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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 29th September 1875.
Read the following letter from W. LOGAN, Esq., Acting Collector of Malabar, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 24th August 1875, No. 268 :—

I HAVE the honor to submit my report on the operations of the Department of Public Works during the past official year 1874-75.

2. The annexed abstract statement shows the cost of new works and repairs under the several heads as compared with that of the preceding year :—

Description of Works.	EXPENDITURE IN		Increase.	Decrease.
	1873-74.	1874-75.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Irrigation, New Works	...	...	...	...
2. Do. Repairs	1,783	1,829	46	...
3. Communication, New Works	6,540	1,871	...	4,669
4. Do. Repairs	...	12,683	12,683	...
5. Buildings, New Works	31,796	67,744	35,948	...
6. Do. Repairs	21,786	23,861	2,075	...
Total ...	61,905	1,07,988	50,752	4,669
By Revenue Department ...	4,490	12,215	7,725	...
Grand Total ...	66,395	1,20,203	58,477	4,669

3. It will be seen from the above statement that the expenditure by the Department of Public Works during the year under report amounted to Rupees 1,07,988 against Rupees 61,905 of the preceding year, and resulted in an increase of Rupees 46,083. This increased expenditure was incurred under all heads except "Irrigation, New Works".

4. *Irrigation, New Works.*—Under this head no money was spent during the year under reference.

5. *Irrigation, Repairs.*—The increase of Rupees 46 under this head is so small as to call for no remark.

6. *Communication, New Works.*—The expenditure under this head exhibited a decrease of Rupees 4,669. This is mainly due to the expenditure on account of the tracing of the Kuttiady Ghaut being very trifling during the year, while the sum spent for this work in the previous year came to Rupees 6,540.

7. *Communication, Repairs.*—Under this head Rupees 12,683 was expended in 1874-75 against no expenditure in the previous year, the principal works being those noted in the margin, connected with improving the harbour at Cochin and the West Coast inland water communication. The work contemplated in each case was completed within the year.

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Connecting the inner ends of Groynes G., H., L. and R. on the Vypeen side of the harbour mouth by a continuous lining of rough stones	2,796
Connecting the inner ends of Groynes G. and L. by a lining of rough stones	1,700
Canal from Ponany to Cochin	6,547
Maintenance to the Cruz Milagre Dam, Cochin	1,041

8. *Buildings, New Works.*—The outlay on this class of works was consider-

1. Constructing new Officers' Quarters, Malipooram.
2. Converting old Pay Office into Garrison Hospital, Cannanore.
3. Quarters for Conductors and Staff Sergeant for the Commissariat Department at Cannanore.
4. Slaughter-house and Cattle-yard at Cannanore.
5. Paving wells in the Cantonment at Cannanore.
6. Constructing Post Office at Goodalore.
7. Additions to the Taluq Cutcherry at Tellicherry.
8. Additions to Police Office at Calicut.
9. Deputy-Collector's Cutcherry at Mannan-toddy.
10. Sub-Magistrate's Cutcherry at Vythery.

ably in excess (Rupees 35,948) of that of the previous year. The increase was mainly attributable to the expenditure on the works marginally noted. With the exception of Items Nos. 9 and 10 the others were taken in hand during the year.

Item No. 1 is a new work undertaken during the year, and a sum of Rupees 11,384 was expended on it. The estimate sanctioned for this work amounts to Rupees 18,660. The work is in progress.

Item No. 2 was completed at a cost of Rupees 4,470.

The expenditure during the year on Item No. 3 was Rupees 9,010. The work is approaching completion.

On Items Nos. 4 and 5 Rupees 4,899 and 3,683 were respectively laid out to complete them.

The Goodalore Post Office (Item No. 6) was completed at a cost of Rupees 3,559 against an allotment of Rupees 2,990.

Item No. 7.—The additions to the Taluq Cutcherry at Tellicherry are intended for the accommodation of the Registration Department. The amount expended on them was Rupees 1,720 against a grant of Rupees 2,900. The work is approaching completion.

The additions to the Police Office at Calicut (Item No. 8), sanctioned in G. O., dated 17th June 1874, No. 1625, have been completed. The amount expended on this work was Rupees 2,378 against an allotment of Rupees 2,450.

The outlay incurred during 1874-75 on this Cutcherry (Item No. 9) amounted to Rupees 3,707, which, added to the sum expended during the past year, aggregates Rupees 9,286. The amount of the estimate sanctioned for the work is 17,440. Materials for the work have been collected and prepared, and doors and windows completed.

Item No. 10.—An estimate for Rupees 17,850 was sanctioned for this work in 1871 as per G. O., dated 6th September 1871, No. 2,269, and a sum of Rs. 17,785 was spent on it up to 1873-74, and a further sum of Rupees 957 during the year under review, thereby rendering the work complete at a cost of Rupees 18,742.

9. The works on which the Revenue Department had any outlay during the year came under Petty Construction and Repairs. Under this head Rupees 12,215 were spent against Rupees 4,490 of the last year. The increase is mainly attributable to the construction of an addition to the Salt Gollah at Beypore and improving the one at Calicut, sanctioned in G. Os., dated 10th and 17th March 1874, Nos. 59 and 357 respectively.

The execution of these works has been entrusted on contract to Messrs. Massey and Co. The structure for Beypore is in course of completion and the one at Calicut has been finished.

10. A statement showing the progress of all works as required by Board in their Circular Memorandum, dated 14th October 1874, is herewith submitted.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement showing progress of Public Works.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The report does not appear to call for any special remarks. The total outlay amounted to Rupees 1,20,203, the bulk of which was expended under the head of Buildings, New Works, and Repairs.

3. No mention is made of the outlay from Local Funds. The Collector's attention is drawn to G. O., dated 16th July 1874, No. 1,174, Financial Department, which clearly contemplated some notice being taken of the subject in the Public Works Report.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. J. Lewis
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,
with one original statement, to be returned.
„ the Collector of Malabar.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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Public Works—executed in Malabar District during 1874-75.—Collector's report on—, submitted to Government.

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