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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,*  
*26th June 1862.*

No. 206. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 15th April 1862, No. 2,905.

Read letter from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, No. 169, dated the 4th February proposing an increase to the salaries of the District Moonsiffs in the Madras Presidency, and to the cost of their establishments.

RESOLUTION IN THE HOME DEPARTMENT, dated the 2nd April 1862, No. 1,695.

The Governor General in Council observes that the increase of cost from the arrangement is represented to be Rs 14,320 per annum; but as it would appear that the establishment shewn as the "present scale" includes seven District Moonsiffs in the Province of North Canara about to be transferred to the Government of Bombay, while the establishment entered as the "proposed scale" is "exclusive of the seven for North Canara," the increase will apparently be somewhat larger.

2. The Governor General in Council has no doubt of the necessity for the increase in the salaries of the Moonsiffs and in the strength of their establishments proposed by the Madras Government, and he directs therefore that the proposition be referred to the Financial Department for consideration, in respect to the increase of expense which it involves.

3. Meanwhile the Madras Government will be requested from this Department to consider whether an early reduction of expenditure may not be effected by the abolition of all or some of the remaining Mooftee Sudder Ameeris whose occupation, in consequence of the enactment of the Penal Code and the abolition of the Mahomedan Criminal Law in India, has ceased. The Madras Government will also be asked whether the establishment of Mofussil Small Cause Courts under Act 42 of 1860 does not enable them to reduce the number of Moonsiffs and of the Native Judges generally, as has been already done in the North Western Provinces.

Ordered, that the above mentioned letter be forwarded, with a copy of these remarks, to the Financial Department, for further consideration.

Ordered, that a copy of these remarks be sent to the Government of Madras for report as to the points noticed in paragraph 3.

RESOLUTION IN THE FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

In prospect of the anticipated savings referred to, His Excellency the Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction the proposed increase to the salaries of the District Moonsiffs in the Madras Presidency, and to the cost of their establishments, the aggregate additional cost amounting to Rupees 14,320.

Ordered, that a copy of the above Resolution be forwarded to the Home Department, for information and communication to the Government of Madras, and that the original papers be returned, copy being retained.

Ordered, also, that a copy of the above, and of the Tabular Statement submitted by the Government of Madras, be forwarded to the Auditor General of India, to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, and Civil Pay Master, Madras, for information and guidance.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) E. DRUMMOND,

*Officiating Secretary to the Government of India.*

No. 2,376.

Forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George in continuation of Extract No. 1,693, dated the 2nd ultimo, and with the request that the transmission of the information therein called for may be expedited.

HOME DEPARTMENT,  
The 9th May 1862.

By Order,

(Signed) F. C. BAILEY,

*Secretary to the Government of India.*

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,*  
26th June 1862.

No. 207. ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1862, No. 999.

The Governor in Council requests that the Judges of the Court of Sudder Udalt, to whom the foregoing resolution will be communicated, will proceed without loss of time to revise the salaries of the District Moonsiffs, on the principle laid down in their letter of the 25th July 1855, selecting ten of the ablest and most deserving Officers for the appointments of the 1st grade. For these appointments, any Moonsiff in whatever grade he may be serving will be eligible, provided that he is acquainted with the English language, and subject to this proviso, the selection should be based entirely on the superior qualifications of those selected and altogether irrespectively of seniority. The ten appointments of the second grade should be filled by seniority. Under these arrangement every Moonsiff on first appointment will be placed on the 3rd grade on a salary of Rupees 200 per mensem. He will be promoted to the 2nd grade by seniority as vacancies occur unless he should previously be selected by the Sudder Court for a 1st grade Moonsiffship. The salaries of the several grades will be personal and not attached to particular Courts.

2. On further consideration, the Governor in Council is of opinion that the allowance for the Contingent expenses of the District Moonsiffs' Courts, should be additional to the sum Rupees 120 per mensem, proposed for the establishments of those Courts. In supersession therefore of the Orders conveyed in the Proceedings of Government, under date the 28th ultimo, No. 850, he resolves to request that the Judges of the Court of Sudder Udalt, if they consider it desirable that the present system of granting a fixed monthly allowance should be continued, will submit an application in the prescribed tabular form for such an increase to the monthly expenditure now sanctioned for the Moonsiffs' Courts as will adequately provide for the necessary contingent charges. The allowances hitherto granted have it is understood in many cases been found insufficient to meet these charges, and there is apparently no ground for making any distinction in the amounts allowed to the several classes of Moonsiffs. For the future at all events, as the grades of salary will be personal and will not in any way depend on the amount of business before the Courts, this distinction must cease.

3. But it appears to His Excellency in Council that it would be a better arrangement to provide for the contingent expenditure of the District Moonsiffs' Courts in the same manner as that of the higher Courts, and of other public Offices is provided for, viz., by permanent advances and monthly Contingent Bills. The Judges will be good enough to give their opinion on this suggestion.

4. In connection with this subject it has been brought to the notice of the Government that many of the Moonsiffs' Court Houses are very inadequately furnished, being deficient in the most necessary articles of Court furniture. This is a matter which calls for the attention of the Judges.

5. They will expedite the submission of the information called for in the Proceedings of Government, under date the 17th April last, as to the extent to which the abolition of the Office of Sudder Ameen can be carried out.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,  
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

Exd F. Cartledge.

No. 2905-

*EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, d. 15th April 1862.*

*EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Right Hon'ble the Governor General of India in Council, in the Home Department, No. 1695, under date the 2nd April 1862.*

READ letter from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, No. 169, dated the 4th ultimo, proposing an increase to the salaries of the District Moonsiffs in the Madras Presidency, and to the cost of their establishments.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council observes that the increase of cost from the arrangement is represented to be Rupees 14,320 per mensem; but as it would appear that the establishment shewn as the "present scale" includes seven District Moonsiffs in the Province of North Canara about to be transferred to the Government of Bombay, while the establishment entered as the "proposed scale" is "exclusive of the seven for North Canara," the increase will apparently be somewhat larger.

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ORDERED, that the above-mentioned letter be forwarded, with a copy of these remarks, to the Financial Department, for further consideration.

Ordered, that a copy of these remarks be sent to the Government of Madras for report as to the points noticed in paragraph 3.

From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, No. 169, d. 4th February 1862.

I AM directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to address the Government of India on the subject of the salaries of the District Moonsiffs in this Presidency, and those of their establishments, and to represent the insufficiency of their remuneration, and the urgent necessity of its being placed on a better footing.

2. There are at present 125 District Moonsiffs in this Presidency, divided into three classes. Their numbers in each class, rates of pay, and cost of establishment are shown in the following table:—

| Number.             | Salary per mensem. | Monthly cost of establishment. |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| First class..... 14 | Rs. 200            | Rs. 85                         |
| Second class... 32  | " 150              |                                |
| Third class..... 79 | " 100              |                                |
| 125                 |                    | 70                             |

including seven District Moonsiffs in the Province of North Canara, which is about to be transferred to the Government of Bombay. The aggregate cost is Rupees 24,940 per mensem, or Rupees 2,99,280 per annum.

3. In the year 1855 this Government represented to the Government of India that the remuneration of the District Moonsiffs in this Presidency was inadequate, and they strongly recommended the adoption of the subjoined increased scale:—

| Number.             | Salary per mensem. | Monthly cost of establishment. |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| First class..... 12 | Rs. 250            | Rs. 130                        |
| Second class... 12  | " 200              | " 115                          |
| Third class..... 94 | " 150              | " 90                           |

The total cost would have been Rupees 31,525 per mensem, or Rupees 3,78,300 per annum, being an increase of Rupees 6,585 monthly, or Rupees 79,020 annually, above the present scale.

4. No reply has been received to that communication, although made more than six years ago. Meanwhile the position of the District Moonsiffs and of their establishments has not only not improved, but, as compared with the position of public servants in other branches of the service, has actually, and very seriously retrograded.

5. In other Departments of the State the principle that adequate remuneration should be attached to the performance of arduous and responsible duties, has been fully recognized.

In the Revenue branch the Deputy Collectors draw from Rupees 250 to 600 per mensem, besides travelling allowance. The salaries of Thasildars have been greatly raised. In the Public Works Department Sub-Engineers, besides a travelling allowance of Rupees 3 per diem, draw pay from Rupees 250 to Rupees 400 monthly. In the Enam Commission, in the Revenue Survey and Settlement, and in the Forest

| INAM COMMISSION.               |    |               |
|--------------------------------|----|---------------|
| 3 Special Assistants           | .. | 600 Rs. each. |
| 2 Deputy Collectors, 3rd class | .. | 440 " "       |
| 12 ditto, 4th do.              | .. | 340 " "       |
| SETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT.         |    |               |
| 1 Uncovenanted Assistant       | .. | 350 Rs.       |
| 1 2nd ditto                    | .. | 280 " "       |
| 2 Assistant Directors          | .. | 325 " each.   |
| 1 ditto                        | .. | 300 " "       |
| 1 Probationer                  | .. | 250 " "       |
| 1 Manager                      | .. | 250 " "       |
| SURVEY DEPARTMENT.             |    |               |
| 2 Assistants                   | .. | 425 Rs. each. |
| 5 ditto, 2nd grade             | .. | 325 " "       |
| FOREST DEPARTMENT.             |    |               |
| 1 Assistant Conservator        | .. | 300 Rs.       |

Departments are several well-paid Uncovenanted appointments. The District Moonsiffs, although their duties are in no way of less importance than those of the functionaries above alluded to, and although those duties have of late in no degree diminished, but on the contrary much increased, stand alone as an exception to the wise and liberal course which has been elsewhere followed.

6. It should be noticed that the District Moonsiffs of the Madras Presidency have a much more extensive jurisdiction than those of the Bengal Presidency, the limit of jurisdiction in the case of the former is Rupees 1,000, in that of the latter it is only Rupees 300. Nearly two-thirds of the whole original civil jurisdiction in the country devolves, in this Presidency, on the District Moonsiffs. To this, in the case of several District Moonsiffs, Criminal jurisdiction has been added under Act XII of 1854.

7. The Madras Government cannot think it either creditable to the State, or conducive to the public good, that servants on whose integrity, zeal, and ability, the right administration of justice so largely depends, should be left in their present condition. It is clear that the result must be to render the subordinate Judicial service of the Madras Establishment an inferior service, to draw from it its most valuable members into other departments of the State, and to deter men of promise and respectability from entering it for the future. Fully impressed with the truth of this, and of the ill consequences which must ensue from it, the Madras Government have instructed me strongly to urge on the Government of India that the pay of the District Moonsiffs may henceforward be fixed as follows:—

|                              |     |
|------------------------------|-----|
| 10 First class at Rupees ... | 300 |
| 10 Second do. " ...          | 250 |
| 98 Third do. " ...           | 200 |

\* 118

The scale, it will be remarked, is higher than that proposed in 1855, the increase being due partly to the enhanced prices of the necessaries and conveniences of life which have ruled of late years, but chiefly to the improvement since 1855 in the remuneration of other public servants. Even at the scale now recommended, a District Moonsiff of the first class will draw less than Deputy Collectors of three classes out of four, and no more than a Sub-Engineer of the second class. The third class Moonsiffs moreover, who are more than four-fifths of the whole number, or 98 out of 118, will receive no more than the third class Thasildars in the Provinces.

| DEPUTY COLLECTORS. | Rupees per mensem. | Besides travelling allowance. |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1st class          | 600                |                               |
| 2nd class          | 500                |                               |
| 3rd class          | 350                |                               |
| 4th class          | 250                |                               |
| THASILDARS DRAW    |                    |                               |
| 1st class          | Rs. 250            |                               |
| 2nd do.            | " 225              |                               |
| 3rd do.            | " 200              |                               |
| 4th do.            | " 175              |                               |
| 5th do.            | " 150              |                               |

\* Note.—This is exclusive of the 7 for North Canara.

8. The improvement of the position of the District Moonsiffs themselves will, however, be of little benefit unless the establishments through whom they must work, and to whom so much must be confided, be placed on a suitable footing. The Government would fix the establishment of each District Moonsiff at Rupees 120 per mensem. They would have the same scale for all three classes of Courts, the nature and amount of work to be executed by the establishment not varying with the class of Court to which it may be attached.

9. The aggregate cost of the arrangements now proposed would be monthly Rupees 39,260 or yearly Rupees 4,71,120 being in excess of the cost of the present District Moonsiffs and their establishment in the sum of Rupees 14,320 per mensem, or Rupees 1,71,840 per annum.

10. To meet this sum there may fairly be made available the reductions, which during the last twelve months, have been effected in the higher branches of the Judicial service, amounting, as per accompanying list B., to Rupees 51,684 per annum. A further saving of Rupees 54,420 may likewise be accomplished by the abolition, gradually, of 18 Mooftee Sudder Ameen Courts.

\* Rupees 2,92,250 per annum. 11. Nor should it be forgotten that the entire expense\* of the present District Moonsiffs and of their establishment is more than covered by the sale (a) of stamps for use in the District Moonsiffs' Courts, and that the cost of the Courts on the improved footing now recommended, would in great part be covered from the same source.

12. This Government have recently received with great satisfaction the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 11th November 1861, which does justice to this Presidency, and shows that after defraying all local, and its due proportion of home and imperial charges, the Madras Presidency yielded for the year 1861-62 a net surplus of Rupees 22,43,550.

13. Government believe that this surplus will increase, and they submit that it is a measure of simple justice to the people of this Presidency, and in consonance with the spirit of the Resolution alluded to, that no part of the revenue derived from the labors and industry of the inhabitants of the Madras Provinces shall be applied to meet deficiencies in other divisions of the Indian Empire, until the leading wants of the Madras people have been fully supplied. Among these wants none can be more urgent than that that branch of the Judicial service by which the great bulk of the Judicial business of the country is performed shall, in respect of their emoluments of office, be placed on such a basis as shall ensure the pure and efficient administration of justice.

14. A Tabular Statement in the prescribed form accompanies, and provision has been made for the enhanced charge in the Budget for 1862-63.

(a) Note.—The sales of Stamps for use in all the District Moonsiffs' Courts of the Madras Presidency were, deducting refunds for the Official year 1859-60, Rupees 3,70,328 for 1860-61, Rupees 4,52,616. This does not include dues for the putting in of unstamped documents. The out-turn of 1860-61 was probably so high owing to the number of suits suddenly filed in anticipation of the Limitation Act taking effect—but this does not apply to the sales of 1859-60.

## B.

### Courts abolished within the last twelve months.

Bellary.—Salary of Mooftee Sudder Ameen @ Rs. 200. 2,400  
Establishment of do. @ Rs. 45... 540  
2,940

Masulipatam.—Salary of Mooftee Sudder Ameen  
@ Rs. 280 ... 3,360

Establishment of do. do. after deducting

Rs. 21 per mensem, transferred to the  
Civil and Sessions Court @ Rs. 24 ... 288  
3,648

Chicacole.—Salary of Mooftee Sudder Ameen @  
Rs. 200... 2,400

Establishment of do. after deducting  
Rs. 18 per mensem, transferred to  
the Civil and Sessions Court @  
Rs. 27 ... 324  
2,724

Trichinopoly.—By the abolition of the Principal  
Sudder Ameen's Court, after deduct-  
ing 52½ transferred to the Civil and  
Sessions Court @ Rs. 954-8-0 ... 11,454

Chingleput.—By the abolition of the Establishment  
of the Principal Sudder Ameen's  
Court, after deducting Rs. 52½  
transferred to Civil and Sessions  
Court @ Rs. 454½... 5,454

Chittoor.—Difference of salary between the Sub-  
Judge and Principal Sudder  
Ameen @ Rs. 900... 10,800

Bellary.—Difference of salary between Sub-Judge  
and Principal Sudder Ameen of  
Bellary ... 10,800

By abolition of Itchapore Sudder  
Ameen's Court ... 3,864

51,684

Prospectively.

By the abolition of 18 Mooftee Sudder...  
'Ameens' Courts... 54,420

1,06,104

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Sub-Judges' Court has been  
abolished and that of a Prin-  
cipal Sudder Ameen substi-  
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|                                               |     |       |                                              | 14 1st class Mooniffs<br>at 200 Rs. each<br>per mensem<br>Establishment for do.<br>at 85 Rs. each per<br>mensem    | 10 1st class Moon-<br>siffs at 300 Rs.<br>each per mensem<br>10 2nd class Moon-<br>siffs at 250 Rs.<br>each per mensem<br>98 3rd class Moon-<br>siffs at 200 Rs.<br>each per mensem<br>Establishment for do.<br>at 120 Rupees each<br>per mensem | 2,800 0 0    |           |            |           |                        |                        |                         |                                         |          |               |                            |         |                        |                        |
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FORT SAINT GEORGE,

4th February 1862.

Forwarded for sanction to the Home Department of the Government of India.

T. PYCHOFF,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, FORT WILLIAM, THE 15TH APRIL 1862.

Resolution.

IN prospect of the anticipated savings referred to, His Excellency the Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction the proposed increase to the salaries of the District Moonsiffs in the Madras Presidency, and to the cost of their establishments, the aggregate additional cost amounting to Rupees 14,320.

ORDERED, that a copy of the above Resolution be forwarded to the Home Department, for information and communication to the Government of Madras, and that the original papers be returned, copy being retained.

Ordered, also, that a copy of the above, and of the Tabular Statement submitted by the Government of Madras, be forwarded to the Auditor General of India, to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, and Civil Pay Master, Madras, for information and guidance.

(A true Extract)

*Ernest Hammond*

Officiating Secretary to the Government of India.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following  
letter from the Secy. to the  
Govt. of India, Home Dept.

Here entered 9<sup>th</sup> May 1862 N. 2376

Order thereon June 1862 N.

The Governor in  
Council requests that the  
Judges of the <sup>High Court</sup> and Districts to  
whom the foregoing resolution  
will be communicated, will  
proceed without loss of time  
to revise the salaries of the  
District Magistrates, selecting  
ten of the ablest and most  
deserving officers for the ap-  
pointments of the 1<sup>st</sup> grade  
and ten others for those of the  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade. In making this  
selection, they will keep in  
view

The Hon. Secy. to the  
Govt. of India has  
been advised by the  
Judges of the High Court  
and Districts that the  
selection of officers for the  
1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades of the  
District Magistrate's  
salaries should be made  
as early as possible  
and that the selection  
should be made by the  
Judges of the High Court  
and Districts.

N. 2376

For forwarded to the Govt. of Ind. St. George in continuation  
of Extract No. 1096 dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> ultimo, and with the request  
that the transmission of the information therein called for  
may be expedited.

By order

Home Dept.  
The Secy. to the Govt. of India

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that for 2 classes  
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view the principle that the  
1st & 2nd Class Munsiffs must  
be acquainted with the English  
language, and that their selec-  
tion is to be based entirely  
on their superior qualifications  
as Judicial Officers, and  
altogether irrespective of  
seniority. The salaries <sup>of the most pro-</sup> will  
be personal and not attach-  
ed to particular Courts.

2. On further considera-  
tion the Governor in Council  
is of opinion that the allow-  
ance for the contingent ex-  
penses of the District Mun-  
siff's Courts, should be ad-  
ditional to the sum Rs 120  
per mensem proposed for the  
establishments of these Courts.  
In supersession therefore of  
the orders conveyed in the Pro-  
ceedings of Govt. under date  
the 28th ultimo No. 850, he  
resolves to request that the

Judges

the Court of  
Judges of Sudder Adalat,  
if they consider it desirable  
that the present system of  
granting a fixed monthly  
allowance should be conti-  
nued, will submit an ap-  
plication in the prescribed  
tabular form for such an  
increase to the monthly ex-  
penditure now sanctioned  
for the Munsiff's Courts as  
will adequately provide for  
the necessary contingent charges.  
The allowances hitherto grant-  
ed have, it is understood  
in many cases been found  
insufficient to meet these  
charges, and there is appar-  
ently no ground for making  
any distinction in the amount  
allowed to the several classes  
of Munsiffs. For the future  
at all events, as the grades  
of salary will be personal  
and will not in any way  
depend

depend on the amount of business before the Courts, this distinction must cease.

3. But it appears to His Excellency in Council that it would be a better arrangement to provide for the contingent expenditure of the District Municipal Courts in the same manner as that of the higher Courts, and of other public offices is provided for, viz. by permanent advances and monthly contingent Bills. The Judge will be good enough to give their opinion as to this suggestion.

4. In connection with this subject it has been brought to the notice of the Govt. that many of the Municipal Court Houses are very inadequately furnished,

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being deficient in the most necessary articles of Court furniture. This is a matter which calls for the attention of the Judges.

5. They will expedite the submission of the information called for in the proceedings of Govt. under date the 19th April last, as to the extent to which the abolition of the office of Recorder Ameen can be carried out.

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Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following  
letter from the Secretary to  
the Government of India in  
Home Department.

(Here enter 9<sup>th</sup> May 1862 N<sup>o</sup> 2376)

Order thereon 25<sup>th</sup> June 1862 N<sup>o</sup> 999

The Governor in Council  
requests that the Judges of  
the Court of Judge Adalat,  
to whom the foregoing resolu-  
tion will be communicated,  
will proceed without loss  
of time to revise the sala-  
ries of the District Moon-  
siffs, on the principle laid  
down in their letter of the  
25<sup>th</sup> July 1855, selecting <sup>from</sup> of  
the ablest and most deserving  
Officers for the appointments  
of the 1<sup>st</sup> grade - for these  
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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

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be serving will be eligible,  
provided that he is acquainted  
with the English language,  
and subject to this proviso, the  
selection should be based en-  
tirely on the superior quali-  
fications of those selected and  
altogether irrespectively of  
seniority. The ~~1st~~ <sup>2nd</sup> ~~second~~  
~~stage~~ <sup>of the 1st grade</sup> appointments should  
be filled by seniority. Under  
these arrangements every  
Munsiff on first appoint-  
ment will be placed on the  
3<sup>rd</sup> grade on a salary of  
Rupees 200 per mensem.

He will be promoted to the  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade by seniority as  
vacancies occur unless he  
should previously be  
selected by the Sudder Court  
for a 1<sup>st</sup> grade Munsiffship.  
The salaries of the several  
grades will be personal and  
not attached to particular  
Courts.

2. On further consideration,  
the Governor in Council is  
of opinion that the allowance  
for

for the contingent expenses  
of the District Munsiff's  
Courts, should be addition-  
al to the sum Rupees 120 per  
mensem proposed for the  
establishments of those  
Courts. The supercession  
therefore of the orders con-  
veyed in the Proceedings of  
Government, under date the  
28<sup>th</sup> Ultimo No. 850, he re-  
solves to request that the  
Judges of the Court of Sudder  
Adalat, if they consider it  
desirable that the present  
system of granting a fixed  
monthly allowance should  
be continued, will submit  
an application in the pre-  
scribed tabular form for  
such an increase to the  
monthly expenditure now  
sanctioned for the Mun-  
siff's Courts as will ade-  
quately provide for the  
necessary contingent charges.  
The allowances hitherto  
granted have it is under-  
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been found insufficient to meet these charges, and there is apparently no ground for making any distinction in the amounts allowed to the several classes of Mississippi. For the future at all events, as the grades of salary will be permanent and will not in any way depend on the amount of business before the courts, this distinction must cease.

3. But it appears to His Excellency in Council that it would be a better arrangement to provide for the contingent expenditure of the District Mississippi Courts in the same manner as that of the higher courts, and of other public offices is provided for, viz, by permanent advances and monthly contingent bills. The Judges will be good enough to give their opinion on this

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this suggestion.

4. In connection with this subject it has been brought to the notice of the Government that many of the Mississippi Court Houses are very inadequately furnished, being deficient in the most necessary articles of court furniture. This is a matter which calls for the attention of the Judges.

5. They will expedite the submission of the information called for in the proceedings of Government under date the 17<sup>th</sup> April last, as to the extent to which the abolition of the office of Under Attorney can be carried out.

at least that the Government should be made aware of the necessity for the same.  
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To the Under Court: 1845 27<sup>th</sup>

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Dated 26 June 1862

Communicating to the  
Quartermaster General the  
of the Supreme Court to the  
increase proposed to the  
salaries of the District  
Messengers with instructions  
to receive the present  
salaries of these servants.

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