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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 172. ORDER THEREON, 26th August 1874, No. 1434.

The Government concur in the opinion expressed by the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. A. Grubert.

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To the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
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Ed. A. Gruber.

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