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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th September 1865.*

No. 569. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue:—

Submitting report of the Collector of Madras
on the progress of Public Works during
1864-65, and recommending that funds be
provided at an early date for the construc-
tion of an English Record-room and Print-
ing room in the Collector's Office. (Here enter 11th September 1865, No. 5,603.)

No 570. ORDER THEREON, 27th September 1865, No. 2,337.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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No. 5,603.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 11th September 1865.

Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Madras, to R. A. DAL-
YELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 10th August 1865,
No. 239 :—

1. I have the honor to submit my report on the progress of Public Works in this District during the past official year.

2. The total expenditure was Rupees 4,82,154, as will be seen from the subjoined Comparative Abstract Statement, being a net increase of Rupees 1,76,207 over the expenditure of the previous year :—

Particulars of Works.	Expenditure of 1863-64	Expenditure of 1864-65.	DIFFERENCE.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Irrigation... { New works... ..	48,928	45,422	...	3,506
{ Repairs	45,270	99,446	54,176	...
Communication.. { New works	38,550	59,736	21,186	...
{ Repairs	1,14,265	1,35,791	21,526	...
Buildings. ... { New works	39,988	1,09,588	69,600	...
{ Repairs	18,946	32,171	13,225	...
Total... { New works	1,27,466	2,14,746	87,280	3,506
{ Repairs	1,78,481	2,67,408	88,927	...
Grand Total...	3,05,947	4,82,154	1,79,713	3,506
		Net Increase	1,76,207	

1st.—IRRIGATION.

3. *New Works.*—The amount expended on new works of Irrigation was Rupees 45,422, of this Rupees 20,211 were laid out on the Palar anicut channel and its subsidiary works. The total amount up to April 1865 spent on this project, amounts nearly to Rupees 2,05,000. During the year under report, no less than twenty-six tanks and tangals have been benefited by this project, and the extra revenue realized from all the works of this project, in this and the previous years, now amounts to Rupees 62,600. The balance of the 45,000 Rupees above mentioned, as for new works, was laid out on the construction of calingulahs and sluices indispensably necessary for maintaining the existing revenue, in the other parts of the District.

4. *Repairs.*—The amount expended on repairs of Irrigation works was Rupees 99,446. The Budget allowance under this head being double the amount granted in any previous years, the Department Public Works were able to execute thorough repairs to several large tanks.

2nd.—COMMUNICATIONS.

5. *New Works.*—Upon new works of communications, Rupees 59,736 have been spent. Nearly half of this amount was laid out in improving and widening the channels leading to the northern salt pans, and in deepening the southern canal, and Rupees 5,012 on the road from Cheroor to Chotoopakam; these works were all necessary for the development of the salt revenue, and the convenience of the traders. The Chotoopakam road will, I believe, be completed and opened for traffic this year. Rupees 12,467 were expended in completing the road between Coomrator and the Mylapoor tank via Kodumbakam; Rupees 7,893 on the Guindy water works; Rupees 5,500 in improving the road from Saint Thomas' Mount to Poonamallee, and the remainder on minor works.

6. *Repairs.*—The total sum expended on repairs of communications was Rupees 7,35,791, of which Rupees 80,116 were spent on the trunk road; Rupees 20,613 on cross roads; Rupees 3,352 on roads within cantonments; Rupees 31,043 on the northern canal, and the remainder on the repair of the salt channels. The existing roads in this District are generally in good condition.

3RD.—BUILDINGS.

7. *New Works.*—Rupees 1,09,588 were laid out under the head of "New Buildings." A great portion of this, viz., Rupees 81,006, was devoted to Military buildings. The much required and long contemplated Cutcherry at Madrantikum has nearly been completed, and the amount expended this year upon it was Rupees 10,453. Certain alterations were made to the Taluk Cutcherry at Ponnerly at a cost of Rupees 1,311, and the remainder in constructing Police huts, and making improvements to the platforms at Cheyoor and Kelumbakam, and other minor works.

8. While on this subject, I beg to call the attention of the Board to the marginal letter, From Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, No. 2,783 of 5th October 1863, published in the Government Proceedings, No. 2,135, dated 26th November 1863, Revenue Department. N. B.—In reply to paragraph 2, Colonel Boileau was informed that a separate record-room was required.

framing estimates for the building of an English Record-room and a Press Office at my Cutcherry at Hones' Gardens, and request that the Government may be asked to provide funds for their construction at the earliest date.

9. *Repairs.*—The sum expended on repairs of buildings was Rupees 32,171. A great portion, Rupees 21,139, of this was on Military buildings; Rupees 8,512 on the Government works and Guindy Park; Rupees 300 on Revenue buildings, and the remainder on Police edifices.

10. A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

1. Submitted for the information of Government.
2. The Board observe that the wants of the District should have been brought forward in this report.
3. The attention of Government is solicited to paragraph 8 of the Collector's report. The plan for constructing an English Record-room and Printing room, &c., at the Collector's Office, was approved in the Government Order, No. 1,937, dated 2nd November 1863, and funds for making these additions should be provided at an early date, as requested by the Collector.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. H. Hudleston
Acting Secretary.

To Colonel C. A. Orr, R. E., Secretary to Government, P. W. D.
W. Hudleston, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to E. G. R. Fane, Esq., Collector of Madras.

Ed. J. Wright.

Submitting report of the Collector of Madras on the progress of Public Works during 1864-65; and recommending that funds be provided at an early date for the construction of an English Record-room and Printing room in the Collector's Office.

No. 5,603.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

No. 2590

W. H. Hudleston
Secretary to Government, R. D.

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