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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
27th May 1875.*

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(True Copy)

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Acting Collector.

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2. The Board support the Collector's recommendation.
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No. 308. ORDER THEREON, 27th May 1875, No. 824.

Miscellaneous

THE retention of the Deputy Collector's special establishment and the payment to the Deputy Collector of the

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Exd W. H. French.

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14. The Board of Revenue 9 June
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W. C. C. C.

No 224: 27 May 1875