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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
for the month of May 1860.*

No. 28. Read the following letter from C. F. CHAMIER, Esq., Registrar of the Sadr Court, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 8th May 1860, No. 43.

I have the honor, by desire of the Judges of the Sadr Court, to transmit, for the purpose of being laid before the Government, the accompanying Statements, in illustration of the Administration of Civil Justice in the Courts of this Presidency, during the year 1859.

GENERAL ABSTRACT STATEMENT.

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No. 1.—*Punchayets.*

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Depending 1st January... ..	50	55	50	50	51
Instituted during the year... ..	48	51	50	49	73
Total.....	98	106	100	99	124
Decided on merits... ..	13	11	18	17	25
Dismissed on default... ..	20	32	17	10	11
Adjusted or withdrawn.....	10	13	15	17	25
Otherwise disposed of... ..	...	...	...	4	...
Total.....	43	56	50	48	61
Depending 31st December...	55	50	50	51	63

No. 2.—*Village Munsiffs.*

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Depending 1st January... ..	5,385	4,763	5,786	5,389	5,060
Instituted during the year... ..	14,139	20,041	20,494	23,168	27,114
Total....	19,524	24,804	28,280	28,557	32,174
Decided on merits... ..	5,108	6,295	6,860	7,528	9,354
Dismissed on default.....	4,873	6,189	7,210	3,859	3,502
Adjusted or withdrawn...	4,780	6,534	6,821	9,539	10,977
Otherwise disposed of... ..				2,571	1,791
Total.....	14,761	19,018	20,891	23,497	25,624
Depending 31st December...	4,763	5,786	5,389	5,060	6,550

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No. 3.—*District Munsiffs.*

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Depending 1st January...	51,101	47,658	45,388	49,986	56,546
Instituted during the year...	84,677	95,834	98,848	1,08,246	1,25,424
Remanded...	585	665	826	988	1,031
Received by transfer...	1,920	891	1,295	3,563	1,855
Total...	1,38,283	1,45,048	1,46,357	1,62,783	1,84,856
Decided on merits...	36,028	29,036	37,760	38,774	43,065
Dismissed on default...	4,501	4,313	4,095	4,862	6,166
Adjusted or withdrawn...	49,413	54,758	52,675	51,304	50,586
Otherwise disposed of...	683	1,553	1,841	11,297	7,026
Total...	90,625	99,660	96,371	1,06,237	1,06,843
Depending 31st December...	47,658	45,388	49,986	56,546	78,013

No. 4.—*Sadr Amins.*

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Depending 1st January...	2,850	875	1,312	1,250	1,058
Instituted during the year...	2,322	1,483	2,151	2,131	2,644
Remanded...	104	98	102	101	119
Received by transfer...	286	690	798	663	976
Total...	5,562	3,146	4,363	4,145	4,797
Decided on merits...	1,879	1,012	1,675	1,251	1,140
Dismissed on default...	251	110	216	182	225
Adjusted or withdrawn...	1,270	650	1,185	940	1,037
Otherwise disposed of...	1,287	62	37	714	235
Total...	4,687	1,834	3,113	3,087	2,637
Depending 31st December...	875	1,312	1,250	1,058	2,160

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No. 5.—*Principal Sadr Amins.*

	1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January...	516	601	382	500	358	598	382	848	314	1,182
Instituted during the year...	763	24	955	34	752	37	595	47	426	18
Remanded...	42	10	29	13	3	23	5	17	7	25
Received by transfer...	43	963	137	1,180	12	2,090	31	2,871	20	2,554
Total...	1,364	1,598	1,503	1,727	1,125	2,748	1,013	3,783	767	3,779
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant...	330	334	385	378	308	586	283	766	127	707
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent...	102	548	103	537	96	938	92	1,331	75	1,300
Remanded...	...	141	...	146	...	265	...	380	...	393
Dismissed on default...	42	11	139	7	22	10	21	19	18	34
Adjusted or withdrawn...	393	54	465	57	303	97	232	137	119	107
Otherwise disposed of...	115	10	53	4	14	10	77	23	153	191
Total...	982	1,098	1,145	1,129	743	1,900	705	2,656	492	2,732
Depending 31st December...	3	82	500	358	598	382	848	308	1,127	275

No. 6.—*Assistant Judges.*

	1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January...	...	326	...	350	...	178	...	278	...	...
Instituted during the year...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Remanded...	...	2	...	4	...	3	...	1	...	...
Received by transfer...	...	201	...	3	...	483	...	1	...	...
Total...	...	529	...	357	...	664	...	280	...	...
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant...	...	33	...	51	...	95	...	83	...	...
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent...	...	112	...	97	...	210	...	88	...	...
Remanded...	...	16	...	10	...	11	...	12	...	...
Dismissed on default...	...	1	...	7	...	16	...	4	...	...
Adjusted or withdrawn...	...	15	...	14	...	36	...	10	...	...
Otherwise disposed of...	...	2	...	...	...	18	...	83	...	...
Total...	...	179	...	179	...	386	...	280	...	...
Depending 31st December...	...	350	...	178	...	278	...	...	...	...

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No. 7.—Subordinate Judges.

	1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January...	517	1,024	373	1,425	339	1,468	308	1,308	477	817
Instituted during the year.	267		152		135		352	19	709	54
Remanded...	23	13	18	17	17	18	19	9	14	5
Received by transfer. ...	67	1,240	123	1,123	108	1,002	240	670	271	965
Total...	874	2,277	666	2,565	599	2,488	919	2,006	1,471	1,841
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant.	89	240	78	260	79	278	149	262	263	206
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent...	65	435	55	452	42	455	49	497	61	347
Remanded...	...	75	...	73	...	111	...	114	...	103
Dismissed on default...	35	27	53	16	39	22	47	10	45	12
Adjusted or withdrawn.	144	40	90	67	97	68	120	65	290	53
Otherwise disposed of...	168	35	51	229	34	246	71	186	114	139
Total...	501	852	327	1,097	291	1,180	436	1,134	773	880
Depending 31st December...	373	1,425	339	1,468	308	1,308	483	872	693	961

No. 8.—Civil Judges.

	1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.	
	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.	Original.	Appeal.
Depending 1st January...	219	3,002	181	2,924	295	4,470	281	4,793	229	4,679
Instituted during the year.	275	4,200	366	5,632	335	5,681	237	5,439	407	5,528
Remanded...	10	13	5	15	12	37	4	25	5	26
Received by transfer. ...	6	47	132	240	167	274	2,997	370	2,174	303
Total...	510	7,262	684	8,811	809	10,462	3,519	10,627	2,815	10,536
Decreed for Plaintiff or Appellant.	19	589	29	586	37	524	21	603	18	812
Decreed for Defendant or Respondent...	26	968	29	1,030	13	1,094	17	1,179	20	939
Remanded...	...	171	...	170	...	186	...	226	...	263
Dismissed on default...	7	98	8	104	10	91	2	345	19	65
Adjusted or withdrawn.	54	118	72	158	82	190	66	191	50	168
Otherwise disposed of...	223	2,394	251	2,293	386	3,584	3,184	3,404	2,335	3,499
Total...	329	4,338	389	4,341	528	5,669	3,290	5,948	2,442	5,746
Depending 31st December...	181	2,924	295	4,470	281	4,793	229	4,679	373	4,790

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No. 9.—Sadr Adalat.

	1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.	
	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.
Depending 1st January.....	8	12	7	31	17	36	24	32	16	54
Admitted during the year, ...	24	130	37	126	32	140	26	184	31	203
Total.....	32	142	44	157	49	176	50	216	47	257
Dismissed on default...	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	2	...
Adjusted or withdrawn. ...	1	...	1	...	2	...	...	2	...	...
Confirmed...	6	26	16	25	9	29	15	42	13	44
Amended. ...	7	11	2	9	...	3	2	10	...	7
Reversed...	9	45	3	29	5	48	15	69	6	83
Remanded. ...	2	29	4	57	6	64	2	39	4	48
Otherwise disposed of...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	25	111	27	121	25	144	34	162	25	182
Depending 31st December.....	7	31	17	36	24	32	16	54	22	75

No. 10.—Aggregate of Original Jurisdiction.

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Depending 1st January ...	60,638	54,287	53,528	57,646	63,735
Instituted during the year. ...	1,05,577	1,21,670	1,26,105	1,43,389	1,63,269
Total.....	1,66,215	1,75,957	1,79,633	2,01,035	2,27,004
Decided on merits... ..	43,659	47,043	46,888	48,181	64,148
Dismissed on default... ..	9,729	10,757	11,609	8,983	9,986
Adjusted or withdrawn...	56,064	62,577	61,178	62,218	63,084
Otherwise disposed of.....	2,476	2,052	2,312	17,918	11,654
Depending 31st December.....	54,287	53,528	57,646	63,735	88,132
Decided by European Judges...	830	716	819	3,726	3,232
Do. by Native do....	1,11,055	1,21,657	1,21,118	1,33,526	1,35,579
Do. by Punchayets.	43	56	50	48	61
Total decided.....	1,11,928	1,22,429	1,21,987	1,37,300	1,38,872

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No. 11—Aggregate of Appellate Jurisdiction.

		Civil Judges.										Subordinate Judges.										Assistant Judges.										Principal Sadr Amíns.								
		1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.		1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.		1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		1859.		1855.		1856.		1857.		1858.		
		Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.	Regular.	Special.			
Depending 1st Jan		45	1,557	58	1,616	50	1,618	38	1,782	38	1,751	154	675	133	667	121	674	198	759	324	39	...	145	...	148	...	305	...	161	...	432	882	498	1,012	404	1,518	375	2,097	20	
Instituted during		24	79	37	67	32	81	26	86	31	86	90	23	90	24	81	17	71	17	53	16	...	3	...	3	...	13	...	21	...	12	139	25	118	32	99	29	107	60	9
Remanded...		8	6	7	17	17	23	24	22	16	22	210	2	160	5	149	5	140	4	130	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	12	342	1	244	9	132	8	101	4	19	
Received by trans		32	85	44	84	49	104	50	108	47	108	300	25	250	29	230	22	211	21	183	19	...	6	...	3	...	13	...	23	...	24	481	26	362	41	231	37	208	64	29
	Total...	6	17	16	18	9	19	15	23	13	20	87	5	39	4	40	4	32	3	27	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	7	111	4	115	3	86	4	50	13	6	
Suits Appealable...		6	17	16	18	9	19	15	23	13	20	87	5	39	4	40	4	32	3	27	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	3	...	7	111	4	115	3	86	4	50	13	6	
Decreed for Plain		7	7	2	4	...	2	2	7	...	3	12	...	10	2	14	1	13	...	6	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	21	3	31	3	16	...	6	1	
Decreed for Defen		7	7	2	4	...	2	2	7	...	3	12	...	10	2	14	1	13	...	6	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	21	3	31	3	16	...	6	1	
Remanded...		9	27	3	10	5	26	15	41	6	36	21	8	16	7	16	4	15	8	6	6	...	3	...	1	...	7	...	3	...	9	62	7	45	8	16	11	15	17	
Dismissed on defau		9	27	3	10	5	26	15	41	6	36	21	8	16	7	16	4	15	8	6	6	...	3	...	1	...	7	...	3	...	9	62	7	45	8	16	11	15	17	
Adjusted or withdr		2	17	4	28	6	35	2	14	4	17	13	7	6	11	8	9	7	6	5	5	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	3	...	4	26	3	19	16	7	18	6	16	
Otherwise disposed		2	17	4	28	6	35	2	14	4	17	13	7	6	11	8	9	7	6	5	5	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	3	...	4	26	3	19	16	7	18	6	16	
	Total...	2	17	4	28	6	35	2	14	4	17	13	7	6	11	8	9	7	6	5	5	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	3	...	4	26	3	19	16	7	18	6	16	
Remanded...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Dismissed on default...		...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Adjusted or withdrawn...		1	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	14	...	8	...	11	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Otherwise disposed of...		1	...	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	4	...	14	...	8	...	11	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
	Total...	25	68	27	61	25	82	34	86	25	76	140	20	101	24	90	18	83	18	59	14	...	6	...	3	...	11	...	11	...	22	237	17	230	33	130	33	84	47	9
Depending 31st December...		7	17	17	23	24	22	16	22	22	32	160	5	149	5	140	4	128	3	124	5	...	...	...	...	2	...	12	...	22	244	9	132	8	101	4	124	17	19	

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Collectors.						Sadr Amíns.					District Moonsiffs.				
1859.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.	Regular.
86	No Return	...	...	76	166	1,879	1,012	1,675	1,183	993	19,610	23,223	22,049	21,034	22,451
89	28	34	31	27	32	626	565	538	588	391	3,449	5,180	5,319	5,139	5,361
17	44	36	36	27	30	1,590	1,147	833	724	637	2,767	3,612	5,562	6,235	5,759
106	72	70	67	54	62	2,216	1,712	1,371	1,312	1,028	6,216	8,792	10,881	11,374	11,120
15	10	20	18	9	11	525	435	306	276	180	1,330	1,507	2,243	2,727	2,495
1	...	1	7	...	1	155	111	82	105	76	247	341	424	463	468
32	1	5	6	7	2	196	187	119	106	95	480	528	791	985	878
22	...	1	2	6	...	98	71	57	84	88	266	301	499	646	664
...	19	1	4	1	...	31	24	25	13	9	82	98	106	126	95
...	6	6	3	1	2	51	46	57	38	33	154	218	320	351	283
...	...	...	...	...	...	15	5	1	53	6	45	237	263	317	271
70	36	34	40	24	16	1,071	879	647	675	487	2,604	3,230	4,646	5,615	5,154
36	36	36	27	30	46	1,145	833	724	637	541	3,612	5,562	6,235	5,759	5,966

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No. 12.—Description of Original Suits.

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Connected with land rent and Revenue.	8,703	9,979	11,217	4,011	4,676
Otherwise connected with land...	...	...	...	8,939	10,364
For Houses or other fixed property..	2,020	2,261	2,647	3,086	3,763
Connected with debts, wages, &c. ...	94,854	1,09,324	1,12,093	1,14,919	1,35,206
Do. do. caste, religion, &c.	...	...	...	466	524
Do. do. Indigo, Sugar, Silk &c.	...	...	...	3,154	2,282
Total.....	1,05,577	1,21,564	1,25,957	1,34,575	1,56,815

No. 13.—Result of Original Suits.

In favor of Plaintiff.	In favor of Defendant.
47,437	6,711

No. 14.—Average duration of Suits.

	1855.			1856.			1857.			1858.			1859.		
	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.	Years.	Months.	Days.
Sadr Adálat...	...	3	15	...	3	19	...	3	5	...	3	26	...	3	10
Civil Judges...	...	1	11	...	1	6	...	1	1	...	1	27	...	1	12
Subordinate Judges...	...	1	3	...	1	1	...	1	5	...	1	3	...	1	8
Assistant Judges...	...	2	3	...	2	1	...	2	6	...	1	11	...	...	...
Principal Sadr Amíns...	...	2	2	...	1	4	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...
Sadr Amíns...	...	7	24	...	7	24	...	7	14	...	7	29	...	10	2
District Munsiffs...	...	7	8	...	7	12	...	7	17	...	7	11	...	7	14

No. 15.—Total value of Suits Depending.

	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.
Before Sadr Adálat...	1,23,812	10,13,483	6,83,482	5,10,880	2,66,422
Do. other Courts Original...	1,02,22,523	1,17,80,474	1,39,68,910	1,60,06,468	2,14,58,221
Do. do. Appeals...	12,61,516	14,89,170	15,62,589	14,70,883	14,67,970
Total.....	1,16,07,851	1,42,83,127	1,62,14,981	1,79,88,231	2,31,92,613

SUDR COURT,
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE,
8th May 1860.

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,
Registrar.

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No. 29.

ORDER THEREON, 25th May 1860, No. 646.

The Statements received with this letter will be printed for distribution in the usual way.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 30. To the Under Secretary of State for India, dated Fort Saint George, 25th May 1860, No. 647.

I am directed to transmit to you, for the purpose of being laid before the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, the accompanying 10 copies of Statements in illustration of the Administration of Civil Justice in the Courts of the Madras Presidency during the year 1859.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 31. To the Secretary to the Government of India, dated Fort Saint George, 25th May 1860, No. 648.

With reference to my letter of the 8th June 1859, No. 794, I am directed to forward, for submission to the Government of India, 10 copies of Statements in illustration of the Administration of Civil Justice in the Courts of the Madras Presidency during the year 1859.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

31 May 5 PM
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No. 646 - 25 May 1860.
From
The Registrar of the
Superior Court.
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government.
Dated 8th May 1860.
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No. 778.
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Statements in illustration of the Administration of Civil Justice in the Courts of this Presidency during the year 1859.
With an Order & 2 letters.
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The Under Secretary of State for India.

Sir.

I am directed to transmit to you, for the purpose of being laid before the Rt. Honble the Secretary of State, the accompanying 10 copies of Statements in illustration of the Administration of Civil Justice in the Courts of the Madras Presidency during the year 1859.

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