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THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

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Dated December, 13th.

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G.O., 13th December 1879, No. 2374.

DECEMBER.

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Twenty-five Years' Order.—Intimating that the prohibition contained in G.O., No. 1772 of 1879, applies only to first admission to appointments entitling to pension.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

13th December 1879, No. 2377.

Local Funds—Reports.

Read the following paper:—

No. 110. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th August* 1879, *No.* 2269.

ABSTRACT.—Reviewing and submitting to Government the Local Fund Report of the Dindigul Circle, Madura District, for 1878-79.

No. 110-A. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1879, No. 2377.

The report of the Dindigul Circle for 1878-79 shows that the receipts of the year excluding the opening deficit of Rs. 30,580 amounted to Rs. 1,26,873. Deducting from this the unexplained item "Public Works Refunds, Rs. 10,356," the net receipts are shown by the Board of Revenue as Rs. 1,16,517, of which the greater portion was on account of Land-cess aggregating Rs. 96,279 against a regular estimate of Rs. 1,26,006. The decrease is ascribed partly to the still lingering effects of the famine and partly to the erroneous credit to Land Revenue of amounts properly appertaining to the Local Fund. The error appears to have been noticed nearly three months before the close of the year; but no adjustment was effected before its close. The delay should have been explained; and the particulars of demand, collection, and balance as regards the cess, the details of uncollected arrears, and the amount of erroneous credit above noticed should have been stated.

2. The revenue from Tolls is not reported, but is said to have been Rs. 816 more than last year (1877-78), the report for which has not been submitted to Government.

3. The revenue from fishery rents and the manner in which it is derived should be stated more fully with reference to the observation in paragraph 8 of the report.

4. The information furnished regarding the outlay on Public Works is so imperfect that the Government are unable to appreciate or criticise the progress made in the year.

5. The Educational work consisted of the examination and payment of grants to eight combined system schools and eighty-one results system schools, the expenditure under these last two heads being Rs. 470 and Rs. 1,214, respectively. The attendance at the combined system schools is given at 129 in the abstract appended to paragraph 24 of the report, which agrees with the total of the entries in the second division of column 2 of the abstract in paragraph 25; while the Board of Revenue take the average attendance at 113. The headings of the three divisions into which column 2 of abstract in paragraph 25 of the report is divided are not given, nor that of the last column in the same paragraph. These omissions and the generally imperfect nature of the report indicate want of due attention to its preparation. The progress of education in the circle as tested by the annual examinations is not stated. The falling off in the results grants is partially explained.

6. The public health during the year is reported to have been very unsatisfactory owing to the prevalence of a severe type of fever. The number of patients treated at the five Dispensaries in the circle shows a large increase—an increase which is no doubt partly due to the prevalence of sickness, but which is also, it is hoped, the

result of untiring efforts of Dr. Chester in the development of these institutions. The progress of vaccination was not satisfactory as noticed by the Board. The allotment for sanitation was meagre, and the expenditure still more so. The Government trust that the Local Board will make energetic efforts to systematize sanitary work, and to devote more money for the purpose.

7. The receipts from fees levied at the Travellers' Bungalow should have been stated, and the working of the Chattrams should have been reported in greater detail.

(True Extract.)

H. B. GRIGG,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Revenue Department,
" Public Works Department,
" Accountant-General,
" Sanitary Commissioner,
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department,
" Director of Public Instruction,
" President of the Municipal Commissions,
Madura District,

with Board's Proceedings, dated 8th August 1879, No. 2269.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of 1879 Madras.

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To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated December, 13th.
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G.O., 13th December 1879, No. 2377.

DECEMBER.
Nos. 110—110-A.

Local Funds — Reports. — Orders passed on Proceedings, Board of Revenue, reviewing the Local Fund Report of the Dindigul Circle, Madura District, for 1878-79.

Circs No 3322W d/23 Decr /79.

Commd to the Supg Engineer Fifth Circle -
(Sd) R.H.S.

Supg Engr V Circle
Ex. P.W. Accounts.

REPORT of the Dindigul Dispensary for 1878-79.

The number of the new cases in the Dindigul Dispensary, for the year under review, has been 9,208, and the total of old and new cases 17,136. These have come to the dispensary from 701 different villages. There have been in the hospital 234 in-patients. The number vaccinated has been 311. Of the new cases noted there were 4,431 medical, 3,346 surgical, and 1,120 both medical and surgical. Of these, there were 114 Europeans, and 155 East Indians, 2,166 Native Christians, 877 Mahomedans, and 5,896 Hindus. There were, under six years of age, 1,238 males and 900 females; between six and twenty-one, 1,304 males and 1,167 females; over twenty-one years of age 3,245 males and 1,354 females. A total of Rs. 3,515-11-5 has been received for the support of the dispensary and women's hospital, in addition to the special grant of Rs. 500, from Government, for the new dispensary building. Of this sum Rs. 29-11-5 were received in the dispensary charity-box; Rs. 455 from the Dindigul Municipality; Rs. 1,368 from the Local Fund Board, Dindigul Circle; and a joint grant from the Local Fund Board and Municipality of Rs. 500 for European medicine and instruments; Rs. 1,062 from kind friends among the civilians; and Rs. 101 from native friends and patients.

The work in the Dindigul Dispensary has much to do with the people from the villages. As has been said, we have had patients from 701 different villages; and this does not mean one or two from each village, for, in a single dispensary day, we may have ten or fifteen from a single village; and it is this feature of our work in this dispensary, which in an outbreak of cholera, or an epidemic of fever, like the one now prevailing in our district, enables us to know so much about the necessities of the villages in every part of the Dindigul Station District, and furnishes us with messengers and assistants to carry and distribute medicine in many of these villages.

For the last six weeks of the year, by order of the Madura Local Fund Board, five of the recent graduates of the Madura Local Fund Board's Medical School, Dindigul, have been engaged on special duty in parts of the district where fever has been most severe. By a kind Providence, nearly two pounds of quinine, which had remained on hand, of the medicines sent for the use of the famine relief-camps, were available for immediate use, and the medical students have been making up about five hundred fever powders a day, for distribution in the fever villages, by these Local Fund Hospital Assistants. Two of them have been working in the Melur District, near Nattam, where almost every village has suffered. Two of them have been working in the Dindigul District, in the villages near the base of the Sirumalais; and one nearer Madura on the south side of the Nattam range of hills. Thousands of cases have been treated, and no little good accomplished, though, as already said, numbers of the people are in so anæmic a state that in many cases the fever has returned again and again, or been followed by dropsy and death. But months before this special fever work was entered upon we had been making up large quantities of fever pills for our ordinary dispensary use containing sulphate of iron, muriate of cinchonine, and a very small amount of arsenic. This was with a view to economy on account of the excessive price of quinine in the market. I have noticed, during my entire residence in India, that for the malarious fevers of the hill districts, in treating both European and Native cases, a combination of sulphate of iron and arsenic, with quinine, has been much more efficacious than quinine alone.

Beyond the medicine received from the medical stores, on my annual indent, I have purchased this year, 140 ounces of muriate of cinchonine, finding that the price of quinine put its purchase quite out of my power, and this supply is nearly all exhausted. In eighteen years of dispensary work in India, I have seen no such an epidemic as this. In its severity, its wide extent, its duration, and its depressing effect upon the people, it has been most marked; and at the year's end, there is little or no noticeable abatement in its force or extent.

When the Dindigul famine relief-camp was closed by the order of Government, a few of the sick paupers remaining were sent to the Dindigul Hospital. For a few months the expense of dieting these poor people was provided by the Government, and for three months after the Local Fund Board assumed the charge. But when, from the severity of fever in the villages, large numbers were thrown upon our care, I applied to the Central Famine Relief Committee at Madras for help, and was most kindly and promptly granted a sum of Rs. 500, which will enable us, for a period of at least six months, to relieve the most destitute cases coming to our hospital. I desire thus publicly to thank the Committee and the friends in England who have enabled them to do so great a charity.

I must also record as a part of the history of the year, for which I would give my sincer thanks to Government, a gift of Rs. 500 to complete the new dispensary building at Dindigul. This was done at the suggestion of the Acting Sub-Collector and Acting Collector of Madura, in their report of the working of the Dindigul famine relief-camp, in appreciation of the services rendered at the camp by the dispensary assistants, and in no year, since the Dindigul Dispensary was established, have I received so many donations and so large an aggregate sum for the dispensary from friends among the Civilians as this. I know not in what words to express my thanks and gratitude.

This year will ever be a notable one in the records of the Dindigul Dispensary from the fact that in October the first-class graduated from the Madura Local Fund Board's Medical School. Thirteen young men, three of whom had attended the class at their own cost, received diplomas, or certificates, after a thorough examination, lasting three days, in the various subjects which had formed the curriculum of study of the three years' course. In the same month, at a joint meeting of the Local Fund Boards, called for the express purpose of considering how the services of the graduates could best be utilized, it was determined to ask the sanction of the Revenue Board for the establishment of branch dispensaries at Manamadura, Melur, Kamuthi, Tirupatur, and Devakottai in the Madura Circle, and at Tirumangalam, Battalagundu, Bodinaikanur, and Vedasentur in the Dindigul Circle. The services of one of the graduates was given to the Medical School as an assistant. A new class was received to the Medical School, the 1st of October, which promises well. The services of Apothecary O. W. Jones, Assistant Superintendent of the Medical School, have been most valuable, and the medical students are under no slight obligations to him for his faithful and pains taking labours for them. In the dispensary the first-class Hospital Assistant, R. P. Vethakannupillai, and the two assistants, have given me much satisfaction in the diligence and general interest with which they have attended to their duties.

In the work for women, the trained native nurses, with diplomas, have attended to 70 cases. Of these, twenty-eight were seen by the native nurse working in the villages. At the close of last year, a third young woman was sent to Madras, to prepare for work in the Women's Hospital at Dindigul. She received her diploma, at Madras, in June of this year, and returned to Dindigul, where she has already had ten cases, mostly in the houses in the town.

In all dispensary and hospital work, provision has to be made in every department of the work, for a part of the force being laid aside, for a time, by sickness. The total number employed in a large dispensary must necessarily be numerous. A dispensary is supposed to be ever ready for work, never out of order, or ill, or on a holiday.

For the continued assistance of the Local Fund Boards and the Dindigul Municipality I would render my most hearty thanks.

DINDIGUL,
26th May 1879.

(Signed) E. CHESTER, M.D.,
Medical Officer, Dindigul Dispensary.

DETAILED STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure on account of Road Fund in the Dindigul Circle for 1878-79.

Receipts.	Amount.			Expenditure.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
1. Balance	— 31,486	0	0	1. New Works	10,581	0	0
2. Two-thirds of Land Cess ..	64,186	0	0	2. Repairs	34,720	0	0
3. Additional appropriation ..	..			3. Expenditure by Public Works Department ..	..		
4. Grants from Government—				4. Establishment—			
(*a*) Provincial Funds ..	..			(*a*) Petty Establishment.	..		
(*b*) Special Funds ..	8,840	0	0	(*b*) Share of Public Works Department Supervision ..	11,325	0	0
5. Tolls	4,414	0	0	(*c*) Establishment for Tolls and Ferries ..	414	0	0
6. Contributions from other Circles and Municipalities for roads	282	0	0	(*d*) Share of cost of Establishment in Presidency Collector's Office and Local Fund Board's Office	502	0	0
7. Miscellaneous	10,404	0	0	5. Contingencies	..		
				6. Tools and Plant	5	0	0
				7. Contribution to other Circles and Municipalities for roads	..		
				8. Reserve	..		
				9. Refund of Cesses	..		
Total ..	56,640	0	0	Total ..	57,547	0	0

DETAILED STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure on account of Education in the Dindigul Circle for 1878-79.

Receipts.	Amount.			Expenditure.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
1. Balance (one-half of General Fund Balance)	— 7	0	0	1. Public Works	..		
2. Provincial Grant for Education	..			2. Cost of Public Works Supervision	..		
3. One-sixth Land Cess ..	16,046	8	0	3. Tools and Plant ..	..		
4. Fees in Schools	..			4. Appropriation to the Road Fund	..		
5. Contributions	..			5. Inspection	1,464	0	0
6. Receipts from Endowments	..			6. Local Fund Schools ..	..		
7. Miscellaneous	265	0	0	7. Grants-in-aid—			
				(*a*) Salary Grants ..	..		
				(*b*) Results Grants ..	1,411	0	0
				8. Schools aided on the mixed system	274	0	0
				9. Miscellaneous	675	0	0
				10. Share of cost of the General Management ..	421	0	0
Total ..	16,304	8	0	Total ..	4,245	0	0

DETAILED STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure on account of Sanitary, Dindigul Circle' for 1878-79.

Receipts.	Amount.			Expenditure.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
1. Balance—				1. Public Works	1,523	0	0
(*a*) Endowment Fund ..	919	0	0	2. Supervision	323	0	0
(*b*) One-half of General Fund	— 7	0	0	3. Tools and Plant	..		
2. Provincial Grant ..	..			4. Establishment—			
3. Special Funds	1,498	0	0	(*a*) Hospitals	9,441	0	0
4. One-sixth Land Cess ..	16,046	8	0	(*b*) Vaccination ..	3,385	0	0
5. Endowment—	..			(*c*) Sanitation	1,381	0	0
(*a*) Interest	..			(*d*) General Management and Supervision ..	421	0	0
(*b*) Rents	622	0	0	(*e*) Choultries	66	0	0
(*c*) Contribution, Sale of Medicines, &c. ..	2,515	0	0	(*f*) Bungalows	225	0	0
6. (*a*) Contributions from other Circles and Municipalities ..	..			5. Hospitals, General Charges	..		
(*b*) Contribution in aid of of works by private individuals ..	358	0	0	6. Vaccination, do. ..	..		
7. Market Rents	762	0	0	7. Sanitation	..		
8. Bungalow Fees	553	0	0	8. Medical Practitioners ..	..		
9. Miscellaneous	49	0	0	9. Markets	..		
10. Miscellaneous Debt Account	33	0	0	10. Miscellaneous	..		
				11. Additional Appropriation to the Road Fund ..	..		
				12. Contributions	2,933	0	0
				13. Miscellaneous Debt Account	10	0	0
Total ..	23,348	8	0	Total ..	19,708	0	0

(Signed) C. KOUGH,
Vice-President.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Heads.	Actuals of the previous Year.	Estimate of the Current Year.	Actuals of the Current Year.	Increase over the Estimate.	Decrease under the Estimate.	Remarks.
RECEIPTS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
1. Balance—						
Road Fund	19,681	730	— 31,485	...	32,215	
Endowment Fund	2,575	1,820	919	...	901	
General Fund	11,411	2,560	— 14	...	2,574	
2. Allotments from General Revenue—						
(*a*) Provincial Funds	...	...	...	...	...	
(*b*) Special Funds—						
Surplus Pound Fund	1,100	1,600	1,122	...	478	
Avenues	1,816	3,000	1,498	...	1,502	
Fish Rent	1,980	8,300	7,638	...	662	
Grass Rent	...	...	79	...	...	
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Rates and Taxes—						
(*a*) Cess on Land—						
Act III of 1866	25	...	...	...	...	
Act IV of 1871	53,056	1,10,000	96,279	...	13,721	
(*b*) Tolls—						
Act IV of 1871	2,190	3,500	4,414	914	...	
Other						
4. Fees in Schools, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	
5. Contributions from other Circles and Municipalities...	...	150	...	...	150	
For Educational Inspectorate charges	...	...	...	...	...	
For Tolls	1,010	...	...	...	...	
6. Receipts from Endowed Foundations—						
(*a*) Educational	...	...	...	...	...	
(*b*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—						
Interest and Rents						
Donations	64	50	42	...	8	
Sale of Medicines						
Miscellaneous						
(*c*) Choultries—						
Interest and Rents	2,493	3,310	3,137	...	173	
Sundries						
7. Miscellaneous—						
Bungalow Fees	381	350	553	203	...	
Market Rents	230	250	134	...	116	
Contributions from individuals	...	...	358	358	...	
Sale Proceeds of Books	130	200	265	65	...	
Fines and Penalties	53	300	28	...	272	
Sale of Materials	27	...	7	7	...	
Interest on Land Cess	67	30	...	...	30	
Sale of other Property	5	...	3	3	...	
Public Works Receipts	...	...	16	16	...	
Public Works Refund of Expenditure ...	...	...	10,356	10,356	...	
Miscellaneous	257	...	879	879	...	
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts...	400	...	67	67	...	
Grand Total ...	98,951	1,36,150	1,26,874	...	9,276	
EXPENDITURE.						
GRANT I.—*Public Works.*						
(*a*) New Works—						
Communications	20,700	10,980	10,581	...	399	
Tolls and Ferries	...	...	...	...	...	
Civil Buildings	1,280	2,360	591	...	1,769	
Miscellaneous Public Improvement ...	...	350	...	...	350	
(*b*) Repairs—						
Communications	40,884	45,530	34,720	...	10,810	
Tolls and Ferries	...	...	...	...	...	
Civil Buildings	464	30	...	...	30	
Miscellaneous Public Improvement ...	1,946	1,000	932	...	68	
(*c*) Establishment—						
Share of Cost of Public Works Department General Establishment ...	15,788	14,630	11,648	...	2,982	
Share of Tolls and Ferries and Traffic Accounts	390 60	500	415	...	85	
(*d*) Tools and Plant	1,723	600	4	...	596	
(*e*) Contingencies	...	...	...	...	...	
(*f*) Refund of Receipts	...	...	...	...	...	
(*g*) Road Fund Reserve	...	8,680	...	...	...	
Total Grant I ...	83,235	84,660	58,891	...	25,769	

Heads.	Actuals of the previous Year.	Estimate of the Current Year.	Actuals of the Current Year.	Increase over the Estimate.	Decrease under the Estimate.	Remarks.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
EXPENDITURE.—*continued.*						
GRANT II—*Education.*						
(*a*) Payment for inspection	1,518	1,660	1,454	..	206	
(*b*) Local Fund Schools—						
Salary of Masters { Fixed .. .. / Results Grants .. }	209	1,220	470	..	750	
Stipends of Students	..	..	..	..	..	
Clerks and Servants	..	..	..	..	..	
Contingencies	..	..	..	..	..	
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	
(*c*) Grants-in-aid—						
Salary Grants	...	..	..	..	..	
Results Grants	4,510	6,500	1,214	..	5,286	
(*d*) Miscellaneous—						
Purchase of Books	86	760	431	..	329	
Commission on Sale of Rooks	20	30	34	4	..	
(*e*) Prizes in Results Grants Schools ..	..	700	221	..	479	
(*f*) Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	
Total Grant II ..	6,343	10,870	3,824	..	7,046	
GRANT III.—*Sanitation, &c.*						
(*a*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—						
Medical Subordinates	3,088	3,140	2,798	..	342	The pay of Uthamapoliem Hospital Assistants for three months was not paid.
Clerks and Servants	1,457	1,370	1,262	..	108	
Diet of Patients	140	310	660	350	..	
Medicines and Apparatus	..	1,400	3,297	1,897	..	
Contingencies	686	..	694	694	..	
Travelling Allowance to the Inspecting Surgeon.	..	..	211	211	..	
Travelling Allowance to Hospital Assistants.	..	..	38	38	..	
Miscellaneous—Rent, &c.	541	790	480	..	310	
(*b*) Vaccination—						
Establishment	3,662	3,070	2,872	..	198	
Contingencies	130	330	512	182	..	
(*c*) Employment of Medical Practitioners ..	..	..	..	..	..	
(*d*) Sanitary Charges—						
Scavengering Establishment	1,006	1,000	234	..	766	The Local Fund contribution to the Pulney Sanitary Association since November has not yet been paid.
Cleansing of Tanks and Wells, &c. ..	757	1,000	1,147	147	..	
(*e*) Markets	..	..	..	..	..	
(*f*) Choultries.—						
Establishment	1,067	1,080	1,070	..	10	
Contingencies	275	470	266	..	204	
Feeding the Poor	2,594	1,700	1,891	191	..	
(*g*) Bungalows—						
Establishment	152	230	210	..	20	
Contingencies	813	100	15	..	85	
(*h*) Contributions—						
To the Rev. E. Chester's Dispensary at Dindigul. / Do. for Medicines for do. ..	1,368	1,740	1,406	..	334	
(*i*) Miscellaneous—						
Medical Class at Dindigul	652	960	897	37	..	
Excess charge of the Madras Medical College.	..	..	630	630	..	
Vaccine Pupils	212	..	..	..	..	
Total Grant III ..	18,600	18,690	20,590	1,900	..	
GRANT IV.—*Miscellaneous.*						
Establishment in the Presidency Office ..	450	470	..	..	..	
Do. in Collector's Office	323	400	297	..	103	
Do. in Local Fund Board's Office ..	477	460	456	..	4	
Contingencies	237	270	212	..	58	
Refund of Cess	235	..	1	1	..	
Do. of Contributions	23	..	..	..	..	
Do. of Fines	60	..	118	118	..	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT—*continued.*

Heads.	Actual of the previous Year.	Estimate of the Current Year.	Increase over the Estimate.	Decrease under the Estimate.	Remarks.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
EXPENDITURE—*continued.*					
Batta to Non-Official Members	..	300	..	40	
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	
Total Grant IV ..	1,804	1,900	..	556	
	25	..	10	..	
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts.. ..					
Grand Total ..	1,10,007	1,16,120	..	31,459	
Balance—					
Road Fund	..	..	— 907	..	
Endowment Fund	..	..	896	..	
General Fund	..	..	11,644	..	

(Signed) C. M. KOUGH,
Vice-President.

No. 2,269.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 8th August 1879.

Read the following letter from H. J. STOKES, Esq., Acting President of the Local Fund Boards, Madura, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 14th July 1879, No. 55 :—

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith (in original) the Annual Report of the Dindigul Circle for 1878-79, together with the Appendices noted in the margin, as passed by the Local Fund Board at a Meeting held on the 20th June 1879.

1. Comparative Abstract Statement of Receipts and Charges.
2. Statement showing the number of Avenues.
3. Dr. Chester's Dispensary Report.
4. Detailed Statements of annual Receipts and Charges, &c.

2. The omissions referred to in paragraph 14 of the report will be supplied as soon as the necessary information is received from the Public Works Department.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Annual Report on the Administration of Local Funds under Act IV. of 1871, *Dindigul Circle, Madura District, for the official year* 1878-79.

DURING the year the following gentlemen have been appointed Members of the Local Fund Board :—

1. A. Ramanujalu Naidoo, Tahsildar of Dindigul.
2. R. Anantharamiah, Tahsildar of Tirumangalam.
3. Ethupathy Rowjee of Dindigul.
4. Reverend J. S. Chandler of Batlagundoo.
5. Charles Kough, Esq., Sub-Collector, Madura.
6. G. Anderson, Esq., Assistant Engineer, South Indian Railway.
7. W. Patridge, Esq., do. do. do.
8. H. B. Hutchings, Esq., Executive Engineer, Madura Range.

The following gentlemen ceased to be Members either by transfer, absence on leave, or quitting the district :—

1. G. Anderson, Esq.
2. W. Patridge, Esq.
3. G. Bickle, Esq.
4. F. Kilgour, Esq.
5. H. Gompertz, Esq.
6. L. W. Paynter, Esq.

Dates.	Non-Official.	Official.	Total.
12th April 1878	3	2	5
17th May ,, ...	4	4	8
31st ,, ,, ...	2	1	3
21st June ,, ...	5	6	11
19th July ,, ...	2	2	4
16th August ,, ...	2	3	5
20th September ,, ...	3	1	4
17th October ,, ...	7	5	12
15th November ,, ...	4	6	10
20th December ,, ...	4	4	8
17th January 1879	3	2	5
12th February ,, ...	1	2	3
21st ,, ,, ...	4	4	8
21st March ,, ...	4	4	8
31st ,, ,, ...	1	2	3
Total ...	49	48	97

The Board consisted of thirty-one members throughout the year, of whom fifteen were officials, sixteen non-officials, seventeen Europeans, and fourteen Natives.

Fifteen Meetings, twelve ordinary and three special, were held on the dates marginally noted, attended by the number of members therein given. The average number at each Meeting was eight, four officials and four non-officials.

The number of subjects disposed of was 150.

2. STATEMENT I—RECEIPTS.—The total receipts of Local Funds during the year under report, including the closing balance of 1877-78, amounted to Rs. 96,293 against Rs. 98,951 in 1877-78.

3. STATEMENT II—EXPENDITURE.—The total expenditure under all heads of Local Funds during the year was Rs. 84,661 against an estimate of Rs. 1,16,120, and the actual expenditure of Rs. 1,10,007 in the previous year.

4. The comparative statement required by G.O., dated 28th August 1876, No. 1,537, Financial Department, is appended.

5. Receipts—*Opening Balance.*—The audited results of the previous year show a closing deficit balance of Rs. 30,580 and this has been taken to debit the opening balance for the year under report.

6. *Surplus Pound Fund.*—The collections of the cattle trespass fines having fallen short neither the budget nor the regular estimate amount was realized.

7. *Avenues.*—The receipts under this head have fallen short of the estimate by Rs. 1,502, owing to small produce due to bad season, and low sales owing to effects of famine year.

8. *Fish Rent.*—The decrease under this head is due to the unsatisfactory state of the season and to the decrease of area of nunjah cultivation, the rent in a large measure being levied by a rateage on cultivated wet lands.

9. *Land Cess.*—The total collection during the year including arrears was only Rs. 96,279 against the regular estimate of Rs. 1,26,006 and the budget estimate of Rs. 1,10,000. The year being one immediately following the famine year great difficulty is experienced in the realization of the arrears. Further, a great proportion of the collections was credited to Land Revenue, *vide* Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 3,421, dated 19th December 1878, and the adjustment ordered has not been carried out.

10. *Tolls.*—Andiputty Pass is the only toll gate in the circle. During the year under report it was managed under Revenue Department under Amani system and it has realized Rs. 816 more than last year. This is mainly due to the increase in the traffic consequent on the improvement of the road.

11. Expenditure—*Grant I, Public Works.*—The total allotment for Public Works was Rs. 84,660, of which Rs. 82,920 were to be expended by the Public Works Department, and Rs. 1,740 by the Civil Officers. The actual expenditure by the Public Works Department and Revenue Department was Rs. 58,661 and 230 respectively. The percentage of expenditure to allotments was respectively Rs. 71 and 13.

12. Communications—(*a.*) *New Works.*—A sum of Rs. 13,690 was allotted for the construction and completion of roads, of which Rs. 11,072 was expended during the year by the Public Works Department.

13. (*b.*) *Repairs.*—The total allotment for "Repairs—Communications" was Rs. 44,820, of which Rs. 35,522 were expended by the Public Works Department. The percentage of expenditure to allotment was 79.

14. The following statement shows the number of miles of roads constructed, maintained, and not yet commenced. From this it will be seen that miles of roads in the circle, miles were constructed in previous years, and that miles were maintained during the year under report at a cost of Rs. , the average cost per mile being Rs. . It will also be seen that Rs. were spent in completing miles of new roads. Particulars of roads constructed and maintained, &c., having not yet been received from the Public Works Department, Dindigul Range, they will be separately forwarded to avoid further delay in submission of this report :—

Number and Names of Roads.	Total length in miles.	Number of miles maintained in good order in 1878-79.	Number constructed in 1878-79.	Number still under construction.	Number not yet completed.	Remarks.
Road No 5 from Chekanurany to Oosilamputty.	20	10	2½	3	12½	...
Railway feeder at Tirumangalam.	0¼	0¼	...	...	...	This piece of road was maintained.
Road No. 47 from Tirumangalam to Strivilliputur.	19⅝	19⅝	...	...	...	This road was much damaged in parts by the floods. These damages are in most cases still unrepaired. The road was maintained.
Road No. 48 from Tirumangalam to Oosilamputty.	16	16	...	...	...	Do. do.
Road No. 46 from Tirumangalam to Palluputty.	10	10	...	...	...	Do. do.
Road No. 4 from Madura to Tinnevelly.	15	15	...	...	...	This road is impassable in many places owing to the metalling having been pulled up. It is maintained where the metalling has been relaid.

The above are the particulars of roads in Tirumangalam Taluk.

15. Civil Buildings.—The expenditure under this head may be classified as follows :—

Items.	New Works.			Repairs.		
	Allotment.	Expenditure.	Percentage.	Allotment.	Expenditure.	Percentage.
Hospitals and Dispensaries .. .. (P. W. D...	2,160	490	22	...	...	...
(O. A. ..	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chuttrums ... ... (P. W. D...	...	...	...	...	...	...
(O. A. ...	100	100	...	...	...	...
Total ...	2,260	590	26	...	...	...

16. Miscellaneous Public Improvements—*New Works and Repairs.*—There was no expenditure on *New* works under this head. Under Repairs a sum of Rs. 932 has been spent against an allotment of Rs. 1,000. A sum of Rs. 802 was spent by the Public Works Department for the maintenance of avenues during the year, and Rs. 130 in clearing foot-path from Pulney to Vilputty. The appended statement shows the number of trees planted during the year and the condition of avenues in the circle.

17. Tools and Plant.—A sum of Rs. 4 has been charged to Local Funds under this head up to the close of the year and it comes to ·001 per cent. on the expenditure by the Public Works Department.

18. Grant II—*Education.*—The allotment in the budget under this head was Rs. 10,870, but the expenditure was only Rs. 3,824. The chief cause is the decrease under Result Grants. The expenditure on this item during the year being only Rs. 1,214 against an estimate of Rs. 6,500 and the actuals of Rs. 4,510 in the previous year. This is explained by the reduced rate of grants under the revised rules and the raising of the standards.

19. The Inspecting Schoolmasters were three as in the previous year and their ranges remain unchanged under the names of Periyakulam, Pulney, and Dindigul. Their work is shown in the subjoined statement :—

Names of the Inspecting schoolmasters.	Pay of each per mensem.	Schools visited and prepared for Examination.				Remarks.
		Number of Villages visited.	Salary Grant Schools.	Results Schools.	Other Schools.	
1. K. Appasawmy Iyer, Pulney Range.	35	67	...	84	2	Eighty-four, includes 67 unaided schools.
2. V Lutchumana Naidoo, Periyakulam Range.	35	97	...	81	5	Eighty-one, includes 44 unaided schools.
3. V. C. Moses	25	84	...	73	1	Seventy-three, includes 46 unaided schools under the combined system.
Total ...	...	248	...	238	8	

20. The annexed statement shows the particulars of this year compared with that of last :—

——	Inspected.	Attendance.	Schools that obtained Grants.	
Year under report	243	3,986	81	Eight combined system schools, with an attendance of 129 boys, not included.
Previous year	296	3,914	153	
Difference	53	72	72	

21. Grant II—*Schools and Results.*—There are no Local Fund Schools in the circle. All the schools are private schools aided from Local Funds.

22. Besides the causes of falling off in school results mentioned previously may be added the indubitable fact that the schools have not yet recovered from the effects of the famine time.

23. In addition to this fever of a very bad type prevailed generally throughout the circle, particularly throughout the villages adjoining the hills. These causes contributed to the closing of great many schools and to reduction in attendance at those that remained. One hundred and sixty schools applied for results grants, of which only 81 were examined. Of the rest some were subsequently closed and others were not prepared to undergo examination.

24. The following table gives the information required about schools on the combined system of salary and results grants :—

—	Salary Schools.		Combined System Schools.			Attendance of		Cost of		Rates of Salaries drawn by Masters.	Fees collected in		
	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Total.	Salary Schools.	Combined System Schools.	Salary Schools.	Combined System Schools.		Salary Schools.	Combined System Schools.	Rates of Fees.
								Rs.	Rs. A. P.		Rs.	Rs. A. P.	
Higher or Middle Class Schools..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lower Class Schools	..	..	8	..	8	..	129	..	469 15 0	4 to 7	..	*284 1 0	2 to 4 annas.

* Appropriated by the teachers.

25. The following table gives information in detail of Combined System Schools :—

Locality.	Number of Pupils on 31st March.	Number presented for Examination.		Amount paid. Salary.			Grant.			Total.			—		
				Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Pulney	..	18	..	17	9	3	137	6	9	155	0	0	..		
2. Andiputty	23	28	11	20	0	0	13	8	0	33	8	0	..		
3. Gokulapuram	25	19	14	32	0	0	45	0	0	77	0	0	..		
4. Sevvemputty	33	31	9	28	0	0	..			28	0	0	15	0	0
5. Ganguvarputty	..	20	..	70	0	0	..			70	0	0	26	0	0
6. Usilamputty	..	13	..	30	0	0	..			30	0	0	25	8	0
7. Vadasandur	..	..	..	56	7	3	..			56	7	3	..		
8. Kombay	23	..	15	20	0	0	..			20	0	0	..		
			..												
			21												
			9												
			14												
			7												
			10												
			3												

The expenditure on other items under this head does not call for any special notice.

26. Grant III—*Sanitation—Dispensaries.*—The number of dispensaries is the same as in last year. They are as follows :—

Periyakulam,	established in	1872.
Pulney,	do.	1872.
Uttamapolliem,	do.	1873.
Kodaikanal,	do.	1873.
Usilamputty,	do.	1876.

The total patients treated have been—

	In-Patients.	Out-Patients.
During the year	227	23,841
In previous year	138	18,442

—	In-Patients.					Out-Patients.				
	In 1877-78.	In 1878-79.	Discharged.	Died.	Remained.	In 1877-78.	In 1878-79.	Discharged.	Died.	Remained.
Pulney	65	135	124	10	1	3,547	4,857	4,816	1	40
Periyakulam	56	74	47	19	8	4,606	6,045	6,002	..	43
Uttamapolliem	17	18	18	..	..	6,418	8,408	8,408	..	..
Kodaikanal	..	..	..	..	..	1,332	1,843	1,820	..	23
Usilamputty	..	..	..	..	..	2,529	2,688	2,673	8	7
Total ..	138	227	189	29	9	18,442	23,841	23,719	9	113

27. There has been an increase of nearly 25 per cent. in the number of people treated in the dispensaries. This is due to the general unhealthiness of the unusually dry season and the prevalence of fever. It has been usual to include Dr. Chester's Dispensary among the Local Fund Dispensaries of this circle, for this institution is partly supported by a contribution of Rs. 1,406 in part from Local Funds and in part from Dindigul Municipality. The work done by it is extended to nearly 701 villages of this circle including hamlets. The number of new cases treated has been 9,208 and the total of old and new cases 17,136. Its operations during the year were as follows :—

—	Remained on the 31st March 1878.	Admitted.	Discharged.	Died.
In-patients	4	234	238	...
Out-patients	63	8,974	9,037	...

28. The Medical School at Dindigul, which is jointly supported by both the Madura and Dindigul Circles, is connected with the Dindigul Dispensary, as will appear in the annual report of this institution appended.

29. (*b.*) *Vaccination.*—The expenditure has been Rs. 3,384 against Rs. 3,792 in the previous year and against an allotment of Rs. 3,400 in 1878-79 as shown below :—

Detail of the Vaccine Establishment and its Cost.

—	Expenditure. Estimate.	Expenditure. Actual.	Number of Persons vaccinated.	Number of Successful Cases.	Number of Unsuccessful Cases.	Unknown.
	Rs.	Rs.				
1 Superintendent and 15 Vaccinators	3,400	3,384	10,802	10,541	131	130
6 1st-Class and 9 2nd-Class Vaccinators						
Contingencies and Travelling Allowances	...	...	...	...	...	...

One 2nd-Class Deputy Inspector on Rs. 40, six 1st-Class Vaccinators at Rs. 18 each, and nine 2nd-Class Vaccinators at Rs. 10 each, and three Probationers at Rs. 5 each per mensem have been employed in the circle, and the work done by the staff is shown in the statement given above.

30. (*c.*) *Markets.*—No markets were established by the Board during the year.

31. (*d.*) *Cleaning tanks, &c.—Sanitary purposes.*—Sanitary arrangements were made during the festivals of Typoosum and Punguni Ootharam at Pulney and Agaram feast in Tadikomboo village in Dindigul Taluk.

32. A scavengering establishment was maintained during the year in the large town of Pulney, and nine wells were sunk and repaired throughout the circle for improvement of drinking-water supply.

33. (*e.*) *Choultries.*—The choultries stood as last year, 12 endowed and 1 unendowed. Travellers are fed in only two of the chuttrums. The number of travellers fed and the cost are given below. The charges for feeding were higher than usual owing to higher prices and increased number of paupers :—

—	Number of Travellers.	Feeding Charges.	Cost per Head.
		Rs.	Rs. A. P.
Tirumangalam Sunderdoss Chuttrum	12,969	2,581	0 3 2
Kilangulam Chuttrum ...	2,690	381	0 2 3

34. *Bungalows.*—The travellers' bungalows at Ammayanayakanur and Buttagundoo were maintained during the year. The latter was handed over to the district officers during the last quarter of the year. The cost of establishment was as follows:—

		Rs.
Ammayanayakanur Bungalow ...	Pay	210
	Contingent	15
	Total ...	225

35. *Contributions.*—A sum of Rs. 897 was contributed towards payment of stipends of students and other charges of medical class at Dindigul, full mention of which appears in the report of the Dindigul Dispensary.

The other items of expenditure do not require any notice.

36. Grant IV—*Miscellaneous.*—The expenditure under this head needs no special remark. A sum of Rs. 260 was spent in the grant of batta to non-official members who attended the Local Fund Meetings.

Enclosures Nos. 2 to 4.—Statements.

Enclosure No. 5.—Dispensary Report.

The Local Fund Report of the Dindigul Circle for the year 1878-79 will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Local Fund Board for the year consisted of thirty-one members. Fifteen meetings were held with an average attendance of eight, of whom four were officials and four non-officials.

3. Excluding balances and Public Works refunds, the receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 1,16,517 against an estimate of Rs. 1,31,040, the short-fall being mainly owing to an over-credit to Land Revenue to the detriment of land-cess as explained in reviewing the report on the Madura Circle. No explanation is offered with regard to the Public Works refunds, which amounted to Rs. 10,356.

4. The recorded expenditure under Grant I, Public Works, amounted to Rs. 58,891 against allotments aggregating Rs. 82,641 according to the Board's registers, but in the absence of information regarding the refunds it cannot be said how much of this represents actual outlay. The President will report on the point. The usual particulars regarding the number of miles of road repaired, &c., had not been received from the Public Works Department when the report was submitted, except so far as the Tirumangalam Taluk was concerned, and there two roads are said to be in bad order, one from damage caused by floods, the other from the metalling having been pulled up. From the remarks column of Statement 4 it would seem that work was in many cases abruptly stopped under the restrictive orders issued by Government.

5. *Education.*—There were eight Combined System Schools at work during the year with an average attendance of 113 and a net outlay of Rs. 470, so that the average cost per pupil was Rs. 4-2-9. In the calculations made in Statement 6 the fees have not been excluded as they should have been. It is not understood why the average attendance at the Kombay and Vadasandur Schools is shown as nil. Three other schools appear to have earned no grants, but it is presumed that they were examined, as the number of pupils presented for examination is recorded. Out of an allotment of Rs. 6,500 for results grant, no more than Rs. 1,214 were disbursed. This is attributed mainly to the reduced rate of grants under the new rules and the raising of the standards, but it is added that the schools have not yet recovered from the effects of the famine, and that the prevalence of a virulent type of fever led to the closing of schools and a falling off in attendance at those that remained. Of 160 Results Grant Schools that applied for examination, 81 were examined, and with regard to the rest it is stated that some were subsequently closed and others were not prepared to undergo examination. From this the Board infer that there was no failure to examine any school which was entitled to an examination and desired it. The President will report whether this is the case, and will also state

whether Rs. 1,214 was all that was earned by the 81 schools examined against Rs. 4,510 earned by 153 schools in 1877-78.

6. Owing to the severe outbreak of fever above noted there was a very marked increase in the attendance at the five Local Fund Dispensaries* of the circle, and much interesting information regarding the health of the circle during the year is contained in Dr. Chester's report on the working of the Dindigul Dispensary, which is aided by the Local Fund Board. In the course of the year the first batch of thirteen students completed their course of education at the Madura Local Fund Medical School in connection with Dr. Chester's Dispensary at Dindigul, and it is worthy of note that three of these thirteen attended the school at their own cost. The two diplomaed native nurses attached to the dispensary attended to 70 cases, of which 28 were in the villages. A third, who received her diploma in Madras in the course of the year, had 10 cases after her return, mostly in the houses in the town of Dindigul.

Year.	In-Patients.	Out-Patients.
1877-78	138	18,442
1878-79	227	23,841
Increase ...	89	5,399

7. *Vaccination.*—The statements in paragraph 29 should have contrasted the year's operations with those of the previous year. It appears that there was a large falling off in the work done, and though no explanation is offered, it may be put down to the closing of the relief-camps, which afforded such unusual facilities in the preceding year. The cost per case in the year under report was considerably in excess of what it ought to have been.

Year.	Successful Cases.	Cost per Case.
		Rs. A. P.
1877-78	25,574	0 2 6
1878-79	10,541	0 5 1

8. On sanitary services Rs. 1,381 were spent out of an allotment of Rs. 2,000. Special arrangements were made at festivals, a scavengering establishment was entertained at Pulney, and nine drinking-water wells were sunk or repaired throughout the circle. It is a pity that the balance of the allotment was not utilized on this last object.

9. As in the preceding year there were thirteen chuttrums, of which twelve are endowed. From Statement 7 it appears that in the case of some of these chuttrums annually increasing deficits are carried forward from year to year. This should be avoided and the deficits made good from the General Fund if no other means are available.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
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To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
„ President, Local Fund Boards, Madura District.

Exd. J. Tulloch and A. F. Goodall.

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Board of Revenue, MADRAS.

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THE CHIEF SECY. TO GOVT.,
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Local Fund Report — of the Dindigul Circle, Madura District, for 1878-79.—Reviewing and submitting to Government the —.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

13th December 1879, No. 2377.

Local Funds—Reports.

Read the following paper:—

No. 110. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th August* 1879, *No.* 2269.

ABSTRACT.—Reviewing and submitting to Government the Local Fund Report of the Dindigul Circle, Madura District, for 1878-79.

No. 110-A. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1879, No. 2377.

The report of the Dindigul Circle for 1878-79 shows that the receipts of the year excluding the opening deficit of Rs. 30,580 amounted to Rs. 1,26,873. Deducting from this the unexplained item "Public Works Refunds, Rs. 10,356," the net receipts are shown by the Board of Revenue as Rs. 1,16,517, of which the greater portion was on account of Land-cess aggregating Rs. 96,279 against a regular estimate of Rs. 1,26,006. The decrease is ascribed partly to the still lingering effects of the famine and partly to the erroneous credit to Land Revenue of amounts properly appertaining to the Local Fund. The error appears to have been noticed nearly three months before the close of the year; but no adjustment was effected before its close. The delay should have been explained; and the particulars of demand, collection, and balance as regards the cess, the details of uncollected arrears, and the amount of erroneous credit above noticed should have been stated.

2. The revenue from Tolls is not reported, but is said to have been Rs. 816 more than last year (1877-78), the report for which has not been submitted to Government.

3. The revenue from fishery rents and the manner in which it is derived should be stated more fully with reference to the observation in paragraph 8 of the report.

4. The information furnished regarding the outlay on Public Works is so imperfect that the Government are unable to appreciate or criticise the progress made in the year.

5. The Educational work consisted of the examination and payment of grants to eight combined system schools and eighty-one results system schools, the expenditure under these last two heads being Rs. 470 and Rs. 1,214, respectively. The attendance at the combined system schools is given at 129 in the abstract appended to paragraph 24 of the report, which agrees with the total of the entries in the second division of column 2 of the abstract in paragraph 25; while the Board of Revenue take the average attendance at 113. The headings of the three divisions into which column 2 of abstract in paragraph 25 of the report is divided are not given, nor that of the last column in the same paragraph. These omissions and the generally imperfect nature of the report indicate want of due attention to its preparation. The progress of education in the circle as tested by the annual examinations is not stated. The falling off in the results grants is partially explained.

6. The public health during the year is reported to have been very unsatisfactory owing to the prevalence of a severe type of fever. The number of patients treated at the five Dispensaries in the circle shows a large increase—an increase which is no doubt partly due to the prevalence of sickness, but which is also, it is hoped, the

result of untiring efforts of Dr. Chester in the development of these institutions. The progress of vaccination was not satisfactory as noticed by the Board. The allotment for sanitation was meagre, and the expenditure still more so. The Government trust that the Local Board will make energetic efforts to systematize sanitary work, and to devote more money for the purpose.

7. The receipts from fees levied at the Travellers' Bungalow should have been stated, and the working of the Chattrams should have been reported in greater detail.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Revenue Department,
" Public Works Department,
" Accountant-General,
" Sanitary Commissioner,
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department,
" Director of Public Instruction,
" President of the Municipal Commissions, Madura District,

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

13th December 1879, No. 2374.

Twenty-five Years' Order.

Read the following paper :—

From the Commissary-General, through the Military Department, dated 25th November 1879, No. 7433.

No. 104. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1879, No. 2374.

A question having been raised as to whether the Order of Government, dated 15th September 1879, No. 1772 (Financial Department), applies to first admission to the public service only or also to cases in which persons who have been thrown out of employment desire to be re-entertained, the Government observe that the intention was to apply the prohibition to first admission to appointments entitling to pension.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ the Military Department.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, with covering letter.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ all District Judges.
„ all Collectors.
„ all other Heads of Departments under the Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. Raitt.