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Submitted to Government with reference to G. O., dated 23rd March 1875, No. 573.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 334. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1875, No. 1,713.

Irrigation, No. 11.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department with reference to G. O., 16th March 1875, No. 729, in that department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

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

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H. E. Stokes

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

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Exd. F. R. Bantleman.