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REPORT

ON

THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

IN THE

PRESIDENCY OF MADRAS

IN

1890.

I.—Introductory.

1. The arrangement of the report is the same as that of previous years.

Plan of the report.

II.—Courts administering Criminal Justice.

2. The Courts which actually exercised criminal jurisdiction during 1890 were:—

Number and description of Courts.

- (a). In the Mufassal—
6,472 Village Magistrates' Courts,
169 Third Class Magistrates' Courts,
732 { 448 Second do. do.
115 First do. do.
and 20 Courts of Session.
- (b). At the Presidency Town—
2 Courts of the Presidency Magistrates,
1 Court of the Commissioner of Police
and The High Court.

3. There was a decrease of 663 in the number of Village Magistrates who tried cases during the year as compared with the previous year. The decrease was noteworthy in Trichinopoly (324), Cuddapah (241) and Tanjore (115).

4. 52 out of the 732 Magistrates' Courts in the mufassal were Honorary Benches. The reasons for the decrease of 3 Benches as compared with 1889 are that the North and South Wynaad Benches were abolished and the Bench at Yercaud did not exercise powers during the year.

Honorary Benches.

The average number of working days in these Courts was 63, varying from 150 in Chingleput to 9 at Ranipet in the North Arcot District.

5. Of the remaining 680 Magistrates, 67 were Special Magistrates as against 70 in 1889. Of the 67 Special Magistrates, 6 exercised first class, 3 second class and 58 third class, powers.

Special Magistrates.

The average number of working days in these Courts was 55 days, varying from 263 in Cuddalore Town to 1 in Vizagapatam.

6. Of the 613 Regular Magistrates' Courts thus remaining,

Regular Magistrates.

78 were those of 3rd Class Subordinate Magistrates,
425 / " of 2nd do. do.
3 " of Cantonment Magistrates (1, 3rd Class and
2, 1st Class),
86 " of Sub-Divisional Magistrates (1st Class)
and 21 " of District Magistrates.

The average number of working days in the Courts of District Magistrates was 50, varying from 93 in Madura and Trichinopoly to 2 in Tanjore.

Courts of Session.

7. In the Courts of Session, the average number of working days was 74, varying from 138 in Tinnevely to 30 in Vizagapatam.

Presidency Magistrates.

8. The Courts of the Presidency Magistrates sat on 279 days.

High Court.

9. In the High Court 188 Criminal Benches sat during the year, 18, as in the previous year, for the disposal of Sessions and 170 for the disposal of Appellate and Revisional work. As usual, there were 4 Sessions held during the year. On the Appellate Side, 81 Benches were wholly engaged with Criminal work on 80 days, while the time of 89 Benches sitting on 78 days was occupied partly with Criminal and partly with Civil work.

III.—The State of Crime.

Cases and persons with their results distributed by classes of offences.

10. A classification of the offences reported, returned as true and brought to trial is given below. The number of persons brought to trial in each class of offences with the results of the trial, is also shown.

CLASS.	Number of offences reported.	No. OF CASES.		No. OF PERSONS.			Percentage of convictions to total of Cols. 5 and 7.
		Returned as true.	Percentage of true to reported cases.	Under trial.	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Chapter VI. Offences against the State ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" VII. Offences relating to the Army and Navy...	1	1	100.00	14	12	2	14.29
" VIII. Offences against the public tranquillity...	2,047	1,839	89.84	15,078	9,291	4,634	38.52
" IX. Offences by or relating to public servants...	143	119	83.22	229	138	80	36.70
" X. Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants ...	2,412	2,351	97.47	3,008	1,242	1,692	57.67
" XI. False evidence and offences against public justice ...	1,052	992	94.30	1,570	826	619	42.84
" XII. Offences relating to coin and Government stamps ...	133	123	92.48	151	75	70	48.28
" XIII. Offences relating to weights and measures...	187	177	94.65	212	58	149	71.98
" XIV. Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals ...	7,432	7,337	98.72	9,334	2,220	7,627	76.44
" XV. Offences relating to religion ...	91	73	85.71	304	157	119	43.12
" XVI. Offences affecting life ...	799	717	89.74	1,249	754	406	36.00
" " Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and concealment of births ...	71	58	81.69	65	32	33	50.77
" " Hurt ...	14,079	13,092	92.99	36,999	30,346	4,922	13.96
" " Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ...	2,340	1,900	81.20	5,556	4,800	593	11.08
" " Criminal force and assault ...	32,725	29,469	90.02	61,837	57,695	6,456	10.06
" " Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor ...	212	147	69.34	403	318	72	18.46
" " Rape ...	82	59	71.95	75	61	11	15.28
" " Unnatural offences ...	6	6	100.00	11	7	4	36.36
" XVII. Theft ...	19,424	15,079	77.63	33,596	20,246	12,143	37.49
" " Extortion ...	402	326	81.09	922	850	89	9.43
" " Robbery and dacoity ...	899	619	68.85	2,227	1,425	630	30.67
" " Criminal misappropriation of property ...	626	533	85.94	1,052	650	333	33.20
" " Criminal breach of trust ...	2,830	2,199	77.54	2,917	2,207	687	21.01
" " Receiving stolen property ...	626	611	97.60	851	303	520	63.18
" " Cheating ...	1,139	782	68.66	1,295	1,012	190	15.42
" " Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ...	159	133	83.65	418	310	99	24.21
" " Mischief ...	7,079	5,854	82.84	17,163	14,310	2,063	12.60
" " Criminal trespass ...	11,081	8,930	80.59	23,750	18,411	4,551	19.79
" XVIII. Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks ...	261	212	81.23	593	455	59	11.31
" XIX. Criminal breach of contracts of service ...	32	30	93.75	80	53	27	33.75
" XX. Offences relating to marriage ...	1,054	880	83.49	1,821	1,590	145	8.36
" XXI. Defamation ...	668	521	77.99	1,249	1,046	119	10.21
" XXII. Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance...	3,934	3,519	89.45	7,102	6,026	905	13.06
Total of offences under the Penal Code ...	114,032	98,719	86.57	233,897	177,016	50,008	22.03
" Offences under Special and Local Laws ...	121,181	120,005	99.03	141,490	33,062	107,346	76.45
Grand Total ...	235,213	218,724	92.99	375,387	210,078	157,354	42.83

11. There is again an increase in the number of offences returned as true. The figures were 206,793 in 1888, 212,365 in 1889 and 218,724 in 1890. The following statement shows the details in comparison with similar particulars for 1889:—

	Reported.	Complaints dismissed under section 203.	Struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Cases brought to trial.	Persons brought to trial.
Offences under the Indian Penal Code. { 1889...	115,032	10,920	5,091	99,021	93,911	239,271
{ 1890...	114,032	10,200	5,113	98,719	93,645	233,897
Offences under Special and Local Laws. { 1889...	114,288	556	388	113,344	112,324	131,969
{ 1890...	121,181	779	397	120,005	119,385	141,490
Total ... { 1889...	229,320	11,476	5,479	212,365	206,235	371,240
{ 1890...	235,213	10,979	5,510	218,724	213,030	375,387

The increase was common to all heads except "complaints dismissed under section 203."

A.—Offences reported.

12. There was a decrease of 1,000 offences under the Indian Penal Code. The chief variations were in the following classes of offences:—

	1889.	1890.
Mischief ...	7,848	7,079
Wrongful restraint and confinement...	2,534	2,340
Offences against the public tranquillity	2,224	2,047
Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants ...	2,559	2,412
Criminal breach of trust ...	2,969	2,836
Extortion ...	528	402
Receiving stolen property ...	510	626

The increase (6,893) under Special and Local Laws, was chiefly in offences under the District Police Act from 36,170 to 42,110, Municipal Act from 15,343 to 19,311 and Abkari Act from 10,062 to 13,180. There was a striking decrease under the Madras City Police Act, viz., from 26,967 in 1889 to 19,536 in 1890.

13. The Districts which showed the smallest percentages of cases returned as true to those reported under the Penal Code were Tanjore (73.89), Malabar (79.68) and Trichinopoly (79.91). In these Districts, false reporting occurred chiefly in complaints of offences affecting property. The heaviest percentages were noticeable in Chingleput (95.45), Anantapur (94.55) and Godavari (92.44).

B.—Cases returned as true.

14. The excess of 6,359 in the number of cases returned as true is due wholly to the increase under Special and Local Laws.

The net decrease under the Indian Penal Code is slight; but the variations in the following offences are remarkable:—

	1889.	1890.
Offences against the public tranquillity ...	2,018	1,839
Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants ...	2,508	2,351
Theft ...	14,748	15,079
Receiving stolen property ...	492	611
Criminal trespass ...	8,816	8,930

Offences affecting life.

Murder (sections 302, 303 and 307) ...	335
Culpable homicide (§ 304) ...	107
Death by rash acts ...	57
Attempt at suicide ...	218
Total ...	717

15. Of the 717 cases affecting life, 275 were cases of murder and 60 of attempts to murder as compared with 251 and 76, respectively, in the previous year. In the following Districts the variations in the number of murders reported are striking:—

	1889.	1890.
Madura ...	10	21
Godavari ...	10	19
Coimbatore ...	16	24
Tanjore ...	9	17
Anantapur ...	0	6
Chingleput ...	3	9
Kurnool ...	20	12

The cases of culpable homicide not amounting to murder were furnished chiefly by Vizagapatam (17), Godavari (10) and Kurnool and Salem (9 each). Charges of causing death by rash or negligent acts were most numerous in Bellary (9), Malabar (7) and Salem (5). The number of would-be suicides who were brought to trial was large in Vizagapatam (22), Ganjam (16), Kistna (16), North Arcot (15) and South Arcot (14).

Robbery and dacoity.

16. Both in robbery and dacoity there was an increase in the number of cases reported. The figure under the former head rose from 346 to 366 and under the latter, from 247 to 253. Nellore was the only District in which no report of dacoity was returned as true. The chief fluctuations were:—

In robbery.		In dacoity.	
Coimbatore ...	- 18	Madura ...	- 16
Kurnool ...	- 14	Kistna ...	- 7
Bellary ...	+ 12	Tanjore ...	+ 16
Salem ...	+ 10	Tinnevely ...	+ 10
Madura ...	+ 8	South Arcot ...	+ 9

Forgery.

17. The chief variations in forgery were:—

	1889.	1890.
Ganjam ...	16	4
Tanjore ...	24	13
South Canara ...	14	4
South Arcot ...	9	31

Criminal force and assault.

18. There was a decrease of 225 cases of assault and criminal force but the following Districts exhibit great variations:—

	1889.	1890.
Godavari ...	2,194	1,892
South Arcot ...	2,297	2,115
Ganjam ...	754	648
Malabar ...	3,701	3,599
Vizagapatam ...	1,395	1,609
Tanjore ...	1,270	1,375

Offences against public tranquillity.

19. The decrease of 179 cases in the total number of offences against public tranquillity was chiefly observable in Kurnool (- 55), Chingleput (- 34) and Cuddapah (- 31). In Malabar there was an increase of 25 cases.

Offences affecting public health, &c.

20. Most of the 7,337 offences against public health, safety and convenience were of a petty description, but the variations in this class of offences were remarkable in the following Districts:—

Chingleput ...	- 153
Ganjam ...	- 123
Trichinopoly ...	- 118
Salem ...	+ 327
Vizagapatam ...	+ 167

21. The increase in cases returned as true under Special and Local Laws was 6,661. Under the District Police Act there was an advance of 5,954 cases, the Municipal Act yielded an increase of 3,857 and the Abkari Act, 3,118 cases. Almost the whole of the increase under the first head which occurred in the District of Salem was due to the vigorous prosecution of nuisance cases in the Salem Municipality, the number of cases disposed of by the Bench Magistrates of Salem being 4,102 against only 1,120 in 1889. Under the second head, 3,482 cases out of 3,857 occurred in the City of Madras. The rise under the Abkari Act was due, as stated in the Report for 1889, to the extension of the tree-tapping license fee system. The principal District variations were:—

District Police Act.				Municipal Act.			
		1889.	1890.			1889.	1890.
Salem ...	...	1,182	4,445	Madras ...	...	6,573	10,055
Chingleput ...	...	2,324	3,583	Kistna ...	...	1,019	1,400
Tanjore...	...	2,945	3,972	Malabar ...	...	680	340
Kistna ...	...	1,913	2,926	Godavari ...	...	673	408
Abkari Act.							
		1889.	1890.				
Malabar	...	1,905	4,159				
South Canara	...	670	1,041				
Coimbatore	...	607	795				
Tanjore	...	521	681				

22. Judged by the ratio of grave offences only to population, the City of Madras and the Nilgiris were, as usual, the most criminal Districts with one grave crime to 398 and 752 inhabitants respectively. Next to these come Vizagapatam Agency (1 to 1,017), Chingleput (1 to 1,094), Ganjam (1 to 1,197) and Godavari (1 to 1,271), while the least criminal Districts were Ganjam Agency (1 to 2,894), Vizagapatam (1 to 2,815) and South Canara (1 to 2,650).

All Districts taken together, the ratio of grave crimes to population was 1 to 1,532 as against 1,636 in the previous year.

23. Of the cases returned as true there was a slight increase in the percentage brought to trial, as shown below:—

	1889.	1890.
Penal Code ...	94.8	94.9
Special and Local Laws ...	99.1	99.5
All offences ...	97.1	97.4

24. The total number of persons under trial in 1890 was 375,387, as against 371,240 in 1889. The results of trials actually concluded are summarized below:—

	1889.	1890.
Offences under the Indian Penal Code.	182,747	177,016
Discharged or acquitted ...	49,727	50,008
Convicted ...	21.4	22.0
Percentage convicted ...	26,887	33,062
Offences under Special and Local Laws.	104,303	167,346
Discharged or acquitted ...	79.5	76.4
Convicted ...		
Percentage convicted ...		

There was a substantial increase in the proportion of convictions under the Penal Code. The steady decline in the percentage under Special and Local Laws, which, as they are put in operation chiefly through action of officials, should always yield a high ratio, seems to point to unnecessarily vexatious working of those Laws.

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Special and Local Laws					
Percentage of convictions ..	78.1	80.2	80.0	79.5	76.4

As observed in previous reports, the percentage of convictions in offences which may be lawfully compounded is very low, viz., offences relating to marriage (8.36), criminal force and assault (10.06), defamation (10.21), wrongful restraint and confinement (11.08) and criminal intimidation (13.06).

In the following classes of offences, the proportion of convictions was, as usual, high :—

Offences affecting public health, &c. ...	76.44
Offences relating to weights and measures ...	71.98
Receiving stolen property ...	68.18
Contempt of lawful authority of public servants...	57.67

The percentage of conviction in the case of the following grave crimes was low though in case of each offence there was a marked increase on the percentage for the previous year :—

Rape ...	15.28
Kidnapping, &c. ...	18.46
Robbery and dacoity ...	30.67
Offences affecting life ...	35.00
Theft ...	37.49

Preventive and miscellaneous measures. 25. The following table compares the preventive and miscellaneous proceedings taken under the Criminal Procedure Code in the last two years :—

	Cases disposed of.		Persons disposed of.		Persons convicted.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Proceedings against witnesses under Chapters VI and XXXV ...	10	9	10	9	9	9
Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of peace ...	94	112	450	698	172	360
Do. security for good behaviour ...	91	137	227	180	149	80
Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X ...	68	79	198	107	73	58
Possession, Chapter XII ...	82	82	317	310	23	98
Frivolous or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250 ...	407	480	434	501	425	495
Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXXIII. ...	26	27	28	27	24	19
Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI. ...	2,172	2,286	2,174	2,286	594	563
Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, Chapter XLII ...	423	455	696	613	515	494

Security to keep the peace.

Of the 698 instances in which persons were called upon to give security to keep the peace, more than half were furnished by the four districts of Tinnevely (146), Tanjore (112), Madura (90) and Salem (80). Of the 360 persons bound over, there were 78 persons in Tinnevely, 53 in Coimbatore and 50 in Madura.

Out of the 486 persons fined for preferring frivolous and vexatious complaints, Malabar, as usual, contributed the largest number, viz., 107. The average amount recovered as compensation in such cases was over Rupees 8.

Local nuisances.

Of the 107 persons called upon to show cause against the removal of local nuisances, &c., 58 were punished for disobeying orders, 46 of whom were in Ganjam.

Crimes by European British subjects.

26. 91 European British subjects concerned in 74 cases were under trial during the year under review. The cases of 90 persons were disposed of, 33 being convicted and 57 acquitted. Of the 33, ten were convicted under Special Laws. 1 person remained under trial at the end of the year.

Recapitulation of salient features.

27. To recapitulate, the salient features in 1890 were (1) a decrease in the number of Village Magistrates who actually exercised powers: (2) a slight decrease of crime under the Penal Code accompanied by a considerable increase under Special and Local Laws: and (3) a check in the continued decrease in the percentage of convictions under the Penal Code and a striking falling off under Special and Local Laws.

IV.—Business in all Courts.

1.—ALL COURTS TOGETHER.

28. The total number of original cases before the Courts was 223,840, of which 11,529 (or 5.15 per cent.) were before the Courts of Village Magistrates. Of the remaining 212,311 cases in the Regular Courts, 35,657 were contributed by the Presidency Town and the remainder 176,654 by the mufassal. Original cases.

The total number of appeals instituted was 6,598, of which 6,033 were preferred to Magistrates' and Sessions Courts and the remaining 565 to the High Court. Appeals. A comparison of the aggregate criminal work for the past three years is given below :—

	Original Cases.	Appeals..	Total.	Comparison for three years.
1888 ...	211,203	6,332	217,535	
1889 ...	216,480	6,558	223,038	
1890 ...	223,840	6,598	230,438	

29. Taking both original cases and appeals together (and excluding the Presidency Town), Malabar contributed the largest percentage of the total criminal work, viz., 9.36, Madura and Tanjore coming next with 8.09 and 7.60 respectively. The smallest contributions were, as usual, from the Nilgiris (1.25), Anantapur (1.48) and Kurnool (1.59). District contributions.

30. The distribution of the criminal work amongst the several classes of Courts which exercised powers is shown below :— Contributions by classes of Courts.

	Original Cases.	Percentages.	Appeals.	Percentages.
Village Magistrates' Courts ...	11,529	5.15	...	...
Regular Magistrates' Courts in the mufassal ...	175,614	78.46	5,288	80.15
Presidency Magistrates' Courts ...	35,606	15.91	...	...
Courts of Session ...	1,040	0.46	745	11.29
High Court ...	51	0.02	565	8.56
Total ...	223,840	100.00	6,598	100.00

2.—VILLAGE MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

31. A comparative statement for three years of the number of cases received, disposed of and pending in the Village Magistrates' Courts is annexed :— Institutions and disposals.

	Received.	For disposal.	Disposed of.	Pending.
1888 ...	12,785	13,030	12,767	263
1889 ...	12,216	12,480	12,279	201
1890 ...	11,529	11,730	11,514	216

The steady falling off in the institution of cases which began in 1886 has continued and it was noticeable in Tanjore (—371), South Arcot (—256) and Kistna (—202). The Districts which contributed the largest number were Tinnevely (1,381), Madura (1,362), North Arcot (1,338) and Tanjore (1,298). The Districts whose contributions were the lowest were, as usual, the Nilgiris (25), Kurnool (62) and Bellary (64).

32. The total number of persons for trial before these Courts was 18,229, of whom 17,841 were dealt with during the year and 388 persons awaited trial at the end of the year. The results were as follows :— Number of persons for trial and tried.

	1888.	1889.	1890.	Results.
Discharged ...	8,550	8,518	7,923	
Convicted ...	11,718	10,430	9,918	

Of the 9,918 persons convicted, 7,097 were detained in simple custody and 2,821 were confined in stocks. Punishments.

3.—REGULAR MAGISTRATES' COURTS IN THE MUFASSAL.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

Institutions. 33. The number of cases filed in the regular Magisterial Courts in the mufassal during the year is compared below with the two previous years:—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Benches of Magistrates...	28,804	31,718	38,922
Special Magistrates ...	5,495	6,435	5,030
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers ...	119,147	121,854	126,469
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	4,916	4,836	5,020
District Magistrates ...	154	58	173
Total ...	158,516	164,896	175,614
1st Class Magistrates ...	5,989	5,726	6,124
2nd do. do. ...	120,127	126,658	133,464
3rd do. do. ...	32,400	32,512	36,026
Total ...	158,516	164,896	175,614

Increase. 34. There was a very large increase of 10,718 cases in the year under review as compared with its predecessor. The increase was shared amongst all classes of Courts except Special Magistrates' and was contributed chiefly by Salem (3,854), Malabar (2,251), Kistna (1,563) and Tanjore (1,340).

Variations. 35. The abnormal rise in the files of Benches of Magistrates was partly the effect of vigorous action against nuisances and partly of the Government Notification published at page 253 of the Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 30th April 1889, investing, under section 261, Criminal Procedure Code, Bench Courts with powers to try offences under certain sections of the Indian Penal Code. The increase was very striking in Salem (2,986), Kistna (1,459), Tanjore (1,026), Chingleput (818) and North Arcot (680).

Special Magistrates. Almost the whole of the decrease (1,405) in the number of cases filed in the Courts of Special Magistrates occurred in Ganjam where there was a falling off of 1,342 cases from the high figure which was yielded in 1889, when several Special Magistrates were appointed on account of the famine.

Subordinate Magistrates. Excluding the Courts of District Magistrates and Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers, there was an excess of 4,615 in the number of cases received in the Courts of stipendiary Magistrates as compared with the previous year. Towards this number, Malabar contributed (2,071), Ganjam (1,104) and Salem (852).

Sub-Divisional Magistrates. The increase in the number of cases in the Courts of Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers was slight, viz., 184, but the variations in the following Districts were noticeable:—

	1889.	1890.
Malabar ...	424	531
Madura ...	254	357
Kistna ...	166	245
South Arcot ...	354	240
North Arcot ...	344	260
South Canara ...	180	70

District Magistrates. Towards the increase of 115 cases in the files of District Magistrates' Courts, the Nilgiris, South Canara and Bellary contributed 46, 26 and 16 respectively. The District Magistrates of Cuddapah, Kurnool and Tanjore received no cases.

Disposal of cases. 36. Including 2,247* cases pending at the beginning of the year and cases received by transfer, and excluding those transferred and those in which the accused died or escaped, the number for disposal in the regular mufassal Magistrates' Courts

* The difference between this and the figure shown in the last year's report is due to the decrease of 4 cases in Ganjam, 3 in Bellary, 1 in Nellore and 1 in Trichinopoly.

was 178,086, of which 175,426 were decided, leaving a balance of 2,660 at the close of the year. The figures below show how the work was distributed among the various classes of Courts in the last three years:—

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1888.	1889.	1890.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Benches of Magistrates ...	28,716	31,792	38,672	73	83	150
Special Magistrates ...	5,507	6,497	5,137	48	43	52
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers ...	117,642	122,358	126,295	1,706	1,928	2,176
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	5,135	5,235	5,185	195	200	277
District Magistrates ...	131	70	137	2	2	5
Total ...	157,131	165,952	175,426	2,024	2,256	2,660
1st Class Magistrates ...	6,203	6,205	6,244	193	207	283
2nd do. do. ...	118,637	127,017	133,234	1,665	1,841	2,054
3rd do. do. ...	32,291	32,730	35,948	161	208	323
Total ...	157,131	165,952	175,426	2,024	2,256	2,660

There was a slight decline in the quantity of work disposed of in the Courts of Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers and of Special Magistrates. In every other grade of Court there was a substantial increase, but the growth of business received was even greater and there is an advance in the number of cases pending.

37. The increase in the disposals in the Courts of Benches of Magistrates was very striking in Salem (+ 2,982), Kistna (+ 1,395), Tanjore (+ 1,036) and Chingleput (+ 818) where the institutions were also very high (*Vide para. 35 supra*).

The Courts of Special Magistrates in Madura, Vizagapatam and Kistna disposed of a considerably greater number of cases than in 1889, viz., 229, 205 and 104 respectively.

In the Courts of Subordinate Magistrates, the number of cases tried was 3,937 more than in 1889, but a greater total number than this is accounted for by the increase in four Districts together, namely, Malabar (2,051), Ganjam (1,262), Salem (848) and Vizagapatam (707).

Sub-Divisional Magistrates disposed of 50 cases fewer than in the preceding year and 165 more than the number filed during the year. The variations were remarkable in the following Districts:—

	1889.	1890.
Malabar ...	466	552
Kistna ...	181	255
Nilgiris ...	233	87
South Arcot ...	362	246

The District Magistrates of Kurnool and Tanjore did no original work. The District Magistrate of South Canara disposed of the largest number of cases, viz., 34, the next in order being the Bellary Magistrate with 26 cases. The District Magistrates of North Arcot, Cuddapah, Kistna, Madura and Nellore decided 1 case each.

38. The total number of persons for trial and dealt with by the regular Magisterial Courts during the past three years, including the persons standing over for trial at the beginning of each year and excluding those who died or escaped, and the number pending at the close of the year, were as follows:—

Year.	For trial.	Dealt with.	Pending at the end of the year.
1888 ...	316,351	309,830	6,521
1889 ...	327,581	320,252	7,329
1890 ...	334,988	327,210	7,778

Results.

Of the 327,210 persons dealt with, 3,915 were committed or referred to higher Courts. The results as regards the remainder are exhibited below according to the classes of Courts and the powers of the Magistrates by whom they were tried :—

	Discharged.		Convicted.				Percentage of convictions.	
			On regular trial.		On summary trial.			
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Benches of Magistrates.	10,462	11,765	199	1,594	26,766	31,583	72.0	73.8
Special Magistrates ...	4,093	2,045	5,568	4,551	...	2	57.6	69.0
Sub-Magistrates without appellate powers ...	177,333	176,123	79,671	83,357	627	482	31.2	32.3
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	7,561	7,136	3,245	3,573	913	739	35.5	37.7
District Magistrates ...	100	185	40	118	6	41	31.5	46.2
Total ...	199,554	197,254	88,723	93,193	23,312	32,847	36.9	39.0
1st Class Magistrates ...	8,308	8,026	3,483	3,857	1,450	1,309	37.2	39.2
2nd do. do. ...	165,636	161,841	72,612	74,653	15,040	18,966	34.6	36.6
3rd do. do. ...	25,610	27,387	12,628	14,683	11,822	12,572	48.8	49.9
Total ...	199,554	197,254	88,723	93,193	23,312	32,847	36.9	39.0

Percentage of convictions.

The increase from 36.9 in 1889 to 39.0 in 1890, in the percentage of convictions is a noteworthy feature. The highest percentages, as usual, are observable in the Nilgiris (61.4), Bellary (56.3) and Trichinopoly (52.3) and the lowest in Kurnool (25.0), Cuddapah (26.4), Godavari (26.5) and Nellore (27.1).

Persons pending.

Of the 7,778 persons awaiting trial, 622 were in custody and 7,156 were on bail or otherwise at large; 139 persons had been under trial for more than six months.

Punishments.

39. Particulars of the nature of the sentences passed on the persons convicted by the regular Magistrates' Courts are shown below.

	Imprisonment.		Forfeiture of property.		Fine.		Whipping.		Orders to give securities.				Dealt with under Special Acts
	Rigorous.	Simple.	Alone.	With other punishments.	Alone.	With other punishments.	Alone.	With other punishments.	\$ 106.	\$ 107.	\$ 109 & 110.		
	With solitary conf.	Without solitary conf.											
Benches of Magistrates ...	...	69	261	...	...	32,775	8	...	...	4	...	...	72
Special do. ...	1	183	54	...	...	4,309	85	3	...	...	...	...	3
Sub-Magistrates without appellate powers ...	197	13,754	1,456	...	...	66,880	3,203	785	68	...	...	...	767
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	193	1,997	189	...	...	1,569	457	32	80	74	249	80	3
District Magistrates ...	1	53	9	...	...	87	9	...	1	...	9	...	...
Total ...	392	16,056	1,969	...	...	105,620	3,762	820	149	78	258	80	845
Compare 1889 ...	293	14,376	1,971	...	...	97,982	3,542	1,404	124	66	98	100	811

Details of punishments. Imprisonment—solitary.

40. To the 392 sentences of solitary confinement awarded during the year, North Arcot, Trichinopoly and Chingleput contributed 90, 57 and 40 respectively.

The following is a comparative statement of the details of the terms of imprisonment awarded in the past two years :—

		Rigorous.		Simple.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Not exceeding 15 days	...	3,394	3,496	1,588	1,503
" 6 months	...	10,432	11,658	399	475
" 2 years	...	869	1,305	4	13
Exceeding 2 "	...	10	14	4	...
Total	...	14,705	16,473*	1,995	1,991*

The proportion of sentences of rigorous imprisonment to the number of sentences passed was 89 per cent. as against 88 in 1889.

The sentences of fine awarded in the past two years are compared below in detail:—

		1889.		1890.	
		...	...	...	...
Not exceeding 10 Rupees	...	...	93,351	...	99,514
" 50 "	...	...	7,590	...	9,226
" 100 "	...	...	444	...	507
" 500 "	...	...	129	...	130
" 1,000 "	...	...	10	...	5
Exceeding 1,000 "	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	101,524	...	109,332	...

The average fine during the year was Rupees 4.8 as against Rupees 4.6 in the previous year.

The amounts of fine imposed and the amounts realized and paid in compensation were as follows :—

	Imposed.	Realized.	Percentage.	Compensation paid to complainants.	Percentage realization.
1889...	Rs. 4,73,494	Rs. 3,74,639	79.1	Rs. 16,905	4.5
1890...	" 5,28,495	" 4,03,767	76.4	" 17,902	4.4

The percentage of realization was nearly 3 per cent. less than in the preceding year. It was high in Trichinopoly (95.4), Tanjore (95.3) and the Nilgiris (93.3) and low in Ganjam (43.6), Malabar (58.4) and Cuddapah (72.4). Rupees 6,878 were collected out of the fines imposed in the previous years, thus making a total of Rupees 4,10,645, as against Rupees 3,84,578 in 1889. The decrease in the proportion of fines paid as compensation to realization continues.

There was again a great decrease in the number of sentences of whipping awarded and the figure for this year is lower than in any of the preceding years and is only just over half that for 1889.

The details of such sentences for the last two years are :—

		1889.		1890.	
		...	...	...	...
Not exceeding 10 stripes	...	...	387	...	252
" 20 "	...	...	767	...	486
" 30 "	...	...	374	...	231
Total	...	1,528	...	969	...

Of these 969, 320 were juveniles, 317 of whom were whipped in lieu of, and 3 in addition to, other punishments. The total number of juveniles on whom whipping was inflicted last year was 343, of whom 3 received other punishments as well.

Of the 336 persons called upon to furnish security to keep the peace, 78 were in Tinnevely, 53 in Coimbatore and 50 in Madura.

* These figures include 25 and 22 persons respectively who were imprisoned in default of furnishing security for good behaviour during the year.

Security for good behaviour.

The number of persons required to furnish security for good behaviour was 80, as against 100 in 1889, and the number imprisoned for failing to furnish security was 47. Of these 22 were punished with simple, and 25 with rigorous, imprisonment.

Persons dealt with under Special Acts.

The number of persons dealt with by Magistrates and subjected to an order not involving fine or imprisonment, under Special Acts, was 845, as against 811 in the previous year. Of these, no less than 158 were in North Arcot, 143 in the Nilgiris and 107 in Salem.

Appealable and non-appealable sentences.

41. The number of persons on whom appealable and non-appealable sentences were passed is as follows :—

	Appealable.		Non-appealable.	
	Regular.	Summary.	Regular.	Summary.
Benches of Magistrates ...	1,594	31,444	...	139
Special Magistrates ...	4,371	2	180	...
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers ...	83,289	18	68	464
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	2,690	28	883	711
District Magistrates ...	96	1	22	40
Total...	92,040	31,493	1,153	1,354
Compare 1889 ...	87,442	26,956	1,281	1,356

Quality of work done.

42. To show the quality of work done, the appealable sentences passed are distributed below according to the powers of Magistrates who awarded them and the number and result of appeals therefrom are shown in comparison with similar figures for the preceding year :—

Appeal test.	Number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed	2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates.		1st Class Magistrates.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
	...	111,832	120,622	2,566	2,911
Number of persons who appealed	to Sub-Divisional Magistrates	11,734	11,931	...	...
	to District Magistrates	435	471	...	...
Number of persons whose appeals were decided	by Sub-Divisional Magistrates	11,842	11,892	...	...
	by District Magistrates	438	451	...	...
Number of persons whose sentences were confirmed	by Sub-Divisional Magistrates	6,628	6,972	...	...
	by District Magistrates	224	233	...	...
Number of appellants to Courts of Session ...		...	...	1,314	1,285
Number of appellants whose cases were decided		...	...	1,349	1,268
Number of appellants whose sentences were confirmed		...	...	880	802
Sub-Divisional Magistrates' Courts.	Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences	10.5	9.9	...	...
	Percentage of sentences confirmed	55.9	58.6	...	...
District Magistrates' Courts.	Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences	0.4	0.4	...	...
	Percentage of sentences confirmed	51.1	51.7	...	...
Sessions Courts.	Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences	...	...	51.2	44.1
	Percentage of sentences confirmed	...	...	65.3	63.2

As usual, the percentage of confirmation was lower in District Magistrates' Courts than in either of the other classes of appellate Courts.

The average duration of the cases decided by the several classes of Magistrates was as follows :—

	1889.	1890.
Benches of Magistrates ...	1½ days.	1½ days.
Special Magistrates ...	4 "	4 "
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers ...	7 "	7 "
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	13½ "	14 "
District Magistrates ...	14 "	8½ "

There was a decided improvement in the average duration in the Courts of District Magistrates, viz., from 14 days in 1889 to 8½ days in 1890. The best averages, taking all Courts together, were, as usual, in the Nilgiris (2 days) and Bellary, Chingleput, Salem and Vizagapatam (3 days each); and the highest in Coimbatore, Kurnool and Tinnevely (10 days each).

43. The number of witnesses examined and the number detained for more than three days in the several classes of Courts were as follows :—

	Examined.		Detained beyond 3 days.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Benches of Magistrates ...	20,439	24,835	54	46
Special Magistrates ...	11,333	5,823	17	3
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers ...	283,415	291,730	4,793	4,327
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers ...	23,892	23,930	682	481
District Magistrates ...	473	557	1	1
Total ...	339,602	346,875	5,547	4,858

The percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days to the total number examined was 1.4 as against 1.6 in the previous year. The decrease in the number of witnesses detained beyond three days was common to all classes of Courts except District Magistrates' Courts where it was stationary.

The total amount paid to witnesses on account of diet and travelling expenses was Rupees 41,347, as against Rupees 38,849 in 1889. As usual, the largest amounts, viz., Rupees 4,809, 4,250 and 3,750 were paid by Malabar, North Arcot and Vizagapatam respectively.

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

44. The number of appeals preferred during the year was 5,232, as against 5,265 in 1889. The chief variations were in Tinnevely (+ 77), Vizagapatam and Tanjore (+56 each) and Salem (+51) and Kistna (−103), Madura (−78) and South Arcot (−77).

45. The number of appeals disposed of and pending during the past three years is compared in the margin. The District Magistrates of South Canara and South Arcot disposed of 65 and 30 respectively.

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1888.	1889.	1890.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Sub-Divisional Magistrates...	4,763	5,045	5,057	260	277	302
District Magistrates ...	272	203	188	8	17	17
Total...	5,035	5,253	5,245	268	294	319

46. The average duration, in days, of appeals was :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Sub-Divisional Magistrates ...	20	20	23
District Magistrates ...	15	20	13

Appellants concerned and disposed of.

47. The number of appellants concerned in cases received during the year was 12,402. Including persons who awaited trial at the beginning of the year, and excluding those who died or escaped, there were 13,121 for trial, of whom 12,343 were dealt with with the following results:—

Results.	Rejected.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Quashed.	New trial ordered.	Referred.
Sub-Divisional Magistrates ...	511	6,361	884	3,869	10	157	...
District Magistrates. ...	34	199	38	177	...	3	...
Total...	645	6,560	922	4,046	10	160	...
Compare ... 1889...	656	6,196	1,009	4,311	12	96	...
Percentage { 1889...	5.3	50.5	8.2	35.1	0.1	0.8	...
{ 1890...	5.2	53.1	7.5	32.8	0.1	1.3	...

In an arrangement of Districts according to the percentage of wholly unsuccessful appellants, Tanjore (72.2), Trichinopoly (69.5) and Vizagapatam (65.0) take the lead, while at the bottom, appear the Nilgiris (22.6), South Canara (40.1) and Anantapur (44.1).

Revision cases.

48. The number of revision cases received, disposed of and pending is given below:—

	Received.	For disposal.	Disposed of.	Pending.
District Magistrates. ...	756	784	755	29

Of the 756 received, 600 came up on application and 156 were taken up of the Courts' own motion.

Persons dealt with.

The number of accused persons before the District Magistrates' Courts in revision was 2,308, of whom 2,232 were dealt with and 76 awaited trial at the end of the year. The results were as follows:—

	Interference declined.	Proceedings quashed.	Varied.	Committal or enquiry ordered.	Referred to High Court.	Otherwise disposed of.
	1,648	34	17	397	136	...
Compare 1889...	1,678	11	...	447	124	...

4.—COURTS OF SESSION.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

Institutions.

49. 1,040 cases were committed for trial before the Sessions Courts during the year, as against 985 in 1889 and 987 in 1888.

Variations.

The chief variations in the number of cases committed in the several Districts are noted below:—

	Increase.	Decrease.
Tinnevely ...	25	18
Madura... ..	23	10
Tanjore	23	9
South Arcot ...	20	9
Vizagapatam ...	...	...
Salem	...	...
Bellary	...	...
Cuddapah	...	...

Disposals.

50. Of the 1,066 cases for disposal, 1,035 were disposed of during the year, leaving 31 pending at the close of the year, as against 998 and 23 in 1889. In 60 of the cases decided, either the prosecution was withdrawn or suspended or the accused pleaded guilty, or the commitments were quashed by the High Court. Of the remaining 975 cases, 365 were tried by Jury and 610 with Assessors. In 92 per cent. of the cases, the Judges concurred with the verdict of the Jury. The Sessions Judge of Chingleput differed from the Jury in 2 wholly and in 3 partially out of 21 cases, and in all of them, references were made to the High Court. In Assessors' cases, the Judges

Trials by Jury and with Assessors.

agreed with the opinions of Assessors in 69.4 per cent. of the cases, in 10.4 per cent. they differed from one Assessor, in .2 per cent. from the majority of Assessors and in 20.0 per cent. from all the Assessors. The Sessions Judge of Madura disagreed with the Assessors in 22 out of 54 cases and Coimbatore Judge in 18 out of 46 cases.

51. The number of persons for trial, tried and pending before Sessions Courts during the past three years including the persons who awaited trial at the commencement of each year and excluding those who died or escaped, is given below:—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
For trial ...	2,662	2,624	2,476
Dealt with...	2,395	2,562	2,427
Pending ...	267	62	49

52. Of the 2,427 persons dealt with, 112 were referred to the High Court under sections 307 and 374, Criminal Procedure Code. The results, as affecting the remaining 2,315, were as follows:—

	Discharged or acquitted.	Convicted.	Percentage of convictions.
1888...	1,341	958	41.6
1889...	1,349	1,095	44.8
1890...	1,182	1,133	48.9

The increase in the percentage of convictions seems to indicate an increase of care on the part of committing Magistrates.

In different Districts the percentage of convictions varied considerably as exhibited below:—

	High.		Low.
South Malabar ...	73.9	Godavari ...	31.9
Tinnevely ...	58.0	Cuddapah ...	36.4
Ganjam ...	56.0	Chingleput ...	37.0
Tanjore ...	55.9	Coimbatore ...	39.4

53. The punishments awarded were as follows:—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Transportation ... { For life...	66	82	140
... { For a term ...	23	26	66
Imprisonment ... { Rigorous { with solitary confinement.	15	10	7
... { without do. ...	816	920	874
... { Simple ...	25	34	33
... { Alone ...	12	10	9
Fine ... { With other punishments	56	83	37
Whipping ... { Alone ...	1	13	4
... { With other punishments	9	9	17

The particulars of imprisonment and fines were as follows:—

	Rigorous.	Simple.
	1889.	1890.
Not exceeding 15 days ...	8	4
" 6 months ...	115	104
" 2 years ...	370	228
" 7 " ...	384	470
Exceeding 7 " ...	53	75

	1889.	1890.
Fines not exceeding 10 Rupees ...	6	10
" 50 " ...	46	10
" 100 " ...	19	10
" 500 " ...	16	13
" 1,000 " ...	6	3
Exceeding 1,000 " ...	...	...
Amounts imposed were Rupees 14,975	...	8,215
" realized " 3,960	...	2,664
Percentage ...	26.4	32.4

Imprisonment.

Fines.

The remark in the last year's report that the high percentage of the realization of fines was due to the discretion used by Courts in awarding sentences of fines according to the means of persons fined, applies with greater force to the figures in the year under review.

Including Rupees 8,572 recovered on account of fines imposed in previous years, the total collections during the year were Rupees 11,236, as against Rupees 8,076 in 1889. Of this Rupees 5,780 were realized in Vizagapatam alone.

The sum paid to complainants as compensation was Rupees 1,432, as against Rupees 1,198 in the preceding year.

Whipping.

The sentences of whipping imposed were :—

	1889.	1890.
10 stripes and under	6	2
20 " ...	9	4
30 " ...	7	15

3 of these 21 were juveniles.

Quality of work done.

54. Of the 1,133 persons on whom sentences were passed by Sessions Courts, 1,098 had right of appeal. The number and result of appeals preferred by them were as follows :—

Appeal test.

Number of persons against whom appealable sentences were passed	...	...	1,098
Number of appellants to High Court	...	...	1,017
Number of appellants whose cases were decided...	...	...	1,037
Number of sentences confirmed	...	...	676
Percentage of appellants to appealable sentences.	...	...	92.6
Percentage of sentences confirmed	...	...	65.2

The percentage of confirmation was nearly 7 per cent. higher than in the previous year.

Duration test.

The average duration of cases was the same as in the last year, viz., 27 days, being highest in Godavari (53 days) and Ganjam (49); and lowest in Vizagapatam (17), South Arcot and South Malabar (20 each) and Trichinopoly (21).

Detention of witnesses.

55. The number of witnesses examined by Sessions Courts was 9,105, as against 8,652, in the preceding year. The number detained for over three days was 4,272, as against 4,228 in 1889.

Dieting.

The sum paid to witnesses on account of diet money, &c., amounted to Rupees 33,838, giving an average of nearly Rupees 3½ per witness examined. The Districts noted below paid the largest amounts :—

	Rupees.
Tinnevelly	2,923
North Arcot	2,412
Tanjore	2,167
South Canara	2,163

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

56. The increase in the number of appeals preferred has continued, viz., from Institutions, 642 in 1888 and 703 in 1889 to 745 in 1890. The chief variations were :—

	1889.	1890.
Bellary	34	84
Tinnevelly	62	95
Kistna	53	9
North Arcot	40	17

Including appeals pending at the beginning of the year and excluding those Disposals, which abated by death or escape of persons, the numbers disposed of and pending compare as follows :—

Disposed of.			Pending.		
1888.	1889.	1890.	1888.	1889.	1890.
614	700	731	50	51	61

The largest number of appeals was disposed of by the Sessions Judges of Tinnevelly (96), Bellary (82), Tanjore (77), Madura (66), South Malabar (53) and Salem (50). There were no arrears in South Arcot, Kistna, North and South Malabar, the Nilgiris and Tanjore. The largest arrears were exhibited in Tinnevelly (8), Nellore (7), Godavari (6), Salem (6) and Trichinopoly (6).

There was an improvement in the average duration of appeals, viz., from Average duration, 31 days in 1889 to 27 in 1890.

57. The number of appellants was 1,378, of whom 1,268 were dealt with as Appellants concerned and disposed of, follows :—

	Rejected.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Quashed.	New trial ordered.	Referred.	Pending.
Compare 1889.	206	596	163	267	1	31	1	110
1889.	185	695	178	267	3	18	2	100

The proportion of wholly unsuccessful appellants was highest in North Malabar (90.7 per cent.), Kistna (85.0) and South Arcot (84.4); and lowest in Bellary (36.2), Godavari (41.7) and North Arcot (44.0).

58. The number of revision cases received, disposed of and pending was 367, Revision cases, 373 and 34, respectively. Of those received, 278 came up on application and 89 were taken up of the Courts' own motion.

The number of persons concerned in revision cases was 1,304, of whom Persons dealt with, 1,186 were dealt with and 118 were awaiting disposal. The results are given below :—

	Interference declined.	Proceedings quashed.	Committal or enquiry ordered.	Referred to High Court.	Otherwise disposed of.
Compare 1889	948	53	91	94	...
1889	1,165	51	129	135	...

5.—PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

59. There has been a steady falling off in the total number of cases filed in the Institutions, Courts of the Presidency Magistrates since 1888. The following table exhibits the institutions in the past three years :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Egmore Court	16,749	17,479	16,615
Black Town Court	24,111	20,871	18,991
Total	40,860	38,350	35,606

Disposals.

Including 7 cases pending at the beginning of the year, there were 35,613 for disposal, of which 35,599 were disposed of, leaving 14 cases pending at the close of the year. The average number of cases decided daily per Magistrate was 30 in the Egmore Court and 34 in the Black Town Court, as against 32 and 38 in the previous year, respectively. The results of the past three years are compared below :—

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1888.	1889.	1890.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Egmore Court ...	16,749	17,478	16,616	1	2	1
Black Town Court.	24,132	20,870	18,983	4	5	13
Total ...	40,881	38,348	35,599	5	7	14

Persons for trial, tried and pending.

60. The total number of persons for trial, tried and pending before these Courts during the last three years is given below :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
For disposal ...	48,522	44,695	41,852
Disposed of ...	48,514	44,633	41,831
Pending ...	8	62	21

Results.

Of the 41,831 persons dealt with, 92 were committed to the High Court, and the results as affecting the rest are exhibited below :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Discharged or acquitted ...	8,594	8,718	11,626
Convicted { on regular trial ...	117	72	87
{ „ summary „ ...	39,754	35,798	30,026
Percentage of convictions ...	82.2	80.4	72.1

The decrease in the percentage of convictions is striking.

Work of the Commissioner of Police.

61. The Commissioner of Police in his capacity as a Magistrate, received and disposed of 17 cases affecting 28 persons.

Punishments.

62. The following punishments were awarded to the persons convicted during the year as compared with 1889 :—

	1889.	1890.
Rigorous imprisonment with solitary confinement ...	2	1
Simple „ without „ ...	1,012	1,619
Simple „ „ ...	93	215
Fine { Alone ...	34,375	27,871
{ With other punishments ...	38	102
Whipping { Alone ...	127	162
{ With other punishments ...	3	26
Orders to give security under { §106 ...	8	13
{ §§109 & 110 ...	49	...
„ to fulfil contracts... ...	212	245

Imprisonment.

The terms of imprisonment varied as follows :—

	Rigorous.		Simple.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Not exceeding 15 days ...	277	463	90	195
„ 6 months ...	673	1,076	3	20
„ 2 years ...	64	81	...	...

There is a large advance, amounting to 65 per cent. in the total number of sentences of imprisonment awarded, a fact which taken in conjunction with the decline in the total convictions is specially remarkable. The proportion which the number of sentences of imprisonment bears to the whole number of sentences has

increased from 3.1 to 6.1 per cent., and the ratio of sentences of rigorous imprisonment has grown from 2.8 to 5 per cent.

	1889.	1890.	
Fines were under 10 Rupees against ...	34,151	27,636	persons.
„ 50 „ ...	228	270	„
„ 100 „ ...	17	52	„
„ 500 „ ...	16	13	„
„ 1,000 „ ...	1	2	„

The total amount of the fines imposed was Rupees 43,055, of which Rupees 38,375 or 89 per cent. were recovered, as against 86 per cent. in 1889. Of this sum, Rupees 991 were paid to complainants as compensation. The percentage of realization was 3 per cent. better than in the preceding year.

Of the persons whipped,

92 received 10 stripes and less.

93 „ 20 „

and 3 „ 30 „

Whipping.

88 of them were juveniles.

63. Of the 87 persons on whom appealable sentences were passed, 34 appealed to the High Court. Including the appeals pending at the commencement of the year, there were 37 for disposal, all of which were disposed of during the year. In the case of 35 persons (94.6 per cent.) the sentences were confirmed.

Results in appeal.

64. 17,838 witnesses were examined, as against 18,810 in the previous year. The number of witnesses detained beyond three days was 81, as against 205 in 1889.

Detention of witnesses.

6.—High Court.

A.—Original Jurisdiction.

(a).—Sessions Cases.

65. The High Court received 49 cases for trial by commitment, as against 33 in 1889. Of these, 21 were cases of theft and 8 related to forgery.

Including 2 cases pending from last year, there were 51 for disposal, all of which were disposed of with the following results :—

	1889.	1890.
Decided on the prisoner's plea ...	1	10
Tried by Common Jury ...	28	38
„ by Special „ ...	2	1
Not proceeded with owing to convictions in other cases ...	2	2
Total ...	33	51

66. The number of persons for trial, tried and pending during the past three years was as follows :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
For trial ...	65	45	84
Dealt with ...	62	43	84
Pending ...	3	2	...

The results of trial were :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Discharged without trial ...	18	11	5
„ or acquitted on trial ...	3	2	11
Convicted ...	41	30	68
Percentage of convictions ...	66.1	69.8	81.0

Results.

The percentage of convictions was nearly 12 per cent. greater than in 1889.

67. Of the 338 witnesses examined at the Sessions, none was detained beyond three days.

Witnesses.

68. The average duration of cases from date of commitment to judgment was 25 days, as against 27 in the preceding year.

Average duration.

(b).—Cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.

Cases under
sec. 307,
Cr. P. C.For disposal,
disposed of
and results.

69. 20 cases of Jury disagreement were submitted to the High Court under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code. Including 1 case pending from last year, there were 21 cases for disposal, of which 16 were disposed of leaving 5 pending at the end of the year. In 13 of the 20 cases submitted, the Jury were for acquittal and the Judge for conviction and in the remaining 7 the reverse was the case.

In 9 of the sixteen cases disposed of, the Jury was for acquittal and in the remainder for conviction. In the former class, the verdict was upheld in 5 cases and interfered with in 3 and a new trial was ordered in one. In the latter class, the verdict was interfered with in all the 7 cases.

Persons
concerned.

70. The number of persons concerned in these cases was 40; 40 of them were dealt with with the following results:—

How disposed
of.

Found guilty by the High Court	...	...	...	4
Found not guilty by the High Court	...	...	...	20
Verdict of guilty upheld	...	...	...	3
Verdict of not guilty upheld	...	...	...	8
New trial ordered	...	...	...	5
Total	...	...	...	40

Working of
the Jury
system.

71. The High Court's experience of the results of Jury trials in the year under review has tended to confirm the opinion that the working of the system is not wholly satisfactory. In 20 per cent. of the cases tried with Assessors, the Sessions Judge differed wholly from all the Assessors but with regard to Jury trials dissent was recorded and a reference made under section 307 in only 8 per cent. of the cases.

All the seven verdicts of guilty so referred were set aside by the High Court. In each of these cases, the offence alleged was dacoity, theft, or receiving stolen property, and the fact that there were so many unsustainable convictions illustrates the disposition of Juries, upon which the High Court has often remarked, to be content with very inconclusive evidence against prisoners supposed to belong to the criminal classes.

There is perhaps an undue reluctance on the part of Sessions Judges to make use of the provisions of section 307 of the Code. In one instance in particular (reported at L. L. R., 13 Mad., 343) the High Court had occasion to remark upon a case in which a Sessions Judge, though he expressed doubt as to the propriety of the verdict of guilty, refrained from acting under that section. But since the procedure under section 307 casts upon the referring Judge the duty of showing that the verdict is wrong, there is naturally a tendency to accept all verdicts which cannot be clearly demonstrated to be erroneous and in the existing state of the law every verdict not expressly dissented from and referred is final.

Summary of
remarks of
Sessions
Judges.

72. Some of the District Administration Reports contain remarks upon the Jury system which may be briefly summarized as follows:—

Mr. Horsfall (North Arcot) is on principle opposed to the Jury system but thinks that, if adopted at all, there is no reason why it should not be applied to all classes of cases. Such an extension of the system, however, would, he considers, inevitably lead to its entire abolition, a result which he would contemplate with satisfaction.

Mr. Benson (South Arcot) neither condemns nor extols the system but says that it works fairly well and is likely to work better as time goes on.

Mr. Knox (Bellary) thinks that it is so far satisfactory that the verdicts generally are such as Judges concur in; that clear failures of justice are not common and that the results are generally satisfactory.

Mr. Tate (South Canara) considers that it is rare to find men competent to sit on a really difficult case; but that when such persons are found, the results are, generally speaking, satisfactory.

Mr. Irvine (Coimbatore) is of opinion that the system has worked fairly well and with proper safeguard may continue to do so but deprecates any extension of it.

Mr. Higgins (Ganjam) finds no reason for being dissatisfied with the working of the system but does not consider the presence of a Jury conduces to the efficiency of the Court.

Mr. Laffan (Godavari) thinks that it cannot be said that the working of the system is unsatisfactory.

Mr. Mackenzie (Kistna) considers that the Jury system is unsuited to the Indian mufassal. In simple cases, it is not needed. In serious cases, it is found to be unsatisfactory.

Mr. Fiddian (North Malabar) says that on the whole the system does not seem to have done much harm during the year.

Mr. Thompson (South Malabar) has had no reason to be dissatisfied with the working of the system.

Mr. Ramachendra Aiyar (Nellore) refers to the remarks he made in 1889, viz., that he has nothing to say against the working of the system except to observe that a majority of the persons on the Jury list can hardly read and write.

Mr. Davies (Tanjore) says that the working of the system was most satisfactory, he having had no occasion during the year to disagree with the verdict of the Jury.

Mr. O'Farrell (Trichinopoly) observing that under all systems of trial there must be occasional miscarriages of justice, considers that the number in the case of Jury trials is not greater than would naturally be expected in a country where the system is not indigenous and the people at large are deficient in business habits and practical common sense which in other countries form a rough and ready substitute for judicial acumen.

Messrs. Best (Chingleput), Thorburn (Cuddapah), Weld (Kurnool), Weir (Madura), Campbell (Salem), Grahame (Tinnevely) and Farmer (Vizagapatam) have offered no remarks regarding the working of the Jury system.

73. During the year under report, the High Court issued a Circular calling upon Sessions Judges to give careful attention, in conjunction with Collectors, to the revision of Jury lists.

(c).—Cases under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code.

74. 60 cases in which capital sentences were inflicted, were submitted to the High Court for confirmation under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code, as against 63 in 1889 and 59 in 1888. Jealousy was the motive for the offence in 32 of the 60 cases; in 8 cases children, and in 2 cases women, were murdered for the sake of jewels worn by them and in the remaining 18 cases, the deed was the result of other causes. Cuddapah contributed the largest number, viz., 9 cases and Salem, Kurnool and Madura came next with 7, 5 and 5 respectively. Including 7 cases pending from last year, there were 67 cases for disposal. Of these, 60 were disposed of leaving 7 pending at the close of the year.

75. The number of persons concerned in these cases was 73, as against 78 in the previous year. The results of disposal were as follows:—

	1889.	1890.	How dis- posed of.
Acquitted	14	13	
Convicted	52	53	
New trial ordered	3	...	
Total	69	66	

Of the 53 persons convicted, the sentences of death passed on 37 (the same as in 1889) were confirmed, 15 were sentenced to transportation for life and 1 to rigorous imprisonment, in commutation of the death sentences. In the High Court Sessions, one person was sentenced to death.

Punishments. 76. The total number of persons sentenced at the High Court Sessions was 68 and the number convicted under sections 307 and 374, Criminal Procedure Code, was 60. Of the 128 persons thus convicted, no sentence was passed on 1 person as she had already been convicted by the Sessions Judge of kidnapping, an offence tried with assessors.

The remaining 127 persons were sentenced as follows :—

		1889.	1890.
Details.	Death	37	38
	Transportation { For life	13	15
	{ For a term	8	4
	Rigorous imprisonment with solitary confinement...	1	10
	" " without "	36	59
	Simple	...	1
	Fine with other punishments	...	1

All the 15 sentences of transportation for life were passed in commutation of death sentences.

The terms of rigorous imprisonment awarded were as follows :—

				1889.	1890.
Not exceeding 6 months	...	...	...	4	11
" 2 years	...	...	...	13	19
" 7 "	...	...	...	20	36
Exceeding 7 "	...	...	...	...	3
			Total	37	69

B.—Appellate and Revisional Jurisdiction.

Appeals.

77. The institutions of appeals in the High Court for the past three years are compared below :—

		1888.	1889.	1890.
Comparison	From Presidency Magistrates ...	40	41	34
for 3 years.	„ Sessions Courts ...	580	549	531
	Total ...	620	590	565

The falling off in institutions has been steady since 1888.

Nature.

The appeals are distributed below according to their nature :—

	1888.	1889.	1890.
Appeals from persons under sentence of death ...	65	67	62
Do. viz., cases submitted under section 307 ...	10	19	20
Do. from other convicted persons...	535	494	469
Do. from judgments of acquittal ...	10	10	14
Total ...	620	590	565

Disposals.

Excluding the appeals under the first head as being disposed of along with the Referred Trials and those under the second head as not being appeals from any sentence actually passed, the appeals under the other two heads numbered 483. Including 103 appeals pending from the previous year, there were 586 for disposal, of which 493 were disposed of, as against 484 in 1889 and 521 in 1888.

The number pending at the close of the year was 88, as against 103 and 83 in the two previous years. The results of disposal were as follows :—

		Cases.		Percentage.		Results.	
		1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.		
Appeals from convictions...	{	Rejected summarily ...	99	103	20.45	21.69	
		Sentence confirmed ...	236	235	48.76	51.21	
		„ reduced ...	80	77	16.53	15.46	
		„ otherwise altered ...	3	4	0.62	0.80	
		„ reversed ...	47	33	9.71	6.63	
		New trial or further enquiry ordered.	10	10	2.07	2.01	
„ from acquittals ...	{	Confirmed ...	4	3	0.83	0.60	
		Reversed and {	conviction recorded.	3	2	0.62	0.40.
			new trial ordered ...	2	6	0.41	1.20
Total ...		484	493	100.00	100.00.		

78. The average duration of appeals was 51 days as against 43 in 1889 and 40 in 1888. Average duration

79. The number of accused persons concerned in the appeals received was 1,051. Excluding the 111 persons connected with the cases submitted under sections 307 and 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code, and including the 171 persons pending trial from the previous year, there were 1,111 for disposal, of whom 964 were dealt with and 147 awaited trial at the end of the year. The results compare as follows :—

		1889.	1890.	Results	
Appeals from convictions...	{	In cases summarily rejected ...	134	171	
		Confirmed ...	369	481	
		Varied ...	121	132	
		Reversed ...	158	65	
		New trial ordered ...	52	24	
Total ...		834	873		
" from acquittals ...	{	Confirmed ...	7	4	
		Reversed and conviction re- corded ...	4	5	
		New trial ordered ...	2	82	
		Total ...	13	91	
Grand total ...		847	964		

80. The following table shows the revision work received ;—

80. The following table shows the revision work received :—				1889.	1890.	Revision cases.
Under § 435, Cr. P. C., taken up	{ for revision of proceedings of }	Sessions Judges	...	32	59	
<i>suo motu</i>		District Magistrates	...	9	8	
		Other Magistrates	...	1	1	
„ § 438, „ reported by						
Sessions Judges	„	{ District Magistrates	...	1	...	
		{ Other Magistrates	...	66	54	
District Magistrates	„	Other Magistrates	...	206	201	
„ § 439, „ on application	„	{ Sessions Judges	...	77	67	
		{ District Magistrates	...	20	40	
		{ Other Magistrates	...	233	216	
Total...				645	646	

81. The particulars of disposal are given below :—

		disposed of.							Pending at the end of 1899.
		Pending from 1889.	For dis- posal.	Proceedings being			Enquiry ordered.	Total.	
				Quash- ed.	Varied.	Not inter- fered with.			
Under § 435, Cr. P. C.	...	5	73	8	17	43	1	69	4
" § 438, reported by Sessions Judges...	...	5	59	17	5	22	3	47	12
District Magistrates.	...	31	232	94	21	68	25	208	24
§ 439	...	50	373	32	15	256	8	311	62
Total		91	737	151	58	389	37	635	102
Compare 1889		71	716	164	46	362	53	625	91

On the whole, in 61 per cent. of the cases decided, the proceedings of the Courts below were not interfered with. In 53 per cent. of the cases reported by Sessions Judges and in 67 per cent. of those reported by District Magistrates, the proceedings were quashed or otherwise disturbed. The proportion of interference with lower Courts' orders in cases in which revision was sought for by parties was 18 per cent. as against 17 per cent. in 1889.

Results affecting different classes of Courts.

82. These results are given below according to the Courts whose orders were the subject of revision :—

	Quashed.	Varied.	Not interfered with.	Enquiry ordered.	Total.
Presidency Magistrates ...	3	3	26	1	33
Other Subordinate Magistrates ...	128	33	241	31	433
District Magistrates ...	7	...	24	4	35
Sessions Judges ...	13	22	98	1	134
Total ...	151	58	389	37	635
Compare 1889 ...	164	46	362	53	625

Persons concerned.

83. The number of persons concerned in the cases for revision was 1,918. Of these, 1,397 persons were dealt with as shown below and 521 were pending :—

	Persons.		Percentage.	
	1889.	1890.	1889.	1890.
Applications summarily rejected ...	420	445	29.8	31.9
Proceedings not interfered with ...	537	478	38.1	34.2
Sentence or order quashed or set aside ...	256	251	18.2	18.0
" varied { enhanced ...	9	25	0.6	1.8
{ reduced or altered ...	57	63	4.1	4.5
New trial or further enquiry ordered ...	130	135	9.2	9.6
Total ...	1,409	1,397	100.0	100.0

Petitions received and disposed of.

84. Including 3 miscellaneous petitions pending from 1889, there were 152 for disposal, of which 145 were disposed of leaving 7 pending at the close of the year.

Calendars of original trials and appeals supervised.

85. In the further exercise of its powers of superintendence and revision, the High Court received 911 Calendars of Sessions trials and 166 of trials by District Magistrates, 730 of appeals heard by Sessions Judges and 179 of appeals heard by District Magistrates, making a total of 1,986, as against 2,132 in the previous year. Including 239 Calendars pending at the close of 1889, there were 2,225 for disposal, of which, 1,956 were recorded on perusal and in 52, records of the lower Courts were called for. 217 Calendars were pending perusal at the end of the year.

Recapitulation of salient features in the business of Courts in 1890.

86. To recapitulate, the chief features of the year under review in the business done by Criminal Courts were (1) a continuance of the decrease in the number of cases received and disposed of by Village Magistrates, accompanied by a noteworthy increase in the total institutions and disposals of original work in all classes of regular Magistrates' Courts in the mufassal and in the total percentage of convictions: (2) an increase both in original and appellate work received and disposed of by the Sessions Courts and an improvement in the percentage of convictions: (3) a continued falling off in the number of cases received and disposed of by the Presidency Magistrates and a better discrimination in awarding fines: and (4) a striking increase in the number of Sessions cases filed in, and disposed of by, the High Court and a slight decrease in the number of appeals instituted accompanied by an increase in the number disposed of.

V.—Financial.

87. The receipts and charges of all Criminal Courts are given below :—

Receipts and charges.

	Rs.	Receipts.		Rs.	Charges.	
		1889.	1890.		1889.	1890.
Court fees ...	1,74,164	1,69,330		Salaries and contingencies	13,77,225	14,06,044
Fines ...	4,21,786	4,49,045		Refunds ...	45,727	43,375
Other items ...	21,049	24,645		Compensation.	20,055	20,055
Total Rupees.	6,16,999	6,43,020		Total Rupees.	14,43,007	14,69,474

The net result was a deficit of Rupees 8,26,454, as against Rupees 8,26,008 in 1889.

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,
APPELLATE SIDE,
MADRAS, 24th September 1891.

H. W. FOSTER,

Registrar.



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I.—Imperial Statements.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF CASES.						NUMBER OF PERSONS.				
	Number of Offences reported.	Complaints rejected under Sec. 203, Cr. P. C.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including those from previous years.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
UNDER THE INDIAN PENAL CODE.											
Offences against the State, Chap. VI...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chap. VII	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	
Offences against public tranquillity, " VIII	2,047	96	112	1,833	1,842	15,073	9,291	4,631	3	1,100	
Offences by or relating to public servants, " IX	143	23	1	119	114	229	133	80	...	11	
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chap. X	2,412	47	14	2,331	2,331	3,008	1,212	1,632	6	63	
False evidence and offences against public justice, " XI	1,052	38	22	932	978	1,576	826	619	1	130	
Offences relating to coin and Government stamps, " XII	133	6	4	123	121	151	75	70	...	6	
Offences relating to weights and measures, " XIII	187	9	1	177	177	212	58	149	...	5	
Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chap. XIV	7,432	50	45	7,337	7,395	9,934	2,220	7,627	1	86	
Offences relating to religion, Chap. XV	91	12	1	78	76	304	157	119	...	23	
Offences affecting life ...	799	27	55	717	719	1,249	754	406	5	84	
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and concealment of births ...	71	6	7	58	56	65	32	33	...	...	
Hurt ...	14,079	765	222	13,092	12,595	36,039	30,346	4,922	8	823	
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ...	2,340	371	69	1,900	1,896	5,456	4,800	598	...	153	
Criminal force and assault ...	32,725	2,257	1,003	29,460	25,352	64,637	57,635	6,456	7	679	
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labor	212	40	25	147	148	403	318	72	...	13	
Rape ...	82	16	7	53	56	75	61	11	...	3	
Unnatural offences ...	6	...	...	6	6	11	7	4	...	...	

Agencies against property, Chap. XVII.																			
Theft ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Extortion ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Robbery and dacoity ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal misappropriation of property ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of trust ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receiving stolen property ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cheating ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mischief ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal trespass ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chap. XVIII	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chap. XIX	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to marriage, Chap. XX	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Defamation, Chap. XXI	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chap. XXII	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total...										114,032	10,200	5,113	98,719	93,645	233,897	177,016	50,008	64	6,809
UNDER SPECIAL AND LOCAL LAWS.																			
Code of Criminal Procedure.																			
Security for keeping the peace (Sections 107, 108 and 119)																			
Security for good behaviour (Sections 109 and 110)																			
Other laws—relating to																			
Abkari, Acts III of 1861 and V of 1873																			
Arms and Ammunitions, Acts XXXI of 1869 and XI of 1878																			
Army, Act I of 1881																			
Boundary, Act XXVIII of 1860																			
Canal and Ferry, Act I of 1870																			

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL)—Concluded.

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF CASES.					NUMBER OF PRISONS.				
	Number of Offences reported.	Complaints rejected under Section 203, Cr. P. C.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including pend- ing from previous years.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1										
Cantonments, Act I of 1866	731	...	...	731	731	761	56	675	...	...
Cattle Disease Prevention, Act II of 1866	13	...	...	13	13	13	...	13	...	...
Cattle Trespass, Act I of 1871, and Pound, Act I of 1871	3,516	293	48	3,175	3,065	10,029	8,803	1,056	1	169
Christian Marriage, Act XV of 1872	3	...	...	3	3	3	2	1	...	...
Code of Civil Procedure, Act XIV of 1882	1	...	...	1	1	3	1	2	...	...
Coffee Stealing Prevention, Act VIII of 1878	37	...	...	37	37	49	11	37	...	1
Contract, Act XIII of 1859	3,586	194	57	3,335	3,004	5,205	4,057	1,103	1	44
Customs, Act VIII of 1878	9	...	...	9	9	17	8	9	...	...
Emigration, Act VII of 1871	32	...	...	32	32	69	11	59	...	...
Forest, Act V of 1882 (Madras)	3,501	12	10	3,479	3,421	8,740	3,503	4,837	10	390
Game and Fish, Act II of 1879	4	...	...	4	4	22	5	17	...	...
Hackney and Stage Carriages, Act III of 1879	2,074	...	...	2,074	2,074	2,074	122	1,932	...	...
Income Tax, Act II of 1896	6	...	...	6	6	6	2	4	...	...
Indian Companies, Act VI of 1882	8	...	...	8	8	15	4	11	...	...
Indian Explosives, Act IV of 1884	35	2	...	33	33	36	11	23	...	2
Indian Merchandise Marks, Act IV of 1889	2	...	...	2	2	3	...	3	...	...
Jails, Act V of 1869 (Madras)	34	...	3	31	33	33	14	24	...	...
Labour Contracts, Acts V 1866	3	...	...	3	3	17	1	16	...	...
Land Acquisition, Act X of 1870	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...

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Local Funds, Act IV of 1871	82	2	...	80	81	227	122	105	...	...
Lunatics, Act XXXVI of 1858	7	...	...	7	7	7	1	6	...	...
Merchants' Shipping, Act I of 1859 and VII of 1850	26	...	...	26	23	137	1	136	...	...
Municipalities, Acts III of 1871 and IV of 1884	19,311	180	31	19,100	19,095	19,397	10,142	9,198	1	56
Opium, Act I of 1878	169	5	...	164	164	191	53	125	1	41
Petroleum, Acts VIII of 1881 and VI of 1885	3	...	...	3	3	3	...	3	...	...
Police, Act XXIV of 1859	159	...	...	159	156	176	31	140	...	2
Police (Town), Act III of 1888 (Madras)	41,951	51	133	41,767	41,819	42,518	3,614	38,736	16	92
Ports, Act IV of 1842, XXII of 1855 and XII of 1875	10,536	7	55	19,474	19,346	23,475	520	22,949	...	6
Post Office, Act XIV of 1866	64	...	6	58	65	115	61	54	...	...
Printing Presses, Act XXV of 1867	11	2	...	9	9	13	10	3	...	...
Railways, Act IV of 1879	3	...	...	3	3	3	...	3	...	...
Receiving Soldiers' Necessaries, Act VII of 1879	763	2	8	763	750	949	156	784	1	8
Registration, Act III of 1877	2	...	...	2	2	2	...	2	...	...
Regulation of Police, Act V of 1861	38	...	...	38	38	79	11	60	...	8
Reat Recovery, Act VIII of 1865	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1
Salt, Act I of 1882 (Madras)	11,191	...	...	11,189	11,185	11,255	120	11,121	4	10
Stamp, Act I of 1879	209	1	3	205	204	218	21	183	1	13
Telegraph, Acts I of 1876 and XIII of 1885	4	...	...	4	4	5	3	2	...	...
Tolls, Act V of 1884	7	...	...	7	7	33	31	...	...	2
Treasure Trove, Act VI of 1878	14	...	...	14	14	34	6	24	...	4
Vagrancy, Act IX of 1874	2	...	...	2	2	2	1	1	...	...
Total	121,181	770	397	120,005	119,355	141,490	33,062	107,346	43	1,039
Grand Total	235,213	10,979	5,510	218,724	213,030	375,387	210,078	157,354	107	7,848

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DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCE.	NUMBER OF PERSONS ACCUSED AND BROUGHT BEFORE A MAGISTRATE.							Number actually brought to trial.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE											
	Remaining at the close of the previous year.	WITHIN THE YEAR.					Total.		Died, escaped or transferred to other Provinces.	BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AND OTHER FIRST CLASS MAGIS- TRATES.						BY COURTS OF SESSION.				
		On complaint, Sec. 191 (a), Cr. P. C.	On Police report, Sec. 191 (b) of the Code.	By Magistrate under Sec. 191 (c) of the Code.	On transfer from an- other Province.	Received by transfer under Sec. 451 B of the Code.				Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	To Court of Session.	To High Court.	Transferred by order under Sec. 451 B of the Code.	Total omitting entries in Cols. 10 and 15.	Received by transfer under Sec. 451 B of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharg- ed.	Transferred to High Court under Sec. 449 of the Code.	Total exclusive of Col. 17.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Offences affecting safety, chap. XIV....	1	...	1	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against the human body, Chap. XVI.	Hurt ...	2	14	7	...	23	...	23	...	10	13	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...
	Wrongful restraint.	...	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal force or assault.	...	9	...	...	2	11	...	11	...	1	10	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...
Offences against property, Chap. XVII.	Theft	...	...	2	...	1	3	...	3	1	2	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal misapprop- riation	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal breach of trust	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
	Cheating	...	1	1	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
	Mischief	...	5	...	...	5	...	5	...	1	4	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
	Criminal trespass...	...	4	...	...	1	5	...	5	...	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chap. XX....	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Defamation, Chap. XXI	...	1	...	...	...	2	3	...	3	...	1	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chap. XXII	...	12	...	...	1	13	...	13	...	6	7	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...
Offences under Special and Local Laws	...	10	8	...	1	19	...	10	...	9	9	1	...	...	19	...	1	...	...	1
Total	3	61	19	...	8	91	...	91	1	32	57	1	...	...	90	...	1	...	...	1

Part 2—(CRIMINAL).

Subjects in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

DISPOSED OF.												NUMBER OF CASES.														
By High Court.			TOTAL FOR ALL COURTS.																							
Convicted.	Acquitted.	Total.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Total.	Number of persons under trial at the close of the year.	Brought to trial.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court for an order under Sec. 455 of the Code.	Of those entered in Col. 5, number who applied under Sec. 2, Act. III of 1884, for transfer or committal of their cases.	Number of persons who applied to the High Court under Sec. 526 of the Code for transfer of their cases.														
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35		36											
...	...	...	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	10	13	23	...	15	15	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	1	10	11	...	11	11	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	1	2	3	...	3	3	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	1	4	5	...	5	5	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	...	5	5	...	2	2	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...														
...	...	...	1	2	3	...	3	3	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	6	7	13	...	9	9	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	10	9	19	...	18	18	...	...	...	...														
...	...	...	33	57	90	1	74	73	1	...	...	...														

SUBSIDIARY TABLE.											
Of the total number of persons shown in						Of cases shown in Col. 30.					
Col. 16.		Col. 21.		Cols. 21 & 24.		Disposed of by Magistrates		Disposed of by Sessions Judges			
Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 A (1) of the Code.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
5		64		...		...		1		...	
Number who did not so claim.											
Number of those in Column 35 (1) whose cases were transferred under Section 451 B of the Code.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Number who claimed a mixed number of assessors, Section 451 (3) of the Code.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Number who did not so claim.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Number who claimed to be tried by a mixed jury, Section 451 (1) of the Code.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Number who did not so claim.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Being European British Subjects.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Other than European British Subjects.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Being European British Subjects.											
(1)		(2)		(3)		(4)		(5)		(6)	
...		...		...		...		...		...	
Other than European British Subjects.											

JUDICIAL STATEMENT NO. 3.—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.		Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	Number of persons convicted.	Remarks.
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Proceedings against witnesses under Chaps. VI and XXXV ...	9	9	9	...	9	
2. Proceedings under Chap. VIII to prevent breach of the peace...	118	118	727	239	360	
3. Proceedings under Chap. VIII.—Security for good behaviour...	153	153	213	99	80	
4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chap. X ...	95	95	138	10	53	
5. Possession, Chap. XII ...	100	100	392	47	98	
6. Fivisions or vexatious complaints summarily dealt with under Chap. XX, Sec. 250 ...	480	480	501	6	495	
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chap. XXIII ...	27	27	27	7	19	
8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI ...	2,332	2,332	2,332	513	508	
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII ...	437	437	615	114	474	
Total...	3,771	3,771	4,954	1,095	2,181	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT NO. 4.—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the general result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals of various Classes in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

CLASS OF COURTS.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF.												Remarks.
	Total Number of Persons under trial.	CONVICTED.						Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses examined.		
		Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Discharged or acquitted.	On Regular Trial.		On Summary Trial.	Committed or referred.						
				3	4							5	
Village officers	18,220	...	7,923	9,918	...	...	339	11,514	...	...	...	...	
Special Magistrates under § 14, Cr. P. C.	6,715	3	2,045	4,551	2	24	80	5,137	4	5,823	...	...	
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Subordinate Magistrates.	281,890	98	183,034	86,224	1,220	3,812	7,452	130,982	7	313,942	...	...	
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	45,144	2	11,765	1,594	31,583	...	200	38,672	1	24,835	...	...	
Benches of Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347 & 349, Criminal Procedure Code	992	...	205	715	1	44	27	597	8	1,734	...	...	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	350	...	185	109	41	6	9	128	9	541	...	...	
Presidency Magistrates	41,852	...	11,626	87	20,025	92	21	35,599	...	17,838	...	...	
Courts of Session	2,480	4	1,152	1,133	...	112	49	1,035	27	9,105	...	...	
Original Jurisdiction	84	...	16	68	...	...	...	51	25	338	...	...	
Under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code	49	...	28	7	...	*5	9	16	...	...	...	...	
Superior Court.	73	...	13	53	...	...	7	60	...	...	...	...	
374, b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total...	397,868	107	218,042	104,459	62,973	4,125	8,252	223,701	...	374,156	...	...	

* In the case of these persons new trial was ordered.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5, PART 1.—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

PERSONS SENTENCED TO										DETAILS OF PUNISHMENT.													Number of boys whose sentences were committed to detention in a Reformatory School.					
IMPRISONMENT.					FINE.					IMPRISONMENT.								WHIPPING.										
Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Forfeiture of Property.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to find or give security for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.	Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.	Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of Fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of Fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	2 years and under.	7 years and under.		Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Village officers	...	...	...	...	9,918	...	...	...	...	...	4,273	121	...	...	...	...	8,969	7,227	150	111	125	...	...	...	3	...	...	
Spl. Magtes. under Sec. 14, Cr. P. C.	...	...	...	184	54	...	4,394	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Subordinate Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	15,476	1,625	...	72,029	895	396	47	62,429	8,979	406	121	4	488,423	3,76,940	17,246	4,559	11,766	814	9	...	250	401	184		
Bench of Magistrates	...	...	...	69	261	...	32,783	...	4	...	32,714	66	3	...	...	25,101	24,178	322	313	17	...	...	...	...	...	...		
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347 & 349, Cr. P. C.	...	...	...	674	20	...	81	71	7	...	10	51	8	5	1	4,712	1,409	179	4	192	495	3	...	2	22	47		
Chief Magistrates of Districts	...	...	...	45	9	...	95	...	9	...	82	9	3	1	...	1,290	891	5	12	33	7	...	...	...	...	...		
Presidency Magistrates	...	...	...	1,620	215	...	27,973	188	13	...	27,636	270	52	13	2	43,055	38,375	991	638	1,086	81	...	...	92	93	3		
Courts of Session	...	...	...	881	33	...	46	21	11	...	10	10	10	13	3	8,215	11,236	1,432	19	121	229	470	75	2	4	15		
Superior Court	...	...	...	62	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	2	10	15	33	3	...	...	...		
	Original Jurisdiction	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
	Under Section 307, Cr. P. C.	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
" 374, " 375, " 376	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Total	38	225	...	19,018	12,136	...	137,402	1,176	4440	47	127,161	9,506	569	156	10	...	5,79,775	4,60,256	50,325	5,678	13,360	1,647	520	78	346	563	240	22

* Of these, 2,821 persons were confined in stocks.

† Of these, 102 persons were ordered under § 106, Cr. P. C. to furnish sureties in addition to other punishments.

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APPENDIX.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 2.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864, in lieu of other Punishments in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED.	NUMBER OF STRIPES AWARDED.												Total.	Remarks.
	5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.			
	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Second or subse- quent Conviction.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
In lieu of other Punishments.														
(Sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864).														
1. Theft, as de- fined in	Sec. 378, I. P. C.	23	...	168	10	174	10	92	6	29	...	35	2	554
	Sec. 330, "	10	...	57	...	70	6	23	1	25	2	20	2	221
	Sec. 381, "	...	...	11	...	24	...	8	...	3	...	6	...	52
	Sec. 382, "	...	...	1	...	6	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	11
2. Extortion, as defined in	Sec. 338, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Sec. 389, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen pro- perty, as defined in	Sec. 411, "	...	...	1	...	3	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	6
	Sec. 412, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Lurking house-tres- pas, as defined in Section 413 ...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 414, ...	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	9
6. House-breaking, as de- fined in Section 415, ...	2	...	4	...	10	...	5	...	5	...	1	1	...	28
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 416, ...	1	...	18	...	16	1	15	...	7	...	5	...	...	63
8. Offences under Section 14, Act III, 1860	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9. Offence under Section. 30, Act I, 1860	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ..	41	...	265	10	309	18	149	7	73	2	69	5	...	947

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 3.

Showing Whippings inflicted, in addition to other Punishments, Sections 3 and 4, Act VI, 1864,
in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

OFFENCES FOR WHICH AWARDED.	NUMBER OF STRIPES.						Total.	Remarks.
	5 and under.	6 to 10.	11 to 15.	16 to 20.	21 to 25.	26 to 30.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>In addition to other Punishments.</i>								
Sections 3 and 4.								
A.—SECTION 3.								
1. Theft, as defined in { Section 378, I. P. C.	...	2	27	26	13	35	103	
Section 380, " "	...	3	6	12	7	22	50	
Section 381, " "	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	
Section 382, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2. Extortion, as defined in { Section 388,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 389, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in { Section 411,	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	2
Section 412, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443, " "	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444, " "	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	
6. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, " "	...	...	...	2	...	1	3	
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446, " "	...	2	3	6	2	10	23	
8. Offences under Section 14, Act III, 1860.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
B.—SECTION 4.								
1. False evidence, as defined in { Section 193, I. P. C.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 194, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 195, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in Sections 211 & 377, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Assault, as defined in Section 354, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
4. Rape, as defined in Section 375, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
5. Unnatural offence, as defined in Section 377, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6. Robbery, as defined in Section 390, " "	...	...	1	1	...	3	5	
7. Dacoity, as defined in Section 391, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
8. Attempt at robbery, as defined in Section 393, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
9. Hurt in committing robbery, as defined in Section 394, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in Section 413, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 457, " "	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Section 463, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 466, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 467, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 468, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 469, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
11. Forgery, as defined in { Section 457,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 463, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 466, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 467, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 468, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Section 469, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in Section 443, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
13. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in Section 444, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
14. House-breaking, as defined in Section 445, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
15. House-breaking by night, as defined in Section 446, " "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	7	39	48	24	74	192	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 4.

Showing Whippings inflicted under Section 5, Act VI, 1864, on Juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts 2 and 3, in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

STRIPES.														
OFFENCE.	5 & under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.	Remarks.
	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.	First Conviction.	Subsequent Conviction.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Under Section 147, I. P. Ct.	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	
" " 224 "	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 241 "	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 279 "	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 328 "	1	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	
" " 324 "	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 325 "	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 377 "	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 392 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	
" " 403 "	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	4	
" " 406 "	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
" " 408 "	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 426 "	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
" " 428 "	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
" " 454 "	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
" " 457 "	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	
" " 44 Act IV of 1879	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
" " Act V of 1879...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Total...	2	...	21	...	10	1	3	...	2	...	...	...	39	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5.

PART 5.

Showing relative number of times Whipping was awarded as compared with other Punishments in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1. Total number of whippings awarded.	1,178	
2. Total number of other punishments.	159,709	
Percentage of Whipping.	74	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6.—(CRIMINAL).
Statement showing the result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Province of Madras, in the year 1890.

TRIBUNALS.	NUMBER OF PERSONS.														Remarks.
	Total number of Appeals and Applicants for Revision before the Courts.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Appeals or Applications rejected.	Sentence or order confirmed.	Sentence enhanced.	Sentence reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentence reversed.	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further inquiry ordered.	Deferred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.	Average number of days during which each appeal lasted.	13	14	
1															
APPEALS.															
To Chief Magistrates of Districts*	13,123	2	645	6,560	...	922	4,046	10	160	...	778	25			
" Courts of Session ...	1,378	...	206	696	...	166	267	1	31	1	110	27			
" Superior Court† ...	1,010	1	170	461	...	132	65	...	24	...	137	55			
by persons convicted ...	101	...	...	4	...	...	5	...	82	...	10				
by Government from judgments of acquittal ...	15,612	3	1,021	7,641	...	1,220	4,383	11	297	1	1,035	...			
Total...															
REVISION.															
By Chief Magistrates of Districts	2,308	...	1,226	422	...	17	4	30	397	136	76	14			
" Courts of Session ...	1,304	...	564	394	...	2	8	43	91	94	118	33			
" Superior Court ...	1,018	...	445	478	25	63	...	261	135	...	521	...			
Total...	5,630	...	2,235	1,284	25	82	12	324	623	230	715	...			
Grand Total...	21,142	3	3,256	8,925	25	1,302	4,395	335	920	231	1,750	...			

* Or other Magistrates authorized to hear Appeals under Section 407, Cr. P. C.
† Persons concerned in cases under Sections 307 and 374, Cr. P. C. are excluded, as they are separately shown in Statement No. 4.
Note.—Persons in cases taken up for Revision of the Courts' own motion are also included.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13.—(CRIMINAL).
Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in Criminal Courts in the Provinces of Madras, in the year 1890.

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APPENDIX.

CLASSES OF COURTS IN WHICH JURORS OR ASSESSORS ARE EMPLOYED.	JURY TRIALS.													ASSESSORS' TRIALS.			Remarks.
	Established or Average Number of Jury or Assessors in each case, and prescribed qualifications.	Number of Cases tried by Jury.	Number of Cases tried with Assessors.	CASES IN WHICH THE JUDGE DID NOT APPROVE OF THE VERDICT.					NUMBER OF PERSONS, OF THE VERDICT IN RESPECT TO WHOM THE JUDGE DISAPPROVED.		Number of Cases in which Judge agreed with Assessors.	NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH JUDGE DIFFERED FROM					
				Wholly.	Partially.	Whose Cases he referred under Section 307, Cr. P. C.	Whose Cases he did not refer under Section 307, Cr. P. C.	One Assessor.	Both Assessors.								
										6		7	8	9	10	11	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13					
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code	5	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...				
Act III of 1884	5	2	...	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...				
Courts of Session { Jurors ... } { Assessors ... }	* 5	† 365	...	384	13	15	43	12	...	...	...	...	...				
High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction	* 2	...	† 610	...	...	...	...	...	416	62	121	...	...				
Total...	...	406	610	373	15	15	43	14	416	62	121	...	...				

* Qualifications as prescribed in Sections 319 and 320 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Act X of 1892).
† Includes 3 cases in which the verdict of the Jury was not taken as the prisoners pleaded guilty.
‡ Includes 11 cases in which the opinion of Assessors was not taken.

APPENDIX.
II.—Special Statements.

A.—Statement showing the number of offences of the different classes under as true in each District

DISTRICTS.	Against the State.		Relating to Army and Navy.		Against public tranquillity.		By or relating to public servants.		Contents of the lawful authority of public servants.		Falses evidence and offences against public justice.		Relating to coin and Government stamps.		Relating to weights and measures.		Affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.		Relating to religion.	
	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11										
Arcot (North) ...			62	81	4	4	168	165	41	39	7	7	2	2	141	139	4	4		
Do. (South) ...			33	32	18	18	139	139	58	56	6	6	3	3	348	347	7	7		
Anantapur ...			34	34	2	2	20	18	14	14	5	5	2	1	71	70	2	2		
Bellary ...			71	66	23	23	187	186	31	30	4	3	5	4	78	72	2	2		
Canara (South) ...			121	85	1	...	37	34	17	16	...	...	3	3	10	8	1	1		
Chingleput ...			54	51	...	...	39	34	26	25	5	5	2	2	466	463	7	7		
{ Coimbatore ...			200	181	8	2	91	91	45	44	7	7	3	3	140	138	1	1		
{ Nilgiris ...			5	4	...	...	3	3	2	2	1	1	...	...	17	17	...	...		
Cuddapah ...			102	90	8	8	134	133	39	35	13	8	2	2	218	215	6	6		
Ganjam ...			34	31	13	9	115	111	39	37	3	3	24	23	785	784	...	...		
Do. (Agency) ...			2	2	1	1	1	1	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1		
Godavari ...			159	146	8	6	177	175	59	56	4	4	7	6	381	373	7	7		
Do. (Agency) ...			3	3	1	1	7	7	10	10	...	...	2	2	22	21	...	...		
Kistna ...			57	54	5	5	148	139	51	50	9	9	4	3	631	622	7	6		
Kurnool ...			69	51	3	2	11	11	56	56	3	3	5	5	60	56	2	2		
Madura ...			325	287	6	3	123	122	85	76	11	10	14	12	1,803	1,787	5	4		
Malabar ...	1	1	98	92	3	3	170	162	95	91	6	5	5	5	145	129	8	4		
Nellore ...			40	39	4	2	133	129	35	32	3	2	4	2	150	143	...	...		
Salem ...			65	57	1	1	71	69	84	73	15	14	38	38	440	436	4	4		
Tanjore ...			120	110	6	5	177	170	97	93	6	6	4	4	564	557	9	6		
Tinnevely ...			193	167	1	...	202	200	56	55	9	9	5	5	165	165	9	8		
Trichinopoly ...			118	111	9	9	39	32	53	53	10	10	39	39	310	303	5	2		
Vizagapatam ...			45	43	10	7	67	67	22	22	1	1	2	2	442	437	2	2		
Do. (Agency) ...			9	9	2	2	11	11	6	6	2	2	1	1	6	6	...	...		
Madras ...			13	13	6	6	142	142	28	18	3	3	5	5	39	39	2	2		
Total ...	1	1	12,047	1,889	143	119	2,412	2,351	1,052	992	123	123	167	177	7,432	7,337	91	78		

the Indian Penal Code and the Special and Local Laws reported and returned during the year 1890.

Affecting human body.		Other offences.		Affecting property.		Relating to documents and to trade or property marks.		Criminal breach of contracts of service.		Relating to marriage.		Defamation.		Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.		Under Special and Local laws.		Total.	
Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.	Reported.	True.
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21										
38	38	2,537	2,455	2,316	2,055	11	9	1	1	43	33	56	42	344	319	3,811	3,779	9,556	9,177
37	32	2,523	2,400	2,374	1,943	34	31	2	2	76	71	57	22	404	376	4,344	4,289	10,464	9,774
15	15	696	653	650	613	5	5	2	2	5	5	6	5	85	82	1,218	1,211	2,832	2,737
35	29	1,038	1,037	1,095	886	4	3	...	...	26	24	12	12	110	110	7,156	7,122	9,932	9,609
28	27	973	876	782	574	7	4	2	1	20	13	18	16	56	48	2,250	2,218	4,856	3,924
22	21	1,841	1,793	1,558	1,422	6	6	...	...	27	25	39	29	279	270	5,132	5,118	9,483	9,271
52	50	1,764	1,651	1,826	1,716	18	14	1	1	34	30	18	13	53	40	2,708	2,638	7,045	6,675
2	2	304	297	189	185	...	...	3	3	5	5	6	6	77	74	1,777	1,759	2,401	2,358
54	48	1,839	1,700	1,737	1,163	6	5	1	1	43	37	12	11	207	201	1,425	1,416	5,846	5,079
26	23	1,323	1,272	2,615	2,294	6	4	1	1	57	52	15	14	147	140	2,832	2,818	8,041	7,616
10	6	88	37	130	127	...	...	...	...	7	7	...	...	5	5	17	17	215	207
41	39	4,193	4,059	3,338	2,878	17	13	5	4	54	51	55	42	284	247	3,927	3,905	12,696	12,011
3	2	96	89	133	121	...	...	...	...	7	6	2	2	10	10	162	162	458	436
37	32	2,371	2,093	1,984	1,712	18	17	...	...	23	22	22	19	174	161	5,723	5,659	11,264	10,603
36	34	1,144	1,064	915	711	1	...	...	...	8	8	4	4	102	99	731	728	3,150	2,834
50	40	2,620	2,493	3,310	2,390	23	27	3	3	53	49	12	12	66	63	6,782	6,765	15,296	14,143
54	50	4,866	4,268	4,486	3,120	20	16	1	1	33	18	13	11	213	165	8,399	8,167	18,616	16,308
24	22	2,132	1,957	1,324	1,075	4	3	1	1	16	15	20	20	355	339	3,002	2,976	7,247	6,762
56	45	1,867	1,692	2,147	1,597	6	5	2	2	69	53	23	15	186	151	6,371	6,334	11,445	10,686
44	43	3,185	2,527	3,216	1,978	23	16	...	...	85	53	52	28	130	106	7,782	7,696	15,500	13,998
44	36	1,533	1,356	1,821	1,443	14	10	1	1	26	19	4	4	27	21	2,847	2,826	6,957	6,355
19	18	1,403	1,041	1,496	1,170	6	3	2	2	39	30	14	14	62	54	5,197	4,935	8,821	7,881
31	29	2,193	2,076	1,711	1,339	9	7	1	1	140	117	40	34	102	86	4,772	4,738	9,590	9,018
32	27	322	279	1,147	922	1	1	...	...	74	51	1	1	11	9	314	311	1,939	1,638
9	9	5,597	5,527	1,911	1,667	17	13	3	3	84	81	167	145	465	333	32,472	32,368	41,963	40,374
799	717	49,515	44,722	44,271	35,101	261	212	32	30	1,054	880	668	521	3,934	3,519	121,181	120,005	235,213	218,724

B.—Statement showing the number of offences returned as true in each District and the ratio of grave offences to population in 1890.

DISTRICTS	Population.	Offences returned as true.			Ratio of grave offences to population.	Remarks.
		Under I. P. C.		Under Special and Local Laws.		
		Grave offences.	Others.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Arcot (North)	2,000,000	1,155	4,243	3,779	1 to 1,781	
Do. (South)	1,816,375	912	4,573	4,289	„ 1,991	
Anantapur	1,826,164	315	1,211	1,211	„ 1,593	
Bellary		517	1,970	7,122		
Canara (South)... ..	959,514	362	1,341	2,218	„ 2,650	
Chingleput	981,831	897	3,256	5,118	„ 1,094	
{ Coimbatore	1,657,600	934	3,053	2,638	„ 1,774	
{ Nilgiris	91,034	121	478	1,759	„ 752	
Cuddapah	1,121,038	652	3,011	1,416	„ 1,720	
Ganjam	1,503,301	1,256	3,542	2,818	„ 1,197	
Do. (Agency)	245,993	85	105	17	„ 2,894	
Godavari	1,780,613	1,402	6,704	3,905	„ 1,271	
Do. (Agency)	96,331	62	212	162	„ 1,553	
Kistna... ..	1,548,480	828	4,116	5,659	„ 1,570	
Kurnool	709,305	380	1,748	728	„ 1,970	
Madura	2,163,630	1,300	6,078	6,765	„ 1,638	
Malabar	2,354,234	1,067	6,474	8,167	„ 1,412	
Nellore	1,220,236	532	3,354	2,976	„ 2,293	
Salem	1,532,917	962	3,290	6,334	„ 1,655	
Tanjore	2,133,383	1,351	4,351	7,636	„ 1,576	
Tinnevely	1,699,747	803	2,726	2,826	„ 2,116	
Trichinopoly	1,215,033	855	2,041	4,935	„ 1,421	
Vizagapatam	1,790,468	636	3,644	4,738	„ 2,815	
Do. (Agency)	694,673	663	644	211	„ 1,017	
Madras	406,117	1,020	6,986	32,368	„ 398	
Total ..	31,109,707	19,667	79,052	120,005	„ 1,592	

C.—Statement showing the number of Persons concerned in the Cases disposed of under the Miscellaneous Provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code in each District in 1890.

DISTRICTS.	Proceedings against witnesses, Chaps. VI and XXXV.	Proceedings to prevent breach of the peace, Chapter VIII.	Security for good behaviour, Chapter VIII.	Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X.	Possession, Chapter XII.	Fraudulent or vexatious complaints, Chapter XX, Section 250.	Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, Section 332.	Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	Forfeiture of bail or recognition, Chapter XLII, Section 614.	Total.
	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.	Persons.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Arcot (North) ...	...	1	32	3	...	...	54	...	28	20
Do. (South) ...	...	...	...	1	...	1	6	...	73	30
Anantapur ...	...	1	...	...	7	3	...	...	7	5
Bellary ...	...	1	31	43	2	1	4	1	11	21
Canara (South) ...	...	...	40	...	...	7	3	...	14	13
Chingleput ...	...	...	7	14	1	5	19	...	62	4
Coimbatore ...	...	...	53	3	...	14	15	...	70	37
Nilgiris ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	5
Cuddapah ...	...	...	3	23	...	...	21	2	8	14
Ganjam ...	...	...	3	...	47	...	5	2	30	60
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Godavari ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	47	4	77	26
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1
Kistna ...	...	...	...	17	2	1	57	...	15	12
Kurnool ...	...	...	26	...	...	2	5	1	22	8
Madura ...	...	...	90	36	...	5	22	8	29	21
Malabar ...	...	1	51	13	1	4	108	3	99	69
Nellore ...	...	...	5	2	...	1	13	1	16	14
Salem ...	...	...	80	1	26	1	18	1	50	128
Tanjore ...	...	4	112	14	5	17	43	1	92	24
Tinnevely ...	...	...	146	7	7	13	5	1	21	29
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	6	...	...	5	32	1	45	29
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	3	9	1	15	1	166	28
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	4
Madras ...	...	...	13	...	...	...	9	...	1,343	10
Total...	9	698	180	107	82	501	27	2,286	613	4,421

D.—Statement showing the relative contribution of the several Districts of the Presidency to the aggregate number of Cases of the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			APPEALS.		Total of Cases and Appeals.	Percentage to Total.	Remarks.
	Before Village Magistrates' Courts.	Before Regular Courts.	Total.	To Magistrates' and Sessions Judges' Courts.	To High Court.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Malabar ...	413	17,052	17,465	678	50	18,232	9.36	
Madura ...	1,362	13,868	15,230	488	40	15,758	8.09	
Tanjore ...	1,298	12,959	14,257	494	56	14,807	7.60	
Godavari ...	702	11,718	12,420	811	16	12,747	6.55	
Do. (Agency)...	14	431	445	4	1	450	.23	
Salem ...	866	10,519	11,385	371	35	11,791	6.06	
Kistna ...	827	10,516	11,373	233	11	11,667	5.99	
Vizagapatam ...	381	9,041	9,422	260	11	9,693	4.98	
Do. (Agency)	38	1,635	1,673	44	4	1,721	.88	
Arcot (North) ...	1,338	9,195	10,533	244	17	10,794	5.54	
Bellary ...	64	9,644	9,708	267	33	10,008	5.14	
Arcot (South) ...	282	9,396	9,678	244	33	9,955	5.11	
Chingleput ...	459	9,226	9,685	198	33	9,916	5.09	
Trichinopoly ...	216	7,807	8,023	337	23	8,383	4.31	
Ganjam ...	487	7,625	8,112	189	13	8,314	4.27	
Do. (Agency)	...	210	210	5	1	216	.11	
Tinnevelly ...	1,391	6,307	7,688	596	54	8,338	4.23	
Coimbatore ...	620	6,563	7,183	270	28	7,481	3.84	
Nellore ...	357	6,280	6,637	165	13	6,815	3.50	
Cuddapah ...	139	4,649	4,788	198	22	5,008	2.57	
Canara (South) ...	126	3,984	4,110	128	7	4,245	2.18	
Kurnool ...	62	2,895	2,957	119	21	3,097	1.59	
Anantapur ...	72	2,639	2,761	123	...	2,884	1.48	
Nilgiris ...	25	2,385	2,410	17	...	2,427	1.25	
Total...	11,529	176,654	188,183	6,033	581	194,747	100.00	
*Average per District ...	549	8,412	8,961	287	25	9,273	...	
Madras ...	...	35,657	35,657	...	34	35,691	...	
Grand Total...	11,529	212,311	223,840	6,033	585	230,438	...	

E1.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Village Magistrates, for the year 1890.

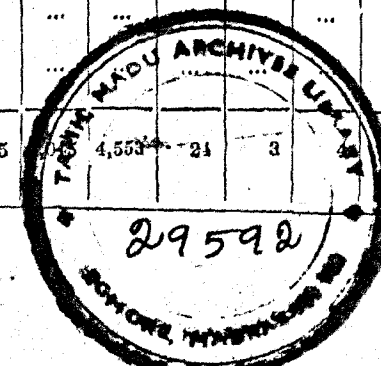
DISTRICTS.	Number of Village Magistrates actually trying Criminal Cases.	CASES.			PERSONS.				REMARKS.
		Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Discharged.	Convicted.	Pending.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Arcot (North) ...	596	1,338	1,334	12	1,757	689	1,051	17	
Do. (South) ...	232	282	231	1	425	108	315	2	
Anantapur ...	57	72	72	...	112	29	83	...	
Bellary ...	33	64	64	...	108	22	86	...	
Canara (South) ...	69	126	128	9	220	103	104	13	
Chingleput ...	289	459	460	...	664	48	616	...	
Coimbatore ...	449	620	615	5	811	147	653	11	
Nilgiris ...	8	25	25	...	34	5	29	...	
Cuddapah ...	121	139	138	1	180	9	170	1	
Ganjam ...	205	487	487	...	706	289	417	...	
Godavari ...	319	702	700	19	1,147	571	547	29	
Kistna ...	677	827	833	8	1,331	641	675	15	
Kurnool ...	50	62	62	...	89	13	76	...	
Madura ...	1,103	1,362	1,354	30	1,963	785	1,130	48	
Malabar ...	285	413	417	1	583	205	377	1	
Nellore ...	313	357	357	...	622	199	423	...	
Salem ...	341	866	870	7	1,353	614	714	25	
Tanjore ...	405	1,298	1,313	65	2,639	1,997	512	130	
Tinnevelly ...	630	1,381	1,363	49	2,387	969	1,335	83	
Trichinopoly ...	132	216	216	...	318	90	228	...	
Vizagapatam ...	140	381	374	8	699	363	324	12	
Ganjam (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Godavari (Do.) ...	8	14	13	1	19	4	14	1	
Vizagapatam. (Do.) ...	5	38	38	...	62	23	39	...	
Total ...	6,472	11,529	11,514	216	18,229	7,923	9,918	388	

E2.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Bench Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	1,581	1,578	...	1,952	688	1,264	...	...	...	...	64.75	1,174	1
Do. (South) ...	1,706	1,706	...	1,891	238	1,653	...	...	...	...	87.41	1,634	...
Anantapur ...	432	421	11	467	63	388	...	...	...	11	85.09	325	...
Bellary ...	5,147	5,129	12	5,267	715	4,540	...	...	...	12	86.39	555	...
Canara (South)...	504	504	...	720	361	359	...	...	...	...	49.86	410	...
Chingleput ...	3,047	3,047	2	3,617	1,060	2,549	...	...	...	8	70.63	3,119	...
Coimbatore ...	1,139	1,044	2	1,137	186	948	...	...	...	3	83.60	848	...
Nilgiris ...	188	188	...	297	179	118	...	...	...	...	39.73	85	...
Cuddapah ...	465	463	...	569	175	394	...	...	...	...	69.24	557	...
Ganjam ...	193	193	...	304	169	135	...	...	...	...	44.41	199	...
Godavari ...	2,721	2,722	22	3,471	1,292	2,148	...	1	...	30	62.44	2,844	...
Kistna ...	4,052	3,981	43	4,588	1,341	3,192	...	...	...	55	70.41	4,127	...
Kurnool ...	169	169	...	238	114	124	...	...	...	...	52.10	412	...
Madura ...	2,298	2,302	2	2,631	710	1,967	...	...	...	4	73.48	2,726	32
Malabar ...	431	429	2	717	490	225	...	...	...	2	31.47	580	...
Nellore ...	1,884	1,882	4	2,071	518	1,548	...	...	...	5	74.93	551	...
Salem ...	4,107	4,102	...	4,430	440	3,989	...	1	...	...	90.07	324	...
Tanjore ...	4,275	4,265	10	5,259	1,531	3,715	...	...	...	13	70.82	1,896	...
Tinnevely ...	1,466	1,437	30	1,632	380	1,222	...	...	...	30	76.23	939	...
Trichinopoly ...	2,265	2,268	3	2,515	505	2,007	...	...	...	3	79.90	1,049	13
Vizagapatam ...	852	842	7	1,321	605	692	...	...	...	24	53.35	921	...
Ganjam (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	38,922	3,8672	150	45,144	11,765	33,177	...	2	...	200	73.82	24,835	46

E3.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Special Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	419	421	...	460	36	424	...	...	...	...	92.17	320	...
Do. (South) ...	820	957	12	1,673	946	670	23	...	...	34	41.46	1,047	...
Anantapur ...	241	242	1	261	55	205	...	...	...	1	78.85	261	3
Bellary ...	555	556	9	565	41	515	...	...	4	5	92.69	274	...
Canara (South)...	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	100.00	3	...
Chingleput ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nilgiris ...	753	753	...	753	15	738	...	...	...	...	98.00	787	...
Cuddapah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam ...	85	82	5	139	67	72	...	...	...	...	51.80	158	...
Godavari ...	213	216	13	636	412	189	1	...	...	34	31.45	945	...
Kistna ...	254	258	1	303	76	226	...	...	...	1	74.83	354	...
Kurnool ...	39	39	...	43	3	40	...	...	...	...	93.02	47	...
Madura ...	307	307	...	307	36	271	...	...	...	...	88.27	327	...
Malabar ...	95	96	...	119	8	110	...	1	...	...	93.22	91	...
Nellore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tanjore ...	63	63	...	63	1	62	...	...	...	...	93.41	12	...
Tinnevely ...	179	164	9	397	301	86	...	1	...	9	22.22	328	...
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	1,006	982	2	995	48	944	...	1	...	2	95.16	869	...
Ganjam (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	5,030	5,137	52	6,715	4,553	2,161	3	...	...	86	69.00	5,823	3



E4.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrates (other than Joint, Assistant, Deputy and Cantonment Magistrates), for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	6,832	6,771	45	14,478	10,516	3,588	165	8	15	186	25.44	16,113	270
Do. (South) ...	6,509	6,807	106	15,359	10,830	4,080	149	...	25	275	27.36	18,577	...
Anantapur ...	1,925	1,863	82	4,718	3,363	1,000	107	5	16	227	22.92	5,691	408
Bellary ...	3,541	3,516	47	7,117	4,724	2,159	134	1	34	65	31.37	7,198	...
Canara (South) ...	3,346	3,306	61	6,404	3,940	2,241	82	3	34	194	36.26	6,785	14
Chingleput ...	5,281	5,259	94	11,463	7,229	3,855	102	5	12	260	34.78	12,047	333
Coimbatore ...	5,092	4,938	155	12,152	8,108	3,314	210	...	49	471	29.01	15,130	169
Nilgiris ...	981	963	14	1,432	896	577	2	...	2	15	39.17	1,257	4
Cuddapah ...	3,918	4,255	57	10,223	7,595	2,324	103	3	41	157	23.43	11,990	627
Ganjam ...	7,001	6,921	89	13,795	8,606	4,790	118	15	9	257	35.76	14,864	...
Godavari ...	8,528	8,456	263	21,884	16,652	4,234	114	13	20	801	20.46	22,938	140
Kistna ...	5,953	5,920	170	14,509	9,748	4,011	170	3	26	551	29.15	17,842	175
Kurnool ...	2,481	2,433	74	6,161	4,517	1,335	120	2	10	177	22.81	8,475	30
Madura ...	10,808	10,635	181	20,648	11,683	7,850	425	1	61	628	40.19	21,417	862
Malabar ...	15,935	15,631	179	27,369	16,071	10,587	239	4	31	437	39.71	25,972	191
Nellore ...	4,253	4,319	60	12,581	9,945	2,326	83	2	6	219	18.96	12,122	356
Salem ...	6,008	6,122	43	13,592	8,264	4,959	255	3	16	95	37.50	16,391	16
Tanjore ...	8,228	8,329	107	16,998	10,534	5,747	241	5	33	388	35.19	17,736	593
Tinnevelly ...	4,286	4,101	175	10,090	6,322	2,799	404	3	47	515	30.69	12,884	...
Trichinopoly ...	5,003	5,001	32	8,971	4,658	3,994	222	...	13	84	46.16	9,764	80
Vizagapatam ...	6,927	6,863	37	12,830	7,931	4,749	64	6	11	69	37.45	11,691	13
Ganjam (Agency) ...	197	209	...	659	397	247	15	...	...	...	38.35	1,016	17
Godavari (Do.)...	362	298	68	627	397	148	9	2	...	71	27.16	800	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	1,563	1,571	20	3,205	1,488	1,605	62	1	24	25	51.89	4,148	3
Total...	125,055	124,629	2,164	267,415	174,464	82,569	3,595	85	535	6,167	32.12	287,848	4,301

E5.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Deputy Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	71	87	5	202	116	67	5	...	...	14	36.61	308	...
Do. (South) ...	167	163	1	445	311	130	3	...	...	1	29.48	784	...
Anantapur ...	65	76	5	265	197	32	23	...	...	13	13.97	392	34
Bellary ...	220	215	3	372	209	150	3	...	2	8	41.78	857	...
Canara (South) ..	47	60	2	96	53	36	...	...	...	2	38.30	325	16
Chingleput ...	101	104	5	266	192	63	2	1	1	7	24.70	358	...
{ Coimbatore ...	137	157	2	375	234	135	3	1	...	2	36.59	842	86
{ Nilgiris ...	41	48	...	60	34	25	...	1	...	...	42.37	112	...
Cuddapah ...	86	92	9	177	106	58	1	...	8	4	35.97	469	...
Ganjam ...	182	224	16	548	321	188	1	...	5	33	36.94	557	3
Godavari ...	98	100	7	256	167	61	4	...	...	24	26.75	403	...
Kistna ...	115	116	7	218	84	96	1	...	2	35	53.33	530	...
Kurnool ...	119	103	10	334	217	89	...	1	3	24	29.08	709	8
Madura ...	136	138	12	467	304	133	4	1	5	20	30.43	825	...
Malabar ..	271	294	9	612	354	266	6	...	...	16	42.90	1,061	24
Nellore ...	44	43	1	135	98	23	...	...	...	9	22.22	233	38
Salem ..	159	171	5	458	234	166	6	...	3	49	41.50	1,150	28
Tanjore ...	127	130	8	477	269	160	26	1	1	20	37.30	800	25
Tinnevelly ...	156	151	11	360	213	92	29	...	...	26	30.16	1,117	...
Trichinopoly ...	235	237	22	658	347	232	1	...	3	75	40.07	1,173	101
Vizagapatam ...	155	160	2	268	144	121	...	...	...	3	45.66	488	6
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Bo.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	2,735	2,883	142	7,079	4,209	2,323	118	6	33	385	35.61	18,523	369

E6.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Assistant Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcoot (North) ...	158	175	4	320	176	135	...	...	...	9	43.40	445	59
Do. (South) ...	23	65	20	176	117	31	...	...	...	28	20.95	231	...
Anantapur ...	23	30	1	100	68	23	3	...	...	6	25.27	279	7
Bellary ...	93	85	11	162	94	56	...	...	...	12	37.33	414	...
Canara (South) ...	29	41	3	101	79	18	1	...	...	3	18.56	186	...
Chingleput ...	14	25	...	59	41	13	...	...	...	...	30.50	96	...
Coimbatore ...	51	89	2	241	135	93	7	...	...	6	40.73	433	...
Nilgiris ...	35	39	...	49	10	39	...	...	...	...	79.59	87	...
Cuddapah ...	36	37	1	132	86	44	1	...	...	1	33.85	225	15
Ganjam ...	62	61	8	186	122	32	3	...	1	28	20.78	287	...
Godavari ...	60	56	7	165	129	25	1	...	1	9	16.23	313	7
Kistna ...	47	83	1	227	157	59	1	1	...	9	27.31	297	...
Kurnool ...	54	44	8	155	87	55	5	...	...	8	38.73	313	...
Madura ...	78	127	9	445	282	123	18	...	16	6	30.37	656	...
Malabar ...	172	185	6	381	213	150	5	...	...	13	41.32	531	...
Nellore ...	24	26	...	87	63	15	8	1	...	...	19.23	159	...
Salem ...	33	32	3	86	30	35	8	...	6	7	53.85	139	...
Tanjore ...	60	71	3	141	103	33	1	...	1	3	24.26	299	...
Tinnevely ...	81	85	4	374	194	139	26	...	5	10	41.74	468	...
Trichinopoly ...	252	242	8	496	311	155	17	...	5	8	33.26	818	13
Vizagapatam ...	26	25	2	69	17	24	1	...	...	27	58.63	107	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	5	7	...	14	6	8	...	...	...	...	57.14	72	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	62	64	...	107	32	74	1	...	...	...	69.81	235	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	44	43	1	108	49	51	5	2	1	...	51.00	240	...
<i>Cantonments.</i>													
Chingleput ...	682	678	1	1,005	488	493	4	...	...	20	50.25	1,560	10
Nilgiris ...	333	335	...	335	14	321	...	...	...	...	95.82	369	...
Total...	2,547	2,760	103	5,721	3,103	2,249	116	4	36	213	42.02	9,259	111

E7.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Joint Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcoot (North) ...	89	115	...	202	93	101	8	...	...	...	52.06	442	...
Do. (South) ...	100	98	4	199	113	56	11	...	...	19	33.14	462	...
Anantapur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canara (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput ...	52	49	1	61	44	14	2	...	...	1	24.14	83	...
Coimbatore ...	81	95	3	297	160	124	5	1	1	6	43.66	587	14
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	105	113	1	214	134	77	...	...	3	...	36.49	604	8
Ganjam ...	41	41	3	59	33	20	1	...	...	5	37.74	156	...
Godavari ...	44	39	8	112	65	27	6	...	...	11	29.35	323	5
Kistna ...	83	79	7	140	84	49	...	...	...	7	36.84	173	...
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura ...	143	141	4	333	211	89	4	2	1	26	29.67	490	...
Malabar ...	88	90	3	197	71	122	1	...	3	...	63.21	489	...
Nellore ...	36	49	2	97	40	41	2	...	...	2	47.31	226	...
Salem ...	56	54	3	175	99	71	...	...	1	4	41.76	199	...
Tanjore ...	119	139	4	279	141	119	3	...	...	16	45.77	280	...
Tinnevely ...	57	52	1	147	73	64	9	...	...	1	46.71	300	...
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	48	46	...	129	109	18	2	...	...	...	14.17	175	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	1	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	100.00	...	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	3	2	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	4	5	...	6	1	4	1	...	...	...	80.00	24	...
Total...	1,152	1,208	44	2,656	1,483	1,005	55	3	9	101	40.39	5,030	27

E8.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of District Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South) ...	2	8	1	24	23	...	...	...	...	1	...	34	...
Anantapur ...	3	3	...	12	10	2	...	...	...	...	16.67	10	1
Bellary ...	25	26	...	94	21	71	2	...	...	...	77.17	196	...
Canara (South) ...	33	34	2	102	74	22	...	...	4	2	22.92	115	...
Chingleput ...	10	8	1	18	14	3	...	...	1	...	17.65	31	...
{ Coimbatore ...	6	4	...	6	5	1	...	...	...	...	16.67	22	...
{ Nilgiris ...	52	18	...	19	5	14	...	...	...	...	73.68	18	...
Cuddapah ...	...	1	...	13	4	9	...	...	...	...	69.23	21	...
Ganjam ...	9	9	...	27	8	19	...	...	...	...	70.37	41	...
Godavari ...	4	3	1	5	1	1	2	...	...	1	50.00	8	...
Kistna ...	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	100.00	...	...
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura ...	1	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	9	...
Malabar ...	4	4	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...
Nellore ...	1	1	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem ...	5	2	...	4	...	2	2	...	...	...	100.00	...	...
Tanjore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tinnevely ...	2	2	...	5	2	3	...	...	...	...	60.00	11	...
Trichinopoly ...	8	6	...	12	2	9	1	...	...	...	81.81	18	...
Vizagapatam ...	6	5	...	8	6	2	...	...	...	...	25.00	13	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	173	137	5	301	185	159	8	...	5	4	46.22	557	1

E9.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the number of Cases and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the results of trial, in the Courts of Session, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.			PERSONS.								NUMBER OF WITNESSES.	
	Received by commitment or on reference.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	DISPOSED OF.				PENDING.		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in Cols. 6 and 7.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North) ...	41	42	...	77	34	37	6	...	...	...	52.11	434	237
Do. (South) ...	69	66	6	215	92	100	4	...	15	4	52.08	624	270
Bellary ...	53	60	...	133	77	57	3	1	...	...	42.54	494	231
Canara (South) ...	24	26	...	73	41	31	1	...	...	...	43.06	294	100
Chingleput ...	39	39	...	117	63	37	17	...	...	...	37.00	375	187
{ Coimbatore ...	57	53	...	134	77	50	6	1	...	...	39.37	548	245
{ Nilgiris ...	2	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	100.00	13	...
Cuddapah ...	39	39	1	67	35	20	11	...	1	...	30.36	362	164
Ganjam ...	49	50	1	93	40	51	1	...	1	...	56.04	319	63
Godavari ...	50	50	...	101	64	30	6	1	...	...	31.91	449	242
Kistna ...	39	39	...	73	33	32	8	...	...	...	49.23	457	152
Kurnool ...	33	33	...	73	37	31	5	...	...	...	45.59	387	252
Madura ...	97	96	5	272	151	107	9	...	5	...	41.47	855	527
Malabar (North) ...	30	27	...	50	23	28	1	...	...	...	53.06	210	37
Do. (South) ...	56	56	3	99	24	68	4	...	3	...	73.91	467	140
Nellore ...	38	38	1	66	30	28	7	...	1	...	48.28	373	111
Salem ...	56	59	...	156	85	65	6	...	...	...	43.33	496	140
Tanjore ...	87	88	1	203	89	113	...	...	...	1	55.94	539	357
Tinnevely ...	80	75	5	293	116	159	12	1	6	...	58.03	766	573
Trichinopoly ...	39	35	7	77	38	26	2	...	11	...	40.63	268	88
Vizagapatam ...	21	22	...	31	16	15	...	...	...	...	48.39	136	...
Ganjam (Agency) ...	8	8	...	11	1	10	...	...	...	...	90.90	52	...
Godavari (Do.) ...	4	4	...	12	4	7	1	...	...	...	63.64	40	10
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	24	23	1	47	13	31	2	...	1	...	70.45	97	43
Total...	1,040	1,035	31	2,450	1,182	1,133	112	4	44	5	48.94	9,105	4,272

F.—Statement showing, by Districts, the results of trial by Jury and with Assessors in the Courts of Session, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	Established or average number of jurors or assessors in each case.			Prescribed qualifications.			No. of cases tried by Jury.			No. of cases tried with Assessors.			In which the Court approved of the verdict.			No. of Cases tried.			No. of Persons of the verdict in respect to whom the Court disapproved.			No. of Cases in which the Court agreed with Assessors.			ASSESSORS' TRIALS.			Remarks.							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20															
	As described in Sections 219 & 220, Code of Criminal Procedure.			Total.			Total.			Total.			Total.			Total.			Total.			Total.			Total.										
Arcoot (North)	5	Jura. & 2 Assess.	...	19	21	17	1	1	2	19	2	2	2	11	3	...	10	10	21	...	...	11	3	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Do. (South)	...	Do.	...	22	34	22	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	34	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Bellary	...	Do.	...	14	46	14	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	38	...	...	...	...	46	...	...	38	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Canara (South)	...	Do.	...	7	19	7	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Chingleput	...	Do. & 3 Assess.	...	21	11	16	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Coimbatore	...	Do. & 2 Assess.	...	12	46	10	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	46	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Nilgiris	...	Do.	...	1	34	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	34	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Cuddapah	...	Do.	...	6	29	8	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Ganjam	...	Do. & 2 Assess.	...	13	8	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Godavari	...	Do.	...	15	23	14	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Do. (Agency)	...	Do.	...	13	26	4	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Kistna	...	5 Jura. & 2 Assess.	...	8	25	8	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Kurnool	...	Do.	...	40	54	37	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	54	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Madura	...	Do.	...	19	35	20	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	35	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Malabar (North)	...	Do.	...	21	24	11	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Do. (South)	...	Do.	...	13	32	21	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	32	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Nellore	...	Do.	...	27	38	45	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	38	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Salem	...	Do.	...	41	30	38	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	30	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Tanjore	...	Do.	...	21	11	20	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Tinnevely	...	Do.	...	3	18	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Trichinopoly	...	Do.	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Vizagapatam	...	Do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Do. (Agency)	...	2 Assess.	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							
Total...	...	...	...	365	610	334	13	15	28	382	43	12	55	416	62	1	120	163	509	...	...	416	62	1	120	163	509	...							

GI.—Statement comparing, by Districts, the number of Appeals and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the mode of disposal, in the Courts of Magistrates, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	APPEALS.						PERSONS.									
	District Ma- gistrates.			Other 1st Class Magis- trates.			Number in respect of whom appealable sentences or orders were passed by 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates.	Number appealing.	Disposed of.							
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.			Sentence or order			New trial ordered.	Referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to an- other Province	Pending.	
									Confirmed.	Reduced or other- wise modified.	Reversed or pro- ceedings quashed.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
Arcot (North) ...	1	1	...	226	227	6	5,312	423	243	49	118	...	...	1	21	
Do. (South) ...	39	30	8	153	176	24	6,445	595	263	18	248	1	...	...	80	
Anantapur ...	1	1	...	122	123	2	1,593	236	104	38	87	7	...	...	5	
Bellary ...	12	13	...	171	157	18	7,100	285	172	34	81	1	...	...	25	
Canara (South) ...	52	65	2	66	56	6	2,606	292	119	39	136	3	...	...	22	
Chingleput ...	12	12	...	160	157	16	6,433	519	303	9	239	3	...	...	30	
Coimbatore ...	6	5	...	235	232	16	4,274	739	430	31	273	11	...	...	47	
Nilgiris ...	16	10	1	...	...	...	1,615	37	7	1	23	...	...	...	1	
Cuddapah ...	9	4	2	162	169	11	2,718	432	217	50	117	26	...	...	33	
Ganjam ...	5	7	...	165	154	14	4,967	333	139	28	130	7	...	...	35	
Godavari ...	...	...	...	205	311	22	6,611	793	453	51	309	2	...	...	51	
Kistna ...	3	3	...	271	275	17	7,407	678	363	62	216	...	...	...	71	
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	101	100	8	1,409	278	142	43	85	1	...	...	20	
Madura ...	...	...	...	425	438	35	10,111	1,137	745	69	352	35	...	...	85	
Malabar ...	4	5	...	509	579	29	10,849	1,200	736	139	269	17	...	...	59	
Nellore ...	2	2	1	148	150	10	3,865	437	196	20	203	10	...	...	35	
Salem ...	5	4	...	312	310	5	8,065	669	399	53	206	3	...	...	13	
Tanjore ...	8	6	1	411	420	9	9,524	991	739	39	245	1	...	1	19	
Tinnevely ...	10	11	...	491	487	23	4,107	1,218	720	52	463	31	...	...	33	
Trichinopoly ...	10	8	2	282	294	9	6,207	589	390	24	147	...	...	...	59	
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	227	213	19	6,384	442	281	62	88	1	...	...	19	
Ganjam (Agency) ...	...	...	...	3	3	...	247	13	10	...	3	...	...	...	...	
Godavari (Do.) ...	1	1	...	3	4	1	148	7	3	...	4	...	...	...	2	
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	...	...	...	31	32	2	1,605	59	21	11	14	...	...	...	13	
Total...	196	188	17	5,092	5,057	302	120,622	12,402	7,205	922	4,056	160	...	2	778	

G2.—Statement comparing, by Districts, the number of Appeals and Persons received, disposed of and pending and the mode of disposal, in the Courts of Session, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	APPEALS.			PERSONS.										
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Number in respect of whom appealable sentences or orders were passed by 1st Class Magistrates.	Number appealing.	DISPOSED OF.								Pending.
						Confirmed.	Reduced or otherwise modified.	Reversed or proceedings quashed.	New trial ordered.	Referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.			
												Sentence or order		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
Arcot (North) ...	17	17	3	215	26	11	4	10	...	...	...	4		
Do. (South) ...	22	22	...	61	32	27	1	4	...	...	...	...		
Bellary ...	84	82	4	225	131	51	32	45	13	...	...	6		
Canara (South) ...	10	9	1	35	17	13	...	3	...	...	...	1		
Chingleput ...	26	23	3	72	26	12	9	2	...	...	...	3		
{ Coimbatore ...	29	27	3	202	101	48	11	10	...	...	...	33		
{ Nilgiris ...	1	1	...	67	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Cuddapah ...	27	26	3	126	43	31	4	6	...	...	...	8		
Ganjam ...	19	18	2	129	28	12	1	13	1	...	...	2		
Godavari ...	16	11	6	78	17	5	4	3	...	...	...	6		
Kistna ...	9	13	...	104	15	17	1	2	...	...	...	...		
Kurnool ...	18	22	1	82	21	21	3	8	...	...	...	1		
Madura ...	63	66	5	241	95	63	7	22	2	...	...	9		
Malabar (North) ...	26	27	...	320	{ 53	40	1	4	...	...	...	...		
Do. (South) ...	49	53	...			{ 66	67	20	15	...	...	...	...	
Nellore ...	15	6	7	54	27	14	3	3	...	...	...	7		
Salem ...	54	50	6	162	74	43	10	21	...	...	...	7		
Tanjore ...	75	77	...	199	183	120	43	21	...	1	...	...		
Tinnevelly ...	95	16	8	274	170	133	3	36	...	...	...	12		
Trichinopoly ...	45	40	6	122	60	32	5	12	15	...	...	8		
Vizagapatam ...	33	32	2	84	47	26	1	19	...	...	...	2		
Ganjam (Agency) ...	2	2	...	14	6	5	...	1	...	...	...	...		
Godavari (Do.)...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	10	9	1	50	13	1	3	8	...	...	...	1		
Total...	745	731	61	2,911	1,285	802	166	263	31	1	...	110		

H.—Statement showing, by Districts, the number of Revision Cases received, disposed of and pending and the Persons concerned therein, with their results, in the Courts of District Magistrates and Courts of Session, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	DISTRICT MAGISTRATES' COURTS.						COURTS OF SESSION.					
	CASES.			PERSONS.			CASES.			PERSONS.		
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.
Arcot (North)	47	47	...	62	40	...	27	11	...	14	8	...
Do. (South)	41	44	...	152	117	...	52	13	...	52	12	...
Anantapur	19	18	1	53	48	...	47	16	...	47	22	...
Bellary	12	12	...	38	14	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Canara (South)	14	14	...	70	34	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Chingleput	37	37	...	113	102	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore	86	92	...	256	249	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nilgiris	10	12	...	15	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	25	20	4	30	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari	34	39	...	61	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kistna	18	18	...	18	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kurnool	...	45	...	...	91	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura	45	56	...	141	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malabar (North)	...	...	...	58	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South)	...	...	...	115	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nellore	67	61	...	51	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem	26	29	...	402	380	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tanjore	97	91	10	203	201	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tinnevely	58	59	1	164	122	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trichinopoly	46	46	...	44	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	15	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	756	755	29	2,226	1,648	...	367	373	34	948	144	118

I.—Statement showing, by Districts, the number and result of Appeals to the High Court, for the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.										PERSONS.					
	In cases summarily rejected.	CONVICTION.			ACQUITTAL.			VERDICT OF JURY.			CONVICTION.			ACQUITTAL.		
		Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed, &c., as regards some appellants.	Confirmed.	Upheld.	Modified.	Set aside.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed.	Reversed and new trial ordered.
1	2	69	83	10	13	3	255	108	2	1	2	13	10	13	3	2
Arcoot (North)	7	21	14	4	1	1	21	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Do. (South)	21	14	4	1	1	1	21	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bellary	21	14	4	1	1	1	21	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Canara (South)	14	4	1	1	1	1	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chingleput	14	4	1	1	1	1	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Coimbatore	8	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nilgiris	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cuddapah	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ganjam	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Do. (Agency)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Godavari	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Do. (Agency)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Kistna	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Kurnool	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Madura	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Malabar (North)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Do. (South)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Nellore	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Salem	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Tanjore	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Tianevelly	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Trichinopoly	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Vizagapatam	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Do. (Agency)	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Madras	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Total	108	255	69	83	10	13	255	108	2	1	2	13	10	13	3	2
Total	108	255	69	83	10	13	255	108	2	1	2	13	10	13	3	2

J.—Statement exhibiting, by Districts, the mode of disposal of the sentences of death referred for confirmation under Section 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code, in the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	CASES.							PERSONS.						
	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed and acquitted ordered.	Confirmed, &c., as regards some of the appellants.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.	Confirmed.	Commuted to transportation.	Commuted to rigorous imprisonment.	Reversed and acquitted ordered.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.	Confirmed.	Commuted to transportation.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Arcoot (North)	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1
Do. (South)	1	...	1	...	...	2	1	...	...	2	...	3	1	...
Bellary	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1
Canara (South)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore	3	1	...	...	...	4	3	...	1	...	...	4	3	...
Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	5	...	4	...	...	9	5	...	...	6	...	11	5	...
Ganjam	2	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2	2	...
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1
Do. (Agency)	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
Kistna	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Kurnool	3	2	...	...	...	5	3	2	...	...	...	5	3	2
Madura	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1
Malabar (North)	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Do. (South)	3	...	1	...	...	4	3	...	...	1	...	4	3	...
Nellore	2	2	1	...	...	5	2	2	...	1	...	5	2	2
Salem	3	3	1	1	...	8	4	4	...	2	...	10	4	4
Tanjore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tianevelly	3	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	3	3	...
Trichinopoly	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...
Vizagapatam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (Agency)	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	2	1	1
Total	35	15	9	1	...	60	37	15	1	13	...	66	37	15

K.—Statement showing, by Districts, the results of Cases referred under Section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, by Sessions Judges and District Magistrates, in the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	REPORTED BY SESSIONS JUDGES.					REPORTED BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATES.					Remarks.
	Quashed.	New trial or enquiry ordered.	Modified.	Not interfered with.	Total disposed of.	Quashed.	New trial or enquiry ordered.	Modified.	Not interfered with.	Total disposed of.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Arcot (North) ...	...	...	1	1	2	15	2	2	6	25	
Do. (South) ...	1	...	1	...	2	6	3	...	1	10	
Anantapur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	6	
Bellary ...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	9	14	
Canara (South)...	...	...	...	2	2	5	1	...	6	12	
Chingleput ...	2	...	...	...	2	4	1	2	1	8	
Coimbatore ...	...	1	...	1	2	2	3	3	1	9	
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	3	
Cuddapah ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	6	
Ganjam ...	1	...	...	...	1	5	2	...	4	11	
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	4	
Godavari ...	1	...	...	9	10	11	1	2	1	15	
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Kistna... ..	4	...	...	...	4	4	...	2	3	9	
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	3	5	
Madura ...	3	...	...	1	4	1	1	...	...	2	
Malabar (North)	...	...	...	...	...	9	1	3	5	18	
Do. (South)...	2	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	
Nellore ...	1	...	...	2	3	...	1	...	1	2	
Salem ...	1	1	1	...	3	9	2	1	4	16	
Tanjore ...	...	...	1	1	2	7	...	...	4	11	
Tinnevely ...	...	1	...	1	2	2	2	2	4	10	
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	1	1	2	...	1	1	1	3	
Vizagapatam ...	1	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	3	6	
Do. (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	
Madras ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Total...	17	3	5	22	47	94	25	21	68	208	

L.—Statement showing the amount of fines imposed in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction, the amount realized, and the amount paid as compensation, in the year 1890.

DISTRICTS.	COURTS OF MAGISTRATES.			COURTS OF SESSION.		
	Imposed.	Realized.	Paid as compensation.	Imposed.	Realized.	Paid as compensation.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Arcot (North) ...	18,803	16,375	1,007	400	...	...
Do. (South) ...	25,006	19,915	846	1,150	334	...
Anantapur ...	7,518	6,244	302	...	...	...
Bellary ...	12,106	10,338	132	400	30	...
Canara (South)...	16,252	13,103	846	300	300	...
Chingleput ...	18,163	14,666	584	...	...	...
Coimbatore ...	27,635	21,712	636	20	240	220
Nilgiris ...	3,483	3,250	162	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	21,249	15,531	403	...	...	...
Ganjam ...	30,465	13,823	973	400	187	87
Godavari ...	28,863	24,496	1,662	84	84	150
Kistna... ..	35,022	29,114	1,517	...	...	...
Kurnool ...	13,918	10,926	279	2,200	...	...
Madura ...	40,644	33,532	515	2,150	1,750	...
Malabar ...	84,076	49,625	1,484	920	862	...
Nellore ...	11,526	11,045	673	200	200	200
Salem ...	27,548	24,317	773	...	422	...
Tanjore ...	23,303	22,678	1,046	89	1,045	775
Tinnevely ...	21,652	18,543	854	2	2	...
Trichinopoly ...	23,217	22,664	1,143	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	29,536	23,504	853	...	5,780	...
Ganjam (Agency)	2,357	850	104	...	...	...
Godavari (Do.)...	2,013	1,623	781	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.)	4,112	2,732	327	...	...	...
Madras ...	43,055	38,375	991	10	...	...
Total...	5,71,550	* 4,49,029	18,893	8,225	* 11,236	1,432

* These include also the amounts realized out of the fines imposed during the previous years.

M.—Statement showing, by Districts, the Judicial receipts and charges of Criminal Courts for 1890.

DISTRICTS.	RECEIPTS.				CHARGES.			
	Court Fees.	Fines.	Others.	Total.	Salaries and contingencies.	Refunds.	Compensation.	Total.
Arco (North) ...	10,028	16,300	671	27,089	52,978	1,049	1,007	55,034
Do. (South) ...	10,115	20,249	247	30,611	56,299	2,061	846	59,209
Anantapur ...	2,399	5,857	470	8,726	26,380	1,057	302	27,739
Bellary ...	4,801	10,558	2,992	18,351	73,494	460	132	74,086
Canara (South) ...	5,367	13,356	182	18,905	47,363	2,742	1,035	51,140
Chingleput ...	6,869	14,606	268	21,303	63,210	1,528	584	65,322
Coimbatore ...	7,340	21,929	199	29,468	66,604	3,184	636	70,424
Nilgiris ...	1,801	3,160	200	4,661	14,444	163	252	14,859
Cuddapah ...	6,501	15,562	513	22,576	60,041	2,171	390	62,602
Ganjam ...	3,874	12,748	805	17,427	47,321	1,440	1,045	49,806
Godavari ...	15,453	24,611	2,029	42,093	59,107	2,231	1,662	63,000
Kistna ...	9,132	29,114	684	38,930	60,733	3,769	1,517	66,019
Kurnool ...	4,275	10,980	214	15,419	48,343	1,327	279	49,949
Madura ...	14,638	32,475	926	48,039	70,520	4,636	398	75,554
Malabar ...	12,785	50,497	941	64,223	1,04,610	3,449	1,483	1,09,512
Nellore ...	7,645	10,676	916	19,237	37,174	1,146	871	39,191
Salem ...	6,952	24,347	255	31,554	63,059	1,415	804	65,278
Tanjore ...	10,901	23,743	624	35,268	62,777	2,309	1,821	66,907
Tinnevely ...	10,045	18,548	377	28,970	79,565	2,014	854	82,433
Trichinopoly ...	6,283	22,711	306	29,300	45,324	983	1,143	47,450
Vizagapatam ...	7,830	23,504	445	31,779	44,595	878	853	46,326
Ganjam (Agency) ...	77	795	...	872	17,168	...	42	17,208
Godavari (do.) ...	517	1,623	13	2,153	6,070	...	781	6,851
Vizagapatam (do.) ...	1,294	2,621	537	4,452	21,616	500	327	22,443
Total...	1,65,982	4,10,670	14,894	5,91,546	12,23,793	40,545	19,064	12,83,402
Presidency Magistrates' Courts...	2,025	38,375	9,751	50,151	48,900	2,530	991	52,721
High Court...	1,323	...	...	1,323	1,28,351	...	...	1,28,351
Total...	3,348	38,375	9,751	51,474	1,77,251	2,830	991	1,81,072
Grand Total...	1,69,330	4,49,045	24,645	6,43,020	14,06,044	43,375	20,055	14,69,474

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27TH OCTOBER 1891, No. 2217, JUDICIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From the Registrar, High Court, dated 24th September and 1st October 1891,
Nos. 2348 and 2402, respectively.

ORDER—dated 27th October 1891, No. 2217, Judicial.

The Criminal Justice Report for 1890 was due on the 15th August, but was not received until the 26th September. It is hoped that the High Court will be able to avoid such delay in future. The difficulty experienced in ensuring punctuality in the case of this report is doubtless to be ascribed to some extent to the intervention of the recess, but arrangements could probably be hereafter made for carrying on the tabulation of the statistics during that period, and this would ensure greater punctuality.

2. That portion of the report which deals with the condition of crime needs but brief notice, as its main features have already been dealt with in the review of the Police Administration Report. That report mainly dealt, however, with cognizable crime, and therefore omitted more or less reference to the large advance in non-cognizable offences under special and local laws which forms one of the principal distinctions between the year under review and its predecessor. The increase in all classes of offences, cognizable and non-cognizable, amounted to no fewer than 5,893 cases, and, so far as this denotes merely greater activity in the suppression of nuisances, it is not a matter for regret. An unusually large number of cases was contributed by the Salem Municipality, wherein the most vigorous action appears to have been taken with a view to improving the condition of the town. In paragraph 24 of the report, the Honorable the Judges comment unfavorably upon the declining proportion of convictions under special and local laws, observing that the figures seem to point to unnecessarily vexatious working of those laws by officials. The Government is not, however, disposed to adopt without reservation the High Court's view on the subject. The figures which the High Court quotes relate, not only to laws worked by public servants, but to offences falling under such enactments as the Cattle Trespass and Contract Acts, and it would seem fairer to confine attention to the cognizable crime under this class of laws. If this be done, the percentage of arrested persons who were convicted was as shown below:—

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Special and local laws	90.9	92.8	94.2	94.5	93.8
Nuisances	91.7	91.3	90.5	92.1	89.8

These figures give no reason to suppose that prosecutions are being instituted with less discrimination than formerly.

3. The fourth part of the report deals with the business done in the courts, of which there were 7,228 at work as against 7,911 in 1889. The total number of original cases amounted to 223,840 and of appeals to 6,598. Of these figures, more than a quarter was contributed by the three districts of Malabar, Madura and Tanjore. The original work was distributed among the various classes of courts in the proportions shown below:—

Courts.	Percentage.				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Village Magistrates	7.20	6.62	6.00	5.64	5.15
Bench	15.10	13.43	13.51	14.65	17.39
Special	1.72	1.74	2.58	2.97	2.25
Subordinate	57.12	57.70	55.33	55.88	55.87
Deputy	1.06	1.03	1.22	1.19	1.22
Assistant	1.50	1.37	1.24	1.09	1.14
Joint	0.35	0.40	0.40	0.36	0.51
District	0.06	0.08	0.07	0.03	0.08
Sessions Courts	0.50	0.48	0.46	0.45	0.46
Presidency Magistrates	15.36	17.12	19.17	17.72	15.91
High Court	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02

The most noticeable feature of this table is the continuous decrease in the proportion of work coming before Village Magistrates. Of these courts, there were only 6,472 at work during the year against 11,705 in 1886, but the figure for the latter year is probably not quite accurate. Whatever be the cause, there can be no doubt that village courts are becoming generally less resorted to by both civil and criminal litigants. The average file of each court in the year under review did not amount to even 2 cases—a fact sufficient to show how trifling is the use made of these petty tribunals. The districts of North Arcot, Madura, Tanjore and Tinnevely alone contributed more than 46 per cent. of the total number of cases. As a natural result of the smallness of the files of the village courts, there were but few arrears.

4. The regular Mofussil Magistracy received 175,614 original cases. The increase since 1886 has been extraordinarily rapid and constant, the institutions having risen by 16.6 per cent., so that, whereas in 1886 each court received on the average 211 cases, in 1890 the figure had risen to 240. The increase was numerically the largest in the case of Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers and Benches of Magistrates. In the case of the latter, the High Court attributes the advance partly to the vigorous action taken against nuisances, and partly to the issue in April 1889 of a notification investing Benches with power to try certain classes of offences under the Indian Penal Code: the latter cause, at all events, can hardly have had the effect suggested, inasmuch as the notification in question merely repeated the provisions of others preceding it. The work done in all classes of regular Mofussil Magisterial Courts during the last five years is compared below:—

Classes of Courts.	Cases received.					Cases disposed of.		
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1886.	1887.	1888.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bench Magistrates'	29,663	26,808	28,804	31,713	38,922	29,473	26,740	28,716
Special	3,368	3,481	5,495	6,425	5,030	3,334	3,607	5,507
Subordinate Magistrates'	117,488	116,659	119,147	121,854	126,469	118,150	115,874	117,642
(without appellate powers)								
Sub-Divisional Magistrates'	4,142	4,916	4,836	5,020		4,416	5,135	
(with appellate powers)								
District Magistrates'	123	158	154	58	173	144	142	131

Classes of Courts.	Cases disposed of—cont.		Percentage to cases filed of cases pending at the end of the year.				
	1889.	1890.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Bench Magistrates'	31,792	38,672	37	26	25	26	39
Special	6,497	5,137	60	34	87	67	1.03
Subordinate Magistrates'	122,358	126,295	1.47	1.42	1.43	1.58	1.71
(without appellate powers)							
Sub-Divisional Magistrates'	5,235	5,185	3.74	3.97	4.13	5.52	
(with appellate powers)							
District Magistrates'	70	137	2.44	1.27	1.30	3.45	2.89

Having in view the fact that each court on an average disposed of 239 cases in 1890 as compared with 211 in 1886, the increase in the proportion of arrears shown in the statement given above was not unnatural or excessive, except perhaps in the case of Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers.

5. Bench Magistrates received 38,922 cases during the year, and of these no fewer than 17,581 originated in the four districts of Bellary, Kistna, Salem and Tanjore. The disposal of work was satisfactory, the heaviest file of arrears amounting to 43 only, but the variation in the proportion of convictions was remarkably large. For example, in Salem 90.07 per cent. of the persons tried were convicted, while in Malabar the proportion was only 31.47. It is possible that this large range of variation is due to want of training and experience on the part of many of the Benches; the matter should receive the attention of District Magistrates. On the whole, the examination of witnesses was conducted with creditable celerity, especially in Kistna; in three districts only—North Arcot (1), Trichinopoly (13) and Madura (32)—were any witnesses detained for more than three days.

6. In six districts, there were no Special Magistrates working during the year; in the rest, the total number of cases instituted amounted to 5,030, the figures varying from 1 in South Canara to 1,006 in Vizagapatam; the cause of the large variations in the files is not apparent. Of the persons tried, 69.0 per cent. were convicted; this proportion compares as under with those observable in previous years and in the Courts of Bench Magistrates:—

Courts.	Percentage of persons convicted.				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Bench Magistrates	69.6	68.5	68.5	72.0	73.8
Special	51.4	59.6	61.0	57.6	69.0

The difference between the rates of conviction in the two classes of courts is doubtless to be ascribed to the generally more extended jurisdiction exercised by Special Magistrates; but it is not so easy to find a cause for the great differences between the rates holding for this latter class of courts in the various districts. These varied from 31.45 per cent. in Godavari to 98.41 per cent. in Tanjore. A comparison between the districts of South Arcot and Vizagapatam is particularly instructive; in these two districts almost exactly the same number of cases was disposed of, but the percentages of conviction varied from 41.46 to 95.16; this is a matter calling for the attention of the District Magistrates concerned.

7. The rate of conviction in the Courts of Stipendiary Subordinate Magistrates has been rising for the last two years, as the marginal figures show. The proportions of persons convicted differ largely, however, in the various districts, and in the year under review it ranged from 51.89 per cent. in the Vizagapatam Agency and 46.16 in Trichinopoly to 18.96 in Nellore. In no other district did the proportion fall below 20.0 per cent., and the extraordinarily low ratio obtaining in Nellore suggests a tendency on the part of the Subordinate Magistracy there to acquit and discharge accused persons with too great readiness; the matter should have the attention of the District Magistrate. Another defect in the working of the Subordinate Magistracy in Nellore, which it shares with several other districts, is the large number of witnesses detained for more than three days; particulars of detention of witnesses for all the districts during 1890 are given below:—

District.	Percentage to total number of witnesses examined of those detained beyond three days.
Anantapur	7.17
Cuddapah	5.23
Madura	4.02
Tanjore	3.34
Nellore	2.94
Chingleput	2.76
North Arcot	1.67
Ganjam (Agency)	1.67
Coimbatore	1.12
Kistna	.98
Trichinopoly	.82
Malabar	.74
Godavari	.61
Kurnool	.35
Nilgiris	.32
South Canara	.21
Vizagapatam	.11
Salem	.09
Vizagapatam (Agency)	.07

The districts in which the detention of witnesses was the most excessive were : Anantapur, Cuddapah, Madura, Tanjore, Nellore and Chingleput. For Madura and Tanjore an excuse is to be found in the very large number of witnesses examined, and to a less extent the same cause exists in the case of Nellore and Chingleput, but in Anantapur and Cuddapah there are distinct signs of dilatoriness on the part of the Subordinate Magistracy, and the Magistrates of these districts will take the steps necessary to ensure an improvement. On the whole, however, the Government does not regard the proportion of witnesses detained beyond three days in 1890 (1.49 per cent.) as unsatisfactory ; it is smaller than the corresponding figures for 1889 (1.69) and 1888 (1.87), in spite of the fact that the number of witnesses examined in 1890 was greater by 12,670 than that in 1888. The marginal statement compares for five years the proportion borne to the cases filed by the cases pending at the end of the year. The proportion of arrears was excessive in Godavari Agency (18.78 per cent.), Anantapur (4.26), and Tinnevely (4.08).

8. Deputy Magistrates received 2,735 cases, and at the end of the year 142 cases were pending before them. The arrears were most numerous in Trichinopoly, but the number of cases pending was in no case remarkably large. In ten districts no witnesses were detained beyond three days in the Courts of Deputy Magistrates; in the remaining eleven districts the proportion so detained was as shown below :—

District.	Percentage detained beyond three days.
Nellore	16.31
Coimbatore	10.21
Anantapur	8.67
Trichinopoly	8.61
South Canara	4.92
Tanjore	3.12
Salem	2.43
Malabar	2.26
Vizagapatam	1.23
Kurnool	1.13
Ganjam	0.54
Total	2.73

For the high proportion detained in Trichinopoly an excuse is forthcoming in the large number of witnesses (1,173) examined there, though it is observed that it was found possible to examine 1,117 witnesses in Tinnevely without detaining any of them beyond three days. In the case of Nellore, Coimbatore and Anantapur, the figures are unsatisfactory and should receive the attention of the District Magistrates concerned.

9. The work done by Assistant and Joint Magistrates during the last five years is compared in the following statement :—

Year.	Assistant Magistrates.				Joint Magistrates.			
	Instituted.	Percentage pending.	Percentage of conviction.	Percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days.	Instituted.	Percentage pending.	Percentage of conviction.	Percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days.
1886	2,941	1.84	49.97	5.92	675	3.85	42.02	2.55
1887	2,744	2.23	43.44	1.72	797	3.14	45.15	6.38
1888	2,635	2.77	40.95	1.03	862	2.32	41.88	1.25
1889	2,359	5.09	38.24	3.73	779	3.69	39.08	1.41
1890	2,547	4.04	42.02	1.20	1,152	3.82	40.39	0.53

Compared with 1889 it appears that the work done by Assistant Magistrates during the year under review showed an improvement, but the proportion of arrears was still in excess of the figures for 1886, 1887 and 1888, although the number of institutions was smaller than in any of those years. In five districts only were witnesses detained beyond three days ; in one of these (North Arcot) the number was excessive. The range of convictions in the case of Assistant Magistrates was from 16.23 per cent. in Godavari to 79.59 in Nilgiris, but the number of cases disposed of is comparatively so small as not to admit of any conclusions being drawn from these figures.

10. Certain other matters connected with the regular Magisterial Courts in the Mofussil also call for notice.

For some years a tendency has been noticeable to substitute sentences of fine for sentences of rigorous and simple imprisonment and whipping. So far as regard the two latter forms of punishments, the year under review exhibited a similar tendency, as the following statement shows, but there was a recovery in the proportion of sentences of rigorous imprisonment—a wholesome sign in the face of the constantly increasing aggregate of crime :—

	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Imprisonment .. . { Rigorous	12.9	12.5	12.4	12.3	12.7
Simple	2.3	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.5
Fine (alone or combined with other punishments) .. .	83.6	84.2	84.3	84.8	85.0
Whipping (alone or combined with other punishments) .. .	1.2	1.3	1.7	1.3	.8

There was also observable during the year an increase in the proportion of severe sentences of imprisonment and fine when compared with the preceding four years, but the percentage of whipping sentences exceeding 20 strokes has been declining for the last two years, and it cannot be said that any general tendency to pass severer sentences of this character has made itself noticeable. Particulars appear below :—

	Percentage to total sentences.				
	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Sentences of rigorous imprisonment exceeding six months	5.7	6.0	5.9	5.9	8.0
Sentences of fine exceeding Rs. 10	7.1	7.6	7.5	8.0	9.0
Sentences of whipping exceeding 20 strokes	19.4	21.2	29.2	24.5	23.8

So far as can be judged by the application of the appeal-test, it would appear that the work of 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates is improving in quality; no such tendency is observable in the case of 1st-class Magistrates, but there was a decided improvement upon 1889 in the proportion of successful appellants (16.01 per cent.). In the case of 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates, the proportion of successful appellants has declined from 5.03 per cent. in 1886 to 4.26 in 1890. On the average, 10.3 per cent. of the persons in respect of whom appealable decrees were passed by 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates actually did appeal, but this proportion was largely exceeded in Anantapur (14.8), Cuddapah (15.9), Coimbatore (17.3), Kurnool (18.3), and Tinnevely (29.6). No explanation has been offered of the extraordinarily high proportion of appeals in the last-named district. The districts show even greater variations in the ratios of appeals from sentences passed by 1st-class Magistrates, for, while only 1.5 per cent. of the possible appellants actually did appeal in Nilgiris, in Tanjore the remarkable rate of 91.9 per cent. was reached; 65.6 per cent. of these appeals were, however, rejected.

The condition of the arrear appellate files was in all cases satisfactory.

The amount paid as compensation to complainants showed a slight recovery from the almost continuous decline which has been going on for some years.

11. There was an increase as compared with 1889 in both the original and the appellate work coming before Sessions Courts, and the result was an increase of arrears on both sides. The percentage of convictions advanced, but the proportion of appeals confirmed declined; there was also a decrease in the percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days. The following statement gives particulars of the work coming before the Sessions Courts during the last five years:—

Year.	Original.				Appellate.		
	Cases received.	Percentage of arrears to cases received.	Percentage of persons convicted.	Percentage of witnesses detained beyond three days.	Cases received.	Percentage of arrears to cases received.	Percentage of appellants whose sentences were confirmed.
1886	972	1.4	43.7	44.1	659	5.5	67.4
1887	957	2.0	42.1	42.5	535	4.1	73.9
1888	987	3.5	41.6	45.1	642	7.8	65.6
1889	985	2.3	44.8	48.9	703	7.2	66.9
1890	1,040	3.0	48.9	46.9	745	8.2	62.4

A steady increase in the appellate work coming before the Sessions Courts has thus been noticeable for the last four years, and the percentage of convictions has also been rising for three years. With these exceptions, the figures given above are inconclusive. The proportion of witnesses detained beyond three days was exceedingly large in Tinnevely (74.8 per cent.), Kurnool (65.1), Madura (61.6), and Tanjore (60.6); the number of witnesses examined in Tinnevely was large, but hardly so great as to justify the high percentage of detention. There was a remarkable recovery during the year in the proportion of severer sentences passed by Sessions Courts, this being particularly observable in sentences of transportation for life (140 against 82 in 1889), but, judged by the appeal-test, it would seem that the work has recently been falling off in quality. Thus in 1886, 14.7 per cent. of possible appellants appealed successfully; in 1887 the figure rose to 22.9, and in 1888 it fell to 19.4, but after that it rose to 31.0 in 1889 and 32.9 in 1890.

12. The only circumstance requiring notice in connection with the Presidency Magistrates' Courts is the decline, which has been apparent since 1888, in the number of cases instituted in the Black Town Court. From 1883 to 1888, the total number of cases instituted increased continuously from 26,183 to 40,860, and the subsequent fall is a matter for satisfaction. There has been a marked decline during the last few

years in the proportion of severe sentences of rigorous imprisonment passed by Presidency Magistrates. The statistics relating to the work of the High Court call for no remarks.

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