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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
13th July 1867.

No 148. Read the following letter from the President of the Municipal Commission, Cuddapah, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Cuddapah, 28th June 1867, No. 111.

Agreeably to the Orders of Government, No. 605, dated 4th June 1867, I have the honor to enclose, herewith, a draft Notification, containing the names of persons who are to be as Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Cuddapah during the current year, ending 30th April 1868.

2. The statement of receipts and expenditure during the half-year ending on the 30th April 1867, therein referred to, together with the report, is likewise enclosed.

HALF-YEARLY REPORT of the Cuddapah Municipality, commencing from 1st November 1866, to 30th April 1867.

It affords me much pleasure in being able to report most favorably of the working of the Municipal Act in this Town.

Office.

The Municipal Commissioners have not spent the amount (of Rupees 2000) sanctioned by Government for constructing an office. They availed themselves in securing the shed erected, in the year 1857, by Mr. Murray, for exhibiting the products of this District. The place was made habitable at an expense of Rupees 234. I think there will be no necessity to erect a new building for an office.

2. After a few months working, it was found necessary to grant an allowance of Rupees 30 to the Secretary.

Conservancy.

Since the introduction of the Act, I am happy to say the town has been pretty healthy; no epidemic disease had made its appearance. The town is kept in a remarkably clean state; the filth and sweepings are conveyed by bandies to a considerable distance away from the dwellings, and deposited in large pits dug for that purpose. The manure so collected was sold for Rupees 154. Several large and small arched tunnels have been built in various parts of the town. During the past half-year there were no less than seven new latrines constructed in the different divisions of the town, and ten old latrines repaired. Almost all the public wells were cleaned out and put in order. Two main roads are in the course of construction, and several branch roads were repaired also. Three slaughter houses were constructed, at an expense of Rupees 211, in different parts of the town, at convenient distances; no cattle are yet slaughtered in those places, but the Commissioners propose to open them for public use from the 1st May. A good number of old and unoccupied houses and ruined mud walls have been removed; a great number of pits and holes were filled up and levelled; and also a good portion of the prickly pears has been cut away and destroyed in and about the town.

Toll-bars and Sheds.

Eight toll-bars and eight gate-keepers' stations were, agreeably to the instructions of Government, constructed, in a cheap and temporary character, at an expense of Rupees 860.

2. It was found necessary to employ, in the beginning, an assistant to each toll-gate, at Rupees 7 per mensem, but afterwards they were withdrawn from six of the toll-gates, when it was found that the work could be managed by one person. It was also found expedient to employ an Inspector, on Rupees 15 per month, to supervise and check the accounts of the different toll-gate keepers. Three toll-gate keepers were prosecuted before the Magistrate, and punished for criminal breach of trust, and one discharged by the Commissioners for negligence of duty.

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3. Total amount collected on account of tolls is Rupees 4677, being an excess of Rupees 2177 over the estimated sum.

4. It was proposed by the Commissioners to farm out the tolls in the beginning of May; but, upon a second consideration, it was thought advisable that it should be managed by themselves until the end of the year.

Tax on Professions and Arts.

The collection under this head has fallen off considerably below the estimated amount; the decrease being Rupees 1042-6-0. This was owing to the Commissioners exempting almost all the poor artizans and petty traders from taxation, and also to some of the retail dealers quitting the town temporarily to avoid the tax.

Rates on Houses, &c.

This was severely felt by the community, especially by owners of large houses in moderate circumstances. It was, therefore, urged by most of the Commissioners to abolish this tax, but it was afterwards agreed to keep it up for one year more at a reduced rate, viz., at 5 per cent. on the annual rental or valuation, instead of 7 per cent. on the buildings, &c.

2. Amount collected up to the 30th April 1867 is Rupees 1648-9-0, and a balance of about Rupees 1076 remains uncollected.

Tax on carriages, &c, and fee on registration of carts.

This tax amounts to Rupees 1108, being an excess of Rupees 608 over the sum estimated.

Pound.

The Pound, hitherto kept up by the Sub-Magistrate in charge of the town, was made over to the Municipal Commissioners, and the funds accruing thereof were incorporated with the municipal collections.

Police.

The Commissioners are unanimous in their opinion as to the propriety and advisability of reducing the number of Police to one-half of its present strength, but as Government, in their Notification published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, dated 12th October 1866, have already determined and directed the number of Police to be maintained in the town of Cuddapah, I shall reserve my remarks thereon till the end of the year.

The conduct and behaviour of the Municipal Commissioners, with one single exception, have been most praise-worthy. Most of them took a warm interest in the working of the Municipality, which, though in its infancy, yet bids fair to confer much good to the inhabitants of this thickly populated and unhealthy town.

The Account Current is hereto attached.

(Signed) H. G. SMITH,
President Muhl. Comsn.

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Receipts and Disbursements of Cash of the Municipal Fund from 1st November 1866 up to 30th April 1867.

	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
To amount of Government contribution...	2,975	8	0	By advance to Sanitary Inspector...	20	0	0
do. toll collections...	4,677	1	6	do. Toll and Tax Collectors...	122	8	0
do. trade tax do.	2,963	2	0	do. carriages and cart tins...	30	7	9
do. house tax do.	1,648	9	0	do. closing by-paths...	95	12	1
do. license tax do.	820	0	0	do. compensation for lands and houses...	46	0	0
do. registration of carts...	288	4	0	do. conservancy carts...	57	14	0
do. amount collected in the town Pound...	52	8	0	do. constructing Municipal Commissioners' office...	284	4	5
do. amount of miscellaneous collection.				do. slaughter houses...	211	0	0
Advance remitted by Sanitary Inspector...				do. toll bars...	171	14	3
Do. do. Toll and Tax Collectors...	15	0	0	do. toll sheds...	689	14	5
Sale of unclaimed property...	70	0	0	do. and repairing latrines...	109	12	0
Pay forfeited by scavengers...	0	1	6	do. public well...	156	0	0
Sale of avenue trees...	3	2	9	do. roads...	1,498	14	0
Sale of rubbish...	8	1	0	do. tunnels...	72	0	0
Fines remitted by the Assistant Magistrate...	154	8	0	contingency...	41	2	4
	15	0	0	Fort Saint George Gazette...	9	8	6
				improving channel...	10	0	0
				license tax remitted...	1	0	0
				materials collected...	51	9	0
				miscellaneous...	515	3	3
				numbering houses...	41	1	4
				office furniture...	232	0	0
				peons' badges and belts...	25	7	0
				postage...	1	14	0
				printing forms, &c...	111	3	4
				removing obstructions in the street...	13	10	8
				salary (office establishment)...	2,232	13	6
				do. (Police)...	3,697	1	4
				do. (Pound-keeper)...	9	14	0
				schedule boards...	12	4	0
				seal of the Municipal Commissioners...	8	0	0
				stationery...	138	4	0
				street boards...	12	4	0
				tools purchased...	9	15	0
				trade tax remitted...	3	0	0
				vaccination...	2	12	0
				water carts...	136	0	0
				balance...	3,317	12	11
Total.....	13,690	13	9	Total.....	13,690	13	9

(Signed) H. G. SMITH,
Presdt., Muhl. Comsn.

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13th July 1867.*

No. 149.

ORDER THEREON, 13th July 1867, No. 838.

The Government are glad to learn that the Towns' Improvement Act has worked so satisfactorily in the town of Cuddapah during the past half-year, but it must be remarked that the funds available have not been so fully utilized as might fairly have been expected, seeing that, at the end of the year, there was a balance of Rupees 3317 remaining unexpended—a sum larger than the whole of the Government contribution, which has, in effect, remained untouched, and simply been transferred to the credit of the Commission.

2. Measures will be taken to prevent the recurrence of such a contingency, as the Government are not prepared to contribute 25 per cent. on the sum which it is estimated will be raised and expended, but on the amount actually raised and expended by the Commissioners during the year.

3. The draft Notification appointing the persons whom it is proposed to declare Commissioners for the present year is approved, and will be duly published in the *Fort Saint George* and *District Gazettes*.

NOTIFICATION.

Fort Saint George 13th July 1867.

His Excellency the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council, under the provisions of Section 6 of Act X of 1865 (Madras), hereby appoints the undermentioned persons, being inhabitants of the town of Cuddapah, as described and designated for the purposes of the said Act, in the Notification published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, dated 16th October 1866, in addition to the Magistrate of the District and the Officer of the Public Works Department in executive charge of the range in which the said town of Cuddapah is situate, who are ex-officio Commissioners under Section 7 of the said Act, to be Town Commissioners during the year ending the 30th April 1868, for carrying out in the said town the purposes of the said Act—that is to say

1. Mr. Samuel Marcar, Principal Sudder Amcen.
2. Lieutenant Henry William Holmes Cox, Superintendent of Police.
3. Mr. James William Saalfelt.
4. Mr. Thomas Von Dunlop Hardinge, Assistant Collector.
5. Mr. John Henry Andree.
6. Madras Iyasamy Pillay, Acting Zillah Surgeon.
7. Bekun Sing Hazary, Tahsildar of Cuddapah.
8. Gundalur Mooni Row, Sub-Magistrate of Cuddapah Town.
9. Jambi Perumal Naicker.
10. Kasemsetty Narasannah.
11. Cazeer Syed Mounaddin Saib.
12. Yathalla Subbiah Chetty.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Cuddapah.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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17 April 72-73.
11 June 106-109.
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The President
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Cuddapah*

*The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George*

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*Enclosing draft Notification
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April 1867.*

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9. Jambhi Perumal Naicker.
10. Kasemsetty Narasannah.
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Chief Secretary.

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2. The Draft Notification appoint-
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which is only published in the
Fort St George and District
Gazette.

To the President of the Municipal
Commission, Cuddalore. } *despatched*

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