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READ—the following papers:—

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of the Nilgiris), dated 2nd July 1898, No. 2054.

I have the honour, by desire of the Municipal Council, to submit the administration report of the Ootacamund Municipality for the official year 1897-98, together with the prescribed statements, and copies of the reports of the Civil Surgeon * and of the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

* Received 25th June 1898.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. The constitution of the Council was altered under G.O., No. 2798 M., dated 15th December 1897, and Notification No. 899, dated 15th December 1897. Under this alteration the number of *ex-officio* and nominated members was fixed at ten, and the elected members at two. Of these twelve members, one was *ex-officio*, and one official and ten non-officials. The official member was a European. Of the non-officials, three were Europeans, three Eurasians and three Natives. One seat was vacant on the 31st March 1898.

During the year, one elected member and three nominated members were appointed; of the latter, two were re-appointments. Four vacancies among the elective seats and one vacancy among the nominated members also occurred, but it was deemed advisable under G.O., No. 2512 M., dated the 15th November 1897, to defer filling up the vacancies.

The Council held 29 meetings. One meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance at each meeting was 9·03 against 9·10 in 1896-97. The decline in the average attendance of officials from 1·24 in 1896-97 to ·72 in 1897-98 is due partly to changes in the office of Collector and to the absence on duty of the Civil Surgeon.

II.—RECEIPTS.

3. The income, inclusive of the opening balance of Rs. 36,924-5-1, amounted to Rs. 2,38,057-6-7, of which Rs. 1,00,000 relate to the grants and loans given previously by the Government. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,79,185-7-3, leaving a balance of Rs. 58,871-15-4, of which Rs. 24,146 appertain to the grants for the water-supply improvements, Rs. 5,515-10-0 to the water and drainage tax fund, and the balance, Rs. 29,210-5-4, to miscellaneous improvements and Municipal fund.

4. The income derived from taxation amounted to Rs. 53,445-12-3 against Rs. 43,781-13-4, the actuals of 1896-97, and the revised estimate for 1897-98 of Rs. 56,800. The income apart from taxation was Rs. 29,506-10-3 against Rupees 21,834-13-0, the actuals of 1896-97, and Rs. 29,720, the revised estimate for 1897-98.

Miscellaneous receipts amounted to Rs. 7,257-13-5 against Rs. 7,994-1-8, the actuals of 1896-97, and Rs. 6,450, the revised estimate for 1897-98. It will be apparent from these figures that the Municipal income in 1897-98 exceeded that of 1896-97 by Rs. 16,599-7-11.

5. The balance outstanding on the 31st March 1897 was Rs. 3,336-15-2, of which Rs. 2,128-11-3 were collected and Rs. 60-2-1 remitted and Rs. 163-15-2 written off as irrecoverable, and there remained a balance of Rs. 984-2-8. The demand for 1897-98 was Rs. 72,665-5-3 against Rs. 61,043-1-9 in 1896-97. The increase in 1897-98 is due partly to the raising of the water-tax in the second half of the year from 2 to 4 per cent. on all houses to which water was supplied or which were situated within 150 yards of a hydrant, standpipe or fountain, and to an increase from 1 to 2 per cent. on houses not supplied with water; to an increase in the house-tax by a revision of assessments and to the assessment levied on new houses, and also to an increase in the rents and fees realized from market, slaughter-houses and cartstand. Of the demand as finally settled, Rs. 72,665-5-3, Rs. 70,416-11-8 or nearly 97 per cent. were collected and Rs. 82-2-6 remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,166-7-1, which, added to the previous year's balance of Rs. 984-2-8, amounts to Rs. 3,150-9-9 or Rs. 186-5-5 less than the balance remaining uncollected at the end of 1896-97. Of the balance, Rs. 1,173-1-11 have been collected up to date.

6. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—There was no change in the percentage ($7\frac{1}{2}$) of the tax on buildings. On lands not occupied by buildings and not appurtenant to any building or attached thereto, and lands occupied by native huts, an annual rate of Rs. 1-8-0 per acre was fixed under section 63 (3) (*a*) and (*b*) of the Municipal Amendment Act III of 1897. The demand on buildings, as finally settled, was Rupees 31,122-14-9, being an advance of Rs. 931-14-10 over that of 1896-97. There was no demand made on lands consequent on the reference made to the Government in the Chairman's letter, No. 4657, dated 28th January 1898, disposed of in G.O., Mis. No. 853 M., dated 2nd May 1898. The Council is now arranging for the collection of the land-rate and water and drainage tax thereon for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99.

7. *The Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings.*—The demand was Rs. 11,710-7-2, of which Rs. 11,314-8-2 were collected and Rs. 12-14-5 remitted for vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 383-0-7, which, added to the arrears of Rs. 102-2-4 at the end of 1896-97, leaves an unrealized balance of Rs. 485-2-11.

8. *Tax on Arts, Professions, Trades and Callings.*—Under the revised schedule A in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, the yearly tax under different classes has been raised, the demand therefore for 1897-98 was Rs. 5,087 against Rs. 3,308-8-0 in 1896-97. Of the demand, Rs. 4,517-8-0 were collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 569-8-0, which, added to the balance of Rs. 201-8-0 on the 31st March 1897, raises the amount to Rs. 771.

9. *Tax on Vehicles, Animals and Carts.*—In the Amendment Act, 1897, slight increases have been made in the rates. The estimate and revised estimate for 1897-98 were fixed at Rs. 4,700 and Rs. 5,500, respectively. The amount actually collected was Rs. 4,968-2-8 against Rs. 4,357-10-4 in 1896-97. There was a falling off in the registration receipts from carts of Rs. 118-5-4 as compared with 1896-97, owing, it is reported by the out-door staff, to a number of carts which went to the Ouchterlony valley not having returned, and to the wheels of many carts in the town having been removed, and the carts kept unused. The penalties levied on carts unregistered and seized by the Municipal staff amounted to Rs. 34-14-0.

10. *Tax on Servants.*—The tax realized on private menial and domestic male servants at the rate of Re. 1 per mensem for each such servant, from the 1st August 1897, amounted to Rs. 410 against Rs. 250 provided in the revised estimate for the year.

11. The number of processes which remained unexecuted on the 31st March 1897 was 998; issued during 1897-98, 1,383: total 2,381. Of this number, 1,537 were executed and cancelled, 844 remained unexecuted, and 52 warrants were cancelled, on which no collections were made. The number of warrants withdrawn in consequence of payments having been made before distraint was 1,482. The number of cases in which property was distrained, but not sold, was three. The number of prosecutions instituted was 129. In 96 cases, payment was made before the Court delivered judgment, and 33 cases remained undisposed of.

12. *Revenue derived from powers apart from Taxation*– amounted to Rupees 29,506–10–3 against Rs. 21,834–13–0 in 1896–97 and the revised estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 29,720. Under rent of buildings there is a decrease of Rs. 29–5–4, as the Brooks' Memorial High school is not being let, as before, as it could not be licensed under the Places of Public Resort Act. Sale-proceeds of old materials fell short of the revised estimate by Rs. 20–14–0 and in the sale-proceeds of night-soil there was a falling off of Rs. 42–14–0. Under fees from educational institutions, although there is a decline of Rs. 188–7–0 compared with the revised estimate, there is an increase over the budget estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 111–9–0. The income from markets exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 2,992, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 3,627–13–4. The income from slaughter-houses also exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 938–5–4 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 1,150–13–4. There is a small increase of Rs. 16–2–0 under warrant fees. Under distraint fees there is a decline compared with the revised estimate of about Rs. 26–8–0. License fees and cart-stand fees exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 328–10–10 and Rs. 161–10–8, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 68–2–3 and Rs. 241–10–8, respectively.

Fines under Municipal and other Acts exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 73–8–6 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 311–0–6.

13. *Grants and Contributions from Government, Rs.* 10,110–5–4—*Education—Municipal Schools.*—The grants under this head are about the same as the revised estimate. Other purposes show a decline of Rs. 157–8–0 as indents were not sent in for the purchase of library books as contemplated when the estimate and revised estimate for 1897–98 were prepared. Under (iii) other purposes, minor head also—other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 700–8–0 over the actuals of 1896–97 and an increase over the budget estimate of 1897–98 of Rs. 694–8–0, due to an increase in the rates under professional tax in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, and to an increase in the number of officers in the departments connected with Army head-quarters. Other grants and contributions show an increase of Rs. 180 owing to the scholarship established by Mrs. Grigg (Rs. 60) not having been paid in 1896–97 and to two more scholarships of Rs. 60 each having been created by gifts made by His Excellency Sir Arthur Elibank Havelock, G.C.M.G. & G.C.I.E., and Mrs. Anne McIver of Ootacamund.

14. *Recoveries on account of Services rendered to Private Individuals, Rs.* 5,292–6–0.—This exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 292–6–0, but falls short of the budget estimate by Rs. 207–10–0 and the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 488–14–0. The number of houses now conserved consequent on the reduction of fees is 356 against 261 in 1896–97. The increase should have been larger; and if the out-door establishment would but exert itself as is should, the increase could be realized. The vested interest of the Municipal scavenging men, who have hitherto been receiving small remunerations for their services from private individuals, no doubt stand in the way to some extent, but these men can now, under section 282-A (2) of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1897, be prosecuted for undertaking private work. The difficulty is to detect the men and then to have witnesses to prove their evasion of the Act to the satisfaction of the Sub-Magistrate.

Under other purposes there is an increase of Rs. 544–13–6 over the budget and revised estimates for 1897–98, due to work done in connection with the laying of water to private houses, removal of dead animals and to conservancy work undertaken for His Highness the Gaekwar's establishment and the IV Pioneers employed on the lake reclamation.

15. *Extraordinary and Debt, Rs.* 1,00,000.—This amount was withdrawn from the Bank of Madras, and not re-invested as explained in the Chairman's letter, No. 133, dated 10th April 1898.

Under Loans—Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans, Rs. 783 show an increase of Rs. 283 over the budget and Rs. 183 over the revised estimate for 1897–98.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

16. The expenditure in 1897–98 amounted to Rs. 1,79,185–7–3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,97,150 and the actuals of 1896–97 of Rs. 2,21,554–15–5.

17. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,12,933–4–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,29,420 and the actuals for 1896–97 of Rupees 57,226–13–2. The excess of Rs. 55,706–7–6 over the actuals is owing entirely to payments made out of the grants placed in the hands of the Municipality towards the lake reclamation, main intercepting sewer and improvement of the water-supply.

18. *New Works—Communications, Rs.* 1,005–13–5.—This amount was disbursed during the year in connection with the high level road on the south of the town for which an allotment of Rs. 7,980 was provided in the revised estimate. The extent of road completed through the Bishopsdown property is four furlongs and 282 feet from the entrance to Bishopsdown to Cluny gate. Work is now proceeding through the grounds of Dunmere. The new road to the Titicul night-soil depôt was in progress during the year under a contract, but no money was disbursed. The road is now nearly finished.

19. *New Works—Buildings.*—R.s 3,546–6–7 fall short of the allotment in the revised estimate of Rs. 9,350 by Rs. 5,803–9–5, as the provision of Rs. 4,500 for constructing latrines and of Rs. 1,000 for cartstand at Kandal were not utilized. The balance, viz., Rs. 303–9–5, is due to savings in the allotments made for the extension of the cattle-shed, and improving markets and slaughter-houses. Of the expenditure incurred during the year, statement II-A (*b*), Rs. 2,063–10–11 were spent on the extension of the cattle-shed, Rs. 71–2–7 on sundry improvements in the market, Rs. 38–12–8, being the balance paid to the contractor for constructing the fruit platform, Rs. 123–1–5 for constructing chucklers' shed, Rs. 199–9–9 for flooring the stalls with Cuddapah slabs where sweetmeat is sold, Rs. 517–7–0 for the completion of the mutton store-room, Rs. 101–9–0 for constructing a duck-pond, Rupees 219–11–0 for improving slaughter-houses, Rs. 26–7–3 for wire-fencing on the south side of the land attached to the Municipal office, Rs. 44 for constructing a flush tank near the large public latrine outside the market premises, Rs. 5–5–0 for charges incurred in preparing a survey of the lands near the proposed Kandal cartstand, and Rs. 135–10–0 for purchasing twenty dust-bins.

20. *Drainage, Rs.* 6,333–1–7.—The provision in the revised estimate was Rupees 8,920 or Rs. 2,586–14–5 more than the expenditure, which fell short of the estimate, as it was not practicable from the non-completion of plans and estimates to carry out the house-connecting drainage scheme (Rs. 2,000) at Kodapamund as well as the drainage arrangement contemplated in the old Agraharam which has been held in abeyance in consequence of that portion of the town having been included in the drainage scheme under preparation by the Executive Engineer on special duty. Of the expenditure incurred, Rs. 5,720 were disbursed to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for the main intercepting sewer; Rs. 491–12–0 for constructing house-connecting cement drains at Vannarpettah near Templeton lodge; Rs. 113–5–7 paid to the Executive Engineer on special duty, who kindly undertook the construction of a drain to carry off the water from the brewery grounds along the South Lake road instead of allowing it to enter the polo-ground in Hobart Park; and Rs. 8 for extending a drain in Dougherty's lane at Metucherry.

21. *Water-supply, Rs.* 38,240–9–1.—Of this amount, Rs. 35,950 were remitted to the Superintending Engineer for carrying out improvements in the north and south water-supply channels to the Marlimund reservoir and for constructing a pipe head above the village of Kodapamund intended to supply that village, Vannarpettah and the European houses towards Kelso; Rs. 1,830 and Rs. 121–15–3 were disbursed towards Mr. G. T. Walch's investigation of the scheme for the improvement of the water-supply and for payment of contingent charges connected with the investigation; Rs. 338–9–10 were expended for extending the south water-supply on the Coonoor road as far as Burnfoot lake. This extension provides water for travellers and cartmen coming up from Méttupálaiyam and elsewhere, and also for the people who live about the native temple on the other side of the viaduct cutting on the Coonoor road.

22. *Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Lake Conservancy, Rs.* 40,443–9–5.—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 40,370, but the actual expenditure has exceeded the provision by Rs. 73–9–5. Of the expenditure, Rs. 40,000 were remitted to the Executive Engineer on special duty towards the lake reclamation scheme, Rs. 70–5–5

were spent for painting the fencings at the Charing Cross and Kelso triangles, Rs. 123–8–3 for filling in the triangles with earth, cleaning main stream Rs. 50–13–0, and lake conservancy Rs. 198–0–9.

23. *Repairs—Communications.*—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 13,500. The expenditure incurred, Rs. 13,206–3–9, fell short of the estimate by Rs. 293–12–3. The repairs of the roads were carried out chiefly by contract. The roads on which the largest sums of money were spent were the Church Hill and Hadfield's roads Rs. 430–9–1, Ettienne's road and South Lake roads Rs. 1,326–4–8, Fern Hill road Rs. 361–1–0, Manjanacorai road Rs. 353–1–6, Kelso road Rs. 407–5–2, Westbury and Segur roads Rs. 494–11–3, and Snowdon and Marlimund roads Rs. 629–12–11. One hundred and three roads, bridle-paths and lanes were maintained during the year of a total length of 71 miles 7 furlongs and 197 feet. Of these, 50 miles 2 furlongs and 534 feet are metalled or gravelled, and 21 miles 4 furlongs and 323 feet are unmettalled. The roads were, on the whole, kept in fair order.

24. *Repairs—Buildings.*—The expenditure, Rs. 2,196–0–4, is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 303–15–8. The buildings on which most expenditure was incurred were, the market buildings Rs. 728–12–0, repairing old cattle-shed and making partitions in the new shed Rs. 434–8–10, slaughter-houses Rs. 143–10–10, and municipal cartstand Rs. 191–9–10.

25. *Repairs—Drainage.*—Rs. 421–10–0 relate to small items under Rs. 80. The revised estimate amounted to Rs. 1,030 under this head in consequence of a transfer of Rs. 630 by the Government from new works to repairs. This amount, with the exception of Rs. 113 and Rs. 8 referred to in paragraph 20 of this letter, was not spent, as the new drainage scheme for the town was taken in hand by the Executive Engineer on special duty.

26. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—In the revised estimate Rs. 890 were provided, but not more than Rs. 840–7–6 were expended on repairs of a trivial nature. The repairs which cost more than Rs. 100 were—

		Rs.	A.	P.
Repairing a portion of the Marlimund main pipe	.. ..	170	4	2
„ the floor of the surplus channel of the reservoir	..	120	0	0
„ the north and south supply channels to the reservoir.		105	10	4

27. *Establishment.*—Rs. 2,402–7–3 is Rs. 47–8–9 less than the revised estimate and Rs. 467–8–9 less than the budget estimate for the year, owing to the non-employment of the first-grade overseer and surveyor for some time, as suitable men could not be secured. The Municipality labours under great difficulties in attracting really good men, as the salaries are small and do not carry any pension.

28. *Tools and Plant, Rs.* 306–13–11.—The expenditure exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 16–13–11 only.

29. *Grant 2, Education.*—The provision under this head in the budget estimate was Rs. 12,000. It was reduced in the revised estimate to Rs. 11,740 and the expenditure, Rs. 11,322–9–7, fell short of that amount by Rs. 417–6–5 in consequence of short expenditure under Municipal schools on salary system—(*a*) establishment of Rs. 43–13–8 ; on salary-result system—(*a*) fixed payments of Rs. 28–2–6 ; (*b*) result grants of Rs. 102–6–6 ; (*c*) contingencies of Rs. 50–3–6 ; (3) salary grants of Rupees 97–10–8 ; (7) miscellaneous—(*a*) building and furniture, &c., grants of Rs. 52–1–8 ; and (*d*) other items—scholarship grant of Rs. 40.

30. *The Breeks' Memorial High School.*—The teaching staff underwent some change during the year. The third assistant on Rs. 60 resigned in January 1898. The opportunity was availed of to bring in a F.A. on Rs. 100 in the first assistant's place to teach science and mathematics. This displaced Mr. Kelly from the post of acting first assistant and he was reduced to the grade of third assistant. The number of boys in the school on the 31st March 1898 was 71 against 80 on the 31st March 1897. In the upper secondary there were 14, in the lower secondary 17, and in the primary school 40. The school received from the Provincial funds Rs. 3,025–13–4. The school-fees, rent from cottage, &c., amounted to Rs. 3,596–9–0, making a total of Rs. 6,622–6–4 against Rs. 6,680–12–10 in 1896–97. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 8,217–12–2 against Rs. 7,481–8–4 in 1896–97 and exceeded the receipts by Rs. 1,595–5–10, excluding the cost of repairing the school, &c., Rs. 79–12–7, which

amount was defrayed by the Municipality. The average net cost per pupil in the upper secondary department was Rs. 75–1–7, in the lower secondary Rs. 2–10–6 and in the primary schools Rs. 16–4–4 against Rs. 52–12–8, Rs. 11–12–7 and Rs. 3–6–2 in 1896–97. The Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, in his report, dated 11th June, received on 2nd July 1898, remarks on this school as follows :—

"The school cost the Municipality Rs. 1,675–2–5 against Rs. 839–13–8 last year and this is owing to the greater expenditure on teaching staff.

"A boarding establishment under proper supervision is very desirable.

"The decrease of nine pupils in the attendance since last inspection is noted with regret.

"The action of the headmaster in enlarging the library and starting a reading-room in the manner indicated in column—is noted with pleasure. The library has been fairly used by pupils and teachers.

"Most of the pupils as usual are Europeans and Muhammadans. The headmaster should encourage the admission of natives at the standard rate of fees. It will appear from Proceedings of the Director, No. 8261, dated 22nd August 1897, that admission into this institution is not restricted to any particular class or classes of community. There is one Badaga in the upper secondary department and one Parsi in the lower secondary.

"All the pupils failed in mathematics and science. This proves the necessity for a science graduate teacher.

"The school is generally efficient and is doing good work. Pupils were cleanly dressed and well behaved. Discipline and tone left nothing to be desired. The conditions of recognition are completely fulfilled. The school may, therefore, be transferred from the temporary to the permanent section of the general school list. A drawing master may be appointed by the Municipality to teach drawing to all the schools in the town, as is the case in other municipalities."

31. The average attendance in the secondary schools was 31 against 26 in 1896–97, and in the primary schools 168 against 137 in the previous year. The total number of boys in the schools aided and maintained from Municipal funds was 788 against 763 in 1896–97, showing an increase of 25 boys, viz., 6 boys in the Municipal schools and 19 boys in the aided schools.

32. The percentage of children under instruction of school-going age, taken at 15 per cent. of the population, was 89·9 per cent. against 81·29 in 1896–97.

33. With reference to G.O., Nos. 2858, 2859 M., dated 31st March 1897, paragraph 41 (2), the Municipal Council has under its consideration at present certain suggestions for the reduction of the net cost of each pupil in the Municipal primary schools.

34. *Grant 3, Sanitation and Medical Services, Rs.* 25,963–5–2.—This amount is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 696–10–10, but exceeds the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 391–9–8. The decrease in the expenditure is due mainly to a decrease of Rs. 211–12–0 under private scavenging—(ii) contingencies, &c., and of Rs. 618–5–6 under 6. Epidemic reserve. The variations in the other items do not call for any special notice. The contribution to St. Barthalomew's hospital and the Assistant Surgeon employed in that institution amounted to Rs. 800–2–8. The number of patients treated in the hospital during the year was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896–97. The Municipal midwife treated 55 cases against 42 cases attended in 1896–97. She is gradually gaining the confidence not only of the poorer classes but also of the Hindus and Muhammadans residing in the town.

35. *Vaccination, Rs.* 414–1–6.—The revised estimate provided for an expenditure of Rs. 420, but the actuals have fallen short of the provision by Rs. 5–14–6. The number vaccinated during the year was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful, viz., 805 primary and 340 re-vaccinations. There was a falling off of 15 cases only as compared with 1896–97. The number of operations with animal lymph was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful. The total number of successful operations was 74·47 per mille of population against 76·86 in 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted during the year was 82. The average cost of each successful vaccination was As. 5–11 or 8 pies more than the average of last year, owing to a decrease in the number of cases vaccinated and a slight increase in the total expenditure during the year.

36. *Registration of Births and Deaths, Rs.* 241-2-3.—This is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 28-13-9, the contingent charges not having exceeded Rs 2-7-6 against an allotment of Rs. 30. The registers show that the number of births was 610 and deaths 476, against 591 and 483 in 1896-97, or 40·45 and 31·62 per mille of the population against 39·26 and 32·08 in 1896-97. Seventeen prosecutions were instituted for failure to register births and deaths. In 8 cases parties were fined by the Magistrate to the extent of Rs. 3-12-0, three persons were acquitted by the Magistrate with a warning, six cases were withdrawn, the parties having complied with the rules. In 1897-98 there were 19 births and 7 deaths less than in 1896-97.

37. The Civil Surgeon in paragraph 2 of his report refers to a number of cases of fever (unspecified). He draws this inference probably from the figures in the returns "other causes" of deaths. The returns were drawn up by the Sanitary department and ordered by the Government for adoption. In the detailed register retained in the Municipal office by the registrar of births and deaths, the details of "other causes" are given, and have been supplied on requisition to the Sanitary Commissioner and Civil Surgeon. The Municipality, as the Government are aware, has no Health Officer, or any other trained subordinate medical officer to diagnose the causes of death.

Cases of cholera terminated fatally—

1 on the 7th April 1897.	1 on the 14th May 1897.
1 on the 15th " "	1 on the 29th " "
1 on the 12th May "	

Three cases recovered, two of which occurred on the 7th and 27th May 1897, and the third on the 9th March 1898. In all these cases, the places where the patients were found were thoroughly disinfected by the Sanitary Inspectors, and the "sprayer" obtained on the suggestion of Dr. King, the Sanitary Commissioner, was of great use.

38. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning and Road-watering, Rs.* 19,290-3-4. — The expenditure exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 60-3-4, the budget estimate by Rs. 380-3-4 and the actuals by Rs. 420-14-9. The cause of excess over the revised estimate is due to the additional expense which had to be incurred towards feeding the five pairs of bullocks purchased during the year, and to an extra charge for gram which the contractor had to pay in consequence of the high prices which prevailed till the end of the financial year. The number of bullocks maintained was 58; of these five died. The number of night-soil carts was 17 and rubbish carts 17. There was only one sewage cart besides the three night-soil hand-carts and five large iron buckets purchased last year. The night-soil continues to be conveyed and deposited at the Titicul depôt. The report of the sub-committee appointed to secure depôts at places near the sites of collection was received on the 3rd December 1897 and submitted to the Government—*vide* Chairman's letter, No. 4423, dated 8th January 1898, recorded in G.O., Mis. No. 532 M., dated 8th March 1898.

The number of latrines continued at 48, as the Revenue department could not acquire the lands necessary for building new latrines in the heart of the town. The number (4) of urinals remained the same. The number of dust-bins increased from 170 to 190.

39. *Private Scavenging.*—The expenditure, Rs. 2,668-3-11, exceeded the actuals for 1896-97 by Rs. 56-12-2, but was less than the estimate and revised estimate by Rs. 31-12-1 and Rs. 11-12-1, respectively. The actual income amounted to Rupees 5,292-6-0. It exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 292-6-0, but was less than the estimate by Rs. 207-10-0 and the actuals for 1896-97 by Rs. 488-14-0. This decline is likely to continue as the revised scale of fees for conservancy of latrines is more extensively introduced and the charges for conservancy are increased. The charges under contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c., amounted to only Rs. 88-4-0 against a provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 300 as disinfectants were not purchased to the same extent as in 1896-97. The expenditure under (*d*) Contingencies exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 92-7-0 on account of purchase of additional forks, rakes, &c., for carrying out efficiently the cleansing of roads and drains.

40. *Epidemic Reserve.*—Rs. 381-10-6 against a provision of Rs. 1,000 in the revised estimate. The necessity for a larger expenditure did not present itself.

41. *Grant 4, Miscellaneous purposes — Lighting.*—Rs. 3,459-7-6, although less than the revised estimate and the actuals for 1896-97, exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 144-7-6. The lighting work is still carried on by contract, and although new lanterns, new chimneys and burners are replacing defects, the lighting is still a ground for complaint. At the same time, it is doubtful, in the opinion of the Council, whether the complainants would willingly contribute to a lighting tax which will have to be imposed, as is done in the town of Madras, if any effectual improvement is to take place in the lighting of the town. Colonel J. F. Garwood, R.E., one of the Councillors is instituting enquiries as to the cost of lighting the more popular portion of the town with oil gas. The number of lamps maintained during the year was 273, or twelve more than in 1896-97. The rate for lighting each light was As. 13-5 in 1897-98 against As. 14 in the previous year. The reduction in the rate is the cause of all the tricks played by the contractors in lighting the town. In many of the out-of-the-way places, where the lighting inspector never ventures after dark, it is questionable whether the lights are lit at all. Stoppages again are freely made for dim lights and no lights.

42. The *market tolls and rents* realized Rs. 11,977-13-4 against Rs. 11,800 in the revised estimate. The expenditure, inclusive of interest on loans and sinking fund of Rs. 5,700 amounted to Rs. 7,833-9-10, leaving a balance of Rs. 4,144-3-6. If the general balances were at the disposal of the Council, further improvements could be made in the market premises by cementing the floors generally and arranging for their being cleaned and washed out daily. It has not been practicable to make any arrangement for starting a small market near the Butcher's street for the poorer class of butchers.

43. *Slaughter-houses, Rs. 5,550-13-4.*—The amount realized under this head exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 50-13-4 and the actuals for 1896-97 by Rupees 938-5-4. The expenditure under establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 437-8-6 and under repairs and improvements Rs. 363-5-10.

The number of sheep killed during the year was	22,081
The " of cattle " "	3,288

44. The chattram in old Agraharam was maintained. The cost for establishment was Rs. 84 and for contingencies Rs. 21-14-0. The total expenditure (Rs. 105-14-0) exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 5-14-0.

45. *Avenues.*—A sum of Rs. 267-0-6 was expended in an endeavour to raise an avenue of grevillas from the Hobart cross road to Hobart school along the Lower Bazaar road. The chief expenditure was for fencing to keep the plants from being destroyed by goats and cattle which are let loose at night.

46. *Other Charges.*—The work done for private individuals amounted to Rupees 1,320-1-0 or Rs. 620-1-0 more than was anticipated when the estimate was prepared. Rupees 20-2-5 were expended in remunerating men who undertook to kill dogs. The number of dogs killed was 106. The charge for printing was Rs. 534-13-9. On other items Rs. 257-7-11 were spent against Rs. 300 in the estimate and revised estimat .

47. *Grant 5, General Establishment.* — The charge for office establishment amounted to Rs. 3,318-2-4 and did not exceed the sanctioned scale. The charge for establishment for collecting municipal taxes, Rs. 1,360-12-5, is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 9-3-5. The purchase of account books, papers, &c., amounted to Rs. 451-9-4. The excess over the revised estimate is Rs. 51-9-4. The charge under (*d*) Office Contingencies other than (*b*) (ii) is Rs. 683-5-7, or Rs. 123-5-7 more than the revised estimate, owing to a large number of forms printed, purchase of Municipal Act, Account Code, &c., and also to an increase under postage. The contribution for central office and audit establishments amounted to Rs. 800.

48. *Repayment of Debt.*—Rs. 3,452-3-8 for Government loans; Rs. 1,900 were invested in Government securities on account of sinking fund for loans raised for the market and Municipal Office. Rs. 200 were paid for investment and Rs. 6,460-10-11 for interest on loans obtained from the Government and private individuals.

49. *Refund of other than current collections.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 577-8-7 against an estimated provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 1,000—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Refund of house tax	473	15	2
„ of water and drainage tax	103	9	5

50. The *closing balance* was Rs. 58,871-15-4, of which Rs. 5,515-10-0 appertain to the water and drainage tax, as per statement attached.

51. *General Remarks.*—(*a*) The Municipal Council has had no intimation from the Executive Engineer on special duty, or from the Sanitary Commissioner or from the Sanitary Board regarding the scheme for the drainage of the town. Such intimation appears to the Council to be necessary if the revenues raised in the town are to be hypothecated for the payment of interest on the loan to be raised, and for creating a sinking fund for the repayment of the loan after a specified number of years.

(*b*) The main intercepting sewer is still incomplete, and the Acting Sanitary Commissioner having recently inspected the finished portions of the sewer, and the working of the sewer, will no doubt record his views for the information of the Government and the Municipal Council.

(*c*) The lake reclamation scheme is progressing towards completion.

(*d*) The works connected with the North and South water-supply to the Marlimund Reservior are in progress. The Council has no information as to when they are likely to be finished, and apprehends a scarcity of water next year, the reservoir not having up to date any water from these channels towards augmenting its supply.

On the 8th July 1898 the depth of water in the lake was 9·75 cents. On the same date, month and year in 1897, the depth of water was 13·55 or 3·80 cents. more than in this year.

The pipe head above the village of Kodapamund for the supply of the eastern portion of the town is in progress, but when it is likely to be completed is not yet known.

(*e*) Five hundred and sixty-eight notices were issued during the year against 1,575 notices in 1896-97 for cleaning and draining insanitary compounds of houses, repairing private latrines, limewashing houses, trimming hedges, clearing noxious vegetation and securing dilapidated and ruinous houses. The largest number (145 of notices were issued in the months of December and January. There were 4 prosecutions against 308 in 1896-97 for non-compliance with the provisions of the Act. In 207 cases convictions were obtained, and the number of cases withdrawn and acquitted was 238. A sanitary inspector was specially employed in November 1897 for conducting these and other prosecutions; but until a Bench of Magistrates, composed of Europeans and other classes of the residents is established in this town and suitable fines inflicted for offences, Municipal prosecutions are not likely to have the deterrent effect which the Council hoped by having a special subordinate of its own to prosecute.

(*f*) The number of dogs killed as shown in paragraph 46 of this report was 106 and the number licensed during 1897-98 was 684. Special fees were offered to the sweeper class of men to kill dogs, but they would not continue the work. The Chairmen of Coonoor and Coimbatore were asked to assist this Municipality in obtaining men to kill dogs, but they regretted their inability to do so.

(*g*) This report was circulated and adopted by the Municipal Council at the meeting held on the 23rd July 1898.

ENCLOSURE.

From Surgeon-Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, dated 24th June 1898, No. 306.

I have the honour to forward herewith the concise medical and sanitary report on Ootacamund for the year ending 31st March 1898.

2. *Public Health.*—The total number of deaths registered was 476 as against 483 in the previous year. There was a slight falling off in the number of cases of fever (unspecified) and a slight increase in the number of cases of dysentery.

The following table shows the total births and deaths registered and the cause of death :—

Year.	Total births.	Total deaths.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery.	Diarrhœa.	Accidents.	All other causes.	Total.
1896-97	591	483	5	..	150	24	28	8	268	483
1897-98	610	476	5	..	142	29	29	5	266	476

The cases returned under fever give very little information as to the actual cause of death. I doubt very much if half the deaths returned under this head were really the result of malarial fever.

Fever is a symptom of various diseased conditions; and those cases in which there is an evident rise of temperature are returned under the head of fever, though some well recognized disease, such as pneumonia, may be the actual cause of death. On the whole, the health of the people within the Municipality was satisfactory. There were five deaths from cholera in April; the disease was brought from Coimbatore, where cholera was prevailing at the time. Energetic measures were adopted to disinfect the houses where the cases occurred so that the disease never obtained a footing, and was very soon stamped out.

3. *Sanitation and Conservancy.*—Eight villages are included within Municipal limits in addition to Ootacamund and these were conserved during the year. The sanitary staff consists of 3 sanitary inspectors (of whom 2 are certificated and 1, awaits the result of his training examination), 2 overseers, 8 maistries, 24 public and 22 private toties and 76 sweepers. The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency was 356 against 261 in the previous pear. The extension of this system is satisfactory, but there is still great room for improvement in the sanitation of private compounds. Many of the houses occupied by the poorer Europeans and Eurasians are in an extremely insanitary condition; as a rule, the owners of these houses are most careless and apathetic as regards the insanitary condition in which the compounds are allowed to remain, overgrown with weeds, unprovided with proper latrines, badly drained and with masses of filth of all descriptions lying about. In those cases in which the occupier neglects to keep his compound in proper order, the Municipal Council should take action under section 186 of the Act.

The water-supply is the same as in previous years; there was no marked increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever or other disease due to water contamination up to the end of March of this year. As that many people use water for drinking purposes from wells in their compounds. Many of these wells are without properly constructed parapets or platforms; and as the sanitary arrangements are extremely defective in many compounds, they are liable to contamination by soakage from the filth-covered surface.

Vaccination.—The subjoined table shows the results of vaccination as compared with those of the previous year :—

Year.	Number of cases vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Infantile.		
					Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1896-97	1,160	1,159	..	1	575	..	..
1897-98	1,145	1,121	18	6	610	..	3

The percentage of success was 97·9 against 99·9 in last year. Of these operations 541 were verified by the medical subordinates and 75 by the Civil Surgeon. It is satisfactory to note that there have been no deaths from small-pox during the

year. Of the total number of cases vaccinated, 613 were children under one year of age, and of these 610 are returned as successful or at the rate of almost 100 per cent. which results speak well for the quality of lymph used. The number of re-vaccinations was 340; of these 320 are returned as successful or at the rate of 94·1 per cent.; this seems a very high percentage of success, but the vaccinator declares that more than 50 per cent. of all cases were verified by him.

4. *Medical Relief.*—As in previous years, the Municipality possessed no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The following table shows the attendance of patients treated at this institution during 1897–98 as compared with that of the previous year :—

Year.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1896–97	973	18,993	19,966
1897–98	1,017	18,687	19,687

The decline is trifling and calls for no comment. The number of midwifery cases attended at the hospital rose from 92 to 110. The Municipal native midwife who practises outside attended 55 cases against 42 in the previous year. There are besides several diplomæd midwives taking cases in the town. The Hamnett dispensary at Kandal continued to be maintained by its founder, Mr. G. Hamnett, C.I.E., the Chairman of the Municipal Council.

Dis. No. 163-D.

Submitted to Government with the following remarks :—

(1) There was some increase in the number of houses conserved by the municipality, but even now less than 7 per cent. of the houses are dealt with under section 218. Nor does any material increase appear probable; on the contrary a decline is more likely. A notification under section 217 is in force in Ootacamund and is of general application. As a consequence it is cheaper for every one who employs a private sweeper not to contract under section 218 and there are now 50 houses rented at Rs. 10 *per mensem* and upwards, in respect of which section 218 is not worked. If any extension of the system of contract with the municipality is desired, the only apparent way of effecting it would be to restrict the scope of the notification under section 217 to the Bazaars and streets where the poorer class live, thus compelling the richer inhabitants to resort to section 218.

I shall discuss this matter further with the Chairman, whose remarks about the "vested interests" of scavengers I do not quite understand.

(2) Under section 66 of the Act, the land-tax registers should have been revised in the year under report. The matter is, it is understood, now receiving attention.

(3) The large shortfall in the expenditure under new works (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) seems to have been unavoidable. The sites required for the new latrines have since been acquired.

(4) Over 11 per cent of the current demand of the tax on arts remained uncollected; which can hardly be called satisfactory, and there was an unrecovered balance of Rs. 308 under scavenging fees which would not have occurred presumably if all such fees had been collected beforehand. It would seem that some of the arrears under taxes ought to be written off (section 269-A) for those under tax on buildings and water and drainage tax date back to 1892–93 and there are even scavenging fees in arrears since 1893–94.

(5) There was a slight fall in the balance of unexecuted warrants, but it is still large. In only three cases had property to be attached, and in no case was it sold; so it is clear that negligence or contumacy and not poverty is nearly always the cause of failure to pay the taxes, and there is therefore every reason for a stringent application of the law. There were, however, 129 prosecutions which, no doubt, were mostly resorted to when poverty was pleaded.

(6) The Upper secondary department of the Breek's school seems a rather expensive luxury and not a single boy apparently passed the Matriculation or Upper Secondary examination.

(7) If the statistics of vaccination are trustworthy, they are highly satisfactory.

(8) The Chairman points out that the lighting of the town is incomplete, because the lighting inspector is found to be neglecting his work; he should be punished.

(9) The condition of the Municipal roads appears to be generally satisfactory. As to the state of the town from a sanitary point of view, it is within the knowledge of Government that there is much room for improvement.

Ootacamund,
4*th August* 1898.

(Signed) A. BUTTERWORTH,
Acting Collector.

Order—No. 1710 M., dated 10th October 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1897–98 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896–97 :—

—	Actuals, 1896–97.	Budget estimate, 1897–98.	Revised estimate, 1897–98.	Actuals, 1897–98.
Receipts.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance brought forward	34,997	15,580	36,930	36,924
Tax on Arts	3,238	4,000	5,000	4,679
,, Buildings and Lands	30,619	31,900	34,000	31,717
Water-tax on Buildings and Lands	5,567	7,700	12,000	11,637
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	3,730	4,000	4,800	4,458
,, Carts	628	700	750	545
,, Menial Male Servants	..	..	250	410
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c. ..	1,382	1,260	1,280	1,218
Conservancy Receipts	497	700	100	57
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	2,596	2,400	2,700	2,512
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	13,598	12,750	17,300	17,529
License Fees	939	1,200	1,400	1,268
Other Fees	1,535	1,460	1,840	1,812
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	537	300	600	611
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans	750	4,500	4,500	4,500
Grants and Contributions from Government	1,39,354	9,680	9,980	9,870
,, ,, form other Bodies	..	60	120	240
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	7,974	6,900	6,400	7,237
Miscellaneous	20	20	50	21
Loans	10,000	..	..	..
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., and Realizations of Sinking Fund	503	1,50,500	1,00,600	1,00,783
Advances Recovered	15	20	20	29
Total ..	2,58,479	2,55,630	2,40,620	2,38,057
Charges.				
Grant 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	20	6,000	7,980	1,006
Buildings	3,102	1,470	9,350	3,546
Drainage	25,557	500	8,920	6,333
Water-supply	4,333	1,54,150	38,040	38,241
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	1,091	870	40,870	40,946
Repairs—				
Communications	14,581	12,110	13,500	13,206
Buildings	1,395	1,900	2,500	2,196
Drainage	1,885	1,970	2,700	2,085
Water-supply	2,765	2,280	2,620	2,565
Establishment	2,123	2,870	2,450	2,402
Tools and Plant and other Stores	230	240	290	307
Contributions for Public Works	145	180	200	100
Total ..	57,227	1,84,540	1,29,420	1,12,933

—	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals, 1897-98.
Charges—cont.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 2—				
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System	7,515	8,500	8,240	8,218
On the Salary-result System	1,355	1,530	1,530	1,349
Grants-in-aid—				
Salary Grants	1,043	1,300	1,300	1,202
Result	300	350	350	350
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	78	130	130	78
Inspection	130	130	130	126
Miscellaneous	..	60	60	..
Total	10,421	12,000	11,740	11,323
Grant 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	203	210	210	192
Contributions	1,450	1,610	1,550	1,595
Vaccination	385	370	420	414
Registration of Births and Deaths	290	260	270	241
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	23,244	23,310	24,210	23,521
Total	25,572	25,760	26,660	25,963
Grant 4—				
Lighting	3,478	3,320	3,700	3,459
Markets and Slaughter-houses	591	800	810	791
Choultries	120	100	110	106
Avenues	..	..	290	267
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	2,763	1,580	1,940	2,133
Total	6,952	5,800	6,850	6,756
Grant 5—				
Supervision and Management	9,349	9,190	9,450	9,614
Repayment of Debt	4,262	5,550	5,560	5,552
Interest on Loan	6,218	6,540	6,470	6,461
Advances Recoverable	30	..	..	6
Refunds	1,524	1,160	1,000	577
Investments	1,00,000	..	..	..
Grand Total	2,21,555	2,50,540	1,97,150	1,79,185
Balance	36,924	5,090	43,470	58,872

2. During the latter part of the year under review the maximum number of Councillors on the Municipal Council was reduced from sixteen to twelve, and the number to be appointed by election from eight to two, the Council, as it was then constituted, having been found to be unequal to carry out the administration of the municipality properly. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council held 29 meetings. The average attendance of non-official members improved and was good, but that of officials declined in the circumstances explained in paragraph 2 of the Chairman's report and was poor.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the tax on arts and professions rose from Rs. 3,308 to Rs. 5,087, and its average incidence from Rs. 5-0-8 to Rupees 6-13-3—a result which is ascribed to the operation of the revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act. There was also an increase of Rs. 932 in the demand under the tax on buildings, while the tax on lands was not assessed during the year for the reason assigned in paragraph 6 of the Chairman's report. It is, however, observed that the tax for the past and the current years is now being collected. The rate of the water and drainage tax was in the second half of the year under review raised from 2 to 4 per cent. of the rental value on all houses situated within 150 yards of a hydrant and from 1 to 2 per cent. on others, with the result that the net current demand under this head rose from Rs. 5,802 to Rs. 11,711. A tax on private menial and domestic male servants was for the first time levied during the year, at the rate of one rupee per mensem for each such servant, and a sum of Rs. 410 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 250.

(2) The current collections under the house and water taxes improved and were good, while those under the arts tax, although they declined slightly, were fair. The arrear realizations under the house-tax showed an improvement, but under the arts and land taxes they were poor, only 37·4 and 34·3 per cent. of the respective demands having been collected before the close of the year. The outstandings under these heads, some of which dated back to the year 1892–93, should be adjusted without delay. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the remarks of the Collector in paragraphs 4 and 5 of his endorsement in which the Government concurs.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from the tax on vehicles and animals, license fees and fines and a marked rise under the income from markets and slaughter-houses, while the receipts from the sale of sweepings showed a large decline which is attributed to the absence of bidders at the sale.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 261 to 356 owing, it is stated, to the reduction in the rates of fees; and although the receipts from this source fell from Rs. 5,781 to Rs. 5,292, the service continued to be worked at a profit of Rs. 2,536 against Rs. 2,939 in 1896–97. Notwithstanding the remarks of Government in paragraph 3 (4) of G.O., No. 2232 M., dated 13th October 1897, the fees for this service were not collected in advance. This is unsatisfactory and the Government must insist on its orders being strictly followed in future. There is still ample scope for the extension of the service and if, as repeatedly pointed out by Government, the surplus accruing from its working is utilized for this purpose, it may be possible to reduce the rates of fees still further and thus induce the people to avail themselves of the services of the municipal scavengers. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in paragraph 1 of his endorsement, and the Collector is requested to report the result of the discussion therein referred to.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—A further sum of Rs. 5,720 was allotted for the re-alignment of the intercepting sewer and Rs. 40,000 and Rs. 35,950, respectively, for the lake reclamation scheme and the improvement of the water-supply of the town. The last work, which is the most important of the new works under execution during the year, is being carried out by the Public Works Department. Some improvements were also effected in the conservancy cattle shed at a cost of Rs. 2,064. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 14,212 against 14,601 in 1896–97, and the roads are reported by the Collector to have been generally in a satisfactory condition.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 4,460 or 8·3 per cent. of the receipts from taxation, and all but Rs. 1,505 of this sum was devoted to primary education. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council maintained one secondary school on the salary system and three primary schools on the salary-result system, and aided with salary grants two secondary schools and with result grants one secondary and three primary schools. The attendance at the Municipal secondary school declined slightly, but at the primary schools taken together it improved, while in the aided schools it remained almost stationary. None of the three candidates who were sent up for the Matriculation examination from the Municipal high school was successful. The results of the Lower Secondary examination were good, while those of the departmental and grant examinations in the Municipal and aided schools were fair and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. No information has been furnished regarding the working of the salary grant schools—an omission which should be supplied in future reports. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from Municipal funds rose from 763 to 788 or 66·4 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—As usual, the Municipal Council maintained no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The number of patients treated at this institution was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896–97 and that of midwifery cases 110 against 92. In addition to this the municipal midwife attended 55 cases of labour, or only 13 more than in the previous year. It is, however, hoped that she will be able to show better results in the current year.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year was 1,145, or 15 less than in 1896–97, and the percentage of reported success 97·9 against 99·9. Infantile vaccination, however, made some progress, and the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 610

against 575 in 1896–97, being the same as the number of births registered; but considering the large floating population in the town, it is difficult to conclude from these statistics that there are no unprotected children in the town.

The number of births registered during the year rose from 591 or 39·3 per mille of the population to 610 or 40·5 per mille, while that of deaths remained almost stationary, being 31·6 per mille of the population. With closer supervision the returns might be made more accurate and trustworthy.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The whole of the allotment under this head was utilized and the expenditure, which amounted to Rs. 23,521, was 23·3 per cent. of the receipts. From paragraph 38 of the Chairman's and paragraph 2 of the Civil Surgeon's reports, it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town, but the Council should not rest satisfied until all the defects pointed out by the sanitary officers from time to time as well as those indicated in paragraph 3 of the Civil Surgeon's report have been remedied. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in paragraphs (8) and (9) of his endorsement. With reference to paragraph 51 (*a*) of the Chairman's report, the Municipal Council is informed that it will be duly consulted on the scheme for the drainage of the town before final orders are passed. The request contained in the concluding portion of clause (*e*) of the same paragraph will be considered in the Judicial Department. The entertainment of a temporary scavenger on Rs. 7 for one month for private scavenging purposes, referred to in the Council's resolution No. VI, dated 19th February 1898, is sanctioned; but the delay in applying for sanction should have been explained.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 58,872 or 58·2 per cent. of the receipts; but the greater portion of this sum represents the unallotted balance of the Provincial grants on account of the water-supply scheme.

The administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly satisfactory.

6. The delay of more than two months in the submission of this report should have been explained.

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund.
" Collector of the Nilgiris.
" President, District Board, the Nilgiris.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Board.
" " Commissioner.
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Administration Report.

Reviewing the — of the Ootacamund Municipal Council for 1897–98.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers :—

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of the Nilgiris), dated 2nd July 1898, No. 2054.

I have the honour, by desire of the Municipal Council, to submit the administration report of the Ootacamund Municipality for the official year 1897–98, together with the prescribed statements, and copies of the reports of the Civil Surgeon * and of the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

* Received 25th June 1898.

I.—Constitution of the Council.

2. The constitution of the Council was altered under G.O., No. 2798 M., dated 15th December 1897, and Notification No. 899, dated 15th December 1897. Under this alteration the number of *ex-officio* and nominated members was fixed at ten, and the elected members at two. Of these twelve members, one was *ex-officio*, and one official and ten non-officials. The official member was a European. Of the non-officials, three were Europeans, three Eurasians and three Natives. One seat was vacant on the 31st March 1898.

During the year, one elected member and three nominated members were appointed; of the latter, two were re-appointments. Four vacancies among the elective seats and one vacancy among the nominated members also occurred, but it was deemed advisable under G.O., No. 2512 M., dated the 15th November 1897, to defer filling up the vacancies.

The Council held 29 meetings. One meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance at each meeting was 9·03 against 9·10 in 1896–97. The decline in the average attendance of officials from 1·24 in 1896–97 to ·72 in 1897–98 is due partly to changes in the office of Collector and to the absence on duty of the Civil Surgeon.

II.—Receipts.

3. The income, inclusive of the opening balance of Rs. 36,924–5–1, amounted to Rs. 2,38,057–6–7, of which Rs. 1,00,000 relate to the grants and loans given previously by the Government. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,79,185–7–3, leaving a balance of Rs. 58,871–15–4, of which Rs. 24,146 appertain to the grants for the water-supply improvements, Rs. 5,515–10–0 to the water and drainage tax fund, and the balance, Rs. 29,210–5–4, to miscellaneous improvements and Municipal fund.

4. The income derived from taxation amounted to Rs. 53,445–12–3 against Rs. 43,781–13–4, the actuals of 1896–97, and the revised estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 56,800. The income apart from taxation was Rs. 29,506–10–3 against Rupees 21,834–13–0, the actuals of 1896–97, and Rs. 29,720, the revised estimate for 1897–98.

Miscellaneous receipts amounted to Rs. 7,257–13–5 against Rs. 7,994–1–8, the actuals of 1896–97, and Rs. 6,450, the revised estimate for 1897–98. It will be apparent from these figures that the Municipal income in 1897–98 exceeded that of 1896–97 by Rs. 16,599–7–11.

5. The balance outstanding on the 31st March 1897 was Rs. 3,336–15–2, of which Rs. 2,128–11–3 were collected and Rs. 60–2–1 remitted and Rs. 163–15–2 written off as irrecoverable, and there remained a balance of Rs. 984–2–8. The demand for 1897–98 was Rs. 72,665–5–3 against Rs. 61,043–1–9 in 1896–97. The increase in 1897–98 is due partly to the raising of the water-tax in the second half of the year from 2 to 4 per cent. on all houses to which water was supplied or which were situated within 150 yards of a hydrant, standpipe or fountain, and to an increase from 1 to 2 per cent. on houses not supplied with water; to an increase in the house-tax by a revision of assessments and to the assessment levied on new houses, and also to an increase in the rents and fees realized from market, slaughter-houses and cartstand. Of the demand as finally settled, Rs. 72,665–5–3, Rs. 70,416–11–8 or nearly 97 per cent. were collected and Rs. 82–2–6 remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,166–7–1, which, added to the previous year's balance of Rs. 984–2–8, amounts to Rs. 3,150–9–9 or Rs. 186–5–5 less than the balance remaining uncollected at the end of 1896–97. Of the balance, Rs. 1,173–1–11 have been collected up to date.

6. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—There was no change in the percentage ($7\frac{1}{2}$) of the tax on buildings. On lands not occupied by buildings and not appurtenant to any building or attached thereto, and lands occupied by native huts, an annual rate of Rs. 1–8–0 per acre was fixed under section 63 (3) (*a*) and (*b*) of the Municipal Amendment Act III of 1897. The demand on buildings, as finally settled, was Rupees 31,122–14–9, being an advance of Rs. 931–14–10 over that of 1896–97. There was no demand made on lands consequent on the reference made to the Government in the Chairman's letter, No. 4657, dated 28th January 1898, disposed of in G.O., Mis. No. 853 M., dated 2nd May 1898. The Council is now arranging for the collection of the land-rate and water and drainage tax thereon for the years 1897–98 and 1898–99.

7. *The Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings.*—The demand was Rs. 11,710–7–2, of which Rs. 11,314–8–2 were collected and Rs. 12–14–5 remitted for vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 383–0–7, which, added to the arrears of Rs. 102–2–4 at the end of 1896–97, leaves an unrealized balance of Rs. 485–2–11.

8. *Tax on Arts, Professions, Trades and Callings.*—Under the revised schedule A in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, the yearly tax under different classes has been raised, the demand therefore for 1897–98 was Rs. 5,087 against Rs. 3,308–8–0 in 1896–97. Of the demand, Rs. 4,517–8–0 were collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 569–8–0, which, added to the balance of Rs. 201–8–0 on the 31st March 1897, raises the amount to Rs. 771.

9. *Tax on Vehicles, Animals and Carts.*—In the Amendment Act, 1897, slight increases have been made in the rates. The estimate and revised estimate for 1897–98 were fixed at Rs. 4,700 and Rs. 5,500, respectively. The amount actually collected was Rs. 4,968–2–8 against Rs. 4,357–10–4 in 1896–97. There was a falling off in the registration receipts from carts of Rs. 118–5–4 as compared with 1896–97, owing, it is reported by the out-door staff, to a number of carts which went to the Ouchterlony valley not having returned, and to the wheels of many carts in the town having been removed, and the carts kept unused. The penalties levied on carts unregistered and seized by the Municipal staff amounted to Rs. 34–14–0.

10. *Tax on Servants.*—The tax realized on private menial and domestic male servants at the rate of Re. 1 per mensem for each such servant, from the 1st August 1897, amounted to Rs. 410 against Rs. 250 provided in the revised estimate for the year.

11. The number of processes which remained unexecuted on the 31st March 1897 was 998; issued during 1897–98, 1,383 : total 2,381. Of this number, 1,537 were executed and cancelled, 844 remained unexecuted, and 52 warrants were cancelled, on which no collections were made. The number of warrants withdrawn in consequence of payments having been made before distraint was 1,482. The number of cases in which property was distrained, but not sold, was three. The number of prosecutions instituted was 129. In 96 cases, payment was ~~made~~ before the Court delivered judgment, and 33 cases remained undisposed of.

12. *Revenue derived from powers apart from Taxation*– amounted to Rupees 29,506–10–3 against Rs. 21,834–13–0 in 1896–97 and the revised estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 29,720. Under rent of buildings there is a decrease of Rs. 29–5–4, as the Breeks' Memorial High school is not being let, as before, as it could not be licensed under the Places of Public Resort Act. Sale-proceeds of old materials fell short of the revised estimate by Rs. 20–14–0 and in the sale-proceeds of night-soil there was a falling off of Rs. 42–14–0. Under fees from educational institutions, although there is a decline of Rs. 188–7–0 compared with the revised estimate, there is an increase over the budget estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 111–9–0. The income from markets exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 2,992, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 3,627–13. The income from slaughter-houses also exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupe 938–5–4 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 1,150–13–4. There is a small increase of Rs. 16–2–0 under warrant fees. Under distraint fees there is a decline compared with the revised estimate of about Rs. 26–8–0. License fees and cart-stand fees exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 328–10–10 and Rs. 161–10–8, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 68–2–3 and Rs. 241–10–8, respectively.

Fines under Municipal and other Acts exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 73–8–6 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 311–0–6.

13. *Grants and Contributions from Government, Rs.* 10,110–5–4—*Education—Municipal Schools.*—The grants under this head are about the same as the revised estimate. Other purposes show a decline of Rs. 157–8–0 as indents were not sent in for the purchase of library books as contemplated when the estimate and revised estimate for 1897–98 were prepared. Under (iii) other purposes, minor head also—other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 700–8–0 over the actuals of 1896–97 and an increase over the budget estimate of 1897–98 of Rs. 694–8–0, due to an increase in the rates under professional tax in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, and to an increase in the number of officers in the departments connected with Army head-quarters. Other grants and contributions show an increase of Rs. 180 owing to the scholarship established by Mrs. Grigg (Rs. 60) not having been paid in 1896–97 and to two more scholarships of Rs. 60 each having been created by gifts made by His Excellency Sir Arthur Elibank Havelock, G.C.M.G. & G.C.I.E., and Mrs. Anne McIver of Ootacamund.

14. *Recoveries on account of Services rendered to Private Individuals, Rs.* 5,292–6–0.—This exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 292–6–0, but falls short of the budget estimate by Rs. 207–10–0 and the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 488–14–0. The number of houses now conserved consequent on the reduction of fees is 356 against 261 in 1896–97. The increase should have been larger; and if the out-door establishment would but exert itself as it should, the increase could be realized. The vested interest of the Municipal scavenging men, who have hitherto been receiving small remunerations for their services from private individuals, no doubt stand in the way to some extent, but these men can now, under section 282-A (2) of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1897, be prosecuted for undertaking private work. The difficulty is to detect the men and then to have witnesses to prove their evasion of the Act to the satisfaction of the Sub-Magistrate.

Under other purposes there is an increase of Rs. 544–13–6 over the budget and revised estimates for 1897–98, due to work done in connection with the laying of water to private houses, removal of dead animals and to conservancy work undertaken for His Highness the Gaekwar's establishment and the IV Pioneers employed on the lake reclamation.

15. *Extraordinary and Debt, Rs.* 1,00,000.—This amount was withdrawn from the Bank of Madras, and not re-invested as explained in the Chairman's letter, No. 133, dated 10th April 1898.

Under Loans—Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans, Rs. 783 show an increase of Rs. 283 over the budget and Rs. 183 over the revised estimate for 1897–98.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

16. The expenditure in 1897–98 amounted to Rs. 1,79,185–7–3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,97,150 and the actuals of 1896–97 of Rs. 2,21,554–15–5.

17. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,12,933–4–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,29,420 and the actuals for 1896–97 of Rupees 57,226–13–2. The excess of Rs. 55,706–7–6 over the actuals is owing entirely to payments made out of the grants placed in the hands of the Municipality towards the lake reclamation, main intercepting sewer and improvement of the water-supply.

18. *New Works—Communications, Rs.* 1,005–13–5.—This amount was disbursed during the year in connection with the high level road on the south of the town for which an allotment of Rs. 7,980 was provided in the revised estimate. The extent of road completed through the Bishopsdown property is four furlongs and 282 feet from the entrance to Bishopsdown to Cluny gate. Work is now proceeding through the grounds of Dunmere. The new road to the Titicul night-soil depôt was in progress during the year under a contract, but no money was disbursed. The road is now nearly finished.

19. *New Works—Buildings.*—R.s 3,546–6–7 fall short of the allotment in the revised estimate of Rs. 9,350 by Rs. 5,803–9–5, as the provision of Rs. 4,500 for constructing latrines and of Rs. 1,000 for cartstand at Kandal were not utilized. The balance, viz., Rs. 303–9–5, is due to savings in the allotments made for the extension of the cattle-shed, and improving markets and slaughter-houses. Of the expenditure incurred during the year, statement II-A (*b*), Rs. 2,063–10–11 were spent on the extension of the cattle-shed, Rs. 71–2–7 on sundry improvements in the market, Rs. 38–12–8, being the balance paid to the contractor for constructing the fruit platform, Rs. 123–1–5 for constructing chucklers' shed, Rs. 199–9–9 for flooring the stalls with Cuddapah slabs where sweetmeat is sold, Rs. 517–7–0 for the completion of the mutton store-room, Rs. 101–9–0 for constructing a duck-pond, Rupees 219–11–0 for improving slaughter-houses, Rs. 26–7–3 for wire-fencing on the south side of the land attached to the Municipal office, Rs. 44 for constructing a flush tank near the large public latrine outside of the market premises, Rs. 5–5–0 for charges incurred in preparing a survey of the lands near the proposed Kandal cartstand, and Rs. 135–10–0 for purchasing twenty dust-bins.

20. *Drainage, Rs.* 6,333–1–7.—The provision in the revised estimate was Rupees 8,920 or Rs. 2,586–14–5 more than the expenditure, which fell short of the estimate, as it was not practicable from the non-completion of plans and estimates to carry out the house-connecting drainage scheme (Rs. 2,000) at Kodapamund as well as the drainage arrangement contemplated in the old agraharam which has been held in abeyance in consequence of that portion of the town having been included in the drainage scheme under preparation by the Executive Engineer on special duty. Of the expenditure incurred, Rs. 5,720 were disbursed to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for the main intercepting sewer; Rs. 491–12–0 for constructing house-connecting cement drains at Vannarpettah near Templeton lodge; Rs. 113–5–7 paid to the Executive Engineer on special duty, who kindly undertook the construction of a drain to carry off the water from the brewery grounds along the South Lake road instead of allowing it to enter the polo-ground in Hobart Park; and Rs. 8 for extending a drain in Dougherty's lane at Metucherry.

21. *Water-supply, Rs.* 38,240–9–1.—Of this amount, Rs. 35,950 were remitted to the Superintending Engineer for carrying out improvements in the north and south water-supply channels to the Marlimund reservoir and for constructing a pipe head above the village of Kodapamund intended to supply that village, Vannarpettah and the European houses towards Kelso; Rs. 1,830 and Rs. 121–15–3 were disbursed towards Mr. G. T. Walch's investigation of the scheme for the improvement of the water-supply and for payment of contingent charges connected with the investigation; Rs. 338–9–10 were expended for extending the south water-supply on the Coonoor road as far as Burnfoot lake. This extension provides water for travellers and cartmen coming up from Méttupálaiyam and elsewhere, and also for the people who live about the native temple on the other side of the viaduct cutting on the Coonoor road.

22. *Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Lake Conservancy, Rs.* 40,443–9–5.—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 40,370, but the actual expenditure has exceeded the provision by Rs. 73–9–5. Of the expenditure, Rs. 40,000 were remitted to the Executive Engineer on special duty towards the lake reclamation scheme, Rs. 70–5–5

were spent for painting the fencings at the Charing Cross and Kelso triangles, Rs. 123–8–3 for filling in the triangles with earth, cleaning main stream Rs. 50–13–0, and lake conservancy Rs. 198–0–9.

23. *Repairs—Communications.*—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 13,500. The expenditure incurred, Rs. 13,206–3–9, fell short of the estimate by Rs. 293–12–3. The repairs of the roads were carried out chiefly by contract. The roads on which the largest sums of money were spent were the Church Hill and Hadfield's roads Rs. 430–9–1, Ettienne's road and South Lake roads Rs. 1,326–4–8, Fern Hill road Rs. 361–1–0, Manjanacorai road Rs. 353–1–6, Kelso road Rs. 407–5–2, Westbury and Segur roads Rs. 494–11–3, and Snowdon and Marlimund roads Rs. 629–12–11. One hundred and three roads, bridle-paths and lanes were maintained during the year of a total length of 71 miles 7 furlongs and 197 feet. Of these, 50 miles 2 furlongs and 534 feet are metalled or gravelled, and 21 miles 4 furlongs and 323 feet are unmetalled. The roads were, on the whole, kept in fair order.

24. *Repairs—Buildings.*—The expenditure, Rs. 2,196–0–4, is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 303–15–8. The buildings on which most expenditure was incurred were, the market buildings Rs. 728–12–0, repairing old cattle-shed and making partitions in the new shed Rs. 434–8–10, slaughter-houses Rs. 143–10–10, and municipal cartstand Rs. 191–9–10.

25. *Repairs—Drainage.*—Rs. 421–10–0 relate to small items under Rs. 80. The revised estimate amounted to Rs. 1,030 under this head in consequence of a transfer of Rs. 630 by the Government from new works to repairs. This amount, with the exception of Rs. 113 and Rs. 8 referred to in paragraph 20 of this letter, was not spent, as the new drainage scheme for the town was taken in hand by the Executive Engineer on special duty.

26. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—In the revised estimate Rs. 890 were provided, but not more than Rs. 840–7–6 were expended on repairs of a trivial nature. The repairs which cost more than Rs. 100 were—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Repairing a portion of the Marlimund main pipe	179	4	2
„ the floor of the surplus channel of the reservoir ..	120	0	0
„ the north and south supply channels to the reservoir.	105	10	4

27. *Establishment.*—Rs. 2,402–7–3 is Rs. 47–8–9 less than the revised estimate and Rs. 467–8–9 less than the budget estimate for the year, owing to the non-employment of the first-grade overseer and surveyor for some time, as suitable men could not be secured. The Municipality labours under great difficulties in attracting really good men, as the salaries are small and do not carry any pension.

28. *Tools and Plant, Rs.* 306–13–11.—The expenditure exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 16–13–11 only.

29. *Grant 2, Education.*—The provision under this head in the budget estimate was Rs. 12,000. It was reduced in the revised estimate to Rs. 11,740 and the expenditure, Rs. 11,322–9–7, fell short of that amount by Rs. 417–6–5 in consequence of short expenditure under Municipal schools on salary system—(*a*) establishment of Rs. 43–13–8; on salary-result system—(*a*) fixed payments of Rs. 28–2–6; (*b*) result grants of Rs. 102–6–6; (*c*) contingencies of Rs. 50–3–6; (3) salary grants of Rupees 97–10–8; (7) miscellaneous—(*a*) building and furniture, &c., grants of Rs. 52–1–8; and (*d*) other items—scholarship grant of Rs. 40.

30. *The Breeks' Memorial High School.*—The teaching staff underwent some change during the year. The third assistant on Rs. 60 resigned in January 1898. The opportunity was availed of to bring in a F.A. on Rs. 100 in the first assistant's place to teach science and mathematics. This displaced Mr. Kelly from the post of acting first assistant and he was reduced to the grade of third assistant. The number of boys in the school on the 31st March 1898 was 71 against 80 on the 31st March 1897. In the upper secondary there were 14, in the lower secondary 17, and in the primary school 40. The school received from the Provincial funds Rs. 3,025–13–4. The school-fees, rent from cottage, &c., amounted to Rs. 3,596–9–0, making a total of Rs. 6,622–6–4 against Rs. 6,680–12–10 in 1896–97. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 8,217–12–2 against Rs. 7,481–8–4 in 1896–97 and exceeded the receipts by Rs. 1,595–5–10, excluding the cost of repairing the school, &c., Rs. 79–12–7, which

amount was defrayed by the Municipality. The average net cost per pupil in the upper secondary department was Rs. 75–1–7, in the lower secondary Rs. 2–10–6 and in the primary schools Rs. 16–4–4 against Rs. 52–12–8, Rs. 11–12–7 and Rs. 3–6–2 in 1896–97. The Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, in his report, dated 11th June, received on 2nd July 1898, remarks on this school as follows:—

"The school cost the Municipality Rs. 1,675–2–5 against Rs. 839–13–8 last year and this is owing to the greater expenditure on teaching staff.

"A boarding establishment under proper supervision is very desirable.

"The decrease of nine pupils in the attendance since last inspection is noted with regret.

"The action of the headmaster in enlarging the library and starting a reading-room in the manner indicated in column—is noted with pleasure. The library has been fairly used by pupils and teachers.

"Most of the pupils as usual are Europeans and Muhammadans. The headmaster should encourage the admission of natives at the standard rate of fees. It will appear from Proceedings of the Director, No. 8261, dated 22nd August 1897, that admission into this institution is not restricted to any particular class or classes of community. There is one Badaga in the upper secondary department and one Parsi in the lower secondary.

"All the pupils failed in mathematics and science. This proves the necessity for a science graduate teacher.

"The school is generally efficient and is doing good work. Pupils were cleanly dressed and well behaved. Discipline and tone left nothing to be desired. The conditions of recognition are completely fulfilled. The school may, therefore, be transferred from the temporary to the permanent section of the general school list. A drawing master may be appointed by the Municipality to teach drawing to all the schools in the town, as is the case in other municipalities."

31. The average attendance in the secondary schools was 31 against 26 in 1896–97, and in the primary schools 168 against 137 in the previous year. The total number of boys in the schools aided and maintained from Municipal funds was 788 against 763 in 1896–97, showing an increase of 25 boys, viz., 6 boys in the Municipal schools and 19 boys in the aided schools.

32. The percentage of children under instruction of school-going age, taken at 15 per cent. of the population, was 89·9 per cent. against 81·29 in 1896–97.

33 With reference to G.O., Nos. 2858, 2859 M., dated 31st March 1897, paragraph 41 (2), the Municipal Council has under its consideration at present certain suggestions for the reduction of the net cost of each pupil in the Municipal primary schools.

34. *Grant 3, Sanitation and Medical Services, Rs.* 25,963–5–2.—This amount is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 696–10–10, but exceeds the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 391–9–8. The decrease in the expenditure is due mainly to a decrease of Rs. 211–12–0 under private scavenging—(ii) contingencies, &c., and of Rs. 618–5–6 under 6. Epidemic reserve. The variations in the other items do not call for any special notice. The contribution to St. Barthalomew's hospital and the Assistant Surgeon employed in that institution amounted to Rs. 800–2–8. The number of patients treated in the hospital during the year was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896–97. The Municipal midwife treated 55 cases against 42 cases attended in 1896–97. She is gradually gaining the confidence not only of the poorer classes but also of the Hindus and Muhammadans residing in the town.

35. *Vaccination, Rs.* 414–1–6.—The revised estimate provided for an expenditure of Rs. 420, but the actuals have fallen short of the provision by Rs. 5–14–6. The number vaccinated during the year was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful, viz., 805 primary and 340 revaccinations. There was a falling off of 15 cases only as compared with 1896–97. The number of operations with animal lymph was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful. The total number of successful operations was 74·47 per mille of population against 76·86 in 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted during the year was 82. The average cost of each successful vaccination was As. 5–11 or 8 pies more than the average of last year, owing to a decrease in the number of cases vaccinated and a slight increase in the total expenditure during the year.

36. *Registration of Births and Deaths, Rs.* 241-2-3.—This is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 28-13-9, the contingent charges not having exceeded Rs 2-7-6 against an allotment of Rs. 30. The registers show that the number of births was 610 and deaths 476, against 591 and 483 in 1896-97, or 40·45 and 31·62 per mille of the population against 39·26 and 32·08 in 1896-97. Seventeen prosecutions were instituted for failure to register births and deaths. In 8 cases parties were fined by the Magistrate to the extent of Rs. 3-12-0, three persons were acquitted by the Magistrate with a warning, six cases were withdrawn, the parties having complied with the rules. In 1897-98 there were 19 births and 7 deaths less than in 1896-97.

37. The Civil Surgeon in paragraph 2 of his report refers to a number of cases of fever (unspecified). He draws this inference probably from the figures in the returns "other causes" of deaths. The returns were drawn up by the Sanitary department and ordered by the Government for adoption. In the detailed register retained in the Municipal office by the registrar of births and deaths, the details of "other causes" are given, and have been supplied on requisition to the Sanitary Commissioner and Civil Surgeon. The Municipality, as the Government are aware, has no Health Officer, or any other trained subordinate medical officer to diagnose the causes of death.

Cases of cholera terminated fatally—

1 on the 7th April 1897.	1 on the 14th May 1897.
1 on the 15th ,, ,,	1 on the 29th ,, ,,
1 on the 12th May ,,	

Three cases recovered, two of which occurred on the 7th and 27th May 1897, and the third on the 9th March 1898. In all these cases, the places where the patients were found were thoroughly disinfected by the Sanitary Inspectors, and the "sprayer" obtained on the suggestion of Dr. King, the Sanitary Commissioner, was of great use.

38. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning and Road-watering, Rs.* 19,290-3-4. — The expenditure exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 60-3-4, the budget estimate by Rs. 380-3-4 and the actuals by Rs. 420-14-9. The cause of excess over the revised estimate is due to the additional expense which had to be incurred towards feeding the five pairs of bullocks purchased during the year, and to an extra charge for gram which the contractor had to pay in consequence of the high prices which prevailed till the end of the financial year. The number of bullocks maintained was 58; of these five died. The number of night-soil carts was 17 and rubbish carts 17. There was only one sewage cart besides the three night-soil hand-carts and five large iron buckets purchased last year. The night-soil continues to be conveyed and deposited at the Titicul depôt. The report of the sub-committee appointed to secure depôts at places near the sites of collection was received on the 3rd December 1897 and submitted to the Government—*vide* Chairman's letter, No. 4423, dated 8th January 1898, recorded in G.O., Mis. No. 532 M., dated 8th March 1898.

The number of latrines continued at 48, as the Revenue department could not acquire the lands necessary for building new latrines in the heart of the town. The number (4) of urinals remained the same. The number of dust-bins increased from 170 to 190.

39. *Private Scavenging.*—The expenditure, Rs. 2,668-3-11, exceeded the actuals for 1896-97 by Rs. 56-12-2, but was less than the estimate and revised estimate by Rs. 31-2-1 and Rs. 11-12-1, respectively. The actual income amounted to Rupees 5,292-6-0. It exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 292-6-0, but was less than the estimate by Rs. 207-10-0 and the actuals for 1896-97 by Rs. 488-14-0. This decline is likely to continue as the revised scale of fees for conservancy of latrines are more extensively introduced and the charges for conservancy increased. The charges under contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c., amounted to only Rs. 88-4-0 against a provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 300 as disinfectants were not purchased to the same extent as in 1896-97. The expenditure under (*d*) Contingencies exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 92-7-0 on account of purchase of additional forks, rakes, &c., for carrying out efficiently the cleansing of roads and drains.

40. *Epidemic Reserve.*—Rs. 381-10-6 against a provision of Rs. 1,000 in the revised estimate. The necessity for a larger expenditure did not present itself.

41. *Grant 4, Miscellaneous purposes — Lighting.*—Rs. 3,459-7-6, although less than the revised estimate and the actuals for 1896-97, exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 144-7-6. The lighting work is still carried on by contract, and although new lanterns, new chimneys and burners are replacing defects, the lighting is still a ground for complaint. At the same time, it is doubtful, in the opinion of the Council, whether the complainants would willingly contribute to a lighting tax which will have to be imposed, as is done in the town of Madras, if any effectual improvement is to take place in the lighting of the town. Colonel J. F. Garwood, R.E., one of the Councillors is instituting enquiries as to the cost of lighting the more popular portion of the town with oil gas. The number of lamps maintained during the year was 273, or twelve more than in 1896-97. The rate for lighting each light was As. 13-5 in 1897-98 against As. 14 in the previous year. The reduction in the rate is the cause of all the tricks played by the contractors in lighting the town. In many of the out-of-the-way places, where the lighting inspector never ventures after dark, it is questionable whether the lights are lit at all. Stoppages again are freely made for dim lights and no lights.

42. The *market tolls and rents* realized Rs. 11,977-13-4 against Rs. 11,800 in the revised estimate. The expenditure, inclusive of interest on loans and sinking fund of Rs. 5,700 amounted to Rs. 7,833-9-10, leaving a balance of Rs. 4,144-3-6. If the general balances were at the disposal of the Council, further improvements could be made in the market premises by cementing the floors generally and arranging for their being cleaned and washed out daily. It has not been practicable to make any arrangement for starting a small market near the Butcher's street for the poorer class of butchers.

43. *Slaughter-houses, Rs. 5,550-13-4.*—The amount realized under this head exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 50-13-4 and the actuals for 1896-97 by Rupees 938-5-4. The expenditure under establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 437-8-6 and under repairs and improvements Rs. 363-5-10.

The number of sheep killed during the year was	..	..	..	22,181
The ,, of cattle	,,	,,	.. .. ..	3,288

44. The chattram in old agraharam was maintained. The cost for establishment was Rs. 84 and for contingencies Rs. 21-14-0. The total expenditure (Rs. 105-14-0) exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 5-14-0.

45. *Avenues.*—A sum of Rs. 267-0-6 was expended in an endeavour to raise an avenue of grevillas from the Hobart cross road to Hobart school along the Lower Bazaar road. The chief expenditure was for fencing to keep the plants from being destroyed by goats and cattle which are let loose at night.

46. *Other Charges.*—The work done for private individuals amounted to Rupees 1,320-1-0 or Rs. 620-1-0 more than was anticipated when the estimate was prepared. Rupees 20-2-5 were expended in remunerating men who undertook to kill dogs. The number of dogs killed was 106. The charge for printing was Rs. 534-13-9. On other items Rs. 257-7-11 were spent against Rs. 300 in the estimate and revised estimate.

47. *Grant 5, General Establishment.* — The charge for office establishment amounted to Rs. 3,318-2-4 and did not exceed the sanctioned scale. The charge for establishment for collecting municipal taxes, Rs. 1,360-12-5, is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 9-3-5. The purchase of account books, papers, &c., amounted to Rs. 451-9-4. The excess over the revised estimate is Rs. 51-9-4. The charge under (*d*) Office Contingencies other than (*b*) (ii) is Rs. 683-5-7, or Rs. 123-5-7 more than the revised estimate, owing to a large number of forms printed, purchase of Municipal Act, Account Code, &c., and also to an increase under postage. The contribution for central offices and audit establishments amounted to Rs. 800.

48. *Repayment of Debt.*—Rs. 3,452-3-8 for Government loans; Rs. 1,900 were invested in Government securities on account of sinking fund for loans raised for the market and municipal office. Rs. 200 were paid for investment and Rs. 6,460-10-11 for interest on loans obtained from the Government and private individuals.

49. *Refund of other than current collections.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 577-8-7 against an estimated provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 1,000—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Refund of house tax	473	15	2
„ of water and drainage tax	103	9	5

50. The *closing balance* was Rs. 58,871-15-4, of which Rs. 5,515-10-0 appertain to the water and drainage tax, as per statement attached.

51. *General Remarks.*—(*a*) The Municipal Council has had no intimation from the Executive Engineer on special duty, or from the Sanitary Commissioner or from the Sanitary Board regarding the scheme for the drainage of the town. Such intimation appears to the Council to be necessary if the revenues raised in the town are to be hypothecated for the payment of interest on the loan to be raised, and for creating a sinking fund for the repayment of the loan after a specified number of years.

(*b*) The main intercepting sewer is still incomplete, and the Acting Sanitary Commissioner having recently inspected the finished portions of the sewer, and the working of the sewer, will no doubt record his views for the information of the Government and the Municipal Council.

(*c*) The lake reclamation scheme is progressing towards completion.

(*d*) The works connected with the North and South water-supply to the Marlimund Reservior are in progress. The Council has no information as to when they are likely to be finished, and apprehends a scarcity of water next year, the reservoir not having up to date any water from these channels towards augmenting its supply.

On the 8th July 1898 the depth of water in the lake was 9·75 cents. On the same date, month and year in 1897, the depth of water was 13·55 or 3·80 cents. more than in this year.

The pipe head above the village of Kodapamund for the supply of the eastern portion of the town is in progress, but when it is likely to be completed is not yet known.

(*e*) Five hundred and sixty-eight notices were issued during the year against 1,575 notices in 1896–97 for cleaning and draining insanitary compounds of houses, repairing private latrines, limewashing houses, trimming hedges, clearing noxious vegetation and securing dilapidated and ruinous houses. The largest number (147) of notices were issued in the months of December and January. There were 445 prosecutions against 308 in 1896–97 for non-compliance with the provisions of the Act. In 207 cases convictions were obtained, and the number of cases withdrawn and acquitted was 238. A sanitary inspector was specially employed in November 1897 for conducting these and other prosecutions; but until a Bench of Magistrates, composed of Europeans and other classes of the residents is established in this town and suitable fines inflicted for offences, Municipal prosecutions are not likely to have the deterrent effect which the Council hoped by having a special subordinate of its own to prosecute.

(*f*) The number of dogs killed as shown in paragraph 46 of this report was 106 and the number licensed during 1897–98 was 684. Special fees were offered to the sweeper class of men to kill dogs, but they would not continue the work. The Chairmen of Coonoor and Coimbatore were asked to assist this Municipality in obtaining men to kill dogs, but they regretted their inability to do so.

(*g*) This report was circulated and adopted by the Municipal Council at the meeting held on the 23rd July 1898.

ENCLOSURE.

From Surgeon-Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, dated 24th June 1898, No. 306.

I have the honour to forward herewith the concise medical and sanitary report on Ootacamund for the year ending 31st March 1898.

2. *Public Health.*—The total number of deaths registered was 476 as against 483 in the previous year. There was a slight falling off in the number of cases of fever (unspecified) and a slight increase in the number of cases of dysentery.

The following table shows the total births and deaths registered and the cause of death :—

Year.	Total births.	Total deaths.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery.	Diarrhœa.	Accidents.	All other causes.	Total.
1896–97	591	483	5	..	150	24	28	8	268	483
1897–98	610	476	5	..	142	29	29	5	266	476

The cases returned under fever give very little information as to the actual cause of death. I doubt very much if half the deaths returned under this head were really the result of malarial fever.

Fever is a symptom of various diseased conditions; and those cases in which there is an evident rise of temperature are returned under the head of fever, though some well recognized disease, such as pneumonia, may be the actual cause of death. On the whole, the health of the people within the Municipality was satisfactory. There were five deaths from cholera in April; the disease was brought from Coimbatore, where cholera was prevailing at the time. Energetic measures were adopted to disinfect the houses where the cases occurred so that the disease never obtained a footing, and was very soon stamped out.

3. *Sanitation and Conservancy.*—Eight villages are included within Municipal limits in addition to Ootacamund and these were conserved during the year. The sanitary staff consists of 3 sanitary inspectors (of whom 2 are certificated and 1 who awaits the result of his training examination), 2 overseers, 8 maistries, 24 public and 22 private toties and 76 sweepers. The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency was 356 against 261 in the previous pear. The extension of this system is satisfactory, but there is still great room for improvement in the sanitation of private compounds. Many of the houses occupied by the poorer Europeans and Eurasians are in an extremely insanitary condition; as a rule, the owners of these houses are most careless and apathetic as regards the insanitary condition in which the compounds are allowed to remain, overgrown with weeds, unprovided with proper latrines, badly drained and with masses of filth of all descriptions lying about. In those cases in which the occupier neglects to keep his compound in proper order, the Municipal Council should take action under section 186 of the Act.

The water-supply is the same as in previous years; there was no marked increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever or other disease due to water contamination up to the end of March of this year. A great many people use water for drinking purposes from wells in their compounds. Many of these wells are without properly constructed parapets or platforms; and as the sanitary arrangements are extremely defective in many compounds, they are liable to contamination by soakage from the filth-covered surface.

Vaccination.—The subjoined table shows the results of vaccination as compared with those of the previous year :—

Year.	Number of cases vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Infantile.		
					Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1896–97	1,160	1,159	..	1	575	..	..
1897–98	1,145	1,121	18	6	610	..	3

The percentage of success was 97·9 against 99·9 in last year. Of these operations 541 were verified by the medical subordinates and 75 by the Civil Surgeon. It is satisfactory to note that there have been no deaths from small-pox during the

year. Of the total number of cases vaccinated, 613 were children under one year of age, and of these 610 are returned as successful or at the rate of almost 100 per cent. which results speak well for the quality of lymph used. The number of re-vaccinations was 340; of these 320 are returned as successful or at the rate of 94·1 per cent.; this seems a very high percentage of success, but the vaccinator declares that more than 50 per cent. of all cases were verified by him.

4. *Medical Relief.*—As in previous years, the Municipality possessed no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The following table shows the attendance of patients treated at this institution during 1897–98 as compared with that of the year previous:—

Year.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1896–97	973	18,993	19,966
1897–98	1,017	18,687	19,687

The decline is trifling and calls for no comment. The number of midwifery cases attended at the hospital rose from 92 to 110. The Municipal native midwife who practises outside attended 55 cases against 42 in the previous year. There are besides several diplomæd midwives taking cases in the town. The Hamnett dispensary at Kandal continued to be maintained by its founder, Mr. G. Hamnett, C.I.E., the Chairman of the Municipal Council.

Dis. No. 163-D.

Submitted to Government with the following remarks:—

(1) There was some increase in the number of houses conserved by the municipality, but even now less than 7 per cent. of the houses are dealt with under section 218. Nor does any material increase appear probable; on the contrary a decline is more likely. A notification under section 217 is in force in Ootacamund and is of general application. As a consequence it is cheaper for every one who employs a private sweeper not to contract under section 218 and there are now 50 houses rented at Rs. 100 *per mensem* and upwards, in respect of which section 218 is not worked. If any extension of the system of contract with the municipality is desired, the only apparent way of effecting it would be to restrict the scope of the notification under section 217 to the bazaars and streets where the poorer class live, thus compelling the richer inhabitants to resort to section 218.

I shall discuss this matter further with the Chairman, whose remarks about the "vested interests" of scavengers I do not quite understand."

(2) Under section 66 of the Act, the land-tax registers should have been revised in the year under report. The matter is, it is understood, now receiving attention.

(3) The large shortfall in the expenditure under new works (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) seems to have been unavoidable. The sites required for the new latrines have since been acquired.

(4) Over 11 per cent of the current demand of the tax on arts remained uncollected; which can hardly be called satisfactory, and there was an unrecovered balance of Rs. 308 under scavenging fees which would not have occurred presumably if all such fees had been collected beforehand. It would seem that some of the arrears under taxes ought to be written off (section 269-A) for those under tax on buildings and water and drainage tax date back to 1892–93 and there are even scavenging fees in arrears since 1893–94.

(5) There was a slight fall in the balance of unexecuted warrants, but it is still large. In only three cases had property to be attached, and in no case was it sold; so it is clear that negligence or contumacy and not poverty is nearly always the cause of failure to pay the taxes, and there is therefore every reason for a stringent application of the law. There were, however, 129 prosecutions which, no doubt, were mostly resorted to when poverty was pleaded.

(6) The Upper secondary department of the Breek's school seems a rather expensive luxury and not a single boy apparently passed the Matriculation or Upper Secondary examination.

(7) If the statistics of vaccination are trustworthy, they are highly satisfactory.

(8) The Chairman points out that the lighting of the town is incomplete, because the lighting inspector is found to be neglecting his work; he should be punished.

(9) The condition of the Municipal roads appears to be generally satisfactory. As to the state of the town from a sanitary point of view, it is within the knowledge of Government that there is much room for improvement.

Ootacamund, *4th August* 1898. (Signed) A. BUTTERWORTH, *Acting Collector.*

From the Acting Collector of the Nilgiris, dated 16th August 1898, D. Dis. No. 208.)

Order—No. 1710 M., dated 10th October 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1897–98 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896–97:—

	Actuals, 1896–97.	Budget estimate, 1897–98.	Revised estimate, 1897–98.	Actuals, 1897–98.
Receipts.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance brought forward	34,997	15,580	36,930	36,924
Tax on Arts	3,238	4,000	5,000	4,679
,, Buildings and Lands	30,619	31,900	34,000	31,717
Water-tax on Buildings and Lands	5,567	7,700	12,000	11,637
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	3,730	4,000	4,800	4,458
,, Carts	628	700	750	545
,, Menial Male Servants	..	..	250	410
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c. ..	1,382	1,260	1,280	1,218
Conservancy Receipts	497	700	100	57
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	2,596	2,400	2,700	2,512
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	13,598	12,750	17,300	17,529
License Fees	939	1,200	1,400	1,268
Other Fees	1,535	1,460	1,840	1,812
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	537	300	600	611
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans	750	4,500	4,500	4,500
Grants and Contributions from Government	1,39,354	9,680	9,980	9,870
,, ,, form other Bodies	..	60	120	240
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	7,974	6,900	6,400	7,237
Miscellaneous	20	20	50	21
Loans	10,000	..	..	..
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., and Realizations of Sinking Fund	503	1,50,500	1,00,600	1,00,783
Advances Recovered	15	20	20	29
Total ..	2,58,479	2,55,630	2,40,620	2,38,057
Charges.				
Grant 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	20	6,000	7,980	1,006
Buildings	3,102	1,470	9,350	3,546
Drainage	25,557	500	8,920	6,333
Water-supply	4,333	1,54,150	38,040	38,241
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	1,091	870	40,870	40,946
Repairs—				
Communications	14,581	12,110	13,500	13,206
Buildings	1,395	1,900	2,500	2,196
Drainage	1,885	1,970	2,700	2,085
Water-supply	2,765	2,280	2,620	2,565
Establishment	2,123	2,870	2,450	2,402
Tools and Plant and other Stores	230	240	290	307
Contributions for Public Works	145	180	200	100
Total ..	57,227	1,84,540	1,29,420	1,12,933

	Actuals, 1896–97.	Budget estimate, 1897–98.	Revised estimate, 1897–98.	Actuals, 1897–98.
Charges—cont.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 2—				
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System	7,515	8,500	8,240	8,218
On the Salary-result System	1,355	1,530	1,530	1,349
Grants-in-aid—				
Salary Grants	1,043	1,300	1,300	1,202
Result ,,	300	350	350	350
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	78	130	130	78
Inspection	130	130	130	126
Miscellaneous	..	60	60	..
Total	10,421	12,000	11,740	11,323
Grant 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	203	210	210	192
Contributions	1,450	1,610	1,550	1,595
Vaccination	385	370	420	414
Registration of Births and Deaths	290	260	270	241
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	23,244	23,310	24,210	23,521
Total	25,572	25,760	26,660	25,963
Grant 4—				
Lighting	3,478	3,320	3,700	3,459
Markets and Slaughter-houses	591	800	810	791
Choultries	120	100	110	106
Avenues	..	..	290	267
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	2,763	1,580	1,940	2,133
Total	6,952	5,800	6,850	6,756
Grant 5—				
Supervision and Management	9,349	9,190	9,450	9,614
Repayment of Debt	4,262	5,550	5,560	5,552
Interest on Loan	6,218	6,540	6,470	6,461
Advances Recoverable	30	..	..	6
Refunds	1,524	1,160	1,000	577
Investments	1,00,000	..	..	..
Grand Total	2,21,555	2,50,540	1,97,150	1,79,185
Balance	36,924	5,090	43,470	58,872

2. During the latter part of the year under review the maximum number of Councillors on the Municipal Council was reduced from sixteen to twelve, and the number to be appointed by election from eight to two, the council, as it was then constituted, having been found to be unequal to carry out the administration of the municipality properly. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council held 29 meetings. The average attendance of non-official members improved and was good, but that of officials declined in the circumstances explained in paragraph 2 of the Chairman's report and was poor.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the tax on arts and professions rose from Rs. 3,308 to Rs. 5,087, and its average incidence from Rs. 5–0–8 to Rupees 6–13–3—a result which is ascribed to the operation of the revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act. There was also an increase of Rs. 932 in the demand under the tax on buildings, while the tax on lands was not assessed during the year for the reason assigned in paragraph 6 of the Chairman's report. It is, however, observed that the tax for the past and the current years is now being collected. The rate of the water and drainage tax was in the second half of the year under review raised from 2 to 4 per cent. of the rental value on all houses situated within 150 yards of a hydrant and from 1 to 2 per cent. on others, with the result that the net current demand under this head rose from Rs. 5,802 to Rs. 11,711. A tax on private menial and domestic male servants was for the first time levied during the year, at the rate of one rupee per mensem for each such servant, and a sum of Rs. 410 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 250.

(2) The current collections under the house and water taxes improved and were good, while those under the arts tax, although they declined slightly, were fair. The arrear realizations under the house-tax showed an improvement, but under the arts and land taxes they were poor, only 37·4 and 34·3 per cent. of the respective demands having been collected before the close of the year. The outstandings under these heads, some of which dated back to the year 1892–93, should be adjusted without delay. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the remarks of the Collector in paragraphs 4 and 5 of his endorsement in which the Government concurs.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from the tax on vehicles and animals, license fees and fines and a marked rise under the income from markets and slaughter-houses, while the receipts from the sale of sweepings showed a large decline which is attributed to the absence of bidders at the sale.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 261 to 356 owing, it is stated, to the reduction in the rates of fees, and although the receipts from this source fell from Rs. 5,781 to Rs. 5,292, the service continued to be worked at a profit of Rs. 2,536 against Rs. 2,939 in 1896–97. Notwithstanding the remarks of Government in paragraph 3 (4) of G.O., No. 2232 M., dated 15th October 1897, the fees for this service were not collected in advance. This is unsatisfactory and the Government must insist on its orders being strictly followed in future. There is still ample scope for the extension of the service and if, as repeatedly pointed out by Government, the surplus accruing from its working is utilized for this purpose, it may be possible to reduce the rates of fees still further and thus induce the people to avail themselves of the services of the municipal scavengers. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in paragraph 1 of his endorsement, and the Collector is requested to report the result of the discussion therein referred to.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—A further sum of Rs. 5,720 was allotted for the re-alignment of the intercepting sewer and Rs. 40,000 and Rs. 35,950, respectively, for the lake reclamation scheme and the improvement of the water-supply of the town. The last work, which is the most important of the new works under execution during the year, is being carried out by the Public Works Department. Some improvements were also effected in the conservancy cattle shed at a cost of Rs. 2,064. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 14,212 against 14,601 in 1896–97, and the roads are reported by the Collector to have been generally in a satisfactory condition.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 4,460 or 8·3 per cent. of the receipts from taxation, and all but Rs. 1,505 of this sum was devoted to primary education. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council maintained one secondary school on the salary system and three primary schools on the salary-result system, and aided with salary grants two secondary schools and with result grants one secondary and three primary schools. The attendance at the Municipal secondary school declined slightly, but at the primary schools taken together it improved, while in the aided schools it remained almost stationary. None of the three candidates who were sent up for the Matriculation examination from the Municipal high school was successful. The results of the Lower Secondary examination were good, while those of the departmental and grant examinations in the Municipal and aided schools were fair and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. No information has been furnished regarding the working of the salary grant schools—an omission which should be supplied in future reports. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from Municipal funds rose from 763 to 788 or 6·4 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—As usual, the Municipal Council maintained no hospital of its own but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The number of patients treated at this institution was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896–97 and that of midwifery cases 110 against 92. In addition to this the municipal midwife attended 55 cases of labour, or only 13 more than in the previous year. It is, however, hoped that she will be able to show better results in the current year.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year was 1,145, or 15 less than in 1896–97, and the percentage of reported success 97·9 against 99·9. Infantile vaccination, however, made some progress, and the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 610

against 575 in 1896–97, being the same as the number of births registered; but considering the large floating population in the town, it is difficult to conclude from these statistics that there are no unprotected children in the town.

The number of births registered during the year rose from 591 or 39·3 per mille of the population to 610 or 40·5 per mille, while that of deaths remained almost stationary, being 31·6 per mille of the population. With closer supervision the returns might be made more accurate and trustworthy.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The whole of the allotment under this head was utilized and the expenditure, which amounted to Rs. 23,521, was 23·3 per cent. of the receipts. From paragraph 38 of the Chairman's and paragraph 2 of the Civil Surgeon's reports it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town, but the Council should not rest satisfied until all the defects pointed out by the sanitary officers from time to time as well as those indicated in paragraph 3 of the Civil Surgeon's report have been remedied. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in paragraphs (8) and (9) of his endorsement. With reference to paragraph 51 (*a*) of the Chairman's report, the Municipal Council is informed that it will be duly consulted on the scheme for the drainage of the town before final orders are passed. The request contained in the concluding portion of clause (*e*) of the same paragraph will be considered in the Judicial Department. The entertainment of a temporary scavenger on Rs. 7 for one month for private scavenging purposes, referred to in the Council's resolution No. VI, dated 19th February 1898, is sanctioned, but the delay in applying for sanction should have been explained.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 58,872 or 58·2 per cent. of the receipts; but the greater portion of this sum represents the unallotted balance of the Provincial grants on account of the water-supply scheme.

The administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly satisfactory.

6. The delay of more than two months in the submission of this report should have been explained.

(True Extract.)

for *Secretary to Government.*

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund.
" Collector of the Nilgiris.
" President, District Board, the Nilgiris.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Board.
" " Commissioner.
" " Engineer.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of the Nilgiris), dated 2nd July 1898, No. 2054.

I have the honour, by desire of the municipal council, to submit the administration report of the Ootacamund Municipality for the official year 1897-98, together with the prescribed statement, and copies of the reports of the Civil Surgeon * and of the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

* Received 25th June 1898.

I.—Constitution of the Council.

2. The constitution of the council was altered under G.O., No. 2798 M., dated 15th December 1897, and notification No. 899, dated 15th December 1897. Under this alteration the number of ex-officio and nominated members was fixed at ten, and the elected members at two. Of these twelve members, one was ex-officio, and one official and ten non-officials. The official member was a European. Of the non-officials, three were Europeans, three Eurasians and three Natives. One seat was vacant on the 31st March 1898.

During the year, one elected member and three nominated members were appointed; of the latter, two were re-appointments. Four vacancies among the elective seats and one vacancy among the nominated members also occurred, but it was deemed advisable under G.O., No. 2512 M., dated the 15th November 1897, to defer filling up the vacancies.

The council held 29 meetings. One meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance at each meeting was 9·03 against 9·10 in 1896-97. The decline in the average attendance of officials from 1·24 in 1896-97 to ·72 in 1897-98 is due partly to changes in the office of Collector and to the absence on duty of the Civil Surgeon.

II.—Receipts.

3. The income, inclusive of the opening balance of Rs. 36,924-5-1, amounted to Rs. 2,38,057-6-7, of which Rs. 1,00,000 relate to the grants and loans given previously by the Government. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,79,185-7-3, leaving a balance of Rs. 58,871-15-4, of which Rs. 24,146 appertain to the grants for the water-supply improvements, Rs. 5,515-10-0 to the water and drainage tax fund, and the balance, Rs. 29,210-5-4, to miscellaneous improvements and municipal fund.

4. The income derived from taxation amounted to Rs. 53,445-12-3 against Rs. 43,781-13-4, the actuals of 1896-97, and the revised estimate for 1897-98 of Rs. 56,800. The income apart from taxation was Rs. 29,506-10-3 against Rupees 21,834-13-0, the actuals of 1896-97, and Rs. 29,720, the revised estimate for 1897-98.

Miscellaneous receipts amounted to Rs. 7,257-13-5 against Rs. 7,994-1-8, the actuals of 1896-97, and Rs. 6,450, the revised estimate for 1897-98. It will be apparent from these figures that the municipal income in 1897-98 exceeded that of 1896-97 by Rs. 16,599-7-11.

5. The balance outstanding on the 31st March 1897 was Rs. 3,336-15-2, of which Rs. 2,128-11-3 were collected, Rs. 60-2-1 remitted, Rs. 163-15-2 written off as irrecoverable, and there remained a balance of Rs. 984-2-8. The demand for 1897-98 was Rs. 72,665-5-3 against Rs. 61,043-1-9 in 1896-97. The increase in 1897-98 is due partly to the raising of the water-tax in the second half of the year from 2 to 4 per cent. on all houses to which water was supplied or which are situated within 150 yards of a hydrant, standpipe or fountain, and to an increase from 1 to 2 per cent. on houses not supplied with water; to an increase in the house-tax by a revision of assessments and to the assessment levied on new houses, and also to an increase in the rents and fees realized from market, slaughter-houses and cartstand. Of the demand, as finally settled, Rs. 72,665-5-3, Rs. 70,416-11-8 or nearly 97 per cent. were collected and Rs. 82-2-6 remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,166-7-1, which, added to the previous year's balance of Rs. 984-2-8, amounts to Rs. 3,150-9-9 or Rs. 186-5-5 less than the balance remaining uncollected at the end of 1896-97. Of the balance, Rs. 1,173-1-11 have been collected up to date.

6. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—There was no change in the percentage (7½) of tax on buildings. On lands not occupied by buildings and not appurtenant to any building or attached thereto, and lands occupied by native huts, an annual rate of Rs. 1-8-0 per acre was fixed under section 63 (3) (*a*) and (*b*) of the Municipal Amendment Act III of 1897. The demand on buildings, as finally settled, was Rupees 31,122-14-9, being an advance of Rs. 931-14-10 over that of 1896-97. There was no demand made on lands consequent on the reference made to the Government in the Chairman's letter, No. 4657, dated 28th January 1898, disposed of in G.O., Mis. No. 835 M., dated 2nd May 1898, The council is now arranging for the collection of the land-rate and water and drainage tax thereon for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99.

7. *The Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings.*—The demand was Rs. 11,710-7-2, of which Rs. 11,314-8-2 were collected, Rs. 12-14-5 remitted for vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 383-0-7, which, added to the arrears of Rs. 102-2-4 at the end of 1896-97, leaves an unrealized balance of Rs. 485-2-11.

8. *Tax on Arts, Professions, Trades and Callings.*—Under the revised schedule A in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, the yearly tax under different classes has been raised, the demand therefore for 1897-98 was Rs. 5,087 against Rs. 3,308-8-0 in 1896-97. Of the demand, Rs. 4,517-8-0 were collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 569-8-0, which, added to the balance of Rs. 201-8-0 on the 31st March 1897, raises the amount to Rs. 771.

9. *Tax on Vehicles, Animals and Carts.*—In the Amendment Act, 1897, slight increases have been made in the rates. The estimate and revised estimate for 1897-98 were fixed at Rs. 4,700 and Rs. 5,500, respectively. The amount actually collected was Rs. 4,968-2-8 against Rs. 4,357-10-4 in 1896-97. There was a falling off in the registration receipts from carts of Rs. 118-5-4 as compared with 1896-97, owing, it is reported by the out-door staff, to a number of carts which went to the Ouchterlony valley not having returned, and to the wheels of many carts in the town having been removed, and the carts kept unused. The penalties levied on carts unregistered and seized by the municipal staff amounted to Rs. 34-14-0.

10. *Tax on Servants.*—The tax realized on private menial and domestic male servants at the rate of Re. 1 per mensem for each such servant, from the 1st August 1897, amounted to Rs. 410 against Rs. 250 provided in the revised estimate for the year.

11. The number of processes, which remained unexecuted on the 31st March 1897 was 998; issued during 1897-98, 1,383: total 2,381. Of this number, 1,537 were executed and cancelled, 844 remained unexecuted, and 52 warrants were cancelled, on which no collections were made. The number of warrants withdrawn in consequence of payments having been made before distraint was 1,482. The number of cases in which property was distrained but not sold, was three. The number of prosecutions instituted was 129. In 96 cases, payment was made before the court delivered judgment, and 33 cases remained undisposed of.

12. *The Revenue apart from Taxation*—Amounted to Rs. 29,506–10–3 against Rs. 21,834–13–0 in 1896–97 and the revised estimate for 1897–98 of Rupees 29,720. Under rent of buildings there is a decrease of Rs. 29–5–4, as the Breeks' Memorial High school is not being let, as before, as it could not be licensed under the Places of Public Resort Act. Sale-proceeds of old materials fell short of the revised estimate by Rs. 20-14–0 and in sale-proceeds of night-soil there was a falling off of Rs. 42–14–0. Under fees from educational institutions, although there is a decline of Rs. 188–7–0 compared with the revised estimate, there is an increase over the budget estimate for 1897–98 of Rs. 111–9–0. The income from markets exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 2,992, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 3,627–13–4. The income from slaughter-houses also exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 938–5–4 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 1,150–13–4. There is a small increase of Rs. 16–2–0 under warrant fees. Under distraint fees there is a decline compared with the revised estimate of about Rs. 26–8–0. License fees and cart-stand fees exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 328-10–10 and Rs. 161–10–8, and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 68–2–3 and Rs. 241–10–8, respectively.

Fines under Municipal and other Acts exceed the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 73–8–6 and the budget estimate for 1897–98 by Rs. 311–0–6.

13. *Grants and Contributions from Government, Rs.* 10,110–5–4—*Education—Municipal Schools.*—The grants under this head are about the same as the revised estimate. Other purposes show a decline of Rs. 157–8–0 as indents were not sent in for the purchase of library books as contemplated when the estimate and revised estimate for 1897–98 were prepared. Under (iii) other purposes, minor head also—other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 700–8–0 over the actuals of 1896–97 and an increase over the budget estimate of 1897–98 of Rs. 694–8–0, due to an increase in the rates under professional tax in the Municipal Amendment Act, 1897, and to an increase in the number of officers in the departments connected with Army head-quarters. Other grants and contributions show an increase of Rs. 180 owing to the scholarship established by Mrs. Grigg (Rs. 60) not having been paid in 1896–97 and to two more scholarships of Rs. 60 each having been created by gifts made by His Excellency Sir Arthur Elibank Havelock, G.C.M.G. & G.C.I.E., and Mrs. Anne McIver of Ootacamund.

14. *Recoveries on account of Services rendered to Private Individuals, Rs.* 5,292–6–0.—This exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 292–6–0, but falls short of the budget estimate by Rs. 207–10–0 and the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 488–14–0. The number of houses now conserved consequent on the reduction of fees is 356 against 261 in 1896–97. The increase should have been larger; and if the out-door establishment would but exert itself as it should, the increase could be realized. The vested interest of the municipal scavenging men, who have hitherto been receiving small remunerations for their services from private individuals, no doubt stand in the way to some extent, but these men can now, under section 282-A (2) of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1897, be prosecuted for undertaking private work. The difficulty is to detect the men, and then to have witnesses to prove their evasion of the Act to the satisfaction of the Sub-Magistrate.

Under other purposes there is an increase of Rs. 544–13–6 over the budget and revised estimates for 1897–98 due to work done in connection with the laying of water to private houses, removal of dead animals and to conservancy work undertaken for His Highness the Gaikwar's establishment and the IV Pioneers employed on the lake reclamation.

15. *Extraordinary and Debt, Rs.* 1,00,000.—This amount was withdrawn from the Bank of Madras, and not re-invested as explained in the Chairman's letter, No. 133, dated 10th April 1898.

Under Loans—Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans, Rs. 783 show an increase of Rs. 283 over the budget and Rs. 183 over the revised estimate for 1897–98.

III.—Expenditure.

16. The expenditure in 1897–98 amounted to Rs. 1,79,185–7–3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,97,150 and the actuals of 1896–97 of Rs. 2,21,554–15–5.

17. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,12,933–4–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,29,420 and the actuals for 1896–97 of Rupees 57,226–13–2. The excess of Rs. 55,706–7–6 over the actuals is owing entirely to payments made out of the grants placed in the hands of the municipality towards the lake reclamation, main intercepting sewer and improvement of the water-supply.

18. *New Works—Communications, Rs.* 1,005–13–5.—This amount was disbursed during the year in connection with the high level road on the south of the town for which an allotment of Rs. 7,980 was provided in the revised estimate. The extent of road completed through the Bishopsdown property is four furlongs and 282 feet from the entrance to Bishopsdown to Cluny gate. Work is now proceeding through the grounds of Dunmere. The new road to the Titicul night-soil depot was in progress during the year under a contract, but no money was disbursed. The road is now nearly finished.

19. *New Works—Buildings.*—Rupees 3,546–6–7 fall short of the allotment in the revised estimate of Rs. 9,350 by Rs. 5,803–9–5, as the provision of Rs. 4,500 for constructing latrines and of Rs. 1,000 for cartstand at Kandal were not utilized. The balance, viz., Rs. 303–9–5, is due to savings in the allotments made for the extension of the cattle-shed, and improving markets and slaughter-houses. Of the expenditure incurred during the year, statement II-A (*b*), Rs. 2,063–10–11 were spent on the extension of the cattle-shed, Rs. 71–2–7 for sundry improvements in the market, Rs. 38–12–8 being the balance paid to the contractor for constructing the fruit platform, Rs. 123–1–5 for constructing chucklers' shed, Rs. 199–9–9 for flooring the stalls with Cuddapah slabs where sweetmeat is sold, Rs. 517–7–0 for the completion of the mutton store-room, Rs. 101–9–0 for constructing a duck-pond, Rupees 219–11–0 for improving slaughter-houses, Rs. 26–7–3 for wire-fencing on the south side of the land attached to the Municipal office, Rs. 41 for constructing a flush tank near the large public latrine outside of the market premises, Rs. 5–5–0 for charges incurred in preparing a survey of the lands near the proposed Kandal cartstand, and Rs. 135–10–0 for purchasing twenty dust-bins.

20. *Drainage, Rs.* 6,333–1–7.—The provision in the revised estimate was Rupees 8,920 or Rs. 2,586–14–5 more than the expenditure, which fell short of the estimate, as it was not practicable from the non-completion of plans and estimates to carry out the house-connecting drainage scheme (Rs. 2,000) at Kodapamund as well as the drainage arrangement contemplated in the old agraharam which has been held in abeyance in consequence of that portion of the town having been included in the drainage scheme under preparation by the Executive Engineer on special duty. Of the expenditure incurred, Rs. 5,720 were disbursed to the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, for the main intercepting sewer; Rs. 491–12–0 for constructing house-connecting cement drains at Vannarpettah near Templeton lodge; Rs. 113–5–7 paid to the Executive Engineer on special duty, who kindly undertook the construction of a drain to carry off the water from the brewery grounds along the South Lake road instead of allowing it to enter the polo-ground in Hobart Park; and Rs. 8 for extending a drain in Dougherty's lane at Metucherry.

21. *Water-supply, Rs.* 38,240–9–1.—Of this amount, Rs. 35,950 were remitted to the Superintending Engineer for carrying out improvements in the north and south water supply channels to the Marlimund reservoir and for constructing a pipe head above the village of Kodapamund intended to supply that village, Vannarpettah and the European houses towards Kelso; Rs. 1,880 and Rs. 121–15–3 were disbursed towards Mr. G. T. Walch's investigation of the scheme for the improvement of the water-supply and for payment of contingent charges connected with the investigation; Rs. 338–9–10 were expended for extending the south water-supply on the Coonoor road as far as Burnfoot lake. This extension provides water for travellers and cartmen coming up from Méttupálaiyam and elsewhere, and also for the people who live about the native temple on the other side of the viaduct cutting on the Coonoor road.

22. *Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Lake Conservancy, Rs.* 40,443–9–5.—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 40,370, but the actual expenditure has exceeded the provision by Rs. 73–9–5. Of the expenditure, Rs. 40,000 were remitted to the Executive Engineer on special duty towards the lake reclamation scheme, Rs. 70–5–5

were spent for painting the fencings at the Charing Cross and Kelso triangles, for filling in the triangles with earth Rs. 123–8–3, cleaning main stream Rs. 50–13–0, and lake conservancy Rs. 198–0–9.

23. *Repairs—Communications.*—The revised estimate provided for Rs. 13,500. The expenditure incurred Rs. 13,206–3–9 fell short of the estimate by Rs. 293–12–3. The repairs of the roads were carried out chiefly by contract. The roads on which the largest sums of money were spent were the Church Hill and Hadfield's roads Rs. 430–9–1, Ettienne's road and South Lake roads Rs. 1,326–4–8, Fern Hill road Rs. 361–1–0, Manjanacorai road Rs. 353–1–6, Kelso road Rs. 407–5–2, Westbury and Segur roads Rs. 494–11–3, and Snowdon and Marlimund roads Rs. 629–12–11. One hundred and three roads, bridle-paths and lanes were maintained during the year of a total length of 71 miles 7 furlongs and 197 feet. Of these, 50 miles 2 furlongs and 534 feet are metalled or gravelled, and 21 miles 4 furlongs and 323 feet are unmetalled. The roads were, on the whole, kept in fair order.

24. *Repairs—Buildings.*—The expenditure Rs. 2,196–0–4 is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 303–15–8. The buildings on which most expenditure was incurred were, the market buildings Rs. 728–12–0, repairing old cattle-shed and making partitions in the new shed Rs. 434–8–10, slaughter-houses Rs. 143–10–10, and municipal cartstand Rs. 191–9–10.

25. *Repairs—Drainage.*—Rs. 421–10–0 relate to small items under Rs. 80. The revised estimate amounted to Rs. 1,030 under this head in consequence of a transfer of Rs. 630 by the Government from new works to repairs. This amount, with the exception of Rs. 113 and Rs. 8 referred to in paragraph 20 of this letter, was not spent, as the new drainage scheme for the town was taken in hand by the Executive Engineer on special duty.

26. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—In the revised estimate Rs. 890 were provided, but not more than Rs. 840–7–6 were expended on repairs of a trivial nature. The repairs which cost more than Rs. 100 were—

		Rs.	A.	P.
Repairing a portion of the Marlimund main pipe	.. ..	179	4	2
„ the floor of the surplus channel of the reservoir	..	120	0	0
„ the north and south supply channels to the reservoir.		105	10	4

27. *Establishment.*—Rupees 2,402–7–3 is Rs. 47–8–9 less than the revised estimate and Rs. 467–8–9 less than the budget estimate for the year owing to the non-employment of the first-grade overseer and surveyor for some time, as suitable men could not be secured. The municipality labours under great difficulties in attracting really good men, as the salaries are small and do not carry any pension.

28. *Tools and Plant, Rs.* 306–13–11.—The expenditure exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 16–13–11 only.

29. *Grant 2, Education.*—The provision under this head in the budget estimate was Rs. 12,000. It was reduced in the revised estimate to Rs. 11,740 and the expenditure Rs. 11,322–9–7 fell short of that amount by Rs. 417–6–5 in consequence of short expenditure under municipal schools on salary system—(*a*) establishment of Rs. 43–13–8; on salary-result system—(*a*) fixed payments of Rs. 28–2–6; (*b*) results grants of Rs. 102–6–6; (*c*) contingencies of Rs. 56–3–6; (3) salary grants of Rupees 97–10–8; (7) miscellaneous—(*a*) building and furniture, &c., grants of Rs. 52–1–8; and (*d*) other items—scholarship grant of Rs. 40.

30. *The Breeks' Memorial High School.*—The teaching staff underwent some change during the year. The third assistant on Rs. 60 resigned in January 1898. The opportunity was availed of to bring in a F.A. on Rs. 100 in the first assistant's place to teach science and mathematics. This displaced Mr. Kelly from the post of acting first assistant and he was reduced to the grade of third assistant. The number of boys in the school on the 31st March 1898 was 71 against 80 on the 31st March 1897. In the upper secondary there were 14, in the lower secondary 17, and in the primary school 40. The school received from the Provincial funds Rs. 3,025–13–4. The school-fees, rent from cottage, &c., amounted to Rs. 3,596–9–0, making a total of Rs. 6,622–6–4 against Rs. 6,680–12–10 in 1896–97. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 8,217–12–2 against Rs. 7,481–8–4 in 1896–97 and exceeded the receipts by Rs. 1,595–5–10, excluding the cost of repairing the school, &c., Rs. 79–12–7, which

amount was defrayed by the municipality. The average net cost per pupil in the upper secondary department was Rs. 75–1–7, in the lower secondary Rs. 2–10–6 and in the primary schools Rs. 16–4–1 against Rs. 52–12–8, Rs. 11–12–7 and Rs. 3–6–2 in 1896–97. The Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, in his report, dated 11th June, received 2nd July 1898, remarks on this school as follows:—

"The school cost the municipality Rs. 1,675–2–5 against Rs. 839–13–8 last year and this is owing to the greater expenditure on teaching staff.

"A boarding establishment under proper supervision is very desirable.

"The decrease of nine pupils in the attendance since last inspection is noted with regret.

"The action of the headmaster in enlarging the library and starting a reading-room in the manner indicated in column is noted with pleasure. The library has been fairly used by pupils and teachers.

"Most of the pupils as usual are Europeans and Muhammadans. The headmaster should encourage the admission of natives at the standard rate of fees. It will appear from Proceedings of the Director, No. 8261, dated 22nd August 1897, that admission into this institution is not restricted to any particular class or classes of community. There is one Badaga in the upper secondary department and one Parsi in the lower secondary.

"All the pupils failed in mathematics and science. This proves the necessity for a science graduate teacher.

"The school is generally efficient and is doing good work. Pupils were cleanly dressed and well behaved. Discipline and tone left nothing to be desired. The conditions of recognition are completely fulfilled. The school may, therefore, be transferred from the temporary to the permanent section of the general school list. A drawing master may be appointed by the municipality to teach drawing to all the schools in the town, as is the case in other municipalities."

31. The average attendance in the secondary schools was 31 against 26 in 1896–97, and in the primary schools 168 against 137 in the previous year. The total number of boys in the schools aided and maintained from municipal funds was 788 against 763 in 1896–97 showing an increase of 25 boys, viz., 6 boys in the municipal schools and 19 boys in the aided schools.

32. The percentage of children under instruction of school-going age, taken at 15 per cent. of the population, was 89·9 per cent. against 81·29 in 1896–97.

33 With reference to G.O., Nos. 2858, 2859 M., dated 31st March 1897, paragraph 41 (2), the municipal council has under its consideration at present certain suggestions for the reduction of the net cost of each pupil in the municipal primary schools.

34. *Grant 3, Sanitation and Medical Service, Rs.* 25,963–5–2.—This amount is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 696–10–10, but exceeds the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 391–9–8. The decrease in the expenditure is due mainly to a decrease of Rs. 212–12–0 under private scavenging—(ii) contingencies, &c., and of Rs. 618–5–6 under 6. Epidemic reserve. The variations in the other items do not call for any special notice. The contribution to St. Barthalomew's hospital and the Assistant Surgeon employed in that institution amounted to Rs. 800–2–8. The number of patients treated in the hospital during the year was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896–97. The municipal midwife treated 55 cases against 42 cases attended in 1896–97. She is gradually gaining the confidence not only of the poorer classes but also of the Hindus and Muhammadans residing in the town.

35. *Vaccination, Rs.* 414–1–6.—The revised estimate provided for an expenditure of Rs. 420, but the actuals have fallen short of the provision by Rs 5–14–6. The number vaccinated during the year was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful, viz., 805 primary and 340 revaccination. There was a falling off of 15 cases only as compared with 1896–97. The number of operations with animal lymph was 1,145, of which 1,121 were successful. The total number of successful operations was 74·47 per mille of population against 76·86 in 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted during the year was 82. The average cost of each successful vaccination was As. 5–11 or 8 pies more than the average of last year, owing to a decrease in the number of cases vaccinated and a slight increase in the total expenditure during the year.

36. *Registration of Births and Deaths, Rs.* 241–2–3.—This is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 28–13–9, the contingent charges not having exceeded Rs. 2–7–6 against an allotment of Rs. 30. The registers show that the number of births was 610 and deaths 476, against 591 and 483 in 1896–97, or per mille ~~per annum of~~ 40·45 and 31·62 against 39·26 and 32·08 in 1896–97. Seventeen prosecutions were instituted for failure to register births and deaths. In 8 cases, parties were fined by the Magistrate to the extent of Rs. 3–12–0, three cases were acquitted by the Magistrate with a warning, six cases were withdrawn, the parties having complied with the rules. In 1897–98 there were 19 births and 7 deaths less than in 1896–97.

37. The Civil Surgeon in paragraph 2 of his report refers to a number of cases of fever (unspecified). He draws this inference probably from the figures in the returns "other causes" of deaths. The returns were drawn up by the Sanitary department and ordered by the Government for adoption. In the detailed register retained in the municipal office by the registrar of births and deaths, the details of "other causes" are given, and have been supplied, on requisition, to the Sanitary Commissioner and Civil Surgeon. The municipality, as the Government are aware, has no health officer, or any other trained subordinate medical officer to diagnose the causes of death.

Cases of cholera terminated fatally—

1 on the 7th April 1897.	1 on the 14th May 1897.
1 on the 15th ,, 1897.	1 on the 29th ,, 1897.
1 on the 12th May 1897.	

Three cases recovered, two of which occurred on the 7th and 27th May 1897, and the third on the 9th March 1898. In all these cases, the places where the patients were found were thoroughly disinfected by the Sanitary Inspectors, and the "sprayer" obtained on the suggestion of Dr. King, the Sanitary Commissioner, was of great use.

38. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning and Road-watering, Rs.* 19,290–3–4. — The expenditure exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 60–3–4, the budget estimate by Rs. 380–3–4 and the actuals by Rs. 420–14–9. The cause of excess over the revised estimate is due to the additional expense which had to be incurred towards feeding the five pairs of bullocks purchased during the year, and to an extra charge for gram which the contractor had to pay in consequence of the high prices which prevailed till the end of the financial year. The number of bullocks maintained was 58; of these five died. The number of night-soil carts was 17 and rubbish carts 17. There was only one sewage cart besides the three night-soil hand-carts and five large iron buckets purchased last year. The night-soil continues to be conveyed and deposited at the Titicul depot. The sub-committee's report appointed to secure depots at places near the sites of collection was received on the 3rd December 1897 and submitted to the Government—*vide* Chairman's letter, No. 4423, dated 8th January 1898, recorded in G.O., Mis. No. 532 M., dated 8th March 1898.

The number of latrines continued at 48, as the Revenue department could not acquire the lands necessary for building new latrines in the heart of the town. The number (4) of urinals remained the same. The number of dust bins increased from 170 to 190.

39. *Private Scavenging.*—The expenditure, Rs. 2,668–3–11, exceeded the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 56–12–2, but was less than the estimate and revised estimate by Rs. 31–12–1 and Rs. 11–12–1, respectively. The actual income amounted to Rupees 5,292–6–0. It exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 292–6–0, but was less than the estimate by Rs. 207–10–0 and the actuals for 1896–97 by Rs. 488–14–0. This decline is likely to continue as the revised scale of fees for conservancy of latrines are more extensively introduced and the charges for conservancy increased. The charges under contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c., amounted to only Rs. 88–4–0 against a provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 300, as disinfectants were not purchased to the same extent as in 1896–97. The expenditure under (*d*) Contingencies exceeded the revised estimate by Rs. 92–7–0 on account of purchase of additional forks, rakes, &c., for carrying out efficiently the cleansing of roads and drains.

40. *Epidemic Reserve.*—Rs. 381–10–6 against a provision of Rs. 1,000 in the revised estimate. The necessity for a larger expenditure did not present itself.

41. *Grant 4, Miscellaneous purposes — Lighting.*—Rs. 3,459–7–6, although less than the revised estimate and the actuals for 1896–97, exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 144–7–6. The lighting work is still carried on by contract, and although new lanterns, new chimnies and burners are replacing defects, the lighting is still a ground for complaint. At the same time, it is doubtful, in the opinion of the Council, whether the complainants would willingly contribute to a lighting tax which will have to be imposed, as is done in the town of Madras, if any effectual improvement is to take place in the lighting of the town. Colonel J. F. Garwood, R.E., one of the councillors is instituting enquiries as to the cost of lighting the more popular portion of the town with oil gas. The number of lamps maintained during the year was 273, or twelve more than in 1896–97. The rate for lighting each light was As. 13–5 on 1897–98 against As. 14 in the previous years. The reduction in the rate is the cause of all the tricks played by the contractors in lighting the town. In many of the out-of-the-way places, where the lighting inspector never ventures after dark, it is questionable whether the lights are lit at all. Stoppages again are freely made for dim lights and no lights.

42. The *market tolls and rents* realized Rs. 11,977–13–4 against Rs. 11,800 in the revised estimate. The expenditure, inclusive of interest on loans and Sinking Funds of Rs. 5,700 amounted to Rs. 7,833–9–10, leaving a balance of Rs. 4,144–3–6. If the general balances were at the disposal of the Council, further improvements could be made in the market premises by cementing the floors generally and arranging for their being cleaned and washed out daily. It has not been practicable to make any arrangement for starting a small market near the Butcher's street for the poorer class of butchers.

43. *Slaughter-houses, Rs. 5,550–13–4.*—The amount realized under this head exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. 50–13–4 and the actuals for 1896–97 by Rupees 938–5–4. The expenditure under establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 437–8–6 and under repairs and improvements Rs. 363–5–10.

The number of sheep killed during the year was	..	..	..	22,181
The ,, of cattle ,, ,,	..	..	..	3,288

44. The chattram in old agraharam was maintained. The cost for establishment was Rs. 84 and for contingencies Rs. 21–14–0. The total expenditure (Rs. 105–14–0) exceeded the budget estimate by Rs. 5–14–0.

45. *Avenues.*—A sum of Rs. 267–0–6 was expended in an endeavour to raise an avenue of grevillas from the Hobart cross road to Hobart school along the Lower Bazaar road. The chief expenditure was for fencing to keep the plants from being destroyed by goats and cattle which are let loose at night.

46. *Other Charges.*—The work done for private individuals amounted to Rupees 1,320–1–0 or Rs. 620–1–0 more than was anticipated when the estimate was prepared. Rupees 20–2–5 were expended in remunerating men who undertook to kill dogs. The number of dogs killed was 106. The charge for printing was Rs. 534–13–9. On other items Rs. 257–7–11 were spent against Rs. 300 in the estimate and revised estimate.

47. *Grant 5, General Establishment.* — The charge for office establishment amounted to Rs. 3,318–2–4 and did not exceed the sanctioned scale. The charge for establishment for collecting municipal taxes Rs. 1,360–12–5 is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 9–3–5. The purchase of account books, papers, &c., amounted to Rs. 451–9–4. The excess over the revised estimate is Rs. 51–9–4. The charge under (*d*) Office Contingencies other than (*b*) (ii) is Rs. 683–5–7, or Rs. 123–5–7 more than the revised estimate, due to a large number of forms printed, purchase of Municipal Act, Account Code, &c., and also to an increase under postage. The contribution for central offices and audit establishments amounted to Rs. 800.

48. *Repayment of Debt.*—Rs. 3,452–3–8 for Government loans; Rs. 1,900 were invested in Government securities on account of Sinking Fund for loans raised for the market and municipal office. Rs. 200 were paid for investment and Rs. 6,460–10–11 for interest on loans obtained from the Government and private individuals.

49. *Refund other than current collections.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 577-8-7 against an estimated provision in the revised estimate of Rs. 1,000—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Refund for house tax	473	15	2
„ for water and drainage tax	103	9	5

50. The *closing balance* was Rs. 58,871-15-4, of which Rs. 5,515-10-0 appertain to the water and drainage, as per statement attached.

51. *General Remarks.*—(*a*) The Municipal Council has had no intimation from the Executive Engineer on special duty, or from the Sanitary Commissioner or from the Sanitary Board regarding the scheme for the drainage of the town. Such intimation appears to the Council to be necessary if the revenues raised in the town are to be hypothecated for the payment of interest on the loan to be raised, and for creating a Sinking Fund for the repayment of the loan after a specified number of years.

(*b*) The main intercepting sewer is still incomplete; and the Acting Sanitary Commissioner having recently inspected the finished portions of the sewer, and the working of the sewer, will no doubt record his views for the information of the Government and the Municipal Council.

(*c*) The lake reclamation scheme is progressing towards completion.

(*d*) The works connected with the North and South water-supply to the Marlimund Reservior are in progress. The Council has no information as to when they are likely to be finished, and apprehends a scarcity of water next year, the reservoir not having up to date any water from these channels towards augmenting its supply.

On the 8th July 1898 the depth of water in the lake was 9·75 cents. On the same date, month and year in 1897, the depth of water was 13·55 or 3·80 cents. more than in this year.

The pipe head above the village of Kodapamund for the supply of the eastern portion of the town is in progress, but when it is likely to be completed is not yet known.

(*e*) Five hundred and sixty-eight notices were issued during the year against 1,575 notices in 1896-97 for cleaning and draining insanitary compounds of houses, repairing private latrines, limewashing houses, trimming hedges, clearing noxious vegetation and securing dilapidated and ruinous houses. The largest number (147) of notices were issued in the months of December and January. There were 445 prosecutions against 308 in 1896-97 for non-compliance with the provisions of the Act. In 207 cases convictions were obtained, and the number of cases withdrawn and acquitted was 238. A sanitary inspector was specially employed in November 1897 for conducting these and other prosecutions; but until a Bench of Magistrates, composed of Europeans and other classes of the residents is established in this town and suitable fines inflicted for offences, municipal prosecutions are not likely to have the deterrent effect which the council hoped by having a special subordinate of its own to prosecute.

(*f*) The number of dogs killed as shown in paragraph 46 of this report was 106, and the number licensed during 1897-98 was 684. Special fees were offered to the sweeper class of men to kill dogs, but they would not continue the work. The Chairmen of Coonoor and Coimbatore were asked to assist this municipality in obtaining men to kill dogs, but they regretted their inability to do so.

(*g*) This report was circulated and adopted by the municipal council at the meeting held on the 23rd July 1898.

ENCLOSURE.

From Surgeon-Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, dated 24th June 1898, No. 306.

I have the honour to forward herewith the concise medical and sanitary report on Ootacamund for the year ending 31st March 1898.

2. *Public Health.*—The total number of deaths registered was 476 as against 483 in the previous year. There was a slight falling off in the number of cases of fever (unspecified) and a slight increase in the number of cases of dysentery.

The following table shows the total births and deaths registered and the cause of death:—

Year.	Total births.	Total deaths.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery.	Diarrhœa.	Accidents.	All other causes.	Total.
1896-97	591	483	5	..	150	24	28	8	268	483
1897-98	610	476	5	..	142	29	29	5	266	476

The cases returned under fever give very little information as to the actual cause of death. I doubt very much if half the deaths returned under this head were really the result of malarial fever.

Fever is a symptom of various diseased conditions; and those cases in which there is an evident rise of temperature are returned under the head of fever, though some well recognized disease, such as pneumonia, may be the actual cause of death. On the whole, the health of the people within the municipality was satisfactory. There were five deaths from cholera in April; the disease was brought from Coimbatore, where cholera was prevailing at the time. Energetic measures were adopted to disinfect the houses where the cases occurred so that the disease never obtained a footing, and was very soon stamped out.

3. *Sanitation and Conservancy.*—Eight villages are included within municipal limits in addition to Ootacamund and these were conserved during the year. The sanitary staff consists of 3 sanitary inspectors (of whom 2 are certificated and 1, who awaits the result of his training examination), 2 overseers, 8 maistries, 24 public and 22 private toties and 76 sweepers. The number of houses served by private scavenging agency was 356 against 261 in the previous pear. The extension of this system is satisfactory, but there is still great room for improvement in the sanitation of private compounds. Many of the houses occupied by the poorer Europeans and Eurasians are in an extremely insanitary condition; as a rule, the owners of these houses are most careless and apathetic as regards the insanitary condition in which the compounds are allowed to remain, overgrown with weeds, unprovided with proper latrines, badly drained and with masses of filth of all descriptions lying about. In those cases in which the occupier neglects to keep his compound in proper order, the municipal council should take action under section 186 of the Act.

The water-supply is the same as in previous years; there was no marked increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever or other disease due to water contamination up to the end of March of this year. A great many people use water for drinking purposes from wells in their compounds. Many of these wells are without properly constructed parapets or platforms; and as the sanitary arrangements are extremely defective in many compounds, they are liable to contamination by soakage from the filth-covered surface.

Vaccination.—The subjoined table shows the result of vaccination as compared with those of the previous year:—

Year.	Number of cases vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Infantile.		
					Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1896-97	1,160	1,159	..	1	575	..	..
1897-98	1,145	1,121	18	6	610	..	3

The percentage of success was 97·9 against 99·9 in last year. Of these operations 541 were verified by the medical subordinates and 75 by the Civil Surgeon. It is satisfactory to note that there have been no deaths from small-pox during the

year. Of the total number of cases vaccinated, 613 were children under one year of age, and of these 610 are returned as successful or at the rate of almost 100 per cent. which results speak well for the quality of lymph used. The number of re-vaccinations were 340, of these 320 are returned as successful or at the rate of 94·1 per cent.; this seems a very high percentage of success, but the vaccinator declares that more than 50 per cent. of all cases were verified by him.

4. *Medical Relief.*—As in previous years the municipality possessed no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The following table shows the attendance of patients treated at this institution during 1897–98 as compared with that of the year previous :—

Year.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1896–97	973	18,993	19,966
1897–98	1,017	18,687	19,687

The decline is trifling and calls for no comment. The number of midwifery cases attended at the hospital rose from 92 to 110. The municipal native midwife who practises outside attended 55 cases against 42 in the previous year. There are besides several diplomæd midwives taking cases in the town. The Hamnett dispensary at Kandal continued to be maintained by its founder, Mr. G. Hamnett, C.I.E., the Chairman of the municipal council.

Dis. No. 163-D.

Submitted to Government with the following remarks :—

(1) The increase in the number of houses conserved is encouraging, but even now less than 7 per cent. of the houses are served by municipal sweepers, so there is clearly room for a great extension of the system. I do not quite understand the Chairman's remarks about the vested interests of the scavengers. Apparently, houses are being surreptitiously conserved without payment of fees to the municipality. This should certainly be checked. It might be useful to divide among the scavengers a certain percentage of the annual receipts from municipal scavengering fees in order to break down the system of private fees to which the Chairman alludes. If this were done, it would soon get known what houses have been surreptitiously served, for the scavengers would be interested to inform against each other. The arrangement would also have the advantage of attaching the scavengers more firmly to the municipal service.

(2) Under section 66 of the Act the land-tax registers should have been revised in the year under report. The matter is, it is understood, now receiving attention.

(3) The large shortfall in the expenditure under new works (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) seems to have been unavoidable. The sites required for the new latrines have since been acquired.

(4) Over 11 per cent of the current demand of the tax on arts remained uncollected, which can hardly be called satisfactory, and there was an unrecovered balances of Rs. 308 under scavengering fees which would not have occurred presumably if all such fees had been collected beforehand. It would seem that some of the arrears under taxes ought to be written off (section 269-A) for those under tax on building and water and drainage tax date back to 1892–93 and there are even scavengering fees in arrears since 1893–94.

(5) There was a slight fall in the balance of unexecuted warrants, but it is still large. In only three cases had property to be attached, and in no case was it sold; so it is clear that negligence or contumacy and not poverty is nearly always the case of failure to pay the taxes, and there is therefore every reason for a stringent application of the law. There were, however, 129 prosecutions which, no doubt, were mostly resorted to when poverty was pleaded.

(6) The Upper secondary department of the Breek's school seems a rather expensive luxury and not a single boy apparently passed the Matriculation or Upper Secondary examination.

(7) If the statistics of vaccination are trustworthy they are highly satisfactory.

(8) The Chairman points out that the lighting of the town is incomplete, because the lighting inspector is found to be neglecting his work; he should be punished.

(9) The condition of the municipal roads appears to be generally satisfactory. As to the state of the town from a sanitary point of view, it is within the knowledge of Government that there is much room for improvement.

(Signed) A. BUTTERWORTH,
Acting Collector.

OOTACAMUND,
4th August 1898.

Ootacamund Municipal Report for 1897-98.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Current No. 26301 of 1898, dated 2d July from the Chairman, Mc. Ootacamund

Current No 27541 of 189 , dated 16 August from the ag. Collector of the Nilgiris.

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Order. No. 1760 in B 10/10/98

The ~~estimated~~ receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1897-98, ~~as passed by Government,~~ are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896-97.

	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	Revised Estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals 1897-98.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	34.997	15.580	36.930	36.924
Tax on Arts	3,238	4.000	5,000	4.679
Tax on Buildings and Lands	30,619	31.900	34,000	31.717
Water-Tax on Buildings and Lands	5567	1.700	12,000	11.637
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	3730	4,000	4.800	4458
Tax on Carts	628	700	750	545
~~Tolls~~ Tax on menial male servants ..	"	"	250	410
Realizations under Special Acts	"	"	"	"
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	1,382	1260	1,280	1,218
Conservancy Receipts	497	700	100	57
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions ..	2596	2400	2700	2512
Fees and Revenue from Medical Institutions	"	"	"	"
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	13,598	12,750	17,300	17,529
License fees	939	1200	1400	1268
Other fees	1535	1460	1840	1,812
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	537	300	600	611
Interest on Investments and premium on Loans ..	750	4.500	4.500	4.500
Grants and Contributions from Government	139354	9680	9.980	9870
Do. from Local Boards	"	"	"	"
Do. from other bodies	"	60	120	240
Recoveries for services to private individuals	7,974	6.900	6,400	7237
Miscellaneous	20	20	50	21
Loans	10,000	"	"	"
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., and Realizations of Sinking Fund	503	150,500	100,600	100783
Advances Recovered	15	20	20	29
Total ..	258,479	255,630	240,620	238057

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Charges.	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	Revised Estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals 1897-98.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GRANT 1.				
New Works—				
Communications	20	6000	7980	1006
Buildings	3102	1470	9350	3546
Drainage	25557	500	8920	6333
Water-supply	4333	154150	38040	38241
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	1091	870	40870	40946
Repairs—				
Communications	14581	12110	13500	13206
Buildings	1395	1900	2500	2196
Drainage	1885	1978	2700	208
Water-supply	2765	2280	2620	2565
Establishment	2123	2870	2450	2402
Tools and Plant and other Stores	230	240	290	307
Contributions for Public Works	145	180	200	100
Total ..	57227	184540	129420	112933
GRANT 2.				
Training Schools	"	"	"	"
Municipal Schools—				8218
(*a*) On the Salary System	7515	8500	8240	~~2198~~
(*b*) On the Salary Result System	1355	1530	1530	1349
Grants-in-aid—				
(*a*) Salary grants	1043	1300	1300	1202
(*b*) Result grants	300	350	350	350
(*c*) Building, Furniture, &c., grants	78	130	130	78
Inspection	130	130	130	126
Miscellaneous	"	60	60	~~20~~
Total ..	10421	12000	11740	11323
GRANT 3.				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	203	210	210	192
Contributions	1450	1610	1550	1595
Vaccination	385	370	420	414
Registration of Births and Deaths	290	260	270	241
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering ..	23244	23310	24210	23521
Total ..	25572	25760	26660	25963
GRANT 4.				
Lighting	3478	3320	3700	3459
Markets and Slaughter-houses	591	805	810	791
Choultries	120	100	110	106
Travellers' Bungalows	"	"	"	"
Avenues	"	"	290	267
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other charges ..	2763	1580	1940	2133
Total ..	6952	5800	6850	6756
GRANT 5.				
Supervision and management	9349	9190	9450	9614
Repayment of Debt	4262	5550	3560	5552
Interest on loan	6218	6540	6470	6461
Advances Recoverable	30	"	"	6
Refunds	1524	1160	1000	577
Discount	"	"	"	"
Pensions and Gratuities	"	"	"	"
Investments	100000	"	"	"
Grand Total ..	221555	250545	197150	179185
Balance	36924	5085	43470	58872
	258479	255630	240620	238057

Vide Go. No. 2498 H dt. 15-12-98 L

Para. 2 of the Chairman's Report

Para. 8 - ibid -

Para. 6 - ibid -

Para. 5 - ibid -

2. During the latter part of the year under review the maximum number of Councillors on the Municipal Council was reduced from sixteen to twelve and the number to be appointed by election from eight to two, the council, as it was then constituted, having been found to be unequal to carry out the administration of the municipality properly. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council held 29 meetings. The average attendance of non-official members improved and was good, but that of officials declined in the circumstances explained in para.2 of the Chairman's report and was poor.

3. Receipts (1) The net current demand under the tax on arts and professions rose from Rs.3,308 to Rs.5,087 and its average incidence from Rs.5-0-8 to Rs.6-13-3 a result which is ascribed to the operation of the revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act. There was also an increase of Rs.932 in the demand under the tax on buildings, while the tax on lands was not assessed during the year for the reason assigned in para.6 of the Chairman's report. It is, however, observed that the tax for the past and the current years is now being collected. The rate of the water and drainage tax was in the second half of the year under review raised from two ~~or~~ to four per cent of the rental value on all houses situated within 150 yards of a hydrant and from one to two per cent on ~~the~~ others, with the result that the net current demand under this head rose from Rs.5,802 to Rs.11,711. A tax on

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private menial and domestic male servants was for the first time levied during the year, at the rate of one rupee per mensem for each such servant, and a sum of Rs.410 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs.250.

(2) The ~~net~~ current collections under the house and water taxes improved and were good, while those under the arts tax, although they declined slightly, were fair. The arrear realizations under the house tax showed an improvement, but under the arts and land taxes they were poor, only 37.4 and 34.3 per cent. of the respective demands having been collected ~~within~~ before the close of the year. The outstandings under these heads, some of which dated back to the year 1892-1893, should be adjusted without delay. In this connection the attention of the Municipal council is drawn to the remarks of the Collector in paras.4 and 5 of his endorsement in which the Government concurs.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from the tax on vehicles and animals, license fees and fines and a more marked rise under the income from markets and slaughter houses, while the receipts from the sale of sweepings showed a large decline which is attributed to the absence of bidders at the sale.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 261 to 356, owing it is stated to the reduction in the rates of fees, and although the receipts from this source fell from Rs.5,781 to Rs.5,292, the service continued to

Para.10 of the Chairman's report

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Para 14 of the Chairman's Report.

to be worked at a profit of Rs.2,536 ~~to the municipal council~~ against Rs.2,939 in 1896-97. Notwithstanding the remarks of Government in para.3(4) of G.O.No.2232 M, dated 13th October 1897, the fees for this service were not collected in advance. This is unsatisfactory and the Government must insist ~~on~~ on its orders being strictly followed in future. There is still ample scope for the extension of the service and if, as repeatedly pointed out by Government, the surplus accruing from its working is utilized for this purpose it may be possible to reduce the rates of fees still further and thus induce the people to avail themselves of the services ~~of the~~ of the municipal scavengers. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in para.1 of his endorsement and the Collector is requested to report the result of the discussion therein referred to.

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Please See C.N. 2752 M.

Paras 20, 21 & 22 of the Chairman's Report

4. Expenditure (1) Public Works - A further sum of Rs.5,720 was allotted for the realignment of the intercepting Sewer and ~~a sum of~~ Rs.4,0000 and Rs.35,950, respectively, for the lake reclamation scheme and the improvement of the water supply of the town. The last work, which is the most important of the new works under execution during the year, is being Carried out ~~under construction~~ by the Public Works Department. Some improvements were also effected in the Conservancy cattle shed ~~Stand~~ at a cost of Rs.2064. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs.14,212 against Rs.14,601 in [illegible]-97 and the roads are reported by [illegible] generally

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(2) Education - The net expenditure on education amounted to Rs.4,460 or 8.3 per cent of the receipts from taxation and all but Rs.1,505 of this sum, was devoted to primary education. As in the previous year, the municipal Council maintained one secondary school on the salary system and three primary schools on the salary result system, and aided with salary grants two secondary schools and with result grants one secondary and three primary schools. The attendance at the municipal secondary school declined slightly, but at the primary schools taken together it improved, while in the aided schools, it remained almost stationary. None of the three candidates who were sent up for the Matriculation examination from the municipal high school was successful, ~~and in this connection the attention of the municipal council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in para.6 of his endorsement.~~ The results of the Lower secondary examination were good, while those of the departmental and grant examinations in the Municipal and aided schools were fair and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. No information has been furnished regarding the working of the salary grant schools—an omission which should be supplied in future reports. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from municipal funds rose from 763 ... 788 or 66.4 per cent of the male popu-

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Para 4 of the Civil Surgeon's report.

Para 35 of the Chairman's report.

Para. 36 —ibid—

(3) Medical Relief. - As usual, the Municipal Council maintained no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs.800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The number of patients treated at this institution, was 19,687 against 19,966 in 1896-97 and that of midwifery cases 110 against 92. In addition to this, the municipal midwife attended 55 cases of labour or only 13 more than in the previous year. It is however hoped that she will be able to show better results in the current year.

(4) Vaccination & Vital statistics. The total number ~~Number~~ of persons vaccinated during the year was 1,145, or fifteen less than in 1896-97, and the percentage of reported success ~~was~~ 97.9 against 99.9. Infantile vaccination however made some progress, and the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 610 against 575 in 1896-97, being the same as the number of births registered; but considering the large floating population in the town, it is difficult to conclude from these statistics that there are no ~~in~~un-protected children in the town.

The number of births registered during the year rose from 591 or 39.3 per. mille of the population to 610 or 40.5 per mille, while that of deaths remained almost stationary, being 31.6 per mille of the population. With closer supervision the returns might be made more accurate and trustworthy.

(5) Sanitation. ~~Nearly~~ The whole of the allotment under this head was utilized and the expenditure which amounted to Rs.23,521, was 23.3

per cent of the receipts. From para.38 of the Chairman's and para.2 of the Civil Surgeon's reports, it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town, but the council should not rest satisfied until all the defects pointed out by the Sanitary Officers from time to time as well as those indicated in para.3 of the Civil Surgeon's report have been remedied. In this connection the attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Collector's remarks in paras (8) &(9) of his endorsement. With reference to para.51(a) of the Chairman's report, the Municipal Council is informed that it will be duly consulted regarding the scheme for the drainage of the town before final orders are passed. The request contained in the concluding portion of clause (e) of the same paragraph will be considered in the Judicial Department. The entertainment of a temporary scavenger on Rs.7 for one month for private scavenging purposes, referred to in the Council's resolution No.VI, dated 19th February 1898, is sanctioned, but the delay in applying for sanction should have been explained.

5 General remarks - The year closed with a balance of Rs.58,872 or 58.2 per.cent of the receipts; but the greater portion of this sum represents the unallotted balance of the Provincial grants on account of the water-supply scheme.

The administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly satisfactory.

6. The delay of more than two months in the submission of this report sho have been explained.

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To

The Chairman, M.C. Ootacamund. IV 1/3/6
,, Collector of the Nilgris. i i
,, Prest. Dt. Bd., the Nilgris. x x
,, Accountant-General. 10/11
,, Dir. of Pub. Instn. 6
,, Surgeon-General.
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,, Sanitary Commissioner.
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Enclosure No. II to letter No. [illegible] dated [illegible]

Statement of Proposition for revision of Establishment.

Municipality. Dotacamund

Order sanctioning present establishment. Number	Order sanctioning present establishment. Date.	Office to which the proposition refers.	Nature of charge. Present Scale. Number	Designation.	Pay. Minimum.	Pay. Maximum.	Proposed Scale. Number	Designation.	Pay. Minimum.	Pay. Maximum.	Proposition. Increase per month. Amount.	Proposition. Decrease per month. Amount.	Grounds of proposition.
					Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
595 m	18th March 1897.	Sanitation & Medical Conservancy Establishment. Grant C. III (6) Private Scavenging	1	Inspector	35	35	1	Inspector	35	35			
				Pony allowance	15	15		Pony allowance	15	15			
			1	Maistry	15	15	1	Maistry	15	15			
			1	Maistry	10	10	1	Maistry	10	10			
			10	Scavengers @ Rs 8	80	80	10	Scavengers @ Rs.	80	80			
			5	— do — @ Rs 7	35	35	6	— do — @ Rs 7	42	42	7		from 1st February '98
			6	— do — @ Rs 6	36	36	6	— do — @ Rs 6	36	36			
			24	Per mensem	226	226	25	Per mensem	233	233	7		
				Per annum	2712	2712	—	Per annum	2796	2796	84		

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Dotacamund
2nd July 98

Chairman

Statement No. III giving particulars as to the qualification

Classes of institutions.			Number of teachers employed.	Number possessing trained teachers' certificates.	Number possessing untrained teachers' certificates.	N[illegible]
1			2	3	4	
Colleges ..	Government					
	Local or municipal					
	Aided from public funds		8—3			
	Unaided and indigenous		20—4			
			7—1			
			12—8			
			47—16			
Secondary Schools.	Government		8	2	3	
	Local or municipal					
	Aided from public funds		20	11	3	
	Unaided and indigenous		6	.	.	
Primary Schools.	Government					
	Local or municipal		7	4	2	
	Aided from public funds		8	2	-	
			4	1		
	Unaided and indigenous		4	1	.	
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NOTE.—1. *In the column of remarks it should be noted whether the provision made in the budget*
2. *No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.*
3. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or*

Statement No. IV relating to the results of the grant examinations in &

Standard.	1897. Compulsory subjects only.				1 Compulsory	
	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Seventh standard (or Lower Secondary Examination)						
Sixth standard	-		-		3	2
Fifth do.	4	3	1	2	6	4
Fourth do. (or Primary Examination) ..	5	4	2	2	11	9
Third standard	34	22	3	19	32	14
Second do.	40	32	9	23	30	18
First do.	42	34	2	32	31	25
Infant do.	45	28	7	21	34	21
	170	123	24	99	147	93

Name of subject.*	1897. Optional subjects				1 Option	
Geography	21	15	1	14	25	19
English	46	36	10	26	46	35

Statement No. IV relating to the results of the grant examinations in 8

Standard.	1897. Compulsory subjects only. Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	1 Compulsory Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupil passed.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Seventh standard (or Lower Secondary Examination)						
Sixth standard	-	-	-	-	3	2
Fifth do.	4	3	1	2	6	4
Fourth do. (or Primary Examination)..	5	4	2	2	11	9
Third standard	34	22	3	19	32	14
Second do.	40	32	9	23	30	18
First do.	42	34	2	32	31	25
Infant do.	45	28	7	21	34	21
	170	123	24	99	147	93

Name of subject.*	1897. Optional subjects				1 Option	
Geography	21	15	1	14	25	19
English	46	36	10	26	46	35
Hygiene	14	5	2	3	17	10
History	3	3	2	1	5	4
Drill & Gymnastics	132	103	.	103	42	36
Needlework	5	5	2	3	4	4

Rotacamund Municipality

Enclosure No. III to letter no.
2054 dated 2 July 98

No. 3025
11/5/98

Administration Report for 97-98
of the Rotacamund Municipality

Received 13 May 98.
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Board Statements I to IV

for 1897-98

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Statement No. I relating to Genera

Institutions.			1897. Number of schools.	Number of pupils on 31st March. Boys.	Girls.
1			2	3	4
Colleges	Government				
	Local or municipal				
	Aided from public funds				
	Unaided and indigenous				
Secondary schools ..	Government				
	~~Local or~~ municipal		1	80	.
	Aided from public funds		3	418	.
	Unaided and indigenous		2	90	28
Primary schools ..	Government				
	~~Local or~~ municipal		3	102	.
	Aided from public funds		4	181	49
	Unaided and indigenous		2	46	6
Training schools ..	Government				
	Local or municipal				
	Aided from public funds				
	Unaided and indigenous				
Sessional schools ..	Government				
	Local or municipal				
	Aided from public funds				
	Unaided and indigenous				
Industrial schools ..	Government				
	Local or municipal				
	Aided from public funds				
	Unaided and indigenous				
			15	917	93

NOTE.—1. *No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.*

2. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or the Chairmen of municipa*

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Statement No. II showing the proportion of pupils of the great classes of the
the Ootacamund ~~Board~~ Municipality.

Classes of population.			Population of school age.		Pupils under instruction.		
			Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	
1			2	3	4	5	
Europeans and Eurasians					57	17	
Native Christians			312	312	244	34	1
Muhammadans			134	134	188	36	14
Hindus	Brahmans				18	.	
	Non-Brahman caste Hindus		680	680	266	4	
	Panchamas				235	15	
Aborigines			.	.	2	.	
Others			2	2	5	.	2
			1128	1128	1015	106	8

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2. *In the column of remarks the figures of the previous year should be briefly compared.*
3. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or the Chairmen of mu*

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No. [illegible] to Letter No. 2054 dated 2 July

...he Proceedings of a Meeting of the Ootacamund Muni-
...l held on Saturday the 19th February 1898.

...s Present.

...Chairman
Col R. T. Stevenson
W. K. Smith Esqre
A. M. Jones Esqre
J. Brownrie Esqre
Revd. C. Bielby
A. Edulji Esqre

Subject No. VI.

Read report dated 7th February 1898, from Sanitary Inspector No. 1 stating showing the necessity for employing an additional Scavenger Consequent on an increase in the number of latrines to be Conserved.

RESOLUTION :—

The employment of a Scavenger on Rs 7 a month is Sanctioned as a temporary measure.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE,

Cotacamund, 2nd July 1898.

To

(True Extract)

Chairman.

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MADRAS OFFICE 29 JUL 1898

STATEMENT I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Potacamund during the official year 1897-98.

	Actuals, 1897-98.		Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.			
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD—					
a. Municipal Fund		36,924 5 1	15,580 - -	36,930 - -	34,997 2 -
b. Endowments					
c. Water-tax Fund					
2. MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—					
a. Tax on arts, &c. (section 53) ..	4,679 - -	✓	4,000 - -	5000 - -	3237 8 -
b. Tax on buildings (section 63) ..	31,679 12 10	✓	31,000 - -	32,000 - -	29,460 1 9
c. Tax on lands (section 63)	37 2 -	✓	900 - -	2,000 - -	1,159 2 -
d. Water-tax on buildings and lands (section 75)	11,636 12 9	✓	7,700 - -	12,000 - -	5,567 7 3
e. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins (section 77)	1,695 9 4		1,580 - -	1,800 - -	1,463 14 4
f. Tax on animals (section 77) ..	2,762 14 8		2,500 - -	3,000 - -	2,265 12 -
g. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs (section 85) ..	509 10 8		700 - -	700 - -	628 - -
h. Tolls (section 91)—		5300 14 3			
Gross receipts	4968 2 8				
Less Local Fund share ..					
i. Penalties on account of— Jayou menial male servants	410 - -		- - -	250 - -	- - -
i. Tax on arts					
ii. Tax on buildings					
iii. Tax on lands					
iv. Water-tax on buildings and lands					
v. Tax on vehicles, &c.					
vi. Tax on animals					
vii. Tax on carts, &c.	34 14 -		- - -	50 - -	- - -
viii. Evasion of tolls		53,445 12 3			
3. REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—					
a. Pounds					
b. Ferry rents					
c. Fees under Act II of 1888 ..					
Carried forward ..		53,445 12 3	48,300 - -	56,800 - -	43,781 13 4

Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pollachi during the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

—	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		53,445 12 3	48,300 - -	56,800 - -	43,781 13 4
4. Revenue derived from Municipal property and powers apart from taxation—					
a. i. Rent of lands	145 - -		100 - -	150 - -	143 - -
ii. Rent of buildings	1040 10 8		1100 - -	1,070 - -	1,110 2 8
iii. Avenue receipts	" " "		" " "	" " "	33 8 -
iv. Fees from Traveller's Bungalows	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
b. i. Sale-proceeds of lands and buildings	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
ii. Produce of lands, gardens, &c.	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
iii. Sale-proceeds of old materials, empty oil cans, packing cases, &c. ..	29 2 - 3 - 6	217 13 2	50 - - 10 - -	50 - - 10 - -	92 10 4 2 13 -
iv Sale of medicines —					
c. Conservancy receipts— Sale-proceeds of night-soil, street refuse, &c.	57 2 -		700 - -	100 - -	496 10 -
d. i. Fees from educational institutions	2,511 9 -		2,400 - -	2,700 - -	2,595 12 -
ii. Other revenue from educational institutions	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
e. i. Sale-proceeds and composition fees of medicines	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
ii. Other Hospital receipts ..	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
f. i. Income from markets	11,977 13 4		8,350 - -	11,800 - -	8985 13 4
ii. „ slaughter-houses..	5,550 13 4		4,400 - -	5,500 - -	4,612 8 -
g. Other fees— warrant fees	116 2 -		" " "	100 - -	" " "
i. Distraint fees	3 8 -		" " "	30 - -	" " "
ii. License fees	1,268 2 3		1,200 - -	1,400 - -	939 7 5
iii. Cartstand fees	1,691 10 8		1,450 - -	1,700 - -	1,550 " "
iv. Other fees	1 - -		10 - -	10 - -	5 " "
h. Fines under Municipal and other Acts	611 - 6		300 - -	600 " "	537 8 -
i. Interest on investments—					
i. General, including choultries	4,500 - -		4,500 - -	4,500 - -	760 " "
ii. Educational					
iii. Medical					
j. Premium on loans		29,506 10 3			
Carried forward ..		82,952 6 6	72,870 - -	86,520 " "	65,616 10 4

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Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pollachi during the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

—	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		82,952 6 6	72,870 - -	86,520 - -	65,616 10 4
5. Grants and contributions—					
a. From Government—					
i. Education—					
Normal stipends			" " "	" " "	" " "
Buildings			" " "	" " "	" " "
Municipal Schools	2,953 5 4		3,300 - -	2,950 - -	3,007 4 10
Other purposes	72 8 -		230 - -	230 - -	202 12 "
ii. Medical	3025 13 4		" " "	" " "	" " "
iii. Other purposes—					
Communications	4,700 - -		4,700 - -	4,700 - -	14,700 - -
Water-supply	" " "		" " "	" " "	100,000 - -
Drainage	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
Sanitation	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
Other purposes	2,144 8 -		1,450 - -	2,100 - -	1,444 - -
mis: Pub: Improvements					20,000 - -
b. From Local Boards—	9870 5 4				
i. Education	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
ii. Medical	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
iii. Other purposes	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
c. Other grants and contributions—					
i. Education	240 - -		60 - -	120 - -	" " "
ii. Medical	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
iii. Other purposes	" " "	10,110 5 4	" " "	" " "	" " "
6. Miscellaneous—					
a. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals—					
i. Private scavenging	5,292 6 -		5,500 - -	5,000 - -	5,781 4 -
ii. Other purposes	1,944 13 6		1,400 - -	1,400 - -	2,192 8 1
b. Other items—					
i. Fishery rents					
ii. Refunds of Expenditure of previous year			" " "	20 - -	12 13 6
iii. Fee for numbering carts, &c.			" " "	" " "	" " "
iv. Other items	20 9 11	7,257 13 5	20 - -	30 - -	7 8 1
Carried forward ..		100,320 9 3	89,530 - -	1,03,070 " "	2,12,964 12 10

Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund during the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

1	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads. (2) RS.	A.	P.	Totals of Major Heads. (3) RS.	A.	P.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98. (4) RS.	A.	P.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98. (5) RS.	A.	P.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures). (6) RS.	A.	P.
Brought forward ..				100,320	9	3	89,530	..	..	1,08,070	..	..	2,12,964	12	10
7. Extraordinary and debt—															
a. Sale-proceeds of Government securities and withdrawals from Savings Bank.	100,000	..	..				1,50,000	..	..	1,00,000	..	..	..	..	..
b. Loans—													10,000	..	..
i. From Government															
ii. In the market from private individuals															
c. Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans.	783	..	..				500	..	..	600	..	..	502	13	1
d. Advances—															
i. Permanent															
ii. Others	29	8	3	100,872	8	3	20	..	..	20	..	..	14	8	7
Total Receipts ..				201,133 36,924	1 5	6 1	2,40,050	..	..	2,03,690	..	..	2,23,482	2	6
Grand Total ..				2,38,057	6	7	2,55,630	..	..	2,40,620	..	..	2,58,479	4	6

Note to Statement I.

G.O. 1626 M 20-7-97

1. Tax on arts, &c., is levied on ~~the first~~ all classes.
2. Tax on buildings and lands is levied at 7½ per cent. and tax on lands not appurtenant to buildings &c at ~~per cent. of rent value.~~ ~~annas for every 80 square yards.~~ Rs 1-8-0 per acre
3. Water-tax on buildings and lands is levied at 4 per cent. and 2 per cent in certain cases.
4. Tax on vehicles and animals is levied at (full) the maximum rates.
5. Tax on carts, &c., is levied at Rs. 4 per cart. per annum.
6. ~~Tolls are levied at~~ Tax on menial male servants at one Rupee each per mensem. ~~the maximum rates.~~
7. License-fees are levied at the rates sanctioned in G.O.s ×
8. The house-tax registers were last revised in the official year 96-97 and the land tax registers in the official year 1892-93.
9. Total extent of land assessed is × acres. The assessment is being made in 98-99
10. The mode of estimating the annual rental of houses and lands is as follows:—

For Houses – the rent which the Buildings fetch was taken.

For lands – at an acreage rate of Rs 1-8-0 – per annum (G.O. 1626 M 20-7-98)

× G.O. No. 640 M. Mis. dated 4–4–92
" " 419 M. Mis. " 24–3–93
" " 1626 M. Mis. " 20 July 97
" " 2246 M. Mis. " 14 October 97
" " 739 M. Mis " 5th April 98.

Animals Reg. fees. G.O. No 1886 M Mis d/28th Aug: 97.

E. Hamnett
Chairman

Statement I-A.—Endowments entrusted to the Municipal Council under Sections 25 and 26 of Act V of 1884 for the official year 1897-98.

Name of Institution. (1)	Amount of Funded Capital. (2) RS.	Opening Balance. (3) RS.	Interest, Produce of Land, or Rent of buildings. (4) RS.	Appropriation from Capital for Expenditure. (5) RS.	Private Contributions and Donations. (6) RS.	Sale of Medicines or Sundry Property. (7) RS.	Total (Columns 4—7). (8) RS.	Contribution from Local Funds. (9) RS.	Contribution from Provincial Funds. RS.	Total Receipts (Columns 8, 8 and 9). (10) RS.	Appropriation from Municipal Funds (Column 16 minus Column 10). (11) RS.	Invested. (12) RS.	Current Charges. (13) RS.	Total (Statement II). (14) RS.	Allotted for Public Works (Statement II-A). (15) RS.	Total Charges (Column 14 plus Column 15). (16) RS.	Closing Balance (Column 10 minus Column 16). (17) RS.	Remarks. (18)
									Nil									

STATEMENT II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Potacamund for the official year 1897-98.

	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
GRANT 1.—(*Public Works*)—					
1. NEW WORKS—					
a. Communications	1,005 13 5		6,000	7,980	20 7
b. Buildings	3,546 6 7		1,470	9,360	3,102 0 3
c. Drainage	6,333 1 7		500	8,920	25,557 1 7
d. Water-supply	38,240 9 1		154,150	38,040	4,333 0 2
misc: Public Improvements - Lake Conservancy	40,143 9 5		370	40,370	576 11 0
Lake cutt	501 14 5	99,071 6 6	500	500	474 5 9
2. REPAIRS—					
a. Communications	13,206 3 9		12,110	13,500	14,680 9 5
b. Buildings	2,196 0 4		1,900	2,500	1,394 11 1
c. Drainage—					
i. Repairs to works	421 10 0		300	1,030	478 11 1
ii. Establishment for flushing drains, &c.	1,663 7 3		1,675	1,670	1,406 12 7
d. Water-supply—					
i. Repairs to works, machinery, &c.	840 7 6		500	890	1,142 0 10
ii. Establishment	1,653 0 0		1,680	1,660	1,538 6 4
iii. Contingencies	71 12 2	20,052 9 0	100	70	84 7 4
3. ESTABLISHMENT	2,402 7 3	2,402 7 3	2,870	2,450	2,122 8 8
4. TOOLS AND PLANT AND OTHER STORES.	306 13 11	306 13 11	240	290	230 1 1
5. CONTRIBUTIONS—					
a. To Local Boards for works	100 0 0		100	100	100 0 0
b. To Provincial Funds for scrutiny of estimates, &c.			80	100	45 0 0
c. To others for public works		100 0 0			
Total, Grant 1		1,12,933 4 8	1,84,545	1,29,430	57,226 12 2
GRANT 2.—(*Education*)—					
1. TRAINING SCHOOLS—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards					
b. Stipends to Normal students					
2. MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS—					
i. On Salary System—					
a. Establishment	7,596 2 4	8267	7,900	7,640	6,758 13 4
b. Contingencies	621 9 10	8,197 12 2	600	600	764 3 0
Carried forward		~~8,197~~ 12 2	8,500	8,240	7,515 0 4

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Potacamund for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Brought forward		8,197 12 2	8,500 0 0	8,240 0 0	7,515 0 4
GRANT 2.—(*Education*)—cont.					
ii. On Salary-Results System—					
a. Fixed Payments	1,101 13 6		1,130 0 0	1,130 0 0	935 2 11
b. Result Grants	127 9 6		230 0 0	230 0 0	209 7 0
c. Contingencies	119 12 6	1349 3 6	140 0 0	140 0 0	209 14 1
3. SALARY GRANTS	1,202 5 4	1,202 5 4	1,300 0 0	1,300 0 0	1,043 0 0
4. RESULTS GRANTS	350 0 0	350 0 0	350 0 0	350 0 0	300 0 0
5. COMBINED GRANTS—					
a. Fixed Payments	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
b. Result Grants	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
6. INSPECTION—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards	125 6 3		130 0 0	130 0 0	130 3 9
b. Municipal Inspectors—					
i. Establishment	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
ii. Contingencies	" " "	125 6 3	" " "	" " "	" " "
7. MISCELLANEOUS—					
a. Building, furniture, &c., grants	77 14 4		130 0 0	130 0 0	78 4 0
b. Common gymnasium—					
i. Establishment	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
ii. Contingencies	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "
c. Common Drawing Master—					
i. Establishment	" " "				
ii. Contingencies	" " "	" " "			
d. Other items	20 0 0	97 14 4	60 0 0	60 0 0	- - -
Total, Grant 2		11,322 9 7	12,000 0 0	11,740 0 0	10,421 0 1
GRANT 3.—(*Sanitation and Medical Services*).					
1. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES—					
a. Establishment	180 0 0		180 0 0	180 0 0	180 0 0
b. Medicines and Supplies	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
c. Diet of Patients	" " "		" " "	" " "	" " "
d. Sundries and Contingencies	12 2 0		30 0 0	30 0 0	23 0 6
e. Contributions to Local Boards &c., &c., &c.		192 2 0			
Carried forward		192 2 0	210 0 0	210 0 0	203 0 6

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Cotacamund. for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals of 1897-98.		Budget	Revised	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.	Estimate for 1897-98.	Estimate for 1897-98.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		192 2 0	210 0 0	210 0 0	203 - 6
GRANT 3.—(*Sanitation and Medical Services*)—cont.					
2. *a.* Contributions to Provincial Funds for—					
i. Medical College	432 0 0		460 0 0	400 0 0	321 0 0
ii. Sanitary Inspection ..	268 0 0		300 0 0	300 0 0	256 0 0
iii. Medical Reserve staff ..	95 0 0	795 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	78 0 0
iv. Cutlers' Establishment ..	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
b. Contributions to Local Boards, &c., for—					
i. Medical Schools	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
ii. Reserve staff	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
&c., &c., &c. ..	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
c. Other contributions	800 2 8	800 2 8	800 0 0	800 0 0	799 13 4
3. Vaccination—					
a. Establishment	215 7 9		216 0 0	216 0 0	216 0 0
b. Contingencies	89 0 6		84 0 0	104 0 0	97 9 10
c. Contributions to Local Boards ..	109 9 3	414 1 6	70 0 0	100 0 0	71 4 6
4. Registration of Births and Deaths—					
a. Establishment	238 10 9		240 0 0	240 0 0	237 8 9
b. Contingencies	2 7 6	241 2 3	20 0 0	30 0 0	52 8 0
5. Conservancy, Road cleaning and Road watering—					
a. i. Establishment	10,487 13 7		10,510 0 0	10,430 0 0	10,100 0 2
ii. Other charges such as purchase or hire of carts, dry earth, purchase and maintenance or hire of bullocks, &c. ..	8,805 5 9		8,400 0 0	8,800 0 0	8,769 4 5
b. Private scavenging—					
i. Establishment	2,668 3 11		2,700 0 0	2,680 0 0	2,611 7 9
ii. Contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c.	88 4 -		50 0 0	300 0 0	230 15 8
c. Cholera charges					
d. Contingencies	1092 7 -		900 0 0	1,000 0 0	925 14 6
6. Epidemic Peons, &c. ..	381 10 6	23,520 12 9	750 0 0	1,000 0 0	606 4 1
Total, Grant 3 ..		25,963 5 2	25,760 0 0	26,660 0 0	25,571 11 6
			23,310	24210	23243-14-7

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals of 1897-98.		Budget	Revised	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.	Estimate for 1897-98.	Estimate for 1897-98.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
GRANT 4.—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*).					
1. Lighting—					
a. Establishment	235 0 0		1215 0 0	235 0 0	341 13 3
b. Contingencies	3224 7 6	3459 7 6	2100 0 0	3465 0 0	3136 5 7
2. i. Markets—					
a. Establishment	343 12 5		340 0 0	340 0 0	264 0 0
b. Contingencies	9 7 0	353 3 5	20 0 0	20 0 0	53 11 8
ii. Slaughter-houses—					
a. Establishment	428 1 0		425 0 0	430 0 0	264 0 0
b. Contingencies	9 7 6	437 8 6	20 0 0	20 0 0	9 6 3
3. Choultries—					
a. Establishment	84 0 0		84 0 0	84 0 0	84 0 0
b. Contingencies	21 14 0	105 14 0	16 0 0	26 0 0	36 9 1
c. Feeding Travellers	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
4. Travellers' Bungalows—					
a. Establishment	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
b. Contingencies	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
5. Avenues—					
a. Establishment	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
b. Contingencies	267 0 6	267 0 6	0 0 0	290 0 0	0 0 0
6. Public Garden—					
a. Establishment					
b. Purchase of seeds, repair of well, purchase of bullocks, &c. ..			30 0 0	30 0 0	0 0 0
7. Survey of Land	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
8. Fire—					
a. Establishment	0 0 0		0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
b. Purchase of fire-engine, buckets, repairs, &c.	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0
9. Other charges—					
i. Work done for private individuals other than private scavenging ..	1320 1 0	1320 1 0	700 0 0	1060 0 0	1468 7 0
Carried forward ..		5943 2 11	4950 0 0	6000 0 0	5658 4 10

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98 (1) cont.

	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		5943 2 11	4950 - -	6000 - -	5858 4 10
GRANT 4.—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*)—cont.					
9. OTHER CHARGES—cont.					
ii. Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes	20 2 5	1320 1 -	50 - -	50 - -	6 - -
iii. Printing	534 13 9		500 - -	500 - -	584 6 10
iv. Compensation for lands	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -
v. Other items	257 7 11	812 8 1	300 - -	300 - -	703 14 -
		2132 9 1			
Total, Grant 4 ..		6755 11 -	5800 - -	6850 - -	6952 9 8
GRANT 5—					
a. General Establishment—					
i. Office Establishment	3518 2 4		3320 - -	3320 - -	3313 4 9
ii. Inspection	3000 - -		3000 - -	3000 - -	3000 - -
b. Collection of Municipal Taxes—					
i. Establishment	1360 12 5		1370 - -	1370 - -	1374 1 8
ii. Purchase of account books, paper, money-boxes, repair to out-posts, &c.	451 9 4		300 - -	400 - -	457 7 11
c. Collection of Tolls—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
d. Office contingencies other than (b) (ii)	683 5 7		400 - -	560 - -	577 13 6
e. Contributions for Central office and Audit establishments ..	800 - -		800 - -	800 - -	657 - -
Total, Grant 5 ..		9613 13 8	9190 - -	9450 - -	9348 11 10
REPAYMENT OF DEBT—					
a. Instalments paid during the year..	3452 3 8		3450 - -	3460 - -	2352 4 4
b. Invested on account of Sinking Fund (Value of securities purchased)	1900 - -		1900 - -	1900 - -	1900 - -
c. Charges of investment	200 - -		200 - -	200 - -	9 13 10
INTEREST—					
a. On account of last year					
b. On account of current years ..	6460 10 11	12012 14 7	6540 - -	6470 - -	6214 11 8

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98—cont.

	Actuals of 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals of 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Advances recoverable—					
a. Permanent	- - -		- - -	- - -	- - -
b. Others	6 4 -		- - -	- - -	30 - 11
Refunds of other than current collections Stamps 2 a/c	473 15 2				
Discount .. .. Water & Drainage tax	103 9 5		1160 - -	1000 - -	1524 2 5
Pensions and gratuities					
Investments—					
a. In Government securities for purposes other than Sinking Fund					
b. In ~~Savings~~ Madras Bank	- - -	583 12 7	- - -	- - -	100,000 - -
Total Expenditure ..		179185 7 3	250575 - -	197150 - -	221554 15 5
Balances—					
a. Municipal Fund		58871 15 4	5085 - -	43470 - -	36924 5 1
b. Endowments					
c. Water-tax Fund					
Grand Total ..		238057 6 7	255660 - -	240620 - -	258479 4 6

NOTE TO STATEMENT II.

Position of the Municipality of Cotacamund *on 31st March* 1898.

Liabilities—	RS.	Assets.		RS.
Balance of Loans	122906-14-10	Municipal Balance ..	Cash	58871-15-4
Deposits to be adjusted	2595-0-6		Securities	
Other Liabilities (in detail)		Deposit Balance ..	Cash Madras Bank 931-4-7	2595-0-6
			Securities Savings Bank 1663-11-11	
		Sinking Fund of loans		18400-0-0
		Funded Capital of endowed institutions, Hospitals, &c. Municipal Buildings ..		50,000-0-0
			Total ..	129866-15-10
		Value of Premises, &c.		105062-13-6
		Do. of Tools and plant		13140-0-6
		Do. of Live stock		3900-0-0
		Do. of Furniture		1770-11-1
		Arrears of taxes, &c.		3150-9-9
		Other assets (in detail) Bankers ..		55-14-0
Total	125501-15-4		Total ..	127080-0-9
		Claims—		
		Advances Recoverable—		
		Permanent advance		55-0-0
		Advances for works, &c.		21-0-7
			Total ..	76-0-7

Chairman

Statement II.-A.—Details of Expenditure on Public Works.

Part I.—New Works.

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 1897-98.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(a)	Communications								
1	Surveying charges for the High								
2	Level roads.		20	7	0	112	0	10	
2	Part payment for a portion								
	of the road through Bishop								
	-down - - - - - - - -	2897	-	-	-	893	12	7	
	Total ..	2897	20	7	0	1005	13	5	
(b)	Buildings								
1	Purchasing 20 dust bins	150	-	-	-	135	10	-	
2	Extending municipal Cattle								
3	Shed for Conservancy bullocks	2300	-	-	-	2063	10	11	
4	Improvements to general								
	market.	190	-	-	-	71	2	7	M
5	Constructing firish platforms	350	310	4	6	38	12	8	M
6	Shed for chucklers in market do	150	-	-	-	123	1	5	M
7	Flooring sweat meat stalls & fancy leather	200	450	-	-	199	9	9	M
	with cadd appahs Cahs — }								
8	Constructing a store room								
	in the mutton stalls of the market	600	4738	-	-	517	7	0	M
9	Do a Duck Pond — do	170	-	-	-	101	9	0	M
10	Improvements to Slaughter								
	Houses	300	-	-	-	219	11	0	
11	Fencing municipal offices	30	-	-	0	26	7	3	
12	Surveying charges for the Kandal	1000	-	-	-	5	5	-	
13	Carted and Conside of flush tank for the large	70	-	-	0	44	-	0	
	latrine outside the market								
	Total ..	5510	1233	12	6	3546	6	7	

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

Part I.—New Works—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 1897-98.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(c)	Drainage								
1	Extending drain in Dougherty								
2	lane at Mettucherry	29	-	-	-	8	-	-	
2	By payment to Executive								
	Engineer on special duty for								
	drainage work mar R.B.C ground	129	-	-	-	113	5	7	
3	By payment to Superintending								
	Engineer N Circle for the manf								
	Intercepting sewer work &c-	5720	25450	-	-	5720	-	-	
4	Constructing House Con-								
	-necting drains at Vannara								
	-pettah &c	500	-	-	-	491	12	0	
	Total ..	6378	25450	-	-	6,033	1	7	
(d)	Water-supply								
1	Extending South Water Supply								
2	to Coonoor road up to ?	380	-	-	-	338	9	10	
2	By payment to L.S. Walch Esqr								
	for balance remuneration								
	for investigation of water								
	Supplies &c	1830	4333	-	2	1830	-	-	
3	Contingent charges connected								
	with the investigations of	130	-	-	-	121	15	3	
	water supplies - - -								
4	By payment to Superintending								
	Engineer for water works-								
	(a) extension from Lawsons								
	channels &c R 23900 —								
	(b) Constructing a pipe head								
	from Kadappamund Valley 3770 —								
	(c) Extension to houses from								
	(b) to houses in Kelso Road &c 8060	35950	-	-	-	35950	-	-	
	(d) works in Connection with }								
	Marlimund Reservoir }								
	(L.O. No 314 M. Mis. Total ..	38290	4333	0	2	38,240	9	1	
	of 3rd February 98.								

Total Rs 40443-9-5

Miscellaneous Public Improvements.

Painting fencing at Laing Cross	44-11-0
Do do at Kelso Triangle	25-10-5
Cleaning main Storm Water Conservancy	38-13-0
Land Conservancy	198--7
Paid to Executive Engineer on special duty for Lake Reclamation work &c	40000---
Filling earth at Kelso Triangle	80---
Levelling and filling earth at Laing's cross	43-8-3
Removing fence from Willows land	14--

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

PART II.—Repairs.

Number.	Project.	Grant.			Actual expenditure.			REMARKS.
1	2	3			4			5
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
(a)	Communications							Total mileage of roads, streets, lanes, &c., in the town. 71 miles. 7 fur. 3 197 feet
1	Widening Charing Cross Road	380	"	"	108	11	"	
2	Avalanche Road	204	"	"	193	7	6	Metalled or Gravelled } Unmetalled.
3	Baikie House Road	110	"	"	101	9	10	50 m. 2 f. 3 } 21 m. 4 fur.
	Bandy shola Road	50	"	"	54	15	"	534 ft. } & 323 ft.
	Beddome's Road	50	"	"	50	"	"	Total mileage under maintenance.
	Brickfield Road	200	"	"	192	6	6	
	Butcher's Road	100	"	"	97	10	"	Metalled or Gravelled } Unmetalled.
	Church Hill Road to Lochend	600	"	"	430	9	1	52 m. 2 534 } 21 - 4.323.
	Clerkenson's Road	50	"	"	50	"	"	
	Commissioner's & Library Road	150	"	"	139	6	6	
	Ettien's Road	700	"	"	635	7	8	
	Elk Hill Road	100	"	"	95	15	"	
	Fern Hill Road	390	"	"	361	1	"	
	Higgins Road	55	"	"	47	11	"	
	Hospital Road	160	"	"	133	2	7	
	Hubbard's Road	60	"	"	52	1	11	
	Hobart Park Cross Road	60	"	"	35	10	4	
	Handal Bazaar Road	170	"	"	163	4	11	
	Kelso Road	420	"	"	407	5	2	
	Kodapamund Kotagiri Road	185	"	"	160	1	9	
	Kotagiri Road by Snowdon	115	"	"	110	15	6	
	Lawrence Asylum Road	220	"	"	183	8	"	
	Lawriston Road	110	"	"	117	7	"	
	Lovedale Road	200	"	"	183	7	8	
	Main Bazaar Road	310	"	2	288	9	9	
	Metthuchetty Road	150	"	"	141	9	7	
	Munjarakorai Road	405	"	"	353	1	6	
	Monte Roza Road	50	"	"	50	"	"	
	N. V. R. Batt's Road	30	"	"	30	"	"	
	Total ..	5784	"	"	4969	3	9	

No.	Project	Grant	Actual Expenditure	Remarks.
		5784 - -	4969 3 9	
	Old Garden Road	210 " "	200 3 8	
	Old Coty Road	110 " "	92 9 3	
	Onslow's Road	125 " "	120 12 6	
	Ottley Road	220 " "	214 10 8	
	Peyton's Road	240 " "	233 2 10	
	South Lake Road	748 " "	690 13 "	
	Sheddan Road	70 " "	63 15 2	
	Foot path from Beverly Road to Sheddan Rd.	35 " "	17 4 5	
	Snowdon & Marlimund Road	700 " "	629 12 11	
	Sykes Road	100 " "	93 2 6	
	Summer House Road	50 " "	44 5 "	
	Titical Road	430 " "	395 9 10	
	Tudor Hall Road	100 " "	109 2 "	
	Upper Bazaar Road	290 " "	290 9 7	
	Westbury & Segur Road	510 " "	494 11 3	
	Wood House Road & Lane	150 " "	155 9 "	
	Wenlock Road	150 " "	147 " "	
	Agraharam Lanes	50 " "	50 " "	
	Butchers' Lane	45 " "	39 6 "	
	Bishops' down Branch Road	50 " "	45 4 3	
	Bishops' down Bridle path	93 " "	52 11 "	
	Bandy Shola Road	15 " "	6 8 "	
	Bandy Shola Village Lane	15 " "	4 4 "	
	Baikie House Lane	21 " "	11 6 "	
	Barbers' Lane	30 " "	16 2 9	
	Bellical Bridle Road	90 " "	80 4 "	
	Church Hill Lane	80 " "	70 12 "	
	Dressers' Lane	54 " "	49 13 "	
	Dodabetta Bridle Road	130 " "	67 15 6	
	Dodabetta Reservoir Road	17 " "	11 9 "	
	Dogherty's Lane	150 " "	144 15 9	
	Elk Hill Lane	50 " "	3 7 6	
	Ettien's Lane	10 " "	4 14 1	
	Fern Hill Lane	20 " "	18 2 "	
	Foot path from South Lake Road	30 " "	19 12 6	
	Foot path from Church Hill Road	8 " "	3 12 3	
	Garden Lane	70 " "	29 2 3	
	Gool Mahamedo Lane	125 " "	120 9 6	
	Hospital Lane	25 " "	24 " "	
	Hadfield's Lane	20 " "	20 " "	
		11220 - -	9857 4 8	

No.	Project	Grand	Actual Expenditure	Remarks.
		11220 - -	9857 4 8	
	Jail Hill Lane	35 - -	30 - -	
	Handal Bazaar Lanes	100 - -	100 - -	
	Handalmund Lane	109 - -	98 8 -	
	Handal Lane	50 - -	44 - -	
	Heloo Lane	77 - -	72 15 -	
	Hodapparamund Village Lane	190 - -	177 8 3	
	Hodapparamund Lane to the top of do Labetta	25 - -	19 10 6	
	Longwood Lane	238 - -	223 13 6	
	Loburiston Lane	25 - -	9 12 -	
	Main Bazaar Lanes	160 - -	144 7 10	
	Munjanakorai Village Lane	30 - -	19 8 3	
	Marlimund Lane	35 - -	11 4 -	
	Municipal office Road & Lane	50 - -	41 9 6	
	Mill House Road	10 - -	1 4 6	
	Mettucherry Lanes	150 - -	109 6 8	126
	Onslow's Lane	30 - -	1 14 -	140
	Old Coty Native Burial ground Lane	20 - -	18 3 6	
	Old Coty Village Lanes	403 - -	273 1 11	
	Peyton's Lane	25 - -	20 4 -	
	Police Lane	50 - -	48 10 3	
	Pudumund Lane	100 - -	99 15 11	
	St. Stephen's Lane	57 - -	54 - 6	
	Sheddan Lane	30 - -	21 7 -	
	Telegraph Lane	50 - -	47 9 9	16
	Thalayattimund Village Lane	25 - -	4 13 6	
	Thalayattimund Burial ground Lane	25 - -	25 - -	
	Vannarpet Road & Lane	110 - -	98 14 -	17
	Westbury Lane	8 - -	8 - -	
	Road from Market Latrine	30 - -	30 - -	16
	Titcal Lane	25 - -	20 12 -	
	opening foot path from Dunmere gate along the old water supply channel	61 - -	64 3 3	
	Road from St. Thomas church	177 8 -	174 1 -	* as per estimates
	Picking Loose metal &c.		64 11 -	sanctioned by
	Purchase of baskets &c.		7 - -	the Mc Council
	Petty repairs to Municipal Roads.		116 1 9	0 - as per instructions from the inspector of L.F. accts vide para 28 of letter embodied in L.O. No 530 m 97 87 march 98
		1373 0 8 -	13206 3 9	

Statement II-A —Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

PART II.—Repairs—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Grant.			Actual expenditure.			Remarks.
1	2	3			4			5
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(b)	Buildings							
1	Repairs to Market buildings	730	-	-	728	12	-	M
2	Making partitions in new Cattle Shed	185	-	-	182	1	5	
3	Flooring portion of Cattlesheds with Concrete	49	-	-	46	10	4	
4	Repairs to Latrines	305	-	-	94	12	7	
5	" to old Cattleshed	300	-	-	252	7	5	
6	Whitewashing Municipal School & Chuttrum	70	-	-	70	-	-	Total
7	Repairing Municipal Vaccine Depot	50	-	-	50	-	-	
8	" Slaughter houses	150	-	-	143	10	10	
9	" agraharam chattrum	50	-	-	46	8	-	
10	" Shed at Marlimund	25	-	-	21	8	-	
11	" Shed at Ooty lake margin	10	-	-	8	11	4	
12	" Handal Cooly lines	100	-	-	100	-	-	
13	" Mill house	50	-	-	50	-	-	
14	" Latrine at Breeks School	80	-	-	79	12	7	9
15	" Municipal office	100	-	-	99	8	-	
16	" Municipal stores	30	-	-	30	-	-	
17	" Municipal Cartstand	195	-	-	151	9	10	
18	Fencing Cartstand	40	-	-	40	-	-	
	Total ..	2519 *	-	-	2196	-	4	* as per estimates sanctioned by the Mc Council

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

Part II.—Repairs—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Grant.			Actual expenditure.			Remarks.
1	2	3			4			5
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(c)	Drainage							
1	Raising the floor of gully pits at old and new agraharams	76	-	-	75	-	-	
2	— do — do — Lower Bazaar road	80	-	-	77	13	-	
3	General repairs to Drains	69			67	9	-	
4	Repairing drain at Metoor Reservoir	17	-	-	12	9	-	
5	Cleaning out bilt at Willowmund	110	-	-	70	-	-	
6	Removing and relaying pipe across Hobart Park	62	-	-	57	15	-	
7	Removing and relaying pipe at Kandal	27	-	-	24	14	-	
8	Repairing drainage pipe at Jail Hill	40	-	-	33	14	-	
	Total ..	480	-	-	421	10	-	as per estimates sanctd
(d)	Water-supply							
1	Cleaning Channel above Manjakulmand	15	-	-	8	3	6	
2	Cleaning Adam Memorial fountain	50	-	-	43	14	-	
3	Repairing Agraharam well	25	-	-	22	-	10	
4	" Catering Viaduct	50	-	-	50	-	-	
5	" Main pipes &c	175	-	-	170	4	2	
6	" Dodabetta Equilibrium valve cistern	75	-	-	78	3	-	
7	Opening footpath along main pipe South & North Supplies	100	-	-	89	-	-	
8	Repairing platforms of fountains at Kandal	70	-	-	63	-	-	
9	Painting & Whitewashing Dodabetta & Marlimund Reservoir towers & railings	60	-	-	54	15	8	
10	Repairing Snowdon South & North supply channels	110			105	10	4	
11	Painting Pillar fountains	35			33	12	-	
12	Repairing the floor of surplus channel of the Marlimund Reservoir	112	-	-	120	-	-	
13	Lowering an exposed supply pipe at Kandal	13	-	-	1	4	-	
	Total ..	890	-	-	840	7	6	Do

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments.

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT 1.—2. *c.* Drainage—							
~~Overseers~~ Inspector	1	35	-	-	420	-	-
Pony allowance		15	-	-	180	-	-
~~Drain cleaners~~ Overseers	1	20	-	-	240	-	-
Drain cleaners @ Rs 8	3	24	-	-	288	-	-
— do — @ Rs 7	4	28	-	-	336	-	-
— do — @ Rs 6	3	18	-	-	216	-	-
Total ..	12	140	-	-	1680	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					16	8	9
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					1663	7	3
d. Water works—							
~~Overseers~~ Water Course Inspector	1	30	-	-	360	-	-
~~Watchmen~~ Pony allowance		15	-	-	180	-	-
Smith & Fitter	1	25	-	-	300	-	-
Turncocks @ Rs 15/-	2	30	-	-	360	-	-
Luscars @ Rs 8	5	40	-	-	480	-	-
Total ..	9	140	-	-	1680	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					27	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					1653	-	-
3. General— Overseer 1st grade	1	85	-	-	1020	-	-
~~Overseers~~ .. Pony allowance ..		15	-	-	180	-	-
Overseer 2nd grade	1	50	-	-	600	-	-
Maistries .. Pony allowance		15	-	-	180	-	-
Surveyor	1	50	-	-	600	-	-
Clerk	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
Peon	1	9	-	-	108	-	-
Total ..	5	239	-	-	2868	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages of the Overseer & Surveyor for certain months in the year & for non employment					465	8	9
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					2402	7	3

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1 Lake Conservancy							
GRANT 2.—~~Education~~							
~~1. Training Schools~~ Inspector	1	10	.	.	120	.	.
~~Pupils receiving scholarships~~ Lake cleaners @ 8	3	24	.	.	288	.	.
Watchman	1	8	.	.	96	.	.
Total ..	5	42	.	.	504	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					2	1	7
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					501	14	5
Grant II. Education							
2. Municipal Schools—							
a. On the Salary System— Brooke Memorial High School							
Head Master	1	300	.	.	3600	.	.
1st Assistant Master	1	100	.	.	1200	.	.
2nd „ „	1	80	.	.	960	.	.
3rd „ „	1	60	.	.	720	.	.
Mistress	1	40	.	.	480	.	.
Hindustani Munshi	1	30	.	.	360	.	.
Gymnastic Instructor	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
Clerk	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
Peon	1	11	.	.	132	.	.
Watchman	1	8	.	.	96	.	.
Total ..	10	659	.	.	7908	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages in the pay of watchman and peon & to the employment of the 1st assistant on Rs 80 only for several months & non-employment of any teacher for the 3rd assistant's place for nearly two months.					311	13	8
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					7596	2	4

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT 2.—Education—*cont.*							
b. On the Salary Result System—							
Bazaar Municipal School							
Head master	1	20	.	.	240	.	.
1st assistant	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
2nd assistant	1	12	.	.	144	.	.
Gymnastic Instructor	1	5	.	.	60	.	.
	4	52	.	.	624	.	.
Mahomedan School							
Teacher	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
Kandal School.							
Head master	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
Teacher	1	12	.	.	144	.	.
	2	27	.	.	324	.	.
Add a-							
Total ..	7	92					
Dea							
..il) ..					180	-	-

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont*

G —	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT 2.—Education—*cont.*							
6. Inspection—							
Inspecting Schoolmaster		nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
7. *b.* Common Gymnastic Instructors		nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
c. Common Drawing Masters		nil					
Total ..		11	65				
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					1096	2	4

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	
GRANT 3.—Sanitation and Medical Services—							
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries—							
Medical Subordinates							
„ „							
Midwife	1	15	-	-	180	-	
Clerk							
Compounder							
Servants							
„							
„							
Total ..	1	15	-	-	180	-	
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					180	-	

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

	Number.	Salary per mensem.	Salary per annum.
1	2	3	4
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
GRANT 3.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*			
3. Vaccination—			
Vaccinators	1	18 . .	216 . .
Peons			
Total ..	1	18 . .	216 . .
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..			8 3
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..			
Balance (Statement II) ..			215 7 9
4. Registration—			
Registrars	1	20 . .	240 . .
Peons			
Total ..	1	20 . .	240 . .
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..			1 5 3
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..			. . .
Balance (Statement II) ..			238 . 10

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

	Number.	Salary per mensem.	Salary per annum.
1	2	3	4
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
GRANT 3.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*			
5. a. "Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering"—			
Sanitary Inspectors	1	70 . .	× 840 . .
~~Nuisance Inspectors~~ Pony allowance		15 . .	✓ 180 . .
Sanitary Inspector for 5 months	1	50 . .	✓ 250 . . ✓
„ Overseer	1	20 . .	✓ 240 . .
Maistries .. .. .. @ 15 Rs.	1	15 . .	✓ 180 . .
~~Scavengers~~ .. .. @ 12 Rs.	2	24 . .	✓ 288 . .
~~Sweepers~~ Maistries @ Rs 10	3	30 . .	✓ 360 . .
Sweepers @ Rs 8	33	264 . .	✓ 3168 . .
do — @ Rs 7	35	245 . .	✓ 2940 . .
do — @ Rs 6	22	132 . .	✓ 1584 . .
Sanitary Depot keepers @ Rs 7	6	42 . .	✓ 504 . .
Total ..	105	907 . .	10534 . .
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..			49 2 5
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..			. . .
Balance (Statement II) ..			10484 13 7

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT 3.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
b. Private Scavenging—							
Inspectors .. Pony allowance	1	35	-	-	420	-	-
		15	-	-	180	-	-
Maistries	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
—o—	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
Scavengers @ Rs 8	10	80	-	-	960	-	-
—o— @ Rs 7	5	35	-	-	420	-	-
—o— @ Rs 6	6	36	-	-	432	-	-
Temporary Scavenger sanctioned in Resolution No VI of 19-2-98 for one month in 97-98 as per proposition statement herewith submitted	1	7	-	-	7	-	-
Total ..	24	226	7	-	2712	7	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages & on a/c of non payment of pony allowance for certain months.					38	12	1
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					2668	3	11
GRANT 4.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—							
1. Lighting—							
—o— Inspector	1	20	-	-	240	-	-
Masalchies							
Total ..	1	20	-	-	240	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages for March 97					5	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					235	-	-

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT 4.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont.*							
2. Markets—							
—o— Sergeant	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
Servants	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
Total ..	3	29	-	-	348	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					4	3	7
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					343	12	5
ii. Slaughter-houses—							
—o— Sergeant	1	30	-	-	360	-	-
Servants	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
Total ..	2	37	-	-	444	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					15	15	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					428	1	-
3. Choultries—							
—o— Jemadar	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Sweeper	1	2	-	-	24	-	-
Total ..	2	7	-	-	84	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					-	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					84	-	-

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

——	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT 4.—LIGHTING AND MISCELLANEOUS MUNICIPAL PURPOSES—*cont.*							
4. TRAVELLERS' BUNGALOWS—							
Maty							
Servants							
		Nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
5. AVENUES—							
Servants							
		Nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
6. PUBLIC GARDEN—							
Gardeners		Nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

——	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT 4.—LIGHTING AND MISCELLANEOUS MUNICIPAL PURPOSES—*cont.*							
8. FIRE—							
Servants		Nil					
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
9.—							
		Nil					

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT 5.—*a.* General Establishment—							
i. Office—							
~~Manager~~ .. Chief clerk	1	80	.	.	√ 960	.	.
~~Clerks~~ Head accountant	1	50	.	.	√ 600	.	.
" Clerk & Records keeper ..	1	40	.	.	√ 480	.	.
"							
Assistant Accountants & Stock keeper	1	35	.	.	√ 420	.	.
~~Peons~~ Correspondence clerk ..	1	25	.	.	√ 300	.	.
Despatching clerk	1	20	.	.	√ 240	.	.
Peons @ Rs 9	3	27	.	.	√ 324	.	.
Total ..	9	277	.	.	3324	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					5	13	6
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					.	.	.
Balance (Statement II) ..					3318	2	4
ii. Inspection—							
Chairman's salary ~~or carriage allowance~~	1	250	.	.	3000	.	.
Total ..	1	250	.	.	3000	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					.	.	.
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					.	.	.
Balance (Statement II) ..					3000	.	.

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT 5.—*a.* General Establishment—*cont.*							
r. Collection—							
~~Clerks~~ .. Cash keeper	1	45	.	.	√ 540	.	.
Bill Collectors	1	20	.	.	√ 240	.	.
~~Peons~~ -do-	1	18	.	.	√ 216	.	.
-do-	1	16	.	.	√ 192	.	.
-do-	1	15	.	.	√ 180	.	.
Total ..	5	114	.	.	1368	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					7	3	7
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					.	.	.
Balance (Statement II) ..					1360	12	5
s. Collection of tolls—							
Inspectors							
Gate-keepers							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

STATEMENT III.—*Municipality of* Kotaramulla Abstra

Deposits Account for the year 1897-98.

	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.
Balance brought forward ..	2392	9	5			
1. Deposits by appellants	208	7	1	1. Credited to Municipal Funds ..	392	7 1
2. Deposits by renters				2. Returned to appellants	49	8 .
3. Deposits by contractors	545	.	.	3. Returned to renters		
4. Deposits as security by municipal servants	469	9	3	4. Returned to contractors	600	. .
5. Deposited for the execution of work for which private parties are liable.				5. Returned to municipal servants ..	501	9 3
				6. Returned to parties	4	4 .
6. Other deposits under the Act or bye-laws	527	1	7	7. Paid to claimants		. . .
Total, Receipts ..	1750	1	11	Total ..	1547	10 10
Total, including balance	4142	11	4	Balance ..	2595	. 6
				Total ..	4142	11 4

2393 ✓

1750 / 4143 ✓

1548 / 2595 / 4143 ✓

STATEMENT IV-A.—*Municipality of* Ootacamund Demand, Collection and Balance statement for the year 1897-98.

Current.

Tax.	Demand as originally assessed by the Chairman.			Remitted by the Council on appeal.			Demand as finally settled (column 2 *minus* column 3).			Collected.			Remitted on account of vacant houses, &c.			Written off as irrecoverable.			Balance (col. 4 *minus* cols. 5, 6 and 7).		
1	2			3			4			5			6			7			8		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1. Tax on arts, &c.	5087	-	-	-	-	-	5089	-	-	4517	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	569	8	-
2. Tax on buildings	31122	14	9	-	-	-	31122	14	9	30147	12	2	69	4	1	-	-	-	905	14	6
										1532	-	8									
3. Tax on lands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands + Drainage	11710	7	2	-	-	-	11710	7	2	11314	8	2	12	14	5	-	-	-	383	-	7
										322	7	-									
5. Tolls (gross receipts)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Market rents	11977	13	4	-	-	-	11977	13	4	11977	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Slaughter-house fees	5550	13	4	-	-	-	5550	13	4	5550	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Rent of cart-stands	1691	10	8	-	-	-	1691	10	8	1691	10	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Private scavenging fees	5524	10	-	-	-	-	5524	10	-	5216	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	308	-	-
							209			75	12	-									
							5733	10	-	5292	6	-									
																			984	2	8
Total	72666	5	3	-	-	-	72665	5	3	70418	11	8	82	2	6	-	-	-	-		

Statement IV-B.—Arrears.

—	Balance of old demand.	Arrears of previous year.	Total demand.	Collected.	Remitted.	Written off.	Balance (column 4 *minus* columns 5, 6 and 7).	Years to which the balance relates.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

	Balance of old demand. RS.	A.	P.	Arrears of previous year. RS.	A.	P.	Total demand. RS.	A.	P.	Collected. RS.	A.	P.	Remitted. RS.	A.	P.	Written off. RS.	A.	P.	Balance (column 4 *minus* columns 5, 6 and 7). RS.	A.	P.	Years to which the balance relates. A.	B.	C.	&c.
1. Tax on arts, &c.	162	.	✓	271	.	✓	433	.	✓	161	8	.		.	.	70	.	.	201	8	.	✓ 94-95	Rs 51-8-0		
																						95-96	43-8-—		
																						96-97	106-8-0		
2. Tax on buildings	413	7	3 ✓	1739	11	3 ✓	2153	2	6 ✓	1532	.	8 ✓	53	1	.	17	2	6	550	14	4	✓ 92-93	Rs 9-12-—		
																						93-94	43-2-—		
																						94-95	88-8-—		
																						95-96	97-11-10		
																						96-97	317-12-6		
3. Tax on lands	38	4	✓	69	12	✓	108	.	✓	37	2	✓		.	.	.	.	.	70	14	.	✓			
4. Water-tax (Drainage) on buildings and lands ..	77	4	11 ✓	356	7	9 ✓	433	2	8 ✓	322	4	7 ✓	7	1	1	2	4	8	102	2	4	✓	96-97 Rs 40-2-0		
																							95-96 Rs 30-12-0		
5. Tolls																							0. 96-97 Rs 73-5-3		
																							95-96 Rs 12-3-7		
																							94-95 Rs 4-12-6		
																							93-94 Rs 3-8-0		
																							92-93 Rs 1-4-10		
6. Market rents																									
7. Slaughter-house fees																									
8. Rent of cart-stands																									
9. Private scavenging fees	96	8	✓	112	8	✓	209	.	✓	75	12	✓		.	.	74	8	.	58	12	.	✓	93-94	Rs 10-—-—	
																							94-95	12-—-—	
																							96-97	36-12-0	
Total ..	787	8	2	2547	7	.	3336	15	2	2128	11	3	60	2	1	163	15	2	904	2	8				

Chairman

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Appendix A to Statements IV-A and IV-B

Taxes.	Warrants remaining unexecuted at the beginning of the year.		Warrants issued during the year.		Total.		Warrants executed and warrants cancelled during the year.		Warrants remaining unexecuted at the close of the year.		Cancelled warrants on which no collections were made.		Collected after issue of warrants, but before distraint.		Property distrained, but not sold.		Property sold.	
	Number.	Amount involved.	Number.	Amount involved.	Number.	Amount involved.	Number.	Amount involved.	Number.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount.	Number of cases	Amount realized on distraint.	Number of cases.	Amount realized by sale.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19

	2	RS.	A.	P.	4	RS.	A.	P.	6	RS.	A.	P.	8	RS.	A.	P.	10	RS.	A.	P.	12	RS.	A.	P.	14	RS.	A.	P.	16	RS.	A.	P.	18	19 RS.	A.	P.
1. Tax on arts, &c. ...	175	328	-	✓	90	216	8	.	265	544	8	.	102	328	-	.	163	216	8	.	19	60	.	.	82	243	.	.	1	25	-	.				
2. Tax on buildings ...	384	1997	4	6 ✓	297	877	9	1	1671	9875	7	7	1164	8260	4	10	507	1615	2	9	17	20	3	2	1145	8234	13	8	2	5	4	.			
3. Tax on lands ..	24	91	2	✓	-	-	-	.	24	91	2	.	12	28	8	.	12	62	10	-		-	-	.	12	28	8	.	-	-	-				
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands.	348	379	7	10 ✓	-	-	-	.	348	379	7	10	249	285	13	6	99	93	10	4	14	2	1	2	235	283	12	4	-	-	-				
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins.	30	208	12	✓	-	-	-	.	30	208	12	.	3	40	8	.	27	168	4	.	-	-	-	.	3	40	8	.	-	-	-				
6. Tax on animals ..	37	43	8	✓	2	6	.	.	39	49	8	.	3	4	.	.	36	45	8	.	2	2	.	.	1	2	.	.	-	-	-	.			
7. Tax on carts, &c. ...	-	-	-	-	4	449	6	8	4	449	6	8	4	449	6	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	449	6	8	-	-	-	-			
	590				96				686																										
Total ...	998	3048	12	4	1383	8549	7	9	2381	11598	4	1	1537	9396	9	.	844	2201	11	1	52	84	4	4	1482	9282	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Appendix B to Statements IV-A and IV-B.

Taxes.	Prosecutions instituted.		Collections before judgment.		Collections after judgment.		Prosecutions withdrawn or dismissed.		Balance.	
	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount collected.	Number of cases.	Amount collected.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
on arts, &c. ...										
x on buildings.	68	476 10 7	50	202 7 7	-	- - -	-	- - -	18	274 3 -
ax on lands ...										
Water-tax on buildings and lands ...	61	159 4 8	46	89 3 6	-	- - -	-	- - -	15	70 1 2
Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ...										
6. Tax on animals ...										
7. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs.										
Total ...	129	635 15 3	96	291 11 1	-	- - -	-	- - -	33	344 4 2

Ex. Hamnath
Chairman

Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98.

STATEMENT V–A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Bolarum for the official year 1897-98.

Schools.	Number of schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 1898.			Receipts.					Expenditure.								Net cost to municipality.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of municipal schools.	Remarks.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed in the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.	Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Grants from Provincial Funds.	Grants from Local Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.	Total.	Teachers. Fixed salary.	Teachers. Results stipends.	Teachers. School fees.	Clerks and servants.	Stipends and scholarships.	Library furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and miscellaneous.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
								Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
I.—Colleges																							
II.—Upper Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(1) Bruce's Memo-																							
(2) rial High	1	"	"	1	14	"	11	481 5 3	" " "	678 12 "	169 8 6	2329 9 9	2980 " "	7 " "	" " "	61 12 9	20 " "	" " "	93 14 4	3155 11 8	826 1 11	75 1 7	
(3) school.																							
Total ...	1	"	"	1	14	"	11	481 5 3	" " "	678 12 "	169 8 6	2329 9 9	2980 " "	7 " "	" " "	61 12 9	20 " "	" " "	93 14 4	3155 11 8	826 1 11	75 1 7	
III.—Lower Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System—																							
(1) Bruce's Memo-																							
(2) rial High	1	"	"	1	17	"	20	711		85 " "	893 13 "	322 1 9	1927 7 2	1684 6 8	" " "	" " "	117 6 8	" " "	" " "	178 13 4	1980 10 8	53 3 6	2 10 6	
(3) school.																							
Total ...	1	"	"	1	17	"	20	711	6	85 " "	893 13 "	322 1 9	1927 7 2	1684 6 8	" " "	" " "	117 6 8	" " "	" " "	178 13 4	1980 10 8	53 3 6	2 10 6	
(b) Salary-results System—																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total ...	2	"	"	2	31	"	31	2192 13 8	" " "	1572 9 "	491 10 3	4257 " 11	4664 7 3	" " "	" " "	179 3 5	20 " "	" " "	272 11 8	5136 6 4	879 5 5	28 5 10	
Total, Colleges and Secondary Schools																							
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System—																							
(1) Bruce's Memo-																							
(2) rial High	1	"	"	1	40	"	44	832 15 8	" " "	939 " "	593 5 9	2365 5 5	2536 3 1	" " "	" " "	216 4 7	" " "	" " "	328 14 2	3081 5 10	716 " 5	16 4 4	
(3) School.																							
Total ...	1	"	"	1	40	"	44	832 15 8	" " "	939 " "	593 5 9	2365 5 5	2536 3 1	" " "	" " "	216 4 7	" " "	" " "	328 14 2	3081 5 10	716 " 5	16 4 4	

Repairs and upkeep to Bruce's Memorial High school Rs. 79-12-7.

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Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

Schools.	Number of schools: At the beginning of the year.	Number of schools: Opened during the year.	Number of schools: Closed in the year.	Number of schools: At the close of the year.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1898: Boys.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1898: Girls.	Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts: Grants from Provincial Funds.	Receipts: Grants from Local Funds.	Receipts: School fees.	Receipts: Other receipts.	Receipts: Total.	Expenditure: Teachers: Fixed salary.	Expenditure: Teachers: Results stipends.	Expenditure: Teachers: School fees.	Expenditure: Clerks and servants.	Expenditure: Stipends and scholarships.	Expenditure: Library furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Expenditure: Contingencies and miscellaneous.	Expenditure: Total.	Net cost to municipality.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of municipal schools.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments—*cont.*																							
(*b*) Salary-results System—																							
(1) Bazaar School	1	"	"	1	52	"	54	"	"	"	"	"	622	8	80	146	"	"	"	18 6 1	724 5 3	721 5 3	13 5 7	
(2) Mandal School	1	"	"	1	49	"	45	"	"	"	"	"	299	12	10	46	11	"	"	49 " "	10 2 7	405 10 5	405 10 5	9 " 3
(3) Muhammadan School	1	"	"	1	16	8	25	"	"	"	"	"	180	"	"	"	"	"	"	" " "	42 3 10	222 3 10	222 3 10	8 14 3
Total ...	3	"	"	3	117	8	124	"	"	"	"	"	1101	13	6	127	9	6	"	49 " "	70 12 6	1349 3 6	1340 3 6	10 11 1
Total, Primary Schools ...	4	"	"	4	157	8	168	832	15	8	"	"	939	"	"	593	5	9	236	55	5 3 6	38 "	7	127	9	6	"	"	"	216	4	7	"	"	"	49 " "	399 10 8	4430	9	4	1340 3 6	12 " 8	
VI.—Special Schools.																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total ...	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Grand Total of Colleges and Schools	6	"	"	6	188	8	199	3025	13	4	"	"	2511	9	"	1085	"	"	6622	64	8302	7	10	127	9	6	"	"	"	395	8	"	20	"	"	49 " "	672 6	4956	15	8	2940	9	4	14	12	9	

Foot-note to Statement V-A.

Number of Students from Municipal Institutions who appeared for and passed the several examinations during the year.

Examinations.	Number of Students examined.	Number of Students passed.
First in Arts		
Matriculation	3	"
Upper Secondary		
Lower Secondary or Seventh Standard.	10	8.
Upper Primary Sixth Standard	10	6
	23	14
Fifth Standard		
Primary or Fourth Standard	7	3
Third Standard	15	11
Second Standard	13	11
First Standard	18	11
Infant Standard	24	17
	72	83
	95	67

Brooke's Memorial High School

Primary Schools

The Rs 72-8- being grants for other purposes should have been included in Sch V-A.

3025-13-4
72-8-
2953-5-4

G. Ramaiah
Chairman

STATEMENT V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Cotacamund for the official year 1897-98.

Schools.	Number of Schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 189		Number of pupils examined in results grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for results grants.	Full amount of results grants earned.			Amount of results grants passed for payment.			Amount of results grants disbursed.									Amount of salary grants disbursed.			Total expenditure from Municipal funds, columns 14 and 15.			Remarks.
															For current year.			For previous year.			Total.									
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys	Girls.																								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			11			12			13			14			15			16			17
									Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
A. Salary Grant Schools.																														
(a) Secondary schools ..																														
(1) St. Joseph's school	1	"	"	1	59	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	310	4	"	310	4	"	
(2) Wes. Mission school	1	"	"	1	10	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	146	10	8	146	10	8	
(3)																														
Total ..	2	"	"	2	69	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	456	10	8	456	10	8	
(b) Primary schools ..																														
(1) St. Joseph's school	1	"	"	1	157	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	499	5	4	499	5	4	
(2) Wes. Mission school	1	"	"	1	104	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	246	5	4	246	5	4	
(3)																														
Total ..	2	"	"	2	261	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	745	10	8	745	10	8	
Total of Salary Grant Schools ..	4	"	"	4	330	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1202	5	4	1202	5	4	

Statement V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Ootacamund for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

Schools.	Number of Schools. At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1898. Boys.	Girls.	Number of pupils examined in results grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for results grants.	Full amount of results grants earned. Rs.	A.	P.	Amount of results grants passed for payment. Rs.	A.	P.	Amount of results grants disbursed. For current year. Rs.	A.	P.	For previous year. Rs.	A.	P.	Total. Rs.	A.	P.	Amount of salary grants disbursed. Rs.	A.	P.	Total expenditure from Municipal funds, columns 14 and 15. Rs.	A.	P.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			11			12			13			14			15			16			17
B. Results Grants Schools, *i.e.*, Schools actually examined for results grants—																														
(*a*) Secondary Schools—																														
(1) (2) (3) C. M. S. School Mettucherry	1	"	"	1	21	"	9	6	108	"	"	72	"	"	72	"	"	"	"	"	72	"	"	"	"	"	72	"	"	Rate at which grant was paid. Maximum
Total ..	1	"	"	1	21	"	9	6	108	"	"	72	"	"	72	"	"	"	"	"	72	"	"	"	"	"	72	"	"	
(*b*) Primary Schools ..																														
1. Mettucherry C. M. S. School	1	"	"	1	91	"	50	36	230	13	"	132	8	"	132	8	"	"	"	"	132	8	"	"	"	"	132	8	"	
2. Kandal C. M. S. School	1	"	"	1	89	"	49	25	87	"	"	87	"	"	87	"	"	"	"	"	87	"	"	"	"	"	87	"	"	
(3) Old Ooty —do—	1	"	"	1	27	13	13	8	10	8	"	10	8	"	10	8	"	"	"	"	10	8	"	"	"	"	10	8	"	
(4) Bandy Shola —do—	1	"	"	1	42	11	26	18	48	"	"	48	"	"	48	"	"	"	"	"	48	"	"	"	"	"	48	"	"	
Total ..	4	"	"	4	24	24	138	87	376	5	"	278	"	"	278	"	"	"	"	"	278	"	"	"	"	"	278	"	"	
Total of Results Grants Schools.	5	"	"	5	270	24	147	93	484	5	"	350	"	"	350	"	"	"	"	"	350	"	"	"	"	"	350	"	"	
Grand Total of Aided Schools..	9	"	"	9	600	24	147	93	484	5	"	350	"	"	350	"	"	"	"	"	350	"	"	1202	5	4	1552	5	4	

Foot-note.

Details of building and furniture grants (Grant 2, Statement I-B).

Names of Schools.	Amount of grant.	Purpose for which made.
Servi's { C. M. S. School Mettucherry	63-5-4	Rent grants
—do—	14-9-0	Furniture
	77-14-4	

G. Ramunni
Chairman

STATEMENT VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Ootacamund for the year 1897-98.

(To be prepared in accordance with the instructions in G.O., dated 4th June 1892, No. 978 M.)

Items of Expenditure.	Original budget grant as sanctioned by Government.			Subsequent additions.			Subsequent deductions.			Total grant.			Authority for the additions and deductions shown in columns 3 and 4.
1	2			3			4			5			6
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
Entries as per Statement II wherever there is alteration ..													
Grant I 2 c ii Drainage establishment	1620	..		55	..		..	..		1675 (1)	..	..	G.O.No. 2089 M. Mis. dated 24th September '97
Grant III 5 a i Conservancy establishment	10150	..		110	..		..	..		10260	..	..	G.O.No. 2089 M. Mis. dated 24th September '97
Do				250	..		..	..		10510 (2)	..	..	G.O.No. 2307 M. Mis. dated 27th October '97
Grant IV 1. Lighting . a. Establishment	1160	..		55	..		..	..		1215 (3)	..	..	G.O.No. 2089 M. Mis. dated 24th September 97
Grant IV 2. II a. Slaughter house Establishment	260	..		165	..		..	..		425	..	..	—do— —do—

(1) 5 Rs Savings

(2) Rs80 Savings on account of the employment for a shorter period - The expected savings were not realised & hence the increase over the revised estd.

(3) Rs980 debited to Lighting Contingencies as the Lighting is done on Contract

(4) Rs5 added to make it a round figure

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Chairman

Statement VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of
for the year 1897-98—*continued.*

(To be prepared in accordance with the instructions in G.O., dated 4th June 1892, No. 978 M.)

Items of Expenditure.	Original budget grant as sanctioned by Government.			Subsequent additions.			Subsequent deductions.			Total grant.			Authority for the additions and deductions shown in columns 3 and 4.
1	2			3			4			5			6
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	

STATEMENT VII.—Tolls.

Number of toll gates.	Whether collection of tolls is leased out or managed departmentally.	Amount of collections.	Expenditure on				Balance (column 3 *minus* column 7).	Share due to the District Board.	Amount paid to the District Board.	Balance, if any, due to the District Board and date on which it was paid.
			Works.	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.

Nil

Statement VIII.—Loans.

Town of

Amount of loan and rate of interest.	For what purpose and terms on which obtained and year in which taken.	Date of Government sanction.	Amount repaid: Up to 31st March 1897. Number of years.	Amount repaid: Up to 31st March 1897. Amount.	Amount repaid: In 1897-98.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund: Up to 31st March 1897. Number of years.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund: Up to 31st March 1897. Amount.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund: In 1897-98.	Invested or amount transferred to end of 1897-98: In Government Securities.	Invested or amount transferred to end of 1897-98: In the Savings Bank.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Government Loans.				Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Rs 17500 4/4 p.c	For land & barriage taken in 91-92 repayable by annual payments including interest of Rs 1316	G.O. Financial dated 11 June 91 No. 443	5	3115 - 4	704 10 2	Balance from Rept	14385 —	1317 —	611-5-9	705 10 3
2) Rs 43000	For South waters supply taken in 91-92 repayable by yearly payments including interest of Rs 3234	G.O. M. Mis. dated 19 February 92	5	8026 13 2	1747 9 6		34975 —	3234 —	1486-7-9	1747 9 -
									2097 12 9	2453 3 3
3) Rs 10.000 R 70,500	For Certain Sanitary works repayable in 10 years.	G.O. No. 352 M dated 2-3-97			1000 - -				4020	3453 3 3
									6117 12 9	
Private loans									(Rs) 6542 12 9	
1) Rs 50000 @ 6 p.c	For Municipal Market repayable in 30 years by Sinking Funds investments in 86-85	G.O. No. 1992 dated 27 august 84				12	15300	1500 - -	16800 - -	
2) Rs 10,000 @ 6 p.c	do in 86-87	G.O. No 86 M. dated 9 October 1886				10				
4) Rs 7000 @ 6 p.c.	For municipal office repayable in 17 years by Sinking Fund in 93-94	G.O. No. 1087 M Mis dated 19 August 93				3	1200 - -	400 - -	1600 - -	
67,000										
137,500				11147 13 6	3452 3 8		16500 - -	1900 - -	18400 - -	

W. Hamnett
Chairman.

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Statement IX.—Showing the Incidence of the House-tax.

Name of Municipality.	Total number of houses, as per census (occupied and unoccupied).	Number of houses on the municipal register out of the number in column 2.	Assessed: Under 8 Annas. Number.	Under 8 Annas. Amount.	8 Annas to Rs. 1½. Number.	8 Annas to Rs. 1½. Amount.	Rs. 1½ to Rs. 5. Number.	Rs. 1½ to Rs. 5. Amount.	Rs. 5 to Rs. 15. Number.	Rs. 5 to Rs. 15. Amount.	Rs. 15 to Rs. 30. Number.	Rs. 15 to Rs. 30. Amount.	Rs. 30 and above. Number.	Rs. 30 and above. Amount.	Total. Number.	Total. Amount.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Rotacammund	5374	2485	14	6 8	645	621 7 2	1004	2604 - 1	230	1821 9 11	92	1978 2 2	273	2409 11 3 5	2258	3122 14 9
			645	621 7 2												
			1004	2604 - 1												
			230	1821 9 11												
			92	1978 2 2												
			273	2409 11 3 5												
			2258	3122 14 9												

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STATEMENT IX-A.—Showing the Incidence of the Taxation assessed in

Name of Municipality.	Class I		Class II		Class III		Class IV		Class V.		Class VI		Class VII		Class VIII		Class ~~VIII~~ IX		Total.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Ootacamund	15	1000 - -	4	225 - -	18	775 - -	51	1637 8 -	52	552 - -	68	484 - -	127	462 - -	203	355 - -	207	1968 - -	745	7435 - -
			4	225 —																
			18	775 —																
			51	1037-8-																
			52	552 —																
			68	484 —																
			127	462 —																
			203	355 —																
			207	196-8-																
			745	5087 - -																

Geo. Hammett Chairman.

STATEMENT X.

1. Name of Municipality — Ootacamund

2. Population as per last census .. .. 15053 ✓

3. Sanctioned number of Councillors
   (a) Nominated 10
   (b) Elected .. .. 2 ✓ 12

4. Actual number of Councillors on 31st March 1898—
   (a) Ex-officio 1
   (b) Nominated — Officials 1
   Non-officials 5
   (c) Elected .. — Officials .. .. —
   Non-officials 4
   Total .. 11 ✓

   (d) Europeans and Eurasians 8
   (e) Natives 3 11

5. Total number of meetings actually held during the year .. 29

6. Number of meetings adjourned for want of a quorum 1

7. Average attendance at each meeting *actually* held—
   (a) Officials .. .. .72
   (b) Non-officials 8.31
   Total .. 9.03 ✓
   (c) Europeans and Eurasians 5.93
   (d) Natives 3.10
   Total .. 9.03 ✓

8. Is the Chairman appointed or elected .. .. .. Elected ✓

9. Name and designation of persons who have held the office of Chairman during the year, with the date of appointment or election in each case .. .. George Hammett Esqre C.S.C. 24 November 1897

Geo. Hammett
Chairman

Incidence of the Tax

STATEMENT X-A.—Showing the particulars of Elections held in the Municipality of Ootacamund in 1897-98

Name of the wards, if any, into which the town is divided.	Population.	Number of registered voters.	Date of election.	Number of seats filled by election.	Whether election was contested or not and the number of seats contested.	If contested, number of voters who went to the poll.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
~~VIII~~ IX						
One (No wards)	18053	930				
Total ..	18053	930				

Wm. Hammett
Chairman.

STATEMENT XI.—Furnishing information regarding Municipal markets, houses served by the private scavenging agency, number of latrines and of lights, &c., in the Town of Ootacamund for the year 1897-98

Area of Municipality in square miles.	Name of Municipal markets.	Whether collection of fees, rents, &c., was leased out or managed departmentally.	Number of houses served by the private scavenging agency on the registers on 31st March 1898	Number of public latrines on 31st March 1898	Number of latrines constructed in 1897-98.	Number of latrines demolished in 1897-98.	Number of latrines on 31st March 1898.	Number of lamps on 31st March 1897.	Number of lamps put up in 1897-98	Number of lamps removed in 1897-98	Number of lamps on 31st March 1898
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
11 Sq. Miles	Ootacamund Municipal Market	Leased annually	356	48 latrines 4 urinals	-	-	48 4u	261	12	-	273
		Last bill		170	20	-	190				

Incidence of the [illegible]

STATEMENT XII.—Showing particulars regarding the number of patients treated, &c., in the Town of [illegible] during the year 189[illegible]/98

Name of hospital and dispensary.	PATIENTS TREATED. In.	Out.	Total.	Number and name of midwives employed by the Municipality	Number of labour cases attended by the midwives.	Date and Number of G.O. sanctioning rules for the treatment of the sick under section 127 of Act IV of 1884.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Nil.		One	55	Nil

STATEMENT XIII.—Showing the Statistics of Vaccination and of Births and Deaths registered in the Town of Ootacamund during the year 189[illegible]/98

Number of births registered.	Number of deaths registered.	Number of prosecutions instituted for failure to register births or deaths.	Name of Medical subordinates and vaccinators performing vaccine operations.	Number of operations performed. Below one year of age.	Above one year of age.	Number of successful operations. Below one year of age.	Above one year of age.	Number of operations with animal lymph.	Number of successful operations with animal lymph.	Number of prosecutions instituted for failure to have children vaccinated.	REMARKS.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Nil			Medical Subordinates								
			1								
X	X	X	2			Nil					
			3								
610	476	14	Total ..								
			Municipal Vaccinators								
			1 1st Class Vaccinator	613	532	610	511	1145	1121	82	
			2								
			3								
			Total ..	613	532	610	511	1145	1121	82	
			Grand Total ..	613	532	610	511	1145	1121	82	

EMENT

Total.

Name

VIII /X

1.

2.

MEMORANDUM OF INVESTMENTS.

FY 1894–98

Description of security.					Nominal amounts.
					For Market Loans.
198 – 722 / 178 – 905	of	1	2	43	Rs. 3000.
193 – 243 / 191 – 428	of	———	Do	———	3000.
179 – 176 / 044 056	of	1	5	65	600.
2500 92	———	Do	———		500.
2500 95	———	Do	———		500.
2500 96	———	Do	———		500.
325 008 / 200 297	———	Do	———		600.
330 843 / 312 799	———	Do	———		2000.
342 094 / 239 094	———	Do	———		100.
Case No. 1061	———	Do	———		1500.
0 14 810 / m. 00 2532	of	30	6	54	1500.
96-97 m. 00/1984	of	1854	–	55	1500.
97-98. 028 480	———	Do	———		1500. ✓
				Total	16800.
					For Municipal Office Loans.
Case No. 1062	of	1	5	65 –	400
0 14 810 / m. 00 2532	of	30	6	54 –	400.
96-97. m. 00/2781 / 00 712	of	1879	———		400.
97-98 { m. 00 5687 / m. 00 4960	———				100
97-98 { m. 00 5697 / m. 00 4960	———				300. ✓
				Total	1600 ✓
				Grand Total Rupees.	18400. ✓

4 per cent Loans converted into 3½ per cent Loans under Govt. of India. Financial Depart. Notification No. 3257, 3258, & 3259 of the 30th June 94.

Notacamund.
July 1898.

G. Hamett
Chairman, D.M.C.

Statement showing the revenue derived from the water and drainage tax and
of the ordinary expenditure incurred therefrom on water-supply and drai

In 1894-98

Income.	Rs.	A.	P.	Expenditure.			
Opening balance ..				Grant I—			
				1. New Works †—			
1. Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands	11636	12	9	(a) Drainage	613	1	1
				(b) Water-supply	338	9	10
2. Penalties on account of the water and drainage tax on buildings and lands ..	-	-	-	2. Repairs—			
				(a) Drainage—			
3.* Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals for house service and drainage works	61	13	2	i. Repairs to works	421	10	7
				ii. Establishment for flushing drains, &c.	1663	7	3
4. Interest on investments	4500	-	-	(b) Water-supply—			
5. Realizations of sinking fund	-	-	-	i. Repairs to works, machinery, &c.	840	7	6
6. Miscellaneous	-	-	-	ii. Establishment	1653	-	-
				iii. Contingencies	71	12	2
				Grant IV—			
				3. Printing charges in connection with the water and drainage tax ..	-	-	-
				4. Repayment of Debt—			
				(a) Instalments of loans on account of water or drainage works paid	2772	3	8
				(b) Invested on account of sinking fund	-	-	-
				(c) Charges of investment ..	-	-	-
				5. Interest—			
				(a) On account of last year ..			
				(b) On account of current year ..	2205	2	6
				6. Refunds of other than current collections	103	9	5
Total ..	16198	9	11	Total ..	10682	15	11
	-	-	-	Closing balance ..	5515	10	-
	16198	9	11	Grand Total ..	16198	9	11

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† Under this head should be shown only the charges on such petty new works as are not debited to the grants and loans on account of the initial outlay on the schemes

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