

7TH JULY 1884, No. 819, REVENUE.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

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Acting Sub-Secretary.

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Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests in charge of Central Office of Accounts.

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(Here enter No. 820, dated 7th July 1884.)

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(Signed) H. E. STOKES,  
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.  
„ the Public Works Department.  
„ the Meteorological Reporter to Government.  
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