

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
5th August 1871.*

No. 39. Read the following endorsement of the Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, (Surveys), dated Simla, 27th July 1871, No. 79 :—

Read the following Extract, paragraph 3, from a despatch from the Secretary of State for India, to the Government of India,—No. 17 (Geographical), dated India Office, London, the 31st May 1871.

THE survey of Guzerat has been fairly commenced by one of Colonel Walker's parties; but it is much to be regretted that the previous work of the Bombay Revenue Surveyors should have proved to be so erroneous as that no portion, hitherto examined, can be accepted as reliable for topographical purposes. In the Revenue Surveys under Colonel Thuillier, as well as in those of Madras, the work is systematically connected with the great trigonometrical points, and is thus always available for geographical purposes and for the construction of useful maps on reduced scales.

2. The opposite system in Bombay confines the uses of the Revenue Survey to purely fiscal purposes, and must now entail a considerable amount of unnecessary work and expense, which might easily have been avoided. I trust that in future no surveys of any description will be carried on in any part of India which are not carefully connected with stations of the Great Trigonometrical Series; and that all maps for revenue purposes will be prepared with a view to their being eventually combined and reduced for general use.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras for information and guidance.
(By Order of the Governor-General of India in Council.)

(Signed) J. GEOGHEGAN,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 5th August 1871, No. 1,343.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

