Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
***24th July* 1872.**

No. 211. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Agriculture, Revenue, and Commerce, (Commerce and Trade,) dated Simla, 15th July 1872, No. 92:—

RESOLUTION.—It appears that in the Import and Export Trade Reports now received by the Government of India sufficient explanation is not given in cases of fluctuations of trade. The Governor-General in Council accordingly desires that in all such cases the Collector of Customs should explain the causes of the increase and decrease, where this is considerable, in the export or import of each important article of commerce. Thrown into daily contact, as the Collector necessarily is, with the leading members of the European mercantile community and with the whole body of native traders and dealers, it should always be easy for him, if he properly utilizes the advantages he enjoys, to explain satisfactorily at the close of the year the more important fluctuations in the trade of the port over which he presides; and His Excellency in Council trusts that it may be impressed upon all officers responsible for the realization of customs-dues at each of the ports of British India that to furnish such explanations constitutes one of the most important branches of their duty.

2. His Excellency in Council will be glad to receive at an early date copies of reports relative to the import and export trade of each of the ports in Madras for the year 1871-72, and requests that they may be accompanied by such detailed explanations as will place before the Government of India the general results affecting the external trade of the country and the obstacles, if any, which exist in each port to its extension.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be sent to the Financial Department, the Governments of Bengal, Madras, and Bombay, and the Chief Commissioner of British Burmah.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) A. O. HUME,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 212. ORDER THEREON, 24th July 1872, No. 1,115.

Separate Revenue, No. 16-A.
Customs.

REFERRED to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
REVENUE, AND COMMERCE.

[Commerce and Trade.]

No. 2432

RESOLUTION.

To

No. 92

Dated 15 *July* 1872.

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SUBJECT.

IN trade reports explanations should be given of the causes of increase and decrease in the export and import of each important article of commerce.

No 1115

Approved by the Board Dec 31st July 1872.

24 July 1872