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No. 155. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 23rd June 1873:—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th June 1873.

From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of South Canara, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 6th June 1873, No. 820.

I SEE in the public prints that Mr. Parkes, the Engineer of the Kurrachee Harbour works, is about to visit the Madras and other harbours in this Presidency. I think it would be as satisfactory to the Engineers as to myself that he should give an opinion on the much-vexed question of the Mangalore harbour. That the harbour is one of sufficient importance to call for such an inspection is, I think, sufficiently shown in former correspondence, from amongst which I extract my own remarks somewhat recently made in a place where perhaps they may not have attracted attention.

2. In the Administration Report for 1871-72, paragraph 62, I have said that Mangalore "is calculated from its position to be the highway between Southern India and England," and added, "it was a port to hold a naval armament as long ago as the days of Vasco de Gama, and under our rule it remains to this day barred with sand, whereas it might well be made capable of admitting and sheltering all ships in all weathers; is in all India the most direct route for the Suez Canal, and as such should be early attended to and connected with the interior by rail."

3. The south-west monsoon having commenced and brought with it the forces which work most markedly, changes are anticipated, so that any inspection which is permitted should not be delayed.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

TRANSFERRED to the Marine Department.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

16*th June* 1873.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 9th July 1873, No. 1,772.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 11.

THE Mangalore Harbour having been so lately and so fully reported on by Mr. Robertson, His Excellency the Governor in Council declines to call on Mr. Parkes for another report on the same work.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.
,, Board of Revenue.
,, Marine Department.
,, District Engineer, South Canara.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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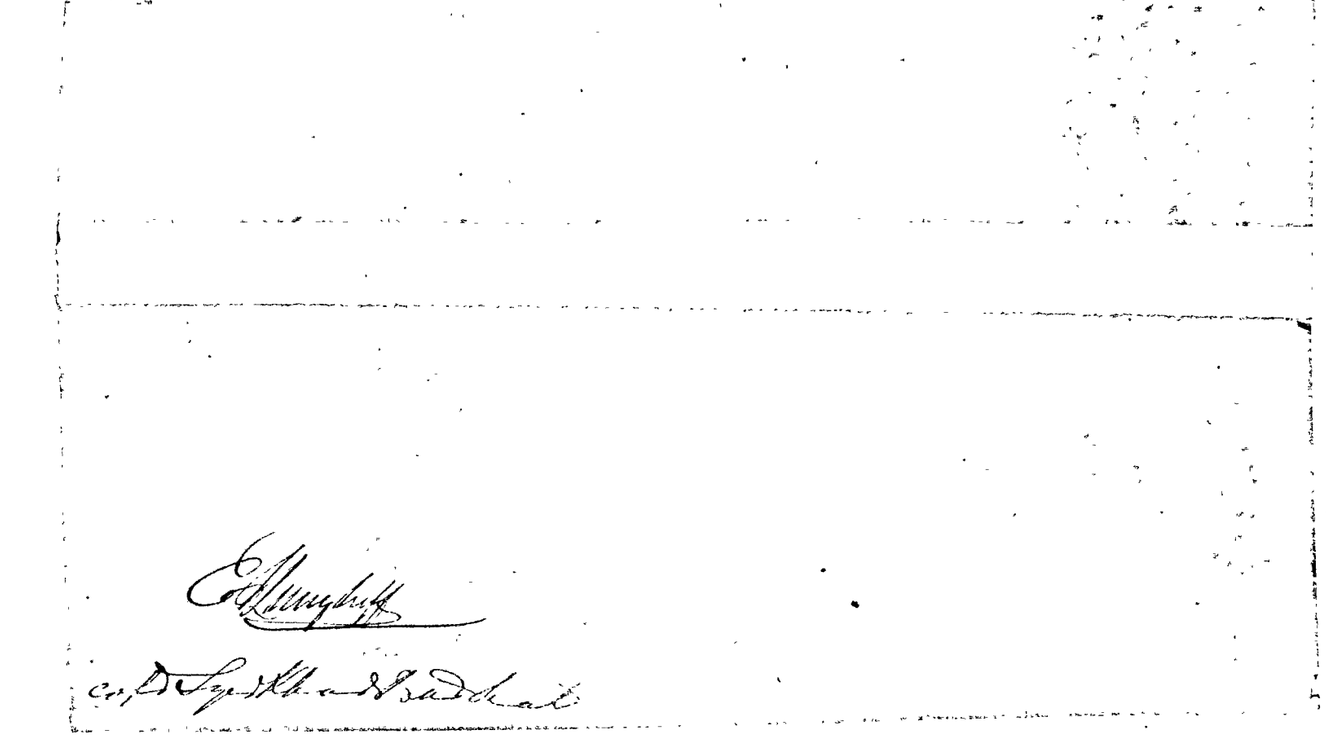
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