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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 10th April 1869.

No. 29. Read the following letter from the Comptroller General of Accounts, Calcutta, to all Accountants General; dated Calcutta, 25th March 1869, Circular No. 89.

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Resolution, Financial Department, No. 2778, 6th October 1865.
Ditto, No. 1818, 30th March 1867.

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5. No office of account can be considered free from arrear unless the establishment is ready to deal with statements rendered as soon as they arrive. When the first list of payments is received, the audit should at once commence, so that any error discovered may be notified through the Objection Statement to the Treasury Officer before the next month's payments are made. If this is delayed, the same error is again committed; the objection must again be raised, and the work is thus greatly increased.

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No. 1006.

Copy forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras for information.

(Signed) E. GAY,
Offg. Depy. Comptr. Genl. of Accounts.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 10th April 1869, No. 182.

Communicated to the Revenue and Judicial Departments.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

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