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Consideration of primary school survey teacher as unfit for Physical Geography classes by Principal, Presidency College

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PHYSICAL SCIENCE &c., TEACHING

[File 8—24] No. 772, dated Fort William, the 22nd February 1873.

From—W.S. Atkinson, Esq., M.A., Director of Public Instruction,
To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal, General Department.

In continuation of my Letter No. 498, dated 10th February, relating to the appointment of Baboo Bhaba Tara Ghosh to the teachership of surveying in the Hindu and Hare Schools, the Sanskrit College and the Calcutta Madrassah, I have the honor to forward a copy of a letter from the Principle [sic], Presidency College, on the subject, from which it appears that it will not be expedient to entrust the teaching of physical geography to the surveying teacher. The subject will be taught in each school by the regular masters.

[File 8—25] No. 672, dated Calcutta, the 15th February 1873.

From—J. Sutcliffe, Esq., M.A., Principal, Presidency College,
To—W.S. Atkinson, Esq., M.A., Director of Public Instruction.

With reference to your endorsement No. 499, dated 10th February, on letter No. 410 of 24th January, from the Government of Bengal, I beg to say that I do not consider the surveying teacher, Baboo Bhaba Tara Ghosh, competent to teaching physical geography. I have, moreover, already made arrangements for physical geography being taught by one of the senior masters in each school, and I have no doubt that the result will be much more satisfactory than it would have been had the survey master been employed to teach it.