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No. 266. Read the following Endorsement of the Revenue Department, dated 5th August 1871.—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th July 1871, No. 3,120.

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ENCLOSURES Nos 1 and 2 —Plans.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

TRANSFERRED to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

No 267. ORDER THEREON, 21st August 1871, No. 2,147.

TELEGRAPH, No. 5.

THE Government see no objection to the proposed alteration in the site of the Telegraph Office to be built at Cocanada, and they approve of arrangements being at once made for acquiring possession of the ground if the estimate for the building provides for the purchase of land to the extent indicated in paragraph 3. If not steps should be taken for effecting the sale of the ground referred to in paragraph 5.

(True Extract.)

Captain R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue
" Revenue Department
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, with 2 Plans.

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SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract)

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with two plans.
Copy to the Collector of the Godavery District.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

No 2416/71.

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Telegraph Office at Cocanada.

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