rs.	
Hospett ...	Subbiah.	20	86
Harpenhally.	Obul Row.	25	98

* 125 aided schools, with 2,770 pupils, and 81 unaided schools, with 1,417 pupils.

558 students in the number of the unaided schools. The Deputy Inspector examined 121 schools for results and issued certificates for Rupees 3,510. Of this, Rupees 2,645 were only disbursed for want of time, and this latter, with the undrawn grant of 1872-73, amounted to Rupees 4,572.

23. The Local Fund Board own only one dispensary in this circle and that at Hospett. This is an unendowed institution, and its expenses, therefore, are met from the General Fund. Last year these amounted to Rupees 1,160, which fell short of the Budget assignment by Rupees 180. No medicines were sent for, as there was a sufficient supply, and nothing laid out on the purchase of furniture. Nearly half of the savings under these heads were consumed by expenditure beyond mark under other heads. First-class Apothecary Mr. Everard was in charge of the dispensary during the absence at Bellary of the Hospital Assistant to appear for some Medical Examination, and the allowances he drew therefor formed an extra charge. The increase in the dieting and contingent charges is a mark of the growing importance of the institution, and shows that the people appreciated its benefits and availed themselves of the means adopted therefor. As this is the only hospital in the western part of the district, people resorted for medical aid from villages of the adjacent taluqs, and even the Lingayets, whose feelings were strong against the use of English medicines in the previous years, submitted themselves to treatment voluntarily. The dispensary worked satisfactorily under the management of the local Sub-Committee, of which the Tahsildar is at the head. The total admissions from fever and other diseases were 3,380 against 2,039 in 1872-73; of these, 76 patients were dieted at the expense of the Board.

(*a.*) The building is somewhat in a bad state, though Rupees 136 were expended on its repair last year. It requires to be renewed, but the work need not be undertaken, as a new house will be erected shortly. Slight repairs have, however, been carried out lately just to enable it to hold out against the rainy weather.

(*b.*) The health of the residents of Hospett was good, and is, indeed, still open to improvement. To this end the Sub-Committee suggest the construction of four latrines on different sides of the town; but, though this is desirable in a sanitary point of view, the want of toties renders the scheme useless. These cannot be procured from Bellary, even on the offer of high rates. This project was once under consideration, but was abandoned for the same reason.

(*c.*) A copy of the Report of the Hospital Assistant in charge accompanies.

24. The expenditure under vaccination was only Rupees 1,320, as the services of additional Vaccinators could not be secured as was intended. Six men were employed; of these, two were of the first class, and drew Rupees 18 each, while the remaining four second-class Vaccinators were paid Rupees 10 each. The number of operations performed by them was 3,501, of which 3,249 proved successful, and 160 and 92 were, respectively, reported as unsuccessful and unknown. Much work was done in 1872-73, and the number of persons vaccinated was 921, more than that of the year under review, and the reason assigned is that three well-trained Vaccinators were removed to other districts on promotion and two deserted the service, and that it took some time before their successors could learn the business as they were fresh to it.

25. The year under report is remarkable for the number of sanitary works executed. Rupees 14,830 were placed at the credit of Tahsildars, of which Rupees 13,056 were actually expended, the rest having been refunded to the Treasury, as there was little time for its utilization. All the works may be classed as shown in the margin with the aggregate amounts spent thereon. In all the places where these improvements were carried out the people enjoyed good health. Fever did not prevail in Harpenhally and Kudlighi to such an extent as could have been anticipated from the unhealthy nature of these taluqs. No epidemic broke out, and the season was on the whole favorable. People were thankful to Government for their endeavours to attend

	Rs.
Cleaning tanks and wells	3,670
Arrangements at fairs and festivals	583
Scavengering of towns and villages	712
Improving village sites	2,492
Construction and repair of chuttrums, etc.	2,904
Do. of village roads	2,695
Total ...	13,056

to their wants, and in token of their appreciation contributed Rupees 1,205 by voluntary subscriptions. Much good was done to the pilgrims who attend the Mylar festival by putting in repair a tank at that place at a cost of Rupees 1,140 in addition to Rupees 300 spent in 1872-73.

26. The bungalows in the circle are those given below, and all but that at Kudatany repaired at a cost of Rupees 405. According to the Accountant-General it was Rupees 620. I think it includes something more, but I cannot say what it is—

Kooditany, one sepoy on Rupees 5 and one sweeper on Rupees 4½ a month.			
Hospett	do.	do.	do.
Gadiganoor	do.	do.	do.
Yettinhatty	do.	do.	do.
Bellahoonsy	do.	do.	do.
Humpasagar	do.	do.	do.

27. The sum of Rupees 850 was the contribution paid to the Bellary Municipality for a third of the Civil Dispensary charges, on the understanding that several of the out-patients come for treatment from the taluqs.

28. Thus you will observe that the large closing balances under the Road and General Funds were partly due to the unexpected increase in the reserve and partly to the failure on the part of the Department of Public Works to utilize the allotments at their credit in full. Proposals will, however, be submitted shortly for their expenditure.

Extract from the Deputy Inspector's Report on the state of Education in the Bellary Circle during the official year 1873-74.

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15. I shall now give short notices of the schools in the list in their order.

A. V. W. S., Hospett.—This I visited twice in the course of the last year. On both the occasions I examined all the classes, although my first examination of it was more thorough. At my first inspection there were present twenty-six out of thirty-two strong. There were on the rolls 17 Brahmins, 8 Sudras, 4 Lingayets, 1 Mussulman, and 2 Native Christians. The Lingayet element in this school is noteworthy. Canarese was taught in this school in addition to English and Telugu. The arrangement has been intended to invite a stronger attendance; but it has tended but little to bring about the desired end, from the first of those desiring a purely Canarese education, regarding a few hours' study, the consequence of the teaching of the three languages as too little for the fee paid. The cost of the up-keep of the school, which was Rupees 90 the preceding year, has been reduced to Rupees 50 in last year, while the attendance has fallen by about eight boys. This has been the result of the strict enforcement of the school fee rules. These have exercised a similar effect on other Union Schools as well. An additional Canarese Master has been employed here since the beginning of this month.

Name of Teacher.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			Rs.
Streenivasa Row.	Matriculation...	Passable...	30
Ramachendra Row.	Do. ...	Fair ...	20

Number on the rolls, 31 against 39 of 1872-73.
Do. of classes, 3.
School building, a spacious house, the property of the school, but rather carelessly repaired.
School furniture, sufficient.

16. The highest class of this school is of the standard of a third class in a Government School, although at my first inspection the boys had been thrown but into two classes. The second class, however, read the subjects prescribed for the third, excepting English Poetry. The reading of the boys was indistinct. They were strangers to parsing. The arithmetic of the class was decidedly bad. The last division was able to read out of the English First Reader. The execution in Telugu reading and writing of this class was very satisfactory. The school owns a spacious building, but rather unstable. The repairs, that have been executed from time to time, have not, through careless management, altered its condition. The school furniture is

ample ; a black board more would be of much service. The Head Master is a young man of 25. His attainments are passable. The Second Master, who is also a Matriculate, has proved a fair teacher.

17. A. V. W. S., KUMPLY.—This school as well I visited twice during the past year. The school has but slightly improved in point of strength to what it was last year. Canarese is taught in the school along with Telugu and English. Yet pure Canarese alumni on the school rolls are zero. Their absence is accounted partly by the fact above stated and partly by the factious nature of the well-to-do sections of the mercantile classes. The school has not been a success, notwithstanding the addition of Canarese to the languages taught. To exhaust, therefore, all means of augmenting the school numbers, it therefore remains to see if a pure Canarese education alone won't make the institution more popular. This step must be preceded by a modification in the school fee scale to about half their present rates. On my second visit I called a meeting of the leading merchants with the assistance of the Sub-Magistrate. Those present, after many promises and equivocations and with shows of co-operation at first, expressed their unwillingness to give up their village teachers for the Union School education ; but hope was entertained of the school's success on the assurances of some forward merchants. These as well have not acted up to their words in availing themselves of the Union School.

Name of Master.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			rs.
Venkoba Row ...	Matriculation ...	Passable...	25

Number on the rolls, 19 against 16 of 1872-73.
Do. of classes, 2.
School building, a pretty spacious building, rented.
Do. requisites, just being supplied.

18. The 21 pupils present at my inspection consisted of 13 Brahmins, 2 Lingayets, 1 Comaty, 4 Sudras, and 1 Mussulman. These were thrown into two classes. The second class read out of the Second English Reader and worked the four simple rules of Arithmetic. The answers of the boys in this class were not so satisfactory as it ought to have been. The first class, consisting of beginners in the three languages, had made but little progress in learning up the alphabets. The master in charge, one Venkoba Row, was a teacher of moderate abilities.

19. The school was located in a rented building, rather inconvenient on market days. A set of school requisites are being got up for its use.

20. A. V. W. S., NARRAINKERRY.—This school I inspected but once. The commencement of the year threatened to effect the dissolution of the school. This was owing to the Munsif's Court at the place having been made to work in Bellary for a few months. This fact shows how much an official school it is. There were, therefore, left some nine boys in the school. The return of the Court has restored the school strength. It now numbers on its rolls 24. At my inspection the school was grouped into three classes, the highest consisting of but two boys. These were reading the subjects of the third class in a Government School. From the inconvenience of having to attend the second as a class, I told the master to put the boys into two classes, which now obtains, the present classification being—

Name of Master.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			rs.
Sama Row	Fifth grade ...	Passable...	25
Raghava Row ...	None...	Do. ...	15

Number on the rolls, 24 against 8 of 1872-73.
Do. of classes, 2.
School building, a rented house.
Do. furniture, ample.

In the second class... 5
In the first ,, ... 19

The then highest class answered satisfactorily in all the subjects, excepting Geography. Boys could recite freely out of their Poetry, both Telugu and English. The Arithmetic was good. The first-B boys failed to write to dictation, both in English and Telugu. Their Geography as well was bad. Three boys of first-A knew nothing. Four only of this class could work out sums in Simple Multiplication.

21. The Head Master, Sama Row, is a smart young man of moderate-teaching ability. The Second Master, one Raghava Row, has been made to supersede one Bhaskerpuntooloo, which latter had been an old village teacher, and consequently little able to teach even the rudiments to the lowest class. The present Second Master, though of low attainments, is capable of improvement. Canarese is taught in addition to Telugu and English in this school.

22. The school is kept in a rented room of spacious dimensions, fronting a busy street. The school has recently been furnished with sufficient requisites.

Name of Master.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			rs.
1. Runga Row ...	Matriculation ...	Fair... ...	40
2. Cotiah	Do. ..	Passable...	25
3. Govinda Row ...	None...	Do. ...	15

Number on the rolls, 50 against 60 of 1872-73.
Do. of classes, 4.
School-house, a new spacious building recently erected.
Furniture, ample.

23. A. V. W. S., HUDGALLY.—I inspected this school but once during the year, although I had been present while the school was at work, on more than one occasion, to see how the masters taught. The school has lost ten of its boys; this was owing to the school fee rules having been strictly enforced. However, the school has been turning out satisfactory work in the three languages taught. At inspection there were 43 out of 56 present; of these, 35 were Brahmins, 6 Lingayets, 7 Sudras, and 8 Mussulmans.

The second item is an index of the popularity of the school among the non-official part of the towns-people. The boys had been equally distributed among the four classes into which the school was divided. The highest class learnt the subjects set down for a fourth class in a Government School, the remaining classes learning the subjects appropriate to each. This class did well in all the subjects, excepting the Telugu and English Grammar. The Arithmetic, in particular, of this class was very good. This class knew a little of Geometry and Algebra. The answers in these subjects were pretty sensible. The results of the third class were passable in general. The second class failed in English reading and writing to English dictation. The dictation of first-B could have been better. The first-A, consisting of beginners, learnt different portions of the first book of lessons in Telugu.

24. The Head Master, Runga Row, though of moderate attainments in English and Orthography, is intelligent and painstaking, and has proved a successful teacher. The popularity of the school owes, in a great measure, to his industry and good moral conduct. The Second Master, one Cotiah, had been the Head Master at Raidroog. Seeing his want of success, from his incapacity to be in independent charge of a school, he was, at my suggestion, transferred to the Second Mastership of the Hudgally School. Although of pretty good attainments, he does not appear to have been on amicable terms with the Head Master there, or with the towns-people. He has, however, been warned to conduct himself more carefully for the future. The Third Master is of moderate attainments, and has been trying to give satisfaction in the doing of his duties.

25. The school is being provided with a new building of very spacious dimensions. The Tahsildar has contributed not a little in getting it up, at a cheap rate, under his indefatigable personal supervision. The school has been excellently furnished with the necessary requisites.

Name of Master.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			rs.
1. Venkatramiah...	Fourth grade ...	Passable...	30
2. Vacant	.....	.....	15

Number on the roll, 25 against 38 of 1872-73.
Do of classes, 3.
School building, held in a room in the Taluq Cutcherry.
Furniture, ample, but creaky, though new.

26. A. V. W. S., KUDLIGHI.—This school I inspected twice. My first was a thorough one. I then found 28 on the rolls and 23 present. The attendance had been in a downward tendency. It was 40 in April 1873. The school fee rules and the insignificance of the place account for this : 17 of the 28 were Brahmins, 3 Lingayets, 7 Sudras, and 1 Mussulman.

There are now three classes; although, strictly speaking, there ought to be but two, in the highest there being but two boys. The Head Master of this place had, on more than one occasion, applied for increase of pay. But all along I have been of opinion that the strength and status of the school did not justify any increase being given. The Head Master, simply to make a show of numbers, had for a long time not conformed to the school fee rules. This was taken no notice of by the Sub-Committee, although the supervision of the fee collections has devolved upon them. At my first visit paid on the 18th of February last I set matters to rights. This has reduced the school strength to what it at present is, viz., 25.

27. Though the attainments of the Head Master are fair, yet, from his not being popular, he has not been a successful teacher. The Second Master had been his own brother. I had to speak against such an appointment as being odd on more than one occasion, but it was taken no notice of. In due course the evils of this began to appear in the shape of difference between the brothers. And on the representation of the Head Master, on the inadvisibility of having as his subordinate his own brother, the Local Fund Board has transferred the latter to Raidroog. One Venkatramiah had been recommended for the place. He not joining for some time, the place was vacant on the 31st March last, although it has since been filled by one Parusaramacharry.

28. The third class was reading the subjects prescribed for similar classes in Government Schools. The Arithmetic of the class was but indifferent. Vulgar fraction was the portion learnt. The master had been at pains to teach Geography without the aid of maps, of which there had then been none in the school. The result, as would be expected, was poor. The Telugu standard was rather high. The execution has, however, been good. Leaving out the Arithmetic of the second and third, those two classes must be pronounced to have acquitted themselves satisfactorily. The two divisions of the first class were taught by the Assistant Master. This class did fairly, excepting Telugu Grammar and Geography. The arithmetical standard of the class was rather low.

29. The school is held in a room in the Taluq Cutcherry. It is close, noisy, and insalubrious. The want of a separate school-house, suited for school purposes, is much felt.

30. The Local Fund Board, with its characteristic liberality, had placed a certain sum at the disposal of the Sub-Committee for getting up the necessary requisites. The furniture prepared by them is of the most worthless description. The benches, chairs, and tables, one and all, had continued to creak most ludicrously for some days after they were put to use; and now in the short space of six months age, these are getting unserviceable. From a knowledge of this, I have, in every case coming to my notice, been asking the Local Fund Board to make up all requisites in Bellary and have them sent over to the schools. This measure has secured first-rate neat furniture for other schools.

31. A. V. W. S., RAIDROOG.—The precarious state of this school you had thought justified the closing of it; but, as the then state of things was supposed to have been brought about by the irregularities on the part of the masters, it was arranged by the Local Fund Board that a fair trial should be made, before having recourse to the final step, by appointing suitable masters. Accordingly, the Head Master, Cotiah, was sent over to the Hudgally Sch- as Second Master, and the Second Master, exchanged with that of the Kudlighi Sch- but the former resigned his place from

Name of Master.	Examination passed.	Remarks on the General Ability as a Teacher.	Salary.
			Rs.
Venkatanarayanapa	Fifth grade ...	Passable...	30
Kunda Row	None	Do ...	15

Number on the rolls, 35 against 13 of 1872-73.
Do of classes, 2.
School-house, a rented building, commodious.
Furniture, none.

unwillingness to go to that taluq. The school has been thriving under the above arrangements. It thus shows an attendance of thirty-five strong. At my visit the second class, consisting of four boys, learnt out of the second book of lessons in English and worked compound rules in Arithmetic. The execution in these was satisfactory, although the present masters had then been in this school but a couple of months only. The first class, consisting of thirty-one boys, was arranged into two sections; the last consisted of those learning up the letters. The second division read out of the first book and worked the simple rules of Arithmetic fairly.

32. The school-house is a commodious rented building. It is destitute of any furniture. The President, Local Fund Board, on one of his visits, has directed the master to have an indent sent in for the necessary requisites. This through the disinterestedness of the Sub-Committee, partly arising, perhaps, from the President's favorite Second Master having foregone his place, does not appear to have yet been sent in.

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(True Copy.)
(Signed) . M. SINGARAVELU MUDELLIAR.
(True Extract.)
(Signed) H. T. ROSS,
Vice-President.

Copy of the Report submitted by the Hospital Assistant in charge of the Civil Dispensary at Hospett on its working during 1873-74.

THE total number of patients treated during the official year 1873-74 has been 3,380; of this 3 were European and East Indians, and the remainder 3,377 Natives. Out of this 76 were in-patients, 3,301 out-patients, and that of the year previous to one under report 2,039, consequently there has been an increase of 1,341 on account of great admissions of fever, venereal diseases, ophthalmia, and skin diseases, that are freely coming to the dispensary from surrounding villages now than it was ever before since the establishment of this dispensary.

2. The out-patients are increasing daily in attending the dispensary in number, although not in proper hours, as they are habited to come for treatment in any part of the day, after finishing their own work. I beg to mention here that these irregularities have been gradually put a stop to some extent by persuasion and advice to give their visits in early hours both morning and evening. The Lingayets, who were much backward in coming to the dispensary for treatment, are now freely coming in and taking European medicines and advice without the least hesitation which they were once much given to.

3. The town is kept clean by paid scavengers, all rubbish, etc., being carried outside of the village. About the end of the last year, there has been a few "dust-boxes" laid on the main road and in a few streets that are adjacent to it, and the refuse of the houses close to it are thrown in it, and the same carried also every morning by scavengers. But still I beg to state that there has not been a thorough cleanliness yet made in the shape of conservancy for the good health of the inhabitants. A great want is, some latrines are to be erected, two on the eastern side and two on the western side of the town, to improve the public health and to have the side channels built on the main road and, if possible, in some principal streets.

4. The hospital building is kept clean where the patients are accommodated; and there has been some repairs done last year to the building under the management of the Tahsildar here; but a great defect is that, during the rainy season in the square yard of the hospital where the out-patients usually remain till medical treatment received, the water stands from 1 to 1½ foot Nun- -or days together, and scarcely admits the patients to come in, or go out, and very slippery; this Sch- Fr- has been reported, but there seems no measures were taken to remedy it yet, and the next rainy season forthcoming, and it is feared the same evil will occur again.

5. The season has, on the whole, been favorable, and has not had any injurious effect upon the public health. The rainfall has been abundant.

6. The principal diseases, that were much prevalent amongst the general population during the year, have been fevers, sore eyes, venereal diseases, rheumatism, and skin diseases.

7. No epidemic diseases were noticed during the year.

8. The minor operations are as follow : setting of fractures, dislocations, opening of abscess, bubo, and extracting teeth, etc.

9. As this dispensary has been taken under the supervision of the Local Fund Board, Bellary Circle, the particulars of the statement of the receipts balance, etc., are not, therefore, here ascertainable.

HOSPETT,
1st April 1874.

(Signed) S. ANSEERVATHUM,
Second-class Hospital Assistant.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. T. ROSS,
Vice-President.

From S. ANSEERVATHUM, Second-class Hospital Assistant, in charge Civil Dispensary, Hospett, to H. T. ROSS, Esq., Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Bellary Circle, dated 17th May 1874.

IN reply to your docket, No. 40, dated 16th May 1874, I beg to state that, according to my report for the official year 1873-74, the total number of cases treated in this dispensary were 3,380, and the result of these were as follow :—

76 In-patients.	Discharged cured	64
	Died	8
	Remaining 31st March 1874	4
3,304 Out-patients.	Discharged cured	3,293
	Died	None
	Remaining 31st March 1874	11

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. T. ROSS,
Vice-President.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From C. KOUGH, Esq., Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Ghooty Circle, To J. H. MASTER, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary, dated Bellary, 5th September 1874 No. 185.

I HAVE the honor to submit a report upon the Ghooty Circle Funds operations during the past official year 1873-74, accompanied by the usual statements prepared in accordance with the instructions of the Board of Revenue, contained in their Circular Memorandum, dated the 20th of June 1873, No. 867.

2. Statement I.-A shows the receipts from the several Funds constituted under Act. IV of 1871.

3. The Road Fund balance at the beginning of the year 1873-74 exceeded that estimated in your office by Rupees 34,990. The reasons for this large outstanding balance were, 1stly, the non-utilization of Rupees 21,000 applied for by the District Engineer for Public Works during the official year 1872-73 ; and 2ndly, the large collections of arrears of land-cess in the same year. The latter reason holds good for the increase of Rupees 6,410 in the General Fund balance also.

4. The actual collection of land-cess during the year under report exceeded the estimate by the small sum of Rupees 5,605. Rupees 621-8-0 was the uncollected balance of house- during 1872-73.

5. The collection of school fees fell short of the estimate by Rupees 275, owing to the reduction of the rate by the Circle Board after the submission of the Budget to the Board of Revenue. Rupees 553-14-0 was the contribution paid by the Pennacondah Local Fund Board for the services of the Deputy-Inspector of Schools. No estimate was made as the Circle Board anticipated sanction for a separate Deputy-Inspector for this Circle.

6. The actual receipts from the sale proceeds of books fall far below the amount expected by the Circle Board. This was owing to the books having been supplied too late to the Taluq Depôts.

7. Rupees 1,022-8-0 were realized by local contributions in aid of works of water-supply, etc., of which particulars have been given in the statement of General Funds. Of the above sum, Rupees 50 were said to have been collected from the inhabitants of Pamdy, in the Ghooty Taluq, for the repair of a village choultry or Cutcherry. This sum (half of the estimated cost) was collected and credited to Local Funds upon an order issued by me as Sub-Collector and not as Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, and the Local Fund Board object to spend money upon such an object.

8. The total actual receipts in the circle during the year under report amounted to Rupees 1,87,090-11-0.

9. Statement B shows the expenditure of Local Funds as compared with the Budget allotments under the different grants.

GRANT I.—The actual expenditure on New Works (Communications) amounted to Rupees 12,510-6-1, or less than that estimated by Rupees 4,941.

10. Statement 4 gives full particulars of all new Local Fund Works. The Budget allotments of new Road works were not fully expended for the following Department Public Works reasons :—

The unexpended balance on the 2nd and 3rd roads is attributed to want of energy on the part of the Overseer, and the fact that the sanctioned Budget was not received till August.

The balance on the 4th road is a sum due to a contractor who died before he could be paid.

The allotment for a Road dam across a vunka at the 140th mile on the Bangalore high road remained unexpended, owing to an objection raised by Local Fund Member, Solur Venkatachurloo, who has an interest in the vunka.

A coating of gravel had to be spread on the Adony Railway feeder, which could only be done after the rains, hence a balance of Rupees 114 remained unexpended.

11. The Public Works Department Officers seem to regard as satisfactory a condition of things which Revenue Officers, Police Officers, and Local Fund Members describe in terms, to say the least, uncomplimentary, and this fact more than any other makes me almost despair of any steady improvement. Till the officers charged with the construction and repair of roads and road masonry adopt a public and not a departmental standard of excellence in roads and other works, it is impossible for ignorant rate-payers to appreciate the uses to which their money is being put.

12. Large sums are spent upon roads which are turned out in such a condition that natives often try to avoid instead of take advantage of them, and for my own part I often find a relief to get off the made-road and on to a bandy track.

13. Were the report regarding the condition of the circle communications (contained in extract from letter, No. 149, dated the 5th of May, from the District Engineer) made relatively to the amount of money allotted, then indeed there might be some hope of improvement, but it is not so. The words used are : " The general condition of communications in this circle is satisfactory ;" whereas the opinion of all the Tahsildars and of the general public are wholly at variance with the views so expressed.

14. During the year under report, 376½ miles of road are reported by the Department of Public Works to have been mantained in good order, 3 miles completed, and 91½ miles in progress ; 78 road masonry works repaired, 22 road masonry works constructed.

15. I regret to have to state that the Circle Board are not at all satisfied with the way in which the roads of the circle are made and maintained, and it is apparently high time that some radical improvements both in style and system were introduced.

16. Rupees 1,302-4-8 is the amount spent on constructing the out-houses of the Munro's Dispensary at Ghooty. This amount has been erroneously debited to Local Funds by the Accountant-General.

17. Rupees 6,000 were allotted in the Budget for 1873-74 for the construction of a permanent building for the use of the Dispensary at Tadpatri. The building at present occupied being very small and inconvenient, the Circle Board decided to use it as a school-house as soon as a new and commodious building could be erected.

18. The allotment could not be utilized during the year, as the plan and estimate were not prepared in time for submission to the Board of Revenue for sanction.

19. Rupees 49,138-3-6, or Rupees 1,728 more than last year, were spent on the maintenance of roads within the circle. Of Rupees 115-0-2 as entered in the revised accounts, opposite to "By Other Agency," under Repairs, Rupees 70-5-0 was the amount of compensation paid for the land taken for the Naguldinna road (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 588, dated the 31st of January 1873, and No. 152, dated the 10th of January 1874). Details for the rest of the amount are not known.

20. Rupees 2,203-14-8 were spent during the year on the mantenance of 108 miles of 12,105 avenue trees, some of which are in fair condition.

21. Rupees 8,640-2-5 were paid as contribution to the three Municipalities for Public Works as per details shown in Statement B. The Budget allotment exceeds by Rupees 540-2-5, the amount specially sanctioned (*vide* G. O., No. 49, dated 14th January 1874, and G. O., No. 1,179, dated the 20th of August 1873).

22. The total expenditure under Grant I. amounted to Rupees 96,033-12-3.

23. Grant II.—Rupees 2,764-12-8 were spent during the year under report on Educational Inspection. One Deputy-Inspector and two Inspecting Schoolmasters were employed. The Deputy-Inspector of Schools inspected the Tadpatri Middle-class School three times, and each of the Lower-class Schools at Auloor, Oorvaconda, and Hanilighi, twice ; as well as ninety-three pial schools attended by 1,835 boys, and paid away Rupees 1,778-8-0 in Results Grants.

24. Statement III. shows the receipts and charges incurred on account of Local Fund Schools. Out of the six schools therein mentioned, four only are working. That at Tadpatri a Middle-class School, receives a yearly Government grant of Rupees 300, and has three Masters on Rupees 30, 15, and 12, respectively. The school is divided into three classes, with an average attendance of forty-one boys. The Sub-Committee of management report favorably upon its progress.

25. The schools at Auloor and Hanilighi were only opened in October last, and that at Oorvaconda in November. The Hanilighi School was not included in the Budget, as the Circle Board recommended its abolition on the ground that it could not be supported by the house-tax alone, but subsequently when the house-tax was abolished, the school was retained and has since been working.

The following table shows the progress of the Local Fund Schools :—

Names of Schools.	Date of Opening.	Number of Masters employed.	Number of Classes into which the School is divided.	Average number of Boys attending.	Remarks.
Tadpatri	Before the Act was introduced.	3	4	48	
Auloor	2nd Oct. 1873.	2	2	36	
Oorvaconda	6th Nov. 1873.	2	3	41	
Hanilighi	3rd Oct. ,,	2	3	33	

26. The Schools sanctioned at Goontacul and Caroor have not yet been opened and their allotments have been appropriated (*vide* Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 216, dated the 14th January 1874,) to the Hanilighi School for which no provision was made in the Budget.

27. The total expenditure under Grant II. amounted to Rupees 6,582-2-3.

28. Grant III.—There are four Dispensaries in the Circle which has a population of 585,748 souls. Those at Adoni and Anantapore are supported by Municipal Funds, and that at Ghooty by Sir Thomas Munro's Endowment. The Circle Board contribute Rupees 1,140 yearly to the latter, and half the charges of each of the former institutions.

29. That at Tadpatri is maintained solely from Local Funds at a cost (according to accounts received) of Rupees 435-7-10. The amount paid on account of medicines and apparatus purchased for the use of that Dispensary seems to have been omitted from the Local Fund accounts. Had it been debited the cost of the Dispensary could not, I presume, have been shown as less than Rupees 1,000. The enclosed report of the Medical Officer in charge is favorable to the working of the institution and the public fully appreciate it.

30. Rupees 1,153-6-6 were spent on Vaccine Establishment, and the following table exhibits results :—

Names of Vaccinators.	Monthly Salary.	Total number Vaccinated.	Successful Cases.	Unsuccessful Cases.	Remarks.
	RS.				
Three 1st-Class Vaccinators.	18 each		3,838	317	
Two 2nd ,, ,, ...	10 each				

31. The Circle Board observe that the results would have been better had there been closer supervision. One Superintendent for three Circles can do but little, and this Circle Board have proposed that there should be one for each Circle. Payment by results is the best system for vaccination if it could be worked, and I have the subject under consideration.

32. Rupees 5,942-11-4, or Rupees 3,212 in excess of the previous year, were spent on Sanitary improvements within the Circle in the following manner :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Cleansing wells and tanks	3,006	12	0
Improving Towns and Villages	1,724	4	7
For Scavengering Establishment	1,211	10	9
Total ...	5,942	11	4

One well in the Anantapore Taluq and two koontas in the Auloor Taluq were repaired.

Two new koontas were constructed in the Auloor Taluq where scarcity of water is much felt. The soil of this taluq is black, and during the hot months people suffer much for want of drinking water. Similar difficulty is felt in the taluqs of Adoni, Ghooty and in some parts of Tadpatri, though not to the same extent. Efforts are being made to supply the want gradually.

33. The Budget allotment for contribution to the Municipalities under this grant was only Rupees 2,780, whereas the actual exceeds the allotment by Rupees 1,281-6-11 ; but from the monthly accounts furnished to the Circle Board it appears that the arrears of contribution due to the Munro Dispensary at Ghooty for 1871-72 and 1872-73 have been recovered as per G. O., No. 622, dated the 3rd May 1872, and it is to be inferred that the contribution for 1873-74 is still due.

34. The total expenditure under this Grant amounted to Rupees 11,653-0-7. That under Grant IV. was Rupees 1,447-14-11.

35. The Local Fund bunsiness of the year was transacted at twelve Meetings with an average attendance of five official and two non-official Members. The attendance was more regular during the latter months than in the early part of the year, and a Meeting was held on the 15th of every month throughout the year.

36. It used to be difficult to attract non-official Members, and they still look forward to some arrangement for the payment of their travelling expenses. I hope the matter will not be lost sight of.

37. I am happy to be able to state with confidence that the Local Funds Institution is gradually becoming popular in this Circle, notwithstanding the opinion deeply rooted in the masses that the Circar ought to carry out schemes of improvement gratuitously; others who admit the principles of the Act think the rate of cess too high. There is, however, no doubt that if only the work done be good, and the results apparent to the mass, the institution will become very popular in time.

38. This report is a mere transcript of that written by my predecessor, Mr. Crosthwaite, with the trifling alterations of figures here and there necessitated by its revision with reference to the annual accounts of the Accountant-General, and the insertion of paragraph 16 for the same reason. For the views expressed I do not hold myself responsible, as my very temporary position as his *locum tenens* has afforded me no opportunity of forming a personal opinion on the various subjects touched upon.

Report on the Working of the Civil Dispensary at Tadpatri for the official year 1873-74.

On 1st of October 1873 the Civil Dispensary under my charge was established in the town of Tadpatri by the sole maintenance of the Local Fund Board, Ghooty Circle.

2. The building in which the hospital is located (a temporary building with mud walls and stone facings, intended for Taluq School in future), is situated out of the town by the side of the road leading to Cuddapah, and occupies a commanding position; has four rooms with a verandah in front and a thatched verandah behind, one of the rooms in the end is used for Surgery, and the room in the other end is used as a private room, and the two centre ones are used as Wards for patients, one for males and one for females; each ward is capable of holding two cot freely; each of these rooms has a window, and the two side rooms have the advantage of two windows each. It has no fencing of any sort, and there are no out-houses, the matter has been brought to the notice of the Vice-President, Local Fund Board, Ghooty Circle, and it is hoped that it will soon be rectified. A new Dispensary on the standard plan has been sanctioned for this place, and when this building is completed Tadpatri will have a hospital that will meet the requirements of this place.

	Out-Patients.		
	Europeans and East Indians.	Natives.	Total.
Remained on the 31st March 1873	...	...	...
Admitted since 1st April 1873	25	1,600	1,625
Total treated	25	1,600	1,625
Cured	24	1,498	1,522
Relieved	...	18	18
No better	...	5	5
Absconded	...	43	43
Died	...	1	1
Remaining 31st March 1874...	1	35	36
Average daily number of sick for the year ...	·58	41·51	42·09

General Observations.—It gives me great pleasure that I am able to render a favorable account of the working of this Dispensary for the past official year.

The people of the town, for whose convenience this Dispensary was opened, are daily gaining confidence in European treatment, and are beginning to see the advantage of the institution and the folly of entrusting their lives to Native Doctors, who have no idea of the structure human frame. Many of them condemn the Native Doctor's starving system of treatment and r strict dieting, which almost amounts to starvation; and their mode of pulling out money b giving false hopes till the disease gets better of them, when they pronounce the patients hopeless; when, as a last resource, the miserable and disappointed patients find their way to the European Hospitals to represent their mismanaged cases, and it is not to be wondered at if the greater number of them prove to be incurable, if not fatal.

The following Table will give an idea of the gradual increase of confidence the Natives gained upon European treatment:—

	October 1873.	November 1873.	December 1873.	January 1874.	February 1874.	March 1874.
Total number of admissions	233	267	255	266	286	318
Average daily admittance	7·51	9	8	8·5	10·25	10·25
Average daily attendance	29·	39·7	37·	45·2	46·5	51·7

The principal diseases treated during the year were fevers, rheumatisms, venereal affections, diseases of the eye, nose, and ear, chest and bowel-complaints, sores and injuries, which I am glad to say were mild and simple, readily yielded to treatment with a few solitary exceptions.

Of the 1,625 cases that attended the Hospital, the following Table will show the number of Males and Females of each caste:—

Caste.	In-Patients.		Out-Patients.		Total.	
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
Europeans and East Indians	...	...	22	3	22	3
Brahmins	...	...	146	45	146	45
Hindus (including all other castes)...	...	...	639	278	639	278
Mahomedans	...	...	307	185	307	185

In conclusion, I am happy to invite the attention of the public to the progressive increase, month after month, in the number of attendants of both sexes, will be observed from the preceding tables and the increasing popularity of the Dispensary and the growing confidence of the public in the benefits conferred by the institution.

Tadpatri,
1st April 1874.

(Signed) N. RAMASAWMY NAIDU, No. 903,
3rd-Class Hospital Assistant in Medical charge, Civil Dispensary, Tadpatri.

From 3rd-Class Hospital Assistant N. RAMASAWMY NAIDU, No. 903, in Medical charge, Civil Dispensary, Tadpatri, to the Vice-President, Local Fund Board, Ghooty Circle, dated Tadpatri, 6th May 1874, No. 37.

With reference to your Memorandum No. 77 of the 5th instant, I beg to state that although sixteen men remained in the Hospital and took medicines during the last official year, they were neither fed nor clothed from the Hospital fund as an in-patient ought to get in its real meaning, so I was sending my monthly returns to the Deputy-Surgeon-General with the same idea, and now to corroborate those returns I was obliged to return them (sixteen men) as out-patients.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

From J. A. DAVIS, Esq., Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Pennakondah Circle, to J. H. MASTER, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary dated 7th September 1874, No. 83.

I HAVE the honor to submit the report upon the operations of the Local Funds of the Pennakondah Circle for the official year 1873-74, with the usual statements.

2. *Statement No.* 1.—The receipts were estimated at Rupees 76,310, but the actuals were Rupees 97,400. The great difference of Rupees 21,090 in excess of the estimate was entirely due to the large increase of Rupees 21,185 under the head of balances for the actuals of other items more or less tallied with those of the Budget-estimates. There was a small increase of Rupees 713 under Land-cess and a large increase of Rupees 1,094 under Special Funds, and an unexpected receipt of Rupees 523 under the heads of sale of materials, Public Works receipts as advised by the Accountant-General, and refunds and recoveries. These were counterbalanced by a decrease of Rupees 1,890 under tolls and of Rupees 543 in the sale of other property and sale proceeds of books, the result being the close approximation of the total actuals to the total of the Budget-estimate if the disturbing figures of the balances be eliminated.

3. The details of the differences follow in order.

The balance under Road Fund was estimated at Rupees 4,000. The actuals were Rs. 17,611, giving an increase of Rupees 13,611. This was due to the lapse of some of the allotments of the previous year as explained in the last report. The balance under General Fund was estimated at Rupees 600, but the actuals were Rupees 8,174, making an increase over the estimate of Rupees 7,574. Rupees 6,651 of this balance was accounted for in the last report, and the remainder, Rupees 1,523, was added during the year in the Collector's Office in accordance with the Accountant-General's accounts.

The receipts from Surplus Pound Fund were estimated at Rupees 830, but the actuals were Rupees 1,804, and of the cause of the increase, the Board have received no information. Nothing was entered in the estimate under ferry rent, but Rupees 5 are entered in the accounts furnished by the Collector.

The receipts from fisheries were estimated at Rupees 380, but the actuals realized Rs. 489. The Rupees 6 under Miscellaneous appear in the Collector's accounts. The receipts from Land-cess were estimated at Rupees 41,000, which the actuals of Rupees 41,713 slightly exceeded. The large decrease of Rupees 1,890 under tolls was due to the abolition of the Pennakondah toll gate (the only one in the circle) about the middle of the year under report under the orders of Government, dated 8th August 1873, No. 1,109. The receipts of Rupees 11 under the head of House-tax is probably an arrears collection. The decrease of Rupees 3 under school fees does not call for any explanation.

Miscellaneous.—Rupees 193 was realized from the sale of materials, but it is not known in this office what materials. The decrease of Rupees 141 under Item D, calculated upon the sweepings of cart-stands, was due to their not having been completed till the end of the year. The large decrease of Rupees 402 under sale proceeds of books was entirely due to the late date of the receipt of the books indented for and to the consequent non-sale thereof. The Items F and G explain themselves.

4. *Statement No.* 2 shows an expenditure for the whole year of Rupees 71,359, only Rupees 1,611 less than the estimated amount and Rupees 20,000 in excess of what was spent in the preceding year. The large balance of Rupees 26,041, however, calls for explanation. Rupees 21,019 under the Road Fund and Rupees 5,022 under the General Fund; of these in order, the Road Fund balance is Rupees 20,499 over the estimate. Rupees 13,625 of this was due to the unexpected balance (Rupees 13,611) at the beginning of the year on the receipt side already explained, and to an increase of Rupees 14 in the net receipts. It was found impossible to utilize this sum during the year, as not even the allotted amount for the only sanctioned work in the circle (the Cumbadoor Road) was fully spent by the Department of Public Works, and the only new works carried out, for which estimates were submitted by that Department, were two culverts, the estimated cost of which amounted to Rupees 2,401, of which only Rupees 1,187 was spent during the year, still leaving an unutilized balance of Rupees 12,438. The remaining Rupees 8,061 is made up of Rupees 5,730, the Road Fund reserve, none of which was utilized for the reasons just stated, Rupees 1,094 unexpended out of the allotment for the Cumbadoor Road, Rupees 1,218 savings under road repairs, and a balance of Rupees 19, net savings under minor heads. The General Fund Balance is Rupees 5,022, or 2,202 over the estimate. Considering the large unexpected increase of Rupees 7,574 in the receipts under the head of balances, which sum has all been utilized and spent during the year as will be shown hereafter in detail. This small excessive balance is not to be wondered at. However, it can be most satisfactorily explained, for work up to the value of Rupees 2,133, for almost the full amount was already in hand at the close of the year, so that the unutilized balance of Rupees 2,889 exceeded the estimated balance of Rupees 2,820 by only Rupees 69, and is accounted for by small savings under Grants I., II., III., and IV., amounting to Rupees 1,366 and to the Rupees 1,523 placed to the credit of this Fund towards the end of the year for the reason already explained under Receipts. As it was impossible to foresee the falling in of these two sums, of course no steps could have been taken for their utilization. It suffices to say that arrangements were made for the expenditure of all the known assets of this Fund.

5. We now proceed to treat separately, in detail, of the operations of the different Funds.

ROAD FUND EXPENDITURE.—*Item No.* 1—An allotment of Rupees 12,740 was made for the Cumbadoor road, but the actual expenditure amounted to Rupees 11,646, leaving a balance of Rupees 1,094 unexpended attributed by the District Engineer to delay in the sanction of the allotment. During the year allotments of Rupees 645 for constructing a culvert on the Roddam Road and Rupees 1,756 for building a culvert across the Coodoor tank-supply channel were made by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, Nos. 4,174 and 7,279, of 7th July and 28th October 1873, respectively. The first of these allotments has been wholly expended, but Rupees 542 only of the latter was used, leaving a balance of Rupees 1,214. The short outlay is attributed by the Department of Public Works to a difficulty in procuring work-people, but we understand the work is now almost completed. I may here remark that these two latter allotments appear to have been ordered by the Board of Revenue to be met from the Road Fund Reserve; but, as the Collector has placed the expenditure under Item No. 1, I am making my report accordingly. *Item No.* 2—The allotment for the repair of roads was Rupees 28,060. The actual expenditure was Rupees 26,842, leaving an unexpended balance of Rupees 1,218, which consists of the following savings: Rupees 758 out of the allotment for Calliandroog and Amarapur road, the work of which was stopped at the request of the Local Fund Board (*vide* Resolution, No. 6, of 7th March 1874); Rupees 303 out of the maintenance allotment for the Cumbadoor Road for which no reason has been assigned; and Rupees 157 out of allotments for six different roads. *Item No.* 3—The saving effected under A and the increase under B are trivial, and require no explanation. The saving under C was owing to the abolition of the tolls in the middle of the year. The saving under D is attributable to the salary of the Clerk in the Local Fund Office not being enhanced (as it was intended it should be) owing to the sanction of Government not yet having been received. Nothing has been expended under Contingencies E. *Item No.* 4—The allotment for Tools and Plant was Rupees 340. The actual expenditure was Rupees 861, owing to an urgent demand from the Department of Public Works for new tools. Of the excess of Rupees 521, only Rs. 272-8-0 was sanctioned by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 6,634, of 4th October 1873, and we are not aware how the excess of Rupees 248-8-0 is charged to our funds. *Item No.* 6—It appears that the Board of Revenue intended the amount of Rupees 1,187 spent upon the two culverts referred to under Item No. 1 should be charged to this head, but the amount is not so entered as already pointed out.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE—*Grant I., Item No.* 4—The increase of Rupees 282 was sanctioned by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 5,679, of 6th September 1873, of which Rupees 212 was the balance of payment due for the construction of the Civil Dispensary at Pennakondah, the work having been done during 1872-73, and Rupees 70 was for improvements

made in the same dispensary during the year under report. *Item No.* 5—No provision was made in the Budget for this work; but when a large balance in hand was found at the beginning of the year, arrangements were made to utilize it in various ways at the request of the Local Fund Board. Certain allotments from that balance were made (amounting in all to Rupees 3,490 for the construction and improvement of certain chuttrums) by the Board in their Proceedings, No. 6,521, of 29th September 1873, and No. 50, of 6th January 1874. Out of this amount Rs. 1,718 was actually spent during the year, and work for the remaining Rupees 1,772 has now, in some cases, been fully completed, and in others is fast approaching completion. Two new chuttrums, one at Boodaly (Rupees 430) and one at Madakasirah (Rupees 310), and repairs to two chuttrums, one at Hindupur (Rupees 109) and one at Madody (Rupees 120), were completed and paid for by the end of the year. Three new chuttrums, at Chalkoor (Rupees 410), at Peddamanatoor (Rupees 416), and at Gotloor (Rupees 270), have since been completed. The erection of a new chuttrum at Dadaloor (Rupees 430) and repairs to the large one at Chennacottapalli (Rs. 995) are still in hand. *Item No.* 7—The decrease of Rupees 441 under this head was due to savings effected in the taluqs of Hindupur and Madakasirah out of the avenue maintenance grant. *Item No.* 8—No provision was made in the Budget for this purpose, but in the course of the year an allotment of Rupees 572 from the large General Fund balance above mentioned was applied for, and sanctioned by, the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 3,636, of 14th June 1873, for repairing two wells, one at Daragapett and the other at Mavatoor. Of this allotment, only Rupees 411 was spent during the year, Rupees 349 on the Daragapett well, which was completed, and Rupees 62 on Mavatoor well, leaving a balance of Rupees 111 still to be spent. The short outlay is owing to there having been too much water in the well to allow of the work being executed. *Item No.* 9—During the year the construction of cart-stands at Dharmaveram (Rupees 178), Chennacottapalli (Rupees 200), Chalkoor (Rupees 180), Hindupur (Rupees 240), and Purghu (Rupees 240), and also the opening out of some roads in two villages. Gotloor (Rupees 330) and Kerekera (Rupees 76) was sanctioned in Board's Proceedings, No. 6,521, of 29th September 1873, at a cost of Rupees 1,514. The amount was met from the general balance. All these works were completed with a saving of Rupees 108, but a payment of Rs. 200 was withheld from the contractor of Chennacottapalli cart-stand, pending the levelling of the ground. *Item No.* 10—I am unable to explain, and do not understand. *Item No.* 11—calls for no remarks.

Grant II.—The saving of Rupees 187 under Item No. 14*b* was due to the absence, on sick leave, of one of the Inspecting Schoolmaster. *Item No.* 16—In the Budget Rupees 800 were estimated for as required for the Pennakondah Anglo-Vernacular School, but the actual expenditure amounted to Rupees 681, leaving a balance of Rupees 119, which is due to there having been no Second Master for 4½ months and to the Head Master being paid only at Rs. 35 instead of at Rupees 40 as provided for in the Budget. In the course of the year a Mahomedan School was started at Pennakondah, under G. O., No. 1,227, of 29th August 1873, from 1st October; and, as Rupees 90 was expended on the master's salary for six months, at Rupees 15 a month, a balance of only Rupees 29 was left under this head. *Item No.* 18—The increase of Rupees 308 under this head is very satisfactory. The Board of Revenue sanctioned it in their Proceedings, No. 1,486, of 4th March 1874; 66 pial schools, with an attendance of 1,209 scholars, of whom 458 passed, were examined for results grants against 34 schools in 1872-73. *Item No.* 19—requires no explanation. *Item No.* 20—The increase of Rupees 554 is the share of this circle towards the pay of the Deputy Inspector, an item which was omitted to be entered in the Budget.

Grant III.—*Item No.* 22—There were savings of Rupees 339 out of the allotments for supplies, dieting, and medicine, the charges for which fell below the estimated costs, and Rs. 52 in the cost of the establishment, while there was an increase of Rupees 151 for furniture and contingenices, leaving a net saving of Rupees 240 under this head. *Item No.* 24—The difference between the estimate and the actuals under this head appears to have been mainly due to an excessive estimate being made, but the pay of one Vaccinator on Rupees 10 was saved for five months in consequence of the post being vacant. *Item No.* 26*a*—The Budget-estimate was

fully utilized, and of the increase of Rupees 757 under this head Rupees 469 was expended in the employment of additional sweepers in the cusbah towns, and sanctioned by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 3,908, of 25th June 1873, when an allotment of Rupees 574 from the general balance was made to meet the extra expense, a saving of Rupees 105 out of this amount being effected. The remaining Rupees 288 was spent in the pay of 16 sweepers for six months newly employed for the scavengering of eight large towns, and the charge was met by appropriating the amount from the Rupees 900 entered under head *b*.

Item No. 26*b*.—Out of the Budget allotment of Rupees 900, Rupees 288 having been appropriated to Item *a*, the balance of Rupees 612, *plus* Rupees 1,700, sanctioned out of the general balance by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 5,871, of 11th September 1873, and No. 64, of 7th January 1874, making a total of Rupees 2,312, supports the actual expenditure under this head, the money being utilized in removing fort walls and cleaning wells, a saving of Rupees 142 was effected out of the Board's grant.

Grant IV.—*Item Nos.* 30 *and* 31 call for no remarks.

Communications.—The District Engineer reports—

General Remarks.—

"12 miles of new road completed with 44 masonry works.
"12 do. do. in progress.
"364 miles and 5 furlongs of road maintained.
"8 masonry works repaired.

"The repairs of the roads in this circle have been attended to as far as practicable. The grant of Rupees 50 a mile, which is the allowance for all the roads in this circle, excepting the road from Kurnool to Mysore frontier, is quite insufficient to maintain them in a good state of repair." A majority of the Board think that the money (leaving out of the question its sufficiency or otherwise) might have been much more profitably employed by spending it more on the improvement of the roads themselves by raising their surfaces than in digging and clearing out side channels along their sides. Four of the Members present, who have known the roads for many years, have observed no improvement in them from year to year—a result which they consider unsatisfactory, as they think more might have been done with the money than has been done. In future, however, the Board proposes to adopt a new system of expenditure upon the unfinished roads by stopping the maintenance allowance which has done its work, and granting all the money available for estimated works. The Board are greatly indebted to Mr. Goodrich, the Assistant Superintendent of Police, for the keen interest he has taken in this subject and the frequent information he has given them regarding the state of their roads and the complaints he has made which are already beginning to bear good fruit in an improved condition of some of the roads.

Avenues.—Sixty-four miles of avenues have been maintained, and are, for the most part, in a very flourishing condition.

Education.—A special report regarding the Anglo-Vernacular School has been called for by Government, and will be submitted shortly. The Mahomedan School, the only other Local Fund School at present established, is succeeding very well, though only lately started. That the Mahomedan community consider it a great boon is shown by their frequent applications to the Board to establish similar schools in other towns of the circle. The average attendance of boys was 32, and the Deputy Inspector of Schools in his last Annual Report in speaking of the schoolmaster says, "His school is the best of all its kind in the two circles. This man has had some systematic course of instruction in the Normal School at Bangalore," and the Board, therefore, hope the institution will continue to prosper under his auspices. No school fees are charged, the pupils for the most part being poor.

The Board are glad to report the increase in the number of schools under inspection for "results grants which they believe to be as good a system as any for the encouragement of education. The number has risen from thirty-four last year to sixty-six this year—a most encouraging result, and the Board are sanguine of a further increase every year, and progress will doubtless be more rapid when a separate Deputy Inspector of Schools for this circle already asked for and promised is appointed.

SANITATION.—We are glad to announce that the sanitary condition of the circle has been excellent without epidemic of any kind. In a few isolated villages small-pox appeared, but timely measures put an effectual stop to its spreading. The total expenditure under the head of Sanitation was largely increased from Rupees 1,331 last year to Rupees 4,177 in this. Rs. 2,007 was spent in maintaining scavengering establishment in fourteen towns which has done its work very satisfactorily. The Board intend gradually to establish small conservancy establishments in all the chief towns of the circle, for, of their great benefit, there cannot be a doubt. Rs. 1,757 was expended in improving the village sites of Pennakondah, Bookapatam, Dharmaveram, Madakasirah, and Hindupur. The chief items of expenditure were the removal of the fort walls of Madakasirah, Bookapatam, and Dharmaveram which has caused a vast improvement in the appearance of these towns besides affording freer ventilation. The *débris* of the walls have been used to fill up the fort ditches where nuisances were invariably committed, and upon the new ground thus formed building sites and streets are being laid out. Rupees 374 was expended in cleaning eight wells within a radius of five or six miles around Pennakondah. The balance of Rupees 39 was the cost of sanitary arrangements at the annual feast of Babiah Ooras held at Pennakondah. The native non-official Members are always ready to support a grant for the above purposes.

VACCINATION.—There are four Vaccinators in the circle, one for each taluq. One of these belongs to the first class, and gets a salary of Rupees 18 a month; the others belong to second class, and get Rupees 10 per month. From August to December the staff was short by one Vaccinator at Hindupur. His appointment was filled up only in January. During the year under report 2,993 persons were vaccinated against 2,284 last year. 2,816 cases were successful, and the rest 177 failure or unknown.

The Civil Dispensary at Pennakondah is a great success. It is resorted to by people from all parts of the circle. The Hospital Assistant in charge has given complete satisfaction. He and the Head Assistant Collector's Office Dresser, who also regularly attends the dispensary, have by their assiduous and successful treatment made themselves popular, which doubtless accounts for the large attendance of patients in this the first year of the hospital's existence. The usual separate report is enclosed.

In conclusion we still have to regret the meagre attendance of our non-official Members, only three of whom (those residing at Pennakondah) were at all regular in attendance. Ten did not come to a single meeting. The attendance has, however, been better lately, and, with the new travelling allowance rule, we hope an improvement this year. There were fourteen meetings, and the average attendance of Members was six.

Annual Report upon the Civil Dispensary, Pennakondah, for the official year ending 31*st March* 1874.

The total number of sick treated are as follow (during the year under report) :—

Europeans	In-patients,	none.
	Out-patients,	6.
Natives	In-patients,	27.
	Out-patients,	4,150.

Average daily number of out-patients 51¾. The cases under the head of Europeans treated have occurred in the families of the Department of Public Works. This race is comparatively few.

Under the head of Natives, there have been 27 in-patients admitted; all paupers, and their diseases require no special notice, being generally due to privation and exposure.

Four thousand one hundred and fifty out-patients have received treatment. Of these, three died, two from tetanus and one from consumption; the rest have been more or less cured, or greatly relieved. The principal diseases and classes of diseases are as follow :—Ague, rheumatism, anæmia, general dropsy; diseases of the eye, chest, stomach, and bowels; venereal diseases, abscesses, boils, and itch, etc.

Ague is very common throughout the year; more so, after the first rains, the disease is endemic in this part of the district. Next in order of frequency are diseases of skin, stomach, and bowels, sore eyes, venereal diseases, etc. A great many patients seek relief from surrounding and remote villages of the different taluqs. Several cases of a worst character have been treated effectually during the year. The confidence of the natives in the European mode of treatment appears to be greatly increasing.

The hospital is very useful, especially to the poorer classes of the population; and the number of deaths in this class, before the institution has been established, was very great.

With regard to sanitary arrangements, every effort is made by the Vice-President, Local Fund Board, to improve the condition of the town.

Daily rubbish of the streets are carried away morning and evening. There are no latrines in the town, but the people resort to distant fields for the purposes of nature. Drainage natural. In the backyards of many of the houses at Pennakondah there are large pits dug for the reception of refuse water; these cause foul emanations, and affect public health to some extent.

Source of water-supply is pretty good.

PENNAKONDAH,
3rd June 1874.

(Signed) A. MOOROOGASU,
Second-Class Hospl. Asst.

Local-Public Depart

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following ~~letter~~ from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 4th March 1875 No 518.

164 Order thereon. Ordered 20 May 1875 No 1103

From the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue above recorded it is sufficiently clear that the closing balance of the current year in the Bellary and Gooty Circles must have been very much in excess of the amounts at which they were estimated when the continuance of

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of the special grant+ from Provincial funds was sanctioned in G.O. dated 27th January 1875 No 155. The amount will consequently be withdrawn and assigned to the Tinnevelly Circles as directed in a separate order passed on the Boards Proceedings dated 3rd March 1875.

2. In none of the Circles does the work of the P.W. Dept appear to have been entirely satisfactory and the Gooty and Penacondah Boards are dissatisfied with both the quantity and quality of the work but the Govt agree with the President in considering that the subject need not be disturbed further until some experience has been gained of the manner in which the work is carried out under the present District Engineer.

3. With reference to the remarks of the Board of Revenue in para 20 of their Proceedings it appears doubtful whether the Local Board showed continuance to maintain school

+ Bellary - Rs 15,000
Gooty - - - 5000
Rs 20,000

Rs 42,000

A most unsatisfactory kind of argument & conclusion

schools of the middle class, the Govt. desire that the question may receive the careful consideration of the Local Board and that the conclusions arrived at may be reported for the information of Government.

The reports regarding the working of the newly established Local Fund Dispensaries in all three circles are very encouraging and it is observed that the expenditure on Sanitary improvements in the Bellary Circle is reported to have been appreciated by the people who supplemented the funds available for such works by a voluntary contribution of Rupees 1705.

L.H. [illegible]
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I demur to this proposal.

The Provincial assignments for Bellary are moderate compared with the enormous size and comparative poverty of the District:—

	Provincial assignt. Road Fund		Provincial assignt. General Fund
Bellary	53,890	——	6,380
Tinnevelly	42,450	——	6,000

Tinnevelly is a small wealthy District; has more than its share and there can be no doubt that if once transferred it will never be recovered — for Tinnevelly requires money for permanent expenditure.

Bellary has, it is true, fallen

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5 To the Presdt. Munl. Commr. Bellary
1 do Public Works Depa.
1 do Revenue Depa.
1 do Board of Revenue
6 do [illegible]
6 do Sanitary Commr.
7 do Director of Pub. Instr.
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fallen behind in its
expenditure but for no
fault of the poor denizens
but by Laches of D.P. Ward
President

I would await the
Report called for by the
Board in Para - of
their Proceedings but not
with a view to transfer

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I think it is startling
& very inadequate Provision
& make Grants £ 5.2.2 do
& Expend them. Government
& anticipate that
these Grants & Bellary Works can
be attended & maintained - &
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to the Govt. the Governor
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Local Funds - Reports

Orders passed on the Revenue Board's review of the annual reports of the Bellary, Gooty and Penugaundah Circles for 1873-74