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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th August 1865.*

No. 682. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Revenue Department:—

Passing orders on letter from the Collector
of Vizagapatam, submitting the Reports
for 1864-65 of the Municipal Associ-
ations established in Bimlipatam, &c. } (Here enter 24th August 1865, No. 1,978.)

No. 683. ORDER THEREON, 30th August 1865, No. 2,519.

ACCOUNT, No. 93.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineer of the 1st Division.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th August 1865.*

No. 409. Read the following letter from D. F. CARMICHAEL, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Vizagapatnm, 12th August 1865, No. 579 :—

SIR,

1. In submitting, as usual, six copies each of the Reports for 1864-65 of the Municipal Associations established in the towns marginally noted, I have the honor to request that sanction may be given for the disbursement of Rs. 18,621

as the Government grant-in-aid, being the equivalent of the Municipal collections, viz., to—

Vizagapatam	...	...	...	...	Rupees 11,366
Bimlipatam	...	...	...	...	" 2,801
Vizianagram	...	...	...	...	" 4,454

2. The note-worthy point in the Report of Vizagapatam, is the construction of a road along the beach in the direction of Waltair, at the foot of the sand hills lying between the town and the sea. It is the existence of these sand hills that renders Vizagapatam a comparatively hot and unhealthy town, and that induced the European community some years ago to migrate, three miles north, to Waltair, in search of an unobstructed sea breeze. Now that this beach road is about to be formed, some sanguine individuals look forward to seeing a row of stately villas rising on these sand hills, to be occupied by convalescents from Calcutta and Madras, attracted by the many advantages offered by the climate of this part of the coast.

Another point is the daily removal of the town sweepings and night-soil to a piece of waste land across the river, where the whole is burnt or buried. We may perhaps attribute to this measure the happy immunity from cholera (a few sporadic cases excepted) we have enjoyed during the late generally unhealthy season.

3. The Bimlipatam Municipality (so far as taxation is concerned) depends entirely on the rates collected from carts entering the town with produce for shipment. This mode of taxation was omitted in the first Draft Bill of the new Municipal Act for up-country towns; but added afterwards, owing probably to the success with which the tax is collected at Bimlipatam, as instanced in the brief remarks I offered on the Draft.

4. The Government will not fail to notice with satisfaction the good progress of the Dispensary and Seamen's Hospital at Bimlipatam; the zeal shewn by the community in promoting education, and the prompt manner in which it responds to every appeal on behalf of the interests of the town. It will be seen that Mr. John Young, a gentleman long resident at Bimlipatam, has provided the town with a handsome clock, and that the inhabitants have raised a large sum to build a tower for it.

5. The Vizianagram Report is a translation of the Committee's Report in Telugu. The Municipality is still managed, almost entirely, by a body of Native gentlemen. I believe indeed that the Municipal system has taken deep root in the District, and that, in spite of the factious Petition lately addressed to the Legislative

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Council, at the instance of a person of consideration in this town, we shall be able to work the new Municipal Act without hindrance or difficulty.

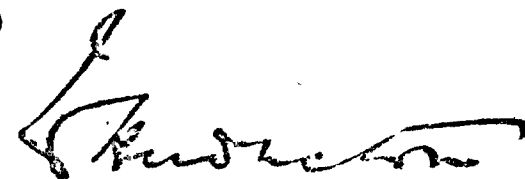
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ORDER THEREON, 24th August 1865, No. 1,978.

Miscellaneous.

1. Sanction is granted for payment of Rupees 18,621 as requested. The Government are gratified to learn the continued success which has attended the efforts of the Committees for the benefit of their fellow-townsmen.
2. The expediency of introducing the Towns Municipal Act in these stations will be considered in due course.

(True Extract.)


Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Vizagapatam.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant General.
„ the Public Works Department. ✓
„ the Public Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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With all order
 No. 2519-20, dated Aug 1/65

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