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Local Funds—Roads.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
17*th January* **1876.**

Referred to the Chief Enginer for his opinion on the proposed works.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

30*th July* 1875.

No. 319.

No. 164. NOTE.

[Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,001, dated 17th July 1875, referred through the Financial Department.]

The estimate is approved.

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) J. O. HASTED, Major, R.E.,
31*st July* 1875. *Officiating Chief Engineer.*

No. 165. ORDER THEREON, 17th January 1876, No. 104.

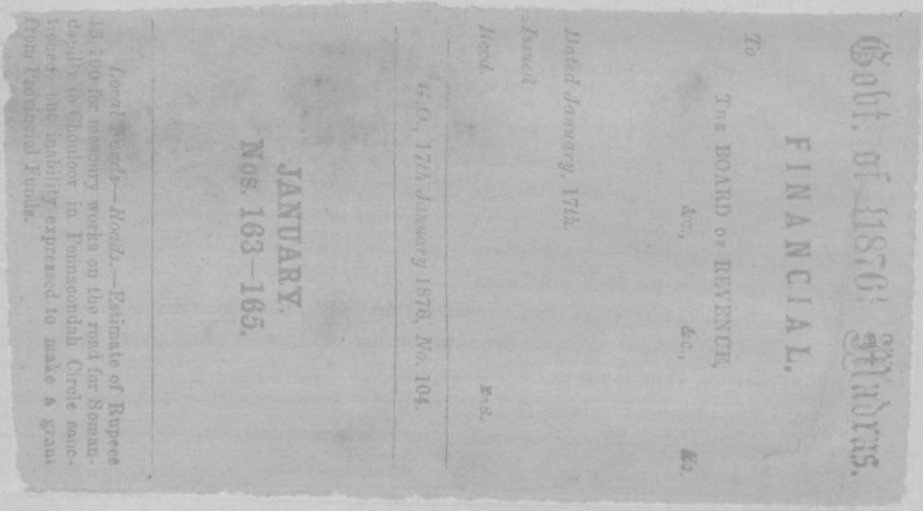
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Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with enclosures.
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Acting Secretary.

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with seven enclosures to be returned.

Copy to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary District.
" to the District Engineer, Bellary.
" to the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

No 319

Proceedings of the Board of
Revenue No. 2001 dated 17th July 1875
referred thro' the Financial Dept.

The Estimate is approved

Lt. Col. Major R.E.
Offg Chief Engineer

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31st July 1875

Financial Department
(Land Revenue) Branch.

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Board of Revenue, MADRAS.

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Road—from Somandapalli *viâ* Hindupur to Chonloor-in Pennaconda Circle, Bellary District.—Government requested to sanction certain portion of the estimate for — relating to masonry works, and to pass orders regarding the grant applied for from Provincial Funds.

Referred to the Chief Engineer for his opinion on the proposed works.

30th July 1875.

Offg. Chief Secretary

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To the Bd. of Revenue
" " P.W. Department.
" Accnt. General.

Rs 27/11/6 @ Rs 50 a mile road

(or say as: 5 Cost of Collection included) a day per mile = Rs 3.2 per 10 miles of road, wile furnish Rs 100 per mile within a year. At the rate of thirteen (13) laden Carts a day at 4 as: Each for 10 miles of road the Road will Earn the full Cost of maintenance — and I feel sure that the time has Come when we ought to Consider this matter in Earnest — No road is really worth opening that cannot Command a traffic of a couple of carts per day (say one laden at 4 as: and one empty at 2 as:) per mile and I would reject Estimates when we have not this moderate guarantee of its value by the traffic of the Country.

I would refer the question to the C. E. Board for consideration

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I think it will be better to take the whole subject of tolls on roads into consideration and even the B[d] of Revenue to account & not raise to large a question on Collectors an aside a single road. — I am willing if H[E] the Governor is prepared to go into this Question, that the B[d] should be confidentially informed that this subject is under the consideration of Govt & desire to tell them that they had better delay sending up applications for important new Roads

RK

11. Aug. 75.

Govt. of {187 } Madras.

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To

Dated 17 Jany 187 6, No. 104

Recd.

Nos. 165-6

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