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29th April 1878, No. 630.

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No. 260. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th March 1878, No. 724.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

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No. 261. ORDER THEREON, 29th April 1878, No. 630.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government are willing to give the assistance, in furtherance of the scheme in question, which the Collector and District Engineer say is unobjectionable; that is, they allow the restoration of the anicut referred to, and the construction of the proposed channel through any Government waste.

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To the Board of Revenue, with Map.
„ the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of Madras

REVENUE.

To

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&c., &c.,

Dated April 29th.

Read.

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APRIL.

Nos. 260-261.

*Spinning Mill in the Bellary District.*—Explaining willingness to afford certain assistance to a scheme proposed by Messrs. Harvey and Sabapathy for the erection of a spinning mill near the village of Rampur on the Tungabadra river in the Adoni Taluq.

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3. If a substantial Company is formed, with capital subscribed, and duly registered, and if the detailed proposals are found unobjectionable, the Board will be prepared to recommend that such waste land as may be at the disposal of Government and required by the Company should be granted, subject to payment of assessment, and that if the landholders concerned prove obstructive and refuse to come to fair terms, Act X of 1870 should be put in force.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Bellary.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with map to be returned.

Exd. C. Howarth.

Revenue Depart.t

No 1540.

1878.

# Board of Revenue,

## MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 18TH MARCH 1878, No. 724.

5-4-78

Encl. 1 (Rs)

Madras 29 April 1878

Received 6 April

MARCH.

No. 724.

*Spinning Mill.*—Passing orders on letter from Collector of Bellary forwarding an application from Messrs. Harvey and Sabapathy regarding a scheme for the erection of a — near the village of Rampur on the Tungabadra river in Adoni Taluq.

For orders

No 260

R.C. 27-4-78. B. 29-4-78
C. 16/4/78 R. 17/4/78 C. 20-4-78

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1540

From Board of Revenue

Dated 18 March ——— 1878.

FOR ORDERS.

Submitted
in proceedings
Rank Mail the
Secretary
17/4 1878
Encl[illegible]

I think we may
safely [illegible]

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FOR ORDERS.

Regarding a scheme for
the erection of a [illegible]
Bridge

cation from Messrs. Harvey and Sabapathy
regarding a scheme for the erection of a — near
the village of Rampur on the Tungabadra
river in Adoni Taluq.

Orders

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C.

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Will give the assistance
&c. to Colr. Ks. Engr.
any is no objectionable
that is.
allow the restoration
of the anicut - &
the construction of
channels thro' any Govt.
waste.
& aid - to procure
the Land required
in the acquisition
of the New Land
required - When the
Requirement of the
Law is satisfied.

Passed as proposed
by Govt. of Madras
Govt. agree to
give assistance
in furtherance
of the scheme
subject to the
provisions
Govt. require
Govt. will

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# Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

dy 29th April 1878

Read the following
Rep. of the Bd of Rev. relative
to a scheme proposed by Messrs
Harvey and Labastathy for the
creation of a spinning mill
near the village of Rampur on
the Tungabadra river in the
Adoni taluq of the Bellary district.
(Mem. under 18 March 1878 No 724)

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The Govt are willing
to give the assistance, in
furtherance of the scheme
in question, which the Collector
and District Engineer say
is unobjectionable; that is,
they allow the restoration
of the Anicut referred to,
and the construction of the
proposed channel through
any Govt waste.

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2 The question of how far the Govt can properly aid in the acquisition of the other land required will be considered when the project is more completely matured. —

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