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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of May 1860.

No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th May 1860, No. 2,229 :—

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3. Previous to completing the examination, I purpose taking the European Divers to those Banks that will be ready for fishing this next year, and having them examined again.

4. By employing European Divers on this duty, the Jadittalaven and myself have gained a vast amount of information regarding the Pearl Banks, and I am happy to say that their services have been much appreciated by us both.

Submitted for the information of Government, in continuation of the Board's Proceedings dated 25th April 1860.

(A true Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1860, No. 816.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
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Copy to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Submitting for information a letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly forwarding Copy of a Communication from Captain Phipps reporting that he has found the European Divers very useful & gained thro them a vast amount of information regarding the Pearl Banks.

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