## No. 18 of 1885.

An Ordinance to amend the Ordinance No. 31 of 1884.

(See No. 10 of 1861 and No. 31 of 1884.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS section 57 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Public Thoroughfares in this Colony," was repealed by section 34 of Ordinance No. 31 of 1884, and, in consequence of such repeal, no provision exists at present for the payment of subsistence money to persons performing labour other than the double labour prescribed under section 14 and the increased labour under section 15 of the last-mentioned Ordinance: And whereas it is expedient that such provision shall be made: Be it enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

District road committee may provide subsistence money or food. 1 It shall be lawful for the district road committee, upon the application of any person who shall have failed to commute within the time mentioned in section 26 of Ordinance No. 31 of 1884, and who shall be engaged in performing labour pursuant to notice received by him under section 13 of the said Ordinance, or whenever such committee in their discretion may consider it necessary to do so, to provide such person, for every day that he may labour, with either subsistence money equal to one-half of the ordinary rate of a cooly's wages as paid in the districtin which such labour shall be performed, or with food, according as

such committee may deem best; and any person who shall be so provided with subsistence money or food shall be liable to, the performance of twelve consecutive days' labour, exclusive of Sundays, in the same year, and shall be subject to the provisions of sections 12 and 15 of Ordinance No. 31 of 1884.

2 This Ordinance shall be read and construed as one with Ordinance No. 10 of 1861 and Ordinance No. 31 of 1884.

To be read with Ordinance No. 10 of 1861 and No. 31 of 1884

9th December, 1885.