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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

5th October 1878, No. 1,613.

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No. 42. Proceedings of the Court of Wards, dated 12th September 1878, No. 2,522.

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7. If the Court of Wards think it necessary, I shall be glad to obtain any further information that may be wanted either through correspondence or by visiting the College and seeing on the spot how things are conducted.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

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Miscellaneous.

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(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secretary to Government.

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Exd. W. H. French.

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To the Collector of Madura.

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Exd. A. Grubert.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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From Board of Rev

Dated 12 Sept 1878

FOR ORDERS.

We may [illegible] regarding the orders of Govt on his Petition for admission of his sons to the Rajkumar College

Revenue Departt
No. 4252.

1878.

Court of Wards,

MADRAS.

To

THE COLLECTOR OF MADURA.

Dated September 12th.

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Suggestion just made —
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