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4. The tolls will constitute a principal item of the income of the Local Fund; the Board have therefore deferred submitting their Budget for 1872-73, pending the final settlement of the question as to the establishment of the tolls adverted to in this reference.

5. If it is finally decided that no tolls shall be levied on the roads in this district, the Budgets will have to be entirely re-cast, and great and important reduction made. It is therefore hoped that the Board of Revenue, under the explanation now furnished, will approve of the proposition for the institution of tolls.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The subject of establishing tolls in this Circle was first brought forward for consideration by the President in his letter* giving cover to the Local Fund Budget Estimates for the current year, in which a sum of Rupees 26,500 was entered as the receipts from eight gates at half the maximum rates fixed for the year. Sufficient information, however, not having been afforded, and the Budget statements showing that the measure was not urgently required, the Board of Revenue disallowed the item, and requested Mr. Whiteside to re-submit his proposals in a separate communication after a careful consideration of them, and with explanation on certain points.

* Dated 27th July 1871, No. 6, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 6th September 1871, No. 3841.

3. The letter recorded at the head of these Proceedings is a reply to this requisition.

4. As regards the general question of levying this impost, the Board of Revenue are of opinion that in a small under-assessed district like Trichinopoly, where a great number of important Trunk Lines of road converge, there can be no hope of providing for the efficient maintenance of the roads and of setting apart sufficient funds for completing the internal net work of communications without an extended system of tolls.

5. The Government in their orders† on the current year's Budget Estimates observe that tolls are not urgently required for the present year, and doubt whether they will be necessary in 1872-73.

† Financial Department, dated 30th September 1871, No. 607, paragraph 1.

6. This order had not reached the President, whose letter is, of course, written without reference to it; but it appears to the Board of Revenue that the question mooted by Government is sufficiently answered in paragraphs 4 and 5 of Mr. Whiteside's communication. Further particulars in proof of the insufficiency of the Land Cess are detailed in the papers recorded with Government Order, 15th May 1869, No. 1,362.

6. The sites seem to have been carefully selected. One gate only has been placed on each main line radiating from Trichinopoly, and the burden will thus fall pretty equally on the traffic of every quarter. Only *through* traffic will be affected.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 237. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th January 1872, No. 38.
From the President of the Local Fund Board, Trichinopoly Circle, dated 9th December 1871, No. 36.

With the foregoing letter the President submits two Local Fund Budget Estimates for 1872-73, one showing the receipts and expenditure calculated on the assumption that tolls on roads will be sanctioned and the other without the tolls. In his letter of the 16th October 1871, No. 26, the President re-submitted his proposals for the establishment of tolls in the Circle, and

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Read the following papers:—

No. 236. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th December 1871, No. 5,047.

From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Trichinopoly, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Trichinopoly; 16th October 1871, No. 26.

ADVERTING to paragraphs 3 to 6 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 3,841, dated the 6th ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that the Local Fund Board of this Circle propose to establish Toll-gates at the following places:—

I.—At the Iyar bridge on the Road No. 2 from Trichinopoly to Salem *via* Museri. The bridge has been completed and thrown open for traffic from the 1st instant, as already reported in my letter to the Board, No. 270, dated the 4th instant. The velocity of the current as well as the volume of water in this river are so great, that no less than four strong masonry bridges, built successively at great expense to Government, were washed away. The traffic suffered much inconvenience from want of a substantial bridge, and the present Iron Girder Bridge, which was eventually considered best suited for streams of this character, has accordingly been constructed at an outlay of Rupees 74,300. The Local Fund Board are of opinion that this is an admirable locality for a Toll-gate; the only disadvantage is its distance of ten miles from Trichinopoly or Museri, which are the nearest places where prompt redress in cases of complaints against the Toll-keepers may be obtained; this defect, however, can be remedied by closely watching the conduct of the Toll-keepers and punishing any irregularities on their part with exemplary severity.

II.—On the road from Trichinopoly to Salem *via* Toriore. The Local Fund Board propose to place the Toll-gate between Manachanullur and the junction of the road with that leading from Trichinopoly to Museri; they have already observed that they are not unmindful of the fact that a Toll-gate so near a Municipal Toll-gate may bear possibly somewhat hardly on the traffic between Trichinopoly and the villages just beyond the Toll-gate, but, after careful consideration, they know of no other spot on the road at which a Toll-gate would not easily be evaded. At the spot where they propose to place the new gate, the large amount of wet land in the vicinity will be an effectual bar to the traffic leaving the road, for the purpose of evading payment of the toll. Manachanullur is only eight miles from Trichinopoly.

III.—On the Trunk Road No. 8 from Trichinopoly to Madras *via* Perambalur. The Local Fund Board propose to establish a Toll-gate at Toramungalum, two miles from the Perambalur Taluk Magistrate's Cutcherry.

IV.—On the Road No. 6 from Trichinopoly to Madras *via* Woodiarpolliem. The Toll-gate is proposed to be placed at Woodiarpolliem, four miles from Jeyencondasholapuram, the Cusbah station of the Woodiarpolliem Taluk.

V.—The Local Fund Board propose to toll the traffic between Trichinopoly and Tanjore at Uttamachery where the road from Trichinopoly to Tanjore and those on the north and south of the river meet. Uttamachery is six miles from Trichinopoly.

VI.—On the Trichinopoly and Madura Road No. 5, the Local Fund Board propose to place the Toll-gate at Tovarankurichi, fifteen miles from Manaparai, where there is a Sub-Magistrate.

VII.—On the Road No. 4 from Trichinopoly to Dindigul, the Toll-gate will be placed at Manaparai, the seat of the Sub-Magistrate's Division of that name. The Toll-gate will be in such a position as to catch all that traffic passing between Dindigul and Kulitallai, which leaves the Dindigul road in the neighbourhood of Manaparai.

VIII.—On the Road No. 3 from Trichinopoly to Caroor the Toll-gate will be located at Kat-talai, fifteen miles from the Kulitallai Sub-Magistrate's office and Police station.

2. A statement showing the estimated receipts and costs of collection under each Toll-gate is herewith submitted. The estimate of receipts is calculated on the assumption that only half the maximum tolls will be levied for the present.

3. The draft notification called for is herein enclosed.

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they were recommended for the favourable consideration of Government in Board's Proceedings, dated 15th December 1871, No. 5,047. The Board have therefore adopted the Budget containing

* Rupees 13,000.

the receipts* and charges of tolls and will now proceed to review it.

2. STATEMENT I.-A., REVENUES AND RECEIPTS.—The total Local Fund estimated assets of the year are given as Rupees 2,84,480, viz:—

	RS.
1. Balances	40,330
2. Allotment from General Revenue	48,980
3. Rates and Taxes	1,93,000
4. Contribution, etc.	170
5. Endowments, etc.	2,000

Total... 2,84,480

3. The balances exhibited in the current year's revised Budget have been brought forward instead of such balances as are likely to remain unspent at the close of the year.

4. The cess on land is given as Rupees 1,40,000, calculated at the rate of one Anna in the Rupee of the kists of Fasli 1280.

5. Nothing is entered against House-tax. The Circle Board "are of opinion that, until such time as the Inspecting Schoolmasters have commenced their labours and are in a position to form an opinion as to the condition and requirements of the district in educational matters, it would be premature to recommend the imposition of a House-tax."

6. STATEMENT I.-B., EXPENDITURE.—The total proposed expenditure of the year is Rupees 2,16,200 arranged under the following heads:—

	RS.
Grant I.	1,97,500
Do. II.	8,670
Do. III.	5,780
Do. IV.	4,250

Total... 2,16,200

7. GRANT I., PUBLIC WORKS, STATEMENT II., ROAD FUND RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.—The total assets of the Road Fund as per Statement II. are Rupees 2,02,110, inclusive of an additional appropriation of Rupees 5,000 from the one-third Land Cess, and Rupees 1,000 the Avenue receipts. The former sum has been raised by Rupees 1,000 to balance the transactions of the Road Fund. The latter has been struck out.

8. On the expenditure side, the allotment for Petty Establishment is given as Rupees 5,320, or Rupees 970 less than the sanctioned amount, viz., Rupees 6,290, which provides for the employment of four Overseers. The President states that the services of the fourth Overseer are unnecessary and that he has not up to this time been engaged.

9. The share of cost of Controlling establishments is Rupees 1,510, and the Reserve Rupees 20,030.

10. STATEMENT II.-A., PART I., NEW WORKS.—Part I. contains eight items with a total allotment of Rupees 76,000.

11. The 4th, 5th, and 6th items are unsanctioned, and the necessity for them is fully explained in the President's letter. An estimate for the last item, amounting to Rupees 6,000, was received with the current year's Budget, but it was returned to the President for re-submission to the Board of Revenue with full explanation of the necessity for the work. The President will comply with this requisition without further delay.

File paragraph 12 of Board's Proceedings, dated 6th September 1871, No. 3,841.

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12. PART II., REPAIRS.—This list comprises 16 items with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 75,550, of which Rupees 74,320 provide for the maintenance of about 500 miles of road. The remainder, Rupees 1,230, is for repairing certain bridges. The length of the roads which form the subject of items 2 and 14 of the list and 7 and 8 of the appendix should have been given.

13. The 13th item has been transferred to the appendix, because its maintenance grant is less than Rupees 1,000.

14. STATEMENT II.-B.—This statement shows that observed in regard to the appropriation of Land Cess in each taluq.

15. GRANT II., EDUCATION.—Grant II. is made up of:—

1. Payment for inspection	RS.
2. Grant-in-aid	2,670
	6,000
Total...	8,670

16. The allotment for the 1st item is Rupees 170 more than it ought to be as shown below. The excess has been disallowed:—

One Deputy Inspector, salary, office and travelling allowances.	RS.
Two-thirds of this amount...	2,076
Salary of two Inspecting Schoolmasters at 30 Rupees each ...	1,384
Contingencies at 1½ Rupees each	720
Travelling batta at 15 Rupees each	36
	240
Total...	2,500

Rupees 170 are recoverable from the Trichinopoly Municipality, as shown in Statement I.-A.

17. The 2nd item (Rupees 6,000) is for result grants. This sum, which is double the allotment in the current year's Budget, appears to have been provided at the instance of the Inspector of Schools. It is proposed to allot Rupees 1,200 to each of the five taluqs comprised in the Circle.

18. GRANT III., SANITATION, ETC.—Grant III. is Rupees 5,780 and consists of the following items:—

1. Payment to Government for Vaccine Establishment ...	RS.
2. Choultries	2,680
3. Miscellaneous	740
	2,360
Total...	5,780

19. The cost of the Vaccine Establishment appears to have been correctly estimated and agrees with the amount provided in the current year's Medical Budget.

20. The particulars of the 2nd item (Rupees 740) are given in Statements IV. and IV.-A. The receipts of the Endowment Fund being Rupees 13,850 and the charges Rupees 740, there is a balance of Rupees 13,110.

21. The 3rd item (Rupees 2,360) is the contribution to the Municipality on account of the Trichinopoly Dispensary as fixed by Government for the current year.

22. GRANT IV., MISCELLANEOUS.—Of the several items exhibited under Grant IV., the allotment for the first item has been altered in this office.

23. The assignments for contingencies and for charges in connection with tolls and ferries have been transferred to Grant I.

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24. An abstract of the Budget Estimates as modified by the Board of Revenue is as follows:—

Receipts.		Charges.	
	RS.		RS.
P. 17...	110	Road Fund	2,00,110
Endowment Fund ...	13,850	General Fund	2,90,...
General Fund	74,520	Grant II... { Union Fund	8,500
		{ General Fund	8,500
		Grant III... { Endowment Fund	740
		{ General Fund	5,040
		Grant IV... { Road Fund	1,540
		{ General Fund	630
Road Fund.			2,170
Receipts... ..	1,96,110		2,16,560
Appropriation... ..	6,000		4,780
	2,02,110	General Reserve	...
		Balances.	RS.
		Road Fund	460
		Endowment Fund... ..	13,110
		General Fund	49,570
		Total...	63,140
Total...	2,84,480		2,84,480

25. Considering the great want of roads in this Circle the Board will be prepared to entertain favourably and recommend for the sanction of Government any proposition for transferring the general balance or a considerable portion of it to the Road Fund. If the Circle Board approve of this, a Supplemental Budget must be submitted.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 238. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th February 1872, No. 939 (Miscellaneous).

From Surgeon-Major W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Elore, 24th January 1872, No. 21.

I HAVE the honour to state that the Estimates of the Trichinopoly Local Funds Circle (just received) make no provision for general sanitary services in the district.

2. In the Board's Review of these Estimates, under date the 5th January, No. 38, I observe that there is a large general balance which, it is proposed, should be transferred to the Road Fund.

3. I cannot help thinking that a portion of the money might be more usefully employed in systematically providing village wells and tanks: for I know of nothing in the Trichinopoly District which renders it better off for pure drinking water than other portions of the Presidency.

4. A provision of one or more good wells for each village is, I consider, the first sanitary want of the country.

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SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 5th January 1872, No. 38.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 239.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1872, No. 362.

In the first of the Proceedings above recorded the Board of Revenue recommend for sanction the proposal of the Local Fund Board of Trichinopoly for the levy of tolls, estimated to yield Rupees 53,000, at eight places on the main roads radiating from the town. Orders were deferred pending the receipt of the Budget for 1872-73.

2. In a recent order the Government have declared their intention to disallow all new tolls proposed, assigning to the Circles concerned grants from Provincial Fund equivalent to the net proceeds. Exception was made as regards the Iyaur Bridge in the Trichinopoly District, and the Government now sanction the toll, and direct that the following notification be published in the District Gazette:—

NOTIFICATION.

Under Sections 36 and 37 of the Madras Local Funds Act, the Governor in Council hereby notifies that on and from the 1st April 1872, tolls at half the maximum rates specified in Schedule B. to the said Act annexed will be levied at the Iyaur Bridge in the Trichinopoly Circle, on carriages, carts, and animals passing along the Road No. 2. from Trichinopoly to Salem via Museri.

3. The Board of Revenue have entered in the Budget the provincial grant and the charge for establishment for 1871-72. Very large sums having remained unallotted in the Budget of 1871-72, the Governor in Council, in G. O., 15th January 1872, No. 30, withdrew the lump grant; but in the recent order have assigned Rupees 6,000 in the further distribution, which, in addition to the tolls grant, makes the whole sum assigned from Provincial Funds Rs. 44,210. The estimated proceeds of the Iyaur toll are Rupees 9,720, and the cost of collection Rupees 290.

4. The total estimated receipts are Rupees 2,50,680. This sum may be further diminished should the Revenue Department decide that the ferries should remain under Act I. of 1870; as in that case the ferry rents must be credited to a special fund.

5. The additional appropriation must be raised to Rupees 57,520, and the Road Fund assets will be, including the revised charge for Public Works Department establishment and a grant for new works of Rupees 75,000, Rupees 2,19,830 as shown in Statement II., as revised by Government.

6. The Local Fund Board propose no Unions, nor, as stated by the Sanitary Commissioner, have they attempted to do anything for sanitation in towns and villages. They state that until the Inspecting Schoolmasters begin their enquiries it would be premature to make any proposals for School Unions. The Government will be prepared to consider proposals accompanied by Supplemental Budgets for Union receipts and charges and for sanitary operations in the course of the year, and trust that the Local Board will soon be in a position to make such proposals. They should not confine their attention to the communications of the district. The allotment for inspecting agency will suffice, as shown by the Revenue Board, for the new staff, and the other items under Grants II. and III. do not seem to call for remarks beyond those made with reference to similar items in the Budget of 1871-72. The grants are passed at Rupees 8,500 and Rupees 5,780.

7. The allotment for Controlling establishment at the Presidency must be raised to Rs. 970, to provide for the additional establishment required in the Accountant-General's office, and Grant IV. thus becomes Rupees 2,320.

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8. The Budget, as modified by Government, is as follows:—

Receipts.		RS.
Balances...	...	40,330
Allotments, etc. ...	...	58,460
Rates and Taxes ...	...	1,49,720
Contributions (Muzrai) ...	...	170
Endowments ...	...	2,000
Total...		2,50,680

Expenditure.		RS.
Grant I. ...	...	2,16,360
Do. II. ...	...	8,500
Do. III. ...	...	5,780
Do. IV. ...	...	2,320
Total...		2,32,960

Balances.		RS.
Road Fund ...	...	1,440
Endowment Fund...	...	13,110
General Fund...	...	3,170
Total...		17,720
Total...		2,50,680

[Signature]

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
 .. Revenue Department. ✓
 .. Collector of Trichinopoly.
 .. Accountant-General.
 .. Public Works Department.
 .. Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.
 .. Director of Public Instruction.
 .. Sanitary Commissioner.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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