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19*th July* 1860.

No. 217. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Camp Cocanada, 30th June 1860, No. 665 :—

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4. In reference to the enquiry contained in paragraph 2, it will be seen from what has already been stated that the full Establishment was kept up, and with results which must be considered satisfactory.

5. The inconvenience of the relative position of the Táluqs also alluded to, arose from the re-constitution of the northern Districts, and the adjustment of the work of the two Survey parties to the limits of the new Godavery and Krishna Districts, a part of the late Masulipatam District included in the Godavery District having been scarcely demarcated on its transfer, though conveniently situated for Survey in connection with the Táluqs of Rajahmundry.

Rajahmundry, Masulipatam and Guntoor.

No. 218. ORDER THEREON, 19th July 1860, No. 1,193.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

No 665.

Revenue Settlement Office
Camp Cocanada 30th June 1860

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Sir,
Your most obedt. servant

H. Elliot

Director of Revenue Settlement

To
L. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George

Copy to the Board of Revenue

Rec: 1860 Dispatch
Pro: of Govt for July.
No 1371.
From
The Director of
Roads & Settlement
To
The Secretary
to Government
Dated 30 June 1860
Received July 6.

No. 665.
From Sr. Sy. 31 July No. Cm
1604.
Explains with reference to the
order of Govt. 976 dated
No. 947 the alleged causes
of delay in the Survey
work for the month of
April last.
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