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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
26th May 1873.

Read the following papers :—

No. 249. From W. D. HORSLEY, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Cuddapah, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cuddapah, 24th March 1873, No. 169.

I have the honour to forward the Budget-Estimates for 1873-74 with the following remarks.

2. A balance of Rupees 2,500 has been brought forward from the present year. This sum may probably remain in the hands of the Commissioners at the close of the year.

3. The estimate of Rates and Taxes is the same as that of the previous year, except the estimate for Tolls has been lowered as the Contractor has failed this year to realize the amount of his contract.

4. The two last classes of the Zillah School having been abolished, the Commissioners propose to establish an Elementary School, and the income on account of fees is estimated at Rupees 250 per annum. The school is to consist of three classes. It is proposed to collect fees of Annas 4 per boy in the two lower classes, and Annas 8 in the highest class. Three Masters will be required on salaries of Rupees 25, 15, and 12, and a Peon on Rupees 4. This, with contingencies, amounts to an expenditure of Rupees 720 per annum, and is entered under its proper head in the Budget. The necessity of an institution of this kind was brought to the notice of the Commissioners by the Inspector of Schools as a preparatory school to the Zillah School.

5. The receipts of the Civil Dispensary are calculated as follow :—

	RS.
Interest on Rupees 34,000	1,530
European and Native subscription	270
Sale of medicines	200
Total ...	2,000

6. The Local-Fund Board, Cuddapah Circle, have allotted in the Budget of 1873-74 Rupees 2,400 on account of the Civil Dispensary, which sum has been included in the estimate.

7. The Slaughter-house will be complete by the end of this year, and the Commissioners intend to open it for public use from the commencement of next year. It is calculated that fifty sheep on an average are slaughtered daily within the town, and, by charging 3 Pies per head of sheep slaughtered, the annual income is estimated at Rupees 300.

8. The Travellers' Bungalow at Cuddapah has been transferred to the Commissioners; they have requested the Collector to make over to them the surplus collection of previous years, and, in anticipation of its receipt, have included in the estimate a sum of Rupees 500 in addition to Rupees 180 which may be realized during the year.

9. The question as to the transfer of these funds was referred to the Board of Revenue by the Collector. In their Proceedings, copy of which is enclosed, the Government will observe that the Bungalow Fee Fund has been divided between the two Local-Fund Circles. On what principle this division has been made I do not understand. The Cuddapah Local-Fund Board have nothing what-

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From W. D. HORSLEY, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Cuddapah, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cuddapah, 19th May 1873, No. 11.

The Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Cuddapah having decided to the under-mentioned taxes for the purposes of Act III. of 1871, I have the honour to submit the accompanying Draft Notification for the approval of the Honourable the Governor in Council and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, as provided in Section 38 of Act III. of 1871:—

251. ORDER THEREON, 26th May 1873, No. 730.

The following abstract shows the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Cuddapah Municipality for the year 1873-74, compared with those shown in the Budget for 1872-73:—

RECEIPTS.			CHARGES.		
	1872-73.	1873-74.		RS.	RS.
	RS.	RS.	Grant I.—		
Income	3,511	2,948	New Works	13,700	9,800
Assignment by Government ...	500	400	Repairs	6,050	4,350
House-tax	9,100	6,000	Establishment	144	144
Land-tax	6,150	5,000	Tools and Plant	250	...
On vehicles, &c.	1,000	900	Grant II.—		
On houses	10,200	9,000	Training Schools	1,000	...
On shops	20	20	Results' Grant	500	500
On	80	70	Municipal Schools	...	720
On	1,980	2,000	Inspection	...	250
Contribution from Local Funds.	2,104	2,400	Grant III.—		
Miscellaneous	1,460	2,600	Hospitals	5,892	6,100
			Vaccination	150	140
			Registration of births, &c.	264	192
			Conservancy	6,025	5,600
			Grant IV.—		
			Lighting	600	892
			Other purposes	620	660
			Grant V.—		
			Office	1,510	2,310
				36,705	31,838
			Balance	...	...
Total ...	36,705	31,838	Total ...	36,705	31,838

2. The decrease under rates on houses in the above table is owing to there being no arrear demand for 1873-74. The current demand under all heads differs little from that of the year 1872-73, except in the case of tolls, for which a satisfactory explanation is given in the President's covering letter. The Government agrees with the Commissioners in considering that the claim of the Municipality for its share of the balance of the Bungalow Fund is stronger than that of the Cuddapah Circle Board, but there is nothing in the papers submitted to show that when