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READ—the following paper:—

From G. HAMNETT, ESQ., Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of the Nilgiris), dated 16th June 1899, No. 1896-M.

I have the honour to submit the report on the administration of the Ootacamund Municipality for the financial year 1898-99, together with the prescribed statements and copies of the reports of the Civil Surgeon * and of the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

* Received 16th June 1899.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. The Council as revised last year consisted of 12 members. Of these, 1 was ex-officio, 2 official and 9 non-official. Of the latter, 7 are nominated and 2 elected. During the year three members resigned to take up seats in the Bench of Magistrate's Court constituted in this town, and three other members were nominated in their places. One of the non-official members was elected as Vice-Chairman on the 30th August 1898.

3. The Council held 33 meetings. No meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance at each meeting was 7·75, viz.—

Europeans and Eurasians	6·45
Natives	1·30

II.—RECEIPTS.

4. The income including the opening balance of Rs. 58,871-15-4 amounted to Rs. 2,16,303-0-9, of which Rs. 74,146 belong to the water-supply improvement scheme. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,50,522-8-5, leaving a balance of Rs. 65,780-8-5, which includes Rs. 49,536 for the water-supply scheme, Rs. 1,640-9-5, the balance of the water and drainage tax fund, and Rs. 14,603-14-11 in connection with miscellaneous improvements and Municipal fund.

5. The income derived from taxation amounted to Rs. 57,978-0-7 against Rs. 53,445-12-3, the actuals of 1897-98. The revised estimate for 1898-99 amounted to Rs. 68,920, but included the land, water and drainage tax due for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99. The income apart from taxation was Rs. 23,303-1-11. It does not include Rs. 3,265, the renters' deposits now shown in the deposit account. The actuals for 1897-98, Rs. 29,506-10-3, included Rs. 4,500, the interest obtained from the Bank of Madras on the fixed deposit of Rs. 1,50,000 of the grant from Government for the water-supply scheme.

6. Miscellaneous receipts amounted to Rs. 8,037-10-4 against Rs. 7,257-13-5 the actuals of 1897-98, and Rs. 6,900 the revised estimate for 1898-99.

7. The balance outstanding on the 31st March 1898, excluding land, water and drainage tax on lands of Rs. 6,998-13-0, was Rs. 3,204-15-1, of which Rs. 1,851-4-8 were collected, Rs. 3-2-0 remitted, and Rs. 253-15-9 written off as irrecoverable. There remained a balance of Rs. 106-8-8 to be recovered.

The demand for 1898-99 was Rs. 87,187-14-10 against Rs. 73,276-8-7 in 1897-98. The increase is due to certain * items being shown in the demand, collection and balance statement for 1898-99, which were not required to be shown in the statement for 1897-98; to the addition of the assessment on lands, water and drainage tax on lands and to an increase in the tax on buildings. Of the demand as finally settled (Rs. 87,160-4-10), Rs. 75,155-9-10 were collected, Rs. 507-1-10 remitted on account of vacant houses and Rs. 4-14-0 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 11,492-11-2 which, added to the balance of the previous year of Rs. 7,401-9-8, amounts to Rs. 18,894-4-10 remaining unrealized on the 31st March 1899. This large balance includes old arrears, Rs. 7,401-9-8, and current arrears, Rs. 11,492-11-2. In the old arrears Rs. 6,305-1-0 and in the current arrears Rs. 6,527-8-8 relate exclusively to tax on lands and water and drainage tax on lands. Of the sum of Rs. 18,894-4-10 unrealized, Rs. 3,685-6-9, have been collected up to date, and of the balance remaining uncollected, Rupees 12,239-15-5 relate to the land and water tax on lands and Rs. 2,968-14-8 to other heads.

* Tax on vehicles with springs, Tax on animals, and Tax on carts.

8. *Tax on Arts.*—The demand was fixed at Rs. 5,000 against Rs. 5,087 in 1897-98. The number of persons in 1898-99 was 734 against 745 in 1897-98. The amount collected was Rs. 4,354, leaving a balance of Rs. 646, of which Rs. 299 have been since recovered.

9. *Tax on Buildings.*—No change was made during the year in the percentage of tax which remained at 7½. The demand on buildings as finally settled was Rs. 32,135-9-6, being an advance of Rs. 1,012-10-9 over that of 1897-98. Of the demand, Rs. 29,827-10-1 were collected and Rs. 347-8-3 remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,960-7-2, of which Rs. 1,384-3-0 have been realized up to date.

10. *The tax on lands* was levied at the rate of Rs. 1-8-0 per acre. The final demand was Rs. 5,480-13-4, of which Rs. 316-9-10 were collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 5,164-3-6, of which Rs. 284-9-7 have been realized since the close of the financial year. The whole of the papers connected with the imposition of this tax and the objections raised to its levy by the Board of Revenue and by the rate-payers have been placed before the Government by the Collector, but no orders have yet been received on the subject by the Municipal Council. The Council is enforcing the collection of the tax.

11. The demand from *water and drainage tax on buildings* was Rs. 16,255-6-4 and on *water and drainage tax on lands* Rs. 1,447-1-8. The collections under the former head amounted to Rs. 15,156-0-2 and Rs. 159-9-7 were remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 939-12-7, of which Rs. 576-6-8 have been since collected. Under the latter head not more than Rs. 83-12-6 were collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,363-5-2.

12. *Tax on private menial and domestic male servants.*—The demand was Rs. 1,403, the amount collected Rs. 1,352, the balance Rs. 51.

13. *The market rents* were sold for Rs. 11,042. The deposits for two months (Rs. 1,840-5-4) were credited in the accounts for 1897-98. The amount collected in 1898-99 was Rs. 9,107-1-3, leaving Rs. 94-9-5 to be collected. The contractor who has failed to pay this amount is being prosecuted.

14. *Slaughter-house fees.*—The amount bid for at the sale was Rs. 5,180. The kists for two months amounting to Rs. 863-5-4 were brought to account last year. The amount collected was Rs. 4,316-10-8.

15. *Rent of cart-stands.*—The bid was Rs. 1,625. The deposit of two months' kists (Rs. 270-13-4) was credited last year. The balance, Rs. 1,354-2-8, was collected and brought to account in 1898-99.

16. *Private scavenging fees.*—The demand was fixed at Rs. 5,402-14-0. Rs. 4,741-14-0 were collected, and of the balance of Rs. 661, Rs. 281 have been recovered.

17. *Tax on vehicles with springs.*—Rs. 1,786–0–0. Of this amount, Rs. 1,578 were collected. The balance was Rs. 208, of which Rs. 140 have been recovered.

18. *Tax on animals.*—Rs. 2,682–14–8. The amount collected was Rs. 2,390–1–4, leaving a balance of Rs. 292–13–4, of which Rs. 141 have been recovered.

19. *Tax on carts.*—Rs. 520. Collected Rs. 502. Of the balance of Rs. 18, Rs. 14 have been recovered.

20. *Warrant fees.*—Rs. 167–0–0. Collected Rs. 68–10–0. Written off as irrecoverable Rs. 4–14–0; of the balance of Rs. 93–8–0, Rs. 37–12–0 have been collected.

21. The number of processes remaining unexecuted on the 31st March 1898 was 844, issued during the year 1,377. Total 2,221. Of this number, 1,239 were executed and cancelled, 982 remained unexecuted and 246 warrants were cancelled, as no collections were made. The number of warrants on which amounts were paid before distraint of property was 992. In one case, property was distrained, and annas 15–4 realized. Of the 982 remaining unexecuted, 300 have been since adjusted.

The number of prosecutions instituted for recovery of taxes was 222. In 154 cases, collections were made before judgment. In 24 cases, after judgment. In 32 cases prosecutions were withdrawn and 12 cases remained undisposed of at the close of the year.

22. *Revenue derived from property and powers apart from taxation*, amounted to Rs. 23,303–1–11 against Rs. 29,506–10–3 in 1897–98. The variation between the two amounts is explained in paragraph 5 above. Under rent of lands, there is a small difference of Rs. 2–10–0 as compared with the revised estimate; under rent of buildings, there is a difference of Rs. 135–6–8, being the amount due by the renter of the Kandal municipal cooly lines which is now in course of recovery.

Avenue receipts.—Rs. 120. Recovered Rs. 76–4–0. Balance Rs. 43–12–0 under recovery. Sale-proceeds of old materials have exceeded the estimate (Rs. 70) by Rs. 40–12–4. Under *conservancy receipts* there is a falling off of Rs. 30. The income from educational institutions shows an increase of Rs. 243–6–0 over the estimate of Rs. 2,600, due to a revision of the scale of school-fees in the case of Muhammadan boys in the Breek's Memorial High School. The apparent decrease under the head of income from markets, slaughter-houses and cart-stands has been explained in paragraphs 5, 13, 14 and 15. There is a small increase of Rs. 10–10–0 under warrant and a decrease of Rs. 29–8–0 under distraint fees. The license fees show an increase of Rs. 492–14–7, as more persons were induced to take out licenses for trades engaged in by them. Miscellaneous fees show a decline of Rs. 9–12–0.

Fines under Municipal and other Acts show an increase of Rs. 279–8–9. This may be ascribed to the larger fines imposed by the Bench of Magistrates than the Sub-Magistrates who disposed of municipal cases before the Bench was constituted.

23. *Grants and contributions from Government—Education.*—The grant under schools amounted to Rs. 3,506–3–9 or Rs. 176–3–9 more than the revised estimate and under other purposes Rs. 4 more than the estimate. Under communications (iii) other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 2,400 over the actuals of 1897–98, being the grant sanctioned by Government in G.O., No. 316-M., Mis., dated 7th March 1899, for the diversion of the Seegoor and Westbury road. Under other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 181 over the revised estimate, due to an increase in the number of Military officers on duty at Ootacamund and the professional tax on their account. The grants under "other grants" and "contributions" call for no remark.

24. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals show a decline of Rs. 147–8–0 owing to the conservancy fees paid for the latrines, maintained on account of the Pioneers, on the lake reclamation work and Havelock road having been discontinued.

(ii) Laying pipes to private houses, &c., Rs. 2,208–15–6, and (iii) other purposes Rs. 867–14–11 together amount to Rs. 3,076–14–5 and exceed the estimated provision by Rs. 1,276–14–5.

25. *Extraordinary and debt.*—Rs. 50,000 was the amount kept in the fixed deposit of the Bank of Madras and withdrawn. The sum of Rs. 1,800 under loans from Government was given in connection with the laying of water to the buildings put up for the plague at Lock end and Wenlock downs, but has been refunded under the orders of the Government, No. 450-M., dated 29th March 1899, paragraph 2. Under realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans, there is an increase of Rs. 134–9–10 over the estimate derived on account of interest on Government securities lodged with the Accountant-General.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

26. The expenditure in 1898–99 amounted to Rs. 1,50,522–8–5 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,51,490 and the actuals of 1897–98, Rs. 1,79,185–7–3.

27. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 66,229–4–7 against the revised estimate of Rs. 72,820 and the actuals of 1897–98, Rupees 1,12,931–8–8. The expenditure includes a sum of Rs. 24,610–1–6 under drainage, being the amount paid to the Executive Engineer on special duty on account of the main intercepting sewer. The expenditure was restricted under the heads noted below so as to meet any unforeseen expenditure in the event of plague being introduced into the town. Fortunately it was not.

New Works—Buildings and Drainage and Repairs—Communications and Drainage.

28. *New Works—Communications.*—Rs. 5,448–13–4 against an allotment of Rs. 8,000. Of the expenditure incurred, Rs. 2,332–1–4 were spent on the high level road on the south of the town, Rs. 3,114–8–6 on the new road to the poudrette depot at Titicul, and Rs. 2–3–6 on account of surveying charges for the diversion of the Westbury and Seegoor road. This road is now under construction by the Public Works Department and the amount (Rs. 4,000) sanctioned for it will be transferred to that department.

29. *New Works—Buildings.*—Rs. 2,717–7–0. The allotment was Rs. 4,190. Of the expenditure, Rs. 1,760–10–3 were spent on the erection of a latrine for males and females of 24 seats in Mathanna's lane in the main bazaar. A corrugated iron shed was built in the stand where the municipal rubbish and night-soil carts are kept, for the storage of materials for Rs. 406–8–9. A shed for the watchman was also built at a cost of Rs. 229 at the Upper Reservoir at Dodabetta. Dust-bins were purchased for Rs. 276–15–0 and survey charges to the extent of Rs. 2–5–0 were incurred in connection with the latrine in Mathanna's lane.

30. *Drainage.*—Rs. 25,661–13–7. The allotment was Rs. 25,680. As explained above, Rs. 24,610–1–6 were transferred to the Public Works Department in connection with the main sewer. The balance, Rs. 1,051–12–1, was spent on diverting the Brewery drain from the Gymkhana and Polo ground to the side of the south lake road for Rs. 966–13–7. Building a cement drain near Bombay Hall in continuation of the drain built by the owner for carrying off sewage water, Rs. 52–10–6. Constructing a V-shaped drain near the Finger Post on the Seegoor road to carry off the water spilt at the newly-erected fountain for the water-supply of this end of the town, Rs. 17–3–0, and for taking levels for the drainage scheme of the main bazaar, &c., and the Kodappamund drainage, Rs. 15–1–0.

31. *Water-supply.*—The allotment was Rs. 9,550. The expenditure Rupees 9,323–3–10. Of this amount, Rs. 7,309–3–11 were spent on the extension of the south water-supply from a point near the fountain on the Coonoor road on this side of the viaduct to Charing Cross, and for the extension of the north water-supply towards Sultanpettah on the Seegoor road and to Bandyshola, Rupees 1,943–9–0. For charges connected with the survey of the catchment area of the Dodabetta reservoir, Rs. 70–6–11.

32. *Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Lake Conservancy, &c.*—Rs. 2,500. Of this amount, Rs. 2,000 was the lump grant for the removal and reconstruction of Adam's fountain at Charing Cross. The work was not quite completed until this year and the money was not fully paid to the contractors until the 17th May 1899. Of the balance of Rs. 500, a sum of Rs. 209–10–5 was expended. On lake conservancy Rs. 87–11–5. On new valves for Adam's fountain, the old ones proving defective, Rs. 75–11–0. On clearing main stream near Charing Cross, closing a well in Subraya Pillay's street, and painting the fencing round the triangles at and near Charing Cross, Rs. 46–4–0, of the allotment of Rs. 500 for establishment, Rs. 498–13–5 were expended on an Overseer and four boatmen employed in keeping the lake free from weeds.

33. *Repairs—Communications.*—The amount provided in the revised estimate was Rs, 12,250. The amount actually spent was Rs. 12,571–10–9 or Rs. 321–10–9 in excess. The expenditure is distributed under three heads.

From the Government grant of Rs. 4,700 for roads, 12 of the most important roads were maintained at a cost of Rs. 4,249–13–1; 52 other roads at Rs. 4,114–15–8; and 57 bridle-paths and lanes at Rs. 4,206–14–0.

The work on the important roads was done entirely by contract. The roads * were kept in pretty fair order. They have deteriorated very much in many places, and money will have to be spent this year to bring them up to the condition they were in prior to 1898–99.

* Total length 71 miles 7 furlongs 197 feet, metalled or gravelled 50 miles 2 furlongs 534 feet, unmetalled 21 miles 4 furlongs 323 feet.

34. *Repairs—Buildings.*—Allotment Rs. 2,500. The expenditure, Rs. 2,021–6–2, fell short of the allotment by Rs. 478–9–10. On repairs to the market buildings and fencing Rs. 762–1–4 were expended. On slaughter-houses Rs. 163–9–7, on the municipal cattle-shed Rs. 301–7–2, on the municipal cart-stand Rs. 167–1–3, on public latrines Rs. 365–2–6, on chuttrums Rs. 76–2–4, on the municipal office Rs, 80, on the Kandal cooly lines Rs. 80, and on miscellaneous Rs. 25–14–0.

35. *Repairs—Drainage.*—The budget allotment was Rs. 500. The expenditure, Rs. 230–12–6, of which Rs. 194–11–6 were spent on repairs to drains in the main bazaar, Kandal, &c., and Rs. 40–1–0 for leading house sewage drains into municipal drains. The establishment and contingencies under this head cost Rs. 1,594–3–2 or Rs. 5–12–10 less than the revised estimate.

36. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—Rs. 900 were provided in the revised estimate. The actual expenditure was Rs. 1,271–12–7. It exceeded the estimate by Rupees. 371–12–7, as two items not contemplated when the budget estimate was prepared had to be met, viz., charge for analysis of water in connection with report on the unhealthiness of the town, Rs. 247–4–0, and the removal of iron pipes which were laid to connect the North main with Adam's fountain near the Collector's office, and with the Breek's Memorial High School, Rs. 273. 246 pipes, &c., were taken up. Their value is Rs. 2,685–0–0. The pipes are in store for use in connection with any extension of the water-supplies, or for the Kodappamund pipe head scheme if needed.

The other charges above Rs. 50 each are repairs to main water-supply pipes Rs. 397–6–8; repairs to fountains Rs. 187–13–0; and maintaining foot-path along the mains on the North and South water-supplies Rs. 86–8–0.
The provision for establishment and contingencies under water-supply amounted to Rs. 1,780 in the revised estimate. The expenditure Rs. 1,752–8–1 fell slightly short of it.

37. *Establishment and Contingencies*—Rs. 2,637–2–2 or Rs. 232–13–10 less than the provision (Rs. 2,870) in the estimate. The decrease is owing to the first-grade overseer having resigned his appointment as the climate of the Nilgiris did not agree with him.

38. *Tools and Plant.*—The revised allotment for this purpose was Rs. 200. The expenditure Rs. 185–15–7.

39. *Grant 2, Education.*—The allotment in the revised estimate was Rs. 12,230. The expenditure amounted only to Rs. 11,707–6–1 or Rs. 522–9–11 less than the estimate. This is to be ascribed to short expenditure under 2. municipal schools (*b*) contingencies of Rs. 227–0–4. Under salary-result system (*a*) fixed payments of Rs. 175–3–5, under (*b*) result stipends of Rs. 95–7–6, and under (*c*) contingencies of Rs. 27–8–1.

40. *The Breek's Memorial High School.*—In the teaching staff there were two changes. Mr. Evans, the first assistant, left in March 1899. His place was not filled up, it being under contemplation to get out a graduate from England on a higher rate of pay. The other change was the female teacher leaving during the year, and a new teacher, with a first-class trained teachers' certificate, appointed instead. The third assistant's pay was raised from Rs. 60 to Rs. 80 per mensem. The number of boys in the school on the 31st March 1899 was 79 against 71 on that date and month in the previous year. In the upper secondary there were 9, in the lower secondary 28, and in the primary school 42. The school received from Provincial funds for salary, cadet and furniture grants Rs. 3,610–3–9. From school fees Rs. 2,843–6–0, and from rent from church cottage, scholarships, &c., Rs. 1,030, making a total of Rs. 7,483–9–9 against Rs. 6,622–6–4 in 1897–98. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 8,694–2–6 against Rs. 8,217–12–2 in 1897–98, and exceeded the receipts by Rs. 1,211–2–9 which was met from Municipal funds. The average net cost per pupil in the upper secondary department was Rs. 95–10–3, in the lower secondary Rs. 18–6–5, and in primary schools *minus* Rs. 15–10–2 against Rs. 75–1–7, Rs. 2–10–6 and Rs. 16–4–4 in 1897–98. The report of the Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, on the schools has not yet been received.

41. The average attendance in the secondary schools was 36, and in the primary schools 172 against 31 and 168 in 1897–98. The total number of boys in the schools aided and maintained from Municipal funds was 851 against 788 in 1897–98, showing an increase of 63 boys, viz., 19 boys in the municipal schools and 44 boys in the aided schools.

The percentage of children under instruction of school-going age taken at 15 per cent. of the population was 94·6 per cent. against 89·9 in 1897–98.

42. Regarding municipal primary schools, the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore division, remarks—

"Though the total number of schools remained the same, there was some addition to their attendance made during the year and the increased attendance was distributed among all classes of schools. The municipal Muhammadan school at Kandal was amalgamated with the Panchama school in that locality and a new school was opened at Kodappamund by the municipality. Now that the restriction in regard to admissions has been removed by the introduction of fees, increased attendance in the municipal primary schools may be expected."

The fees sanctioned by His Excellency the Governor in Council in G.O., No. 387 M., dated 16th March 1899, were brought into force only from the 1st May 1899, viz.:—

	Per mensem. Rs.	A.	P.
Infant standard	0	0	6
First do.	0	1	0
Second do.	0	2	0
Third do.	0	3	0
Fourth do.	0	4	0

The supply of books and slates at half the cost price has also been discontinued. Representations have been made to the Municipal Council by the head master of the Kandal municipal school and the teacher of the Kodappamund municipal school of the inability of orphan boys and the parents of boys whose earnings are barely sufficient to maintain them to pay the fees prescribed. The Council has the matter under its consideration, and if satisfied as to the poverty of the parents, it will exercise the power invested in it by section 122 (1) of the Municipal Act.

43. *Grant 3, Medical Services, Sanitation, &c.*—The revised allotment was Rs. 35,100. The expenditure, Rs. 37,209–12–7, or Rs. 2,10[illegible]2–7 in excess of allotment, due solely to the provision of the allotment under "Epidemic charges" having been increased from Rs. 8,280 to Rs. 10,426–11–4.

Hospitals and dispensaries cost Rs. 986–10–6 against a provision of Rs. 1,000, which includes the contribution to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, the allowance to the Assistant Surgeon attached to it, the pay of the municipal midwife and contingencies. At the request of the Civil Surgeon, the midwife has been attached to the hospital and her work is embodied in the report furnished by that officer. The number of patients treated in the hospital during the year was 16,467 against 19,687 in 1897–98. The decline in the number is accounted for in the Civil Surgeon's report.

(2). *Contribution to Provincial Funds.*—The allotment was Rs. 800. The amount disbursed was Rs. 972 or Rs. 172 in excess.

44. *Vaccination.*—Rs. 410 were provided in the revised estimate. The expenditure for establishment and contingencies did not exceed Rs. 374–7–3. The number vaccinated during the year was 1,076, of which 886 were successful, viz., 773 primary and 113 re-vaccinations. There was a falling off of 69 cases as compared with 1897–98. The number of operations with lanoline paste was 1,076, of which 886 were successful. The total number of successful operations was 58 85 per mille of the population against 74·47 in 1897–98. The number of prosecutions instituted was 28. The average cost of each successful vaccination was As. 6–9 or 10 pies more than the average of last year, owing to an increase in the number of unknown cases and a corresponding decrease in the number of successful cases. This is due to 96 persons among the Moplah mendicants who came up from Malabar having left the town before the success or non-success of the vaccination and re-vaccination could be ascertained by the public vaccinator.

45. *Registration of Births and Deaths.*—The allotment was Rs. 260. The expenditure Rs. 257–15–10. The number of births during the year was 563 and deaths 555 against 610 births and 476 deaths in 1897–98 or 37·40 and 36·86 per mille of the population against 40·45 and 31·62 in 1897–98.

Seventeen prosecutions were instituted for failure to register births and deaths. In 8 cases, parties were fined by the Magistrate to the extent of Rs. 5–4–0. Four were acquitted with a warning, 5 cases were withdrawn, the parties having complied with the rules. In 1898–99 there were 47 births less, and 79 deaths more, than in 1897–98.

46. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering.*—The allotment was Rs. 20,300 and the expenditure Rs. 19,801–3–11, showing a decrease of Rs. 498–12–1 in consequence of the charges incurred in connection with scavenging carts having, under the directions in the revised statement II, been transferred to "Private scavenging" (iii) other charges. The number of bullocks maintained was 62; of these 3 died and 6 were sold as unserviceable Nine bullocks were purchased during the year at a cost of Rs. 355. Experience shows that large bullocks used for night-soil carts sicken and break down more rapidly than small bullocks. Each night-soil cart does not contain more than 110 gallons and two ordinary bullocks are found to be quite capable of working these carts. The number of night-soil carts was 19 and that of rubbish carts 17. There was only one sewage cart and three night-soil hand-carts. The night-soil is still carried to Titicul and buried there in pits. The number of latrines was 48 and urinals 4 as in last year. A new latrine according to the standard plan consisting of 12 seats for males and 12 seats for females was, however, undertaken at the close of 1898–99 and completed in in 1899–1900. It is largely used and the stone drains in the streets in the neighbourhood are not now resorted to to the same extent as before. The number of dust-bins increased from 190 to 230.

47. Private scavenging cost Rs. 2,742–9–8 for establishment against Rs. 2,674–3–11, the actuals for 1897–98, and Rs. 2,668–3–11, the actuals for 1896–97. The income amounted to Rs. 4,852–8–0 against Rs. 5,292–6–0 in 1897–98 and Rs. 5,781–4–0 in 1896–97. Since the introduction of the revised scale of fees for conservancy the income has declined while the expenditure has increased. This was anticipated when the revised scale was introduced. Under (ii) "other charges"

the allotment was Rs. 300. The expenditure was Rs. 665–4–5, or Rs. 365–4–5 in excess of allotment, due, as explained above, to the cost incurred on scavenging carts having been transferred from (*a*) conservancy "other charges" to private scavenging "other charges."

48. *Epidemic Charges.*—The budget estimate provided Rs. 6,000 including subsequent allotments of Rs. 5,000. In the revised estimate, the provision was raised to Rs. 8,280, but the actual expenditure went up to Rs. 10,426–11–4. Of this amount, Rs. 6,222 were spent during the year on the following buildings for plague. The balance was spent on furniture, medicines, cumblies, cloths, stretchers and on the establishment of Divisional and Circle Inspectors and watchmen and Hospital Assistants, also compensation and house-rent:—

Mill House.

	Rs.
The house was repaired, the floors cemented and drainage provided	300
to accommodate 12 patients	673
Quarters for Hospital Assistant including kitchen	640
Qarters for 8 servants	161
Latrine	162
Cook-house for hospital	132
Latrine for hospital	
Total	2,068

Wenlock Downs.

	Rs.
Hospital for males 8 and females 8 with cement flooring	1,050
Cook-house	140
Latrine	74
Suspect camp, 3 blocks	1,416
Cook-house	140
Latrine	74
Healthy camp, 2 blocks	944
Latrine	74
Two huts for servants	100
One hut for toty	56
Two latrines in the compound of the house rented for a Hospital Assistant, nurse and Police guard	86
Total	4,154
Grand Total	6,222

The buildings are constructed with burnt brick and mud, floors and walls cemented and plastered where necessary. Doors and windows of ben teak wood, and roof of blue gum wood covered with corrugated iron sheets. By a recent resolution, the Municipal Council, on the recommendation of the Civil Surgeon, has decided to maintain the buildings at the mill house below Lockend for a permanent hospital for infectious diseases.

49. *Other Sanitary Outlay.*—The allotment was Rs. 1,000. The expenditure did not exceeed Rs. 982–13–8.

50. *Grant 4, Miscellaneous Purposes—Lighting.*—The revised estimate provided Rs. 4,040. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 4,051–12–6. It exceeded the estimate by only Rs. 11–12–6. The lighting was carried on by contract during the year. The contract was dissolved on the 31st March 1899, and the work from the 1st April is being done departmentally. The lighting, all things considered, is better under the new arrangements, and the lights are kept up throughout the night. The number of lamps maintained in 1898–99 was 293. It will be increased during the current year to 313.

51. The market rents realized Rs. 9,112–2–10 against Rs. 11,977–13–4 in 1897–98. The expenditure inclusive of interest on l[illegible] and sin[illegible]g fund of Rs. 5,260 amounted to Rs. 6,400–9–6, leaving a bala[illegible] of R[illegible] –,711–9–4. The Municipal Council has recently sent to the Sanitary Boa[illegible] plan and estimate for constructing a small market near the Butchers' street amounting to Rs. 2,765. This

market will be a great convenience to the butchers who sell inferior meat, offal, &c., while it will enable the Municipal Council to prohibit the sale of offal, &c., in streets.

52. Slaughter-houses realized Rs. 4,316–10–8. The expenditure under establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 455–7–0 and under repairs and improvements Rs. 123–9–7.

The number of sheep killed during the year	24,770
The number of cattle	3,865

53. The maintenance of the chuttrum in old agraharam cost Rs. 110–12–0 for establishment and contingencies against an allotment of Rs. 110.

54. *Avenues.*—Rs. 210 were allotted in the revised estimate, but the expenditure did not exceed Rs. 36–5–0. There has been up to the present time considerable difficulty in raising an avenue along the lower bazaar road between the gymkhana ground and the market and main bazaar up to the Hobart Girls' school house.

55. *Other charges.*—The revised estimate fixed the probable charges at Rs. 1,800, but the actuals (Rs. 2,303–0–6) exceeded them by Rs. 503–0–6. Out of a provision of Rs. 30 for killing dogs not more than Rs. 12 were spent although the Municipal Council has raised the fees to As. 6 for a dog and As. 8 for a slut. The number of dogs killed was 48. The charge (Rs. 613–9–4) for printing has exceeded the allotment (Rs. 500) by Rs. 113–9–4. The excess was caused by a large number of notices and forms having been printed. Law charges came up to Rs. 241–3–0 and charges for numbering carts Rs. 9.

Under (viii) other items the expenditure (Rs. 63–0–3) fell short of the allotment by Rs. 236–15–9.

56. *Grant 5, General Establishment.*—The allotment under this head in the revised estimate was Rs. 9,760. The expenditure Rs. 9,743–15–0. Under (*b*) office establishment there was a falling off of Rs. 32–3–0. Under (*c*) contingencies an increase of Rs. 9–3–2. Collection of municipal taxes:—the estimate allotted a sum of Rs. 1,610 for establishment; the actual expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,595–1–4. Under (ii) contingencies the expenditure exceeded the estimate by Rs. 21–13–6, the charge for forms, &c., supplied by the account department having been higher owing to an increase in the number of forms.

57. *Repayment of Debt.*—Rs. 3,556–7–6 for Government loans. Invested in Government securities Rs. 1,900. Charges of investment Rs. 200. Rs. 6,396–0–6 were paid for interest on loans obtained from the Government and private individuals.

58. *Advances recoverable*—Rs. 2,979–3–4. These relate to Adam's Memorial fountain and the South High level road. The advances have now been adjusted.

59. *Refund of other than Current Collections.*—The allotment in the revised estimate was Rs. 1,700. The disbursements amounted to Rs. 1,496–1–2, viz.:—

Refund of house-tax	1,097 15 8
Refund of water-tax	398 1 6

60. The closing balance of the Municipal fund was Rs. 64,139–14–11, of which Rs. 49,536 appertain to the water-supply improvement scheme.

The balance under the water and drainage tax fund was Rs. 1,640–9–5.

61. *General Remarks.*—(*a*) Two thousand and sixty notices relating to the water-supply, drainage and sanitation were issued during the year under sections 147, 149, 156, 166, 168, 169, 173, 176, 179, 180, 183, 185, 186, 187, 188, 207, 212, 213, 214, 222, 234, 240, 242, 247 and 257 of the Municipal Act. There were 541 prosecutions for non-compliance with the notices. In 273 cases, convictions were obtained and the number of cases withdrawn and acquitted was 268. A Bench of Magistrates was constituted in October 1898 and since then notices are more promptly complied with than heretofore.

(*b*) The works undertaken by the Public Works Department on the north and south supply channels to the Marlimund Reservoir were completed during the year. The depth of water in the reservoir on the 21st June 1899 was 14·25

against 10·62 feet on the same month and date in 1898. The works undertaken may therefore be considered as having fulfilled the object aimed at in securing a better supply of water in the reservoir.

The pipe head above Kodappamund has been completed, but the pipes have not yet been laid for the supply of water to the houses on the Kotagiri-Kelso road and the Kodappamund and Vannarpet villages.

(*c*) The lake reclamation scheme may be said to be complete. A very offensive and unsightly gap below the Willow bund which was left unfilled is now being filled up, and the main stream carried out further into the lake along the north bank by the Public Works Department.

(*d*) As regards the unhealthiness of Ootacamund during the year nothing need be said, as the Government have finally disposed of the reports on the subject in their order, No. 757 M., dated the 26th May 1899, received on the 10th instant.

(*e*) Referring to G.O., No. 450 M., dated 29th March 1899, paragraph 4 (5), charges regarding an additional bill collector on Rs. 20, the Municipal Council is of opinion that he is indispensably necessary in connection with the servants-tax, the bicycle-tax and the water-tax on lands which are additional taxes since 1897 involving much labour in collection. A proposition statement is submitted in the hope that the Government will be pleased to sanction the appointment as a permanent arrangement.

(*f*) The delay in the submission of the Administration Report is due entirely to the statements of receipts and expenditure not being ready until the 15th instant. This report had to be drafted after that date and circulated to members.

(*g*) The report was adopted by the Municipal Council at the meeting held on the 24th June 1899. An extract from the proceedings of the meeting is enclosed.

Enclosure.

From Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., I.M.S., Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, dated 14th June 1899, No. 104.

I have the honour to forward herewith the concise medical and sanitary report on Ootacamund for the year ending 31st March 1899.

2. *Public Health.*—The total number of deaths registered was 555 as against 476 in the previous year. An attempt has been made in the following table to give the causes of death more correctly than in former years, when a large number of deaths due to well-recognized diseases were invariably grouped together under the heading "all other causes":—

Year.	Total births.	Total deaths.	Plague.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhœa.	Suicide.	Wounds.	Accidents.	Heart disease.	Pneumonia.	Other disease of the respiratory system.	Disease of the nervous system.
1897–98 ...	610	476	...	5	...	142	29	29	...	...	5	...	...	...	...
1898–99 ...	563	555	1	...	...	143	23	34	1	1	3	10	64	100	93

Year.	Disease of the digestive system.	Dropsy.	Old age.	Puerperal fever.	Urinary system.	Diptheria.	Liver disease.	Immaturity.	Poison.	Abortion.	Hydrophobia.	Privation.	All other causes.	Total.
1897–98 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	266	476
1898–99 ...	11	15	31	10	4	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	...	555

The number of registered deaths rose from 476 to 555, showing an increase of 79 as compared with the previous year, while the number of registered births fell from 610 to 563—a decrease of 47. There were a large number of deaths from pneumonia and other diseases of the respiratory organs. The increase in the death-rate was probably due to the larger number of deaths from pneumonia and continued fever; the former disease was prevalent during the early months of 1899, whereas typhoid fever prevailed both amongst Europeans and natives during the months of May, June, July and August 1898. There were no cases of cholera or small-pox. There was one death from plague, a Muhammadan child aged six years, one of a family of eight persons arrived in Ootacamund from Bangalore on 19th January, and the child died of convulsions twelve hours after arrival. The father of this child migrated with his wife and children from Bangalore during the plague epidemic in that station. There was a case of plague in the adjoining house to that in which the family resided, and this frightened the man, and he left as soon as he possibly could. The child was quite well when the family left Bangalore on the way up the ghaut he got high fever and convulsions and died a few hours after arrival in Ootacamund. The case was treated as one of plague and all contacts were isolated and kept under observation for ten days. The house where the child died was unroofed and all other necessary precautions taken to prevent the spread of the disease, which were happily successful as no other case occurred. Sometime before the plague broke out in Mysore, steps were taken in consultation with the Collector and the Chairman to be ready to fight the disease, should it be imported; plague camps were established, the Sanitary staff strengthened, vigilance committees appointed and all arrivals from plague-infected localities carefully observed for ten days after arrival. A large number of Europeans and many Brahmans and others were inoculated with Haffkine's prophylactic serum. With the exception of the one case detailed above, no other case of plague has up to date occurred.

3. *General Sanitation.*—Eight villages are included within municipal limits in addition to Ootacamund, and these were conserved during the year. The Sanitary staff consists of four Sanitary Inspectors, two overseers, eight maistries, twenty-four public and twenty-three private toties and seventy-six sweepers. The number of houses served by private scavenging agency was 370 against 356 in the previous year. The general sanitary condition of the town has been undoubedly improved during the last twelve months, the drainage scheme has been completed as far as the main drain is concerned, which carries the sewage in a main pipe along the side of the lake and discharges into the Sandinalla stream, some distance below the south-western lake bund; the water in the lake is not open to pollution from sewage as it used to be. A good many compounds have been cleaned up and rank vegetation and weeds removed; much however, yet remains to be done in this direction. I have to repeat what I said in my last report in reference to this subject that in those cases in which the occupier neglects to keep his compound in proper order, the Municipal Council should take action under section 186 of the Act.

During the year nine small incinerators have been erected in convenient situations throughout the whole station, which have greatly facilitated the disposal of street-sweeping refuse, old rags, bits of straw, &c., and such like. The incinerators are built on a plan suggested by me to the Chairman and consist of an ordinary corrugated iron dust-bin, raised on a platform with an iron grating and a fire underneath; they would be greatly improved by having an iron roof put on to keep off the heavy rain; this could be done at slight cost.

Water-supply.—Some of the wells which were not efficiently protected from surface contamination have been closed and others protected by parapets and platforms, altogether fourteen wells were closed in Kandal and twenty-four in the main bazaar, including the well in Subbaroya Charry street, the water of which was declared by Professor Hankin to contain bacilli resembling the typhoid bacilli in cultural and other particulars.

The parts of the station on the northern side of the lake are supplied from the Marlimund reservoir; that on the southern from the Doddabetta reservoir. Samples of water from both these reservoirs were sent for bacteriological examination to Professor Hankin and his report submitted to Government through the Surgeon-General. Though many of the worst wells have been closed, there are still a considerable number scattered about in the compounds of houses which are unprovided with proper parapets, platforms and drains to protect the water from surface contamination.

4. *Vaccination.*—The following table shows the result of vaccination as compared with previous year:—

Year.	Primary vaccination.				Re-vaccination.				Grand total.			
	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.
1897-98	801	1	3	805	320	17	3	340	1,121	18	6	1,145
1898-99	773	13	99	885	113	65	13	191	886	78	112	1,076

From this table it appears that the total number vaccinated fell from 1,145 to 1,076, a decrease of 69 as compared with the previous year. The decrease is accounted for by the falling off in the numbers of those who underwent the operation of re-vaccination. The number of primary vaccinations rose from 805 to 885, while the percentage of successful operations fell from 99·87 to 87·43; the percentage of successful revaccinations also fell from 94·95 to 63·48. The vaccinator declares that most of the cases were verified by him. Three-hundred and sixty-three cases were examined and verified by myself and medical subordinates; so I think the results may be considered fairly accurate, and support the opinion that the quality of the lymph supplied from the Mysore depot has deteriorated as compared with the previous year—a similar falling off in the number of successful operations has been noticed amongst the boys vaccinated on admission to the Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale, who are vaccinated with the same lymph.

5. *Medical relief.*—As in the previous years, the municipality maintained no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 annually towards St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

The following table shows the attendance of patients treated at this institution during 1898-99 as compared with that of the previous year:—

	1897-98.	1898-99.
In-patients	1,017	711
Out-patients	18,670	15,756
	19,687	16,467

The falling off in the attendance of in-patients is due to the reduction in the number of beds available for male patients. The wards were found to be too crowded and the number had to be reduced. The falling off in the out-patient attendance is due to false malicious rumours which got about when anti-plague inoculation was commenced. A false report was started in Coonoor that several people had died from the effects of inoculation, and that all out-patients who attended St. Bartholomew's Hospital would be forcibly inoculated against their will. The frequent changes in the Apothecaries, who are in charge of the out-patient department, may have had something to say to the diminished attendance.

During the year 136 women were confined in the hospital. The municipal midwife who had previously worked without proper supervision was, with the consent of the Chairman, attached for duty in the lying-in wards of St. Bartholomew's Hospital from August; she conducted altogether 26 cases outside the hospital; the number of cases delivered in the wards of the hospital increased from 110 to 136.

The Hamnett Dispensary at Kandal was closed owing to the illness of the Hospital Assistant in charge and the impossibility of getting a man to take his place.

6. *General Summary.*—Except for the epidemic of typhoid which prevailed during the months of April, May, June and July, the health of the station generally was much the same as in previous years.

During the year a permanent hospital for infectious diseases has been provided—a want long felt in Ootacamund; the water-supply has been rendered more safe by the closure of many wells and the protection of others. Very little improvement has been effected in the sanitary condition of dairies from which the milk is supplied; the system of overcrowding cows in filthy unventilated sheds where the animals stand over their fetlocks in manure and where the cows are milked and the milk stored pending distribution to the various households, constitutes a very evident and even present danger of epidemic outbreaks of disease amongst the population. Another source of danger to the public health is the want of properly-constructed places for washing and storing clothes; many of the houses of the dhobies in Kodappamund, Vennarapet and Kandal in which the dhobies live and in which the soiled clothes are stored before washing and afterwards, are unventilated filthy holes. The subject of providing suitable places for the dhobies to wash in is at present under the consideration of the Municipal Council.

B.G.R. No. 397.

Forwarded to Government.

2. The Council consisted of twelve members; and 33 meetings were held in the year under report as against 29 in the previous year. The average attendance of the members showed a decrease from 9·03 to 7·75; but no meetings were adjourned for want of a quorum.

3. The receipts of the municipality for the year under report amounted to Rs. 2,16,303-0-9 and the expenditure to Rs. 1,50,522-8-5, leaving a balance of Rs. 65,780-8-4. Statement No. I shows the receipts under each head for the year under report as compared with those of the previous year; and the variations except under fines under Municipal Acts have not been explained by the Chairman.

4. Statement IV-A shows a balance of Rs. 11,492–11–2 out of a total demand of Rs. 87,160–4–10 for the year under report and nearly one-half of this amount represents the arrears of tax levied on lands under section 63 of the Act. The legality of this tax has been questioned both by Government officers and by the rate-payers, and the payment of a sum of Rs. 4,633 due on this account on lands under the control of the Forest Department has been declined. As this is likely to run the municipality into endless litigation, an early expression of opinion on the propriety of the tax or an amendment of the Act to avoid differences of opinion seems highly desirable. Even after excluding this questionable item of revenue, the balance appears still to be too large, and vigorous efforts should be made to collect the balance.

5. There was a slight fall in the number of warrants issued in the year under report; but the number of prosecutions instituted show an increase over that of the previous year.

6. The Government is in possession of full information regarding the proposals for the improvement of the water-supply scheme and of the Breek's Memorial school, and I do not think it necessary to offer any further suggestions on these matters.

7. The roads are all kept in fairly good order, and as regards the lighting of the town the Chairman says that the lights are now kept throughout the night, and that the lighting work is now being carried on by the municipality itself. Several other improvements seem to have been effected and I consider that the work of the Council has, on the whole, been good.

21*st July* 1899.

(Signed) S. G. ROBERTS,
Acting Collector.

Order—No. 1305 M., dated 9th September 1899.

The receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1898–99 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1897–98:—

—	Actuals, 1897–98.	Budget estimate, 1898–99.	Revised estimate, 1898–99.	Actuals, 1898–99.
Receipts	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance brought forward	36,924	43,470	58,870	58,872
Tax on Arts	4,679	5,000	5,300	4,665
,, Buildings and Lands	31,717	34,000	32,600	31,691
Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings and Lands	11,637	15,000	17,400	15,729
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	4,458	4,800	4,500	4,005
,, Carts	545	750	620	535
,, Private Menial and Domestic Male Servants	410	450	1,500	1,353
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	1,218	1,250	1,620	1,476
Conservancy Receipts	57	440	60	30
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	2,512	2,700	2,600	2,843
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	17,529	13,000	16,500	13,429
License Fees	1,268	1,400	1,600	2,093
Other Fees	1,812	1,740	1,750	1,478
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	611	660	800	1,089
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans	4,500	870	880	875
Grants and Contributions from Government	9,870	10,000	14,630	14,991
,, ,, other Bodies	240	60	380	380
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	7,237	6,000	6,800	7,929
Miscellaneous	21	40	100	108
Loans	..	..	..	1,800
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., Realizations of Sinking Fund, and Discount on Investment	1,00,783	50,650	50,800	50,935
Advances Recovered	29	20	20	6
Total	2,01,133	1,48,770	1,67,460	1,57,431
Grand Total	2,38,057	1,92,240	2,26,330	2,16,303

—	Actuals, 1897–98.	Budget estimate, 1898–99.	Revised estimate, 1898–99.	Actuals, 1898–99.
Charges.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	1,006	1,000	8,000	5,449
Buildings	3,546	3,500	4,190	2,717
Drainage	6,333	1,700	25,680	25,662
Water-supply	38,241	9,470	9,550	9,323
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	40,946	1,150	3,000	709
Repairs—	13,204	15,000	12,250	12,572
Communications	2,196	2,900	2,500	2,021
Buildings	2,085	2,180	1,800	1,829
Drainage	2,565	2,520	2,680	3,024
Water-supply	2,403	870	2,870	2,637
Establishment	307	300	200	186
Tools and Plant and other Stores	100	200	100	100
Contributions for Public Works				
Total	1,12,932	42,790	72,820	66,229
Grant 2—				
Municipal Schools—	8,218	8,860	8,940	8,695
On the Salary System	1,349	1,700	1,650	1,352
On the Salary-result System				
Grants-in-aid—	1,202	1,450	1,040	1,056
Salary Grants	350	350	350	401
Fixed and Result Grants	78	130	100	78
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	126	150	150	126
Inspection				
Total	11,323	12,640	12,230	11,708
Grant 3—	192	210	200	487
Hospitals and Dispensaries	1,595	1,550	1,600	1,472
Contributions	414	410	410	374
Vaccination	241	260	260	258
Registration of Births and Deaths	23,523	29,870	32,630	34,619
Sanitation				
Total	25,965	32,300	35,100	37,210
Grant 4—	3,459	4,270	4,040	4,052
Lighting	781	810	830	834
Markets and Slaughter-houses	106	110	110	111
Choultries	267	..	210	36
Avenues	2,145	1,580	2,630	4,071
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire, Pounds and other Charges				
Total	6,758	6,770	7,820	9,104
Grant 5—	9,611	9,320	9,760	9,744
Supervision and Management				
Extraordinary and Debt—	5,552	5,660	5,660	5,657
Repayment of Debt	6,461	6,400	6,400	6,396
Interest on Loan	6	..	..	2,979
Advances Recoverable	577	1,000	1,700	1,496
Refunds				
Total	12,596	13,060	13,760	16,528
Grand Total	1,79,185	1,16,880	1,51,490	1,50,523
Balance	58,872	75,360	74,840	65,780

2. Thirty-three meetings were held by the Municipal Council against 29 in 1897–98. The average attendance of members, which in the case of officials improved and in that of non-officials declined, was fair.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the taxes on arts and lands remained almost stationary. There was, however, an increase of Rs. 1,013 and Rs. 5,991, respectively, in the demand under the tax on buildings and the water and drainage tax, which in the case of the former was due apparently to more careful assessment, and in that of the latter to the levy of the tax at the enhanced rates for the whole year instead of for a half-year as in 1897–98. The receipts from the tax on private menial and domestic male servants amounted to Rs. 1,353 against Rs. 410 during eight months in the previous year.

(2) The current collections under the taxes on arts and buildings and the water and drainage tax, though not so good as in the previous year, were still fair; but in the case of the tax on lands, under which only 57·8 per cent. of the demand was realized, they were far from satisfactory. Except in the case of the house-tax, the arrear realizations under all these heads were poor, being especially so in the case of

the land-tax. The outstandings under these heads on the 31st March 1899 were very large and some of them dated back to 1893–94. Every effort should be made to adjust them in the current year. Coercive measures were adopted to a smaller extent than in the previous year; but nearly 43 per cent. of the total number of warrants for disposal remained unexecuted at the close of the year. Greater promptitude should be displayed by the Municipal executive in this matter in future.

(3) The receipts from the tax on animals, market rents and slaughter-house and cart-stand fees declined, the fall in the case of the last three items being ascribed to the kists due for the first two months of the year under review having being credited in the accounts of the preceding year. On the other hand, the income from school and license fees and fines exhibited an advance, which in the case of the last is ascribed to the larger fines imposed by the Bench of Magistrates. It is to be regretted that the sale of the town-sweepings brought in only Rs. 30 against Rs. 57 in the previous year.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 356 to 370; but owing to the failure of the Council to collect the fees for this service in advance, as evidenced by the existence of a large uncollected balance at the end of the year, the receipts from this source fell from Rs. 5,292 to Rs. 4,852. The service was, however, worked at a profit of Rs. 1,444 against Rs. 2,536 in 1897–98. The payment of these fees in advance should be insisted upon as far as possible and no pains should be spared to further extend the service.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The realignment of the intercepting sewer and the improvement of the Marlimund water-supply were the two important new works under execution during the year. These works are being carried out by the Public Works Department, which has been provided with the necessary funds. A new road to the Titicul rubbish depot was also constructed at a cost of Rs. 3,115. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 18,021 against Rs. 14,212 in 1897–98, and the roads are reported by the Collector to have been maintained in fairly good order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on education was Rs. 4,045 or 7 per cent. of the receipts from taxation. Nearly three-fifths of this sum was devoted to secondary, and the remainder to primary, education. The Municipal Council continued to maintain one secondary school on the salary system and three primary schools on the salary-result system. Two secondary schools were also aided with salary grants and one secondary and three primary schools with result grants. The attendance at the Municipal and aided schools showed an improvement. The only candidate who appeared for the Matriculation examination from the Municipal upper secondary school was successful; but the results of the Lower Secondary examination were very poor, none of the eight candidates who were sent up having passed. The Municipal and aided primary schools, however, are reported to have done well at the departmental and grant examinations and the allotment for result grants was exceeded by 14·6 per cent. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from Municipal funds rose from 788 to 851 or 71·7 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—As in previous years, the Municipal Council maintained no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The number of patients treated at this institution fell from 19,687 to 16,467, the decline being explained in paragraph 5 of the Civil Surgeon's report. The midwife employed by the Municipal Council attended only 26 cases of labour against 55 in 1897–98; but her services were also utilized in the lying-in wards of the hospital, where 136 midwifery cases, or 26 more than in the previous year, were attended.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year again fell from 1,145 to 1,076 and the quality of the work also deteriorated, the percentage of reported success having fallen from 97·9 to 82·3. These poor results are ascribed by the Civil Surgeon to a decline in the number of re-vaccinations and to the inferior quality of the lymph supplied from the Mysore depot. The attention of the Sanitary Commissioner is invited to this matter. Infantile

vaccination, however, continued to receive a fair share of attention, the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated having been 40·9 per mille of the population against 40·5 per mille in 1897–98 and a registered birth-rate of 37·4 per mille. The net cost of each successful case rose from As. 5–11 to As. 6–9 in the circumstances explained in paragraph 44 of the Chairman's report.

The number of births registered during the year fell from 610 or 40·5 per mille of the population to 563 or 37·4 per mille; but owing, it is stated, to the unhealthiness of the season, the number of deaths rose from 476 or 31·6 per mille to 555 or 36·9 per mille. The death-rate exceeded the normal, but the birth-rate was below it. Every endeavour should be made to render the birth returns more accurate in the current year.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The expenditure under this head amounting to Rs. 34,619 exceeded the budget allotment by 15·9 per cent. and was 22 per cent. of the receipts. From paragraph 61 of the Chairman's and paragraph 3 of the Civil Surgeon's reports, the Government is glad to observe that fair attention was paid to the sanitation of the town; but the Municipal Council should not rest satisfied until the defects pointed out by the Civil Surgeon in his report and by the other Sanitary officers of Government from time to time have been remedied.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 65,780 or 41·8 per cent. of the receipts; but the greater portion of this sum represents the unallotted balance of the Provincial grants on account of the water-supply scheme. In the circumstances now stated, the entertainment of an additional bill-collector on Rs. 20, referred to in paragraph 61 (*e*) of the Chairman's report, is approved.

Except in regard to the registration of births which requires closer attention, the administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly satisfactory. The tabular statements in paragraphs 2 and 4 of the Civil Surgeon's report were unnecessary and should be omitted from future reports.

(True Extract.)

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From G. HAMNETT, ESQ., Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of the Nilgiris), dated 16th June 1899, No. 1896-M.

I have the honour to submit the report on the administration of the Ootacamund Municipality for the financial year 1898–99, together with the prescribed statements and copies of the reports of the Civil Surgeon * and of the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

* Received 16th June 1899.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. The Council as revised last year consisted of 12 members. Of these, 1 was ex-officio, 2 official and 9 non-official. Of the latter, 7 are nominated and 2 elected. During the year three members resigned to take up seats in the Bench of Magistrate's Court constituted in this town, and three other members were nominated in their places. One of the non-official members was elected as Vice-Chairman on the 30th August 1898.

3. The Council held 33 meetings. No meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance at each meeting was 7·75, viz.—

Europeans and Eurasians	6·45
Natives	1·30

II.—RECEIPTS.

4. The income including the opening balance of Rs. 58,871–15–4 amounted to Rs. 2,16,303–0–9, of which Rs. 74,146 belong to the water-supply improvement scheme. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,50,522–8–5, leaving a balance of Rs. 65,780–8–5, which includes Rs. 49,536 for the water-supply scheme, Rs. 1,640–9–5, the balance of the water and drainage tax fund, and Rs. 14,603–14–11 in connection with miscellaneous improvements and Municipal fund.

5. The income derived from taxation amounted to Rs. 57,978–0–7 against Rs. 53,445–12–3, the actuals of 1897–98. The revised estimate for 1898–99 amounted to Rs. 68,920, but included the land, water and drainage tax due for the years 1897–98 and 1898–99. The income apart from taxation was Rs. 23,303–1–11. It does not include Rs. 3,265, the renters' deposits now shown in the deposit account. The actuals for 1897–98, Rs. 29,506–10–3, included Rs. 4,500, the interest obtained from the Bank of Madras on the fixed deposit of Rs. 1,50,000 of the grant from Government for the water-supply scheme.

6. Miscellaneous receipts amounted to Rs. 8,037–10–4 against Rs. 7,257–13–5 the actuals of 1897–98, and Rs. 6,900 the revised estimate for 1898–99.

7. The balance outstanding on the 31st March 1898, excluding land, water and drainage tax on lands of Rs. 6,998–13–0, was Rs. 3,204-15–1, of which Rs. 1,851–4–8 were collected, Rs. 3–2–0 remitted, and Rs. 253–15–9 written off as irrecoverable. There remained a balance of Rs. 106–8–8 to be recovered.

The demand for 1898–99 was Rs. 87,187–14–10 against Rs. 73,276–8–7 in 1897–98. The increase is due to certain * items being shown in the demand, collection and balance statement for 1898–99, which were not required to be shown in the statement for 1897–98; to the addition of the assessment on lands, water and drainage tax on lands and to an increase in the tax on buildings. Of the demand as finally settled (Rs. 87,160–4–10), Rs. 75,155–9–10 were collected, Rs. 597–1–10 remitted on account of vacant houses and Rs. 4–14–0 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 11,492–11–2 which, added to the balance of the previous year of Rs. 7,401–9–8, amounts to Rs. 18,894–4–10 remaining unrealized on the 31st March 1899. This large balance includes old arrears, Rs. 7,401–9–8, and current arrears, Rs. 11,492–11–2. In the old arrears Rs. 6,305–1–0 and in the current arrears Rs. 6,527–8–8 relate exclusively to tax on lands and water and drainage tax on lands. Of the sum of Rs. 18,894–4–10 unrealized, Rs. 3,685–6–9, have been collected up to date, and of the balance remaining uncollected, Rupees 12,239–15–5 relate to the land and water tax on lands and Rs. 2,968–14–8 to other heads.

* Tax on vehicles with springs, Tax on animals, and Tax on carts.

8. *Tax on Arts.*—The demand was fixed at Rs. 5,000 against Rs. 5,087 in 1897–98. The number of persons in 1898–99 was 734 against 745 in 1897–98. The amount collected was Rs. 4,354, leaving a balance of Rs. 646, of which Rs. 299 have been since recovered.

9. *Tax on Buildings.*—No change was made during the year in the percentage of tax which remained at 7½. The demand on buildings as finally settled was Rs. 32,135–9–6, being an advance of Rs. 1,012–10–9 over that of 1897–98. Of the demand, Rs. 29,827–10–1 were collected and Rs. 347–8–3 remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,960–7–2, of which Rs. 1,384–3–0 have been realized up to date.

10. *The tax on lands* was levied at the rate of Rs. 1–8–0 per acre. The final demand was Rs. 5,480–13–4, of which Rs. 316–9–10 were collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 5,164–3–6, of which Rs. 284–9–7 have been realized since the close of the financial year. The whole of the papers connected with the imposition of this tax and the objections raised to its levy by the Board of Revenue and by the rate-payers have been placed before the Government by the Collector, but no orders have yet been received on the subject by the Municipal Council. The Council is enforcing the collection of the tax.

11. The demand from *water and drainage tax on buildings* was Rs. 16,255–6–4 and on *water and drainage tax on lands* Rs. 1,447–1–8. The collections under the former head amounted to Rs. 15,156–0–2 and Rs. 159–9–7 were remitted on account of vacant houses, leaving a balance of Rs. 939–12–7, of which Rs. 576–6–8 have been since collected. Under the latter head not more than Rs. 83–12–6 were collected, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,363–5–2.

12. *Tax on private menial and domestic male servants.*—The demand was Rs. 1,403, the amount collected Rs. 1,352, the balance Rs. 51.

13. *The market rents* were sold for Rs. 11,042. The deposits for two months (Rs. 1,840–5–4) were credited in the accounts for 1897–98. The amount collected in 1898–99 was Rs. 9,107–1–3, leaving Rs. 94–9–5 to be collected. The contractor who has failed to pay this amount is being prosecuted.

14. *Slaughter-house fees.*—The amount bid for at the sale was Rs. 5,180. The kists for two months amounting to Rs. 863–5–4 were brought to account last year. The amount collected was Rs. 4,316–10–8.

15. *Rent of cart-stands.*—The bid was Rs. 1,625. The deposit of two months' kists (Rs. 270–13–4) was credited last year. The balance, Rs. 1,354–2–8, was collected and brought to account in 1898–99.

16. *Private scavenging fees.*—The demand was fixed at Rs. 5,402–14–0. Rs. 4,741–14–0 were collected, and of the balance of Rs. 661, Rs. 281 have been recovered.

17. *Tax on vehicles with springs.*—Rs. 1,786–0–0. Of this amount, Rs. 1,578 were collected. The balance was Rs. 208, of which Rs. 140 have been recovered.

18. *Tax on animals.*—Rs. 2,682–14–8. The amount collected was Rs. 2,390–1–4, leaving a balance of Rs. 292–13–4, of which Rs. 141 have been recovered.

19. *Tax on carts.*—Rs. 520. Collected Rs. 502. Of the balance of Rs. 18, Rs. 14 have been recovered.

20. *Warrant fees.*—Rs. 167–0–0. Collected Rs. 68–10–0. Written off as irrecoverable Rs. 4–14–0; of the balance of Rs. 93–8–0, Rs. 37–12–0 have been collected.

21. The number of processes remaining unexecuted on the 31st March 1898 was 844, issued during the year 1,377. Total 2,221. Of this number, 1,239 were executed and cancelled, 982 remained unexecuted and 246 warrants were cancelled, as no collections were made. The number of warrants on which amounts were paid before distraint of property was 992. In one case, property was distrained, and annas 15–4 realized. Of the 982 remaining unexecuted, 300 have been since adjusted.

The number of prosecutions instituted for recovery of taxes was 222. In 154 cases, collections were made before judgment. In 24 cases, after judgment. In 32 cases prosecutions were withdrawn and 12 cases remained undisposed of at the close of the year.

22. *Revenue derived from property and powers apart from taxation*, amounted to Rs. 23,303–1–11 against Rs. 29,506–10–3 in 1897–98. The variation between the two amounts is explained in paragraph 5 above. Under rent of lands, there is a small difference of Rs. 2–10–0 as compared with the revised estimate; under rent of buildings, there is a difference of Rs. 135–6–8, being the amount due by the renter of the Kandal municipal cooly lines which is now in course of recovery.

Avenue receipts.—Rs. 120. Recovered Rs. 76–4–0. Balance Rs. 43–12–0 under recovery. Sale-proceeds of old materials have exceeded the estimate (Rs. 70) by Rs. 40–12–4. Under *conservancy receipts* there is a falling off of Rs. 30. The income from educational institutions shows an increase of Rs. 243–6–0 over the estimate of Rs. 2,600, due to a revision of the scale of school-fees in the case of Muhammadan boys in the Breek's Memorial High School. The apparent decrease under the head of income from markets, slaughter-houses and cart-stands has been explained in paragraphs 5, 13, 14 and 15. There is a small increase of Rs. 10–10–0 under warrant and a decrease of Rs. 29–8–0 under distraint fees. The license fees show an increase of Rs. 492–14–7, as more persons were induced to take out licenses for trades engaged in by them. Miscellaneous fees show a decline of Rs. 9–12–0.

Fines under Municipal and other Acts show an increase of Rs. 279–8–9. This may be ascribed to the larger fines imposed by the Bench of Magistrates than the Sub-Magistrates who disposed of municipal cases before the Bench was constituted.

23. *Grants and contributions from Government—Education.*—The grant under schools amounted to Rs. 3,506–3–9 or Rs. 176–3–9 more than the revised estimate and under other purposes Rs. 4 more than the estimate. Under communications (iii) other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 2,400 over the actuals of 1897–98, being the grant sanctioned by Government in G.O., No. 316-M., Mis., dated 7th March 1899, for the diversion of the Seegoor and Westbury road. Under other purposes, there is an increase of Rs. 181 over the revised estimate, due to an increase in the number of Military officers on duty at Ootacamund and the professional tax on their account. The grants under "other grants" and "contributions" call for no remark.

24. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals show a decline of Rs. 147–8–0 owing to the conservancy fees paid for the latrines, maintained on account of the Pioneers, on the lake reclamation work and Havelock road having been discontinued.

(ii) Laying pipes to private houses, &c., Rs. 2,208–15–6, and (iii) other purposes Rs. 867–14–11 together amount to Rs. 3,076–14–5 and exceed the estimated provision by Rs. 1,276–14–5.

25. *Extraordinary and debt.*—Rs. 50,000 was the amount kept in the fixed deposit of the Bank of Madras and withdrawn. The sum of Rs. 1,800 under loans from Government was given in connection with the laying of water to the buildings put up for the plague at Lock end and Wenlock downs, but has been refunded under the orders of the Government, No. 450-M., dated 29th March 1899, paragraph 2. Other realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans, there is an increase of Rs. 34–9–10 over the estimate derived on account of interest on Government securities lodged with the Accountant-General.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

26. The expenditure in 1898–99 amounted to Rs. 1,50,522–8–5 against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,51,490 and the actuals of 1897–98, Rs. 1,79,185–7–3.

27. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 66,229–4–7 against the revised estimate of Rs. 72,820 and the actuals of 1897–98, Rupees 1,12,931–8–8. The expenditure includes a sum of Rs. 24,610–1–6 under drainage, being the amount paid to the Executive Engineer on special duty on account of the main intercepting sewer. The expenditure was restricted under the heads noted below so as to meet any unforeseen expenditure in the event of plague being introduced into the town. Fortunately it was not.

New Works—Buildings and Drainage and Repairs—Communications and Drainage.

28. *New Works—Communications.*—Rs. 5,448–13–4 against an allotment of Rs. 8,000. Of the expenditure incurred, Rs. 2,332–1–4 were spent on the high level road on the south of the town, Rs. 3,114–8–6 on the new road to the poudrette depot at Titicul, and Rs. 2–3–6 on account of surveying charges for the diversion of the Westbury and Seegoor road. This road is now under construction by the Public Works Department and the amount (Rs. 4,000) sanctioned for it will be transferred to that department.

29. *New Works—Buildings.*—Rs. 2,717–7–0. The allotment was Rs. 4,190. Of the expenditure, Rs. 1,760–10–3 were spent on the erection of a latrine for males and females of 24 seats in Mathanna's lane in the main bazaar. A corrugated iron shed was built in the stand where the municipal rubbish and night-soil carts are kept, for the storage of materials for Rs. 406–8–9. A shed for the watchman was also built at a cost of Rs. 229 at the Upper Reservoir at Dodabetta. Dust-bins were purchased for Rs. 276–15–0 and survey charges to the extent of Rs. 2–5–0 were incurred in connection with the latrine in Mathanna's lane.

30. *Drainage.*—Rs. 25,661–13–7. The allotment was Rs. 25,680. As explained above, Rs. 24,610–1–6 were transferred to the Public Works Department in connection with the main sewer. The balance, Rs. 1,051–12–1, was spent on diverting the Brewery drain from the Gymkhana and Polo ground to the side of the south lake road for Rs. 966–13–7. Building a cement drain near Bombay Hall in continuation of the drain built by the owner for carrying off sewage water, Rs. 52–10–6. Constructing a V-shaped drain near the Finger Post on the Seegoor road to carry off the water spilt at the newly-erected fountain for the water-supply of this end of the town, Rs. 17–3–0, and for taking levels for the drainage scheme of the main bazaar, &c., and the Kodappamund drainage, Rs. 15–1–0.

31. *Water-supply.*—The allotment was Rs. 9,550. The expenditure Rupees 9,323–3–10. Of this amount, Rs. 7,309–3–11 were spent on the extension of the south water-supply from a point near the fountain on the Coonoor road on this side of the viaduct to Charing Cross, and for the extension of the north water-supply towards Sultanpettah on the Seegoor road and to Bandyshola, Rupees 1,943–9–0. For charges connected with the survey of the catchment area of the Dodabetta reservoir, Rs. 70–6–11.

32. *Miscellaneous Public Improvements—Lake Conservancy, &c.*—Rs. 2,500. Of this amount, Rs. 2,000 was the lump grant for the removal and reconstruction of Adam's fountain at Charing Cross. The work was not quite completed until this year and the money was not fully paid to the contractors until the 17th May 1899. Of the balance of Rs. 500, a sum of Rs. 209–10–5 was expended. On lake conservancy Rs. 87–11–5. On new valves for Adam's fountain, the old ones proving defective, Rs. 75–11–0. On clearing main stream near Charing Cross, closing a well in Subraya Pillay's street, and painting the fencing round the triangles at and near Charing Cross, Rs. 46–4–0, of the allotment of Rs. 500 for establishment, Rs. 498–13–5 were expended on an Overseer and four boatmen employed in keeping the lake free from weeds.

33. *Repairs—Communications.*—The amount provided in the revised estimate was Rs, 12,250. The amount actually spent was Rs. 12,571–10–9 or Rs. 321–10–9 in excess. The expenditure is distributed under three heads.

From the Government grant of Rs. 4,7 0 for roads, 12 of the most important roads were maintained at a cost of Rs. 4,249–13–1; 52 other roads at Rs. 4,114–15–8; and 57 bridle-paths and lanes at Rs. 4,206–14–0.

The work on the important roads was done entirely by contract. The roads * were kept in pretty fair order. They have deteriorated very much in many places, and money will have to be spent this year to bring them up to the condition they were in prior to 1898–99.

* Total length 71 miles 7 furlongs 197 feet, metalled or gravelled 50 miles 2 furlongs 534 feet, unmetalled 21 miles 4 furlongs 323 feet.

34. *Repairs—Buildings.*—Allotment Rs. 2,500. The expenditure, Rs. 2,021–6–2, fell short of the allotment by Rs. 478–9–10. On repairs to the market buildings and fencing Rs. 762–1–4 were expended. On slaughter-houses Rs. 163–9–7, on the municipal cattle-shed Rs. 301–7–2, on the municipal cart-stand Rs. 167–1–3, on public latrines Rs. 365–2–6, on chuttrums Rs. 76–2–4, on the municipal office Rs. 80, on the Kandal cooly lines Rs. 80, and on miscellaneous Rs. 25–14–0.

35. *Repairs—Drainage.*—The budget allotment was Rs. 500. The expenditure, Rs. 230–12–6, of which Rs. 194–11–6 were spent on repairs to drains in the main bazaar, Kandal, &c., and Rs. 40–1–0 for leading house sewage drains into municipal drains. The establishment and contingencies under this head cost Rs. 1,594–3–2 or Rs. 5–12–10 less than the revised estimate.

36. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—Rs. 900 were provided in the revised estimate. The actual expenditure was Rs. 1,271–12–7. It exceeded the estimate by Rupees. 371–12–7, as two items not contemplated when the budget estimate was prepared had to be met, viz., charge for analysis of water in connection with report on the unhealthiness of the town, Rs. 247–4–0, and the removal of iron pipes which were laid to connect the North main with Adam's fountain near the Collector's office, and with the Breek's Memorial High School, Rs. 273. 246 pipes, &c., were taken up. Their value is Rs. 2,685–0–0. The pipes are in store for use in connection with any extension of the water-supplies, or for the Kodappamund pipe head scheme if needed.

The other charges above Rs. 50 each are repairs to main water-supply pipes Rs. 397–6–8; repairs to fountains Rs. 137–13–0; and maintaining foot-path along the mains on the North and South water-supplies Rs. 86–8–0.

The provision for establishment and contingencies under water-supply amounted to Rs. 1,780 in the revised estimate. The expenditure Rs. 1,752–8–1 fell slightly short of it.

37. *Establishment and Contingencies*—Rs. 2,637–2–2 or Rs. 232–13–10 less than the provision (Rs. 2,870) in the estimate. The decrease is owing to the first-grade overseer having resigned his appointment as the climate of the Nilgiris did not agree with him.

38. *Tools and Plant.*—The revised allotment for this purpose was Rs. 200. The expenditure Rs. 185–15–7.

39. *Grant 2, Education.*—The allotment in the revised estimate was Rs. 12,230. The expenditure amounted only to Rs. 11,707–6–1 or Rs. 522–9–11 less than the estimate. This is to be ascribed to short expenditure under 2. municipal schools (*b*) contingencies of Rs. 227–0–4. Under salary-result system (*a*) fixed payments of Rs. 175–3–5, under (*b*) result stipends of Rs. 95–7–6, and under (*c*) contingencies of Rs. 27–8–1.

40. *The Breek's Memorial High School.*—In the teaching staff there were two changes. Mr. Evans, the first assistant, left in March 1899. His place was not filled up, it being under contemplation to get out a graduate from England on a higher rate of pay. The other change was the female teacher leaving during the year, and a new teacher, with a first-class trained teachers' certificate, appointed instead. The third assistant's pay was raised from Rs. 60 to Rs. 80 per mensem. The number of boys in the school on the 31st March 1899 was 79 against 71 on that date and month in the previous year. In the upper secondary there were 9, in the lower secondary 28, and in the primary school 42. The school received from Provincial funds for salary, cadet and furniture grants Rs. 3,610–3–9. From school fees Rs. 2,843–6–0, and from rent from church cottage, scholarships, &c., Rs. 1,030, making a total of Rs. 7,483–9–9 against Rs. 6,622–6–4 in 1897–98. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 8,694–2–6 against Rs. 8,217–12–2 in 1897–98, and exceeded the receipts by Rs. 1,211–2–9 which was met from Municipal funds. The average net cost per pupil in the upper secondary department was Rs. 95–10–3, in the lower secondary Rs. 18–6–5, and in primary schools *mutus* Rs. 15–10–2 against Rs. 75–1–7, Rs. 2–10–6 and Rs. 16–4–4 in 1897–98. The report of the Inspector of Schools, Western Circle, on the schools has not yet been received.

41. The average attendance in the secondary schools was 36, and in the primary schools 172 against 31 and 168 in 1897–98. The total number of boys in the schools aided and maintained from Municipal funds was 851 against 788 in 1897–98, showing an increase of 63 boys, viz., 19 boys in the municipal schools and 44 boys in the aided schools.

The percentage of children under instruction of school-going age taken at 15 per cent. of the population was 94·6 per cent. against 89·9 in 1897–98.

42. Regarding municipal primary schools, the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Coimbatore division, remarks—

"Though the total number of schools remained the same, there was some addition to their attendance made during the year and the increased attendance was distributed among all classes of schools. The municipal Muhammadan school at Kandal was amalgamated with the Panchama school in that locality and a new school was opened at Kodappamund by the municipality. Now that the restriction in regard to admissions has been removed by the introduction of fees, increased attendance in the municipal primary schools may be expected."

The fees sanctioned by His Excellency the Governor in Council in G.O., No. 387 M., dated 16th March 1899, were brought into force only from the 1st May 1899, viz.:—

		Per mensem. Rs. A. P.
Infant standard	... ...	0 0 6
First	do.	0 1 0
Second	do.	0 2 0
Third	do.	0 3 0
Fourth	do.	0 4 0

The supply of books and slates at half the cost price has also been discontinued. Representations have been made to the Municipal Council by the head master of the Kandal municipal school and the teacher of the Kodappamund municipal school of the inability of orphan boys and the parents of boys whose earnings are barely sufficient to maintain them to pay the fees prescribed. The Council has the matter under its consideration, and if satisfied as to the poverty of the parents, it will exercise the power invested in it by section 122 (1) of the Municipal Act.

43. *Grant 3, Medical Services, Sanitation, &c.*—The revised allotment was Rs. 35,100. The expenditure, Rs. 37,209–12–7, or Rs. 2,109–12–7 in excess of allotment, due solely to the provision of the allotment under "Epidemic charges" having been increased from Rs. 8,280 to Rs. 10,426–11–4.

Hospitals and dispensaries cost Rs. 986-10-6 against a provision of Rs. 1,000, which includes the contribution to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, the allowance to the Assistant Surgeon attached to it, the pay of the municipal midwife and contingencies. At the request of the Civil Surgeon, the midwife has been attached to the hospital and her work is embodied in the report furnished by that officer. The number of patients treated in the hospital during the year was 16,467 against 19,687 in 1897-98. The decline in the number is accounted for in the Civil Surgeon's report.

(2). *Contribution to Provincial Funds.*—The allotment was Rs. 800. The amount disbursed was Rs. 972 or Rs 172 in excess.

44. *Vaccination.*—Rs. 410 were provided in the revised estimate. The expenditure for establishment and contingencies did not exceed Rs. 374-7-3. The number vaccinated during the year was 1,076, of which 886 were successful, viz., 773 primary and 113 re-vaccinations. There was a falling off of 69 cases as compared with 1897-98. The number of operations with lanoline paste was 1,076, of which 886 were successful. The total number of successful operations was 58·85 per mille of the population against 74·47 in 1897-98. The number of prosecutions instituted was 28. The average cost of each successful vaccination was As. 6-9 or 10 pies more than the average of last year, owing to an increase in the number of unknown cases and a corresponding decrease in the number of successful cases. This is due to 96 persons among the Moplah mendicants who came up from Malabar having left the town before the success or non-success of the vaccination and re-vaccination could be ascertained by the public vaccinator.

45. *Registration of Births and Deaths.*—The allotment was Rs. 260. The expenditure Rs. 257-15-10. The number of births during the year was 563 and deaths 555 against 610 births and 476 deaths in 1897-98 or 37·40 and 36·86 per mille of the population against 40·45 and 31·62 in 1897-98.

Seventeen prosecutions were instituted for failure to register births and deaths. In 8 cases, parties were fined by the Magistrate to the extent of Rs. 5-4-0. Four were acquitted with a warning, 5 cases were withdrawn, the parties having complied with the rules. In 1898-99 there were 47 births less, and 79 deaths more, than in 1897-98.

46. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering.*—The allotment was Rs. 20,300 and the expenditure Rs. 19,801-3-11, showing a decrease of Rs. 498-12-1 in consequence of the charges incurred in connection with scavenging carts having, under the directions in the revised statement II, been transferred to "Private scavenging" (iii) other charges. The number of bullocks maintained was 62; of these 3 died and 6 were sold as unserviceable Nine bullocks were purchased during the year at a cost of Rs. 355. Experience shows that large bullocks used for night-soil carts sicken and break down more rapidly than small bullocks. Each night-soil cart does not contain more than 110 gallons and two ordinary bullocks are found to be quite capable of working these carts. The number of night-soil carts was 19 and that of rubbish carts 17. There was only one sewage cart and three night-soil hand-carts. The night-soil is still carried to Titicul and buried there in pits. The number of latrines was 43 and urinals 4 as in last year. A new latrine according to the standard plan consisting of 12 seats for males and 12 seats for females was, however, undertaken at the close of 1898-99 and completed in in 1899-1900. It is largely used and the stone drains in the streets in the neighbourhood are not now resorted to to the same extent as before. The number of dust-bins increased from 190 to 230.

47. Private scavenging cost Rs. 2,742-9-8 for establishment against Rs. 2,674-3-11, the actuals for 1897-98, and Rs. 2,668-3-11, the actuals for 1896-97. The income amounted to Rs. 4,852-8-0 against Rs. 5,292-6-0 in 1897-98 and Rs. 5,781-4-0 in 1896-97. Since the introduction of the revised scale of fees for conservancy the income has declined while the expenditure has increased. This was anticipated when the revised scale was introduced. Under (ii) "other charges"

the allotment was Rs. 300. The expenditure was Rs. 665-4-5, or Rs. 365-4-5 in excess of allotment, due, as explained above, to the cost incurred on scavenging carts having been transferred from (*a*) conservancy "other charges" to private scavenging "other charges."

48. *Epidemic Charges.*—The budget estimate provided Rs. 6,000 including subsequent allotments of Rs. 5,000. In the revised estimate, the provision was raised to Rs. 8,280, but the actual expenditure went up to Rs. 10,426-11-4. Of this amount, Rs. 6,222 were spent during the year on the following buildings for plague. The balance was spent on furniture, medicines, cumblies, cloths, stretchers and on the establishment of Divisional and Circle Inspectors and watchmen and Hospital Assistants, also compensation and house-rent:—

Mill House.

	Rs.
The house was repaired, the floors cemented and drainage provided to accommodate 12 patients	300
Quarters for Hospital Assistant including kitchen	673
Qarters for 8 servants	640
Latrine	161
Cook-house for hospital	162
Latrine for hospital	132
Total	2,068

Wenlock Downs.

	Rs.
Hospital for males 8 and females 8 with cement flooring	1,050
Cook-house	140
Latrine	74
Suspect camp, 3 blocks	1,416
Cook-house	140
Latrine	74
Healthy camp, 2 blocks	944
Latrine	74
Two huts for servants	100
One hut for toty	56
Two latrines in the compound of the house rented for a Hospital Assistant, nurse and Police guard	86
Total	4,154
Grand Total	6,222

The buildings are constructed with burnt brick and mud, floors and walls cemented and plastered where necessary. Doors and windows of ben teak wood, and roof of blue gum wood covered with corrugated iron sheets. By a recent resolution, the Municipal Council, on the recommendation of the Civil Surgeon, has decided to maintain the buildings at the mill house below Lockend for a permanent hospital for infectious diseases.

49. *Other Sanitary Outlay.*—The allotment was Rs. 1,000. The expenditure did not exceeed Rs. 982-13-8.

50. *Grant 4, Miscellaneous Purposes—Lighting.*—The revised estimate provided Rs. 4,040. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 4,051-12-6. It exceeded the estimate by only Rs. 11-12-6. The lighting was carried on by contract during the year. The contract was dissolved on the 31st March 1899, and the work from the 1st April is being done departmentally. The lighting, all things considered, is better under the new arrangements, and the lights are kept up throughout the night. The number of lamps maintained in 1898-99 was 293. It will be increased during the current year to 313.

51. The market rents realized Rs. 9,112-2-10 against Rs. 11,977-13-4 in 1897-98. The expenditure inclusive of interest on loans and sinking fund of Rs. 5,260 amounted to Rs. 6,400-9-6, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,711-9-4. The Municipal Council has recently sent to the Sanitary Board plan and estimate for constructing a small market near the Butchers' street amounting to Rs. 2,765. This

market will be a great convenience to the butchers who sell inferior meat, offal, &c., while it will enable the Municipal Council to prohibit the sale of offal, &c., in streets.

52. Slaughter-houses realized Rs. 4,316–10–8. The expenditure under establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 455–7–0 and under repairs and improvements Rs. 123–9–7.

The number of sheep killed during the year	24,770
The number of cattle	3,865

53. The maintenance of the chuttrum in old agraharam cost Rs. 110–12–0 for establishment and contingencies against an allotment of Rs. 110.

54. *Avenues.*—Rs. 210 were allotted in the revised estimate, but the expenditure did not exceed Rs. 36–5–0. There has been up to the present time considerable difficulty in raising an avenue along the lower bazaar road between the gymkhana ground and the market and main bazaar up to the Hobart Girls' school house.

55. *Other charges.*—The revised estimate fixed the probable charges at Rs. 1,800, but the actuals (Rs. 2,303–0–6) exceeded them by Rs. 503–0–6. Out of the Municipal Council has raised the fees to As. 6 for a dog and As. 8 for a slut. The number of dogs killed was 48. The charge (Rs. 613–9–4) for printing has exceeded the allotment (Rs. 500) by Rs. 113–9–4. The excess was caused by a large number of notices and forms having been printed. Law charges came up to Rs. 241–3–0 and charges for numbering carts Rs. 9.

Under (viii) other items the expenditure (Rs. 63–0–3) fell short of the allotment by Rs. 236–15–9.

56. *Grant 5, General Establishment.*—The allotment under this head in the revised estimate was Rs. 9,760. The expenditure Rs. 9,743–15–0. Under (*b*) office establishment there was a falling off of Rs. 32–3–0. Under (*c*) contingencies an increase of Rs. 9–3–2. Collection of municipal taxes:—the estimate allotted a sum of Rs. 1,610 for establishment; the actual expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,595–1–4. Under (ii) contingencies the expenditure exceeded the estimate by Rs. 21–13–6, the charge for forms, &c., supplied by the account department having been higher owing to an increase in the number of forms.

57. *Repayment of Debt.*—Rs. 3,556–7–6 for Government loans. Invested in Government securities Rs. 1,900. Charges of investment Rs. 200. Rs. 6,396–0–6 were paid for interest on loans obtained from the Government and private individuals.

58. *Advances recoverable*—Rs. 2,979–3–4. These relate to Adam's Memorial fountain and the South High level road. The advances have now been adjusted.

59. *Refund of other than Current Collections.*—The allotment in the revised estimate was Rs. 1,700. The disbursements amounted to Rs. 1,496–1–2, viz.:—

Refund of house-tax	1,097 15 8
Refund of water-tax	398 1 6

60. The closing balance of the Municipal fund was Rs. 64,139–14–11, of which Rs. 49,536 appertain to the water-supply improvement scheme.

The balance under the water and drainage tax fund was Rs. 1,640–9–5.

61. *General Remarks.*—(*a*) Two thousand and sixty notices relating to the water-supply, drainage and sanitation were issued during the year under sections 147, 149, 156, 166, 168, 169, 173, 176, 179, 180, 183, 185, 186, 187, 188, 207, 212, 213, 214, 222, 234, 240, 242, 247 and 257 of the Municipal Act. There were 541 prosecutions for non-compliance with the notices. In 273 cases, convictions were obtained and the number of cases withdrawn and acquitted was 268. A Bench of Magistrates was constituted in October 1898 and since then notices are more promptly complied with than heretofore.

(*b*) The works undertaken by the Public Works Department on the north and south supply channels to the Marlimund Reservoir were completed during the year. The depth of water in the reservoir on the 21st June 1899 was 14·25

against 10·62 feet on the same month and date in 1898. The works undertaken may therefore be considered as having fulfilled the object aimed at in securing a better supply of water in the reservoir.

The pipe head above Kodappamund has been completed, but the pipes have not yet been laid for the supply of water to the houses on the Kotagiri-Kelso road and the Kodappamund and Vannarpet villages.

(*c*) The lake reclamation scheme may be said to be complete. A very offensive and unsightly gap below the Willow bund which was left unfilled is now being filled up, and the main stream carried out further into the lake along the north bank by the Public Works Department.

(*d*) As regards the unhealthiness of Ootacamund during the year nothing need be said, as the Government have finally disposed of the reports on the subject in their order, No. 757 M., dated the 26th May 1899, received on the 10th instant.

(*e*) Referring to G.O., No. 450 M., dated 29th March 1899, charges, paragraph 4 (5) regarding an additional bill collector on Rs. 20, the Municipal Council is of opinion that he is indispensably necessary in connection with the servants-tax, the bicycle-tax and the water-tax on lands which are additional taxes since 1897 involving much labour in collection. A proposition statement is submitted in the hope that the Government will be pleased to sanction the appointment as a permanent arrangement.

(*f*) The delay in the submission of the Administration Report is due entirely to the statements of receipts and expenditure not being ready until the 15th instant. This report had to be drafted after that date and circulated to members.

(*g*) The report was adopted by the Municipal Council at the meeting held on the 24th June 1899. An extract from the proceedings of the meeting is enclosed.

ENCLOSURE.

From Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., I.M.S., Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, to the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund, dated 14th June 1899, No. 104.

I have the honour to forward herewith the concise medical and sanitary report on Ootacamund for the year ending 31st March 1899.

2. *Public Health.*—The total number of deaths registered was 555 as against 476 in the previous year. An attempt has been made in the following table to give the causes of death more correctly than in former years, when a large number of deaths due to well-recognized diseases were invariably grouped together under the heading "all other causes":—

Year.	Total births.	Total deaths.	Plague.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhœa.	Suicide.	Wounds.	Accidents.	Heart disease.	Pneumonia.	Other disease of the respiratory system.	Disease of the nervous system.
1897–98 ...	610	476	...	5	...	142	29	29	...	...	5	...	...	...	...
1898–99 ...	563	555	1	...	...	143	23	34	1	1	3	10	64	100	93

Year.	Disease of the digestive system.	Dropsy.	Old age.	Puerperal fever.	Urinary system.	Diphtheria.	Liver disease.	Immaturity.	Poison.	Abortion.	Hydrophobia.	Privation.	All other causes.	Total.
1897–98 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	266	476
1898–99 ...	11	15	31	10	4	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	...	555

The number of registered deaths rose from 476 to 555, showing an increase of 79 as compared with the previous year, while the number of registered births fell from 610 to 563—a decrease of 47. There were a large number of deaths from pneumonia and other diseases of the respiratory organs. The increase in the death-rate was probably due to the larger number of deaths from pneumonia and continued fever; the former disease was prevalent during the early months of 1899, whereas typhoid fever prevailed both amongst Europeans and natives during the months of May, June, July and August 1898. There were no cases of cholera or small-pox. There was one death from plague, a Muhammadan child aged six years, one of a family of eight persons arrived in Ootacamund from Bangalore on 19th January, and the child died of convulsions twelve hours after arrival. The father of this child migrated with his wife and children from Bangalore during the plague epidemic in that station. There was a case of plague in the adjoining house to that in which the family resided, and this frightened the man, and he left as soon as he possibly could. The child was quite well when the family left Bangalore on the way up the ghaut he got high fever and convulsions and died a few hours after arrival in Ootacamund. The case was treated as one of plague and all contacts were isolated and kept under observation for ten days. The house where the child died was unroofed and all other necessary precautions taken to prevent the spread of the disease, which were happily successful as no other case occurred. Sometime before the plague broke out in Mysore, steps were taken in consultation with the Collector and the Chairman to be ready to fight the disease, should it be imported; plague camps were established, the Sanitary staff strengthened, vigilance committees appointed and all arrivals from plague-infected localities carefully observed for ten days after arrival. A large number of Europeans and many Brahmans and others were inoculated with Haffkine's prophylactic serum. With the exception of the one case detailed above, no other case of plague has up to date occurred.

3. *General Sanitation.*—Eight villages are included within municipal limits in addition to Ootacamund, and these were conserved during the year. The Sanitary staff consists of four Sanitary Inspectors, two overseers, eight maistries, twenty-four public and twenty-three private toties and seventy-six sweepers. The number of houses served by private scavenging agency was 370 against 356 in the previous year The general sanitary condition of the town has been undoubedly improved during the last twelve months, the drainage scheme has been completed as far as the main drain is concerned, which carries the sewage in a main pipe along the side of the lake and discharges into the Sandimalla stream, some distance below the south-western lake bund; the water in the lake is not open to pollution from sewage as it used to be. A good many compounds have been cleaned up and rank vegetation and weeds removed; much however, yet remains to be done in this direction. I have to repeat what I said in my last report in reference to this subject that in those cases in which the occupier neglects to keep his compound in proper order, the Municipal Council should take action under section 186 of the Act.

During the year nine small incinerators have been erected in convenient situations throughout the whole station, which have greatly facilitated the disposal of street-sweeping refuse, old rags, bits of straw, &c., and such like. The incinerators are built on a plan suggested by me to the Chairman and consist of an ordinary corrugated iron dust-bin, raised on a platform with an iron grating and a fire underneath; they would be greatly improved by having an iron roof put on to keep off the heavy rain; this could be done at slight cost.

Water-supply.—Some of the wells which were not efficiently protected from surface contamination have been closed and others protected by parapets and platforms, altogether fourteen wells were closed in Kandal and twenty-four in the main bazaar, including the well in Subbaroya Charry street, the water of which was declared by Professor Hankin to contain bacilli resembling the typhoid bacilli in cultural and other particulars.

The parts of the station on the northern side of the lake are supplied from the Marlimund reservoir; that on the southern from the Doddabetta reservoir. Samples of water from both these reservoirs were sent for bacteriological examination to Professor Hankin and his report submitted to Government through the Surgeon-General. Though many of the worst wells have been closed, there are still a considerable number scattered about in the compounds of houses which are unprovided with proper parapets, platforms and drains to protect the water from surface contamination.

4. *Vaccination.*—The following table shows the result of vaccination as compared with previous year:—

Year.	Primary vaccination.				Re-vaccination.				Grand total.			
	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.
1897-98	801	1	3	805	320	17	3	340	1,121	18	6	1,145
1898-99	773	13	99	885	113	65	13	191	886	78	112	1,076

From this table it appears that the total number vaccinated fell from 1,145 to 1,076, a decrease of 69 as compared with last year. The decrease is accounted for by the falling off in the numbers of those who underwent the operation of re-vaccination. The number of primary vaccinations rose from 805 to 885, while the percentage of successful operations fell from 99·87 to 87·43; the percentage of successful revaccinations also fell from 94·95 to 63·48. The vaccinator declares that most of the cases were verified by him. Three-hundred and sixty-three cases were examined and verified by myself and medical subordinates; so I think the results may be considered fairly accurate, and support the opinion that the quality of the lymph supplied from the Mysore depot has deteriorated as compared with the previous year—a similar falling off in the number of successful operations has been noticed amongst the boys vaccinated on admission to the Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale, who are vaccinated with the same lymph.

5. *Medical relief.*—As in the previous years, the municipality maintained no hospital of its own, but contributed Rs. 800 annually towards St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

The following table shows the attendance of patients treated at this institution during 1898-99 as compared with that of the previous year:—

	1897-98.	1898-99.
In-patients	1,017	711
Out-patients	18,670	15,756
	19,687	16,467

The falling off in the attendance of in-patients is due to the reduction in the number of beds available for male patients. The wards were found to be too crowded and the number had to be reduced. The falling off in the out-patient attendance is due to false malicious rumours which got about when anti-plague inoculation was commenced. A false report was started in Coonoor that several people had died from the effects of inoculation, and that all out-patients who attended St. Bartholomew's Hospital would be forcibly inoculated against their will. The frequent changes in the Apothecaries, who are in charge of the out-patient department, may have had something to say to the diminished attendance.

During the year 136 women were confined in the hospital. The municipal midwife who had previously worked without proper supervision was, with the consent of the Chairman, attached for duty in the lying-in wards of St. Bartholomew's Hospital from August; she conducted altogether 26 cases outside the hospital; the number of cases delivered in the wards of the hospital increased from 110 to 136.

The Hamnett Dispensary at Kandal was closed owing to the illness of the Hospital Assistant in charge and the impossibility of getting a man to take his place.

6. *General Summary.*—Except for the epidemic of typhoid which prevailed during the months of April, May, June and July, the health of the station generally was much the same as in previous years.

During the year a permanent hospital for infectious diseases has been provided—a want long felt in Ootacamund; the water-supply has been rendered more safe by the closure of many wells and the protection of others. Very little improvement has been effected in the sanitary condition of dairies from which the milk is supplied; the system of overcrowding cows in filthy unventilated sheds where the animals stand over their fetlocks in manure and where the cows are milked and the milk stored pending distribution to the various households, constitutes a very evident and even present danger of epidemic outbreaks of disease amongst the population. Another source of danger to the public health is the want of properly-constructed places for washing and storing clothes; many of the houses of the dhobies in Kodappamund, Vennarapet and Kandal in which the dhobies live and in which the soiled clothes are stored before washing and afterwards, are unventilated filthy holes. The subject of providing suitable places for the dhobies to wash in is at present under the consideration of the Municipal Council.

B.G.R. No. 397.

Forwarded to Government.

2. The Council consisted of twelve members; and 33 meetings were held in the year under report as against 29 in the previous year. The average attendance of the members showed a decrease from 9·03 to 7·75; but no meetings were adjourned for want of a quorum.

3. The receipts of the municipality for the year under report amounted to Rs. 2,16,303-0-9 and the expenditure to Rs. 1,50,522-8-5, leaving a balance of Rs. 65,780-8-4. Statement No. I shows the receipts under each head for the year under report as compared with those of the previous year; and the variations except under fines under Municipal Acts have not been explained by the Chairman.

4. Statement IV-A shows a balance of Rs. 11,492–11–2 out of a total demand of Rs. 87,160–4–10 for the year under report and nearly one-half of this amount represents the arrears of tax levied on lands under section 63 of the Act. The legality of this tax has been questioned both by Government officers and by the rate-payers, and the payment of a sum of Rs. 4,633 due on this account on lands under the control of the Forest Department has been declined. As this is likely to run the municipality into endless litigation, an early expression of opinion on the propriety of the tax or an amendment of the Act to avoid differences of opinion seems highly desirable. Even after excluding this questionable item of revenue, the balance appears still to be too large, and vigorous efforts should be made to collect the balance.

5. There was a slight fall in the number of warrants issued in the year under report; but the number of prosecutions instituted show an increase over that of the previous year.

6. The Government is in possession of full information regarding the proposals for the improvement of the water-supply scheme and of the Breek's Memorial school, and I do not think it necessary to offer any further suggestions on these matters.

7. The roads are all kept in fairly good order, and as regards the lighting of the town the Chairman says that the lights are now kept throughout the night, and that the lighting work is now being carried on by the municipality itself. Several other improvements seem to have been effected and I consider that the work of the Council has, on the whole, been good.

(Signed) S. G. ROBERTS,
Acting Collector.

21*st July* 1899.

Order—No. 1305 M., dated 9th September 1899.

The receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1898–99 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1897–98:—

—	Actuals, 1897–98.	Budget estimate, 1898–99.	Revised estimate, 1898–99.	Actuals, 1898–99.
Receipts.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance brought forward	36,924	43,470	58,870	58,872
Tax on Arts	4,679	5,000	5,300	4,665
,, Buildings and Lands	31,717	34,000	39,600	31,691
Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings and Lands	11,637	15,000	17,400	15,729
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	4,458	4,800	4,500	4,005
,, Carts	545	750	620	535
,, Private Menial and Domestic Male Servants	410	450	1,500	1,353
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	1,218	1,250	1,620	1,476
Conservancy Receipts	57	440	60	30
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	2,512	2,700	2,600	2,843
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	17,529	13,000	16,500	13,429
License Fees	1,268	1,400	1,600	2,093
Other Fees	1,812	1,740	1,750	1,478
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	611	660	800	1,089
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans	4,500	870	880	875
Grants and Contributions from Government	9,870	10,000	14,630	14,991
,, ,, other Bodies	240	60	380	380
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	7,237	6,000	6,800	7,929
Miscellaneous	21	40	100	108
Loans	..	..	..	1,800
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., Realizations of Sinking Fund, and Discount on Investment	1,00,783	50,650	50,800	50,935
Advances Recovered	29	20	20	6
Total	2,01,133	1,48,770	1,67,460	1,57,431
Grand Total	2,38,057	1,92,240	2,26,330	2,16,303

—	Actuals, 1897–98.	Budget estimate, 1898–99.	Revised estimate, 1898–99.	Actuals, 1898–99.
Charges.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 1—				
New Works—				
Communications	1,006	1,000	8,000	5,449
Buildings	3,546	3,500	4,190	2,717
Drainage	6,333	1,700	25,680	25,662
Water-supply	38,241	9,470	9,550	9,323
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	40,946	1,150	3,000	709
Repairs—				
Communications	13,204	15,000	12,250	12,572
Buildings	2,196	2,900	2,500	2,021
Drainage	2,085	2,180	1,800	1,829
Water-supply	2,565	2,520	2,680	3,024
Establishment	2,403	2,870	2,870	2,637
Tools and Plant and other Stores	307	300	200	186
Contributions for Public Works	100	200	100	100
Total	1,12,932	42,790	72,820	66,229
Grant 2—				
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System	8,218	8,860	8,940	8,695
On the Salary result System	1,349	1,700	1,650	1,352
Grants-in-aid—				
Salary Grants	1,202	1,450	1,040	1,056
Fixed and Result Grants	350	350	350	401
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	78	130	100	78
Inspection	125	150	150	126
Total	11,323	12,640	12,230	11,708
Grant 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	192	210	200	487
Contributions	1,595	1,550	1,600	1,472
Vaccination	414	410	410	374
Registration of Births and Deaths	241	260	260	258
Sanitation	23,523	29,870	32,630	34,619
Total	25,965	32,300	35,100	37,210
Grant 4—				
Lighting	3,459	4,270	4,040	4,052
Markets and Slaughter-houses	781	810	830	834
Choultries	106	110	110	111
Avenues	267	..	210	36
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire, Pounds and other Charges	2,145	1,580	2,630	4,071
Total	6,758	6,770	7,820	9,104
Grant 5—				
Supervision and Management	9,611	9,320	9,760	9,744
Extraordinary and Debt—				
Repayment of Debt	5,552	5,660	5,660	5,657
Interest on Loan	6,461	6,400	6,400	6,396
Advances Recoverable	6	..	..	2,979
Refunds	577	1,000	1,700	1,496
Total	12,597	13,060	13,760	16,528
Grand Total	1,79,185	1,16,880	1,51,490	1,50,523
Balance	58,872	75,360	74,840	65,780

2. Thirty-three meetings were held by the Municipal Council against 29 in 1897–98. The average attendance of members, which in the case of officials improved and in that of non-officials declined, was fair.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the taxes on arts and lands remained almost stationary. There was, however, an increase of Rs. 1,013 and Rs. 5,991, respectively, in the demand under the tax on buildings and the water and drainage tax, which in the case of the former was due apparently to more careful assessment, and in that of the latter to the levy of the tax at the enhanced rates for the whole year, instead of for a half-year as in 1897–98. The receipts from the tax on private menial and domestic male servants amounted to Rs. 1,353 against Rs. 410 during eight months in the previous year.

(2) The current collections under the taxes on arts and buildings and the water and drainage tax, though not so good as in the previous year, were still fair; but in the case of the tax on lands, under which only 57·8 per cent. of the demand was realized, they were far from satisfactory. Except in the case of the house-tax, the arrear realizations under all these heads were poor, being especially so in the case of

the land-tax. The outstandings under these heads on the 31st March 1899 were very large and some of them dated back to 1893–94. Every effort should be made to adjust them in the current year. Coercive measures were adopted to a smaller extent than in the previous year; but nearly 43 per cent. of the total number of warrants for disposal remained unexecuted at the close of the year. Greater promptitude should be displayed by the municipal executive in this matter in future.

(3) The receipts from the tax on animals, market-rents and slaughter-house and cart-stand fees declined, the fall in the case of the last three items being ascribed to the kists due for the first two months of the year under review having being credited in the accounts of the preceding year. On the other hand, the income from school and license fees and fines exhibited an advance, which in the case of the last is ascribed to the larger fines imposed by the Bench of Magistrates. It is to be regretted that the sale of the town-sweepings brought in only Rs. 30 against Rs. 57 in the previous year.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency rose from 356 to 370; but owing to the failure of the Council to collect the fees for this service in advance, as evidenced by the existence of a large uncollected balance at the end of the year, the receipts from this source fell from Rs. 5,292 to Rs. 4,852. The service was, however, worked at a profit of Rs. 1,444 against Rs. 2,536 in 1897–98. The payment of these fees in advance should be insisted upon as far as possible and no pains should be spared to further extend the service.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The realignment of the intercepting sewer and the improvement of the Marlimund water-supply were the two important new works under execution during the year. These works are being carried out by the Public Works Department, which has been provided with the necessary funds. A new road to the Titicul rubbish depot was also constructed at a cost of Rs. 3,115. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 18,021 against Rs. 14,212 in 1897–98, and the roads are reported by the Collector to have been maintained in fairly good order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure on education was Rs. 4,045 or 7 per cent. of the receipts from taxation. Nearly three-fifths of this sum was devoted to secondary, and the remainder to primary, education. The Municipal Council continued to maintain one secondary school on the salary system and three primary schools on the salary-result system. Two secondary schools were also aided with salary grants and one secondary and three primary schools with result grants. The attendance at the municipal and aided schools showed an improvement. The only candidate who appeared for the Matriculation Examination from the municipal upper secondary school was successful; but the results of the Lower Secondary Examination were very poor, none of the eight candidates who were sent up having passed. The municipal and aided primary schools, however, are reported to have done well at the departmental and grant examinations and the allotment for result grants was exceeded by 14·6 per cent. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from Municipal funds rose from 788 to 851 or 71·7 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—As in previous years, the Municipal Council maintained no hospital of its own but contributed Rs. 800 towards the upkeep of St. Bartholomew's hospital. The number of patients treated at this institution fell from 19,687 to 16,467, the decline being explained in paragraph 5 of the Civil Surgeon's report. The midwife employed by the Municipal Council attended only 26 cases of labour against 55 in 1897–98; but her services were also utilized in the lying-in wards of the hospital, where 136 midwifery cases, or 26 more than in the previous year, were attended.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of persons vaccinated during the year again fell from 1,145 to 1,076 and the quality of the work also deteriorated, the percentage of reported success having fallen from 97·9 to 82·3. These poor results are ascribed by the Civil Surgeon to a decline in the number of re-vaccinations and to the inferior quality of the lymph supplied from the Mysore depot. The attention of the Sanitary Commissioner is invited to this matter. Infantile

vaccination, however, continued to receive a fair share of attention, the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated having been 40·9 per mille of the population against 40·5 per mille in 1897–98 and a registered birth-rate of 37·4 per mille. The net cost of each successful case rose from As. 5–11 to As. 6–9 in the circumstances explained in paragraph 44 of the Chairman's report.

The number of births registered during the year fell from 610 or 40·5 per mille of the population to 563 or 37·4 per mille; but owing, it is stated, to the unhealthiness of the season, the number of deaths rose from 476 or 31·6 per mille to 555 or 36·9 per mille. The death-rate exceeded the normal, but the birth-rate was below it. Every endeavour should be made to render the birth returns more accurate in the current year.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The expenditure under this head amounting to Rs. 34,619 exceeded the budget allotment by 15·9 per cent. and was 22 per cent. of the receipts. From paragraph 61 of the Chairman's and paragraph 3 of the Civil Surgeon's reports, the Government is glad to observe that fair attention was paid to the sanitation of the town; but the Municipal Council should not rest satisfied until the defects pointed out by the Civil Surgeon in his report and by the other Sanitary officers of Government from time to time, have been remedied.

5 *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 65,780 or 41·8 per cent. of the receipts; but the greater portion of this sum represents the unallotted balance of the Provincial grants on account of the water-supply scheme. In the circumstances now stated, the entertainment of an additional bill-collector on Rs. 20, referred to in paragraph 61 (*e*) of the Chairman's report, is approved.

Except in regard to the registration of births which requires closer attention, the administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly satisfactory. The tabular statements in paragraphs 2 and 4 of the Civil Surgeon's report were unnecessary and should be omitted from future reports.

(True Extract.)

for *Ag. Secretary to Government.*

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Ootacamund.
" Collector of the Nilgiris.
" President, District Board, the Nilgiris.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Surgeon-General.
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Report for 1898-99

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

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The ~~estimated~~ receipts and charges of the Ootacamund Municipality for 1898-99, ~~as passed by Government~~, are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1897-98.

	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget Estimate, 1898-99.	Revised Estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals 1898-99.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	36924	43470	58870	58872
Tax on Arts	4679	5000	5300	4665
Tax on Buildings and Lands	31717	34000	39600	31691
Water and Drainage Tax on Buildings and Lands ..	11637	15000	17400	15729
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	4458	4800	4500	4005
Tax on Carts	546	750	620	535
Tax on Private Menial and Domestic Male Servants ..	410	450	1500	1353
Tolls	"	"	"	"
Realizations under Special Acts	"	"	"	"
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	1218	1250	1620	1476
Conservancy Receipts	57	440	60	30
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions ..	2512	2700	2600	2843
Do. from Medical Institutions	"	"	"	"
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	17529	13000	16500	13429
License Fees	1268	1400	1600	2093
Other Fees	1812	1740	1750	1478
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	611	600	800	1080
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans .	4500	870	880	875
Grants and Contributions from Government	9870	10000	14630	14991
Do. from Local Boards	"	"	"	"
Do. from other Bodies	240	60	380	380
Recoveries for services to private individuals	7237	6000	6800	7929
Miscellaneous	21	40	100	108
Loans	"	"	"	1800
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., Realizations of Sinking Fund, and Discount on Investments ..	100782	50660	50800	50935
Advances Recovered	29	20	20	6
Total ..	201133	148770	167460	157431
Grand Total ..	238057	192240	226330	216303

Charges.	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget. Estimate, 1898-99.	Revised Estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals 1898-99.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant 1.				
New Works—				
Communications	1006	1000	8000	5449
Buildings	3546	3500	4190	2717
Drainage	6333	1700	26680	25662
Water-supply	38241	9470	9550	9323
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	40946	1150	3000	709
Repairs—				
Communications	13204	15000	12250	12572
Buildings	2196	2900	2500	2021
Drainage	2085	2180	1800	1829
Water-supply	2565	2520	2680	3024
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	"	"	"	"
Establishment	2402	2870	2870	2637
Tools and Plant and other Stores	307	300	200	186
Contributions for Public Works	100	200	100	100
Total	112931	42790	72820	66229
Grant 2.				
Training Schools	"	"	"	"
Municipal Schools—				
(*a*) On the Salary System	8218	8860	8940	8695
(*b*) On the Salary Result System	1349	1700	1650	1352
Grants-in-Aid—				
(*a*) Salary Grants	1202	1450	1040	1056
(*b*) Fixed and Result Grants	350	350	350	401
(*c*) Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	78	130	100	78
Inspection	126	160	160	126
Miscellaneous	"	"	"	"
Total	11323	12640	12230	11708
Grant 3.				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	192	210	200	487
Contributions	992	1000	1000	987
Vaccination	15957	15500	16000	972
Registration of Births and Deaths	414	410	410	374
Sanitation	241	260	260	258
	23523	29870	32630	34619
Total	25967	32300	35100	37210
Grant 4.				
Lighting	3459	4270	4040	4052
Markets and Slaughter-houses	781	810	830	834
Choultries	106	110	110	111
Travellers' Bungalows	267	"	210	36
Avenues	2145	1580	2630	4071
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire, Pounds and other Charges.				
Total	6768	6770	7820	9104
Grant 5.				
Supervision and Management	9611	9320	9760	9744
Extraordinary and Debt.				
Repayment of Debt	5552	5660	5660	5656
Interest on Loan	6461	6400	6400	6396
Advances Recoverable	6	"	"	2479
Refunds	578	1000	1700	1496
Discount	"	"	"	"
Pensions and Gratuities	"	"	"	"
Investments	"	"	"	"
Total	12597	13060	13760	16529
Grand Total	179185	116880	151490	150522
Balance	58872	75360	74840	65780

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40 small houses situated within 100 yards of the Railway Station and 290 other houses
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2. Thirty-three meetings were held by the Municipal Council against 29 in 1897-98. The average attendance of members, which in the case of officials improved and in that of non-officials declined, was fair.

3. Receipts. (1) The net current demand under the taxes on arts and lands remained almost stationary. There was, however, an increase of Rs. 1,013 and Rs. 5,991 respectively in the demand under the tax on buildings and the water and drainage tax, which in the case of the former was due apparently to more careful assessment, and in that of the latter to the levy of the tax at the enhanced rates for the whole year, instead of for a half-year as in 1897-98.

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The receipts from the tax on private menial and domestic male servants amounted to Rs. 1353 against Rs. 410 during eight months in the previous year.

(2) The current collections under the taxes on arts and buildings and the water and drainage tax, though not so good as in the previous year, were still fair, but in the case of the tax on lands, under which only 57.8 per cent of the demand was realized, they were far from satisfactory. Except in the case of the house tax, the arrear realizations under all these heads were poor, being especially so in the case of the land tax. ~~As observed by the Collector in para. 4 of his endorsement~~, the outstandings under these heads on the 31st March 1899 were very large and some of them dated back

Vide para 10 of the Chairman's letter in G.O. 1710-M 10.10.98 T

Vide paras 13, 14 & 15 of the chairman's report

to 1893-94. Every effort should be made to adjust them in the current year. Coercive measures were adopted to a smaller extent than in the previous year, but nearly 43 per cent of the total number of warrants for disposal remained unexecuted at the close of the year. Greater promptitude should be displayed by the Municipal executive in this matter in future.

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from school and license fees and fines exhibited an advance which in the case of the last is ascribed to the larger fines imposed by the Bench of Magistrates. It is to be regretted that the sale of the town sweepings brought in only Rs. 30 against Rs. 57 in the previous year.

Vide para 22 of the report

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Vide paras 27 & 31 of the report

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Vide para 5 of the Medical report

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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 ~~local~~ funds (columns 14 and 15.)	REMARKS.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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							L Pry 3
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					57	57	
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					136 15 4	136 15 4	
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V. Venkataraya
Inspector
Coconada

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To.

The Chairman, Municipal Council, Cotacamund.
" Collector of the Nilgiris 3
" President, District Board, the Nilgiris 16
" Accountant-General 10
" Director of Public Instruction 11
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Statement I.*—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Cotacamund during the official year 1898-99.

1	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads. 2			Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads. 3			Budget Estimate for 1898-99 *including* subsequent allotments. 4			Revised Estimate for 1898-99. 5			Actuals, 1897-98 (audited figures). 6		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance brought forward—															
(a) Municipal fund				53356	5	4	43470			58870	-	-	36924	5	1
(b) Endowments				5515	10	-	✓								
(c) Water and drainage tax fund ..				58871	15	4									
Municipal Rates and Taxes—															
(a) Tax on arts, &c. (section 53) ..	4665	-	-	✓			5000	-	-	5300	-	-	4679	-	-
(b) Tax on buildings (section 63) ..	30802	10	8	✓			32000	-	-	32000	-	-	31679	12	10
(c) Tax on lands (section 63) ..	888	2	-	✓			2000	-	-	7600	-	-	37	2	-
(d) Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands (section 75) ..	31690	12	8	✓			34000			31600			31716	10	
(e) Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins (section 77) ..	15729	2	7	✓			15000	-	-	17400	-	-	11636	12	9
(f) Tax on animals (section 77) ..	1596	-	-	✓			1800	-	-	1700	-	-	1695	9	4
(g) Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs (section 85) ..	2409	1	4	✓			3000	-	-	2800	-	-	2762	14	8
(h) Tax on private, menial and domestic male servants (section 96A) ..	4005	14	4	✓			4800			4500			4458	8	0
	509	-	-	✓			700	-	-	600	-	-	509	10	8
	1353	-	-	✓			450	-	-	1500	-	-	410	-	-
(i) Tolls (section 91)—															
Gross receipts															
Less Local fund share ..															
(j) Penalties on account of—															
(i) Tax on arts															
(ii) Tax on buildings															
(iii) Tax on lands															
(iv) Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands ..															
(v) Tax on vehicles, &c. ..															
(vi) Tax on animals															
(vii) Tax on carts, &c. ..	26	-	-				50	-	-	20	-	-	34	14	0
(viii) Tax on private menial and domestic male servants ..															
(ix) Evasion of tolls															
Carried forward ..				57978	0	7	60000	-	-	68920	-	-	53445	12	3

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	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.			
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Brought forward ..		57978 0 7	60000	68920 - -	53445
3. Realizations under Special Acts—					
(a) Pounds					
(b) Ferry rents					
(c) Fees under Act II of 1888 ..					
4. Revenue derived from Municipal property and powers apart from taxation—					
(a) Rent of lands, houses, &c.—					
(i) Rent of lands	317 6 -				
(ii) Rent of buildings ..	964 9 4		150 - -	320 - -	145
(iii) Avenue receipts ..	76 4 -		1040 - -	1100 - -	1040
(iv) Fees from travellers' bungalows				120 - -	
(v) Choultry rents ..					
(vi) Sale-proceeds of lands and buildings					
(vii) Produce of lands, gardens, &c.					
(viii) Sale-proceeds of old materials, empty oil-cans, packing cases, &c. ..	110 12 4		50 - -	70 - -	29
(b) Conservancy receipts—	6 15 -		10	10	3
	1475 4 8		1250	1620	1217
Sale-proceeds of night-soil street-refuse, &c. ..	30 - -		440 - -	60 - -	57
(c) Income from Educational institutions—					
(i) School fees	2843 6 -		2700 - -	2600 - -	2511 9
(ii) Other receipts					
(d) Income from Medical Institutions—					
(i) Sale-proceeds and composition fees of medicines ..					
(ii) Other receipts ..					
Carried forward ..	4349 4 8	57978 0 7	64390 - -	73200 - -	57232 4 5

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1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Brought forward ..	4349 4 8	57978 0 7	64390 - -	73200 - -	57232 4 5
Revenue derived from Municipal property and powers apart from taxation—*cont.*					
(e) Income from markets and slaughter-houses—					
(i) Income from markets ..	9112 2 10		8000 - -	11500 - -	11977 13 4
(ii) ,, slaughter-houses.	4316 10 8		5000 - -	5000 - -	5550 13 4
	13428 13 6		13000	16500	17628 10 8
(f) Other fees—					
(i) Warrant and distraint fees and recoveries on account of incidental expenses ..	110 10 -		100 - -	100 - -	116 2 -
	- 8 -		30 - -	30 - -	3 8 -
(ii) License fees	2092 14 7		1400 - -	1600 - -	1268 2 3
(iii) Cart-stand fees ..	1356 2 5		1600 - -	1600 - -	1691 10 8
(iv) Vaccination fees ..			10 - -	20 - -	1 - -
(v) Miscellaneous fees ..	10 4 -		1740	1750	1812 4 8
	1477 8 5				
(g) Fines—					
(i) Balance of fines under sections 3 to 5 of the Towns Nuisances Act ..			600 - -	800 - -	611 0 6
(ii) Fines under Municipal and other Acts	1079 8 9				
(h) Interest on investments—					
(i) General, including choultries	875 - -		870 - -	880 - -	4500 - -
(ii) Educational					
(iii) Medical		23303 1 11			
(i) Premium on loans					
5. Grants and Contributions—					
(a) From Government—					
(i) Education—					
Normal stipends ..					
Buildings			3000 - -	3330 - -	2953 5 4
Schools	3506 3 9		200 - -	100 - -	72 8 -
Other purposes	104 - -		3200	3430	3025 13 4
	3610 3 9				
Carried forward ..	3610 3 9	81281 2 6	85200 - -	98160 - -	85978 3 10

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1	2	3	4	5
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	3610 3 9	81281 2 6	85200 - -	98160 -
5. Grants and Contributions—*cont.*				
(*a*) From Government—*cont.*				
(ii) Medical				
(iii) Other purposes—	3610 3 9		3207	3430
Communications ..	7100 - -		4700 -	7100 -
Water-supply				
Drainage				
Sanitation				
Other purposes ..	4281 - -		2100 - -	4100 - -
(*b*) From Local Boards—	14991 3 9		10000	14630
(i) Education				
(ii) Medical				
(iii) Other purposes				
(*c*) Other Grants and Contributions—				
(i) Education	180		60 -	180 - -
(ii) Medical				
(iii) Other purposes	200 - -	15371 3 9		200 - -
6. Miscellaneous—				
(*a*) Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals—				
(i) Private scavenging ..	4852 8 0		5000 - -	5000 - -
(ii) Laying pipes to private houses.	2208 15 6		1000 - -	1800 - -
(iii) Other purposes	867 14 11		6000	6800
(*b*) Other items—	7929 6 5			
(i) Fishery rents				
(ii) Refunds of expenditure of previous years	94 7 6		20 -	80 - -
(iii) Fees for numbering carts ..				
(iv) Other items	13 12 5	8037 10 4	20 - -	20 - -
Carried forward ..	104 3 11			
		104690 0 7	98100 - -	116640 - -

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Statement I.*—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Vokacammund during the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..		104690 0 7	98100 - -	116640 - -	100320 9 3
7. Extraordinary and Debt—					
(*a*) Sale-proceeds of Government securities and withdrawals from Savings Bank	50000		50000 - -	50000 - -	100000 - -
(*b*) Loans—					
(i) From Government ..	1800 - -				
(ii) In the open market ..					
(*c*) Realizations of Sinking Fund for repayment of loans	934 9 10		650 - -	800 - -	783 - -
(*d*) Discount on investments ..					
(*e*) Advances—					
(i) Permanent					
(ii) Others †	6 7 -	52741 - 10	20 - -	20 - -	29 8 3
Total, Receipts ..		157431 1 5	148770 - -	167460 - -	201133 1 6
		58871 15 6			
Grand Total ..		216303 0 9	192240 - -	226330 - -	238057 6 7

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† Expenditure on toll-tickets and process-fees and overpayments to District Boards on account of tolls should be debited to advances recoverable in Statement II, and when these are recovered the recoveries should be credited to this head.

Note to Statement I [1].—

1. The tax on arts, &c., is levied on ~~the first~~ all classes.
2. The tax on buildings is levied at 7½ per cent. and the tax on lands at ~~1 per cent. of rent value.~~ not appurtenant to houses annually 7½ as for every 80 square yards. 1-8-0 per acre
3. The water and drainage tax on buildings ~~and lands~~ is levied at 2 per cent. for the 1st half year and 4 per cent for the 2nd half year with exceptions.
4. The tax on vehicles and animals is levied at ~~—~~ the maximum rates.
5. The tax on carts, &c., is levied at Rs. 4 per cart per annum.
6. The tax on private, menial and domestic male servants is levied at Rs. one per mensem for each servant.
7. ~~Tolls are levied at —— the maximum rates.~~
8. License-fees are levied at the rates sanctioned in G.O. ××
9. The house-tax registers were last revised in the official year 96-97 and the land-tax registers in the official year 1892-93.
10. The tolal extent of land assessed is ~~——~~ 3678·19 acres.
11. The mode of estimating the annual rental of houses and lands is as follows:—Houses the rent which the houses fetch was taken and the lands assessed at an average rate of Rs 1-8-0.

The water rate on lands ab 0-6-4 per acre on a rental of Rs 2-0 per acre

[1] This note should be filled in both when the statement is submitted with the budgets as well as when it accompanies reports, but in the former case items 9, 10 a d 11 may be left blank.

12 Private Scavenging fees as per G.O. no. 1886 M. mis dated 28-8-97
×× G.O. no. 640 M. mis dated 4-4-1892
G.O. no. 419 M. mis. dated 24-3-1893
G.O. no. 1626 M. mis dated 20-7-1897
G.O. no. 2246 M. mis. dated 14-10-1897
G.O. no. 444 M. dated 28-2-1898
G.O. no. 739 M. mis. dated 5-4-1898

Chairman, O.M.C

Statement I-A —Endowments entrusted to the Municipal Council under Sections 25 and 26 of Act IV of 1884 for the official year 1898-99.

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		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.
								Local Funds.	Provincial Funds.									
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 II *—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Vokacamund for the official year 1898-99.

—	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Grant 1 *(Public Works)*—					
1. New Works—					
(*a*) Communications	5448 13 4		1000 - -	8000 - -	1005 13 5
(*b*) Buildings †	2717 7 0		3500 - -	4190 - -	3546 6 7
(*c*) Drainage	25661 13 7		1700 - -	25680 - -	6383 1 7
(*d*) Water-supply	9323 3 10		9470 - -	9550 - -	38240 9 1
(*e*) Miscellaneous public improvements ..	209 10 5		650 - -	2500 - -	40443 9 5
- Do - Establishment	498 13 5	43859 13 7	500 - -	500 - -	501 14 5
	708 7 10		1150	3000	40945 7 10
2. Repairs—					
(*a*) Communications	12571 10 9		15000 - -	12250 - -	13204 7 9
(*b*) Buildings †	2021 6 2		2900 - -	2500	2196 0 4
(*c*) Drainage -					
(i) Repairs to works ..	234 12 6		500 - -	200 - -	421 10 -
(ii) Establishment	1564 1 2		1680 - -	1600 - -	1663 7 3
(iii) Contingencies	30 2 -		- - -	- - -	- - -
(*d*) Water-supply—	1826 15 8		2180	1800	2085 12 -
(i) Repairs to works, machinery, &c	1271 12 7		740	900 - -	840 7 6
(ii) Establishment ‡	1677 4 0		1680 - -	1680 - -	1653 - -
(iii) Contingencies	75 4 1		100 - -	100 - -	71 12 2
(*e*) Miscellaneous public improvements	3624 1 8	19446 5 3	2520	2680	2565 8 8
3. (*a*) General Establishment—	2580 13 2		2870 - -	2870 - -	2402 7 3
(*b*) Contingencies	56 5 0	2637 2 2			
	2637 2 2				
4. Tools and Plant and other Stores—	185 15 7	185 15 7	300 - -	200 - -	306 13 11
5. Contributions—					
(*a*) To Local Boards for works ..	100 - -		100 - -	100 - -	100 - -
(*b*) To Provincial Funds for scrutiny of estimates, &c.			100 - -		
(*c*) To others for public works ..		100 - -			
Total, Grant 1 ..		66229 4 7	42790 - -	72820 - -	112931 8 8

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† This item should show all constructions not belonging to water-supply and drainage, including dust-bins, whether masonry or of corrugated iron, latrines, permanent or temporary, sheds, walls, &c.

‡ This item should show the cost of cleansing tanks and wells, wages of watchmen employed to keep water free from pollution, &c.

Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..					8197 12 2
Grant 2 *(Education)*—					
1. Training Schools—					
(*a*) Contributions to Local Boards ..					
(*b*) Stipends to normal students ..					
2. Municipal Schools—					
(i) On salary system—					
(*a*) Establishment	8141 12 10	8141 12 10	8200 - -	8160 - -	7596 2 4
(*b*) Contingencies	552 15 8	8694 12 6	660 - -	780	621 9 10
			6860	8940	8217 12 2
(ii) On salary-result system—					
(*a*) Fixed payments	1094 12 7		1270 - -	1270 - -	1101 13 6
(*b*) Result stipends	134 8 6		230 - -	230 - -	127 9 6
(*c*) Contingencies	122 7 11	1351 13 0	200 - -	150 - -	119 12 6
			1700	1650	1349 3 6
3. Salary grants	1055 10 8	1055 10 8	1450 - -	1040 - -	1202 5 4
4. Fixed and result grants	400 10 -	400 10 -	350 - -	350 - -	350 - -
5. Building, furniture, &c., grants ..	78 - -	78 - -	130 - -	100	77 14 4
6. Inspection—					
(i) Establishment					
(ii) Contingencies					
7. Miscellaneous—					
(*a*) General gymnasium—					
(i) Establishment					
(ii) Contingencies					
(*b*) General drawing—					
(i) Establishment					
(ii) Contingencies					
(*c*) Other items					
Carried forward ..		11580 14 2	12490 - -	12080 - -	11197 3 4

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Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

——	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..		11580 14 2	12490 - -	12080 - -	11197 3 14
Grant 2 *(Education)*—cont.					
8. Contributions to Local Boards for—					
(i) Inspection	126 7 11		150 - -	150 - -	125 6 3
(ii) Drawing and gymnastic instruction		126 7 11			
Total, Grant 2 ..		11707 6 1	12640 - -	12230 - -	11322 9 7
Grant 3 *(Medical Services, Sanitation, &c.)*—					
1. Hospitals and dispensaries—					
(a) Establishment	472 10 6		180	180	180
			300	300	300 2 8
(b) Medicines and supplies					
(c) Diet of patients					
(d) Sundries and contingencies ..	14 - -		30 - -	20 - -	12 2 -
(e) Contibutions to—					
(i) Government	500 - -		500 - -	500 - -	500 - -
(ii) Local Boards			1010	1000	992 4 8
(iii) Other bodies		986 10 6			
2. (a) Contributions to Provincial Funds for—					
(i) Medical College	590		400 - -	430 - -	432 - -
(ii) Sanitary inspection ..	297		300 - -	270 - -	288 - -
(iii) Medical reserve staff ..	85	972	50 - -	100	95
(b) Contributions to Local Boards, &c., for—			750	800	795
(i) Medical schools					
(ii) Reserve staff					
&c., &c., &c. ..					
(c) Other contributions					800 28
Carried forward ..		1958 10 6	1760 - -	1800 - -	1787 4 8

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Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund for the official year 1898-99.—*cont.*

——	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..		1958 10 6	1760 - -	1800 - -	1787 4 8
Grant 3 *(Medical Services, Sanitation, &c.)* —cont.					
3. Vaccination—					
(a) Establishment	215 - -		216 - -	216 - -	215 7 9
(b) Contingencies	159 7 3		94 - -	194 - -	198 9 9
(c) Contributions to Local Boards ..		374 7 3	100 - -	410	414 1 6
			410		
4. Registration of births and deaths—					
(a) Establishment	236 12 4		240 - -	240 - -	236 2 6
(b) Contingencies	21 3 6	257 15 10	20 - -	20 - -	4 15 9
			260	260	241 [illegible]
5. Sanitation—					
(a) Conservancy, road-cleaning and road-watering—					
(i) Establishment	10787 15 5		10870 - -	10800 - -	10406 13 7
(ii) Other charges † ..	9013 4 6	19801 3 11	9000	9500 - -	8882 9 9
(b) Private scavenging—					
(i) Establishment ‡	2742 9 8		2700 - -	2750 - -	2674 3 11
(ii) Other charges §	665 4 5	3407 14 1	300 - -	300 - -	104 4 -
(c) Epidemic charges	10426 11 4	10426 11 4	6000	8280	381 10 6
(d) Fairs and festivals					
(e) Other sanitary outlay	982 13 8	982 13 8	1000 - -	1000 - -	1072 15 0
		34618 11 0	29870	32630	23622 8 9
Total, Grant 3 ..		37209 12 7	32300 - -	35100 - -	25965 1 2

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† Under this head should be shown such charges as the cost of purchase or hire of carts and purchase and maintenance or hire of bullocks.

‡ When separate establishments are not maintained for scavenging private houses, the proportionate cost of conservancy debitable to this head should be calculated and entered here.

§ This head should include the cost of scavenging carts.

Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898–99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898–99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898–99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898–99.	Actuals, 1897–98 (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 ..					
GRANT 4 *(Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes)*—					
1. Lighting—					
(*a*) Establishment	240 - -		1220 - -	240 - -	235 - -
(*b*) Contingencies	3811 12 6	4051 12 6	3050 - -	3800 - -	3224 7 6
2. (i) Markets †—			4270	4040	3459 7 6
(*a*) Establishment	348 - -				
(*b*) Contingencies	30 8 2	378 8 2	350 - -	350 - -	333 12 5
(ii) Slaughter-houses †—			10 - -	30 - -	9 7 -
(*a*) Establishment	444 - -				
(*b*) Contingencies	11 7 -	455 7 -	440	440 - -	428 4 -
3. Choultries—			10 - -	10 - -	9 7 6
(*a*) Establishment	84 - -	633 15 2	810	830	780 11 -
(*b*) Contingencies	26 12 -	110 12 -	84 - -	84 - -	84 - -
(*c*) Feeding travellers			26 - -	26 - -	21 14 -
4. Travellers' bungalows—			110	110	105 14 -
(*a*) Establishment					
(*b*) Contingencies					
5. Avenues—					
(*a*) Establishment					
(*b*) Contingencies	36 5 -	36 5 -	[illegible]	210 - -	267 0 6
6. Public garden—					
(*a*) Establishment					
(*b*) Contingencies					
7. Survey of land—	- - -		30 - -	- - -	- - -
8. Fire—					
(*a*) Establishment					
(*b*) Other charges ‡					
Carried forward ..		5032 12 8	5220 - -	5190 - -	4613 1 11

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† Where establishments are maintained conjointly for markets and slaughter-houses, the share debitable to each head should be separately calculated and entered.

‡ Under this head should appear cost of purchasing or repairing fire-engines, buckets, &c.

Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898–99. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals, 1898–99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898–99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898–99.	Actuals, 1897–98 (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 ..		5032 12 8	5220 - -	5190 - -	4613 1 11
GRANT 4 *(Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes)*—cont.					
9. Pounds—					
(*a*) Establishment					
(*b*) Contingencies					
10. Other charges—					
(i) Work done for private individuals other than private scavenging—					
(*a*) Laying of pipes to private houses	2303 0 6		700 - -	1800 - -	1330 1 -
(*b*) Other purposes	829 11 11				
(ii) Rewards for destruction of pigs and dogs	12 - -		50 - -	30 - -	20 2 5
(iii) Stationery and printing ..	613 9 4		500	500 - -	537 10 9
(iv) Compensation for lands ..					
(v) Law charges	241 3 -				
(vi) Charges for numbering carts ..	9 - -				
(vii) Other items	63 0 3		300 - -	300 - -	257 7 11
		4071 9 -	1580	2630	2145 6 1
Total, Grant 4 ..		9104 5 8	6770 - -	7820 - -	6758 8 -
GRANT 5 *(Supervision and Management)*—					
1. General Establishment—					
(*a*) Inspection—					
(i) Pay ~~and pensionary contribution~~ of Chairman ~~or Secretary~~	3000		3000 - -	3000 - -	3000 - -
(ii) Conveyance allowance ..					
(*b*) Office establishment	3287 13 -		3320 - -	3320 - -	3318 2 4
(*c*) Contingencies	659 3 2		500 - -	650 - -	683 5 7
(*d*) Collection of Municipal taxes—					
(i) Establishment	1595 1 4		1370	1610 - -	1360 12 5
(ii) Contingencies	471 13 6		400 - -	450 - -	448 12 4
Carried forward ..	9013 15 0		8590	9030 -	8811 0 8

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Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..	9013 15 -		8590 - -	9030 - -	8811 0 8
GRANT 5 *(Supervision and Management)*—cont.					
1. General Establishment—*cont.*					
(e) Collection of tolls—					
(i) Establishment					
(ii) Contingencies					
2. (a) Contribution for Central office and Audit establishments ..	730 - -		730 - -	730 - -	800 - -
(b) Contribution for the salary of the Collector's office Municipal Clerk..					
Total, Grant 5 ..		9743 15 -	9320 - -	9760 - -	9611 0 8
EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—					
1. Repayment of Debt—					
(a) Instalments paid during the year.	3556 7 6		3560 - -	3560 - -	3452 3 8
(b) Invested on account of Sinking Fund (par value of securities purchased)	1900		1900 - -	1900 - -	1900 - -
(c) Charges of investment ..	200	5656 7 6	200 - -	200 - -	200 - -
2. Interest—			5660	5660	6552 3 8
(a) On account of previous years ..					
(b) On account of current year ..	6396 0 6	6396 0 6	6400 - -	6400 - -	6460 10 11
3. Advances recoverable—					
(a) Permanent	50				
(b) Other	2929 3 4	2949 3 4			6 4 -
House Tax	1097 15 8				473 15 2
4. Refunds of other than current collections .. .. Water tax	398 1 6	1496 1 2	1000 - -	1700 - -	103 9 5
					577 8 7
5. Discount					
6. Pensions and gratuities		4475 4 6			
Carried forward ..		16527 12 6	13060 - -	13760 - -	12596 11 2

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Statement II.*—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Ootacamund for the official year 1898-99—*cont.*

—	Actuals, 1898-99. Details of Minor Heads	Actuals, 1898-99. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1898-99, *including* subsequent allotments.	Revised Estimate for 1898-99.	Actuals, 1897-98 (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 ..		16527 12 6	13060 - -	13760 - -	12596 11 2
EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT—*cont.*					
7. Investments for purposes other than Sinking Fund—					
(a) In Government securities or Savings Bank					
(b) In other securities					
Total, Extraordinary and Debt ..		16527 12 6	13060 - -	13760 - -	12596 11 2
Total, Expenditure ..		150522 8 5	116880 - -	151490 - -	179185 7 3
Balances—					
(a) Municipal Fund		64139 14 11	75360 - -	71880 - -	53356 5 4
(b) Endowments					
(c) Water and drainage tax fund ..		1640 9 5		2960 - -	5515 10 -
Grand Total ..		216303 0 9	192240 - -	226330 - -	238057 6 7

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NOTE TO STATEMENT II. †

Position of the Municipality of Ootacamund *on 31st March* 1899.

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	ASSETS.	Rs.
Balance of loans ..	119350-7-4	Municipal balance. Cash in Madras Bank ..	65750-8-4
Deposits to be adjusted	619-0-11-5	Municipal balance. Securities	
Other liabilities (in detail)		Deposit balance. Cash in Madras Bank ..	14316-3-9
		Deposit balance. Post office Savings Bank ..	1874-7-8
		Deposit balance. Government promissory notes.	619-0-11-5
		Deposit balance. Landed property	
		Deposit balance. Other securities	
		Sinking Fund investments ..	20300-0-0.
		Other investments	
		Funded Capital of endowed institutions—	
		(1) Securities	
		(2) Landed property	
		Total	92271-3-9
		Value of premises, &c.	23681-0-6
		Do. of tools and plant	15159-7-8
		Do. of live-stock	3655-0-0
		Do. of furniture	1805-3-0
		Arrears of taxes, &c.	
		Other assets (in detail)	5894-4-10
		Total	153195-0-0
		Claims—	
		Advances recoverable—	
		Permanent advances	105-0-0
		Advances for works, &c.	2943-12-11
Total	2,541-2-9	Total	3048-12-11

66229-4-7
11707-8-1
37209-12-7
9104-5-8
9743-15-7
16527-12-6
150522-8-5

† This should be filled in only when the statement is submitted with reports and not when it accompanies budgets.

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

Part I.—New Works.

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 1898-99.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(a)	Communications								
1	High Level Roads.								
2	through Bishopsdown	6000	893	12	7	1814	1	5	Including Surveying and demarcating Charges.
3	through Dunmore					517	15	11	
	Surveying Charges		112	0	10				
4	New Road to Itical Depôt via Pykara road	3000				3114	8	6	
5	Diversion of the Westbury and Segur road.	4000							
	Surveying Charges.					2	3	6	
	Total ..	13000	1005	13	5	5448	13	4	
(b)	Buildings								
1	Constructing latrine								
2	at Mathanna lane with								
3	Compensation paid for acquisition of the Site.	2600				1760	10	3	
2	New flooring to								
3	Cattle Shed	50	-			42	-	-	
3	Constructing Rubbish Cartstand	400				406	8	9	
4	Purchase of Dust bins	300				276	15	0	
5.	Constructing a watched Shed at Doddabetta Reservoir	300				229	-	-	
6.	Surveying Charges for the new latrine at Mamul Pillay's Street.					2	5	-	
	Total ..	3650				2717	7	0	

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

Part I.—New Works—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.	Expenditure in 1898-99.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5			6
		Rs.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(c)	Drainage						
1	Amount paid to the						
2	Executive Engineer on Special						
3	duty for main Sewer works.	24650	5720 - -	24610	1	6	
2.	Diverting drain from the Brewery—	1200	- - -	966	13	7	
3.	Constructing a Cement drain near Babbeary Hall	60		52	10	6	
4.	Labor for Sanitary Engineer for taking levels for the general drainage Scheme			11	9	0	
5	Taking Survey for Kosaffamund Drainage	2000		3	8	0	
6.	Constructing V Shaped drain at Finger Post.	20		17	3	0	
	Total ..	27930	5720 - -	25661	13	7	
(d)	Water-supply ..						
1	Extending South						
2	water Supply to Charing						
3	Cross via Connoor Road	6300		7309	3	11	
	Do- North W. Supply to Sultan Pettah and Bandyshola-	2242					
	Surveying Charges for Sub Division of Catchment area of Dodabetta Reservoir.	928		1943	9	0	
		80		70	6	11	
	Total ..	9550		9323	3	10	

Dist. Public Lamps ——— Rs. 87
Late Conservancy ——— 75
New Valves for Main pumping ——— 46
Cleaning main Stand pipe ——— Rs. 209

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 .. .. .. Govt. Grant Roads ..							
1	Church Hill road from							Total mileage of roads, streets, lanes, &c., in the town. 71m-7fur-1976feet.
2	Charing Cross to [illegible]							
3 2.	North Lake Road.	900	-	-	855	6	7	Metalled or Gravelled / Unmetalled. 2m-4fur-323ft.
	Commissioners and Library road	250	-	-	209	14	6	50m-2fur-534 ft.
3.	Jeans Hill road	350	-	-	288	7	6	
4	Hospital road	200	-	-	163	12	0	Total mileage under maintenance.
5	Kelso road from Charing Cross to Ottley Road.	150	-	-	149	5	6	Metalled or Gravelled / Unmetalled. m. fur. ft. 21-4-323
6.	Lawrence Asylum Lake road from Burnfoot lake to the Bridge	350	-	-	279	9	6	50 m. 2 fur & 534 ft
7.	Old Garden road	150	-	-	134	9	-	
8	Ottley Road	150	-	-	112	8	-	
9	South Lake Road from Charing Cross to dock End	600	-	-	505	3	-	
10.	Snowdon & Mortimund road including Rs.250 paid for Compensation for land taken for road near Moreview	800	-	-	977	1	0	
11.	Westbury & Segur road.	600	-	-	408	4	0	
12	Wenlock road -	200	-	-	165	12	6	
		4700	-	-	4249	13	1	
	Maintaining 52 other roads	6800	-	-	4114	15	8	
	Do — 57 Bridle paths and Lanes.	3500	-	-	4206	14	0	
	Total ..	15000	-	-	12571	10	9	

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

PART II.—Repairs—*cont.*

Number.	Project	Grant			Actual expenditure.			Remarks.
1	2	3			4			5
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(b)	Buildings							
1	Repairing and Coloring							
2	washing markets.	600	-	-	562	11	4	
3	Repairing market							
	Fencing —	200	-	-	199	6	0	✓
3	Repairing and white-							
	washing Cattle shed-	400	-	-	259	7	2	✓
4	Repairs to Public latrines	500	-	-	365	2	6	✓
5	Repairing re of Cartstand	300			167	1	3	✓
6	Repairing Slaughter House	275	-		163	9	7	✓
7	Repairing Kandal Conservancy	100			80	-	-	✓
8	Repairing Municipal office	80	-	-	80	-	-	✓
9	Repairing Monigar's Chattrum	125	-	-	34	6	-	✓
10	Do - Agraharam —				41	12	4	✓
11	Repairing watchsheds							
	at Marimund Reservoir	80	-	-	7	4	0	
12	Repairing P. Works stores	50	-	-	10	11	-	
13	Repairing flooring of							
	the Cattlesheds.	—			42	-	-	✓
14	Repairing Vaccine and							
	Midwifes room -	50	-	-	7	15	0	
	Total ..	2760	-	-	2021	6	2	

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	General repairs							
2	to drains in Main Bazaar							
3	Kandal &c.				194	11	6	
	Repairing House							
	to House open Sewage	500	-	-				
	drains -				40	1	-	
	Total ..	500			234	12	6	
(d)	Water-supply							
1	Repairs to main pipes &c	440			397	6	8	✓
2	Charges for analysis of							
3	water -				247	4	0	✓
	Repairing fountains and							
	platforms.	70			187	13	0	✓
4	Painting & whitewashing							
	Dodabetta and Marimund							
	Reservoir tanks.	60	-	-	46	7	8	
5	Cleaning foot-path							
	along the main pipes of S. and							
	S.W. Supplies.	130	-	-	86	8	0	✓
6	Cleaning Manjakalmund							
	channel -	-	-	-	4	15	6	
7	Cleaning water head at Manja-							
	-nacnai -	25	-	-	1	8	0	
8	Painting Pillar fountain -	-	-	-	26	13	9	
9	Removing pipes from S. Supply							
	main to the Adam Memorial				273	0	0	✓
	fountain - Total ..	715	-	-	1271	12	7	✓

Chairman and

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments.

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
GRANT 1.—2. *c.* DRAINAGE—		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
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							
Maistries							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement III.*—*Municipality of* Ootacamund

Abstract of Deposits Account for the year 1898-99.

	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
Balance brought forward	2595	0	6	✓			
1. Deposits by renters	3265			1. Credited to Municipal Funds ..	1032	1	6
2. Deposits by contractors	675			2. Returned to renters			
3. Deposits as security by municipal servants	824			3. Returned to contractors	280		
4. Other deposits under the Act or Bye-laws	767	14	2	4. Returned to municipal servants ..	610	4	3
				5. Paid to other depositors	13	13	6
				Total ..	1936	3	3 ✓
Total Receipts ..	5531	14	2				
Total, including Balance ..	8126	14	8	Balance ..	6190	11	5 ✓
				Total ..	8126	14	8 ✓

* This statement is not intended for submission with the budgets but only with the reports. Any portion of the District Boards' share of tolls remaining unpaid at the close of the year should be shown under 4. "Other Deposits under the Act or Bye-laws," but excess payments to District Boards should be debited to Advances Recoverable in Statement II.

Chairman or Secretary

S M NT IV-A.*—*Municipality of Ootacamund.* Demand, Collection and Balance Statement for the year 1898-99.

(Current.)

Particulars.	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).
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.	5000 - -	- - -	5000 - -	4354 - -			646
2. Tax on buildings	32153 9 6	18 - -	32135 9 6	29825 10 7	347 8 3		1960 7 2
3. Tax on lands	5480 13 4	- - -	5480 13 4	316 9 10			5164 3 6
4. Water and drainage tax on buildings ..	16265 0 4	9 10 -	16255 6 4	15156 0 2	159 9 7		939 12 7
5. Water and drainage tax on lands ..	1447 1 8		1447 1 8	83 12 6			1363 5 2
6. Tax on private, menial and domestic male servants	17712 1403 - -	9 10	17702 8 0 1403 - -	15239 12 8 1352 - -			2303 1 9 51 - -
7. Tools (gross receipts)	- - -						467 5 3
8. Market rents	9201 10 8		9201 10 8	9107 1 3			94 9 5
9. Slaughter-house fees	4316 10 8		4316 10 8	4316 10 8			- - -
10. Rent of cart stands	1354 2 8		1354 2 8	1354 2 8			- - -
11. Private scavenging fees	5402 14 -		5402 14 -	4741 10 14 -			661 - -
12. Tax on vehicles with springs, &c. ..	1786 - -		1786 - -	1578 - -			208 - -
13. Tax on animals	2682 14 8		2682 14 8	2390 1 4			292 13 4
14. Tax on carts, &c.	520 - -		520 - -	502 - -			18 - -
15. Warrant fees	167 - -		167 - -	68 10 -		4 14 -	93 8 -
	5 1 7		5 1 7	5 1 7			
Final interest on overdue rents market — 5-1-7 Cart Stand — 1-15-9	1 15 9		1 15 9	1 15 9			1894-4-10
Total ..	87187 14 10	27 10 -	87160 4 10	75155 9 10	507 1 10	4 14 -	11492 11 2

* Statements IV-A and IV-B should accompany budgets as well as reports.

Statement IV-B.*—Arrears.

Particulars.	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	93-94 94-95 95-96 96-97 97-98.
	RS. A. P.	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.	201 8 -	569 8 -	771 - -	311 - -		73 8 -	386 8 -	8-0-0 368-0 78-0-0 269-0-0
2. Tax on buildings	550 14 4	905 14 6	1456 12 10	975 0 7		131 1 6	350 10 9	46-4-0 36-7-2 119-4-4 148-1-3
3. Tax on lands	70 14 -	5480 13 4	5551 11 4	571 8 2			4980 3 2	30-12-0 35-10-0 4913-13-2
4. Water and drainage tax on buildings.	102 2 4	383 0 7	485 2 11	367 2 1		21 10 3	96 6 7	4-4-0 2-8-10 4-14-4 24-3-1 64-8-4
5. Water and drainage tax on lands ..		1447 1 8	1447 1 8	122 3 10			1324 13 10	1324-13-10.
6. Tax on private, menial and domestic male servants		25	25 - -	1 - -	2 - -	21 6 3	1421 4 5	
7. Tools							22 - -	22-0-0
8. Market rents								
9. Slaughter-house fees								
10. Rent of cart-stands								
11. Private scavenging fees	58 12 0	308	366 12 -	110 10 -		27 - -	229 2 -	10-0-0 12-0-0 - 12-12-0 194-6-0
12. Tax on vehicles with springs, &c. ..		18	18 - -	18 - -				
13. Tax on animals		19	19	19 - -				
14. Tax on carts, &c.		7 54	7 54	7 - -			- 5 4	0-5-4
15. Warrant fees		55 14 0	55 14 -	42 8 -	1 2 -	- 12 -	11 8 -	11-8-0
Total ..	984 2 8	9219 9 5	10203 12 1	2545 0 8	3 2 -	253 15 9	7401 9 8	10-4-0 69-6-10 108-9-6 264-3-5 6948-7-11.

* Statements IV-A and IV-B should accompany budgets as well as reports.

× Parties sued for and the decrees are being executed.

& Under prosecution.

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.		RS. A P.
1. Tax on arts, &c. ..	163	216 8 -	335	466 - -	498	682 8 -	143	211 8 -	355	471 - -	48	45 - -	95	166 8 -				
2. Tax on buildings ..	507	615 2 9	926	8292 3 2	1433	9907 5 11	931	7411 7 11	502	2495 14 -	99	1118 14 2	831	6291 10 5	1	- 15 4		
3. Tax on lands ..	12	62 10 -	4	250 4 -	16	302 14	5	254 12 -	11	58 2 -	-	- - -	5	254 12 -				
4. Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands.	99	93 10 4	-	- - -	99	93 10 4	82	55 15 8	17	37 10 8	32	19 8 10	50	36 6 10				
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins.	27	168 4 -	2	172 - -	29	340 4 -	27	168 4 -	2	172 - -	27	168 4 -	-	6749 53				
6. Tax on animals ..	36	45 8 -	15	90 - -	51	135 8 -	36	45 8 -	15	90 - -	36	45 8 -	-					
7. ~~Tax on carts, &c.~~ ..	325		352		1677	2388			389									
Private Scavenging fees.	-	- - -	83	143 4 -	83	143 4 -	7	12 - -	76	131 4 -	2	1 8 -	5	10 8 -				
Kist	-	- - -	11	868 2 8	11	868 2 8	8	537 2 -	3	331 - 8	2	32 14 8	6	504 3 4				
Servants Tax.	-	- - -	1	5 - -	1	5 - -	-	- - -	1	5 - -	-	- - -	-					
Total ..	844	2201 11 1	1377	10286 13 10	2221	12488 8 11	1239	8696 9 7	982	3791 15 4	246	1431 9 8	992	7264 0 7	1	- 15 4	-	- - -

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

Taxes.	Prosecutions instituted.		Collections before judgment.		Collections after judgment.		Prosecutions withdrawn or dismissed		Balance.	
	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases	Amount collected.	Number of cases	Amount collected.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases	Amount involved.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
1 Tax on arts, &c. ..										
2. Tax on buildings ..	111	766 10 9	77	411 4 10	12	35 10 2	16	144 12 3	6	174 15 6
3. Tax on lands ..										
4. Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands ..	111	237 4 4	77	154 8 2	12	9 9 10	16	38 10 9	6	34 7 7
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ..										
6. Tax on animals ..										
7. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs										
Total ..	222	1003 15 1	154	565 13 -	24	45 4 0	32	183 7 -	12	209 7 [illegible]

Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Vokkaleunnur for the official year 1898-99.

STATEMENT V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Dotacamund for the official year 1898-99.

Schools.	Number of schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 1899.		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.
													Teachers.										
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed in the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.	Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Grants from Provincial Funds.	Grants from Local Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.	Total.	Fixed salary.	Result si pervis.	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								nil															
II.—Upper Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(1)																							
(2) Brooke Memorial	1	-	-	1	9	-	15	411 4 8	- - -	803 9 0	156 13 2	1371 10 10	2370 - -	- - -	- - -	132 - -	100 - -	100 - -	104 5 2	2806 5 2	1434 10 4	95 10 3	
(3) High School																							
Total ..	1	-	-	1	9	-	15	411 4 8	- - -	803 9 0	156 13 2	1371 10 10	2370 - -	- - -	- - -	132 - -	100 - -	100 - -	104 5 2	2806 5 2	1434 10 4	95 10 3	
III.—Lower Secondary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System—																							
(1)																							
(2) Brooke Memorial	1	-	-	1	28	-	21	279 9 3	- - -	1053 1 -	361 4 3	2693 14 6	2804 - -	- - -	- - -	132 - -	40 - -	- - -	104 5 3	3080 5 3	3886 6 9	186 5	
(3) High School																							
Total ..	1	-	-	1	28	-	21	279 9 3	- - -	1053 1 -	361 4 3	2693 14 6	2804 - -	- - -	- - -	132 - -	40 - -	- - -	104 5 3	3080 5 3	3886 6 9	186 5	
(b) Salary-results System—																							
(1)																							
(2)																							
(3)																							
Total ..	✓	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Total, Colleges and Secondary Schools	2	-	-	2	37	-	36	690 13 11	- - -	1856 10 -	518 1 5	4065 9 4	5174 - -	- - -	- - -	264 - -	140 - -	100 - -	208 10 5	5886 10 5	1821 1 1	281 4	
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments.																							
(a) Salary System -																							
(1)																							
(2) Brooke Memorial	1	-	-	1	42	-	39	1919 5 10	- - -	986 12 0	511 14 7	3418 0 5	2571 12 10	- - -	- - -	132 - -	- - -	- - -	104 5 3	2808 2 1	609 14 4	15 10 2	
(3) High School																							
Total ..	1	-	-	1	42	-	39	1919 5 10	- - -	986 12 0	511 14 7	3418 0 5	2571 12 10	- - -	- - -	132 - -	- - -	- - -	104 5 3	2808 2 1	609 14 4	15 10 2	
Total, Colleges and Secondary Schools	2	-	-	2	37	-	36	690 13 11	- - -	1856 10 -	518 1 5	4065 9 4	5174 - -	- - -	- - -	264 - -	140 - -	100 - -	208 10 5	5886 10 5	1821 1 1	281 4	

Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Vokacamund for the official year 1898-99—*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 1899: Boys.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1899: 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: Result gratuities.	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.	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) Bazaar School	1	-	1	49	-	49							618 11 4	79 3 6	- - -				54 11 6	752 10 4	752 10 4	15 5 9	
(2) Kandal	1	-	1	48	-	54							320	13 55 5	-				24 9 9	400 - -	400 - -	7 6 6	
(3) Kodaplamund	-	1	-	1	31	4	30						96	- - - -	-				32 1 6	128 1 6	128 1 6	4 4 4	
Mahmudan	1	-	1	-	-	-	-						60	- -					11 1 2	71 1 2	71 1 2	- - -	
Total ..	3	1	1	3	128	4	133	-	-	-													
Total, Primary schools ..	4	1	1	4	170	4	172	1919	5 10	-	-	-	986 12 -	511 14 7	3418 0 5	3666 9 5	134 8 6	- - -	132 - -	- - -	226 13 2	4159 15 1	741 14 8	4 5 -	
V.—Special schools																					122 7 11	1351 13 0	1351 13 0	10 2 7	
(1)																									
(2)																									
(3)																									
Total ..	4	1	1	4	170	4	172	1919	5 10	-	-	-	986 12 -	511 14 7	3418 0 5	3666 9 5	134 8 6	- - -	132 - -	- - -	226 13 2	4159 15 1	741 14 8	4 5 -	
Grand Total of Colleges and Schools	6	1	1	6	207	4	208	3610 3 9	-	-	-	-	2843 6 -	1030 - -	7483 9 9	8844 9 2	134 8 6	- - -	396 - -	140 - -	100 - -	435 7 7	10046 9 6	2562 15 9	12 5 2

Foot-note.

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

Examinations.	Number of students examined.	Number of students passed.
First in Arts	-	-
Matriculation	1	1
Upper Secondary	-	-
Lower Secondary or Seventh Standard.	8	-
~~Sixth Standard~~ Primary ..	11	-
Fifth Standard	-	7
Primary or Fourth Standard	9	-
Third Standard	10	6
Second Standard	8	9
First Standard	16	8
Infant Standard	23	16
	66	17

STATEMENT V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Dohacammud for the official year 1898-99.

Schools.	Number of Schools: At the beginning of the year	Number of Schools: Opened during the year.	Number of Schools: Closed during the year.	Number of Schools: At the close of the year.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1899: Boys.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1899: Girls.	Number of pupils examined in result grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for result grants.	Full amount of result grants earned.	Amount of result grants passed for payment.	Amount of result grant disbursed: For current year.	Amount of result grant disbursed: For previous year.	Amount of result grant disbursed: 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) St. Joseph's school	1	-	-	1	67									278 5 4	278 5 4	
(2) Wesleyan Mission	1	-	-	1	11									160 - -	160 - -	
Total ..	2	-	-	2	78	-	-	-						438 5 4	438 5 4	
(b) Primary schools—																
(1) St. Joseph's School	1	-	-	1	162									330 - -	330 - -	
(2) Wesleyan Mission	1	-	-	1	95									287 5 4	287 5 4	
Total ..	2	-	-	2	257	-	-	-						617 5 4	617 5 4	
Total of Salary Grant Schools ..	4	-	-	4	335									1055 10 8	1055 10 8	

Statement V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Pothacamund for the official year 1898-9 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 1899: Boys.	Girls.	Number of pupils examined in result grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for result grants	Full amount of result grants earned.	Amount of result grants passed for payment.	Amount of result 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
B. Result Grants Schools, *i.e.*, Schools actually examined for result grants—									Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
(a) Secondary Schools—																
(1) Nethuchery	1	-	-	1	28	-	11	8	153 12 -	111 6 -	102 8 -	- - -	102 8 -	- - -	102 8 -	Rate at which grant was paid. Maximum
(2)																
(3) C. M. S.																
Total ..	1	-	-	1	28	-	11	8	153 12 -	111 6 -	102 8 -	- - -	102 8 -	- - -	102 8 -	
(b) Primary Schools ..																
Nethuchery C. M. S.	1	-	-	1	120	-	51	43	24 15 -	172 6 -	181 4 -	- - -	181 4 -	- - -	181 4 -	
Kandal C. M. S.	1	-	-	1	90	-	34	24	70 8 -	40 8 -	40 8 -	- - -	40 8 -	- - -	40 8 -	
Old Ooty.	1	-	-	1	24	13	20	17	28 2 -	16 3 -	16 3 -	- - -	16 3 -	- - -	16 3 -	
Bandyshola.	1	-	-	1	47	21	29	26	82 8 0	60 3 -	60 3 -	- - -	60 3 -	- - -	60 3 -	
Total ..	4	-	-	4	281	34	134	110	329 1 -	289 4 -	298 2 -	- - -	298 2 -	- - -	298 2 -	
Total of Result Grants Schools	5	-	-	5	309	34	145	118	582 13 -	400 10 -	400 10 -	- - -	400 10 -	- - -	400 10 -	
Grand Total of Aided Schools ..	9	-	-	9	644	34	162	131	572 13 -	400 10 -	400 10 -	- - -	400 10 -	1055 10 8	1456 4 8	

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Foot-note.

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

Names of Schools.	Amount of grant.	Purpose for which made.
C. M. S. School.	78 for 13 months.	Rent of Buildings

207-4
644-34
851-38

Chairman.

Statement VIII.—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 repaid. Up to 31st March 1898. Number of years.	Amount repaid. Up to 31st March 1898. Amount.	Amount repaid. In 1898-99.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 1898. Number of years.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. Up to 31st March 1898. Amount.	Amount transferred to Sinking Fund. In 1898-99.	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 1898-99. In Government Securities.	Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 1898-99. In the Savings Bank.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Government Loans.				Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
(1) Rs. 17500 @ 4½ P.C.	For Kandal Drainage taken in 1891-92 repayable by annual payments including interest of Rs 1316.	G.O. Financial dated 11th June 1891 no. 4437.	6	3819 10 6	734 9 6		Balance of Loans	Repaid	Due	Repaid Principal
								1317	581 —	736
(2) Rs. 43000 @ 4½ P.C.	For South water Supply taken in 91-92 repayable by yearly payments including interest of Rs. 3234.	G.O. no. 335 Mis. dated 19th Feby. 1892.	6	9773 6 8	1821 14 0				3234	1412 — 1822 +10
										1993
Rs. 10.000 @ 4½ P.C.	For Certain Sanitary works repayable in 10 years by yearly payment of Rs. 1000 including interest	G.O. no. 352 Mis. dates 2nd March 1897	1	1000 - -	1000 - -					4020 6395 ✓
										6013 =
Rs. 70.570										+382 67000 ×6 100
										4020
Private Loans.										
(4) Rs. 50000 @ 6 P.C.	For Municipal market taken in 1884 repayable in 30 years by Sinking Fund investments	G.O. no. 1992 dates 27th August 1884.				13				
						1	16800 - -	1500 - -		
(5) Rs 10.000 @ 6 P.C.	Do - in 1886-87	G.O. No. 1033 Mis. dates 9th October 1886.				11				
(6) Rs. 7000 @ 6 P.C.	For the Municipal offices taken in 1893-94 repayable in 7 years by Sinking Fund investments	G.O. no. 1087 Mis. dated 19th Aug. 1893.				4	1600	400 - -		
67000			14593 1 2		3556 7 10		18400 - -	1900		

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

Name of Municipality.	Total number of houses, as per census (occupied and unoccupied).	Number of houses on the municipal register out of the number in column 2.	Assessed: Under 8 Annas. Number.	Under 8 Annas. Amount.	8 Annas to Rs. 1½. Number.	8 Annas to Rs. 1½. Amount.	Rs. 1½ to Rs. 5. Number.	Rs. 1½ to Rs. 5. Amount.	Rs. 5 to Rs. 15. Number.	Rs. 5 to Rs. 15. Amount.	Rs. 15 to Rs. 30. Number.	Rs. 15 to Rs. 30. Amount.	Rs. 30 and above. Number.	Rs. 30 and above. Amount.	Total. Number.	Total. Amount.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
Pakacamund	5374	2493	14	6 8 -	646	633 0 1	997	2596 0 9	238	1892 4 8	95	2023 4 2	276	2498 7 10	2266	32135 9 6
			646	633 - 1												
			997	2596 - 9												
			238	1892 4 8												
			95	2023 4 2												
			276	2498 7 10												
			2266	32135 9 6												

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

Name of Municipality.	Assessed in	Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class IV.		Class V.		Class VI.		Class VII.		Class VIII.		Class IX.		Total.	
		No.	Amount.	No.	Amount	No.	Amomt.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No	Amount.	No	Amount.	No	Amount	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
1		2.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		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.
Vellacamund		16	1050 - -	6	1300 - -	15	625 - -	45	1012 8 -	47	504 - -	73	528 - -	126	448 - -	198	346 - -	208	188 8 -	734	5000 - -
		6	300 - -																		
		15	625 - -																		
		45	1012 8 -																		
		47	504 - -																		
		73	528 - -																		
		126	448 - -																		
		198	346 - -																		
		208	188 8 -																		
		734	5000 - -																		

Vellacamund.

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Statement X

1. Name of Municipality — Vellacamund

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

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

4. Actual number of Councillors on 31st March 189 —

(a) Ex-officio .. .. — 1

(b) Nominated — Officials .. .. — 2 / 3×9; Non-officials .. .. — 7

(c) Elected .. — Officials .. .. — -; Non-officials .. .. — 2

Total .. — 12

(d) Europeans and Eurasians .. .. — 10

(e) Natives .. .. — 2

5. Total number of meetings actually held during the year .. .. — 33

6. Number of meetings adjourned for want of a quorum .. .. — nil

7. Average attendance at each meeting *actually* held—

(a) Officials .. .. — 1·79

(b) Non-officials .. .. — 5·96

Total .. — 7·75

(c) Europeans and Eurasians .. .. — 6·45

(d) Natives .. .. — 1·30

Total .. — 7·75

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

9. Name and designation of persons who have held the office of Chairman during the year, with the date of appointment or election in each case .. .. — George Hammett, C.S.I.E., 24th November 189

There was also an Elected Vice Chairman — Col. K. J. Stevenson, Elected on 30th August 1898. Time of Councillorship Expired on 4th M

Geo Hammett
Chairman

Statement X-A.—Showing the particulars of Elections held in the Municipality of Vellacamund in 1898-99.

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.						
No wards. The						
2. Municipality having						
3. been taken as a whole.	15053	884	-	-	-	
4.			The decrease in the			
5.			number of voters as compared			
6.			with 1897-98 was due to			
7.			the Exclusion of voters			
8.			of the female sex under			
9.			the new Election rules.			
10.						
Total ..	15053	884				

Statement furnishing information regarding Municipal markets, houses served by the private scavenging agency, number of latrines and of lights, &c., in the Town of Vellacamund for the year 1898-99.

Area of Municipality in square miles.	Name of Municipal markets.	Whether collection of fee, rents, &c., was leased out or managed departmentally.	Number of houses served by the private scavenging agency on the registers on 31st March 1899	Number of public latrines on 31st March 1899	Number of latrines constructed in 1898-99.	Number of latrines demolished in 1898-99	Number of latrines on 31st March 1899.	Number of lamps on 31st March 1898	Number of lamps put up in 1898-99	Number of lamps removed in 1898-99	Number of lamps on 31st March 1899
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
11 Sq. miles.	Vellacamund Municipal Central market	Leased annually	370	48 Latrines 4 urinals	-	-	48 Latrines 4 urinals	273	20	-	293.
						Dust bins		In hand	Purchased		2nd
								190	40	"	230

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STATEMENT XII.—Showing particulars regarding the number of patients treated, &c., in the Town of Vohaemmund during the year 1898-99.

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
nil.	"	"	"	Rutnam Ammal (one)	26	

S. Kamesh
Chairman Ont C

Statement XIII.—Showing the Statistics of Vaccination and of Births and Deaths registered in the Town of Vohaemmund during the year 1898-99.

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 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
563	555	17.	Medical Subordinates						
			1						
			2						
			3			nil			
			Total ..						
			Municipal Vaccinators						
			1 1st class Vaccinator	636	440	616	270		Excluding the 96 cases under the head of no. of operations performed viz. 1076, the total number performed was only 980. The exclusion was due to 96 persons who were vaccinated among the mendicants on the 3rd February 1899 having left the town before inspection and verification.
			2 E. J. Antonio						
			3	1076		886		28	
			Total ..	636	440	616	270		
			Grand Total ..	636	440	616	270		

S. Kamesh
Chairman Ont C

Statement XIV.—Showing the revenue derived from the water and drainage tax and the details of the ordinary expenditure incurred therefrom on water-supply and drainage, in the town of Cuttack during the year 1898-99.

Income.	Rs.	A.	P.	Expenditure.	Rs.	A.	P.
Opening balance ..	5515	10	-	Grant 1—			
1. Water and drainage tax on buildings and lands	15729	2	7	1. New Works †			
				(a) Drainage	1051	12	1
2. Penalties on account of the water and drainage tax on buildings and lands ..	-	-	-	(b) Water-supply including buildings ..	9552	3	10
3. * Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals for house service and drainage works	345	11	0	2. Repairs—			
				(a) Drainage—			
4. Interest on investments	875	-	-	i. Repairs to works ..	234	12	6
5. Realizations of sinking fund	-	-	-	ii. Establishment for flushing drains, &c.	1564	1	2
6. Miscellaneous	-	-	-	(b) Water-supply—			
				i. Repairs to works, machinery, &c. including repairs to buildings	1279	0	7
				ii. Establishment	1677	4	0
				iii. Contingencies	75	4	1
				3. Printing charges in connection with the water and drainage tax ..			
				Grant 4—			
				4. Repayment of Debt—			
				(a) Instalments of loans on account of water or drainage works paid	2576	7	6
				(b) Invested on account of sinking fund			
				(c) Charges of investment ..			
				5. Interest—			
				(a) On account of last year ..			
				(b) On account of current year ..	2115	14	11
				6. Refunds of other than current collections	398	1	6
Total ..	16949	13	7	Total ..	20824	14	2
Grand Total ..	22465	7	7	Closing balance ..	1640	9	5
				Grand Total ..	22465	7	7

* Under this head should be shown the surplus recoveries, representing the proportionate cost of establishment.

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

Executive Engineer.

Statement XV.—Municipality of Outacamund—Memorandum of Investments for the year 1898-99.

MEMORANDUM OF INVESTMENTS.

Description of Security.	Nominal Amounts.
For market Loans.	
198-722 / 178-905 of 1 — 2 — 43	Rs. 3000.
193-243 / 191-428 of — Do.	3000
179-176 / 044-056 of 1 — 5 — 65	600
250092 — Do.	500
250095 — Do.	500
250096 — Do.	500
325008 / 200297 — Do.	600
330-843 / 312-779 — Do.	2000
2094 / 2390-94 — Do.	100
Case no. 1061 — Do.	1500
014810 / m. 002532 of 30-6-54	1500
96-97 m. 001984 of 1854-55	1500
97-98. 028480 — Do.	1500
m. 006448 / B. 404922 of 1854-55	1000
m. 006421 / m. 000842 — Do.	500
Total.	Rs. 18300
For Municipal office Loans.	
Case no. 1062 of 1 — 5 — 65.	Rs. 400.
014810 / m. 002532 of — 30 — 6-54	400.
96-97 m. 001278 / 003712 of 1879	400
98 { m. 005687 / m. 004960	100
98 { m. 005697 / m. 004960	300
m. 006229 / B. 004730 of 18 -55	400.
Total.	Rs. 2000
Grand Total.	Rs. 20,300

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16th June 1899

Chairman

Statement No. II showing the proportion of pupils of the great classes of the population under instruction to children of school-going age in the Ootacamund Municipality for 1898-99.

Classes of Population.	Population of school-going age.		Pupils under instruction.		Percentage.		Remarks.
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	
Europeans and Eurasians	24	330	75	26	127·5	19·3	No returns of figures were kept of population have been expected in reference to the previous statement. The general increase (although not to any great extent) is due to the Municipal Middle School among others. The Municipal Girls' School has also among others. There were only two Parsi girls attending the Municipal Girls' School. For the Panchamas there were Municipal Schools specially intended for them. Revised returns below:-
Native Christians			300	39			
Muhammadans	16	113	183	30	118·06	26·5	
Hindus — Brahmans	7	425	16	-	75·9	4·5	
Hindus — Non-Brahman Caste Hindus ..			254	12			
Hindus — Paraiyas and Kindred Classes ..			288	16			
Others	2	2	7	-	350		
	186	1070	1123	123	94·5	11·4	

Boys Schools 1 450
Girls " 2 71 - 34
Panchama " 4 131 - 29

Note.—1. *No comments should be made except as notes covered in the column of remarks.*
2. *In the column of remarks the figures of the previous year should be briefly compared.*
3. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of Local Boards or the Chairmen of Municipal Councils concerned before the 1st May.*

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Ootacamund MUNICIPALITY.

Standard.	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	Number of pupils presented.	1897. COMPULSORY SUBJECTS ONLY. Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	REMARKS.	PROPOSITION. Increase per month. Amount.	PROPOSITION. Decrease per month. Amount	Grounds of proposition.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	N		
Seventh standard (or Lower Secondary Examination)	-	-	-	-	1					num.	Rs.	Rs.
Sixth standard	3	2	1	1	4	1	-	1				
Fifth do.	6	4	-	4	6	4	-	4				
Fourth do. (or Primary Examination) ..	11	9	4	5	6	3	-	3				
Third standard	32	14	-	14	29	5 6	-	6			20	From 1st August '99.
Second do.	30	18	-	18	28	20	2	18				
First do.	31	25	11	14	34	22	5	17				
Infant do.	34	21	15	6	37	29	9	20			20	
	147	93	31	62	145	34	25	9			8 240	
						119	41	78				

Name of subject.*	1898. OPTIONAL SUBJECTS					1899. OPTIONAL SUBJECTS.						
Geography	25	19	4	15	17	12	-	12	Brought up 2 refused			
English	46	35	10	25	48	29	8	21	4			
Hygiene	17	10	2	8	24	16	3	13	2			
						4	-	4	1			
						51	-	51	1			
						3	2	1	1 The list received on 1st January 1900			
						1	-	1	-			
						1	-	1	-			
						27	-	27	1			

An attempt was made to open a school in Kil garden but failed for want of pupils.

Inspection of Schools, Coimbatore Division.

Inspection Office.

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Ootacamund Municipality

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Statement of Proposition for revision of Establishment.

Order sanctioning present establishment. Number	Order sanctioning present establishment. Date	Office to which the proposition refers.	Nature of Charge. Present Scale. Number	Designation.	Pay. Minimum.	Pay. Maximum.	Proposed Scale. Number	Designation.	Pay. Minimum.	Pay. Maximum.	Proposition. Increase per month. Amount.	Proposition. Decrease per month. Amount	Grounds of proposition.
					Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
			1	Cash keeper	45	45	1	Cash keeper	45	45			
			1	Bill Collector	20	20	1	Bill Collector	20	20			
			1	do	18	18	1	do	20	20	20	From 1st August '99.	
			1	do	16	16	1	do	18	18			
			1	do	15	15	1	do	16	16			
							1	do	15	15			
			5	Per mensem	114	114	6	Per mensem	134	134	20		
				Per Annum	1368	1368		Per Annum	1608	1608	240		
								Amount required from 1st August 99 to 31st March 1900		160			

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8" March '98.

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Grant of Municipal Taxes

(1) Collection of Establishment &c.

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Chairman O.M.C.

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Extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Ootacamund Municipal Council held on Saturday the 24th June 1899.

SUBJECT NO.	RESOLUTION :—
Present The Chairman W. D. Donaghue Esqre Abdul Rhyman Hajee ~~Dakir Mahomed Sait Sahib~~ J. Browne Esqre J. S. Mauning Esqre Major C. M. Thompson M.B. I.M.S Dr: I. A. Menzies	
Subject no. XVIII Read draft administration report of the Ootacamund Municipal Council for the year 1898-99 with the prescribed statements.	Approved. The report will be submitted to the Government.

Municipal Office,

Cotacamund, 24th June 1899.

To

(True Extract)

G. W. Bammett
Chairman.

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