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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st October 1864.*

No. 15. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th September 1864, No. 6,120.

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5. With reference to the very limited number of Candidates who have passed the Special test as yet, and taking into consideration, that the supply is not likely to equal the demand for several years to come, I have the honor to request instructions as to the course to be pursued when vacancies occur. Some one must be put in at once, and if no passed Candidates are available, what is to be done. The only course I see open is to advertize for strangers to the District, and take the first one who offers, on the strength of his examination certificate.

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No. 16.

ORDER THEREON, 1st October 1864, No. 1,819.

Miscellaneous.

The two appointments made by the Sub-Collector of Coimbatore and reported in these Proceedings, are approved. The Government observe that Venkateshiengar has passed the required Special test.
(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Civil Paymaster.
Exd. T. O'Connor.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.
Copy to P. Grant, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore,
with original enclosure returned.

Exd. J. Wright.

Rev: 1864. Department,
Secy of Govt. Coimbatore

No. 2513.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 16th September 1864.
No. 220-
No. 214-

Submitting letter from the Collector of
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of Venkateshlingar and Shaik Moideen.

No. 6,120.

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1st Oct. 1864

11/10/64

By the Secy of Govt. Coimbatore

11/10/64

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To the Secy of Revenue Coimbatore
3 " Civil Paymaster

with an order

11/10/64

29/10/64