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No. 200. Read the following letter from the Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras, Appellate Side, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 9th August 1866, No. 54.

I am directed to furnish, for the perusal of Government, an extract from a letter from the Civil Judge of Mangalore, proposing the abolition of the Additional Moonsiff's Court, and of that of the District Moonsiff of Vittal. Full details of the changes to be made in consequence, in the local jurisdiction of the remaining Moonsiffs, have just been submitted by the Civil Judge, but it is not necessary to trouble His Lordship in Council with these particulars. The arrangement proposed appears to the Judges of the High Court to have been carefully considered, and they have directed the Civil Judge to carry it into effect from and after the 1st proximo.

2. The sanction of Government is accordingly requested to the closing of the two Courts abovementioned, at the end of the current month. The number of regular suits filed in the eleven Moonsiffs' Courts, in 1864 and 1865, was 3339 and 3634, respectively. The average number disposed of by each Moonsiff was 387, so that nine Moonsiffs will be fully sufficient for the whole of the Zillah. According to the last return, there are 5190 suits pending in all the Moonsiffs' Courts, which gives 576 to each of nine Moonsiffs, or about 18 months' work.

"I think two Moonsiffs' Courts may be abolished in this Zillah, without inconvenience to the public. There are 11 Moonsiffs in this Zillah located at the stations noted in the margin.* At Vittal there was no Court until 1862, when the Moonsiff's Court at Kamp (27 miles from Mangalore) was transferred there, mainly in order to reduce the files of the Bekal, Puttur, and Buntwall Moonsiffs, and fixed at Vittal, because no Government building was available at Bekal. The object which led to the transfer of this Court from Kamp to Vittal having been nearly accomplished, I would recommend that it may be abolished, and its local jurisdiction, which was made up of portions detached from Bekal, Buntwal and Puttur, be restored to those Courts, respectively."

* 1. Mangalore.
2. Bekal (at Kasargoda.)
3. Mulki.
4. Udpi
5. Barkur.
6. Kundapur.
7. Karkal.
8. Puttur.
9. Buntwal.
10. Vittal and
11. Additional Moonsiff of Mangalore.

"10. The next Court I would abolish is that of the Additional Moonsiff of Mangalore. This Court is that of the late Mufti Sudder Ameen, on the abolition of whose Office in 1862 it was made an additional Moonsiff's Court, and some Maganies detached from Mangalore Moonsiff's jurisdiction formed into a district for the same. The number of suits filed therein is so small, that it is continually necessary to transfer suits from other Courts, in order to keep this Court in existence. This Court may be abolished, and the Maganies hitherto attached to it distributed between the Mangalore and Mulki Moonsiffs' Courts. The local jurisdiction of the Kundapur Moonsiff's Court, which was only lately added to this Zillah, on the transfer of North Canara to the Bombay Presidency, being very extensive, a few villages from the same may be annexed to the Court at Barkur."

(True Extract).

(Signed) **P. P. HUTCHINS,**

Registrar, Appellate Side.

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No. 201. ORDER THEREON, 21st August 1866, No. 1282.

The Governor in Council sanctions the abolition, on the 1st proximo, of the Additional Moonsiff's Court at Mangalore, and of the District Moonsiff's Court at Vittal.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Honorable the Judges of the High Court.
,, Civil Judge of Mangalore.
,, Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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To Hon'ble the Judges of the High Court
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