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MADURA,
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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Sub-Secretary.

No. 303. ORDER THEREON, 29th November 1877, No. 3,328.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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" " Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" " Accountant-General.

Exd. A. Grubert.

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Revenue Department.

Copy of Proceedings of the Court of Wards, MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, THE NOVEMBER 1877, No. 4,939.

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Mr. Arbuthnott, Assistant Engineer in Ramnad Zemindari. — Communicating to Collector of Madura Government Order directing the retention of — in the district; approving Collector's proposal regarding his employment in the other estates under Court of Wards in the district, and requesting Chief Engineer to post another officer to Purla Kimedy in Ganjam District.