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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
12th April 1864.*

No. 133. Read the following letter from C. F. CHAMIER, Esq., Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 2nd April 1864, No. 25.

The Chief Justice directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 29th February 1864, transmitting certain Extracts from the Proceedings of Government, and requesting him to favor the Government with his opinion on the points referred to in paragraph 14 of the Proceedings (numbered 257), dated 26th February 1864.

2. The Chief Justice has considered, in communication with his honorable colleagues, the subject of the two questions raised in respect of the procedure of the Courts of Small Causes; and directs me to state in reply, that, with regard to the first question, the Judges are of opinion that there are no grounds for Courts of Small Causes being invested with any special power, such as is not conferred upon any other Court, of punishing witnesses who neglect to attend in pursuance of a summons; and that with respect to the second question, recent orders of the High Court, altering the charge for executing judicial process, will, it is believed, have removed the objections urged against the system by some of the Judges of the Courts of Small Causes.

3. The fees chargeable by Courts of Small Causes were fixed at the same rate as those prescribed for the Civil Courts, because the limits of the jurisdictions of the Civil Courts and Courts of Small Causes were conterminous. There is now, however, only one rate for Courts of every grade, the system of charging batta according to an average, having been re-placed by one under which each peon is to receive a daily remuneration on the principle laid down in Section 21, Regulation III of 1802.

No. 134. ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1864, No. 509.
Communicated to the Judges of the Courts of Small Causes.
(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Judge of the Court of Small Causes, Chittoor.			
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"	Do.	do.	Madura.
"	Do.	do.	Tranquebar.
"	Do.	do.	Masulipatam.
"	Do.	do.	Tanjore.
"	Do.	do.	Tellicherry.
"	High Court.		

Ed. J. Tulloch.

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[Signature]

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