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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

30th June 1863.

No. 319. Read the following letter from G. R. SHARPE, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras; to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government in charge, Judicial Department, dated Madras, 29th June 1863, No. 68.

1. I am directed by the Judges of the High Court to request that the Judge of the Small Cause Court at Chittoor may be authorized by proclamation, to be published at as early a date as possible in the Fort Saint George Gazette, to hold temporary sittings at Vellore from 1st proximo. There has been a correspondence commencing in March last, and not yet concluded between the Judge of the Court of Small Causes and this Court on the subject of Vellore, Tripaty, and Palmanair being substituted for the present stations, viz., Chittoor, Arcot, and Calastry.

2. I enclose a copy of Mr. Davidson's letter setting forth the reasons for the transfer of his Court to Vellore, and however improper such transfer may have been, the Judges are of opinion that in consideration of the inconveniences which the parties will otherwise suffer, a sitting at Vellore should be authorized for the disposal of the cases already set down for hearing.

From R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Small Cause Court Judge, North Arcot; to G. R. SHARPE, Esq., Acting Registrar High Court, Fort Saint George, dated Vellore, 24th June 1863.

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court, that on assuming charge of my Court at Arcot in April last, I found that the transfer of its head-quarters from Chittoor to Vellore was under consideration, and as the Court had sat at Chittoor and Arcot, it became necessary that I should ascertain where it would be re-opened after the recess, as well to admit of processes being issued, as to allow the requisite six weeks' notice of removal being given, the more especially, as the Collector had intimated that no suitable accommodation was available at Calastry the remaining out station.

I therefore made inquiries at Madras, and was informed that Mr. Harris, the Civil Judge, who had just returned from England, had been consulted, and that if he supported the recommendation of his predecessor and the Collector, in favor of the transfer, it would be made. He did concur, and I was then informed that I might make the necessary arrangements for Vellore as my head-quarters. I therefore relinquished my house at Chittoor, secured and furnished one here; notified in the Zillah Gazette that the Court would be opened here after the recess; issued several hundreds of processes in accordance with the Notification; received over from the Officer Commanding the Station the public building in the Fort which he had been authorized by the Acting Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General to transfer for the use of the Small Cause Court Judge; removed the furniture and records to Vellore; and in fact made every arrangement for opening the Court here on the 1st proximo in daily expectation of receiving official intimation that the transfer had been sanctioned. As, however, the opening time draws nigh without my either having received official sanction, or the necessary Notification appearing in the Fort Saint George Gazette, I have the honor to bring the circumstance to the notice of the Court through you, in view to the requisite Notification of the removal of head-quarters being gazetted prior to the 1st proximo, as I should not feel myself justified in opening the Court here on that date without some official sanction, and the mere mention of the fact that from twenty to thirty cases have been set for disposal each day from the 1st proximo, renders self-apparent the amount of confusion, delay, and inconvenience that must arise to all parties should any change of plans now take place.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) G. R. SHARPE,
Acting Registrar.

No. 320. ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1863, No. 1,050.

Resolved accordingly that the following Notification be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified that the Judge of the Court of Small Causes in the Zillah of Chittoor has been authorized to hold temporary sittings at Vellore from the 1st proximo.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. McMoony.

N^o 1050 - 30th June 1863.

Resolved accordingly that the following Notification be published in the Fort St George Gazette.

Notification

It is hereby notified that the Judge of the Court of Small Causes in the Zillah of Chittoor has been authorized to hold temporary sittings at Villore from the 1st Proximo.

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