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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

3rd March 1879, No. 628 W.

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No. 15. Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department (Account—General), dated Fort William, 14th February 1879, No. 10 (Public Works).

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(By order)

(Signed) J. J. McLEOD INNES,
Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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No. 16. ORDER THEREON, 3rd March 1879, No. 628 W.

RECORDED, in continuation of G.O., No. 1,071, dated 28th April 1876.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Ag. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Consulting Engineer for Railways.
" Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
" Departments of Government.

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