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No. 156. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th January 1874, No. 45:—

Read Report from the President of the Local Fund Board, Nilgiri Circle, dated 13th August 1873, No. 14.

THE Local Fund Report of the Nilgiri Circle for 1872-73 will be submitted to Government.

2. *Receipts.*—The President begins with a deficit of Rupees 379 less than the Accountant-General; credits Rupees 75 more as contribution from the Ootacamund and Coonoor Municipalities; enters the Government grant to Choultries, Rupees 410, which is omitted by the Accountant-General; and credits Rupees 2 more to Public Bungalows and Rupees 2 less to Miscellaneous. Thus the assets of the year according to the President were Rupees 70,014, and according to the Accountant-General Rupees 865 less.

3. The assets in 1871-72 were Rupees 53,773, but Rupees 6,590 more were given by Government from Provincial Funds in 1872-73; Rupees 841 more were obtained by the Land-cess; Rupees 2,137 more from Tolls; * Rupees 175 for contributions from Municipalities towards the cost of Educational Inspection; Rupees 153 for fees in Bungalows made over to the Local Fund Board during the year; Rupees 955 for contributions by Planters towards making the new Kotagerry Ghaut; and Rupees 1,969, the proceeds of the sale of a moveable iron jail paid to the Local Fund Board by Government (G. O., dated 25th March 1872, No. 370).

4. It is observed that the only portion of the Circle's income derived by taxation under Act IV. of 1871 consisted of—

	Rs.
Land-cess	1,648
Tolls	13,044
Total...	14,692

The upkeep of existing roads alone costs Rupees 35,010 (according to the current year's budget), so that the Circle must always depend on Government for the greater portion of the funds necessary to its solvency.

5. No object would be gained by comparing the budget estimate with the actuals. The deficit at the beginning of the year according to the President was Rupees 1,000 greater than was expected, and the imposition of the house-tax, which was expected to yield Rupees 5,450, was not allowed.

6. *Expenditure.*—The allotments for expenditure on Public Works were—

	Rs.
New Works ... { Communications	19,650
{ Educational	600
Repairs Communications	38,470
Total...	58,720

7. These allotments included Rupees 1,400 for a public bungalow and a chuttrum used as a market-place, which were repaired out of money credited to the Road Fund under exceptional circumstances.

8. The expenditure according to the President was—

	Rs.
New Works	†16,228
Repairs	37,084
Total...	53,312

† Including Rupees 550 (compensation for land) placed by mistake in Grant IV.

9. Leaving out of account the educational allotment, which became objectless when the house-tax and Mr. Brecks' educational scheme were disallowed, and the allotment of Rupees 4,000 for the Seegoor Ghaut Bridge, which was made too late to be utilized before the end of the year, the expenditure nearly equalled the sum available.

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Total... 55,274

Total... 19,826

23. Nothing was spent on sanitation.

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