

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1110	Press Mis.
<i>76-77</i> (76-77)	
Dated 9 — 8 —	19 1863

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

9th August 1865.

No. 76. Read the following letter from F. S. CHILD, Esq., Civil and Session Judge of Cuddapah, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Cuddapah, 26th July 1865, No. 341.

I have the honor to forward, for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council, a petition addressed to His Excellency in Council, by certain old servants and Vakeels attached to this Court, on the subject of the Special Test Examination, and which petition I have been requested by them to forward.

To

HIS EXCELLENCY THE HONORABLE THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL, MADRAS.

Therespectful Memorial of the undersigned
Inhabitants, &c., of the Town of Cuddapah,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That since the commencement of the British Government, the Government have been shewing their favor to the Natives of this country, by appointing them to the offices of District Moonsiffs and to other higher grades. Up to the year 1843, these posts were conferred without requiring any public examination for testing the qualifications of these individuals. The selections to offices in former times rested solely on the personal merits, and the length of service of the nominees. Since the last few years, a Special Test Examination was instituted for the Judicial Department. A great many subjects have been selected for testing the qualifications of candidates aspiring for District Moonsiffships.

The old Judicial servants qualified for the posts of District Moonsiffs have so much heavy work thrown upon them to perform, that they have scarcely leisure to devote to the study of the subjects selected for examination. To compensate for book knowledge, they have sufficient practical experience in judicial affairs; but, in consequence of the above impediment, the said servants generally fail to succeed in the examination, and by this failure they are obliged to be deprived of obtaining promotions to which they have best claims.

Your Excellency will be pleased to observe that the subjects for the Special Test in the Judicial Department, are more numerous than those which were ordained for the Revenue Department, before the recent orders exempting the old revenue candidates in many subjects were promulgated.

Therefore, your Memorialists request that your Excellency in Council would be graciously pleased to take the case of your Memorialists into your favorable consideration, and issue orders

I. Civil Code, and those parts of the Penal Code which
are alluded to in Act 23 of 1861.
II. Hindoo Law.

exempting old Judicial servants of ten years
standing from passing in the subjects other than
those noted in the margin, in the same manner
in which the old revenue servants have been

favoured by the order of Government, dated 8th April 1865, No. 766.

For which act of justice your Memorialists, as in duty bound,

Shall ever pray.

CUDDAPAH, 25th July 1865.

(Signed) KRISTNIAH,

Sheristadar,
and 15 others.

No. 77. ORDER THEREON, 9th August 1865, No. 1110.

The Governor in Council is not prepared to comply with the application submitted in the foregoing letter.

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2. The Government have already intimated their opinion to the Honorable the Judges of the High Court, that due regard should be paid to the claims of any candidates for the Office of District Moonsiff, who might have passed the Judicial Test prescribed in 1855, and in regard to whose fitness for the office, in other respects, the Judges might have been furnished with satisfactory evidence. The Government are not prepared to go further.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Civil Judge of Cuddapah, for communication to Petitioners.

Ed. J. H. Berns.

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To the Civil Judge &
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