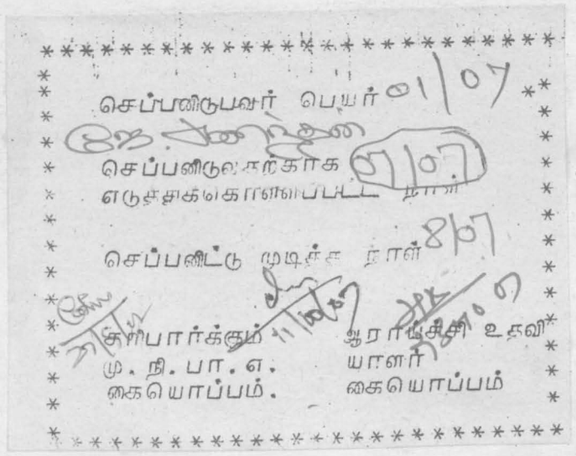
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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 8th December 1857.

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(True Extract & Copy.)
(Signed) C. A. BROWNE, Lieut. Col.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, No. 1257; dated 5th December 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue, in view to instructions being issued to Collectors regarding the publication of Recruiting notices.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant General.
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" Revenue Department. With 3 spare copies.
" Quarter Master General.
" Inspector Genl. of Ordnance.
" Commissary General.
" Military Auditor General.
" Accountant General.

Exd. R. Spears.

Revenue 1857 Dept.
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Dated 24th } Nov.r 57.
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For Mr. Lyes.
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Copies to the Bd. of Rev. Dispy.

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