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Municipal—Reports.

Read the following paper :—

No. 148. *From W. LOGAN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Malabar District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Calicut, 18th June 1877, No. 8.*

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the Annual Report on the working of the Towns Improvement Act, in the Municipality of Cannanore, during the past official year 1876-77, together with the statements (nine in number) newly prescribed in G.O., dated 25th April 1877, No. 1347. I have also submitted, herewith, the reports of the Municipal Auditor and of the Medical Officer, with their enclosures.

2. RECEIPTS.—The total income of the Municipality, inclusive of the opening balance, was, for the year under report, Rupees 15,932-2-2, against an estimate of Rupees 17,830. The particulars thereof, as compared with the estimate of the year and the actuals of the previous year, are given below :—

	Actuals, 1875-76.			Estimate, 1876-77.	Actuals, 1876-77.			INCREASE OR DECREASE IN ACTUALS AS COMPARED WITH 1875-76.		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.	Increase.	Decrease.	
1. Balance	359	15	5	500	976	10	11	616	11	6
2. Assignments and Allotments by Government.	121	3	0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Rates and Taxes ..	17,748	8	7	16,450	13,868	14	5	..	..	..
4. Fees in Schools ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Endowments, Contri- butions, &c.	25	0	0	50	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Contribution from Local Funds.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Miscellaneous ..	582	2	4	830	1,086	8	10	504	6	6
Total ..	18,836	13	4	17,830	15,932	2	2	1,121	2	0
Net Decrease ..								2,904	11	2

3. The Vice-President having in his report explained the cause of variations between the estimate and the actuals of the year under report in the Comparative Statement VI-B, I confine my remarks to the variations as compared with the actuals of the previous year.

4. BALANCE.—The opening balance shows an increase of Rupees 616-11-6. The cause of this was mainly due to the non-utilization, in 1875-76, of the allotment of 3,000 Rupees for Communication—New Works.

5. *Assignments and Allotments by Government.*—The decrease under this item was due to no credit having been taken of any sum under Surplus Pound Fund in the year under report.

6. *Rates and Taxes.*—The decrease noticed under this item was due to the fact that, in 1875-76, arrears to an amount of 7,100 and odd Rupees were collected, whereas, in the year under report, there was a collection of only Rupees 3,300 and odd. There was also besides a large balance of current demand uncollected at the end of the year.

7. *Miscellaneous.*—The other item that calls for remark is "Miscellaneous." An increase of Rupees 504-6-8 occurred under it.

The reason for this increase was due to the extra receipts under Magisterial Fines, Fees under Schedule A, sale of bungalow articles and municipal bullocks, and other petty items. The following is a comparative statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Rates and Taxes, Tolls, &c., for the year under report and for the previous year:—

		Total Demand.	Collection.	Balance.	Percentage of Collection to Demand.
1875-76.	Current	RS.	RS.	RS.	
	Arrears	11,149	7,514	3,628	67.39
1876-77.	Current	7,140	6,633	422	92.89
	Arrears	10,921	7,796	3,020	71.38
		4,050	3,315	720	81.85

8. The total expenditure of the year amounted to Rupees 15,664-4-7, against an estimate of Rupees 17,830, the particulars of which are given below:—

	Actuals, 1875-76.	Estimate, 1876-77.	Actuals, 1876-77.	INCREASE OR DECREASE IN ACTUALS AS COMPARED WITH 1875-76.	
				Increase.	Decrease.
Grant I.—Public Works.	RS. A. P.	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS.	RS. A. P.
" II.—Education	1,805 0 3	3,024	1,256 10 11	548	5 4
" III.—Sanitation and Medical Service	683 4 6	872	541 12 0	141	8 6
Grant IV.—Miscellaneous	11,084 7 11	10,986	10,630 0 8	454	7 3
Grant V.—Municipal Purposes	2,124 15 7	1,039	1,228 4 11	896	10 8
Grant V.—Supervision and Management	2,074 3 6	1,909	1,992 8 1	81	11 5
Refunds	88 2 8		15 0 0	73	2 8
Total	17,860 2 5	17,830	15,664 4 7	2,195	13 10

9. On reference to the above comparative statement it will be observed that under all grants there has been a decrease in the expenditure as compared with the previous year. The reason for this decrease was due to the larger receipts in the year 1875-76. The expenditure is always made to square with the receipts. In the year under report the receipts were smaller, and there was therefore a proportionate decrease under all items of expenditure.

10. The total expenditure of the Municipality amounted to Rupees 15,664-4-7, against an income of Rupees 15,932-2-2, leaving a closing balance of Rupees 267-13-7 at the end of the year.

11. *Hospital.*—The number of in-patients was 162 and out-patients 3,511, against 216 and 3,404, respectively, in the previous year, showing a net increase of fifty-three in the number of patients.

12. A sum of Rupees 3,179-8-5 was incurred for the upkeep of the hospital under the following items:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Establishment	1,300	4	0
Medicines and Supplies	126	6	6
Dist of Patients	737	10	5
Sundries and Contingencies	1,015	3	6
Total	3,179	8	5

There was an increased expenditure under Establishment, which was due to the arrears of pay of the previous year having been paid in the year under report.

13. *Vaccination.*—A sum of Rupees 288-10-0 was expended for a permanent vaccinator, and for a temporary vaccinator for four months. The number of cases vaccinated by them was 1,732, of which 1,466 proved successful, against 1,430 and 1,326, respectively, in the previous year. The percentage of successful cases to the number vaccinated was 84.64.

14. In this Municipality no expenditure was incurred for registration of births and deaths, as the work was conducted by Division Menons employed for the collection of rates and taxes. The number of births registered was 641 and deaths 413, being respectively 20.02 and 12.90 per mille of the population, as per the Census of 1871.

15. The health of the Municipality was reported to be good in the year under report. No epidemic diseases appeared in the Municipality although both cholera and small-pox broke out in an epidemic form in the surrounding amshoms.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Surgeon-Major D. C. McALLUM, M.D., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Cannanore, to the President of the Municipal Commissions, Malabar District, dated 31st May 1877, No. 97.

I have the honor to report on the working of the Cannanore Municipality, and to forward the statements, prepared in accordance with the instructions conveyed in G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877, detailing the financial condition thereof.

2. The assets during the year under report, inclusive of the balance, shown as the actual Municipal Fund on the 1st April 1876, and the arrears of tax of the year previous, as detailed in "Statement I, Revenue and Receipts," the income of the Municipality amounted to Rs. 15,932-2-2.

3. The amount of expenditure during the year have been Rupees 15,664-4-7, leaving an unexpended balance in favor of the Commissioners, on the 31st March 1877, of Rupees 267-13-7 exclusive of the deposits amounting to Rupees 696-9-11.

4. Statement I, "Revenue and Receipts," would appear not to call for any special observations, the same clearly detailing the different items as exhibited which constituted the Municipal Fund under the Towns Improvement Act III of 1871 (Madras).

5. A large portion of the outstanding of the previous year that were left uncollected have been recovered, and a few items struck off as irrecoverable, and remissions made on vacant houses under Section 50 of Act III of 1871.

6. GRANT I, PUBLIC WORKS—(1). *New Works.*—A sum of Rs. 633-12-2 were expended—

- (1) for erecting a temporary small-pox shed of inflammable materials in the Old Town of Cannanore, at the suggestion of the Civil Surgeon, for the accommodation of patients suffering from small-pox. This was done during the prevalence of this disease to prevent such patients from being brought to the Civil Hospital building which is situated within the cantonment, and to prevent the spread of the disease;
- (2) for raising a laterite stonewall around the latrine on the open space of ground to the north-east angle of Barnacherry to preserve decency, and from exposing it to public view;
- (3) for constructing a bridge over the Anjakundi Thodu to the back of the English Church;

- (4) for constructing laterite drains at Barnacherry; and
 (5) for making culverts to roads at Barnacherry in the cantonment and to the Thaya-thavu roads in the Old Town of Cannanore which were very important works, carried out considerably at a very moderate rate.
7. *Repairs*.—A sum of Rupees 622-14-9 were spent in carrying out the very important repairs within the Municipality, as detailed in Statement II-A, Part II, Repairs.
8. *GRANT II, Education*.—The sum of Rupees 541-12-0 were paid as Results Grants earned by the managers of eight schools under the result system within the Municipality.
9. *GRANT III, Sanitation and Medical Services*.—A sum of Rupees 3,179-8-5 has been expended for the upkeep of the Civil Hospital inclusive of the pay of the medical subordinate and the servants attached thereto without aid from any source whatever in any shape. The only income obtained from this hospital was from the sale of medicines, &c., as indicated in the Statement I of Revenue and Receipts, 10 Miscellaneous (f), viz., Rupees 9-1-0, which is very meagre in comparison with the large amount defrayed towards the expenses of this institution and in looking to the financial position of the Municipality.
10. Particulars required as per latter part of paragraph 11 of G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877, are as follow:—

1875-76.		1876-77.	
Patients.		Patients.	
In.	Out.	In.	Out.
220	3,448	162	3,511

together with true copy of a concise report by the Civil Surgeon, and a statement showing the list of surgical operations performed at the Civil Dispensary during the year under report.

11. *Vaccination*.—The sum of Rupees 288-10-0 is pay of the permanent and temporary vaccinators (*vide* Statement II-B), inclusive of the contingent charges paid as remuneration for procuring lymph.
12. The following is the statement showing the vaccine operations performed within the Municipality of Cannanore during the years 1875-76 and 1876-77:—

Years.	Vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1875-76				
1876-77	1,430	1,326	28	76
	1,732	1,466	93	173

13. *Small-pox*.—A very few cases of this disease existed in the Old Town of Cannanore, and these few cases were treated in the shed alluded to in paragraph 6 (1) of this report, and were well attended to.

14. *Registration of Births and Deaths*.—No expenditure has been incurred under this head for reasons already given in paragraph 12 of last year's report.
15. The following is a statement showing the registration of births and deaths in the Municipality of Cannanore:—

1875-76.		1876-77.	
Births.	Deaths.	Births.	Deaths.
822	425	641	413

16. *Conserrancy*.—A sum of Rupees 7,161-14-3 were expended under this last item of Grant III for the upkeep of the establishment detailed in Statement II-B inclusive of Overseer's allowance and contingent charges for tarring the latrines twice a month to keep them in a proper sanitary condition, and effecting repairs to the night-soil carts, &c., and for other sundry works.

17. *GRANT IV, MISCELLANEOUS MUNICIPAL PURPOSES—1, Lighting*.—Rupees 742-7-1 were spent to maintain an establishment for lighting purposes and the purchase of kerosene oil and contingent charges.

18. *Market*.—Rupees 22-13-0 were expended to keep the market in a proper condition.

- 18½. *Chouthries*.—Rupees 44 is the salary of the Masaljee whose duty is to sweep and keep the place clean.

19. *Avenue*.—Rupees 50 were spent in the purchase of bamboos for the purpose of fencing the avenue plants on the side of the roads in the cantonment.

20. *Bazaars*.—Rupees 110 is the rent of the five rooms at Barnacherry under the Municipality.

21. *Pound*.—Rupees 90-8-0 were spent towards the salary of the poundkeeper, and for the defrayal of contingent charges.

22. For fencing a tank in the Bearers' lines the sum of Rupees 147-6 was spent against this item.

23. *Signboards*.—The sum of Rupees 7 is the balance amount that was due for the work referred to in paragraph 23 of last year's report.

24. *Burying Carcases*.—Rupees 4-8-0 are charges for burying dead animals found in the Municipality without any claimants, and for the repair of implements.

25. *Miscellaneous*.—The sum of Rupees 50 shown against this item was spent in erecting a landing-stage from the beach to the road near the Steamer Office within the Municipality for the reception of His Grace The Duke of Buckingham, the Governor of Madras.

26. *GRANT V, Supervision and Management*.—The sum of Rupees 1,992-8-1 shown against the items of this grant was for the general working of the Municipality.

27. I beg to observe the statements that were prepared, as per G.O., No. 1646, dated 28th October 1871, had been with very great difficulty altered according to the new set of forms now supplied in conformity with G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877.

28. The audit statement with a report, in original, on the audit of accounts of the year under report are herewith submitted.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

1876-77.

ANNUAL CONCISE REPORTS of CIVIL DISPENSARY, CANNANORE.

Europeans and East Indians.				In-patients. Out-patients.	
Remained on 31st March 1876	..	..	..	..	4
Admitted during the year	..	..	..	13	754
Total	..	..	..	13	758
Discharged	..	..	..	11	752
Died	..	..	..	1	..
Remaining 31st March 1877	..	..	..	1	6
Natives.				In-patients. Out-patients.	
Remained on 31st March 1876	..	..	..	11	19
Admitted during the year	..	..	..	138	2,734
Total	..	..	..	149	2,753
Discharged	..	..	..	118	2,743
Died	..	..	..	15	..
Remaining on 31st March 1877	..	..	..	16	10

- I. *Observations on the Climate and Condition of Public Health, &c.*—*Vide* Jail Report.

- II. *Detailed Narrative of any Epidemic Diseases*.—No epidemic within municipal limits. Two or three cases of small-pox reported in the 9th Regimental lines. A pauper was sent by the Village Magistrate from beyond the municipal limits, and was admitted into the shed at Thye-erected for the treatment of patients suffering from infectious diseases. Small-pox in an epidemic form was reported in nine surrounding villages about four miles from this. There were 428* cases, and of this number 107* proved fatal.

* Report given by Town Magistrate.

During the year under report cholera prevailed in the Malabar District at Yedacat; six or seven miles south-east of this station there occurred 40+ cases of cholera, and 19+ proved fatal.

† Taken from report sent by Town Magistrate.

In March of this year cholera was reported to prevail at Balliapattam, six miles north of the cantonment. Hospital-Assistant Mooneswamy, of the Civil Dispensary, was directed to proceed and report. He reported that there was no cholera but indigestive and irritative diarrhoea due to the presence of worms and from eating green mangoes. Due measures were taken to prevent the introduction of the disease into the town and cantonment either by land or sea.

III. *Principal Diseases*.—Ague, rheumatism, primary and secondary syphilis, general dropsy, bronchitis, asthma, dysentery, diarrhoea, worms, abscess, ulcer, itch, whitlow wounds, and fractures. There were 767 admissions of in and out patients of Europeans and East Indians, and 2,876 of Natives. Diseases were generally of a mild type, and readily yielded to treatment. There were sixteen deaths among the in-patients, viz., from chronic bronchitis one, general dropsy one, phthisis one, asthma three, diarrhoea one, dysentery one, general debility two, wounds two, old age two, and amputations two. Most of those who died from diseases were cases of old standing and came in a weak or debilitated or dying state.

IV. *Special or Remarkable Cases extracted from Case Book*.—Vide Medical Report to follow.

V. *Surgical Operations performed during the Year with Results*.—Vide list attached.

VI. *Economic Statistics and Management of the Hospital, &c.*—The expenditure of the Dispensary was solely disbursed by the Municipality, but the Medical Officer's salary is paid by Government. The sum of Rupees 2,987-5-10, as shown in the statement below, is the amount that was actually spent by the Municipality during the year:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Furniture	54	0	0
Postage, Official	5	0	0
Telegrams	1	0	0
Building Contagious Shed	15	8	11
House-rent	330	0	0
Diet	737	10	5
Medicines	137	3	6
Hospital Establishment	1,109	12	1
Hospital Miscellaneous	444	15	11
Bedding and Clothing	143	3	0
Funeral Expenses	9	0	0

VII. *Condition as to Usefulness of Lying-in Ward*.—No separate ward available.

VIII. *Changes to Hospital Building, &c.*—None.

Vaccination has been carried on in the Municipality for first two months in the year by a temporary vaccinator, and throughout the year by the permanent vaccinator.

Total number vaccinated 1,732, successful 1,466, unsuccessful 93, and unknown 173. There were thirty self-dieting patients treated last year in hospital, viz., fourteen Police cases, fifteen ordinary patients, and one ordinary female patient.

CANNANORE,
1st April 1877.

(Signed)

D. C. McALLUM, M.D., Surgeon-Major,
Civil Surgeon, Cannanore.

ENCLOSURE No 3.

LIST of SURGICAL OPERATIONS performed in the CIVIL DISPENSARY, CANNANORE, for the Year 1876-77.

No.	Names..	Age.	Sex.	Disease for which Admitted.	Nature of Operation performed.	Result.
1	Domingo ..	30	Male ..	Paraphymosis ..	Circumcised ..	Cured.
2	Charya ..	28	Female.	Difficult parturition ..	Extracted by forceps ..	Do.
3	Madaven ..	28	Male ..	Disease of knee joint ..	Amputation above knee ..	Do.
4	Sarah ..	28	Female.	Prolapse of Funis ..	Extracted by forceps ..	Do.
5	Onaken ..	40	Male ..	powerless labor ..	Do.	Do.
6	Rhyroo ..	48	Male ..	Compound fracture of right tibia and fibula ..	Amputated above knee ..	Died of exhaustion.
7	Thalay ..	76	Female.	Alligator bite ..	Do.	Do.
8	Magael ..	2	Male ..	Difficult parturition ..	Cranotomy ..	Died from thrombosis.
				Staphylooma ..	Excision ..	Cured.
						Do.

CANNANORE,
1st April 1877.

(Signed)

D. C. McALLUM, M.D., Surgeon-Major,
Civil Surgeon, Cannanore.

No. 149.

ORDER THEREON, 24th July 1877, No. 1960.

The receipts and expenditure of the Cannanore Municipality, during the year 1876-77, are compared below with the estimates for that year and the actuals of the previous year:—

RECEIPTS.	Actuals, 1875-76.	Estimates, 1876-77.	Actuals, 1876-77.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Rates on Houses and Lands	12,816	12,800	10,020
Taxes on Vehicles and Animals	1,893	1,800	1,961
Registration of Carts	392	400	348
Tolls	1,331	1,000	1,090
Licenses	657	300	449
Assignments by Government	121	..	84
Fines and Fees	660	500	527
Endowments	25	50	..
Miscellaneous	582	480	450
Advances Recoverable	..	..	26
Balance brought forward	360	500	977
Total	18,837	17,830	15,932

CHARGES.	Actuals, 1875-76.	Estimates, 1876-77.	Actuals, 1876-77.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
GRANT I.			
<i>New Works</i> —			
Communications	..	500	299
Buildings	..	..	172
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	1,395	..	163
<i>Repairs</i> —			
Communications	310	800	294
Buildings	..	..	115
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	100	400	214
Establishment	1,332	1,224	..
Tools and Plant	..	100	..
GRANT II.			
Municipal Schools	..	72	..
Results Grants	532	600	542
Inspection (Contribution)	151	200	..
GRANT III.			
Hospitals and Dispensaries	2,770	2,873	3,179
Vaccination	284	400	289
Conservancy	6,698	7,713	7,162
GRANT IV.			
Lighting	970	924	742
Markets	222	25	23
Choultries	44	90	44
Avenues and Watering Roads	49	..	50
Miscellaneous	841	..	166
GRANT V.			
Supervision and Management	2,074	1,909	2,195
Refunds	88	..	15
Balances	977	..	268
Total	18,837	17,830	15,932

2. The income for the year amounted to Rupees 15,932, against an estimate of Rupees 17,830, the falling off being chiefly under Rates on Houses, &c. In his letter forwarding the report for the previous

* G.O., dated 2nd January 1877, No. 7. year*, the President remarked that the present establishment and mode of collection were capable of improvement, and that he was about to lay before the Commissioners some proposals to this end. Whether these proposals have been introduced or not does not appear, but Statement IV shows

an uncollected balance of House-tax of 30.7 per cent. of the demand under Current, and 17.7 per cent. under Arrears. This the Government consider very unsatisfactory, and they desire that immediate steps may be taken to prevent the recurrence of such a state of things.

3. The President remarks, in paragraph 5 of his letter, that no credit was taken during the year for any sum from the Surplus Pound Fund. An entry of Rupees 84 on account of Pound Fees, shown under "Miscellaneous" in the statements, has been transferred in the abstract given above to "Assignments by Government," but the position of the Pound in the Municipality of Cannanore is not very clear, and the President will submit, without further delay, the report called for on the subject in paragraph 6 of G.O., dated 2nd January 1877, No. 7.

4. Magisterial Fines also have been wrongly shown under "Miscellaneous," instead of under "5, Fines and Fees," and the amount expended on the Anjakundi Bridge should have been shown under "Communications," not under "Buildings." The Educational Statement does not contain so much information as it ought to do, and it was unnecessary to show the financial operations of the Dispensary in Statement I-A, which is meant for endowed institutions only.

5. The total expenditure for the year was Rupees 15,664, leaving a balance of Rupees 268. The proportion of expenditure on each of the more important objects of the Act to available income was as under:—

Public Works		7.9 per cent.
Education		3.4 "
Sanitary and Medical Services		66.7 "
Miscellaneous		6.4 "
Supervision and Management		13.8 "
Refunds		1 "
Balance		1.7 "

No important new work was carried out during the year, the total outlay under that head being only Rupees 634.

6. The expenditure on Education was small, and the information on the subject in the report is very meagre. The Government gather, however, that all legitimate claims for results grants were fully met by the Commissioners. A sum of Rupees 3,179 was expended on the Dispensary at which 162 in-patients and 3,511 out-patients were treated during the year. The Government consider that the Local Fund Board should contribute towards the upkeep of this institution, but it will be impossible for it to do so until steps have been taken to raise additional funds.

7. Very little is said in the report regarding the Conservancy operations of the year, but the outlay under that head amounted to Rupees 7,162, and the health of the town is reported to have been good. Fair progress was made under Vaccination. The percentage for Supervision and Management, viz., 13.8 is, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, too high. The matter should be duly considered by the Commissioners.

8. The information given in Appendix A regarding the composition of the Commission is incorrect. There cannot be more than two ex-officio Commissioners, and if the total of (a), (b), and (c) is correctly given at eighteen, it follows that there is some mistake in the entries under (d), (e), (f), and (g).

(True Extract.)

W. S. Pitt
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Cannanore.
" Public Works Department.
" Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Accountant-General.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" President of the Local Fund Boards, Malabar District.
Exd. J. Wright.

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Eugene O'Shaughnessy
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FINANCIAL.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.

By, &c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 24th.

Received of *Eugene O'Shaughnessy*

O.S. 24th July 1877, No. 1960.

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