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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL NOTICES.

MUNICIPALITY OF GALLE.

Minutes of Proceedings of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of Galle held at the Municipal Office on July 27, 1901, at 1.30 p.m.

Present:—The Chairman; Dr. P. D. Anthonisz, C.M.G.; Dr. W. G. Keith; H. A. Grant, Esq.; C. P. Hayley, Esq.; D. G. Goonawardena, Esq.; Dr. E. Ludovici; F. Abeyesundera, Esq.; Magdom Ismail, Esq.

1. Read and confirmed Minutes of Meeting held on June 15, 1901.

2. Pursuant to notice Dr. Anthonisz moved,—That in the opinion of this Council all road work should be done by contract, and that in the exercise of the power vested in the Chairman under the 63rd and following clauses of the Municipal Councils' Ordinance any resolution to that effect adopted by the Council be given effect to by the Chairman in terms of the proviso to section 47 (1) of the same Ordinance as amended by section 12 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1896.

Seconded by Dr. Ludovici.

Mr. D. G. Goonawardena moved as an amendment,—That the matter be deferred for further consideration in view of the legal question involved as to the authority of the Chairman under sections 47 and 63 and 68 of the Municipal Councils' Ordinance.

Seconded by Mr. H. A. Grant.

The amendment was put to the vote and carried.

3. Pursuant to notice Dr. Anthonisz moved,—That in future, as it is dangerous to public health, the mud from the drains and sweeping of the streets be put into a cart at once, and not left by the side of the street or road as at present to be carted at the convenience of the driver.

Seconded by Dr. Ludovici.—Carried.

4. Pursuant to notice Mr. C. P. Hayley moved,—That more ornamental trees be planted in the Fort and its neighbourhood, and that a Sub-Committee be appointed to confer with the Superintendent of Works upon the description of trees and places where they are required.

Seconded by Dr. Ludovici.—Carried.

Resolved,—That the Sub-Committee be composed of the Chairman, Dr. Ludovici, and Messrs. C. P. Hayley and F. Abeyesundera.

5. Pursuant to notice Mr. C. P. Hayley moved,—That a Sub-Committee be appointed to examine and report on the state of the Municipal roads.

Seconded by Dr. Keith.—Carried.

Resolved,—That Messrs. H. A. Grant, C. P. Hayley, and D. G. Goonawardena form the Sub-Committee.

6. Pursuant to notice Dr. Ludovici asked,—Whether any and what steps have been taken by the Chairman to give effect to the resolution regarding the playing of golf carried at the last Meeting of the Municipal Council of Galle, as golf playing still continues in defiance of that resolution?

The Chairman replied that he has taken no steps because he considered that any legal action taken by him to give effect the resolution would fail.

7. Submitted letter from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, dated July 4, 1901, No. 11, returning the revised by-laws for amendment of chapter XXII.

Resolved,—That the following by-law be substituted for chapter XXII. :—

Whoever shall commit any breach of any of the foregoing by-laws by doing any act prohibited or declared to be an offence by any such by-laws, or by neglecting to do any act directed to be done by any such by-laws, or in anywise however, shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty rupees, and in case of a continued infringement to a further penalty not exceeding ten rupees a day he continues so to offend.

8. Submitted Chairman's Administration Report for 1900.

Moved by Mr. C. P. Hayley,—That the report be adopted.

Seconded by Mr. H. A. Grant.—Carried.

Dr. Anthonisz dissents and hands in a paper containing the reasons of his dissent to be recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting.

9. Read letter from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, dated June 19, 1901, No. 10, inviting attention to section 7 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1901.

10. Read letter from the Secretary of the Galle Reading Room, dated June 19, 1901, stating that it is the wish of the Members who visit the institution regularly that the suriya tree near the Reading Room should be cut down.

Resolved,—That the application to cut down the tree be referred to the Sub-Committee on ornamental shade trees appointed this day.

11. Submitted recommendation from Member of Ward No. 2 to furnish new number plates to houses, and an estimate of the cost of doing this.

Resolved,—That the estimate for providing plates of zinc with numbers painted on them be approved, and that the tax collectors of the different wards be asked to furnish lists of houses which require numbers to be fixed to them.

12. Submitted Sanitary Officer's Report for quarter ended March 31, 1901.

13. Submitted :—

(1) Accounts up to June 30, 1901.

(2) Report of Progress of Works up to June 30, 1901.

Confirmed :

GEORGE M. FOWLER,
Chairman.

Record of Reasons for Dr. Anthonisz's Dissent from the Resolution to adopt the Chairman's Administration Report for 1900.

I HAVE to offer a few remarks on what appears in the Chairman's Annual Report of the Municipality regarding roads and their repairs, and beg that they be recorded.

The Chairman states that the state of the roads is satisfactory, and that a steam roller which has been under consideration for several years would be a luxury to the Municipality. I must differ in the opinion expressed by the Chairman. If a steam roller was a necessity to Colombo, how could it be a luxury to Galle? In the same way, when a Municipal institution is considered a necessity to Colombo it ought to be a luxury to Galle. Arguments of this sort are not quite satisfactory to ordinary minds, however acceptable they may be to a few.

The proof that the roads are not properly solidified is that well-rolled roads are to be found where heavy traffic exists, such as the roads where the plumbago, coir, and rice carts are daily driven to and fro. In other roads, as a rule, the metal is either loose or projecting to the great discomfort of foot passengers.

The Civil Engineer in his report on the use of a steam roller has made a few remarks which are not conclusive. He does not give satisfactory reasons why good work should be done in Colombo and not in Galle. I shall now remark on the Civil Engineer's objections, one by one, to show how incomplete and unsatisfactory his objections are. One objection to a steam roller is that the culverts in Galle are not sufficiently well constructed for a steam roller; another is that a steam roller will finish all the work on the roads in three months, and that the steam roller will be idle for nine months in the year; and lastly, he admits that a steam roller will make a better and more solid road than the present system.

The objection to culverts being imperfectly constructed is no reason why better roads need not be made and better culverts as well. Who built the culverts but those trained in the Public Works Department, and is the mortar in Galle less binding than that used in Colombo. Surely the arguments and objections are not satisfactory to prevent better roads being made, and the sooner such bad work is replaced with satisfactory work the better for the taxpayer and the public.

The objection to road work being finished in three months, and the desire that bad road work be continued throughout the year, is an argument which will not be acceptable to most people. The regret seems to be that when road work is so speedily done the steam roller will be idle for nine months during the year, and fed within that time in grease and oil to keep it in working order. Surely, surely such opinions or arguments could not be considered satisfactory. The only way one could be consoled is by agreeing with Lord Dundear that it is a thing which no fellow could understand.

ROAD COMMITTEE NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, having agreed to grant the under-mentioned sum for the maintenance of the under-mentioned road for 1901, the Provincial Road Committee, acting under the provisions of "The Branch Roads Ordinance, 1896," have assessed the proportion due by each estate in the district interested in the repair of the said road, as follows:—

ROAD FROM MASKELIYA TO CRUDEN.

Government moiety	...	Rs. 900
Private contributions	...	" 900

1st section, 27·68 lines.

Total acreage, 5,078—Moiety of cost, Rs. 123·58—
Sectional rate, ·0243c.—Total rate, ·0243c.

Proprietors or Agents.	Estates.	Acreage.	Rs.	c.	Amount.
J. M. Robertson & Co.	Glentilt	... 467	...	11	37
Sir Thomas Lipton	Bunyan	... 308	...	7	51
Do.	Ovoca	... 255	...	6	22
J. B. Robertson & Co.	Mocha	... 588	...	14	31
G. B. D. Mowbray	Dotale	... 108	...	2	65

1st to 2nd section, 80·48 lines.

Total acreage, 3,352—Moiety of cost, Rs. 235·57—
Sectional rate, ·0702c.—Total rate, ·0945c.

G. C. Alston	...	Queensland	...	281	...	26	58
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1st to 4th section, 159·70 lines.

Total acreage, 3,071—Moiety of cost, Rs. 352·25—
Sectional rate, ·1147c.—Total rate, ·2092c.

Whittall & Co.	...	Bloomfield	...	262	...	54	84
Do.	...	Mottingham	...	258	...	54	1
E. H. Bent	...	Dunottar	...	187	...	39	17
Colombo Commercial Co., Ltd.	...	Emelina	...	205	...	42	93
Whittall & Co.	...	Brunswick	...	256	...	53	59
Do.	...	Caskieben	...	206	...	43	14
C. M. Henry	...	Midlothian	...	244	...	51	8

1st to 6th section, 190·08 lines.

Total acreage, 1,453—Moiety of cost, Rs. 135·82—
Sectional rate, ·0934c.—Total rate, ·3026c.

W. M. Trimen	...	Deeside	...	442	...	133	75
R. Cotesworth	...	Lower Cruden	...	196	...	59	36
Wm. Rollo (Geo. Steuart & Co.)	...	Glenugie	...	377	...	114	9
Do. (do.)	...	Bargrove	...	205	...	62	8
T. W. Craster	...	Strathspey	...	233	...	70	54

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Which sums the proprietors, managers, or agents of the several estates are hereby required to pay into the Colonial Treasury, Colombo, on or before October 5, 1901.

	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
N.B.—Private contributions	...	—	900	0
Deduct bank interest	...	6	10	
Unexpended balance, 1901	...	46	68	
			52	78
			847	22

R. A. G. FESTING,
Provincial Road Committee's Office, for Chairman.
Kandy, September 14, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, having agreed to grant the under-mentioned sum for the maintenance of the under-mentioned road for 1901, the Provincial Road Committee, acting under the provisions of "The Branch Roads Ordinance, 1896," have assessed the proportion due by each estate in the district interested in the repair of the said road, as follows:—

BROWNLOW-LUCCOMBE ROAD.

Government moiety	...	Rs. 731
Private contributions	...	" 731

1st section, 35·20 lines.

Total acreage, 2,982—Moiety of cost, Rs. 124·30—
Sectional rate, ·0416c.—Total rate, ·0416c.

Proprietors or Agents.	Estates.	Acreage.	Rs.	c.	Amount.		
George Steuart & Co.	...	Kintyre	...	288	...	12	7
		1st to 2nd section, 66·00 lines.					
		Total acreage, 2,694—Moiety of cost, Rs. 108·48— Sectional rate, ·0402c.—Total rate, ·0818c.					

George Steuart & Co.	...	Bitterne	...	175	...	14	40
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1st to 3rd section, 86·40 lines.

Total acreage, 2,519—Moiety of cost, Rs. 71·76—
Sectional rate, ·0284c.—Total rate, ·1102c.

C. M. Kriekenbeek Rickarton and Leas-ton	596	...	65	76
George Steuart & Co.	...	Gangawattsa	...	186	...	20	58

1st to 4th section, 127·00 lines.

Total acreage, 1,737—Moiety of cost, Rs. 145·11—
Sectional rate, ·0835c.—Total rate, ·1937c.

H. A. Webb	...	Mousakelle	...	278	...	53	93
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1st to 5th section, 158·40 lines.

Total acreage, 1,459—Moiety of cost, Rs. 108·45—
Sectional rate, ·0743c.—Total rate, ·2680c.

C. H. Hood	...	Ekolsund	...	310	...	83	17
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1st to 6th section, 184·80 line.

Total acreage, 1,149—Moiety of cost, Rs. 92·90—
Sectional rate, ·0808c.—Total rate, ·3488c.

F. R. Chapman	...	Nyanza	...	395	...	137	86
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1st to 7th section, 204·34 lines.

Total acreage, 754—Moiety of cost, Rs. 68·74—
Sectional rate, ·0911c.—Total rate, ·4399c.

Whittall & Co.	...	Rutherford	...	276	...	121	51
Do.	...	Luccombe	...	227	...	99	95
Do.	...	Heathfield	...	251	...	110	51

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Which sums the proprietors, managers, or agents of the several estates are hereby required to pay into the Colonial Treasury, Colombo, on or before October 5, 1901.

	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
N.B.—Private contributions	...	—	731	0
Deduct bank interest	...	6	0	
Unexpended balance, 1900	...	5	26	
			11	26
			719	74

R. A. G. FESTING,
Provincial Road Committee's Office, for Chairman.
Kandy, September 14, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, having agreed to grant the under-mentioned sum for the maintenance of the under-mentioned road for 1901, the Provincial Road Committee, acting under the provisions of "The Branch Roads Ordinance, 1896," have assessed the proportion due by each estate in the district interested in the repair of the said road, as follows:—

Maintenance of NORWOOD-UPCOT ROAD for 1901.

Government moiety	Rs. 2,500
Private contributions	Rs. 2,500

1st and 2nd sections, 1½ mile.

Total acreage, 5,972—Moiety of cost, Rs. 413-90—
Sectional rate, '0693c.—Total rate, '0693c.

Proprietors or Agents.	Estates.	Acreage.	Rs.	Amount.
E. M. Leaf	... Halooville	... 238	... 16	54

1st to 5th sections, 4½ miles.

Total acreage, 5,734—Moiety of cost, Rs. 758-90—
Sectional rate, '1323c.—Total rate, '2016c.

S. E. Tench	... Lanka and Craighill	204	... 41	17
R. Cotesworth	... Stockholm	... 286	... 57	70

1st to 6th sections, 5½ miles.

Total acreage, 5,244—Moiety of cost, Rs. 275-90—
Sectional rate, '0526c.—Total rate, '2542c.

Geo. Steuart & Co.	Mahagalla	... 290	... 73	76
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1st to 7th sections, 6½ miles.

Total acreage, 4,954—Moiety of cost, Rs. 275-90—
Sectional rate, '0556c.—Total rate, '3098c.

C. P. Hayes	... Mahanilu	... 290	... 89	89
A. Sykes	... Kincora	... 245	... 75	95

1st to 8th sections, 7 miles.

Total acreage, 4,419—Moiety of cost, Rs. 207-03—
Sectional rate, '0468c.—Total rate, '3566c.

G. A. Craib	... Gauravilla	... 706	... 251	80
Ceylon Tea Plantation Co.	... Alton	... 225	... 80	28
Do.	... Beaconsfield	... 168	... 59	95
J. S. Stevenson	... Blairavon	... 177	... 63	17
F. P. Williams	... Minna	... 268	... 95	62

1st to 9th sections, 7½ miles.
Total acreage, 2,875—Moiety of cost, Rs. 138-02—
Sectional rate, '0480c.—Total rate, '4046c.

Proprietors or Agents.	Estates.	Acreage.	Rs.	Amount.
Mackwood & Co.	... Scarborough	... 276	... 111	72
H. C. H. Heycock	... Ormidale	... 350	... 141	67
Mackwood & Co.	... Anandale	... 296	... 119	82
J. M. Robertson & Co.	... Cleveland	... 184	... 74	50

1st to 10th sections, 8½ miles.

Total acreage, 1,769—Moiety of cost, Rs. 207-03—
Sectional rate, '1170c.—Total rate, '5216c.

Geo. Steuart & Co.	Caledonia and Mee-riacotta	Acreage.	Rs.	Amount.
C. B. Portman	... Suriakanda	... 221	... 115	33
F. G. A. Lane	... Fairlawn	... 297	... 154	97
H. F. Ensor Harris	... Glencoe	... 208	... 108	56
D. J. MacGregor	... Mincing Lane	... 194	... 101	25
F. P. Williams	... Ladbroke	... 208	... 108	56
Ceylon Tea Plantation Co.	... Upcot	... 232	... 121	8
				2,276 65

Which sums the proprietors, managers, or agents of the several estates are hereby required to pay into the Colonial Treasury, Colombo, on or before October 5, 1901.

N.B.—Private contributions	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
Deduct bank interest	2,500	0
Deduct unexpended balance, 1900	202	82
				223 32
				2,276 65

R. A. G. FESTING,
for Chairman.

Provincial Road Committee's Office,
Kandy, September 14, 1901.

UNOFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Bristol Hotel Company, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Bristol Hotel Company, Limited, will be held at the registered office of the Company, York street, Colombo, on Saturday, October 12, 1901, at 11.30 A.M., when the subjoined resolution, which was unanimously passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company, held on the 28th day of September, 1901, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

Resolution.

"That the Authorized Capital of the Company be increased from Rs. 300,000 as at present to Rs. 400,000."

By order of the Board,

HENRY DAVIS,
Secretary.

Colombo, September 28, 1901.

for sale by public auction at the spot on Saturday, October 5, 1901, commencing at 9 A.M., the following properties, to wit:—

- (1) Two-thirds of Siambalawekumbura of 5 pelas of paddy sowing extent, situate at Talgaspitiya.
- (2) The whole of Agalakotuwewatta of 8 lahas in paddy sowing extent, situate at ditto.
- (3) Half of Gammannagodahena of 3 pelas in paddy sowing extent, situate at ditto.
- (4) Half of Katuwalagollehena of 3 pelas in paddy sowing extent, situate at ditto.
- (5) Half of Bogahakotuwehena of 1 amunam in paddy sowing extent, situate at ditto.

Conditions of sale will be read at the spot before sale.

C. P. W. GUNASEKERA,
Secretary, Mudaliyar, District Court of Kegalla.

Kegalla, September 16, 1901.

I, THE undersigned, David Dawapurarathna of 85, Dam street, Colombo, hereby give notice that I shall, six weeks hence, apply to the Hon. the Judges of the Supreme Court of the Island of Ceylon to be admitted and enrolled a Proctor of the District Court of Colombo.

DAVID DAWAPURARATHNA.

Colombo, September 26, 1901.

BY virtue of an order dated September 14, 1901, to me directed in testamentary case No. 100 of the District Court of Kegalla, I, the undersigned, will put up

