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Administration Report.

Reviewing the — of the Palghat Municipal Council for 1897-98.

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Read—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. I. CHINNASWAMI PILLAI Avargal, Rao Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of Malabar and the Head Assistant Collector of Malabar), dated 29th June 1898, No. 2475.

I have the honour to submit, herewith, the annual report and accounts of the Palghat Municipality for the financial year 1897-98, together with the prescribed statements, educational statements, and a concise report relative to the working of the main hospital and the branch dispensary, Palghat.

2. I regret the delay in the submission of this report, which is due to the fact that the explanations, with respect to certain discrepancies found in the educational statements and in the concise report of the hospital and the branch dispensary, were received from the assistant inspector of schools and the civil apothecary, respectively, on the 14th instant only. The report was passed at a special meeting of the municipal council on the 24th instant.

I.—Constitution of the Municipal Council.

3. At the commencement of the year, the council consisted of eighteen members only. My term as Chairman and Municipal Councillor having expired on the 14th July 1897, I was re-nominated by Government on the 3rd August 1897. M.R.Ry. T. S. Lakshminarayana Aiyar Avargal, Sub-Assistant Inspector of Schools, having been transferred from Palghat, his successor M.R.Ry. N. Sundaresvara Aiyar Avargal was nominated as councillor on the 29th March 1898. There was a vacancy of an elected councillor in the Nurani Ward, which was filled up by a contested election. The total number of members on the municipal council on the 31st March 1898 was twenty including the two who were gazetted on the 6th April 1897.

4. The number of meetings actually held was 28 against 26 in the previous year. One meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance was 10·4 (1·0 officials and 9·4 non-officials) against 8 in the last year (·8 officials and 7·2 non-officials).

5. The registers of voters were revised during the year, and the number of registered voters fell from 1,221 to 1,049, the proportion to the total population being 2·6 per cent. against 3·1 in the previous year. The demand under tax on arts having fallen short by the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, the names of certain persons whose taxes were either reduced or remitted had to be removed from the voters' list.

6. The office of Chairman was held by me throughout the year, except for a period of three weeks—between the 14th July and 3rd August 1897—when, owing to the expiry of my term, Mr. R. F. Austin, Acting Head Assistant Collector, was in charge of the office.

II.—Receipts.

7. The total receipts of the municipality, inclusive of the opening balance, viz., Rs. 3,816-8-11, amounted to Rs. 71,012-13-3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 69,280 and Rs. 66,623-4-2, the actuals of 1896-97. The variations are explained below under their respective heads.

8. Taxes on buildings, lands, arts, &c., and receipts from tolls, form the chief sources of revenue.

A.—Receipts from Taxation.

9. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—As in the previous year, this tax was levied at the rate of 7½ per cent. of the rent value, and the principles on which the valuations were made remained the same as in 1896-97. As reported in the previous years, the council consider that the revision of land-tax registers could be taken in hand only when the revenue settlement of Palghat is completed.

10. *Tax on Buildings.*—After deducting the sum of As. 12 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand amounted to Rs. 13,527-0-11, of which Rs. 12,497-14-4 were collected, Rs. 8-7-4 were remitted on account of vacant houses and Rs. 241-13-6 were written off as irrecoverable. A balance of Rs. 778-13-9 thus remained uncollected at the close of the year. Of this, the sum of Rs. 281-2-9 has since been collected. Out of the arrears of the preceding years, viz., Rs. 2,356-9-1, Rs. 1,904-15-11 were collected, Rs. 306-3-0 were remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 145-6-2 only.

11. *Tax on Lands.*—After deducting the sum of Rs. 3-13-0 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand for the year amounted to Rs. 3,969-2-5, of which Rs. 3,603-7-3 were collected against Rs. 3,284-13-0 in the previous year, and Rs. 17-15-9 were written off as irrecoverable, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 347-11-5 at the close of the year against Rs. 691-15-7 in 1896-97. The arrears outstanding at the beginning of the year under report amounted to Rs. 904-15-10, of which Rs. 579-13-1 were realized against Rs. 604-0-11 in the previous year, Rs. 7-10-0 were remitted and Rs. 89-5-0 were written off as irrecoverable. There is still a balance of Rs. 228-3-9 against Rs. 213-0-3 in 1896-97 to be adjusted during the current year. The total balance outstanding at the close of the year—both arrears and current—amounted to Rs. 575-15-2 against the total demand of Rs. 4,874-2-3.

12. The percentage of current collections to the demand was 92·4 for house-tax and 90·8 for land-tax against 84 and 82·4, respectively, and that of arrear collections 80·8 for house-tax and 64·1 for land-tax against 73·3 and 71·6, respectively, in the previous year. Out of the balance of Rs. 1,500-3-1 under "Tax on Buildings and Lands" that remained to be collected on the 31st March 1898 against Rs. 3,261-8-11 on the corresponding date in the previous year, Rs. 357-11-11 have since been collected and Rs. 81-5-0 written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,061-2-2 only to be collected. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance in the current year.

13. Out of 8,680 houses in the municipality according to the census of 1891, 5,223 were brought under assessment. Every house, the annual rent of which is less than Rs. 6, was exempted from taxation, provided that it was the owner's sole property liable to taxation. The average incidence per house assessed was Rs. 2-9-5 against Rs. 2-8-7 in 1896-97. The total extent of land assessed was about the same as that in the previous year, viz., 3,162 acres, the incidence per acre of land being Rs. 1-4-1 against Rs. 1-4-2 in 1896-97.

14. *Tax on Arts.*—The total collections under this tax amounted to Rs. 3,422-8-0 against the revised estimate of Rs. 3,350 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 3,287-8-0. The original current demand for the year was Rs. 3,390-8-0, of which Rs. 237 were remitted by the council on appeal. Out of the final demand of Rs. 3,153-8-0 against Rs. 3,709-8-0 in 1896-97, Rs. 2,823-8-0 were collected and Rs. 59 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 271 at the end of the year. Out of this, Rs. 75-8-0 have since been realized and Rs. 48-8-0 written off. The decrease in the demand is due to the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, which came into force since the 4th May 1897.

15. The arrears outstanding at the commencement of the current year amounted to Rs. 861-8-0, of which Rs. 599 were realized during the year and Rs. 169-8-0 remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 93.

16. The total balance under this head on the 31st March 1898 was Rs. 364 against Rs. 861–8–0 on the corresponding date in the previous year; and of this balance, Rs. 81–8–0 have since been collected and Rs. 57–8–0 written off. The percentages of current and arrear collections to their respective demands were 89·5 and 69·6 against 77·8 and 55, respectively, in 1896–97. The percentage of current collections up to date is 91·9. The incidence per person taxed was Rs. 6–10–8 against Rs. 7–11–11 in the preceding year.

17. *Tax on Vehicles and Carts.*—Rs. 378–8–0 were collected during the year under "Tax on Vehicles with springs" against Rs. 450, the revised estimate, and Rs. 340–8–0, the actuals of the previous year. The income derived from registration of carts amounted to Rs. 1,620 against Rs. 1,680, the revised estimate, and Rupees 1,716–1–0, the actuals of the previous year. The sanitary inspector, the acting municipal overseer and the sub-overseer were, as usual, authorized to seize unregistered carts.

18. *Coercive Process.*—One thousand four hundred and fourteen warrants were issued for the collection of taxes during the year against 1,571 in the previous year. The number of warrants remaining unexecuted at the beginning of the year was 903. Rs. 3,385–15–0 were collected after the issue of the warrants, but before distraint. Distraint was made in 31 cases; in 24 cases the properties were redeemed before sale, and in seven cases the properties were sold. Under section 104 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, a warrant fee of two annas was levied, and the collections amounted to Rs. 92–4–6. The distraint fee collections amounted to Rs. 23–12–3 against Rs. 11–11–6, the actuals of 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted for the recovery of taxes was 94 against 48 in the preceding year.

19. *Tolls.*—As in the previous years, the number of toll-gates in this municipality was thirteen. Toll-gates were leased as usual to contractors, and tolls were levied at three-fourths of the maximum rates. The lease amount from tolls was Rs. 15,490 against Rs. 16,125 in the preceding year. The whole of the lease amount and the penal interest on overdue instalments amounting to Rs. 180–8–0 were fully realized before the close of the year. Of the sum of Rs. 85–10–2 which was outstanding at the end of the year 1896–97, a sum of Rs. 73–6–0, together with a penal interest of As. 1–6, was collected. Thus the total collections amounted to Rs. 15,743–15–6 against Rs. 15,690, the revised estimate, and Rs. 16,297–3–4, the actuals of the preceding year. Deducting the usual contribution paid to the District Board, the net revenue under "Tolls" amounted to Rs. 10,495–15–8 against Rs. 10,864–12–11 in the previous year. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance of Rs. 12–4–2.

20. *Incidence of Taxation.*—The total receipts under taxes including and excluding tolls were Rs. 34,503–2–3 and Rs. 24,007–2–7, respectively, and the average incidence of taxation per head of the population was As. 14–0 and As. 9–9, respectively, against As. 13–4 and As. 8–11 in the preceding year.

B.—Miscellaneous Receipts.

21. *Pounds.*—Under this head, the amount collected was Rs. 53–9–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 11–9–0, the actuals of 1896–97.

22. *Fees under Act II of 1888.*—The realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 45 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 100, the actuals of the previous year.

23. *Rent of Lands and Buildings—Sale-proceeds of lands, &c.*—The sum of Rs. 60–4–11 was realized under "Rent of Municipal Lands" leased out for temporary occupation against Rs. 18–1–9 in the past year. The avenue receipts—a fluctuating item—amounted to Rs. 315–5–10 against Rs. 267–12–3 in the preceding year. The receipts on account of fees from the travellers' bungalow amounted to Rs. 361–12–0 against Rs. 292 in the previous year. The number of travellers who halted in the bungalow rose to 226 from 159 in 1896–97. Under the head of "Produce of lands,

gardens, &c.," the sum of Rs. 43–5–7 was realized against Rs. 53–14–1 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 8–10–6 also was realized by the sale of old materials in the municipal office, &c.

24. *Conservancy Receipts.*—These including Rs. 8, the arrears collections, amounted to Rs. 515–8–0 against Rs. 546–8–0 in 1896–97. The street-refuse is, as usual, collected in the rubbish depots and burnt to ashes in the month of March and sold to ryots as manure. The system of burning the night-soil in brick cinerators has been successful. The night-soil burnt to ashes in the cinerators fetched Rs. 131, the highest price that has ever been obtained by the sale of night-soil in this municipality. Ryots have begun to appreciate it as a most valuable manure for cultivation. The amount for which street-refuse was sold was Rs. 596. Of this, a sum of Rupees 476–8–0 was realized in March last as soon as it was sold, and the balance (Rs. 119–8–0), was collected in the beginning of the current financial year. The quantity of rubbish removed to the depots during the year under report was 16,266 cart-loads against 14,655 in 1896–97, and that of the night-soil 3,346 against 3,591. In paragraph 4 (5) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the administration report of this municipality for 1896–97, it was remarked that "from the inspection notes of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner recorded in G.O., No. 903 M., dated 13th April 1897, it is evident that much yet remains to be done," that "the defects noticed by this officer and in paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report should receive very early attention," and that "apparently no provision has yet been made for the construction of incinerators for which there is urgent necessity." With regard to the above, I beg to state that most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner have already received my most careful attention. The Dance Market has been completed and opened; two brick cinerators are already being worked successfully, and a third one is almost completed; the private scavenging system is being extended from day after day (*vide* also paragraph 34 *infra*); the drainage of the cart-stand is now being attended to; and all other minor matters therein noticed have, in most cases, received, and in a few cases, are receiving, attention. The only important matters which have not yet been attended to are the construction of the Mappilla mosque drain and of a pucka latrine at Kalpatti. The mosque drain work could not be taken in hand, as the drain pipes recommended by the Sanitary Board could not be had from the Basel Mission Works. As suggested by the Sanitary Engineer to Government, an estimate for a cemented brick drain has been submitted to the Sanitary Board for approval. The Kalpatti latrine could not be constructed, as a proper site for the same has not yet been secured. I beg respectfully to assure Government that both these works will be completed in the current year. Paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report refer to private scavenging system and drainage. As regards the former, I beg to refer to paragraph 34 *infra*, and as regards the latter, nothing can be done until the promised drainage scheme is taken in hand by the Sanitary Engineer to Government.

25. *Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions.*—The fees from these institutions amounted to Rs. 17,002–5–7 (Victoria College, Rs. 16,255–5–0, and salary result schools, Rs. 747–0–7) against Rs. 15,620 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,000, and salary result schools, Rs. 620), the revised estimate, and Rs. 15,663–8–3 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,049–0–6, and salary result schools, Rs. 614–7–9), the actuals of the previous year. The increase over the revised estimate, which was based upon the actuals of the preceding year, was due to the increased strength in these institutions.

26. *Fees from Medical Institutions.*—The income derived from the sale of medicines from the municipal hospital amounted to Rs. 12–5–6 against Rs. 20 in the revised estimate and Rs. 15–12–9, actuals of the previous year.

27. *Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses.*—The market was leased out on contract for Rs. 760, which, together with Rs. 41–8–0, the arrear amount, and Rupees 13–10–11, the penal interest due for the previous year, came up to Rs. 815–2–11, against Rs. 820, the revised estimate, and Rs. 848–11–4, the actuals of the preceding year. The Dance market works were completed and opened on the 4th April 1898. The slaughter-house also was given out on contract for Rs. 585. The collections came up to Rs. 596–3–11, including the interest due for late payments of kists. Of the arrear demand, the sum of Rs. 3–2–8 was collected, and for the balance, the defaulter has been prosecuted, and the case is now pending before the magistrate.

28. *License Fees.*—The realization under this head amounted to Rs. 699-7-0 against Rs. 600, the revised estimate, and Rs. 706-10-0, the actuals in 1896-97. The increase over the revised estimate is due to the greater number of prosecutions against persons who failed to take out licenses, which was 140 against 122 in the previous year.

29. *Cart-stand Fees.*—The contractor for 1896-97 had left a balance of Rs. 150 at the close of the year, of which Rs. 129-1-6 excluding the interest thereon, viz., Rs. 8-3-2, were collected during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rupees 20-14-6 to be collected during the current financial year, which has since been collected. As in the previous years, the cart-stand was leased out on contract. The current collections amounted to Rs. 738-9-6, which includes Rs. 23-9-6, the penal interest on the overdue kists.

30. *Fines under Municipal and other Acts.*—The realization from fines amounted to Rs. 377-2-0 against Rs. 350, the revised estimate, and Rs. 384-9-0, the actuals in the previous year. The number of prosecutions under the District Municipalities Act was 520 against 399 in the previous year.

31. *Grants and Contributions from Government.*—The amount of grants received from Provincial funds was Rs. 4,427-14-11 (including Rs. 25, building grant for the Parakunnam Cheruma school) against Rs. 5,110, the revised estimate. The decrease of Rs. 682-1-1 was due to the lapse of grants owing to the frequent changes in the staff of the college and to the non-receipt of building grant for the Elsworthy reading-room within the year.

32. *Contributions from Local Boards.*—Besides the usual contribution of Rs. 550, being the maintenance grant of certain Local Fund roads situated within the municipal limits, a contribution of Rs. 2,247-15-6 was received from the Palghat Taluk Board, being the moiety of net expenditure for the maintenance of the main hospital. Thus the total realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 2,797-15-6 against Rs. 2,920 in the revised estimate and Rs. 2,840-6-7, actuals in 1896-97.

33. *Other Grants and Contributions.*—The full amount anticipated in the revised estimate, viz., Rs. 500, was received—Rs. 300 by transfer from deposits, and Rs. 200 by the collection of subscriptions towards the Elsworthy reading-room.

34. *Recoveries on account of services rendered to Private Individuals—Private Scavenging.*—The current demand of Rs. 1,466-10-0, together with that of the arrears of Rs. 335-9-0, amounted to Rs. 1,802-3-0, of which the sum of Rs. 1,399-3-0 (Rupees 1,198-11-0 under current and Rs. 200-8-0 under arrears) was collected, and the sum of Rs. 339-10-0 written off (Rs. 205-2-0 current demand and Rs. 134-8-0 arrears), leaving a balance of Rs. 63-6-0 (Rs. 62-13-0 current and As. 9-0 arrears) at the end of the year. The number of houses under the private scavenging system rose to 733 from 664 in the previous year. In my letters read in G.Os. Mis. Nos. 695 and 1091 M., dated 1st April and 17th June 1898, respectively, the action taken by the council for the extension of the private scavenging system has been fully reported. Since May last, I have deputed a hospital assistant to make a house-to-house visit in Kalpatti and adjacent villages, which form the densest parts of the town, with a view to prosecute all those persons who keep their backyards in an insanitary condition, and to introduce the system in those houses where the scavengers are provided with the necessary access into the backyards. I beg respectfully to assure Government that, by the increase in the rate of fees sanctioned in G.O., No. 1091, and by the expected extension of the system by the strenuous efforts of the executive, the system will be self-supporting at the end of the current financial year. In compliance with the orders of Government contained in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 1091, a further report showing the progress made in extending the private scavenging service, and the extent to which the system has been rendered self-supporting, will be submitted to Government by the 1st December next. The number of prosecutions under section 221 of the Act was 121 against 67 in the previous year.

35. *Other Items.*—These consist of batta for production of records in courts (Rs. 2-8-0), fees for searching the records (Rs. 3-8-0), court costs recovered in execution of decree No. 182 of 1894 (Rs. 16-9-8) and unclaimed deposits transferred to municipal revenue (Rs. 21-9-9).

36. *Advances Recovered.*—The sum of Rs. 1,550-2-5, which was advanced in the previous years for various purposes, was adjusted in the current year. Most of these sums were advanced to the Revenue Department for acquiring lands under the Land Acquisition Act.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

37. The following statement shows the percentage of expenditure under each head, as compared with the year 1896-97 :—

	1896-97.	1897-98.
Grant 1, Public Works	20·3	19·4
„ 2, Education	38·8	32·
„ 3, Medical Services and Sanitation	22·1	21·1
„ 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous Purposes	3·7	3·9
„ 5, Supervision and Management	5·8	5·2
Loans and interest	2·7	2·5
Advances and refunds	·8	·04
Closing balance	5·8	15·86
Total ..	100·	100·

38. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The outlay on public works amounted to Rupees 13,763-9-11 against Rs. 13,547-10-9 (audited figures) in 1896-97, and the revised estimate of Rs. 14,330.

39. *New Works—Communications.*—No new work was undertaken during the year under report. The sum of Rs. 197-12-5 appearing under this head consists of expenditure incurred for the construction of culverts on the Kunnathur branch road, and at Govindarayapuram and Sekharipuram villages, and for the completion of the Kumarapuram road. It also includes the advance of Rs. 6-8-0 paid in 1892-93 on account of compensation for lands taken up for the construction of the Sekharipuram road since adjusted.

40. *New Works—Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 4,693-0-11, as detailed in statement II-A, was spent under this head against Rs. 5,050, the revised estimate, and Rupees 5,260-5-5, actuals of the previous year. The construction of the Dance market was completed, and the building was opened on the 4th April 1898. Mr. Jones, Sanitary Engineer to Government, inspected at my request the Dance market in September last, and the additional works, which were found necessary and approved by the Sanitary Board, have been vigorously pushed on and completed. The most important of the additional works was the construction of a "tile" drain, which, in the words of Mr. Jones, is "simply to carry off sub-soil water which, flowing from higher ground around the market, makes the space, immediately outside it, swampy" and "to keep the site around the market dry." The Elsworthy reading-room was constructed at a cost of Rs. 1,574-12-0. A brick cinerator was constructed at a cost of Rupees 43-15-6 at Mattumonthai. In statement II-A, a sum of Rs. 1,455-10-0 is shown against the cart-stand, which is due to an adjustment of the advances made during the years 1895-96 and 1896-97. The acquisition of improvements in the municipal hospital compound is pending with the Head Assistant Collector, and a suitable site for the construction of the latrine at Kalpatti has not yet been secured. Consequently, the sums allotted for these purposes in the revised estimate were not utilised in the year under report.

41. *Drainage.*—The sum of Rs. 5-12-0 shown under this head is the amount paid as compensation for land taken up for the construction of the Chattrapuram drain (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1813 M., dated 19th August 1897).

42. *Water-supply.*—A sum of Rs. 150 was provided in the budget for 1895-96 for sinking a well at Dayirakkara street for the Muhammadans, and the work was given in contract. The contractor having left the work incomplete, the council resolved to complete the work departmentally. The sum of Rs. 42-4-6 shown under this head is the expenditure incurred on this account in the year under report.

43. *Repairs—Communications.*—In addition to the sum of Rs. 6,040 provided in the revised estimate, the sum of Rs. 150 was sanctioned by the council for the repair

of the gramom and street roads. The total expenditure on roads was Rs. 6,143–15–6 against Rs. 5,677–13–11, the actuals of the previous year. The outlay on roads was 58·5 per cent. of the net income from tolls.

44. The total length of the roads maintained by the council in the town is 59½ miles, of which 22 miles were metalled, 15½ miles gravelled, and 22 miles unmetalled. The condition of the roads was good. With regard to the remarks of Government contained in paragraph 32 of the General Municipal Review (G.Os., Nos. 2858 and 2859 M., dated 31st December 1897) stating that "* * * in Palghat * * * the length of unmetalled roads was large," and "that the Government trusts that steps will be taken to reduce the extent of unmetalled roads before long as far as funds permit," the council, I trust, will allot the necessary funds in the budget estimate for 1899–1900 for metalling a portion of the unmetalled roads in this municipality.

45. *Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 1,532–4–9 was spent under this head against Rs. 1,570, the revised estimate, the actuals of the previous year being Rs. 756–0–1. The increased expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the thorough repairs of latrines as ordered by Government in G.O., No. 413 M., dated 30th March 1894.

46. *Water-supply.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 28–15–4 against Rs. 40 in the revised estimate, and Rs. 33–2–2, the actuals in the previous year. The difference between the figures being slight calls for no remarks.

47. The municipal public works establishment consisted of an overseer, a sub-overseer and a peon, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 944–12–7 against Rs. 980, the revised estimate and, Rs. 1,042–11–1, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease in expenditure below the actuals of the previous year is due to the non-payment of horse allowance to the acting overseer as he did not maintain a horse.

48. *Grant 2, Education.*—The total expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 25,864–9–0 in the previous year. The total number of pupils who had been receiving instruction in the municipal, aided and unaided schools on the 31st March 1898 was 3,601 against 3,321 on the corresponding date in 1897.

49. The number of schools (on the 31st March 1898) maintained by the municipal council was less by one than that for the year 1896–97, which is due to the abolition of the salary result school at Tirunillai, and the number of pupils under instruction was 969 boys and 71 girls against 975 boys and 52 girls in the previous year. It will be observed that, though there has been a decrease in the number of schools, the strength has increased, chiefly in the Victoria College. This accounts for the increase in the attendance in the municipal schools.

50. *Municipal Schools*—(1) *On Salary System.*—The only institution which is worked on this system is the Victoria College, and on this account, a sum of Rupees 19,162–0–3 was expended against Rs. 20,453–10–10, the actuals of the previous year.

51. In the college, the number of pupils on rolls on 31st March 1898 was 445 against 414 in the previous year, the average attendance being 375·6 against 343 in 1896–97. The increased attendance of pupils and the abolition of the post of the Vice-Principal from 1st April 1897 resulted in a profit to the municipality. Twenty-six boys went up for the F.A. Examination, of whom only nine passed. Fifty boys presented themselves for the Matriculation Examination, of whom 14 were successful. Twenty-five boys were sent up for the Lower Secondary Examination, of whom only five came out successful. From the above it is evident that the results at the examinations were not quite satisfactory. In his annual report dated 17th instant, the Principal, Victoria College, writes to me on this subject as follows:—

I much regret to say that the results were, on the whole, far from satisfactory. In my report for 1896–97, I foretold the failure of these classes. Referring to the excellent results obtained at the December examinations of 1896, I said: "We cannot always expect such good years, and I very much fear that our Senior F.A. class this year will fall far short of its predecessors. The present matriculation class is also not nearly as good as the class of 1896." Such was my forecast,—fulfilled in the result. I now venture to predict that our F.A. results for 1898 will be good and our Matriculation results very fair.

I have no brighter tale to tell of the results at the Lower Secondary Examination of 1897 than of those at the examination of 1896. Out of 25 sent up, five passed the complete examination, nine passed in the compulsory subjects and one optional subject and two passed in compulsories only.

The break-down of our classes at the University Examinations was attributable to two main causes—(1) inferiority of material, and (2) constant changes in the staff.

52. *Municipal Schools on Salary Result System.*—The council maintained nine schools against ten in the previous year, the one at Tirunillai having been closed on the suggestion of the Educational authorities. The establishment of these schools, including the outlay on buildings, cost Rs. 3,126–2–9. The year opened with a strength of 561 boys and 52 girls. The number remaining on the rolls on the last day of March 1898 was 524 boys and 71 girls. This shows a decrease of 37 boys and an increase of 19 girls. These schools produced satisfactory results at the grant and Primary School examinations, 241 pupils having passed out of 320 presented. A sum of Rs. 373–12–6 was paid under result stipends against Rs. 586–2–9, the actuals of the preceding year. The usual charges of stationery, house-rent, printed forms, together with furniture costing Rs. 90, amounted to Rs. 297–3–9 against Rs. 450 in the revised estimate, resulting in a saving of Rs. 152–12–3.

53. *Result Grants.*—Five lower secondary, five upper and ten lower primary schools were registered for aid during the year. They received grants to the extent of Rs. 2,059–3–0 against Rs. 2,000 in the revised estimate. This shows an excess expenditure of Rs. 59–3–0 over the amount allotted, which is due to certain schools having been paid the over-earned grants as recommended by the Educational authorities. The total strength of these schools as it stood on the 31st March 1898 was 1,220 boys and 172 girls against 1,106 boys and 142 girls of the previous year. One thousand and forty-six pupils were examined for grants in these schools, of whom 749 or 71·6 per cent. were found qualified for grants against 737 or 76·9 per cent. in the previous year. In all, there were 43 qualified and 22 unqualified teachers. All the schools were allowed the maximum rate of grants.

54. The inspecting schoolmaster appears to have held the central class teaching in the month of March 1898 for the improvement of the result-grant schoolmasters.

55. *Inspection.*—The inspecting schoolmaster's pay amounted to Rs. 300 against Rs. 300, the figure of the revised estimate, while contingent charges in the shape of stationery, postage stamps, house-rent, furniture (Rs. 20) came up to Rs. 50–3–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 50. The inspecting schoolmaster's work was satisfactory.

56. The net expenditure on education, excluding the expenditure on public works, amounted to Rs. 845–7–2, or 2·4 per cent. of the receipts from taxation, against Rupees 5,865–14–1, or 17·9 per cent. in the previous year. The decrease in the percentage is due to the increase in the receipts and the consequent decrease in the expenditure. Rs. 10,717–7–6 against Rs. 12,570–0–11 and Rs. 4,126–3–9 against Rs. 4,432–10–1 were spent respectively on secondary and primary education.

57. In paragraph 4 (2) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the Palghat administration report for 1896–97, the Government having remarked that active steps should be taken to replace unqualified masters by trained teachers in the municipal and aided schools, provision has been made in the current year's budget for the improvement of the qualifications of teachers at the instance of the Director of Public Instruction. Two lower secondary and two primary grade teachers have already been sent for training, and the proposal of the assistant inspector of schools for the opening of a sessional school at Palghat has also been sanctioned by the council.

58. Total Grant 2 came up to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 23,480 in the revised estimate.

59. *Grant 3, Medical Services and Sanitation.*—As in the previous years, the council maintained a hospital and a branch dispensary. The total expenditure under this head, including the repairs to buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,588–2–3 against Rs. 5,696–10–9 in the previous year.

60. The number of in-patients treated at the main hospital fell from 385 to 368, but in that of out-patients there was an increase, both at the hospital and at the branch

dispensary: 11,513 and 12,482 against 11,038 and 11,703, respectively, in the previous year. The average daily attendance of both in- and out- patients in the hospital was 15·29 and 60·29 against 13·77 and 60·31, respectively, in the preceding year, and that in the branch dispensary was 52·6 against 51·38 in the previous year.

61. The hospital buildings, including the latrine, have been thoroughly repaired. The council have provided a sum of Rs. 2,000 in the current year for a lying-in-ward, and the construction of the building will be taken in hand as soon as the plan and estimate, which are now being prepared, are approved by the Sanitary Board. None of the hospital assistants received any house-rent, as they did not occupy any buildings within 200 yards from the hospital and the branch dispensary.

62. Under establishment, a sum of Rs. 3,277–2–1 was spent against Rs. 3,290 in the revised estimate, and the decrease being slight calls for no remarks.

63. *Medicines and Supplies.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 907–3–7 against Rs. 836–5–5 in the previous year. The increase of Rs. 7–3–7, as compared with the revised estimate, is due to the purchase of certain medicines locally.

64. *Diet of Patients.*—An expenditure of Rs. 644–15–4 was incurred against Rs. 800, the revised estimate, and Rs. 655–15–4, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease is due to the slight falling off in the number of in-patients from 385 to 368, and to the reduced rates of contract for dieting the in-patients.

65. *Sundries and Contingencies.*—Rs. 612–12–7 were expended against Rs. 720, the revised estimate, and Rs. 798–5–7, the actuals of the previous year. This sum includes Rs. 102 paid to the midwife as result grants. She attended 110 cases during the year against 66 in the preceding year.

66. As stated in paragraph 59 *supra*, the cost of maintaining the municipal hospital and the branch dispensary, including the cost of repairs to the buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,588–2–3. Deducting the several items of receipts on account of the main hospital, viz., Rs. 2,272–5–0 (contribution from the Taluk Board, Rupees 2,247–15–6, sale-proceeds of medicines, Rs. 12–5–6, sale of grass in the hospital compound, Rs. 12), the net cost to the municipality amounted to Rs. 3,315–13–3 against Rs. 3,353–0–8 in the previous year.

67. *Medical Training of Women.*—No expenditure was incurred under this head during the year.

68. *Vaccination.*—Vaccination was compulsory as in previous years. The two municipal vaccinators performed 1,153 operations on children below one year of age and 935 on those above one year. Of these, 1,145 under the former and 930 under the latter proved successful. The number of births registered during the year was 1,522. The number of children under one year of age that were liable to vaccination under G.O., No. 1502 M., dated 19th October 1894, was 1,531. Of these, 911 were successfully vaccinated against 906 in the previous year, 302 were returned as either "died" or "unaccounted for," 282 left the station and 36 remained to be disposed of at the close of the year. The total number of operations during the year, as compared with that of the previous year, showed a slight fall by 269 cases, which must be attributed to no other cause than the paucity in the number of unprotected children between one and ten years of age available for vaccination in the town. The first-class vaccinator is in charge of infantile vaccination, and the second-class vaccinator attends to all cases above six months and cases of re-vaccination. The minimum number of cases fixed for the second-class vaccinator is 150 per mensem, and if the minimum is not reached, he is fined in his salary at the rate of one anna per case. The second-class vaccinator had not been paid his full salary for several months for want of the minimum number of cases, and he has applied for a reduction in the minimum, as a sufficient number of cases are not available for vaccination. Since the introduction of compulsory vaccination from the 1st January 1893, a careful census of all children between the age of one and ten years, who under the system of vaccination before compulsion was employed were not operated upon, was taken, and all of them were vaccinated in the previous years. The percentage of successful cases of primary vaccination was 99·3 against 99·2, and that of secondary vaccination 100 against 95·8 in the previous year. The percentage of successful cases under infantile vaccination was 99·3 against 99 in the preceding year. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 505–9–1 against Rs. 496–11–3 in the previous year. The cost of a single successful vaccine operation performed during the year was As. 3–11 against As. 3–5 in the preceding year. The number of prosecutions instituted for failing to have the children vaccinated was 158 against 251 in the previous year.

69. *Registration of Vital Statistics.*—The number of births registered during the year was 1,522 against 1,607 in the previous year. This was at the rate of 38·5 per mille of the population of the town against 40·7, as per figures of the last census. Similarly, the number of deaths registered was 1,200 against 1,566 of the previous year. The death-rate was 30·4 per mille of the population against 39·7 in the previous year.

70. The number of prosecutions instituted against those who failed to register births and deaths was 80 against 58 in the previous year.

71. The provision in the revised estimate under "Establishment" (viz., Rs. 180) was wholly spent during the year. Rs. 48–14–0 were also spent against Rs. 70 in the revised estimate in supplying certain articles of stationery, &c., to the registrar.

72. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning, &c.*—The cost of the conservancy establishment for the year amounted to Rs. 5,846–8–2 against the revised estimate of Rs. 6,090 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 5,785–13–10. The establishment continued to be the same as in the previous year. The decrease in expenditure under this head below the revised estimate is chiefly due to the non-entertainment of the road-watering establishment.

73. During the year under report, the usual sanitary arrangements were made at the Big Bazaar and Kalpatti car festivals and at the Madappalli temple festival at a cost of Rs. 35–15–8.

74. *Other Charges, such as purchase or hire of carts, &c.*—A sum of Rs. 217–8–6 was spent under this head against Rs. 300, the revised estimate, and Rs. 43–8–2, the actuals of the previous year. The increase in expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the construction of four rubbish carts and three night-soil carts in addition to the existing plant in this municipality.

75. *Private Scavenging.*—The establishment maintained for the purpose consisted of one maistry and twenty scavengers as in the previous year. It cost Rs. 1,792–2–9, including Rs. 231–12–10, contingencies, against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,880 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 1,555–9–2. The amount spent under "Contingencies" includes the cost of constructing two night-soil carts and of purchasing 580 tins for private scavenging purposes. The net cost on account of private scavenging amounted to Rs. 392–15–9 against Rs. 716–0–2 in the previous year. The net expenditure on account of the service has been much reduced in the year under report, and the service will become self-supporting in the current year under the circumstances stated in paragraph 34 *supra*. The number of houses on the register of the private scavenging agency on the last day of the year was 733 against 664 in the previous year.

76. *Cholera Charges.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 224–6–11 against Rs. 396–2–4 in the previous year. On the appearance of the disease, all sanitary precautions for preventing the spread of the disease were adopted. Great attention was paid to the cleanliness of the town. Disinfectants were freely used. The establishment charges on account of the special staff entertained amounted to Rs. 96–13–3, exclusive of Rs. 53–4–8 paid to the hospital assistant in the shape of cart allowance, besides Rs. 74–5–0, being cost of medicines.

77. *Contingencies.*—The charges on account of sundry articles, such as purchase of stationery, &c., amounted to Rs. 96–11–8 against Rs. 100 in the revised estimate. The above amount also includes Rs. 24–15–6, being the cost of constructing a shed to the cinerator during the rainy season and Rs. 31–3–0 spent for clearing noxious vegetation.

78. The number of latrines, urinals and dust-bins was the same as that in the previous year, viz., 13, 1 and 151, respectively.

79. *Grant 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous.*—The charges incurred under "Contingencies" were Rs. 1,432–5–5 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,850 and Rupees 1,289–2–1, the actuals in the preceding year. The number of lights put up during the year was 26, and the total number of lights on the 31st March 1898 was 181 against 155 on the 31st March 1897.

80. *Travellers' Bungalow.*—The charges under this head amounted to Rupees 209–12–6 against Rs. 240, the revised estimate, and Rs. 188–14–6, the actuals of the previous year. The above amount includes Rs. 53–12–6 spent under "Contingencies" Rs. 12, washerman's charges, and Rs. 41–12–6, cost of an iron cot and wire mattress purchased for the bungalow.

81. *Avenues and Public Garden.*—As in the previous year, two avenue coolies for five months were employed in tending the cocoanut trees planted along the roads, and the services of a gardener were continued for the vegetable garden, &c., within the municipal office compound. The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 104–8–0 against Rs. 107–9–4. The vegetables, &c., grown in the garden were sold in auction for Rs. 31–5–7.

82. *Other Charges.*—During the year under report, no expenditure was incurred under "Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes." The printing charges, viz., Rs. 745–13–5 show a decrease of Rs. 154–2–7 under the figure in the revised estimate. A sum of Rs. 143–12–0 was paid as compensation for the site acquired for a burial-ground for the Basel German Mission congregation, which is shown under Grant 4 (9) (iv). The other items show an excess expenditure of Rs. 37–8–4 over Rs. 129–10–8, the actuals of 1896–97. This is chiefly due to the adjustment of the cost of the old municipal Acts, and to the payment of the pound-keeper's commission and feeding charges from this head.

83. *Grant 5, Supervision and Management.*—The details of establishment are shown in statement II-B. The total expenditure under Grant 5 amounted to Rupees 3,709–7–1 against Rs. 3,990, the revised estimate, and Rs. 3,815–9–6, the actuals of the previous year, and thus it was 5·5 per cent. of the current receipts against 6·2 per cent. in the previous year.

84. *Repayment of Debt.*—The instalment of loan which fell due for 1897–98 with interest amounted to Rs. 1,780 and was paid during the year under report. The note appended to statement II contains information regarding the financial position of the municipality.

85. *Advances Recoverable.*—The advances made during the year amounted to Rs. 1,411–14–1, of which Rs. 10–6–3 were recovered by cash and Rs. 1,400–11–10 by adjustment. The balance of the previous year's outstanding at the close of the year 1896–97, excluding the permanent advance, was Rs. 1,631–11–0, out of which, the sum of Rs. 2–9–0 has been recovered in cash and the sum of Rs. 1,547–9–5 by adjustment.

86. *Refunds of other than Current Collections.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 27–5–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate.

IV.—Closing Balance.

87. A sum of Rs. 4,410 was anticipated in the revised estimate against Rupees 3,816–8–11, actuals of the previous year; but the actuals of the year under report amounted to Rs. 11,273–10–7, or Rs. 6,863–10–7 in excess over the amount anticipated in the revised estimate, which is chiefly due to the following :—

	Rs.
(1) Increase in receipts over the revised estimate by about	1,740
(2) Savings effected under Grants 2 (2) (ii), 3 (1) (*c*) and (*d*), 4 (1) (*b*), (6) (*b*), (9) (iii), and 5 (*b*) (i), (ii) and (*d*)	1,880
(3) The non-utilization of allotments made for certain purposes under Grants 1 (i) (*b*), 3 (5) (*c*), 4 (8) (*b*), (9) (ii) and (iv)	2,810
Total ..	6,430

88. *Municipal Accounts.*—The accounts of the year 1896–97 were audited by M.R.Ry. T. Krishnaswami Mudaliyar, who has remarked in the concluding portion of his notes that "the result of the audit was satisfactory" and that "the Chairman exercised his close supervision over the accounts, as observed in the last year's audit notes."

89. In summarising the year's administration, I trust the Government will be pleased to consider that the administration compared favourably with that of the previous year. Collection of taxes under most of the items greatly improved; coercive process was freely resorted to, and warrants were executed with promptitude; the sale of sweepings was effected at a reasonable price; the sale of night-soil converted into ashes at the cinerators fetched the highest price, the cultivators having appreciated its advantage as manure; the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733; new buildings of importance, such as the Dance market and the Elsworthy reading-room, were completed; the condition of roads was good; progress was made in education; good results were produced in vaccination and registration; the sanitation of the town was efficient; number of lights was increased from 155 to 181; the conservancy clauses of the Act were rigorously enforced; and the work done in the medical institutions was good.

Enclosure.

Concise Annual Report of the Municipal Hospital and Branch Dispensary, Palghat, for the year 1897–98.

Public Health.—The public health has been better than that of last year. Cholera prevailed only in sporadic form; 120 cases were registered with 81 deaths. With the exception of small-pox, fevers, diarrhœa and other diseases have been less prevalent.

2. *Vital Statistics.*—

Months.	Population.	Cause of death.					Total deaths.	Total births.
		Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery and diarrhœa.	All other causes.		
April 1897	39,481	20	..	17	6	40	83	140
May ,, ...		..	..	21	14	60	95	136
June ,, ...		..	1	15	30	49	95	147
July ,, ...		..	..	22	12	64	98	141
August ,, ...		2	..	19	21	53	95	117
September ,, ...		..	..	22	11	53	86	118
October ,, ...		..	..	12	16	42	70	109
November ,, ...		31	3	12	15	63	124	114
December ,, ...		19	9	17	14	69	128	118
January 1898		..	16	22	11	55	104	108
February ,, ...		9	1	29	17	65	121	123
March ,, ...		..	..	22	8	71	101	151
Total ..		81	30	230	175	684	1,200	1,522

3. *Sanitation.*—The refuse is carted away by hand-carts to the rubbish depots and burnt in a cinerator. Hitherto it was stacked up and sold once a year by public auction. There are 27 hand-carts (showing an increase of three over that of the previous year) and 12 night-soil carts. These carts are worked by 48 sweepers—seven amshoms are conserved in the circle.

There are thirteen latrines and one urinal, of which eight are Crawfords, one pucka built and four tatty. They are freely used by the people. The system of private scavenging is extending in the town and Brahmin villages.

4. *Water-supply.*—Wells are the chief sources of water-supply. There are nine public wells, the property of the municipality, protected by parapet walls and masonry flooring from pollution. The water is fairly good and is used for drinking purposes.

In some parts each house has a well of its own, in others groups of houses have a well common to them. There are also several tanks, but the water is not good and is never drunk. They are used for purposes of ablution only.

5. *Drainage.*—The drainage of the town is very defective, the only masonry drain provided is in Big bazaar and Sultanpett streets; in other parts of the town temporary side-channels are dug just before the monsoon, which become closed after one or two showers. The sewage of the houses in most cases is drained off to the backyards. There are no cesspools.

6. *Vaccination.*—The work of vaccination is carried out by a first and a second class vaccinator. The former works at the hospital in a shed erected for the purpose under the supervision of the medical subordinate in charge, and the latter in the town. The system of compulsory vaccination is in force. The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,095, of which 2,082 were successful. Of this total, 1,131 were infantile, 952 primary operations and 12 re-vaccinations.

The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,088, of which 2,075 were successful (1,153 infantile cases and 935 cases above one year of age). The civil apothecary explains that "the mistake must have occurred when totalling the figures from the several statements."

(Intld.) P. I. C.

7. *Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Two—the municipal main hospital in charge of a civil apothecary and a branch dispensary in charge of a second-class civil hospital assistant.

(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The hospital consists of a main building and separate blocks. The main building comprises an office-room, store-room, out-patients waiting and compounding room, dressing-room, two male wards with bath and store-rooms, and two female wards with bath and store-rooms, male and female latrines and kitchen. The separate blocks consist of a pucka-built cholera ward, small-pox ward, male venereal ward and mortuary. There are also thatched sheds for caste Hindus, female venereal cases and for low-caste people.

The male ward can accommodate eight patients and the female eight, cholera ward four, small-pox ward four, male venereal ward four and the thatched sheds each four.

The branch dispensary is a rented building and consists of only one room, which is used for all purposes. The hospital assistant in charge reports that the accommodation is not at all sufficient, and hopes that the council will soon see their way to providing a suitable building.

(*b*) *State of Repair of Buildings.*—The hospital main buildings require repairs to roof and flooring. The latrines are in a *very bad* state of repair; a new cemented flooring is necessary. The council have sanctioned these repairs, and the work will soon be carried out.

The Branch dispensary is in a fairly good state of repair.

(*c*) *State of repair of Furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—The hospital and branch dispensary were inspected by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer in the month of June.

(1) For want of funds nothing has been done to carry out the suggestion of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras regarding the demolition of the present caste-shed and the construction of a pucka building.

The council have, however, provided (in their budget) a sum of Rs. 2,000 for the construction of a lying-in-ward, which is more necessary.

(*e*) The sum of Rs. 12–3–6 has been realized on sale of medicines at the main hospital.

The realization from the sale of medicines was Rs. 12–5–6. The figure shown in this report is "a clerical error," as explained by the civil apothecary.

(Intld.) P. I. C.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated at the main hospital was 11,881 against 11,423, and at the branch dispensary 12,482 against 11,703.

(*g*) The number of deaths was 49 against 79 in the previous year. There were no deaths from septic disease.

(*h*) *Operations and Results.*—At the main hospital 416 operations were performed, and at the branch dispensary 326. There were no casualties.

(*i*) The establishment is sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwives—Work actually done.*—The midwife attended 110 cases against 66 in the previous year. When unengaged in her legitimate work, she attends the hospital and assists in the dressings of the female patients.

PALGHAT,
10*th April* 1898.

(Signed) E. D'SYLVA,
Civil Apothecary in medical charge.

Endt. on P. No. 883.

Forwarded to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.

CALICUT,
19*th May* 1898.

(Signed) T. J. HACKETT-WILKINS, Surgn.-Lt.-Col.,
District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Malabar.

No. 1492–R.

Submitted to the Collector of Malabar.

Paragraph 12.—Owing to the high price of the necessaries of life, arrears were not pressed against poor defaulters in the matter of house-tax. This accounts for the lower percentage of arrear collections.

3. The enforcement of private scavenging is rendered more difficult by the leniency with which the local Bench of Magistrates visits nuisance cases. Attention has been called to this on the magisterial side.

4. The condition of the roads was fair, considering the low allotment on them. There is every prospect of a great improvement in the current year, as they have been given out to a competent contractor.

1*st July* 1898.

(Signed) R. F. AUSTIN,
Ag. Head Asst. Collector.

Endt. on C. No. 422-M.

Submitted.

2. The delay of the assistant inspector of schools and civil apothecary in sending their reports to the Chairman is unsatisfactory.

3. If private scavenging fees had been collected in advance, there would have been no necessity for writing Rs. 339–10–0 off the accounts.

4. The Principal's report shows a net profit to the municipal council of more than Rs. 1,700 in the working of the Victoria College during the year.

CALICUT,
8*th July* 1898.

(Signed) N. SUNDRA ROW,
for *Ag. Collector.*

ORDER—No. 1470 M., dated 19th August 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Palghat 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	5,602	770	3,820	3,817
Tax on Arts	3,287	3,900	3,350	3,423
,, Buildings and Lands	16,621	17,390	18,080	18,586
,, Vehicles and Animals	340	450	450	379
,, Carts	1,716	1,750	1,680	1,620
Tolls	10,865	10,800	10,460	10,496
Realizations under Special Acts	112	30	100	99
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	667	550	570	789
Conservancy Receipts	546	500	500	516
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	15,663	16,870	15,620	17,002
,, ,, Medical Institutions	16	40	20	12
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	1,492	1,640	1,420	1,415
License Fees	707	550	600	699
Other Fees	478	630	1,040	993
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	385	500	350	377
Grants and Contributions from Government	4,328	5,110	5,110	4,428
,, ,, from Local Boards	2,840	2,950	2,920	2,798
,, ,, from other bodies	..	500	500	500
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	840	1,600	1,600	1,410
Miscellaneous	117	90	110	104
Advances recovered	1	..	980	1,550
Total	66,623	66,620	69,280	71,013
Charges.				
GRANT 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	709	190	190	198
Buildings	5,260	2,950	5,050	4,693
Drainage	..	10	10	6
Water-supply	..	300	150	42
Repairs—				
Communications	5,678	6,190	6,040	6,144
Buildings	756	1,690	1,570	1,532
Water-supply	33	100	40	29
Establishment	1,043	1,080	980	945
Tools and Plant and other Stores	69	300	300	175
Total	13,548	12,810	14,330	13,764
GRANT 2—				
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System	20,152	17,920	17,350	17,287
On the Salary-result System	3,351	3,890	3,780	3,035
Grants-in-aid—				
Result Grants	2,036	2,060	2,060	2,059
Inspection	325	350	350	350
Total	25,864	24,220	23,480	22,731
GRANT 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	5,579	5,710	5,710	5,442
Contributions	474	630	630	570
Vaccination	497	550	550	506
Registration of Births and Deaths	282	300	250	229
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	7,897	10,100	10,110	8,177
Total	14,729	17,290	17,250	14,924
GRANT 4—				
Lighting	1,289	1,850	1,850	1,432
Travellers' Bungalows	189	240	240	210
Avenues	22	100	100	30
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	971	1,340	1,800	1,131
Total	2,471	3,530	3,990	2,803
GRANT 5—				
Supervision and Management	3,815	4,120	3,990	3,709
Repayment of Debt	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Interest on Loan	840	780	780	780
Advances recoverable	499	..	..	1
Refunds	40	50	50	27
Grand Total	62,806	63,800	64,870	59,739
Balance	3,817	2,820	4,410	11,274

2. The Municipal Council held 28 meetings against 26 in the previous year. The average attendance of members improved and was fair in the case of non-officials, but was poor in that of officials. The Collector will report to Government the names

of such of the officials at fault as have no satisfactory explanation to offer. One seat was filled by election during the year, at which only 10·8 per cent. of the registered voters attended the poll.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) Owing to the operation of revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act, the net current demand under the tax on arts fell from Rs. 3,710 to Rs. 3,154. Under the taxes on buildings and lands also there was a decline of Rs. 98 and Rs. 15, respectively.

(2) The collections under the principal taxes improved and were fair, except in the case of the arrears of land tax. Distress warrants were issued in 2,317 cases against 2,835 in 1896-97, but they were executed with greater promptitude.

(3) The receipts from bungalow, school and cart-stand fees showed a satisfactory advance, while those from the tax on carts and tolls declined, the marked decrease under the latter head being due to combination among bidders at the auction sales. The income from the sale of sweepings amounted to Rs. 516 against Rs. 546 in the previous year, but as the ryots have begun to appreciate the value of night-soil as manure, it is hoped that there will be an increase in the revenue from this source in future.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733, and the service was worked at a loss of Rs. 393 against Rs. 729 in the previous year. As the rate of fees has since been raised from As. 3 to As. 4 a month from 1st July 1898, the Government trusts that the service will be rendered self-supporting in the current year. These fees were again not collected in advance, as repeatedly ordered by Government, and consequently about Rs. 340 of the arrear and current demands had to be written off as irrecoverable. The instructions of Government on the subject must be strictly followed in future. The efforts reported to have been made by the Chairman to extend this service should not be relaxed until all the houses in the town have been brought under municipal control.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The Dance market was completed during the year at a total cost of Rs. 13,001 against an estimate of Rs. 15,075 and was opened for use on the 4th April 1898. A sum of Rs. 1,575 was also spent on the construction of the Elsworthy reading-room. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 6,342, or only 60·4 per cent. of the net municipal income from tolls, against the minimum of 80 per cent. fixed in G.O., No. 1438 M., dated 7th September 1891. The short outlay under this head should be explained. The roads are, however, reported by the Revenue Divisional officer to have been in fair order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on primary education amounted to Rupees 3,529, while secondary education was worked at a profit of Rs. 2,703. Thus the total net outlay on education amounted to Rs. 826, or only 2·4 per cent. of the receipts from taxation. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council maintained a second-grade college on the salary system, and nine primary schools on the salary-result system against ten in that year. Five secondary and fifteen primary schools were also aided by the Municipal Council with result grants against four and fourteen, respectively, in the previous year. The attendance at the Victoria College and the aided schools showed an increase, but at the Municipal primary schools it fell slightly. The results of the Victoria College at the First in Arts examination, though not so good as in the previous year, were fair; but those at the Matriculation and Lower Secondary examinations were poor. The remaining institutions, municipal and aided, fared well at the departmental and grant examinations and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. The total number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools rose from 2,081 or 72·5 per cent. of the male population of school-going age to 2,189 or 76·3 per cent. More than one-third of the number of teachers employed in the municipal and aided schools were still entirely unqualified. Every endeavour should be made to reduce this large proportion.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—There was a small decrease in the number of in-patients treated in the main hospital, but the number of out-patients who attended this institution and the branch dispensary rose from 22,741 to 23,995. The midwife attached

to the hospital attended 110 cases of labour against 66 in the previous year—a satisfactory advance. The attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Civil Apothecary's remark in paragraph 7 (*a*) of his report regarding the insufficiency of the accommodation in the branch dispensary.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year fell from 2,357 to 2,088, the decline being ascribed to almost all the children above one and below ten years of age having been vaccinated in previous years. The percentage of reported success, however, continued to be very high, viz., 99·4, and it is a matter for surprise that all the secondary vaccinations were successful. The District Medical and Sanitary officer has not stated whether he verified any of these cases, and if so, with what result. This information should be supplied in future reports. The number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 1,145 or 29·0 per mille of the population against 1,158 or 29·3 per mille in 1896–97 and a registered birth-rate of 38·6 per mille.

The number of births registered during the year fell by 85 and that of deaths by 366, the large decline in the latter case being evidently due to the small mortality from cholera as compared with that in the previous year. The rates recorded in both cases, however, being below the normal, the returns appear to be still incomplete and no efforts should be spared to make them trustworthy.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 8,177 or 81 per cent. of the allotment and was 12·2 per cent. of the receipts. The short outlay has not been explained, but it was apparently due to the absence of necessity for a large expenditure under cholera charges. It is satisfactory to observe from paragraph 24 of the Chairman's report, that most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner at his last inspection have been remedied. The construction of the drain round the Mappila mosque and a public latrine at Kalpati should be undertaken as soon as possible.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 11,274, or 16·8 per cent. of the receipts. A large portion of this sum should be spent for the benefit of the rate-payers in the current year.

The administration of the Municipality during the year under review showed an improvement in some respects on that of the previous year and was on the whole efficient.

The tabular statement given in paragraph 2 of the Civil Apothecary's report is unnecessary and should be omitted in future.

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.
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" President, District Board, Malabar.
" Accountant-General.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. I. CHINNASWAMI PILLAI Avargal, Rao Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of Malabar and the Head Assistant Collector of Malabar), dated 29th June 1898, No. 2475.

I have the honour to submit, herewith, the annual report and accounts of the Palghat Municipality for the financial year 1897–98, together with the prescribed statements, educational statements, and a concise report relative to the working of the main hospital and the branch dispensary, Palghat.

2. I regret the delay in the submission of this report, which is due to the fact that the explanations, with respect to certain discrepancies found in the educational statements and in the concise report of the hospital and the branch dispensary, were received from the assistant inspector of schools and the civil apothecary, respectively, on the 14th instant only. The report was passed at a special meeting of the municipal council on the 24th instant.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

3. At the commencement of the year, the council consisted of eighteen members only. My term as Chairman and Municipal Councillor having expired on the 14th July 1897, I was re-nominated by Government on the 3rd August 1897. M.R.Ry. T. S. Lakshminarayana Aiyar Avargal, Sub-Assistant Inspector of Schools, having been transferred from Palghat, his successor M.R.Ry. N. Sundaresvara Aiyar Avargal was nominated as councillor on the 29th March 1898. There was a vacancy of an elected councillor in the Nurani Ward, which was filled up by a contested election. The total number of members on the municipal council on the 31st March 1898 was twenty including the two who were gazetted on the 6th April 1897.

4. The number of meetings actually held was 28 against 26 in the previous year. One meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance was 10·4 (1·0 officials and 9·4 non-officials) against 8 in the last year (·8 officials and 7·2 non-officials).

5. The registers of voters were revised during the year, and the number of registered voters fell from 1,221 to 1,049, the proportion to the total population being 2·6 per cent. against 3·1 in the previous year. The demand under tax on arts having fallen short by the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, the names of certain persons whose taxes were either reduced or remitted had to be removed from the voters' list.

6. The office of Chairman was held by me throughout the year, except for a period of three weeks—between the 14th July and 3rd August 1897—when, owing to the expiry of my term, Mr. R. F. Austin, Acting Head Assistant Collector, was in charge of the office.

II.—RECEIPTS.

7. The total receipts of the municipality, inclusive of the opening balance, viz., Rs. 3,816–8–11, amounted to Rs. 71,012–13–3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 69,280 and Rs. 66,623–4–2, the actuals of 1896–97. The variations are explained below under their respective heads.

8. Taxes on buildings, lands, arts, &c., and receipts from tolls, form the chief sources of revenue.

A.—Receipts from Taxation.

9. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—As in the previous year, this tax was levied at the rate of 7½ per cent. of the rent value, and the principles on which the valuations were made remained the same as in 1896–97. As reported in the previous years, the council consider that the revision of land-tax registers could be taken in hand only when the revenue settlement of Palghat is completed.

10. *Tax on Buildings.*—After deducting the sum of As. 12 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand amounted to Rs. 13,527–0–11, of which Rs. 12,497–14–4 were collected, Rs. 8–7–4 were remitted on account of vacant houses and Rs. 241–13–6 were written off as irrecoverable. A balance of Rs. 778–13–9 thus remained uncollected at the close of the year. Of this, the sum of Rs. 281–2–9 has since been collected. Out of the arrears of the preceding years, viz., Rs. 2,356–9–1, Rs. 1,904–15–11 were collected, Rs. 306–3–0 were remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 145–6–2 only.

11. *Tax on Lands.*—After deducting the sum of Rs. 3–13–0 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand for the year amounted to Rs. 3,969–2–5, of which Rs. 3,603–7–3 were collected against Rs. 3,284–13–0 in the previous year, and Rs. 17–15–9 were written off as irrecoverable, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 347–11–5 at the close of the year against Rs. 691–15–7 in 1896–97. The arrears outstanding at the beginning of the year under report amounted to Rs. 904–15–10, of which Rs. 579–13–1 were realized against Rs. 604–0–11 in the previous year, Rs. 7–10–0 were remitted and Rs. 89–5–0 were written off as irrecoverable. There is still a balance of Rs. 228–3–9 against Rs. 213–0–3 in 1896–97 to be adjusted during the current year. The total balance outstanding at the close of the year—both arrears and current—amounted to Rs. 575–15–2 against the total demand of Rs. 4,874–2–3.

12. The percentage of current collections to the demand was 92·4 for house-tax and 90·8 for land-tax against 84 and 82·4, respectively, and that of arrear collections 80·8 for house-tax and 64·1 for land-tax against 73·3 and 71·6, respectively, in the previous year. Out of the balance of Rs. 1,500–3–1 under "Tax on Buildings and Lands" that remained to be collected on the 31st March 1898 against Rs. 3,261–8–11 on the corresponding date in the previous year, Rs. 357–11–11 have since been collected and Rs. 81–5–0 written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,061–2–2 only to be collected. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance in the current year.

13. Out of 8,680 houses in the municipality according to the census of 1891, 5,223 were brought under assessment. Every house, the annual rent of which is less than Rs. 6, was exempted from taxation, provided that it was the owner's sole property liable to taxation. The average incidence per house assessed was Rs. 2–9–5 against Rs. 2–8–7 in 1896–97. The total extent of land assessed was about the same as that in the previous year, viz., 3,162 acres, the incidence per acre of land being Rs. 1–4–1 against Rs. 1–4–2 in 1896–97.

14. *Tax on Arts.*—The total collections under this tax amounted to Rs. 3,422–8–0 against the revised estimate of Rs. 3,350 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 3,287–8–0. The original current demand for the year was Rs. 3,390–8–0, of which Rs. 237 were remitted by the council on appeal. Out of the final demand of Rs. 3,153–8–0 against Rs. 3,709–8–0 in 1896–97, Rs. 2,823–8–0 were collected and Rs. 59 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 271 at the end of the year. Out of this, Rs. 75–8–0 have since been realized and Rs. 48–8–0 written off. The decrease in the demand is due to the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, which came into force since the 4th May 1897.

15. The arrears outstanding at the commencement of the current year amounted to Rs. 861–8–0, of which Rs. 599 were realized during the year and Rs. 169–8–0 remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 93.

16. The total balance under this head on the 31st March 1898 was Rs. 364 against Rs. 861–8–0 on the corresponding date in the previous year; and of this balance, Rs. 81–8–0 have since been collected and Rs. 57–8–0 written off. The percentages of current and arrear collections to their respective demands were 89·5 and 69·6 against 77·8 and 55, respectively, in 1896–97. The percentage of current collections up to date is 91·9. The incidence per person taxed was Rs. 6–10–8 against Rs. 7–11–11 in the preceding year.

17. *Tax on Vehicles and Carts.*—Rs. 378–8–0 were collected during the year under "Tax on Vehicles with springs" against Rs. 450, the revised estimate, and Rs. 340–8–0, the actuals of the previous year. The income derived from registration of carts amounted to Rs. 1,620 against Rs. 1,680, the revised estimate, and Rupees 1,716–1–0, the actuals of the previous year. The sanitary inspector, the acting municipal overseer and the sub-overseer were, as usual, authorized to seize unregistered carts.

18. *Coercive Process.*—One thousand four hundred and fourteen warrants were issued for the collection of taxes during the year against 1,571 in the previous year. The number of warrants remaining unexecuted at the beginning of the year was 903. Rs. 3,385–15–0 were collected after the issue of the warrants, but before distraint. Distraint was made in 31 cases; in 24 cases the properties were redeemed before sale, and in seven cases the properties were sold. Under section 104 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, a warrant fee of two annas was levied, and the collections amounted to Rs. 92–4–6. The distraint fee collections amounted to Rs. 23–12–3 against Rs. 11–11–6, the actuals of 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted for the recovery of taxes was 94 against 48 in the preceding year.

19. *Tolls.*—As in the previous years, the number of toll-gates in this municipality was thirteen. Toll-gates were leased as usual to contractors, and tolls were levied at three-fourths of the maximum rates. The lease amount from tolls was Rs. 15,490 against Rs. 16,125 in the preceding year. The whole of the lease amount and the penal interest on overdue instalments amounting to Rs. 180–8–0 were fully realized before the close of the year. Of the sum of Rs. 85–10–2 which was outstanding at the end of the year 1896–97, a sum of Rs. 73–6–0, together with a penal interest of As. 1–6, was collected. Thus the total collections amounted to Rs. 15,743–15–6 against Rs. 15,690, the revised estimate, and Rs. 16,297–3–4, the actuals of the preceding year. Deducting the usual contribution paid to the District Board, the net revenue under "Tolls" amounted to Rs. 10,495–15–8 against Rs. 10,864–12–11 in the previous year. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance of Rs. 12–4–2.

20. *Incidence of Taxation.*—The total receipts under taxes including and excluding tolls were Rs. 34,503–2–3 and Rs. 24,007–2–7, respectively, and the average incidence of taxation per head of the population was As. 14–0 and As. 9–9, respectively, against As. 13–4 and As. 8–11 in the preceding year.

B.—Miscellaneous Receipts.

21. *Pounds.*—Under this head, the amount collected was Rs. 53–9–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 11–9–0, the actuals of 1896–97.

22. *Fees under Act II of 1888.*—The realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 45 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 100, the actuals of the previous year.

23. *Rent of Lands and Buildings—Sale-proceeds of lands, &c.*—The sum of Rs. 60–4–11 was realized under "Rent of Municipal Lands" leased out for temporary occupation against Rs. 18–1–9 in the past year. The avenue receipts—a fluctuating item—amounted to Rs. 315–5–10 against Rs. 267–12–3 in the preceding year. The receipts on account of fees from the travellers' bungalow amounted to Rs. 361–12–0 against Rs. 292 in the previous year. The number of travellers who halted in the bungalow rose to 226 from 159 in 1896–97. Under the head of "Produce of lands,

gardens, &c.," the sum of Rs. 43–5–7 was realized against Rs. 53–14–1 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 8–10–6 also was realized by the sale of old materials in the municipal office, &c.

24. *Conservancy Receipts.*—These including Rs. 8, the arrears collections, amounted to Rs. 515–8–0 against Rs. 546–8–0 in 1896–97. The street-refuse is, as usual, collected in the rubbish depots and burnt to ashes in the month of March and sold to ryots as manure. The system of burning the night-soil in brick cinerators has been successful. The night-soil burnt to ashes in the cinerators fetched Rs. 131, the highest price that has ever been obtained by the sale of night-soil in this municipality. Ryots have begun to appreciate it as a most valuable manure for cultivation. The amount for which street-refuse was sold was Rs. 596. Of this, a sum of Rupees 476–8–0 was realized in March last as soon as it was sold, and the balance (Rs. 119–8–0), was collected in the beginning of the current financial year. The quantity of rubbish removed to the depots during the year under report was 16,266 cart-loads against 14,655 in 1896–97, and that of the night-soil 3,346 against 3,591. In paragraph 4 (5) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the administration report of this municipality for 1896–97, it was remarked that "from the inspection notes of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner recorded in G.O., No. 903 M., dated 13th April 1897, it is evident that much yet remains to be done," that "the defects noticed by this officer and in paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report should receive very early attention," and that "apparently no provision has yet been made for the construction of incinerators for which there is urgent necessity." With regard to the above, I beg to state that most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner have already received my most careful attention. The Dance Market has been completed and opened; two brick cinerators are already being worked successfully, and a third one is almost completed; the private scavenging system is being extended from day after day (*vide* also paragraph 34 *infra*); the drainage of the cart-stand is now being attended to; and all other minor matters therein noticed have, in most cases, received, and in a few cases, are receiving, attention. The only important matters which have not yet been attended to are the construction of the Mappilla mosque drain and of a pucka latrine at Kalpatti. The mosque drain work could not be taken in hand, as the drain pipes recommended by the Sanitary Board could not be had from the Basel Mission Works. As suggested by the Sanitary Engineer to Government, an estimate for a cemented brick drain has been submitted to the Sanitary Board for approval. The Kalpatti latrine could not be constructed, as a proper site for the same has not yet been secured. I beg respectfully to assure Government that both these works will be completed in the current year. Paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report refer to private scavenging system and drainage. As regards the former, I beg to refer to paragraph 34 *infra*, and as regards the latter, nothing can be done until the promised drainage scheme is taken in hand by the Sanitary Engineer to Government.

25. *Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions.*—The fees from these institutions amounted to Rs. 17,002–5–7 (Victoria College, Rs. 16,255–5–0, and salary-results schools, Rs. 747–0–7) against Rs. 15,620 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,000, and salary-result schools, Rs. 620), the revised estimate, and Rs. 15,663–8–3 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,049–0–6, and salary-result schools, Rs. 614–7–9), the actuals of the previous year. The increase over the revised estimate, which was based upon the actuals of the preceding year, was due to the increased strength in these institutions.

26. *Fees from Medical Institutions.*—The income derived from the sale of medicines from the municipal hospital amounted to Rs. 12–5–6 against Rs. 20 in the revised estimate and Rs. 15–12–9, actuals of the previous year.

27. *Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses.*—The market was leased out on contract for Rs. 760, which, together with Rs. 41–8–0, the arrear amount, and Rupees 13–10–11, the penal interest due for the previous year, came up to Rs. 815–2–11, against Rs. 820, the revised estimate, and Rs. 848–11–4, the actuals of the preceding year. The Dance market works were completed and opened on the 4th April 1898. The slaughter-house also was given out on contract for Rs. 585. The collections came up to Rs. 596–3–11, including the interest due for late payments of kists. Of the arrear demand, the sum of Rs. 3–2–8 was collected, and for the balance, the defaulter has been prosecuted, and the case is now pending before the magistrate.

28. *License Fees.*—The realization under this head amounted to Rs. 699–7–0 against Rs. 600, the revised estimate, and Rs. 706–10–0, the actuals in 1896–97. The increase over the revised estimate is due to the greater number of prosecutions against persons who failed to take out licenses, which was 140 against 122 in the previous year.

29. *Cart-stand Fees.*—The contractor for 1896–97 had left a balance of Rs. 150 at the close of the year, of which Rs. 129–1–6 excluding the interest thereon, viz., Rs. 8–3–2, were collected during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rupees 20–14–6 to be collected during the current financial year, which has since been collected. As in the previous years, the cart-stand was leased out on contract. The current collections amounted to Rs. 738–9–6, which includes Rs. 23–9–6, the penal interest on the overdue kists.

30. *Fines under Municipal and other Acts.*—The realization from fines amounted to Rs. 377–2–0 against Rs. 350, the revised estimate, and Rs. 384–9–0, the actuals in the previous year. The number of prosecutions under the District Municipalities Act was 520 against 399 in the previous year.

31. *Grants and Contributions from Government.*—The amount of grants received from Provincial funds was Rs. 4,427–14–11 (including Rs 25, building grant for the Parakunnam Cheruma school) against Rs. 5,110, the revised estimate. The decrease of Rs. 682–1–1 was due to the lapse of grants owing to the frequent changes in the staff of the college and to the non-receipt of building grant for the Elsworthy reading-room within the year.

32. *Contribution from Local Boards.*—Besides the usual contribution of Rs. 550, being the maintenance grant of certain Local Fund roads situated within the municipal limits, a contribution of Rs. 2,247–15–6 was received from the Palghat Taluk Board, being the moiety of net expenditure for the maintenance of the main hospital. Thus the total realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 2,797–15–6 against Rs. 2,920 in the revised estimate and Rs. 2,840–6–7, actuals in 1896–97.

33. *Other Grants and Contributions.*—The full amount anticipated in the revised estimate, viz., Rs. 500, was received—Rs. 300 by transfer from deposits, and Rs. 200 by the collection of subscriptions towards the Elsworthy reading-room.

34. *Recoveries on account of services rendered to Private Individuals—Private Scavenging.*—The current demand of Rs. 1,466–10–0, together with that of the arrears of Rs. 335–9–0, amounted to Rs. 1,802–3–0, of which the sum of Rs. 1,393–3–0 (Rupees 1,198–11–0 under current and Rs. 200–8–0 under arrears) was collected, and the sum of Rs. 339–10–0 written off (Rs. 205–2–0 current demand and Rs. 134–8–0 arrears), leaving a balance of Rs. 63–6–0 (Rs. 62–13–0 current and As. 9–0 arrears) at the end of the year. The number of houses under the private scavenging system rose to 733 from 664 in the previous year. In my letters read in G.Os. Mis. Nos. 695 and 1091 M., dated 1st April and 17th June 1898, respectively, the action taken by the council for the extension of the private scavenging system has been fully reported. Since May last, I have deputed a hospital assistant to make a house-to-house visit in Kalpatti and adjacent villages, which form the densest parts of the town, with a view to prosecute all those persons who keep their backyards in an insanitary condition, and to introduce the system in those houses where the scavengers are provided with the necessary access into the backyards. I beg respectfully to assure Government that, by the increase in the rate of fees sanctioned in G.O., No. 1091, and by the expected extension of the system by the strenuous efforts of the executive, the system will be self-supporting at the end of the current financial year. In compliance with the orders of Government contained in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 1091, a further report showing the progress made in extending the private scavenging service, and the extent to which the system has been rendered self-supporting, will be submitted to Government by the 1st December next. The number of prosecutions under section 221 of the Act was 121 against 67 in the previous year.

35. *Other Items.*—These consist of batta for production of records in courts (Rs. 2–8–0), fees for searching the records (Rs. 3–8–0), court costs recovered in execution of decree No. 182 of 1894 (Rs. 16–9–8) and unclaimed deposits transferred to municipal revenue (Rs. 21–9–9).

36. *Advances Recovered.*—The sum of Rs. 1,550–2–5, which was advanced in the previous years for various purposes, was adjusted in the current year. Most of these sums were advanced to the Revenue Department for acquiring lands under the Land Acquisition Act.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

37. The following statement shows the percentage of expenditure under each head, as compared with the year 1896–97 :—

	1896–97.	1897–98.
Grant 1, Public Works	20·3	19·4
„ 2, Education	38·8	32·1
„ 3, Medical Services and Sanitation	22·1	21·1
„ 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous Purposes	3·7	3·9
„ 5, Supervision and Management	5·8	5·2
Loans and interest	2·7	2·5
Advances and refunds	·8	·04
Closing balance	5·8	15·86
Total ..	100·	100·

38. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The outlay on public works amounted to Rupees 13,763–9–11 against Rs. 13,547–10–9 (audited figures) in 1896–97, and the revised estimate of Rs. 14,330.

39. *New Works—Communications.*—No new work was undertaken during the year under report. The sum of Rs. 197–12–5 appearing under this head consists of expenditure incurred for the construction of culverts on the Kunnathur branch road, and at Govindarayapuram and Sekharipuram villages, and for the completion of the Kumarapuram road. It also includes the advance of Rs. 6–8–0 paid in 1892–93 on account of compensation for lands taken up for the construction of the Sekharipuram road since adjusted.

40. *New Works—Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 4,693–0–11, as detailed in statement II-A, was spent under this head against Rs. 5,050, the revised estimate, and Rupees 5,260–5–5, actuals of the previous year. The construction of the Dance market was completed, and the building was opened on the 4th April 1898. Mr. Jones, Sanitary Engineer to Government, inspected at my request the Dance market in September last, and the additional works, which were found necessary and approved by the Sanitary Board, have been vigorously pushed on and completed. The most important of the additional works was the construction of a "tile" drain, which, in the words of Mr. Jones, is "simply to carry off sub-soil water which, flowing from higher ground around the market, makes the space, immediately outside it, swampy" and "to keep the site around the market dry." The Elsworthy reading-room was constructed at a cost of Rs. 1,574–12–0. A brick cinerator was constructed at a cost of Rupees 43–15–6 at Mattumonthai. In statement II-A, a sum of Rs. 1,455–10–0 is shown against the cart-stand, which is due to an adjustment of the advances made during the years 1895–96 and 1896–97. The acquisition of improvements in the municipal hospital compound is pending with the Head Assistant Collector, and a suitable site for the construction of the latrine at Kalpatti has not yet been secured Consequently, the sums allotted for these purposes in the revised estimate were not utilised in the year under report.

41. *Drainage.*—The sum of Rs. 5–12–0 shown under this head is the amount paid as compensation for land taken up for the construction of the Chattrapuram drain (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1813 M., dated 19th August 1897).

42. *Water-supply.*—A sum of Rs. 150 was provided in the budget for 1895–96 for sinking a well at Dayirakkara street for the Muhammadans, and the work was given in contract. The contractor having left the work incomplete, the council resolved to complete the work departmentally. The sum of Rs. 42–4–6 shown under this head is the expenditure incurred on this account in the year under report.

43. *Repairs—Communications.*—In addition to the sum of Rs. 6,040 provided in the revised estimate, the sum of Rs. 150 was sanctioned by the council for the repair

of the gramom and street roads. The total expenditure on roads was Rs. 6,143–15–6 against Rs. 5,677–13–11, the actuals of the previous year. The outlay on roads was 58·5 per cent. of the net income from tolls.

44. The total length of the roads maintained by the council in the town is 59½ miles, of which 22 miles were metalled, 15½ miles gravelled, and 22 miles unmetalled. The condition of the roads was good. With regard to the remarks of Government contained in paragraph 32 of the General Municipal Review (G.Os., Nos. 2858 and 2859 M., dated 31st December 1897) stating that "* * * in Palghat * * * the length of unmetalled roads was large," and "that the Government trusts that steps will be taken to reduce the extent of unmetalled roads before long as far as funds permit," the council, I trust, will allot the necessary funds in the budget estimate for 1899–1900 for metalling a portion of the unmetalled roads in this municipality.

45. *Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 1,532–4–9 was spent under this head against Rs. 1,570, the revised estimate, the actuals of the previous year being Rs. 756–0–1. The increased expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the thorough repairs of latrines as ordered by Government in G.O., No. 413 M., dated 30th March 1894.

46. *Water-supply.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 28–15–4 against Rs. 40 in the revised estimate, and Rs. 33–2–2, the actuals in the previous year. The difference between the figures being slight calls for no remarks.

47. The municipal public works establishment consisted of an overseer, a sub-overseer and a peon, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 944–12–7 against Rs. 980, the revised estimate and, Rs. 1,042–11–1, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease in expenditure below the actuals of the previous year is due to the non-payment of horse allowance to the acting overseer as he did not maintain a horse.

48. *Grant 2, Education.*—The total expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 25,864–9–0 in the previous year. The total number of pupils who had been receiving instruction in the municipal, aided and unaided schools on the 31st March 1898 was 3,601 against 3,321 on the corresponding date in 1897.

49. The number of schools (on the 31st March 1898) maintained by the municipal council was less by one than that for the year 1896–97, which is due to the abolition of the salary-result school at Tirunillai, and the number of pupils under instruction was 969 boys and 71 girls against 975 boys and 52 girls in the previous year. It will be observed that, though there has been a decrease in the number of schools, the strength has increased, chiefly in the Victoria College. This accounts for the increase in the attendance in the municipal schools.

50. *Municipal Schools*—(1) *On Salary System.*—The only institution which is worked on this system is the Victoria College, and on this account, a sum of Rupees 19,162–0–3 was expended against Rs. 20,453–10–10, the actuals of the previous year.

51. In the college, the number of pupils on rolls on 31st March 1898 was 445 against 414 in the previous year, the average attendance being 375·6 against 343 in 1896–97. The increased attendance of pupils and the abolition of the post of the Vice-Principal from 1st April 1897 resulted in a profit to the municipality. Twenty-six boys went up for the F.A. Examination, of whom only nine passed. Fifty boys presented themselves for the Matriculation Examination, of whom 14 were successful. Twenty-five boys were sent up for the Lower Secondary Examination, of whom only five came out successful. From the above it is evident that the results at the examinations were not quite satisfactory. In his annual report dated 17th instant, the Principal, Victoria College, writes to me on this subject as follows:—

I much regret to say that the results were, on the whole, far from satisfactory. In my report for 1896–97, I foretold the failure of these classes. Referring to the excellent results obtained at the December examinations of 1896, I said: "We cannot always expect such good years, and I very much fear that our Senior F.A. class this year will fall far short of its predecessors. The present matriculation class is also not nearly as good as the class of 1896." Such was my forecast,—fulfilled in the result. I now venture to predict that our F.A. results for 1898 will be good and our Matriculation results very fair.

I have no brighter tale to tell of the results at the Lower Secondary Examination of 1897 than of those at the examination of 1896. Out of 25 sent up, five passed the complete examination, nine passed in the compulsory subjects and one optional subject and two passed in compulsories only.

The break-down of our classes at the University Examinations was attributable to two main causes—(1) inferiority of material, and (2) constant changes in the staff.

52. *Municipal Schools on Salary-result System.*—The council maintained nine schools against ten in the previous year, the one at Tirunillai having been closed on the suggestion of the Educational authorities. The establishment of these schools, including the outlay on buildings, cost Rs. 3,126–2–9. The year opened with a strength of 561 boys and 52 girls. The number remaining on the rolls on the last day of March 1898 was 524 boys and 71 girls. This shows a decrease of 37 boys and an increase of 19 girls. These schools produced satisfactory results at the grant and Primary School examinations, 241 pupils having passed out of 320 presented. A sum of Rs. 373–12–6 was paid under result stipends against Rs. 586–2–9, the actuals of the preceding year. The usual charges of stationery, house-rent, printed forms, together with furniture costing Rs. 90, amounted to Rs. 297–3–9 against Rs. 450 in the revised estimate, resulting in a saving of Rs. 152–12–3.

53. *Result Grants.*—Five lower secondary, five upper and ten lower primary schools were registered for aid during the year. They received grants to the extent of Rs. 2,059–3–0 against Rs. 2,000 in the revised estimate. This shows an excess expenditure of Rs. 59–3–0 over the amount allotted, which is due to certain schools having been paid the over earned grants as recommended by the Educational authorities. The total strength of these schools as it stood on the 31st March 1898 was 1,220 boys and 172 girls against 1,106 boys and 142 girls of the previous year. One thousand and forty-six pupils were examined for grants in these schools, of whom 749 or 71·6 per cent. were found qualified for grants against 737 or 76·9 per cent. in the previous year. In all, there were 43 qualified and 22 unqualified teachers. All the schools were allowed the maximum rate of grants.

54. The inspecting schoolmaster appears to have held the central class teaching in the month of March 1898 for the improvement of the result-grant schoolmasters.

55. *Inspection.*—The inspecting schoolmaster's pay amounted to Rs. 300 against Rs. 300, the figure of the revised estimate, while contingent charges in the shape of stationery, postage stamps, house-rent, furniture (Rs. 20) came up to Rs. 50–3–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 50. The inspecting schoolmaster's work was satisfactory.

56. The net expenditure on education, excluding the expenditure on public works, amounted to Rs. 845–7–2, or 2·4 per cent. of the receipts from taxation, against Rupees 5,865–14–1, or 17·9 per cent. in the previous year. The decrease in the percentage is due to the increase in the receipts and the consequent decrease in the expenditure. Rs. 10,717–7–6 against Rs. 12,570–0–11 and Rs. 4,126–3–9 against Rs. 4,432–10–1 were spent respectively on secondary and primary education.

57. In paragraph 4 (2) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the Palghat administration report for 1896–97, the Government having remarked that active steps should be taken to replace unqualified masters by trained teachers in the municipal and aided schools, provision has been made in the current year's budget for the improvement of the qualifications of teachers at the instance of the Director of Public Instruction. Two lower secondary and two primary grade teachers have already been sent for training, and the proposal of the assistant inspector of schools for the opening of a sessional school at Palghat has also been sanctioned by the council.

58. Total Grant 2 came up to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 23,480 in the revised estimate.

59. *Grant 3, Medical Services and Sanitation.*—As in the previous years, the council maintained a hospital and a branch dispensary. The total expenditure under this head, including the repairs to buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,588–2–3 against Rs. 5,696–10–9 in the previous year.

60. The number of in-patients treated at the main hospital fell from 385 to 368, but in that of out-patients there was an increase, both at the hospital and at the branch

dispensary: 11,513 and 12,482 against 11,038 and 11,703, respectively, in the previous year. The average daily attendance of both in- and out- patients in the hospital was 15·29 and 60·29 against 13·77 and 60·31, respectively, in the preceding year, and that in the branch dispensary was 52·6 against 51·38 in the previous year.

61. The hospital buildings, including the latrine, have been thoroughly repaired. The council have provided a sum of Rs. 2,000 in the current year for a lying-in-ward, and the construction of the building will be taken in hand as soon as the plan and estimate, which are now being prepared, are approved by the Sanitary Board. None of the hospital assistants received any house-rent, as they did not occupy any buildings within 200 yards from the hospital and the branch dispensary.

62. Under establishment, a sum of Rs. 3,277–2–1 was spent against Rs. 3,290 in the revised estimate, and the decrease being slight calls for no remarks.

63. *Medicines and Supplies.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 907–3–7 against Rs. 836–5–5 in the previous year. The increase of Rs. 7–3–7, as compared with the revised estimate, is due to the purchase of certain medicines locally.

64. *Diet of Patients.*—An expenditure of Rs. 644–15–4 was incurred against Rs. 800, the revised estimate, and Rs. 655–15–4, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease is due to the slight falling off in the number of in-patients from 385 to 368, and to the reduced rates of contract for dieting the in-patients.

65. *Sundries and Contingencies.*—Rs. 612–12–7 were expended against Rs. 720, the revised estimate, and Rs. 798–5–7, the actuals of the previous year. This sum includes Rs. 102 paid to the midwife as result grants. She attended 110 cases during the year against 66 in the preceding year.

66. As stated in paragraph 59 *supra*, the cost of maintaining the municipal hospital and the branch dispensary, including the cost of repairs to the buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,588–2–3. Deducting the several items of receipts on account of the main hospital, viz., Rs. 2,272–5–0 (contribution from the Taluk Board, Rupees 2,247–15–6, sale-proceeds of medicines, Rs. 12–5–6, sale of grass in the hospital compound, Rs. 12), the net cost to the municipality amounted to Rs. 3,315–13–3 against Rs. 3,353–0–8 in the previous year.

67. *Medical Training of Women.*—No expenditure was incurred under this head during the year.

68. *Vaccination.*—Vaccination was compulsory as in previous years. The two municipal vaccinators performed 1,153 operations on children below one year of age and 935 on those above one year. Of these, 1,145 under the former and 930 under the latter proved successful. The number of births registered during the year was 1,522. The number of children under one year of age that were liable to vaccination under G.O., No. 1502 M., dated 19th October 1894, was 1,531. Of these, 911 were successfully vaccinated against 906 in the previous year, 302 were returned as either "died" or "unaccounted for," 282 left the station and 36 remained to be disposed of at the close of the year. The total number of operations during the year, as compared with that of the previous year, showed a slight fall by 269 cases, which must be attributed to no other cause than the paucity in the number of unprotected children between one and ten years of age available for vaccination in the town. The first-class vaccinator is in charge of infantile vaccination, and the second-class vaccinator attends to all cases above six months and cases of re-vaccination. The minimum number of cases fixed for the second-class vaccinator is 150 per mensem, and if the minimum is not reached, he is fined in his salary at the rate of one anna per case. The second-class vaccinator had not been paid his full salary for several months for want of the minimum number of cases, and he has applied for a reduction in the minimum, as a sufficient number of cases are not available for vaccination. Since the introduction of compulsory vaccination from the 1st January 1893, a careful census of all children between the age of one and ten years, who under the system of vaccination before compulsion was employed were not operated upon, was taken, and all of them were vaccinated in the previous years. The percentage of successful cases of primary vaccination was 99·3 against 99·2, and that of secondary vaccination 100 against 95·8 in the previous year. The

percentage of successful cases under infantile vaccination was 99·3 against 99 in the preceding year. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 505–9–1 against Rs. 496–11–3 in the previous year. The cost of a single successful vaccine operation performed during the year was As. 3–11 against As. 3–5 in the preceding year. The number of prosecutions instituted for failing to have the children vaccinated was 158 against 251 in the previous year.

69. *Registration of Vital Statistics.*—The number of births registered during the year was 1,522 against 1,607 in the previous year. This was at the rate of 38·5 per mille of the population of the town against 40·7, as per figures of the last census. Similarly, the number of deaths registered was 1,200 against 1,566 of the previous year. The death-rate was 30·4 per mille of the population against 39·7 in the previous year.

70. The number of prosecutions instituted against those who failed to register births and deaths was 80 against 58 in the previous year.

71. The provision in the revised estimate under "Establishment" (viz., Rs. 180) was wholly spent during the year. Rs. 48–14–0 were also spent against Rs. 70 in the revised estimate in supplying certain articles of stationery, &c., to the registrar.

72. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning, &c.*—The cost of the conservancy establishment for the year amounted to Rs. 5,846–8–2 against the revised estimate of Rs. 6,090 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 5,785–13–10. The establishment continued to be the same as in the previous year. The decrease in expenditure under this head below the revised estimate is chiefly due to the non-entertainment of the road-watering establishment.

73. During the year under report, the usual sanitary arrangements were made at the Big Bazaar and Kalpatti car festivals and at the Madappalli temple festival at a cost of Rs. 35–15–8.

74. *Other Charges, such as purchase or hire of carts, &c.*—A sum of Rs. 217–8–6 was spent under this head against Rs. 300, the revised estimate, and Rs. 43–8–2, the actuals of the previous year. The increase in expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the construction of four rubbish carts and three night-soil carts in addition to the existing plant in this municipality.

75. *Private Scavenging.*—The establishment maintained for the purpose consisted of one maistry and twenty scavengers as in the previous year. It cost Rs. 1,792–2–9, including Rs. 231–12–10, contingencies, against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,880 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 1,555–9–2. The amount spent under "Contingencies" includes the cost of constructing two night-soil carts and of purchasing 580 tins for private scavenging purposes. The net cost on account of private scavenging amounted to Rs. 392–15–9 against Rs. 716–0–2 in the previous year. The net expenditure on account of the service has been much reduced in the year under report, and the service will become self-supporting in the current year under the circumstances stated in paragraph 34 *supra*. The number of houses on the register of the private scavenging agency on the last day of the year was 733 against 664 in the previous year.

76. *Cholera Charges.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 224–6–11 against Rs. 396–2–4 in the previous year. On the appearance of the disease, all sanitary precautions for preventing the spread of the disease were adopted. Great attention was paid to the cleanliness of the town. Disinfectants were freely used. The establishment charges on account of the special staff entertained amounted to Rs. 96–13–3, exclusive of Rs. 53–4–8 paid to the hospital assistant in the shape of cart allowance, besides Rs. 74–5–0, being cost of medicines.

77. *Contingencies.*—The charges on account of sundry articles, such as purchase of stationery, &c., amounted to Rs. 96–11–8 against Rs. 100 in the revised estimate. The above amount also includes Rs. 24–15–6, being the cost of constructing a shed to the cinerator during the rainy season and Rs. 31–3–0 spent for clearing noxious vegetation.

78. The number of latrines, urinals and dust-bins was the same as that in the previous year, viz., 13, 1 and 151, respectively.

79. *Grant 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous.*—The charges incurred under "Contingencies" were Rs. 1,432–5–5 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,850 and Rupees 1,289–2–1, the actuals in the preceding year. The number of lights put up during the year was 26, and the total number of lights on the 31st March 1898 was 181 against 155 on the 31st March 1897.

80. *Travellers' Bungalow.*—The charges under this head amounted to Rupees 209–12–6 against Rs. 240, the revised estimate, and Rs. 188–14–6, the actuals of the previous year. The above amount includes Rs. 53–12–6 spent under "Contingencies" Rs. 12, washerman's charges, and Rs. 41–12–6, cost of an iron cot and wire mattress purchased for the bungalow.

81. *Avenues and Public Garden.*—As in the previous year, two avenue coolies for five months were employed in tending the cocoanut trees planted along the roads, and the services of a gardener were continued for the vegetable garden, &c., within the municipal office compound. The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 104–8–0 against Rs. 107–9–4. The vegetables, &c., grown in the garden were sold in auction for Rs. 31–5–7.

82. *Other Charges.*—During the year under report, no expenditure was incurred under "Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes." The printing charges, viz., Rs. 745–13–5 show a decrease of Rs. 154–2–7 under the figure in the revised estimate. A sum of Rs. 143–12–0 was paid as compensation for the site acquired for a burial-ground for the Basel German Mission congregation, which is shown under Grant 4 (9) (iv). The other items show an excess expenditure of Rs. 37–8–4 over Rs. 129–10–8, the actuals of 1896–97. This is chiefly due to the adjustment of the cost of the old municipal Acts, and to the payment of the pound-keeper's commission and feeding charges from this head.

83. *Grant 5, Supervision and Management.*—The details of establishment are shown in statement II-B. The total expenditure under Grant 5 amounted to Rupees 3,709–7–1 against Rs. 3,990, the revised estimate, and Rs. 3,815–9–6, the actuals of the previous year, and thus it was 5·5 per cent. of the current receipts against 6·2 per cent. in the previous year.

84. *Repayment of Debt.*—The instalment of loan which fell due for 1897–98 with interest amounted to Rs. 1,780 and was paid during the year under report. The note appended to statement II contains information regarding the financial position of the municipality.

85. *Advances Recoverable.*—The advances made during the year amounted to Rs. 1,411–14–1, of which Rs. 10–6–3 were recovered by cash and Rs. 1,400–11–10 by adjustment. The balance of the previous year's outstanding at the close of the year 1896–97, excluding the permanent advance, was Rs. 1,631–11–0, out of which, the sum of Rs. 2–9–0 has been recovered in cash and the sum of Rs. 1,547–9–5 by adjustment.

86. *Refunds of other than Current Collections.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 27–5–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate.

IV.—CLOSING BALANCE.

87. A sum of Rs. 4,410 was anticipated in the revised estimate against Rupees 3,816–8–11, actuals of the previous year; but the actuals of the year under report amounted to Rs. 11,273–10–7, or Rs. 6,863–10–7 in excess over the amount anticipated in the revised estimate, which is chiefly due to the following:—

	RS.
(1) Increase in receipts over the revised estimate by about	1,740
(2) Savings effected under Grants 2 (2) (ii), 3 (1) (*c*) and (*d*), 4 (1) (*b*), (6) (*b*), (9) (iii), and 5 (*b*) (i), (ii) and (*d*)	1,880
(3) The non-utilization of allotments made for certain purposes under Grants 1 (i) (*b*), 3 (5) (*c*), 4 (8) (*b*), (9) (ii) and (iv)	2,810
Total ..	6,430

88. *Municipal Accounts.*—The accounts of the year 1896–97 were audited by M.R.Ry. T. Krishnaswami Mudaliyar, who has remarked in the concluding portion of his notes that "the result of the audit was satisfactory" and that "the Chairman exercised his close supervision over the accounts, as observed in the last year's audit notes."

89. In summarising the year's administration, I trust the Government will be pleased to consider that the administration compared favourably with that of the previous year. Collection of taxes under most of the items greatly improved; coercive process was freely resorted to, and warrants were executed with promptitude; the sale of sweepings was effected at a reasonable price; the sale of night-soil converted into ashes at the cinerators fetched the highest price, the cultivators having appreciated its advantage as manure; the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733; new buildings of importance, such as the Dance market and the Elsworthy reading-room, were completed; the condition of roads was good; progress was made in education; good results were produced in vaccination and registration; the sanitation of the town was efficient; number of lights was increased from 155 to 181; the conservancy clauses of the Act were rigorously enforced; and the work done in the medical institutions was good.

ENCLOSURE.

CONCISE Annual Report of the Municipal Hospital and Branch Dispensary, Palghat, for the year 1897–98.

Public Health.—The public health has been better than that of last year. Cholera prevailed only in sporadic form; 120 cases were registered with 81 deaths. With the exception of small-pox, fevers, diarrhœa and other diseases have been less prevalent.

2. Vital Statistics.—

Months.		Population.	Cause of death.					Total deaths.	Total births.
			Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery and diarrhœa.	All other causes.		
April	1897	39,481	20	..	17	6	40	83	140
May	,, ...		..	..	21	14	60	95	136
June	,, ...		..	1	15	30	49	95	147
July	,, ...		..	..	22	12	64	98	141
August	,, ...		2	..	19	21	53	95	117
September	,, ...		..	..	22	11	53	86	118
October	,, ...		..	..	12	16	42	70	109
November	,, ...		31	3	12	15	63	124	114
December	,, ...		19	9	17	14	69	128	118
January	1898		..	16	22	11	55	104	108
February	,, ...		9	1	29	17	65	121	123
March	,, ...		..	..	22	8	71	101	151
	Total ..		81	30	230	175	684	1,200	1,522

3. Sanitation.—The refuse is carted away by hand-carts to the rubbish depots and burnt in a cinerator. Hitherto it was stacked up and sold once a year by public auction. There are 27 hand-carts (showing an increase of three over that of the previous year) and 12 night-soil carts. These carts are worked by 48 sweepers—seven amshoms are conserved in the circle.

There are thirteen latrines and one urinal, of which eight are Crawfords, one pucka built and four tatty. They are freely used by the people. The system of private scavenging is extending in the town and Brahmin villages.

4. Water-supply.—Wells are the chief sources of water-supply. There are nine public wells, the property of the municipality, protected by parapet walls and masonry flooring from pollution. The water is fairly good and is used for drinking purposes.

In some parts each house has a well of its own, in others groups of houses have a well common to them. There are also several tanks, but the water is not good and is never drunk. They are used for purposes of ablution only.

5 *Drainage.*—The drainage of the town is very defective, the only masonry drain provided is in Big bazaar and Sultanpett streets; in other parts of the town temporary side-channels are dug just before the monsoon, which become closed after one or two showers. The sewage of the houses in most cases is drained off to the backyards. There are no cesspools.

6 *Vaccination.*—The work of vaccination is carried out by a first and a second class vaccinator. The former works at the hospital in a shed erected for the purpose under the supervision of the medical subordinate in charge, and the latter in the town. The system of compulsory vaccination is in force. The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,095, of which 2,082 were successful. Of this total, 1,131 were infantile, 952 primary operations and 12 re-vaccinations.

The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,088, of which 2,075 were successful (1,153 infantile cases and 935 cases above one year of age). The civil apothecary explains that "the mistake must have occurred when totalling the figures from the several statements."

(Intld.) P. I. C.

7 *Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Two—the municipal main hospital in charge of a civil apothecary and a branch dispensary in charge of a second-class civil hospital assistant.

(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The hospital consists of a main building and separate blocks. The main building comprises an office-room, store-room, out-patients waiting and compounding room, dressing-room, two male wards with bath and store-rooms, and two female wards with bath and store-rooms, male and female latrines and kitchen. The separate blocks consist of a pucka-built cholera ward, small-pox ward, male venereal ward and mortuary. There are also thatched sheds for caste Hindus, female venereal cases and for low-caste people.

The male ward can accommodate eight patients and the female eight, cholera ward four, small-pox ward four, male venereal ward four and the thatched sheds each four.

The branch dispensary is a rented building and consists of only one room, which is used for all purposes. The hospital assistant in charge reports that the accommodation is not at all sufficient, and hopes that the council will soon see their way to providing a suitable building.

(*b*) *State of Repair of Buildings.*—The hospital main buildings require repairs to roof and flooring. The latrines are in a *very bad* state of repair; a new cemented flooring is necessary. The council have sanctioned these repairs, and the work will soon be carried out.

The Branch dispensary is in a fairly good state of repair.

(*c*) *State of repair of Furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—The hospital and branch dispensary were inspected by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer in the month of June.

(1) For want of funds nothing has been done to carry out the suggestion of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras regarding the demolition of the present caste-shed and the construction of a pucka building.

The council have, however, provided (in their budget) a sum of Rs. 2,000 for the construction of a lying-in-ward, which is more necessary.

(*e*) The sum of Rs. 12-3-6 has been realized on sale of medicines at the main hospital.

The realization from the sale of medicines was Rs. 12-5-6. The figure shown in this report is "a clerical error," as explained by the civil apothecary.

(Intld.) P. I. C.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated at the main hospital was 11,881 against 11,423, and at the branch dispensary 12,482 against 11,703.

(*g*) The number of deaths was 49 against 79 in the previous year. There were no deaths from septic disease.

(*h*) *Operations and Results.*—At the main hospital 416 operations were performed, and at the branch dispensary 326. There were no casualties.

(*i*) The establishment is sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwives—Work actually done.*—The midwife attended 110 cases against 66 in the previous year. When unengaged in her legitimate work, she attends the hospital and assists in the dressings of the female patients.

Palghat,
10*th April* 1898.

(Signed) E. D'SYLVA,
Civil Apothecary in medical charge.

Endt. on P. No. 883.

Forwarded to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.

Calicut,
19*th May* 1898.

(Signed) T. J. HACKETT-WILKINS, Surgn.-Lt.-Col.,
District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Malabar.

No. 1492-R.

Submitted to the Collector of Malabar.

2. *Paragraph 12.*—Owing to the high price of the necessaries of life, arrears were not pressed against poor defaulters in the matter of house-tax. This accounts for the lower percentage of arrear collections.

3. The enforcement of private scavenging is rendered more difficult by the leniency with which the local Bench of Magistrates visits nuisance cases. Attention has been called to this on the magisterial side.

4. The condition of the roads was fair, considering the low allotment on them. There is every prospect of a great improvement in the current year, as they have been given out to a competent contractor.

(Signed) R. F. AUSTIN,
1*st July* 1898. *Ag. Head Asst. Collector.*

Endt. on C. No. 422-M.

Submitted.

2. The delay of the assistant inspector of schools and civil apothecary in sending their reports to the Chairman is unsatisfactory.

3. If private scavenging fees had been collected in advance, there would have been no necessity for writing Rs. 339-10-0 off the accounts.

4. The Principal's report shows a net profit to the municipal council of more than Rs. 1,700 in the working of the Victoria College during the year.

Calicut,
8*th July* 1898.

(Signed) N. SUNDRA ROW,
for *Ag. Collector.*

Order—No. 1470 M., dated 19th August 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Palghat 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	5,602	770	3,820	3,817
Tax on Arts	3,287	3,900	3,350	3,423
,, Buildings and Lands	16,621	17,390	18,080	18,586
,, Vehicles and Animals	340	450	450	379
,, Carts	1,716	1,750	1,680	1,620
Tolls	10,865	10,800	10,460	10,496
Realizations under Special Acts	112	30	100	99
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	667	550	570	789
Conservancy Receipts	546	500	500	516
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	15,663	16,870	15,620	17,002
,, ,, Medical Institutions	16	40	20	12
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	1,492	1,640	1,420	1,415
License Fees	707	550	600	699
Other Fees	478	630	1,040	993
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	385	500	350	377
Grants and Contributions from Government	4,328	5,110	5,110	4,428
,, ,, from Local Boards	2,840	2,950	2,920	2,798
,, ,, from other bodies	..	500	500	500
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	840	1,600	1,600	1,410
Miscellaneous	117	90	110	104
Advances recovered	1	..	980	1,550
Total	66,623	66,620	69,280	71,013
Charges.				
GRANT 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	709	190	190	198
Buildings	5,260	2,950	5,050	4,693
Drainage	..	10	10	6
Water-supply	..	300	150	42
Repairs—				
Communications	5,678	6,190	6,040	6,144
Buildings	756	1,690	1,570	1,532
Water-supply	33	100	40	29
Establishment	1,043	1,080	980	945
Tools and Plant and other Stores	69	300	300	175
Total	13,548	12,810	14,330	13,764
GRANT 2—				
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System	20,152	17,920	17,350	17,287
On the Salary-result System	3,351	3,890	3,780	3,035
Grants-in-aid—				
Result Grants	2,036	2,060	2,000	2,059
Inspection	325	350	350	350
Total	25,864	24,220	23,480	22,731
GRANT 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	5,579	5,710	5,710	5,442
Contributions	474	630	630	570
Vaccination	497	550	550	506
Registration of Births and Deaths	282	300	250	229
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	7,897	10,100	10,110	8,177
Total	14,729	17,290	17,250	14,924
GRANT 4—				
Lighting	1,289	1,850	1,850	1,432
Travellers' Bungalows	189	240	240	210
Avenues	22	100	100	30
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	971	1,340	1,800	1,131
Total	2,471	3,530	3,990	2,803
GRANT 5—				
Supervision and Management	3,815	4,120	3,990	3,709
Repayment of Debt	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Interest on Loan	840	780	780	780
Advances recoverable	499	..	..	1
Refunds	40	50	50	27
Total	6,194	5,950	5,820	5,517
Grand Total	62,806	63,800	64,870	59,739
Balance	3,817	2,820	4,410	11,274

2. The Municipal Council held 28 meetings against 26 in the previous year. The average attendance of members improved and was fair in the case of non-officials, but was poor in that of officials. The Collector will report to Government the names of such of the officials at fault as have no satisfactory explanation to offer. One seat was filled by election during the year, at which only 10·8 per cent. of the registered voters attended the poll.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) Owing to the operation of revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act, the net current demand under the tax on arts fell from Rs. 3,710 to Rs. 3,154. Under the taxes on buildings and lands also there was a decline of Rs. 98 and Rs. 15, respectively.

(2) The collections under the principal taxes improved and were fair, except in the case of the arrears of land-tax. Distress warrants were issued in 2,317 cases against 2,835 in 1896-97, but they were executed with greater promptitude.

(3) The receipts from bungalow, school and cart-stand fees showed a satisfactory advance, while those from the tax on carts and tolls declined, the marked decrease under the latter head being due to combination among bidders at the auction sales. The income from the sale of sweepings amounted to Rs. 516 against Rs. 546 in the previous year, but as the ryots have begun to appreciate the value of night-soil as manure, it is hoped that there will be an increase in the revenue from this source in future.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733, and the service was worked at a loss of Rs. 393 against Rs. 729 in the previous year. As the rate of fees has since been raised from As. 3 to As. 4 a month from 1st July 1898, the Government trusts that the service will be rendered self-supporting in the current year. These fees were again not collected in advance, as repeatedly ordered by Government, and consequently about Rs. 340 of the arrear and current demand had to be written off as irrecoverable. The instructions of Government on the subject must be strictly followed in future. The efforts reported to have been made by the Chairman to extend this service should not be relaxed until all the houses in the town have been brought under municipal control.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The Dance market was completed during the year at a total cost of Rs. 13,001 against an estimate of Rs. 15,075 and was opened for use on the 4th April 1898. A sum of Rs. 1,575 was also spent on the construction of the Elsworthy reading-room. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs 6,342, or only 60·4 per cent. of the net municipal income from tolls against the minimum of 80 per cent. fixed in G.O., No. 1438 M., dated 7th September 1891. The short outlay under this head should be explained. The roads are however reported by the Revenue Divisional officer to have been in fair order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on primary education amounted to Rupees 3,529, while secondary education was worked at a profit of Rs. 2,703. Thus the total net outlay on education amounted to Rs. 826, or only 2·4 per cent. of the receipts from taxation. As in the previous year, the Municipal Council maintained a second-grade college on the salary system, and nine primary schools on the salary-result system against ten in that year. Five secondary and fifteen primary schools were also aided by the Municipal Council with result grants against four and fourteen, respectively, in the previous year. The attendance at the Victoria College and the aided schools showed an increase, but at the Municipal primary schools it fell slightly. The results of the Victoria College at the First in Arts examination, though not so good as in the previous year, were fair; but those at the Matriculation and Lower Secondary examinations were poor. The remaining institutions, municipal and aided, fared well at the departmental and grant examinations and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. The total number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools rose from 2,081 or 72·5 per cent. of the male population of school-going age to 2,189 or 76·3 per cent. More than one-third of the number of the teachers employed in the municipal and aided schools were still entirely unqualified. Every endeavour should be made to reduce this large proportion.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—There was a small decrease in the number of in-patients treated in the main hospital, but the number of out-patients who attended this institution and the branch dispensary rose from 22,741 to 23,995. The midwife attached to the hospital attended 110 cases of labour against 66 in the previous year—a satis-

factory advance. The attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Civil Apothecary's remark in paragraph 7 (*a*) of his report regarding the insufficiency of the accommodation in the branch dispensary.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year fell from 2,357 to 2,088, the decline being ascribed to almost all the children above one and below ten years of age having been vaccinated in previous years. The percentage of reported success, however, continued to be very high, viz., 99·4, and it is a matter for surprise that all the secondary vaccinations were successful. The District Medical and Sanitary officer has not stated whether he verified any of these cases, and if so, with what result. This information should be supplied in future reports. The number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 1,145 or 29 per mille of the population against 1,158 or 29·3 per mille in 1896–97 and a registered birth-rate of 38·6 per mille.

The number of births registered during the year fell by 85 and that of deaths by 366, the large decline in the latter case being evidently due to the small mortality from cholera as compared with that in the previous year. The rates recorded in both cases, however, being below the normal, the returns appear to be still incomplete and no efforts should be spared to make them trustworthy.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 8,177 or 81 per cent. of the allotment and was 12·2 per cent. of the receipts. The short outlay has not been explained, but it was apparently due to the absence of necessity for a large expenditure under cholera charges. It is satisfactory to observe from paragraph 24 of the Chairman's report, that most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner at his last inspection have been remedied. The construction of the drain round the Mappilla mosque, and a public latrine at Kalpati, should be undertaken as soon as possible.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 11,274, or 16·8 per cent. of the receipts. A large portion of this sum should be spent for the benefit of the rate-payers in the current year.

The administration of the Municipality during the year under review showed an improvement in some respects on that of the previous year and was on the whole efficient.

The tabular statement given in paragraph 2 of the Civil Apothecary's report is unnecessary and should be omitted in future.

(True Extract.)

for *Secretary to Government.*

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.
" Collector of Malabar.
" President, District Board, Malabar.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Board.
" " Commissioner
" " Engineer.
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Exd. K. T. Narayana Aiyangar.

C. No 2285-M

Palghat

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From M.R.Ry. P. I. CHINNASAWMY PILLAY Avargal, Rao Bahadur, Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of Malabar and the Head Assistant Collector of Malabar), dated 29th June 1898, No. 2475.

I have the honour to submit, herewith, the annual report and accounts of the Palghat Municipality for the financial year 1897–98, together with the prescribed statements, educational statements, and a concise report relative to the working of the main hospital and the branch dispensary, Palghat.

2. I regret the delay in the submission of this report, which is due to the fact that the explanations, with respect to certain discrepancies found in the educational statements and in the concise report of the hospital and the branch dispensary, were received from the assistant inspector of schools and the civil apothecary, respectively, on the 14th instant only. The report was passed at a special meeting of the municipal council on the 24th instant.

I.—Constitution of the Municipal Council.

3. At the commencement of the year, the council consisted of eighteen members only. My term as Chairman and Municipal Councillor having expired on the 14th July 1897, I was re-nominated by Government on the 3rd August 1897. M.R.Ry. T. S. Lakshminarayana Aiyar Avargal, Sub-Assistant Inspector of Schools, having been transferred from Palghat, his successor M.R.Ry. N. Sundaresvara Aiyar Avargal was nominated as councillor on the 29th March 1898. There was a vacancy of an elected councillor in the Nurani Ward, which was filled up by a contested election. The total number of members on the municipal council on the 31st March 1898 was twenty including the two who were gazetted on the 6th April 1897.

4. The number of meetings actually held was 28 against 26 in the previous year. One meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance was 10·4 (1·0 officials and 9·4 non-officials) against 8 in the last year (·8 officials and 7·2 non-officials).

5. The registers of voters were revised during the year, and the number of registered voters fell from 1,221 to 1,049, the proportion to the total population being 2·6 per cent. against 3·1 in the previous year. The demand under tax on arts having fallen short by the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, the names of certain persons whose taxes were either reduced or remitted had to be removed from the voters' list.

6. The office of Chairman was held by me throughout the year, except for a period of three weeks—between the 14th July and 3rd August 1897—when, owing to the expiry of my term, Mr. R. F. Austin, Acting Head Assistant Collector, was in charge of the office.

II.—Receipts.

7. The total receipts of the municipality, inclusive of the opening balance, viz., Rs. 3,816–8–11, amounted to Rs. 71,012–13–3 against the revised estimate of Rs. 69,280 and Rs. 66,623–4–2, the actuals of 1896–97. The variations are explained below under their respective heads.

8. Taxes on buildings, lands, arts, &c., and receipts from tolls, form the chief sources of revenue.

A.—Receipts from Taxation.

9. *Tax on Buildings and Lands.*—As in the previous year, this tax was levied at the rate of 7½ per cent. of the rent value, and the principles on which the valuations were made remained the same as in 1896–97. As reported in the previous years, the council consider that the revision of land-tax registers could be taken in hand only when the revenue settlement of Palghat was completed.

10. *Tax on Buildings.*—After deducting the sum of As. 12 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand amounted to Rs. 13,527–0–11, of which Rs. 12,497–14–4 were collected, Rs. 8–7–4 were remitted on account of vacant houses and Rs. 241–13–6 were written off as irrecoverable. A balance of Rs. 778–13–9 thus remained uncollected at the close of the year. Of this, the sum of Rs. 281–2–9 has since been collected. Out of the arrears of the preceding years, viz., Rs. 2,356–9–1, Rs. 1,904–15–11 were collected, Rs. 306–3–0 were remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 145–6–2 only.

11. *Tax on Lands.*—After deducting the sum of Rs. 3–13–0 remitted by the municipal council on appeal, the net demand for the year amounted to Rs. 3,969–2–5, of which Rs. 3,603–7–3 were collected against Rs. 3,284–13–0 in the previous year, and Rs. 17–15–9 were written off as irrecoverable, thus leaving a balance of Rupees 347–11–5 at the close of the year against Rs. 691–15–7 in 1896–97. The arrears outstanding at the beginning of the year under report amounted to Rs. 904–15–10, of which Rs. 579–13–1 were realized against Rs. 604–0–11 in the previous year, Rs. 7–10–0 were remitted and Rs. 89–5–0 were written off as irrecoverable. There is still a balance of Rs. 228–3–9 against Rs. 213–0–3 in 1896–97 to be adjusted during the current year. The total balance outstanding at the close of the year—both arrears and current—amounted to Rs. 575–15–2 against the total demand of Rs. 4,874–2–3.

12. The percentage of current collections to the demand was 92·4 for house-tax and 90·8 for land-tax against 84 and 82·4, respectively, and that of arrear collections 80·8 for house-tax and 64·1 for land-tax against 73·3 and 71·6, respectively, in the previous year. Out of the balance of Rs. 1,500–3–1 under "Tax on Buildings and Lands" that remained to be collected on the 31st March 1898 against Rs. 3,261–8–11 on the corresponding date in the previous year, Rs. 357–11–11 have since been collected and Rs. 81–5–0 written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,061–2–2 only to be collected. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance in the current year.

13. Out of 8,680 houses in the municipality according to the census of 1891, ~~4,022~~ were brought under assessment. Every house, the annual rent of which is less than Rs. 6, was exempted from taxation, provided that it was the owner's sole property liable to taxation. The average incidence per house assessed was Rs. 2–9–5 against Rs. 2–8–7 in 1896–97. The total extent of land assessed was about the same as that in the previous year, viz., 3,162 acres, the incidence per acre of land being Rs. 1–4–1 against Rs. 1–4–2 in 1896–97.

14. *Tax on Arts.*—The total collections under this tax amounted to Rs. 3,422–8–0 against the revised estimate of Rs. 3,350 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 3,287–8–0. The original current demand for the year was Rs. 3,390–8–0, of which Rs. 237 were remitted by the council on appeal. Out of the final demand of Rs. 3,153–8–0 against Rs. 3,709–8–0 in 1896–97, Rs. 2,823–8–0 were collected and Rs. 59 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 271 at the end of the year. Out of this, Rs. 75–8–0 have since been realized and Rs. 48–8–0 written off. The decrease in the demand is due to the changes in the rates specified in schedule A of the District Municipalities Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, which came into force since the 4th May 1897.

15. The arrears outstanding at the commencement of the current year amounted to Rs. 861–8–0, of which Rs. 599 were realized during the year and Rs. 169–8–0 remitted and written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 93.

16. The total balance under this head on the 31st March 1898 was Rs. 364 against Rs. 861–8–0 on the corresponding date in the previous year; and of this balance, Rs. 81–8–0 have since been collected and Rs. 57–8–0 written off. The percentages of current and arrear collections to their respective demands were 89·5 and 69·6 against 77·8 and 55, respectively, in 1896–97. The percentage of current collections up to date is 91·9. The incidence per person taxed was Rs. 6–4–8 against Rs. 7–11–11 in the preceding year.

17. *Tax on Vehicles and Carts.*—Rs. 378–8–0 were collected during the year under "Tax on Vehicles with springs" against Rs. 450, the revised estimate, and Rs. 340–8–0, the actuals of the previous year. The income derived from registration of carts amounted to Rs. 1,620 against Rs. 1,680, the revised estimate, and Rupees 1,716–1–0, the actuals of the previous year. The sanitary inspector, the acting municipal overseer and the sub overseer were, as usual, authorized to seize unregistered carts.

18. *Coercive Process.*—One thousand four hundred and fourteen warrants were issued for the collection of taxes during the year against 1,571 in the previous year. The number of warrants remaining unexecuted at the beginning of the year was 903. Rs. 3,385–15–0 were collected after the issue of the warrants, but before distraint. Distraint was made in 31 cases; in 24 cases the properties were redeemed before sale, and in seven cases the properties were sold. Under section 104 of Act IV of 1884, as amended by Act III of 1897, a warrant fee of two annas was levied, and the collections amounted to Rs. 92–4–6. The distraint fee collections amounted to Rs. 23–12–3 against Rs. 11–11–6, the actuals of 1896–97. The number of prosecutions instituted for the recovery of taxes was 94 against 48 in the preceding year.

19. *Tolls.*—As in the previous years, the number of toll-gates in this municipality was thirteen. Toll-gates were leased as usual to contractors, and tolls were levied at three-fourths of the maximum rates. The lease amount from tolls was Rs. 15,490 against Rs. 16,125 in the preceding year. The whole of the lease amount and the penal interest on overdue instalments amounting to Rs. 180–8–0 were fully realized before the close of the year. Of the sum of Rs. 85–10–2 which was outstanding at the end of the year 1896–97, a sum of Rs. 73–6–0, together with a penal interest of As. 1–6, was collected. Thus the total collections amounted to Rs. 15,743–15–6 against Rs. 15,690, the revised estimate, and Rs. 16,297–3–4, the actuals of the preceding year. Deducting the usual contribution paid to the District Board, the net revenue under "Tolls" amounted to Rs. 10,495–15–8 against Rs. 10,864–12–11 in the previous year. Steps have already been taken for the adjustment of the balance of Rs. 12–4–2.

20. *Incidence of Taxation.*—The total receipts under taxes including and excluding tolls were Rs. 34,503–2–3 and Rs. 24,007–2–7, respectively, and the average incidence of taxation per head of the population was As. 14–0 and As. 9–9, respectively, against As. 13–4 and As. 8–11 in the preceding year.

B.—Miscellaneous Receipts.

21. *Pounds.*—Under this head, the amount collected was Rs. 53–9–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 11–9–0, the actuals of 1896–97.

22. *Fees under Act II of 1888.*—The realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 45 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate, and Rs. 100, the actuals of the previous year.

23. *Rent of Lands and Buildings—Sale-proceeds of lands, &c.*—The sum of Rs. 60–4–11 was realized under "Rent of Municipal Lands" leased out for temporary occupation against Rs. 18–1–9 in the past year. The avenue receipts—a fluctuating item—amounted to Rs. 315–5–10 against Rs. 267–12–3 in the preceding year. The receipts on account of fees from the travellers' bungalow amount to Rs. 361–12–0 against Rs. 292 in the previous year. The number of travellers who halted in the bungalow rose to 226 from 159 in 1896–97. Under the head of "Produce of lands,

gardens, &c.," the sum of Rs. 43–5–7 was realized against Rs. 53–14–1 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 8–10–6 also was realized by the sale of old materials in the municipal office, &c.

24. *Conservancy Receipts.*—These including Rs. 8, the arrears collections, amounted to Rs. 515–8–0 against Rs. 546–8–0 in 1896–97. The street-refuse is, as usual, collected in the rubbish depots and burnt to ashes in the month of March and sold to ryots as manure. The system of burning the night-soil in brick cinerators has been successful. The night-soil burnt to ashes in the cinerators fetched Rs. 131, the highest price that has ever been obtained by the sale of night-soil in this municipality. Ryots have begun to appreciate it as a most valuable manure for cultivation. The amount for which street-refuse was sold was Rs. 596. Of this, a sum of Rupees 476–8–0 was realized in March last as soon as it was sold, and the balance (Rs. 119–8–0), was collected in the beginning of the current financial year. The quantity of rubbish removed to the depots during the year under report was 16,266 cart-loads against 14,655 in 1896–97, and that of the night-soil 3,346 against 3,591. In paragraph 4 (5) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the administration report of this municipality for 1896–97, it was remarked that "from the inspection notes of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner recorded in G.O, No. 903 M., dated 13th April 1897, it is evident that much yet remains to be done," that "the defects noticed by this officer and in paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report should receive very early attention," and that "apparently no provision has yet been made for the construction of incinerators for which there is urgent necessity." With regard to the above, I beg to state that most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner have already received my most careful attention. The Dance Market has been completed and opened; two brick cinerators are already being worked successfully, and a third one is almost completed; the private scavenging system is being extended from day after day (*vide* also paragraph 34 *infra*); the drainage of the cart-stand is now being attended to; and all other minor matters therein noticed have, in most cases, received, and in a few cases, are receiving, attention. The only important matters which have not yet been attended to are the construction of the Mappilla mosque drain and of a pucka latrine at Kalpatti. The mosque drain work could not be taken in hand, as the drain pipes recommended by the Sanitary Board could not be had from the Basel Mission Works. As suggested by the Sanitary Engineer to Government, an estimate for a cemented brick drain has been submitted to the Sanitary Board for approval. The Kalpatti latrine could not be constructed, as a proper site for the same has not yet been secured. I beg respectfully to assure Government that both these works will be completed in the current year. Paragraphs 2 and 4 of the medical report refer to private scavenging system and drainage. As regards the former, I beg to refer to paragraph 34 *infra*, and as regards the latter, nothing can be done until the promised drainage scheme is taken in hand by the Sanitary Engineer to Government.

25. *Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions.*—The fees from these institutions amounted to Rs. 17,002–5–7 (Victoria College, Rs. 16,255–5–0, and salary-results schools, Rs. 747–0–7) against Rs. 15,620 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,000, and salary-results schools, Rs. 620), the revised estimate, and Rs. 15,663–8–3 (Victoria College, Rs. 15,049–0–6, and salary-results schools, Rs. 614–7–9), the actuals of the previous year. The increase over the revised estimate, which was based upon the actuals of the preceding year, was due to the increased strength in these institutions.

26. *Fees from Medical Institutions.*—The income derived from the sale of medicines from the municipal hospital amounted to Rs. 12–5–6 against Rs. 20 in the revised estimate and Rs. 15–12–9, actuals of the previous year.

27. *Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses.*—The market was leased out on contract for Rs. 760, which, together with Rs. 41–8–0, the arrear amount, and Rupees 13–10–11, the penal interest due for the previous year, came up to Rs. 815–2–11, against Rs. 820, the revised estimate, and Rs. 848–11–4, the actuals of the preceding year. The Dance Market works were completed and opened on the 4th April 1898. The slaughter-house also was given out on contract for Rs. 585. The collections came up to Rs. 596–3–11, including the interest due for late payments of kists. Of the arrear demand, the sum of Rs. 3–2–8 was collected, and for the balance, the defaulter has been prosecuted, and the case is now pending before the magistrate.

28. *License Fees.*—The realization under this head amounted to Rs. 699–7–0 against Rs. 600, the revised estimate, and Rs. 706–10–0, the actuals in 1896–97. The increase over the revised estimate is due to the greater number of prosecutions against persons who failed to take out licenses, which was 140 against 122 in the previous year.

29. *Cart-stand Fees.*—The contractor for 1896–97 had left a balance of Rs. 150 at the close of the year, of which Rs. 129–1–6 excluding the interest thereon, viz., Rs. 8–3–2, were collected during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rupees 20–14–6 to be collected during the current financial year, which has since been collected. As in the previous years, the cart-stand was leased out on contract. The current collections amounted to Rs. 738–9–6, which includes Rs. 23–9–6, the penal interest on the overdue kists.

30. *Fines under Municipal and other Acts.*—The realization from fines amounted to Rs. 377–2–0 against Rs. 350, the revised estimate, and Rs. 384–9–0, the actuals in the previous year. The number of prosecutions under the District Municipalities Act was 520 against 399 in the previous year.

31. *Grants and Contributions from Government.*—The amount of grants received from Provincial funds was Rs. 4,427–14–11 (including Rs. 25, building grant for the Parakunnam Cheruma school) against Rs. 5,110, the revised estimate. The decrease of Rs. 682–1–1 was due to the lapse of grants owing to the frequent changes in the staff of the college and to the non-receipt of building grant for the Elsworthy Reading-room within the year.

32. *Contribution from Local Boards.*—Besides the usual contribution of Rs. 550 being the maintenance grant of certain local fund roads situated within the municipal limits, a contribution of Rs. 2,247–15–6 was received from the Palghat Taluk Board, being the moiety of net expenditure for the maintenance of the main hospital. Thus the total realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 2,797–15–6 against Rs. 2,920 in the revised estimate and Rs. 2,840–6–7, actuals in 1896–97.

33. *Other Grants and Contributions.*—The full amount anticipated in the revised estimate, viz., Rs. 500, was received—Rs. 300 by transfer from deposits, and Rs. 200 by the collection of subscriptions towards the Elsworthy Reading-room.

34. *Recoveries on account of services rendered to Private Individuals—Private Scavenging.*—The current demand of Rs. 1,466–10–0, together with that of the arrears of Rs. 335–9–0, amounted to Rs. 1,802–3–0, of which the sum of Rs. 1,399–3–0 (Rupees 1,198–11–0 under current and Rs. 200–8–0 under arrears) was collected, and the sum of Rs. 339–10–0 written off (Rs. 205–2–0 current demand and Rs. 134–8–0 arrears), leaving a balance of Rs. 63–6–0 (Rs. 62–13–0 current and As. 9–0 arrears) at the end of the year. The number of houses under the private scavenging system rose to 733 from 664 in the previous year. In my letters read in G.Os. Mis. Nos. 695 and 1091 M., dated 1st April and 17th June 1898, respectively, the action taken by the council for the extension of the private scavenging system has been fully reported. Since May last, I have deputed a hospital assistant to make a house-to-house visit in Kalpatti and adjacent villages, which form the densest parts of the town, with a view to prosecute all those persons who keep their backyards in an insanitary condition, and to introduce the system in those houses where the scavengers are provided with the necessary access into the backyards. I beg respectfully to assure Government that, by the increase in the rate of fees sanctioned in G.O., No. 1091, and by the expected extension of the system by the strenuous efforts of the executive, the system will be self-supporting at the end of the current financial year. In compliance with the orders of Government contained in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 1091, a further report showing the progress made in extending the private scavenging service, and the extent to which the system has been rendered self-supporting, will be submitted to Government by the 1st December next. The number of prosecutions under section 221 of the Act was 121 against 67 in the previous year.

35. *Other Items.*—These consist of batta for production of records in courts (Rs. 2–8–0), fees for searching the records (Rs. 3–8–0), court costs recovered in execution of decree No. 182 of 1894 (Rs. 16–9–8) and unclaimed deposits transferred to municipal revenue (Rs. 21–9–9).

36. *Advances Recovered.*—The sum of Rs. 1,550–2–5, which was advanced in the previous years for various purposes, was adjusted in the current year. Most of these sums were advanced to the Revenue Department for acquiring lands under the Land Acquisition Act.

III.—Expenditure.

37. The following statement shows the percentage of expenditure under each head, as compared with the year 1896–97 :—

	1896–97.	1897–98.
Grant 1, Public Works	20·3	19·4
„ 2, Education	38·8	32·
„ 3, Medical Services and Sanitation	22·1	21·1
„ 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous Purposes	3·7	3·9
„ 5, Supervision and Management	5·8	5·2
Loans and interest	2·7	2·5
Advances and refunds	·8	·04
Closing balance	5·8	15·86
Total ..	100·	100·

38. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The outlay on public works amounted to Rupees 13,763–9–11 against Rs. 13,547–10–9 (audited figures) in 1896–97, and the revised estimate of Rs. 14,330.

39. *New Works—Communications.*—No new work was undertaken during the year under report. The sum of Rs. 197–12–5 appearing under this head consists of expenditure incurred for the construction of culverts on the Kunnathur Branch Road, and at Govindarayapuram and Sekharipuram villages, and for the completion of the Kumarapuram Road. It also includes the advance of Rs. 6–8–0 paid in 1892–93 on account of compensation for lands taken up for the construction of the Sekharipuram Road since adjusted.

40. *New Works—Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 4,693–0–11, as detailed in statement II-A, was spent under this head against Rs. 5,050, the revised estimate, and Rupees 5,260–5–5, actuals of the previous year. The construction of the Dance Market was completed, and the building was opened on the 4th April 1898. Mr. Jones, Sanitary Engineer to Government, inspected at my request the Dance Market in September last, and the additional works, which were found necessary and approved by the Sanitary Board, had been vigorously pushed on and completed. The most important of the additional works was the construction of a "tile" drain, which, in the words of Mr. Jones, is "simply to carry off sub-soil water which, flowing from higher ground around the market, makes the space, immediately outside it, swampy" and "to keep the site around the market dry." The Elsworthy Reading-room was constructed at a cost of Rs. 1,574–12–0. A brick cinerator was constructed at a cost of Rupees 43–15–6 at Mattumonthai. In statement II-A, a sum of Rs. 1,455–10–0 is shown against the cart-stand, which is due to an adjustment of the advances made during the years 1895–96 and 1896–97. The acquisition of improvements in the municipal hospital compound is pending with the Head Assistant Collector, and a suitable site for the construction of the latrine at Kalpatti has not yet been secured Consequently, the sums allotted for these purposes in the revised estimate were not utilised in the year under report.

41. *Drainage.*—The sum of Rs. 5–12–0 shown under this head is the amount paid as compensation for land taken up for the construction of the Chattrapuram drain (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1813 M., dated 19th August 1897).

42. *Water-supply.*—A sum of Rs. 150 was provided in the budget for 1895–96 for sinking a well at Dayirakkara street for the Muhammadans, and the work was given in contract. The contractor having left the work incomplete, the council resolved to complete the work departmentally. The sum of Rs. 42–4–6 shown under this head is the expenditure incurred on this account in the year under report.

43. *Repairs—Communications.*—In addition to the sum of Rs. 6,040 provided in the revised estimate, the sum of Rs. 150 was sanctioned by the council for the repair

of gramom and street roads. The total expenditure on roads was Rs. 6,143–15–6 against Rs. 5,677–13–11, the actuals of the previous year. The outlay on roads was 58·5 per cent. of the net income from tolls.

44. The total length of the roads maintained by the council in the town is 59½ miles, of which 22 miles were metalled, 15½ miles gravelled, and 22 miles unmetalled. The condition of the roads was good. With regard to the remarks of Government contained in paragraph 32 of the General Municipal Review (G.Os., Nos. 2858 and 2859 M., dated 31st December 1897) stating that "* * * in Palghat * * * the length of unmetalled roads was large," and "that the Government trusts that steps will be taken to reduce the extent of unmetalled roads before long as far as funds permit," the council, I trust, will allot the necessary funds in the budget estimate for 1899–1900 for metalling a portion of the unmetalled roads in this municipality.

45. *Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 1,532–4–9 was spent under this head against Rs. 1,570, the revised estimate, the actuals of the previous year being Rs. 756–0–1. The increased expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the thorough repairs of latrines as ordered by Government in G.O., No. 413 M., dated 30th March 1894.

46. *Water-supply.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 28–15–4 against Rs. 40 in the revised estimate, and Rs. 33–2–2, the actuals in the previous year. The difference between the figures being slight calls for no remarks.

47. The municipal public works establishment consisted of an overseer, a sub-overseer and a peon, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 944–12–7 against Rs. 980, the revised estimate and, Rs. 1,042–11–1, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease in expenditure below the actuals of the previous year is due to the non-payment of horse allowance to the acting overseer as he did not maintain a horse.

48. *Grant 2, Education.*—The total expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 25,864–9–0 in the previous year. The total number of pupils who had been receiving instruction in the municipal, aided and unaided schools on the 31st March 1898 was 3,601 against 3,321 on the corresponding date in 1897.

49. The number of schools (on the 31st March 1898) maintained by the municipal council was less by one than that for the year 1896–97, which is due to the abolition of the salary-results school at Tirunillai, and the number of pupils under instruction was 969 boys and 71 girls against 975 boys and 52 girls in the previous year. It will be observed that, though there has been a decrease in the number of schools, the strength has increased, chiefly in the Victoria College. This accounts for the increase in the attendance in the municipal schools.

50. *Municipal Schools*—(1) *On Salary System.*—The only institution which is worked on this system is the Victoria College, and on this account, a sum of Rupees 19,162–0–3 was expended against Rs. 20,453–10–10, the actuals of the previous year.

51. In the college, the number of pupils on rolls on 31st March 1898 was 445 against 414 in the previous year, the average attendance being 375·6 against 343 in 1896–97. The increased attendance of pupils and the abolition of the post of the Vice-Principal from 1st April 1897 resulted in a profit to the municipality. Twenty-six boys went up for the F.A. Examination, of whom only nine passed. Fifty boys presented themselves for the Matriculation Examination, of whom 14 were successful. Twenty-five boys were sent up for the Lower Secondary Examination, of whom only five came out successful. From the above it is evident that the results at the examinations were not quite satisfactory. In his Annual Report dated 17th instant, the Principal, Victoria College, writes to me on this subject as follows:—

I much regret to say that the results were, on the whole, far from satisfactory. In my report for 1896–97, I foretold the failure of these classes. Referring to the excellent results obtained at the December examinations of 1896, I said: "We cannot always expect such good years, and I very much fear that our Senior F.A. class this year will fall far short of its predecessors. The present matriculation class is also not nearly as good as the class of 1896." Such was my forecast,—fulfilled in the result. I now venture to predict that our F.A. results for 1898 will be good and our Matriculation results very fair.

I have no brighter tale to tell of the results at the Lower Secondary Examination of 1897 than of those at the examination of 1896. Out of 25 sent up, five passed the complete examination, nine passed in the compulsory subjects and one optional subject and two passed in compulsories only.

The break-down of our classes at the University Examinations was attributable to two main causes—(1) inferiority of material, and (2) constant changes in the staff.

52. *Municipal Schools on Salary-results System.*—The council maintain nine schools against ten in the previous year, the one at Tirunillai having been closed on the suggestion of the Educational authorities. The establishment of these schools, including the outlay on buildings, cost Rs. 3,126–2–9. The year opened with a strength of 561 boys and 52 girls. The number remaining on the rolls on the last day of March 1898 was 524 boys and 71 girls. This shows a decrease of 37 boys and an increase of 19 girls. These schools produced satisfactory results at the grant and Primary School examinations, 241 pupils having passed out of 320 presented. A sum of Rs. 373–12–6 was paid under results stipends against Rs. 586–2–9, the actuals of the preceding year. The usual charges of stationery, house-rent, printed forms, together with furniture costing Rs. 90, amounted to Rs. 297–3–9 against Rs. 450 in the revised estimate, resulting in a saving of Rs. 152–12–3.

53. *Results Grants.*—Five lower secondary, five upper and ten lower primary schools were registered for aid during the year. They received grants to the extent of Rs. 2,059–3–0 against Rs. 2,000 in the revised estimate. This shows an excess expenditure of Rs. 59–3–0 over the amount allotted, which is due to certain schools having been paid the over-earned grants as recommended by the Educational authorities. The total strength of these schools as stood on the 31st March 1898 was 1,220 boys and 172 girls against 1,106 boys and 142 girls of the previous year. One thousand and forty-six pupils were examined for grants in these schools, of whom 749 or 71·6 per cent. were found qualified for grants against 737 or 76·9 respectively, in the previous year. In all, there were 43 qualified and 22 unqualified teachers. All the schools were allowed the maximum rate of grants.

54. The inspecting schoolmaster appears to have held the central class teaching in the month of March 1898 for the improvement of the results-grant schoolmasters.

55. *Inspection.*—The inspecting schoolmaster's pay amounted to Rs. 300 against Rs. 300, the figure of the revised estimate, while contingent charges in the shape of stationery, postage stamps, house-rent, furniture (Rs. 20) came up to Rs. 50–3–8 against the revised estimate of Rs. 50. The inspecting schoolmaster's work was satisfactory.

56. The net expenditure on education, excluding the expenditure on public works, amounted to Rs. 845–7–2, or 2·4 per cent. of the receipts from taxation, against Rupees 5,865–14–1, or 17·9 per cent. in the previous year. The decrease in the percentage is due to the increase in the receipts and the consequent decrease in the expenditure. Rs. 10,717–7–6 against Rs. 12,570–0–11 and Rs. 4,126–3–9 against Rs. 4,432–10–1 were spent respectively on secondary and primary education.

57. In paragraph 4 (2) of G.O., No. 2427 M., dated 4th November 1897, reviewing the Palghat administration report for 1896–97, the Government having remarked that active steps should be taken to replace unqualified masters by trained teachers in the municipal and aided schools, provision has been made in the current year's budget for the improvement of the qualifications of teachers at the instance of the Director of Public Instruction. Two lower secondary and two primary grade teachers have already been sent for training, and the proposal of the assistant inspector of schools for the opening of a sessional school at Palghat has also been sanctioned by the council.

58. Total Grant 2 came up to Rs. 22,730–11–8 against Rs. 23,480 in the revised estimate.

59. *Grant 3, Medical Services and Sanitation.*—As in the previous years, the council maintained a hospital and a branch dispensary. The total expenditure under this head, including the repairs to buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,538–2–3 against Rs. 5,696–10–9 in the previous year.

60. The number of in-patients treated at the main hospital fell from 385 to 368, but in that of out-patients there was an increase both at the hospital and at the branch dispensary: 11,513 and 12,482 against 11,038 and 11,703, respectively, in the previous year. The average daily attendance of both in- and out- patients in the hospital was 15·29 and 60·29 against 13·77 and 60·31, respectively, in the preceding year, and that in the branch dispensary was 52·6 against 51·38 in the previous year.

61. The hospital buildings including the latrine have been thoroughly repaired. The council have provided a sum of Rs. 2,000 in the current year for a lying-in-ward, and the construction of the building will be taken in hand as soon as the plan and estimate, which are now being prepared, are approved by the Sanitary Board. None of the hospital assistants received any house-rent, as they did not occupy any buildings within 200 yards from the hospital and the branch dispensary.

62. Under establishment, a sum of Rs. 3,277–2–1 was spent against Rs. 3,290 in the revised estimate, and the decrease being slight calls for no remarks.

63. *Medicines and Supplies.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 907–3–7 against Rs. 836–5–5 in the previous year. The increase of Rs. 7–3–7, as compared with the revised estimate, is due to the purchase of certain medicines locally.

64. *Diet of Patients.*—An expenditure of Rs. 644–15–4 was incurred against Rs. 800, the revised estimate, and Rs. 655–15–4, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease is due to the slight falling off in the number of in-patients from 385 to 368, and to the reduced rates of contract for dieting the in-patients.

65. *Sundries and Contingencies.*—Rs. 612–12–7 were expended against Rs. 720 of the revised estimate and Rs. 798–5–7, the actuals of the previous year. This sum includes Rs. 102 paid to the midwife as results grants. She attended 110 cases during the year against 66 in the preceding year.

66. As stated in paragraph 59 *supra*, the cost of maintaining the municipal hospital and the branch dispensary, including the cost of repairs to the buildings, &c., amounted to Rs. 5,588–2–3. Deducting the several items of receipts on account of the main hospital, viz., Rs. 2,272–5–0 (contribution from the taluk board, Rupees 2,247–15–6, sale-proceeds of medicines, Rs. 12–5–6, sale of grass in the hospital compound, Rs. 12), the net cost to the municipality amounted to Rs. 3,315–13–3 against Rs. 3,353–0–8 in the previous year.

67. *Medical Training of Women.*—No expenditure was incurred under this head during the year.

68. *Vaccination.*—Vaccination was compulsory as in previous years. The two municipal vaccinators performed 1,153 operations on children below one year of age and 935 on those above one year. Of these, 1,145 under the former and 930 under the latter proved successful. The number of births registered during the year was 1,522. The number of children under one year of age that were liable for vaccination under G.O., No. 1502 M., dated 19th October 1894, was 1,531. Of these, 911 were successfully vaccinated against 906 in the previous year, 302 were returned as either "died" or "unaccounted for," 282 left the station and 36 remained to be disposed of at the close of the year. The total number of operations during the year, as compared with that of the previous year, showed a slight fall by 269 cases, which must be attributed to no other cause than the paucity in the number of unprotected children between one and ten years of age available for vaccination in the town. The first-class vaccinator is in charge of the infantile vaccination, and the second-class vaccinator attends to all cases above six months and cases of re-vaccination. The minimum number of cases fixed for the second-class vaccinator is 150 per mensem, and if the minimum is not reached, he is fined in his salary at the rate of one anna per case. The second-class vaccinator had not been paid his full salary for several months for want of the minimum number of cases, and he has applied for a reduction in the minimum, as sufficient number of cases are not available for vaccination. Since the introduction of compulsory vaccination from the 1st January 1893, a careful census of all children between the age of one and ten years, who under the system of vaccination before compulsion was employed were not operated upon, was taken, and all of them were vaccinated in the previous

years. The percentage of successful cases of primary vaccination was 99·3 against 99·2, and that of secondary vaccination 100 against 95·8 in the previous year. The percentage of successful cases under infantile vaccination was 99·3 against 99 in the preceding year. The total cost of vaccination was Rs. 505–9–1 against Rs. 496–11–3 in the previous year. The cost of a single successful vaccine operation performed during the year was As. 3–11 against As. 3–5 in the preceding year. The number of prosecutions instituted for failing to have the children vaccinated was 158 against 251 in the previous year.

69. *Registration of Vital Statistics.*—The number of births registered during the year was 1,522 against 1,607 in the previous year. This was at the rate of 38·5 per mille of the population of the town against 40·7, as per figures of the last census. Similarly, the number of deaths registered was 1,200 against 1,566 of the previous year. The death-rate was 30·4 per mille of the population against 39·7 in the previous year.

70. The number of prosecutions instituted against those who failed to register births and deaths was 80 against 58 in the previous year.

71. The provision in the revised estimate under "Establishment" (viz., Rs. 180) was wholly spent during the year. Rs. 48–14–0 were also spent against Rs. 70 in the revised estimate in supplying certain articles of stationery, &c., to the registrar.

72. *Conservancy—Road-cleaning, &c.*—The cost of the conservancy establishment for the year amounted to Rs. 5,846–8–2 against the revised estimate of Rs. 6,090 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 5,785–13–10. The establishment continued to be the same as in the previous year. The decrease in expenditure under this head below the revised estimate is chiefly due to the non-entertainment of the road-watering establishment.

73. During the year under report, the usual sanitary arrangements were made at the Big Bazaar and Kalpatti car festivals and at the Madappalli temple festival at a cost of Rs. 35–15–8.

74. *Other Charges, such as purchase or hire of carts, &c.*—A sum of Rs. 217–8–6 was spent under this head against Rs. 300, the revised estimate, and Rs. 43–8–2, the actuals of the previous year. The increase in expenditure over the actuals of the previous year is due to the construction of four rubbish carts and three night-soil carts in addition to the existing plant in this municipality.

75. *Private Scavenging.*—The establishment maintained for the purpose consisted of one maistry and twenty scavengers as in the previous year. It cost Rs. 1,792–2–9 including Rs. 231–12–10, contingencies, against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,880 and the actuals of the previous year, Rs. 1,555–9–2. The amount spent under "Contingencies" includes the cost of constructing two night-soil carts and of purchasing 580 tins for private scavenging purposes. The net cost on account of private scavenging amounted to Rs. 392–15–9 against Rs. 716–0–2 in the previous year. The net expenditure on account of the service has been much reduced in the year under report, and the service will become self-supporting in the current year under the circumstances stated in paragraph 34 *supra*. The number of houses on the register of the private scavenging agency on the last day of the year was 733 against 664 in the previous year.

76. *Cholera Charges.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 224–6–11 against Rs. 396–2–4 in the previous year. On the appearance of the disease, all sanitary precautions for preventing the spread of the disease were adopted. Great attention was paid to the cleanliness of the town. Disinfectants were freely used. The establishment charges on account of the special staff entertained amounted to Rs. 96–13–3, exclusive of Rs. 53–4–8 paid to the hospital assistant in the shape of cart allowance besides Rs. 74–5–0 being cost of medicines.

77. *Contingencies.*—The charges on account of sundry articles, such as purchase of stationery, &c., amounted to Rs. 96–11–8 against Rs. 100 in the revised estimate. The above amount also includes Rs. 24–15–6 being the cost of constructing a shed to the cinerator during the rainy season and Rs. 31–3–0 spent for clearing noxious vegetation.

78. The number of latrines, urinals and dust-bins was the same as that in the previous year, viz., 13, 1 and 151, respectively.

79. *Grant 4, Lighting and Miscellaneous.*—The charges incurred under "Contingencies" were Rs. 1,432–5–5 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,850 and Rupees 1,289–2–1, the actuals in the preceding year. The number of lights put up during the year was 26, and the total number of lights on the 31st March 1898 was 181 against 155 on the 31st March 1897.

80. *Travellers' Bungalow.*—The charges under this head amounted to Rupees 209–12–6 against Rs. 240, the revised estimate, and Rs. 188–14–6, the actuals of the previous year. The above amount includes Rs. 53–12–6 spent under "Contingencies" Rs. 12, washerman's charges, and Rs. 41–12–6, cost of an iron cot and wire mattress purchased for the bungalow.

81. *Avenues and Public Garden.*—As in the previous year, two avenue coolies for five months were employed in tending the cocoanut trees planted along the roads, and the services of a gardener were continued for the vegetable garden, &c., within the municipal office compound. The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 104–8–0 against Rs. 107–9–4. The vegetables, &c., grown in the garden were sold in auction for Rs. 31–5–7.

82. *Other Charges.*—During the year under report, no expenditure was incurred under "Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes." The printing charges, viz., Rs. 745–13–5 show a decrease of Rs. 154–2–7 under the figure in the revised estimate. A sum of Rs. 143–12–0 was paid as compensation for the site acquired for a burial-ground for the Basel German Mission congregation, which is shown under Grant 4 (9) (iv). The other items show an excess expenditure of Rs. 37–8–4 over Rs. 129–10–8, the actuals of 1896–97. This is chiefly due to the adjustment of the cost of the old municipal Acts, and to the payment of the pound-keeper's commission and feeding charges from this head.

83. *Grant 5, Supervision and Management.*—The details of establishment are shown in statement II-B. The total expenditure under Grant 5 amounted to Rupees 3,709–7–1 against Rs. 3,990, the revised estimate, and Rs. 3,815–9–6, the actuals of the previous year, and thus it was 5·5 per cent. of the current receipts against 6·2 per cent. in the previous year.

84. *Repayment of Debt.*—The instalment of loan which fell due for 1897–98 with interest amounted to Rs. 1,780 and was paid during the year under report. The note appended to statement II contains information regarding the financial position of the municipality.

85. *Advances Recoverable.*—The advances made during the year amounted to Rs. 1,411–14–1, of which Rs. 10–6–3 were recovered by cash and Rs. 1,400–11–10 by adjustment. The balance of the previous year's outstanding at the close of the year 1896–97, excluding the permanent advance, was Rs. 1,631–11–0, out of which, the sum of Rs. 2–9–0 has been recovered in cash and the sum of Rs. 1,547–9–5 by adjustment.

86. *Refunds of other than Current Collections.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 27–5–0 against Rs. 50, the revised estimate.

IV.—Closing Balance.

87. A sum of Rs. 4,410 was anticipated in the revised estimate against Rupees 3,816–8–11, actuals of the previous year; but the actuals of the year under report amounted to Rs. 11,273–10–7, or Rs. 6,863–10–7 in excess over the amount anticipated in the revised estimate, which is chiefly due to the following:—

	Rs.
(1) Increase in receipts over the revised estimate by about	1,740
(2) Savings effected under Grants 2 (2) (ii), 3 (1) (*c*) and (*d*), 4 (1) (*b*), (6) (*b*), (9) (iii), and 5 (*b*) (i), (ii) and (*d*)	1,880
(3) The non-utilization of allotments made for certain purposes under Grants 1 (i) (*b*), 3 (5) (*c*), 4 (8) (*b*), (9) (ii) and (iv)	2,810
Total ..	6,430

88. *Municipal Accounts.*—The accounts of the year 1896–97 were audited by M.R.Ry. T. Krishnaswami Mudali, who has remarked in the concluding portion of his notes that "the result of the audit was satisfactory" and that "the Chairman exercised his close supervision over the accounts as observed in the last year's audit notes."

89. In summarising the year's administration, I trust the Government will be pleased to consider that the administration compared favourably with that of the previous year. Collection of taxes under most of the items greatly improved; coercive process was freely resorted to, and warrants were executed with promptitude; the sale of sweepings was effected at a reasonable price; the sale of night-soil converted into ashes at the cinerators fetched the highest price, the cultivators having appreciated its advantage as manure; the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733; new buildings of importance, such as the Dance Market and the Elsworthy Reading-room, were completed; the condition of roads was good; progress was made in education; good results were produced in vaccination and registration; the sanitation of the town was efficient; number of lights was increased from 155 to 181; the conservancy clauses of the Act were rigorously enforced; and the work done in the medical institutions was good.

Enclosure.

Concise Annual Report of the Municipal Hospital and Branch Dispensary, Palghat, for the year 1897–98.

Public Health.—The public health has been better than that of last year. Cholera prevailed only in sporadic form; 120 cases were registered with 81 deaths. With the exception of small-pox, fevers, diarrhœa and other diseases have been less prevalent.

Vital Statistics.—

Months.		Population.	Cause of death.					Total deaths.	Total births.
			Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery and diarrhœa.	All other causes.		
April	1897	39,481	20	..	17	6	40	83	140
May	,, ...		..	..	21	14	60	95	136
June	,, ...		..	1	15	30	49	95	147
July	,, ...		..	..	22	12	64	98	141
August	,, ...		2	..	19	21	53	95	117
September	,, ...		..	..	22	11	53	86	118
October	,, ...		..	..	12	16	42	70	109
November	,, ...		31	3	12	15	63	124	114
December	,, ...		19	9	17	14	69	128	118
January	1898		..	16	22	11	55	104	108
February	,, ...		9	1	29	17	65	121	123
March	,, ...		..	..	22	8	71	101	151
	Total ..		81	30	230	175	684	1,200	1,522

Sanitation.—The refuse is carted away by hand-carts to the rubbish depots and burnt in a cinerator. Hitherto it was stacked up and sold once a year by public auction. There are 27 hand-carts (showing an increase of three over that of the previous year) and 12 night-soil carts. These carts are worked by 48 sweepers—seven amshoms are conserved in the circle.

There are thirteen latrines and one urinal, of which eight are Crawfords, one pucka built and four tatty. They are freely used by the people. The system of private scavenging is extending in the town and Brahmin villages.

Water-supply.—Wells are the chief sources of water-supply. There are nine public wells, the property of the municipality, protected by parapet wall and masonry flooring from pollution. The water is fairly good and is used for drinking purposes.

In some parts each house has a well of its own, in others groups of houses have a well common to them. There are also several tanks, but the water is not good and is never drunk. They are used for purposes of ablution only.

Drainage.—The drainage of the town is very defective, the only masonry drain provided is in Big Bazaar and Sultanpett streets; in other parts of the town temporary side-channels are dug just before the monsoon, which become closed after one or two showers. The sewage of the houses in most cases is drained off to the backyards. There are no cesspools.

Vaccination.—The work of vaccination is carried out by a first and a second class vaccinator. The former works at the hospital in a shed erected for the purpose under the supervision of the medical subordinate in charge, and the latter in the town. The system of compulsory vaccination is in force. The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,095, of which 2,082 were successful. Of this total, 1,131 were infantile, 952 primary operations and 12 re-vaccinations.

The total number of cases vaccinated was 2,088, of which 2,075 were successful (1,153 infantile cases and 935 cases above one year of age). The civil apothecary explains that "the mistake must have occurred when totalling the figures from the several statements."

(Intld.) P. I. C.

Hospitals and Dispensaries.—Two—the municipal main hospital in charge of a civil apothecary and a branch dispensary in charge of a second-class civil hospital assistant.

(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The hospital consists of a main building and separate blocks. The main building comprises an office-room, store-room, out-patients waiting and compounding room, dressing-room, two male wards with bath and store-rooms, and two female wards with bath and store-rooms, male and female latrines and kitchen. The separate blocks consist of a pucka-built cholera ward, small-pox ward, male venereal ward and mortuary. There are also thatched sheds for caste Hindus, female venereal cases and for low-caste people.

The male ward can accommodate eight patients and the female eight, cholera ward four, small-pox ward four, male venereal ward four and the thatched sheds each four.

The branch dispensary is a rented building and consists of only one room, which is used for all purposes. The hospital assistant in charge reports that the accommodation is not at all sufficient, and hopes that the council will soon see their way to providing a suitable building.

(*b*) *State of Repair of Buildings.*—The hospital main buildings require repairs to roof and flooring. The latrines are in a *very bad* state of repair; a new cemented flooring is necessary. The council have sanctioned these repairs, and the work will soon be carried out.

The Branch dispensary is in a fairly good state of repair.

(*c*) *State of repair of Furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—The hospital and branch dispensary were inspected by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer in the month of June.

(1) For want of funds nothing has been done to carry out the suggestion of the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras regarding the demolition of the present caste-shed and the construction of a pucka building.

The council have, however, provided (in their budget) a sum of Rs. 2,000 for the construction of a lying-in-ward, which is more necessary.

(*e*) The sum of Rs. 12–3–6 has been realized on sale of medicines at the main hospital.

The realization from the sale of medicines was Rs. 12–5–6. The figure shown in this report is "a clerical error", as explained by the civil apothecary.

(Intld.) P. I. C.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated at the main hospital was 11,881 against 11,423, and at the branch dispensary 12,482 against 11,703.

(*g*) The number of deaths was 49 against 79 in the previous year. There were no deaths from septic disease.

(*h*) *Operations and Results.*—At the main hospital 416 operations were performed, and at the branch dispensary 326. There were no casualties.

(*i*) The establishment is sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwives—Work actually done.*—The midwife attended 110 cases against 66 in the previous year. When unengaged in her legitimate work, she attends the hospital and assists in the dressings of the female patients.

PALGHAT,
10*th April* 1898.

(Signed) E. D'SYLVA,
Civil Apothecary in medical charge.

Endt. on P. No. 883.

Forwarded to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.

CALICUT,
19*th May* 1898.

(Signed) Surgeon-Lt.-Col., J. J. Hackett. Lieut
District Medical and Sanitary Officer, Malabar.

No. 1492–R.

Submitted to the Collector of Malabar.

2. *Paragraph 12.*—Owing to the high price of the necessaries of life, arrears were not pressed against poor defaulters in the matter of house-tax. This accounts for the lower percentage of arrear collections.

3. The enforcement of private scavenging is rendered more difficult by the leniency with which the local Bench of Magistrates visits nuisance cases. Attention has been called to this on the magisterial side.

4. The condition of the roads was fair, considering the low allotment on them. There is every prospect of a great improvement in the current year, as they have been given out to a competent contractor.

1*st July* 1898.

(Signed) R. F. AUSTIN,
Ag. Head Asst. Collector.

Endt. on C. No. 422-M.

Submitted.

2. The delay of the assistant inspector of schools and civil apothecary in sending their reports to the Chairman is unsatisfactory.

3. If private scavenging fees had been collected in advance, there would have been no necessity for writing Rs. 339–10–0 off the accounts.

4. The Principal's report shows a net profit to the municipal council of more than Rs. 1,700 in the working of the Victoria College during the year.

CALICUT,
8*th July* 1898.

(Signed) N. SUNDRA ROW,
for *Ag. Collector.*

Review of the Palghat Municipal Report for 1897-98

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Current No 2285 of 1898, dated 28-6-98 from the Chairman, Mc. Palghat

Current No of 189 , dated from the

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Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Order. No 1470 md 19/8/98

The ~~estimated~~ receipts and charges of the Palghat 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, 1896-97.	Revised Estimate, 1896-98.	Actuals 1897-98.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	5602	770	3220	3817
Tax on Arts	3287	3700	3350	3429
Tax on Buildings and Lands	16621	17390	18080	18586
Water-Tax on Buildings and Lands	"	"	"	"
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	340	450	450	379
Tax on Carts	1716	1750	1680	1620
Tolls	10,865	10,800	10,460	10496
Realizations under Special Acts	112	30	100	99
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c, and sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	667	550	570	789
Conservancy Receipts	576	500	560	576
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions ..	15,663	16,870	16,620	17002
Fees and Revenue from Medical Institutions	16	40	20	12
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	1492	1640	1420	1415
License fees	707	550	600	699
Other fees	478	630	1040	993
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	385	500	360	377
Interest on Investments and premium on Loans ..	"	"	"	"
Grants and Contributions from Government	4328	5110	5110	4428
Do. from Local Boards	2840	2950	2920	2798
Do. from other bodies	"	500	500	500
Recoveries for services to private individuals	840	1600	1600	1410
Miscellaneous	117	90	110	104
Loans	"	"	"	"
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c, and Realizations of Sinking Fund	"	"	"	"
Advances Recovered	1	"	980	1550
Total ..	66.623	66.620	69.280	71.013

Charges.	Actuals, 1896-97	Budget Estimate, 1897-98	Revised Estimate, 1897-98	Actuals 1897-98
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 1.				
New Works—				
Communications	709	190	190	198
Buildings	5260	2950	5050	4693
Drainage	"	10	10	6
Water-supply	"	300	150	42
Repairs—				
Communications	5678	6190	6040	6144
Buildings	756	1690	1570	1532
Drainage	"	"	"	"
Water-supply	33	100	40	29
Establishment	1043	1080	980	946
Tools and Plant and other Stores	69	300	300	175
Contributions for Public Works	"	"	"	"
Total	13548	12810	14330	13764
Grant 2.				
Training Schools	"	"	"	"
Municipal Schools—				
(a) On the Salary System	20152	17920	17350	17287
(b) On the Salary Result System	3351	3890	3700	3085
Grants-in-aid—				
(a) Salary grants				
(b) Result grants				
(c) Building, Furniture, &c., grants	2036	2060	2000	2059
Inspection	"	"	"	"
Miscellaneous	325	350	350	350
	"	"	"	"
Total	25864	24220	23480	22731
Grant 3.				
Hospitals and Dispensaries				
Contributions	5579	5710	5710	5442
Vaccination	474	630	630	570
Registration of Births and Deaths	497	550	550	566
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	282	300	250	229
	7897	10100	10110	8177
Total	14729	17290	17250	14924
Grant 4.				
Lighting	1289	1850	1850	1432
Markets and Slaughter-houses	"	"	"	"
Choultries	"	"	"	"
Travellers' Bungalows	189	240	240	210
Avenues	22	100	100	30
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other charges	971	1340	1800	1131
Total	2471	3530	3990	2803
Grant 5.				
Supervision and management				
Repayment of Debt	3816	4120	3990	3709
Interest on loan	1000	1000	1600	1000
Advances Recoverable	840	780	780	780
Refunds	499	"	"	1
Discount	40	50	50	27
Pensions and Gratuities	"	"	"	"
Investments	"	"	"	"
	"	"	"	"
Grand Total	62807	63800	64870	59789
Balance	3816	2820	4410	11274

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2. The Municipal council held 28 meetings against 26 in the previous year. The average attendance of members improved and was fair in the case of non officials, but poor in that of officials. The Collector will report to Govt. the names of such of the officials at fault as have no satisfactory explanation to offer. One seat was filled by election during the year at which only 10.8 per cent of the registered voters attended the poll.

3. Receipts (1) owing to the operation of revised schedule A annexed to the District Municipalities Act, the net current demand under the tax on arts fell from Rs 3710 to Rs 3157. Under the taxes on buildings and lands also there was a decline of Rs 98 and Rs 15 respectively.

(2) The collections under the principal taxes improved and were fair, except in the case of the arrears of land tax. Distress warrants were

The foregoing is the Chairman's report.

were issued in 2317 cases against 2835 in 1896-97, but they were executed with greater promptitude.

(3) The receipts from bungalow fees, school fees and cart stand fees showed a satisfactory advance, while those from the tax on carts and tolls declined, the marked decrease under the latter head being due to combination among bidders at the auction sales. The income from the sale of sweepings amounted to Rs 516 against Rs 546 in the previous year, but as the ryots have begun to appreciate the value of night soil as manure, it is hoped that there will be an increase in the revenue from this source in future.

(4) The number of horses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 664 to 733 and the Service was worked at a loss of Rs 393 against Rs 729 in the previous year. As the rate of fees has since been raised from three to four annas a month from 1st July 1898, the Gmt. trusts that the Service will be rendered self supporting in the current year.

Vide col 7 of Statt VI submitted with the budget for 1898-99

Please see para 24 of the report

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Vide GO 1091 H para 34 of the 17-6-98 Chairman's report

Please see para 3 of the Collector's endorsement

A similar remark was made last year Cos. Office Sp. No 2427 M 4-11-97 H

Vide para 34 of the chairman's report

These fees were again not collected in advance, as repeatedly ordered by Government, and consequently about Rs 340 of arrear and current demand had to be written off as irrecoverable. The instructions of Govt on the subject should be strictly followed in future. The efforts to reform to have been made by the Chairman to relieve this source of inconvenience to the public should not be relaxed until all the houses in the town have been brought under municipal control.

Expenditure (1)

4. Public works. The dance mark was completed during the year at a total cost of Rs 13001 against an estimate of Rs 15075 and was opened for use on the 4th April 1898. The Elsworthy Reading-room was also constructed during the year at an expenditure of Rs 1574. A sum of Rs 1575 was also spent in the year on the construction of the Elsworthy reading-room. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs 6342 or only 6·4 per cent of the net municipal income from tolls, the minimum of 80 per cent fixed in Co. No. 1438 M, dated September 1891. The short outlay under this head should be planied out the roads are somewhere worked by

Vide para 40 of the Chairman's report

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the Revenue Divisional officer to have been in fair order.

Please see para 4 of the Head Assistant Collector's endorsement.

(2) Education. The net expenditure on primary education amounted to Rs 3529, while secondary education was worked at a profit of Rs 2703. Thus the total net outlay on education amounted to Rs 826 or only 2·4 per cent of the receipts from taxation. As in the previous year the municipal council maintained a second grade college on the salary system, as in the previous year, and nine primary schools on the salary result system against ten in that year. Five secondary schools and fifteen primary schools were also aided by the municipal council with result grants against four secondary and fourteen primary schools in the previous year. The attendance at the Victoria College and the aided schools showed an increase, but that at the municipal primary schools fell slightly. The results of the Victoria College at the University Examinations though fair declined. They were, however, poor in the case

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Vide Statement No III submitted by the Assistant Inspector of Schools.

First in Arts the Examination though in that of the matriculation not so good as in the previous year, were fair; but those at the Matriculation and Lower Secondary Examinations were poor. The remaining institutions, municipal and aided, fared well at the departmental and grant examinations and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized during the year. The total number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools rose from 2081 or 72·6 per cent of the male population of school going age to 2189 or 76·3 per cent. More than one third of the number of the teachers employed in the municipal and aided schools were still entirely unqualified. Every endeavour should be made to reduce this unduly large proportion.

(3) Medical Relief. The number of patients treated in the hospitals and dispensaries rose from 20,581 in 1897-98 to 21,600 in 1898-99. There was a small decrease in the number of in-patients treated

in the ~~Municipal~~ main hospital, but the ~~number of~~ patients who ~~treated~~ attended this institution and the branch dispensary rose from 22741 to ~~23995~~ 23995. The Midwife attached to the hospital attended 110 cases of labour against 66 in the previous year. a satisfactory advance. The attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Civil Apothecary's ~~report~~ remark in para 7 (a) of his report regarding the insufficiency of the accommodation in the branch dispensary.

(4) Vaccination & Vital Statistics.

The total number of persons ~~reported to have been~~ vaccinated during the year fell from 2357 to 2088, the decline being ascribed ~~by the Chairman~~ to almost all the children ~~between the ages of~~ above and below ~~one~~ ten years of age, having been vaccinated in previous years. The percentage of successes ~~however~~ reported continued to be very high, viz 99.4 ~~being 99 & to~~ and it is a matter for surprise that all the secondary vaccinations were unsuccessful. The District Medical & Sanitary officer has not stated whether he ~~tested~~ verified ~~done~~

Please see para 68 of the Chairman's report

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any of these cases, & also, with what result

This information should be furnished in future reports.

Supplied. The number of children under one year successfully vaccinated was 1145 or 29 per mille of the population against 1158 or 29·3 per mille in 1896-97 and a registered birth rate of 38·6 per mille

The number of births registered during the year fell by 85 and that of deaths by 366, the large decline in the latter case being evidently due to the small mortality from Cholera as compared with that in the previous year. The rates recorded, in both cases, being below the normal, the returns appear to be still incomplete and no efforts should be spared to make them trustworthy.

(5) Sanitation. The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs 8,177 or 81 per cent of the allotment and was 12·2 per cent of the receipts. ~~the Chief Constable~~

No. of deaths from cholera in 1896-97 — 440
" " " 1897-98 — 81
vide para 4 (4) of G.O. 2427-M/4-11-97 and para 1 of the medical report for the current year.

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been explained, nevertheless apparently the absence of any security for large expenditure due to ~~the want of the health~~ / expenditure under cholera charges. / This is satisfactory to observe

Vide para 1 of the medical report

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of the Chairman's report, ~~the~~ foot-

that / most of the defects pointed out by the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner at his last inspection have been remedied. The construction of the drain ~~round the~~ round the mappila mosque, & of a public latrine at Kalpati should be ~~attended to without~~ undertaken as soon as possible.

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Vide Jo No 903-M
12-4-97

Please see para 24 of the report

5. General Remarks. The year closed with a balance of Rs 11274 or 16·8 per cent of the receipts. A large portion of this sum should be spent ~~in the current year~~ for the benefit of the rate payers in the current year.

The administration of the municipality during the year under review showed an improvement ~~on~~ in some respects ~~that~~ of the previous year and was on the whole efficient.

The tabular statement given in para 2 of the Civil apothecary's report is unnecessary and should be omitted in future.

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To The Chairman, M.C. Palghat
" Collector of Malabar
" Asst. Dt. Bd. Malabar
" Accountant General
" Director of Public Instruction
" Surgeon General
" Sanitary Board

dup 6/9/97

Statement No. I relating to General Statistics in Palghat Municipal

CHAIRMAN, MUNICIPAL COUNCIL RECEIVED 18 MAY. 98 PALGHAT

Institutions.		1896-97 Number of schools.	1896-97 Number of pupils on 31st March. Boys.	1896-97 Number of pupils on 31st March. Girls.	1897-98 Number of schools.	1897-98 Number of pupils on 31st March. Boys.	1897-98 Number of pupils on 31st March. Girls.	Remarks.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Colleges	Government							
	~~Local~~ or municipal							
	Aided from public funds	1	67	"	1	69	"	
	Unaided and indigenous							
Secondary schools ..	Government							
	~~Local~~ or municipal	1	347	-	1	376	-	The increase of one School under
	Aided from public funds	4	389	2	5	473	18	aided Secondary Schools is due to
	Unaided and indigenous	2	225	4	1	162	-	the transfer of the Lattne middle School
Primary schools ..	Government							to the aided list during the year.
	~~Local~~ or municipal	10	561	52	9	524	71	The Salary Result School was
	Aided from public funds	14	717	140	15	747	154	similarly closed during the year.
	Unaided and indigenous	20	621	196	23	800	207	
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							
	Total	52	2927	394	55	3151	450	

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of the teaching staff employed in Palghat municipality for 97-98

…r possessing …l education …cates only, but …e qualified by …th of service …st April 1897.	Number possessing neither general nor professional qualifications but who are qualified by length of service on 1st April 1897.	Number entirely unqualified.		Remarks.
5	6	7		8
"	"	3		
	"	2		The number of trained teachers shews an increase, the number entirely unqualified is large, but as many as 24 of them belong to unaided and indigenous Schools.
	1	5		
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[illegible]			105		285	214	52	162	Excellent
Malayalam	97	95	5	90	138	91	1	90	Good
History	97	70	34	36	9	6	2	4	Excellent
Geography	305	243	104	139	246	144	60	84	Good
Mathematics	67	30	6	24	123	35	4	31	Poor
Drill with Gymnastics	37	5	2	3	60	25	"	25	Fair
Hygiene	27	25	11	14	31	"	"	"	"
Needlework	2	2	"	2	14	14	7	7	Excellent
Drawing	8	4	"	4	8	8	2	6	Do

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Asst. Inspector of Schools

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* Particulars relating to optional subjects need not be shown by standards.

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Statement No. II showing the proportion of pupils of the great classes of the population to children of school age in the Palghat Municipality / Board. 1897-98

Classes of population.	Population of school age.		Pupils under instruction.		Percentage.		Remarks.
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Europeans and Eurasians			11	4			
Native Christians	82	80	83	44	4·6	55·0	
Muhammadans	414	415	481	105	13·7	25·3	The decrease under Panchamas is only nominal as in the previous year, panchama converts were all treated as panchama proper.
Hindus — Brahmans			1287	113			
Hindus — Non-Brahman caste Hindus	2464	2464	1222	179	54·5	12·2	
Hindus — Panchamas			67	9			
Others							
Total	2960	2959	3151	450			

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2. *In the column of remarks the figures of the previous year should be briefly compared.*
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From

The Assistant Inspector of Schools
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To

The Chairman
Municipal Council, Palghat

Dated 16th May 1898

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Statement No. III giving particulars as to the qualifica

Classes of institutions.		Number of teachers employed.	Number possessing trained teachers' certificates.	Number possessing untrained teachers' certificates.
1		2	3	4
Colleges ..	Government			
	Local or municipal	4	4	1
	Aided from public funds			
	Unaided and indigenous			
Secondary Schools.	Government			
	Local or municipal	15	7	5
	Aided from public funds	24	15	2
	Unaided and indigenous	5	4	
Primary Schools.	Government ..			
	Local or municipal	24	8	2
	Aided from public funds	41	13	2
	Unaided and indigenous	29	2	
	Total	142	49	12

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

Standard.	1896. 97 Compulsory subjects only.				1897. 98 Compulsory subjects only.				Remarks.
	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Seventh standard (or Lower Secondary Examination)	51	34	4	30	95	45	1	44	Fair
Sixth standard	60	33	-	33	71	31	1	30	Do
Fifth do.	67	30	1	29	109	30	..	30	Poor
Fourth do. (or Primary Examination) ..	135	103	21	82	127	95	24	71	Excellent
Third standard	157	124	15	109	143	104	3	101	Do
Second do.	163	129	49	80	190	171	57	114	Do
First do.	182	161	132	29	179	165	136	29	Do
Infant do.	146	123	92	31	132	108	73	35	Do
Total	961	737	314	423	1046	749	295	454	

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	Total Soll	Total Kenntnis	Rest
Anfgs Stand	350		350.
M { S	17287	20457	~~-3170~~ -3170
M { P	3035	948	+2087
D { S	967	~~948~~	967
D { P	1092		1092
Kasse	-	500	-500

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MEMORANDUM OF INVESTMENTS

Description of security.	Nominal amounts.

Nil

Municipal Office,
Palghat 29th June 1898

Chairman.

STATEMENT XII – Showing particulars regarding the number of patients treated, &c., in the Town of Palghat during the year 1897-98.

Name of hospital and dispensary.	Patients treated.			Number and name of midwives employed.	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.
	In	Out.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Main Hospital	368	11513	11881	1 Chellammah	110	G.O. No 493 M. Misc dated 24. March 1890.
Branch Dispensary	"	1248 2	1248 2	"	"	"

STATEMENT XIII.—Showing the Statistics of Vaccination and of Births and Deaths registered in the Town of Palghat during the year 1897-98.

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.		Number of successful operations.		Number of operations with animal lymph.	Number of successful operations with animal lymph.	Number of prosecutions instituted for failure to have children vaccinated.	Remarks.
				Below one year of age.	Above one year of age.	Below one year of age.	Above one year of age.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1522	1200	80	Medical Subordinates								
			1								
			2								
			3								
			Total ..								
			Municipal Vaccinators								
			1st Class Vaccinator	821	"	815	"	"	"	158*	*These prosecutions were instituted as per G.O. No 1302-11 dated 19. October 1894.
			2nd class Vaccinator	332	935	330	930	"	"		
			3								
				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
			Total ..	1153	935	1145	930	2088	2075	158.	
			Grand Total ..	1153	935	1145	930	2088	2075	158.	

STATEMENT X-A.—Showing the particulars of Selections held in the Municipality of Palghat 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
1. Kalpathi Ward	8377	246	-	-	-	-
2. Puthur Ward	9881	194	-	-	-	-
3. Sultanpet Ward	8483	172	-	-	-	-
4. Big Bazaar Ward	6824	225	-	-	-	-
5. Nurani Ward.	5916	*241/212	30.9.97	1	Contested	26.
6.						
7.						
8.						
9.						
10.						
Total ..	39481	1049	-	1	-	26.

* Number of voters in the Nurani ward as per list which was published on 2nd November 1896 and was in operation on the 30-September 1897.

STATEMENT showing the particulars regarding Municipal markets, houses served by the private scavenging agency, number of latrines and of lights, &c., in the Town of Palghat for the year 1897-98.

Area of Municipality in square miles.	Name of Municipal markets.	Whether collection of fees, &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 1897.	Number of latrines demolished in 1897-98.	Number of latrines constructed 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
12 Square miles	Big Bazaar	Leased	733	13 + 1 Masonry erected	-	6	134 + masonry erected	155	26	1	181

Statement IX-A.—Showing the Incidence of the Tax on Arts.

Name of Municipality.	Assessed in																		Total
	Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class IV.		Class V.		Class VI.		Class VII.		Class VIII.		~~Total~~ Class IX.		
	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.	
Palghat.	2	200 - -	-	- - -	4	200 - -	19	450 - -	63	724 - -	77	644 - -	190	752 - -	100	196 - -	18	17 8 -	3153 8 -

In classes IV, VII, VIII and IX 2, 4, 6 & 1 persons respectively were assessed for one half year only.
In class V 5 persons were assessed for one half yearly and 1 person got his tax reduced to Rs 4 for the 2-half years.
In class VI 1 person got his tax reduced to Rs 2 for the 2nd half year.

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Statement X.

1. Name of Municipality .. .. .. Palghat
2. Population as per last census .. .. .. 39,401.
3. Sanctioned number of Councillors .. (a) Nominated 5
   (b) Elected 15
4. Actual number of Councillors on 31st March 1898—
   (a) Ex-officio 2
   (b) Nominated { Officials 1
   { Non-officials 2
   (c) Elected .. { Officials 2
   { Non-officials 13
   Total .. 20.
   (d) Europeans and Eurasians .. .. ——
   (e) Natives 3
5. Total number of meetings actually held during the year 17
6. Number of meetings adjourned for want of a quorum 2
7. Average attendance at each meeting *actually* held—
   (a) Officials 1
   (b) Non-officials 9.4
   Total .. 10.4.
   (c) Europeans and Eurasians .. .. ——
   (d) Natives 1.5
   .. .. .. 8.9.
   Total .. 10.4.
8. Is the Chairman appointed or 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 .. .. .. Mr Sperrick.

Mr. Dy. Rao Bahadur D. S. Chinnaswamy Pillay Avargal: Extract from Notification No 534 in the Fort St George Gazette dated 3rd July 1894 held the office of Chairman from 1st August 1894 to 31st July 1897.
Mr. Sperrick held the office of Chairman from 1st August 1897 to 31st July 1898
Mr. D. F. Chettur held the office of Chairman during the year. During the intervals the office of Chairman was held by the Divisional Officer.

Statement V.III—Loans.

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 re-paid. Up to 31st March 1897. Number of years.	Amount re-paid. Up to 31st March 1897. Amount.	Amount re-paid. In 1897-98.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 189 . Number of years.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 189 . Amount.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. In 189 -9 .	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 189 -9 . In Government Securities.	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 189 -9 . In the Savings Bank.
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.
6 per cent for all the items.										
2500 - -	For a Municipal Office	Taken G.O. No 16 M. Mis dated 25th January '92	4 ✓	4000 - -	✓					
1500 - -	Hospital Office 1894-95									
10000 - -	Dance Market 1894-95				1000 - -					
2000 - -	New Slaughter house 1894-95	G.O. No 1005 M. Mis dated 13th June 1892								
650 - -	Purchase of site for Cart stand 1894-95									
350 - -	Patrimatni Juvarn School 1894-95									
Total 17,000 - -			4	4000 - -	1000 - -					

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.
Palghat.	8680.	4922	1044	478 7 9	1729	1413 8 1	1749	4774 - -	642	5167 14 3	50	915 3 -	9	777 15 10	5823	13527 0 11.

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Statement VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Palghat 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.	
Grant II 4. Result Grants	2769 - -	1761 1 4	199 12 1	2921 5 3	
Grant III 2(a) Contribution to Provincial Funds for i Medical College.	2000 - -	59 3 -	- - -	2059 3 -	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st March '98.
ii Sanitary Inspection	300 - -	16 - -	- - -	316 - -	List of transfers of funds for the quarter ending 31st March 98.
iii Medical Reserve Staff	300 - -	- - -	55 - -	245 - -	Do.
Grant III 5 Conservancy, Road Cleaning and Road watering (d) Contingencies	30 - -	39 - -	- - -	69 - -	Do
Grant IV 9 Other Charges. ~~iii Operating~~ v Other items.	100 - -	50 - -	- - -	150 - -	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st Dec. 97
	50 - -	15 - -	- - -	- - -	Do Do 30 June 1897.
		25 12 -	- - -	119 12 -	Do Do 31st December 1897.
		29 - -			Do Do 31st March 1898.
	30470 - -	1995 - 4	254 12 1	32210 4 3	

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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.
13.	Leased.	1574 3 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	524 7	510	524 7	510	- - -

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STATEMENT VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Palghat 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. New works (a) Communications	-	-	-	109	6	8	-	-	-	190	5	3	List of allotment of funds for the quarters ending 30th Sept'97 & 31st March 1898.
(b) Buildings.				80	14	7							
				50	-	-							Do for the quarter ending 30th June 1897.
	2100	-	-	895	-	-	-	-	-	2949	4	-	Do for the quarter ending 31st March 1898
							95	12	-	-	-	-	G.Os Nos 1813 M Mis 19-8-97 and 1726 M Mis 5-8-97.
(C) Drainage	-	-	-	5	12	-	-	-	-	5	12	-	G.O. No 1813 M Mis. 19-8-97.
(d) Water Supply	150	-	-	155	-	-	-	-	-	305	-	-	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st March 98
2. Repairs. (a) Communications	6040	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	-	6190	-	-	Do Do
(b) Buildings.	1570	-	-	121	-	-	-	-	-	1691	-	-	Do Do.
Grant II 2. Mr. Schools on Salary System.													
(a) Establishment	16800	-	-	-	-	-	104	0	1	16695	15	11	List of transfer of funds for the quarter ending 31st Decbr 1897.
(b) Contingencies	1030	-	-	90	-	-							G.O. No 1726 M Mis 5-8-97.
				104	-	1				1224	-	1	List of transfers of funds for the quarter ending 31st December 97
	27690	-	-	1761	1	4	199	12	1	29251	5	3	

Statement V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of for the official year 189 -9 —*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 189 . 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)																														Rate at which grant was paid.
(2)																														
(3)																														
Total ..																														
(*b*) Primary Schools ..																														
Total ..																														
Total of Results Grants Schools.																														
Grand Total of Aided Schools. .																														

Foot-note.

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

Names of Schools.	Amount of grant.	Purpose for which made.

STATEMENT V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Palghat for the official year 189[illegible]-98.

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
A. Salary Grant Schools.																														
(a) Secondary schools ..																														
1 Ayalur Middle	1	-	-	1	119	-	80	47	680	8	-	300	-	-	300	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	-	
2 Lekshmiarayanapuram	1	-	-	1	43	-	94	63	400	-	-	250	-	-	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-	-	-	-	-	250	-	-	
3 B. G. M. Middle	1	-	-	1	69	3	60	17	238	8	-	200	-	-	136	8	-	-	-	-	136	8	-	-	-	-	136	8	-	
4 Nurani Middle	1	-	-	1	133	14	101	85	449	-	-	200	-	-	200	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	-	
5 Native Middle	-	1	-	1	109	1	71	17	222	-	-	100	-	-	81	-	-	-	-	-	81	-	-	-	-	-	81	-	-	
Total ..	4	1	-	5	473	18	406	229	1990	-	-	1050	-	-	967	8	-	-	-	-	967	8	-	-	-	-	967	8	-	
(b) Primary schools ..																														
1 B. G. M. (1) Primary	1	-	-	1	87	20	88	63	243	-	-	75	-	-	75	-	-	-	-	-	75	-	-	-	-	-	75	-	-	
2 Mepparamba Mission	1	-	-	1	29	26	33	32	56	6	-	40	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	
3. Sekharapuram	1	-	-	1	73	16	54	49	174	8	-	174	8	-	174	8	-	-	-	-	174	8	-	-	-	-	174	8	-	
4. Native Primary	1	-	-	1	96	5	56	46	221	2	-	100	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	
5 Pannantamkera	1	-	-	1	101	-	86	70	341	-	-	180	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	-	180	-	-	-	-	-	180	-	-	
6 Tondiculam	1	-	-	1	36	10	34	34	70	12	-	70	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	
7. Pallipuram	1	-	-	1	39	7	35	34	79	-	-	70	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-	70	-	-	
8 Mootantara	1	-	-	1	29	12	25	22	44	12	-	40	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	-	
9. Nelliseri	1	-	-	1	42	9	31	22	42	12	-	42	12	-	42	12	-	-	-	-	42	12	-	-	-	-	42	12	-	
10 Ramanadapuram	1	-	-	1	26	19	28	19	50	8	-	50	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	
11 Vythinadhapuram	1	-	-	1	52	7	60	45	112	12	-	112	12	-	112	12	-	-	-	-	112	12	-	-	-	-	112	12	-	
12 Roman Catholic	1	-	-	1	43	-	31	27	61	6	-	61	6	-	61	6	-	-	-	-	61	6	-	-	-	-	61	6	-	
13 Anjappapuram	-	1	-	1	41	1	33	32	52	12	-	30	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	
14 Pallipuram Mappila	1	-	-	1	31	10	23	15	22	3	-	22	3	-	22	3	-	-	-	-	22	3	-	-	-	-	22	3	-	
15 Mepparamba Mappila	1	-	-	1	22	12	23	10	23	[illegible]	-	23	2	-	23	2	-	-	-	-	23	2	-	-	-	-	23	2	-	
Total ..	14	1	-	15	747	154	640	520	1595	15	-	1091	11	-	1091	11	-	-	-	-	1091	11	-	-	-	-	1091	11	-	
Total of Salary Grant Schools ..	18	2	-	20	1220	172	1046	749	3585	15	-	2141	11	-	2059	3	-	-	-	-	2059	3	-	-	-	-	2059	6	-	

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Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Palghat 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
								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.	
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments—*cont.*																							
(b) Salary-results System—																							
1 Anglo Vernacular (b)	1	"	"	1	131	7	115	12 1 -	- - -	512 5 6	- - -	524 6 6	365 3 1	145 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1 7 6	19 8 -	737 2 7	212 12 1	1 13 7	
2 Patinhatinpuram.	1	"	"	1	59	8	62	23 8 4	- - -	97 2 9	- - -	120 11 1	337 14 5	35 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	6 13 -	8 8 -	388 3 5	267 8 4	4 8 -	
3 Kamalasalam (a)	1	"	"	1	59	8	61	36 - 4	- - -	52 10 5	- - -	88 10 9	299 - -	44 8 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	28 1 3	32 14 -	404 7 9	315 12 -	5 2 10	
4. Koppam.	1	"	"	1	32	17	49	35 2 4	- - -	28 5 -	- - -	63 7 4	95 11 10	25 15 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	23 14 3	25 - -	270 9 1	207 1 9	4 2 7	
5 Kalmantapam.	1	"	"	1	39	4	39	23 8 5	- - -	28 1 2	- - -	51 9 7	217 - -	21 9 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	28 8 -	8 14 -	275 15 -	234 6 5	5 12 -	
6 Parakunnam.	1	"	"	1	41	"	39	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	84 - -	4 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	3 8 -	- - -	91 8 -	91 8 -	2 5 6	
7. Kunnathurmedu.	1	"	"	1	26	9	33	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	81 2 8	10 8 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	3 8 -	12 - -	108 2 8	108 2 8	3 4 2	
8 Tirumalai	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	10 13 9	- - -	14 12 9	- - -	25 10 6	123 6 11	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	18 7 5	141 14 4	116 3 10	- - -	
9 Madrasa Mithila Minatha	1	"	"	1	66	9	58	31 2 5	- - -	13 11 -	- - -	44 13 5	263 1 7	44 13 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	28 1 6	17 2 10	343 2 11	298 5 6	5 2 4	
10 Mehtapalayam.	1	"	"	1	71	9	77	28 8 5	- - -	- - -	- - -	28 8 5	203 - -	39 7 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	31 - -	272 7 -	244 14 7	3 2 10	
Total ...	10	-	1	9	524	71	503	200 11 -	- - -	747 7 -	- - -	947 13 7	2263 8 6	373 12 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	123 13 6	173 6 3	3036 8 9	2486 11 2	3 14 7	
Total, Primary Schools ...							1624																
VI.—Special Schools.																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total ...																							
Grand Total of Colleges and Schools	13	-	1	12	969	71	901	644 14 11	- - -	1702 5 7	501 - -	2190 5 6	1781 10 11	373 12 6	- - -	614 2 6	- - -	389 2 3	1158 8 10	3036 15 6	2563 15 6	- - -	

(a) Construction & Repairs. Rs 10-0-0
Annual repairs. Rs 13-9-2
(b) Construction & repairs. Rs 40-13-9
Annual repairs. Rs 17-3-11
Rs 91-10-0

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	26.	9 including 1 first class.
Matriculation	50	14. including 1 first class.
Upper Secondary	-	
Lower Secondary or Seventh Standard.	25	5 Complete Certificates.
Sixth Standard	-	9 Compulsory Subjects & 1 Optional.
Fifth Standard	-	2 Compulsories only.
Primary or Fourth Standard	-	
Third Standard	35	26.
Second Standard	58	38
First Standard	68	56
Infant Standard	86	70
	73	51.

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

Schools.	Number of schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 1898.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	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.		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																							
Victoria College	1	-	-	1	69	-	68	2329 14 -	- - -	4695 - -	500 - -	7524 14 -	7147 10 8	- - -	- - -	190 - -	- - -	67 11 -	151 7 1	7856 12 9	3114 9	- 7 6	
II.—Upper Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(1) Victoria College	1	-	-	1	268	-	208	1872 3 11	- - -	9447 13 -	- - -	11320 - -	11 6672 4 7	- - -	- - -	235 6 9	- - -	197 9 9	664 5 3	7789 11 4	3536 7		
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total	1	-	-	1	268	-	208	1872 3 11	- - -	9447 13 0	- - -	11320 - -	11 6672 4 7	- - -	- - -	235 6 9	- - -	197 9 9	664 5 3	7789 11 4	3536 7	- - -	
III.—Lower Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System—																							
(1) Victoria College	1	-	-	1	108	-	99	- - -	- - -	2112 8 -	- - -	2112 8 -	1602 3 2	- - -	- - -	188 11 9	- - -	- - -	169 6 3	1960 5 2	1528 2 10	- - -	
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total	1	-	-	1	108	-	99	- - -	- - -	2112 8 -	- - -	2112 8 -	1602 3 2	- - -	- - -	188 11 9	- - -	- - -	169 6 3	1960 5 2	1528 2 10	- - -	
(b) Salary-results System—																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total																							
Total, Colleges and Secondary Schools	3	-	-	(1) 3	445	-	375	4201 1 11	- - -	16255 5 -	500 - -	20957 6 11	16425 8 4	- - -	- - -	614 2 6	- - -	265 4 9	* 915 2 7	7306 12 3	3600 10 8	- - -	
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System—																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total																							

(1) Shown as 2 Schools in the statement No. I of the Director of Public Instruction's Report for 1897-98.

College Principal
Secondary Schools

* Includes Rs. 20-- paid from Refunds of other than Collections being refund of School fees Collected during the year 1896-97.

Rs. 1574-12-0
Rs. 1585-4-0

Annual Repairs to Buildings Rs. 280-8-0
Do. Establishment Rs. 1574-12-0
Do. Library and Laboratory Rs. 1585-4-0
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Appedix B to Statements IV-A and IV-B.

Taxes.	Prosecutions instituted.				Collections before judgment.				Collections after judgment.				Prosecutions withdrawn or dimissed.				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.
1. Tax on arts, &c.	7	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	13	-	-	3	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 Tax on buildings.	79	147	9	-	-	-	-	-	11	13	2	-	38	103	6	6	30	31	-	6
3. Tax on lands ..	8	24	2	3	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	6	4	13	6	6	3	8	9	3
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																				
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ..																				
6 Tax on animals ..																				
7. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs.	✓		✓						✓				✓		✓		✓		✓	
Total ..	94	191	11	3	-	-	-	-	16	28	4	6	45	123	13	-	33	39	9	9

* In all these Cases the Amounts were realized.

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

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

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	A.	B.	C.	&c.
1. Tax on arts, &c.	178	8	-	683	-	-	861	8	-	599	-	-	87	-	-	82	8	-	93	-	-	9596. 18-8-7	1896 97. 14-8-1	
2. Tax on buildings	324	1	4	2032	7	9	2356	9	1	1904	15	11	1	8	-	304	11	-	145	6	2	38-2-2	107-4-1	
3. Tax on lands	213	-	3	691	15	7	904	15	10	579	13	1	7	10	-	89	5	-	228	3	9	71-8-6	156-11-3	
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																								
5. Tolls	-	-	-	85	10	2	85	10	2	(a) 73	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	2	-	12-4-2	
6. Market rents	-	-	-	41	8	-	41	8	-	(b) 41	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
7. Slaughter-house fees	399	3	3	2	13	4	402	-	7	(c) 2	13	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	399	3	3	399-3-3	-	
8. Rent of cart-stands	-	-	-	150	-	-	150	-	-	(d) 129	1	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	14	6	-	20-14-6	
9. Private scavenging fees	61	15	-	273	10	-	335	9	-	200	8	-	-	-	-	134	8	-	-	9	-	-	-9-	
Total ..	1176	11	10	3961	-	10	5137	12	8	3531	1	10	96	2	-	611	-	-	899	8	11	527-5-11	372-2-11	

(a) Penal interest Rs. -1-6 excluded (c) Bus Interest -8-4 excluded
(b) Do -1-4 excluded (d) Do 8-3-2 excluded.

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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

		Rs.	A.	P.	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. ..	96	680	-	-	118	289	-	-	214	969	-	-	193	876	8	-	21	92	8	-	47	219	8	-	144	652	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	1	12	-
2. Tax on buildings ..	519	1104	13	10	987	1213	8	7	1506	2318	6	5	1273	1934	7	2	233	383	15	3	271	252	4	9	972	1572	2	11	18	106	7	9	5	(1) 32	8	3
3. Tax on lands ..	250	673	12	2	809	749	-	10	559	1422	13	-	451	1158	1	6	108	264	11	6	48	63	4	11	399	1059	12	1	4	44	-	6	-	-	-	-
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																																				
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ..	38	186	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	186	-	-	30	135	-	-	8	51	-	-	4	12	-	-	24	111	-	-	1	6	-	-	1	7	-	-
6. Tax on animals ..																																				
7. Tax on carts, &c ..																																				
Total ..	903	2644	10	-	1444	2251	9	5	2317	4896	3	5	1947	4104	-	8	370	792	2	9	377	547	11	8	1539	3385 (1554 3 3)	15	-	24	158	8	3	7	11	4	3

(1) Includes 1 warrant is sued for the recovery of assessment imposed for unauthorized occupation of municipal land.

(2) Excluded Rs. 15-0-0 not realized during the year

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STATEMENT IV-A.—*Municipality of* Palghat. Demand, Collection and Balance tatement 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 (column 4 *minus* columns 5, 6 and 7).			Amount since Collected and written off		
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.	3390	8	-	237	-	-	3153	8	-	2823	8	-	-	-	-	59	-	-	271	-	-	124	-	-
2. Tax on buildings	13527	12	11	-	12	-	13527	-	11	12497	4	4	8	7	4	241	13	6	778	13	9	343	4	3
3. Tax on lands	3972	15	5	3	13	-	3969	2	5	3608	7	3	-	-	-	17	15	9	347	11	5	47	12	2
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																								
5. Tolls (gross receipts)	15490	-	-				15490	-	-	(a) 15490	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Market rents	760	-	-				760	-	-	(b) 760	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Slaughter-house fees	585	-	-				585	-	-	(c) 585	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	-	-
8. Rent of cart-stands	715	-	-				715	-	-	(d) 715	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Private scavenging fees	1466	10	-				1466	10	-	1198	11	-	-	-	-	205	2	-	62	13	-	45	9	-
10 Warrant fees	144	8	-				144	8	-	92	4	6	-	-	-	20	-	-	32	3	6	-	-	-
Total ..	40052	6	4	241	9	-	39810	13	4	37765	13	1	8	7	4	543	15	3	1492	9	8	560	9	5

(a) Rental interest Rs 180-8- excluded (c) Rental interest Rs 11-3-11 excluded
(b) Do Rs 13-9-7 — Do (d) Do Rs 23-9-6 - Do

STATEMENT III.—*Municipality of* Palghat

Deposits Account for the year 1897-98.

Abstract of

	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance brought forward .. 5035	5034	11	3				
1. Deposits by appellants	298	14	-	1. Credited to Municipal Funds ..	3909	11	-
2. Deposits by renters	3373	2	8	2. Returned to appellants	134	13	6
3. Deposits by contractors	150	-	-	3. Returned to renters	-	-	-
4. Deposits as security by municipal servants	-	-	-	4. Returned to contractors	191	7	7
5. Deposited for the execution of work for which private parties are liable ..	-	-	-	5. Returned to municipal servants ..	-	-	-
				6. Returned to parties	-	-	-
6. Other deposits under the Act or bye-laws	365	9	7	7. Paid to claimants	215	7	6
4187 Total, Receipts ..	4187	10	3	4451 Total ..	4451	7	7
9229 Total, including balance ..	9222	5	6	4771 Balance ..	4770	13	11
				9222 Total ..	9222	5	6

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 V.—*a.* General Establishment—							
i. Office—							
Manager	1	(1) 45	-	-	535	-	-
Correspondence Clerks	1	(2) 22	-	-	262	-	-
asstt.-do- „	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
„							
Accountants	1	(3) 28	-	-	333	-	-
Head Peons	1	8	-	-	96	-	-
Peons.	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Masalchi	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Municipal Prosecutor	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
(1 (2) & (3) at the rate of Rs 40, 20, & 25 respectively for 1 month.							
Total ..	8	140	-	-	1670	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					275	15	8
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					4	8	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					1394	8	4
ii. Inspection—							
Chairman's salary or carriage allowance ..							
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 V.—*a.* General Establishment—*cont.*							
b. Collection—							
~~Clerks~~ Shroff.							
Bill Collectors 2@Rs 12 & 3@Rs 8 ..	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
~~Peons~~ Process clerk.	5	40	-	-	576	-	-
Peons @ Rs 6	1	8	-	-	96	-	-
	3	18	-	-	216	-	-
Total ..	10	89	-	-	1068	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					55	5	8
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					48	11	5
Balance (Statement II) ..					1061	5	9
c. Collection of tolls—							
Inspectors							
Gate-keepers							
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 IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont.*							
4. Travellers' Bungalows—							
Maty	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Servants	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Scavenger	1	2	-	-	24	-	-
Total ..	3	13	-	-	156	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					-	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					156	-	-
5. Avenues—							
Servants .2 @ Rs 3	2	6	-	-	30	-	-
		For five months only.					
Total ..					30	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					1	13	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					28	3	-
6. Public Gardens—							
Gardeners	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Total ..	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					-	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					72	-	-

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 IV—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont.*							
8. Fire—							
Servants'							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
9.—							

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 III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
b. Private Scavenging—							
~~Inspectors~~ Maistries	1	12	-	-	144	-	-
~~Maistries~~ Scavengers	20	120	-	-	1440	-	-
~~Scavengers~~							
Total ..	21	132	-	-	1584	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					35	10	1
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					12	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					1560	5	11
GRANT IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—							
1. Lighting—							
Superintendents							
Masalchies							
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 IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont*							
2. i. Markets—							
Superintendents							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
ii. Slaughter-houses—							
Superintendents							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
3. Choultries—							
Servants							
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 III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
3. Vaccination—							
1 St Class Vaccinators	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
2 nd Class ~~Peons~~ Vaccinator	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
Total ..	2	25	-	-	300	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					26	5	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					273	11	-
4. Registration—							
Registrars	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
Peons							
Total ..					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 III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
5. *a.* "Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering."—							
Nuisance Inspectors	1	30	-	-	360	-	-
" Horse allowance ..	1	15	-	-	" 15	-	- for one month only.
" Peons @ Rs. 6	2	12	-	-	144	-	-
Maistries 4 @ Rs. 9, 3 @ Rs. 8	7	60	-	-	720	-	-
Scavengers @ Rs. 6.	14	84	-	-	1008	-	-
Sweepers @ Rs. 6.	48	288	-	-	3456	-	-
Road Tolies @ Rs 6	3	18	-	-	216	-	-
Toty to attend Kalpathi river bank Extra Establishment for fairs and festivals—	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
					35	15	P.
Total ..	77	513	-	-	6026	15	8
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					180	7	6
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					5846	8	2

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 II.—Education—*cont.*							
6. Inspection—							
Inspecting schoolmaster	1	25	-	-	300	-	-
Total ..	1	25	-	-	300	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					-	-	-
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					300	-	-
7. *b.* Gymnastic Instructors							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
c. Drawing Masters							
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 III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—							
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries—							
Medical Subordinates	1	131	4	-	1575	-	-
" Hospital Assistant	1	25	-	-	300	-	-
Midwife	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
Clerk & Compounder	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
~~Compounder~~ Waterman.	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
~~Servants~~ Ward attendant	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
" Cook	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
" Gardener	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Washerman	1	3	-	-	36	-	-
Toty. { Male	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Female	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Female Ward attendant.	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Peon	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Total	13	227	4	-	2727	-	-
Branch Dispensary.							
Hospital Assistant	1	35	-	-	420	-	-
Compounder	1	9	-	-	108	-	-
Waterman.	1	3	-	-	36	-	-
Total	3	47	-	-	564	-	-
Total ..					3291	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					15	1	11
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					1	4	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					3277	2	1

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 II.—Education—							
1. Training Schools—							
Pupils receiving scholarships							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
2. Municipal Schools—							
a. On the Salary System—							
~~Head Master~~ Principal	1		500	-	6000	-	-
View Principal	1	(1)	150	-	150	-	-
1st Assistant Master	1		120	-	1440	-	-
2nd " "	1	(2)	90	-	1019	5	4
3rd " "	1	(3)	80	-	899	5	4
4th " "	1	(4)	70	-	779	5	4
5th " "	1		60	-	720	-	-
6th " "	1		60	-	720	-	-
7th " "	1	(5)	50	-	660	10	8
8th " "	1	(6)	40	-	540	10	8
9th " "	1		47	-	564	-	-
10th " "	1	(7)	20	-	270	5	4
11th " "	1		20	-	240	-	-
12th " "	1	(8)	16	-	97	1	1
Malayalam Master	1		25	-	300	-	-
Drawing Master	1		25	-	300	-	-
Sanskrit Master	1		25	-	300	-	-
Writing Master	1	(9)	25	-	269	10	8
Clerk & Librarian	1	(9)	25	-	269	10	8
Senior Gymnastic Instructor	1	(10)	18	-	197	12	9
Junior Do Do.	1	(11)	12	-	162	3	2
Head Peon	1		7	-	84	-	-
Peons 2 @ Rs 5-8- and 1 @ Rs 6.	3	(12)	17	-	197	15	-
Scavenger	1		6	-	72	-	-
Total ..	26				16254	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					197	11	1
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					-	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					16056	4	11

(1) for 1 month only.

(2) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 80 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 90.

(3) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 70 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 80.

(4) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 60 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 70.

(5) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 60 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 50.

(6) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 50 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 40.

(7) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 25 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 20.

(8) for 6 months and 2 days only.

(9) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 20 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 25.

(10) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 15 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 18.

(11) for 6 months and 2 days at Rs 15 and for the remaining portion of the year at Rs 12.

(12) for 6 months and 2 days 1 Peon @ Rs 6 and 2 Peons @ Rs 5-8 each as for the remaining portion of the year 1 @ Rs 6 and 2 @ Rs 5-8-.

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 II.—Education—*cont.*							
b. On the Salary Result System—							
A.V. Primary School. Head Master.	1	18	-	-	216	-	-
2nd —do—	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
3rd —do—	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
4th —do—	1	8	-	-	96	-	-
Total	4	51	-	-	612	-	-
Datinhatinpuram Head Master	1	12	-	-	144	-	-
2nd. do-	1	9	-	-	108	-	-
3rd — do-	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
4th — do-	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Total	4	32	-	-	384	-	-
(1) Tiruvilai Head Master	1	8	-	-	59	1	7
2nd - do-	1	5	-	-	36	15	-
Total	2	13	-	-	96	-	7
Koppam Head Master	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
2nd - do-	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Total.	2	12	-	-	144	-	-
Kammalatara Head Master	1	10	-	-	120	-	-
2nd - do-	1	8	-	-	96	-	-
3rd - do-	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Total	3	23	-	-	276	-	-
Kalmantapam. Head Master.	1	9	-	-	108	-	-
2nd - do-	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
Total.	2	15	-	-	180	-	-
Madrasa Mithila Miatta Head Master	1	9	-	-	108	-	-
2nd do-	1	6	-	-	72	-	-
3rd do-	1	4	-	-	48	-	-
Total	3	19	-	-	228	-	-
Mettupalayam Head Master	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
2nd do-	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
Total	2	12	-	-	144	-	-
Chuckler's School Kunnathurmed Teacher	1	7	-	-	84	-	-
Chemmeri School Parakunnam Teacher	1	15	-	-	180	-	-
Circle Gymnastic Instructor	1	20	-	-	240	-	-
Drawing Master	✓	✓			✓		
Total ..	26	226			2652	-	7
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					288	8	1
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					2363	8	6

(1) The Tiruvilai School was closed on 12th October 1897.

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								
2								
3								
	Total ..							
(*d*)	Water-supply							
1	Municipal wells	100	-	-	28	15	4	
2								
3								
	Total ..	100	-	-	28	15	4	

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 I.—2. *c.* Drainage—							
Overseers							
Drain cleaners							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
d. Water works—							
Overseers							
Watchmen							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
3. General.—							
Overseers	1	45	-	-	540	-	-
~~Maistries~~ Horse allowance	1	15	-	-	30	-	- Paid for 2 months only.
Sub Overseer	1	25	-	-	300	-	-
Peon	1	5	-	-	60	-	-
	✓	✓			✓		
Total ..	4	90	-	-	930	-	-
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					5	3	5
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..					20	-	-
Balance (Statement II) ..					944	12	✓

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 First Class Roads:							Total mileage of roads streets, lanes, &c., in the town. 59 1/2 miles.
1	Great Western Road.				1234	15	1	
2	Road from Olavakode to Big Bazaar				529	7	7	Metalled or Gravelled 22 } Unmetalled. 22
3	Kongad road				90	5	2	15/2
4	Sanguparastlodu road				74	8	4	
5	Road from Olavakode to Kalpathi river				137	15	8	
	Second Class Roads.							Total mileage under maintenance. 59 1/2 miles.
1	Road from Kalpathi River to Fort.				561	7	8	
2	Parakennaw road				49	5	-	
3	Pattikara road				68	15	4	Metalled or Gravelled 22 } Unmetalled. 22
4	Mannanelina and fort roads.				179	2	10	15/2
5	Vettilakulam road.				29	13	6	
6	Alatur Road				179	11	3	
7	Kollengode Road				273	11	5	
8	Yakara road				244	-	-	
	Third Class Roads.							
1	Puthur and Kallepully roads				223	-	9	
2	Kottekad road				81	2	6	
3	Puthurkavu road				16	4	6	
4	Kunnathur road				75	4	9	
5	Road around fort				89	9	11	
6	Yakara branch road				16	10	-	
7	Kannadi river road				54	2	9	
8	Kallikad road				196	7	9	
9	Vithumi road				63	14	1	
10	Robinson Bazaar road				27	1	6	
11	Mangam Road				79	10	2	
12	Sullivan's road				28	12	-	
13	Agatheshwaram to Kadukkankaman road.				45	7	-	
14	Govindarajapuram road				19	4	6	
15	Tonipalayam road				27	7	6	
16	Racket Court road				16	8	2	
17	Road from Vadakkanthara to Pallipuram				52	10	-	
18	Kammalathara road				22	6	7	
19	Tirunilai gramam road.				9	-	-	
20	Kunnathur branch road				48	7	3	
21	Palayapet road				22	14	-	
22	Cheriyad road.				2	12	1	
23	Chittur road.				38	-	9	
24	Seganipuram road.				94	6	10	
25	Kumarapuram road.				59	10	-	
26	Wages of permanent gang coolies				69	5	-	
27	Streets and framoms.				974	4	9	
	Total ..	6190	-	-	6143	15	6	

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	Latrines	921	-	-	918	11	7	
2	Pounds	20	-	-	5	10	1	
3	Vaccination Shed	20	-	-	20	-	-	
4	Hospital and Outhouses.	170	-	-	146	-	8	
5	Municipal Office	80	-	-	40	15	2	
6	Victoria College buildings & fence	300	-	-	280	8	-	
7	Travellers' Bungalow & fence.	70	-	-	57	6	9	
8	Latrines for fairs and festivals	50	-	-	21	6	6	
9	Library Results Schools.	60	-	-	41	10	-	
								✓
	Total ..	1691	-	-	1532	4	9	

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

Part I.—New Works.

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 189 -9 .			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(a)	Communications								
1	Komarapuram road	600	345	13	8	118	11	6	
2	Seganipuram road	500	859	3	9	(1) 6	8	-	(1) This expenditure was in connection with the case for the acquisition of site for the Seganipuram road. This amount was paid as advance in 92-93 and the same was adjusted during the year.
3	Culverts on Kunnathur Branch Road and at Govinda- rajapuram and Seganipuram	80	"	"	"	72	8	11	
	Total ..	480	1205	13	5	197	12	5	
(b)	Buildings		(2)						(2) This was towards the cost of scrutinizing the plan and estimate paid to the Public Works Department.
1	Elsworthy Reading Room	1575	39	6	-	1574	12	-	
2	Cartstand	1455-10-	"	"	"	1455	10	-	(3) Includes Rs 10-8-7 the amount of compensation paid for the site.
3	Parakumam School	50-0-0	"	"	"	(3) 60	5	7	
4	Dance Market	150 7 5	114	5	6	154	15	10	
5	Slaughter house	2000	1941	"	7	(4) 13	6	-	(4) This is towards the Compensation paid for the site on which Slaughter house has been constructed. This amount was paid under "advances" during the year 1893-94 and the necessary adjustments were effected in the accounts during the year.
6	Cinerator at Mattumunthai	44	"	"	"	43	15	6	
	Total ..	20199-10-0	13436	14	-	4693	-	11	

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

Part I.—New Works.—*cont.*

Number	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 189 -9 .			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(c)	Drainage								
1	Chathapuram drain	70	70	-	-	5	12	-	This is towards the Cost of the site on which the drain is constructed.
2									
3									
	Total ..	70	70	-	-	5	12	-	
(d)	Water-supply								
1	Dyracara Street well	150	-	-	-	42	4	6	
2									
3									
	Total ..	150	-	-	-	42	4	6	

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

1	Details of Minor Heads. 2	Totals of Major Heads. 3	Budget Estimate for 1897-98. 4	Revised Estimate for 1897-98. 5	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures). 6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		1746 9 11	2460 - -	2460 - -	1585 9 11
GRANT IV—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*)—cont.					
9. OTHER CHARGES—*cont.*					
ii. Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes ..			270	270	
		72 4 -	50 - -	50 - -	43 5 -
iii. Printing	745 13 5		900 - -	900 - -	712 13 9
iv. Compensation for lands ..	143 12 -			430 - -	
v. Other items	167 3 -	1056 12 5	120 - -	150 - -	129 10 8
Total, Grant IV ..		2803 6 4	3530 - -	3490 - -	2471 7 4
GRANT V—					
a. General Establishment—	635				
i. Office Establishment ..	1394 8 4	1394 8 4	1670 - -	1410 - -	1531 14 4
ii. Inspection					
b. Collection of Municipal Taxes—					
i. Establishment	1061 5 9		1070 - -	1140 - -	1034 5 8
ii. Purchase of account books, paper, money-boxes, repair to out-posts, &c. ..	303 13 6	1365 3 3	400 - -	400 - -	384 1 3
c. Collection of Tolls—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
d. Office contingencies other than (b) (ii)	314 11 6	314 11 6	400 - -	400 - -	331 4 3
e. Contributions for Central office and Audit establishments ..	~~580~~ ~~635~~ - -	635 - -	580 - -	640 - -	534 - -
f. Contribution towards the salary of the Clerk in the Cheetor Office	55				
Total, Grant V ..		3709 7 1	4120 - -	3990 - -	3815 9 6
REPAYMENT OF DEBT—					
a. Instalments paid during the year.	1000 - -	1000 - -	1000 - -	1000 - -	1000 - -
b. Invested on account of Sinking Fund (Value of securities purchased)					
c. Charges of investment ..					
INTEREST—					
a. On account of last year ..					
b. „ of current years.	780 - -	780 - -	780 - -	780 - -	840 - -

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

1	Details of Minor Heads. 2	Totals of Major Heads. 3	Budget Estimate for 1897-98. 4	Revised Estimate for 1897-98. 5	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures). 6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Advances recoverable—					
a. Permanent					
b. Others	12 -	12 -	- - -	- - -	498 13 4
Refunds of other than current collections ..	27 5 -	27 5 -	50 - -	50 - -	39 15 6
Discount					
Pensions and gratuities					
Investments—					
a. In Government securities for purposes other than Sinking Fund					
b. In Savings Bank		59739 2 8	63800 - -	64870 - -	62806 11 3
Total Expenditure ..					
Balances—		11273 10 7	2820 - -	4410 - -	3816 8 11
a. Municipal Fund					
b. Endowments					
c. Water-tax Fund		7012 13 3	66620 - -	69280 - -	66623 4 2
Grand Total ..					

NOTE TO STATEMENT II.

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

Liabilities.	RS.	Assets.	RS.
Liabilities—		Municipal Balance .. { Cash .. .. / Securities	11273-10-7
Balance of Loans	12000--	Deposit Balance .. { Cash .. .. / Securities	4770-13-11
Deposits to be adjusted ..	4770-13-11	Sinking Fund of loans	
Other Liabilities (in detail)		Funded Capital of endowed institutions, Hospitals, &c. .. .. Total ..	16044-8-6 / 66500--
Contribution to Collector's Cash for February '98	5--	Value of Premises, &c.	
Cost of stationery articles supplied to Victoria College	120-2-10	Do. of Tools and plant	3152-8-3
Cost of vaccine paste supplied from Central vaccine depot Calicut for Feby '98	10-13-4	Do. of Live stock	
Portion of pay of Kalarivaram School Establishment for January & February 1898	9-10-1	Do. of Furniture	6073-11-8
Lightning Charges for February '98	7-2--	Arrears of taxes, &c.	1972---9
		Other assets (in detail)	
		Slaughter house fees.	399-3-3
		Cartstand fees.	20-14-6
		Sale of rubbish	119-8--
		Penal interest on overdue Toll Kist 9293.	3-10-8
		Total ..	77241-9-1
		Claims—	
		Advances Recoverable—	
		Permanent advance	72--
		Advances for works, &c.	82-4-7
		Total ..	154-4-7
Total	12023-10-2	Grand Total—	Rs 93440-6-2

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

	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	1897-98. Total 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 ..		5442 1 7	5710 - -	5710 - -	5579 2 9
GRANT III—*Sanitation and Medical Services*—cont.					
2. *a.* CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROVINCIAL FUNDS FOR—					
i. Medical College ..	316 - -		320 - -	300 - -	234 - -
ii. Sanitary Inspection ..	185 - -		240 - -	300 - -	157 - -
iii. Medical Reserve staff ..	69 - -	570 - -	70 - -	30 - -	53 - -
iv. Cutlers' Establishment ..					
b. CONTRIBUTIONS TO LOCAL BOARDS, &C., FOR—					
i. Medical Schools ..					
ii. Reserve staff					
&c., &c., &c, ..					
c. OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS					
3. VACCINATION—					
a. Establishment	273 11 -		300 - -	300 - -	286 9 -
b. Contingencies	231 14 1	505 9 1	250 - -	250 - -	210 2 3
c. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
4. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS—					
a. Establishment	180 - -		180 - -	180 - -	180 - -
b. Contingencies	48 14 -	228 14 -	120 - -	70 - -	101 8 10
5. CONSERVANCY, ROAD CLEANING AND ROAD WATERING—					
a. i. Establishment	5846 8 2		6090 - -	6090 - -	5785 13 10
ii. Other charges such as purchase or hire of carts, dry earth, purchase and maintenance or hire of bullocks, &c. ..	217 8 6	6064 - 8	300 - -	300 - -	43 8 2
b. Private scavenging—					
i. Establishment	1560 5 11		1580 - -	1590 - -	1530 9 2
ii. Contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c. ..	231 12 10	1792 2 9	300 - -	300 - -	25 - -
c. Cholera charges ..	224 6 11		1680 - -	1680 - -	396 2 4
d. Contingencies	96 11 8	321 2 7	150 - -	150 - -	116 1 6
&c., &c., &c. ..					
Total, Grant III ..		14923 14 8	17290 - -	17250 - -	14728 9 10

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

	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	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 IV—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*).					
1. LIGHTING—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies	1432 5 5	1432 5 5	1850 - -	1850 - -	1259 2 1
2. i. MARKETS—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
ii. SLAUGHTER-HOUSES—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
3. CHOULTRIES—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
c. Feeding Travellers					
4. TRAVELLERS' BUNGALOWS—					
a. Establishment	156 - -		160 - -	160 - -	156 - -
b. Contingencies	53 12 6	209 12 6	80 - -	80 - -	32 14 6
5. AVENUES—					
a. Establishment	28 3 -		40 - -	40 - -	22 11 4
b. Contingencies	2 1 -	30 4 -	60 - -	60 - -	
6. PUBLIC GARDEN—					
a. Establishment	72 - -		70 - -	70 - -	69 8 -
b. Purchase of seeds, repair of well, purchase of bullocks, &c. ..	2 4 -	74 4 -	100 - -	100 - -	15 6 -
7. SURVEY OF LAND					
8. FIRE—					
a. Establishment					
b. Purchase of fire-engine, buckets, repairs, &c.			100 - -	100 - -	
9. OTHER CHARGES—					
i. Work done for private individuals other than private scavenging					
Carried forward ..		1746 9 11	2460 - -	2460 - -	1585 9 11

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

—	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	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 I—(*Public Works*)—					
1. NEW WORKS—					
a. Communications	197 12 5		190 - -	190 - -	709 4 1
b. Buildings	4693 - 11		2950 - -	5050 - -	5260 5 5
c. Drainage	5 12 -		10 - -	10 - -	
d. Water-supply	42 4 6	4938 13 10	300 - -	150 - -	
2. REPAIRS—					
a. Communications	6143 15 6		6190 - -	6040 - -	5677 13 11
b. Buildings	1532 4 9		1690 - -	1570 - -	756 - 1
c. Drainage—					
i. Repairs to works ..					
ii. Establishment for flushing drains, &c.					
d. Water-supply—					
i. Repairs to works, machinery, &c.	28 15 4	7705 3 7	100 - -	40 - -	33 2 2
ii. Establishment					
iii. Contingencies					
3. ESTABLISHMENT	944 12 7	944 12 7	1080 - -	980 - -	1042 11 1
4. TOOLS AND PLANT AND OTHER STORES.	174 11 11	174 11 11	300 - -	300 - -	68 6 -
5. CONTRIBUTIONS—					
a. To Local Boards for works ..					
b. To Provincial Funds for scrutiny of estimates, &c. ..					
c. To others for public works ..					
Total, Grant I ..		13763 9 11	12810 - -	14330 - -	13547 10 9
GRANT II—(*Education*)—					
1. TRAINING SCHOOLS—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
b. Stipends to Normal students ..					
2. MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS—					
i On Salary System—					
a. Establishment	16056 4 11		16700 - -	16070 - -	19433 14 1
b. Contingencies	1230 7 4	17286 12 3	1220 - -	1250 - -	718 8 10
Carried forward ..		17286 12 3	17920 - -	17350 - -	20152 6 11

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

—	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	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 ..		17286 12 3	17920 - -	17350 - -	20152 6 11
GRANT II—(*Education*)—cont.					
ii. On Salary-Results System—					
a. Fixed Payments	2363 8 6		2790 - -	2680 - -	2481 8 5
b. Result Grants	373 12 6		650 - -	650 - -	586 2 9
c. Contingencies	297 3 9	3034 8 9	450 - -	450 - -	283 9 11
3. SALARY GRANTS					
4. RESULTS GRANTS	2059 3 -	2059 3 -	2060 - -	2000 - -	2036 5 -
5. COMBINED GRANTS—					
a. Fixed Payments					
b. Result Grants					
6. INSPECTION—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
b. Municipal Inspectors—					
i. Establishment	300 - -		300 - -	300 - -	300 - -
ii. Contingencies	50 3 8	350 3 8	50 - -	50 - -	24 8 -
7. MISCELLANEOUS—					
a. Building, furniture, &c., grants ..					
b. Common gymnasium—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
c. Common Drawing Master—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
d. Other items					
Total, Grant II ..		22730 11 8	24220 - -	23480 - -	25864 9 -
GRANT III—(*Sanitation and Medical Services*).					
1. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES—					
a. Establishment	3277 2 1		3290 - -	3290 - -	3288 8 5
b. Medicines and Supplies	907 3 7		900 - -	900 - -	836 5 5
c. Diet of Patients	144 15 6		800 - -	800 - -	655 15 4
d. Sundries and Contingencies ..	612 12 7	5442 1 7	720 - -	720 - -	798 5 7
e. Contributions to Local Boards &c., &c., &c. ..					
Carried forward ..		5442 1 7	5710 - -	5710 - -	5579 2 9

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

—	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Revised. Estimate for 1897-98.	Budget 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 ..	65646 1 11	65646 1 11	65850 - -	64480 - -	61020 3 11
7. Extraordinary and debt—					
a. Sale-proceeds of Government securities and withdrawals from Savings Bank.					
b. Loans—					
i. From Government ..					
ii. In the market from private individuals					
c. Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans.					
d. Advances—					
i. Permanent	1550 2 5	1550 2 5	- - -	980 - -	1 - -
ii. Others					
Total Receipts ..		67196 4 4	65850 " "	65460 " "	61021 3 11
Grand Total ..		71012 13 3	66620 " "	69250 " "	66623 4 2

Note to Statement I.

1. Tax on arts, &c., is levied on ~~the first~~ all classes.
2. Tax on buildings is levied at 7½ per cent. and tax on lands at ~~7½~~ ammas ~~7½~~ per cent. of rent value. for every 80 square yards.
3. Water-tax on buildings and lands is levied at *nil* per cent.
4. Tax on vehicles ~~and animals~~ is levied at the maximum rates.
5. Tax on carts, &c., is levied at Rs. 4 per cart. per annum.
6. Tolls are levied at ¾ the maximum rates.
7. License-fees are levied at the rates sanctioned in G.O. No 154 dt 22-1-84, 4134 M dt 20-8-85, 233 dt 10-3-87 and No 1204 Rev. Mis dt 5-9-1894.
8. The house-tax registers were last revised in the official year 91-2 and the land tax registers in the official year 1885-89 and the assessment recalculated in 1891-92.
9. Total extent of land assessed is 3162 acres.
10. The mode of estimating the annual rental of houses and lands is as follows:—

(1) Houses- Buildings which fetch no rent are assessed at annas Six per Rs 100 of the valuation with reference to the nature of the building and its locality and surroundings. In other cases 7½ percent on rental

(2) Lands have been assessed on the rent at 7½ per cent of paddy collected from lessees and commuted at 3½ paras a rupee.

(3) Paramba tax - House sites at 6 pies per 80 sqre yards and garden lands at 7½ percent on the rental.

Statement I-A.—Endowments entrusted to the Municipal Council under Sections 25 and 26 of Act V of 1884 for the official year 189 -9

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

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

—	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	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 ..		34601 11 3	34320 - -	34120 - -	32941 1 11
4. Revenue derived from Municipal property and powers apart from taxation—					
a. i. Rent of lands	60 4 11		20 - -	20 - -	18 1 9
ii. Rent of buildings					
iii. Avenue receipts	315 5 10		150 - -	150 - -	267 12 3
iv. Fees from Travellers' Bungalows	361 12 -	737 6 9	280 - -	280 - -	292 - -
b. i. Sale-proceeds of lands and buildings					
ii. Produce of lands, gardens, &c.	43 5 7		60 - -	50 - -	53 14 1
iii. Sale-proceeds of old materials, empty oil cans, packing cases, &c.	8 10 6	52 - 1	40 - -	40 - -	34 14 3
c. Conservancy receipts—					
Sale-proceeds of night-soil, street refuse, &c.	515 8 -	515 8 -	500 - -	500 - -	546 8 -
d. i. Fees from educational institutions	17002 5 7		16850 - -	15620 - -	15663 8 3
ii Other revenue from educational institutions ..		17002 5 7	20 - -		
e. i. Sale-proceeds and composition fees of medicines ..	12 5 6		10 - -	20 - -	15 12 9
ii. Other Hospital receipts ..		12 5 6	30 - -		
f. i. Income from markets ..	815 2 11		1000 - -	820 - -	848 11 4
ii. ,, slaughter-houses.	599 6 7	1414 9 6	640 - -	600 - -	643 4 11
g. Other fees					
i. Distraint fees	23 12 3		20 - -	20 - -	11 11 6
ii. License fees	699 7 -		550 - -	150 - -	706 10 -
iii. Cartstand fees	875 14 2		610 - -	600 - -	464 8 9
iv. Other fees	1 8 -	1692 13 11	- - -	860 - -	1 12 -
h. Fines under Municipal and other Acts.	377 2 -	377 2 -	500 - -	350 - -	384 9 -
i. Interest on investments					
i. General, including choultries					
ii. Educational					
iii. Medical					
j. Premium on loans					
Carried forward ..		56405 14 7	55600 - -	54240 - -	52894 12 9

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

—	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	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 ..		56405 14 7	55600 - -	54240 - -	52894 12 9
5. Grants and contributions—					
a. From Government—					
i. Education—					
Normal stipends ..					
Buildings	25 - -		540 - -	550 - -	
Municipal Schools ..	4402 14 11	4427 14 11	4570 - -	4560 - -	4328 8 2
Other purposes					
ii. Medical					
iii. Other purposes—					
Communications ..					
Water-supply					
Drainage					
Sanitation					
Other purposes ..					
b. From Local Boards—					
i. Education	224 - 15 6		2400 - -	2370 - -	2290 6 7
ii. Medical					
iii. Other purposes	550 - -	2797 15 6	550 - -	550 - -	550 - -
c. Other grants and contributions—					
i. Education	500 - -	500 - -	500 - -	500 - -	
ii. Medical					
iii. Other purposes					
6. Miscellaneous—					
a. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals—					
i. Private scavenging ..	1399 3 -		1580 - -	1580 - -	827 7 -
ii. Other purposes	10 14 -	1410 1 -	20 - -	20 - -	12 2 -
b. Other items—					
i. Fishery rents	5 - -			10 - -	
ii. Refunds of Expenditure of previous year	2 5 6			10 - -	
iii. Fee for numbering carts, &c.	52 11 -		60 - -	60 - -	54 9 -
iv. Other items	44 3 5	104 3 11	30 - -	30 - -	62 6 5
Carried forward ..		65646 1 11	65850 - -	64480 - -	61020 3 11

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

	1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.			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.
1. BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD—															
a. Municipal Fund				3816	8	11	1770	-	-	3820	-	-	5602	-	3
b. Endowments															
c. Water-tax Fund															
2. MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—															
a. Tax on arts, &c. (section 53) ..	3422	8	-				3900	-	-	3350	-	-	3287	8	-
b. Tax on buildings (section 63) ..	14402	14	3				13300	-	-	13990	-	-	12731	13	1
c. Tax on lands (section 63) ..	4183	4	4				4090	-	-	4090	-	-	3888	13	11
d. Water-tax on buildings and lands (section 75) ..	1858	2	1										1620	11	0
e. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins (section 77) ..	378	8	-				450	-	-	450	-	-	340	8	-
f. Tax on animals (section 77) ..															
g. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs (section 85) ..	1620	-	-				1750	-	-	1680	-	-	1716	1	-
h. Tolls (section 91)—															
Gross receipts 15743 - 15-6 / 5247 - 15-10															
Less Local Fund share ..	10495	15	8	34503	2	3	10800	-	-	10460	-	-	10864	12	11
i. Penalties on account of—															
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. ..															
vii. Evasion of tolls															
3. REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—															
a. Pounds	53	9	-				30	-	-	50	-	-	11	9	-
b. Ferry rents	45	-	-	98	9	-				50	-	-	100	-	-
c. Fees under Act II of 1888 ..															
Carried forward ..				34601	11	3	34320	-	-	34120	-	-	32941	1	11

STATEMENT XII – Showing particulars regarding the number of patients treated, &c., in the Town of Palghat during the year 1897-98.

Name of hospital and dispensary.	Patients treated. In	Out.	Total.	Number and name of midwives employed.	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
Main Hospital	368	11513	11881	1 Chellammah	110	G.O. No 493 M. Misc dated 24. March 1890.
Branch Dispensary	"	1248 2	1248 2	"	"	

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STATEMENT XIII.—Showing the Statistics of Vaccination and of Births and Deaths registered in the Town of Palghat during the year 1897-98.

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
15221	1209	80	Medical Subordinates								
			1								
			2								
			3								
			Total ..								
			Municipal Vaccinators								
			1st Class Vaccinator	821	-	815	-	-	-	} "158.	"These prosecutions were instituted as per G.O. No 1502 M dated 19. October 1894.
			2nd class Vaccinator	332	935	330	930	-	-		
			3								
				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
			Total ..	1153	935	1145	930	2088	2075	158.	
			Grand Total ..	1153	935	1145	930	2088	2075	158.	

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STATEMENT X-A.—Showing the particulars of Selections held in the Municipality of Palghat 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
1. Kalpathi Ward	8377	246	"	"	"	"
2. Puthur Ward	9881	194	"	"	"	"
3. Sultanpet Ward	8483	172	"	"	"	"
4. Big Bazaar Ward	6824	225	"	"	"	"
5. Nurani Ward.	5916	*241/212	30.9.97	1	Contested	26.
6.						
7.						
8.						
9.						
10.						
Total ..	39481	1049	"	1	"	26.

* Number of voters in the Nurani ward as per list which was published on 2nd November 1896 and was in operation on the 30th September 1897.

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 Palghat 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 1897.	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
12 Square miles	Big Bazaar	Leased	733	13 Masonry and 61 Thatched	-	"	1345 Masonry and 155 Thatched	155	26	1	181

STATEMENT IX-A.—Showing the Incidence of the Tax on Arts.

Name of Municipality.	Assessed in																Total Class I-X.		Total
	Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class IV.		Class V.		Class VI.		Class VII.		Class VIII.				
	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.	
Palghat.	2	200 - -	-	- - -	4	200 - -	19	450 - -	63	724 - -	77	614 - -	190	752 - -	100	196 - -	18	17 8 -	473 3153 8 - 66

In classes IV, VII, VIII and IX 2, 4, 4 & 1 persons respectively were assessed for one half year only.
In class V 5 persons were assessed for one half yearly and 1 person got his tax reduced to Rs 4 for the 2-half yr
In class VI 1 person got his tax reduced to Rs 2 for the 2nd half year.

STATEMENT X.

1. Name of Municipality .. .. .. Palghat
2. Population as per last census .. .. .. 39400.
3. Sanctioned number of Councillors { (a) Nominated .. 5 / (b) Elected .. 15
4. Actual number of Councillors on 31st March 1898—
   (a) Ex-officio 1
   (b) Nominated { Officials .. .. .. 2 / Non-officials 2
   (c) Elected .. { Officials .. .. .. / Non-officials 15
   Total .. 20.
   (d) Europeans and Eurasians 3
   (e) Natives 17
5. Total number of meetings actually held during the year .. 12
6. Number of meetings adjourned for want of a quorum .. 1
7. Average attendance at each meeting *actually* held—
   (a) Officials 1
   (b) Non-officials 9.4
   Total .. 10.4.
   (c) Europeans and Eurasians 1.5
   (d) Natives .. .. 8.9.
8. Is the Chairman appointed or elected .. .. .. Appointed.
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 .. ..

M. O. R. Rao Bahadur D. Subbanna Pillay Avargal: Government Notification No 379 in the Fort St George Gazette dated 30th July 1894 and No 534 in the Fort St George Gazette dated 30th August 1897. held the office of Chairman from 1st April 1897 to 14th July 1897 and from the 3rd August 1897 throughout the year. During the interval the office of Chairman was held by the Divisional Officer Mr. A. E. Deakin.

Statement V.III—Loans.

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 re-paid. Up to 31st March 1897. Number of years.	Amount re-paid. Up to 31st March 1897. Amount.	Amount re-paid. In 1897-98.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 189 . Number of years.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 189 . Amount.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. In 189 -9 .	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 189 -9 . In Government Securities.	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 189 -9 . In the Savings Bank.
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.
6 percent for all the items.										
2500 - -	For a Munic. 1893-94	G.O. No 16 M. Mis dated 25th January '92	4	4000 - -	1000 - -					
1500 - -	ipal Office 1894-95									
10000 - -	Dairy Market 1894-95	G.O. No 1005 M. Mis dated 13th June 1892								
2000 - -	New slaughter house 1894-95									
650 - -	Purchase of site for Cart stand 1894-95									
350 - -	Patrimatric Juram School 1894-95									
Total 17,000 - -			4	4000 - -	1000 - -					

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.
Palghat.	8680.	4922.	1044	475 7 9	1729	1413 8 1	1749	4774 - -	642	5167 14 3	50	915 3 -	9	777 10 10	5223	13527 0 11

1044 — 478
1729 — 1414
1749 — 4774
642 — 5768
50 — 915
9 — 776
5223 — 13527

Statement VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Palghat 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.	
	27690	-	-	1761	1	4	199	12	1	29251	5	3	
Grant II 4. Result Grants	2000	-	-	59	3	-	-	-	-	2059	3	-	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st March 98.
Grant III 2(a) Contribution to Provincial													
Funds for i Medical College.	300	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	316	-	-	List of transfers of funds for the quarter ending 31st March 98.
ii Sanitary Inspection	300	-	-	-	-	-	55	-	-	245	-	-	Do.
iii Medical Reserve Staff	30	-	-	39	-	-	-	-	-	69	-	-	Do
Grant III 5 Conservancy, Road Cleaning and													
Roadwatering (d) Contingencies	100	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	150	-	-	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st Dec. 97
Grant IV 9 Other Charges. (Other items. iii Operating	50	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Do Do 30th June 1897.
				25	12	-	-	-	-	119	12	-	Do Do 31st December 1897.
				29	-	-							Do Do 31st March 1898.
	30470	-	-	1995	-	4	254	12	1	32210	4	3	

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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.
13.	Leased.	15743	15	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5247	15	10	5247	15	10	-	-	-

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STATEMENT VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Palghat 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. New works (a) Communications	-	-	-	109	6	8	-	-	-	190	5	3	List of allotment of funds for the quarters ending 30th Sept. 97 & 31st March 1898.
(b) Buildings.				80	14	7							
				50	-	-							Do for the quarter ending 30th June 1897.
	2100	-	-	895	-	-	-	-	-	2949	4	-	Do for the quarter ending 31st March 1898
							95	12	-	-	-	-	G.Os Nos 1813 M. Mis 19-8-97 and 1726 M. Mis 5-8-97.
(C) Drainage	-	-	-	5	12	-	-	-	-	5	12	-	G.O. No 1813 M. Mis 19-8-97.
(d) Water supply	150	-	-	155	-	-	-	-	-	305	-	-	List of allotments of funds for the quarter ending 31st March 98
2. Repairs. (a) Communications	6040	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	-	6190	-	-	Do Do
(b) Buildings.	1570	-	-	121	-	-	-	-	-	1691	-	-	Do Do.
Grant II 2. Mal. Schools on Salary System.													
(a) Establishment	16800	-	-	-	-	-	104	0	1	16695	15	11	List of transfer of funds for the quarter ending 31st Dec. 1897.
(b) Contingencies	1030	-	-	90	-	-							G.O. No 1726 M. Mis 5-8-97.
				104	-	1				1224	-	1	List of transfers of funds for the quarter ending 31st December 97
	27690	-	-	1761	1	4	199	12	1	29251	5	3	

Statement V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of for the official year 189 -9 —*cont.*

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.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.									For current year.			For previous year.			Total.						
									Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
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—																												Rate at which grant was paid.
(1)																												
(2)																												
(3)																												
Total ..																												
(*b*) Primary Schools ..																												
Total ..																												
Total of Results Grants Schools.																												
Grand Total of Aided Schools. .																												

Foot-note.

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

Names of Schools.	Amount of grant.	Purpose for which made.

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

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.	Amount of results grants passed for payment.	Amount of results grants disbursed. For current year.	For previous year.	Total.	Amount of salary grants disbursed.	Total expenditure from Municipal funds, columns 14 and 15.	Remarks.
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 Hanafia Middle	1	-	-	1	119	-	80	47	680 8 -	300 - -	300 - -	- - -	300 - -	- - -	300 - -	
2 Lekshmanaraya Puram (2)	1	-	-	1	43	-	94	63	400 - -	250 - -	250 - -	- - -	250 - -	- - -	250 - -	
3 B. G. M. Middle.	1	-	-	1	69	3	60	17	238 8 -	200 - -	136 8 -	- - -	136 8 -	- - -	136 8 -	
4 Nurani Middle (3)	1	-	-	1	133	14	101	85	449 - -	200 - -	200 - -	- - -	200 - -	- - -	200 - -	
5. Native Middle.	-	1	-	1	109	1	71	17	222 - -	100 - -	81 - -	- - -	81 - -	- - -	81 - -	
Total ..	4	1	-	5	473	18	406	229	1990 - -	1050 - -	967 8 -	- - -	967 8 -	- - -	967 8 -	
(b) Primary schools ..																
1 B. G. M. (1) Primary	1	-	-	1	87	20	88	63	243 - -	75 - -	75 - -	- - -	75 - -	- - -	75 - -	
2 Mepparamba Mission	1	-	-	1	29	26	33	32	56 6 -	40 - -	40 - -	- - -	40 - -	- - -	40 - -	
3. Pelaripuram. (3)	1	-	-	1	73	16	54	49	174 8 -	174 8 -	174 8 -	- - -	174 8 -	- - -	174 8 -	
4. Native Primary	1	-	-	1	96	5	56	46	221 2 -	100 - -	100 - -	- - -	100 - -	- - -	100 - -	
5 Pannantamkeru	1	-	-	1	101	-	86	70	341 - -	180 - -	180 - -	- - -	180 - -	- - -	180 - -	
6 Tondiculam	1	-	-	1	36	10	34	34	70 12 -	70 - -	70 - -	- - -	70 - -	- - -	70 - -	
7. Pallipuram	1	-	-	1	39	7	35	34	79 - -	70 - -	70 - -	- - -	70 - -	- - -	70 - -	
8 Mottantara	1	-	-	1	29	12	25	22	44 12 -	40 - -	40 - -	- - -	40 - -	- - -	40 - -	
9. Nellisseri	1	-	-	1	42	9	31	22	42 12 -	42 12 -	42 12 -	- - -	42 12 -	- - -	42 12 -	
10 Ramanadapuram	1	-	-	1	26	19	28	19	50 8 -	50 - -	50 - -	- - -	50 - -	- - -	50 - -	
11 Vythinadhapuram	1	-	-	1	52	7	60	45	112 12 -	112 12 -	112 12 -	- - -	112 12 -	- - -	112 12 -	
12 Roman Catholic	1	-	-	1	43	-	31	27	61 6 -	61 6 -	61 6 -	- - -	61 6 -	- - -	61 6 -	
13 Arjappapuram.	-	1	-	1	41	1	33	32	52 12 -	30 - -	30 - -	- - -	30 - -	- - -	30 - -	
14 Pallipuram Mappila	1	-	-	1	31	10	23	15	22 3 -	22 3 -	22 3 -	- - -	22 3 -	- - -	22 3 -	
15 Mepparamba Mappila	1	-	-	1	22	12	23	10	23 2 -	23 2 -	23 2 -	- - -	23 2 -	- - -	23 2 -	
Total ..	14	1	-	15	747	154	640	520	1595 15 -	1091 11 -	1091 11 -	- - -	1091 11 -	- - -	1091 11 -	
Total of Salary Grant Schools ..	18	2	-	20	1220	172	1046	749	3585 15 -	2141 11 -	2059 3 -	- - -	2059 3 -	- - -	2059 6 -	

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Total ...	10	-	1	9	524	71	533	200	15	-	-	-	747	-	7	-	-	-	947	13	7	2363	8	6	373	12	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	123	13	6	173	6	3	3036	8	9	2056	11	2	3	14	7
Total, Primary Schools ...																																																		
VI.—Special Schools.																																																		
(1)																																																		
(2)																																																		
(3)																																																		
Total ...																																																		
Grand Total of Colleges and Schools	13	-	1	12969	71	908.6	4402	14	11	-	-	-	17002	5	7	500	-	-	21905	4	6	17005	10	11	373	12	6	-	-	-	614	2	6	-	-	-	389	2	3	1158	8	10	20345	-	1563	15	6	-	-	-

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	26.	9 including 1 first class.
Matriculation	50	14. including 1 first class.
Upper Secondary	-	
Lower Secondary or Seventh Standard.	25	5 Complete Certificates. 9 Compulsory Subjects & 1 Optional. 2 Compulsories only.
Sixth Standard	-	
Fifth Standard	-	
Primary or Fourth Standard	35	26.
Third Standard	58	38
Second Standard	68	56
First Standard	86	70
Infant Standard	73	51.

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