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No. 235. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th July 1874, No. 1776:—

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(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
President.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Estimate.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 236. ORDER THEREON, 24th July 1874, No. 1228.

A further addition of Rupees 168 is sanctioned to the grant from provincial on account of the Noyel bridge in the Coimbatore Circle.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Public Works Department, with two enclosures.
„ Accountant-General.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
with two original enclosures.
,, the President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore Circle.

Exd. G. A. Turton.

Dated 1874.

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

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Enclosure 2 to July 1874 Proceedings
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Received 17 July 1874

JULY.
No. 1,776.

Noyel Bridge—at Coimbatore—Letter from President, Local Fund Board, forwarding estimate of Rupees 335 for strengthening wooden platform of—and stating that Board expect a contribution from Government, submitted for orders of Government.

Encl. 4/c

To The Board of Revenue
&c.

G. O. 24th July 1874. No. 1228.

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Vogel Bridge Contractors claim
& further additions of
Rs. 168 & connected &
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on account of this bridge.