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Legislative.

DURING the year under review a Regulation was passed by His Highness the Rajah for the registration of documents, and it came into force at the commencement of the current year 1050, (15th August 1874). Its main provisions were taken from Act VIII of 1871, the latest enactment on the subject in British India, with such obvious modifications as were necessary to adapt them to the circumstances of this country. The Travancore Registration Regulation was also consulted and its rules followed whenever they appeared more suitable than those of the British Act. The measure is a very important one, and the result of its working will appear in the next report.

Judicial.

2. The following report on the operations of the Civil and Criminal Courts of this State has been furnished by the Appeal Court of Cochin:

CIVIL JUSTICE.

“The subjoined Table shews the operations of the Courts of original jurisdiction for the year under review as compared with those of the preceding year :

YEARS.	COURTS.	Pending.	Filed.	Total	Decided.	Remaining
1048	Anjikaimal Zillah Court.....	435	344	779	553	226
	Trichoor Do. Do.	134	158	292	161	131
	Ernacollum Munsiff Court.....	852	1,353	2,205	1,797	408
	Erinjalacoda Do. Do.....	443	856	1,299	1,227	72
	Trichoor Do. Do.....	572	1,084	1,656	1,445	211
	Vadakancherry Do. Do.....	297	1,597	1,894	1,810	84
	Chittoor Do. Do.....	334	581	915	795	120
	Total...	3,067	5,973	9,040	7,788	1,252
1049	Anjikaimal Zillah Court.....	226	368	594	433	161
	Trichoor Do. Do.	131	188	319	171	148
	Ernacollum Munsiff Court.....	408	1,751	2,159	1,613	546
	Erinjalacoda Do. Do.....	72	1,047	1,119	976	143
	Trichoor Do. Do.....	211	1,005	1,216	1,060	156
	Vadakancherry Do. Do.....	84	1,183	1,267	1,123	144
	Chittoor Do. Do.....	120	705	825	656	169
	Total...	1,252	6,247	7,499	6,032	1,467
Difference in 1049...		-1,815	+274	-1,541	-1,756	+215

“It will be seen from the above that the total number of suits disposed of by the Zillah and Munsiff Courts compares rather unfavorably with that of the preceding year, in which there were 1,756 suits in excess of the year under review. To the production of this result, more or less all the original Courts have contributed with the exception of the Trichoor Zillah Court where the excess is in favor of the year under review by 10. It must, however, be borne in mind that of the two Zillah Courts

the Anjikaimal has decided the largest number of suits; and of the Munsiff Courts Ernacollum stands foremost, the lowest in the scale being the Chittoor Munsiff Court.

“Of the 604 cases disposed of by the Zillah Courts 341 or about 56 % were contested while of the 5,428 cases disposed of by the Munsiff Courts only 1,120 or in other words about 20 % were contested.

“The total number of decisions in contested cases in the Courts of original jurisdiction was, as may be gathered from the preceding para: 1,461, of which the particulars may thus be summarized:

In favor of Plaintiffs.....	795
In favor of Defendants.....	518
Partly in favor of both.....	148
Total...	1,461

“There were 385 Appeals from the decisions of the Munsiffs to the Zillah Courts during the year under review which added to the 144 pending at the commencement of the year gives a total of 529 cases. Of these 100 were pending at the year's close the rest being disposed of as shewn below:

In favor of Appellants.....	199
In favor of Respondents.....	168
Partly in favor of both.....	29
Remanded.....	17
Withdrawn or struck off.....	16
Total...	429

“The subjoined Table gives a comparative Estimate of the working of the Appeal Court for the year under review :

YEARS.	COURTS.	Pending.	Filed.	Total.	Decided.	Remaining.
1048	Appeals.	153	210	363	173	190
	Special Appeals.....	20	63	83	30	53
	Total...	173	273	446	203	243
1049	Appeals.....	190	200	390	129	261
	Special Appeals.....	53	170	223	113	110
	Total..	243	370	613	242	371
Difference in 1049...		+ 70	+ 97	+167	+ 39	+128

“The aggregate number of Regular and Special Appeals disposed of by the Appeal Court during the year under review compares favorably with that of the preceding year. This result must be satisfactory to the Sirkar, when it is remembered that the 1st and 2nd Judges were absent on sick leave for some time during the year.

“The number of cases remaining undisposed at the end of the year is greater than that of the previous year but the file has also been proportionately heavier.

“Of the 200 Regular Appeals preferred in the year under review 154 were from the decisions of the Anji-kaimal Zillah Court and 46 from those of the Trichoor Zillah Court, and as the contested cases disposed of by these Courts were 433 and 171 respectively the Appeals appear to have been in the approximate ratios of 36 % and 27 %, respectively on cases of that description.

“The disposal of Regular Appeals was less than in the previous year by 44, but it was more than counter-balanced by the increased disposal of Special Appeals, while the absence of the Judges, already mentioned, was alone sufficient to account for the diminution. The number of Regular Appeals disposed of in the year under Report was 129, and the decisions upon these were as follows:—

In favor of Appellants.....	15
In favor of Respondents	74
Partly in favor of both.....	15
Remanded.....	3
Withdrawn or struck off	22
Total...129	

“With regard to Special Appeals the number admitted in the year was 170 which added to the 53 pending at the beginning of the year gives a total of 223 exceeding that of the previous year by 140. This is an unusually large increase on this file considering the state of former years. The solution of this becomes plain if we bear in mind the heavy files of the Original Courts for the year 1047 caused by the influx of suits brought in before the new Limitation Act came into force at the commencement of that year.

The number of Special Appeals decided during the year under review was 113 being 83 in excess of the number decided in the previous year. They were as follows:—

For Special Appellants.....	16
For Do. Respondents.....	69
Partly in favor of both	6
Remanded.....	2
Withdrawn or struck off.....	20
Total... 113	

“ The following Tabular Statement gives the average duration of contested cases in the several Courts as compared with the preceding year.

		1048.		1049.	
		Months.	Days.	Months.	Days.
Appeal Court...	{ Regular and Special Appeals }	11	21	10	9
Zillah Court.....	{ Appeals	1	7	3	15
	{ Original Suits ...	10	13	10	14
Munsiff's Court	Original Suits.....	6	2	5	0

“ The average duration of cases in the Appeal Court and the Munsiff Courts is less than that of the previous year. The delay in the disposal of Original Suits in the Zillah Courts is pretty nearly the same as that of the preceding year.

“ The number of Decrees wholly and partly executed by the Zillah and Munsiff Courts was 2,029 which is 187 more than in the previous year, the Zillah Courts contributing to the excess 110 and the Munsiff Courts 77.

“ The Decrees pending execution at the end of the year were 912 in the Zillah Courts and 2,172 in the Munsiff Courts, making a total of 3,084 which is 1,224 in excess of the previous year.

“ The average value of Original Suits instituted in the Zillah Courts was Rupees 822 against Rupees 676 in the previous year, and in the Munsiff Courts the average was Rupees 42 against Rs. 39.

"The institution fees collected in Original and Appellate Courts amounted to Rupees 40,965 and the stamp penalties to Rupees 20,829 making a total of Rupees 61,794 which is Rupees 3,711 more than the collections in 1048.

"The original suits instituted in the various Courts may be classified as follows:—

For money on written or unwritten promises, on contracts, on account stated and for rent....	5,689
For personal property or value thereof	93
Suits relating to real property... ..	419
For damages, for defamation and other injuries..	19
Other Suits.....	27
	<u>Total.... 6,247</u>

CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

"The files of the Criminal Courts in the year under review appear to be lighter than those of the previous year, since the committals to them by the Police and the Magistracy amounted only to 46 against 58 of the year preceding. The convictions were comparatively fewer, for out of 128 prisoners on whom judgment was passed during the year under review, 61 or in other words 47 % were acquitted, whereas the acquittals in the year previous, were only 51 out of 140 or 36 %.

"Of the 46 committals referred to in the above para: 29 were to the Anjikaimal Criminal Court and 17 to the Criminal Court of Trichoor. Of these the former decided 26 and referred 2, leaving one pending trial, while the latter disposed of 16 and referred one.

"The Appeal Court had one referred case pending at the beginning of the year and three sent up by the Criminal Courts thus making in all four cases. The whole of these were disposed of, so that there was none on the file at the end of the year.

"The number of persons committed for trial to the Criminal Courts was 129 which is 11 less than in the preceding year. Of these 64 were convicted, 61 acquitted, 3 connected with referred cases, and 1 was pending trial.

"In the referred cases there were 4 Prisoners including the one of the previous year, of whom the Appeal Court convicted 3 and acquitted 1.

"The nature of the punishment awarded by the Courts will be seen from the following summary:

	Persons.
Imprisonment	23
Fine.....	24
Both imprisonment and fine.....	16
Security for good behaviour	3
Capital punishment.....	1
	Total.....67

"The average number of days during which a case lasted in the Criminal Courts was 15 which is 6 in excess of the duration in the previous year. In referred cases the time occupied averaged 4 months and 12 days. This is the result of 4 cases, in two of which the delay was very great and necessarily enlarged the average.

"The number of persons who preferred appeals against the decisions of the Criminal Courts in the year under review was 42. Of these the sentences passed on 29 were confirmed, those on 5 modified, and on the rest reversed."

Jails.

3. The total number of prisoners in the Jails at the beginning of the year was 202, and the number admitted in the year, 182, making a total of 384.

4. The releases by acquittal, expiry of sentence, payment of fines, or furnishing security, were 193, and 9 prisoners died, one in the Ernacollum and 8 in the Trichoor Jails. Hence the number of prisoners remaining in all the Jails at the end of the year reported on was 182, which is less by 20 than at the close of the preceding year.

5. Of the 182 prisoners remaining in the Jails, 4 were under trial, 23 were Civil debtors, and the other 155 were convicts whose terms of sentence are given below:—

Rigorous imprisonment for life	30
Do. do. for more than 7 years ...	63
Do. do. for more than 2 years ...	46
Do. do. for more than 6 months.	9
Do. do. not more than 6 months.	6
Simple imprisonment for more than 6 months.	1

Total... 155.

6. The charges incurred for the maintenance of the Jails exclusive of the cost of the Medical Establishment and European Medicines, amounted to Rs. 12,905—6—0 as will be seen from the following Abstract:—

Diet and clothing.....	Rs. 7,505—11—8
Guards &c.....	„ 3,726— 0—0
Repairs.....	„ 1,673—10—4

Total Rs... 12,905—6—0

7. The expenditure is lower than that of the previous year by 2,268—13—4.

8. The Annual Report of the Medical Officer to this Government on the two Jails is subjoined:

“**Ernacollum Jail**:—During the year under review 82 cases were treated in the hospital of which one man died from anaemia. No changes have been made during the year worthy of record.”

“**Trichoor Jail**:—There were 105 admissions into hospital during the past year, and 8 deaths occurred viz, from Abscess 1, Caries 1, Anaemia 1, Diarrhæa 2, Ague 2, and one man was drowned while bathing in a tank. No changes of importance were made during the year.”

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Police.

9. In the year under report the Police had to deal with 1,824 cases, in which 3,080 persons were concerned, as shown below:

	Cases.	Persons.
Pending.....	12	36
Reported during the year,.....	1,812	3,044
Total	<u>1,824</u>	<u>3,080</u>

10. There is an increase of 196 cases and 60 persons as compared with the previous year.

11. The number of cases summarily dismissed as groundless, without calling upon the accused for their defence was 490;— 651 cases were dismissed after

investigation for want of evidence; and 354 cases of a petty and compromisable character were amicably adjusted between the parties. The number of persons concerned in all these dismissed cases was 2,375, against 2,325 discharged in the preceding year.

12. Five hundred and thirty one persons, connected with 268 cases, were convicted and punished by the Police and Magistracy, and the sentences awarded were as follows:—

Fine	479
Imprisonment.....	15
Whipping.....	26
Imprisonment and whipping	7
To find security	4
	Total...531

13. The corporal punishment, the fines imposed on 119 offenders, and the imprisonment awarded against 8 others were inflicted by the orders of the Magistracy in referred cases.

14. Forty six cases were committed to the Criminal Courts, showing a decrease of 12 committals compared with the number in the previous year. The offenders concerned in them were 129 against 140 brought to trial before the Courts in 1048.

15. Fifteen cases were pending at the close of the year, the number of the accused being 45.

16. It is difficult to arrive at any trustworthy average as to the duration of cases before the Police, between

the date of their being reported and their disposal. Where the offender is not known, cases are kept on the file for long periods pending enquiry; and even where discovery immediately follows, if the perpetrators of a serious crime are numerous and their arrest cannot be simultaneously effected, considerable delay ensues. Under more favorable circumstances very prompt action on the part of the Police Officers has frequently been noticed.

17. With regard to grave offences, there were six cases of homicide reported during the year, involving different degrees of culpability, the same number that occurred in the previous year. Fourteen persons were accused, of whom three were discharged and three committed to the Courts; and the charges against the remaining eight were under investigation when the year terminated.

18. Serious offences against property, with and without personal violence, were less than those recorded in the last Report. Thirty three persons concerned in such cases were convicted by the Police and Magistracy, 10 were committed to the Criminal Courts, 215 were acquitted, and the cases against 18 others remained undecided.

19. No. cases of suicide were reported in the year.

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Land Revenue.

20. The collections under this head for the last five years will be seen from the figures marginally noted. The revenue of the year under report exceeds that of the immediately preceding year by Rs. 11,383-10-4.

1045	Rs.	6,01,611
1046	"	5,96,579
1047	"	5,98,671
1048	"	6,06,257
1049	"	6,17,641

21. The revenue settlement in this State has not been disturbed for a great many years and consequently there is no room for any considerable alternations in this branch of income. One of the chief sources of fluctuation is the extent of cultivation carried on in the Trichoor Lake. The area of agricultural operations there as well as the out-turn of the year are peculiarly liable to be influenced by the quantity and seasonableness of the rainfall, and in unpropitious times it has been the practice of the Sirkar to allow the ryot to defer the payment of the land tax till the succeeding year.

22. The favorable conditions under which the Lake was cultivated in the year reported on account, in a great measure, for the increased receipts, and it may be added that some tracts of waste land that came on the revenue roll recently have contributed towards this satisfactory result.

23. The Coffee enterprise on the Nelliampathy Hills did not for some time realize the hopes of this Government, and there have been discouragements beyond its first anticipations. Many of the Estates originally granted were not opened up, or were abandoned after partial operations. Some of the Lessees surrendered their titles and others left the country, so that the prospects of the development of the Forests of Cochin were very unsatisfactory. It is gratifying now to mention that almost all the estates hitherto unworked or neglected have been taken up by more enterprising competitors, and there is every hope of the forest resources of the country being extensively utilized through the means of European capital.

24. The Coffee industry has, from the first, engaged the earnest attention of the Cochin Administration. The terms offered to Planters were exceedingly liberal and well calculated to invite enterprise. Rent-free, occupancy for the first three years; a quit rent of 12 annas and 4 pies per acre for the next nine years; and a permanent assessment thereafter of Rs. 1—8 per acre were the conditions of holding. Although an “excise or export duty,” at the option of the Government, is stipulated in the existing leases, no impost has yet been exacted on produce leaving the estates, or on its exportation from a Sirkar Port.

25. In Justice, however, to the interests of the Sirkar under altered circumstances, and in accordance with the course obtaining in the neighbouring State of Travancore, it has been resolved to modify the present rules for the grant of forest land for Coffee cultivation, and the question is under the consideration of His Highness the Rajah. The new Rules will principally have for their object the sale of waste land at a moderate upset price, and the securing of an accurate survey.

26. There are, in all, fifteen Estates at present aggregating 7,310 acres, and of these eight pay revenue to the State.

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Customs.

27. The Customs revenue of the Sirkar is based on
 1048 Rs. 1,15,798-4-0 the interportal convention of
 1049 „ 1,10,349-9-6 1865 and, as shown in the
 Decrease Rs. 5,448-10-6 margin, there is a decrease of
 Rs. 5,448—10—6 comparative-
 ly with the results of the previous year.

28. The items of which the revenue of the year under review is composed are as follows:—

Amount paid by the British Government under the guarantee, for the Official year ending 31st March 1874...Rs. 1,02,290-12-0

Receipts at the Sirkar's Ports for the same period..... „ 8,209 -4-0

Rupees 1,10,500- 0-0

Receipts at the Sirkar's Ports from the end of the Official year to the close of 1049 M. E.....Rs. 8,055- 9-1

Export duty on pepper..... „ 3- 4-5

Total Rs. 1,18,558-13-6

Deduct receipts at the Sirkar's Ports from the 1st April 1873 to the close of 1048 M. E. (14th August) carried to account in 1048.....Rs. 8,209- 4-0

Customs Revenue of 1049..... Rs. 1,10,349- 9-6

29. The Imports and Exports at Mallipooram and Narrakal during the year, and the duties collected will be seen from the following statement:—

IMPORTS.

Wines and Spirits..... Rs. 196— 5— 4

Sundry articles..... „ 438—14—10

Total Rs... 635— 4— 2

EXPORTS.

Cocoanut Oil..... Rs. 7,118—15—8

Cardamoms and minor articles.... „ 301— 5—0

Total Rs. 7,420— 4—8

30. The British Government has guaranteed to the Sirkar an income from Tobacco of Rs. 10,500 per annum. The direct importation by sea of the commodity into this country has ceased many years ago and the duty on British Indian tobacco was abolished under the inter-portal arrangements. Irrespective of the guarantee the Sirkar derives a revenue by the grant of Licenses which are of three classes. A fee of Rs. 50 is levied on first class licenses, Rs. 20 on those of the second class and Rs. 10 on those of the third. The fees produced by these licenses amounted to Rs. 9,410, being lower than the receipts of the previous year by Rs. 45.

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Abkarry and Opium.

31. An increase of Rs. 1,028—5—8 was the result of the biddings for the Abkarry farm for the year under report.

1048	Rs.	41,444-10-4
1049	"	42,473- 0-0
Increase	"	1,028- 5-8

32. There has been a falling off in the receipts from the Opium farm to the extent of more than one half of the income of the previous year. The want of competition at the public sale of the farm, which produced this unfavourable result, has arisen from a Notification *

by the Government of India prohibiting the introduction of Opium into the Native States except *by sea*, from Calcutta or Bombay, on payment of the authorized duty. The greater part of the Opium consumed in this country was for many years imported *by land* from the Madars Presidency, by the Sirkar's contractors, without payment of duty to the British Government; but now the land transport from British India has been absolutely barred.

* Dated 5th Decr. 1872.

33. The duty upon exportation by sea is so high that the renter cannot be expected to enter into a hopeless competition with the British markets across the frontier, where the drug is sold at about a third of the prime cost to himself if he obtained it through the sea-ports of Calcutta or Bombay. Unless he be allowed to obtain the article on the same terms as those on which the inhabitants of Malabar and Coimbatore can get it, in which case alone the local trade can be legitimately maintained—dealers in the contiguous markets can easily drive the Sirkar's contractor from the field, and with a long unguarded frontier, supplies will be systematically run across without risk of discovery or seizure, all inland excise stations having been abolished.

34. If the present conditions be insisted on, competition must be almost extinguished at future sales of the farm. The Madras Government has, however, recently intimated that it is in contemplation to alter the law in regard to Opium, and that the difficulty of preventing smuggling will by this means probably be obviated and the Sirkar monopoly be left unhampered.

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Salt.

35. The sales at the Sirkar's depots have continued to diminish since the period of the last report, and there has been a falling off in the receipts to the extent of Rs. 10,937—2—8 during the year. The decrease in 1048, as compared with the preceding year, was Rs. 11,462—8—5.

1048	Rs.	1,68,076-12-6
1049	"	1,57,139-9-10
Decrease	"	10,937-2-8

36. A smaller quantity of salt having been purchased than in the previous year, there was a decrease in the cost to the Sirkar of Rs. 5,770—13—7. The quantity obtained in 1048 was 94,688 Indian Maunds, and in the year under report it was 74,853 Maunds.

1048	Rs.	41,367-8-6
1049	"	35,596-10-11
Decrease	"	5,770-13-7

37. The sales having been less, as already noticed, there has been a corresponding reduction in the charge for conveying the article to the banksalls in the districts.

38. The amount paid by the British Government to the Sirkar as compensation for unavoidable wastage of salt in transit from the Bombay salt works to this country, was Rs. 14,409—6—0 for the year 1049.

39. For some years past the Sirkar's contractors were enabled to ship salt from Bombay on deposit of a nominal duty of 3 pies per maund; payment was made to them here, according to the Certificates granted by the Bombay Customs authorities, and the Cochin Government was recouped by an allowance made, on account of the duty levied, on all short deliveries of salt under its contracts within a maximum of ten per cent.

40. From the 1st of October 1874, the Government of Bombay resolved to levy an export duty on Bombay salt of Rs. 1—13—0 per maund, with the further requirement that the article should be conveyed in bags and not in bulk as heretofore. The immediate result has been that the tendering price, which ruled at an average of Rs. 32—6—0 for the past five years, rose to Rs. 245 for 100 Indian Maunds for the current year, conditions which would not only have extinguished the salt revenue, which forms so important an element in the income of the State, but would have entailed an additional loss of Rs. 54,000 annually, if the monopoly was to be maintained under these altered circumstances.

41. The Sirkar has been able to secure, for the exigencies of the present year, a sufficient quantity of salt that left Bombay previous to the new Rules coming into operation, and no difficulty is therefore anticipated until the question is finally determined upon by the British Government.

42. Meanwhile, it is gratifying to notice that His Excellency the Governor in Council, Madras, has been fully alive to the effect of the change, upon the financial prospects of this State, and has proposed that, as full British duty will have to be paid before the salt is removed from Bombay, the Governments of Travancore and Cochin should be repaid that duty (less the present payment of 3 pies per maund) and allowance for *bona fide* wastage not exceeding 10 per cent. His Excellency also suggested that if the expenses incurred for insurance &c, were seriously enhanced under the new rules, a further allowance should be made on this account. The matter is now under the consideration of the Government of India. •

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Education.

43. The Head Master of the High School, Mr. A. F. Sealy, having left on furlough at the close of the year under review, the Report of the year has been furnished by Mr. D. M. Cruikshank the Acting Head Master.

44. The presentation of prizes by His Highness the First Prince to the pupils who stood highest in their classes during the year and were most successful at the June and December Examinations in 1873, is a prominent event of the year.

45. Owing to the small numbers on the rolls of several of the classes, it was found necessary to abolish one Class, that named as Class III. C. There are at present six classes in the Upper and four in the Lower School. This change was made with the greatest reluctance, and it is hoped it may be possible to resuscitate

it at no distant date, as the advantages of an intermediate class between Class II. the highest in the Lower School, and Class III, B., the lowest in the Upper, are forcibly pointed out by the Acting Head Master.

46. Six out of fourteen students who presented themselves at the Matriculation Examination of 1873 succeeded in passing. These were the boys who the Head Master anticipated would succeed, and most of those who failed seem to have gone up in direct opposition to Mr. Sealy's wishes and thus, as is usually the case, contributed in reducing the school average and bringing upon themselves needless disappointment. That the authorities of the Madras University should not adopt some measure to prevent students who, in the opinion of their preceptors, are not competent to pass the Examinations from appearing at them, is much to be regretted. Masters who have watched the progress of a boy's studies can very generally form a correct estimate of his prospects of success, and little injustice, if any, would be done by committing to them the power of restraining candidates who, in their view, are quite unprepared, from entering the lists of competition. Under such a system, those who do compete would be found in the great majority of cases to be well grounded in the different branches of the prescribed curriculum and very much superior in every way to the ordinary seekers of University honors. The question was at one time mooted, and opinions were invited by the Syndicate from the heads of the chief educational establishments in the Presidency, but it does not appear that any measure has been decided upon to give the subject a practical direction and rectify a defect universally felt by those engaged in the work of education.

47. The following are the names of the six successful candidates of the season of 1873 :—

1. K. Narayana Marar.
2. M. Narayana Menon.
3. T. Govinda Menon.
4. K. Rama Menon.
5. K. Shungoonny Menon.
6. G. V. Krishna Iyen.



48. The results of the examination of December 1874 have been still more satisfactory, but a record of them in the present report would be out of place.

49. During the year several changes have taken place in the teaching staff of the School.

50. The post of Second Master became vacant by the resignation of M. Madava Iyen, and it was filled by the appointment of Mr. R. S. Sheppard B. A. who took the first place at the Degree Examination of 1873.

51. The classification, according to caste, of the pupils attending the High School during the year under review will be seen below :—

Brahmins.....	41
Ellayatha.....	1
Elavars.....	2
Konkanies.....	2
Mahometan.....	1
Maravar.....	1
Naidus.....	2
Nanjanadars.....	3
Pandi Sudras.....	5
Protestant.....	1
Roman Catholics.....	56
Sudras.....	50
Syrians.....	3
Unni.....	1
Warrier.....	1

Total... 170

52. Twenty nine boys were admitted to the High School in the course of the year, and 36 were withdrawn from it against 68 in the previous year. Although the withdrawals are still in excess of the admissions, the result is favourable when compared with the two previous years. It may be predicted, however, that the depression of former years, arising out of the establishment of new Schools in the vicinity and other uncontrollable causes, will not long continue. It is pretty clearly apparent from the analysis of the withdrawals supplied by Mr. Cruikshank that the excess above the admissions is more than accounted for by natural circumstances inseparable from the career of all kindred institutions. Six of the withdrawals are due to the success of boys at the University Examinations; two students left because of illness, two to take employment under the Sirkar, and six were dismissed for misconduct. The remaining twenty left through poverty, change of residence, to join other schools, or for other causes. Of the 29 admissions already noticed, six boys came from District Schools, six from schools in British territory, six from village and private schools, and eleven had previously received no tuition.

53. The attendance at the High School during the year appears to have been satisfactory. There was an average attendance of 148 boys out of 170, or 81·17 per cent of the total number on the rolls.

54. The receipts from fees, fines, sale of books, &c, amounted to Rs. 2,361—7—3, and the expenditure on Books, furniture and contingencies to Rs. 2,739—15—3, showing an excess over the former item of Rs. 378—8—0.

But as a balance remained from the receipts of the previous year to the extent of Rs. 875—5—10, the funds in hand at the close of the year were Rs. 496—13—10.

55. The transactions of the Book Depot are thus reported :—

	Vols.	Value.
Stock at close of 1048	4,591	Rs. 1,870-10-6
Purchased in 1049	2,453	„ 1,113- 7-0
Total ...	<u>7,044</u>	„ <u>2,984- 1-6</u>
Sales during 1049	2,271	„ 980- 2-0
Taken for School use	61	„ 19-11-6
Total ...	<u>2,332</u>	„ <u>999-13-6</u>

56. There consequently remained in the Depot at the close of the year 4,712 volumes the value of which was Rs. 1,984—4—0.

57. Of the District Schools those at Trichoor, Chittoor and Muttancherry present the most satisfactory signs of progress; the first having 56 pupils on its roll, the second 60 and the last 48, with an average daily attendance of 40, 45 and 46 respectively. There are also Schools at Wadakancherry and Irinjalacoda, but the attendance does not appear to have exceeded 20 on the average in each of them.

58. The Hebrew and Sanscrit Schools continue to maintain their usefulness, and efforts will be made to re-organize the Vernacular Schools and place them on an improved footing.

Public Works.

59. In the year under report there was an increase of expenditure under some heads, and a decrease under others, resulting in a net decrease of Rs. 9,066—14—2 as compared with the previous year.

In 1048 Rs.	1,45,762-11-4
1049 „	1,36,695-13-2
Decrease „	9,066-14-2

60. The amount actually allotted for Public Works in 1049 was Rs. 2,40,000 but the Department has not been able to work up to this limit. The working staff, however, having been strengthened and other necessary changes made in the supervising agency, it is hoped that the depression of late years will cease to exist, and a satisfactory record of progress be presented at the close of the current year.

61. Many works of great importance have been entered in the Public Works' Budget of the present year, and the estimates have received the sanction of His Highness the Rajah. The accomplishment of these projects will effect a very considerable improvement, and be of lasting benefit to the country and people.

62. The following is a Statement of the principal works commenced, completed, or in progress during the year reported on, and the sums expended on account of them :—

No.	WORKS.	Expenditure in 1049.			Total.	
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A. P.
1	Repairing the road from Ponany bazaar to the Shoranore bridge	3,804	0	0		
2	Do. road from Nadapoonny to Tatamungalom.....	3,000	0	0		
3	Mallipoorum Bund.....	2,640	0	0		
4	Renewing the Bridge on the Wadakancherry Road.....	2,624	7	6		
5	Constructing a drain and culvert within the Tripoonitorah Fort	2,000	0	0		
6	Coondanoor Road diversion....	2,000	0	0		
7	Repairs to the Palathode, Jews town, and Tank Roads.....	2,000	0	0		
8	Opening a canal from Ellamangapalam Bridge to Poothenthode	2,000	0	0		
9	Repairs to the road from Moogamada to Erratacolum.....	2,000	0	0		
10	Do. road from Natoocala to Valamthavalum.....	2,000	0	0		
11	Re-timbering the Shoranore Bridge.....	1,942	7	5		
12	Repairs to the Road from Cakathoorthy to Cakaya.....	1,800	0	0		
13	Do. to the Eshora Shava Tank at Ernacollum.....	1,744	11	4		
14	Do. to the Caroopadanah Road.....	1,700	0	0		
15	Do. to the Shoranore Road..	1,500	0	0		
16	Do. to the Paticart Road....	1,200	0	0		
17	Irrigation works in the Moogundapoorom District.....	1,124	10	4		
18	Repairs to the Road from Ernacollum to the Palathode Road junction.....	1,050	0	0		
19	Do. to the Bund from Arratopoya Pagoda to Charamancherra.....	1,105	12	2		
20	Constructing a Bridge on the western side of the Tripoonitorah Fort Gate.....	1,000	0	0		
21	Do. Bridge across the Charamancherra canal.....	1,000	0	0		

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No.	WORKS.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
22	Repair to the road from Ooloor-cara to the British Frontier...	1,000	0	0			
23	Salary of the temporary Establishment employed in surveying and drawing plans in connection with the Moolathura irrigation works	1,000	0	0			
	Minor works under Rupees 1000 each	14,727	12	5			
	Total outlay on Roads, Bridges Canals &c....				55,963	13	2
	OFFICES AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS.						
	Courts, District Cutcheries &c...	7,413	3	2			
	Jails and Police Stations.....	1,673	10	4			
	Pagodas	16,926	4	8			
	Palaces.....	29,334	6	10			
	Residencies.....	1,513	4	3			
	Travellers' Bungalows &c.....	6,338	10	10			
	Miscellaneous:	17,532	7	11	80,732	0	0
	Grand Total.....				1,36,695	13	2

Forests.

63. The number of Teak and Blackwood Logs and Taldoms received at the timber depots of Ernacollum and Ponany during the year under report, in comparison with the previous year, will be seen from the subjoined statement :—

In 1048	Logs	1,672—	measuring	Candies	3,436 $\frac{4}{16}$
1049	„	1,467—		„	2,856 $\frac{9}{16}$
				„	
Decrease	„	605—		„	580 $\frac{1}{16}$

64. A large quantity of timber, (2,559 logs, measuring 5,106 $\frac{9}{16}$ Candies), comprising the stock of the two previous years, which were held over in consequence of the unfavorable prices offered, and the yield of the season of 1049 were disposed of during the year, realizing Rs. 77,174—10—7. The value of the timber appropriated for Public Works was Rs. 4,362—9—10. The aggregate income accruing from the depots was consequently Rs. 81,537—4—5, exhibiting an increase over the preceding year of Rs. 69,339—15—10 as marginally noted.

In 1048	Rs.	12,197—4—7
1049	„	81,537—4—5
Increase	Rs.	69,339—15—10

65. The royalties derived from Jungle wood, bamboos &c, removed on private account amounted to Rs. 4,875—14—9 whilst the sale of Cardamoms, Bees' wax and other forest produce realized Rs. 2,406—14—4. The fuel tax yielded Rs. 1,626—4—0.

66. The total revenue through the medium of the Sirkar's establishments, as explained above, was

In 1048	Rs.	21,789—6—10
1049	„	90,446—5—6
Increase	Rs.	68,656—14—8

67. To this must be added the amount paid by the contractor of the Chittoor forest, Rs. 16,732—15—11, which is greater than that paid by him in the previous year, as he removed a large quantity of teak beyond the minimum limit fixed by the terms of his agreement.

68. It has always been the intention of the Sirkar to spare no expense towards developing its forest resources, and in the year under review, no less a sum than Rs. 13,895 has been laid out in the extension of teak nurseries, the utilizing of the blackwood which was for many years past a rich though dormant source of revenue, and in forwarding other promising objects fraught with future advantage.

69. In forest operations, elephants form no unimportant element, and losses or gains as regards them, necessarily affect in no small degree the success of the season. The number of elephants now at the disposal of the Conservator is twenty-five, after making every allowance for the casualties of the year.

70. The Conservator's Report records, moreover, the gratifying fact that one hundred and five acres of forest land were planted at a cost of Rs. 4,072—15—11. In the Kodasherry District, 37,672 teak saplings were pruned for the first time, and a second pruning was carried out at a later period, at an expense altogether of Rs. 445—15—0.

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Medical.

71. The Annual Report of Dr. Doyle, the Medical Officer to the Cochin Government, applies immediately to the Civil Hospital at Ernacollum the kindred establishment at Trichoor not having been organized within the period embraced in the present Report.

72. The Sirkar has incurred considerable expense to form a Dispensary at Trichoor, not only for the benefit of the higher classes seeking the aid of European medical science in extreme contingencies, but to afford opportunities to the poor and homeless to seek an asylum where their physical infirmities will be attended to, and their actual wants supplied for the time.

73. The Dispensary at Trichoor was not opened to the public at an earlier period in consequence of various adverse circumstances. The building, however, may now be said to be completed; the services of a resident Apothecary have been secured; and the Government of His Highness has every reason to trust that the institution will enlist the sympathies of the people and draw largely the classes for whose advantage it has been primarily established.

74. The Report of Dr. Doyle, already alluded to, is hereunder recorded.

“ Civil Hospital Ernacollum. During the past year 241 cases were treated as intern and 3,641 as extern patients against 240 and 3,591 respectively in the year 1048, showing an increase of one intern and fifty extern patients.

“Of the 241 patients treated in hospital 196 were maintained at the Sirkar's expense and the remaining 45 dieted themselves.

“The prevailing diseases treated in hospital were Dropsy, Syphilis and Ulcers; and the out-door patients suffered chiefly from Worms, Diarrhea, Anasarca, Anæmia, Itch and Dyspepsia. An unusually large number of cases of Ague or Intermittent fever were also treated among the out-door patients, these were principally importations from Wynaad.

"Sixteen deaths occurred among the intern patients during the year, viz., from Typhoid fever 1, Dysentery 2, Chronic diarrhoea 1, Anasarca 4, Paralysis 1, Disease of the heart 2, Bronchitis 1, Pneumonia 1, Dyspepsia 1, Fracture of the skull 1, and wound 1.

"The death from Typhoid fever occurred in a child who expired within six hours of admission into hospital.

"Only four deaths are recorded among the out-patients.

"Smallpox existed in an epidemic form throughout the whole of the past year.

"I regret to have to call the attention of the Sirkar again to the very unsanitary condition in which the bazaars at Ernacollum are kept. Quantities of half-putrid fish are being daily put out on the main roads to be dried, the emanations from which are most offensive, and may be injurious to the public health.

"The want of a few public latrines at Ernacollum is also much felt.

"The Hospital at Trichoor is I believe nearly finished and it would be desirable to have it opened as soon as possible as the want of a hospital is much felt in the town."

75. The Vaccination Return furnished by Dr. Doyle shows that 25,937 persons were vaccinated during the year, that 23,918 operations were successful and 2,019 unsuccessful.

76. The complaints regarding the sanitation of Ernacollum will be entirely removed by the completion of the new embankment on the river face and other measures, contemplated in connection therewith.

Ports.

77. The number of Vessels that arrived at the Ports of Mallipoorom and Narrakel during the year was 31, irrespective of the Pattimars which discharged Bombay Salt at Mallipoorom under the Sirkar's contracts.

78. The Port dues amounted to Rs. 1,831 which is less than the receipts in the previous year by the small sum of Rs. 92—6—0.

79. The aggregate tonnage of the Vessels which resorted to the Sirkar's Ports was 22,626·03 against 23,290 tons in the previous year. The capabilities of Narrakel, as a Port of shelter during the S. W. Monsoon having been fully tried during successive years and no interruption having ever been experienced to landing or shipping operations at periods when this coast is generally closed to Vessels, no special observations on the subject seem to be called for. The subsidized Mail Steamers of the British India Company regularly touch at Narrakel for four or five months when the neighbouring British Port of Cochin is unapproachable.

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Post Office.

80. The number of letters and parcels that have passed through the post during the year will be seen from the following abstract Statement:—

PUBLIC SERVICE.

	1048.		1049.
Letters.....	47,546	...	39,049
Newspapers.....	1,113	...	1,361
Books	243	...	160
Banghy parcels.....	25	...	2
Total...	48,927	...	40,572

PRIVATE.

	1048.		1049.
Letters.....	18,626	...	18,394
Newspapers.....	1,127	...	1,429
Books	10	...	10
Banghy parcels	59	...	49
Total ...	19,822		19,882

81. It will be observed that the number of private communications has slightly increased, while there has been a marked decrease in the official despatches.

82. The receipts from private sources amounted to Rs. 713—7—7, and the cost of the permanent establishment was Rs. 2,904.

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Military.

83. The military establishment of the Sirkar consists of one commissioned and ten non-commissioned Officers and 330 men. The average pay of each man was Rs. 78—5—0 per annum.

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Press.

84. The value of the work done at the Press is estimated at Rs. 4,016—10—0, against Rs. 3,624—1—11 in the previous year. The cost of the establishment was Rs. 1,236, and the work done was greatly increased by the printing of the Books and forms necessary for the purposes of the new Registration Regulation enacted by His Highness the Rajah.

85. The contingent expenditure of the year, including the cost of paper and sundry charges was Rs. 286—8—0.

86. The nature of the work performed may be thus described :—

Malayalam Calendar.....	2,000	Copies
Administration Report.....	150	„
Registration Act (English).....	100	„
Do. (Malayalam)	500	„
Processes issued by the Courts &c } in Malayalam.....	54,239	„
Do. in English.....	13,273	„
Publications on private Account...	1,000	„

26 Books for the Registration of Documents under the new Regulation of 500 pages each.

87. The permanent cost of the establishment remained at Rs. 1,116 per annum, but four additional hands were employed for two months and a half, at a cost of Rs. 87—8—0 to carry out the additional work already alluded to.

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Population.

88. The enumeration of the people of this country is now going forward in accordance with the rules adopted in the Madras Presidency at the late Census, and there is every reason to hope that a very reliable result will be obtained. The system of operations being derived entirely from the experience then gathered and the Sirkar having spared no pains to secure correct information, there is scarcely any room for doubt that the forthcoming Census will be a success :—

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Financial.

89. The Receipts and Disbursements of the year reported on as compared with the previous year will be seen from the following Statement.

RECEIPTS.

DISBURSEMENTS.

1048				1049			
Rupees.		A.	P.	Rupees.		A.	P.
Land Revenue	6,06,257	11	1	6,17,641	5	5	
Custom's collections	1,15,798	4	0	1,10,349	9	6	
Abkarry	41,444	10	4	42,473	0	0	
Opium	10,059	2	4	4,959	2	4	
Salt, ...	1,68,076	12	6	1,57,139	9	10	
Timber	20,190	12	1	98,270	4	4	
Miscellaneous } Revenue	2,45,081	12	8	2,77,681	8	2	
Total..	12,06,909	1	0	13,08,514	7	7	
Amount Balance at the com- mencement of each year...	8,53,503	2	2	10,04,947	7	5	
Grand Total..	20,60,412	3	2	23,13,461	15	0	

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Rupees. A. P.

Palace Expenses	1,87,268	5	4
Religious Institutions	76,070	5	6
Charitable Do-	37,651	12	4
Administrative Establishment..	1,54,460	14	10
Judicial Do. ..	49,929	3	1
Police Do. ..	14,700	0	0
Military Do. ..	22,291	0	0
Pensions Do. ..	15,378	4	6
Public Works Do. ..	1,45,762	11	4
Miscellaneous Expenses ..	1,15,952	1	2
Subsidy to British Government.	2,00,000	0	0
Invested in Govt. Promissory Notes.	0	0	0

Total..
Balance to be carried to the
credit of the succeeding year.

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Rupees. A. P.

	10,55,464	11	9
	17,19,082	7	4
	10,04,947	7	5
Grand Total..	20,60,412	3	2
	23,13,461	15	0

90. The regular sources of revenue have already been noticed in the preceding paragraphs, and it remains only to show the fluctuations on the side of disbursements.

91. Before proceeding, however, to this question, it may be noticed that the Miscellaneous Revenue has increased by Rs. 32,599—11—6. This increase arose principally from the amount due to the Sirkar on account of Salt wastage for two successive years having been paid and credited to the account of the year under review. The interest derived from Government Securities was also enhanced by increased investments.

92. In the matter of expenditure, there has been an increase of Rs. 4,491—10—8 under the head of Palace expenses, and this is owing to the augmented allowances settled on the fourth, fifth, and sixth Princes in the previous Malayalam year, having been paid for only a portion of that year, whereas it was paid for the whole of the year under report.

93. The disbursements on account of religious and charitable institutions do not present any features worthy of especial notice.

94. With regard to the Administrative and Judicial establishments, it will be seen that liberal provision has been made to improve the efficiency of those departments. There is an increase of Rs. 4,687-9-10 under the former head and of Rs. 1,556—15—8 under the latter.

95. The expenditure on Public Works has already been noticed under the proper head; and the Miscellaneous expenses, which show an increase of Rs. 61,391—8 over the previous year, may be accounted for by the

charges incidental to His Highness the Rajah's visit to Bhowany, and the contribution of this State to the Bengal Famine Relief Fund.

96. The total revenue of the year under review shows an increase, as compared with the previous year, of Rs. 1,01,605—6—7, and the total disbursements are less than those of the previous year by Rs. 63,117--11--7.

97. The aggregate revenue of the year was in excess of the expenditure by Rs. 1,89,932—0—3, and the cash balance at the close of the year should, in consequence, be Rs. 11,94,879—7—8. A sum of Rs. 6,00,500 was, however, vested in Government Securities during the year, which reduces the actual cash balance in the Treasury to Rs. 5,94,379—7—8. It is to be observed that the figure last mentioned includes Rs. 17,827—0—9, being the unrecovered portion of the amount of the Treasury defalcation of 1047.

98. The total amount to the credit of the Sirkar

Cash Balance	Rs. 5,94,379—7—8	at the close of the year 1049,
Govt. Securities.	„ 20,00,500—0—0	subject to the deficit referred
Value of Stock..	„ 1,89,697—7—8	to, is Rs. 27,84,576—15—4,
Total...	„ 27,84,576—15—4	as marginally noted.

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Ernacollum in Cochin, }
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APPENDIX.

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I.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT. (CRIMINAL.)

STATEMENT of Offences reported, and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted for each offence in the Territory of Cochin in the year 1049 M. E.

DESCRIPTION OF OFFENCES.	No. of offences reported during the year.	No. of persons under trial during the year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Remaining under trial.	Remarks.
Murder	3	3	0	2	1	
Bodily hurt and Murder	1	1	1	0	0	
Serious hurt	6	14	4	10	0	
Dacoity	2	5	0	5	0	
Robbery and bodily hurt	1	5	5	0	0	
Bodily injury	6	23	6	17	0	
Serious hurt and bodily injury ..	2	12	12	0	0	
Bodily injury, theft, and unlawful imprisonment	1	6	0	6	0	
Unlawful obstruction and arrest.	1	2	2	0	0	
Criminal trespass, unlawful assembly, and house-trespass ..	1	6	0	6	0	
Unlawful assembly	1	10	9	1	0	
Rape	2	2	1	1	0	
Unlawful retention of property ..	2	10	9	1	0	
False Evidence	7	9	1	8	0	
Theft	3	7	1	6	0	
Theft, and keeping in possession stolen property	2	4	3	1	0	
House-breaking, Theft & keeping in possession stolen property	1	3	3	0	0	
House-breaking and Theft	1	1	1	0	0	
Killing Cow	1	1	0	1	0	
Receiving bribe	1	3	3	0	0	
Causing injury	1	1	0	1	0	
Criminal intimidation	1	1	0	1	0	
Total ..	47	129	61	67	1	

II.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT. (CRIMINAL)

STATEMENT showing the general result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals of various classes in the State of Cochin for the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF TRIBUNALS.	No. of persons dealt with.				Persons disposed of						Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses who attended.	
	Remaining at the end of last year.	Brought to trial during the year.			Total	Discharged without trial.	Acquitted	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred.			
		By arrest.	By summons or recognizance.	Received by transfer.									
Local and Subordinate paid Magistrates	36	610	2434	0	3080	340	2030	531	133	1	45	0	4216
Dewan Peishcar exercising full Magisterial powers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dewan acting as Chief Magistrate....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Magistracy....	36	610	2434	0	3080	340	2030	531	133	1	45	0	4216
Zillah Courts.....	0	117	11	0	128	0	60	64	3	0	1	15	228
Appeal Court.....	1	3	0	0	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	132	0
Grand Total....	37	730	2445	0	3212	340	2091	598	136	1	46	147	4444

III.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT. (CRIMINAL.)

STATEMENT showing the Punishments inflicted by various Criminal Tribunals in the State of Cochin for the year 1049 M. E. 1873-74.

NATURE OF PUNISHMENT.	No. of persons punished.					Total
	By Subordinate and local paid Magistrates.	By Dewan Peishcar exercising full Magisterial powers.	By Dewan acting as Chief Magistrate.	By Zillah Courts.	By Appeal Court.	
Fined	479	0	0	24	0	503
Imprisoned	15	0	0	21	2	38
Flogged	26	0	0	0	0	26
Ordered to find Security... ..	4	0	0	3	0	7
Imprisoned and Fined	0	0	0	16	0	16
Do. and flogged	7	0	0	0	0	7
Death	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total persons punished ...	531	0	0	64	3	598
DETAIL OF SENTENCES OF FINE AND IMPRISONMENT.						
FINES.						
Not exceeding Rupees 5	387	0	0	3	0	390
" " " 50	90	0	0	35	0	125
" " " 200	2	0	0	5	0	7
" " " 500	0	0	0	0	0	0
" " " 1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total number of fines...	479	0	0	43	0	522
Total amount of fines	3049-6-6	0	0	1820	0	4869-6-6
Amount realized	2456-6-6	0	0	250	0	2706-6-6
Amount paid to the injured parties by way of compensation or amends.	43-8-0	0	0	0	0	43-8-0
SENTENCE OF IMPRISONMENT.						
Not exceeding 15 days..... { Rigorous	0	0	0	1	0	1
" " " { Simple	11	0	0	1	0	12
" " 6 months { Rigorous	8	0	0	25	0	33
" " " { Simple	3	0	0	5	0	8
" " 2 years { Rigorous	0	0	0	1	0	1
" " " { Simple	0	0	0	0	0	0
" " 3 years { Rigorous	0	0	0	4	0	4
" " " { Simple	0	0	0	0	0	0
" " 7 years { Rigorous	0	0	0	0	1	1
" " " { Simple	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exceeding 7 years { Rigorous	0	0	0	0	0	0
" " " { Simple	0	0	0	0	0	0
For life	0	0	0	0	0	0
Death	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total... { Rigorous	8	0	0	31	1	40
" " { Simple	14	0	0	6	0	20
Death	0	0	0	0	1	1

IV

JUDICIAL STATEMENT. (CIVIL.)

STATEMENT showing the number and description of Civil Suits instituted in the Civil Courts of Cochin in the year 1049 M. E.

DESCRIPTION OF CLAIMS.		No. of cases in different Courts.			Remarks.	
		Munsiff Courts.	Zillah Courts.	Appeal Court.		
CIVIL COURT CASES						
Money due.	{ On written promise for sum certain..... }	3,997	315	0	4,312	
	{ On unwritten promise..... }	822	5	0	827	
	{ On account stated..... }	172	12	0	184	
	{ Money paid or received.... }	54	0	0	54	
	{ For goods sold and delivered }	7	0	0	7	
	{ For Breach of Contract } { not included in the above }	15	3	0	18	
	Rent.....	219	68	0	287	
Damages.	{ Recovery of personal property or value thereof. }	88	5	0	93	
	{ For injuries to person	3	0	0	3	
	{ ,, to property..... }	11	0	0	11	
	{ For defamation..... }	5	0	0	5	
	Suits relating to ejectment	210	73	0	280	
	{ Suits to redeem immoveable property	12	2	0	14	
	{ Suits for foreclosure or sale of Mortgaged property..... }	0	0	0	0	
	Declaration of right to property.....	57	50	0	107	
	For division of property.....	3	12	0	15	
	For Maintenance	7	2	0	9	
	Suits not included in the above.....	9	9	0	18	
Total		5,691	556	0	6,247	

V.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT (CIVIL.)

STATEMENT showing value of suits disposed of in the Civil Courts of Cochin in the year 1049 M. E.

VALUE OF SUITS.		No. of suits disposed of in different Courts.				Remarks.
		Munsiff Courts.	Zillah Courts.	Appeal Court.	Total suits.	
IN CIVIL COURTS.						
Not exceeding Rupees.	5	337	1	0	338	
" "	20	1,926	5	0	1,931	
" "	100	2,482	15	0	2,497	
" "	200	683	7	0	690	
" "	500	0	329	0	329	
" "	5,000	0	239	0	239	
" "	10,000	0	4	0	4	
Exceeding Rupees.	10,000	0	4	0	4	
Total.		5,429	604	0	6,032	



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VI.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT (CIVIL.)

STATEMENT showing the general result of the trial of Civil suits in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in

Cochin in the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF COURTS.	No. of cases on file.			Cases withdrawn, transferred or struck off, without trial or Decree.	Cases in which decree passed.						Cases pending at the close of the year.	Average No. of days during which each case lasted.		No. of summons to parties to appear in person.	No. of parties who appeared.	No. of summons to witnesses other than parties.	No. of witnesses who appeared.				
	Remaining from last year.	Instituted.	Total.		Without contest.			Contested and decided in Court.													
					Ex parte.	By confession.	By compromise and consent.	By arbitration.	Total.	In whole.		In part.	In favor of Defendant.					Total.			
CIVIL COURTS.																					
Munsiff's Courts...	895	5,691	6,586	307	2,439	976	586	0	4,001	628	98	394	1,120	1,158	5-0	1-19	23	12	479	365	
Zillah Courts.....	357	556	913	25	131	32	75	0	238	167	50	124	341	309	10-14	2-4	71	47	3,290	957	
Total...	1,252	6,247	7,499	332	2,570	1,008	661	0	4,239	795	148	518	1,461	1,467	6-	8-1	15	94	59	3,769	1,322

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VII.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT. (CIVIL.)

STATEMENT showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts of Cochin for the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF COURTS.	Cases on the file.			Appeals withdrawn, transferred or struck off without trial.	Decided on trial.			Remanded for further investigation.	Total.	Cases pending at end of the year.	M. D.	Average duration of each Appeal tried.	Remarks.	
	Remaining of last year.	Instituted.	Total.		In whole.	In part.	In favor of Appellant.							In favor of Respondent.
APPELLATE COURTS OF DISTRICT.														
Zillah Courts.	144	385	529	16	199	29	168	17	429	100	3 - 15			
CHIEF COURTS.														
Regular Appeals from District or Zillah Courts.	190	200	390	22	15	15	74	3	129	261	14 - 2			
Special Appeals.	53	170	223	20	16	6	69	2	113	110	6 - 2			
Total ...	387	755	1142	58	230	50	311	22	671	471	0 - 0			

Appeal Court. { Regular Appeals from District or Zillah Courts. }
Special Appeals.

VIII.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT (CIVIL.)

STATEMENT showing the execution of Decrees of the Civil Courts of Cochin in the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF COURTS.	No. of decrees passed during the year.	No. of applications for execution.			No. of decrees completely executed.	No. of decrees partly executed.	No. of cases in which there was no execution.	Pending at the end of the year.	No. of cases in which specific performance was enforced.	No. of coercive processes in execution.				REMARKS.
		Pending from last year.	Filed.	Total.						Sale of real property.	Sequestration of real property.	Sale of personal property.	Imprisonment.	
Munsiff's Courts.....	5428	1194	4535	5729	1007	575	1975	2172	0	154	215	133	2284	
District or Zillah Courts.	604	666	948	1614	187	260	255	912	0	151	176	78	376	
Total...	6032	1860	5483	7343	1194	835	2230	3084	0	305	391	211	2660	

IX.

PRISONS.

General return showing number and distribution of Prisoners in the Prisons of Cochin for the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF JAILS.	No. of prisoners during the year										No. of Prisoners on last day of the year.										No. of punishments for breach of jail discipline				
	Remaining from last year.	Committed during present year.	Total in Jail during the year	Judicially released by acquittal, expiry of sentence, payment of fines &c.	Released for good conduct.	Released on account of sickness.	Escaped.	Died.	Executed.	Average number in Jail during the year.	Life	More than 7 years.	Do. Do. 2 years.	Do. Do. 6 months.	Not more than 6 months.	More than 7 years.	More than 6 months.	Not more than 6 months.	Under trial.	Civil prisoners.		Revenue prisoners.	In transit to other Jails.	Total.	By flogging.
DISTRICT JAILS.																									
Ernacollum.....	87	131	218	133	0	0	0	1	0	78	218	26	26	7	2	0	0	1	0	222	0	0	80	0	0
Trichoor.....	115	51	166	57	0	3	0	8	0	107	28	45	20	2	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	102	2	27
Total..	202	182	384	190	0	3	0	9	0	0	30	63	46	9	6	0	1	0	423	0	0	182	2	27	

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X.

POLICE.

STATEMENT showing general result of Police operations in regard to each great class of crime usually dealt with by the Police in the State of Cochín for the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF CRIME	Cases prosecuted by information before Magistrates					
	Number of information lodged.	Number of persons arrested or summoned.	Number acquitted.	Number ordered to find security.	Number convicted.	Number committed to the Criminal Courts.
Offences against public justice ...	32	57	21	0	20	9
Offences relating to coin or stamps ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Murders { For sake of robbery ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
{ From other motives ...	5	12	1	0	0	3
Culpable homicide ...	1	2	2	0	0	0
Suicide ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other serious offences against person not connected with attacks on property ...	109	271	289	0	10	21
Public and local nuisances ...	143	299	189	0	86	24
Offences against property, accompanied with personal violence or preparation } for hurt ...	91	234	172	0	28	8
{ Theft by house-breaking or house-trespass, without personal violence ...	29	52	43	0	5	2
{ Theft ...	227	425	362	3	53	14
Receiving stolen property ...	1	1	1	0	0	0
Misconduct of serious character ...	28	77	47	0	9	21
Belonging to gang of dacoits, robbers or thieves ...	2	19	19	0	0	0
Vagrancy and bad character ...	0	0	0	0	0	0
Branches of special Laws cognizable by Police ...	5	18	5	0	13	0
Minor offences not cognizable by Police, but prosecuted by information before Magistrates... }	1161	1613	1270	0	304	31
Total...	1824	3080	2261	3	528	133
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XI.

EDUCATION.

GENERAL Statement of Educational Institutions in the State of Cochin for the year 1049 M. E.

CLASS OF INSTITUTIONS.	Government Institutions.												
	Number.	Number of students on roll.	Average attendance daily.	Average age.	Teachers.		Income.			No. of persons instructed.			
					Christians.	Others.	Public funds.	Fees.	Total.	English.	Vernacular.	General.	
High School Ernacollum	1	170	148	14.33	2	13	11,460	0	811/12	0	12,271/12	0	170
DISTRICT SCHOOLS.													
Trichoor	1	56	40.8	11.75	0	4	1,380	0	154	8	1,534	0	56
Chittcor	1	60	45.6	11.18	0	3	700	0	169	4	869	0	100
Wadakancherry	1	72	20	11	0	2	708	0	70	4	778	0	72
Irinjalacoda	1	34	22	12	1	1	540	0	86	8	626	0	34
Muttancherry	1	48	46	13	2	1	1,044	0	216/12	0	1,260/12	0	48
Hebrew School	1	38	33	15	0	1	180	0	0	0	180	0	0
Sanscrit Do.	1	21	14	21	0	3	600	0	0	0	600	0	0
VERNACULAR SCHOOLS.													
Malayalim	6	102	92	15	0	6	504	0	0	0	504	0	0
Total	14	601	0	0	5	34	16,116	0	1509	0	18,622	0	480

XII.

Return showing the Diseases treated, and Deaths from each Class of Disease in the Civil Hospital and Jails of Cochin State for the year 1049 M. E.

[DISEASES.]	Ernacollum Civil Hospital.				Ernacollum Jail Hospital.		Trichoor Jail Hospital.	
	In-patients.		Out-patients.		In-patients.		In-patients.	
	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.
Variola ..	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Varicella ..	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Morbilli ..	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tonsillitis ..	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	0
Parotitis ..	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Pertussis ..	1	0	9	1	0	0	0	0
Febricula ..	6	0	119	0	13	0	8	0
Febris Typhoides ..	2	1	4	1	0	0	0	0
Febris Intermittens ..	6	0	91	0	0	0	18	2
Ophthalmia ..	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Erysipelas ..	2	0	6	0	5	0	0	0
Erythema ..	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Metria ..	2	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Anthrax ..	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Furunculus ..	0	0	52	0	0	0	30	0
Influenza ..	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0
Dysentery ..	8	2	60	0	0	0	3	0
Diarrhæa ..	3	1	176	0	9	0	31	2
Syphilis Primaria ..	4	0	49	0	0	0	0	0
„ Secundaria ..	13	0	62	0	0	0	0	0
Gonorrhæa ..	1	0	24	0	0	0	0	0
Phymosis ..	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0
Paraphymosis ..	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0
Bubo ..	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0
Orchitis ..	1	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
Stricture Urethræ ..	1	0	26	0	0	0	0	0
„ Rectum ..	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
„ Os Uteri ..	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Lepra ..	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Aphthæ ..	0	0	33	0	5	0	0	0
Total..	52	4	929	2	32	0	90	4

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DISEASES.	Ernacollum Civil Hospital.				Ernacollum Jail Hospital.		Trichoor Jail Hospital.	
	In-patients.		Out-patients		In-patients.		In-patients.	
	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.
	52	4	929	2	32	0	90	4
Scabies ..	10	0	134	0	18	0	3	0
Tinea Tonsurans ..	0	0	21	0	0	0	0	0
Ascaris Lumbricoides ..	0	0	343	0	0	0	0	0
„ Vermicularis ..	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	0
Dracunculus ..	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Rheumatism ..	4	0	140	0	11	0	4	0
Anæmia ..	20	0	276	0	8	1	1	1
Anasarca ..	41	4	136	1	0	0	2	0
Carcinoma ..	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Scrofula ..	3	0	27	0	0	0	0	0
Phthisis Pulmonalis ..	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Hæmoptysis ..	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Paralysis ..	2	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Chorea ..	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Hysteria ..	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Mania ..	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tetanus ..	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Cephalæa ..	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	0
Neuralgia ..	1	0	33	0	0	0	0	0
Otitis ..	0	0	17	0	5	0	0	0
Otrrhœa ..	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Dyseccœa ..	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Morbus Valvularum Cordis. .	3	2	8	0	0	0	0	0
Phlebitis ..	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Varix ..	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Pleuritis ..	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bronchitis ..	1	1	66	0	0	0	2	0
Pneumonia ..	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Catarrhus ..	0	0	141	0	2	0	0	0
Polypus Nasi ..	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Ozena ..	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Total...	147	13	2429	3	76	1	102	5

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DISEASES.	Ernacollam Civil Hospital.				Ernacollam Jail Hospital.		Trichoor Jail Hospital.	
	In-patients.		Out-patients.		In-patients.		In-patients.	
	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.
	147	13	2429	3	76	1	102	5
Asthma	1	0	49	0	4	0	1	0
Odontalgia	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Stomatitis	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0
Pharyngitis	0	0	7	0	1	0	0	0
Gastritis Chronica	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Enteritis	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Peritonitis	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Obstipatio	0	0	288	0	0	0	1	0
Intus-Susceptio	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hernia	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Dyspepsia	4	1	122	0	0	0	0	0
Colica	0	0	50	0	1	0	0	0
Hæmorrhoids	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Fistula in Ano	0	0	16	0	0	0	1	0
Splenitis	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Hepatitis	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Icterus	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Ascites	5	0	24	1	0	0	0	0
Dysuria	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Diabetes	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Lithiasis	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Hæmaturia	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Cystitis Chronica	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Morbus Prostaticus	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hydrocele	1	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
Spermaturia	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hydrops Ovarii	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Leucorrhœa	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0
Amenorrhœa	0	0	28	0	0	0	0	0
Dysmenorrhœa	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Menorrhagia	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Total...	165	14	3233	4	82	1	105	5

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DISEASES.	Ernacollum Civil Hospital.				Ernacollum Jail Hospital.		Trichoor Jail Hospital.	
	In-patients.		Out-patients.		In-patients.		In-patients.	
	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.	Admission.	Death.
	165	14	323	34	82	1	105	5
Abortus-Partus ..	4	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Vomitting of Pregnancy ..	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Synovitis ...	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
Arthritis ...	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Periostitis ...	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Caries ...	0	0	17	0	0	0	1	1
Atrophia Musculorum ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Herpes ...	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0
Mentagra ...	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Psoriasis ...	6	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Paronychia ...	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0
Abscessus ...	10	0	20	0	7	0	2	1
Ulcus ...	23	0	32	0	9	0	1	0
Anus Imperforatus ...	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Dentitio ...	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0
Ambustio ...	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Contusio ...	5	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Fractura ...	5	1	9	0	0	0	0	0
Luxatura ...	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Subluxatio ...	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Vulnus Incisum ...	8	1	71	0	1	0	0	0
„ Laceratum ...	10	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
„ Sclopetarium ...	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Foreign body in Nose ...	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
„ „ „ Ears ...	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
„ „ „ Eyes ...	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Tumors ..	1	0	14	0	0	0	0	0
Warts ...	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Edema Lower Extremity ...	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Concussio Cerebri ...	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Submersio ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total...	241	16	364	4	99	1	109	8

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Return of Ships or Vessels arrived at, and sailed from the Cochin Circular Ports of Malipooram and Narrabekel during the year 1049 M. El. or from the 15th August 1874 to the 14th August 1874 A. D.

Port.	Date of Arrival	Date of Departure	Vessel's Names.	Commander's Names.	Colours.	Tons.	Amount of Port dues collected.
Malipooram.	16 1873 August.	16 1873 August.	S. S. Agta	Captain J. C. Sharp	British	1,235	154 6 0
Narrabekel.	23 1873 August.	24 1873 August.	S. S. Sir John Lawrence...	" G. Baldwin	Do.	466	0 0 0
	" 27	"	S. S. Chaldia	" Lewis	Do.	926	115 12 0
	3 3	Sepr.	S. S. Patna	" A. Hansard	Do.	1,132	141 8 0
	2 2	Depr.	Brig Shawood Hamod	Tindal Abdoos Cawder	Do.	104	6 8 0
	4 1874 January.	5 1874 January.	Brig Santana Letchmy	" Manual Fernandez	Do.	106	6 11 0
	24 1874 January.	24 1874 January.	Brig Thieria Letchmy	" A. F. Sebastin	Do.	73	4 9 0
	24 1874 January.	24 1874 January.	Schr. Lady Helena	" A. Fernandez	Do.	62	3 14 0
	23 1874 January.	23 1874 January.	Brig Susan Josephine	" Nicolao Pillay	Do.	141	8 13 0
	17 1874 January.	17 1874 January.	Schr. Lady Helena	" A. Fernandez	Do.	62	0 0 0
	23 1874 January.	23 1874 January.	S. S. Cashmere	Captain Cotton	Do.	676	84 8 0
	25 1874 January.	25 1874 January.	S. S. Sir John Lawrence...	" G. Baldwin	Do.	466	58 6 0
	26 1874 January.	26 1874 January.	Ship City of Hankow	" G. Muir	Do.	1,194	149 6 0
	26 1874 January.	26 1874 January.	Barque Lois	" J. Lewis	Do.	380	47 8 0
	1 1874 January.	1 1874 January.	Do. Alice	" David Burgess	Do.	628	78 6 0
	4 1874 January.	4 1874 January.	S. S. Burmah	" Sanders	Do.	675	84 6 0
	5 1874 January.	5 1874 January.	S. S. Assyria	" H. Howell	Do.	969	121 4 0
	14 1874 January.	14 1874 January.	S. S. Java	" W. Starratt	Do.	943	117 7 0
	22 1874 January.	22 1874 January.	S. S. Assyria	" Hutchison	Do.	969	0 0 0
	24 1874 January.	24 1874 January.	S. S. Patna	" J. Avern	Do.	1,132	141 0 0
	30 1874 January.	30 1874 January.	S. S. Java	" W. Starratt	Do.	943	0 0 0
	1 1874 January.	1 1874 January.	Barque Evangeline	" J. E. Adams	Do.	441	55 4 0
	6 1874 January.	6 1874 January.	S. S. Asia	" Gray	Do.	1,139	142 6 0
	7 1874 January.	7 1874 January.	Barque Claro Babuyan	" W. Mc Gregor	Do.	337	44 12 0
	14 1874 January.	14 1874 January.	S. S. Patna	" Stewart	Do.	1,132	0 0 0
	19 1874 January.	19 1874 January.	S. S. Ava	" Paterson	Do.	1,708	213 8 0
	27 1874 January.	27 1874 January.	S. S. Asia	" Gray	Do.	1,139	0 0 0
	27 1874 January.	27 1874 January.	Barque Colonel Fyche	" W. Ward	Do.	407	50 14 0
	33 1874 January.	33 1874 January.	S. S. Assyria	" Hutchison	Do.	969	0 0 0
	1 1874 January.	1 1874 January.	Barque Oleander	" J. Joas	Do.	341	0 0 0
	3 1874 January.	3 1874 January.	S. S. Ava	" J. Paterson	Do.	1,708	0 0 0
	11 1874 January.	11 1874 January.				Total...	1,831 0 0

