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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 9th July 1862.

No. 135. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th April 1862, No. 2,318:—

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In Cons. 8th February 1862, No. 720.

Ordered to be submitted for the information of Government, with reference to their Proceedings, dated 7th February 1862, No. 226, Revenue Department.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 136. ORDER THEREON, 9th July 1862, No. 1,491.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,

Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

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Copy to W. Robinson, Esq., Inspector General of Mofussil Police.

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No. 2,318.

Submitting for information letter from the Inspector General of Mofussil Police regarding estimate of the Police requirements of certain districts.

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