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JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 1214.

To

THE HONORABLE SIR C. H. SCOTLAND, KNIGHT,
Chief Justice of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Madras.

HONORABLE SIR,

I am directed to furnish you with the annexed copy of a Circular received from the Government of India, together with the form referred to in it, and to request that you will be good enough to cause the required Return to be prepared, and that in submitting it for transmission by this Government, you will favor the Governor in Council with the opinion of the Honorable the Judges as to the class of Suits which will best bear an increase of stamp duty, and the extent to which the duty may reasonably be raised.

I have the honor to be,
Honorable Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
30*th August* 1865.

Chief Secretary.

CIRCULAR.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, SIMLA, THE 7TH AUGUST 1865, No. 1656.

The Governor General in Council requests that the several Local Governments and Administrations will offer their opinion on the expediency of increasing the Stamp Revenue on Judicial Proceedings, by somewhat raising the charges on the larger class of Suits, and furnish a Return in the accompanying form.

(Signed) E. H. LUSHINGTON,
Secretary to the Government of India.

August 1865 3

STATEMENT *shewing the number of Original Suits disposed of in* *during the month of March 1865.*

Valuation of Cases.	Number of Suits.	Total Value.	Average Value.	Amount of Stamp Duty levied on institution of Suits.	Total Cost.	Average Cost.	Percentage of Costs to Value.	Remarks.
Suits in which the claim did not exceed... ... ... Rs. 4								
Above Rs. 4 and not exceeding „ 8								
„ 8 „ „ 12								
„ 12 „ „ 16								
„ 16 „ „ 32								
„ 32 „ „ 64								
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„ 25,000 „ „ 50,000								
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Fort St. George
30 August 1865

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High Court of Judicature
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