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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th February 1866.*

No. 236. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st February 1866, No. 737.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 19th January 1866, No. 11 :—

1. Adverting to the Order of Government, dated 20th March 1865, No. 614, communicated in the Board's Proceedings of the 23rd idem, No. 1,675, I have the honor to forward a Statement shewing the amount of toll collected in the market places at Ootacamund and Coonoor during the Calendar year 1865, as well as the disbursements made therefrom.

2. The balance of cash which remained on the 31st December 1864, as reported in my letter of the 31st January 1865, No. 15, was Rupees 1,803-1-6. Collections during the year 1865 amounted to Rupees 2,848-10-3, making in all Rupees 4,651-11-9. The charges for the collection of the toll were Rupees 247, the surplus available for expenditure on the improvement of the market places being Rupees 4,404-11-9. Of this sum, Rupees 1,999-14-2 were usefully and beneficially laid out in making additions to the market place at Ootacamund, which have proved a great convenience to the people resorting to the market, and also afford shelter during the rains to a large number of cattle used in conveying grain, &c., from the low country. The balance on the 31st December 1865, amounts to Rupees 2,404-13-7. This sum I propose to apply to the construction of a market building at Coonoor, where there is none at present. I have discussed the subject with Major Farewell, who told me that for Rupees 3,000 he would be able to erect a suitable building. The funds now in hand, with the collections of the next two or three months, will suffice for the work, and I request the Board's early sanction to have it commenced. Time is of importance, as during the late floods at Coonoor a thatched building with walls of brick in mud, to which both human beings and bullocks used to have recourse during the rains, was so much injured, that Major Farewell having pronounced it dangerous, it was by my directions pulled down.

3. A bill of charges incurred for the additions to the market place at Ootacamund is herewith submitted, together with the necessary vouchers for the Board's information.

4. I beg to recommend that until the introduction of the Municipal Act at Ootacamund and Coonoor, the levy of toll at the market places be continued as at present. The people raise no objections, and I am aware that the additions to the Ootacamund market place have given satisfaction to the payers.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Statement shewing the amount of toll collected in the market places at Ootacamund and Coonoor from January to December 1865, and the disbursements made therefrom.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 2 and 3.—Vouchers.

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equally interested in either station, and the collections at both might be dealt with as a common fund. The same rate of toll will of course be levied at both markets.

2. The original vouchers accompanying the Collector's letter will be returned to him.

No. 237. ORDER THEREON, 13th February 1866, No. 385.

Local Funds, No. 12.

Civil Works.

Sanctioned as requested.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
.. the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, P. D.,
with Statement.

Copy to P. Grant, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore,
with vouchers returned.

Exd. J. Wright.

