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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	61	Press Mis.
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No. 56. Read the following letter from the Officiating President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 22nd December 1870, No. 562-G:—

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 18 of the Madras Municipal Act of 1867, I have the honour to forward, herewith, for publication in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, a statement of the receipts and disbursements on account of this Municipality from the close of last year up to the 31st of October last, together with the Minutes of the Proceedings of the General Meeting of the Commissioners held on the 30th ultimo, at which the same was approved of, and of the adjourned General Meeting held on the 14th instant, at which the Budget Estimate of income and expenditure for the ensuing year was passed.

2. You will observe that the Commissioners have resolved upon the levy of the following rates, taxes, fees, and tolls during the ensuing year, viz. :—

I.—Rates at $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the annual value of houses, buildings, and lands.

II.—Taxes on arts, professions, trades, and callings.

III.—Liquor license taxes.

IV.—Taxes on carriages and animals.

V.—Fees on registration of vehicles without springs.

VI.—Tolls on carriages and animals entering the town.

VII.—Miscellaneous rents and fees for licenses, registrations, and permissions, and I request that, should Government approve of them, the usual Notification of such approval may be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette* on Tuesday next, the 27th instant.

3. I also submit,* under Section 30 of the Act, a copy of the Budget Estimate of income and expenditure for the ensuing year, as finally revised and passed at the adjourned General Meeting of the 14th instant, showing Rupees 6,13,600 as the probable income, and Rupees 6,42,813 as the probable expenditure, closed by an estimated balance in hand, on the 31st of December 1871, of Rupees 28,787. The accompanying Proceedings enter so fully into the details of the Budget, that it is unnecessary I should trouble Government with any additional remarks on it in this letter. The only part of it to which I would refer is the Extraordinary Budget, in which a loan of three lacs of rupees is taken credit for, and the manner in which it is proposed to be laid out shown, with regard to which I trust to be shortly in a position to address Government, with the information called for in paragraph 5 of the Proceedings of Government, Public Department, dated 7th December 1869, No. 1085.

4. I likewise forward† a revised schedule of fees, &c., for licenses, registrations, and permissions passed under Section 243 of the Act at the adjourned General Meeting of the 14th instant, which the Commissioners desire to substitute for the table sanctioned by Government in their Proceedings of the 26th of March 1868, No. 390, Public Department. The reasons which render the revision very desirable are clearly explained in the Proceedings, and I shall be obliged, if Government approve of the proposed changes, by your obtaining their sanction to the publication of the schedule, as revised, a certain number of times in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*,

* Embodied in the Proceedings of the adjourned Meeting of the 14th instant.

† Also embodied in the Proceedings of the Meeting of the 14th instant.

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for the information of the public, accompanied by a statement that it is to supersede the table of fees now in force.

5. Adverting to the Proceedings of Government noted in the margin, relative to the proposed project of a Junction Canal between the Cooum and the Adyar rivers, the Meeting of the 30th ultimo passed the following resolution, viz:—

“That, with reference to the request of Government that the Commissioners should express their opinion on the following points, viz:—”

1st.—Whether the advantages attached to the Junction Canal, compared with the expenditure and inconvenience which it would involve, are such as, in their opinion, would justify the execution of the project; and,

2ndly.—Whether the Municipality of Madras would feel itself enabled to contribute to the execution of the work financially, in what degree, and on what terms,—

Government be informed, in reply to the first question, that the Commissioners are not prepared to say whether the advantages attached to the canal, compared with the expenditure and inconvenience which it would involve, would justify the execution of the project, and, with regard to the second point, that they are of opinion that the Municipality is not in a position to contribute to the execution of the work.”

6. Government will observe from the Proceedings that when the several bye-laws confirmed by them under dates the 6th and 19th of July and 26th of October 1869 and 1st of November 1870 were forwarded to them for approval, they had no penalty clause attached to them, and I have now, therefore, to request that the Right Honourable the Governor in Council will be pleased to approve of, and give effect to, the following resolution passed by the Commissioners at their Meeting of the 30th ultimo, by directing that these bye-laws, with penalty clause attached, as per separate enclosed copy, may be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, as required by Sections 234 and 235 of the Municipal Act:—

Resolved “That Government be requested to re-publish the bye-laws confirmed in their Orders in the Public Department, dated respectively the 6th and 19th of July and 26th of October 1869 and 1st of November 1870, and add to them the following penalty clause:—

“Whoever shall commit any breach of any of the foregoing bye-laws, by doing any act prohibited by any such bye-laws, or by neglecting to do any act directed to be done by any such bye-laws, or in any wise howsoever, shall, on conviction before a Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty Rupees for each infringement, and, in the case of a continuing infringement, to a further penalty not exceeding ten Rupees for every day after notice from the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras of such infringement.”

7. I take this opportunity of soliciting the early attention of Government to my predecessor's letter of the 7th of June last, G. No. 219, embodied in their Proceedings noted in the margin, relative to the adjustment of account in respect of the municipal contribution towards the maintenance of the Police for the official years 1866-67, 1867-68, 1868-69, and 1869-70, and requesting that the Municipality might

Dated 23rd June 1870, No. 798, Public Department.

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be relieved from the charges incurred during the years for the cost of Police employed in State services.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, 17th January 1871, No. 61.

His Excellency the Governor in Council approves and sanctions the rates, taxes, and tolls proposed by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras to be levied, under the provisions of Act IX. of 1867, for the year 1871.

2. The necessary Notification, together with the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements from the 1st January to the 31st October 1870, and the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Commissioners, received with the foregoing letter, will be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*.

3. The probable receipts for 1871 are estimated at Rupees 6,13,600, which, with the Government Securities and balance in cash, amounting to Rupees 58,000, places at the disposal of the Commissioners Rupees 6,71,600. From this amount they propose to expend a sum of Rupees 6,42,813, leaving a balance of Rupees 28,787. The receipts exceed the estimate for the current year by Rupees 40,522, but the expenditure falls short of it by Rupees 9,694. The Government approve and pass the estimates for 1871.

4. They also sanction, under the provisions of Section 243 of Act IX. of 1867, the revised schedule of fees for licenses, registrations, &c., and direct that it be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette* in supersession of the table of fees in force at present.

5. The penalty clause proposed to be attached to the bye-laws, which received the confirmation of Government on the dates specified in paragraph 6 of the foregoing letter, is approved. It will be published, with the bye-laws, in five issues of the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, and then submitted for the confirmation of Government. The Tamil, Telugu, and Hindustani Translators will be requested to furnish translations of the penalty clause for publication.

6. Paragraph 5 of the foregoing letter will be communicated to the Public Works Department, with reference to the Proceedings in that Department, dated the 1st July last, No. 1585.

NOTIFICATION.

Under the provisions of the Madras Municipal Act No. IX. of 1867, the Governor in Council approves of the levy of the following taxes, tolls, and rates for 1871:—

1st.—A rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum on the annual value of houses, buildings, and lands, as provided in Sections 69 to 82.

2nd.—A tax on arts, professions, trades, or callings, and liquor license taxes, as provided in Sections 57 to 62, and Schedules C and C², respectively, of the said Act.

3rd.—A tax on carriages and animals, under Sections 36 to 43 and Schedule A of the Act.

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17th January 1871.

4th.—A tax on registration of vehicles without springs, under Sections 45 to 47.

5th.—Tolls on carriages and animals entering the municipal limits, under Sections 49 to 55 and Schedule B of the said Act.

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

R. S. ELLIS,

Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras

„ Public Works Department.

„ Tamil Translator to Government.

„ Telugu do.

„ Hindustani do.

No.	Name of Ferries.	Items.	For the ferries where flat bottom wooden boats are provided.	For the ferries where basket boats are provided.
			RS. AS. P.	RS. AS. P.
4	Caveri at Tirukattipalli ...			
5	Do. Kapistalam ...			
6	Do. Tirumangalkudi ...			
7	Do. Melkaveri ...			
8	Do. Ullikadai ...			
9	Do. Ganapathi Agraharam ...			
10	Do. Vadapathipadugai ...			
11	Do. Madhiyarjunam ...			
12	Arasalar at Serukai ...			
13	Do. Annalagraharam ...			
14	Do. Vishnupuram ...			
15	Do. Nellicherry ...			
16	Do. Kadagambadi ...			
17	Do. Porakudi ...			
18	Do. Kadagamgudi ...			
19	Do. Shembavarambal ...			
20	Do. Pandaravada Tirupendurai ...			
21	Do. Thukkayacherri ...			
22	Do. Tiruvalanjushi ...			
23	Do. Vadapathipadugai ...			
24	Tirumalarajan at Papanasam ...			
25	Do. Pattiswaram ...			
26	Do. Tediur ...			
27	Do. Polagam ...			
28	Do. Kugur ...			
29	Kodamuriti at Papanasam ...	Foot-passengers (each)...	0 0 2	0 0 1
30	Do. Valuttur ...	Cattle, including bandy and pack bullocks do.	0 0 6	0 0 8
31	Do. Aiyampettai ...	Sheep each ...	0 0 2	0 0 1
32	Do. Govindagudi ...	Horses each ...	0 1 0	0 0 6
33	Do. Pasupathicovil ...	Carts of all sorts each ...	0 2 0	0 1 0
34	Do. Melathurayur ...	Palanquins each ...	0 1 0	0 0 6
35	Vinnar at Budalur ...			
36	Do. Malirmalai ...			
37	Do. Sermanellore ...			
38	Do. Tenkuvalaiveli ...			
39	Vettur at Milattur ...			
40	Do. Mattur ...			
41	Do. Vedambur ...			
42	Do. Mugaudanur ...			
43	Mudikondan at Tenampadugai ...			
44	Do. Vikrapandiam ...			
45	Do. Parithicherri ...			
46	Mamiyar at Nagambadi ...			
47	Palavar at Neppathur ...			
48	Do. Narayanaamangalam ...			
49	Pandavayar at Vinavassal ...			
50	Virasholagan at Madhiyarjunam ...			
51	Kaduvayar at Tevur ...			
52	Do. Negapatam ...			
53	Odampokiyar at Enangadu ...			
54	Kattuvaiikal at Alugudi ...			
55	Adappar at Calimedu ...			
56	Do. Elanturai ...			
57	Uppanayar at Tirumalavasal ...			
58	Do. Radhanallur ...			

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

W. HUDLESTON, Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George, January 24, 1871.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 18 of the Madras Municipal Act IX. of 1867, the Governor in Council directs the publication of the following Statements of Receipts and Disbursements on account of the Municipal Fund, from 1st January to 31st October 1870, together with the Minutes of the Proceedings of the General Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras held on the 30th November 1870 :—

Cost of 1871 3000000

PUBLIC.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Madras.
Ac., Ac., Ac.

Dated January, 17th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 17th January 1871, No. 61.

JANUARY.
Nos. 56-57.

Sanctioning the rates, taxes, and tolls proposed by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras to be levied under the provisions of Act IX. of 1867 for the year 1871, and directing the publication of the usual Notification, together with the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements from 1st January to 31st October 1870.

MUNICIPALITY STATEMENT of Receipts and Disbursements

RECEIPTS.	Budget Estimates for 1870.	Total of Budget Estimates under Major Heads.	Receipts from 1st Jan. to 31st Aug. 1870.	Receipts in Sept. and October 1870.	Total Receipts.	Total Receipts under Major Heads.	REMARKS.
RATES ON HOUSES, BUILDINGS, & LANDS.	RS.	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
Arrears		2,80,000	49,285 11 8	4,212 2 1	53,497 13 9		
Current			95,447 15 6	76,821 14 7	1,71,769 14 1	2,25,267 11 10	
TAX ON ARTS, PROFESSIONS, TRADES, AND CALLINGS UNDER ACT IX. OF 1865.			268 2 2	635 5 1	903 7 3	903 7 3	Realized by sale of property distrained last year and sums held in deposit on this account.
Do. UNDER ACT IX. OF 1867.							
Arrears for 1868		85,000	457 8 0	157 0 0	614 8 0		
Arrears for 1869			5,732 0 0	711 0 0	6,443 0 0		
Current			56,175 0 0	6,055 0 0	62,230 0 0	69,297 8 0	
LIQUOR LICENSE TAX.							
Arrears for 1868		12,500	12 0 0		12 0 0		
Arrears for 1869			36 0 0		36 0 0		
Current			8,731 0 0	161 0 0	8,892 0 0	8,940 0 0	
TAX ON CARRIAGES, HORSES, AND OTHER ANIMALS.							
Arrears		45,800	13 8 0		13 8 0		
Current			31,882 12 0	2,086 8 0	33,968 10 0	33,986 4 0	
Prospective				53 8 0	53 8 0		
REGISTRATION OF CARTS AND OTHER VEHICLES WITHOUT SPRINGS.							
Arrears		12,040	42 0 0		42 0 0		
Current			10,422 0 0	1,523 0 0	11,944 0 0		
Prospective							
Registration Fees			29 8 0	7 0 0	36 8 0	12,022 8 0	
TOLLS ON CARRIAGES AND ANIMALS ENTERING THE TOWN.							
Farm		42,000	28,350 0 0	8,100 0 0	36,450 0 0	36,450 0 0	
Composition			552 0 0	9 8 0	561 8 0	561 8 0	Accountable to the Farmer of Tolls.
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Govt. Contribution towards Maintenance of Roads	31,500		85,000 0 0		85,000 0 0		
Rent of Market Stalls	5,250		4,698 8 10	1,670 12 9	6,368 5 7		
Fees from Slaughter-houses	5,800		3,707 14 6	972 14 8	4,680 12 9		
Strand Rents	1,000		385 10 2	40 5 10	426 0 0		
Fees for Licenses for dangerous and Offensive Trades.							
Permanent	3,600		1,576 9 8	1,169 13 11	2,746 7 2	4,510 1 8	
Temporary			1,438 10 6	325 0 0	1,763 10 6		
Proceeds of Rubbish Sales	320		1,236 8 0	316 4 0	1,552 12 0		
Proceeds of Sale of Hay, &c.	4,500		1,721 14 0	243 0 0	1,964 14 0		
Govt. Grant for Zoological Col- lections	3,960	18,770	3,960 0 0		3,960 0 0	9,698 3 1	
Tiger Collections	2,500		1,050 4 0	243 12 6	1,294 0 6		
Balance at Credit	2,816		2,359 9 10		2,359 9 10		
Miscellaneous			103 6 9	14 4 0	117 10 9		
Government Grant for Drains	500		539 7 2		539 7 2		
Grazing and Avenues	2,300		2,490 10 1	1,649 8 9	3,339 13 10		
Demand & Warrant Fees	3,300		1,044 12 1	720 5 2	1,765 1 3		
Fines, Police	800		539 13 0	507 12 0	1,047 9 0		
Do. on Contractors				5 0 0	5 0 0		
Do. on Departments	3,600		2,802 6 8	604 7 0	3,406 13 8		
Interest on Govt. Securities	1,492		1,492 0 0		1,492 0 0		
Unpaid Bills of all Departments	20,000						
Other Items	2,500		843 8 5	165 12 1	1,009 4 6		
Sewage Farm		95,738	208 0 8	26 10 8	234 11 4	75,035 4 6	Realized by sale of produce.
Sale Proceeds of Land			608 0 0	195 0 0	798 0 0	886 13 8	
The Municipal Fund of Madras			88 13 3		88 13 3		Composition for a debt due by the Sureties of a Conicopillay since 1845.
Improving Annappillay and Anchiappah Naick Streets			2,363 2 1	283 5 4	2,646 7 5		
Do. Isaac and Permal Chetty Streets, John Porciras			54 10 8	550 0 0	604 10 8		
Widening Vepery High Road			136 5 7		136 5 7		
Do. Paravalkum High Road			235 1 4		235 1 4	4,093 0 3	Sale proceeds of land and building materials, &c.
Forming Napier Park behind Burghalla's Stables			114 7 0	356 0 3	470 7 3		
Conservancy (Out-Door Establishment).			2 0 0		2 0 0		Amount over-drawn and refunded, to be adjusted at the end of the year.
Salaries			1,000 0 0		1,000 0 0		Proportion of Executive Engineer's salary up to January last, debited to Water-works account.
Income Tax			1,670 0 0	888 0 0	2,558 15 0		Accountable to Government.
Lighting Addition			25 5 6	11 14 0	37 8 6	3,166 2 6	Reimbursement for Burners, &c. re- turned, and recoveries for breakages of lanterns to be set off against expenditure.
Law Charges including Stamp Duty			40 0 0	28 0 0	68 0 0		Realized chiefly by awards to be set off against expenditure.
Advances recovered			8,647 13 0	1,560 0 0	10,207 13 0	10,207 13 0	
Carried forward			5,75,078	8,69,612 14 8	1,11,429 13 8	4,81,042 11 11	

OF MADRAS. from 1st January to 31st October 1870.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Budget Grants for 1870.	Total of Budget Grants under Major Heads.	Disbursements from 1st Jan. to 31st Aug. 1870.	Disbursements in Sept. and October 1870.	Total Dis- bursements.	Total Dis- bursements under Major Heads.	REMARKS.
SALARIES	RS. 40,652	RS. 49,652	RS. A. P. 33,085 7 9	RS. A. P. 6,787 1 7	RS. A. P. 39,872 9 4	RS. A. P. 39,872 9 4	
ESTABLISHMENT.							
GENERAL DEPARTMENT	5,682	5,682	3,792 8 0	947 0 0	4,739 8 0	4,739 8 0	
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE	14,022		9,433 15 0	2,270 11 2	11,713 10 11		
MISCELLANEOUS :-		16,522					This excess is owing to a part of the salaries of the Conicopillays having been paid in the shape of Commis- sion ; a corresponding saving would appear in the Establishment charge.
Extra Writers	500		260 1 8	76 6 6	336 8 2	14,334 5 3	
Commission	1,500		1,493 0 11	614 2 3	2,107 3 2		
Extra Coolies	500		130 2 6	46 12 6	176 15 0		
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE	4,836		3,189 8 6	955 3 2	4,144 11 8		Rs. 154-8-6 of this forms a charge upon the grant for "Emergent Reserve." Vide Proceedings of General Meeting, 30th May 1870.
MISCELLANEOUS :-		6,336					
Extra Writers	280		70 0 0	3 0 0	73 0 0	5,002 8 8	
Commission to Inspectors	900		523 0 0	41 8 0	564 8 0		
Commissioners' Fees	320		170 0 0	50 0 0	220 0 0		
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER'S OFFICE.							
In-door	3,504	7,728	2,166 0 0	534 0 0	2,700 0 0		
Out-door	4,224		1,829 11 6	437 0 0	2,266 11 6	4,966 11 6	
CONSERVANCY.							
In-door	2,304		991 0 0	290 12 4	1,281 12 4		
Out-door	1,42,002	1,51,806	90,131 5 11	22,356 15 8	1,12,488 5 2	1,19,416 6 6	
Registry of Births and Deaths	6,000		3,613 7 4	1,033 13 8	4,646 5 0		
Vaccination	1,000		1,000 0 0		1,000 0 0		
CONTINGENCIES.		1,87,574				1,48,459 2 11	
Stationery	2,400		1,543 9 0	143 9 4	1,687 2 4		
Printing Charges	2,200		1,111 15 3	272 14 11	1,384 14 2		
Advertising Charges	750		297 14 0	188 1 0	485 15 0		
Extra Writers	500		20 8 0		20 8 0		
Law Charges including Stamp Duty ..	1,500		1,340 3 0	379 1 0	1,719 4 0		
Engineer's Office Rent	1,200		826 0 6	195 8 2	1,021 8 8		
Insurance on Office Premises, &c.	125		125 0 0		125 0 0		
Office Furniture	500		195 15 6		195 15 6		
Compassionate Allowance	1,000		785 0 0	73 10 7	858 10 7		
Miscellaneous	500		743 6 11	287 8 5	1,030 15 4		
Census	12,500		1,000 0 0		1,000 0 0		
Maps of Divisions	3,000			200 0 0	200 0 0		
Interest on Loan on Water-works ..	30,000		2,021 14 8		2,021 14 8		
Sinking Fund for Liquidation of the Water Works Loan			1,010 15 4		1,010 15 4	8,032 14 0	
Police.		62,175					
Contribution to Government under Section 99 of Act IX. of 1867	1,07,233	1,07,232	71,488 0 0	17,873 0 0	89,360 0 0	12,712 11 7	
CONSERVANCY.						89,360 0 0	
Repairing Carts, &c.	1,200		872 2 1	579 12 5	1,451 14 6		
Repair of Boats	200						
Cleaning Main Drain	1,000		505 0 0	30 13 5	535 13 5		
Excavating pits for burying Rubbish, &c.	2,000		3,012 2 8	1,388 12 3	4,400 14 11		
Slaughtering Dogs	500		319 3 4	232 0 2	551 3 6		
Sanding Latrines	1,750		352 6 0	259 7 9	611 13 9		
Stores	2,000		866 4 0	529 8 3	1,395 13 3		
Extra Establishment for cleaning Parcheries, &c., during Epidemic ..	3,000		1,293 2 3	91 9 11	1,384 12 2		
Disinfectants	500		292 11 0	139 7 3	431 8 3		
Contingent	2,500		1,369 0 0	417 0 0	1,786 0 0		
Contribution for the working of the Contagious Diseases' Act	4,500		750 0 0	1,500 0 0	2,250 0 0		
PUBLIC WORKS ORDINARY.		10,160				14,812 14 8	
Now-Buildings.							
Constructing Public Latrines	5,000		1,637 3 10	752 5 4	2,389 9 2		
Do. Urinals	1,000		789 14 1	8 8 0	798 2 1		
Do. Cisterns	5,000	12,000	2,465 14 7	453 3 6	2,919 2 1	7,721 5 5	
Do. Dust Bins	1,000		998 15 11	629 4 2	1,627 10 1		
(Opening out new roads through Boatmen's huts, Royapooram.)	750						
Improvements at the junction of Jeremiah's Road and Hunter's Road, Vepery	600		600 0 0		600 0 0		
Purchase of land for improving Rutler's Lane, Paravalkum	80	4,320				1,694 1 8	
Purchase of land for improving Mannick Maistry Street, Tri- phicani	890		12 14 3		12 14 3		
Constructing Foot-paths	1,090		1,081 3 5		1,081 3 5		
Making new Street Boards	1,000						
New Metalling of Roads, 1st Divn.	1,492						
Do. do. 2nd do.	1,052		57 9 7	219 8 0	277 1 7		
Do. do. 3rd do.	1,490						
Do. do. 4th do.	2,190		166 11 4	10 8 8	177 4 0		
Do. do. 5th do.	1,471		1,186 3 1	115 4 11	1,301 8 0		
Do. do. 6th do.	888			212 10 1	212 10 1		
Do. do. 7th do.	773		341 5 9		341 5 9		
Do. do. 8th do.	630		6 5 4		6 5 4		
Carried forward	26,320	4,25,783	2,53,256 7 3	63,692 8 8	11,731 9 10	2,05,947 6 1	

This excess is owing to a part of the salaries of the Conicopillays having been paid in the shape of Commission ; a corresponding saving would appear in the Establishment charge.

This excess is owing partly to arrears of last year paid this year, & partly to Law charges being heavy in consequence of Prosecutions with respect to Tanneries, &c.

Rs. 818-14-0 of this is chargeable to "Emergent Reserve." Vide Proceedings of General Meeting 29th January 1870, and the remaining excess is unavoidable. The Budget grant was lower than last year's.

The Budget grant was made on the average of the 2 previous years. The carts were made in 1867 and 1868 ; the older they get the more extensive become the repairs.

The Boat Establishment having been reduced, a larger quantity of Rubbish is now piled. The grant of 2,304 Rs. for working Cisterns has not been availed of to any extent. The expenditure under this head in 1869 was Rs. 622-2-7.

Rs. 620-4-2s chargeable to "Emergent Reserve." Vide Proceedings of General Meeting 30th September 1870.

A portion of this is for arrears of last year and covered by the grant for "Estimates in Contractors' hand and emergent works in progress."

MUNICIPALITY
STATEMENT of Receipts and Disbursements.

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OF MADRAS.

from 1st January to 31st October 1870.

DISBURSEMENTS.	Budget Grants for 1870.	Total of Budget Grants under Major Heads.	Disbursements from 1st January to 31st Aug. 1870.	Disbursements in Sept. and Oct. 1870.	Total Disbursements.	Total Disbursements under Major Heads.	REMARKS.	
	RS.	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.		
Brought forward.....	26,320	4,25,783	2,58,256 7 3	63,692 8 8	11,731 9 10	3,05,217 6 1		
PUBLIC WORKS ORDINARY.								
<i>New—Improvements.</i>								
Forming Napier Park behind Burghall's Stables	6,000	23,350	4,064 3 8	3,163 2 5	7,227 0 1	.....	Rs. 462-5 of this excess is owing to high rates having been paid by Dy. Collector for acquiring the land which with the Receipt of Rs. 470-7 under this head Per Contra, reduces the over-expenditure to Rs. 610-12 which will be nearly recovered by the sale proceeds of old materials now hand at the Park.	
Fencing Coom River	2,850		1,850 13 10	1,310 2 4	3,161 0 2	†		† There are some materials on hand which will be sold and credited this year before the end of the year.
Sewage Farm	7,000		1,840 7 3	1,021 14 5	2,862 5 8	†		† Rs. 1,003-10-3 has been disbursed against this grant and included the proper headings.
Emergent Reserve	5,000	6,150	.....	.....	.....	14,840 3 3		
Improvement and extension of the New Burial and Burning grounds in DeMellow's Road	2,500		830 1 11	759 5 5	1,589 7 4	.....		
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>								
Planting Avenue from Grazing and Avenue Fund	3,250	5,170	1,993 5 6	1,198 7 11	3,191 13 5	5,609 1 8		
Ploughing and Planting Esplanades and Maintaining Wire Fence	2,900		1,797 6 6	619 13 9	2,417 4 8			
Constructing new Drains	3,000		2,071 12 3	694 5 2	2,766 1 5			
Completing Screw Pile Drain at North-East Angle of the Fort... ..	1,970	60,990	1,024 14 8	18 2 0	1,043 0 8	2,810 1 5		
Supplying Cast-Iron Cesspool Grates in place of Wooden ones	200		0 15 4	.....	0 15 4			
<i>Repairs—Buildings.</i>						35,991 0 2		
Repairing Slaughter-houses	500	5,550	62 5 4	4 0 5	66 5 9	1,504 0 8	{ The old iron boxes were so much worn that this expenditure was unavoidable.	
Do. General Market	800		152 8 0	91 1 6	243 9 6			
Do. Latrines ..	1,500		260 6 0	6 4 0	266 10 0			
Do. Cart Stands	250		54 9 3	21 3 3	75 12 6			
Do. Office Premises	1,000		20 13 11	.....	20 13 11			
Do. Public Wells	500		499 14 2	5 15 1	505 13 8			
Do. Dust Bins... ..	250		324 15 9	.....	324 15 9			
Do. Walls on road sides	500		.....	.....	.....			
Do. Toll Gates	250	.....	.....	.....				
<i>Repairs—Roads.</i>								
Maintenance of Roads, 1st Division.....	8,650	90,000	6,734 1 3	646 3 10	7,380 5 1	51,159 12 7	{ Rupees 22,959-1-10 has been disbursed on account of this grant & included in special headings.	
Do. do. 2nd do.	8,550		2,661 10 11	558 13 3	3,220 8 2			
Do. do. 3rd do.	13,050		9,016 8 8	1,088 7 6	10,103 0 2			
Do. do. 4th do.	6,450		3,244 2 11	2,135 0 3	5,379 3 2			
Do. do. 5th do.	13,750		8,570 14 9	1,733 8 5	5,804 7 2			
Do. do. 6th do.	11,250		1,054 12 10	547 11 11	1,602 8 9			
Do. do. 7th do.	9,950		6,132 15 5	810 14 5	6,943 3 10			
Do. do. 8th do.	18,350		9,214 0 1	2,111 14 2	11,325 14 3			
Estimates in Contractors' hands and Emergent works in progress	20,000	24,600	.....	.....	.....	.....		
Repairing Wooden Railings in Roads ...	500		352 15 6	20 6 9	373 0 3	3,287 0 0		
Do. Street Boards	400		.....	.....	.....			
Removing Prickly-Pears	500		60 0 10	90 14 9	150 15 7			
Watering Mount Road and North Beach Road	8,000	2,078 8 9	500 0 0	2,578 8 9				
Extension of Watering	200		189 1 5	189 1 5				
<i>Drains.</i>								
Repairing & re-building Masonry Drains	3,000	3,000	1,329 3 3	863 11 2	2,192 14 5	58,148 11 8		
LIGHTING.		1,23,150						
Maintenance... ..	10,000	25,000	13,096 8 9	3,006 5 3	16,102 14 0			
Addition	6,000		3,446 1 8	848 15 1	4,295 0 9			
MISCELLANEOUS.								
People's Park	14,384	14,384	9,902 2 0	1,906 13 0	11,808 15 0	11,808 15 0		
Fire Engine Maintenance and Repairs ..	700		242 4 11	69 2 9	311 7 8			
Work-shop Establishment for Repairs.	1,000		745 15 1	182 0 0	927 15 1			
REFUNDS OF REVENUE.		10,084				13,048 5 9		
Refund of Tax on Arts, Professions, Trades, and Callings under Act IX. of 1867.								
Arrears for 1868			75 0 0	.....	75 0 0			
Arrears for 1869			923 8 0	.....	923 8 0			
Current			312 8 0	149 0 0	461 8 0			
Do. of Liquor License Tax.								
Arrears for 1868			12 0 0	.....	12 0 0			
Arrears for 1869			12 0 0	.....	12 0 0			
Do. of Rates on Houses, Buildings, and Lands (Arrears)	1,500		87 7 2	28 12 10	66 4 0			
Do. of Registration of Carts & other Vehicles without Springs (Current)			14 0 0	2 0 0	16 0 0			
Do. of Tax on Carriages, Horses, and other Animals (Current)			18 0 0	0 8 0	18 8 0			
Do. of Police Fines			8 0 0	2 8 0	10 8 0			
Do. of Grazing and Avenues		1,500	.....	500 0 0	500 0 0			
Carried forward.....	.....	6,52,507	3,44,485 8 0	90,408 1 8	.....	4,34,838 10 1	The Rs. 500 refunded to the Lessee the Esplanades was not contemplated at the time of the making of Budget. The remaining excess been unavoidable.	

Value of Govt. Promy. Notes for Co.	5,73,078	3,69,612 14 8	1,11,429 13 8	4,81,042 11 11
Rs. 37,390 in hand on 1 st Decem- ber 1869.	85,062			
Cash Balance in hand 1 st Dec. 1869.	40,000			80,810 7 1

Balance on the 31st of October 1870, exclusive of Government Pro. Notes..	0,22,900	3,67,519 5 10	93,507 0 8	4,61,886 6 6
happes	6,59,547	2,67,510 1 10	62,867 0 6	59,475 13 4

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a General Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, held at their Office premises, No. 22, Errah Bauloo Chetty Street, in the Black Town, on Wednesday the 30th of November 1870, pursuant to Section 17 of the "Madras Municipal Act of 1867."

PRESENT:

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Taken as read the following Report of the Budget Committee, dated 25th November 1870, with all the Appendices.

Madras, November 25, 1870.

TO THE PRESIDENT, MADRAS MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.

SIR,—The Committee appointed at the last General Meeting to revise the Budget Estimate for 1871 have given careful attention to the matter and report as follows:—

2. Referring first to the estimated receipts, we propose to substitute Rupees 2,73,000 for Rupees 2,80,000 under the head of House and Land-rates, as we fear the larger sum will not be collected; and it is well to take every care that the income be not over-estimated, else there may not exist towards the end of the year sufficient funds to carry out the authorized expenditure. We propose, however, to add the sum of Rupees 6,000, which, it is hoped, may be received in 1871 from ground rents. This item has hitherto been received by Government, but is now transferred to the Municipality. This sum will raise the gross rate to Rs. 2,79,000.

3. The Committee recommend that the estimates for License Tax, Carriage Tax, and Miscellaneous Receipts remain unaltered, except in the item of Fines and Sale of old stores. Fines on Contractors should stand at Rupees 500 and those from the Police at Rupees 1,000. Sales of old stores should produce Rupees 200 at least. These items would, therefore, stand at Rupees 94,000 for License Tax, Rupees 51,000 for Carriage Tax, and Rupees 91,400 for Miscellaneous Receipts, instead of Rupees 90,400 as in the first estimate.

4. We conceive that the estimates of Liquor License Tax and Cart Registration are excessive, looking to the present and probable condition of the trade of Madras, and would reduce the first from Rs. 12,000 to Rs. 11,700, and the second from Rs. 14,000 to Rs. 12,500.

5. It is gratifying to be able to report that the Tolls on Carriages will, in 1871, produce Rs. 49,000, while for 1869 the receipts were but Rs. 42,000. This marked increase, based doubtless on the actual net returns of the Contractor, gives

evidence of increased communication and trade between the town and its surrounding districts. With the revival of trade the Tolls may be expected to return sums still more considerable in future years.

6. With the alterations proposed, the Committee anticipate a total income of Rs. 6,13,600. The estimate for 1870 was Rs. 5,73,078. There is, therefore, an estimated increase of Rs. 40,522. When it is remembered that no tax has been increased in rate of incidence and that the estimated income has been carefully reduced to amounts that may fairly be expected, this result is very gratifying. It is ascertained that the annual value of house-property in Madras increases at about the rate of half a lac per annum, and although this only adds to the Municipal funds about Rs. 3,800 each year, it tells of a progress which influences for the better all sources of Municipal income. It is true that one or two unexpected items have swelled the returns by about Rs. 10,000, but such happen every year and ought not to be thrown out of the calculation. It would not be right to omit to note that the improvement reported above is largely owing to the increased activity which, during the past three months, has marked the Municipal administration in the departments engaged in Collection. The thanks of the Commissioners are due to Major Bowen for the many improvements introduced by him.

7. Turning to the Expenditure, we have had much difficulty in reconciling the many crying wants of the city with its limited income. There is ample and profitable occasion for the expending of 20 lacs of rupees in Engineering and Conservancy works alone and, till the drainage reform is fairly attempted, all else is merely a palliation of enormous evils. Something has, however, been done in the proposed opening of streets, provision of dust boxes, new metalling of roads, improvement of burial and burning grounds and, most of all, the bringing under control and reform those hot beds of disease—the Parcherries of Madras. For all of these objects grants are recommended. It is hoped that further effort may induce Government to grant the loan necessary for a real attack upon the greater evils. The Municipality ask no pecuniary grant from Government, and will readily pay the interest and sinking fund demanded.

8. Under the head of salaries for supervision, we do not propose to make any alteration. It is not probable that the sum budgeted for the salary of the Assistant will be thus required, but, in the absence of official information, it is not possible to do otherwise than provide for the full charge contemplated by present arrangements. Should Mr. Cardozo receive a pension, it is possible that the sum budgeted will meet both it and the Assistant's salary.

9. No change is proposed in the General Department. A large reduction was made last year, and further action in the same direction is unwise.

10. With regard to the Collector's Department we regret to have to notice that, during the last few months, the late Officiating President made certain changes in the License Tax organization, which involved not only a considerable increase of salary to certain officers, but also a large permanent charge on Municipal Funds, without either obtaining the sanction of the Commissioners at a General Meeting, or the supplemental budget grant required by the Act. We doubt not that Major Bowen had good reasons for effecting the change, and have, therefore, passed the extra charge for 1871, as the Officiating

President has kindly promised to give his attention to the matter and favour the Board with his opinions thereon at an early date.

11. We are compelled, however, to record our opinion that the Assessor should be relieved from all but purely assessing work. His duties are the base of all Municipal collection and cannot be too carefully performed. The Finance Committee, the last year's Budget Committee, the Auditor for 1870, and the Government Order on the report of the latter, have all urged that the Assessor should be set free from duties not properly his own. Yet, during the past months, the whole machinery for the collection of the Trade, Liquor, Carriages and Cart License Taxes have been placed under his charge. It is impossible that he can do all that is asked of him, and the Committee would strongly urge once more that all collection should be made by the Collector, and that the Assessor should only be called upon to assess and prepare the various registers required by the Collector.

12. The Manager of the Dstraint Department is recommended for an increase of Rupees 5 per mensem in lieu of a per-centage of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the collections made through him. The change is made by desire of the President. While on this subject the Committee would suggest that it is undesirable that a Budget Committee should be called upon to discuss and recommend increased allowances to officers of the Municipality, and suggest that all such should be brought forward by the President at the September Meeting in each year, so that they may be regularly sanctioned before the Budget is drawn up.

13. The yearly charges of the Collector's Department are increased by the sum of Rupees 1,000 required for the collection of ground rents. In future years, when the establishment is settled, this item should be added to the House and Land-rates Department. It is proposed that the charge of Rupees 1,000 for Commission be reduced to Rupees 750, as the Commission system is not now fully carried out. By the changes noted above the sum required for the Collector's Department will be Rupees 21,896.

14. No change is proposed for the Assessor's Department beyond that generally described in para. 11.

15. In the Engineer's Department no change is made except that a charge of Rupees 25 per mensem for Manager's services is debited to the Water Works. Rupees 20 has hitherto been thus charged. The Store-keeper has also been brought upon the staff. His salary has hitherto been charged with the stores.

16. We recommend three reductions in the charges for the People's Park. They are not considerable, and are noted in the accompanying tables. It is highly desirable that the Park should pay its own expenses, and its present rate of progress leads to the hope that in a few years this will be the case. Nothing less should be considered as the standard of efficient management.

17. The grant for lighting is unaltered, but it is suggested that a considerable saving may perhaps be made by the direct purchase of the Oil from the American Manufacturers. The quantity required is very large.

18. The very limited income of the Municipality has rendered it impossible to arrange for more than a small portion of the Engineering works that are really necessary. But we are strongly of opinion that what can be done should be done, and recommend an additional outlay of

more than Rupees 12,000 on new works. Among other things the grant for dust boxes has been nearly doubled as also has that for new metalling of roads. We propose also that an attempt should now be made to remodel our Parcherries, and have set apart Rupees 5,000 for this purpose, and trust that the result will encourage Government to act liberally in the matter of a loan for public improvements. Appendix B, Part I. will explain in detail the other modifications proposed. Under the head of Improvements an item of Rupees 12,800 will be seen. It is intended to improve the Vepery High Road at that cost if a corresponding sum be received, as is hoped, by the sale of the sites thus improved. It is understood that the expenditure on this work shall not exceed the receipts from it.

19. Few alterations have been made in Part 2 of Appendix B (repairs). The only one requiring notice is that of "removing monkeys." It is hoped that by this means the town may be relieved from what is now a great nuisance.

20. The appended report of a Sub-Committee upon the Conservancy Budget will explain the alterations made in that Department and included in Appendix A. We think that a complete statement of the organization of the Conservancy work should accompany each Budget, in the form now submitted as Appendix C.

21. We do not recommend the system of grades among the Inspectors as proposed by the Sub-Committee, for the following reasons—

(a.) We are convinced that the present system by which each Inspector is made responsible for an immense area is radically unsound.

(b.) It is impossible for any man, however active, to supervise efficiently more than one division.

(c.) Until the supervising agency is re-organized, the Sanitary Department cannot be as sufficient as its means permit.

(d.) If the grade system be now introduced a future re-organization will be impeded by vested interests.

We therefore recommend that, until further action be taken, the three highly paid Inspectorships should not be filled up as vacancies occur. Officiating officers could perform the duties of the officers in question.

22. We at first thought it desirable to recommend Budget grants as per margin, so as to provide for an early introduction of a revised organization, but under the advice of the Officiating President, and believing that, when his

INSPECTORS.		Total monthly charge Rs. 855	attention has been fully given to the subject, the President will also see the advisability of the reform which experience compels the Committee to suggest; we now recommend that the staff described in Appendix C., and almost identical with that originally proposed, be budgeted for. The amount so granted will suffice for the new system should it be introduced. Whatever system be carried out in the future, we strongly urge that, as a rule, all the better paid appointments should be filled by promotion from the lower grades. It is impossible to expect efficiency when outsiders are appointed to every vacant post. We recommend that the whole subject should be referred to the Amalgamation Committee, and forward herewith certain papers connected with the sub-
2, 1st Grade at Rs. 90	90		
3, 2nd do at „ 70	70		
3, 3rd do at „ 60	60		
OVERSEERS.			
4, 1st Grade at Rs. 25	25		
4, 2nd do at „ 20	20		
7, 3rd do at „ 15	15		

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ject, containing especially an outline of a scheme of revision by Mr. Krishnama Chariar, which appears to the Committee to deserve favourable consideration.

23. We would also report that the Market Establishment appears to be doubly deficient. In the first place, although the men employed are paid by the Municipality, they are not under its control. This is clearly contrary to every principle of efficiency. In the second place, and as a natural consequence of the first, it is far too expensive. We therefore recommend that early steps should be taken to place the whole of the Market Staff fully under the control of the President, and when this is done the establishment should be carefully revised, so that the President may be able to give the fullest attention to the matter we pass the present charge, but trust it may not be drawn.

24. The Workshop and Stores Department are under the charge of the Engineer, but as they are principally concerned with supplying the needs of the Sanitary Department we refer to them here. We note that the Store-keeper should be on the regular establishment and have transferred his name to the Engineer's list. The workshop accounts require attention, and should especially record the history of old or disused stores. A stores ledger should be maintained, and we understand the necessary orders have already been issued. Without systematic accounts it is impossible to apportion an accurate Budget grant. We have inserted in the Budget a credit of Rupees 200 which, it is expected, may be realized in 1871 by the regular sale of condemned stores.

25. The remaining heads demand little notice. The Census will require fully the amount granted, but a portion of the expense will probably fall on 1872. The item of interest is but the forerunner of what will in future years be a most important item. It is devoted to providing the interest and sinking fund on the Water Works loan. A sum of Rupees, 2,600 is set apart for the provision of suitable maps of Madras. When complete they will be a great

boon, and will materially aid many departments of the Municipal Administration.

26. The total expenditure thus proposed is Rupees 6,38,413, a sum which, though Rupees 14,094 less than last year's expenditure grants, is still about Rupees 25,000 in excess of the net income that may be expected. It must not, however, be forgotten that the large proportion of Rupees 1,17,232 or nearly one-fifth of the total outlay is paid to Government for purposes which can scarcely be called Municipal, and which in rural districts are met entirely from Imperial funds. Looking to the area from which Municipal funds are collected, we find that on an average, an annual tax of no less than Rupees 15 is levied on each household in Madras, a sum equivalent to an addition to the rent of 1½ Rupees per month. When it is remembered that the average monthly rental of each house does not probably exceed Rupees 5 per mensem, it may be judged how heavy is the pressure upon the population, and this, be it remembered, in addition to Imperial taxation, of which the townspeople have their full share. The people have a right to expect that so heavy a burden should carry with it a correspondingly efficient administration.

27. The cash balance expected at the end of 1871 is Rupees 33,187, but this will certainly be largely trenched upon to meet the supplemental budgets that must be met in the course of the year.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants.

(Signed) CHARLES H. GOVER.
 (") V. KRISHNAMA CHARIAR.
 (") Y. VENKATARAMIAH.
 (") M. S. SHADAGOPA MOODELLIAR.
 (") C. J. ROGERS.
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 (") J. P. WALLER.

MUNICIPALITY OF MADRAS.
GENERAL ABSTRACT OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATE OF RECEIPTS AND CHARGES FOR THE YEAR 1871.
Ordinary.

RECEIPTS.	Actuals for the first 9 months of 1870.	Estimate for 1870.	Estimate for 1871.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
1. Rates on Houses, Buildings and Lands and Ground Rents ...	1,69,737	2,80,000	2,73,000	...	1,000	
2. Tax on Arts, Trades, Professions, and Callings under Act IX. of 1867 ...	65,801	85,000	94,000	9,000	...	
3. Liquor License-tax ...	8,893	12,500	11,700	...	800	
4. Tax on Carriages and Animals ...	33,449	45,800	51,000	5,200	...	
5. Fees on Registration of Carts ...	11,451	12,040	12,500	460	...	
6. Tolls on Carriages, &c. ...	32,400	42,000	43,000	7,000	...	
7. Miscellaneous ...	75,020	75,738	91,400	15,662	...	
8. Reserve for unpaid Bills ...	...	20,000	35,000	5,000	...	
Total...	3,96,716	5,73,078	6,13,600	42,322	1,800	
Balance on 1st January, including Securities ...	65,881	75,063	85,000	...	17,062	
Losses in Charges ...	...	4,367	...	...	...	
Total...	4,62,597	5,52,507	6,71,600	43,333	18,862	
CHARGES.						
1. Office—Salaries and Establishments ...	1,62,812	2,30,586	2,33,890	...	6,696	
2. Conservancy Charges other than Establishments ...	10,247	14,650	15,660	1,010	...	
3. Public Works—New Repairs ...	23,830	54,840	59,349	4,509	...	
4. Reserve for unpaid Bills ...	48,603	1,09,300	98,800	...	10,500	
5. Contributions to Government ...	32,628	20,000	25,000	5,000	...	
6. Refunds of Revenue ...	82,974	1,13,733	1,17,233	4,500	...	
7. Registry of Births and Deaths ...	17,306	25,000	26,000	1,000	...	
8. Interest on Loan ...	1,441	1,500	1,500	...	...	
9. Census ...	4,194	36,000	23,500	...	12,500	
10. Miscellaneous and Contingent ...	1,000	12,500	11,500	...	1,000	
Total...	3,97,173	6,52,507	6,38,413	16,019	30,113	
Balance on 31st December ...	...	...	33,187	...	...	
Total...	3,97,173	6,52,507	6,71,600	16,019	30,113	

Net Decrease of Expenditure in 1871, Rupees 14,094.

Extraordinary.

1. Loan to be raised ...	...	3,00,000	3,00,000	...	...	Public Works— 1. General Improvements 2. New General Market... 3. New Main Drain ...	...	1,00,000 1,00,000 1,00,000	...	...	...
Total...	...	3,00,000	3,00,000	...	...			3,00,000	...	...	...

* Cash... 21,500 0 0
 Govt. Securities ... 36,500 0 0
 Net Increase in 1871, Rupees 23,460.

Rs... 53,000 0 0

Municipal Commissioners' Office, Madras,
 28th November 1870.

JOHN C. LOCH,
Officiating President of the Municipal Commission.

APPENDIX B.

PART I.—PUBLIC WORKS.

New.

DETAILED ESTIMATE of Charges for Works proposed to be carried out by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras during the year 1871.

Municipal Division.	No.	Works.		Estimate for 1870.	Estimate for 1871.
		Locality.	Description.		
			<i>New Buildings.</i>		
...	1	.....	Constructing Public Latrines	5,000	2,000
...	2	.....	Do. Urinal	1,000	1,000
...	3	.....	Do. Cinerators	5,000	3,000
...	4	.....	Do. Dust Bins	1,000	3,500
			Total ...	12,000	9,500
			<i>Roads.</i>		
1	5	Royapoorum ...	Opening out new roads through Boatmen's huts, Royapoorum	750	750
4	6	Vepery ...	Improvements at the junction of Jeremiah's Road and Hunter's Road, Vepery	600	.....
4	7	Pursewaulkum ..	Purchase of Land for Improving Rutler's Lane, Pursewaulkum	80	.....
6	8	Triplicane ...	Purchase of land for improving Munnick Maistry's Street, Triplicane	890	875
	9	.....	Constructing Foot-paths	1,000	500
	10	.....	Making New Street Roads	1,000	200
1	11	.....	New Metalling of Roads	1,492	700
2	...	.....	Do.	1,052	800
3	...	.....	Do.	1,490	400
4	...	.....	Do.	2,190	.....
5	...	.....	Do.	1,471	400
6	...	.....	Do.	888	400
7	...	.....	Do.	778	2,100
8	...	.....	Do.	689	200
			Opening out Peddoo Naick's Street ... ..	.....	1,404
			Extending Perambore Barracks Road to Police Commissioner's Road ... ..	.....	2,000
			Opening out Naval Hospital Road ... ..	.....	1,370
			Improving Andeapah Naick Street... ..	.....	2,250
			Total ...	14,320	14,849
			<i>Improvements.</i>		
6	12	Chintadripet tah	Forming Napier Park behind Burghall's Stables	6,000	3,000
...	13	.....	Fencing Coom Rriver	2,850	.....
...	14	.....	Sewage Farm extension	7,000	1,000
...	15	.....	Improvement and extension of Burial and Burning grounds	2,500	.....
4	16	Vepery ...	Removal of Houses in Vepery High Road ... ..	.....	12,800
...	17	.....	Emergent Reserve	5,000	4,500
			Constructing Conservancy Cart Sheds ... ..	.....	2,000
			Constructing Cart Stands ... ..	.....	3,000
			Erection of Model Pacherries ... ..	.....	5,000
			Total ...	23,350	31,300
			<i>Drains.</i>		
...	18	.....	Constructing new drains	3,000	3,000
...	19	.....	Completing Screw Pile Drain at North-East Angle of the Fort	1,970	500
...	20	.....	Supplying Cast-Iron Cess-pool Grates in place of Wooden ones	200	200
			Total ...	5,170	3,700
			Grand Total ...	54,840	59,349

SUPPLEMENT TO
The Fort St. George Gazette,

MADRAS, 24TH JANUARY 1871.

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We beg to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of the ASYLUM PRESS ALMANAC for the current year. This Almanac is the first in the field, and contains the same amount of carefully compiled information, as in former years. Its reputation as a most useful book of reference is fully sustained. The Retrospect, with which the volume opens, is of more than ordinary interest, in consequence of the changes that have taken place in European politics during the last six or eight months; we here find a summary of the causes that led to this most distressing war and its progress, written in an impartial spirit, simply stating facts as they occurred, which is by far the best way of recording events of the day—without party spirit or prejudice. The get-up of the book has not been forgotten: in the efforts to render its pages attractive the outside has received its due share of notice, and has been rendered yet more pleasing to the eye than before; green is the color chosen this year for the binding, with an embellishment of gilt. In this Almanac we also observe a very complete list of Coffee, Tea and Chinchona Estates in Wynaad, Mysore, Coorg, Neilgherries and the Shevaroya. There has evidently been much care and pains taken in the preparation of this list. The information it contains cannot fail to be both useful and interesting to those concerned. The great improvement shown in the preparation of these lists, is to us one of the most satisfactory features of this very satisfactory volume.

From this Press has also been issued a very carefully got up Map of the town of Madras and its environs. Such a Map has been very much wanted, and cannot fail to be of the utmost service, particularly to visitors.—*South of India Observer*, Jan. 5.

We have to thank Mr. THOMAS for a copy of the ASYLUM PRESS ALMANAC for 1871. When favored with the last year's publication we were under the impression that improvement had been exhausted, but the Almanac before us is as superior to its predecessor, as that was to the one before it. The appendix will be as useful to a special class of readers as the entire volume to the general public. We allude to the Acts passed in 1870 by the Government of India and the Government of Madras. The price that would have to be paid for these Acts if purchased separately, makes the Almanac an exceedingly cheap publication—a point of recommendation that has not perhaps occurred to many. The "Summary" prefixed to the volume is an able resume of the "events in 1870," bringing under one view all the more important occurrences of the year, and disposing of them with appropriate judicious remarks.—*Neilgherry Excelsior*, Jan. 13.

MAP OF MADRAS.—We acknowledge with thanks the receipt, from the Superintendent of the Asylum Press, of a neatly executed Map of Madras and its environs. The scale is three inches to the mile, and as far as we have been able to judge the positions of the several places has been accurately set down. A time scale, showing the interval in seconds between the flash and report of the time signal gun at the outer North gate of Fort St. George to the places denoted on the map, is a valuable addition, and will, we are sure, be duly appreciated.—*Athenaeum & Daily News*, Jan. 2.

The MAP can be had for Rs. Two.

Repairs.

DETAILED ESTIMATE of Charges for Repairs proposed to be carried out by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras during the year 1871.

Municipal Division.	Locality.	Nature of Repair.	Estimate for 1870.	Estimate for 1871.
		<i>Buildings.</i>	RS.	RS.
		Repairing Slaughter-houses	500	500
		Do. General Market	800	600
		Do. Latrines	1,500	750
		Do. Cart-Sheds	250	500
		Do. Office Premises	1,000	500
		Do. Public Wells	500	500
		Do. Dust Bins	250	250
		Do. Walls on road sides	500	500
		Do. Toll Gates	250	100
			5,550	4,200
		<i>Roads.</i>		
1		Maintenance of Roads	8,650 0 0	7,300
2		Do.	8,550 0 0	9,800
3		Do.	13,050 0 0	12,100
4		Do.	6,450 0 0	5,100
5		Do.	13,750 0 0	8,100
6		Do.	11,250 0 0	6,100
7		Do.	9,950 0 0	22,800
8		Do.	18,350 0 0	9,200
			90,000	80,000
		Repairing wooden railings in roads	500	500
		Do. Street Boards	400	100
		Removing Prickly-Pears	500	500
		Watering Mount Road and North Beach Road	3,000	3,000
		Extension of Watering	200	300
		Numbering Doors ... ..	.....	300
			94,600	84,700
		<i>Drains.</i>		
		Repairing and re-building masonry drains	3,000	3,000
		<i>Miscellaneous.</i>		
		Removing Monkeys ... ..	.....	500
		Planting Avenue from Grazing and Avenue Fund	3,250	3,500
		Planting Esplanade and maintaining wire fence	2,900	900
		Sewage Farm Maintenance ... ..	.....	2,000
			6,150	6,900
		Total	1,09,800	98,800

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO
REVISE THE BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 1871.

In accordance with the desire of the Budget Committee, we have carefully examined the Appendix B, Parts I. and II. of the Public Works, and submit the same with our revision. It will be seen by Parts I. and II. that a total increase of Rupees 2,325 is exhibited as detailed below:—

Increase in Part I. ...	Rs. 275
Do. do. II. ...	" 2,050

Total Rs. 2,325

We have considered it necessary to include in the above an item of Rupees 500 for the purpose of catching monkeys and despatching them by Rail to a distance. The two Town Divisions are infested with these animals, which cause great injury and destruction to property. It is probable that a further sum will have to be provided in the Budget for 1872.

We have included also an item of Rupees 2,600 for Maps for Census purposes instead of Rupees 3,000, as proposed by the Improvement Committee, as we were given to understand that Mr. Gover had already paid Rupees 200, and that another, Rupees 200, will be paid this year.

Under the head of the *Engineer's In-door Establishment*, an increase of Rupees 25 has been proposed to the Manager, which we think, under present circumstances, to be inexpedient, as we are informed that the Manager receives from the Water Works a salary of Rupees 20 per mensem, in addition to his present pay. We have, therefore, taken out the increase, by which a reduction of Rupees 300 is made.

People's Park.—The proposed increase to the Park writer has been withdrawn, by which a saving of Rupees 60 is effected. It is considered inexpedient in the present financial condition of the Municipality to increase expenditure except on urgent grounds.

We have thought it expedient to reduce the item of Sundries to Rupees 126 as in last year, and to provide only Rupees 600 for additional accommodation for animals. A saving of Rupees 835 is effected under the heads of Engineer's Department and People's Park.

Conservancy Department.—With regard to the Conservancy Department, we have fully entered into its working details, and herewith submit the Revised particulars with an Abstract prepared by Messrs. M. S. Shadagopa Moodelliar and P. Somasundrum Chetty. We here notice the principal items which call for an explanation.

The present three District Inspectors have been hitherto drawing a uniform salary of Rupees 120 per mensem. We are informed that there is now an Inspectorship vacant, and we take this occasion to recommend that the Inspectorships be now formed into three grades, with a view to afford encouragement and promotion to hard-working men; one on a salary of Rupees 150, one on Rupees 120, and the other on Rupees 90. The 1st Inspector should be attached to the 1st District, comprising 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Divisions, which are more densely populated than the others, and contain a greater number of streets and lanes, and consequently require more supervision.

The 2nd Grade Inspector should be attached to the 2nd District, comprising the 4th, 5th, and 6th Divisions, and the 3rd to the 3rd District, comprising the 7th and 8th Divisions. In some of the more populous Divisions we have increased the number of sections and given extra Peons in order to secure better supervision of the work.

The Establishment for the *Rubbish Deptt.*, which is included in the Out-door Establishment, has been separated and exhibited in a column specially provided and distributed amongst the several Divisions as they are actually working.

The expenses of the Peons attached to the Cart Deptt are divided between the eight Divisions, as needed.

Mortuary Department.—We have not disturbed this establishment, which the Municipality maintains at an outlay of Rupees 4,548. We merely record our opinion that this establishment does not work satisfactorily, and that the Returns are not reliable.

General Market.—The pay of the Inspector attached to the Market is borne by the Municipality and paid through the Police. We should ask the Commissioner or the Government with a view to reduce the expense of the establishment to allow us to make our own arrangements.

Suggestions of minor importance will explain themselves in the detailed Revised Estimate.

In conclusion, it may be observed that a saving of Rupees 4,102 will be effected by our revision of the Conservancy Department.

C. J. ROGERS,

Chairman.

M. S. SHADAGOPA MOODELLIAR.
P. SOMASUNDRUM CHETTY.

Madras, 12th November 1870.

After explaining to the Meeting the cause of the unavoidable delay which had arisen in the transmission to the Commissioners of the Budget papers, as revised by the Budget Committee, the President moved the following resolution, viz:—

"That the following Rates, Taxes, Fees, and Tolls be levied in 1871 for the purposes of the Madras Municipal Act of 1867, viz:—

Rates at $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the annual value of Houses, Buildings, and Lands.

Taxes on Arts, Professions, Trades, and Callings.

Liquor License Taxes.

Taxes on Carriages and Animals.

Fees on registration of Vehicles without springs.

Tolls on Carriages and Animals entering the Town.

Miscellaneous Rents and Fees for Licenses, Registrations, and Permissions," which, having been seconded by Captain Edgcombe, was carried unanimously.

The President addressed the Commissioners on the Budget to the effect following:—

"GENTLEMEN,"

Before alluding to the changes proposed by the Budget Committee in various items of estimated receipt and expenditure, I would call your attention to certain alterations they suggest in the arrangement of the headings under which the charges have hitherto been shown in the Annual Budget Statements.

What these are will best be seen by referring to the General Abstract on page I. Under the first heading "Office," Salaries—Establishments and Contingencies, have all been included up to this time. The Committee now show the Contingent charges separately as an additional item under the heading "Miscellaneous" and "Contin-

gent," and have removed the charges for Interest on Loan Water-rate, and Census from "Contingencies," under which they have hitherto been given, and put them in as separate headings, Nos. 8 and 9. The sum paid as Municipal contribution towards the cost of the Police, in place of appearing as a separate heading, No. 2, is included under a new one, No. 4, called "Contributions to Government," together with the amounts paid by the Municipality in aid of the working of the Contagious Diseases' Act and of Vaccination, these latter having been removed from the Conservancy charges, with which they had really nothing whatever to do. The Registry of Births and Deaths no longer appears as a Conservancy charge, but as a separate heading, No. 7. All these alterations appear to me to be improvements in the form of rendering the Budget in force up to this time.

I will now proceed to consider the Budget Estimate as revised by the Committee. With regard to the receipts as estimated by them, the changes they suggest appear to me to be fully justified by the actuals of the first nine months of the current year.

My predecessor in the Budget Estimate submitted by him at the last General Meeting, put the probable total receipts for 1871, inclusive of arrears of House and Land-rate and all other taxes at Rupees 5,86,400. You will observe that the Committee, after reducing his estimate of House and Land-rate by Rupees 7,000 and of the Liquor License Tax and Fees for Registration of Carts together, by Rupees 1,800, show receipts amounting to Rupees 5,88,600, or Rupees 2,200 in excess of Major Bowen's estimate. This increase is explained by the addition of Rupees 6,000 on account of Ground rents formerly collected by Government, but made over by them to the Municipality in August of this year; raising the Police fines from Rupees 700 to Rupees 1,000; and the addition of Rupees 500 for Contractors' fines and Rupees 200, which it is expected will be realized by the sale of old stores.

The reduction in the probable receipts from the House and Land-rate appears to me to be a prudent measure. The collections up to the end of the year will probably be larger than the sum named by Major Bowen in his Minute of 30th September, viz., Rupees 2,60,000, upwards of Rupees 2,50,000 having been received up to date. This will reduce our balance or arrears to be collected next year, leaving the demand for 1871, less than contemplated by him, but will not affect the actual income, as the amount collected in excess of Rupees 2,60,000 will go to increase the balance of the Municipal Fund on the 1st January next.

The Liquor License Tax will not probably exceed the revised amount set down by the Committee.

The fees on the registration of Carts are much influenced by the state of trade, and the number of public and other works in progress. There are at present no signs of improvement in trade, and it is not probable there will be any considerable extension in either Government or private building works. The Committee have, therefore, probably acted wisely in reducing this item to Rupees 12,500. My belief is that, on the whole, the collection of this tax is well made, and that comparatively very few carts really liable escape it.

The increase of Police is based on the actuals of the first nine months of the year.

Major Bowen, in his Minute to which I have already referred, was disposed to take a somewhat hopeful view of the possibility of raising larger

sums from the Trade, Carriage, and Cart Registration Taxes than had hitherto been the case, through information to be obtained from the General Check Register commenced by him. From conversations I have had with him, I imagined he had modified his opinion to a considerable extent before he gave over charge to me, and I think on good grounds; for, whilst there can be no doubt the Register will be the means of bringing to our knowledge several persons who have up to this time evaded one or other of these Taxes, and indeed has already done so, it has not, so far as it has yet been completed, brought that increased number of new taxpayers on to the several Registers, which it was at first hoped it might do. It will, however, be of great use, and, at all events, enable us to estimate our probable receipts from many of the Taxes far more accurately than we have been able to do in past years.

On the charges side of the Budget Estimate as revised by the Committee, the changes they propose are explained so fully in their report and that of the Sub-Committee on public works, that they call for but few remarks from me.

The decrease in Conservancy charges shown in Appendix A., upwards of Rupees 15,000 is almost altogether due to the cost of the Registry of Births and Deaths, and the contributions to Government on account of the Contagious Diseases' Act and for Vaccination, having been, as I have already explained, removed from this heading, and inserted separately in the General Abstract. Both the Sub-Committee on the Conservancy charges and the General Budget Committee recommend in para. 20 of their report, that a complete statement of the organization of the Conservancy work should accompany each Budget in the form submitted with the report of the former as Appendix C. It seems to me that this is scarcely required. It will, at all times, be very voluminous, and a statement can always be prepared for submission to the Budget Revision Committee, when going into the details of the Department each year.

I will allude subsequently to the recommendations of the Committee on Conservancy charges and those contained in the Budget Committee's General Report on the subject of the organization of this Department.

If you will now turn to Appendix B, Part I., new Public Works, you will at once see what changes the Committee propose on Major Bowen's Budget Estimate.

The grant for urinals is increased from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000; that for cinerators reduced by Rs. 2,000, and this amount added to the provision for new Dust Bins, raising this to Rs. 3,500.

Though I am sorry to lose Rs. 2,000 for new Cinerators, there can be no question Dust Bins are greatly needed all over the town, and I am glad to receive the increased grant for them and should we spend the whole of the Cinerator grant before the close of the year, I can ask the Commissioners to pass a Supplemental Budget.

The Commissioners propose to increase the amount for new metalling from Rupees 3,000 to Rupees 5,000. The larger sum can be spent to great advantage.

The four items following this last grant, viz.: for opening out Paddoo Naick's Street, extending Perambore Barracks Road to Police Commissioner's Road, opening out Naval Hospital Road and improving Andeappa Naick Street, do not appear at all in Major Bowen's estimate, but have been added by the Committee. The first three have been discussed on many previous occasions,

the Perambore Barracks Road was actually sanctioned as far back as 1865; the last is strongly recommended by the Improvements Committee, and forms a part of the general scheme for improving and widening Andeappa Naick Street, which has been already approved by the Commissioners and carried out to a considerable extent.

Under the head of Improvements, the grant for Napier Park is increased by Rupees 1,000, and a sum of Rupees 5,000 set down for the erection of Model Pacherries. With reference to this last grant, I should explain that it has been inserted by the Committee partly at my request.

Soon after I took charge of the Office, the Sanitary Commissioner, Dr. Cornish, asked me to accompany with the Commissioners of the different Divisions in an inspection of the Pacherries and Hutting grounds of Madras, which he was desirous of making. After going through the Tinnevely Settlement, it occurred to me that, instead of paying in money, the compensation sanctioned at the last General Meeting to be given to those who were to be turned out of their houses, in consequence of the opening out of new roads through the Settlement, it would be far better to build houses for them on an adjoining piece of ground on the plan of Mr. Gover's model house. I found we had not enough money to build a sufficient number for the whole of these people; but I determined to make a commencement provided the Budget Committee would agree to put a sum down in the estimate for next year, to enable me to complete the required number of houses. I spoke to Mr. Gover on the subject, and he fully agreeing with me in the desirability of carrying out this work, induced the Committee to insert the grant now submitted to you, which is not only sufficient to allow of our completing the new houses required for the accommodation of the Tinnevely Settlement people, but also to enable us to build a fair number of others in some other locality.

I was more especially desirous that no time should be lost in beginning this work, as it appeared to me the inspection of the Sanitary Commissioner and the nature of the report which I felt assured he must make of the condition of the Pacherries and poorer hutting grounds of Madras, would afford the Municipality an excellent opportunity of asking the Government for assistance to enable them to undertake the improvement of these most wretched places on a comprehensive and adequate scale; and that, if we could, when making this request, point out to them an instance in which we had actually made a successful commencement, our chances of obtaining a loan would be greatly increased.

All the new works and improvements proposed by the Committee will unquestionably be of great advantage to the Town; and I trust the Commissioners will see their way to sanctioning them.

The changes made in Part II. of Appendix B are very trifling, and require scarcely any remarks.

You will observe that the allotments for the several divisions under the heading "Maintenance of Roads," are not the same as in the Budget Estimate submitted to you at the last Meeting. The changes have been rendered necessary by the alteration in the boundaries of the new Divisions.

Rupees 500 have been put down for removing monkeys. I only hope we may catch them; but am not sanguine about it.

There is a decrease of Rupees 550 in the total amount proposed by the Committee to be spent on repairs as compared with Major Bowen's estimate.

In their estimate for the People's Park, the Committee recommend reductions in certain items, amounting to all to Rupees 475.

It now only remains for me, in connection with the Budget, to refer to certain remarks and recommendations made in the Report of the Sub-Committee upon the Conservancy charges, and in that of the General Budget Committee upon the subject of the Conservancy Department.

The Committee, in para. 21 of their Report, state that they do not recommend the system of grades amongst the Inspectors, as proposed by the Sub-Committee; and I quite concur with them in thinking it had better not be carried out at present; but, with the exception of the last one, not for the reasons given by them, I do not mean to say that these may not be perfectly sound; or that I may not, after further enquiry into the working of the Department, come round to the Committee's way of thinking, but, so far as I have yet been able to form an opinion respecting it, I am not prepared to adopt to anything like their full extent, the conclusions at which they would appear to have arrived as expressed in the three first of their reasons.

With regard to the revised organization referred to in para. 22 of the Committee's Report, which they had at one time decided to recommend for adoption in next year's Budget, I was strongly of opinion that it would not be possible for the Commissioners, with such information as they could hope to have before them, to dispose of it satisfactorily at this Meeting. It seemed to me that, with the exception of the comparatively small number who have given special attention to the subject and formed decided opinions in favour of either the present or proposed organization, they would necessarily feel much difficulty in dealing to their own satisfaction with the Committee's proposals, involving, as these did, a complete change in the organization of the department.

The scheme was certain, under any circumstances, to lead to prolonged discussion; and the full consideration of it could not improbably have had to be adjourned to another Meeting, whilst it was very desirable that no time should be lost in passing the Budget for next year.

I, therefore, requested the Committee to be good enough to re-consider their decision and pass the grant with the Establishment as proposed in Major Bowen's estimate, suggesting that the whole question of the organization of the Conservancy Department might be very appropriately referred for the consideration of the Amalgamation Committee now engaged in drawing up rules for its guidance. I have to tender them my best thanks for so readily complying with my request.

I quite concur in the recommendation made by the Committee in para. 22, that "whatever system be carried out in the future all the better appointments should, as a rule, be filled by promotion from the lower grades." It is only right, not only in this, but in all the other departments of the Municipality, that the Employees should be encouraged to do their best, by a knowledge that, if fitted for it, they will obtain promotion as vacancies occur. Major Bowen took an early opportunity of letting it be known that it was his intention to act on this system; and whilst I hold my present Office, I shall certainly carry it out as far as I possibly can.

My attention had already been drawn to the fact that the Market Establishment, though paid

by the Municipality, was not under the President, control; and I propose, after consulting with the Commissioner of Police, addressing Government on the subject.

With reference to para. 24 of the Committee's Report, steps have already been taken to have the Workshop-Stores and old Stores accounts kept on a better system than that now in force.

The President then pointed out that the Budget could not be properly passed at this Meeting, inasmuch as Major Bowen's Budget had not been published, nor had there been sufficient time before the date fixed for this Meeting to publish the Budget as revised by the Committee, in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, as required by the Act; and he would, therefore, propose an adjournment for that purpose, if the Meeting had no objection to it.

Major Bowen thought that the Budget papers ought to have reached the Commissioners at latest 24 hours before the time appointed for the Meeting, and observed, with reference to para. 10 of the Budget Committee's Report of the 25th of November 1870, that he was not aware of having, during his incumbency, sanctioned any expenditure not provided for in the Budget.

Mr. Gover answered Major Bowen by referring him to the increase in salaries and allowances for the Trade, Liquor, and Carriage License and Cart Registration Departments shown in the Budget Estimate for 1871, as prepared by him.

Major Bowen's reply was that the items in the column for 1870 had all been authorized; that those in that for 1871, involving the increase adverted to, had been merely proposed; that it was quite open for the Commissioners to adopt, reject, or modify all or any of those items; and that he himself might be disposed to change his mind regarding the horse allowance, which formed a material part of the increase in question.

Mr. Venkettaramiah urged that all increases or changes in salaries should be brought forward, discussed, and decided at the September Meeting, so that the Budget might be based upon such decision.

It was proposed by Captain Edgcome, seconded by the President and carried unanimously.

"That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Budget Committee for the very thorough and satisfactory manner in which they have performed the arduous task entrusted to them."

Major Bowen remarked, with reference to para. 11 of the Budget Committee's Report, that his opinion of the amount of the Assessor's work was different from that entertained by the Committee, and that he had not done his duty satisfactorily.

Mr. Hamnett suggested that a portion of the grant for repair of roads should be set aside for cleaning of channels (not drains) on the sides of roads, and urged that it was a very necessary allotment.

Major Bowen desired to be informed how much had been spent this year upon repair of roads.

The President replied to him and to Mr. Gover's enquiry as to whether the expenditure included arrears, by referring them to the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the past months of the year.

Mr. Gover explained that, under the existing arrangement, whereby a portion of the collecting duty devolved upon the Assessor, that Officer had more than he could possibly do, if he indeed did all that was required of him as Assessor.

With regard to the cleaning of side channels, the grant for maintenance of roads covered, or at

all events was intended to cover the cost of doing this; and if the side channels had not been as they ought to have been attended to from that source, it was a sin not of commission but that of omission.

Major Bowen, notwithstanding the opinion of the Budget Committee to the contrary, stood by his own view with respect to the Assessor's duties and work, and said that the transfer of a portion of the work of the Collector's Department was a temporary arrangement.

Taken as read the following Proceedings of the Improvements Committee, dated 29th October and 19th November 1870.

AT A MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT CHEPAUK, ON SATURDAY THE 29TH OCTOBER 1870.

Present.

Captain W. H. Edgcome.
Mr. J. W. Gantz.
" C. B. Gover.
" Y. Venkettaramiah.
" M. S. Shadagopa Moodelliar.
" P. Somasoondrum Chettiar.

Absent.

Mr. J. Higginbotham.
Dr. C. J. Rogers.
Mr. M. Venkettasawmy Naidoo Garoo.
" C. V. Iyasawmy Moodelliar.
" V. Kristnamah Chariar.
" F. Doderet, (Resigned.)

Resolved:—I.—With regard to Section 132 of the Act, that such projections as are therein specified be prohibited in streets of less than 20 feet between drains.

II.—That a charge of 5 rupees per 100 square feet per annum be levied on such projections, but in all cases with option of purchase at a rate to be determined by the President in conjunction with two of the Commissioners.

III.—That the above Fees be included in the Bill for Assessment.

IV.—That items 4, 5 and from 7 to 13 stand as at present scheduled.

V.—That for item No. 6 a fee of 2 Rs. per ground per annum be charged.

VI.—That for all items concerning which any uncertainty in the amount to be levied may exist, the President be requested to associate with himself one or more Commissioners to determine the Fee.

VII.—Read letter from Mr. Doderet tendering resignation of his seat on this Committee.

(Here entered dated 25th October 1870.)—Recorded.

W. H. EDGCOME, Captain, R.E.,
Chairman.

AT A MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT CHEPAUK, ON SATURDAY THE 19TH NOVEMBER 1870.

Present.

Captain W. H. Edgcome.
Mr. M. Venkettasawmy Naidoo Garoo.
" M. S. Shadagopa Moodelliar.
" V. Kristnamah Chariar.
" C. V. Iyasawmy Moodelliar.
" J. W. Gantz.
" P. Somasoondrum Chettiar.

Absent.

Mr. C. E. Gover.
Mr. C. J. Rogers.
Mr. J. Higginbotham, Jr.
" Y. Venkettaramiah.

Resolved :—I.—With reference to Resolution I. of Meeting, 22nd October 1870, the Commissioners recommend that immediate steps be taken for carrying out the improvements therein described.

They learn from the Executive Engineer that the cost of the above will be about Rs. 3,500.

II.—To provide the necessary Funds, the Commissioners suggest that the land now standing vacant in the same line of street be sold forthwith, and the proceeds applied to meet the charge.

III.—For such further outlay as may be necessary, it is recommended that a Supplemental Budget be placed before the next General Meeting, to be met from the Town Improvements Fund.

IV.—With reference to the question submitted to this Committee regarding the Junction Canal, the Committee are not prepared to say whether the advantages attached to the canal, compared with the expenditure and inconvenience which it would involve, would justify the execution of the project.

V.—The Committee are further of opinion that the Municipality is not in a position to contribute to the execution of the work.

VI.—**Resolved** :—That until further notice, this Committee meet on the last Saturday in each month at 7 A.M.

W. H. EDGCOMB, Captain, R.E.,

Chairman of the Improvement Committee.

Subject II.—Proceedings of the Improvements Committee, dated 29th October & 10th November 1870.

The President explained to the Meeting that these Proceedings had been put upon to-day's notice paper, with a view to bringing before them—

First.—Certain amendments and alterations in the scale of fees at present in force under Section 243 of the Act recommended by the Improvements Committee, and he submitted for sanction a revised scale embodying these amendments and alterations—the principal changes made being in the charges for Paddals across roads on occasions of private festivals and ceremonies, for Livery and Hack Stables, erection of Verandahs, and keeping more than 20 sheep or goats, for all of which more definite rates are fixed than those in the existing table.

Secondly.—The Improvements Committee's recommendation of an expenditure not exceeding Rupees 3,500 for the further improvement and widening of Andeappa Naick Street, with regard to which the President informed the Meeting that the Municipality owned land in that street to the extent of about 1½ grounds acquired recently for improvement of the same street, and that the estimated value of it, viz., Rs. 1,700, together with the further sum of Rs. 750, being the value of a house also belonging to the Municipality in the same street, making in all Rs. 2,450, would reduce the proposed outlay, and that, therefore, not more than Rs. 1,000 or 1,200 would actually be required of the amount asked to be sanctioned, and

Thirdly.—The Resolutions come to by the Improvements Committee with reference to the points connected with the proposed Junction Canal, on which the Government asked for an expression of the views of the Municipal Commissioners.

At the suggestion of the Commissioners, the consideration of the Revised Schedule of Fees was deferred to the next Adjourned General Meeting, with a view to its being in the meantime printed and circulated to the Commissioners.

It was then proposed by the President, seconded by Mr. Pater and carried unanimously.

"That a sum of not more than Rs. 3,500 be spent on the further improvement of Andeappa Naick Street recommended by the Improvements Committee."

It was also proposed by the President, seconded by Mr. Janay Jahan Khan Bahadoor and carried unanimously.

"That, with reference to the request of Government, the Commissioners should express their opinion on the following points, viz. :—

1st.—Whether the advantages attached to the Junction Canal, compared with the expenditure and inconvenience which it would involve, are such as, in their opinion, would justify the execution of the project, and

2ndly.—Whether the Municipality of Madras would feel itself enabled to contribute to the execution of the work financially, in what degree and on what terms.

Government be informed, in reply to the first question, that the Commissioners are not prepared to say whether the advantages attached to the Canal, compared with the expenditure and inconvenience which it would involve, would justify the execution of the project; and with regard to the second point, that they are of opinion that the Municipality is not in a position to contribute to the execution of the work."

The President explained that it had been lately brought to his notice that no Penalty Clause had been attached to some of the Municipal Bye-Laws when published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*; that the omission had been also noticed by the Magistrates of the Town Police Court; and that he had been advised by the Solicitors of the Municipality that the omission must be supplied before any penalty could be enforced for an infringement of those Bye-Laws.

He, therefore, proposed the following resolution :—

"That Government be requested to re-publish the Bye-Laws confirmed in their Orders in the Public Department, dated respectively the 6 and 19th of July and 26th of October 1869 and 1st of November 1870, and add to them the following Penalty Clause."

"Whoever shall commit any breach of any of the foregoing Bye-Laws, by doing any act prohibited by any such Bye-Laws, or by neglecting to do any act directed to be done by and such Bye-Laws, or in any wise howsoever, shall, on conviction before a Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding Twenty Rupees for each infringement; and in the case of a continuing infringement to a further penalty not exceeding Ten Rupees for every day after notice from the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras of such infringement."

which was seconded by Mr. D'Souza and carried unanimously.

The President, in calling the attention of the Meeting to the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the first ten months of the year, observed that the Receipts of the last two months amounted to Rs. 1,11,429-13-3, and the Expenditure to Rupees 93,867-0-8; that the Receipts, exclusive of the three items of Composition for Polls, Income Tax, and Advances recovered, (amounting in the aggregate to about Rupees 2,000, and not forming part of the Revenue) were, in round figures, Rupees 1,09,500, which was less than the income of the corresponding period last year by about Rupees 30,000; that the sum received for House and Land-rates, though larger than the collections of any of the previous months of this year, was below those of the same months in last year; that this state of things was, however, explained by the fact that a very large number of Bills had been issued very late last year, and the best and most easily collected had been received in those two months; that the Taxes on Trade and Liquor Licenses and Carriages were less not only than in the previous months of this year, but also than those of the corresponding months of 1869. A larger number of notices had, however, been lately served, and he anticipated a considerable increase in the Receipts from this time forward. He then mentioned that the following were the figures of the receipts of the principal taxes from the 1st January to 30th November 1869, and from the 1st January to the 26th of the present month in this year :—

	1869. To 30th Nov.	1870. To 26th Nov.
House and Land-rates	2,09,667	2,50,708
Trade License	65,609	73,145
Carriage License	40,968	39,340
Liquor License	11,407	9,087
Cart Registration	12,603	12,272

He then adverted to the Expenditure during the period under review, as being about the average of previous months, and about Rs. 25,000 less than that of September and October 1869; there were some items in respect of which the Budget grants had been exceeded, the causes of which excess were explained in the Statement; and he requested the Commissioners would approve of and pass them.

It was thereupon proposed by Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Pardasardy Naidoo and carried unanimously.

Resolution. "That the Statement of Receipts and Disbursements be approved of."

Subject F.—Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department, dated 2nd November 1870, No. 1431, regarding the Census of Madras.

The President said that his object in bringing this matter before the Meeting was to obtain their consent to asking Dr. Cornish, the present Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to join the Census Committee.

With regard to certain remarks which had appeared in one of the morning papers on the subject of the Justices of the Peace in Calcutta having passed a Resolution, protesting against the Municipality being compelled to pay one-half of the cost of the Census of the Town to be taken next year, and recommending the Commissioners of the Madras Municipality to adopt a similar course, he had had an opportunity of

reading the detailed Proceedings of the Justices on the occasion referred to, and considered they had grounds for objecting to provide any portion of the cost of a Census very different to any which could be brought forward here. He found that only four years ago the Justices of the Peace of Calcutta were so impressed with the advantages to be obtained from an accurate Census of the Town, that they had had one taken at a cost of Rupees 26,480, the whole of which amount was defrayed out of the Municipal Funds. It was not, therefore, a matter of surprise that they should now object to contribute towards the expense of another Census to be undertaken after so short an interval. Here the Commissioners, some two years ago, had been the first to move in the matter of a Census; and though, under the provisions of the Act, the Municipality might have been made to bear the whole cost of it, Government had agreed to pay one-half immediately they were asked to do so by the Commissioners.

Major Bowen considered the Census purely an imperial measure, and thought that the Municipality ought not to pay anything towards it, as he did not see that it would tend to the advantage of the Municipality.

Mr. Gover, in reply, said that the Municipality was bound under the Act to take the Census, and that Government could compel it to do so. He mentioned that Dr. Cornish's name was already on the Census Committee.

It was then proposed by Mr. Gover, seconded by the President and carried unanimously.

"That Mr. Coleman be added to the Improvements and Census Committees."

Mr. Venkattaramiah, though opposed to large Committees, suggested the addition to the Census Committee of more Native Members to aid the Committee in the re-arrangement of castes, as he said that the arrangement already made was not generally approved of.

Mr. Gover remarked that the arrangement of castes already made had had the approval of Mr. Venkattaramiah.

It was thereupon proposed by Mr. Kristnamah Chetty, seconded by Mr. Gover and carried unanimously.

"That Messrs. Ramanjooloo Naidoo, Sommoosunthram Chettiar, Venkattaramiah, and Janay Jahan Khan be added to the Census Committee."

It was afterwards proposed by Captain Edgcomb, seconded by Mr. Gover and carried unanimously.

Resolution. "That Major Bowen be added to the Improvements Committee."

It was ultimately proposed by the President, seconded by Mr. Pardasardy Naidoo and carried unanimously.

"That this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 14th proximo at noon, for the purpose of considering the Budget Estimate for 1871, and the revised scale of Fees recommended by the Improvements Committee."

The Meeting then broke up.

JOHN C. LOCH,

Offg. President, Municipal Commission.

MINUTES of the Proceedings of an Adjourned General Meeting of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, held at their Office premises No. 22, Errah Bauloo Chetty Street, in the Black Town, on Wednesday the 14th of December 1870, pursuant to Section 22 of the "Madras Municipal Act of 1867."

PRESENT :

J. C. Loch, Esq., *Officiating President*.
C. E. Gover, Esq.
M. S. Shadagopah Moodelliar, Esq.
M. Venkatasawmy Naidoo, Esq.
V. Vanoogopala Charry, Esq.
V. Kristnamah Charry, Esq.
G. Hamnett, Esq.
Y. Venkataraniyah, Esq.
J. C. Lyster, Esq.
C. Pardasardly Naidoo, Esq.
The Honourable Meer Humayon Jah Bahadur.
J. G. Coleman, Esq.
C. Grant, Esq.
P. Somosunthram Chetty, Esq.
F. DeSouza, Esq.
J. W. Grant, Esq.

Taken as read the revised Report of the Budget Committee with all its Appendices.

The President opened the Meeting by mentioning that it had been adjourned to-day for the purpose of considering the Budget Estimate of 1871, as revised by the Budget Committee, and the revised scale of fees levied under Section 243 of the Municipal Act, which the Improvements Committee had recommended for adoption.

Taking the Budget Estimate first, he said that the Budget Committee had not made any change on the Receipts side of the Estimate since the last Meeting, but a few on the Charges side. These were the addition of four new works in Appendix B., Part I. of Public Works Estimate, viz. :—

Rs. 1,000 for widening from west end of Coopier's Street and St. Xavier's Street up to Padarear Pagoda Street.

Rs. 1,300 for opening out Ummen Covil Street.

Rs. 1,400 for opening out Venoyaga Maistry Lane.

Rs. 1,500 for opening out and improving Kristnappa Maistry Street.

Of these, the two last were improvements much wanted, and such as should certainly be carried out. With regard to the other two, he observed that the opening out of Ummen Covil Street, like that of Peddoo Naick Street, inserted originally by the Committee, would probably be of direct pecuniary benefit to the Municipality, as good houses were likely to be built along those streets when opened out to Wall Tax Street; the result of which would be to add to the House and Land-rates.

He was more doubtful as to the expediency of going to any expense in widening Coopier's Street and St. Xavier's Street, although it was no doubt an improvement, as there were many other streets which required such improvement even more than they; but as the amount was small and several of the Native Commissioners appeared to think it should be carried out, he thought it might stand, on the understanding that its execution should be dependent on the state of funds towards the close of the year.

He then proceeded to say that these four improvements came to Rs. 5,200, which, with the addition of Rs. 1,500 for improvement and extension of Burial and Burning Grounds omitted from the Committee's first estimate by an oversight, entailed a total increase of expenditure of Rs. 6,700; on the other hand, the Committee had struck out Rs. 2,000, which appeared in the original estimate for constructing Cart-sheds, and decreased the charges for the Conservancy Outdoor Establishment, as compared with the estimate submitted at the last Meeting by Rs. 300, which was owing to the Sub-Committee having, by an oversight, included in the Conservancy Establishment of the 2nd Division, a 1st-grade Overseer on Rs. 300 per annum, the same not being necessary, as an Overseer of the Engineer's Department at present performed the duty of Conservancy Overseer in addition to his own. He added that the general effect of the changes now proposed by the Committee was to raise the total of charges from Rs. 6,38,413 as it appeared in their first estimate, to Rs. 6,42,813, or an increase of Rs. 4,400, leaving an estimated balance on the 1st of January 1872, of Rs. 28,787, instead of Rs. 33,187 as formerly shown.

With these remarks the President moved the following resolution :—

"That the Budget Estimate of Receipts, and Charges for the year 1871, as revised by the Committee appointed at the General Meeting of the 30th September last, be approved and passed."

Mr. Gover said that the Budget Committee had thought that Coopier's and St. Xavier's Streets, like Peddoo Naick's Street and Ummen Covil Street, required improvement, and that they would not have been put in, had it not been for the fact that, by the improvement, the value of property in these streets would enhance for the purposes of Municipal Assessment; and for the further reason that the amount required was comparatively insignificant.

He then corrected a mistake, which had by an oversight crept in in para. 5 of the Committee's Report, by substituting Rs. 42,000 for the sum of Rs. 48,600 therein mentioned. He then adverted to the grant of Rs. 80,000 allowed for repair of roads which had been hitherto apportioned amongst the several Municipal Divisions, and explained that the Committee had thought it advisable now to leave it to the President's discretion to expend the amount as he thought proper, not only in the repair of roads, but also in cleaning side channels.

Mr. Hamnett thought it absolutely necessary to name a sum to be set apart from the allotment for repair of roads, expressly for side channels, with discretion for the President to spend it in such localities as he might think necessary, and moved the following proposal which was seconded by Mr. Fardasardly Naidoo :—

"That this Meeting is of opinion that of the sum of Rs. 80,000 granted for repair of roads, Rs. 5,000 should be assigned for the express purpose of clearing up side channels."

The President's Resolution as above recorded, having been seconded by Mr. Coleman and put to vote, was carried unanimously.

The President considered Mr. Hamnett's proposition reasonable, and seeing no objection to it, put it to vote and it was carried unanimously.

Taken as read the following Revised Schedule of Fees.

MUNICIPALITY OF MADRAS.

REVISED Schedule of Fees, &c., for Licenses, Registrations, and Permissions passed by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, under Section 243 of Madras Municipal Act of 1867.

Item.	Subject.	Under what Section of the Act.	Fees, &c., to be Charged.
1	For Permission for temporary erections on streets on occasions of private festivals and ceremonies, requiring encroachment on roads or streets, beyonds the line of steps (those within the line of steps and for a period not exceeding a fortnight being allowed free of charge).	117	One rupee per five square feet of the whole road area covered by such erections, the maximum fee not exceeding one hundred rupees.
2	For Permission to put up Verandahs, &c., in streets, not less than 20 feet wide between drains (no permission being granted in streets of less width).	132	Five rupees per 100 square feet per annum with option of purchase, subject to President's sanction.
3	For License for Livery Hack-stables, Horse-lines or Veterinary Infirmary.	142	One rupee for each Horse-stall and Eight annas for a stall for a Pony or a pair of Bullocks per annum.
4	For License for Cart-stands, Cattle-sheds, Yards for public resort, or places for keeping more than 20 sheep or goats.	142	Two rupees per Ground per annum.
5	For License for places for keeping more than 10 horned cattle.	181	One rupee per head per annum for all above ten.
6	For License for Hoards, Scaffolding or Fences on public streets.	183	Four annas per 100 square feet per diem.
7	For Permission for deposit of materials or earth on, or making holes in, public streets.	185	At the discretion of the President, provided that the maximum fee shall not exceed 100 rupees per annum.
8	For License for Slaughter-houses or Market ...	191	
9	For Registration of places used for offensive and dangerous Trades or Depôts.	193	
10	For Licenses for places newly opened for offensive and dangerous Trades or Depôts.		

W. H. EDGCOMB, R. E., *Chairman Improvements Committee.*

Mr. Gover expressed Captain Edgcome's regret at his inability to attend this Meeting to move the adoption of the Revised Scale of Fees now before the Meeting. He said there had been a large amount of public discontentment at the present table of fees, especially as regards fees for Marriage Pandals, which the revision was calculated to remove; that the principle upon which the revision had been effected, was to fix each charge more definitively than it had hitherto been, and to make it as plainly known to the person paying as it was to the receiver. He then referred to the last three items of the Schedule as to which the Committee had thought proper to leave each case to be decided by the President according to its circumstances; and he mentioned that it was very desirable, in order to avoid undue advantage being taken by Subordinates, that, in all cases where any uncertainty in the amount to be levied might exist, the President should be requested to associate with himself one or more Commissioners to determine the fee, and that, inasmuch as such a provision would be out of place in a Schedule of Fees, Mr. Kristnamah Charry proposed to move a substantive resolution to that effect. With these remarks he moved—

"That the Schedule of fees, &c., levied under Section 243 of the Madras Municipal Act as revised by the Improvements Com-

mittee be adopted in lieu of the existing one," which, having been seconded by Mr. Venkatasawmy Naidoo, was carried unanimously.

Mr. Kristnamah Charry thought that, with respect to permission to put up verandahs, &c.,

the President should have the option of refusing to grant it, and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Vanoogopala Charry and carried unanimously :—

"That, with reference to item 2 in the scale of fees just passed, a charge of 5 Rs. per 100 square feet per annum be levied on such projections as may be permitted by the President; but, in all such cases, with option of purchase at a rate to be determined by the President in conjunction with two of the Commissioners."

It was also proposed by Mr. Kristnamah Charry, seconded by Mr. Hamnett and carried unanimously.

"That, to ensure the equitable adjustment of the fee to be charged in the case of all items concerning which any uncertainty in the amount to be levied may exist, especially in the case of items 8 to 10, the President be requested to associate with himself one or more Divisional Commissioners to determine the fee."

Mr. Hamnett then impressed upon the Commissioners the necessity of constituting a Fund from the accumulation of fines and stoppages, to meet pensions and gratuities for meritorious service, and expressed his intention of bringing on a resolution on the subject at the next General Meeting.

The Meeting then dispersed.

JOHN C. LOCH,
Offg. President, Municipal Commission.
(By Order.)
R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George, January 24, 1871.

THE Governor in Council directs the publication of the following Bye-Laws made by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, under Act IX. of 1867 :—

1. No person shall cut grass on the roads and in the side channels adjoining the roads situated within the Municipality.

2. No person shall expose to view or cause to be exposed to view, any raw skin or skins, or raw hide or hides, in the course of its or their carriage from place to place.

3. No cart, carriage, or vehicle of any description whatsoever without springs, pushed or drawn by a man or men, or a bullock or bullocks, or other animal or animals, whether empty or laden with passengers or things of any description whatsoever, shall be pushed, drawn, or driven on any road or street, except on the *metalled side or sides thereof*; nor shall any such cart, carriage, or vehicle or any jukka with or without springs, whether empty or laden as aforesaid, be pushed, drawn, or driven between the hours of 9 A.M. and 7 P.M. on that part of Popham's Broadway, in the Black Town of Madras, which is situate between the China Bazaar or Mundavaly Street, and the Church Missionary Society's premises in Popham's Broadway.

4. No cart, carriage, or vehicle of any description whatsoever, whether on or without springs, shall be pushed, drawn, or driven, nor shall any animal be led, ridden, or driven on any foot-path expressly intended or made for foot-passengers, on any side or sides of any road or street, or through any Esplanade, nor shall any person use or cause to be used, any such foot-path or any part or parts thereof, for the location, either permanently or temporarily, of any stall or stalls for the sale of any article or articles, or thing or things of any description whatsoever, or for any purpose or purposes other than for the use of foot-passengers.

5. No person shall sell or cause to be sold, or expose or cause to be exposed for sale any mutton, beef, pork, or other (butcher's) meat or poultry, fish or salt-fish, in any place other than markets licensed by the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras, to be used for such sale.

6. That no new building shall be erected in certain streets herein after named, unless they are of an altitude and facade which shall be approved of by the President, viz:—

The North Beach, 2nd Line Beach, the Esplanade front of the Town, Popham's Broadway, the Mount Road, Salay Street from Andeappen Naick Street to the General Hospital, Armenian Street, Thumboo Chetty Street, Mint Street, Andeappen Naick Street, and Barber's Bridge road, provided that there shall be an appeal to the Governor in Council from any decision of the President of the Municipal Commission passed under this Bye-Law.

Whoever shall commit any breach of any of the foregoing Bye-Laws, by doing any act prohibited by any such Bye-Laws, or by neglecting to do any act directed to be done by any such Bye-Laws, or in any wise howsoever, shall, on conviction before a Magistrate be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty rupees for each infringement, and in the case of a continuing infringement to a further penalty not exceeding ten rupees for every day after notice from the Presi-

dent of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras, of such infringement.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George, January 10, 1871.

THE Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to notify that the Governor-General of India in Council has sanctioned the table of fees for the registration of Assurances now in force under the Notifications of the 24th April 1866 and the 4th October 1870.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George, January 4, 1871.

UNDER Section 16 of the Indian Coinage Act (XXIII. of 1870), His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to authorize the following Officers to cut or break coin under the said Section :—

Collector of Sea Customs, Madras.

Treasurers of the District Treasuries.

Secretary to the Bank of Madras.

Agents of Branch Banks in charge of District Treasuries.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATIONS.

ACCOUNTS.

Fort William, the 9th January 1871.

No. 75.—In continuation of Notification No. 3589, dated the 2nd December 1870, the following Statement of Cash Balances, as reported up to this date, in the Government Treasuries in India, at the close of the month of November last, contrasted with that of the previous years, is published for general information :—

	November 1868.	November 1869.	November 1870.
Government of India.	Rupees. 33,41,399	Rupees. 80,52,659	Rupees. 1,33,59,723
Bengal ...	1,24,31,273	1,17,35,974	1,21,74,892
British Burmah ...	26,78,710	28,88,045	36,46,337
North-Western Provinces.	1,31,88,508	1,31,37,994	1,96,74,077
Oudh ...	34,41,598	28,13,633	47,42,276
Punjab ...	69,53,166	84,39,934	92,46,874
Bombay ...	95,65,541	1,32,35,671	1,83,67,631
Central Provinces.	38,66,550	44,24,756	56,52,447
Madras ...	1,60,19,659	1,66,32,956	2,56,50,415
Total...	7,15,22,402	8,14,11,652	11,75,13,672

MINT AND CURRENCY.

The 11th January 1871.

No. 104.—The Governor-General in Council is desirous of affording such increased facilities for the conversion of Currency Notes as can be given without imposing on the Government the cost of making remittances of specie.

With this view, it is notified that, so far as may be practicable, due regard being had to the primary obligation to discharge in cash all Notes at the place of issue and at the principal Office of Issue of the Presidency, the coin reserve at each

Office of Issue will be held available for cashing Currency Notes of any Circle.

The amount up to which each Office of Issue is prepared to cash the Notes of other Circles will be notified daily at such Office for public information.

It is hoped that the arrangements now made will admit of Notes of all Circles being ordinarily convertible at the Offices of Issue in the interior, and at one at least of the Presidency towns; it cannot, however, be expected that the Offices of the two great towns, Calcutta and Bombay,

between which places there is an active exchange will, under ordinary circumstances, be able at the same time to cash Notes other than those which by law they are bound to cash on presentation.

It is further notified that the Head Commissioner of Currency at Calcutta and the Commissioners at Madras and Bombay have been authorized to sell drafts at their discretion on such Offices of Issue as have accumulations of coin which it is desirable to reduce. Particulars as to the places on which drafts are available from time to time can be learnt on application to the Officers named.

The 12th January 1871.

No. 166.—Statement of the amount of Government Currency Notes in circulation, of the amount of Coin and Bullion Reserve, and Government Securities held by the Department of Issue of Paper Currency :—

Date.	Circles of Issue.	Balance of Issue Account.	Retired by other Offices of Issue.	Currency Notes in Circulation.	Silver Coin Reserve.	Silver Bullion Reserve.	Gold Bullion Reserve.	Reserve in Government Securities.	Total Reserve.
1870.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
31st Dec.	Calcutta ...	3,62,55,580	1,08,440	3,61,47,140	1,21,52,456	85,08,488	3,12,495	1,42,42,231	3,02,15,670
"	Madras ...	97,36,090	5,09,080	92,27,010	55,01,576	.....	.....	17,38,404	72,29,980
"	Bombay ...	4,10,55,910	1,07,900	4,09,48,010	2,41,69,438	11,15,371	.....	1,31,49,861	3,34,34,670
"	Allahabad...	80,09,060	35,50,470	44,58,590	68,82,699	.....	.....	11,03,291	79,35,990
"	Lahore ...	47,19,010	24,77,600	22,41,510	39,40,263	.....	.....	7,00,937	46,40,300
"	Calicut ...	16,45,550	7,46,840	8,98,710	18,54,551	.....	.....	1,00,059	14,54,610
"	Trichinopoly	19,21,640	16,18,900	3,02,740	16,04,921	.....	.....	1,00,059	17,04,980
"	Vizagapatam	5,86,980	1,61,220	3,75,760	3,28,661	.....	.....	1,00,059	4,28,710
"	Nagpore ...	46,84,140	1,68,270	45,15,870	40,33,218	.....	.....	5,47,902	46,31,120
"	Kurrachee...	47,39,100	23,96,490	23,42,610	42,09,074	.....	.....	5,00,106	47,09,180
"	Akola ...	21,35,260	73,360	20,61,900	21,34,640	.....	.....	.....	21,34,640
	Total...	11,54,38,320	1,19,18,470	10,35,19,850	6,63,11,437	46,28,859	3,12,495	3,22,72,009	10,35,19,850

E. F. HARRISON, *Head Commissioner.*

Calcutta, Commr. of Issue of Paper Currency, the 6th January 1871.

No. 202.—The Governor-General in Council is pleased to authorize the Madras Currency Office till further orders, to cash freely the Notes of all Circles or Presidencies.

R. B. CHAPMAN,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George, December 13, 1870.

The following telegram from the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Marine Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 12th December 1870 is published for general information :—

My telegram of 14th October last. New Perim revolving light now lighted. Visible twenty-three miles.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

Fort William, the 20th December 1870.

No. 18 of 1870.—It is hereby notified that the new Revolving Light on the Island of Perim in the Red Sea is now lighted, and is visible 23 miles.

H. K. BURNES, Colonel,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Re-published by order of his Excellency the Governor in Council.

R. S. ELLIS, *Chief Secretary.*

POINT DIVI LIGHT.

NOTICE is hereby given of the exhibition from the 2nd instant of a new fixed Dioptric White Light of the 4th Order at Point Divi, which is visible at a distance of 11 miles.

H. D. E. DALRYMPLE,

Master Attendant, Administrative Dept.

Madras, Marine Office, 9th Dec. 1870.

TOLLICHERY LIGHT.

NOTICE is hereby given that a new Dioptric White Light of the 6th Order has been exhibited at the Port of Tollycherry, and is visible at a distance of about 8 miles.

(By order.)

T. E. MARSHALL,

1st Asst. Master Attendant,

Administrative Dept.

Madras, Marine Office, 2nd Jan. 1871.

HOPE ISLAND LIGHT.

The old Hope Island Light, fixed, visible at a distance of 15 miles, will be re-exhibited on and after the 1st February next, instead of the Dioptric Revolving Light removed in December last.

H. D. E. DALRYMPLE,

Master Attendant,

Administrative Dept.

Madras, Marine Office, 19th January 1871.

SANTOPILLY LIGHT.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a new Fixed Dioptric White Light of the 4th Order has been exhibited at Santopilly, visible at a distance of 11 miles.

H. D. E. DALRYMPLE,

Master Attendant, Administrative Dept.

Madras, Marine Office, 23rd Jan. 1871.

BUOY NOTICE.

The following Notification is hereby published for the information of Mariners, at the request of the Conservator of the Port of Chittagong.

H. D. E. DALRYMPLE, Master Attendant,
Administrative Department.

Madras, Marine Office, 4th January 1871.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

WITH reference to the notice to Mariners, published in the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 25th August 1869, showing the position of a dangerous shoal, bearing about West 4 miles from the Kootubdea Light-house, a first-class spire buoy has been laid in 4½ fathoms, a little to the Westward of its Southern extreme, bearing West magnetic from the Kootubdea Light-house.

C. MARSHALL, Conservator.

Chittagong Boat Office, 6th Dec. 1870.

Departmental Leave, &c.

No. 121.—THE under-mentioned Officer has been granted leave of absence, under Sections 12, Clause 1, and 20, Clause 2 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules (Amended):—
P. Pundarikakshudu, District Munsif of Bapatla, in the Zillah of Guntur, for one month and fifteen days.

High Court of Judicature, Madras,
20th January 1871.

No. 132.—THE following appointment has been made by the High Court:—
M. Nagabushanam, Head Clerk in the Collector's Office, Kistna District, to act as District Munsif of Bapatla, in the Zillah of Guntur, during the absence on leave of P. Pundarikakshudu, or until further orders.

H. WIGRAM, Ag. Registrar,
Appellate Side.

High Court of Judicature, Madras,
23rd January 1871.

THE Board of Revenue have granted one month's privilege leave, under Section 18 of the Rules, to Mr. G. McWatters, Head Assistant to the Collector of Madras.

(By order.)

J. GROSE, Ag. Secretary.

Revenue Board Office, Madras,
20th January 1871.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

T. Ragavendra Row, Huzur Cash-keeper at Coimbatore, has been appointed to act as Money Order Agent at that Station until further orders.

F. LUSHINGTON, Accountant-General.

Fort St. George, Acctt.-Genl.'s Office,
19th January 1871.

THE Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, has granted Taluq Overseer G. Gorman, of the No. 3 Range, Godavery District, retrospective leave of absence on medical certificate, from the 10th to the 17th December 1870, both days inclusive.

THE Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, grants privilege leave of absence for two months to Taluq Overseer J. Kelly, of the No. 2, Vizagapatam Range, Vizagapatam District, from the 9th January 1871, or from the date he may avail himself of the same.

J. F. FISCHER, Major, R.E.,
Ag. Supg. Engr., 1st Divn.

UNDER the provisions of Section 9 of Act XX. of 1866, Mr. J. G. Ferrand, Registrar of Madras, performed the duties of Deputy Registrar-General on the 16th and 17th instant.

R. M. MACDONALD, Registrar-General.
General Registry Office, Madras,
18th January 1871.

No. 3.—PRIVILEGE leave of absence has been granted to Captain W. C. Bayley, Acting Assistant Superintendent of Police, 1st Class, Tinnevely, for two months.

W. ROBERTSON, Captain,
Asst. Insp.-Genl. of Police.
Chief Office of the Insp.-Genl. of Police,
Madras, 19th January 1871.

THE under-mentioned Gentlemen have passed the prescribed Examination in the Vernaculars, according to the Tests entered opposite their names:—

Names.	Designation.	Language.	Test.	Date of passing.
Capt. H. S. Court.	Ag. Supt. of Police.	Tamil...	Colloquial.	9th Jan. 1871.
Lieut. W. H. Hallett.	Ag. Supt. of Jail.	Telugu.	Do...	Do.
Mr. C. Renne.	Asst. Engr., P. W. D.	Hindustani.	Lower Standard.	5th Dec. 1870.
Mr. W. F. Potter.	Resdt. Engr., 2nd Divn., Madras Railway, N. W. Line.	Do...	Colloquial.	14th do.

W. DONALD, Secretary.

Office of the Committee for the Examination of Assistants, 19th Jan. 1871.

G.M. 562

From.

J. G. Loch, Esq.
Offg. Presd. Muni. Commisn.
Madras.
To.
The Honble R. S. Ellis, Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

Sir,

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 18 of the Madras Municipal Act of 1867, I have the honor to forward herewith for publication in the Fort Saint George Gazette, a Statement of the receipts and disbursements on account of this Municipality from the close of last year up to the 31st of October last, together with the Minutes of the Proceedings of the General Meeting of the Commissioners held on the 30th ultimo, at which the same was approved of, and of the adjourned General Meeting held on the 14th instant at which the Budget Estimate of Income and expenditure for the ensuing year, was passed.

Yours

2. You will observe that the Commissioners have resolved upon the levy of the following Rates, Taxes, Fees and Tolls during the ensuing year, viz:-

- I. Rates at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent on the Annual value of Houses, Buildings and Lands.
- II. Taxes on Arts, Professions, Trades, and Callings.
- III. Liquor Licensed Taxes.
- IV. Taxes on Carriages and Animals.
- V. Fee on Registration of Vehicles without Springs.
- VI. Tolls on Carriages and Animals entering the Town.
- VII. Miscellaneous Rents and Fee for Licenses, Registrations and Permissions, and I request that, should Government approve of them, the usual Notification of such approval may be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette on Tuesday next the 24th Instant.

J.

* embodied in the 3.
Proceedings of the
the 24th Instant.
Meeting of the
11th Instant.

I also submit under Section 30 of the Act, a copy of the Budget Estimate of Income and Expenditure for the ensuing year, as finally revised and passed at the adjourned General Meeting of the 11th Instant showing Rs. 6,13,600 as the probable Income, and Rupees 6,42,813 as the probable expenditure, closed by an estimated balance in hand on the 31st of December, 1871 of Rupees 28,787. The accompanying Proceedings enter so fully into the details of the Budget that it is unnecessary I should trouble Government with any additional remarks on it in this letter. The only part of it to which I would refer is the extraordinary Budget, in which a loan of Three Lacs of Rupees is taken credit for and the manner in which it is proposed to be laid out shown, with regard to which I trust to be shortly in a position to address Government with the information called for in para

5 of the Proceedings of Government
Public Department dated 7th
December 1869 N^o 1685.

4. I likewise forward
a Revised Schedule of Fees for
Licences, Registrations and
Permissions passed under Section
243 of the Act at the General
Meeting of the 14th Inst^t
which the Commissioners de-
cided to substitute for the
Table sanctioned by Govern-
ment in their Proceedings of
the 26th of March 1868 N^o 396 —
Pub. Department. The reasons
which render the revision
very desirable are clearly
explained in the Proceedings,
and I shall be obliged, if
Government approve of the
proposed changes by your
obtaining their sanction to
the publication of the Schedule
as revised, a certain number
of times in the Fort Saint
George Gazette for the inform-
ation of the public accom-
panied by a Statement that
it is to supersede the Table
of Fees now in force.

also embodied
in the Proceedings
of the Meeting
of the 14th Inst^t.

Dated 1st July 1870
N^o 1585 P. H. Rep^t.

According to the Proce-
dings of Government noted
in the margin, relative to the
proposed project of a Junction
Canal between the Coornu
and the Aoyar rivers, the
Meeting of the 30th Ultimo
passed the following reso-
lution viz:—

"That, with reference
to the request of Government
that the Commissioners
should express their opinion
on the following points, viz:—
1st— Whether the advantages
attached to the junction Canal
compared with the expendi-
ture and inconvenience
which it would involve,
are such as in their opinion
would justify the execution
of the project, and
2nd— Whether the Municipality
of Madras would feel itself ob-
liged to contribute to the exe-
cution of the work financially,
in what degree, and on what
terms.

Government be informed
in reply to the first question,
that the Commissioners are

not

not prepared to say whether
the advantages attached to
the Canal, compared with
the expenditure and incon-
venience which it would in-
volve, would justify the
execution of the project; and
with regard to the second
point, that they are of
opinion that the Municipality
is not in a position to con-
tribute to the execution of
the work.

6. Government will
observe from the Proceedings
that when the several Bye-
Laws confirmed by them
under dates the 6th and 19th
of July and 26th of October
1869, and 1st of November 1870
were forwarded to them
for approval, they had no
penalty clause attached
to them and I have now
therefore to request that the
Right Honorable the Governor
in Council will be pleased
to approve and give effect
to the following Resolution
passed

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passed by the Commissioners
at their meeting of the 30th
Ultimo by directing that
these Bye-Laws with penalty
clause attached as per se-
parate enclosed copy may
be published in the Fort Saint
George Gazette, as required
by Sections 234 and 235 of
the Municipal Act.

Resolved "That Government
be requested to republish the
Bye-Laws confirmed in their
orders in the Public Department
dated respectively the 6th & 19th
of July and 26th of October 1869
and 1st of November 1870, and
add to them the following
Penalty Clause."

"Whoever shall com-
mit any breach of any of the
foregoing Bye-Laws, by doing
any act prohibited by any
such Bye-Laws, or by neglect-
ing to do any act directed
to be done by any such Bye-
Laws, or in any wise how-
soever, shall on conviction
before a Magistrate be
liable

liable to a penalty not exceeding Twenty Rupees for each infringement and in the case of a continuing infringement to a further penalty not exceeding Ten Rupees for every day after notice from the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras of such infringement."

I take this opportunity of soliciting the early attention of Government to my predecessor's letter of the 7th of June last G.O. 219 embodied in their Proceedings noted in the margin, relative to the adjustment of account in respect of the Municipal contribution towards the maintenance of the Police for the official years 1866/67, 1867/68, 1868/69 and 1869/70 and requesting that the Municipality might be relieved from the charges incurred during the years

for

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for the cost of Police employed in State services.

I have the honor to be,
Your loyal & obedt. Servant,
John. Cork.

Offg. President
Municipal Commission,
Madras.

Part 26" March/1870-1883
 " 7" Decr/1870-1883
 " 28" June/1870-1883
 " 1st July/1870-1883
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J. C. Loch Esq
 Offg. Presd. Municipal Com.
 Madras

The Honble P. S. Ellis Esq
 Chief Secy. to Govt.

Dated 22nd Decr
 Recd 23rd
 and 4 Enclosures
 No 562

Forwarding
 for publication in the
 Fort Saint George Gazette
 Statements of Receipts &
 Disbursements in case of
 this Municipality from
 the last year up to 31
 October last, together
 with the Minutes of the
 Proceedings of the General
 Meeting of the Municipal
 Commissioners dated 31
 ultimo & Adjourned
 General Meeting of the
 14th instant at which the
 Budget Estimate of Income
 & Expenditure for the
 ensuing year was
 passed

Mr. Ellis

With 4 Enclosures.

Public Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the
 Offg. Presd. Municipal Com.
 Madras dated 22nd Decr 1870
 No 562.

Order thereon 17 January 1871 - No 61.

His Excellency
 the Governor in Council
 approves and sanctions the
 rates, taxes, and tolls pro-
 posed by the Municipal
 Commissioners for the
 Town of Madras, to be
 levied under the provisions
 of Act 18 of 1867 for the year 1871.

The necessary
 Notification, together with
 the Statements of Receipts
 and Disbursements from
 the 1st Janr to the 31st Oct 1870,
 and the Minutes of the
 General Meeting of the
 Commissioners, received
 with

J. D. S.

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with the foregoing letter,
will be published in the
Fort Saint George Gazette.

3. The probable
receipts for 1871 are
estimated at Rs 6,13,600
which, with the Govt.
Securities and Balance
in Cash, amounting to
Rs 58,000, places at the
disposal of the Commissioners
Rs 6,71,600. From this
amount they propose to
expend a sum of Rupees
6,42,813, leaving a balance
of Rs 28,787. The receipts
exceed the Estimate for
the Current year by Rs 40,522,
but the expenditure falls
short of it by Rs 9,094.

The Govt. approve and
pass the Estimates for
1871.

4. They also sanction
under the provisions of
Section 243 of Act IX of 1864,
the

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the revised schedule of
fees for licenses, registrations
&c and direct that it be
published in the Fort St.
George Gazette in super-
-session of the Table of fees
in force at present.

5. The penalty
clause proposed to be
attached to the Bye-laws
which received the confir-
-mation of Govt. on the
dates specified in para-
-graph 6 of the foregoing
letter, is approved. It
will be published, with
the Bye-laws, in five issues
of the Fort Saint George
Gazette, and then sub-
-mitted for the confirma-
-tion of Govt. The
Jamil, Belager and Him-
-distance Translators will
be requested to furnish
translations of the penalty
clause for publication.
Paragraph

6. Paragraph 5 of the foregoing letter will be communicated to the Public Works Department with reference to the Proceedings in that Dept^t dated the 1st July last No 1585.

Notification.

Under the provisions of the Madras Municipal Act, No 12 of 1867, the Governor in Council approves of the levy of the following taxes, tolls, and rates for 1871.

1st. - A rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent per annum on the Annual value of Houses, buildings, and lands as provided in Sections 69 to 82.

2nd. - A tax on Arts Professions Trades or Callings, and liquor license taxes, as provided in Sections 57 to 62, and Schedules C and C² respectively, of the said Act.

3rd. - A tax on Carriages and animals under Sections 36 to 43 and Schedule A of the Act.

4th. - A tax on registration of vehicles without springs under Sections 45 to 47.

Municipal Commissioners' Office, 53

Madras 25th Jan^y 1871.

My dear Mr. Rogers

I am afraid I am becoming too troublesome to you, but at the same time it is a matter of pressing with you kindly send me the copy of the revised Budget Estimate forwarded to your office with our letter No 5624 of the 22nd ultimo which was provided in G. O. 14 Inst. No 61 Pub Dept. I shall return

Fort St. George, January 24, 1871.

THE Governor in Council directs the publication of the following Bye-Laws made by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras, under Act IX. of 1867 :—

1. No person shall cut grass on the roads and in the side channels adjoining the roads situated within the Municipality.

2. No person shall expose to view or cause to be exposed to view, any raw skin or skins, or raw hide or hides, in the course of its or their carriage from place to place.

3. No cart, carriage, or vehicle of any description whatsoever without springs, pushed or drawn by a man or men, or a bullock or bullocks, or other animal or animals, whether empty or laden with passengers or things of any description whatsoever, shall be pushed, drawn, or driven on any road or street, except on the *metalled side or sides thereof*; nor shall any such cart, carriage, or vehicle or any jutka with or without springs, whether empty or laden as aforesaid, be pushed, drawn, or driven between the hours of 9 A.M. and 7 P.M. on that part of Popham's Broadway, in the Black Town of Madras, which is situated between the China Bazaar or Mundavally Street, and the Church Missionary Society's premises in Popham's Broadway.

4. No cart, carriage, or vehicle of any description whatsoever, whether on or without springs, shall be pushed, drawn, or driven, nor shall any animal be led, ridden, or driven on any foot-path expressly intended or made for foot-passengers, on any side or sides of any road or street, or through any Esplanade, nor shall any person use or cause to be used, any such foot-path or any part or parts thereof, for the location, either permanently or temporarily, of any stall or stalls for the sale of any article or articles, or thing or things of any description whatsoever, or for any purpose or purposes other than for the use of foot-passengers.

5. No person shall sell or cause to be sold, or expose or cause to be exposed for sale any mutton, beef, pork, or other (butcher's) meat or poultry, fish or salt-fish, in any place other than markets licensed by the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras, to be used for such sale.

6. That no new building shall be erected in certain streets herein after named, unless they are of an altitude and facade which shall be approved of by the President, viz. :—

The North Beach, 2nd Line Beach, the Esplanade front of the Town, Popham's Broadway, the Mount Road, Salay Street from Andeappen Naick Street to the General Hospital, Armenian Street, Thumboo Chetty Street, Mint Street, Andeappen Naick Street, and Barber's Bridge road, provided that there shall be an appeal to the Governor in Council from any decision of the President of the Municipal Commission passed under this Bye-Law.

Whoever shall commit any breach of any of the foregoing Bye-Laws, by doing any act prohibited by any such Bye-Laws, or by neglecting to do any act directed to be done by any such Bye-Laws, or in any wise howsoever, shall, on conviction before a Magistrate, be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty rupees for each infringement, and in the case of a continuing infringement to a further penalty not exceeding ten rupees for every day after notice from the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras, of such infringement.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Council,
R. S. ELLIS, Chief Secretary.

*Returned to the
Municipality.
Governor in Council
R. S. Ellis*

5th - Tolls on Carriages and animals entering the Municipal limits under Sections 49 to 55 and Schedule B of the said Act.

The President of the Municipal Council
 Madras } 23/1
 Public Works Department
 Tamil Translator to Govt.
 Telugu with the Bye Laws } 25/1
 Hindustani with the do. }
 The two Notifications published on the 17/1
 Proceedings published on the 24/1

Bot. of 1871 *Madras*.

To

The Presd. Mr. Russell
Madras

Dated: *1871* }
Recd. *1871, No. 61*

Nos. 56-57

Concerning the
water, towers & other
by the House of Commons for
the case of Madras, the
land under the provisions
of Act IX of 1859 for the year
1871 - & also the
action of the local
together with the
of the local
Madras, & 21st