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Choultry Endowments	2,19,333	2,52,165	3,44,015
Provincial Grants for Roads	2,43,390	1,18,230	70,000
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Choultries	2,53,443	2,38,925	2,79,418
&c.	1,01,075	1,02,881	1,20,186
Total Sanitation, &c. ..	9,66,419	8,70,260	9,40,895

7. There were 18,674 miles of road under the Local Fund Boards in the latest year and 218 endowed institutions. A considerable number of dispensaries, choultries, school-buildings, and similar structures were built or repaired during the year.

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R. DAVIDSON,
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" Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras,
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Exd. T. O'Connor.

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