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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
5th February 1867.*

No. 18. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Examiners, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 1st February 1867, No. 78.

I am directed to forward, for the orders of Government, the accompanying copy of a letter received from the Collector of South Arcot.

2. Mr. Reade, when requested to preside at the examination of Assistants held on the 21st instant, replied to the effect "that his absence from Cuddalore will prevent his attendance." The Board again addressed him, requesting that he would inform them more precisely of the circumstances which prevent him from undertaking a duty assigned to him by the Board, under the authority given them by Government, and the enclosed letter is Mr. Reade's reply.

3. Adverting to the frequent difficulties experienced in securing the services of the principal Officers of a District as Members of Examination Committees, it seems desirable that Mr. Reade's views should be officially and formally corrected by authority higher than the Board, especially as, under the coming system, these examinations will be of greater importance than before.

From C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of South Arcot, to the Secretary to the Board of Examiners, Madras; dated Gingee, 21st January 1867, No. 45.

In reply to your letter of the 18th instant, No. 58, I have the honor to state that I am now making a tour round the western parts of my District, and that I have engaged to meet Colonel Foord, the Superintending Engineer, at Chengum, for the purpose of consulting on an important scheme of water supply for the Taluq of Trinamalay, which has already been agitated, and I do not presume that the *pro forma* examination of Assistants can supersede the more important functions devolving on me as Collector.

2. I may add that December and January are the usual months, because the healthiest and pleasantest, when I make my tours, before regularly commencing with the Settlement.

No. 19. ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1867, No. 123.

The Government do not understand what Mr. Reade means by designating the examination of Assistants as a *pro forma* examination. The examination is one to which, as Mr. Reade must be aware, the Government attach great importance, and in the carrying out of which the efficient co-operation of the chief officials in the Districts in which the examinations are held is an essential part of these Officers' duties.

2. The Governor in Council directs that Mr. Reade will make such arrangements as will admit of his attendance at the examination of Assistants to be held at Cuddalore on the 21st instant.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Examiners.

„ Collector of South Arcot.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Recd the following letter
from the Secretary to the
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Dated under 1st February 1867.

C.O. 5th February 1867 No 123.

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To the B^d Examiners
— Col^{rs} of South Arcot. } *despatch 5/2*

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Dated, 25th January 1864.

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