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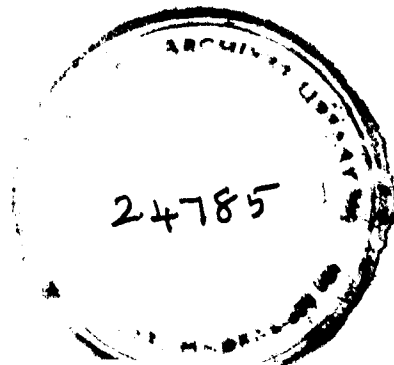
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The following jurisdictional changes were made during the year :—

The Sessions Judge of Kurnool ceased to be the Additional Sessions Judge of Bellary from May 1899 by virtue of G.O., No. 668, Judicial, dated 27th April 1899. Jurisdictional changes.

A Stationary Sub-Magistrate's Court was constituted at Coonoor in the Nilgiri district under G.O., No. 114, Revenue, dated 11th February 1899, so as to enable the Deputy Tahsildar Magistrate of that division to devote more time to his revenue duties. The magisterial powers conferred on the Special Sub-Registrar Magistrate of that place were, in consequence, withdrawn.

The Pallavaram Session of the Cantonment Magistrate of St. Thomas' Mount was discontinued from 13th October 1899 in pursuance of G.O., No. 1335, Judicial, dated 21st August 1899.

II.—TRIBUNALS AND THEIR SITTINGS.

2. The High Court, the two Courts of the Presidency Magistrates and the Court of the Commissioner of Police exercised criminal jurisdiction in the Presidency Town. The Courts that exercised criminal jurisdiction in the mufassal are shown below and compared with those of the previous year :— Comparative statement.

				1898.	1899.
Village Magistrates' Courts	...	...	...	5,282	4,551
Bench Magistrates' Courts.	First class	...	...	1	1
	Second class	...	...	26	27
	Third class	...	...	30	29
Special Magistrates' Courts.	Cantonment Magistrates.	First class	...	1	1
		Second class	...	1	...
		Third class	...	1	1
	Others	First class	...	4	12
		Second class	...	3	1
Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates without appellate powers.	First class	...	...	37	31
		...	...	3	8
		...	...	428	455
Superior Magistrates' Courts	First class	...	...	27	41
		...	...	117	120
		...	...	20	20
Courts of Session	Regular	Sessions Judges	...	20	20
		Additional Sessions Judges	...	1	4
		Assistant Sessions Judges	...	1	1
	Agency	Sessions Judges	...	3	3
		Additional Sessions Judges	...	2	2
		Judges	...	...	...

Village
Magistrates.

3. The number of Village Magistrates who exercised criminal jurisdiction continues to show a marked tendency to decrease. This decrease was most noticeable in Madura (—344), Coimbatore (—150), North Arcot (—95) and Salem (—87). The decrease in Madura, however, was more apparent than real, as the figures of 1898 were again incorrect, Village Magistrates capable of exercising criminal jurisdiction having been included in the returns though they tried no cases. In North Arcot and Salem, the decrease is attributed to the favourable character of the season during a great portion of the year.

Bench
Courts.

4. The number of Bench Courts remained unaltered during the year. The Adóni Court sat the largest number of days (216).

Special
Magistrates.

5. The number of Special Magistrates decreased by one. The Cantonment Magistrate at Bellary did not try any case. The appointment of the Special Magistrate at Tungabhadra to enforce plague regulations was abolished. The Sub-Registrar of Vaniyambadi in the Salem district was appointed a Special Magistrate of the third class in October 1899 for the trial of nuisance cases and offences under the District Municipalities Act arising within the Vaniyambadi Municipality. Four Special First-class Magistrates were appointed in connection with the anti-Shánár disturbances in Tinnevely. The number of working days in this class of Courts varied from 248 in Coringa (Gódvári) to one in Tuticorin.

Subordinate
Stipendiary
Magistrates.

6. The number of Tahsildars not ordinarily invested with powers under section 190, Criminal Procedure Code, who exercised powers under that section by virtue of G.O., No. 927, Judicial, dated 6th May 1893, was 66 as against 55 in 1898. Hence the increase in the number of Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates without appellate powers.

District
Magistrates.

7. A Special Commissioner and Additional District Magistrate for the districts of Madura and Tinnevely was appointed for a period of two months for the suppression of the anti-Shánár disturbances, but beyond issuing an order on 4th July under section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, forbidding Shánárs to enter the Sivakási temple until they had established their right to do so by the decree of a competent Civil Court, he made no other use of his powers as Additional District Magistrate.

Sessions
Judges.

8. Three Additional Sessions Judges were specially appointed in Tinnevely to try all cases arising out of the anti-Shánár disturbances which might be committed for trial. By special notification these cases were tried with the aid of assessors instead of by jury. The Sessions Court of Salem sat for the largest number of working days (180), and those of Chingleput and North Malabar for the least (27).

Presidency
Magistrates.

9. The number of working days in each of the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates was 280.

High Court.

10. In the High Court, 161 Benches sat for the disposal of criminal work, 42 for the trial of Sessions cases and 119 for the disposal of appellate and revisional work. On the Appellate Side, 84 Benches, including 5 Benches in the vacation, sat on 84 days for the disposal of criminal business alone, and 35 Benches sat on 34 other days for the disposal of both criminal and civil work.

III.—STATE OF CRIME.

Offences
reported.

11. The number of cases reported during the year, excluding those that came before Village Magistrates, rose from 330,634 in 1898 to 333,704, the increase being due chiefly to a large influx of cases under the Madras City Police Act.

Cases
rejected
under section
203, Criminal
Procedure
Code.

12. Complaints rejected under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, decreased from 10,583 in 1898 to 9,939, that is, by 6 per cent. The decrease was chiefly in Tanjore, Trichinopoly and South Arcot where it is attributed to the fact that, cases dismissed for non-payment of process fees were incorrectly returned as rejected under this section. There was a marked increase in the number of such cases in Kistna where it is reported to be due to a more careful exercise of discretion

by Magistrates. 9,569 or 7·7 per cent. of the total number of cases reported under the Indian Penal Code and 370 or ·2 per cent. of the total number of cases reported under Special and Local Laws were dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, as against 8 and ·2 per cent., respectively, in the previous year. 1,952 cases were struck off as false as against 2,051 in 1898.

13. The number of cases returned as true rose from 318,000 in 1898 to 321,813, that is, by 1·20 per cent., the increase being chiefly under the Madras City Police Act. Cases returned as true.

14. The number of cases returned as true under the Indian Penal Code decreased from 114,319 in 1898 to 111,899 or by 2·1 per cent. The decrease occurred chiefly under the following heads:— Offences under the Penal Code.

(1) Cases of theft fell by 15·50 per cent. The fall, which is common to almost all districts was specially noticeable in Madras (—375), South Arcot (—303), Gódvári (—263), North Arcot (—255), Madura (—222), Malabar (—195), Chingleput (—184) and Tanjore (—164). The decrease in Madras is ascribed in a great measure to the establishment of the Government Railway Police in the City of Madras. In North Arcot, the decrease is reported to be due to the favourable season prevailing during a great portion of the year. In Tanjore, it was due partly to the binding over of a large number of habitual offenders and suspects to be of good behaviour. In the other districts, it was due probably to the infliction of deterrent punishments on offenders convicted of theft. In Madura, there was a decrease of 16·98 per cent. in cattle thefts; but the District Magistrate states that such thefts are not always reported to the Police.

(2) Cases of criminal trespass decreased from 8,737 in 1898 to 8,078, chiefly in Tanjore and Ganjám (—130 each) and in Madura (—124).

(3) Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals diminished by 4·11 per cent. The decrease was chiefly in Madura (—787), Kistna (—505), North Arcot (—357) and Nellore (—353). The large decrease in Madura was due to the fact that the Police were directed to charge only those offenders under section 290, Indian Penal Code, who proved refractory and to merely warn others, and also to the salutary result of vigorous prosecutions in previous years. In Kistna, the diminution is reported to be due to deterrent punishments inflicted in the previous year. There was, however, an increase in Ganjám (+578), Tanjore (+272) and Trichinopoly (+190). In Tanjore, it is reported that special attention was paid to sanitation in rural tracts. In Trichinopoly, the increase was due to a rise in the number of prosecutions instituted by the rural Police against villagers for committing nuisances; the District Magistrate reports: “These prosecutions are to be deprecated—they do very little good and they open a wide door to tyranny and corruption. I have taken measures to check this misplaced enthusiasm for sanitation.”

The following classes of offences under the Indian Penal Code showed a noticeable increase as compared with the preceding year:—

(1) Cases of contempt of the lawful authority of public servants again rose from 4,907 to 6,044. The rise, which is attributed, as in the last year, to the enforcement of plague regulations, was considerable in Salem (+681), Bellary (+332) and North Arcot (+313). In Salem, it is further reported that prosecutions for disobedience of the orders prohibiting the use of river water within the Salem Municipality during the epidemic of cholera at that place also contributed to the increase under this head in that district.

(2) Criminal force and assault cases advanced by 1·89 per cent. The chief variations were in Tanjore (+184), the Nilgiris (+149), Ganjám (+143), Gódvári (—312) and Salem (—162). In Salem, the decrease is reported to be due to smaller number of complaints instituted owing to the prevalence of plague in the Hosur taluk and the Mysore territory and the restrictions in consequence thereof.

(3) Cases of criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance slightly rose, chiefly in Tinnevely (+75), North Arcot (+62) and Vizagapatam (+59). In Tinnevely, the rise was due to the Sivakási riots.

(4) Robberies and dacoities also increased from 1,041 cases in 1898 to 1,074. The increase was marked in Tinnevely (+ 104), and is due to the riots at Sivakási. In Coimbatore, however, there was an appreciable decrease of 23·62 per cent., which was the result of deterrent punishments inflicted.

(5) Offences affecting life increased by 3·96 per cent. Murders were on the whole more frequent, the chief variations being in Madura (+ 15), North Arcot (+ 13), Salem (+ 11), Ganjám (+ 7), Malabar (— 9) and Vizagapatam, Chingleput and Anantapur (— 7 each). Cases of culpable homicide not amounting to murder slightly increased in Salem, Gódvári and Vizagapatam Agency.

(6) Cases of forgery rose from 192 in 1898 to 282. The chief increase was in the Jeypore Court in Vizagapatam. No satisfactory reason is forthcoming for the increase in this class of crime.

Offences
under the
Special and
Local Laws.

15. Cases returned as true under Special and Local Laws increased by 6,233 or 3·06 per cent. as compared with the last year chiefly under the following Acts:—

(1) *The Madras City Police Act.*—The number returned as true under this Act increased from 43,034 to 52,393, for which no special reason is assigned.

(2) *The Towns Nuisances Act.*—Offences returned as true under this Act rose from 73,166 in 1898 to 74,227 or by 1·4 per cent. The increase occurred mainly in Chingleput (+ 1,305), Madura (+ 1,011), Nellore (+ 601), Malabar (+ 562), Trichinopoly (+ 536) and Gódvári (+ 461), while a decrease in such cases is noticeable in Tinnevely (— 1,936), Bellary (— 755) and Tanjore (— 416). The increase is generally attributed to greater vigilance on the part of the Police. The decrease in Tinnevely is stated to be due to the attention of the Police having been otherwise engaged in connection with the Sivakási riots and in Bellary to deterrent punishments inflicted by the magistracy. In Tanjore it is stated that the decrease was probably due to the comparatively fewer outbreaks of cholera and consequent apathy on the part of the authorities in prosecutions. In South Arcot, there has been a continued falling off in this class of cases, on account of the laxity of the Police; the attention of the Superintendent of Police has been drawn to the matter by the District Magistrate.

(3) *The Forest Act.*—Offences returned as true under this Act rose by 803 cases or 8 per cent. The increase is noticeable in Bellary (+ 498), Salem (+ 201), Chingleput (+ 189) and North Arcot (+ 177), and is attributed to the vigilance and activity of departmental officers, while there was a decrease in South Arcot (— 358) probably due to the favourable character of the season and to deterrent punishments inflicted in the year under review.

(4) *The Arms Act.*—Offences under this Act again rose from 905 to 1,324 cases owing to the strict working of the Act. The rise was general in all districts except Kurnool, Madura, Malabar and Tanjore (in which districts there was a decrease) and was most marked in Salem (+ 163), South Canara (+ 145), and Chingleput (+ 84).

(5) Cases of security for good behaviour and for keeping the peace were more numerous in 1899 than in 1898 especially in Tinnevely (175) where a large number of persons were bound over in connection with the Sivakási riots. In Anantapur, Chingleput, Cuddapah, Kurnool and Tanjore, active steps were taken by the Police to bind over suspected characters. In Coimbatore town which was generally terrorized by bad characters at the beginning of the year, every one of the leaders of the gangs has received substantial punishments during or after the close of the year, or has been bound over to keep the peace.

(6) *Breach of Contract Act.*—The offences under this Act rose by 3·63 per cent. The only district which shows any noticeable increase is the Nilgiris (+ 1,006). There was a decrease in Nellore, Gódvári and Salem. In the Nilgiris, the increase was only nominal as a large number of these cases pending on the file of the Deputy Tahsildar Magistrate of Coonoor owing to non-appearance of the accused persons were transferred to the newly-established Court of the Stationary Sub-Magistrate at Coonoor where they were treated as "Reported during the year." In Nellore, the decrease was due to the completion of the railway works.

The decrease in the number of offences under the following Special and Local Laws was considerable:—

(1) *The District Municipalities Act.*—Offences under this Act declined from 25,675 to 23,605. The variations were chiefly in Madura (— 1,402), Bellary (— 1,119), the Nilgiris (— 418), Salem (— 401), Tanjore (+ 561), Nellore (+ 507) and Malabar (+ 447). There were fewer prosecutions in Madura and Salem Municipalities for non-payment of taxes. The infliction of deterrent punishments is stated to be the cause for the decrease in Bellary and in the Nilgiris. The increase is, as usual, attributed to the close supervision of the officers concerned.

(2) *The Madras Municipality Act.*—Offences under this Act decreased from 7,338 to 6,238 cases.

(3) *The Abkari Act.*—The falling off in offences under this Act by 1,520 cases or 7·4 per cent. occurred chiefly in Malabar (— 476), Chingleput (— 317), Ganjám (— 259), and Salem (— 213).

(4) *The Salt Act.*—Offences under the Act decreased from 8,565 to 7,305, especially in Malabar (— 823), South Arcot (— 361), South Canara (— 316), and Vizagapatam (— 230).

The decrease in Malabar under the above two Acts is ascribed, as in last year, to the steps taken by the Salt Assistant Commissioner and the District Magistrate to prevent prosecutions for technical offences. The deterrent punishments inflicted by the magistracy caused the decrease in other districts.

(5) Cases under the Stamp Act decreased by 251 (60·6 per cent.). The decrease was marked in Coimbatore (— 120) where the file in 1898 was unusually high owing to a special cause.

16. 102,512 cases under the Indian Penal Code, affecting 235,125 persons and 201,704 cases under the Special and Local Laws affecting 235,040 persons were brought to trial during the year as against 111,983, 248,970, 201,105 and 231,155, respectively, in the preceding year. The percentage of convictions was 26·49 in the case of offences under the Indian Penal Code, and 85·36 in the case of offences under the Special and Local Laws as against 26·23 and 83·91, respectively, in 1898.

Cases and
persons
brought to
trial.

17. The percentage of convictions increased in cases of contempt of the lawful authority of public servants, robberies and dacoities, offences relating to documents and against public tranquillity, offences affecting public health and cheating while it fell in cases of theft, receiving stolen property and extortion and offences relating to coin and Government stamps.

Remarks on
convictions
under the
Penal Code.

In cases of a compoundable nature, the proportion of convictions rose in cases of defamation, criminal intimidation and assault and in offences relating to religion and marriage and fell slightly in cases of hurt. The percentage was almost the same as in the previous year in cases of mischief and criminal trespass.

In respect of offences affecting life, causing miscarriage and of rape, the percentage of convictions increased, but it decreased in cases of kidnapping.

18. On the whole, the main features of the year 1899 in reference to the judicial establishment and the state of crime were:—

Recapitulation.

(1) A decrease in the number of Village Magistrates who tried cases.

(2) A decrease in the number of offences under the Indian Penal Code, chiefly under theft.

(3) A considerable increase in the number of offences under Special and Local Laws, chiefly under the Madras City Police Act.

(4) A large diminution in offences under the District Municipalities, Salt and Abkari Acts.

(5) A decrease in the number of cases dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, and in the number of cases struck off as false.

(6) An increase in the number of cases returned as true under Special and Local Laws and a fall in the number of such cases under the Indian Penal Code.

(7) An increase in the proportion of convictions under the Indian Penal Code.

IV.—BUSINESS IN COURTS.

1. ALL COURTS TOGETHER.

Comparative statement of original cases and appeals.

19. The cases instituted in the different classes of Courts during 1899 are compared below with the figures of 1898 :—

	Original cases.		Appeals.	
	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.
Village Magistrates' Courts	11,781	10,513	...	...
Regular Magistrates' Courts in the mufassal	232,504	232,760	9,188	8,268
Presidency Magistrates' Courts	57,860	64,951	...	...
Courts of Session	1,249	1,316	1,511	1,325
High Court	85	23	828	867
Total	323,379	308,563	11,527	10,460

As in previous years, Madura and Tanjore show the highest institutions, and Kurnool, Anantapur and the Nilgiris the lowest. The decrease is most marked in Anantapur where it was partly due to the unfavourable season. The superstitious dread of the year *Vikari* entertained by the lower classes is also stated to have affected institutions in that district.

Comparative statement of miscellaneous proceedings.

20. In the subjoined statement the preventive and miscellaneous proceedings taken under the Criminal Procedure Code are compared for the past two years :—

	Cases disposed of.		Persons disposed of.		Persons convicted.	
	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.
Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VIC and section 485	8	15	9	22	4	10
Proceedings under Chapter VIII, section 106	5	28	6	88	6	88
Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X. Possession, Chapter XII	84	127	283	256	2	23
Frivolous and vexatious accusations, section 250	86	95	365	407	99	146
Non-attendance of jurors or assessors, Chapter XXIII	1,921	1,827	1,939	1,847	1,933	1,813
Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI	24	17	24	17	14	12
Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, Chapter XLII	2,237	2,264	2,237	2,265	863	824
Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, section 563, against convicted offenders released under section 562	1,275	911	1,518	1,119	1,325	954
	...	8	...	8	...	7

Górávari shows the highest number of persons dealt with under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code. The number was also high in Kistna, Malabar, Chingleput, North Arcot and Trichinopoly. But the section was less utilized than in the previous year in all the districts except North Arcot, Bellary, South Canara, Chingleput, Górávari, the Nilgiris, Salem, Trichinopoly, and Vizagapatam. The largest decrease was in Madura (—104), where the highest number was dealt with in the previous year. This latter fact is used to explain the former, for the free use of the provisions of the section, in 1898, has had the effect of diminishing the necessity for their use in 1899. The section was made least use of in the Presidency Town, South Canara, Cuddapah and Nellore.

The total amount awarded as compensation to accused persons was Rs. 28,526 as against Rs. 36,284 in 1898. Of this amount Rs. 25,335 were realized, the average amount realized per head being Rs. 13-15-9 as against Rs. 16-7-7 in 1898 and Rs. 15-10-7 in 1897. In Malabar, out of Rs. 3,232 awarded, only Rs. 2,209 were realized.

Cases of forfeiture of bail or recognizance continued to show a decrease, which was common to all districts except four. The largest number of such cases was in Malabar. The total amount forfeited was Rs. 13,088, of which Rs. 5,657 were recovered.

21. One hundred and forty-four European British subjects concerned in 134 cases were brought before the Courts for trial during the year. These figures are almost double the corresponding figures for 1898, but the apparent increase is due to greater accuracy in the returns received from the Presidency Magistrates' Courts, which, in previous years, gave no separate statistics in reference to European British subjects. The increase occurs mainly under the heads of criminal force and assault and offences under Special and Local Laws. One hundred and thirty-three cases involving 143 persons were disposed of with the result that 87 persons were convicted, 37 of offences under the Indian Penal Code and the rest of offences under Special and Local Laws.

European British subjects.

2. VILLAGE MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

22. The work before Village Courts was again less than in the previous year. 10,513 cases involving 16,365 persons were received as against 11,731 cases and 17,898 persons in 1898. The decrease is attributed to the favourable character of the season. 10,513 cases involving 16,415 persons were disposed of in the year with the result that 6,866 of the persons were convicted, 4,818 being simply imprisoned and the rest confined in the stocks. The files were again heaviest in Tanjore and Madura. Arrears were slightly reduced.

Cases received and disposed of.

3. REGULAR MAGISTRATES' COURTS IN THE MUFASSAL.

A.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

23. The numbers of institutions in each of the past three years in the Courts of regular Magistrates in the mufassal are compared in the following table :—

Comparative statement of work received.

	1897.	1898.	1899.
Benchers of Magistrates	61,571	73,012	70,203
Special Magistrates	7,223	4,817	8,685
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers	168,997	169,396	152,493
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers	4,908	5,236	6,327
District Magistrates	46	43	52
Total	242,805	252,504	232,760
First-class Magistrates	5,574	6,023	7,659
Second-class do.	182,105	189,864	177,993
Third-class do.	55,126	56,617	47,208
Total	242,805	252,504	232,760

It will be seen that there was, on the whole, a considerable decrease in the work received. The decrease occurred in all districts except Górávari, Tanjore and Ganjam Agency where there was a slight increase, and was most noticeable in South Arcot (—2,989), Tinnevely (—2,763), Kistna (—2,323), Madura (—2,226), Malabar (—1,622), and Bellary (—1,468). In South Arcot, offences under the Indian Penal Code were less common generally and offences under the Salt, Forest and Towns Nuisances Acts also diminished. The decrease in Tinnevely and Bellary is mostly under the Towns Nuisances and District Municipalities Acts. The reason for the decrease in Malabar has already been stated in paragraph 15 above under the Salt Act. In Madura, there were fewer offences under the District Municipalities Act. A diminution in the number of prosecutions under chapters XIV, XVI and XVII of the Indian Penal Code and under the Towns Nuisances Act accounts for the fall in Kistna.

24. Institutions before Bench Magistrates decreased largely, especially in the districts of Tinnevely (—2,249) and Bellary (—1,442); they increased, however, in Górávari (+ 692), Vizagapatam (+ 653) and Tanjore (+ 554).

Benchers of Magistrates.

Special Magistrates.

25. The number of cases received by Special Magistrates was also less than in the previous year by 1,132 cases. The decrease occurred chiefly in Tanjore, South Arcot and Madura.

Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates.

26. The work received by the Subordinate Stipendiary Magistracy was a great deal less than in 1898. The deficiency amounted to about 17,000 cases. The falling off is apparent in almost all districts and was most noticeable in South Arcot (—2,663), Kistna (—1,873), Madura (—1,641), Malabar (—1,627), and Vizagapatam (—1,615).

Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

27. The institutions before Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers increased. The largest increase was in Chingleput (+326).

District Magistrates.

28. There was a trifling increase in institutions before District Magistrates (from 43 in 1898 to 52) which calls for no special remark. The District Magistrates of Coimbatore and Anantapur disposed of the largest number of cases, 14 and 10, respectively.

Comparative statement of work done.

29. The work done and the arrears in the regular Magistrates' Courts is shown below for the past three years:—

	Disposed of.			Pending.		
	1897.	1898.	1899.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Benches of Magistrates	62,234	72,859	69,884	117	132	81
Special Magistrates	7,365	4,795	3,758	50	9	44
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers	168,565	169,293	152,594	1,987	2,031	2,195
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers	5,826	6,181	6,635	360	300	376
District Magistrates	42	55	76	4	8	...
Total	244,032	253,183	232,947	2,518	2,475	2,696
First-class Magistrates	6,446	7,024	8,296	866	816	426
Second-class do.	182,381	189,732	177,977	1,946	1,975	2,112
Third-class do.	55,205	56,427	46,674	206	184	158
Total	244,032	253,183	232,947	2,518	2,475	2,696

Disposals were less numerous than in the two previous years, and in spite of a considerable fall in institutions arrears somewhat increased. The districts of Tinnevely (+103) and South Canara (+88) are mainly responsible for the accumulation of arrears. In Tinnevely, it was probably due to the stress to which magistracy was subjected by the anti-Shánár riots. In South Canara, a large number of prosecutions under the plague regulations were instituted at the close of the year, before the Sub-Magistrate of Coondapoor.

Persons tried.

30. The total number of persons for trial was 396,243, of whom 388,020 were dealt with, 5,166 being committed to sessions or referred for enhanced punishment, as against 415,608 for trial, 408,626 dealt with and 5,374 committed or referred in the previous year.

Comparative statement of persons tried by 1st, 2nd and 3rd class Magistrates.

31. The following is a comparative statement of the total number of persons whose cases were finally disposed of arranged according to the classes of Magistrates who tried them:—

	Discharged.		Convicted				Percentage of conviction.	
			On regular trial.		On summary trial.			
	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.
First-class Magistrates	7,991	8,484	4,889	5,587	921	1,650	42.09	48.28
Second-class do.	181,647	164,999	118,298	110,273	23,952	32,289	43.92	46.35
Third-class do.	16,839	13,651	9,596	11,461	39,619	28,430	75.07	68.15
Total	206,977	193,134	132,783	127,321	64,492	62,369	48.92	49.55

32. The percentage of convictions in this year is the highest yet attained. Taking individual districts, the highest percentage is shown, as in last year, in Bellary (66.69), the Nilgiris (62.88), Vizagapatam Agency (62.70), Chingleput (59.97), Madura (58.61), Trichinopoly (54.91) and Tanjore (53.09), and the lowest in Kurnool (34.66), Gódvári (37.99) and Cuddapah (40.55).

Percentage of convictions.

33. Of the persons convicted, 2,424 were boys and 380 girls.

Boys and girls.

34. 8,223 persons were awaiting trial at the end of the year as against 6,982 in the preceding year. Of these, 832 persons were in custody and the rest on bail or otherwise at large. Of those in custody, only 13 as against 149 in 1898 were awaiting trial for more than six months, and most of these were lunatics confined in the Lunatic Asylum.

Arrears.

35. Sentences of fine considerably increased. The average fine inflicted was Rs. 4.5 as against Rs. 4.4 in 1898 and Rs. 4.3 in 1897. The proportion of sentences of rigorous imprisonment to sentences of simple imprisonment was almost the same as in 1898.

Remarks on punishments.

The amounts of fines imposed and realized and the amount paid as compensation to complainants are compared below for the last two years:—

Years.	Imposed.	Realized.	Percentage to realization.	Compensation to complainants.	Percentage to realization.
	RS.	RS.		RS.	
1898	7,69,885	6,40,758	83.23	29,087	4.53
1899	7,46,420	6,18,411	82.85	30,941	5.00

Including Rs. 19,810 recovered on account of the fines imposed in previous years, the total collections amounted to Rs. 6,38,221 as against Rs. 6,52,084 in the previous year.

The number of persons sentenced to whipping was 3,120 as against 3,597 in the previous year. The decrease was probably due to a fall in the number of offences for which whipping might have been awarded. The smaller number of juvenile offenders convicted may also partly account for the fall. But the proportion of whippings awarded to cases in which whipping might have been awarded slightly increased.

As in the last year, the largest number of persons sentenced to whipping was in Vizagapatam Agency (407); next came Vizagapatam (246) and Malabar (239). Of the total number, 569 were juvenile offenders, 558 of whom were sentenced to whipping in lieu of other punishments as against 734 and 724, respectively, in the previous year.

36. 1,367 persons were subjected to orders not involving fine or imprisonment under Act XIII of 1859 and other Special Acts as against 1,426 in the preceding year.

Special Acts.

Of these, 47 persons were dealt with under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code, and 11 juvenile offenders were subjected to an order under section 31 of Act VIII of 1897. Eight of these latter were discharged after admonition and three were delivered to their parents or guardians. Three persons were erroneously dealt with under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code, by Second-class Magistrates; the District Magistrates concerned took notice of these mistakes in due course.

37. The average duration of cases in the Courts of Bench Magistrates was one day as in the previous year. Of the persons dealt with by these Magistrates, 12,801 were discharged and 62,346 convicted—927 after regular trial and 61,419 after summary trial. The percentage of conviction, viz., 82.97, was almost the same as in the previous year. Arrears were again satisfactorily reduced.

Disposals in Bench Courts.

Disposals
by Special
Magistrates.

38. In the case of Special Magistrates also, the average duration of cases was the same as in the previous year, that is, three days. The improvement shown in this respect in Bellary and Górávari is noticeable. Of the persons dealt with by these Magistrates, 1,740 were discharged and 3,359 convicted—2,877 after regular and 482 after summary trial. The percentage of convictions fell from 75·73 in 1898 to 65·88 in 1899 and arrears rose from 9 to 44 cases, of which 30 were in Tinnevely. The pressure caused by the anti-Shánár riots is mainly responsible for this.

Disposals by
Subordinate
Stipendiary
Magistrates.

39. In the Courts of Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates without appellate powers, the average duration of cases was the same as in last year, i.e., 6 days. 170,323 of the persons dealt with by these Magistrates were discharged, and 118,207 convicted, all on regular trial. The percentage of conviction was 40·97 which is about the same as in 1898. Arrears slightly increased.

Disposals
by Sub-
Divisional
Magistrates.

40. Disposals by Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers were greater in number than in the preceding year.

The average duration of cases in the Courts of Deputy Magistrates exceeded 30 days in Górávari Agency, Górávari, Cuddapah and Salem. The main reason for these high durations is that the Magistrates concerned were subject to pressure of other than magisterial work, such as touring in connection with revenue work or treasury business. Arrears slightly increased.

The average duration of cases was highest in the Courts of Assistant Magistrates in Anantapur (38) and North Arcot (33). Arrears increased from 98 to 124, the largest number of cases in arrears being in Malabar (27).

The average duration of cases before Joint Magistrates fell slightly. It was highest in Tinnevely (44 days) on account of the riots.

Of the total number of persons dealt with by Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers, 8,207 were discharged or acquitted and 5,696 convicted—5,212 on regular and 484 on summary trial. The percentage of convictions (40·97) was almost the same as in the previous year.

The number of persons committed to Sessions by Superior Magistrates advanced from 272 in 1898 to 1,208 owing to the committal of a very large number of cases connected with the riots in Tinnevely by the Special First-class Magistrates appointed for the purpose.

Disposals by
District
Magistrates.

41. District Magistrates disposed of more cases in 1899 than in the preceding year; the average duration of a case fell from 30 to 12 days, and there were no arrears at the end of the year. The high average duration in Górávari (40 days) is explained by the District Magistrate as being due to general pressure of work.

Of the persons dealt with by these Magistrates, 63 were discharged and 122 convicted—108 on regular and 14 on summary trial. The percentage of convictions rose considerably from 41·60 to 65·95.

Witnesses.

42. The table below exhibits the number of witnesses examined and the number detained beyond three days in the several classes of Courts during 1899 as compared with 1898:—

	Examined.		Detained beyond three days.	
	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.
Benches of Magistrates	86,887	82,108	...	8
Special Magistrates	5,285	6,572	...	79
Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers	330,490	305,126	639	1,233
Sub-Divisional Magistrates with appellate powers	28,210	32,081	298	276
District Magistrates	359	373	...	...
Total ...	400,731	376,260	927	1,596

No witnesses were detained beyond three days in any of the Courts in the districts of Kistna, Vizagapatam, the Nilgiris and the Ganjam Agency, in any of the Bench Courts except Tanjore or in any of the Special Magistrates' Courts except in Madura. The long detention in Madura was in the Court of the Special Assistant Magistrate and was due to the fact that all the cases before that Court were keenly contested, as they rose out of the anti-Shánár movement and that, in one case, the cross-examination of a single witness occupied three days. Seven hundred and seventy witnesses were detained beyond three days in the Courts of the Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers in the Tanjore district. The District Magistrate reports that the number of witnesses so detained had not been correctly calculated in previous years and that orders have been issued by him in the matter. There has been a marked improvement in the Court of the Stationary Sub-Magistrate of Tanjore where there was a large number of witnesses detained beyond three days in the previous year. One hundred and thirty-seven witnesses were detained for over three days in Coimbatore as the cases tried were of a complicated nature. Fifty-six witnesses were so detained by the General Charge Deputy Magistrate, South Canara, as the Magistrate was constantly touring for the purpose of attending to arrangements in connection with the plague.

43. The amount of diet and travelling expenses paid to witnesses during 1899 was Rs. 80,342 as against Rs. 61,494 in 1898, the increase being mostly due to the cause assigned last year. As in last year, the largest amount (Rs. 11,031) was paid in Malabar. Expenses of witnesses.

B.—APPELLATE AND REVISIONAL JURISDICTION.

44. 8,268 appeals were preferred by 16,070 persons during 1899 as against Appeals. 9,188 appeals and 17,346 persons in 1898. The decrease was noticeable chiefly in South Arcot (— 340), Madura (— 234) and Ganjam (— 101), while there was a slight increase in Górávari (+ 46) and Salem (+ 41). The largest number of appeals (753) was instituted in Malabar. The increase in Górávari is reported to be probably due to the ever-increasing number of vakils amongst whom competition is so keen that many gladly accept very low fees. The District Magistrate adds: "An immense amount of quite unnecessary litigation is originated, fomented and kept alive by the host of legal practitioners annually manufactured, many of whom are struggling for bare subsistence."

The following is a comparative statement of the total appellate work done by Magistrates during the years 1898 and 1899:—

	Disposed of.		Pending.	
	1898.	1899.	1898.	1899.
Sub-Divisional Magistrates	9,022	7,961	359	382
District Magistrates	207	299	5	3
Total ...	9,229	8,260	364	385

In the case of appeals District Magistrates did more work than in the preceding year. The largest number of appeals was disposed of by the District Magistrates of Tanjore (42), Trichinopoly (33) and Tinnevely (32). The District Magistrate of Cuddapah heard no appeal.

The average duration of appeals before District and Sub-Divisional Magistrates was the same as in the previous year, that is, 21 days. Among District Magistrates' Courts, the pendency was high in Górávari and Kurnool and in other classes of Courts, it was high in Górávari and Madura.

Including 773 persons whose appeals were pending at the beginning of the year and excluding such as died or escaped, the appeals of 16,826 persons were before the Courts for disposal; the appeals of 15,946 persons were disposed of during the year with the following results:—

—	Rejected.	Con- firmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Quashed.	New trial ordered.	Referred.
Sub-Divisional Magistrates ...	2,100	7,525	1,389	4,169	65	167	1
District Magistrates ...	172	144	61	138	5	10	...
Total ...	2,272	7,669	1,450	4,307	70	177	1
Compare 1898 ...	2,721	8,370	1,571	4,646	74	130	1
Percentage { 1898 ...	15.5	47.6	8.9	26.4	0.4	1.1	...
1899 ...	14.2	43.1	9.1	27.0	0.4	1.1	...

Fifty-seven persons were dealt with under section 106 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Code.

The proportion of wholly unsuccessful appellants was largest in Ganjám Agency (86.96), Nellore (72.22) and South Arcot (70.52), and was above 50 per cent. in all the other districts except the Gódvári Agency.

Revision
cases.

45. Seven hundred and sixty-seven revision cases or about the same number as in the preceding year came before District Magistrates, 580 being brought by parties and 187 taken up by the Courts *suo motu*. Including cases that were pending at the beginning of the year and those received by transfer, there were 854 cases before the Courts for disposal, of which 813 were disposed of. The number of persons concerned was 2,620, of whom 2,525 were dealt with during the year. The results are as shown below :—

—	Interference declined.	Proceedings quashed.	Committal or enquiry ordered.	Referred to High Court.
1899 ...	1,802	44	403	183
Compare 1898 ...	1,868	16	536	174

4. COURTS OF SESSION.

A.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Session
cases
received and
disposed of.

46. 1,316 cases were committed to the Sessions Courts for trial as against 1,249 in the preceding year. The increase was chiefly in Tinnevely (+ 31), North Arcot (+ 28), Salem (+ 23), Tanjore (+ 21), Gódvári (+ 15) and Bellary (+ 14), while there was a decrease in Coimbatore (— 26), Kurnool (— 19), Nellore (— 17) and Madura (— 15). The increase was mainly under offences against property and may perhaps be due to the change in procedure brought about by section 348 of the new Criminal Procedure Code under which persons previously convicted of offences against property charged before Second and Third class Magistrates should be committed to the Court of Sessions if the trying Magistrates themselves cannot pass adequate sentences on conviction.

There were 1,318 cases concerning 3,528 persons actually for trial, of which 1,256 cases concerning 2,971 persons were disposed of as against 1,264 cases and 3,323 persons for trial and 1,253 cases and 3,306 persons disposed of in the previous year. The number of cases for disposal was highest in Tinnevely, but the largest number of cases disposed of was in Coimbatore (125) as in the previous year; Madura came next with 120 cases.

Of the 2,971 persons disposed of in the year, 1,185 persons were tried by jury, 1,564 with the aid of assessors and 18 both by jury and with the aid of assessors. In the case of the remaining 204 persons, jurors or assessors were not chosen or their opinions were not taken. The Judge disagreed with the jury in the case of 71 persons, and references were made under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, in all these cases, the largest number so referred being from South Malabar.

47. The jury system appears to have continued to work fairly well in all districts. The Sessions Judges of South Arcot and Trichinopoly report that the jurors in those districts are too prone to convict on scanty and insufficient evidence in cases of offences against property. In Kurnool, the Sessions Judge states that the system worked better than in the previous year, as care was taken to prevent juries being mainly composed of Komatis and Kamsalas as in previous years. He continues :—“ Many of the former (Komatis) and perhaps most of the latter (Kamsalas) are suspected of being receivers and nearly all are easy to bribe or intimidate. There are too many of these classes on the list. I have written to the District Magistrate suggesting that these defects be remedied by the compiling Magistrates.”

Seventy-seven persons were sentenced to death subject to confirmation by the High Court under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code.

Of the persons dealt with in the year, 1,382 persons or 48.9 per cent. were convicted as against 40.8 per cent. in the previous year; the percentage was highest in Ganjám (75.0) and lowest in Cuddapah (32.8). It was above 40 per cent. in all other districts except North Arcot, Kistna, South Malabar, Vizagapatam, Salem and Kurnool.

The aggregate amount of fines imposed was Rs. 23,427 as against Rs. 13,370 in the previous year. Of this amount, Rs. 3,591 or 15.3 per cent. was realized as against 33.57 per cent. in last year. The sum of Rs. 3,580 out of the fines imposed in the previous years was also recovered during the year. Out of fines amounting to Rs. 12,295 imposed in Ganjám, only Rs. 45 were collected. The heavy fines imposed in the Ganjám treasury defalcation cases remained uncollected at the end of the year, as all the property of the accused had been already distrained by the Revenue authorities.

The number of persons sentenced to whipping was 40 as against 19 in the previous year. Seven of them were juvenile offenders.

48. The average duration of Sessions trials, calculated from the date of commitment, was 32 days as against 34 in the previous year. It was high in Madura (54 days), Trichinopoly (42), Coimbatore and Tinnevely (39 each) and Bellary (38). In Madura, one of the cases disposed of had been pending from the year 1892, as the accused was a lunatic and, in consequence, the average duration was exceptionally high. Excluding this case, the average duration would have been 31 days. In Trichinopoly, the explanation given is that adjournments were granted in certain cases owing to the illness of the accused or witnesses. In Coimbatore, the Court was inundated with Sessions cases in July, which had to be adjourned sometimes for several weeks to avoid, as far as possible, the postponement of other cases already posted. In Tinnevely, many cases were received during the recess, and had to wait for a long time before they could be taken up for trial. In Bellary the accused in one case had to be kept under observation as he appeared to be insane, and in another case disposal was delayed pending receipt of orders of the High Court in the matter of a revision petition preferred against the order of committal.

The decrease in average duration is noticeable in South Malabar and Kistna.

49. The number of witnesses detained beyond three days was 2,940 as against 1,969 in 1898 and 3,550 in 1897. The number so detained was largest in Cuddapah (377) and Tinnevely (304), and smallest in Madura and North Malabar. No witnesses were detained for over three days in South Arcot, Chingleput and Vizagapatam. In Tinnevely, many of the cases tried were cases of murder and dacoity involving the examination of a large number of witnesses. Arrears rose from 11 cases in 1898 to 62 cases in the year under report; 40 of these cases were pending in Tinnevely.

The amount paid as batta and travelling expenses to witnesses was Rs. 46,866 as against Rs. 50,212 in the previous year. The largest sums were paid in Cuddapah, Coimbatore and Bellary.

B.—APPELLATE AND REVISIONAL JURISDICTION.

Appeals.

50. 1,325 appeals were preferred by 2,167 appellants as against 1,511 appeals by 2,170 persons in the previous year. The decrease was chiefly noticeable in Madura (— 97), Tanjore (— 46) and South Arcot (— 44). There was an increase in Coimbatore (+ 29) and Cuddapah (+ 26). The decrease in Madura and Tanjore was due to the fact that cases of theft, etc., against old offenders which used in previous years to be sent up for enhanced punishment to First-class Magistrates were, owing to change in procedure brought about by section 348 of the new Criminal Procedure Code, committed to the Courts of Session during the year under report. In South Arcot, it is reported to be due to the fact that a large number of cases in 1898 was dealt with by First-class Magistrates, as several Sub-Magistrates in the district had only third-class powers. No special reasons can be assigned for the increase in Coimbatore and Cuddapah.

Results.

Including 91 appeals concerning 150 persons pending at the beginning of the year, the appeals of 2,312 persons came up for disposal, of which the appeals of 2,232 persons were dealt with during the year leaving 51 appeals involving 80 persons pending at the end of the year.

Four persons were dealt with under section 106 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Code and two under section 8 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act VIII of 1897.

The percentage of wholly unsuccessful appellants was highest in Ganjam (89·8), Kurnool (84·4), and Cuddapah (80·3).

Average duration.

The average duration of appeals was 27 days as against 26 in 1898 and 27 in 1897. It was the highest in Salem (36) where it was due to the filing of certain appeals just before and during the recess whose disposal was delayed by heavy and protracted sessions after the Court re-opened. It was also high in Kistna (34) and South Malabar (32).

Revision cases.

51. Four hundred and twenty-seven revision cases concerning 1,363 accused persons were received in the year as against 419 cases involving 1,586 accused in the previous year. Of these, 341 cases were applications from parties and 86 cases were taken up by the Courts *suo motu*. Including 31 cases involving 126 persons pending at the beginning of the year, there were for disposal 457 cases concerning 1,488 persons, of which 420 cases concerning 1,365 persons were disposed of during the year, leaving 37 cases concerning 123 persons pending at the end of the year.

5. PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES.

Work received and done.

52. The Commissioner of Police in his magisterial capacity disposed of one case concerning one person.

34,366 cases were instituted in the Egmore Court and 30,585 cases in the Black Town Court, in all, 64,951 cases or 7,091 cases more than in the previous year. The increase is attributed, as in the previous year, to a large number of prosecutions under the City Police Act. Eight cases were pending at the end of the year as against 13 in the previous year. 75,460 persons concerned in 64,964 cases came up for trial, of whom 75,432 persons were disposed of, leaving 28 persons pending at the end of the year. Of these, 68,414 persons were convicted, the percentage of conviction being 90·74 as against 87·38 in the previous year. The number of persons sentenced to fine alone increased, but there was a great fall in the number sentenced to imprisonment and to whipping. Of the 166 persons sentenced to whipping, 73 were juvenile offenders. The increase under sentences of fine is due to the larger number of convictions in petty cases under the City Police Act, and the decrease under the other heads is due to the fact that fewer persons came up for trial in connection with offences against property, etc. The decrease in sentences of whipping is accounted for by the following considerations; some of the offenders convicted under sections 379, 380, etc., Indian Penal Code, had already been subjected to flogging, and it appeared to the Magistrates, that a repetition of the same punishment would not act as a deterrent; again, others who belonged to a better class than low, hardened and incorrigible offenders, were not whipped, as it was thought better that they should be sentenced to imprisonment for long periods.

The number of persons committed to the High Court for trial was 40.

The amount of fines imposed was Rs. 57,664 as against Rs. 65,876 in the previous year. A total of Rs. 42,891 or 74·38 per cent. was recovered as against 82·82 per cent. in 1898. Of the amount recovered, Rs. 2,216 or 5·1 per cent. against 7·6 per cent. in 1898 was paid to complainants as compensation, and a sum of Rs. 5,705 levied in cases of cruelty to animals was paid to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals as against Rs. 6,376 in the previous year.

10,828 witnesses were examined as against 13,704 in the previous year. Only three of them were detained for more than three days. A sum of Rs. 794 was paid as batta. Witnesses.

6. HIGH COURT.

A.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(a) Sessions Cases.

53. Twenty-three cases involving 39 persons were received for trial by the High Court during the year as against 35 cases and 49 persons in the previous year. Twelve of these cases came from the Egmore Magistrates, 10 from the Black Town Magistrates and one, in which an European British subject had been charged with murder, from the Cantonment Magistrate, St. Thomas' Mount. There were 9 cases of theft, 6 of forgery and 5 of murder. Work received and done.

Including 3 cases affecting 9 persons pending from the previous year, there were in all 26 cases affecting 48 persons for disposal before the Court, of which 18 cases concerning 39 persons were disposed of. In two cases the accused pleaded guilty. Seven cases were heard with special juries and the remainder with common juries. Fifteen cases resulted in the conviction of 31 persons; 2 cases, including the one received from St. Thomas' Mount, in the acquittal of 5 persons; in the remaining 1 case in which 3 persons were concerned, 1 was convicted and the other 2 were acquitted. Of the 9 persons pending at the end of the year, 2 were lunatics confined in the Lunatic Asylum.

The percentage of convictions for all the cases taken together increased from 80 to 82. Fines amounting to Rs. 600 were imposed, but nothing was realized. Two hundred and six witnesses were examined and a sum of Rs. 216 was paid to them for batta and travelling expenses.

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

54. Including 4 cases pending at the beginning of the year, there were 34 cases referred by Sessions Judges to the High Court under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code. Of these, 33 cases were disposed of during the year with the following results:—Verdicts of not guilty were set aside and conviction recorded in 11 cases, but in 7 cases they were upheld and the accused acquitted. In 3 cases, verdicts of guilty were upheld and the prisoners convicted, but similar verdicts were set aside and the prisoners acquitted in 8 cases. In 2 cases verdicts of not guilty under sections 457 and 380, Indian Penal Code, were set aside and conviction ordered under sections 457 and 379, Indian Penal Code, respectively. In 1 case concerning 2 persons, the verdict of not guilty was upheld as regards 1 person and conviction ordered as regards the other; in the remaining 1 case the verdict of guilty was upheld as regards 10 persons and set aside as regards 6. Results.

Verdicts were set aside in 57·6 per cent. of the cases, the references with respect to which were decided during the year as against 68·2 in 1898 and 85·7 in 1897.

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

55. Sixty-one cases affecting 76 persons were received in the year for confirmation of sentences of death and, including 11 cases affecting 13 persons pending from the previous year, there were in all 72 cases concerning 89 persons for disposal; 68 cases concerning 84 persons were disposed of with the result that 11 persons (or 13·1 per cent.) were acquitted and 72 persons (or 85·7 per cent.) were convicted as Results.

against 17.7 and 82.3 per cent., respectively, in the previous year. A new trial was ordered in the case of the remaining person.

Of the 72 persons convicted sentences of death were confirmed in the case of 58 and the remaining 14 persons were sentenced to transportation for life; one person was ordered to be detained in the Reformatory School for five years.

One of the 5 persons pending at the end of the year was ordered in G.O., No. 1068, Judicial, dated 25th June 1896, to be detained in the Lunatic Asylum.

B.—APPELLATE AND REVISIONAL JURISDICTION.

Appeals.

56. Besides 71 appeals from sentences of death that came up for disposal with cases under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code, and 30 cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code, treated as appeals, 766 appeals were received during the year. Of these, 31 appeals affecting 87 persons were from judgments of acquittal and 735 concerning 1,070 persons from convictions (22 being from the Presidency Magistrates, 2 from the District Magistrate, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, and the rest from Sessions Judges). Including those pending from the previous year, there were in all 841 appeals concerning 1,290 persons for disposal; of these, one appeal was transferred, another abated owing to the death of the appellant, and 729 appeals concerning 1,082 persons were disposed of. The results will be found in special statement G.

The average duration of appeals was 34 days as against 33 in 1898 and 39 in 1897.

Revision cases.

57. The following table exhibits the revisional work received during 1899 as compared with the previous year :—

	1898.	1899.
Under section 435, Criminal Procedure Code, taken up <i>suo motu</i> —		
For revision of proceedings of—		
Sessions Judges	21	58
District Magistrates	1	5
Other Magistrates	...	2
Under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, reported by Sessions Judges—		
For revision of proceedings of—		
Sessions Judges	4	1
District Magistrates	1	...
Other Magistrates	34	45
Under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, reported by District Magistrates—		
For revision of proceedings of—		
Sessions Judges	...	1
District Magistrates	1	1
Other Magistrates	140	143
Under section 439, Criminal Procedure Code, on application—		
For revision of proceedings of—		
Sessions Judges	72	79
District Magistrates	15	24
Other Magistrates	173	189
District Munsif	1	...
Total	463	548

The particulars of disposal are given below :—

—	Pending from 1898.	For disposal.	Disposed of.					Pending at the end of 1899.
			Proceedings being			Further enquiry ordered.	Total.	
			Quashed.	Varied.	Not in- terfered with.			
Under section 435, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	66	8	22	23	5	58	8
Under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, reported by Session Judges ...	5	51	8	9	27	3	47	4
Under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, reported by District Magistrates ...	15	160	38	36	56	18	148	12
Under section 439, Criminal Procedure Code.	31	323	20	15	246	10	291	32
Total ...	52	600	74	82	362	36	544	56
Compare 1898 ...	31	494	59	64	291	28	442	52

The case of a deaf and dumb person convicted by a Second-class Magistrate was submitted for the orders of the High Court under section 341, Criminal Procedure Code. The accused was sentenced to six months' simple imprisonment from the date of conviction by the Sub-Magistrate.

In 64.71 per cent. of the total number of cases decided, the proceedings of the Courts below were not interfered with as against 65.84 in 1898. In 42 per cent. of the cases reported by Sessions Judges and 62 per cent. of those reported by District Magistrates, the proceedings were quashed or otherwise modified as against 50 and 64 per cent., respectively, in the previous year. In 15 per cent. of the cases in which parties moved the High Court, the proceedings of the lower Courts were interfered with.

The results of the above cases are shown below distributed among the Courts to which they related :—

—	Quashed.	Varied.	Not interfered with.	Further enquiry ordered.	Total.
District Munsif	...	...	1	...	1
Other Subordinate Magistrates	50	47	226	23	346
Presidency Magistrates	2	2	27	...	31
District Magistrates	7	4	14	2	27
Sessions Judges	15	29	84	8	136
Total ...	74	82	352	36	544
Compare 1898 ...	59	64	291	28	442

1,219 calendars of sessions trials and 97 of trials by District Magistrates, 1,312 of appeals heard by Sessions Judges and 226 of those heard by District Magistrates were received in the year. 2,739 calendars were perused during the year and records were called for in 88 cases.

58. There were 151 miscellaneous petitions for disposal, of which 146 were disposed of. Miscellaneous petitions.

59. The main features of the year 1899 were—

(1) A decrease in the amount of work received and done by Village Magistrates. Recapitulation.

(2) A decrease of work received and disposed of by Bench, Special and Subordinate Magistrates without appellate powers.

(3) An increase in the original, and a decrease in the appellate, work received and disposed of by the Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates with appellate powers.

- (4) An increase in appellate work received and done by District Magistrates.
- (5) An increase of arrears in the Courts of the Special and Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates with and without appellate powers and in Courts of Session.
- (6) A considerable decrease in the number of persons in custody awaiting trial for more than six months.
- (7) An increase in the number of witnesses detained beyond three days in the Courts of Magistrates of all classes taken together.
- (8) A decrease in the number of persons dealt with under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.
- (9) An increase in the number of fines imposed, and a decrease in the number of sentences of imprisonment.
- (10) An increase in the percentage of sentences of whipping, although there was a decrease in the total of such sentences.
- (11) A considerable increase in the number of persons bound over to keep the peace and to be of good behaviour.
- (12) An increased percentage of conviction in all Magistrates' Courts taken together.
- (13) A greater number of persons dealt with under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.
- (14) A large increase in institutions and disposals in the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates.
- (15) An increase in original cases and a decrease in appeals filed and disposed of in Sessions Courts.
- (16) A decrease in original work and an increase in the appellate and revisional work received and disposed of in the High Court.

V.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Instructions
issued.

60. The principal matters in respect of which the High Court issued instructions in 1899 are—

- (1) Disposal of counterfeit coins coming before the Subordinate Courts under sections 517, 523 and 524, Criminal Procedure Code.
- (2) The undesirability of allowing persons who are not qualified legal practitioners and are generally known as "private vakils" to appear and act for parties in criminal proceedings.
- (3) The desirability of charging persons previously convicted of offences against coinage, stamp law and property ordinarily before First-class Magistrates with reference to the change in procedure prescribed by section 348 of the new Criminal Procedure Code.

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,
MADRAS, August 14th, 1900.

A. L. HANNAY,
Registrar.

APPENDIX 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 1899.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.				Number of persons					
	Number of offences reported.	Complaints rejected under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including pending 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 public tranquillity, Chapter VIII	2,415	139	50	2,226	2,256	16,358	9,931	5,093	6	1,328
Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX	126	24	2	100	101	184	127	49	...	8
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X	6,097	50	3	6,044	5,751	6,679	1,712	4,755	6	206
False evidence and offences against public officers, Chap. XI	1,308	65	2	1,241	1,214	1,859	1,040	687	2	130
False evidence and offences relating to coin ...	104	2	...	102	105	131	66	58	...	7
Chap. XII. { Offences relating to coin ...	4	1	...	3	2	2	...	2	...	...
Chap. XII. { Offences relating to Government stamps	376	3	...	373	380	413	97	307	...	9
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chap. XIII	16,908	47	12	16,844	16,664	19,790	2,912	16,787	8	103
Offences affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV	94	15	2	77	79	315	239	67	...	9
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV	813	14	11	788	780	1,441	866	373	5	197
Offences affecting life ...	49	...	2	47	47	79	50	27	...	2
Causing miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and concealment of births ...	18,105	702	232	17,171	15,347	43,341	37,879	4,654	13	795
Hurt ...	2,196	413	40	1,744	1,620	4,952	4,167	487	6	283
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement ...	24,348	1,729	355	22,264	17,336	43,513	38,983	4,093	9	429
Criminal force and assault ...	182	65	3	114	113	316	257	36	1	22
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour ...	76	14	2	60	61	87	74	13	...	...
Rape ...	8	1	1	7	7	7	6	1	...	...
Unnatural offences ...	15,899	1,704	397	13,798	13,904	31,491	18,866	11,522	* 22	1,071
Extortion ...	478	74	28	376	379	1,315	1,028	109	2	76
Robbery and decoity ...	1,287	186	27	1,074	1,102	4,558	2,979	962	3	714
Criminal misappropriation of property ...	577	80	17	480	486	817	570	223	...	24
Criminal breach of trust ...	3,277	752	126	2,398	2,412	3,190	2,415	611	8	156
Receiving stolen property ...	401	2	3	386	395	584	234	307	...	43
Cheating ...	1,311	453	31	827	790	1,291	988	225	2	76
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ...	161	25	...	136	135	392	266	104	...	23
Mischief ...	6,686	887	153	5,646	5,209	15,452	12,750	2,157	7	568
Criminal trespass ...	9,287	1,046	143	8,078	7,750	19,524	14,248	4,661	8	607

* 2 persons were transferred to the Central Provinces.

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

Statement of offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the Province of Madras in the year 1899—continued.

Description of offence.	Number of cases.				Number of persons.					
	Number of offences reported.	Complaints rejected under section 208, Criminal Procedure Code.	Cases struck off as false.	Returned as true.	Brought to trial during the year.	Under trial during the year, including pending 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—cont.										
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII ...	355	42	1	312	306	706	440	303	3	56
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX ...	14	...	...	14	14	59	53	7	...	...
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX ...	1,259	143	14	1,063	1,011	2,073	1,329	175	3	57
Defamation, Chapter XXI ...	753	164	12	576	451	1,310	1,033	121	...	57
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII ...	8,360	729	131	7,500	6,304	13,006	11,330	1,454	2	200
Total ...	123,206	9,569	1,800	111,809	102,512	235,125	167,408	60,343	113	7,267
UNDER SPECIAL AND LOCAL LAWS.										
Code of Criminal Procedure.										
Security for keeping the peace (Sections 107, 108 and 110) ...	186	...	...	186	184	917	414	370	...	133
Security for good behaviour (Sections 109 and 110) ...	606	1	...	605	573	1,151	453	508	...	133
Other laws—relating to										
Abkari, Act I of 1886 ...	18,968	4	4	18,960	18,918	19,643	545	18,944	7	147
Arms, Act XI of 1878 ...	1,327	3	...	1,324	1,298	1,311	157	1,135	6	13
Boat Regulations, Act IV of 1943 ...	2	...	...	2	2	3	...	2	...	1
Boundary Marks, Act XXVIII of 1860 and II of 1884 ...	17	...	...	17	16	31	...	12	...	3
Canal and Ferries, Act II of 1890 ...	11	...	...	11	11	23	20	8	...	...
Cantonments, Act XIII of 1889 ...	1,391	...	...	1,391	1,353	1,373	190	1,183	...	...

Cattle Trespass, Acts I of 1871 and I of 1891 ...	2,790	141	53	2,602	2,380	6,007	5,531	906	3	167
Christian Marriage, Act XV of 1872, II of 1891 and II of 1893 ...	5	1	...	4	4	13	8	5	...	3
Coffee Stealing Prevention, Act VIII of 1878 (Madras) ...	67	...	...	67	69	117	19	94	1	...
Contract, Act XIII of 1859 ...	4,689	100	15	4,544	2,359	3,641	2,300	1,236	...	43
Epidemic Diseases, Act III of 1897 ...	331	...	8	328	326	328	41	285	1	...
Forests, Act V of 1882 (Madras) ...	10,961	17	...	10,936	8,777	31,381	8,423	12,263	10	965
Gambling Act ...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hackney Carriages, Act III of 1879 ...	3,193	...	...	3,183	3,167	3,167	33	3,133	1	...
Harbour Trust Board, Act II of 1890 (Madras) ...	2	...	...	2	2	3	...	2	...	...
Income Tax, Act II of 1896 ...	75	...	...	74	75	83	1	70	...	1
Indian Explosives, Act IV of 1884 ...	16	...	...	16	16	16	1	15	...	...
Jails, Act V of 1899 and II of 1899 (Madras) ...	25	...	...	25	25	27	2	35	...	...
Local Boards, Act V of 1894 ...	111	9	...	102	95	431	388	43	...	...
Lunatic Asylums, Act XXXVI of 1858 ...	6	...	...	6	6	14	1	13	...	...
Merchant Seamen, Act I of 1869 ...	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...
Merchant Shipping, Act V of 1893 ...	23,612	3	4	23,605	21,047	22,186	4,703	17,346	63	74
Municipalities, Act IV of 1894 ...	6,234	...	...	6,238	6,238	6,363	1,703	4,580	...	...
Do. Act I of 1894 (Madras) ...	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
Native Passenger Ships, Act X of 1887 ...	204	1	1	202	200	320	73	251	1	4
Opium, Act I of 1878 ...	4	...	...	4	4	4	...	4	...	...
Patroleum, Act XII of 1868 and II of 1893 ...	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Places of Public Resort, Act II of 1893 (Madras) ...	70	...	...	78	79	89	16	71	...	...
Police, Act XXIV of 1859 (By Police) ...	84	...	...	84	83	92	18	73	...	...
Police (Town), Act III of 1898 (Madras) ...	52,426	33	...	52,393	52,214	60,181	2,414	56,563	...	...
Ports, Act X of 1869 ...	800	...	...	800	234	255	96	109	...	...
Post Office, Act XIV of 1896 ...	17	...	...	17	17	20	9	10	...	...
Printing Presses and Books, Act XXV of 1867 and X of 1890 ...	4	...	...	4	4	4	...	4	...	...
Prisons, Act IX of 1894 ...	12	...	...	12	12	13	5	7	...	...
Railways, Act IX of 1890 ...	963	11	...	951	936	1,177	186	975	6	10
Registration, Act III of 1877 ...	16	...	...	16	14	47	19	24	...	4
Salt, Act IV of 1889 (Madras) ...	7,305	...	...	7,305	7,306	7,362	101	7,262	2	7
Sea Customs, Act VIII of 1878 ...	2	...	...	2	2	2	...	2	...	...
Stage Carriages, Act XXVI of 1861 ...	1	...	...	1	1	2	1	1	...	...
Stamps, Act I of 1879 ...	165	...	1	163	160	170	61	112	1	6
Telegraphs, Act XIII of 1885 ...	4	...	...	3	3	3	1	2	...	...
Towns Nuisances, Act III of 1889 (Madras) ...	74,329	39	63	74,227	72,700	75,706	6,143	60,432	25	106
Tramways, Act XI of 1896 ...	16	...	...	16	18	19	2	17	...	...
Treasure Trove, Act VI of 1878 ...	10	1	...	9	9	17	11	6	...	1
Vagrancy, Act IX of 1874 ...	6	...	...	6	6	6	...	6	...	...
Total ...	310,436	370	152	309,914	301,704	235,040	34,157	199,206	127	1,560
Grand Total ...	333,704	9,939	1,952	321,813	304,316	470,165	201,560	320,548	240	6,817

Note.—Cases instituted before Village Magistrates have not been shown in this statement.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2,

Statement showing the general result of the trial of European British

Description of offence.	Number of persons accused and brought before a Magistrate.								Persons whose cases													
	Remaining at the close of the previous year.	Within the year.						Total.	Died, escaped or transferred to other Provinces.	Number actually brought to trial.	By District Magistrates and other First-class Magistrates.						By Court of Session.					
		On complaint, sec. 190 (a), Criminal Procedure Code.	On police report, sec. 190 (b), of the Code.	By Magistrate, <i>ex officio</i> , sec. 190 (c) of the Code.	On transfer from		Received by transfer under sec. 451 of the Code.				Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committing		Transferred by order under sec. 451 of the Code.	Total omitting entries in cols. 11 and 16.	Received by transfer under sec. 451 of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under sec. 449 of the Code.	Total exclusive of col. 18.	
					Other Courts in the province.	Another province.							To Court of Session.	To High Court.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
OFFENCES UNDER THE INDIAN PENAL CODE.																						
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X	1	3	...	...	4	...	8	...	8	...	7	1	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	
False evidence and offences against public officers, Chapter XI	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences affecting the human body, Chap. XVI.	Offences affecting life	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
	Hurt	...	5	1	...	1	7	...	7	...	4	3	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	
	Criminal force and assault	...	33	...	...	4	37	...	37	...	16	21	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences against property, Chap. XVII.	Theft	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
	Criminal misappropriation of property	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
	Mischief	...	2	1	...	...	3	...	3	...	2	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
Defamation, Chapter XXI	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII	...	5	...	...	...	...	5	...	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	
Offences under Special and Local Laws	...	50	18	...	3	...	71	...	71	...	40	20	...	...	...	69	...	1	...	...	1	
Total	1	108	22	...	13	...	144	...	144	...	85	56	...	1	...	142	...	1	...	...	1	

PART 2—(CRIMINAL).

Subjects in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

were disposed of											Number of persons under trial at the close of the year.		Number of cases.			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.		Subsidiary Table.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																		
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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

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 Chapter VIC and section 485	16	23	12	10	
2. Proceedings under Chapter VIII—to prevent breach of the peace	212	979	414	468	
3. Proceedings under Chapter VIII—Security for good behaviour	570	1,151	452	566	
4. Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X	152	305	233	23	
5. Possession, Chapter XII	120	518	262	145	
6. Frivolous or vexatious accusations, summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250.	1,827	1,847	35	1,812	
7. Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, section 332	17	17	5	12	
8. Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI	2,335	2,336	1,441	824	
9. Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII	915	1,123	165	954	
10. Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, section 563, against convicted offenders released under section 562	8	8	1	7	
Total ...	6,172	8,307	8,020	4,811	

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 1899.

Class of Courts.	Total number of persons under trial.	Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Discharged or acquitted.	Persons whose cases were disposed of										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.	Remarks.
				On regular trial.					On summary trial.									
				Sentence passed.	Released on probation—section 662, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.	Sentence passed.	Released on probation—section 662, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Village officers	16,858	...	9,549	6,866	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	443	10,513	...	...	...	
Special Magistrates under Section 14, Criminal Procedure Code	6,191	3	1,740	2,876	1	...	...	430	2	...	...	975	114	3,758	3	6,572	...	
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	314,089	* 151	178,374	122,828	30	4	1	479	5	...	...	4,174	7,993	158,795	7	336,363	...	
Bench of Magistrates	75,334	80	12,861	927	...	...	...	61,419	...	...	...	...	107	69,884	1	32,108	...	
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under Sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code	736	1	156	549	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	9	443	8	844	...	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	178	...	63	91	1	...	...	13	1	...	...	3	...	67	13	373	...	
Presidency Magistrates	75,460	...	6,978	150	...	...	...	68,254	10	...	...	40	28	64,956	1	10,823	...	
Courts of Session	3,533	5	1,441	1,379	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	148	557	1,256	32	12,049	...	
Original Jurisdiction	48	...	7	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	18	28	206	...	
Under Section 307, Criminal Procedure Code	75	...	47	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	33	...	...	...	
Under Section 374, Criminal Procedure Code	89	...	+ 12	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	68	...	...	...	
Total ...	492,541	240	211,168	135,796	39	10	4	130,645	18	...	...	5,354	9,267	308,791	...	399,393	...	

* One case affecting two persons was transferred to the Central Provinces.

† In the case of one of these persons, new trial was ordered.

Statement showing the punishments imposed by the various Courts and Magistrates during the year 1907.																													
Class of tribunals.	Persons sentenced to										Details of punishment.																		
	Imprisonment.					Persons ordered to find or give security or recognizance to keep the peace, or sureties for good behaviour.					Fino.										Imprisonment.				Whipping.				
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Forfeiture of property.	Fino.	Whipping.	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.	Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.		
																												2	3
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	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Special Magistrates under section 14, Criminal Procedure Code	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Bench of Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
District and Divisional Magistrates—Cases referred under sections 347 and 349, Criminal Procedure Code	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Presidency Magistrates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Courts of Session	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Original Jurisdiction	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Superior Court.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total	58	139	22	431	9,037	233,225	3,326	1,024	1,370	220,657	11,607	663	275	20	3	828,111	688,623	33,916	8,691	13,543	1,907	740	91,528	1,949	849	23			

* Of these, 2,048 persons were confined in stocks.
† Of these, 88 persons were ordered, under section 106, Criminal Procedure Code, to furnish securities in addition to other punishments.
‡ Of these, 34 were sentenced to simple imprisonment.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5 (PART 2).

Statement showing whippings inflicted under sections 2 and 3, Act VI, 1864, in lieu of other punishments in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Offences for which awarded.		Number of stripes awarded.												
		5 and under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		Total.
		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	
1. Theft, as de- fined in {	sec. 378, I.P.C.	42	...	219	13	511	11	358	10	140	6	75	13	1,398
	sec. 380, "	13	...	104	1	194	1	175	7	69	5	86	6	661
	sec. 381, "	...	...	15	...	37	...	30	...	7	2	8	...	99
	sec. 382, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. Extortion as defined in {	sec. 388, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	sec. 389, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen pro- perty, as defined in {	sec. 411, "	...	...	6	...	7	...	7	...	...	...	1	...	21
	sec. 412, "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
4. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in section 443	"	...	...	2	...	1	...	2	...	3	...	4	...	12
5. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in section 444	"	...	...	1	...	5	...	7	...	...	...	5	...	18
6. House-breaking, as de- fined in section 445	"	...	...	19	...	22	...	24	...	10	...	7	...	82
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in section 446	"	6	...	48	4	123	5	131	9	62	1	63	4	456
8. Offences under section 52, Pri- sons Act IX of 1894	"	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...		61	...	414	18	900	17	734	26	292	14	249	23	2,748

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5 (PART 3).

Statement showing whippings inflicted, in addition to other punishments, sections 3 and 4, Act VI, 1864, in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of stripes awarded.						Total.
	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
A.—SECTION 3.							
1. Theft, as defined in { section 378, I.P.C. ...	...	5	45	61	18	70	199
{ section 380, " ...	2	2	20	45	29	53	151
{ section 381, " ...	...	1	1	2	3	1	8
{ section 382, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. Extortion, as defined in { section 388, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 389, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in { section 411, " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
{ 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 ...	...	1	3	...	...	2	6
7. House-breaking by night, as defined in section 446 ...	...	2	9	13	6	19	49
8. Offences under section 52, Prisons Act IX of 1894 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
B.—SECTION 4.							
1. False evidence, as defined in { section 193, I.P.C. ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
{ section 194, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 195, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2. False charge of unnatural offence, as defined in sections 211 and 377 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Assault, as defined in section 354 ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
4. Rape, as defined in section 375 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Unnatural offence, as defined in section 377 ...	...	...	...	...	...	8	9
6. Robbery, as defined in section 390 ...	...	1	...	...	...	3	3
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 ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
10. Receiving stolen property, as defined in section 413 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11. Forgery, as defined in { section 463, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 466, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 467, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 468, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ section 469, " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in section 443 ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
13. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in section 444 ...	...	...	3	4	...	2	9
14. House-breaking, as defined in section 445 ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
15. House-breaking by night, as defined in section 446 ...	...	3	8	9	11	39	70
Total ...	2	15	91	135	68	202	513

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5 (PART 4).

Statement showing whippings inflicted under section 5, Act VI, 1864, on Javelines for offences other than those specified in Parts 2 and 3 in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Offences for which awarded.	Number of Stripes awarded.												Total.
	5 & under.		6 to 10.		11 to 15.		16 to 20.		21 to 25.		26 to 30.		
	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
Under section 144, I.P.C. ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
" " 147 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 160 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 224 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 240 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 277 " ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 279 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 294 " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 296 " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 323 " ...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
" " 324 " ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
" " 325 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 328 " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 337 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 352 " ...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
" " 392 " ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	...	...	5
" " 403 " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 406 " ...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3
" " 408 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 426 " ...	2	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
" " 428 " ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
" " 429 " ...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
" " 436 " ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
" " 447 " ...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Offences under Railway Act IX of 1890 ...	...	...	4	...	14	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	20
Total ...	5	...	13	...	37	...	8	1	...	1	...	...	65

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5 (PART 5).

Statement showing relative number of times whipping was awarded, as compared with other punishments, in cases in which whipping might have been awarded in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Punishments.	Number.
1. Total number of whippings awarded	3,326
2. Total number of other punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded	9,965
3. Total number of all punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded (total of headings 1 and 2)	13,291
4. Percentage of whippings on total number of all punishments (percentage of heading 1 on heading 3)	25.02

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the result of appeal and revision in criminal cases in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Tribunals.	NUMBER OF PERSONS.														Remarks.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
	Total number of appellants 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.	Referred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.	Average number of days during which each appeal lasted.			
1															
<i>Appeals.</i>															
To Chief Magistrates of Districts *	16,827	1	2,272	7,669	...	1,450	4,307	70	177	1	880	21			
To Courts of Session	2,315	3	622	955	...	169	446	24	16	...	80	27			
{ by persons convicted ...	1,169	1	566	348	3	56	43	...	8	...	144	34			
	120	...	...	24	...	...	17	...	17	...	62				
To Superior Court † ...	20,431	5	3,460	8,996	3	1,675	4,813	94	218	1	1,166	...			
Total ...															
<i>Revision.</i>															
By Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	2,620	...	945	857	...	22	...	22	493	186	95	18			
By Courts of Session	1,488	...	791	341	...	2	...	4	143	84	123	29			
By Superior Court ...	1,288	...	514	359	72	45	115	...	76	...	107	...			
Total ...	5,396	...	2,250	1,557	72	69	115	26	712	270	325	...			
Grand total ...	25,827	5	5,710	10,553	75	1,744	4,928	120	930	271	1,491	...			

NOTE.—(1) Persons in cases taken up for revision of the Courts' own action are also included.
 (2) 61 persons were dealt with under section 106 (3), Criminal Procedure Code, and 2 under section 8 (2) of the Reformatory Schools Act.
 * Or other Magistrates authorized to hear appeals under section 407, Criminal Procedure Code.
 † Persons concerned in cases under sections 307 and 374, Criminal Procedure Code, are excluded, as they are separately shown in Statement No. 4.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing use of Juries and Assessors in criminal courts in the Province of Madras, in the year 1899.

Classes of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed.	Established or average number of jury or assessors in each case, and prescribed qualifications.†	Number of accused persons in jury trials.				Number of accused persons in trials with assessors.			
		Tried.	As to whom the Judge			Tried.	As to whom the Judge		
			Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.		Agreed with all the assessors.	Differed from one or more but not from all the assessors.	Differed from all the assessors.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code.	Jurors ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
* Courts of Session	Jurors ...	5	1,203	1,118	71	...	...	...	...
	Assessors.	2	...	...	...	1,564	1,019	176	369
High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction.	Jurors ...	9	37	37	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	1,240	1,155	71	1,564	1,019	176	889

* Offences of theft, robbery, receiving and concealing stolen property, house trespass and dishonestly breaking open a closed receptacle and abetment of the above offences were tried by jury in all districts except the Agencies of Ganjam, Gôdâvari and Vizagapatam and all other offences with the aid of assessors. All Sessions trials before the High Court were by jury.

† Qualifications as prescribed in sections 319 and 320 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Act V of 1898).

APPENDIX II.

SPECIAL STATEMENTS.

A.—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 1899.

Districts.	Persons.				Cases.		Persons.				Total.
	Proceedings against witnesses, (Chapter VI and section 486).	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 accusations, (Chapter XX, section 240).	Non-attendance of Juries or Assessors, (Chapter XXII, section 323).	Maintenance, (Chapter XXV).	Forfeiture of bail or recognizance, (Chapter XXVI, section 514).	Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, Section 68, against convicted offenders released under Section 302.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Arcot (North) ...	1	17	47	...	4	118	2	35	32	...	252
Do. (South) ...	...	4	27	12	1	80	1	92	10	...	226
Anantapur ...	...	39	16	3	5	24	...	...	7	...	89
Bellary ...	4	13	32	2	2	43	...	14	20	...	128
Canara (South) ...	...	22	15	9	11	19	...	25	14	...	104
Chingleput ...	...	25	48	...	...	127	...	55	39	...	294
Coimbatore ...	1	10	48	1	12	83	...	87	64	...	294
Nilgiris ...	...	3	...	3	...	8	...	5	7	...	26
Cuddapah ...	...	7	75	55	5	39	...	15	16	...	207
Ganjām ...	2	5	1	1	...	95	...	94	44	...	242
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gōdāvari ...	1	27	11	2	1	240	4	48	35	...	368
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	4	...	...	12
Kistna ...	...	...	94	27	7	171	5	17	48	...	362
Kurnool ...	...	16	13	...	2	50	...	39	35	...	153
Madura ...	...	20	155	2	6	95	...	26	129	...	427
Malabar ...	2	39	45	...	4	162	2	87	172	...	509
Nellore ...	...	63	41	79	1	30	...	17	28	...	258
Salem ...	7	114	49	...	9	76	...	55	36	...	337
Tanjore ...	...	9	97	...	6	93	...	88	130	...	417
Tinnevely ...	2	394	145	16	11	54	...	9	88	...	703
Trichinopoly ...	...	31	37	40	6	110	2	56	92	7	375
Vizagapatam ...	1	10	19	4	2	93	1	159	30	...	317
Do. (Agency) ...	1	4	3	...	...	26	...	1	33	1	69
Madras ...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1,287	15	...	1,255
Total ...	22	872	1,018	256	95	1,847	17	2,265	1,119	8	7,424

B.—Statement showing the relative contribution of the several districts of the Presidency to the aggregate number of Cases for the year 1899.

Districts.	Cases.			Appeals.		Total of Cases and Appeals.	Percentage to total.
	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
Madura ...	1,206	22,681	23,887	620	50	24,557	9.63
Tanjore ...	2,513	19,420	21,933	647	75	22,655	8.88
Gōdāvari ...	474	18,431	18,905	684	29	19,618	7.69
Do. (Agency) ...	20	479	499	23	1	523	0.21
Malabar ...	200	17,534	17,734	854	60	18,648	7.31
Arcot (South) ...	665	13,058	13,723	621	26	14,370	5.63
Salem ...	577	12,213	12,790	506	41	13,337	5.23
Chingleput ...	476	12,386	12,862	332	26	13,220	5.18
Vizagapatam ...	329	11,867	12,196	278	11	12,485	4.90
Do. (Agency) ...	9	1,579	1,588	65	13	1,666	0.65
Trichinopoly ...	169	11,767	11,936	477	44	12,457	4.88
Kistna ...	881	10,538	11,419	595	14	12,028	4.72
Bellary ...	62	11,024	11,086	345	89	11,513	4.51
Arcot (North) ...	848	10,197	11,045	390	43	11,478	4.51
Tinnevely ...	973	9,301	10,274	540	88	10,902	4.27
Coimbatore ...	291	9,358	10,149	656	53	10,858	4.26
Ganjām ...	293	9,631	9,924	349	18	10,291	4.04
Do. (Agency) ...	...	306	306	10	8	324	0.13
Nellore ...	230	8,834	9,064	343	32	9,444	3.70
Cuddapah ...	107	6,123	6,230	419	75	6,724	2.64
Canara (South) ...	77	5,631	5,708	250	32	5,990	2.35
Kurnool ...	72	4,208	4,280	316	22	4,618	1.81
Anantapur ...	28	3,426	3,454	227	...	3,681	1.44
Nilgiris ...	13	3,584	3,597	41	...	3,638	1.43
Total ...	10,513	234,076	244,589	9,593	843	255,025	100.00
Madras ...	...	64,974	64,974	...	22	64,996	...
Mysore ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
Grand Total ...	10,513	299,050	309,563	9,593	867	320,023	...

C-1.—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 1899.

Districts.	Number of Village Magistrates actually trying Criminal Cases.	Cases			Persons			
		Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Under trial.	Discharged.	Convicted.	Pending.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Arcot (North) ...	332	848	848	28	1,268	660	559	49
Do. (South) ...	359	665	661	8	912	173	728	11
Anantapur ...	26	28	28	...	37	7	30	...
Bellary ...	54	62	62	...	83	31	52	...
Canara (South) ...	44	77	80	9	151	91	46	14
Chingleput ...	278	476	475	1	684	113	569	2
Coimbatore ...	185	291	290	5	408	146	252	10
Nilgiris ...	3	13	13	...	30	5	25	...
Cuddapah ...	80	107	109	...	147	80	117	...
Ganjām ...	110	293	294	5	449	262	176	11
Gōdāvari ...	248	474	473	26	729	359	337	33
Kistna ...	471	881	889	15	1,471	868	571	82
Kurnool ...	43	72	74	...	117	62	55	...
Madura ...	565	1,206	1,211	9	1,761	862	882	17
Malabar ...	114	200	202	8	302	147	150	5
Nellore ...	124	230	229	1	380	110	218	2
Salem ...	246	577	573	12	828	403	407	18
Tanjore ...	605	* 2,513	2,506	96	4,581	3,609	798	174
Tinnevely ...	823	973	967	34	1,610	1,102	450	58
Trichinopoly ...	105	169	171	1	240	39	200	1
Vizagapatam ...	270	829	829	6	665	440	219	6
Ganjām (Agency) ...	14	20	20	...	30	5	25	...
Gōdāvari (do.) ...	2	9	9	...	25	25	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	4,551	10,513	10,513	259	16,858	9,549	6,866	443

* Excludes 3 cases transferred.

C-2.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in columns 7 and 8.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Arcot (North) ...	2,255	2,257	1	2	2,315	259	2,054	...	1	...	1	88.80	1,331	...
Do. (South) ...	2,818	2,829	4	1	3,126	338	2,774	...	4	...	10	89.14	1,452	...
Anantapur ...	288	290	...	3	322	83	239	...	...	...	...	74.22	315	...
Bellary ...	5,957	5,957	5	1	5,980	112	5,862	...	1	...	5	98.13	512	...
Canara (South) ...	623	620	4	2	904	510	390	...	...	...	4	43.33	490	...
Chingleput ...	3,893	3,865	5	1	4,190	624	3,566	...	4	...	6	85.07	1,036	...
Coimbatore ...	1,778	1,764	...	1	2,021	556	1,465	...	...	...	...	72.49	1,233	...
Nilgiris ...	611	791	5	2	952	275	670	...	...	...	7	70.90	1,200	...
Cuddapah ...	898	896	2	1	918	125	788	...	3	...	2	86.91	508	...
Ganjām ...	411	410	1	1	495	129	364	...	1	...	1	73.83	276	...
Gōdāvari ...	5,893	5,530	6	2	5,850	1,196	4,627	...	18	...	9	79.46	1,943	...
Kistna ...	2,671	2,674	3	2	3,266	919	2,343	...	...	...	4	71.21	3,145	...
Kurnool ...	510	508	2	1	602	153	447	...	...	...	2	74.50	439	...
Madura ...	11,139	11,136	3	1	11,439	1,021	10,408	...	...	...	10	91.07	10,555	...
Malabar ...	4,962	4,913	7	2	5,132	1,653	3,437	...	35	...	7	67.62	1,761	...
Nellore ...	2,486	2,482	1	1	2,994	845	2,148	...	...	...	1	71.77	635	...
Salem ...	2,275	2,269	...	2	2,623	351	2,270	...	2	...	...	86.61	896	...
Tanjore ...	8,974	8,978	1	1	9,671	1,483	8,184	...	3	...	1	84.66	1,673	8
Tinnevely ...	2,381	2,330	21	2	2,568	464	2,078	...	3	...	23	81.74	429	...
Trichinopoly ...	4,860	4,849	8	2	5,059	771	4,275	...	4	...	9	84.72	323	...
Vizagapatam ...	4,520	4,516	2	1	4,907	934	3,967	...	1	...	5	80.94	1,896	...
Ganjām (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gōdāvari (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	70,203	69,884	81	1	75,334	12,801	62,346	...	80	...	107	82.97	32,108	8

C-3.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	In custody.	Not in custody.	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in columns 7 and 8.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Arcot (North) ...	33	33	...	1	33	...	33	...	...	...	...	100.00	31	...
Do. (South) ...	235	231	1	4	299	82	213	1	2	...	1	72.20	300	...
Anantapur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary ...	120	98	...	3	145	69	67	9	...	...	...	49.26	177	...
Canara (South) ...	34	34	...	1	37	5	32	...	...	...	...	86.49	23	...
Chingleput ...	341	341	...	2	341	52	289	...	...	...	...	84.75	213	...
Coimbatore ...	210	209	...	6	228	52	175	...	1	...	...	77.09	97	...
Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	80	81	...	2	95	25	70	...	...	...	...	73.68	71	...
Ganjām ...	126	126	...	4	126	41	85	...	...	...	...	67.46	192	...
Gōdāvari ...	187	195	1	8	469	326	142	...	...	...	1	30.34	712	...
Kistna ...	35	35	...	1	36	3	33	...	...	...	...	91.67	33	...
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura ...	354	373	3	3	527	81	359	79	...	6	3	81.59	535	79
Malabar ...	151	150	...	2	171	28	143	...	...	...	...	83.63	121	...
Nellore ...	132	132	...	1	136	15	121	...	...	...	...	88.97	114	...
Salem ...	249	244	8	2	261	20	229	...	...	...	12	91.97	317	...
Tanjore ...	70	70	...	1	70	16	54	...	...	...	...	77.14	36	...
Tinnevely ...	207	285	30	11	1,880	607	297	885	...	42	49	32.85	1,953	...
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjām (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gōdāvari (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cantonments.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput ...	536	536	1	1	752	243	507	1	...	1	...	67.60	1,122	...
Nilgiris ...	585	585	...	1	585	75	510	...	...	...	...	87.18	585	...
Total ...	3,685	3,758	44	3	6,191	1,740	3,359	975	3	48	66	65.88	6,572	79

C-4.—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 and Deputy Magistrates), for the year 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Disposed of					Pending		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in columns 7 and 8.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
					Under trial.	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	15
Arcot (North) ...	7,509	7,505	107	9	14,897	9,271	5,052	224	12	17	321	35.27	17,641	21
Do. (South) ...	9,738	9,686	93	6	19,099	10,947	7,718	156	9	1	268	41.35	18,220	...
Anantapur ...	3,002	3,018	57	9	6,635	3,488	2,808	91	3	7	238	44.76	7,867	14
Bellary ...	4,573	4,532	45	5	7,527	3,541	3,685	156	11	23	111	51.00	8,373	3
Canara (South) ...	4,548	4,427	162	6	7,854	4,331	3,129	104	9	3	278	41.94	8,820	16
Chingleput ...	6,986	7,014	32	3	11,043	5,487	5,427	58	1	3	67	49.73	9,794	...
Coimbatore ...	7,365	7,337	142	7	15,676	8,175	6,462	473	3	60	503	44.15	15,872	187
Nilgiris ...	2,259	2,308	33	3	3,395	1,476	1,858	17	...	1	43	55.73	2,084	...
Cuddapah ...	4,827	4,763	161	7	9,929	5,986	3,300	246	2	52	343	35.54	11,763	18
Ganjām ...	8,784	8,763	35	4	16,122	7,854	8,019	117	1	11	120	50.52	15,163	12
Gōdāvari ...	12,029	12,011	188	5	25,417	17,635	7,099	94	13	34	542	28.70	25,766	...
Kistna ...	7,548	7,682	75	4	15,132	8,203	6,367	94	7	40	421	43.69	18,632	...
Kurnool ...	3,469	3,408	131	9	8,950	5,751	2,626	211	4	43	315	31.35	11,807	...
Madura ...	10,791	10,805	177	7	22,745	12,702	9,021	411	3	42	566	41.57	20,912	4
Malabar ...	11,916	11,954	128	5	20,373	11,419	8,356	234	7	39	318	42.23	17,683	40
Nellore ...	5,965	5,921	112	6	11,612	6,435	4,673	87	9	45	363	42.07	11,760	40
Salem ...	9,136	9,211	170	8	18,658	10,145	7,653	315	15	24	506	43.00	19,632	...
Tanjore ...	9,840	9,851	50	6	18,097	11,171	6,417	279	6	15	209	33.45	17,945	770
Tinnevelly ...	6,022	5,931	123	8	11,332	6,332	4,337	247	2	66	348	40.65	11,669	49
Trichinopoly ...	6,553	6,653	84	9	12,529	6,803	5,401	100	7	31	187	44.25	12,251	88
Vizagapatam ...	7,075	7,015	55	4	16,213	10,073	5,845	57	4	9	225	36.72	13,062	...
Ganjām (Agency). ...	248	251	1	13	646	330	294	20	...	2	...	47.12	1,113	...
Gōdāvari (do.). ...	452	434	7	9	897	470	402	14	...	...	11	46.10	895	...
Vizagapatam (do.). ...	1,400	1,475	14	9	3,217	1,131	1,913	139	3	24	7	62.84	4,215	15
Total ...	152,125	152,005	2,182	7	297,995	169,156	117,862	3,944	131	592	6,310	41.07	302,939	1,227

C-5.—*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 1899.*

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Disposed of				Pending		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in col. 7 and 8.	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	15
Arcot (North) ...	122	135	5	19	317	236	69	3	...	2	7	22.62	719	...
Do. (South) ...	156	168	11	17	307	170	114	4	1	...	18	40.14	923	...
Anantapur ...	75	79	13	17	230	125	60	2	...	...	43	32.43	587	2
Bellary ...	163	168	5	13	354	223	119	7	...	1	4	34.86	854	...
Canara (South) ...	321	317	10	12	623	293	270	14	1	54	48.82	1,290	56	...
Chingleput ...	450	443	6	8	692	314	336	2	1	...	9	51.69	1,005	14
Coimbatore ...	298	243	2	30	603	368	211	1	2	...	...	36.44	867	25
Nilgiris ...	100	106	1	3	133	82	98	2	...	...	1	75.93	415	...
Ouddapah ...	150	170	17	32	460	215	162	18	1	10	54	42.97	1,086	...
Ganjām ...	161	151	5	13	416	236	170	...	5	...	5	41.87	815	...
Gódvári ...	205	168	13	33	386	254	99	6	...	11	16	28.05	927	9
Kistna ...	118	162	3	17	321	303	109	8	...	1	5	34.94	927	...
Kurnool ...	151	151	7	19	380	304	102	9	...	1	6	33.33	996	3
Madura ...	120	146	20	24	270	116	107	...	1	18	28	47.98	524	84
Malabar ...	129	146	7	23	451	276	113	...	...	1	61	29.06	881	...
Nellore ...	95	90	2	24	186	117	65	1	...	...	8	36.71	507	1
Salem ...	213	239	9	31	516	276	218	9	...	3	10	44.13	1,255	...
Tanjore ...	238	243	18	18	573	296	243	1	...	9	24	45.08	1,128	34
Tinnevely ...	403	423	36	18	1,814	691	420	4	...	12	187	37.50	2,382	8
Trichinopoly ...	312	369	14	14	844	547	265	8	...	5	19	32.63	1,819	5
Visagapatam ...	25	24	2	15	54	36	16	...	...	...	2	30.77	117	...
Ganjām (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gódvári (do.) ...	23	28	4	44	101	65	6	...	...	...	30	8.45	187	5
Visagapatam (do.) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	3,966	4,167	210	18	9,451	5,283	3,872	94	13	101	588	38.96	20,161	191

C-6.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Disposed of				Pending		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in col. 7 and 8.	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	15
Aroot (North) ...	110	72	8	83	222	141	58	...	...	14	9	29.15	298	...
Do. (South) ...	14	14	...	2	51	43	8	...	...	...	...	15.69	44	...
Anantapur ...	51	45	12	88	140	73	45	1	...	...	21	38.14	445	...
Bellary ...	109	124	2	7	232	150	82	7	...	1	1	35.34	633	...
Canara (South) ...	59	142	8	10	361	211	119	9	...	...	22	36.06	501	3
Chingleput ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore ...	42	87	6	22	278	178	78	2	...	5	15	31.08	478	...
Nilgiris ...	22	27	6	13	40	11	22	...	...	...	7	66.67	155	...
Ouddepah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjām ...	120	121	3	14	292	172	106	11	...	2	1	38.13	581	...
Gōdāvari ...	29	34	1	18	94	51	30	2	...	...	1	37.04	166	...
Kistna ...	78	64	5	16	151	80	63	...	...	3	5	44.06	241	...
Kurnool ...	40	59	1	17	188	75	105	6	...	1	1	58.33	435	...
Madnra ...	71	110	17	29	409	230	112	...	...	12	55	82.75	677	...
Malabar ...	245	246	27	18	615	816	233	11	...	7	48	42.44	1,291	27
Nellore ...	75	82	5	17	248	107	103	2	...	...	36	49.05	447	...
Salem ...	...	74	96	3	18	219	136	103	1	...	4	43.10	507	25
Tanjore ...	110	108	14	21	200	102	67	3	...	3	25	39.64	581	...
Tinnevely ...	...	2	...	13	6	5	1	...	...	...	...	16.67	2	...
Trochinopoly ...	...	12	...	15	43	43	...	...	...	...	...	0.00	36	...
Visagapatam ...	228	254	5	14	805	546	236	11	...	1	7	30.18	1,183	...
Ganjām (Agency). ...	40	38	...	4	70	20	34	16	...	...	...	62.96	129	...
Gōdāvari (do.). ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Visagapatam (do.). ...	55	82	1	10	155	58	86	10	...	1	...	59.72	310	...
Total ...	1,567	1,819	124	17	4,844	2,743	1,691	92	...	3	50	38.14	9,130	55

C.7.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Disposed of				Pending		Number per cent. convicted of the offence in columns 7 and 8.	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	15
Arcoot (North) ...	105	93	8	14	185	100	77	...	...	8	...	48.60	514	...
Do. (South) ...	40	50	4	11	110	81	21	...	...	...	8	20.69	282	15
{ Anantapur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ Bellary ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canara (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput ...	157	112	8	9	171	81	78	2	...	9	3	48.41	402	...
{ Coimbatore ...	114	132	...	13	251	124	102	24	1	...	...	45.13	588	13
{ Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	70	77	1	2	138	72	62	2	...	1	1	46.27	472	...
Ganjām ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Górávari ...	31	43	1	11	205	183	16	4	1	...	1	8.04	185	...
Kistna ...	56	84	2	11	162	58	87	12	...	5	...	60.00	423	...
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura ...	95	169	8	10	262	73	161	7	...	1	20	68.80	349	...
Malabar ...	41	44	1	20	87	52	33	1	...	1	...	38.82	260	...
Nellore ...	41	43	5	10	97	48	41	1	...	4	3	48.07	259	...
Salem ...	184	186	5	9	292	96	178	5	1	1	11	64.96	471	...
Tanjore ...	95	100	3	18	273	206	63	...	...	...	5	23.13	440	8
Tinnevely ...	133	105	9	44	242	174	52	...	2	2	12	28.01	332	...
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjām (Agency).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Górávari (do.).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,162	1,288	55	13	2,475	1,348	968	58	5	32	64	41.80	4,977	36

C-8.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons								Number of witnesses.	
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Disposed of				Pending		Number per cent. convicted of the persons in columns 7 and 8.	Examined.	Detained 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	15
Arcoot (North) ...	...	8	...	2	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	100-00	1	...
Do. (South) ...	1	2	...	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	100-00	...	...
Anantapur ...	10	10	...	27	26	11	14	1	...	...	...	56-00	82	...
Bellary ...	2	4	...	5	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	100-00	2	...
Canara (South) ...	1	2	...	1	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	50-00	...	...
Chingleput ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore ...	8	14	...	18	25	7	16	2	...	...	...	69-57	140	...
Nilgiris ...	5	9	...	4	13	2	11	...	...	...	...	84-62	27	...
Cuddapah ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjām ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gódvári ...	4	5	...	45	40	12	28	...	...	...	...	70-00	69	...
Kistna ...	1	1	...	17	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	100-00	...	...
Kurnool ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madura ...	8	8	...	4	38	26	12	...	...	...	...	31-58	48	...
Malabar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nellore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem ...	3	3	...	2	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	100-00	...	...
Tanjore ...	...	1	...	9	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	100-00	...	...
Tinnevely ...	4	3	...	1	9	...	9	...	...	...	...	100-00	...	...
Trichinopoly ...	3	4	...	2	5	2	3	...	...	...	...	60-00	4	...
Vizagapatam ...	2	2	...	11	9	2	7	...	...	...	...	77-78	...	...
Ganjām (Agency).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gódvári (do.).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	52	76	...	12	188	63	122	3	...	...	...	65-95	373	...

C-9.—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 1899.

Districts.	Cases				Persons							Number of witnesses.	
	Received by commitment or reference.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Under trial.	Disposed of				Pending	Number per cent. convicted of the persons in columns 7 and 8.	Examined.	Detained beyond three days.
						Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Arcot (North)	63	63	...	21	127	72	43	12	...	...	37.39	602	66
Do. (South)	56	56	2	19	114	55	49	6	...	4	47.12	447	...
Bellary	100	98	1	38	225	120	97	7	...	1	44.70	1,025	217
Canara (South)	45	44	1	34	105	37	62	...	...	6	62.63	478	220
Chingleput	23	23	...	22	58	21	36	1	...	...	63.16	207	...
Coimbatore	105	104	1	30	308	143	151	12	...	2	51.36	1,037	302
Nilgiris	2	2	...	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	100.00	...	...
Cuddapah	98	99	1	33	240	147	72	19	1	1	32.88	831	377
Ganjām	29	30	...	34	50	11	33	6	...	...	75.00	347	43
Gōdāvari	53	53	...	27	81	39	40	2	...	...	50.63	501	189
Kistna	31	30	3	28	83	47	31	2	...	3	39.74	456	195
Kurnool	38	38	1	33	101	61	33	5	1	1	35.11	489	101
Madura	103	103	...	54	189	95	84	9	1	...	46.93	692	15
Malabar (North)	34	34	...	20	72	25	43	4	...	...	63.24	317	27
Do. (South)	56	56	2	28	128	63	41	22	...	2	39.42	507	125
Nellore	40	40	...	31	81	38	35	8	...	...	47.95	366	51
Salem	79	80	1	32	221	184	79	6	1	1	37.09	798	233
Tanjore	93	86	7	25	160	45	101	6	...	8	69.18	655	208
Tinnevely	151	100	40	89	866	159	174	8	1	475	52.25	1,030	804
Trichinopoly	39	38	2	42	93	30	46	7	...	4	56.10	572	267
Vizagapatam	22	23	...	25	40	22	14	4	...	...	38.89	230	...
Ganjām (Agency)	18	18	...	2	39	23	16	...	...	...	41.03	173	...
Gōdāvari (do.)	4	4	...	20	15	6	9	...	...	...	60.00	44	...
Vizagapatam (do.)	34	34	...	17	135	42	91	2	...	...	68.42	297	...
Total	1,316	1,256	62	32	3,538	1,441	1,382	148	5	494	48.98	12,099	2,940

D.—Statement showing, by districts, the result of trial by Jury and with Assessors in the Courts of Session for the year 1899.

Districts.	Established or average number of jurors or assessors in each case.	Prescribed qualifications.	Number of accused persons in jury trials.				Number of accused persons in trials with assessors.			
			As to whom the Judge				As to whom the Judge			
			Tried.	Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	Tried.	Agreed with all the assessors.	Differed from one or more, but not from all the assessors.	Differed from all the assessors.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Arcot (North)	Five jurors and two assessors.	As described in sections 319 and 320, Criminal Procedure Code.	70	63	7	7	38	32	4	2
Do. (South)			55	49	6	6	27	26	...	1
Bellary			95	94	1	1	121	86	16	10
Canara (South)			37	37	...	...	48	35	7	6
Chingleput			34	33	1	1	20	15	3	2
Coimbatore			111	101	10	10	190	105	17	68
Cuddapah			76	55	7	7	167	128	7	24
Ganjām			18	18	...	...	27	18	...	9
Gōdāvari			24	23	1	1	49	43	3	3
Kistna			48	46	2	2	31	22	8	1
Kurnool	Two assessors.	As described in sections 319 and 320, Criminal Procedure Code.	36	35	1	1	63	43	6	14
Madura			79	79	...	...	76	67	1	8
Malabar (North)			30	30	...	...	42	29	4	9
Do. (South)			54	34	20	20	65	32	12	21
Nellore			37	34	3	3	40	26	5	9
Nilgiris			128	126	2	2	79	37	23	19
Salem			104	103	1	1	31	15	5	11
Tanjore			89	85	4	4	239	158	14	67
Tinnevely			65	60	5	5	23	17	4	2
Trichinopoly			13	13	...	...	16	14	1	1
Vizagapatam	Two assessors.	As described in sections 319 and 320, Criminal Procedure Code.	...	...	...	...	39	28	7	4
Ganjām (Agency)			...	...	...	...	15	11	4	...
Gōdāvari (do.)			...	...	...	...	128	34	25	69
Vizagapatam (do.)			...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	...	...	1,203	1,118	71	71	1,564	1,019	176	369

* 18 of these persons were tried both by Jury and with Assessors.

E-1.—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 1899.

Districts.	Appeals.								Persons.							
	District Magistrates.				Other 1st-class Magistrates.				Number appealing.	Disposed of.						
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.		Sentence or order.			New trial ordered.	Referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	Pending.
										Confirmed.	Reduced or otherwise modified.	Reversed or proceedings quashed.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Arcot (North)	12	14	...	9	334	328	13	22	510	313	37	149	4	...	...	24
Do. (South)	15	9	...	19	556	546	15	23	1,051	701	67	211	14	1	...	52
{ Anantapur	11	4	...	20	216	200	17	19	496	237	48	128	10	...	...	44
{ Bellary	23	18	...	11	231	224	22	18	421	195	101	98	4	...	...	50
Canara (South)	8	7	...	19	192	183	23	22	440	284	46	89	...	...	...	65
Chingleput	7	7	...	8	284	284	8	16	570	310	83	139	39	...	...	13
{ Coimbatore	22	26	1	12	519	518	14	24	1,188	640	150	334	33	...	...	38
{ Nilgiris	38	6	...	5	8	36	8	15	61	87	2	28	...	...	...	8
Cuddapah	...	...	...	...	339	349	14	23	643	415	64	191	...	...	...	29
Ganjām	2	2	...	22	306	333	3	16	596	460	61	156	...	...	...	7
Gōdāvari	10	9	...	47	618	638	78	43	1,304	803	66	433	21	...	...	170
Kistna	29	22	...	15	500	505	18	11	928	620	84	180	9	...	...	55
Kurnool	10	6	...	42	263	264	12	13	529	302	28	173	3	...	...	22
Madura	11	11	...	19	471	467	45	30	1,328	871	92	356	1	...	...	109
Malabar	31	30	...	14	722	721	28	15	1,255	824	131	286	9	...	...	42
Nellore	17	12	1	17	280	284	6	15	479	343	40	88	4	...	...	12
Salem	8	7	...	14	438	439	20	25	816	561	58	214	1	...	...	29
Tanjore	41	42	...	19	517	530	20	17	856	466	94	286	14	...	...	34
Tinnevely	37	32	...	8	419	426	14	19	875	483	72	303	6	...	...	40
Trichinopoly	48	33	1	15	369	371	8	18	995	600	32	316	4	...	...	41
Vizagapatam	2	2	...	11	229	234	1	17	552	372	66	120	1	...	...	1
Ganjām (Agency)	...	...	...	...	9	9	...	...	23	20	3	...	...	...	...	...
Gōdāvari { do. }	...	...	...	...	17	19	...	...	38	40	21	...	25	...	...	...
Vizagapatam { do. }	...	...	...	...	54	53	...	...	114	63	25	...	25	...	...	...
Total	377	299	8	16	7,891	7,961	382	21	16,070	9,941	1,450	4,377	177	1	1	880

E-2.—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 1899.

Districts.	Appeals.				Persons.								
	Received.	Disposed of.	Pending.	Average duration.	Number appealing.	Disposed of.							Pending.
						Sentence or order.				New trial ordered.	Referred.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province.	
						Confirmed.	Reduced or otherwise modified.	Reversed or proceedings quashed.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
Arcot (North)	44	49	1	27	72	53	11	16	...	...	...	1	
Do. (South)	50	54	1	16	68	54	12	10	1	...	...	1	
Bellary	91	90	3	22	138	107	13	17	...	...	...	3	
Anantapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Canara (South)	50	50	...	28	77	60	8	7	2	...	...	...	
Chingleput	41	47	2	27	52	28	13	14	...	...	...	5	
Coimbatore	115	109	9	29	165	119	11	30	...	...	...	10	
Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Cuddapah	80	80	1	31	111	90	1	21	...	...	1	1	
Ganjām	41	45	...	18	63	60	6	1	...	...	...	...	
Gōdāvari	56	55	2	27	101	66	18	17	...	...	...	2	
Kistna	66	68	1	34	136	104	10	20	2	...	...	3	
Kurnool	43	41	3	27	73	65	7	5	...	...	...	3	
Madura	138	139	4	24	212	157	8	43	5	...	...	6	
Malabar (North)	12	13	...	17	18	14	...	5	...	...	...	...	
Do. (South)	89	94	5	32	135	82	2	53	1	...	...	7	
Nellore	51	51	...	26	73	57	6	10	...	...	...	...	
Salem	60	67	2	36	136	78	17	44	...	...	1	11	
Tanjore	89	91	2	28	111	85	7	20	...	...	...	3	
Tinnevely	84	80	8	32	240	141	10	85	5	...	1	18	
Trichinopoly	60	63	5	27	69	54	4	26	...	...	...	5	
Vizagapatam	47	56	2	31	85	74	2	22	...	...	...	3	
Ganjām (Agency)	1	1	...	8	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Gōdāvari (do.)	6	7	...	25	6	1	8	3	...	...	...	...	
Vizagapatam (do.)	11	13	...	16	25	27	...	1	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	1,325	1,363	51	27	2,167	1,577	169	470	16	...	8	80	

F.—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 1899.

Districts.	Courts of District Magistrates.										Courts of Session.					
	Cases					Persons					Cases		Persons			
	Disposed of.		Pending.		Received.	Disposed of.		Pending.		Received.	Disposed of.		Pending.		Persons	
	Received.	8	4	5		Orders not interfered with.	Proceedings quashed or further enquiry ordered.	Referred.	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	767	813	41	2,375	1,802	537	186	95	497	420	37	1,363	1,132	149	84	123
Arrot (North)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Anantapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Canara (South)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Coimbatore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nilgiris	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kistna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kurnool	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madras	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malabar (North)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nellore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tanjore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tinnevely	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trichinopoly	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ganjam (Agency)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Godavari (do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (do.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	767	813	41	2,375	1,802	537	186	95	497	420	37	1,363	1,132	149	84	123

G.—Statement showing, by districts, the number and result of Appeals to the High Court, for the year 1899.

Appeals against										Persons concerned in appeals against																	
Districts.	Conviction					Acquittal					Verdict of jury					Conviction					Acquittal					Verdict of jury	
	Summarily rejected.	Confirmed.	Sentence		Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed, &c., as regards some appellants.	Confirmed.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Reversed, conviction tence passed.	Upheld.	Modified.	Set aside.	Total.	Summarily rejected.	Confirmed.	Varied.	Reversed.	Reversed and remanded.	Confirmed.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Reversed, conviction tence passed.	Upheld.	Modified.	Set aside.	Total.		
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		
Anantapur	20	10	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	10	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Arcoet (North)	12	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	38	18	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Do. (South)	42	24	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	25	67	36	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Bellary	15	8	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	20	12	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Canara (South)	15	2	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	27	17	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Chingleput	29	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	69	21	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Coimbatore	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Nilgiris	28	24	...	...	...	...	2	1	8	2	...	4	69	28	49	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Cuddapah	6	5	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	14	7	14	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Ganjam	3	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	4	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Do. (Agency)	16	8	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	29	21	10	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Godavari	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Do. (Agency)	...	4	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	14	3	12	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Kistna	2	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	9	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Kurnool	21	14	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	41	31	20	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Madura	12	9	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	21	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Malabar (North)	14	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	18	8	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Do. (South)	10	6	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	10	9	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Nellore	21	12	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	32	20	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Salem	63	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72	65	7	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Tanjore	28	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	51	39	26	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Tinnevely	24	14	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	28	14	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Trichinopoly	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Vizagapatam	5	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	21	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Do. (Agency)	13	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	13	10	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Madras	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Mysore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Total	407	225	24	32	6	6	12	8	9	12	2	19	762	566	348	59	43	8	24	17	17	22	2	49	1,155		

H.—Statement exhibiting, by districts, the mode of disposal of the Sentences of Death referred for confirmation under section 374 of the Criminal Procedure Code, for the year 1899.

Districts.	Cases						Persons					
	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed and acquittal ordered.	Confirmed, &c., as regards some of the appellants.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.	Confirmed.	Committed to transportation.	Committed to rigorous imprisonment.	Reversed and acquittal ordered.	Reversed and new trial ordered.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Arcot (North) ...	1	1	1	...	...	3	1	1	...	1	...	3
Do. (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bellary ...	4	1	...	1	...	6	5	4	...	...	...	9
Canara (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chingleput ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ Coimbatore ...	6	...	...	...	...	6	8	...	...	...	...	8
{ Nilgiris ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	4	2	...	1	...	7	7	2	...	2	1	11
Ganjām ...	2	...	2	...	1	5	2	...	...	2	...	5
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gódvári ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kistna ...	1	...	...	1	...	2	2	...	...	2	...	4
Kurnool ...	5	1	1	...	...	7	5	1	...	1	...	7
Madura ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Malabar (North) ...	5	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South) ...	1	1	1	...	...	3	1	1	...	1	...	3
Nellore ...	2	1	...	...	...	3	4	1	...	...	...	5
Salem ...	5	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	5
Tanjore ...	1	...	...	1	...	2	4	1	...	...	...	5
Tinnevely ...	3	1	...	...	...	4	3	1	...	...	...	4
Trichinopoly ...	2	1	...	...	...	3	2	1	...	...	...	3
Vizagapatam ...	2	1	1	...	...	4	2	1	...	1	...	4
Do. (Agency) ...	1	...	1	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	2
Total ...	46	10	7	4	1	68	58	14	...	11	1	84

I.—Statement showing, by districts, the results of cases referred under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code, by Sessions Judges and District Magistrates, for the year 1899.

Districts.	Reported by Sessions Judges.					Reported by District Magistrates.				
	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
Arcot (North) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	3
Do. (South) ...	1	...	1	3	5	1	1	...	...	6
{ Anantapur ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2
{ Bellary ...	1	...	2	...	3	4	1	...	7	13
Canara (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	9	16
Chingleput ...	...	...	1	1	2	1	...	3	3	7
{ Coimbatore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
{ Nilgiris ...	...	2	1	3	6	...	1	...	2	3
Cuddapah ...	...	...	1	2	3	2	...	...	1	3
Ganjām ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	1	...	1	5	4	...	5	15
Gódvári ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	1	1	3	...	8	3	14
Kistna ...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	2	3	7
Kurnool ...	...	1	1	3	5	...	...	1	...	1
Madura ...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	3	6
Malabar (North) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. (South) ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	4	9
Nellore ...	2	...	...	2	4	4	2	1	3	10
Salem ...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	2	1	7
Tanjore ...	...	...	...	1	3	1	...	2	2	5
Tinnevely ...	2	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	3	8
Trichinopoly ...	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	1	...	1
Vizagapatam ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2
Do. (Agency) ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	8	3	9	27	47	38	18	36	56	148

J.—Statement showing, by districts, the amount of fines imposed in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction, the amount realized, and the amount paid as compensation, for the year 1899.

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) ...	Rs. 24,106	Rs. 21,928	Rs. 965	...	...	...
Do. (South) ...	37,871	31,869	3,017	10	...	...
{ Anantapur ...	15,929	14,607	582	...	...	...
{ Bellary ...	26,521	23,365	740	587	10	...
Canara (South) ...	32,141	26,544	2,132	1,345	1,080	662
Chingleput ...	24,362	22,712	1,246	250	9	...
{ Coimbatore ...	61,575	51,370	2,539	100	100	...
{ Nilgiris ...	7,997	7,019	641	...	...	...
Cuddapah ...	32,128	29,314	851	675	657	...
Ganjām ...	30,536	24,968	2,880	12,295	45	...
Gódvári ...	47,136	37,135	8,279	100	...	...
Kistna ...	50,907	44,679	814	75	325	...
Kurnool ...	23,574	19,531	940	30	7	7
Madura ...	65,693	59,544	1,189	720	702	50
Malabar { North ...	40,098	33,129	1,997	20	1,500	...
{ South ...	...	...	...	210	10	...
Nellore ...	25,544	24,028	596	160	131	...
Salem ...	47,375	45,364	1,117	4,450	1,190	40
Tanjore ...	39,090	34,606	511	...	...	...
Tinnevely ...	28,520	26,342	1,930	2,400	1,313	...
Trichinopoly ...	37,989	31,628	1,350	...	...	...
Vizagapatam ...	36,081	20,267	1,217	...	...	...
Ganjām (Agency) ...	1,573	1,490	101	...	92	...
Gódvári (Do.) ...	3,329	2,133	90	...	...	...
Vizagapatam (Do.) ...	6,345	4,649	717	...	...	...
Madras ...	57,664	43,281	2,216	600	...	...
Total ...	8,04,084	* 6,81,452	33,157	24,027	* 7,171	759

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

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Registrar, High Court of Judicature, Madras, dated 14th August 1900,
Dis. No. 544.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding copies of the report on the administration of Criminal Justice in the Presidency of Madras for the year 1899.

ORDER—No. 1397, Judicial, dated 26th September 1900.

The anti-Shanar riots in Tinnevely present the only extraordinary feature in the crime of 1899, and account for an increase in robberies and dacoities, as well as for the unusual prevalence of grave crime in that district.

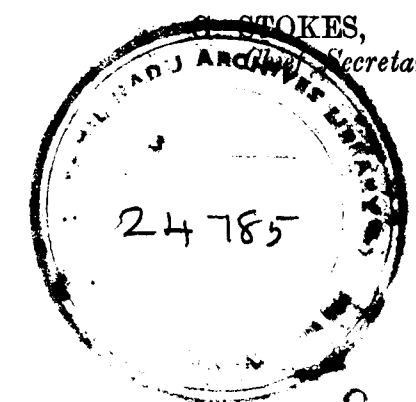
2. The considerable decrease of 15·50 per cent. in the number of reported thefts is remarkable. There was also a decrease in 1898, as compared with 1897, which was attributed to the favourable character of the season.

3. The decrease in the number of prosecutions under the Salt and Abkari Acts may, it is hoped, be regarded as indicating a growing respect for the laws which secure the salt and abkari revenue. The number of offences against the Abkari Act is unfortunately still very large.

4. In 105 offences relating to coin, 66 persons were acquitted or discharged, and 58 were convicted. No case of false coining on a large scale has been brought to notice, and there is no reason to apprehend that the appreciation of the rupee has led to any material increase in this class of offence in Madras.

5. The main fluctuations in the statistics of the year are noted by the High Court in paragraphs 18 and 59 of the report, and call for no special comment by Government. The report is on the whole satisfactory.

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