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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
31st January 1863.*

Read the following papers :—

Proceedings of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, 22nd December 1862, No. 50.

No. 206. Read letter from M. J. WALHOUSE, Esq., Acting Civil Judge of Tanjore; to C. F. CHAMIER, Esq., Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Madras, dated Tanjore, 13th December 1862, No. 1,052.

1. I have the honour to state for the information of the High Court, with reference to their Proceedings, under date 10th December 1862, calling for explanation as to how the accommodation for Courts available in the town and suburbs of Tanjore has been distributed, that with respect to the town, the District Munsiff and Additional District Munsiff of Tanjore occupy the building there heretofore occupied exclusively by the former. From personal inspection I can assert that there is no accommodation for another Court in that building.

2. At the Residency the set of terrace roof buildings near the entrance gate has been given up to the Principal Sudder Ameen, for whose establishment and records it is barely sufficient.

3. In the main building, of seven rooms on the ground floor five are occupied by the Court Room and establishment and records of the Civil Court, and the others will be filled up as the records, of which two-thirds still remain at Combaconum, are brought in.

4. In their letter to Government, dated 30th August 1862, the Judges are of opinion that the "extensive godowns" attached to the main building might be raised and converted into Record rooms, as also the godowns belonging to the terrace roof buildings near the entrance gate; on inspecting the said godowns with the District Engineer we both concurred in pronouncing them quite unsuitable and not susceptible of being converted to the purpose named, being small mud-built, out of repair, and likely to cost as much to raise and convert as to build a new range.

5. Not having any outside accommodation for the very voluminous records of this Court, the godowns being unfit to receive them even temporarily, I have been obliged to take them into the main building, and in place of the old clumsy record stands the Engineer is now fitting up the rooms with new stands on a plan which will economize space to the utmost, but I still much question whether the whole ground floor will be sufficient when all the records are brought in, deducting the rooms required for the establishment and furniture of the Court.

6. The High Court will, I think, now see that there is no room for an additional Court in the buildings occupied by the Judicial establishment at Tanjore. Accommodation might perhaps be found in those belonging to the Revenue Department; in the upper story of the Taluq Cutcherry for example. Immediately facing the Residency on the other side of the compound there is a sort of small Choultry where the Deputy Collector at present holds his office, I have suggested to the Acting Collector whether that might not be given up to the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen and the Deputy Collector's office removed to the Taluq Cutcherry, but have received no reply. The building referred to is very inconvenient, confined, and unsuitable for any office; and as the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen is to be only temporary, I would still beg to submit whether he might not be preferably stationed at Combaconum.

1. The Acting Civil Judge having reported that no building was available at Tanjore for the Court House of the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen lately appointed, the High Court called upon the Judge to state how the public accommodation at that Station had been distributed. To these orders the above communication is a reply.

2. The Chief Justice and Judges do not consider it desirable that the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen should be located at Combaconum, as suggested by the Acting Civil Judge. It appears to them that the difficulty reported by the Acting Civil Judge may be overcome by the transfer as a Court House for the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen, of the terrace roofed Bungalow which the Collector by paragraph 7 of the Order of Government, dated 23rd September 1862, has been permitted to occupy as a private residence; and they would suggest that the arrangements then made be modified to the extent which now seems necessary.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,

Registrar.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
31st January 1863.*

From M. J. WALHOUSE, Esq., Acting Civil Judge of Tanjore; to C. F. CHAMIER, Esq.,
Registrar of the High Court of Judicature, Madras, dated Tanjore, 6th January 1863,
No. 5.

Adverting to the Proceedings of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, dated 22nd
December 1862, with respect to a Court House for the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen at
this place, I beg to state that the Collector need not be displaced from the Bungalow he has been
permitted to occupy. I have directed the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen to hold his Court
in the smaller of the two Bungalows adverted to in paragraph 3 of the Order of Government, dated
23rd September 1862, No. 1,571, as suitable for the retiring rooms of the Judges. So long as the
Judge is allowed to occupy the upper story of the Residency, the Bungalow in question will not
be required for a retiring room, and as the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen is to hold his Court
only for one year, he will not be called upon to give up the Bungalow for a retiring room during
his tenure of the office.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,

Registrar.

ENDORSEMENT.—In forwarding this communication for the information of Government, the
Registrar is directed to remark that the building which the Acting Civil Judge now proposes to
assign to the Additional Principal Sudder Ameen does not appear to the High Court to be suf-
ficiently large for the accommodation of that Officer and his establishment, more particularly as
one of its rooms is apparently occupied as the office of the Nazir of the Civil Court.

By order,

(Signed) C. F. CHAMIER,

Registrar.

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,

MADRAS,

16th January 1863.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 207.

ORDER THEREON, 31st January 1863, No. 149.

It appears from the papers above recorded that the only suitable building which is available
as a Court House for the Additional Principal Sudr Ameen of Tanjore is the terraced Bungalow
in the Residency compound which the Collector has been permitted to rent for his own use. The
Acting Civil and Session Judge has recommended that the Court in question should be placed in a
smaller Bungalow in the Residency compound, but the Judges of the High Court object to this
arrangement, on the ground that the building in question is not sufficiently large for the accommo-
dation of the Principal Sudr Ameen's Court.

2. Under these circumstances the Government have no alternative but to recall the permission
given to the Collector in their Proceedings of the 23rd September last, to occupy the larger
Bungalow. It will be made over to the Additional Principal Sudr Ameen's Court on the 1st
March next.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

Exd. R. McMeary.

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Endorsement of G. G. G. " " 16th Jan'y 1863 " "

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To the Honble Judges of the High Court,
" Civil & Sessions Judge of Bangalore
" Collector of Bangalore
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