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No. 228. Read the following letter from C. F. CHAMIER, Esq., Registrar of the Sudder Court; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 20th February 1862, No. 24.

I am directed by the Judges to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, dated 30th ultimo, referring to the Sudder Court a paragraph of a letter addressed by the Government Pleader Mr. C. Dale to the Secretary of State for India; urging the advisability of holding out inducements to qualified men to accept the Office of Government Pleader in the District Courts.

2. The Judges observe that the opinion that Mr. Dale entertains is one that no doubt very generally prevails. But the question is from what class of persons than the present are the Government Pleaders to be obtained. Here he gives no suggestion.

3. The remuneration of the Government Pleaders is certainly very low; but even if raised to any amount that the Government can fairly be expected to give, the Judges doubt whether persons for the office could be met with other than those who now present themselves for it, namely the current Native bar.

4. Any measure that would elevate the whole bar would of course be very desirable. Education and the superior tests now applied may do something, but until the general character of the Mofussil Courts is improved, the Judges apprehend the quality of the bar must remain very much what it is.

5. The Judges are not aware however that many of the Government suits have been found to miscarry. No case has come under their notice to which the Collector concerned had not given his earnest attention, and even if there was a lack of professional knowledge in his conduct of it, there still remained the advantages of local knowledge, and the general qualification which Collectors usually possess.

No. 229. ORDER THEREON, 28th February 1862, No. 331.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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The Registrar of the
Sudder Court.

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Dated 20th Feby/1862
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Submitting re-
-marks of the Judges with
reference to the suggestions
made by the Govt. Pleader
Dr. C. Dalie to the Secy of
State for India that induce-
-ments be held out to qualified
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