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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
21st August 1866.*

No. 207. Read the following letter from the Session Judge of Tinnevelly, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Tinnevelly, 6th August 1866, No. 370.

I have the honor to report the following case for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2. A certain woman has been committed to Court for trial, for the murder of her child, an infant. The woman is dumb, I do not think deaf, but by her appearance seems to me to be idiotic. No one knows any thing of her or her antecedents, she having newly come to beg in the village where she was delivered of the child she destroyed three days after its birth, and the Police have not been able to trace her.

3. Under such circumstances, as the woman was incapable of pleading to the charge, of course, there could be no trial; but I heard the evidence, that I might inform myself of the nature of the case, and there can be no doubt that she did destroy her female infant, and threw the body into a channel full of water.

4. I have directed that the woman referred to be taken care of in the Jail, till such orders as the Governor in Council may deem fit to give regarding her.

No. 208. ORDER THEREON, 21st August 1866, No. 1285.

The Session Judge will obtain and submit a report from the Zillah Surgeon on the condition of the woman. Meanwhile, she will be detained in the Zillah Jail.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

The Session Judge of Tinnevelly.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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