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No. 216. Read the following letter from G. R. SHARPE, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 18th June 1863, No. 64.

I am directed by the Chief Justice and Judges to transmit the accompanying Memorial from Mr. T. Wilkins, Deputy Registrar of this Court, and its enclosure, with their strong recommendation that his prayer may receive the favorable consideration of Government.

As it may be expected that a suggestion should emanate from this Court as to the amount to be awarded to Mr. Wilkins in consideration of the circumstances set forth in this Memorial, I am further directed to state that it appears most consonant with the spirit of the orders of Government to allow Mr. Wilkins to draw the difference between the salary actually drawn by him, and that now sanctioned by Government for the Deputy Registrar from the date of Mr. Fullerton, the late Deputy Registrar's death on 5th July 1861, up to the 1st June 1863; or Rupees (3,197-6-8) three thousand one hundred and ninety-seven, Annas six, and Pice eight.

The above amount would be met from the salary of the Deputy Registrar entered in the Budget Estimate.

From Mr. T. WILKINS, Deputy Registrar on the Appellate Branch of the High Court of Judicature at Madras; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 10th June 1863.

The Honorable the Chief Justice having been pleased to appoint me as Deputy Registrar of the High Court in its Appellate Jurisdiction, I very respectfully beg you will kindly submit the following circumstances for the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

It will be in the recollection of Government that I was selected, so far back as 1846, for the appointment of Uncovenanted Assistant to the Registrar of the late Sudder Court, and that when the Head Assistant Registrarship became vacant in 1856, the then Judges of the Court recommended me as a fit person to fill the place, but it was not thought necessary at that time to sanction the measure. I nevertheless continued to devote all my energies and even my unofficial hours in the performance of the duties of that office, in addition to my legitimate duties as Manager, without receiving any additional remuneration for the extra work, and thus prevented the business of the Court from falling into arrears, as His Excellency will find reported in the Court's letter to Government, dated the 17th January 1857.

On the appointment of the late Mr. Fullerton, as Acting Civil and Session Judge of Chingleput, I was, on the 25th May 1860, appointed to act as Deputy Registrar, during the employment of that gentleman on other duty, and was authorized to draw a deputation allowance of Rupees 260, in addition to the full salary of my permanent appointment as Uncovenanted Assistant to the Director of Public Instruction, making my income Rupees 560 per mensem.

The appointment of Deputy Registrar became fully vacant by the demise of Mr. Fullerton on the 5th July 1861, and I continued to act on the same emoluments, although, under the Resolution of the Government of India, dated the 30th August 1853, it was competent to the Local Government to grant me the full salary of the vacant office, viz., Rupees 1,300 per mensem, an amount, which I would take leave to add, has been entered in the Budget Estimates, as the salary of the Deputy Registrarship.

It will thus be shown that for the period the appointment was fully vacant, the salary allotted

	RS.	A.	P.	
Salary of Deputy Registrar from 6th July 1861, to 31st May 1863, at Rupees 1,300 per mensem.....	29,690	5	2	to me, the incumbent, fell short by Rupees 740 per mensem, of the regular sanctioned amount, the total saving effected being nearly 17,000 Rupees, as shown in the margin.
Do. and deputation allowance as Acting Deputy Registrar for the same period, at Rupees 560 per mensem.....	12,789	10	10	
Saving..	10,900	10	4	Under circumstances of this character, and adverting to the appreciation by Government itself of the value of the appointment, I humbly

trust that His Excellency will take into his favorable consideration my long and faithful services,

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as shown in the accompanying copy of Testimonials, &c., and be pleased as a reward, if not a recognition, of my arduous and approved labors, to sanction the disbursement to me of arrears of salary of at least a portion of the accrued savings abovementioned; and instances are, I believe, not wanting, of such liberality on the part of the Government. I would not presume to indicate the proportion of the undrawn surplus which I humbly hope may be granted me, but seeing that no financial difficulty can be raised, I would fain leave the matter entirely in the hands of Government.

The question of the amalgamation of the Courts, and the details connected with this important measure, have hitherto prevented my pressing this minor subject on the attention of Government, and in even at this time bringing it to their notice, I trust that I may not be thought to be unduly troublesome or intrusive.

No. 217.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd July 1863, No. 1,186.

The present case is analogous to that of Mr. White, who acted for Mr. Wilkins, and the recommendation of the High Court coincides, as far as the similarity extends, with the decision of the Government in the Order of the 22nd April last, No. 1,116, Educational Department.

2. The Assistant to the Director of Public Instruction has been granted an allowance equal to the difference between the salary of the office, and the deputation allowance drawn by him, calculated in arrears from the 1st January 1862, when he was first recommended for full salary. The Governor in Council in like manner sanctions the disbursement to Mr. Wilkins of the difference between the salary fixed for the Deputy Registrarship of the High Court on the Appellate side, and the amount of salary and deputation allowance already drawn by him, reckoning retrospectively from the date on which the office in which he was then acting, became a full vacancy by Mr. Fullerton's death.

3. The Deputy Auditor General will state what Budget head the charge should be passed against.

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

Testimonials

IN FAVOR OF

MR. THOMAS WILKINS.

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Testimonials, &c.

No. I.

MEDICAL APPRENTICE THOMAS WILKINS has been doing duty in the Hospital of H. M.'s 54th Regiment at Trichinopoly for nearly three years under my superintendence, and I have great satisfaction in stating, that during the whole of the above period his conduct has been excellent, his capacity very good, and by diligence and desire to improve, he has rendered himself fully competent to fill any subordinate medical situation; his hand-writing is excellent, his appearance and dress at all times respectable, and altogether one of the most correct young men I have had in my Hospital.

(Signed) C. HAMILTON,
Surgeon, H. M.'s 54th Regt.

MADRAS, 3d February 1835.

No. II.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING SURGEON,
Centre Division, Saint Thomas' Mount.

SIR,—In forwarding Junior Medical Apprentice Thomas Wilkins' application for permission to resign the Honorable Company's Service, I have the honor to request you will be pleased to forward it to superior authority with your recommendation that his wish may be complied with. His conduct has been uniformly good, and no other than

the cogent reasons stated in his letter, could, probably, have induced him to resign a service to which he has ever been a credit.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) W. KER HAY,

Surgeon, 3d Batn. Arty.

SAINT THOMAS' MOUNT, 13th October 1835.

No. III.

Mr. T. Wilkins was entertained in the office of the Court of Sudder Udalut in October 1835, on a salary of 10 Pagodas per mensem, and in consequence of his general good conduct and efficiency as a public servant, he was promoted in 1838 to the situation of Record-keeper on a salary of 70 Rupees per mensem. He has continued to give every satisfaction to the Court, and am happy to state that I entertain a very high opinion of him as a public servant.

(Signed) W. DOUGLAS,

Register.

5th January 1839.

No. IV.

On quitting the office of Register to the Court of Sudder Udalut, I consider it but an act of justice to Mr. T. Wilkins to bear testimony to the meritorious services performed by him in his capacity of *English Record-keeper*.

An extensive acquaintance with the older Records of the Court of Sudder Udalut has been acquired by Mr. T. Wilkins since his appointment to that situation (by myself) in the year 1838; and considering the period of his employment in the Sudder Udalut, such knowledge could have

been obtained only by much labor, and great diligence and assiduity.

His intelligence and apparent capabilities for the performance of the arduous duties required of a Record-keeper in the Sudder Udalut, was the *sole* reason for his selection for the office; a fact which I record more with reference to the qualifications of the individual himself, than any merit I desire to claim for having made the selection. All who are acquainted with the duties required in the Sudder Udalut will readily admit that success much depends on this department being *efficiently* filled.

For this reason therefore I should have considered it a duty I owed to the Court, had I been longer attached to the Sudder Udalut, to have brought to the notice of the Judges the valuable services of this individual, in view, that, when the proposed augmentation of the Court Establishment may take place, the pay of Mr. T. Wilkins might be raised in such proportion as to the Court might seem proper, with reference to the more arduous duties that he may be *then* called upon to perform.

It may be proper to add that the business in the Record Department of the Sudder and Foujdaree Udalut has of late years much increased, and that the salary of Mr. Wilkins' predecessor in office was raised by Government, at the recommendation of the Court, (in the first instance) to 30 Pagodas per mensem, and subsequently to 140 Rupees per mensem, on the ground that the former salary was inadequate to the value of the services of a servant of this class and description.

(Signed) W. DOUGLAS,

late Register Sudder Udalut.

26th September 1842.

No. V.

On a Subpœna from the Supreme Court.

Send Mr. Wilkins, with the papers, but though he may produce them, he must not part with them. They are records of the Court, which cannot be surrendered, and he must bring them back. I say Mr. Wilkins, because he is the only intelligent office servant, that can answer a question.

(Signed) A. D. CAMPBELL,
Judge.

31st March 1840.

No. VI.

MR. WILKINS.

I herewith return you the papers which you left with me, and I at the same time have much pleasure in forwarding you a certificate of the high opinion I entertain of you.

If I should ever have an opportunity for promoting your prospects in life, I shall feel pleasure in availing myself of it.

Your well-wisher,

(Signed) H. DICKINSON.

ADYAR, 2nd September 1845.

No. VII.

I have much gratification in furnishing Mr. Thomas Wilkins, Manager of the Court of Sudder Udalut, with a testimonial of the favourable opinion I have formed of him as a public servant.

He is highly intelligent and assiduous. I have invariably had cause for being pleased with his work, and I have on no occasion heard him spoken of by gentlemen attached to the Court, but in terms of satisfaction and praise.

Mr. Wilkins would do justice to any appointment to which those of the Uncovenanted Branch of the Service are permitted to aspire; and I shall feel great satisfaction in bearing testimony to his merits, should an occasion offer in which my good opinion would be likely to be of service to him.

(Signed) H. DICKINSON,

Chief Judge of the Court of Sudder
and Foudaree Udalut.

MADRAS, 2nd September 1845.

No. VIII.

Remarks of the Court on the draft of Proceedings reviewing the Statement of contingent charges for Fusly 1254.

The Register begs to state that the draft of the Report beneath, and now circulated under the Register's initials, was prepared by Mr. Thomas Wilkins, whom at a recent consultation of the Judges regarding the proposed changes in the Sudder Establishment, the Register mentioned as in his opinion, a fit and available person for selection as an Uncovenanted Assistant in the Sudder.

29th July 1846.

I am of opinion that this statement renders it impossible that we should oppose the plan recommended—it is obviously as well drawn out as it could be by a Covenanted Servant of any degree. I was not aware that Uncovenanted persons were to be found in Madras (and thought the

pay of the office against it) capable of performing what it is evident Mr. Wilkins has ability to perform.

(Signed) M. LEWIN.

6th August.

I look upon this, as a most creditable specimen of what he *can do*.

(Signed) T. E. J. BOILEAU,

„ G. J. WATERS.

12th August.

No. IX.

MADRAS, 17th December 1846.

Having been relieved from the office of Register to the Court of Sudder and Foujdaree Udalt, which I have held for the past four years, I perform, with the greatest pleasure, an act of justice to its present Manager, Mr. Thomas Wilkins, in bearing testimony to the unvarying assiduity and talent exhibited in the discharge of the duties devolving on him, and to the exemplary and forbearing manner in which he has always conducted himself towards the numerous ministerial subordinates placed under his immediate control.

Mr. T. Wilkins has made every branch of the judicial department his study during the many years he has been employed in the Sudder Court, and from the opportunities he has had, and the extent to which his great natural abilities have permitted him to avail himself of them, I am confident in the belief that he is thoroughly well qualified to enter on the discharge of higher and more responsible independent duties than those he now transacts, and

which I most earnestly hope he may soon be called upon to perform.

(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS,

Madras Civil Service, and late
Register Sudder Court.

No. X.

Being on the point of leaving the Sudder Court, I have much pleasure in recording my high sense of the official character and qualifications of Mr. Thomas Wilkins, the Manager.

Mr. Wilkins has been fourteen years in the Sudder Court, first as Record-keeper, and since the beginning of 1842 as Manager. During all that time I have known him officially, and most gladly bear testimony to the admirable manner in which he has uniformly discharged the onerous and various duties of his situation.

Mr. Wilkins is intimately acquainted with the Regulations and Acts of the Government, and the Circular Orders of the Court: and I believe there is no one so thoroughly cognizant of the Records of the Court even from the earliest date.

In addition to his unwearying industry—he possesses superior abilities, and I have no hesitation in stating that a more thoroughly efficient person could not be found for the office of Principal Sudr Ameen.

He has rendered me invaluable aid in the office, and I heartily wish him the highest success in the service to which he can attain.

(Signed) T. H. DAVIDSON,

Madras Civil Service,

Late Register S. & F.U.

MADRAS, 15th November 1849.

No. XI.

MADRAS, 21st May 1849.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
in the Judicial Department.

SIR,

1. I am directed by the Judges of the Foujdaree Udaltut to submit for the consideration of Government the accompanying collection of Rules for the management of Jails in the Presidency of Fort St. George drawn up from the Regulations, Acts and Circular Orders.

2. This compilation has been prepared entirely by Mr. Thomas Wilkins, the Manager of this office, and the Judges are happy to have this opportunity of bearing testimony to Mr. Wilkins' abilities and assiduity generally, and especially to the care and labour which he has expended upon this work.

3. It has been carefully scrutinized, and the Judges have no doubt of its accuracy and completeness.

4. Being of opinion that it will prove a very useful manual to the Judicial Officers in the Provinces, and to all Officers in charge of Jails, embodying as it does, in one compact form, all the Rules regarding Jails which have never hitherto been collected, and on that account are not unfrequently overlooked, the Judges beg leave to recommend that sanction be granted for printing the work at the Government Gazette Press, and that a copy be sent to every Officer in charge of convicts or a Jail in this Presidency.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) T. H. DAVIDSON,
Register.

No. XII.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Extract from a General letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors, dated 17th April 1850, No. 5.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, under date the 3rd July, 1850, No. 420.

We have no doubt this manual

Letter dated 20th Aug., (No. 21) 1849.

Transmitting a printed compilation of the rules for the management of Jails.

will prove very serviceable to officers in charge of Jails, and we consider the preparation of it very creditable to Mr. Wilkins.

4. A copy of this para. will be furnished to the Court of Foujdaree Udaltut, for communication to Mr. Wilkins.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. T. BEAUCHAMP,

Register.

No. XIII.

I have great pleasure in certifying that Mr. Wilkins the Manager, has conducted the duties of his office to my entire satisfaction. His intimate and accurate knowledge of the records of the Court, and the steady and judicious manner in which he has superintended the establishment, and the order and method which he has maintained in the conduct of the business of his department has been of the greatest assistance to me. It will afford me great satisfaction to learn that he has gained promotion.

(Signed) G. T. BEAUCHAMP,

Register.

MADRAS, 13th March 1852.

No. XIV.

MADRAS, 21st October 1851.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
in the Judicial Department.

SIR,—I am directed by the Judges of the Court of Sudder Udaltut, with reference to the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation of Government, under date 17th April 1851, to submit the enclosed revised lists of candidates for the office of Principal Sudder Amcen as specified below.

I am further directed by the Judges to forward an additional Statement E of two* servants on this Establishment, whom, as well as the Head Translator of the Court, whose name appears in list D, the Judges consider quite as competent as any of those entered in the other lists to be employed as Principal Sudder Amcens.

I have the honor to be, &c.;

(Signed) G. T. BEAUCHAMP,
Register.

No. XV.

Extract from a letter from the Committee appointed to enquire into the conduct of certain servants on the Establishment of the Accountant General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 21st August 1852.

In conducting our duties, we had the permanent assistance of four persons, besides the occasional aid of copyists. These four persons were Mr. Thomas Wilkins as Manager, and to have

charge of all our papers, and Lutchmiah Naidoo as Translator, both from the office of the Sudder Udaltut; and Mahomed Yuseef, Interpreter, and Veerasamy Iyengar, Tamil and Telugu writer, both from the Police. We have pleasure in bearing testimony to the efficiency of all these persons in their several duties; and to their uniform good conduct while under our orders; it was the first two whom we deputed to the house of J. Veerasamy Chetty to receive his accounts.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. DOUGLAS,
President of the Committee.

No. XVI.

Mr. Thomas Wilkins of the Sudder Udaltut acted as Manager under the Committee for enquiring into certain transactions in the Accountant General's Office: a post of a confidential character, in consequence of the nature of the enquiry, and of the papers under the Manager's care. As the drawing up of the Report fell to me, I was more immediately in contact with Mr. Wilkins than the other members of the Committee; and all the intercourse that I had with him tended to impress me with a strong sense of his good knowledge of business, his exactness and method, his good judgment, and his thorough trustworthiness.

I have much pleasure in giving this testimonial from myself, in compliance with Mr. Wilkins' request, in addition to that which the Committee have recorded.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON.

MADRAS, 3d September 1852.

No. XVII.

MADRAS, 2nd August 1852.

No. 97.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
in the Judicial Department.

Sir,—With reference to your official memorandum of the 27th Ultimo, I am directed by the Judges of the Sudder Udalut to submit for the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the names of four individuals, each of whom the Judges consider to be well calculated to fill with credit the office of Principal Sudder Ameen.

Mr. T. Wilkins,
Manager of the
Court of Sudder
and Foudaree
Udalut entered
in Statement E.
submitted to
Government,
under date the
21st October
1851.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Register.

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No. XVIII.

KRISTNAGHERRY, 4th January 1853.

To

MR. THOMAS WILKINS.

Sir,—I observe with very much pleasure, that you contemplate the transfer of your labors to a higher branch of the judicial department than that which, as Manager of the Sudder Udalut you now fill, and I can assure you that I shall be extremely gratified to see you appointed a Principal Sudder Ameen. With the selection of persons for offices of this class, I have as you know, no manner of concern; but were it otherwise, I should not hesitate at once

to declare my opinion, an opinion founded on daily intercourse with you during a period of four years,—that I am acquainted with no member of our judicial establishments in this Presidency who is better qualified than yourself for the duties of a Principal Sudder Ameen, or who will more honorably and efficiently discharge them, should the Government think proper to confer that post on you.

Your extensive and accurate knowledge of judicial proceedings and precedents; your intimate acquaintance with our judicial system in its Civil and Criminal branches; your habits of untiring, well-regulated industry and application to business, and last, though not least, the straightforward manner and fairness with which you have always conducted yourself in your relations with the large, mixed establishment under your immediate control in the Sudder, furnish, to my mind, very sufficient and safe grounds for believing that your long service will properly be rewarded by your nomination to a Court in the Mofussil.

I do not forget that if you had years ago accepted the post of District Moonsiff, you might at the present time have been high up in the ranks of Uncovenanted Judges. Believe me with kind wishes for your success and prosperity,

Ever faithfully your's,

(Signed) H. D. PHILLIPS,  
M. C. S.

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No. XIX.

MADRAS, 4th June 1853.

To

MR. WILKINS,
Manager Sudder Court.

SIR,—I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to

your invariable diligence and ability during the period that I acted as Register of the Court, and I shall be very glad to hear of your promotion to a Principal Sudder Ameenship, an office which I consider you would honorably fulfil.

I am,

Your well-wisher and friend,

(Signed) G. HARRIS,
Late Acting Register
Sudder Udalut.

No. XX.

Extract of a letter from A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Register to the Court of Sudder Udalut, to S. SCOTT, Esq., Civil Judge of Combaconum, dated 15th July 1853.

Adverting to the vacancy occasioned in the first class District Moonsiffship of Keevaloor by the promotion of Alaghia Pillay to the Principal Sudder Ameenship of Chingleput, I am directed to request that you will nominate for that office Mr. Thomas Wilkins, the Manager in the office of the Register of this Court. It is the intention of the Judges when reporting to Government the arrangements made by them for the classification and distribution of the District Moonsiffs in this Presidency, to propose that the appointment of the 1st Class District Moonsiffs shall in future be vested in the Court of Sudder Udalut; but as this measure cannot be immediately carried out, and will probably require a legislative enactment, the Judges trust that on this occasion you will not object to comply with their wishes.

4. Mr. Wilkins is a person of high character and qua-

fications, and has been recommended by the Judges for the office of Principal Sudder Ameen, to which however the Government have declined to appoint him until he shall have acquired some practical judicial experience by serving in one of the lower grades. A nomination roll drawn up in the prescribed form, together with the testimonials granted to Mr. Wilkins by the Officers under whom he has served is herewith transmitted.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Register.

No. XXI.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Civil Court in the Zillah of Combaconum, under date the 22nd November 1853.

The late District Moonsiff of Keevalore, Alaghia Pillay passed 1 decree upon Merits. The present Moonsiff Mr. Thomas Wilkins passed 20 decrees upon Merits, and 24 upon Razeenamahs after points had been recorded. 30 decrees were executed and 298 miscellaneous petitions were disposed of. The late Moonsiff Alaghia Pillay, held his Court up to 18th July, and his successor took charge of the Court on the 28th August. The amount of work performed by Mr. Wilkins shews that he lost no time in applying diligently to the duties of his office.

No. XXII.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Sudder Udalut, under date the 10th December 1853.

The Court of Sudder Udalut are gratified in observing

Para. 3. that the assiduity of Mr. Wilkins, the recently appointed District Moonsiff of Keevalore, has called forth the approbation of the Civil Judge.

No. XXIII.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Civil Court in the Zillah of Combaconum, under date the 18th May 1854.

The District Moonsiff of Keevalore has passed 62 decrees upon Merits, and 28 upon Razcenamahs, after points had been recorded.

1. 106 Decrees were executed, 748 miscellaneous petitions were disposed of by him. His labour is commendable.

No. XXIV.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Civil Court in the Zillah of Combaconum, under date the 22nd August 1854.

The District Moonsiff of Keevalore has passed 64 decrees upon Merits, and 33 upon Razcenamahs after points had been recorded.

102 Decrees were executed, and 529 miscellaneous petitions were disposed of by him. This work is highly satisfactory.

No. XXV.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Civil Court in the Zillah of Combaconum, under date the 27th October 1854.

The late District Moonsiff of Keevalore, Mr. T. Wilkins, who delivered over charge on the 5th August has passed 33 decrees upon Me-

rits, and 22 upon Razeenamahs, after points had been recorded, for which he deserves great credit.

No. XXVI.

On quitting for a time my office of Register to the Court of Sudder Udalut, I have much satisfaction in adding my testimony to that of my predecessors in regard to the high character and qualifications of Mr. Thomas Wilkins the Manager.

Mr. Wilkins has invariably conducted the duties of his department in a most efficient manner, and by his knowledge of the records has constantly afforded valuable assistance to the Covenanted Officers of the Court. The success with which he has availed himself of his opportunities for acquiring a knowledge of the Law administered in the Courts of this Presidency and of the rules of Court practice, and procedure, is most creditable to him, and give him a strong claim to promotion in the judicial department.

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Register Sudder Udalut.

MADRAS, December 18th, 1852.

No. XXVII.

Mr. Thomas Wilkins has been employed for many years in the Sudder Court, and has held the responsible situation of Manager during the whole of the period, now nearly two years, that I have held office in the Court.

On quitting the Court, I have much satisfaction in adding my testimony to that which has been afforded by my predecessors in the Registership, to the high character, both for conduct and efficiency, which Mr. Wilkins has maintained throughout his official career.

His intimate knowledge of the records of the Court has enabled him to render most valuable assistance to the Judges and Registers, and the manner in which he has superintended the duties of the department under his charge has been very satisfactory.

I have a high opinion of Mr. Wilkins, and shall be glad to see him advanced in the Public Service.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Late Acting Register Sudder Court.

March 15th, 1855.

No. XXVIII.

Extract of a letter from the Register of the Sudder Court, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 4th June 1856.

11. In the event of the above suggestion meeting with the approval of Government, I am directed by the Judges to recommend for the appointment of Uncovenanted Assistant, Mr. Thomas Wilkins, the present Manager.

12. Mr Wilkins was in 1851 and 1852 recommended to Government by the Court of Sudder Udalt as a fit and proper person to fill the office of Principal Sudder Ameen, but not having then served as a District Moonsiff, he was not considered by Government eligible for the appointment.

13. Mr. Wilkins' acquaintance with the working of the office and the details of judicial business as transacted in the Register's office, the Court of Sudder Udalt are of opinion serves to qualify him in a peculiar manner to hold the appointment of Uncovenanted Assistant: and his ability, industry, and thorough knowledge of his duties, they conceive, have rendered him fully deserving of this advancement in the Public Service.

No. XXIX.

Extract of a letter from the Register of the Sudder Court to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 17th January 1857.

7. To place the matter in a more practical light, the Judges beg to state that, finding it impossible to keep pace with the business daily accomplished by the three Judges of the Court with only the help of one officer, the Register has, during the period that has elapsed since the abolition of the Head Assistantship, been necessitated to throw upon the Manager much work, which properly belonged to the Registrar's department; and that in consequence of obtaining no corresponding relief from his own regular duties, the Manager has been obliged to perform the additional work thus cast upon him, *out of office hours*. The Judges cannot but consider it objectionable, in principle, to allow any business to be transacted by the office establishment which should properly be performed only by the Registrar or his Assistants, nor do they think it just or prudent to overtax the strength of a public servant, whose experience is of such value as that of the present Manager of the Sudder Udalt. The Judges are of opinion that the state of things here described should, without delay, be brought to a termination, and the Registrar's department strengthened for the efficient discharge of its proper duties.

No. XXX.

On leaving for a time the office of Register of this Court to take charge of the Civil and Session Court of Cuddalore, I think it due to the different individuals forming the office establishment to record my satisfaction with the

manner in which they have all, almost without exception, performed their duties.

To the able supervision exercised by the Manager Mr. Thomas Wilkins, may be attributed in a great measure the facility with which, with a constant increase of work, it has been possible to prevent a corresponding amount of arrears; my predecessors in office have all borne testimony to his aptitude for, and assiduity and efficiency in the discharge of his duties, and it gives me very great pleasure to express my entire concurrence in the very high opinion they have expressed of Mr. Wilkins.

(Signed) GEORGE ELLIS,
Register.

MADRAS, August 1st, 1857.

No. XXXI.

It gives me pleasure to certify that Mr. Wilkins has ever borne a high character for integrity, zeal, and intelligence in the discharge of the onerous duties which have devolved upon him as Manager of the Sudder Court.

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,
Acting Register.

SUDDER COURT, 25th March 1858.

In No. 3094 of 1853.
1st
See a letter from the
S. of the S. of the
High Court dated the
18th June 1863 No 64

23rd July, 1858

In No. 3094
No 132

Memo.

G.O. 22 April
'63 No. 115.
Educational

The Director of Public Instruction
~~has~~ recently received his recom-
mendation to grant his Director
Appt. the full salary of the Office
with arrears, & the Govt. have
already sanctioned the full rate
of salary to be disbursed from
1st Jan'y '62 - the charge being
debited to the Absentee Fund.

The High Court recommend that
Mr. Wilkins should be granted the
difference between his total allow-
ances when acting, Rs. 500 a month
& the fixed salary of his confirmed
appointment, viz., Rs. 700, in arrears
from the date of Mr. Fullerton's
decease, viz., 5th July '61 - the amount
if sanctioned can be passed a-
gainst the Absentee Fund, as the
savings will, even in such case, be
at the rate of Rs. 600 & more per month.

*
Rs. 140 a
month.

Note

The put here Mr. Wilkins.
from Mr. White

back pay from 1844 to 1848
1 Jan 1849 to 1 Jan 1850
can be well ascertained

July 1850
21.80

repaid Mr. Wilkins
The whole put

ought to say out
of the estate of the deceased
and the whole of the same

The whole of the same
put 3200

I would not be able to give
any more than the sum of
\$5000

This seems a fair claim and I
thought to dispose to accede to
it if it can be done. As far as
I remember I proposed to confirm
Mr. Wilkins as an executor of the
Estate of the deceased when Mr. Fullerton died,
but some objection was raised
in reference to the appointment of a
Judge of the Court.

But if we find Mr. Wilkins full
of respectability we shall have
a similar application from the
man who acted for him in the

J. H.

Notes on Greek (801) - 10/10/1913

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

a letter from the
High Court—

Inter 18th June '63 N^o 64.

Order of 22nd July 1863 N^o 1186.

The present case is analogous to that of Mr. White, who acted for Mr. Wilkins, & the recommendation of the High Court coincides, as far as the similarity extends, with the decision of the Govt. in the Order of the 22nd April last No. 116, Educational Dept.

2. The Assistant to the
Director of Public In-
struction has been
granted

granted an allowance equal to the difference between the salary of the office, & the deputation allowance drawn by him, calculated in arrears from the 1st Jan'y '62, when he was first recommended for full salary. The Governor in Council in like manner sanctions the disbursement to Mr. Wilkins of the difference between the salary fixed for the Deputy Registrarship of the High Court on the Appellate side, & the amount of salary & deputation allowance already drawn by

17.
him, reckoning retrospectively from the date on which the office in which he was then acting, became a full vacancy by Mr. Fullerton's death.

3. The Deputy Auditor Genl. will direct ^{State} as to what Budget-head the charge should be passed against.

The Honble the Judges
of the High Court.
Civil Paymaster.
Deputy Auditor
Genl.

dec 24

Revised 1863. Department.
No. 183

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT,

(1)

Dated 22nd July 1863.
At A-1632, 11th St. 1863.

Permitting Mrs. S. McKim
to deposit with the
Government in answer to
the expenses between the
salary paid for that
period and the amount
of salary & allowances
already drawn by her.

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