MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 893	Press Mis.
Dated 8th July 1859.	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 2d to 8th July 1859.

No. 41. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Fort St. George; dated 1st July 1859, No. 561.

30th June 1859.

1. I have the honor to forward the enclosed original letter from the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, which he has requested should be submitted to Government, with reference to some misapprehension as to his having commented on the disqualifications of the pupils of the Civil Engineering College.

Enclosed for reference.

2. Captain Priestley in para. 3 of his letter to me dated 11th June 1859, No. 472, which was submitted to Government with mine of 16th idem, No. 521, states that the artificers in Major Maitland's school, and "they alone "combine all the requisite qualifications for filling the post of Head "Surveyors, viz. habits of exercise, both mental and bodily, and also of military subordination."

3. On the important subject of arranging for the organization of new Survey parties, I felt it to be a duty to notice that there was a Government Institution such as the Civil Engineering College which might reasonably be expected to contribute towards the requirements of the Survey Department, and I drew the only inference which appeared to me could be drawn from Captain Priestley's letter that he could not supply himself from this Institution on account of the want of the physical training and other qualifications, which he says he finds alone in the school under Major Maitland, and at the same time the suggestion was thrown out whether such an useful school as the Engineering College might not be made to adapt itself to the required ments of the Survey Department which is becoming of increasing importance.

4. I may perhaps have pressed Captain Priestley's statement further than was intended by him, but I hope not to wrong conclusions on the point I prominently noticed, and I feel sure the Government will not consider that there was any intention either on the part of that officer ro myself to "depreciate the course of instruction pursued at the Civil Engineering College," though the wording of the abstract of my letter quoted in the margin of the Proceedings of Madras Government dated 25th June 1859, No. 845, may possibly leave an unfavorable impression in this respect on the minds of some of the officers to whom it was comunicated.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1859, No. 893.

Ordered to be communicated to the same officers to whom the order of the 25th June 1859, No. 845, was sent.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

Revenue: 1st July/59 Nos. 15-16.

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From The Director Revenue Settlement

To The Secretary to Govern.
Revenue Department

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Submits with explanation a letter from the Superintendent of Revenue Survey with reference to some misapprehension as to his having commented on the disqualifications of the pupils of the Civil Engineering School.

Nos 41 & 42.

No. 893. 6th July 1859.
With an order

No. 893.

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For the Dir of Rev Settlement Dispy 7th
6 " Board of Revenue "
1 " Principal of the Civil Engrs College "
1 " Accountant Genl "
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Fort St George
6th July 1859

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