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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Revenue DEPARTMENT

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Miscellaneous.

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2. The suits should be compromised, and the sale proceeds of the crops sold, refunded to the owners.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. O' Connor.

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REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated October 8th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 8th October 1874, No. 1,289.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 84-85.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 3369

From Pro. Bd of Revt

Dated 25th Septr 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

Attached according to the strict interpretation of the Law the Board is liable, it would I think be impossible to recover the amount from the persons on whom the

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The case is a hard one (there are two) but I am afraid of abandoning the principle & therefore the occasion is a good one for

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clearly authoritative decision on a moot point of Law. I would therefore allow the contention to proceed & remit the Costs &c. should he be successful

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The sale appears to have been inequitable, even supposing it to have been legal: and I do not see that we are justified in supporting the inequitable acts of our officers for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not they are legal.

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Revenue Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 25th September 1874.

No. 2774:-

Read the following

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Ag Collector.

To,

J Grose Esqre,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras

Sir,

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Godavery District
Collector's Office,
Cocanada 7th August 1874

I have &c
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Ag Collector.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

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To the Board of Revenue.

Ed. T. O' Connor.

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No. 3369

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Dated 25th Septr 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

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(True Copy & Extract)

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Secretary

To,

The Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

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