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Read the following papers:—

No. 259. From E. GIBSON, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Mangalore, 17th December 1875, No. 112.

In conformity with Section 34 of the Towns Improvement Act III of 1871, I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the operations of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Mangalore during the past official year 1874-75,

* I, I-A, II, II-A, II-B, and III to V. with the several Statements* of receipts and charges in the forms prescribed in G.Os., Nos. 1646 and 822, dated the 28th October 1871 and the 12th June 1873, respectively.

2. The Commission consisted, during the year under report, of eighteen members, of whom seven were official and the rest non-official. Twenty-eight Meetings were held during the year with an average attendance of six members at each Meeting.

3. The accounts of the year were audited by Mr. J. W. Boys, Accountant in the Madras Branch Bank at this station, and a copy of his report is herein enclosed. The Commissioners trust that Government will be satisfied with the state of the accounts. The few errors pointed out by the Auditor have been rectified, and the improvements suggested have been adopted.

4. REVENUE AND RECEIPTS. *Opening Balance.*—The opening balance at the commencement of the year was Rupees 2,583-0-4, and the actual receipts from all sources detailed in Statement I amounted to Rupees 19,837-13-6. Thus the Commissioners had at their disposal during the year under review Rupees 22,420-13-10.

It will be observed that the actual receipts fall short of the estimate by Rupees 680, and this is chiefly owing to Rupees 600 the amount of Local Fund contribution in aid of the Civil Dispensary not having been drawn during but after the close of the year.

Allotments and Assignments by Government.—The amount shown against this item was specially sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 13th April 1874, No. 575, Financial Department, to meet a deficiency in the Budget allotment for 1873-74 for payment of Results grants. But the amount not having been fully spent, the Commissioners await the orders of Government regarding the disposal of the balance Rupees 348-12-0.

Rates and Taxes, &c.—Rates on Houses, &c. Arrears.—At the commencement of the year under notice there was under this head an outstanding balance of Rupees 545-10-9, which after deducting the collections, remissions, &c., shown in Statement IV, left a small balance of Rupees 110-12-9. The greater portion of this sum, however, being the balance of old demand, has been found after due inquiry to be irrecoverable, and will accordingly be struck off.

Current.—The demand under this item is Rupees 6,850-10-0, showing a slight increase of Rupees 20-4-0 over that of the previous year. This small increase is

due to a re-valuation of buildings which the Commissioners had set on foot, and which was only partially completed during the year under report. The actual collections, however, amounted to Rupees 6,528-11-0, which fall short of the estimate by Rupees 71, and exceed the actual realizations of the previous year by Rupees 26-10-0.

Tax on Arts, &c. Arrears.—Out of a demand of Rupees 551-8-0 under this item, the Commissioners could collect only Rupees 130 within the year against an estimate of Rupees 400. This falling off, the Commissioners are satisfied, is due chiefly to the death, poverty or absence of petty tradesmen and artisans by whom the arrears were mostly due, and these items will be written off in the accounts.

Current.—The partial abolition of Profession-tax in favor of persons falling under the last three classes of Schedule B greatly reduced the demand under this item, which is one of the important factors of Municipal Revenue; and consequently the realizations from this source were Rupees 5,246-8-0 (or Rupees 5,050 refunds being deduct) against Rupees 7,555-12-0 the collections of the previous year. The Commissioners had also to remit on appeal a sum of Rupees 174-8-0, and thus there remained at the close of the year an uncollected balance of Rupees 422, which has further been reduced to Rupees 328 by the collections since made.

Tax on Vehicles, &c., and the Registration of Carts.—The collections under these two heads amounted to Rupees 1,454 against an estimate of Rupees 1,800, and were a little above those of the previous year. The estimate proved to have been fixed at too high a figure.

Tolls.—The two Toll gates of the Municipality were let out on rent at the maximum schedule rates for a sum of Rupees 1,780, which was paid within the year. The amount realized by the two gates in the previous year at half the schedule rates amounted to Rupees 1,025.

Fees.—The receipts under this item amounted to Rupees 450-11-0, being Rupees 150-11-0 more than the Budget Estimate and a little less than the collections of the previous year.

Magisterial Fines.—Though the realizations under this head exceed the estimate by Rupees 46-8-0, they are below those of the previous year by Rupees 335-3-9, a circumstance which shows that there was less occasion for prosecutions under the Municipal Act this year than in the previous one.

Endowments and Sundry Contributions and Donations. Mangalore Civil Dispensary.—The voluntary contributions towards this institution in the year under review exceeded the estimate by Rupees 163-8-0. The increasing popularity of the Dispensary has, in some measure, arrested the falling off of the voluntary contributions which are now on the increase.

The Local Fund contribution of Rupees 600 for the support of the institution having been drawn after the close of the year, does not form part of the receipts of the year under review.

Miscellaneous Receipts. Rent of the Municipal Market.—Two wings of the market were ready for use in August 1874, the first wing consisting of thirty-two boxed stalls and the second of fifty-two simple partitions of 5 x 4 feet. The Commissioners also erected for the sale of fish a shed within the market enclosure.

The stalls in both the wings and the fish shed were let out by auction which brought an average monthly rental of Rupees 95½ from August to December 1874. In January 1875, the Commissioners effected a change in the market rules which were assimilated to those in force in Trichinopoly, by lease of stalls to some and sale of two-pie tickets to other vendors entering the market. The result of this change was an increase in the receipts which amounted, during the eight months of the year under review, to Rupees 924-6-6, against an estimate of Rupees 500. The receipts for the first-half of the current year have amounted to Rupees 826, and the Commissioners feel sure that the market when complete will bring an adequate return on the outlay, and at the same time contribute greatly to the convenience of the townspeople.

The other items under "Miscellaneous Receipts" are usual, and call for no particular remark.

5. CHARGES. GRANT I.—PUBLIC WORKS. I, *New Works, Communications. Re-building Masonry Bridge on the road leading to the Government Salt Depot.*—In the letter which accompanied the Budget Estimates for the year under review, the Commissioners represented to Government the necessity for rebuilding this bridge, and an estimate of Rupees 6,100 having been submitted, the Government were pleased to direct that half the amount of the estimate should be paid from Provincial Funds. Pending these references to Government the work was not commenced until February last, when the Commissioners placed a sum of Rupees 1,000 at the disposal of the District Engineer for the collection of materials, &c. Hence the small expenditure under this head out of an allotment of Rupees 4,000.

Sanitary and Miscellaneous. Market.—The Commissioners spent a sum of Rs. 1,233 on this building during the year under report; and this sum, together with that already laid out, amounts to Rupees 8,049. With this outlay two wings of the market and a central well with a tower (not yet complete) were executed, and, as already stated, were brought into use. The Commissioners have, with the approval of Government, determined to complete the building and have applied for a loan of Rupees 9,150 the amount required for constructing the remaining two wings; and in anticipation of the loan being sanctioned they have advanced a sum of Rupees 1,500 to the District Engineer to commence the work at once.

Sinking a Well at Bolar Cartstand.—The Commissioners spent a small amount of Rupees 32-8-8 for this work which they thought was necessary to bring water within easy reach of cartmen who use the Municipal cartstand during their stay in the town.

II. *Repairs—Communications.*—The expenditure under this head exceeds the Budget allotment by Rupees 508. The Commissioners beg to observe here that owing to want of funds Rupees 2,600 only were allotted against an estimate of Rupees 3,500 in the previous year, and that the prolonged rains of the year under report obliged them to exceed the estimate.

Sanitary and Miscellaneous. The Civil Dispensary, &c.—The expenditure of Rupees 289-4-0 shown against this item in Statement II-A was chiefly incurred for the monsoon repairs and for putting up two gates to the Dispensary. The expenditure is a little more than the Budget allotment.

GRANT II.—EDUCATION. *Results Grants.*—The Budget allotment for Results grants for the year under review was Rupees 1,700, and the actual amount disbursed

was Rupees 1,035-8-0. Out of this sum, Rupees 470-8-0 were paid on account of Results grants due for the previous year. Therefore the Commissioners had to spend only Rupees 565 for Results grants for the year under notice against Rupees 1,005-4-0 the amount spent for 1873-74. This decrease is partly owing to the Municipalities being relieved from charges on account of female education and partly to the defective system of teaching which, for want of proper supervision, prevailed in many of the schools prior to the appointment of the Municipal Inspecting Schoolmaster.

Government having in their Order, dated the 30th July 1875, No. 1575, Financial Department, desired the Municipalities to pay more attention to elementary education within the towns, the Commissioners have requested the Inspector of Schools to propose measures for the further development of elementary education; and this subject will be fully dwelt upon in the Budget report for 1876-77 which will be shortly submitted to Government.

Inspection. Salary of the Inspecting Schoolmaster.—The Inspector of Schools having suggested the advisability of entertaining a separate Inspecting Schoolmaster for the supervision of schools in this town, the Commissioners allotted a sum of Rupees 160 as the probable expenditure under this head, which was sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated the 17th September 1874, No. 1575, Financial Department. The small expenditure shown against this item was incurred for the last four months of the year.

The Commissioners did not pay any grant to the Local Fund Board on account of Educational Inspectorate, as no provision had been made in the Budget on this account consequent on the proposed appointment of the Municipal Inspecting Schoolmaster.

GRANT III.—SANITATION AND MEDICAL SERVICES. Mangalore Civil Dispensary. The expenditure under this head is more than the Budget allotment by Rs. 148, and is less than that of the previous year by Rupees 119-5-9. The amount shown against "Medicines and Supplies" chiefly consists of the value of medicines received from the Medical Stores in 1873-74 and in the first half-year of 1874-75.

The financial transactions connected with the institution are shown in detail in the accompanying Statement I-A. The deficit there is shown to be Rupees 2,439-9-2, which after deducting the Local Fund contribution of Rupees 600 drawn in the current year is reduced to Rupees 1,839-9-2, and this balance is greater than that of the previous year by Rupees 318-9-2.

The Institution is in a very efficient state under the management of Dr. D. C. McAllum. As directed in G.O., dated 2nd March 1872, No. 209, Financial Department, a copy of the report of the Medical Officer in charge of the Dispensary is enclosed, from which Government will observe that the number of in and out-patients treated during the year exceeds that of any of the preceding four years.

The Medical Officer in his report strongly urges the necessity of a Leper Hospital in connection with the Dispensary, and the Commissioners will not fail to consider this subject when preparing the Budget Estimates for the ensuing year.

Vaccination.—In the absence of Small-pox in the town and in view of limited funds at their disposal the Commissioners employed only one Vaccinator in the year under report. From the comparative statement given in the margin the Government will observe that the operations performed by one Vaccinator in the year under notice is more than those performed by two in the previous year.

	1873-74.	1874-75.
Total vaccinated	1,289	1,378
Successful	1,097	1,264
Unsuccessful	91	80
Unknown	101	34

Registration of Births and Deaths.—The Return of the year is given in the accompanying Statement C. The Commissioners carefully scrutinize the entries in the Returns by means of local inquiries in their respective divisions.

Conservancy.—The expenditure incurred on account of Conservancy during the year under report exceeded the estimate by Rupees 776, and this is chiefly owing to the increased cost of sweepers, to the entertainment of a conservancy head-cooly, and to the construction of five hand-carts for the conveyance of night-soil.

As provided in the Budget the Commissioners paid Rupees 400 for the conservancy of the Cantonment.

The Commissioners have to state, for the information of Government, that this town enjoyed, during the year under report, perfect immunity from every epidemic.

Killing Stray Dogs.—The Commissioners expended a sum of Rupees 179-12-0 out of the Budget allotment of Rupees 200 to free the town from the annoyance of stray and rabid dogs.

GRANT IV.—MISCELLANEOUS MUNICIPAL PURPOSES. Lighting.—This cost the Municipality Rupees 388-7-1 during the latter eight months of the year under report. The proposed abolition of the Profession-tax obliged the Commissioners to discontinue lighting altogether during the first four months of the year; and, for want of funds, no addition was afterwards made to the lamps that already existed, though the town was badly off in this respect. Provision has been made in the Budget of the current year to remedy this defect, and thirty lamps have been sent for from Madras.

Market.—The change introduced in the Market rules necessitated the entertainment of a small establishment consisting of a Gumastah and a Peon which cost the Commissioners, for the last three months of the official year, Rupees 56-15-0. The amount shown against "Contingencies" was chiefly incurred for monsoon tatties for the market building and for erecting a shed within the market enclosure for the sale of fish.

The other items under "Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes" are such as have been explained in more than one of the reports of the previous years, and, therefore, do not seem to require particular remark.

GRANT V.—SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT. Office Establishment.—Consequent on the partial abolition of the Profession-tax the Commissioners were able to curtail the expenditure under this head by Rupees 230-4-5 from that of the previous year and to keep it within the estimate.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
29th May 1876. No. 962.*

Sundry Petty Charges.—These charges were chiefly incurred on account of stationery, printing office forms, and office rent.

6. *Closing Balance.*—The closing balance exceeded the estimated balance by nearly Rupees 2,000, and this is owing to only Rupees 1,000 having been spent on the Kallasanka Bridge out of an allotment of Rupees 4,000.

7. In conclusion, the Commissioners beg to annex a brief account of the money spent by them during the year under report on matters which directly or indirectly concern the public health:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Latrines	20	14	6
Civil Dispensary and Small-pox Hospital	2,837	13	2
Dust-bins	19	8	11
Vaccination	134	1	6
Conservancy	5,018	2	6
Killing stray Dogs	179	12	0
Watering streets.	364	12	8
Total ...	8,575	1	3

From J. W. BOYS, Esq., Auditor of the Municipal Accounts, to E. GIBSON, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore, dated 9th November 1875.

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have completed the audit of the Municipal Accounts for the year 1874-75, and have found them, with the exceptions given below, correct.

I have examined every item in the Day-books of receipt and expenditure and have ascertained that they are supported by proper vouchers. With regard to the latter of these books, I would suggest, as an improvement on the present mode of keeping it, that the items under every head be entered separately with full particulars, and with the name of the heading placed against it in the margin; from thence the items could be posted in a more general form into the Abstract Expenditure Book, reference being made to the Day-book for the smaller particulars.

The errors to which I refer above are as follow, viz:—

In the Day-book of receipts—

1. On October 8th, House rate, No. 1426 of 1874-75, is entered Rupees 3-2-0, the true amount being Rupees 3.
2. On December 15th, House rate, No. 433 of 1874-75, for Rupees 1-4-0, is not supported by any voucher, the bill bearing that number having been paid upon a different date.
3. A demand fee of Annas 3 has also been collected upon the above amount.
4. House No. 88 in Rice Beater's Street is taxed only Annas 12, instead of Annas 15 the correct amount.
5. House rate, No. 705 of 1873-74, for Annas 8 was collected twice, viz., on 10th June 1874 and 24th September 1873.
6. Trade-tax, No. 1312 of 1873-74, for Annas 8 was collected twice, viz., on 16th June 1873, and 9th April 1874, although one half year's tax is remitted in the Register.
7. Trade-tax, No. 450 of 1873-74, for Rupees 1-8-0, remitted in the Register, but paid on 3rd July 1874.

CONCISE ANNUAL MEDICAL REPORT OF THE CIVIL DISPENSARY, MANGALORE FOR 1874-75.

During the period under review the charity was in a very satisfactory state, subscriptions being collected annually and monthly. The institution is well appreciated by people of all classes as will be seen by the steady increase of admission of in and out-patients.

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Comparative table showing the total number of in and out-patients treated in Hospital during the last five years:—

Years.	In-patients.	Out-patients.
1870-71	198	2,443
1871-72	164	4,488
1872-73	180	5,622
1873-74	194	6,936
1874-75	213	7,120

Out of the 213 in-patients 74 were mere paupers and beggars found helplessly lying by the public thoroughfares in the last stage of sickness and want. These were almost all brought by the Police suffering from general debility, general dropsy and bowel-complaints.

There were altogether forty-two deaths, of which forty were in hospital and two out of hospital. Out of the forty in-patients who died, thirty-one of them were from among those brought by the Police, two from small-pox, and the remaining seven were from those who were brought to hospital for treatment in the early stage of their sickness.

The prevailing diseases during the year were ague, remittent fever, rheumatism, ophthalmia, and diseases of the abdomen and skin. No epidemics prevailed during the year, but there were few sporadic cases of small-pox, chicken-pox and measles.

Self-supporting patients during the year seventeen. In 1873-74 none, and in the year 1872-73 only three.

No changes took place in the Dispensary building except that the seats of the latrines were built of laterite and chunam on the same plan as that of those in the Jail.

The Local Board Dispensaries in this district seem to be well appreciated.

I regret to state that there are many cases of leprosy both in the district and in the town and many come to hospital to seek admission, but owing to the want of a separate accommodation, I am obliged to send them back although anxious to give these cases a fair trial of Gurjun oil treatment. This has been already reported and the Municipal Commissioners will, I believe, erect a building when funds are available.

MANGALORE,
1st April 1875.

(Signed) D. C. McALLUM, M.D.,
Civil Surgeon, Mangalore.

No. 260. From J. G. HORSFALL, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Mangalore, 14th March 1876, No. 196.

I have the honor to forward a statement containing the information called for in G.O., dated 3rd December 1875, No. 2365, Financial Department. This statement was not sent with the annual accounts of this Municipality for the last year as the G.O. requiring it was received after their submission.

No. 261. ORDER THEREON, 29th May 1876, No. 962.

The report on the working of the Mangalore Municipality for the year 1874-75 is recorded with the following comparative statement of estimates and actuals for the year:—

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
29th May 1876. No. 962.*

RECEIPTS.			CHARGES.		
	Estimates.	Actuals.		Estimates.	Actuals.
	1874-75.	1874-75		1874-75.	1874-75
	RS.	RS.		RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ...	2,583	2,583	GRANT I.		
Assignments by Government ...	820	819	<i>New Works—</i>		
Rates on Houses ...	7,000	6,954	Communications ...	4,400	1,000
Taxes on Arts ...	6,000	5,180	Sanitary and Miscella-		
Taxes on Vehicles ...	1,400	1,142	neous ...	1,430	1,309
Registration of Carts ...	400	311	<i>Repairs—</i>		
Tolls ...	1,780	1,780	Communications ...	2,600	3,109
Fees ...	300	452	Sanitary and Miscella-		
Fines ...	150	196	neous ...	230	336
Endowments, &c. ...	250	398	Establishment ...	570	540
Contribution from Local			Tools and Plant ...	200	112
Funds ...	600	...	GRANT II.		
Miscellaneous ...	1,617	2,199	Results Grants ...	1,700	1,036
Advances recoverable ...	200	407	Contribution to Local		
			Funds for Educational		
			Inspection ...	160	72
			GRANT III.		
			Hospitals and Dispensaries.	2,400	2,549
			Vaccination ...	140	134
			Registration of Births and		
			Deaths ...	160	144
			Conservancy ...	3,842	5,018
			GRANT IV.		
			Lighting ...	575	388
			Markets ...	...	525
			Avenues, &c. ...	700	365
			Travellers' Bungalow ...	60	108
			Miscellaneous ...	545	383
			GRANT V.		
			Supervision and Manage-		
			ment ...	2,096	2,005
			Advances recoverable ...	200	297
			Refunds ...	92	24
			Balances ...	1,000	2,967
Total ...	23,100	22,421	Total ...	23,100	22,421

(True Extract.)

W. H. H. H. H.
Chief Secretary.

- To the President of the Municipal Commission, South Canara.
 „ Board of Revenue.
 „ Revenue Department.
 „ Public Works Department.
 „ Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
 „ Sanitary Commissioner.
 „ Director of Public Instruction.
 „ Accountant-General.
 „ President of the Local Fund Boards, South Canara.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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To
THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.
Henry White
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