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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In compliance with the request contained in Mr. Thornton's letter, No. 1062, dated 11th June 1897, I am directed to submit a report showing the action taken in connection with the celebration of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress at the various centres in this Presidency.

Ootacamund.

The celebrations commenced on Sunday, June 20th, with a special thanksgiving service in St. Stephen's Church, which was attended by His Excellency the Governor, the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, the Chief Justice, the Members of Government and the heads of departments. On Tuesday, the 22nd, His Excellency the Governor held a levée and in the evening gave a State banquet to which the principal officials in the station were invited.

A number of the poor were fed by charitable persons and with the aid of local subscriptions; the town was illuminated and bonfires were lit on the tops of the chief of the neighbouring hills. The Government made a grant to the municipality of Rs. 250 towards illuminations of public buildings and bonfires.

Madras.

In the Presidency town, the arrangements were in the hands of a large and influential general committee over which His Excellency the Governor presided.

On the 20th of June, special thanksgiving services were held in the various churches in Madras. The streets and the principal shops had been previously decorated with bunting and with banners bearing expressions of loyalty. On the 22nd over 21,000 children of all classes were entertained, and more than 16,000 persons were fed, partly by the committee and partly by private individuals. Sports on the Island for school children and others followed, after which the national anthem was sung by many thousands of persons assembled to witness these, all the bands at that time available in Madras accompanying. The celebration terminated with a display of fireworks and with very general and excellent illuminations. The Government contributed Rs. 500 for the illumination of the public buildings. The occasion appears to have been remarkable for the universal and spontaneous expressions of loyalty which it evoked.

Turning to the mofussil great resemblance naturally appears in the action taken in the various centres. Feeding of the poor, processions, bonfires and illuminations are the most usual form of celebration, while prayers in Hindu temples and Muhammosques were common. In several towns and villages permanent, memorials

of the Diamond Jubilee were inaugurated. In every district there were public rejoicings, though in parts affected by famine the previous heavy demands on private liberality and the want of leisure on the part of Government officers arising from the very heavy extra work caused by the prevailing scarcity, naturally tended to restrict the festivities.

An abstract of the reports received from the several districts in this Presidency is appended.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

OOTACAMUND,
23rd August 1897.*Chief Secretary.*

Anantapur.

At the district head-quarters poor persons were fed, and sports were held. The town was illuminated and a conversazione was held. The European officers, owing to pressure of famine work, were unable to take part in the proceedings.

North Arcot.

At Vellore over 1,500 poor people were fed, and cloths were distributed. The school children, to the number of over 1,000, were entertained. The European pensioners residing in the town and the patients in the hospitals were also fed. In the evening a procession marched through the town. The fort, as well as some private houses, was illuminated and bonfires were lit on the neighbouring hills. Prayers were offered for the Queen-Empress in various Hindu and Muhammadan places of worship.

At Walajapet 1,000 persons were fed and the school children were entertained. The festivities closed with the singing of the national anthem and with fireworks.

At Kālahasti 1,500 poor persons were fed and 500 cloths distributed. The town was illuminated and the Raja held a durbar in honour of the occasion.

At Tirupati the poor were fed and a procession and a public meeting held. A salute of 60 guns was fired.

At Punganūru on the 21st of June a portrait of Her Majesty was carried in procession, followed by the Zamindar and his family. A salute was fired and the national anthem was sung. Fireworks followed. On the 22nd a public meeting was held at which loyal speeches were delivered. The Zamindar afterwards fed a large number of poor people and held a durbar.

At Chittoor the poor were fed and the town was illuminated. Special prayers were offered in the temples and mosques.

South Arcot.

At Cuddalore the proceedings on the 22nd of June opened at daybreak with the firing of a royal salute. Subsequently, some 30,000 persons collected on the maidan where, throughout the day, various festivities took place, 8,000 poor persons being fed, and several hundreds clothed. A durbar was held by the Collector and a suitable speech delivered. His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India very kindly placed his band at the disposal of the Collector for the day. Sports followed the durbar. In the evening a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried round the town, followed by a mounted pageant representing some of the more important native princes of India. A dramatic performance and fireworks concluded the rejoicings.

At Villupuram a *Te Deum* service was celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church. Several poor persons were fed, sports were held, and the day closed with fireworks, &c., in the honour of the occasion.

Similar celebrations took place at Tindivanam, Tiruvannāmalai, Chidambaram, Vriddhachalam and other places of minor importance.

Bellary.

At Bellary a salute was fired at daybreak on the 22nd June. Over 2,000 poor were fed and the children of the town were entertained. Sports, fireworks and a ball concluded the festivities.

At Rayadrug the streets were decorated. A portrait of Her Majesty was carried in procession and the poor were fed.

At Adóni, on June 22nd, a "Diamond Jubilee Public Library" was opened. Food was distributed in the streets of the town as well as at the famine kitchens. A procession and fireworks completed the programme.

At Hospet a "Diamond Jubilee Fernery" and "Diamond Jubilee Baths" were opened and sports were held.

At Harpanahalli a public meeting took place, followed by sports, a torch-light procession, and fireworks. It was resolved to establish a "Diamond Jubilee Chattram" in honour of the occasion.

South Canara.

Special thanksgiving services were held on Sunday, June 20th, in the English, Roman Catholic and Basel Evangelical Mission churches at Mangalore. On the 21st, an entertainment was given in honour of the occasion at the Basel German Mission schools. On the 22nd, the police reserve was paraded and the poor were fed. A "celebration" at St. Aloysius' College with speeches, and a reception by the Collector concluded the public rejoicings.

Chingleput.

At Saidapet, the celebrations took place on June 21st. A Diamond Jubilee market was opened, and more than 5,000 persons were fed. The afternoon was occupied with sports, after which a salute was fired and the national anthem sung. In the evening the streets were illuminated and a procession marched through the town carrying a portrait of Her Majesty, which was afterwards presented to the Teachers' College.

At Chingleput, various poor persons were fed, and prayers were offered in the temples. In the evening, there were processions and bonfires.

At St. Thomas' Mount, the head-quarters of the Royal Artillery, a special thanksgiving service was held on Sunday 20th. The 21st was devoted to sports. On the 22nd, a salute was fired, and the pensioners of the station were entertained. In the evening there were illuminations and bonfires, and a torch-light procession by the men of the 14th Madras Infantry.

The demonstrations at Pallāvaram and Poonamallee were of a similar nature excepting that there were no salutes.

Coimbatore.

At the district head-quarters a special thanksgiving service on Sunday, June 20th, opened the celebrations. On Monday 21st, the town was decorated, and a procession marched through the streets bearing a portrait of Her Majesty: sports were held and there were displays of fireworks. Presents were distributed to 1,200 mill hands in honour of the occasion. On the 22nd, many poor persons were fed. The school children of the town were entertained, a durbar was held by the Collector, and an athletic meeting, followed by illuminations and a bonfire, concluded the day. At meetings held it was decided to erect a new municipal hospital and a new building for the Muslim Literary Society in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee.

Cuddapah.

At the district head-quarters the occasion was celebrated by the provision of a plentiful meal to the inmates of the famine-relief kitchens in the town. Sports were also held. The Muhammadans of Cuddapah held a meeting, at which loyal addresses were read and prayers offered for Her Majesty. The Komaties of the town held a similar gathering.

At Chitvel many poor persons were fed, the town was decorated and illuminated, and a procession paraded through the streets. The rejoicings at Proddatur took a similar form.

At Jammalamadugu and Pulivendla the inmates of the famine-relief kitchens were provided with a full rice-meal. Demonstrations of loyalty also took place at Sidhout, Badvel and Pullampet.

Ganjam.

At Berhampur the celebrations were organized chiefly by the Zamindar of Kallikot, and consisted of a public meeting presided over by the District Judge, the feeding of 2,000 poor people, and sports. The Zamindar announced his intention of establishing a Diamond Jubilee Town Hall and Library.

At Chicacole and Chatrapur rice and money doles were distributed, while Parlákimedi celebrated the occasion by public meetings, sports and illuminations.

At Russellkonda the poor were fed and clothed. The police reserve paraded and fired a *feu de joie*. This was followed by sports and a public meeting, while the evening was marked by illuminations and a procession in which a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried on a car specially built for the occasion.

Rejoicings on a smaller scale took place at Aska, Dhárakota, Parashottapur, Ichhapuram, Narasannapéta and Balliguda.

Godavari.

In Cocanada over 300 persons were fed, sports were held and a display of fire-works concluded the day.

At Rajahmundry, the celebrations consisted of feeding of the poor, a loyal meeting, fireworks and a procession. Ellore and Narsapur marked the occasion by similar demonstrations.

Kistna.

At Masulipatam special thanksgiving services were held on Sunday, June 20th. On the 21st, over 7,000 poor persons were fed. The town was illuminated and bonfires were lit. A public entertainment at which the national anthem was sung concluded the festivities.

At Bezwada the special thanksgiving service was attended by the volunteers in uniform. The poor were fed, sports were held and the school children were entertained. Guntúr observed the occasion in a similar manner.

At Tenali, a reading-room was opened, while at Bápatla a movement for erecting a Jubilee Town Hall was set on foot.

Kurnool.

A special thanksgiving service was held on June 20th. The festivities, which were much restricted owing to the existing famine, consisted of sports and of a torch-light procession, illuminations, and fireworks. Similar celebrations took place in the outlying towns.

Madura.

Celebrations were held in this district in the twenty-two towns shown in the margin.

Madura town.	Ramnád.
Tirumangalam.	Pamban.
Usilampatti.	Ráméswarem.
Shólavandan.	Tiruppuvanam.
Mélúr.	Paramagudi.
Alagarkovil.	Mudukulattur.
Dindigal.	Sivaganga.
Palni.	Menamadurai.
Periyakulam.	Tiruchuli.
Uttamapálaiyam.	Aruppukóttai.
Kodaikánal.	Tiruvadanai.

The demonstrations were similar in nature to those in other districts comprising distributions of food and clothes, prayers in temples and mosques, and processions in which the portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried. As permanent memorials of the occasion, the Raja of Ramnad opened a students' hostel at Madura (in which town a new public library is also proposed), a reading-

room is to be established at Tirumangalam, and two ornamental lights set up at Periyakulam.

At Ramnad, the Raja held a durbar and the town was *en fête* for three days. The Collector notices the heartiness with which the American residents of the district entered into the celebrations.

Malabar.

At Calicut, on the 20th June, a special thanksgiving service was held in the English, and a High Mass and *Te Deum* service in the Roman Catholic churches. On Monday, 21st, a propitiatory and thanksgiving ceremony was performed in the Hindu temple at Talli in the name of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress, at the cost of the Zamorin of Calicut, who also fed and clothed the inmates of the Civil Hospital and Lunatic Asylum. On Tuesday, 22nd June, some 12,000 persons received doles of

food or money, while the Parsi and Mappillah communities of Calicut both held religious meetings. The Basel German Mercantile Mission at Calicut and Messrs. Henke & Co. at Marakkat, both celebrated the occasion by entertainments to their employes on a liberal scale.

At Cochin, special services were held in the English and Roman Catholic churches, and the public offices and many private houses were profusely decorated and illuminated. At a public meeting it was resolved that a lying-in ward, to be called the Victoria ward, should be added to the local hospital.

At Vayittiri and Manantoddy, special thanksgiving services were held. At the former place food was distributed to the poor and special meals were provided for the patients in the hospital, sports, public meetings, and the singing of the national anthem completed the celebrations. At Manantoddy, the police fired a *feu de joie*, loyal addresses were delivered, food and money were distributed to the poor, and the streets were illuminated. At both these places permanent memorials are proposed.

At Malappuram, on June 21st, there was a procession in celebration of the day, the poor were fed and the town was decorated, while at night a large bonfire was lit.

At Taliparamba, a special service was held in the German Mission Chapel, and 2,000 poor persons were fed.

At Cannanore, food was distributed to the poor. Prayers were offered for Her Majesty's long life and continued prosperity in the forty Mappillah mosques subject to the control of Sultan Ali Raja.

At Tellicherry, over 7,000 poor persons were fed and a procession marched through the town. It was resolved to raise public subscriptions in view to extending the local college in commemoration of the Jubilee.

At Palghat, special services were held, 3,000 poor were fed, and many were clothed. The town was decorated and a display of fire-works took place.

The occasion was marked by similar demonstrations at Manjeri, Angadipuram, Cherpalcheri Kúttuparamba, Panur, Badagara, Ponnáni, Pudiangadi and other minor places.

The Nilgiris.

In addition to Ootacamund, the occasion was duly observed at Coonoor where special thanksgiving services took place, food was distributed, sports were held and the town was illuminated, and at Wellington where in addition to largely attended thanksgiving services in the English churches, a special ceremony was held in a Hindu temple, and a Jubilee reading-room was inaugurated. At Kottagiri the celebration consisted of public gatherings and sports.

Nellore.

At the district head-quarters, 2,000 poor were fed and clothes were distributed on June 22nd. A public entertainment presided over by the Collector concluded the day. Prayers for Her Majesty the Queen-Empress were offered in the Hindu temples. At Ongole special services were held in the churches, temples and mosques. On the 21st the poor were fed and the children entertained. On the 22nd a public meeting was held and the portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried in procession. At night the town was illuminated.

At Kandukur, 5,000 persons were fed. A public meeting and a procession bearing a portrait of Her Majesty completed the proceedings.

At Gudur, on the 21st June, 4,500 poor were fed and some were clothed. The celebration on the following day consisted of sports, a public meeting at which a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen Empress was unveiled, fireworks and a procession.

At Venkatagiri, the Raja marked the occasion by the distribution of food and clothes, and by a procession in which a portrait of Her Majesty took the prominent place. A salute was fired and the Raja delivered a loyal address.

Salem.

The demonstrations opened on June 20th with a meeting of the students of the Salem College at which loyal speeches were delivered, and the national anthem sung. On the 22nd a salute was fired, and the reserve police paraded and fired a *feu de joie*. Rice was distributed to 2,500 poor, and sports were held, followed by a *darbar* held by the Collector, who also entertained all the principal inhabitants of the town. Fireworks, bonfires and illuminations concluded the celebration.

At Attur a salute was fired. Rice was distributed and a procession marched round the town which was illuminated.

At Námakkal and Tiruchengódu, the proceedings were of a somewhat similar nature.

At Tiruppattúr, on the 22nd June, over 1,500 persons were fed, and numerous clothes were distributed. Prayers were offered in the various places of worship, and a public meeting at which the national anthem was sung concluded the day.

At Vániyambádi, 1,000 persons were fed and a Public meeting was held.

At Hosúr, sports, a public meeting at which loyal odes and the national anthem were sung, and illuminations constituted the celebrations.

The occasion was also duly observed at Krishnagiri, Dharmapuri and Uttangarat.

Tanjore.

At Tanjore, a special thanksgiving service was held. On the 22nd June a public recitation in honour of the occasion was delivered, sports were held and a procession with a portrait of Her Majesty marched round the town.

At Vallam, the streets were decorated and illuminated.

At Kumbakónam, 1,500 persons were fed and clothed, special services were held and the temples and mosques were decorated for the occasion. The foundation stone of a new chattram and water-pandal was publicly laid.

At Tiruvadamardúr, on the 22nd June, special services were held and food was distributed, while the evening was devoted to illuminations, fireworks and a procession.

At Májavaram, salutes were fired, 3,000 poor were fed, the children were entertained and the inhabitants marched in procession round the town with a portrait of Her Majesty.

At Negapatam, in addition to observing the occasion with a procession, a *feu de joie* and sports, it was decided to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee by a permanent addition to the local hospital.

At Mannárgudi food was distributed and public meetings and processions took place. The proceedings at Pattukkóttai and Arantanghi were of a similar nature.

Demonstrations in honour of the occasion are also reported from Valangiman, Pápánasam, Swamimalai, Shiyali and Tirutturaippundi.

Tinnevelly.

At Tinnevelly, food was distributed, the town was illuminated and prayers were offered in the temples.

At Palamcottah, 1,200 persons were fed, sports were held, and entertainments were given by the Collector and others.

At Veeraraghavapuram, a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried in procession.

At Tuticorin, 3,000 poor were fed and many cloths distributed. An entertainment to the children and a regatta concluded the celebrations.

At Srívaikuntam, in addition to illuminations and processions, a Victoria Jubilee school and a Victoria Jubilee park were inaugurated.

At Nángunéri, a permanent memorial in the shape of a rest-house was set on foot, the poor were fed, the town illuminated, and Her Majesty the Queen-Empress' portrait was carried in procession.

The festivities at Ambásamudram, Sáttúr, Virudupatti, Sríviliputtúr and San-karanayinárkóyil were of a somewhat similar description.

Trichinopoly.

On June 20th, thanksgiving services were held in the churches of all denominations. On the 21st, over 1,000 children were fed and entertained, 7,300 adults were provided with a meal and a large number of cloths was distributed. The evening was devoted to a public dramatic performance. On the 22nd, a municipal garden was publicly opened, after which the inhabitants marched in procession to the Town Hall where the Collector held a *darbar*. Bonfires and illuminations concluded the day.

At Perambalúr, a weekly fair and a reading-room were opened in commemoration of the occasion.

At Musiri and Kulittalai, portraits of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress were carried in procession.

Vizagapatam.

At Vizagapatam, on the 22nd June, the poor of the town were fed and clothed and a public meeting was held. It was resolved to erect a Town Hall to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee.

At Vizianagram, 6,000 persons were fed and 4,000 clothed. On the 22nd, a salute was fired and a procession of the elephants, horses and retinue of the Maharani of Vizianagram with the bands of the Maharani and the 20th Madras Infantry paraded through the town with a portrait of Her Majesty.

At Jeypore and Bobbili, similar celebrations were conducted by the Maharaja and the Raja, respectively.

At Bimlipatam, 2,000 persons were fed, a public meeting was held at which the national anthem was sung, and bonfires were lit.

At Yellamanchili, a Victoria choultry was opened and the poor were fed.

At Srungavarapukóta and Koraput, the poor were fed and sports were held.

At Nakkapalli and Kondakirla, the inmates of the famine kitchen were provided with a rice meal.

At Bisseenkattaek a reading-room was founded in honour of the Diamond Jubilee.

Narasapatnam, Chódavaramu, Anakápalle, Párvatipuram, Gunupur and Sálúru also observed the occasion.

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Trichinopoly
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From Bannatyme Macleod Esquire M.A., Barrister-at-law
Ag. Collector of Trichinopoly,

To J. F. Pies Esquire,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Cotacamund.

Sir, With reference to G.O., No. 773 dated 19th June 1897,
Public, I have the honour to submit the following report as
regards the Trichinopoly celebration of the Diamond Jubilee
of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen,
Empress of India.

2. On receipt of letter dated 8th April last from —
Lt. Col. Sir G. M. J. Moore the Chairman of the Diamond
Jubilee Executive Committee, Madras, the District Board
resolved to join in the Presidential address ^{to be presented} to Her
Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress of India
on the completion of the 60th year of her reign, and to
contribute by subscription from the Members the required
amount of Rs. 100/- in conjunction with the Munici-
-palities of Trichinopoly and Srirangam. The Board
also called upon M. R. Ry: Rai Bahadur —
T. Pattabhiram Pillai and M. R. Ry V. Vasudeva
Iyengar, two leading citizens of Trichinopoly and
Srirangam to convene a public meeting to concert
measures for the local celebration of the Jubilee. The call

was loyally responded to and subscription lists were opened in the Town and in the Taluqs. Among the subscribers, I may mention H. H. the Rajah of Pudukkottah who contributed Rs. 1,000/. The collections for the celebration in the Trichinopoly Town amounted to Rs. 5,525. Of this, about Rs. 2,800/ have been spent upon feeding and clothing the poor and other rejoicings and the balance is reserved for a permanent memorial to be hereafter decided upon.

3. On the 21st June, Poor School treats were arranged at six centres at which about 1000 boys and girls were given a substantial dinner, and some of them were also presented with cloths. They comprised all classes and creeds including about 500 Panchamas. On the same day, 7,300 adult persons were given a good meal and 790 were presented with cloths at a cost of about Rs. 1,530/. The same night the Native Amateur Dramatic Club, Trichinopoly, the members of which are either graduates or undergraduates entertained a large audience by enacting a portion of the play of Chandrakasa in English at the S. P. G. College. They received Rs. 40/ for fitting up the theatre.

4. The next morning at 8.15 A.M. the Collector opened on behalf of the Trichinopoly Municipality a neat Garden between the Hospital and the Market

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in honour of the Jubilee. After the close of this ceremony the assembly marched in procession with the IV Pioneer band to the Town Hall through the main Bazaar street a distance of about $\frac{1}{2}$ a mile. The proceedings opened by the national anthem being played by the band when the ladies and gentlemen in the hall rose and stood. Then a durbar was held. The Collector presiding, set forth the importance of the occasion and the benefits of British rule in India and particularly in Trichinopoly. It was intended to have distributed at the Durbar the certificates of merit to certain native gentlemen, but as the certificates had not arrived, the names of the 8 gentlemen to whom they were to be awarded were announced.

5. In the afternoon there was a very large gathering of native gentlemen in the Town Hall, and they were entertained by musicians and songsters. Among these was a boy of about 12 years of age who played on the Vina.

6. At 5.30, Sri Balasubramania Ragunatha Tondaiman Sahib Avergal, Chinnah Aramana Jaghiardar of Pudukkottah gave a garden treat to the European Ladies and Gentlemen of the station. In the evening, Bonfires were lighted on the tops of

the Trichinopoly rock and other rocky hills in the District. Blue, green and red lights were burnt on the top of the Trichinopoly rock which presented a fine spectacle. The people also illuminated the fronts of their houses. At the Trichinopoly Club the European Residents of the Town had a station dinner with 51 covers, and thereafter a ball in the Assembly Rooms.

7. In the large sacred shrines at Srirangam, — Jambukeswaram and Rock fort as also in all the temples and mosques in the District service was held in honour of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress of India. In St. John's Church, Trichinopoly, there was a fully attended parade service on 20th June, and the Chaplain, Rev: F. E. Cameron, delivered a suitable eloquent sermon. The Roman Catholic Churches had crowded Te Deum services and the other Mission Churches also special services.
8. In all the Head Quarters of the Tahsildars, the poor were fed and clothed (correct figures not available) — and there were processions and rejoicings in honour of the occasion. At Perambalur and Kulittalai a portrait of Her Most Gracious Majesty was enthusiastically taken in procession in the streets with the usual pujan and music, at the former place

place, a weekly fair and a Reading room were also opened then in honour of the occasion. Two temples will also be presented with a silk umbrella to be called, "The Victoria Diamond Jubilee umbrella". At Musiri, a portrait of the Royal Family was carried in procession and the Lower Secondary School was styled "the Victoria Diamond Jubilee Lower Secondary School".

9. Ten of the poorer Chelsea pensioners and six pensioned widows were paid Rs 1 each to enable them to enjoy the Jubilee.

10. The Hindu community were much gratified at the bestowal of the title of Mahamahopadhyaya on one of their members and the certificates of merit were equally appreciated.

11. The Government and Railway Offices and Schools and Colleges had holidays for the occasion. The following gentlemen heartily cooperated in making the celebrations a success particularly in the matter of feeding the poor.

M. R. Ry Rai Bahadur T. Pattachiram Pillai ayt,
Retired Deputy Collector,
" R. Kandasami Pillai, Tahsildar
" M. S. Parthasardi Iyengar ayt,
Police Inspector

Khan Bahadur Khadir Nawaz Khan Sahib,
Municipal Chairman

M. R. Ry A. David Pillai ayt, District Munsiff

" T. Sundara Rao ayt,
Treasury Deputy Collector

" V. Ramasami Iyer ayt,
Probationary Deputy Collector

" A. Shunmugasundaram Pillai ayt
Deputy Collector

" N. Srinivasa Rao ayt,
Muzur Sheristadar
Rev: Jacob Gnanavolivu S.P.G.

" D. Ratna Mudaliar ayt,
Temple Trustee.

12. Prisoners were released from the Central Jail
and Sub-jails as already reported.

13. The 23rd W. L. I had sports on the afternoon
of 21st June, and the Native Officers of the
IV Pioneers an evening illuminated enter-
tainment on the 23rd instant well attended
by their Civilian Friends. The IV Pioneers
saw to the bonfire of 22nd on the Golden
rock.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Ag. Collector.

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Coimbatore Collector's
Office, 29th June 1897

From

Herbert Bradley, Esq.,
Collector of Coimbatore,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Coimbatore.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the report called for in

G.O. Public No. 773, dated 19th June 1897.

2. On the 20th June the special service prescribed for that day was celebrated and the Acting Chaplain preached a most impressive sermon dealing with Her Majesty the Queen Empress' Life and Reign.

3. All Courts and Public Offices were closed on the 21st and 22nd June.

4. On the afternoon of the 21st an entertainment was given by the members of the Freemason Club at which a large proportion of the inhabitants of Coimbatore were present. The principal streets of the town were decorated, and several triumphal arches were erected. The Town Hall was decorated, and a procession consisting of the leading gentlemen of the town started from

it at about 4.30 P.M. The procession was headed by a carriage containing a portrait of H. M. the Queen Empress, which was conducted to the Cosmopolitan Club, where it was received with cheers and carried with due ceremony into the club. Bicycle sports, pony racing, and fireworks followed. This entertainment was entirely got up by the native members of the Club.

5. On the 21st two hours holiday was allowed to the Mill Hands to enable them to see the sports at the Cosmopolitan Club, and on the 22nd they were given a half holiday, and a present of 4 as each. The number of hands was 1200.

6. On the 22nd the employees of Messrs J. Stanes and Co's Coffee curing and cotton pressing works were granted a holiday. Mr Stanes also provided breakfast and sports for most of the European and Eurasian school children in the town.

7. A numerously attended Durbar was held at 1 P.M. at which I announced the names of the gentlemen selected for certificates recognizing their services. This was preceded by a procession of the Municipal Councilors and the leading gentlemen of the town who met me at the entrance to the town on my way to the Durbar.

8. Sixty nine male prisoners were released from the Central Jail, 69 males and 1 female from the District Jail, and 9 males and 2 females from the Sub Jail. Remissions of sentence were granted to 342 Central Jail prisoners, 95 District Jail prisoners, 3 sub Jail prisoners and 97 Burmese prisoners.

9. Prayers were offered for the long life and continued glory of H. M. the Queen Empress at the principal temples, Mosques and Churches.

10. The poor were given a hearty meal on the morning of the 22nd.

11. A meeting was held to concert measures to erect a substantial building as a permanent memorial to take the place of the existing Municipal Hospital which has been condemned as insanitary.

12. In the afternoon the members of the local company of the Nilgiri Volunteers had an athletic meeting.

13. The Mahomedan community held a meeting at the Literary Association and resolved to erect a substantial building in commemoration of the occasion for the Muslim Literary Association, the Chairman of the meeting Sayid Dissan Sayid Fakruddeen Sahib of Eldamelpet undertaking to defray the cost.

14. In the evening the principal streets of the Town were illuminated and a bon-fire arranged for by Mr C. V. Korasiah, barrister at law, lighted at the top of Lambton's Peak.

15. The chief feature of the whole celebration was the amount of enthusiasm shown by non-officials as well as officials.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant

M. R. R. R.
Collector

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

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Order *620/577/97*

From *The Collector of South Canara*

Dis: No. *3* of 1897.
G.B.

Dated *29th June 1897.*

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Enclosures - *None*

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SUBJECT.

*Celebration of the
Jubilee - Reporting
regarding the -*

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SOUTH CANARA COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Mangalore,
29th June 1897.

FROM

W. H. Welsh, Esquire,

Collector of

South Canara.

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public Department,

Fort St. George

Sir,

In obedience to G.O. No 773,
Public, dated 19th June 1897 I have
the honor to report:-

2. Twentieth June. In the Church
of St. Paul, Mangalore, at 8 A.M.
the form of prayer appointed for the
day was used, with the special
prayers appointed by the Metropolitan.
Due notice had been given thereof.
and the attendance was fair in spite
of rain. Before the form of prayer
the National Anthem was sung.

3 By direction of the Right Revd
Abundius Canadini, S.J., Bishop of
Mangalore, a solemn Pontifical High
Mass followed by the Te Deum was
celebrated in the Roman Cathedral.

Cathedral in thanksgiving for the blessings of civil and religious liberty. The Te Deum was ordered to be used after Mass in all parish churches of his diocese.

4 In the Basel Mission Churches special services were held.

5 Twenty first June. In the Basel Mission Schools Vernacular addresses were given, the National Anthem sung in Canarese and sweetmeats distributed to children. The collector and others attended.

6 Twenty second June. At 7 A.M. on this day the announcement of remissions of sentences to certain prisoners in the District Jail was made by the Superintendent Mr. Donovan through Mr. Domingo Vas, non-official visitor, in the presence of the collector. Certain prisoners and civil debtors were then released.

7 The collector then rode to the

Maidan where the Superintendent Mr. Stoddart had drawn up the Police Reserve in review order in front of St. Paul's Church. Sixty bombs procured by private subscription were exploded in commemoration of Her Majesty's sixty years' reign. The Reserve gave a royal salute and marched past the flag. This parade was well attended, the day being bright.

8 On the same day the distribution of doles to the poor, to the sick and to lifers out of funds raised by public subscription, amounting to Rs. 525, took place in front of the Municipal Office.

9 In the afternoon the public were invited to a celebration in the Hall of St. Mary's College in honor of the Diamond Jubilee. The Programme was got up with gilt scrolls, verses from Tennyson's "Jubilee Ode" and Barry Cornwall's "Recession Ode". The "Song of Empire" by Lewis Morris was recited, a speech upon the "Record Reign" delivered by an Irish priest

part songs sung and a short play acted.

10 The Collector entertained a large party at dinner when the Queen's health was drunk and afterwards a reception was held at which about 125 native gentlemen attended besides ladies and children. A Brahmī lady, Miss Subba Rao, read an address in honor of Her Majesty. The Dy. Collector distributed flowers to the guests and gave supari as they departed.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

For and by
Collector

Public
Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

CHIEF SECRETARY
-4 JUL 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
From

The Collector of
Dumnapur.

No. 3469

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at 10/10 1-7-97

Dated 27th June 97

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Re for trip to Jubilee
was celebrated at
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Anantapur Collector's Office,

Dated 27th June 1897.

No. 3469

Enclosure

From

R. H. Shipley Esquire
The Collector of

Anantapur.

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government,

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

In reply to G. O. 773 Public dated 19th June 1897, I have the honour to report that Monday and Tuesday 21st and 22nd June were observed as public holidays to celebrate the jubilee.

On the first day the poor of this town were fed, and on the second some sports were held in Robertson's square, after which there was a conversazione and some illuminations. One prisoner was released. The arrangements were left in the hands of the town's people, pressure of work preventing the British

officers from affording much help. Order reigned
throughout the town on both days.

I have the honour to be

Sir

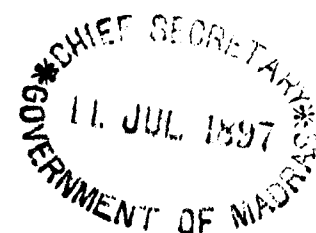
Your most obedient servant

D. Venkataiah
For By Collector 30/6/97

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Public
~~Local & Muni.~~ (1897) Department.

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From
The Collector of
Madras

Dis No. 1489

Order

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SUBJECT.

Celebration of the Jubilee

Submitting report showing
the action taken in the City
of Madras in connection with
the ———.

BACK PAPERS.

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Dr. No. 1489

MADRAS COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

8 July 1897.

From

J. N. Atkinson Esq.
Collector of Madras,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

MADRAS.

SIR,

In reply to G.O. No. 773
Public, dated 19th June 1897, I have
the honor to submit the accompanying
report, showing the action
taken in this City in connection
with the celebration of the completion
of the 60th year of the reign of Her
Majesty the Queen Empress.

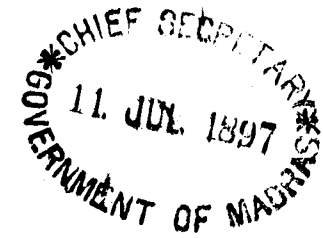
I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant,
J. N. Atkinson
Collector.

8/7/97

Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

Order



From E. A. Elwin, Esquire
By Collector
Kurnool

No. 1899
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Dated 5-7-97

Received 14 }
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SUBJECT.

Submitting report called
for in G.O. No 773 dated
19th June 1897.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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Dated 5th July- 1897.

FROM

E. A. Elwin, Esquire,

By COLLECTOR OF KURNOOL,

To

THE SECRETARY TO

Government,

Public Department.

SIR,

SIR,
I have the honour to submit the report
called for in G.O no $\frac{773}{19.6.97}$.

Kurnool Town.

On Sunday 20.6.97, a special thanks-giving service was held in the English Church, the interior of which was decorated with flowers and plants. Almost all the Europeans and Eurasians of the Station attended and the service concluded with the singing of the national anthem.

On Monday 21.6.97, there was a torch light procession through the town between 8 P.m and 11 P.m. The town was decorated and illuminated - the streets were crowded with people and great enthusiasm.

enthusiasm appeared to prevail. The Collector and other Europeans, and many native gentlemen, both official and non-official, took part in the procession. One of its chief features was the carrying of a large portrait of Her Majesty the Queen Empress on an ornamental car. Dancing girls and musicians were engaged, and halts were made from time to time on the route to allow of the singing of verses in praise of Her Majesty. At 11 P.M. the Victoria Park was reached, and a display of fireworks was witnessed.

On Tuesday 22.6.97, it was at first proposed to hold a Darbar, but as it was found impossible to call in the various officials employed on family duty owing to the situation of Kurnool in a corner of the District and at a distance from the railway, the idea was given up. In the afternoon, athletic sports were arranged to take place on the Maidan near the European Club and witnessed by

by many of the European, Eurasian, and native residents of the place. Refreshments were provided by the members of the Club. At 7 P.M. after giving hearty cheers for Her Majesty, the assembly dispersed, and the D. Line Section proceeded to the temple and mosques where prayers for Her Majesty were offered up. A Station dinner that was to have been given by the Collector had to be abandoned on the advice of the District Surgeon who considered that any noise in the Collector's house would be harmful to the Judge, who was lying there in a semi-unconscious state owing to the accident that had befallen him in that morning.

Outlying Stations

Rejoicings of a suitable kind took place on a smaller scale

Prayers were offered up for Her
Majesty in all places of worship, the
poor were fed, and verses in honour
of the occasion were recited.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

for a collector,

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From

The Ag. Collector
Chingleput Dist.

Dis No. 1970 of 1897.

Dated 10th July 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting a report regarding
the action taken in the various
Centres of the Chingleput
District to celebrate the
completion of the 60th year of
the reign of Her Majesty the
Queen Empress.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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The completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress of India was celebrated in the following manner.

Saidapet

The celebration was held on the 21st June.

At 7 A.M. the day's programme was proclaimed by the principal inhabitants of the town accompanied by a band of musicians.

At 8 A.M. a market styled the "Victoria Diamond Jubilee Market" was opened by Fathima Begum Sahiba, a lady of the Carnatic family.

From 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. about 2500 Caste Hindus and about the same number of pranchamas, men, women and children, were fed. Money doles were distributed to some who came later. A large number of Mohammedans were also fed by Fathima Begum Sahiba.

From 4 to 6 P.M. athletic sports for school boys were held, prizes distributed, and a treat given to the school boys. After this a salute was fired and the National Anthem sung by the boys of the St. Patrick's Orphanage - at Adyar.

At 7 P.M. the principal streets were illuminated and thanksgivings were offered in churches, temples and mosques.

At 8 P.M. a picture of Her Majesty the Queen Empress was carried in procession, with music, through the principal streets in a landau drawn by four horses with postillions and accompanied by chobdars. The procession was stopped in front of several houses, when the picture was garlanded and sandal, Pan. Supari, sugar candy, fruits and flowers were distributed by the residents.

The picture was afterwards presented to the Teachers' College.

Chingleput

A number of poor persons were fed by public subscription.

Prayers were offered and puja performed in the Vishnu and Siva temples.

A procession headed by some of the principal inhabitants passed with music through the streets, and Pan. Supari, sandal and flowers were distributed.

In the evening there was a musical entertainment, and a bon fire was lit on a hill overlooking the town.

Saint Thomas' Mount

Sunday 20th. Thanksgiving service was held.

Monday 21st. Royal Archery sports and sea party, followed by a concert and dance.

Tuesday 22^d. Salute of 60 guns. Entertainment to pensioners and their families. Magic lantern exhibition. Torch light parade of the XIV. M. I. Regiment to

A bon fire was lit on the Mount.
The Mount was illuminated,
and there was a display of
fireworks.

Pallavaram

Sunday 20th Thanksgiving service was
held.

Tuesday 22^d. At night a bon fire was
lit on the Pallavaram Hill.

Wednesday 23^d. The children of the E. A. V.
Company pensioners and
other residents in the
Cantonment were enter-
tained with sports, tea &c.

Poonamallee

Donation was given to provide extra
messing, as under:—

Each man - as 8

" woman - as 8

" child - as 4.

The barracks were illuminated
at night by a large bon fire and an open
air concert was held round the fire.

D. D. Murdoch

Ag Collector.

District No. 1970 of 1897

From

Chingleput DISTRICT COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Saidapet 10th July 1897

D. D. Murdoch Esquire
Ag Collector of the
Chingleput District,

To Chief
The Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to G. O. No. 773, Public
dated 19th June ultimo, I have the honor
to annex brief reports showing the action
taken in this district in connection with the
celebration of the completion of the 60th year
of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
D. D. Murdoch
Ag Collector.

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

Order

From

*the Collector of the
Nilgiris*

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SUBJECT.

Diamond Jubilee

*Report of the action taken
in this district to celebrate
the _____ on the 21st & 22nd
June 1897.*

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No.

Algiers Collectors Office
Cochamund July 1897.

From J. R. L. Lemenhure Esq
Collector of Algiers

To The Chief Secretary to the Government
in the Public Department
Cochamund.

Sir, As directed in Government Order
No. 443 Public of 19th June 1897, I
have the honor to submit the following
report about the action taken,
in connection with the celebration
of the completion of the Sixtieth Year
of the reign of Her Majesty the
Queen Empress, in the various
stations in this District.

In Cochamund, rations were
distributed to the Native poor
on the forenoon of the 21st and
in the evening, the prominent
part in the town.

were decorated and illuminated.
Besides, five bonfires were lit
on the various hills surrounding
the town.

Special Services were also held
in the various churches here.

In Coonoor, the ~~the~~ poor were fed in
the morning of the 21st and all
Native School boys were given a
treat and entertained with sports.
In the evening the place was illuminated
and there was then a display of
fire works. The day's proceedings
were brought to a close by singing
the National Anthem.

A similar gathering was held
by the Europeans of the station
on the 22nd June at Sims Park.

In Wellington, a Special Service
was performed in a temple.

for the continued health & prosperity of
Her Majesty the Queen Empress and a
"Jubilee Reading Room" was started
in commemoration of the occasion.
In Katoia the Europeans & natives
set up public rejoicings & sports.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

G. S.
Capt.

for the Govt.

Judicial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From

*H. D. Taylor Esquire
Selling Collector
Cannara*

Order

*Dis No. 1222 of 77.
Aug 2nd 1897.*

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SUBJECT.

*Submitting a brief report
showing the action taken
in connection with the
celebration of the completion
of the 60th year of the
reign of Her Majesty the
Queen Empress.*

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Ms 355
 Manuscript Office
 dated July 1897
 From the Secretary to the Government
 through the Collector of Gaspee
 to the Municipal Council
 Parliament

The Secretary to the Government
 (through the Collector of Gaspee)

Sir, With reference to our letter of 19th June 1897, I have the honor to submit a brief report showing the action taken in this Municipality in connection with the celebration of the completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress.

I am glad to state that the celebration did not present such a lively appearance as it did on the 1st of June, owing to the prevalence of rain. The celebration was in honor of the jubilee and through the question. Until Monday the 22nd, there were no arrangements made in the direction. The whole affair was a dull and dreary. But on the 22nd three

Came a ~~spontaneous~~ inspiration from inside
and the whole town was found in feet.
From early morn to dewy eve, it was all
one round of merry-making. At about
1 P.M., the local Pradhana Samaj
met in the College ~~hall~~ under my Presidency
and offered up prayers. A member of the
Samaj read a brief account of the life
of the Queen dwelling at some length
on the many excellent features of her
Majesty's private and public career.
A Pancharatna mala and songs specially
composed for the occasion by K. Narasimham
member of the Samaj were read and
sung. The National Anthem brought
the proceedings to a close at 3 o'clock,
the local Wing & Samaj met in the Wing
girls' school where likewise an interesting
programme was gone through. Races and
sports for school children under sixteen
were the next item on the day's programme
and they were commenced at 4 P.M.,
chief among them being the Chatti race,
egg and spoon, three legged race, tug
of war and the blind man's buff. Tennis
and Badminton tournaments are still
continuing. At 6 P.M. there was
a ~~large~~ meeting of the townsmen

held in the College under the Wing
of our noble-minded second Wing. It is
hardly possible to give a short of the event
that were present, for it would mean
giving a list of the names of the townsmen.
The proceedings began with singing
Mangalam to Queen Victoria. It
was followed by the reading of addresses,
the first by Mr. M. Srinivasadas Pantulu and
the second by myself. Then prizes
were given to the winners of the races.
Then tea and pan sari were
distributed. Mr. A. Dodd the geological
engineer delivered a short fitting speech
dwelling on the numerous blessings that
the glorious rule of the Queen Victoria has
conferred upon India. The President
wound up the main proceedings by making
a few remarks best suited to the
occasion. National Anthem was then
sung, Mr. Dodd taking the lead. Three
lasty Cheers for the Queen, for her loyal
subjects and the Empire brought the
meeting to a happy close at 9 in the
night, the lights and some of the private
buildings were illuminated. The
omnipresent school boys are not to
be absent from such occasions to
be sure. When every thing was over

a quadrilateral of them formed a sort of procession
and proceeded through the palace-streets,
leading the way to the Queen and hearty
prayers for her health and happiness
making a great noise in the
the matter of paraphernalia. The sight
was worth seeing.

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.
and in reply to inform you that your letter has been forwarded
to the proper authorities for their consideration.
Yours most obedient servant
Chas. W. Smith

The enclosed is a copy of the report of the
committee on the subject of the proposed
amendment to the constitution of the
State of New York, as passed by the
Legislature at its session in 1894.
The report is printed in the form of a
booklet, and is distributed to all members
of the Legislature. It contains a full
and complete statement of the facts and
circumstances connected with the proposed
amendment, and also a full and complete
statement of the reasons for and against
its adoption. It is a most valuable
document, and one which every citizen
of the State should read and study.
Very respectfully,
Chas. W. Smith

Received of the
Commissioner of the
Land Office
the sum of \$100.00
for the purchase of
the land in the
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No 1297
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From
S. S. Rajagunagarsah
Chairman
Municipal Council
Palo-Kinich

11 JUL 97
CANTON

16th July 7.

The Chief Secretary to the
Local Municipal Officer
Chadras.

Dated: 8-7-97

Replied 9-7-97

Recd.

Subject

Submitting report showing the
action taken place in the
municipality in connection
with the celebration of the completion
of the 60th Year of the reign of
Her Majesty the Queen Empress.

Camp Bunkhata

16th July 1897.

From
H. D. Taylor Esquire,
Magistrate, Bangalore
To
The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department

Sir,
With reference to Government order
No 773, Public, dated 19th June 1897, directing
Collectors to submit a brief report showing
the action taken in connection with the
celebration of the "Completion of the 60th
Year of the reign of Her Majesty the
Queen Empress, I have the honor to report
as follows:-

2. Berhampur: At this place, the zemindar
of Kallikot gave an entertainment on
June 22nd at his own expense.

A public meeting was held in the
municipal office, which was duly decorated,
under the presidency of the District Judge
and feelings of loyalty to Her Majesty

Majesty expressed.

About 2000 poor men were fed on the day in question. Worships, offerings and prayers were made in several temples and Churches, and sports were held by the Regiment. The band of the Madras Native Infantry (22nd Regiment) played appropriate music.

The Zemindar ^{also} ~~promised~~ to make a gift of a Town Hall and a Public Library to the Berhampur public in commemoration of the event to be called "The Kalkiat Rajah's Diamond Jubilee Town Hall and Public Library". It would have been more fitting had the hall been called the "Victoria Diamond Jubilee Hall" and associated with the name of the Queen ~~Empress~~ rather than with that of the Zemindar.

The meeting terminated with attar, pan and Supari being distributed.

Mr. Withnott writes that smaller celebrations took place in various parts of his division.

3. Chicacole. The Diamond Jubilee was celebrated at Chicacole with much

400 inmates in the Chicacole kitchen at annas 2 for each minor and annas 4 for each adult; and the poor were given clothes.

Prayers were offered for the long life of Her Majesty.

In the evening athletic sports were held in the parade ground.

4. Parlakimedi. A meeting was held in the local College where prayers were offered for the health and happiness of Her Majesty. In the evening the townsmen ~~passed~~ through the palace streets in procession. The chairman's letter addressed to Government on the subject is enclosed.

5. Chakrapur. Mr. R. Py. Gade Balaramadas Pantulu form a member of the District Board celebrates the Diamond Jubilee at his own expense. Rice and money were distributed among mendicants and the ~~poor~~ ^{poor} ~~poor~~ ^{poor}. Worships performed and bhajans (offerings) and prayers offered in all the temples for the Majesty's long and prosperous reign; native ~~bands~~ ^{bands} played, and the audience entertained with Kolatani and songs sung by the girls of the local girls' school, and with Bhajana

(prayers with songs) at Sri Balaramaswami
Quarters.

5. Porushottapur. The worshippers of
different temples marched in procession
through the streets which were illuminated.
Nothing more was done here owing to
prevalence of Cholera.

6. Ichapur. Prayers were offered and cloths
were distributed to the poor out of the
Charitable fund placed at the disposal
of the Deputy Tahsildar.

7. At Parasannapet, a meeting was
held at the Deputy Tahsildar's house
where prayers were offered for the health
and longevity of Her Majesty. The audience
was entertained by native music and the
meeting was closed with the distribution of
betel & nuts and sandal paste and spices.

8. Balliguda. Mr. Bartly reports that
about 300 persons were given meals
twice in the day by money obtained by
subscriptions from Government officials,
Mahajans (merchants) and villagers.

9. Reports from Naka, Rasulkonda,
Tekkali and other important centres
have

have not been received.

10. I was myself unable to take part
in any of the celebrations as my tour of
inspection in the Kimeri Taluk, which was
a matter of some urgency, had already been
delayed by my having to return to Barampur
to meet the Honorable Mr. Croft, Chairman
of the Central Committee, and I returned in
his Company to where I had left my Camp
standing.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

D. Srinivasulu
Tory Collector

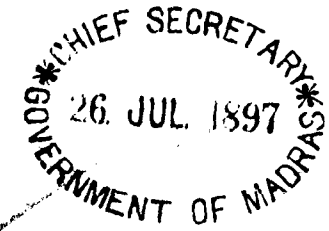
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Public ~~Works~~ (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

Order



From

The Collector.
Coimbatore.

Dis No. 2388 of 97.

Dated 21. 7. 97

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3. Rajahmundry:— There also the poor were fed and clothed. The municipality of the Town granted Rs 150 for the purpose and some hundreds of rupees were also privately subscribed. The leading gentry of the town met in the local Reading room with myself in the chair. There were short speeches befitting the occasion and a display of fireworks followed by a procession through the streets.

4. Ellore:— Private subscriptions were raised in this town also and about 500 poor people fed. Prayers were offered in the temples and masjids and a procession went round the town carrying a large photograph of Her Majesty in a palanquin.

5. Arsapur:— Prayers were offered in the temples, masjids, and churches: and with the aid of private subscriptions raised for the purpose about 600 or 700 poor people were fed.

6. At almost all other Taluk Head Quarters stations and also in some of

of the large rural villages poor people were fed and processions were held. There was no interference of Government officials anywhere and everything was spontaneous and genuine.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

(50) V. A. Brodie

Collector

Duekata Ramadas

For Collectors.

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A brief Narrative of the Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, Empress of India, in the Madras District.

On the 9th April 1897, a letter was received from the Chairman of the Diamond Jubilee Committee, Madras, enquiring if the Presidents and the members of the District and Taluk Boards as well as of Municipalities were willing to join in the presentation of a Presidential Address and to subscribe a Sum of Rs 100 towards the expenses of the Casket and the address.

The Presidential address was unanimously adopted by all the Boards and Municipalities and a Sum of about Rs 165 was Contributed by them and others interested towards the expenses of the Casket and the address. This Sum was duly remitted to the Central Committee Madras.

The 21st and 22nd June were observed as public holidays throughout the District in Commemoration of the Jubilee, and the

Ceremony was celebrated at the following centres in the manner briefly noted below.

Nellore - (its ancient name being Simhapura - Lion's City -); is the head quarters of the Collector, District Judge, Superintendent of Police, District Engineer and Civil Surgeon, and is a Municipal town with a population of 32,009 of whom 25,078 are Hindus, 5742 - Muhammadians, 1016 Christians and 14 unclassified. It is situated on the right bank of the Pennai 108 miles north of Madras and 15 miles from the Sea. At present it is the northern terminus of the Nellore Villupuram Section of the South Indian Railway which will shortly be superseded by the East Coast Railway from Gudur northwards. Its trade has considerably increased since the advent of the Railway. It has two high schools, one a Hindu School and the other a Mission School, besides a

Normal School, two Girls' Schools and several primary Schools. There is also an American Baptist Mission School for boys and girls.

The celebration of the Jubilee began on the morning of the 22nd when about 2,000 poor persons of all Castes were sumptuously fed and some clothed. This lasted till 2 in the afternoon. At 5 P.M. the people were assembled in a pandal erected on the square in front of the Collector's office and sweets were distributed to school boys and other children. This was followed by a magic performance, singing and dancing. At the close of the amusements, the Acting Collector Mr. E. Scott made an appropriate speech, in response to which the people gave three hearty cheers to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Empress. Simultaneously with this, prayers were offered at the famous Hindu temples at Ranganayathurapett and Moolapett, suburbs of Nellore, for Her Majesty's long life and prosperity.

The Jubilee ceremonies were Commenced on the 20th June at 6.30 P.m in the premises of the A. B. M. Chapel with a prayer for the long life and prosperity of the Queen Empress to which the local Hindu and Mohammedan gentry were also invited. The proceedings

Kandukur — is the Taluk Headquarters
Station 53 miles north of Nellore

Ongole -

and 12 miles west of the Sea. Its population is 7577 Comprising 6117 Hindus, 1377 Muhammadians and 83 Christians. A Tahildar, Stationary Sub. Magistrate and Sub Registrar are stationed here. It contains a Board Lower & Secondary School. There are remains of two old forts in the town Constructed under the Hindu and Muhammadian rulers. The town is noted for its fine breed of cattle and for coarse blankets.

The festivities commenced on the morning of the 22nd June. Food was given to 5000 deserving persons of all castes and creeds the surrounding villagers also having gone to the place in large numbers. Some of the poor persons were clothed. Many Brahmins recited Vedic texts and read out certain life auspicious portions of the Ramayana and to the Mahabharata, invoking the special best blessings of the Providence on Her Majesty

and Her vast dominions. There were gymnastic feats, music, dancing and fire works in honour of the occasion. At 9 P.M. all the Hindu Gods in the village were brought out in procession by the Hindus while the Muhammadians illuminated their mosque and performed thanksgiving service. The procession then went round the town with a portrait of Her Majesty placed in a specially constructed vehicle.

Gudur — is a rising village 23 miles south of Nellore and is at the junction of the East Coast Railway and South Indian Railway. A Head Assistant Collector, Tahildar Stationary Sub Magistrate and Sub Registrar are stationed here. Its population is 5749 of whom 4983 are Hindus, 689 Muhammadians and 77 Christians. The village is a L. F. Union with a Local Fund Hospital. Choultry, Secondary and primary schools as also a Muhammadian School.

The festivities were observed on the 21st and 22nd June. On the 21st about 300 Brahmins and 4500 people of other castes were fed and some of the poor were clothed. There was a special worship conducted in all the temples. On the 22nd athletic sports began at 3 P.M. and at their close, sweetmeats were distributed to school boys and girls. At 7 o'clock Mr. A. Thompson the acting Head Assistant Collector unveiled the portrait of Her Majesty amidst loud applause. The Guduru Club premises were tastefully decorated and illuminated during ^{the} night. Sanskrit and Telugu verses specially composed for the occasion were read. There was a display of fireworks. After 11 P.M. there was a procession of the village Gods attended with music, dancing &c.

Of the other centres in the district where similar festivities were celebrated, viz, Athuathur, Kewali, Udayagiri, Kanigiri and Venkatagiri, that Venkatagiri is worth special mention. The Rajah and his brother

fed a large number of people and distributed clothes to several. The Rajah and his ministers paraded the streets on elephants placing a photo of Her Majesty on the foremost one. The procession went up to the parade ground accompanied by the Rajah's Sepoys and guns were fired in honour of the occasion. The Rajah read over an address in Telugu explaining the benefits which the people derived during the long and glorious reign of Her Majesty.

Nellore
21 July 1897 }

R. Raghunadharan
Treasury Deputy Collector

N^o 2423
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Mellore collector's office,
Dated 23rd July 1897.

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From

E. Scott Esquire,
Ag. Collector of Mellore

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department,
Coimbatore.

Sir,

With reference to G. O. N^o 773
dated 19th June 1897, I have the honour to
submit herewith a brief narrative of the
celebration of the Diamond Jubilee in the
District compiled by my Treasury Deputy
Collector, M. R. Raj Bahadur V. Jagannath
Shankar Pantulu garu.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

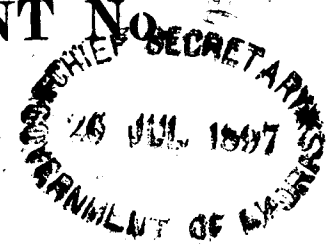
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Majesty the Queen
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THE DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS AT CUDDALORE.

The Diamond Jubilee celebrations in Cuddalore on the 22nd Instant were sufficiently grand and impressive to render them worthy of the capital of any District in the Presidency. The people of Cuddalore gave ample evidence on the occasion that in loyalty and enthusiastic reverence to the Queen they yield to no other portion of Her Majesty's subjects. The magnificent spectacle presented by the Maidan on Tuesday last was something unparalleled in the experience of the present generation of the town people. Compared with it the public demonstrations in honour of the Golden Jubilee in 1887 faded into insignificance. Private philanthropy and public exertions combined to render the celebration eminently successful. This is largely to be attributed to a happy co-operation of the leaders of every section of society.

A general meeting was first convened in the Town Hall at which a working-committee of a representative character was nominated with Mr. Paul, agent to Messrs Parry & Co. for President. Liberal subscriptions were promised towards the celebration by those present at the meeting. Spontaneous offers too from wealthy gentlemen to feed and clothe the poor were thankfully accepted and recorded. At a series

of meetings of the working committee, efficient arrangements were made for collecting money; also the form that the celebration should take and the events that should comprise the proceedings of the day were thought out and definitely arranged. The total collections from the town and its suburbs amounted to about Rs. 1000 which were equitably portioned out among the various heads of the programme laid down for the occasion. For several days previous to the celebration the maidan presented an animated scene on account of the preparations actively carried on there. Mr. Subbaroyalu Reddiar as secretary to the committee and his assistants were constantly on the spot to inspect and push on work. A spacious, well-designed pavilion of elegant proportions rapidly rose in a select part of the maidan, and the interior of it was decorated with agreeable taste according to oriental patterns by skilful native artists. The northern end was covered by a dome-like roof the ornamentation of which was strikingly pretty and attractive. Globes and lustres suspended in glittering rows added to the magnificence of the roof. A few yards in front of the pavilion there was an interesting erection decked with temple draperies in imitation of a portico. Another similar erection, less costly, stood at the point where the passage started from the road to the pavilion. Facing the Jubilee pandal, parallel to the road to the south of it there were a number of tents pitched for Europeans and Eurasians. In the intervening space a course running east to west was laid out for the sports to be held on the

day. There was a liberal display of flags flying at the tops of the pandal posts and of poles planted along the course for the sports. Numerous triumphal arches with excellently inscribed inscriptions were suitably set up at the pandal and elsewhere along the main approaches to neighbouring public offices and important streets. The streets themselves under the patronage of the Municipal Chairman were profusely decorated in the most beautiful manner of the country.

The Cuddalore College conveniently situated to for various purposes in with the festivity. The Superintendent's Bangalo the same side of the vacant was employed as for the Police Officers who had all been invited sion, and it was turned able place of resort during successive even musical entertainments At the request of the all places of public w tian, Mahomedan and prayers were offered continuance of the bene Her Majesty the Queen welfare and prosperity of the Family.

As the day broke the commo-
ment of the rejoicings was announ-
ced by the firing of guns. It was
the moment when a number of
prisoners were liberated from the
on Capet Hills. From this
people could be seen thronging
the maidan till all the accesses

pavilion were blocked up by multitudes. From early morning a pair of merry-go-rounds were set whirling to the infinite diversion of the younger folk. There were also a troop of Thombars engaged by the committee to amuse the crowds with their feats of agility and skill on ropes and poles. About 10 A.M. commenced the feeding of the poor at various centres. At Tirupapuliyur Mr. Sankariah Naidu supplied food to 1000 persons in his two houses. At Cuddalore large numbers were fed at the houses of Messrs: T. Soobroya Chettiar, A. Dandapani Chettiar, M. Chithia Chettiar and at the mosque. This part of the town Mr. Murad Ricayar gave relief to a great many people of his own creed. In New Town, food was supplied by Mr. T. Chibellam Naidu in the garden and his Bangalow to about 1000 persons including a large number of girls. The committee at the public expense caused no less than 2000 people to be fed at Thiaga Mudaliar's aturam. On the whole about 8000 people were fed on the day. The poorer classes of the Eurasian population were not forgotten, special provision being made to give them a substantial dinner at Old Town. The carrying out of this particular business was entrusted to Mr. Elder, Inspector of Police, to whom credit is not only for the successful execution of this task but also for the tact, ality and cheerfulness with which discharged various other duties connected with the celebration, for the performance of which it would have been impossible to find a more capable, more laborious person. As the feeding in the different parts of the town lasted till nearly 2 P.M. it is not possible to begin the distribution of cloths immediately as it would have necessarily disturbed the preceding parts of the programme, was therefore wisely postponed to a later and more convenient hour.

The next event of the day—an event more absorbing interest and importance than all others—was the Durbar held in the pavilion. A little before 3 P.M. the Collector was escorted from his residence by a long procession of school-boys and others and on his entering the pandal the National Anthem was played by the French Band kindly lent by the Governor of Pondicherry at the occasion. The pavilion was filled with gentlemen who had received invitations from the Collector to attend

the durbar, there being also a few other spectators to whom tickets of admission had been accorded. The Band continued to play as the Collector moved up the passage in the middle of the hall and ascended the dais, where directly he opened the durbar and made an appropriate speech, dwelling on the life and character of Her Gracious Majesty. The speech which was listened to with rapt attention by the assemblage before him was as follows:—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

"To day the duty devolves upon me as the chief representative, for the time being, of the Government in South Arcot, to preside over this assembly, convened as one of the measures taken to locally celebrate the auspicious occasion of the completion of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, Empress of India. The execution of this duty is facilitated by the consciousness that all our hearts are throbbing in unison, all of us, being animated by a common sentiment, and that all of us are here assembled to testify by our presence, individually and collectively, to our devotion and loyalty to the throne and person of our beloved Sovereign. Similar testimony is being borne to day by myriads of Her Majesty's subjects of every colour, caste and creed throughout the British Empire—that vast and ever expanding empire upon which the sun never sets, an empire whose national speech is now in *lingua franca* of the civilized world and whose national flag, wherever it flies, is the precious emblem of impartial justice, popular freedom and constitutional good Government. And what, ladies and gentlemen, think you is the real mainspring of this universal jubilation? The mere fact that to day the historic record has been splendidly broken by the unparalleled duration of Her Majesty's glorious reign—however unique and remarkable a phenomenon in the annals of sovereignty—however worthy of national and international recognition and honour—could not, by itself, have provoked these world-wide genuine rejoicings. These are due rather to all that that fact signifies in the domain of human progress during the Victorian era, and due, above all, to the incomparable personality and all, to the adorable character of Her with whom this adorable epoch must ever be identified.

The briefest possible retrospect of what has been accomplished during the 60 years of Her Majesty's magnificently beneficent reign would necessarily be so incomplete that I shall not attempt to make it having regard to the exigencies of time and to the immense areas which would have to be travelled over in every direction of human activity. Such a retrospect would involve excursions into the fertile regions of literature, science and art and the recital of facts which have been productive not only of moral, intellectual, social and physical development and happiness of mankind in general, but have led to the expansion,

consolidation and stability of the British Empire. I pass on therefore to what after all, is the open secret of our love for our sovereign viz. her incomparable personality and character—a character so perfect and spotless that the fierce light which has beamed upon her throne for the last 60 years has failed to disclose a single flaw. That the "King can do no wrong" is, as you are aware, an axiom of constitutional jurisprudence—an axiom which the public and private acts and lives of monarchs have often shown to have been a convenient fiction, but an axiom which, applied to the public and private life of the Queen Empress of India, is the simple enunciation of an absolute truism. It is Her Majesty's intense human sympathies for her people, Her noble impulses, and kindness of thought and deed which have placed her upon a supreme pedestal as the ideal of the highest type of pure womanhood and have caused her to be idolized by her subjects throughout the world. They know well that she ever rejoices with them in their joys and sorrows with them in their sorrows—that her greatest happiness is to promote the happiness of others. Ever the first to show her imperial, womanly sympathy when calamities and disasters befall her people and never more happy than when contributing to alleviate the anguish of the afflicted and sorrow-stricken. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, it is this ever overflowing outpouring of a very human, womanly noble heart which has drawn to Her Gracious Majesty the hearts of all her subjects and has prompted this extraordinary exhibition of spontaneous genuine joy to day throughout the universe. Of all Her Majesty's royal prerogatives there is none she is ever more ready to exercise than the prerogative of mercy. It is this prerogative which it was our Sovereign's gracious pleasure should first be exercised to-day throughout her vast dominions when at break of dawn the bars of the prison doors were opened in order that as many as possible of those imprisoned might be restored to liberty—set free to return to the bosoms of their homes and families and there to participate in this marvellous commemoration. As the Fountain of Honour, the source from which flows public distinction, our beloved Sovereign has chosen to exercise to day another of Her Majesty's great prerogatives, by commanding that honours in celebration of Her Diamond Jubilee should be distributed to such of Her Majesty's subjects as may be chosen to receive their Sovereign's visible signs of approbation. I proceed accordingly to publicly announce the honours which will now be conferred upon those who have in this District been selected for distinction upon this auspicious occasion."

The announcements having been made and the reasons why the recipients in each case were selected having been given, the Collector closed the Durbar with the following words.

"It only remains for me, in bringing this Durbar to a close, to express on my own behalf as also on behalf of this representative assemblage, the fervent hope that we

and Her Majesty's subjects in all other parts of the Empire may, for many more years, enjoy the benefit of Her Majesty's gracious and peaceful rule and to earnestly pray that He who is the Supreme King of Kings may plentifully endow Her Majesty with every blessing in what remains to Her of this life, and with everlasting felicity in the life to come."

At the close of the durbar the Collector was garlanded. Wreaths of flowers were presented to other gentlemen present and pan supari distributed. The Collector then left the dais and proceeded to the entrance of the pavilion where a photo was taken. All the while the Band struck up a succession of tunes. Now the sports commencing, the people in the pavilion dispersed to take up more suitable positions to view them. Though organised by the police and intended specially for the police, the general public were not excluded from competing for the prizes. Among other interesting features of the sports there was the greasy pole at the top of which were five rupees tied up for the successful climber. A great many adventured in vain to reach the coveted prize till at last one lucky individual had the pluck and skill to scale up to the top and secure the well-earned reward. The prizes to winners at the sports, which were eagerly competed for, were distributed by Mrs. Garrett. Almost simultaneously with the sports the distribution of cloths to the poor took place in the presence of the Collector. The greater part of the cloths was the gift of Rajah Sir Savalai Ramaswamy Mudaliar of Madras, who, being a native of Cuddalore had been asked by the Committee whether he would be willing to associate his name in some manner with the Jubilee celebration of this town and had returned a generous response to the appeal. Full two hundred persons enjoyed the benefit of this liberality of the famous Madras philanthropist. Rajah Sir Savalai, moreover, in perpetual commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee and as an imperishable token of his love for his native town, has offered a donation of Rs. 10,000 for the maintenance of the Maternity Hospital opened last year at Tirupapuliyur.

We now proceed to speak of a particularly interesting part of the programme of events for the day. Mr. Gnanaswami Nayudu of St. Joseph's College, a man of taste and invention conceived the excellent idea of enhancing the day's celebration by a pageant consisting of a mounted

procession of students representing some of the more important native princes of India. With an untiring energy and perseverance he wrought to turn this idea into an accomplished fact. To secure this and to collect funds for this purpose in the town and from wealthy landlords in the adjoining villages he was ably assisted by the zealous Kuppaswami Pillai of the same College.

Having got his proposition accepted by the jubilee committee he obtained a handsome contribution from them towards successfully carrying it out. Eight students being selected were fitted up in the appropriate costumes of the princes they represented and at the appointed hour 7 P.M. they started on the procession from the Collector's Office and moved along the roads bordering on the maidan on the south and then turning down into that which crosses the maidan at last concluded their progress at the pavilion. A large and beautiful likeness of the Queen was borne on a splendidly gilt car in front of the pageant. An abundance of lights on both sides of the princes illuminating the car and the glittering attire of the youths created a dazzling splendour. At the pavilion the princes alighted, the picture of the Queen was installed on a throne and one of them declaimed the following verses in praise of Her Majesty.

Most gracious Lady, on this festive day
In loyal speech we would thy praise convey.

Extensive is thy realm: in it the sun
Does never set, so vast its range! In vain
We look in times gone by, for realms
To 'match' with thine in greatness or in length.

Thou art the heir to India's fabled wealth,
Which once enriched so many a city
Of Western Christendom in days gone by.

O Queen! Thy reign has left
Its lasting marks on its remotest parts.
The fertile plains by Irrawaddy's stream
And by the Indus watered, have been
Within our memory to this thy realm.

And Africa's continent once all concealed
Has been revealed at last by pioneers
Of thy own nation, in thy glorious reign,
And added to thy crown a brilliant gem.
Such is thy Realm, and such thy Reign,
The largest, and the longest ever seen.

A glorious page for future ages, writ
By thy fair hand, that swings such
Beneath thy sway full freedom reigns
And equal justice too for every race.

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Beneath thy sway full freedom reigns
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By thy fair hand, that swings such
Beneath thy sway full freedom reigns
And equal justice too for every race.

What shall we say of thy exalted aims
Since on the throne we see a model
Of every virtue, which thy sex adorn
And what thou thyself art, thou

A frown upon thy royal brow does cl
And banish from thy sight degrading

A brighter reign than thine has not
For ages long, as virtue is concerned
So may this reign of thine still last

And may thy realm yet further
May peace and freedom reign

For aye, its guerdon sweet at thy feet
Such is our prayer to-day: so let
May Queen Victoria reign still more

And may the Lord her enemies
At the termination of this re

able show there were prolonged
ses and cheers and the National A
was sung.

A brief interval of time being
ed after this, a dramatic perfor
was given also under the dire
Mr. Gnanasami Nayudu. The

acted was "Moliere's well known
keeper turned Gentleman." The
formance ending about half ten

it was followed by pyrotechnical
which formed a fitting conclusion
of the festivities for the day—

unique glory in the life of our
Majesty the Queen Empress
unparalleled in the history of
modern world.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION AT CHIDAMBARAM

A CORRESPONDENT FROM CHIDAMBARAM WRITES:—

"While the more important were competing with or celebrating the auspicious with as much solemnity as as possible, Chidambaram to none in exhibiting her attachment to her beloved

though she could not boast elaborate programme. At 4.30 the portrait of Her Majesty [was] on a palankin in procession followed by hundreds of residents accompanied by select music. The sight of vast procession amid much rejoicing and merriment produced an admiring effect on the spectators who vied each other to get a glimpse of Gracious Sovereign. The procession started from the Municipal

wended through the four main streets

ADVERTISEMENT.

SOUTH ARCOT DISTRICT.

"TENDERS FOR LOCAL FUND PUBLIC WORKS"

The District Board Engineer, South Arcot, Cuddalore, is prepared to receive sealed Tenders, which must reach him at or before 12 o'clock noon on Monday 5th July 1907 for the execution of the various items of work specified in the appended list.

2. Each tender must be accompanied by a Post Office Savings Bank Book for 25 pledged to the District Board Engineer, South Arcot, as earnest money for the due execution, if required, of an agreement by the accepted tenderer, within seven days of date of intimation of acceptance of tender.

3. Any accepted tenderer failing to execute the required agreement in accordance with Local Fund Public Works Rules within the period prescribed above will forfeit his earnest money deposit.

4. The Pass Books of non-accepted tenderers will be released and returned.

5. The President, District Board, reserves to himself the right of accepting or rejecting any tender without assigning any reasons.

6. In case it should be found necessary, between the date of acceptance of any tender and that of execution of the necessary agreement, to suspend the execution of any work tendered for, either temporarily or otherwise, during the official year, the accepted tenderer or tenderers must accept the necessity of such suspension without question or claim of any kind. In such cases the earnest money Deposit Pass Book concerned will be released and returned as soon as it has been decided not to proceed with the work tendered for.

PHILIP NERY,

District Board Engineer,
South Arcot.

LIST OF SPECIAL WORKS FOR WHICH TENDERS ARE INVITED.

In each tender, rates must be separately quoted for collection and stacking of required materials by the road side, for cartage per mile and for spreadage of the materials noted against each work per every 100 c. ft. (one hundred cubic feet).

For earth work including sectioning per 1000 c. ft. and for other special items of work particularly noted against each.

The materials to be supplied must be of the best approved quality as per standard specification of the Department.

Earthwork rates must include the proper levelling and sectioning of all made soil.

Masonry and other special works must be executed according to the standard P. W. specification.

DISTRICT BOARD

NEW WORKS:—Nil.

SPECIAL REPAIRS. METAL QUARRY.

Cuddalore Taluq

- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Regravelling coast Road 5 to 9 miles. | } Laterite Copper Hills. |
| 2. Do Salem Frontier Road Via Vridhachellam 5 to 12 miles | |

TALUQ BOARDS.

TINDIVANAM TALUQ BOARD NEW WORK

VILLUPURAM TALUQ.

- | | |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. Gravelling Pappanpett Valudavur road 6 to 11 miles. | } Pitsoil Vettukadu. |
| 2. Do 29th mile of Villupuram to Mambalapur road | |
| 3. Do 7th mile of Chetputto Villupuram Via Gengee Road | } Do. Narasinganoor. |

TINDIVANAM TALUQ.

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|--|-------------------|
| Gravelling the road 30, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, miles of Chetput to Villupuram via Gengee Road | } Gravel Valathy. |
| ... | |

SPECIAL REPAIRS.

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|--|-----------------------------|
| Regravelling 17, 20, 25, miles of Vellimodu Pondicherry Road | } Kathapukam and Tindivanam |
| ... | |

VILLUPURAM TALUQ.

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Regravelling the Villupuram to Tiruvannellore Road | } Pitsoil Thennamadevi Gravel Mylam |
| 2. Do 1st mile of Chendoor Mylam Road | |

CHIDAMBARAM TALUQ BOARD.

NEW WORKS:—Nil.

CHIDAMBARAM TALUQ. Laterite Copper Hills.

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|----------------------------|-------|
| 1. Remetalling Killai road | } Do. |
| 2. Do. Natarajapuram road | |

VRIDHACHELLAM TALUQ.

- | | |
|---|--------------|
| 1. Regravelling Vridhachellam to Porto Novo Road from 26th to 31st mile | } Do. Copper |
| 2. Regravelling Road from Vridhachellam to Ulundurpett | |

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|---|------------------|
| 3. Regravelling Vridhachellam to Porto Novo road. | } Gravel Ponnery |
| 4. Special Repairs to 39th 42nd miles in Salem Frontier Road in Vridhachellam Taluq | |

Cuddalore Taluq Board.

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|---|-------------------------|
| Remetalling Arungunnam road and road from Nelli-kuppam to Arungunnam. | } Laterite Valangalput. |
| ... | |

PHILIP NERY,

District Board Engineer.

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P. K. Pillai

PROGRAMME

Events to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress of India at Cuddalore on the 22nd June 1897.

10 A. M. to 1 P. M. The poor will be fed at the following places:

- (1) M. R. Ry Tyagu Mudaliar Avergal's Chuttram at Pudupalium by the Jubilee Committee.
- (2) The Mosque at Cuddalore Old Town, by M. R. Ry. Muhamed Morad Marakayer Avergal.
- (3) M. R. Ry. T. Subbaraya Chettiar Avergal's house and garden at Cuddalore, Old Town.
- (4) M. R. Ry. Muthayya Chettiar Avergal's house and garden at Cuddalore, Old Town.
- (5) M. R. Ry. Dandapani Chettiar Avergal's garden at Cuddalore Old Town.
- (6) M. R. Ry. V. Sankariah Nayudu Garu's house and garden at Tirupapuliyur.
- (7) M. R. Ry. T. Seshachalla Naidu Garu's Bungalow at Cuddalore New Town.
- (8) M. R. Ry. Thiagu Mudaliar's Choultry at Pudupalium by M. R. Ry. Sundara Reddiar Avergal.
- (9) M. R. Ry. Thiagu Mudaliar's Choultry at Pudupalium by M. R. Ry. Sambasiva Reddiar Avergal.

cloths will be distributed at the following places—

- (1) On the Maidan, Cuddalore New Town, by M. R. Ry. Subbarayulu Reddiar Avergal.
- (2) On the Maidan by M. R. Ry. Raja Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar Avergal, Kt. c. i. e.
- (3) On the maidan by M. R. Ry. T. Subbaraya Chettiar Avergal who also maintains water-sheds.

2-30 P. M. Mus Procession from the Gate of the Collector's Bungalow to the Diamond Jubilee Pavilion on the Maidan.

2-45 P. M. Durbar, to be held by the Collector at the Diamond Jubilee Pavilion.

3-15 to 6 15 P. M. Sports, distribution of prizes and School Children's Treat.

[NOTE—A programme giving particulars of Sports is separately published]

7 to 7-30 P. M. Students' Cavalcade of Native Princes.

8-30 to 10 P. M. Students' Theatrical Performance.

10 to 10-30 P. M. Fireworks.

NOTE.—The Band of Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India will play Selections of Music during the day.

CODE THE QUEEN EMPRESS OF INDIA.

A. SUBBARAYALU REDDIAR, B.A.B.L.
M. B. SUSAI PILLAI, M.A.

Hon. Secretaries
Cuddalore Diamond Jubilee Committee.

Have been men
- been and loyalty. The education

which had been gaily decorated and terminated at the Reading Room where the portrait was placed on a throne. After this, various addresses were delivered in honor of the occasion. Over, the distribution of pan-supari terminated the events of the day.

... would fail in duty, were we to ... the fact that the poor were not for- ... At on the occasion. At different ... hundreds of poor people were ... public subscriptions.

THE DIAMOND JUBILEE AT PORTO NOVO.

... decorated Jubilee pandal was in the maidan opposite to the stone House and along the ... of the Vellar river at Porto ... At 4 P.M. on the 21st Instant ... of Her Majesty the Queen ... (Square palankeen) decorated ... flowers &c. The procession ... at 7 P.M. accompanied by fire ... torches, blue lights and singing ... All the officials including Mr. V. Oshanghnessy the Inspector of ... and Abkari Department, and ... respectable men of the place fol- ... ed the procession. The portrait ... the Vimanam was taken into the ... Jubilee pandal. The procession closed ... in the distribution of pan-supari &c. The Sub Magistrate of the place ... explained the object of this com- ... moration to the audience and Mr. W. Oshanghnessy concluded the ... eech and the Meeting disbursed at ... 30 P.M. with prayers to the Almighty ... od that Her Majesty may be long ... pared to reign over them in the world- ... ide Empire. Divine Worship was ... nducted in the principal Temples of ... he place both Hindu and Mahomadan. ... the 22nd the poor were fed by ... V. Ry. Authimoolam Chettiar Avl. ... Komara covil in the day and M. R. ... Theet-a Mudaliar Avergal at his ... use in the night and cloths were dis- ... tributed to the needy in the Jubilee ... andal at 5 P.M. by Hazerath She ... Mohomed Marikar Avergal. Thus were ... brought to a happy termination the ... Diamond Jubilee rejoicings at this ... small yet historic place.

PORTO NOVO, }
4th June 1897. } LOYALTY.

DESABHIMANI

SOUTH ARCOT.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

No. _____

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Camp Killiyannur
DATED 22nd July 1897.

FROM

A. E. Castlestuart Stuart, Esq., I.C.S.,
F.G.S., F.L.S., F.R.G.S.

COLLECTOR OF SOUTH ARCOT.

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY,

TO GOVERNMENT

Public DEPARTMENT.

MADRAS.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the report called for in Government Order dated 19th June 1897 N^o. 773 Public regarding the action taken in connection with the celebration of the 60th year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress in the various centres in this District.

2. Before proceeding to detail the measures adopted in the several centres, I must observe that the proceedings everywhere in South Arcot have been marked by enthusiasm and loyalty, the educated

and uneducated classes alike
taking a most lively interest in cele-
brating the unique occasion in a
suitable manner. The 22nd day of
June was a day of general rejoicing
the freedom which ^{happily} this District has
enjoyed from the disturbing causes
for anxiety on account of which other
parts of this Country have been
suffering, contributing to the
joyfulness of the occasion. The
arrangements were everywhere
in the hands of Committees, Com-
posed of influential, nonofficial
gentlemen, which conceived mea-
sures and collected subscriptions.
The celebrations in Cuddalore, the
historic head quarters of this District
were a grand success and reports
from Divisional officers show that
the celebrations in other Centres were
equally successful. A characteris-
tic feature of all these was the
thought bestowed on the poor, large
numbers of whom were fed and
clothed by well-to-do people Hindu
and

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and Mussalman. On the whole the
Auspicious event was worthily
celebrated by all classes of
Her Majesty's Subjects in this
District with many of whom the
22nd June 1897 will long continue
be remembered as a red letter
day.

3. The following is a resume
necessarily brief - of the mea-
sures adopted in the various
Centres.

Cuddalore. The fine Maidan
in front of the Collector's Office
was the scene of the festivities.
It is estimated that some 3000
people assembled here during
the day. A large and well deco-
rated pavilion was erected about
the centre of the Maidan and in
front of it tents were pitched for
the use of all who wished to sit
down or partake of refreshments.
The intervening space was laid
out for sports which were organized
by the Police Superintendent. The

Whole

whole place was gay with bunting
amongst which was conspicuous
the national flag. The day broke
with the firing of bombs in the
absence of cannon to announce
to the people that the reopening of
the memorable day had commenced.
At day break I proceeded to the
District jail to be present at the
release of prisoners - similar
releases taking place at the
same time at the various Sub-
jails in the district in which pri-
soners were to be released and
they were told the reasons which
had brought about their libera-
tion. Large numbers of the poor
about 8000 of all colour, caste
and creed were fed during the
day and some hundreds were
clothed. The old military pensioners
were not forgotten and the children
were given a treat. At 2.30 P.M.
a procession was started which
conducted me as the local
representative

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representative of Government
to the Pavilion on the Maidan
where I held a Durbar. This
Durbar had been previously
notified and in addition to all
officials, special invitations
had been issued to all leading
members of society - Native
and English in the District. They
were responded to in right loyal
manner and the large Pavilion
was densely thronged. The Police
were in strong force and the
Band which His Excellency
the Governor of the French Settle-
ments in India had very kindly
placed at the disposal of the
local Committee for the day
was in attendance. I opened
the Durbar with a few words
befitting the occasion and
the Jubilee Certificates which
were to have been presented
then to the gentlemen selected
for the honour on the precedent

of 1877 not having arrived, I publicly announced the names of those gentlemen, briefly explaining the reasons which had led Government to honour them on the occasion. Opportunity was also taken to present Dewan Bahadur H. Subbaraya Ayyar my Treasury Deputy Collector on whom the title had been conferred as a new year honour with his Samad and Mr. J. R. Coombes, my Head Quarters Deputy Collector with the Long Service Medal which the Commandant of the Madras Volunteers Corps had forwarded to me for presentation to him. After the conclusion of the Durbar the Police Sports commenced and continued till 6.15 P.M. followed first by the distribution of cloth to the poor the greater part of which was the gift of Rajah Sir Savalai Ramasami Mudaliar and after nightfall by a

picturesque cavalcade formed by the students of the locality dressed to represent the leading native princes of India in appropriate costumes, preceded by a beautiful Car in which was borne a large likeness of Her Majesty the Queen Empress. This procession created much enthusiasm. On students on arrival at the Pavilion sang the National Anthem and later on proceeded to act an amusing farce of Mohierie. A grand display of fire works concluded the festivities. General thanksgiving services were held in all places of worship prayers being offered at the temples & mosques throughout the town. I append for information a copy of the local newspaper—the Disabhimani of the 23rd June 97 (2) print of programme of the events.

events of the day and (3) Copy of printed invitation to the Durbar as a perusal of these will give a fair idea of the days' proceedings in Cuddalore.

I must not omit to mention that Rajah Li Savalai Rana-sami Mudaliar has in Commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee promised a generous donation of Rs 10,000 for the founding of a Maternity Hospital in place of the Dispensary for women opened at Cuddalore last year.

Tiruvannam: A peal of bells from the Protestant Church of the American Mission and from Hindu temples early in the morning ushered in the memorable day. The whole town made holiday. About 3000 poor were fed during the day and treats to school children were also given. Prayers were offered for the continued long life

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life of Her Majesty in all the Hindu temples
Villupuram: A Vedemum service was held at the Roman Catholic Church which was attended by men of other creeds as well as by Europeans, Eurasians and Native Christians. About 5000 poor were fed and sports were held in the Railway Station Compound for European and Eurasian children. Houses, temples and mosques were illuminated and in the local park known as "Tales' Park" there was a grand illumination and people were treated to Native music. The Europeans and Eurasians gave a ball in honour of the occasion under a shamiana specially erected for the purpose in the Railway Station Compound.

Tiruvannamalai: Prayers were offered

offered up at the Hindu temples
which were all illuminated.
About 2300 poor were fed.

Chidambaram: The town was
fairly decorated with festoons
and triumphal arches. Early
in the morning a procession
formed of the students and teachers
of the Vedic school passed along
the main streets chanting hymns
in Sanskrit invoking blessings
on Her Gracious Majesty.
About 1000 poor were fed and
services were held in all places
of worship during the day. The
Hindu temple and other places
of worship were all illuminated.
The celebrations in this place con-
cluded fittingly with a procession
of a large number of the citizens
who traversed the streets carrying
a beautiful ivory palanquin
suitably decorated with flowers
in the midst of which was placed
a photograph of Her Majesty
suitably

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suitably framed, with music &
fireworks, the Sanskrit pundits
chanting hymns composed for
the occasion in praise of the Queen
Empress. The photograph was
finally hung up in the Reading
Room, where a native gentleman
gave a brief account in Tamil
of Her Majesty's life, alluding
to her many virtues, public
and private and to the many
blessings which Her Rule has
conferred on India.

Trichavellam: The proceedings
in this place were on the same
lines as in other places with
this distinguishing feature,
that a "three-lantern" light was
put up in the middle of the town
as a permanent memorial
of the Diamond Jubilee of
Her Gracious Majesty. There
was also an address by the
Head

headmaster of the local Girls' school on the life of the Queen Empress.

Toukoichi. The occasion was celebrated in a suitable manner here and at Khandrupet, the celebrations following the lines adopted in other places, including services in the places of worship feeding of the poor, sports and treats to school children, illuminations &c.

Kallakurichi. The account received of the celebrations in this place is very meagre but it appears that there was illumination of temples and houses and that services were held in the temples in honour of the occasion.

I have the honour to be,
Your most obedt servant

J R Coombe

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in the Salem District*

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Salem Collector's Office,
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From

C. H. Mounsey
G. STOKES Esq.,

Collr. & Dist. Magte. of Salem.

To

Chief
The Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to G. O. no 773 Public dated 19th June 1897, I have the honor to submit the following report showing the action taken in connection with the celebration of the Completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress in the several Centres in this District. By the term "Centre" as applied to Districts, I understood that it is the Taluk Head Quarter Station, and proceed to state below the work of Celebration in such Centres and also the mode adopted by the respective Municipalities in the District.

1. Salem. On the 21st ultimo, the students of the College to the number of 285 assembled in the College hall which, by their Contribution, was tastefully decorated for the occasion with flags and evergreens, and brilliantly

Illuminated as soon as darkness set in. The students demonstrated their loyalty by the delivery of patriotic and laudatory speeches, and by the singing of Sanskrit, Tamil, Telugu and English verses in praise of Her Majesty, specially composed for the occasion. Great enthusiasm prevailed and the College received on the occasion a promise of a donation (from the Honorable C. V. Paragharachari) of Rs 50 for the formation of a cricket club to be styled "The Salem College Diamond Jubilee Cricket Club" and of an annual prize to the best student in Tamil. The meeting dispersed with the singing of the National Anthem, followed by three hearty cheers for Her Majesty. The houses in the town were mostly illuminated with rows of lights in the night. On the 22nd at 5 A.M. people in the town and suburbs were roused by the report of 31 gun salute fired from the old gun on the Fort bastion. At 6.30, the Reserve Police were paraded in the Collector's Compound. They manoeuvred smartly and fired a feu-de-joie, after which they marched off to superintend the feeding of the poor in the Collector's office Compound. The feeding was in the shape of the distribution of rice valued

at Rs 111, of dhol valued at Rs 25, and Cash amounting to Rs 59. It is roughly estimated that between 2200 and 2500 people received dols. At the same time, the pupils of all the schools in the town, both boys and girls to the number of over 3000, assembled under their respective banners in the London Mission Compound, where they had sports, and were presented with sweetmeats. The feeding of the poor, the treat to the school children, and the illuminations in the town were managed by a Committee of non-officials, who carried out their task in the most creditable manner. Eighty five prisoners were released from the central jail and this completed the morning's doings. At 5 P.M., a Durbar was held by me in the Town Hall which was well attended. I, as Chairman made a speech enumerating the numerous advantages to the people in Her Majesty's reign of 60 years and contrasting the Salem of 1837 with the Salem of to-day, at the end of which the names of the gentlemen of the District, selected by Government for granting certificates of honor were mentioned one after another. The proceedings closed with three hearty loud cheers for the Queen Empress and
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the usual garlands. After this I gave a garden party at which the native gentlemen of Salem, Europeans, and Eurasians, were all entertained with various diversions. The Entertainment closed with fireworks, an illumination of "God Save Our Queen Empress", and with the band playing "God Save the Queen". The public buildings were fittingly illuminated and bon fires were visible on the Shewaroy on one side of the town and on the Jeragumalai on the other.

Prayers were offered in the Churches, Temples and Mosques for Her Majesty's long life and prosperity.

2. Attur: At a public meeting held on the 19th ultimo, Rs 90 were subscribed, and on the 28th a treat was given to the School Children. On the morning of the 22nd, the poor of the different sections of the Community about 725 in number were fed. In the course of the day a "Royal Salute" of 101 "Attiva dies" was fired. In the evening there was a grand procession around the town, and at night, all the principal streets and almost all houses were illuminated, and special prayers on behalf of Her Majesty were offered in the temples & mosques.

3. Namakkal: On the 21st, there were special worship in the temples concluded with

with processions round the town in the evening, and a display of fireworks. On the 22nd, about 500 poor were fed with cooked rice and Curry at noon, and there were children's and adults' sports, prizes for the same, performance by local acrobats, music and fireworks. Two local fund buildings recently constructed or repaired were opened by the Deputy Collector at the close of the festivities that day.

4. Tiruchengode: On the morning of the 22nd about 300 ^{poor} were fed, Copper Coins and clothes were distributed to the deserving at the foot of the rock, on the summit of which there stands the Holy Shrine of the Hindu Temple, visited by pilgrims from various parts. 101 ^{local} guns were fired in honor of the occasion. Various kinds of sports and races were held and School going young girls sang in honor of the Queen Empress and played "Kolattams". There was also a treat to the School boys and girls and prizes were distributed. The Hindu deities were decorated and brought in procession through the main streets. Houses were lit as on the Karthigai day, and the bon fire on the summit of the hill crowned the illuminations.

5. Tirupattur Municipality: At about 4 P.M.

On the 22nd Instant, 1534 poor persons were fed at the Taluk Cutchery Compound in 3 groups - the first group consisting of pandarans, Vellalars, Pallis, Oddars and other Sudras, 410 in number; the 2nd consisting of Muhammadans and Labhais, about 403; and the 3rd pariahs and Chuklers 721. Cloths were distributed to 168 persons, most of whom were blind, old and infirm and maimed. In front of the Reading Room, a flag staff was put up over which Her Majesty's Union Jack was waving with the breeze. Sweet meats were distributed to the School Children, the English music was played by the local pipers; speeches in English and Tamil pregnant with loyal feelings were delivered by some gentlemen of the town and the ceremony ended with the singing of the National Anthem, followed by three Cheers to Her Majesty the Queen. Arrangements were made to offer prayers at all the important mosques and temples in the town just at the time when the National Anthem was sung in the Reading Room and they were duly carried out.

6. Vaniambadi Municipality: About 1000 indigent persons of all Castes and Creeds including a number of Maho-
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medan gosha females were given a measure of ragi each in the case of adults, and half a measure each in the case of Children. School boys were also given a treat. The public met together and speeches were delivered regarding the benefits of the British Administration. The Bazaar Street was also illuminated.

7. Uttangarai: Special pujas were made, and prayers offered in all the temples, and there was a procession of the goddess Mariammam. About 100 poor persons were fed. The houses and streets were well decorated and at night the Siva and Vishnu temples were illuminated.

8. Hosur. The Celebration took the form of an entertainment on the 22nd initiated by the Head Master of the local Middle School and organised by the Tahsildar. The afternoon was occupied by athletic sports and gymnastic display, taken part in by the boys of the several middle and primary schools in the neighbourhood of Hosur. These were followed in the evening by native music, local and instrumental, the performance

of a short Canarese force and the recitation or singing of Jubilee odes, specially written for the occasion in English and several vernacular languages. The entertainment terminated with the prize giving and the distribution of garlands, pansupari and sweet meats. There was a very considerable gathering of people of all classes who joined with enthusiasm in cheers for the Queen Empress.

A special feature of the evening was the singing of the National Anthem by a selected native choir. Special services of prayers and thanksgiving were held in the local temples, and mosques and the streets and public buildings were illuminated at night.

9. Dharmapuri: A treat on a small scale was given to the school children and prayers were offered in the local school building.

10. Krishnagiri: In Krishnagiri, the principal incident was a special procession of the god Krishna who was mounted in a specially decorated car and conveyed through the chief streets of the town with the

accompaniment of music, torches and coloured lights. The procession was attended by the principal inhabitants, who further exemplified their loyalty by holding special services in the chief temples and distributing fruit, sweetmeats and pansupari to a large concourse of people.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. H. M. M. M.

Ag. Collector

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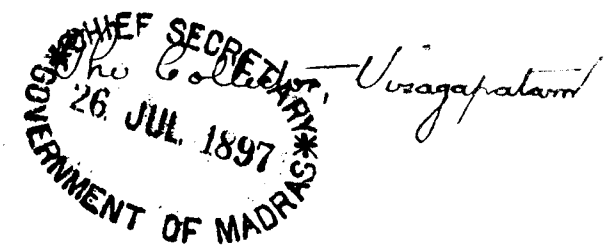
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VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated 20th July 1897;
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From

W. O. HORNE Esq^{rs}.

Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam District.

To

The Honorable Mr. J. St. John,
Chief SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Public DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.

SIR,

I directing to G. O. No. 773, Public, dated the 19th Ultimo I have the honor to report that the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen Empress was celebrated with great éclat by the public of this District, despite the prevailing distress. The action taken at the various centres in the District is briefly detailed below:—

1 Vizagapatam. The European and Eurasian public gave on the evening of the 19th Ultimo a treat to 300 of their children at the Wallah Railway Station, where there was large gathering, in spite of the inclemency of the weather, the ceremony was highly impressive.

The general public of Vizagapatam celebrated the Jubilee on the 22nd Ultimo. Mr. R. Ry/ S. V. Jaggarao gave feed and Mr. R. Ry/ Duran Bahadur R. D. ha

the morning. In the evening, a meeting of general rejoicing was held by the elite of the town, representing all castes and creeds in a pavilion erected for the purpose, with Mr. R. S. Dewan Bahadur R. Dhammarao Naidu Garu, as President. After refreshments had been served, Mr. R. S. U. Subrahmanyam Garu B. A. B. L., District Munsiff of Visagapatnam, addressed the meeting in a long speech, dwelling on the benefits of her Majesty's reign, and was followed by several other gentlemen.

It was resolved that a Town Hall be erected in commemoration of the occasion, and Rs. 1030 were subscribed on the spot for the purpose. The temples were illuminated during the night and prayers offered for Her Majesty.

2. Vizianagram. The celebration here was undertaken by the Municipality assisted to a great extent by the Maharajah of Vizianagram. About 6000 poor people were fed for 3 days (20th, 21st, & 22nd June) of whom about 4000 were also clothed, the expense being borne by the general public. On the morning of the Jubilee day, a salute of 60 guns was fired from the Fort ramparts under the orders of the Maharajah. A grand procession

consisting of the late Maharajah's elephants, decorated horses, troops, carriages, the bands of the XXth M. I. and of the Maharajah and large crowds of people followed the photograph of Her Majesty, mounted upon an elephant, a plate Howdah, through the main roads of the town and Cantonment. An address was read in the Victoria Jubilee park by the Chairman of the Municipality before a large gathering of the town's people. Under orders of the Maharajah prayers were offered in all the Samasthanam temples for Her Majesty the Queen Empress of India.

3. Bimlipatnam. Nearly 2000 people were sumptuously fed on the evening of the 21st ultimo. On Tuesday the 22nd idem, the elite of the town, both European and native assembled in the Municipal Hall where several speeches were made on the benefits of the reign of Her Majesty and some Telugu verses were read. The European gentlemen present sang the national anthem. Poor Supari and Sweets were then distributed among the audience and school children were given sweets. The night was lighted on the Hill behind

4. Ellamanchili. A choultry was opened by the District Munsiff, called the Victoria choultry, for travellers, and all the School children and the poor people were fed.

5. Spungavarakotal. Rice was distributed to the poor on this morning of the Jubilee day by the public, and in the afternoon the boys and girls of the Schools were entertained with sports and presents. A meeting was held in the evening in the Reading Room where the benefits of Her Majesty's long reign were explained in English and Telugu.

6. Vakkapalli and Kondakur. The people in the kitchens at these places were treated to a special rice meal by private subscriptions.

7. Narisipalam, Chodavaram, Anakapalli. The day was celebrated at these places in a similar way.

8. Koraput. Poor people were fed and clothed by subscriptions and worship, with music, was performed on the night of the 22nd. Horse races and other

sports were also conducted.

Information is awaited from the Senior Assistant Collector as to the action taken by the public in his Division in connection with the event, but it is understood that the Rajah of Bobbili fed and clothed the poor at Bobbili and conducted a procession similar to that at Vizianagaram.

The Senior Assistant's reports will be sent on receipt.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
for Dy Collector.

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Proceedings of a Meeting of the Citizens of the Town of Ootacamund on the Nilgiris, held at A. R. Hajee Fakir Mahomed Sait's Mahomedan School house on the 6th June 1897.

PRESENT:—

A. R. HAJEE FAKIR MAHOMED SAI' SAHIB.
DADABHOI EDULJEE, Esq.
M. R. RY. B. C. SUNDARA SASTRI AVL., B. A.
MR. MAHOMED BORAN SAHIB.
M.R.RY. M. SATHASIVA MUDALIAR AVL.
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SYED FAKIRUDIN SAHIB.
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M.R.RY. NOONIOCHCHANNA AVL.
M.R.RY. PARIMANAM PILLAY AVL.
V. FAKIR MAHOMED SAHIB.
GEORGE HAMNETT, Esq., C.I.E.

1. Read letter dated 5th June 1897, circulated by Mr. G. Hamnet :

"DEAR SIR,

It is proposed to hold a meeting of Native gentlemen on Sunday the 6th instant at 4 P. M. in Mr. A. R. Hajee Fakir Mahomed Sait's School house on the Lower Bazaar Road, to consider what should be done in honor of Her Majesty The Queen's Reign of sixty Years, in the way of bon-fires and fire-works on the 21st and 22nd June, and I request that you will kindly come to the meeting, and help in raising subscriptions, and in arranging for the bon-fires and fire-works.

Yours truly,
GEO. HAMNETT.

Proposed by Mr. Dadabhoi Eduljee and seconded by Mr. P. Armooga Mudaliar that Mr. A. R. Hajee Fakir Mahomed Sait Sahib be asked to take the chair.—Carried unanimously.

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RECEIPTS.			DISBURSEMENTS.								
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
(1) Amount of subscriptions received	668	0	0	Fireworks—					23	0	0
(2) Sale proceeds of articles realized	52	2	9	Bon fires on five Hills—							
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				Labor for carriage of tar, oil, etc.	5	12	0				
				Contingencies	2	4	0				
					194	4	0				
				Illumination of Public Offices—							
				Japanese lanterns and candles—	64	4	0				
									258	8	0
				Illuminations at Charing Cross and other places in the town including the erection of an arch and four beacons at Charing Cross—							
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									394	0	6
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				Contingencies.....	2	4	0			
					194	4	0			
				Illumination of Public Offices—						
				Japanese lanterns and candles—	64	4	0			
				Illuminations at Charing Cross and other places in the town including the erection of an arch and four beacons at Charing Cross—				258	8	0
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				Chatties ...	10	4	0			
				Thread, wick, etc. ...	8	0	0			
				Candles ...	11	13	0			
				Coir rope, twine, drum, etc....	25	4	0			
				Cloth, paper, bamboos, etc....	24	13	0			
				Labor including food and rewards ...	66	3	0			
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								394	0	6
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General Committee of the Ootacamund
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Diamond Jubilee Accounts

Receipts

Grant-in-aid by the Government
for Bonfires
Sale proceeds of articles sealed up

Is here entered

Bon fires on June 21st
for two barrels 60 ..
Kerosene oil (ten 5-lb) 26 40
In collecting 10 cartloads of wood for making fuel
- loads of wood with an each kiln 100 ..
Labour for carrying of fuel, oil &c 5 120
Carrying charges 2 40 194 40
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Total Rupees 258 80
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Municipal office
Patnamund 12th July 1897

Chakravarthy
Municipal Committee

No. 100

Ootacamund Municipal Office,

20 July 1897.

FROM

THE CHAIRMAN,

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

OOTACAMUND,

To

Enclosures

The Honorable J. I. Price C.S.I.
Chief Secretary to
the Government

Stone House Hill

Through the Collector of the Nilgiris

Sir,

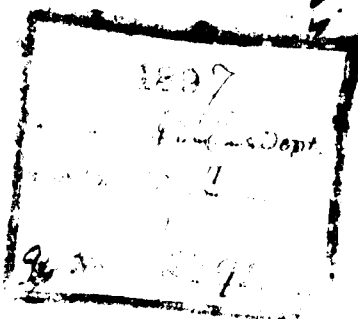
With reference to G.O. No. 773, dated 19th
June 1897 - Public, received on the 30th idem,
I have the honor to report that on the 6th June,
prior to the receipt of

G.O. No. 539 D - 15th June 1897. P.W.D.,
received 16th

G.O. No. 1422 M. His: dated 17th June
Local and Municipal -
received 18th

G.O. No. 479, dated 17th June - Finance
received 18th

a meeting of the native residents of the town
*Vice President was held and the following resolutions were passed
*President
dated 6 June
(a). inviting the citizens to illuminate their
houses on the evening of the 21st June to
commemorate the completion of the road.



year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen
Empress of India.

(b). to light bon. fires on the following hills

(1). The Hill at the back of Government
House.

(2). The Hill at the back of Woodlands

(3). Elk Hill.

(4). Cairn Hill

(5). The Hill at the back of the City Club.

(c). to apply to the District Forest Officer
through the Collector to assist in providing
wood and brushwood, on tops of the hills
named, for bon-fires.

(d) + (e)

(f) to feed the poor of the town.

(g). to invite subscriptions from all classes,
and

(h). to form a general Committee of 10
gentlemen.

2. Arrangements were made accordingly

3. The District Forest Officer accorded
permission to cut the dry wood and brushwood
necessary in places adjacent to the hills,
and the General Committee employed
contractors on payment to do the work.

4. Subscriptions to the extent of Rs 720-2-9
were obtained from Europeans and natives,
and on the receipt of the G.O.s above referred
to giving a grant-in-aid of Rs 250 towards
the

the bon-fires the General Committee
resolved, with the approval of Mr. De Mencken
the Collector, to illuminate certain Govern-
ment offices, but the difficulty of pro-
-curing lights and there being no time to
send elsewhere for what was necessary,
illuminations only to a limited extent
(to guard against fire) were carried out
at the Council Chamber, Stone House, the
in the verandahs of the Military Depart-
-ment offices at Mount Stuart, and
at the fountain in the Collector's office
Compound.

5. The weather was very unfavorable
for illuminations and bon-fires. Not-
withstanding this all that could be
done to ensure success was done on the
evening of the 21st June 1897. It may
be mentioned here that this evening
was selected by the General Committee,
as the 22^d was a Tuesday and labor could
not be procured to carry out any
arrangement.

6. The five bon-fires on the hills,
although the wind was very strong, and
the illuminations at Charing Cross on
the 21st and 22^d, at the Government
Offices, the Municipal Market, and in the
Native houses in the town were all
fairly good.

7. A printed copy of the
Proceedings of the General Committee
held on the 12th July 1897, with an
account of the receipts and disburse-
ments in connection with the
bon-fires and illuminations, is enclosed.
It will be seen from the account that
a sum of Rs 258-8- was spent, that
Rs 10-11- were realized by the sale of
materials, reducing the expenditure
to Rs 247-13-, and leaving a balance
of Rs 2-3- to be refunded. This amount
will be paid into the Branch Bank of
Madras, Cochinamund, to the credit
of Government.

* grant in aid
Rs 250.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

W. Amirth
Chairman

CURRENT No 279

Public Dept.

From.

The Acting Collector.

Kistna District.



To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Department
Madras.

Dated 23rd July, 1897

Despatched 50

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Subject

Submitting report about the celebration
of the Diamond jubilee of Her Most Gracious
Majesty the Queen Empress of India.

Kistna Collectorate
Camp Sattenapalli.
Dated 23rd July 1897.

From,

J. K. Batten Esquire,
Acting Collector, Kistna.

To

The Secretary to Government.
Public Department.

Sir

With reference to G.O. No 773 Public, dated 19th June 1897, I have the honor to state that the Diamond jubilee of Her most gracious Majesty the Queen Empress was celebrated almost throughout the District with enthusiasm.

2. I give a brief sketch of the festivities in the important centres of the District.

In Masulipatam, the Head Quarters of the District, festivities commenced on the 19th and continued up to the 23rd June. The first day was marked by a special service in the European church. On Monday the 21st, an entertainment was given at the English Club to the European children at the finish off of which there was a large bon-fire around which the national anthem was sung by the children. On this and the following days, the town, especially the "Robertson Square" and the municipal office, was brilliantly illuminated and decked with festoons. The European residents held a club dinner and the natives several social gatherings. The poor people numbering over 7000

were fed at the expense of the Mercantile Community. Much credit is due to Mr. Maiden the Municipal chairman and Messrs K. Narayanaswami Naidu retired Huzur Sheristadar and P. Sriramulu a leading Merchant for the success of the arrangements.

Guntur. The Sub Collectors Head Quarters and Municipal town:—

The town was illuminated. The poor were fed and cloths were distributed to the needy and crippled. Sports were held. A treat was given to the children. The Municipal Council recorded a vote of thanks to Mr. R. P. Venkata Krishna Rao Naidu Gann the chairman for his exertions.

Berwada the Head Quarters of the Head Assistant Collector and an important Municipal town:—

In pursuance of a meeting held under my presidency a large number of the poor were fed by subscription. 100 poor people were fed by the Vigaiyada Sabha and cloths were distributed to the needy and crippled and rice was distributed to a large number of Fakirs and other mendicants. Prayers were offered in the Hindu temples. On the 22nd the Railway Police Inspector Mr. R. Paparow Nayudu led a procession of school boys through the town with flags and music and gave them a treat. The missionaries gave a treat to native Christians on the 21st and on the 22nd the European and Eurasian Railway employees and others had sports etc. There was a special church service on the 20th attended by the volunteers in uniform.

Tenali and Bapatla. These are the Head quarters stations of two of the rich Taluks in the District

bearing respectively the same names. In addition to the festivities similar to those narrated above, a reading room under the name of the "Victoria Diamond Jubilee reading room" was started at Tenali and subscriptions were raised to build a town hall at Bapatla in commemoration of the jubilee.

3. No Durbar was held by the Collector owing to want of funds and other causes.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

your most obedient servant

M. S. S. S.

Acting Collector

del
22/1/11

Local & Muni. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8755

Note

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From

THE PRESIDENT,
Municipal Commission,
Madras.

Order

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Dated 29 July 1897

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding a brief report
regarding the celebration of
the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

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Genl. Dept.
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MUNICIPALITY OF MADRAS,

General Department,

Madras, 29 July 1897

From

LIEUT.-COL. G. M. J. MOORE, C. I. E.,

President, Municipal Commission.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

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Enclosure.

With reference to G.O. No 773, Public, dated 19th June 1897, I have the honour to submit as follows -

2. A Public Meeting was held in Madras on the 30th March 1897, at which H.E. the Governor presided.

3. It was resolved to celebrate the completion by the Queen Empress of the 60th year of her reign by the presentation of a Loyal Address in a suitable Casket and also in other ways such as feeding the poor and treats to school children if funds were available.

4. A General Committee was appointed with power to form an Executive Committee to raise subscriptions and to place itself in communication with Mofussil bodies in view to the Address being a Presidential one.

5. A Meeting of the General Committee was held on the 6th April 1897 and an Executive Committee appointed.

6. The Executive Committee met at once and appointed a Chairman, four Honorary Secretaries and an Honorary Treasurer.

7. It was decided to limit the subscriptions to Rs 15/- but this restriction was subsequently removed as funds did not come in as quickly as was anticipated.

8. 21 District Boards and 58 Municipal Councils were invited to join in the Presidential Address. The invitation was cordially responded to.

9. An Address was drawn up and an advance copy was forwarded to Government for submission to Her Imperial Majesty.

10. On the 22nd June, 20,639 children belonging to 260 schools were given a treat from the Funds.

11. 200 children of the Anjuman-i-Mufied-i-Ahla-i-Islam were fêted by a Mahomedan Gentleman. 5,816 adults were fed by the Committee and 10,450 adult poor by private individuals.

12. Sports were held on the Island for the Colleges and High Schools - some of the events being thrown open to the Public.

13. Immediately after the sports the Bands of the Madras Volunteer Guards, the Madras Railway Volunteers and the 28th M.I. played an appropriate selection of music and the National Anthem was sung by the assembled thousands. This was followed by a Pyrotechnic display provided by a native Gentleman.

14. The Committee invited the co-operation of the Mercantile and Trading communities in illuminating their business premises and called upon residents to light up their houses. These appeals were most readily responded to. The illuminations on the Mount Road were most striking and even in narrow lanes and in the houses of the poor efforts were made to light up.

15. Government contributed Rs 500/- to illuminate the Public buildings which was done by the Consulting Architect to Government.

16. Although the celebration was on a modest scale the universality of it was very marked and everything conducted throughout in a most orderly manner.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

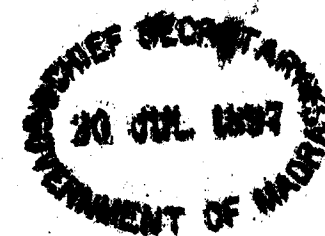
W. H. Moore Lt.-Col.

President, Munl. Commn.

Public
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From

*The Collector of
Madras*

Dis No. 1704

Dated 28 July 1897.

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SUBJECT

Celebration of the Jubilee

*Submitting the fair copy of
the report regarding the same*

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To

Her Most Gracious Majesty,

VICTORIA

of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen:

EMPRESS OF INDIA.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, representing every race and creed throughout the Presidency of Madras, desire on the auspicious occasion of the completion of the sixtieth year of Your Majesty's Reign, to approach Your Majesty with our loyal congratulations.

In the humble address which we, the faithful subjects of Your Majesty, laid at the foot of the Throne on the joyful occasion of the Jubilee of 1887, we strove to give expression to our loyalty to the Sovereign, and our devoted personal respect for her, not alone as the Ruler, but as the Mother of her people.

We now respectfully repeat the expression of those sentiments of loyalty and devotion to Your Majesty's Throne and Person, sentiments that the ten years that have elapsed since our former address have only served to engrave more deeply and more indelibly on the hearts of all classes of Your Majesty's subjects in this Presidency. For they share in the common belief that the benign and magnanimous terms of India's Magna Charta, the Proclamation of 1858, were directly due to the promptings of Your Majesty's noble and generous mind and heart. We are gratefully conscious that Your Majesty's efforts have always been exerted to confer on this country the blessings of peace within its borders, security to person, property, and religion, the grant of equal privileges to all, the development of material prosperity, and the education and enlightenment of even the very poorest of its inhabitants.

The many blessings which have thus been conferred on the people of this land under Your Majesty's rule, have recently been added to by the grant of new political privileges through the institution of representation on the Legislative Councils. Your Majesty has thereby afforded another signal proof of confidence in their inalienable loyalty and steadfast attachment.

The deep personal sympathy which Your Majesty has graciously evinced with the sufferings of our fellow subjects, who are at present afflicted by Plague and Famine, has touched the heart of every one amongst us.

We join the inhabitants of every portion of Your Majesty's world-wide Empire in an earnest and heartfelt prayer for the long continuance of Your Majesty's beneficent reign and for the welfare of Your Majesty and the Royal Family.

Your Majesty's most Obedient and Devoted Subjects,

the sixtieth year of Her Reign. It was
for the meeting to decide the form
which the demonstration should
take. For the suitable and dignified
attainment of their object unanimity
and complete harmony were
essential. His Excellency trusted
that any difference of opinion
there might be, would be extinguished
by what should be their absorbing
sentiment on that occasion - Love
and honor for the Queen.

2. The following resolution moved
by the Hon. Mr. G. G. Subramony
Seconded by Mr. Justice
Subramony and supported
by Messrs. E. W. Norton and Samuel
Sathianathan was carried unanimously -

That this meeting resolves to
celebrate the completion by the Queen
Empress of the sixtieth year of
her reign by the presentation
of a loyal address in a suitable
manner.

Casket

Casket, and also to ~~the~~
such as feeding the ~~poor~~
treats to school children if funds
are available.

3. On the motion of Mr. ~~Justice~~
Seconded by Rajah ~~Subramony~~
and it was resolved that a
Subscription list be opened.

It was then proposed by Mr.
Subramony and seconded by
Mr. R. Venkatasubba Row for
and carried that the address
be presented to Her Majesty the
Queen on behalf of the
habitants of the Presidency by a
deputation consisting of not less
than eight representatives to be
elected by the General Committee.

5. On the motion of Colonel G. G. Moore
Seconded by the Venerable ~~Mr. Justice~~
W. Norton and supported by
Mr. B. H. Christie a General Committee
of over 200 members was appointed

including His Excellency the Governor, the Members of Council (Executive and Legislative) the Judges of the High Court, the Municipal Commissioners, the members of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Trades Association, the members of the Port Trust, the representatives of all the political and other associations and a large body of officials and non-officials, European Eurasian, Hindu, Mahomedan and Native Christian.

6. The General Committee met on the 6th April with His Excellency the Governor in the Chair. An Executive Committee was appointed with Colonel Moore as chairman, the Honble Mr. G. G. Arbuthnot as Honorary Treasurer

Treasurer and Messrs B. N. Chit H. H. Beauchamp, N. Subramoney and the Honble P. Ananda Charlu as Honorary Secretaries.

7. A circular letter was subsequently issued to the Presidents of District Boards and Chairmen of District Municipalities inviting their Co-operation in making the address a Presidential one and asking each District to contribute not more than one hundred Rupees towards the cost of the casket. Every District Board and Municipality intimated its cordial assent to the proposal.

8. On the 27th April the address, copy of which is appended, was adopted by the General Committee. Copies of the same were circulated to the District Boards and municipalities and

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and were formally approved of
the
by those Bodies.

a Intimation having been
received that two deputations
from India would be received
by Her Majesty the idea of sending
a deputation from Madras
had to be abandoned. It was
afterwards resolved that the
address be forwarded to H. E.
the Governor with the request
that it might be submitted
to Her Majesty.

19 The casket is being made
by means R. or reons. The address
was printed and illuminated
by means Higginbotham & Co. It
bears the signatures of the leading
citizens of this Presidency headed
by H. E. the Governor. Spare sheets
of parchment contain the
names of the citizens of Madras
and of the members of 21
District

District Boards and 58 District
Municipalities of this Presidency.

11 The Jubilee Committee invited
the public of Madras to illuminate
the city on the night of the 22nd
June and the appeal was most
heartily responded to. The
members of the Trade Association
vied with one another in decorating
in decorating and lighting up
their places of business and
they united in the illumination
of the Mount Road from the
Goat House Bridge to Messrs
Spencer & Co's. From this Bridge
across the Island, past Fort
St George down Roppan's Broadway
and on to Washermanpettah the
public illuminations consisting
of beacons and arches of fire
and rows of lamps on both sides
of the roadway were at the expenses
of

an appropriate selection of music under the leadership of Monsieur E. Stradiot. At 7 P.M. some thousands of voices united in singing the National Anthem Conducted by Mr W.D. St'leger and then three ringing cheers were given for Her Majesty. Immediately the name "Victoria" was seen in large letters of fire across the Island, a number of rockets were let off together and sixty shells were fired. Then followed a pyrotechnic display the shells and fireworks being supplied by Mr K. G. Subramoney Pillay al. (Royal Subject). It was estimated that over 6000 persons of all ages and sexes assembled on the Island when the National Anthem was sung. The Mount Road then became the great centre of attraction and until midnight it may be said without exaggeration the entire city was out of doors.

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16. There is no doubt that even the most illiterate was made aware of the great event that was being celebrated and from all sides reports were received of universal rejoicings and expression of loyalty to Her Majesty.

17. The special religious services in the Christian Churches were held on Sunday the 20th June and were attended by unusually large congregations. In the Hindu Temples prayers were offered and processions organised on the 22nd June. The Police arrangements on the 22nd June were admirable. There were no accidents, traffic was thoroughly regulated and every facility afforded to the public to see as much as possible of the Jubilee festivities.

18. The Celebration of the Jubilee was marked by the liberation of

119 male and 15 female convicts from
Her Majesty's Penitentiary and
of 13 civil debtors from the civil
jail. A sum of Rs 820-3-5 was
drawn from the Treasury and
remitted to the Courts concerned for
payment to the decree holders.

Besides the above, the release of
one Burman was ordered unconditionally
and he was transferred to Rangoon
for final release. Jubilee remission
was granted to 5 other Burmans,
who are awaiting final release.

19. The success of the Jubilee
Committee's endeavours to stir
up the people to celebrate the
Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty
in a fitting manner is attributed
in large measure to the unremitting
efforts of Colonel Moore, the
Chairman of the Executive Committee
and of Mr. B. H. Chester, joint
Honorary Secretary.

J. H. Atkinson
28.7.97
Collector of Madras.

Madras Collector's Office
28 July 1897

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No. 1704

MADRAS COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

28 July 1897

From

J. H. Atkinson Esq.
Collector of Madras,

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To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

MADRAS.

SIR,

I have the honor to
forward the fair copy of the
enclosure (Jubilee Report) to
Govt. endorsement No. 1547 dated
23rd July 1897 and a copy of the
address therein referred to.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
J. H. Atkinson
28.7.97
Collector.

28/7/97

Public (1897) Department.

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From

CHIEF SECRETARY
-2 AUG. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Simovelly.

Dis: No. *1412* of 1897.

Dated 28th July 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting report on the cele-
-bration of the Jubilee in
several places of the *Simovelly*
District.

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Tinnevely District Collector's Office,

Dis: No. 1412 of 97.

28th July 1897.

FROM

A. W. B. Higgins Esquire Collector of the

Tinnevely District,

To

chief
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public

DEPARTMENT,

Madras.

SIR,

In accordance with G.O. 773 Public dated 19th June 1897 I have the honor to submit a general report on the celebration of the 60th years of the reign of Her Majesty, the Queen Empress, based on reports from the taluks of the Tinnevely District. As a rule, the festivities seem to have been confined to the Taluk Head Quarters and to have taken much the same form everywhere except in Ranganer and Srivaikuntam where permanent memorials of the event have been or are to be erected.

2. Special services were held in Christian churches on the 20th June. The following is an abstract of the reports received of the celebrations on the 21st and 22nd June.

1. In the Vinnerully taluk, the event was celebrated at Vinnerully, Palamcottah, Vararaghavapuram and Munnirpallam. Vinnerully limited itself to illuminations and prayers in the temples and allowed V. M. Syed Rauter a member of the Municipal Council to undertake single handed the task of feeding 500 Hindus and 500 Musliamedans. In Palamcottah some 1200 people were fed by public subscriptions, the police stations was illuminated and Police and Jail warder sports, open also in some extent to the public, took place on the Maidans, witnessed by a very large crowd. The Hindu Club also gave an entertainment at Vannarpet and parties were given at the collector's bungalow to European and Native gentlemen and later in the week to Native Ladies. At Vararaghavapuram prayers were offered up in the temple and at Munnirpallam the local Literary Association undertook the celebration the feature of which was a procession headed by the Queen's Portrait.

2. The chief celebration in the Ottappidaram taluk took place at Tuticorin where clothes were distributed

to 800 people and food to 3000. A treat was given to 2000 school-children and a regatta took place on the sea and races on the beach. In Ottappidaram itself 25 beggars were fed and services held in the temples.

3. In Srivaikuntam there were prayers in the temples illuminations and processions. A lower secondary school was started to be called the Victoria Jubilee School and a Park called the Victoria Jubilee Park was opened.

4. At Kaungur the Jiv of the Vanumamalai mutt announced his intention to construct a rest house as a memorial. Four hundred poor were fed, the streets were illuminated and the Queen's portrait was taken in procession.

5. At Ambasamudram houses were illuminated prayers offered in the temples and the Queen's portrait and temple idols taken in procession.

6. At Sattur 500 people were fed, the temple idols taken in procession, houses illuminated and sweet-meats distributed to children. At Virudupatti in this taluk 200 people were fed and treat given to all the school children.

7. At Srivilliputhur special services were held,

the Queen's portrait and temple idols were taken in processions and the town was illuminated. Watraf celebrated the occasion with similar processions and services.

8. At Sankaranamarkudi the poor of the place were fed, prayers were offered in the temple sports were held and the town was illuminated.

9. In Tenkasi over 500 people were fed, prayers offered in the temples and streets illuminated.

3. The festivities in all cases covered ~~the~~ days and no place of any considerable importance let the occasion pass unnoticed. No doubt, had it not been for the famine subscriptions raised in this District but a short time before more permanent memorials would have been taken in hand.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

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Collector

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From

The Collector of
Cuddalore.

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SUBJECT.

Reporting on the action
taken in the matter of the
Commemoration of Her
Majesty the Queen Empress
Diamond and Jubilee

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COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

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FROM

COLLECTOR OF

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SIR, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

A copy added ~~in reference~~ to No. 773. *Chen*

9 June 1897, ~~Edward L. Bicknell~~

Submit study report ^{for info} into the action

2. The road in the 2nd section of plan attached -

in the 2nd chapter of the 1st book of the

Queen Empress William and Josephine.

under a number of the San Francisco reports

in that many poor people ^{had} been

~~last summer~~ school celebration

after ~~some~~ ^{good} work place in his Division.

3 June Sidhant ~~Dr~~ Some ~~poor~~ people
were fed at the expense of the public on the
22 June last at Sidhant and prayers
offered at the local Hindu temple for the
Majesty's ^{long} life. The occasion was also
celebrated by the release of prisoners.

4 June In the premises of the Local Fund
Dispensary, Badvel, about 600 indigent
people were fed. Prayers were also offered
in the Hindu temple. For some
years the Tahsiildar of Badvel
reports that he fed some poor at his
own expense and induced some of the
residents to illuminate their houses.

6. Chitvel is reported to have
celebrated the Jubilee in a very loyal
manner. There were processions
of Hindu gods on the 21 & 22 June and
on the latter date, about 600 poor

people were fed from funds raised
by public subscriptions. The Dr.

Collector reports that a flag bearing
the letters Q and J (Queen's Jubilee) was
"marched along the streets of the village
with music and was hoisted at the
"doorway of the Dr. Tahsiildar's office,
"where a triumphal arch was erected
with the words Jubilee of Her Majesty
"Queen Empress Victoria both in English
"and Telugu. Adornment lamps were
"lighted these two days and prayers
"were offered at night for the Majesty's
"long life and prosperity. All classes
"of people enjoyed the festivities"

7. Jammalamadugu: About 2000
poor people of Jammalamadugu and
the surrounding villages were fed at
the expense of three sowcars of the

3. In the night Dr. ...

... The inmates of the local Central Kitchen
were treated to a full meal the cost
of which was borne by a local merchant.

4. In the Compound of the Local Fund
School athletic sports were held. There
was also a fine exhibition of fine
works.

5. On Pulisankla the inmates of
the Central Kitchen were fed and clothes
received from Indian Famine Comm.
6. Sadhu Relief Fund were distributed
among them.

7. Proddatur presented a very
holiday appearance. After the feeding
of no less than 3000 poor persons,
and agreeably to the resolution passed
at a public meeting held the previous
day (20.6.97), the photo of Her Majesty

... Empress was taken round
the town in procession accompanied by
music and fireworks. The streets were
also previously watered and garlands
of greenery hung across them. The leading
merchants viz. Arilanku Pan Supari
and Sugar candy as the procession
halted in front of their houses.
And the whole celebration seems
to have passed off most satisfac-
tfully the credit being largely due
to the gentlemen forming the Com-
mittee of management.

10. I was unable owing to help-
ing work in the Kaveri taluk to
be present at headquarters on the
jubilee days; but in Cuddapah a
subscription had been raised among
the Europeans by which on the 21st
June about 40 people at the Kaveri

at the Municipal Relief Kitchen and about
600 at the Municipal Relief Kitchen
got a full meat meal, the meat
being supplemented with rice of the
persons at the latter kitchen by a
donation of rice from a Mussalman
Municipal Councillor. On the next
evening all sorts of athletic sports
were held in the compound of the Mu-
nicipal High School where my
Special Assistant distributed the
money prizes to the successful
competitors. The sports were largely
attended.

The Mussalman residents exhi-
bited much interest in the celebra-
tion of the Jubilee. At their Club
called Jub Sai Islam, Endapur,
where there was a display of gymnastic

feats and wrestling. After a meeting
was held under the auspices of the said
Club with my Special Assistant
in the Chair. Addresses to His Ma-
jesty were read in Hindustani and
English and prayers in Arabic and Hin-
dustani were offered. The Chairman,
Mr. Roberts, delivered an appropri-
ate speech pointing out that in
spite of the depression means taken for
celebrating the Jubilee were those
which at that moment were
being used in England. The
Dr. Collection Syed Khair Padshah
Sakeb Shahin interpreted their speech
which was very well received.
There was afterwards a display of
fire works.

The Komatien of the town held their

a meeting in their Kania Kanyagari
temple where prayers were offered, pen
supari and sweets distributed.

A project for illuminations and for a
Cresset beacon on the Huzar Cutchery
was abandoned on account of the
high wind.

It was not to be expected
that the festival was to be held in the District
should be so large a scale as would
have been the case had it taken place
during a more prosperous season but
it will be seen from the above brief
Résumé of the proceedings that care
was taken that the time should
be one of which the poor will
have pleasant reason to long.

Gratefully remember.

I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Collector.

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Submitting reports re
the celebration of the
Diamond Jubilee of Her
Majesty the Queen

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Deputy Collector of Taxes
 Cochin, dated July 1897.
 On the 15th inst. a meeting was held at the residence of the Deputy Collector of Taxes, Cochin, for the purpose of discussing the proposed establishment of a hospital and public subscription for the purpose of raising funds for the same. A representative committee was appointed to carry out the objects of the meeting. A subscription list was opened and Rs 719 was promised.

The Collector of Galathea
 Calcutta
 With reference to your endorsement of the letter of the 12th inst. dated 26th ultimo, I have the honor to report on the action taken in Cochin for the establishment of a hospital and public subscription for the purpose of raising funds for the same. A meeting was held on the 15th inst. at the residence of the Deputy Collector of Taxes, Cochin, for the purpose of discussing the proposed establishment of a hospital and public subscription for the purpose of raising funds for the same. A representative committee was appointed to carry out the objects of the meeting. A subscription list was opened and Rs 719 was promised.

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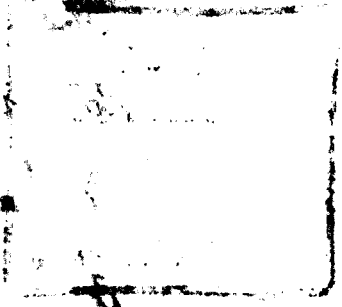
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Celebration of the
Jubilee, a brief acc't
of the — at Bachin

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With reference to your endorsement
dated 21st June last, regarding Rs 1200 on Govt
account, Order no 77 of the 19th June,
I beg to submit a brief account of
the action taken in this direction.
- ...
The Queen Empress ...
Subscriptions were raised locally
both at Kajitri and Hanaitoddy, and
... appointed to ...
... with
the consideration in a manner suited
to the occasion of such an auspicious
and unique event.

At Kajitri, a sum of Rs 1200 -
was collected of which Rs 39 were spent.
On the 21st June, the inhabitants in the

...

~~The hospital~~ ~~in~~ number, were
provided with a good breakfast
at the expense of Mr Ibrahim Khan,
the local Treasury Guard Head Constable.
On the following day at noon, there
was a well attended procession ac-
-companied with music, followed
by a distribution of rice and money
to over 200 poor and needy persons.
Each received half a measure of
rice and a money dose of half an
anna. Next, there was a large gather-
ing of adults and children in the
M. S. School which was very
tastefully decorated. There were
but few sports provided for the
amusement of the male portion of
the School children and small
money prizes given to those who came
off best. This was followed by ad-
dresses given by the Rev. Father
J. Cochat and two others. The School
children and in patients of the
Hospital were then treated to Sweet
meats. The proceedings were brought
to a close by the singing of the National
 Anthem by the School children who
had mustered strong.

4. At Manantody on the morning
of the 21st the ~~thousand~~ ^{hundred} children of the three local schools
gathering in all about 800 persons
assembled at the Taluk Office which
was gaily decorated for the occasion.
The proceedings commenced with the
singing of a few songs by the local
Police after which Doctor ~~Smith~~
delivered an address in English
which was followed by others in
Tamil, Malayalam and Hindustani.
The children who were treated to Sweet
then sang the National Anthem after
which the crowd dispersed. The
people did their best to illuminate the
town and a ~~large~~ ^{small} ~~number~~ ^{number} of lamps
were lit at night. On the following morn-
ing about 500 were given to the poor
each receiving half a measure of rice
and half an anna. The work of
distribution continued from 8 A.M.
to 2 P.M. over 500 persons were
recipients of the dole.
5. I am unable to say what the
total subscriptions amounted to
and how much of this has been
spent, as the Committee's Secretary
is temporarily absent and the papers
are

At Guilford Battery a quantity of
Rice was distributed to the poor

and thanksgiving services were
offered in the Christian Churches
at Sagittar and ~~at~~ yesterday on Sunday
thence to June. Special prayers are said
to have been offered up in certain
Moose and Union Temples and the
2^d and 2^d? June at 10. at 10. at 10.

9. I regret the delay that has occurred in the submission ~~of~~ ^{this}

I have the honor to be
 Sir
 Your most Obedt Servant

Deputy Collector

sf

7th Nov 1947

To
The Collector
of
Malabar

Received

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Reporting on the Cal-
-brations of Her Ma-
-jesty's Diamond Jubilee
in Wynaad Division

The undersigned do hereby certify that the
 above is a true and correct copy of the
 original as the same appears from the
 records of the Court of Sessions for the
 County of Middlesex, in the case of
 the Queen v. the Earl of Sandwich
 and the Earl of Sandwich v. the Queen
 in the year 1773.

2. On the 16th of June 1847
a public meeting was held at ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~meeting~~ ^{meeting}
to concert measures for duly celebrating
the event. It was resolved at ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~meeting~~ ^{meeting}
~~that~~ the poor of all Castles and Crews be
fed on the morning of Monday, the 21st

—

John C.

The Tahsil Officer
Ernad

The Special Assistant
Collector of Malabar

14-JUL-1897
MALABAR

Subject

Reporting on the measures taken
for the celebration of the completion
of the 60 year of the reign of Her
Majesty Queen Empress.

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Walluvanad Tahsil Office

It is only that mixed with all
Camp Cherpulacherry dated 9-7-97.
It seems as if it is not about
the same matter cannot be for me in respect
of the same matter.

S. Rama chandra Nayar
in charge of the
To, By. Tahsil Officer
Walluvanad

Forwarded to the Special Assistant Collector
of Malabar.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement of the
1572 dated 14th instant calling upon me to report
upon the actions taken in connection with the
celebration of the Diamond jubilee in the various
Centres of this Tahsil I beg to report that the jubilee
was celebrated at Angadiapuram and at Cherpulacherry.

2. The manner in which it was celebrated
at Angadiapuram is fully described in the Malabar
and Travancore Spectator in its issue of the 26th June.
Owing to the ill-health of my child at Calicut
I had to go away and was not therefore personally
present at Angadiapuram during the celebration.

A cutting from that paper I beg to submit herewith.

3. At Cherpulacherry Rs 30 was raised by
public subscription and Conjee was given to the

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poor. The distribution took place in the
Board Middle School premises under the
supervision of P. Nanoo menon District
Board Member.

Yours truly,
J. H. P.

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From,

The Tahsildar of Malabar

To,

The Special Assistant Collector,
of Malabar.

Dated

9-7-97.

Received

12-JUL-1897

MALABAR

Enclosure - 1

Subject

Submitting report upon the
actions taken in connection
with the jubilee celebration in
the various centres of Malabar.

In accordance with the resolutions of the Public meeting held on the 13th and 16th June the Diamond Jubilee was celebrated here on the 21st and 22nd with great eclat. Nearly 1000 persons were sumptuously fed at noon of the 21st. School boys numbering in all 100 were also given a treat. The feeding took place in the spacious weekly market building in the Kottapadi Maidan. In the evening at 4 a trophy with the inscription.

"1837—Long live the Queen Empress Victoria—1897"

placed on an elephant, accompanied by Native drums and Music, athletic sports, firing of Kathinas, etc, and by two more elephants richly adorned with gold head gear etc, was carried in procession along the public road commencing from the Special Assistant Collector's office to the big bazaar. More than 2000 persons headed by Messrs. Vibert (Special Assistant Collector) and Wilkinson (Assistant Superintendent of Police) gathered round the procession. The houses on the way were prettily decorated with festoons, flags etc. The procession was grand and great enthusiasm prevailed on the occasion. Local temples and mosques were illuminated and special services were offered on the same day under the management of M. R. Ry, Parambidiam and Warangot Aythru respectively. At about 8 p. m. a Magnificent bon-fire was lighted on the 'cholera hill.' More than 60 cart loads of firewood were used for the purpose. There were more than 300 persons present on the hill to witness the Tamasha. There was a procession headed by Messrs. Vibert and Wilkinson round the bon-fire accompanied by native drums, music, athletic sports and firing of kathinas Captain and Mrs. Chadds graced the occasion by their presence. The bon-fire was a splendid success great credit is due to Messrs. Vibert and Wilkinson for the same.

At noon on the 22nd more than 1000 persons were fed. At 8 there was a display of fire works on the Kottapadi Maidan.

The European and native gentlemen of the place liberally subscribed towards the expenses.

AT PALGHAT

Thanks to the loyal efforts of Rev. Fr. Tour, the Catholic Vicar, the Jubilee was grandly celebrated in Palghat. On Sunday the 20th ultimo there was a solemn High Mass in the Chapel which was beautifully decorated by the nuns of the Sebastian Hospital. Father Tour preached an impressive and appropriate sermon. In the evening there was a Thanksgiving service with the Te-Deum and the Benediction. The service concluded with the chanting of the National Anthem. Among those present in Church were Mrs. J. Dupen

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Gazette states that the congratulatory address to Her Majesty which has been prepared by the Bombay Corporation will "of course make reference to the terrible visitation which has wrought havoc among the people of Bombay." The Pioneer (Allahabad) remarks that "with famine and pestilence afflicting or threatening almost every part of the country." India cannot be expected to be strongly represented at the Queen's celebration in "June." It would be easy to multiply quotations showing how widespread and how acute is the sense of contrast in India between the sufferings of her own people and the rejoicings of her rulers. To do justice to the contrast would test the merit, as it would battle the powers, of a Swift or a Junius. Perhaps the contrast is not wholly overlooked even in London. One would imagine, at all events, that during the past few weeks some of those who have observed the colossal preparations for sight seeing and the "perpetual cataract of congratulation" (to borrow a phrase of Mr. Frederic Harrison's) in the newspapers, must have been troubled with searchings of heart. For many, no doubt, the holiday aspect, and for some the commercial aspect, of the "Diamond Jubilee" is enough. Many more, no doubt are merely bored. But among the thoughtful few there must be some whose thoughts have turned to India and to whose minds her present plight suggests an occasion not so much of unctuous self-praise as of sackcloth and ashes. It is not merely that India is in pain. The British empire, if we may adapt the illustration employed by Plato, is in pain in India.

India is, then, in a very literal sense, the skeleton at the feast of the "Diamond Jubilee." But to realise that fact is of little use unless it prompts the enquiry: Cannot something be done? Cannot this year of Imperial celebrations be rendered noteworthy, after all in Indian history for something less dismal than the famine and the plague? The question is, what ought that "something" to be? Well, in the first place it is easy to say what it ought not to be. An official expression of sympathy and regret, however gracious the terms in which it may be conveyed, will not be enough. It will not be enough, though it may be in accordance with precedent, to pay the Indian people the compliment of charging them with the cost of the Jubilee reception which, if report may be trusted, is to be held at the India Office because, by a curious coincidence, the rooms at the India Office (for which the indigent taxpayers of India paid) happen to be more splendid than the rooms at the other Government offices (for which the British taxpayer paid.) Nor will it be enough, though it has hitherto been the common practice, to make India's chief share in a notable occasion consist in a handful of decorations and promotions conferred upon persons who have distinguished themselves by blind subservience to officialism and by consistent opposition, and even something like treachery, to their more enlightened and liberal-minded fellow-countrymen. The rumour is already current that a decoration of this unenviable kind is to be conferred upon the slight politician who for the past few years has been the humble and convenient instrument of the less creditable purposes of the India Office. Such an incident, if it occurred, would be merely grotesque. Far from affording any satisfaction to the Indian people it would merely—so far as it might be deemed worthy of serious notice at all—tend to confirm unpleasant suspicions and strengthen a widespread antipathy.

No; the benefits which should be conferred upon India—or, to speak more accurately, the instalment of justice which should be rendered to her—in celebration of the sixtieth year of Her Majesty's reign must be sought elsewhere. "Whatever apparent increase of majesty and wealth may have accrued to us from the possession of India, whether these prove to us ultimately power or weakness depends wholly on the degree in which our influence on the native race shall be benevolent and exalting." Nowhere shall we find a closer parallel to Ruskin's words than in the gracious Proclamation issued by the Queen in Council to the

Kottakal shots on the morning of September 20th. Instantly announced to the little town of Kottakal that it was the Jubilee day, right well did the people bestir themselves to see the coming *temasha*. The day opened with drizzling rain and so it kept on till the noon when the sky cleared and excellent weather prevailed. Precisely, at 3 o'clock of Moplah bandmen came down from the Kadiparamba bazaar making holiday out of their drum and pipes. By the time they made their stand before the palace the procession from the palace enclosure was out of the gates. The Queen's portrait was carried on a caparisoned elephant, the morris guards and sword and sticksmen forming the escort. The elephant with the Queen's portrait, had on its back also persons carrying the big umbrella, *Alavattam* and *Ven-karam* the emblems of royalty in Malabar. The elephant was also supported by two other elephants on either side. By this time a large number of people had assembled outside the palace walls to pay their respects to our beloved Queen and to see the *temasha*. The procession had also before it, besides Moplah band and other discoursing sweetest music known as *Agaswaram*. In this way the procession moved. The way was spanned at intervals with bunting and festoons. The route taken was by the bazaar. All along the route the procession cheered fresh recruits to the crowd and thus moved westwards to a distance of 1½ miles as far as the forest known as *Changuravelli*. From thence the crowd came back to the bazaar and took an easterly route as far as the Pathur bridge and then returned reaching Kottakal after an interval of two hours. To add sauce to this gay multitude there was firing at frequent intervals gun shots and *temasha* shots. When the procession entered the palace H. H. the Zamorin who was sitting from his seat and kept standing as a mark of respect to our beloved Queen till her portrait was taken to the room. The next day His Highness the Zamorin fed a large number of people in honor of the Jubilee. If anybody is sceptical about the rampant famine prevailing in the country he would have returned a wiser man after seeing the crowd at Kottakal on Monday noon. That day at any rate all the poor of Kottakal and its suburbs had a hearty meal in the name of Her Majesty by the generosity and loyalty of H. H. the Zamorin. To see that every thing connected with the Jubilee went off right, His Highness had himself come to the spot. Thus was the Jubilee celebrated in Kottakal and right well did the celebrations go off.

We celebrated the Jubilee of the Record Reign on Tuesday the 22nd Instant. The celebration opened with the distribution of alms to the poor. This took place in our local Hospital which was beautifully decorated with greens, buntings and plantains trees and reflects a great deal on the aesthetic tastes of our Medical officer Mr. Bappu as the endeavours he made to make the Jubilee celebrations in Angadipuram a success, do credit to his loyalty and devotion to our Noble Queen. Each adult poor received 3 *Nazhis* of rice and child 1½ *Nazhis* besides a quarter anna in coin irrespective of age. A very large number of the poor had gathered in the Hospital and so the distribution lasted till 11 O'clock. This over the

Bazaar was seen astir, the people moving to our New Taluq Cutcherry compound. The whole western frontgate of this beautiful building, from the Sub-jail right up to the southern eye of the Magistrate's Court was decorated most gorgeously and tastefully. The decoration would look as if the Magistrate Mr. Onden Ramen did it in emulation of Mr. Bappu's work at the Hospital. Anyhow the decorations were done to excellent effect. By 12 O'clock a seething mass of humanity was seen in the Cutcherry compound. To keep these people together there was the infernal music of the Moplah band and *Nagaswaram*. There was also a troupe of Moplah Athletes amusing the multitude with their summersaults and other feats. If anything more was wanted, two men were seen coming masqueraded as tiger familiar to people who have seen the Moharams celebration in Towns. From this time there was no end of *tamasha* for the multitude. So we went on till four when the portrait of our noble Queen was brought from the Taluq office. This was placed on an elephant richly adorned. This elephant was accompanied by a number equally ornamented. A procession was then formed, the men in the masquerade of tigers, the Athletes the bands men and a large crowd of the great unwashed forming the escort. To see that everything went right, our Magistrate Mr. Onden Ramen and Apothecary Mr. Bappu were seen every where. In this way the procession wended its way passing Perinthalmanna toll gate to the North by the Kakooth Bazaar right up to the bridge in the Kakooth field. Returning by the same way and by passing the toll gate the procession went westward passing the Munsiff's Court as far as the bridge close by, returning from this bridge and again passing the toll gate the crowd went as far as the bridge near the Puthur temple and from thence we took our way to the Taluq Cutcherry. The Queen's Portrait was then returned to its usual place, and after listening for a while to the *Nagaswaram* we returned home enjoying a very pleasant outing in the name of our Queen.

There is one thing worthy of remark in the local celebration. It was quite an impromptu affair. There was no preliminary meeting to arrange details or collect subscriptions and most of our big officials were out of station for the holy days; so the whole burnd of the work of arranging details and supervising the work and collecting subscriptions fell on our Magistrate and Apothecary and right well did they come out of the struggle with flying colors. I have therefore great pleasure in congratulating these gentlemen for the excellent way in which the Jubilee was celebrated in the wilds of Angadipuram.

of the Council. For our part we shall not be surprised if a majority in the Council come to the conclusion that a Secretary is a superfluity. The Tellicherry Municipal receipt is only about Rs. 45,000 a year. which is about two thirds of the Palghat Municipal Revenue and yet they have resolved to employ a Secretary. Chairmen of Municipal Councils will have to forgo a portion of their patronage when Secretaries are appointed, as power to appoint and punish office subordinates will vest in the latter. Few of our chairmen in this Presidency will grudge to transfer this power and along with it a great deal of responsibility; but it is as well possible that there are some who are so vain and fond of power that they would keep all power to themselves. Among the many applicants for Calicut Municipal Secretaryship, the only candidates who have any chance are Messrs P. P. Karunakara Menon, First Grade Pleader, Mr. Zecariah E. A., Headmaster, B. G. M. High School, and Mr. Rosario, Assistant Inspector of salt. The first two are Municipal Councillors and have had considerable experience of the working of the Municipal Act. Mr. Rosario is a native of Calicut and now holds a decent appointment in the Public Service with fair prospects of rising in it. We do not know why he should aspire to the Municipal Secretaryship. He lacks Municipal experience and is not likely to find favor with the Councillors. Of the two remaining aspirants for the post, Mr. P. P. Karunakara Menon has an advantage over Mr. Zecariah in that he was for nearly four years the Municipal Head Clerk and as such mastered the details of Municipal administration, finance and office routine. Mr. Zecariah if appointed, might prove to be equally competent for the place, but so far as the present qualifications are concerned Mr. P. P. Karunakara Menon is decidedly his superior and ought to get the place. We would have refrained from advocating the appointment of Mr. Karunakara Menon in our columns for fear of being considered partial on the ground of his being a relative of the present Council, but in the present

and mean ours, but in the present
 we have no scruples about the matter,
 because the opinion that he is much the
 best person to hold the post is almost the
 versal, and we have little doubt about the
 conseil nominating him. For the Telli-
 cherry Secretaryship we learn that Messrs.
 Chathu, Thatha Canaren and the first Assis-
 ant Brennen College are among the compe-
 titors. We shall certainly be pleased to
 see Mr. Chathu get the place but Mr.
 Canaren ought in our opinion to have pre-
 ference. He is a local graduate of no mean
 abilities, and is besides an illused man. The
 schoolmaster, however, who is also said to

ion and for their purpose selected as de-
 van the present incumbent Mr. P. Raja-
 gopala Charry, M. A. B. L., of the Statutory
 Civil Service, than whom there is at present
 no better representative of that Service if
 we except Mr. Manavedan Raja. The
 choice was excellent, but we feared he
 would be unpopular. Strong opposition
 when vested interests are interfered with,
 was to be expected. We cannot without doing
 violence to truth say that Mr. Rajagopala
 Charri is popular; but the opposition to him
 considering the innovations he has intro-
 duced and the heart burning he has caused
 by compulsory retirements, dismissals and
 forced resignation of public servants—how-
 ever undesirable it may be in public inter-
 ests that they should continue in office—is
 much short of what, on outsider with less
 tact and sincerity of purpose, might have
 experienced. In his efforts to weed the
 service of all incompetent and peccant offi-
 cials, he seems to have the strong support
 of the Raja and the Resident and the
 righteousness of his motives finds favour
 with the right thinking public. There is
 in the State nothing like a recognized reve-
 nue system. There is no code to guide the
 revenue authorities and serious fault find-
 ing with their procedure, or making them
 responsible for their action in a revenue
 matter is thus rendered impossible. The
 system of account keeping obtaining in the
 State is very crude and ancient and is in-
 sufficient to act as a thorough check on
 fraud. If our information is correct, the
 accounts are in a state of chaos, payments
 by cheques on State treasuries unknown,
 and modern safe guards against embezzle-
 ments not provided. The late detection of
 serious and continued defalcations in cer-
 ain offices of the State go to confirm the
 theory that the system of account keeping
 and the adoption of measures to prevent

MANJERI.

(23rd June 1897)

Not to be behind hand in our devotion and
 loyalty to the Queen of the British Isles and
 Empress of India we celebrated the Diamond
 Jubilee in our own humble way, on Mon-
 day and Tuesday last. On Monday we were
 busy with the distribution of alms to the poor,
 the best way of celebrating the longest reign
 in this year of plague famine and earthquakes.
 Nobody ever thought that Manjeri was so poor
 as when our Daffadar began to dole out rice and
 money. All our local officials were present to
 see that the rice was not misappropriated and
 all who came in had received the alms. Your
 readers can very well imagine what must have
 been the number of the poor when they find
 that the distribution lasted from morning till
 two in the afternoon. Each adult was given
 2½ Nazhis of rice and child 1½ Nazhis and a
 quarter anna each to buy the necessaries for a
 meal. I understand that 59½ Paras of rice and
 23 Rs. were spent in this distribution. In
 the evening we lit a big bonfire on Vatte-
 kot Hill. Bundles of fuel were
 heaped and when the fire grew lazy we poked
 him up by pouring coconut oil over him.
 And thus for a long time was his energy kept
 up and vigorously did he burn. Unfortunately
 his musical talent was conspicuous by its
 absence in Manjeri or else we would have made
 regular Highlands of the Vattakoto hill,
 arrivals from Malapuram say that the fire
 as seen in that rising military station.
 His bonfire itself cost our commemoration
 committee Rs. 35. The next day was rather
 dull compared with the previous days pro-
 gramme. No doubt we had a lot of Kathiana
 sports and Athletic sports in the evening and
 at to the school children. The whole
 azaar was decorated and in the night the
 town was beautifully illuminated.

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the commission of it is not a little to be desired. It is most gratifying to learn that the present dewan has realized the situation and intend to work in right earnest to make the administration an up-to-date one. For the purpose of overhauling the accounts and placing them on a satisfactory footing, and for the purpose of drawing up a set of rules for universal observance, the services of a competent officer are being sought after. Any the slightest departure from time honored *manul* no matter whether it is in religion government or social custom, is likely to be viewed with disfavour in an orthodox State like Kochin. Drastic reforms such as now contemplated it is hardly necessary to say would meet with a chorus of opposition. But in spite of the temporary unpopularity and obloquy which this opposition threatens to forestall him, it seems pretty certain that the dewan will carry out his programme. Mr. Rajagopala Charri is a shrewd and unsighted officer. He is not therefore likely to be cowed down by the prospect of having to face obstacles. Many will doubtless try to poison the Raja against the foreigner dewan who is preceptating reforms, but His Highness may be trusted to exercise his sound judgment and to lean on the side of good government and the interests of his subjects, rather than weaken the hands of his minister at the instance of a few discontented and disappointed officials. That Mr. Rajagopala Charri, should however, guard against his temper which he could take care not lose even though he might be badgered and maligned.

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The Municipal Secretary

Malabar Splan to Collectors office
Malapuram. Date 14th July 97

From
Lieut. Robert Esquire
of Splan to Collect
The Collector of Malabar

Sir,
Referring to your endorsement, dated 26th June 1897, on G.O. dated 19th idem, I have the honor to submit herewith the report received from the Tahsildars of Kalluvana and Chinnadung how the public was celebrated at Angadipuram, Cherpalecherry and Banjeri. Two cuttings from the news papers describing the manner in which it was celebrated at Malapuram and Kottakkal are also enclosed.

2. I understand that out of the subscriptions collected for celebration at Malapuram there is an unspent balance of Rs 134. 11. 4. The Malapuram Diamond Jubilee Executive Committee has resolved to spend this money as also what subscriptions can be raised till the end of October next in erecting a Public Chattram at Malapuram in commemoration of the completion of the 60th years of the reign of her majesty.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

Lionel Esquire

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of the 60th year of the reign of
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 the Government of India. I have been with
 Sir

With reference to your endorsement Byone. no 2223
dated 30th June last on the Government Order no 778 Public
dated 19th June 1897 I beg to report that a public meeting
was held here on the 15th June last and in accordance
with the resolutions of the meeting, on Sunday the 20th
June there was a special thanks giving ceremony con-
ducted in the German mission chapel and at
about 7 in the morning of the 21st June I and some
of the Vahibs of the local Municip. Court assembled
at the Magistrate's Court house and at 8 o'clock dis-
tributed rice to more than 2000 poor people at the
rate of one Nayhi each. A special Hindu religious
ceremony called Kiramala &c. for the long life and
prosperity of H. Queen Empress was also conducted

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The Secretary of the
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Dear

The Secretary of the
Committee

Sir,

In obedience to your order on G.O.
No. 773 of the 19th June last, I beg to report
as follows:—

2. The Chairman of the local municipal
body called a meeting of the citizens for the purpose
of deciding in what manner Her Majesty's
Diamond Jubilee should be celebrated. The
meeting was represented by all classes of people
and was presided over by Mr. Harding, the then
S.D. Collector. It was resolved that the occasion
should be commemorated by feeding the poor and by
extending the accommodation of the local College
which was represented to be very much in need.
Two separate lists of subscription were accordingly
opened. Some money was subscribed on the spot for
feeding the poor and some for the improvement of the
College building. From the early morning of the 22nd
the poor commenced to be fed. The College building
was also being repaired.

Yours

it was found that the fort was over full and it was accordingly resolved by the members of the Committee, that females, children, invalids and incurables should be served first. The men were accordingly kept outside the fort and the doling to the above said class of people generally of half a seer (2 mals) of rice and quarter of an anna per head was over by 20' Clock, the recipients being let out as they received their share. (The Children were given 1 mal of rice and a quarter anna per head and special Concession was also shown to the invalids and incurables). The men were then taken inside the walls and had their share at the above rate. Although the distribution took place at both the gates it lasted till 4 P.M. In all, the attendance was estimated to be 7000 or so. The local police and the Revenue peons and the Surgeant Instructor Mr. J. Hornby of the Volunteer Rifles, preserved order. The Police Inspector and the military Chaplain also were present throughout.

After the distribution was over a set of bandmen who happened to be present at the town was requisitioned and most of the members of the Committee together with a large number of citizens marched in procession to the maidan in front of the Travellers' Bungalow, the procession then moved on in the side of the local College and the Jubilee market. It made a stand in front of the hospital and dispersed after giving 3 Cheers to Her Majesty, the band playing

the national Anthem. Great enthusiasm prevailed in the town. The original idea of having a grand procession round the town had to be abandoned owing to the inclemency of the weather, but as the day happened to be bright advantage was taken of it and the procession above referred to was decided on ^{on} the spur of the moment.

3. There were similar Celebrations in honour of the occasion at Anthuparamba and Panur also. In this Taluk. Agreeably to the order under report, the Deputy Tahildar at Anthuparamba, must have reported to you the details of the Celebration at the place. He regards the Celebration at Anthuparamba, and begs to enclose copy of the report kindly furnished me by the local Sub-Registrar. He also mentions, the Secretary of the Committee through whose exertions and under whose management the Celebration took place.

I beg to remain,

Yours most obedient servant

Tahildar

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From

The Tahildar of
Malgam Taluk

To

The Subcollector of
Malgam Taluk
Tellicherry

Dated 12 — 7 — 97

Despatched 13 — 7 — 97

Receipt

Enclosed

Subject

Report showing the actions
taken in connection with the
celebration of the completion
of the 60th year of the reign of
Her Majesty the Queen Empress

Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee at Panur.

Preliminary measures.

In Consultation with Mr. A. K. R. Ramanatha Iyer, District Munsif of Panur, and the leading Talukdar of his Court, I convened a public meeting of the inhabitants of Panur and the adjoining taluqs in the 18th June last. Printed letters of invitation were sent to 190 of the Chief Land holders of Panur, Kadimur, Tripurangottur, Puthur, Peringalam, and Pannianur, and to the village officials of those taluqs in order that the meeting might fully represent the people of Malgams as this part of the Taluk is called.

The public meeting accordingly took place at 4 P.M. on the 18th June. Most of the Hindu Land lords either personally attended or deputed their relatives to represent them. But the Shapla (Mohamedan) Community almost entirely kept aloof, only two from Pannianur and two from Puthur & Pannianur having attended. The rich mapla traders and Land lords of Panur in spite of my personal request for Co-operation, refrained from taking any part in the movement. One of the resolutions which should have been proposed was that, a special prayer should be offered on behalf of Her Majesty at the Panur and Peringottur mosques. But as there was no mosque to propose it, the proposal was given up. At the meeting the District Munsif being voted to the Chair, the following resolutions were proposed and unanimously carried.

(1). That this meeting considers it necessary that the Completion of the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress of India

Should be celebrated at Panur in a fitting manner.
(2). That the address adopted be adopted.

(3). That in the present state of distress prevailing in this part of the country, it being undesirable to spend money for sports and entertainments, the Jubilee be celebrated by distributing rice to the poor and by performing a Abritinjayan (a Hindu religious ceremony for obtaining long life and happiness) on behalf of Her Majesty at the Chief temple of the place, and in such other manner as the executive Committee might deem fit.

(4). That the following gentlemen do form themselves into an executive Committee to carry out the object of the meeting.

Sh. R. R. D. Ramanath Iyer, District Munsif.
Panur. (President).

Sh. Ottana Shanmugam, Sub-Registrar, Secretary

C. P. Krishnan Nair.

C. K. Nair.

P. C. K. Sankaran Nambiar.

Kottarathil K. K. Krishnan Nambiar.

Thalayil K. K. Krishnan Nambiar.

Kannamurthi K. K. Sankaran Nambiar.

Kandampuzha K. K. Nambiar and others.

Celebration

A Abritinjayan ceremony being performed early morning on behalf of Her Majesty on 22nd June, the President and members of the Committee and a large number of the Hindus of Panur assembled at the Sub-Registrar's Office at 12 noon. Rice was distributed to nearly 1000 poor people. There was no hitch anywhere and the celebration came to a joyous conclusion at 3 P.M.

(Signed) Sh. Ottana Shanmugam
Secretary

12/7/55

(True copy)

Sh. Ottana Shanmugam

From

The Deputy Tahsildar
Kudlakurumba

The Sub Collector
Malabar

Dated 12-7-97

No - 12-7-97

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Enclosure

Submitting report regarding
the celebration of the Jubilee
at By Division

From

The Tahsildar of
Badagara

To

The Sub Collector of
Malabar

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Sir,

With reference to your
Order n^o 2223 dated 30 June 1897
beg to state that in the town of Badagara
two meetings were held by the public
at one of which only Mohals attended.

At the meeting held by the general
public it was resolved that a subscription
should be raised with the object of feeding
the poor, having the authorities prayers
offered up at churches, mosques and
temples and for decorative purposes.
At the meeting of the Mohals it was
resolved to call subscriptions and feed
the poor. In accordance with the
resolutions passed the non-Mohomedan
poor had rice doled out to them on the
21st and 22nd of June at the Local
Fund School which was decorated in

Yours

a getting manner. About 2000 poor received alms. Before the distribution of alms each day 60 Kadinas were fired corresponding with the numbers of years Her Majesty the Queen Empress has reigned. On the 22nd after distribution of alms those who had taken part in the distribution assembled in the School where speeches were delivered and 3 hearty cheers given in honor of the Queen.

The Moplahs accordingly to resolutions passed by them distributed cooked food to their Co-religionists. They commenced their Act of Charity on the 15th of June and continued it to the 3rd of July. Each day 6 Robbins of rice were cooked for distribution.

At different other centres of the Taluk some of the rich and influential people distributed alms and had prayers of thanksgiving offered but I am not in full possession of the particulars and as I see that this report is urgently wanted I am submitting it without waiting for them.

I must here say that in accordance with the resolutions passed at the meeting at the School, thanksgiving prayers were offered up at the Jamath Mosque at Badagara, at Ganapathy Temple at Paramanthalam and at the Roman Catholic Church at Mâlu.

The School Children were not forgotten in the midst of general rejoicing as they had a treat given to them at the Basel Mission School at Badagara.

In conclusion I beg to state that the surplus money left after feeding the poor, it is intended to remit to the Indian Lamine Fund.

I beg to remain
Sir

Your most obed^t serv^t

J. J. J.

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From
The Sub Collector of
Kannur

To
The Sub Collector of
Malabar

Dated 16. July 1907

Recd. M. J. P. P. P.
17. JULY 1907

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A short report on the
Celebration of Diamond
Jubilee at Badargama.

Sir,

The Sub Collector of
Malabar.

Sir,

With reference to your reminder dated 9th inst.,
I respectfully beg to report that on the morning of the
23rd June last at about 8 a.m., ten sacks of rice were
distributed among the poor classes, a sum of about
Rs 200 having been realized by local subscription; a
portion of which was sent to the Secretary, to the
Jubilee Committee of 1897, Calicut, towards the
erection of a female ward at the Calicut Dispensary,
and another portion is retained for the purchase of medicine
to the local hospital.

2. Certain prisoners of this Sub Jail have also been
released on that day before the expiry of their sentences,
in commemoration of the present Jubilee as directed
by the District Magistrate.

3. I lastly beg to state that no order from you
appears to have been received in this office for the
submission of a report on this subject save your
present reminder. Hence the delay in submitting
this report.

Yours faithfully,
11 July 1907

I beg to remain
Sir

Yours most obedient servant

W. K. S. S. S.
As. Deputy Magistrate

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Report to the
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 dated 20th July 1897
 From
 J. S. Swaminatha Chetty
 Deputy Collector, Calicut District
 TREASURY DEPT. COLLECTOR
 JULY 1897
 MALABAR
 Sir,
 With reference to G.O. No. 773 dated
 19th ultimo, Public, forwarded with your
 endorsement of 12th July 1897, dated 20th
 July 1897, I have the honor to report as
 follows regarding the action taken at
 Calicut in connection with the Diamond
 Jubilee of Her Majesty, the Queen Empress
 of India.
 A full description of the manner
 in which the Jubilee was celebrated at
 different places in Calicut is given at
 the close of the "Malabar Times" of
 the 25th June. All the public offices
 were closed on the 21st and the 22nd
 June 1897 and many of the public build-
 ings, shops and business houses were
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and is performed at the temple only on
very rare occasions. The performance
of the ceremony on the 21st in the
name of Her Majesty the Queen Empress
was therefore befitting the occasion
of the jubilee. On the same day the
inmates of the Civil Hospital and
the inmates of the Calicut were
fed and clothed at the expense of the
Government on the night of the 22nd June 1907
there were special services in Hindu
temples.

As you are aware, subscriptions
were raised from the public at Calicut
and at other stations to commemorate the
occasion and to meet the expenses
incidental to the celebration of the
Jubilee. This amounted to about Rs 2500.
A portion of this amount, about Rs 720,
was spent towards the distribution of
rice and money to the poor. On Tuesday
morning several hundreds of poor
people of both sexes and of all ages
and denominations began to collect at
the new Customs House premises, where
it was known, the distribution would
take place. I was in charge of the arrange-
ments.

all the arrangements. The distribution of the
at noon and continued till 2.30. It was
rice as well as copper-plate distributed
to over 12000 people.
The Mercantile Mission celebrated the jubilee
at Calicut also in a fitting manner by opening their
new weaving rooms in their shop compound
on the 22nd and giving a good meal to
their workmen and about 300 poor.

A full account of the celebration
of the occasion by Messrs. Hunkent
at Marikhet will be found in the "Madras
Mail" of the 25th June and the "Malabar
Times" of the 26th. This was on a
grand style. A copy of their letter,
dated 2nd instant on the subject with
my address is enclosed.

They stopped their work on the 21st
and 22nd. Their premises were magnificent
decorated with green leaves and flags and
bearing the significant "60" being erected
all over the places. On the 22nd June
the celebration opened at 6 A.M. with a
salute.

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Salute of 10 guns at 10 a.m. Mr. Schmitt, the manager of the firm, delivered a speech to those assembled, in the concluding which, three hearty cheers were given for the Queen Empress. In the afternoon there were sports for the workmen, the winners receiving prizes. At 6.30 P.M. their coffee-house about one thousand in number were fed with rice, sweets and coffee. At 15.30 the gentlemen of the Firm entertained some of their friends and their clerks at a grand dinner; after which there was a display of fireworks winding up with a big Jubilee bonfire.

On the 20th and 22nd June, all the members of the Parsee Community at Calcutta, met at the Parsee Sharnavada, the place of their worship at Calcutta, and performed the Ceremony of "Jasseri" (invoking blessings of the Almighty) in the name of the Queen Empress. All their business houses were decorated and alms were distributed to the poor & the members of the Moplah Community also.

also celebrated the Jubilee by decorating and illuminating their business houses and by distributing alms to the poor. A public meeting in which a large number of members of the Community were present, was held on the evening of the 22nd June at the Dinagobhai Esau Sabha Hall, and prayers were offered in the name of the Queen Empress.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
Dwarkanath
Deputy Collector

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From

The Deputy Collector

Calicut Dist

In the Collector of
Malabar

dated 20th July 1897

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Subject

Report about the
manner in which the
Queen's Diamond Jubilee
was celebrated in Calicut

Bankes' Sales Office

Jeroke 2nd July '97

From

Messrs G. Henke & Co.

Marakhaty Jeroke

To

M R Py S. Sivamurthy Iyer & Co
Deputy Collector
Calicut Division
Calicut

Gentleman

In reply to your letter of 1st July
1897 we have the honor to state, that the following
festivals took place at our works in connection
with the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of
the reign of Her Majesty the Queen Empress

There was no work at all on the
21st as well as on the 22nd June. On the 21st
June we decorated the whole of the works with
green arches and flags. The length of the
place decorated was more than 2000 feet. The
principal decorations running over the ridge
of all buildings, in the Centre a big 60, a
the significant number. On the 22nd June
at 6 a.m. the celebration was opened with

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a royal salute of 101 guns. At 10 a.m. the Manager
Mr. J. Schlunk, delivered in the Show Room a speech
to about 500 Coolies, pointing out the great importance
of the day, in conclusion with three cheers for
the Queen Empress. In the afternoon at 3.30
Commenced sports for the Europeans and clerks
with 3 prizes for the winners. At 5 P.M. we had
sports for all our Coolies with 12 prizes; there
were more than 1000 people assembled, sports
consisting in running, Chatty race, bag race
and others; at 6.30 P.M. to about 1000 of our
workmen was given a good feed of rice,
sweets and coffee; at 7.15 P.M. in Mr.
Schlunk's bungalow commenced the dinner
for all our European gentlemen, some guests,
and all clerks of the firm. The toast of
the evening was delivered by Mr. Schlunk
and drunk amidst much enthusiasm.
After the dinner, there was a display of very
rich fireworks and a big jubilee bonfire
on the rocks near the rocks.

To give you a better idea of
our festivals we beg to enclose a copy
of the "Times of Malabar" as well as

of the "Madras Mail" we have marked
the reports about our festivals with red pencil
we have the.

Sd/- G. Henke & Co
Manager.

(Sd/- Mr.)

Richard M. Henke
By *Henke*

Lannanepatola.

From office,

Palghat, 10th July 1897

No. 696
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To,

The Head Assistant Collector
of Malabar

Sir,

In reply to your memo dated
1st instant Ref db04 I beg to state
that in this Taluk the Diamond
jubilee of Her gracious Majesty
Queen Empress was celebrated at
following places. Pal.

Palghat. A sum of Rs 4000
was raised by subscrip-
tion and was by
the poor of the Town on
June 18 97. About 30
collected in the fort
given rice and cof-
fined were also

Chankara. A sum of Rs 100
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To

The Collector of Malabar ...
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dated 28th June last ...
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... have the honor to ...
... reports from ...
... regarding the ...
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... reign of His Majesty the ...
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... religious ...
... Catholic community ...
... with native ...
... in honor of the occasion

Yours faithfully
For ...

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Malden Head Asst. Collector's Office
Palghat. Dated 21st July 1897

From
R. J. Austin Esquire
Asst. Head Asst. Collector
Palghat.

To,
The Collector of Malden
Calicut.

With reference to your endorsement
dated 28th June last Ref. No. 120, on 28th
19.6.97, I have the honor to forward herewith
reports from the Tahsildars of Palghat and
regarding the action taken in connection with
celebration of the completion of the 60th year
reign of Her Majesty, the Queen Empress
what the Tahsildar says in Palghat, there
special services held and prayers offered
in the morning and night in the Masjid
at New Kalpatti on the 28th June. He
also special services in the Anglican
and religious and social celebration
works and decorations, among the
Catholic Community of the town.
- noon of that day, there was a
with Native Music to the village
in honor of the occasion.

I have
Yours n

W. J. Austin

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From

The Collector of North Ar

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From

S. H. W. Srinivas

Collector & District Magistrate,

North Arcot.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department, Madras.

Sir,

Referring to the Public Health Department, I have the honor to forward the following report on the action taken in connection with the celebration of the completion of the 4th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria in the various centres in this District.

At Villore on the morning of the 22nd June (a) from 8 to 11 AM 425 measures of rice and 47 lbs of cash was distributed among more than 1500 poor people (men, women and children) including about 400 on the rolls of the local Dispensary at the rate of 1/4 measure of rice and half an anna each, the whole being given to such of them as were infirm and emaciated. In the Kattakottai Vyavahar

Chatter distributed 15 cloths to the blind and the lame; his example being followed by Mr. Lowminder Raj Sahib who gave away 45 cloths more. In the evening between 5 and 6.30 Pm over 1000 boys from almost all the schools in the town and a few girls assembled at the spacious Compound of the Municipal office and after going through some exercises in drill and gymnastics were entertained with fruit and confectionery. They danced after giving the hearty cheer of the class of the National Anthem. The dance was the first in the town. At 7 Pm a procession of the Municipal office headed by the Municipal officers adjourned to the Fort Place to witness the illuminations and fire works. Bright lights were placed on the tops of the hills forming the eastern boundary of the town and there were illuminations on the ramparts of the fort. A grand display of fireworks. Prayers were offered for the long life and continued prosperity of the Mother Empress in Seven Hindu temples and Chaudh Sahib's Mosque which were brilliantly lit

for the occasion. Some private houses and the Gaias were also illuminated and the streets were lit up. The inmates of the local hospital were given a report in the evening from the Special Collections made for the purpose and held by the Nizam's Commission distributed 15 cloths to the inmates of the Hospital where the patients were entertained and presented with fruit and pan-sari. Money was distributed for the poor, Sarpas and Curassins, Pindris in the town to enable them to enjoy a hearty dinner. A number of prisoners were also released from the Central jail that day. The following were present at the dinner: (1) The Sahib, Wajid and Rameez and the occasion. The occasion was celebrated in the temple of the goddess with processions with fire works through the

Street of Walling. About 200 poor people were
fed and treats were given to boys of some of
the Schools. The 'National Anthem' was sung
and dancing music and fire works on
the second evening brought the festivities to
a close. At Chandrapur 200 poor people were
fed an entertainment was given. Abhishek
Ram was performed and the village goddess
was taken in procession.

At Tountain 1000 poor people were fed and
rituals and ant processions took place;
similar processions took place at Datta.
At Kalahasti 1500 poor were fed and 100
of them were presented with clothes. Then
village was illuminated, processions took
place and the Shiva held at Datta
at which speeches were suitable to the
occasion were made. At Arhman some
of the poor people were fed and clothed
and a school treat to the school
boys was given. This was followed by a
musical entertainment which was brought
to a close by the 'National Anthem'. At Tainpatt
the poor of all castes and creeds were fed

on the first day by the Merchant and on the
second days by two other gentry. Public
were held and a public meeting. The
proceedings terminated with Chandrapur the
Queen Empress and Royal family arrived
salutes were fired in honor of the 10 years
of the reign of Her Majesty.

(9) La Shiva was held at Datta the important
village of that district, 22nd June, the
festival was observed as a public day. At
the temple of the Shiva special rituals were
performed and rituals were held. At
Datta the Shiva was held on
the 22nd June 1917 by special
celebrations at the Shiva temple and by the
offer of prayers by the Native Christians.

(10) On the 27th June there was a procession at
a photograph of the Majesty was placed
in a house in the gentry. The
elephants, presented by gentry and
followed by the gentry and all the
members of the family and family
and also by the public officers of
the Station and gentry. The
Police force of the Station and the

of the Gemin dar and his retinue escorted the
procession. The procession after passing through
the principal streets reached a main lane to
the east of the town where tents were pitched.
The elephant with the howdah containing the
picture was brought opposite to the tents and
a salute of guns fired, and the Gemin dar
band playing the National Anthem. A
series of athletic sports were held by the
students of the High School and private
institutions. When darkness fell there was
a splendid display of fireworks on the main
the procession then returned by a different
route. The procession was a grand sight
for the day, the town being illuminated.

(1) On the 2nd morning a public meeting was
held in the High School at the High School
presided over by the Gemin dar and attended
by the local officials and the citizens
of the town. A brief account of the life of
the Queen Empress was given both in
English and Telugu. The Heads of
the girls School read an essay in Telugu
on female education and its advancement
during Her Majesty's reign. The girls sang
in honor of the Queen and played kotakam.

Luncheon. Prizes were distributed to the winners
in the sports held on the previous day and
also to the girls of the School. The meeting
closed with the distribution of paraphernalia
and flowers; sweetmeats were also distributed
among the boys and girls.

(2) At noon a large number of donors kept up
led by the Gemin dar at his own and
the Hindu temples abhi sekharas were
performed followed by the invocation of
Gods in the evening. Christians and
Mohammedans offered special prayers in
their Chapels and mosques. In the evening
sweetmeats were distributed among the
children of the town. The day
whole town was again illuminated.

(3) At 7 PM a grand durbar was held in the
Durbar Hall of the Gemin dar's Palace
by the Gemin dar. The photograph of the
Queen was placed on the Gemin dar's throne
decorated with flowers etc. The Gemin dar
with his relations friends and staff as
well as the local officials attended the
durbar. The National Anthem was played.
An account of the life of the Queen

And the numerous blessings of her reign
has given by the Gauri dars Masi. The
Gauri dars band and other native
bands entertained the Durbar with music
the Durbar closed with the distribution of
Hunors, Sairat and Pansufari.

At Chittur the jubilee was celebrated by
feeding the poor to the number of about 500
and a ~~great~~ number of houses were
specially lighted up. The ~~more~~ than a
Committee had special services and
kirtans performed in the temples, the
Gods being taken in procession along the
streets. So also the Mussalman population
performed special services in their mosques.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Yours most obedient servant.

V. S. G. Gauri

Collector

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of the 60th year of the reign of
Her Majesty the Queen Empress
at Russelkonda, Arka and
Sharacote in Goomsur Division

The Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

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Submitting a brief report
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Brief report regarding the celebration of the Jubilee called for in Government order No. 773 dated 19th June 1897 -

Tanjore. The Tanjore Union Club had raised subscriptions in honour of the occasion: and on the 22nd June 1897 a large number of the poor deaf and dumb received food and clothes. A Katha was performed

* Katha means the public recitation of a narrative, interspersed with music and singing, of the actions of the Gods or of individuals, with allusions to passing events or persons —

in Tirunagari Pillai's school. The Europeans and Eurasians had sports

for the children in front of the District Jail, which was followed by a treat and a display of fireworks. The "Aptha Manarangini" "Labha" held a meeting and Her Majesty's portrait was taken in procession round the town with the Eastern pomp.

pomp. Poojals were performed and prayers offered in the Hindu temples for the continued health and prosperity of Her Majesty. There were rejoicings on all sides. On the previous Sunday the Thanksgiving service took place in the L. P. G. Church.

Vallam - The streets and houses were specially decorated with festoons and the houses and public buildings illuminated. The several temples were also decorated and illuminated and special services were performed therein praying for the continued health of Her Majesty and family. In the house of a native gentleman the ladies of the town and their children were so entertained. The portrait of Her Majesty was decorated with flowers and songs were sung followed by a (kummim) merry play in

in honour of Her Majesty's long reign. There was distribution of pan separe, flowers, sugar and fruits. The whole town put on a gala appearance.

Kumbakonam. A committee was appointed to celebrate the jubilee, and to collect subscriptions for the same. On the jubilee day, over 1500 poor people received food and clothes. The several temples and mosques were decorated and illuminated and special services were performed. The Pandarasannadhi of Tiruvaduthurai Mutt having proposed to erect a permanent chattram and Waterpandal near the Town Hall, in commemoration of the occasion, the foundation stone was laid by Mr. J. A. Leslie Esq. C.S.I. The elite of the town assembled in a shed ^{erected} near the Town Hall in the centre of which was

was placed Her Majesty's decorated portrait. Speeches were then delivered on the benefits of Her Majesty's reign.

The proceedings closed with the distribution of flower garlands, sandal and panayari and with the firing of 60 rockets at the cost of the said Mutt.

Timirdamandur. The town was decorated with festoons and triumphal arches, and athletic sports took place. Special services were performed in the temples which were decorated. In the evening, the temples, houses, and market places were illuminated. A large pavilion was erected in the public street with the flag "God save the Queen", waving in front. About 2000 poor were fed and clothed. A meeting was convened at the Pushyamantapam where

where prizes were distributed to the winners at the sports and addresses delivered in three languages. The portrait of Her Majesty placed on an elephant was then taken in procession through the main streets of the town. The proceedings closed with a display of fireworks.

Valangunian. The temples and the Roman Catholic Church were illuminated and special services were performed in them praying for the long life of Her Majesty.

Papanasam. Food and clothes were given to the poor.

Swaminimalai. Special services were performed in the local temple. Subscriptions were raised for the erection of a lamp post with five arms, and the foundation stone was laid in

in a public place duly selected.

Mayavaram. On the 21st June 1897,

salutes were fired in the different temples churches and mosques, where

there were thanksgivings for the well being of Her Majesty. On the 22nd from

10 A.M. to 4 P.M. the poor of all castes and creeds numbering 3000

were fed at different centres and some received clothes. Between 3 and

5 P.M., the school going population

- boys and girls - gathered in the High school and were served with

fruits, sugar etc. At 5.30 P.M.,

almost all the citizens started from

the High School in procession with

a portrait of the Queen-Empress

mounted on the back of an elephant

in the midst, the Police presenting

arms all round. Landals and panvapari

accompanied

accompanied by a sprinkling of rosewater were freely distributed to the men and women who crowded to the spot. By 7.30 P.M. the procession

returned to the High School where, in

a public meeting, a congratulatory

message was drawn up and sent to

Her Majesty through the Local Government.

Thiyali - A meeting was held, addresses

given and the school children fed.

Athletic sports were held and prizes

given.

Negapatam. The day was appropriately

observed with the usual programme

of processions fauxde joie and sports.

The significance of the occasion was

well marked. It was resolved to

commemorate Her Majesty's jubilee

by a permanent addition to the Hospital

Hospital at Megapalam.

Manargudi. Food was distributed to

the poor. All officials and nonofficials gathered together in the evening in the Yanavahana Mantapam which was gaily decorated with flags and festoons.

In the centre of the Mantapam, the portrait of the Queen-Empress was placed on a dais duly decorated.

A lecture was then delivered on the blessings conferred upon India. Her Majesty's portrait was then placed on a tastefully decorated howdah mounted on the temple elephant and taken in procession, the road being illuminated.

On the next day (22nd June 1897)

similar rejoicings and festivities were gone through by the non-official

portion of the public under the
auspices

auspices of the Literary Club and lectures were given on the progress of India during the last half a century. This day also, the portrait of Her Majesty was taken in procession to the Vilakanteswara swami temple where a Katha was performed.

Tiruthurai. Worship was performed in the Liva Temple.

Pattukkottai. The public offices and the principal streets were decorated with festoons and were illuminated. 1000 poor people were fed and 15 persons received cloths. There were public thanksgivings in the church and the temples. At 8 P.M., all the officials and citizens started in procession with Her Majesty's portrait

portrait well garlanded and placed in a car and went round the four principal streets. On the way, they were met by a procession composed solely of ellahammudans who recited prayers. A lecture was then given on the many amiable qualities of Her Majesty and on the blessings the people enjoy under Her rule.

Arantangi - The public offices were decorated and an arch with the words "God save the Queen" erected over the gate. 500 poor of all castes were fed by the Zemindar of Nagaram and the Thambiran of Aridayarkoil and cloths were given to the poor. School children were also fed. Houses in the town were

were illuminated. Officials and the townspeople went in procession from the poor house to the Deputy Tahsildar's butchery where pansupari flowers, sandal, sugar, sugar candy and fruits were distributed. Bonfires were lit near the Chutram tank.

Ilusnew.
Acting Collector

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Enclosure No I

In a letter

From

The Collector of
Tanjore

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Public Department

Dated 3rd August 87

Di. No. 69 787
Tow

Subject

Brief report regarding
the celebration of the
Jubilee

Collector

TANJORE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE,

Di. No. 69 787
Tow

Camp, Tanjore 3rd August 1897.

FROM

J. Andrew
Esquire,
By Collector ~~District Magistrate,~~
TANJORE,

TO

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
MADRAS.

SIR,

With reference to Government order
No. 773 Public dated 19th June 1897
I have the honour to enclose a brief
report showing the action taken in
connection with the celebration of the
completion of the 60th year of the reign
of Her Majesty the Queen Empress
in the various centres in this District.

I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Andrew.

By Collector

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2971



From

Order

*The Collector of
Madras*

Dis. No. 2968 of 97.

Dated 7th August 1897.

Received *g* . " "

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Enclosures nil.

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SUBJECT.

*Submitting the report called
for in G.O. No 773 Public
dated the 29th June 1897 on
the Celebration of the
Jubilee in the District
of Madras*

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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No. 2968 987

Madura Collector's Office
Camp - Rammal
Dated 7th August 1897

From

J. Zwigg Esquire
Collector of
Madura

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department
Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the report called
for in Government Order No: 773 Public dated
19th June 1897.

2. The features of the jubilee celebrations
in this District were the number of places
in which they were held and their spontaneity.
In a brief report like this it is not possible to
deal particularly with each of the 22 towns -
from which reports have been received, but
their names are given in the margin, and the

Madura Town
Tirumangalam
Kilampatti
Sholavandan
Kulur
Hagar Covil
Dindigul
Palni
Periyakulam
Attampolam
Kodakkal
Rammal

following will show the
general form the rejoicing
took.

3. In 17 towns the poor
were fed and clothed:
in 16 special prayers were
offered in temples, mosques
and churches: in 13 there
were processions in many
of which a portrait of
Her

Her Majesty was carried with
due honor Commencing or
Concluding with loyal speeches
and in 12 there were decorations
illuminations, bonfires and
fireworks. Cholavandan and
Perriyakulam provided treats
for school children.

Pamban
Rameeswaram
Tirupuvanam
Paramagudi
Mundu Kulattu
Suzenganga
Kannamadura
Tiruchuli
Trupputkottai
Tiruvadanai

4. Of permanent memorials, the Raja of
Rannad opened a Students Hostel attached
to the Setupati High School at Madura, a
public library is proposed by Madura, a
reading room by Tirumangalam, and two
ornamental lights by Perriyakulam.

5. At Rannad where it is the custom
of the Raja to observe all loyal anniversaries,
the celebrations deserve a word of special
notice. The Raja held a durbar and the
töön was 'enfesé' for three days, a very
effective feature being that everyone
wore a new cloth as at Deepavali.

6. In Conclusion I must not omit to
mention with what extreme heartiness the
Americans everywhere took a prominent
part in the celebrations.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obedient servant
Duni
Collector

My
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Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 34

From

The Collector
of Bellary

Order

Dis. No. 4934

Dated 9.8.97

Received 12.8. "

Registered 13.8. "

Enclosures 2

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SUBJECT.

Jubilee of Her Majesty

Submitting a brief
report on the

10 Public Dept.
(P. 10-5)

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Adoni
 Municipal office
 Dated 22nd June 1897

Secretaries.

Diamond Jubilee Programme:-

- P.M.
- 3-4 - - - Band
- 4-5 - - - Thanks giving to Almighty
 distribution of suits to poor children
- 5-6 - - - Treat to School boys & girls
- 6-7 - - - Music
- 7-30 - - - Procession to start
- 8 - - - - - Arrival at the jubilee market
- 8-15 - - - Fire works
- 8-30 - - - Arrival at the municipal Hall
- 8-45 - - - Opening of the Diamond Jubilee library
- 9 - - - - - Mangalochana & distribution of
 paucupani and flowers:-

Secretaries

for collector.

(True Copy) for collector.

No. 4934

BELLARY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Dated 9th August 1897.

FROM

H. A. Stuart Esq.

COLLECTOR OF
BELLARY.

TO

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department.

SIR, With reference to G.O. no 773 dated 19.6.97, Public, I have the honor to report that the Jubilee of Her most gracious Majesty, the Queen Victoria, the Empress of India, was celebrated with enthusiasm at the following centres in this District.

Bellary. A salute of 60 guns was fired by the field Battery quartered at the Station at 5.30 am. Over 2000 people were fed at the Brucepett Kitchen in the evening, from subscriptions raised by the Chairman of the Municipal Council. The Sammarga Sabha gave a treat to a number of children in the Sabha hall as well as in the different streets of the town. At the Wardlaw College sports were held, and a display of fireworks was given in the evening. A ball in honour of the occasion was given by the officers of the Welsh Regiment.
Rayadurg. The streets of this village were decorated with flags. A picture of the Queen

Prayers were also offered in the temple of the place for Her Majesty's long life & prosperity.

Karayanaadwarakere

About 1000 people were fed at this place in honor of the occasion by private charity.

Harpanahalli

The High School building was decorated and a meeting was held in it. Athletic sports, distribution of prizes to school boys, a torchlight procession and fireworks formed the chief items in the programme.

There was also a wrestling match held on the 27th June, and the winner Silaman was awarded a silver medal bearing the inscription "Diamond Jubilee Queen Victoria, Empress of India, High School Harpanahalli". The public of the place also resolved that a Mantapam should be converted into a Chattram under the name of "Diamond Jubilee Chattram".

Nothing worthy of notice occurred at Kudligi and Hadagalli.

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

A.G.S.
10.8.97

10/8/97
For Collector.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

FROM
THE COLLECTOR OF
BELLARY.

To
THE

No.

Dated
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Abstract.

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 4235

From

The Collector of
Vizagapatnam

Dis No. 3141-

Order



Dated 7th August 97-

Received - 14 " "

Registered - 14 " "

Enclosures -

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SUBJECT

Reporting the action
taken by the public
in the Minor & Special
Assistant divisions,
Vizagapatnam district in
connection with the jubilee
of Her Majesty.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Dis. No. 3141

VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated 7th August 1897
Depd. 10th do

From

W. O. HORNE Esq^{re}.

Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam District.

To

The Honorable Mr. J. F. G. G. G.

Chief Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

MADRAS.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter Dis. No. 2621 dated the 20th ultimo, I have the honor to report the action taken by the public in the Senior and Special Assistants' Divisions in connection with the Jubilee of Her Majesty.

Jaypur. The Diamond Jubilee was celebrated by the Maharajah gifts of food and cloths were distributed and sports were held near the town.

Bobbili. The Rajah of Bobbili fed and clothed some poor people and took Her Majesty's photo in procession round the town. A public meeting was held under the Presidency of the Raja, at which expressions of loyalty were made. The town was illuminated during the night.

Parvatipur. The District Munsiff entertained his friends and distributed food to the poor in honor of the occasion.

Gumfipur. Many poor people were fed.

Bisoonkatack

Sissimbatack. 100 poor people were entertained and a
jubilee reading room was founded on the occasion

Salut. A public meeting was held at which prayers
were offered for Her Majesty.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant,

Frederick W. S. N.
for the collector

Public (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

From the SECRETARY
17 AUG 1897
The Collector
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
of Bellary

Order

Dis. No. 4934

Dated 9th August 1897

Received 17.

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SUBJECT.

Jubilee of Her Majesty

Submitting a brief report
on the

U.S. This is copy of the report
which has been submitted to the
Government of Madras

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Dear Sir:-

You are earnestly requested to grace the occasion of celebrating the Diamond Jubilee with your presence today at the Municipal office.

Programme is enclosed:-

We are,

Yours faithfully,

A. M.
Municipal office
Dated 22 June 97

Secretaries.

Diamond Jubilee Programme:-

J. M.

3-4

Band

4-5

Thanks giving to Almighty
Distribution of suits to poor children.

5-6

Treat to school boys and girls

6-7

Music

7-30

Procession to Chart.

8-

Arrival at the jubilee market

8-15

Fire works.

8-30

Arrival at the Municipal Hall

8-45

Opening of the Diamond Jubilee Library

9-

Mangalacharnam & distribution of panosepuri
and flowers:-

(True Copy)

14/6/97

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for collector

Secretaries.

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9.8.97.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Dated 9th August 1897.

FROM

H. A. Stuart Esq.
ag. COLLECTOR OF
BELLARY.

TO

THE Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department.
Coimbatore

SIR,

With reference to G. O. No. 773 of 19.6.97,
Public, I have the honor to report that the
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treat to a number of children in the
Sabha hall as well as in the different

streets of the town. At the Wardlaw College sports were held and a display of fireworks was given in the evening. A ball in honor of the occasion was given by the officers of the Welsh Regiment.

Rayachoti. The streets of this village were decorated with flags. A picture of the Queen was taken in procession to the Prince of Wales' birthday, where 400 poor were fed by the contributions of two native gentlemen B. M. K. as an - Venkappa and Gudibhola Namadappa. The Queen's picture was then taken to a Maidan adjoining the sub-Registrar's office and the Gentlemen of the place and school Boys gathered there to witness some sports. In commemoration of this auspicious occasion "Jubilee Manta" was recited. There were also processions of the principal dattis of the town and offering of prayers in some of the Mosques of the place. Pundit Kara-chari Sastry of the local girls' school composed certain Telugu verses about Her Majesty's reign. A copy of the verses

is enclosed.

Adoni. A copy of the programme issued by the secretaries appointed for the occasion is appended which shows the details of the proceedings in Adoni Town. The most important item in the programme was the opening of a public library designated the "Diamond Jubilee ^{Library}" by M. R. Py. S. Rama Iyer ~~as a~~ Deputy Collector. M. R. Py. Rama and Vyappa subscribed Rs 100 and 50 respectively on the spot for the purchase of this Institution and Mr. Sabapathy Mudaliar presented some books. About 500 Hindus in the Hindu Kitchen were fed by M. R. Py. H. Vyanna, and Mr. Honnur Saib entertained similarly the Muhammedans in the Muhammedan Kitchen. Special meals were also distributed at the Kitchens of Hoogi and Vallacheruwa at the expense of some native gentlemen of these villages.

Plus. In all the temples of the place prayers were offered for Her Majesty's long life and prosperity.

Hospet.

The rejoicings at this station were

celebrated at Lord Windor's Park. Mr. J. Williams
the Secretary, presided on the occasion.

The assembly gave enthusiastic cheers for Her
Majesty to perpetuate the memory of the
occasion foundations were laid by the Pre-
sident for a furnace and two baths called Victoria
Diamond Jubilee furnace and Diamond
Jubilee Bath. Athletic sports were held among
boys and adults the prizes for which were given
by Mr. Spencer the Secy & assistant Secy.
Songs were sung by the school girls and
prizes were also distributed among them
prayers were also offered in the temples of the
place for the Emperor's long life and
prosperity.

Naraindwarahalli

About 1000 people were fed at this
place in honor of the occasion by private
charity.

Harapanahalli

The High School building was
decorated and a meeting was held in it.
Athletic sports distribution of prizes to
School Boys, a torch light procession and
fire works formed the chief items in the
programme. There was also a wrestling

Silamari was added a silver jubilee
bearing the inscription "Diamond Jubilee
Queen Victoria Empress of India. High
School, Harapanahalli". The public of the
place also resolved that a mantapam
should be converted into a chattram under
the name of "Diamond Jubilee chattram".
Nothing worthy of notice has occurred
at Hudligi and Hadagalli.

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

J. H. S. 15/8/97.
For Collector.

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15/8/97
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C. No. 2387.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

The "Diamond" Jubilee
Celebrations

FOR ORDERS.

There's no need to trouble
H.E. with this. He seems
to be no doubt what it
wanted. The word used
is "report" if India
had wanted the reports
of each state separately
they would have said
"reports" I could not understand

India's request for a
brief report showing the action
taken in connection with the
Jubilee in the various territories
in the jurisdiction of this
Govt was communicated
to all Collectors and to
the Presd., Madras Munt
Comm., who were directed
to submit their reports
as soon after the 22nd Jan
as possible - G.O. No 97
Public d/19-6-97. D

[A similar course
was pursued in the
Political Dept in regard
to celebrations in Native
States in the Madras Presd
vide G.O. 346 Polt d/31.5.97]

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H.E. with this. He seems
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is "report" if India
had wanted the reports
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"reports" I could not understand

Curran

current 2381 is the first
of these reports received. It is
from Trichinopoly.

Orders are solicited
whether the current may
be sent to Press & be
printed with the others
as they come in. [This
is what is being done in
Political]

It is observed that
in 1887 in reply to a
similar request from India,
that Govt was told that
the Central (Madras)
Committee were preparing
a memorial volume
on the jubilee, and asked
whether a copy of this handsome
bound & including photo-
graphs of the chief places
would not meet India's
requirements vide
letter 28. 2. 87 A

India replied in the
affirmative in its letter
N^o 1076 recorded in f. 6.
762 the 1884 & 1887

It is not known
whether

there is any use in including
the reports received: they
will take much time.

Summaries as they come
in and we can then
put them together.

Summaries of these
various reports should

be made carefully
and judiciously.

Perhaps W.S. would not
see to this personally.

He should be treated
as President

2/2/87

we may ask him
to do but I am
not certain that
there will be sufficient
of the sort: they
have not for the
many centuries now
likely to have

In 1887 the volume was
accepted by India in place
of official reports.

whether a similar
volume is in contem-
-plation this year.
Perhaps ^{Mr. James} ~~Mr.~~ Moore
may be asked.

However such a volume
if prepared would it
be submitted be only
auxiliary to the reports
which must apparently
be printed and
sent up together to
India.

In 1887 no official
reports were called
for and then for
none was received,
the Jubilee Celebrations
on that occasion
being, as stated at
A, in all cases
spontaneous.

C.S. The report is not, it is
1.7.97 submitted, exactly &
and might, perhaps, be condensed
brief one. Certain passages
passages (e.g. the last lines of para
5) might well be omitted. If
the Collector's report at 2d. length
this letter will form a better
volume

21/8/97

SUBJECT.

THE GOVERNOR.
~~HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.~~
~~HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

FOR ORDERS.

- 1. Seen
 - 2. Quite sufficient and very good.
- ASH
25/8/97

Letter to India from the
to draft of the account of the
jubilee celebrations in the hands
of this Presidency other than
native states is submitted.
The letter is practically a matter
of course as its merely condenses
the reports sent in some of which
were too diffuse and much too
wordy. "The Gov. in any however desire
to have only what is of importance
The Gov. - India asked for a "brief
report."

I have given the drawing up of
this my personal attention and
I consider that it states what was
done at sufficient length.

21/8/97

for 11061 sub
23 8 97

H.E. The Governor.

(draft of a letter to India, not routine)

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No. 1106, PUBLIC, 22nd AUGUST 1897.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

W. 1106 of 23rd August 1897.

LETTER from

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In compliance with the requests contained in Mr. Thornton's letter, No. 1062, dated 11th June 1897, I am directed to submit report showing the action taken in connection with the celebration of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress at the various centres in this Presidency.

Ootacamund.

The celebrations commenced on Sunday, the 20th, with a special thanksgiving service in St. Stephen's Church, which was attended by His Excellency the Governor, the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Force, the Chief Justice, the Members of Government and the heads of departments. On Tuesday, the 22nd, His Excellency the Governor held a levée and in the evening gave a State banquet to which the principal officials in the station were invited.

A number of the poor were fed by charitable persons and with the aid of local subscriptions; the town was illuminated and fires were lit on the tops of the chief of the neighbouring hills. The Government made a grant to the municipality of Rs. 250 towards illuminations of public buildings and bonfires.

Madras.

In the Presidency town, the arrangements were in the hands of a large and influential general committee over which His Excellency the Governor presided.

On the 20th of June, special thanksgiving services were held in the various churches in Madras. The streets and the principal shops had been previously decorated with bunting and banners bearing expressions of loyalty. On the 22nd over 21,000 children of all classes were entertained and more than 16,000 persons were fed, partly by the committee and partly by private individuals. Sports on the Island for school children and others followed, after which the national anthem was sung by many thousands of persons assembled to witness these, all the bands at that time available in Madras accompanying. The celebration terminated with a display of fireworks and with very general and excellent illuminations. The Government contributed Rs. 500 for the illumination of the public buildings. The occasion appears to have been remarkable for the universal and spontaneous expressions of loyalty which it evoked.

Turning to the mofussil great resemblance naturally appears in the action taken in the various centres. Feeding of the poor, processions, bonfires and illuminations were the most usual form of celebration, while prayers in Hindu temples and Muhammadan mosques were common. In several towns and villages permanent memorials

of the Diamond Jubilee were inaugurated. In every district there were public rejoicings, though in parts affected by famine the previous heavy demands on private liberality and the want of leisure on the part of Government officers arising from the very heavy extra work caused by the prevailing scarcity naturally tended to restrict the festivities.

An abstract of the reports received from the several districts in this Presidency is appended.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

COCHIN,
 August 1897.

Chief Secretary.

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21/8/97

APPENDIX.

Anantapur.

At the district head-quarters poor persons were fed, and sports were held. The town was illuminated and a conversazione was held. The European officers owing to pressure of famine work were unable to take part in the proceedings.

North Arcot.

At Vellore over 1,500 poor people were fed, and cloths were distributed. The school children, to the number of over 1,000, were entertained. The European pensioners residing in the town and the patients in the hospitals were also fed. In the evening a procession marched through the town. The fort, as well as some private houses, was illuminated and bonfires were lit on the neighbouring hills.

Prayers were offered for the Queen-Empress in various Hindu and Muhammadan places of worship.

At Walajapet 1,000 persons were fed and the school children were entertained. The festivities closed with the singing of the national anthem and with fireworks.

At Kālahasti 1,500 poor persons were fed and 500 cloths distributed. The town was illuminated and the Raja held a durbar in honour of the occasion.

At Tirupati the poor were fed and a procession and a public meeting held. A salute of 60 guns was fired.

At Punganūru on the 21st of June a portrait of Her Majesty was carried in procession, followed by the Zamindar and his family. A salute was fired and the national anthem was sung. Fireworks followed. On the 22nd a public meeting was held at which loyal speeches were delivered. The Zamindar afterwards fed a large number of poor people and held a durbar.

At Chittoor the poor were fed and the town was illuminated. Special prayers were offered in the temples and mosques.

South Arcot.

At Cuddalore the proceedings on the 22nd of June opened at daybreak with the firing of a royal salute. Subsequently, some 30,000 persons collected on the maidan where, throughout the day, various festivities took place, 8,000 poor persons being fed, and several hundreds clothed. A durbar was held by the Collector and a suitable speech delivered. His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India very kindly placed his band at the disposal of the Collector for the day. Sports followed the durbar. In the evening a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried round the town, followed by a mounted pageant representing some of the more important native princes of India. A dramatic performance and fireworks concluded the rejoicings.

At Villupuram a *Te Deum* service was celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church. Several poor persons were fed, sports were held, and the day closed with fireworks, &c., in the honour of the occasion.

Similar celebrations took place at Tindivanam, Tiruvannāmalai, Chidambaram, Vriddhachalam and other places of minor importance.

Bellary.

At Bellary a salute was fired at daybreak on the 22nd June. Over 2,000 poor were fed and the children of the town were entertained. Sports, fireworks (and a ball) concluded the festivities.

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At Adóni, on June 22nd, a "Diamond Jubilee Public Library" was opened. Food was distributed in the streets of the town as well as at the famine kitchens. A procession and fireworks completed the programme.

At Hospet a "Diamond Jubilee Fernery" and "Diamond Jubilee Baths" were inaugurated and sports were held.

At Harpanahalli a public meeting took place followed by sports, a torch-light procession, and fireworks. It was resolved to establish a "Diamond Jubilee Chattram" in honour of the occasion.

South Canara.

Special thanksgiving services were held on Sunday, June 20th, in the English, Roman Catholic and Basel Evangelical Mission church at Mangalore. On the 21st, an entertainment was given in honour of the occasion at the Basel German Mission schools. On the 22nd, the police reserve band played and the poor were fed. A "celebration" at St. Aloysius' College with sports, and a reception by the Collector concluded the public rejoicings.

Chingleput.

At Saidapet, the celebrations took place on the 21st. A Diamond Jubilee market was opened, and more than 5,000 people were fed. The afternoon was occupied with sports, after which a salute was fired and the national anthem sung. In the evening the streets were illuminated and a procession marched through the town carrying a portrait of Her Majesty, which was afterwards presented to the Teachers' College.

At Chingleput, various poor persons were fed, prayers were offered in the temples. In the evening, there were processions and bonfires.

At St. Thomas' Mount, the head-quarters of the Royal Artillery, a special thanksgiving service was held on Sunday 20th. The day was devoted to sports. On the 22nd, a salute was fired, and the pensioners of the station were entertained. In the evening there were illuminations and bonfires, and a torch-light procession by the men of the XIV Madras Infantry.

The demonstrations at Pallavaram and Poonallee were of a similar nature excepting that there were no salutes.

Coimbatore.

At the district head-quarters a special thanksgiving service on Sunday, June 20th, opened the celebrations. On Monday 21st, the town was decorated, a procession marched through the streets bearing a portrait of Her Majesty: sports were held and there were displays of fireworks. Presents were distributed to 1,200 mill hands in honour of the occasion. On the 22nd, many poor persons were fed. The school children of the town were entertained, a bazaar was held by the Collector, and an athletic meeting followed by illuminations and a bonfire concluded the day. At meetings held it was decided to erect a new municipal hospital and a new building for the Muslim Literary Society in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee.

Cuddapah.

At the district head-quarters the occasion was celebrated by the provision of a plentiful meal to the inmates of the famine-relief kitchens in the town. Sports were also held. The Muhammadans of Cuddapah held a meeting, at which loyal addresses were read and prayers offered for Her Majesty. The Komaties of the town held a similar gathering.

At Chitvel many poor persons were fed, and a procession paraded through the town, taking a similar form.

At Jammalamadugu and Pulivendla the poor were provided with a full rice-meal. Demonstrations were held at Badvel and Pullampet.

Ganje

At Berhampur the celebrations were held at Kallikot, and consisted of a public meeting, the feeding of 2,000 poor people, and sports. The Government is establishing a Diamond Jubilee Town Hall and a library.

At Chicacole and Chatrapur rice and monsoon festivals were celebrated by public meetings.

At Russelkonda the poor were fed and clothed. This was followed by sports. The evening was marked by illuminations and a procession. The Majesty the Queen-Empress was carried on a palanquin.

Rejoicings on a smaller scale took place at Ichchhapuram, Narasannapeta and Balliguda.

Godavari

In Cocanada over 2,000 persons were fed, and the day was concluded with sports.

At Rajahmundry, the celebrations consisted of a public meeting, fireworks and a procession. Ellore also had similar demonstrations.

Kistna.

At Masulipatam special thanksgiving services were held. On the 21st, over 7,000 poor persons were fed, bonfires were lit. A public entertainment was held, and the festivities concluded.

At Bezwada the special thanksgiving services were held. The poor were fed, sports were held, and the day was concluded with a procession. Guntur observed the occasion in a similar manner.

At Tenali, a reading-room was opened, and a Jubilee Town Hall was set on foot.

Kurnool.

A special thanksgiving service was held on the 21st. The poor were fed, and the day was concluded with a torch-light procession, illuminations, and fireworks in the outlying towns.

Madura.

Celebrations were held in this district in the following manner:

Madura town.	Ramnad.	Manjeri.
Tirumangalam.	Pamban.	Nattam.
Usilampatti.	Rameswaram.	Nattam.
Sholavandan.	Tiruppuvanam.	Perambalur.
Melur.	Paramagudi.	Perambalur.
Alagarkovil.	Mudukulattur.	Perambalur.
Dindigul.	Sivaganga.	Perambalur.
Palni.	Menamadurai.	Perambalur.
Periyakulam.	Tiruchuli.	Perambalur.
Uttamapalayam.	Aruppukottai.	Perambalur.
Kodaikanal.	Tiruvadanai.	Perambalur.

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At Ramnad, the Raja held a darbar and The Collector notices the heartiness with which entered into the celebrations.

Malabar

At Calicut, on the 20th June, a special English, and a High Mass and Te Deum were sung. On Monday, 21st, a propitiatory and thanksgiving service was held at the Hindu temple at Talli in the name of Her Majesty the Zamorin of Calicut, who also fed and clothed the poor at the Lunatic Asylum. On Tuesday, 22nd June, food or money, while the Parsi and Mappilla religious meetings. The Basel German Mercantile & Co. at Marakkat, both celebrated the occasion on a liberal scale.

At Cochin, special services were held in the Churches, and the public offices and many private houses were illuminated. At a public meeting it was resolved that the Victoria ward, should be added to the list of places to be illuminated.

At Vayittiri and Manantoddy, special thanksgiving services were held. At the former place food was distributed to the poor and patients in the hospital, sports and public meetings were held. At Manantoddy, the celebrations. At Marakkat, loyal addresses were delivered, food and money were distributed, and the streets were illuminated. At both these places

At Malappuram, there was a procession in the morning, and the town was decorated, while at night

At Taliparamba, a special service was held, and 2,000 poor persons were fed.

At Cannanore, food was distributed to the poor, and the occasion was marked by the Majesty's long life and continued prosperity in the control of Sultan Ali Raja.

At Tellicherry, over 7,000 poor persons were fed through the town. It was resolved to raise a fund for the local college in commemoration of the Jubilee.

At Palghat, special services were held, and the town was decorated, and a display of fireworks was made.

The occasion was marked by similar demonstrations at Cherpalecheri Kuttauparamba, Panur, Badaga, and other minor places.

The Nilgiris

In addition to Ootacamund, the occasion was celebrated at Wellington where a special service was held, and a reading-room was inaugurated. At Kottayam, gatherings and sports.

Nellore

At the district head-quarters 2,000 poor persons were fed. A public entertainment presided over by the District Officer. Her Majesty the Queen Empress were offered

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Special services were held in the churches, and the poor were fed and the children entertained. A portrait of Her Majesty the Queen was exhibited. At night the town was illuminated.

In addition to Calicut, special services were held in the English Churches.

At Ongole

At Kandukur, 5,000 persons were fed. bearing a portrait of Her Majesty completed the

At Gudur, on the 21st June, 4,500 poor celebration on the following day consisted of portrait of Her Majesty the Queen Empress was

At Venkatagiri the Raja marked the occasion by clothes, and by a procession in which a portrait place. A salute was fired and the Raja delivered

Salem.

The demonstrations opened on June 20th at Salem College at which loyal speeches were delivered. On the 22nd a salute was fired, and the reserve Rice was distributed to 2,500 poor, and sports were by the Collector, who also entertained all the principal works, bonfires and illuminations concluded the day

At Attur a salute was fired. Rice was distributed round the town which was illuminated.

At Namakkal and Tiruchengodu, the procession nature.

At Tiruppattur on the 22nd June, over 1,500 clothes were distributed. Prayers were offered in public meeting at which the national anthem was sung

At Vaniyambadi, 1,000 persons were fed and

At Hosur, sports, a public meeting at which were sung, and illuminations constituted the celebration

The occasion was also duly observed at Krishnagiri

Tanjore.

At Tanjore, a special thanksgiving service was recitation in honour of the occasion was delivered with a portrait of Her Majesty marched round the town

At Vallam, the streets were decorated and

At Kumbakonam, 1,500 persons were fed and the temples and mosques were decorated for the occasion of a new chattram and water-pandal was publicly

At Tiruvadamardur on the 22nd June, sports were distributed, while the evening was devoted to a procession.

At Mayavaram, salutes were fired, 3,000 poor were entertained and the inhabitants marched in procession in honour of Her Majesty.

At Negapatam in addition to observing the day with joy and sports, it was decided to commemorate the occasion in addition to the local hospital.

At Mannargudi food was distributed and sports were place. The proceedings at Pattukkottai and Arcot were also

Demonstrations in honour of the occasion were held at Pápinasam, Swamimalai, Shiyali and Tirutturai

Tinnevely.

At Tinnevely, food was distributed, the occasion was offered in the temples.

At Palamcottah, 1,200 persons were fed, and were given by the Collector and others.

At Veeraraghavapuram, a portrait of Her Majesty the Queen Empress was carried in procession.

At Tuticorin, 3,000 poor were fed and many cloths distributed. An entertainment to the children, and a regatta concluded the celebrations.

At Srivaikuntam, in addition to illuminations and processions, a Victoria Jubilee school and a Victoria Jubilee park were inaugurated.

At Nanguneri, a permanent memorial in the shape of a rest-house was set on foot, the poor were fed, the town illuminated, and Her Majesty the Queen Empress' portrait was carried in procession.

The festivities at Ambásamudram, Virudupatti, Srivilliputtur and Sankaranayinarkoil were of a somewhat similar description.

Trichinopoly.

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On June 20th, thanksgiving services were held in the churches of all denominations. On the 21st, over 1,000 children were fed and entertained, 7,300 adults were provided with a meal and a large quantity of cloths was distributed. The evening was devoted to a public dramatic performance. On the 22nd, a municipal garden was publicly opened, after which the students marched in procession to the Town Hall where the Collector held a dinner. Bonfires and illuminations concluded the day.

At Perambalur, a weekly fair and a reading-room were opened in commemoration of the occasion.

At Musiri and Kulluvai, portraits of Her Majesty the Queen Empress were carried in procession.

At Vizagapatam, on the 21st, the poor of the town were fed and clothed and a public meeting was held to erect a Town hall to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee.

At Vizianagram, 6,000 poor were fed and 4,000 clothed. On the 22nd, a salute was fired and a procession of the Maharani and the 20th Madras Infantry paraded through the town with a port of honor.

At Bobbili, similar celebrations were conducted by the Raja and his Raja respectively.

At Bimlipatam, 2,000 poor were fed and a public meeting was held at which the national anthem was sung, and a reading-room was opened and the poor were fed.

At Yelamanchili, a Victoria Jubilee school was opened and the poor were fed and sports were held.

At Srungavarapukota a public meeting of the famine kitchen were provided

At Nakkapalli and Konjapur, the poor were fed and sports were held.

Narsapatam, Chodavaram, also observed the occasion.

Parvatipur, Gunupur and Schar

At Pissamkottai a reading room was founded in honor of the Diamond Jubilee

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