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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th November 1870.*

No. 504. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Calicut, 24th October 1870, No. 164:—

With reference to G. O., No. 2,268, dated 20th September 1870, I have the honour to enclose copy of a letter received from the Commissioner of the Neilgherries on the subject. The Neilgherries are quite an exceptional district. The tolls of the Coonoor Ghaut and Ootacamund road are the chief source from which the Local funds are raised. The mode in which these tolls were expended in 1869-70, and are being expended in 1870-71, will be seen on reference to the Local Fund Budgets for these years; the Neilgherries have till within the last few years been almost without roads, the maintenance of those made lately and their extension is very desirable, and can only be effected by allowing the present arrangements to remain undisturbed.

2. The Commissioner has already reported to the Revenue Board on the subject, and the Board submitted his letter and their remarks thereon to Government on the 8th July 1870. The Board, the Commissioner, and myself all agree that the limited Local Road Fund of the District cannot unaided provide for the communications.

3. The item "Kotagherry Station Roads, Rupees 1,320," noted in the G. O. under reply, is the sanctioned maintenance grant for the only Imperial Road from Coonoor, *via* Wellington, to Kotagherry, and is not a station road grant.

From the Commissioner of the Neilgherries, to the Acting Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Ootacamund, 17th October 1870, No. 52.

Your letter of 26th September 1870, No. 110.

The tolls levied on the Coonoor Ghaut Bar amount to Rupees 6,082 per annum, and at the Craigmere Bar to Rupees 3,002-12-0 per annum. These sums are credited to the District Road Fund and form the major part of the Rupees 11,900, which we estimate to be the total receipts under the head of Neilgherry District Road Fund for 1870-71.

2. The Budget allotment for 1870-71 will show you how these Rupees 11,900 are expended.

3. If the proceeds of these tolls, amounting to Rupees 9,084, be taken to provide for the repair of the Kullar and Ootacamund Imperial roads, so that the Imperial funds may be relieved of the charge, the effect will be that there will be little or nothing left of the Road Fund of this district to spend on local cross roads.

4. I have fully explained in paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of my letter* to the Board, copy of which

* 21st May 1870, No. 75.

† G. O., 20th September 1870, No. 2,268.

I have sent you, why I think the Imperial funds should not be relieved even of the charges alluded to in the Government Order† sent with your letter under reply.

No. 505. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1870, No. 2,862.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 38.

ORDERED that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 2,863, dated 28th November 1870.)

(True Extract.)

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

Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 28th November 1870.
No. 2,863.

No. 506.

To THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 39.

SIR,—With reference to the letter
from the Government of India under
date the 31st August 1870, No. 392-A.G.,

suggesting for consideration the expediency of providing for the repair of certain
station roads in the Neilgherry District by means of tolls, I am directed here-
with to forward the accompanying letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer
of the 7th Division, giving cover to one from the Commissioner for the Neilgherries.

2. It will be observed that tolls are at present collected only on the main
line of road between Ootacamund and Kullar at the foot of the Coonoor Ghaut, and
that the collections, which amount to Rupees 9,084 per annum, are fully appro-
priated, and are barely adequate to the maintenance of branch or subsidiary roads
for which a very small provision can be obtained from other sources in a district
so circumstanced as the Neilgherries.

3. Under these circumstances, and looking to the smallness of the grants
which are annually provided for station roads from Imperial funds, His Excellency
the Governor in Council is of opinion that those grants should continue to be made
as the roads in question are in some respects more of an Imperial than of a Local
nature.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*will show you how these 11/1900.
are*

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Superintendent's Office
October 1870

From, J. W. Breckinridge
Superintendent

Colonel Farewell
Adj. Sup. Engineer
your letter of 26 Sept 1870

The tolls levied on the
Grant Bar amount to \$600.00
per annum and at the Craigmore
Bar to \$300.00 per annum.
These sums are credited to the Dist.
Road Fund and form the major
part of the \$11900 which we
estimate to the total receipts under
the head of Widgery District Road
Fund for 1870/71.

2. The Budget Allotment for 1870/71
will show you how these \$11900
are

are suspended.

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3. If the proceeds of these
Tolls amounting to \$8,908.46 be
taken to provide for the repair
of the Huller & Dotakamund
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21st June 1870
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Sent with your letter under
reply -

I have

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of Mr. Brooks
for information
(True copy)

Wm. H. Morse
Ag. Sup. Ind. & Gr.

20th Sept 1870
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Fund of the District cannot un-
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3. The New Paterbury Station Road
No. 1320 noted in the G.O. under
reply is the sanctioned maintenance
grant for the only Imperial Road
from Paterbury via Wellington to

to Paterbury & is not a Station
Road Grant -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient

Wm. H. D. M. C.

Ag. Secy. R. S. D. C.

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Proceedings of
 The Supreme Court
 7th Dec.

P. M. S.
 Madras Govt.
 Read the following
 (H. E. No. 164 of 28th Dec. 1870)

Ordered that the
 following letter be sent.
 H. E. No. 2803 of 28th Dec. 1870

The Secy. to the
 Govt. of India P. M. S.

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To The Secretary to the Govt.
of India

Date:

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Nos. 574-575 & 576

Peter.
Forwarding correspondence
on the subject of the maintenance
of State roads in the Khyber
District in means of local
contributions that the Imperial
grant should continue to be
made.

Native Roads in the Khyber
District. Passing orders on
the letter from the Secretary
to the Government, with
remarks, copy of letter from
the Commissioners for the
Khyber and intimating
that the Imperial grant for the
maintenance of Native roads
in the Khyber District
should be continued.