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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

20th July 1878, No. 1,134.

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No. 266. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th June 1878, No. 1,800.

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<i>Half-yearly.</i>		
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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 267.

ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1878, No. 1,134.

Separate Revenue, No. 26.
Salt.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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W. L. Allen
Acting Secretary.

To the Commissioner of Salt Revenue, with a file of papers.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

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Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 29TH JUNE 1878, No. 1,800.

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20 July 1878

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