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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 10th April 1869.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

Allen Forbes
Acting Secretary.

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Copy to the Officiating Collector of Madura.
" to the Subsidiary Jail Committee.

Fwd. T. Cartledge.

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BOARD OF REVENUE, MADRAS.

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PROCEEDINGS, 11TH MARCH 1869, No. 1,657.

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Sub-Magistrate of Pulney Hills—in Madura District.—Collector requested to use his best endeavours to secure a man for post of, on Rupees 70 per mensem,—Government requested to issue orders for erection of an office for Sub-Magistrate, at Poombarai, and for preparation of a plan and estimate by P. W. Department.

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No. 242. ORDER THEREON, 10th April 1869, No. 986.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government concur in the views expressed by the Board of Revenue. The proposal to construct an inexpensive building for the Sub-Magistrate at Poombarai is approved, and the Board will instruct the Collector to procure the plan and estimate from the Public Works Officers of the district in the usual course.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department;
10*th April* 1869.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department

No. 986

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 10th April 1869.

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Requesting Govt to issue orders for the erection of a Police for Sub Magistrate at Pombarai, in Madura Dist. } M. R. 16th March 1869.

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Nos. 241-242.

Office for Sub-Magistrate at Pombarai.

Plan Pulneys.—Proposal to construct a building approved. Collector to procure the plan and estimate from Public Works Department.

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