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OF THE
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1921

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REPORT

ON THE

ADMINISTRATION OF CIVIL JUSTICE

IN THE

CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR

DURING THE YEAR

1921.

A.—TRIBUNALS.

1. The temporary court of the 4th Additional Judicial Commissioner remained open throughout the year, except for two short periods amounting to 34 days.

2. The staff of the department, excluding the Judicial Commissioner's Court, as it stood at the end of 1920 and of 1921, respectively, is shown below :—

	1920.	1921.
District Judges	11	11
Subordinate Judges	44	47
Judges, Small Cause Court	6	6
Registrar, Small Cause Court	1	1
Munsiffs	71	70

The increase in the number of Subordinate Judges is due to the appointment of three Subordinate Judges under training. Mr. K. G. Digby, who was working as Registrar at the beginning of the year, was posted for training at Jubbulpore. Messrs. R. E. Pollock, I.C.S., and B. K. Parry, I.C.S., recently transferred to the Judicial Department, were posted at Hoshangabad and Bhandara, respectively. The Subordinate Judge, Bhandara, was appointed an Additional Judge of the District Court to give relief to the District and Sessions Judge. In Akola a Court of a Special Additional District Judge was opened for five months for appellate work only. The Tenancy Suit work, which was formerly done by one Extra-Assistant Commissioner in the Narsinghpur district, was divided between two Extra-Assistant Commissioners from July. At the end of the year there were 63 Tahsildars and 28 Naib-Tahsildars exercising civil powers as against 62 Tahsildars and 31 Naib-Tahsildars at the beginning of the year. The increase in the number of Tahsildars is due

to the appointment of the Tahsildar of Chikalda to be an Additional Judge to the Court of the Munsiff, Ellichpur. This is a special appointment for the Melghat taluq; the Tahsildar does not try rent suits, but suits triable by a Small Cause Court up to Rs. 500 in value. The Court of the Additional Munsiff, Jubbulpore, opened in September 1920, continued throughout the year. An Additional Munsiff's Court was opened for four months at Akola from the 3rd January by creating a temporary appointment of Munsiff; the temporary appointment ceased from the 3rd May, but the Court continued till 15th idem, the Munsiff, Malkapur, being transferred to Akola for that period, his Court at Malkapur having been closed owing to scarcity of water. The Civil Courts in the Yeotmal revenue district and at Malkapur and the Court of the Munsiff, Chandur, were closed in the first fortnight of May in combination with vacation owing to scarcity of water. Thakur Lal Bahadur Singh, the Honorary Additional Subordinate Judge of Phuljhar, continued to exercise civil power in respect of money suits not exceeding Rs. 100 in value arising in his zamindari.

B.--ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Judicial Statement No. 7 3. *Institution of suits.*—Institutions under the three main heads in 1920 and 1921 are compared below:—

Central Provinces	1920.	1921.
1. Suits for money and moveable property...	68,344	63,672
2. Suits under the Rent Law ...	11,311	12,455
3. Title and other suits ...	7,966	6,340
Total ...	87,621	82,467
Berar.		
1. Suits for money and moveable property ...	24,058	23,422
2. Suits under the Rent Law ...	...	...
3. Title and other suits ...	5,566	4,291
Total ...	29,624	27,713
Grand Total ...	117,245	110,180

It will be noticed that although there has been an increase in rent suits, it is more than outbalanced by a considerable diminution in other suits.

In suits for money and moveable property (including Small Causes) Saugor shows an increase, most districts show a decrease of about 4 per cent, Jubbulpore a decrease of 8 per cent, Chhindwara a decrease of 17 per cent, and Raipur a decrease of 22 per cent. The increase in money suits in Saugor is ascribed to the rise in price of grain which resulted in many seed loan suits being filed. In Chhindwara district it is observed that the decrease is chiefly in small causes, and that the valuation of suits has risen indicating a smaller proportion of small value suits. A fall in the price of lac in Bhandara has resulted in a decrease in money suit institutions.

In institutions of title and other suits every district shows a decrease. Nagpur, Saugor and Hoshangabad have only a small decrease: Wardha, Nimar and West Berar show an appreciable decrease, while in the other districts the decrease is from 24 per cent to 36 per cent. The decrease in title suits in Bhandara is said to be the result of the close of settlement operations. In rent suit institutions most districts show a substantial increase, but Raipur shows a decrease of 14 per cent and Jubbulpore of 5 per cent. The decline in institutions generally is ascribed to bad harvests in Nimar and both Berar districts. It is thought that with less crops to attach people have been unwilling to file suits in which executions would probably be infructuous. In Wardha the decrease has been noticeable in suits of small value, and it is thought that some of these suits have been tried in arbitration Courts established as part of the non-co-operation movement. Such arbitration Courts are also mentioned in the reports from Chhindwara and Raipur. The fall in institutions in Jubbulpore is said to be due to the epidemics of cholera and plague.

Five districts report that non-co-operation had no effect on litigation, three that it had no appreciable effect, but in Wardha, East Berar and Raipur it is said to have reduced institutions in petty suits to a small extent. It is still the general opinion that high prices have had little effect on the total volume of litigation.

4. *Valuation of suits.*—The total value of suits instituted in 1921 was Rs. 3,17,32,927 and the average value per suit Rs. 288, as compared with Rs. 3,05,86,823 and Rs. 260, respectively, in 1920. It is impossible to show any correlation between the decrease in the number of institutions and the

increase in the average value of suits. In Raipur there has been a decrease in institutions of 21 per cent, and the average value has risen from Rs. 204 to Rs. 303, whereas in Saugor there has been an increase of 9 per cent in institutions and an increase in value from Rs. 135 to Rs. 176. Many Judges ascribe the increase in valuation to the filling of a relatively large number of highly valued suits. This is hardly an explanation applicable to the Province as a whole, since local variations will tend to cancel one another. In the absence of any information as to price levels in 1920 and 1921, it is impossible to say that the increase in valuation of suits is merely a reflection of the depreciation in the value of money, but there seems no other adequate explanation. The average value has risen since 1914 as follows: Rs. 202, 197, 202, 205, 250, 247, 260, 288. This year's increase is then seen to be merely a continuation of what has been happening for some years.

5. *Small Cause Courts.*—The total value of suits instituted in Small Cause Courts was Rs. 69,13,935 and the average value Rs. 108 as against Rs. 68,37,860 and Rs. 100, respectively, last year. Of suits disposed of, 19·6 per cent were contested as against 20·5 per cent in 1920.

The Munsiff, Sausar, was invested with Small Cause Court powers with effect from August 1st, and the summary powers of the first Munsiff, Bhandara, were raised from Rs. 100 to Rs. 200 from November.

6. *Distribution of suits.*—The percentage of suits disposed of by each class of Courts in

Judicial No. 9.	Statement	1920 and 1921 was—	
		1920.	1921.
	Munsiffs	• ... 37·1	39·0
	Small Cause Court	... 57·9	55·9
	Subordinate Judges	... 4·8	4·9
	District Judges	... 0·2	0·2

The decline in the percentage of Small Causes remarked last year still continues.

7. *Durations.*—Average durations in 1920 and 1921 are compared below :—

Year.	Central Provinces.		Berar.	
	Contested.	Uncontested.	Contested.	Uncontested.
		<i>Small Causes.</i>		
1920	87.2	69.7	97.5	82.6
1921	91.4	72.6	100.4	74.8
		<i>Others.</i>		
1920	141.4	76.1	235.0	120.2
1921	146.6	76.5	219.4	108.2
		<i>Total.</i>		
1920	115.7	72.4	170.2	92.1
1921	123.5	74.3	164.5	83.6

The increase in durations in Jubbulpore is ascribed to epidemics of plague and cholera which disorganised the work of the Courts. The increase in durations in Nimar appears largely due to the congestion in the Courts of the Subordinate Judge and Munsiff at Khandwa. The District Judge explains that in his Court a number of very long pending cases were decided during the year and this increased the average durations.

8. *Pending files.*—For the whole Province the pending file of civil cases has decreased from 28,680 to 27,236 and the number of cases pending over 3 months decreased from 6,556 at the close of 1920 to 5,653 at the close of 1921.

9. *Executions.*—The number of applications for executions in 1921 was 139,742 against 144,473 in 1920, a decrease of 4,731. There has nevertheless been an increase in the pending file from 27,646 to 29,955. The percentage of full satisfaction cases has fallen from 20.3 per cent in 1919 to 19.5 per cent in 1920 and to 17.6 per cent in 1921. The number of judgment-debtors imprisoned in 1921 was 34 against 37 in 1920. There is a decrease of more than three lakhs in the amount realised in execution. In 1920 Rs. 36,95,282 was realised, but in 1921 only Rs. 33,23,502.

The result of execution proceedings in the Hoshangabad district is said to have been poor mainly on account of the poor harvest. The District Judge, Nagpur, observes that the number of cases dismissed as wholly infructuous is large, and is due to the fact that a large number of execution applications are filed simply to keep the decree alive. In both Berar districts an improvement is expected in the results of execution proceedings because of the present good harvest.

The question of holding sales of agricultural land in Berar by a special agency was considered and the new scheme is being brought into force in 1922.

10. *Insolvency*.—Petitions presented during the year numbered 1,309. Seventy insolvents were discharged against 20 discharged in 1920. This increase is due to the provisions of the Act of 1920 beginning to take effect. The number of undischarged insolvents rose from 8,275 to 8,792, but this figure includes insolvents under the old Act, who were not required to apply for discharges.

C.—APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

11. *Judicial Commissioner's Court*.—The table below compares the figures for Civil Appellate work in the year 1920 and 1921 :—

	1920.			1921.		
	Insti- tuted.	Disposed of.	Pend- ing.	Insti- tuted.	Disposed of.	Pend- ing.
First appeals ...	157	132	209	192	185	217
Second appeals ...	899	988	1,012	1,113	1,200	925
Miscellaneous appeals ...	73	77	58	73	91	40
Total ...	1,129	1,197	1,279	1,378	1,476	1,182

The disposals would have been greater had not the post of the 4th Additional Judicial Commissioner been vacant for 34 days. Also the Court was short handed from the date

of Sir Henry Drake-Brockman's going on leave until the arrival of Mr. Batten, namely, from the 20th September to the 17th October.

• 12. *District Judges' Courts.*—The total number of regular appeals instituted increased from 4,227 to 4,287 and the total number of disposal increased from 4,002 to 4,458. The reduction of the pending file is substantial in Nagpur and West Berar. The average duration was almost stationary in the Central Provinces but has considerably increased in Berar. This increase is due to the disposal of long pending appeals by the special appellate Judge posted to Akola for five months.

The total number of miscellaneous appeals left pending was 55 in the Central Provinces and 37 in Berar as against 33 and 31 respectively in 1920.

D.—MISCELLANEOUS.

13. *The Bar.*—The strength of the Bar at the beginning and the end of the year is given below :—

	1st January 1921.	1st January 1922.
Barristers-at-Law	58	55
Other Advocates	9	9
Pleaders, 1st grade	152	156
Pleaders, 2nd grade	626	593
Pleaders holding certificates in Form I under the Hyderabad Assigned District Rules, 1899.	12	11
Pleaders holding certificates in Form II under the Hyderabad Assigned District Rules, 1899.	46	46
Total	903	870

It is reported that relations between the Bench and the Bar continued to be cordial in every District throughout the year. Sixty-six pleaders suspended practice during the year on account of non-co-operation but forty-six resumed practice within the year. One pleader was imprisoned as a result of proceedings under Section 108, Criminal Procedure Code. A pleader at Akola was suspended from practice for 4 months by this Court, for unprofessional conduct.

14. *Guardian and Wards Act.*—At the end of the year there were 471 estates under management under the Guardian and Wards Act as against 463 last year. Management was relinquished in 44 owing to the minors having attained majority and in two as the guardians were unwilling to act. Three minors died during the year.

The general complaint still is that accounts are not submitted punctually and that they serve no useful purpose, but the Judicial Commissioner agrees with the District Judge, Wardha, that if guardians are made to keep accounts they will hand over a balance which is in some cases substantial when the minor comes of age. Even when the guardians are not honest the furnishing of annual accounts frequently reduces to a large extent the opportunity for peculation.

15. *Copying Branch.*—Revised copying rules were submitted to Government on 24th September 1921 and were received back on 3rd December 1921. Government has not approved of the proposed abolition of receiving applications by post, and revised rules will shortly be submitted.

Several districts report that the post office was used more freely than ever for forwarding applications. The copying work at Amraoti shows considerable improvement. The remuneration for section-writers is under consideration since some difficulty is found in getting competent men at the present rate. In some districts it has been found necessary to allow section-writers to do comparing work, although this is contrary to the provisions of Civil Circular Memorandum No. 29. Another matter under consideration is the allotment of working days for copying during vacation: At present there is no uniform practice.

16. *Records and Record Rooms.*—Everywhere there is ample room save at Ninnar and Akola. At Ninnar it is thought the record room will be full in May 1922, and at Akola it is thought that there will not be enough room by the end of 1922. The matter is under enquiry at both places. The enquiry into the damage to registers in the Nagpur record room mentioned last year was completed and the persons responsible have been dealt with.

17. *Ministerial Services.*—At the close of November 1920 instructions were issued regarding the working of the time-scale. But Government considered that these instructions needed amendment, and revised instructions were issued

on 12th August 1921. In some cases doubt has arisen as to the interpretation of the rules, but it is hoped that the cases of all clerks will very soon be finally settled.

18. *Working of the Nazarat.*—There have been three cases of embezzlement, and suitable action has been taken in all three cases. Mr. Macnair's scheme mentioned in reports for 1920 has been given a further trial. The results obtained are under consideration and further instructions may be issued shortly.

With the introduction of the time-scale of pay the old posts of first grade process-servers were abolished. One of their most important duties was the checking and supervising the works of servers of lower grades. Now all servers do ordinary process-serving work. During the year consideration has been given to the question of checking and supervising. Temporary orders were passed suspending checking and supervision work except in particular cases where special inquiry was considered essential. It was thought that the number of naib-nazirs could be increased and that the extra men could perform the necessary checking, but owing to financial stringency it was decided that the number of naib-nazirs could not be increased. It is now proposed to empower District and Sessions Judges to place on special duty any suitable officer drawing not less than Rs. 30 and not more than Rs. 100 to make such local enquiries as may appear desirable from a scrutiny of process-servers' reports. Various proposals of District Judges for reduction in the number of process-servers have been approved on the condition that such reduction should be made as vacancies occur. In cases where the reduction proposals do not appear to be adequate inquiries have been ordered into the fairness of the standard task applicable.

19. *Trial of tenancy suits by Revenue Officers in the Central Provinces.*—It is satisfactory to note that in some districts an improvement is reported in the work of Tahsildars and Naib-Tahsildars trying rent suits. It naturally takes some time for a Naib-Tahsildar to become familiar with the work. Complaints have been received from some Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners of the extra work given by monthly returns. The Judicial Commissioner is considering the possibility of reducing and simplifying civil returns in all Courts, and these Courts will participate in any relief that it may be found possible to give.

20. *Buildings.*—The Munsifi at Hinganghat was occupied in May. The extension of the Wardha Court-house could not be proceeded with for want of funds. The Munsiff's quarters at Hinganghat were completed. The new Civil Court-house at Akola is under construction.

Owing to the present financial position of the Province it is unlikely that many new works will be taken up in the near future, though in places the accommodation in the existing Civil Courts is far from satisfactory.

21. *Inspections.*—The Courts of the following officers were not inspected during the year :—Munsif, Pusad ; Tahsildar and Munsif, Mungeli ; Tahsildar, Katghora ; Tahsildar, Hoshangabad ; Tahsildar, Sironcha. The Judicial Commissioner inspected the Civil Courts at Hoshangabad in December.

22. The temporary post of Fourth Additional Judicial Commissioner was vacant on the 15th and 16th January owing to the death of Rao Bahadur R. N. Mudholkar on the 14th January and from the 17th February to 20th March Mr. F. W. A. Prideaux was appointed to officiate as temporary Additional Judicial Commissioner from the 17th January. Mr. J. K. Batten, Additional Judicial Commissioner proceeded on combined leave from the 17th February and in the vacancy Mr. Prideaux was appointed as Officiating Additional Judicial Commissioner. Rao Bahadur W. R. Dhobley joined as temporary Additional Judicial Commissioner on the 21st March and continued to hold office till the end of the year when the Court was discontinued. Sir Henry Drake-Brockman, Judicial Commissioner, proceeded on combined leave from the 20th September and retired on the 10th December. Mr. J. K. Batten returned from leave and joined as Officiating Judicial Commissioner from the 18th October and was confirmed on 10th December. From 20th September to 17th October Mr. H. F. Hallifax, Additional Judicial Commissioner, officiated as Judicial Commissioner.

NAGPUR :
 The 28th April 1922. }

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Central Provinces.

PRESCRIBED STATEMENTS.

1921.

JUDICIAL

Statement showing the Number of Judicial Divisions and the Number of Provinces and Berar on the last day of the year 1921

Name of Province	Area.	Population.	Number of divisions for Courts under Chief Court, but superior to Chief Courts of districts.	Number of districts.	Number of sub-districts.	Total number of officers exercising original or appellate jurisdiction.				
						Judges of Chief Courts of Provinces.	Judges of Courts superior to Chief District Courts.	Judges of Chief Courts of districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Sub-ordinate Courts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
CENTRAL PROVINCES (INCLUDING BERAR).										
Civil	99,823	15,979,660	...	11	82	5	...	33	50	162

Note—The figures contained in Columns 10 and 11 relate to

STATEMENT NO. 1.

of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Central with the cost of Tribunals.—(Paragraphs 1 & 2.)

Total number of cases decided.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.	Remarks
Original.		Appeals.				
Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.	Miscellaneous.			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				Rs.	Rs.	Grades of Judicial Officers. Euro- peans. In- dians.
						Judicial Commissioner ... 1 ... Additional Judicial Commis- sioners ... 2 2 Divisional Judges ... 8 ... District Judges ... 3 Additional District Judges ... 1 21 Subordinates Judges ... 3 22 Additional Judges to Courts of Subordinate Judges ... 2 17 Judges, Small Cause Courts.. ... 6 Registrar, Small Cause Courts ... 1 Munsifs ... 70 Extra Munsifs ... 19 Additional Judges to Courts of Munsifs ... 72 Total ... 17 238
114,558	19,374	5,843	292	34,80,641	49,32,306	

the receipts and charges of Civil, Criminal and Revenue Courts combined in one total.

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the Number and Description of Civil Suits instituted in the

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or movable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Total.
		Arrears of rent with or without ejection.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For penalties or damages or compensation for wrongful act on the part of landlord or tenant.	For ejection or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under Rent Law.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
Unpaid Tribunals ...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	20,926	12,264	...	...	53	...	12,317
Small Cause Courts ...	63,796	...	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	2,277	133	...	...	5	...	138
Chief Courts of Districts ...	70	...	...	...	...	...	...
Divisional Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	87,094	12,397	...	...	58	...	12,455

MENT No. 7.

Civil Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar in the year 1921.—(Para. 3.)

Title and other suits.									
Suits for immoveable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.	Mortgage suits.	Suits relating to religious and other endowments.	Matrimonial suits.	Testamentary suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.	Grand Total.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
...
4,546	869	222	2,253	1	25	...	66	7,982	41,225
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	63,796
885	372	6	1,118	...	5	...	79	2,465	4,880
51	38	1	63	1	6	2	22	184	254
...
5,482	1,279	229	3,434	2	36	2	167	10,631	110,180

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the Number and Value of Suits instituted in the Civil
(Paragraphs)

Class of Courts.	Number of	
	Not exceeding Rs. 10.	Not exceeding Rs. 50.
1	2	3
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.		
Unpaid Tribunals	...	10
Village Courts	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	2,862	12,405
Small Cause Courts	1,765	21,459
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	58	109
Chief Courts of Districts	...	...
Divisional Courts	...	...
Total	4,685	33,983

MENT No. 8.

Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar in the year 1921.—
(4 and 5.)

Suits instituted in the different Courts.								Remarks.
Not exceeding Rs. 100.	Not exceeding Rs. 500.	Not exceeding Rs. 1,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 5,000.	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Exceeding Rs. 10,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total value of suits.	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
15	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,488	
...	
7,420	14,540	3,267	731	...	...	...	7,742,373	
18,541	21,126	905	...	...	...	...	6,913,935	
71	511	1,004	2,823	304	...	...	8,981,029	
...	6	1	4	12	231	...	8,094,102	
...	
26,047	36,183	5,177	3,558	316	231	...	31,732,927	

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases in the year 1921.—(Para-

PART I.—

Class of Courts.	Total number of suits before the Courts.	Number of,			
		Without			
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	Compromised.	Decreed on confession.
1	2	3	4	5	6
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.					
Unpaid Tribunals ...	35	..	6	...	2
Village Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	54,552	...	7,430	3,546	10,088
Small Cause Courts ...	78,915	...	11,169	4,124	14,759
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	7,807	...	820	665	717
Chief Courts of Districts ...	485	...	35	46	9
Divisional Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	141,794	...	19,460	8,382	25,575

MENT No. 9.

Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Central Provinces and Berar in the graphs 6, 7 and 8.)

CIVIL SUITS.

suits disposed of.						Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of suits.	
contested.		On reference to arbitration.		With contest.				Contested.	Un-contested.
Decreed <i>ex-parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex-parte</i> .	For plaintiff.	For defendant.	Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
10	1	...	...	1	1	14	...	275'5	154'8
...
10,728	196	28	5	9,975	2,702	9,854	2,382	146'4	77'5
21,140	283	8	5	10,517	1,994	14,916	1,891	96'0	73'2
734	22	22	4	2,029	573	2,220	1,213	243'1	120'9
6	...	5	1	111	40	232	167	401'1	186'8
...
32,618	502	63	15	22,633	5,310	27,236	5,653	134'4	76'6

JUDICIAL STAFF

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases in the Court
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PART II.—MISCELLA

Class of Courts.	Total number of cases before the Courts.	Number of case			
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	Without	
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.
1	2	3	4	5	6
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.					
Unpaid Tribunals ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Village Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	10,409	...	4,611	163	1,217
Small Cause Courts	6,053	...	2,864	59	581
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	4,145	...	1,644	53	361
Chief Courts of Districts	1,658	...	760	28	76
Divisional Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Chief Court of the Province	116	...	38	...	...
Total	22,381	...	9,917	303	2,937

NOTES.—(a) 6 cases of contempt of Court under
(b) Insolvency petitions are not taken

MENT No. 9

of Original Jurisdiction in the Central Provinces and Berar in the 1921.

NEOUS CASES.—(JUDICIAL.)

disposed of						Pending at the close of the year.	Number of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of cases contested and untested.
Contest.		On reference to arbitration.		With contest.				
Decreed. <i>ex-parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex-parte</i> .	For plaintiff.	For defendant.	Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
...
...
309	194	...	...	1,590	1,014	1,311	147	49.6
285	145	...	...	866	530	723	63	54.0
142	43	...	...	771	414	715	135	74.2
26	27	...	...	269	171	301	110	90.0
...
3	10	...	...	19	19	27	8	66.6
765	419	...	...	3,515	2,148	3,077	463	58.1

Chapter XXXV of the Code of Criminal Procedure were disposed of by Civil Courts during the year, into account for purposes of this statement.

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts of

PART I.—APPEALS

Class of Courts.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Rule 11, Order XLI, Civil Procedure Code, 1908.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	
1	2	3	4	5	
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.					
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.					
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	...	...	...	...
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ...	5,709	...	82	377	
Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Court of Province.	...	...	...	...
Total ...	5,709	...	82	377	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.					
Chief Court of Province.	Appeals from original decrees.	402	...	2	12
	Appeals from appellate decrees.	2,125	..	255	46
Total ...	2,527	...	257	58	
GRAND TOTAL ...	8,236	...	339	435	

MENT No. 16.

the Central Provinces and Berar in the year 1921.—(Paragraphs 11 & 12.)

FROM DECREES.

Heard <i>ex-parte</i> .				Contested.				Pend- ing.	Of those pending more than three months.	Average dura- tion of appeals.	Objec- tions under Rule 22, Order XLI, Civil Proce- dure Code, 1908.	Re- marks.
Con- firmed.	Modi- fied.	Re- versed.	Re- mand- ed.	Con- firmed.	Modi- fied.	Re- versed.	Re- mand- ed.					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
...
105	29	34	18	2,225	607	775	206	1,251	380	122.8	138	
...
105	29	34	18	2,225	607	775	206	1,251	380	122.8	138	
...	2	...	...	87	37	29	16	217	155	442.2	2	
11	...	...	2	602	41	110	133	925	596	358.5	8	
11	2	...	2	689	78	159	149	1,142	751	395.6	10	
116	31	34	20	2,914	685	914	355	2,393	1,131	187.5	148	

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts of

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Class of Courts.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Rule 11, Order XLI, Civil Procedure Code, 1908.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.
I	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.				
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.				
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	...	...	...	...
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ...	384	...	22	30
Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Court of Province.	...	...	...	...
Total ...	384	...	22	30
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.				
Chief Court of Province.			Appeals from original decrees.	9
			Appeals from appellate decrees.	7
Total ...	131	...	16	7
GRAND TOTAL ...	515	...	38	37

the Central Provinces and Berar in the year 1921.—(Paragraphs 11 & 12)

APPEALS.—(JUDICIAL.)

Heard <i>ex parte</i>				Contested.				Pending.	Of those pending more than three months.	Average duration of miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts.	Objections under Rule 22, Order XLI, of Civil Procedure Code, 1908.	Remarks.
Re-jected.	Modi-fied.	De-creed or granted.	Re-mand-ed.	Re-jected.	Modi-fied.	De-creed or granted.	Re-mand-ed.					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
...
24	1	6	6	118	8	46	31	92	20	82.7	...	...
...
24	1	6	6	118	8	46	31	92	20	82.7	...	...
1	...	...	...	14	...	6	9	19	16	247.4	...	...
1	...	...	...	21	...	10	6	21	11	242.4	...	...
2	...	...	...	35	...	16	15	40	27	244.8	...	...
26	1	6	6	153	8	62	46	132	47	121.2	..	...

JUDICIAL STATE

Statement showing the Result of Proceedings on applications for the
in the year

Class of Courts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees, before the Courts.	Applications disposed of.				Pending at the end of the year.	Number of applications pending more than three months at the close of the year.
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURT IN THE INTERIOR.							
Unpaid Tribunals ...	11	...	4	...	1	6	...
Village Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	63,175	4,327	9,955	9,444	26,156	13,293	2,462
Small Cause Courts	66,596	204	6,561	8,968	36,529	14,394	1,226
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	9,502	686	1,878	1,349	5,456	2,133	625
Chief Courts of Districts ...	458	21	102	62	144	129	64
Superior Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	139,742	5,238	18,440	19,823	66,286	29,955	4,377

Execution of Decrees of Civil Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar 1921.—(Paragraph 9.)

Amount realized.	Number of applications.													Remarks.
	On which the judgment debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which movable property		On which immovable property			On which possession was given.			On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than as in the preceding columns.	
			Was sold.	Was attached but subsequently released.	Was sold.	Was dealt with under Rule 83, Order XXI, para. 2 of Schedule III, or Section 72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached, but subsequently released under Rule 55, Order XXI of Act V of 1908.	Of movables.	Of immovables.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
151	2	3	
...	
1,420,780	72	381	850	3,189	2,659	...	2,500	13	2,011	8	1	11,676		
653,391	19	526	1,008	3,675	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	13,197
966,209	3	30	106	296	311	...	358	5	924	8	6	1,584		
182,971	...	1	5	11	8	...	4	2	50	...	...	82
...		
3,323,502	34	938	1,969	7,173	2,978	...	2,862	22	3,865	16	7	26,542		

JUDICIAL STATISTICS

Statement showing the Number and Result of Petitions and Proceedings year 1921.—

Class of Courts.	Petition for a Declaration			
	Total number for hearing.	Transferred to another Province, withdrawn, &c.	Granted.	
			A Receiver being appointed.	A Receiver not being appointed.
	2	3	4	5
Chief Courts of Districts	1,656	19	25	687
Total	1,656	19	25	687

MENT No. 12.

under Act V of 1920 in the Central Provinces and Berar in the (Paragraph 10.)

tion of Insolvency.				Number of insolvents discharged during the year under Section 41.	Number of insolvents' estates in the hands of Receivers in which proceedings were finally closed during the year.	Amount of creditors' claims dealt with during the year		Gross amount of insolvency assets realized and disbursed.		Re- marks.
Rejected.						Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	
Penal proceedings under Section 69 not being taken.	Sentence of imprisonment being passed under Section 69.	Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with under Section 72.	Pending at the close of the year.							
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
518	407	66	19	288,935	73,832	124,986	114,937	
518	407	66	19	288,935	73,832	124,986	114,937	

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS.

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[Giving statistics of Civil Cases only, and showing totals for
each District.]

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Number and Description of Suits instituted in the Civil

Districts.	Suits for money or movable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.					Total.	Title and		
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For penalties or damages, or compensation for wrongful act on the part of land lord or tenant.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under Rent Law.		Suits for immovable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Nagpur ...	7,602	1,996	...	...	1	...	1,997	318	107	...
Wardha ...	7,423	1,458	...	...	2	...	1,460	423	94	...
Bhandara ...	7,195	1,170	...	...	2	...	1,112	241	79	1
Jubbulpore ...	7,537	1,608	...	...	1	...	1,609	468	93	...
Saugor ...	9,596	1,900	...	...	42	...	1,942	522	50	...
Hoshangabad ...	4,152	970	...	...	1	...	971	282	53	...
Nimar ...	8,510	1,368	...	...	2	...	1,370	265	116	...
Chhindwara ...	4,208	914	...	...	...	...	914	203	65	...
Rajpur ...	7,539	1,073	...	...	7	...	1,080	1,009	111	...
Total Central Provinces ...	{ 1921... 63,672 1920... 68,344	{ 12,397 11,236	{	{	{ 58 75	{	{ 12,455 11,311	{ 3,731 5,171	{ 770 857	{ 1 3
East Berar ...	9,088	...	...	...	...	...	...	777	216	83
West Berar ...	14,334	...	...	...	...	...	...	974	293	145
Total Berar ...	{ 1921... 23,422 1920... 24,058	{	{	{	{	{	{	{ 1,751 2,092	{ 509 654	{ 228 878
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR.	{ 1921... 87,091 1920... 92,402	{ 12,397 11,236	{	{	{ 58 75	{	{ 12,455 11,311	{ 5,482 7,263	{ 1,279 1,511	{ 229 881

NO. II.—(CIVIL).

Courts in the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

other suits.							Grand Total.	Remarks.
Mort- gage suits.	Suits relating to relig- ious and other- endow- ments.	Ma- tri- moni- al suits.	Tes- tam- ent- ary suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
374	...	2	1	19	821	10,420		
167	...	2	...	12	698	9,581		
151	...	1	...	9	482	8,699		
164	...	13	...	10	748	9,804		
260	...	...	...	21	853	12,391	
800	...	1	...	7	463	5,566		
177	...	4	...	13	577	10,457		
153	...	1	...	1	423	5,545		
167	...	2	...	6	1,295	9,914		
1,713	...	26	1	98	6,340	82,467		
1,719	4	57	...	155	7,965	87,621		
731	1	4	1	49	1,862	10,950		
990	1	6	...	20	2,429	16,176		
1,721	2	10	1	69	4,291	27,713		
1,844	4	21	2	71	5,566	29,624		
3,434	2	36	2	167	10,631	110,180		
3,563	8	78	2	226	13,532	117,245		

STATEMENT

Exhibition of

Districts.	Suits for money or moveable property.	Suits under the Rent Law.						Title and		
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For penalties or damages, or compensation for wrongful act on the part of landlord or tenant.	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immovable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Suits to establish a right of pre-emption.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Rs.									
Not exceeding ...	10	2,282	1,708	..	...	26	1,734	430	33	...
Exceeding Rs. 10 but not exceeding ...	50	21,016	6,128	...	...	19	6,147	1,093	82	...
Ditto 50 do. ...	100	16,090	2,677	...	...	6	2,683	612	70	...
Ditto 100 do. ...	500	20,699	1,815	...	...	6	1,821	1,013	253	1
Ditto 500 do. ...	1,000	2,279	51	...	...	...	51	260	105	...
Ditto 1,000 do. ...	5,000	1,154	18	...	...	1	19	265	179	...
Ditto 5,000 do. ...	10,000	79	..	..	..	..	..	25	25	...
Exceeding ...	10,000	42	...	...	...	...	...	50	23	...
Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Central Provinces ...	{	1921.. 63,672	12,397	...	...	58	12,455	3,731	770	1
	}	1920.. 68,744	11,236	...	...	75	11,311	5,171	857	3
	Rs.									
Not exceeding ...	10	122	...	...	...	...	...	26	26	6
Exceeding Rs. 10 but not exceeding ...	50	5,213	...	...	...	...	...	217	42	55
Ditto 50 do. ...	100	3,988	...	...	...	...	...	287	40	56
Ditto 100 do. ...	500	9,797	...	...	...	...	...	788	238	71
Ditto 500 do. ...	1,000	1,454	...	...	...	...	...	206	60	20
Ditto 1,000 do. ...	5,000	759	...	...	...	...	...	189	81	7
Ditto 5,000 do. ...	10,000	50	...	...	...	...	...	19	8	2
Exceeding ...	10,000	19	...	...	...	...	...	19	14	1
Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Berar ...	{	1921.. 23,422	...	...	...	...	...	1,751	509	228
	}	1920.. 24,058	...	...	...	...	...	2,092	654	278
GRANT TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR.	{	1921.. 87,094	12,397	...	...	58	12,455	5,482	1,279	229
	}	1920.. 92,402	11,236	...	...	75	11,311	7,363	1,511	281

No. III.—(CIVIL.)

Grand Total of statement II in detail of value.

other suits.							Number of suits instituted in different Courts.							
Mortgage suits.	Suits relating to religious and other endowments.	Matrimonial suits.	Testamentary.	Other suits not falling under any of the previous heads.	Total.	Grand Total.	Small Cause Courts.	Munsifs' Courts.	Sub-ordinate Judges' Courts.	District Judges' Courts.	Divisional Judges' Courts.	Honorary Sub-Judges' Courts.	Total value of suits as computed under the Court-fees Act.	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
4	...	...	...	...	467	4,483	1,631	2,794	58	...	...	...	30,762
67	...	...	...	8	1,250	28,443	16,449	11,875	109	...	...	10	839,846
146	...	...	...	5	833	10,606	12,959	6,561	71	...	...	15	1,415,312
731	...	24	...	27	2,049	24,569	13,098	11,054	412	5	...	...	5,295,996
302	...	1	...	7	675	3,005	417	2,054	534	...	...	...	2,098,054
378	...	1	1	29	853	2,026	...	541	1,483	2	2	...	3,994,551	
49	...	...	...	8	110	189	...	...	178	11	...	...	1,319,613
26	...	...	...	14	103	146	...	...	...	146	...	...	4,527,927
...	
1,713	...	26	1	98	6,340	82,467	44,554	34,879	2,845	164	...	25	19,522,063	
1,719	4	57	...	155	7,966	87,621	47,682	36,449	3,323	341	...	26	19,568,099	
1	...	...	...	1	60	202	134	68	...	...	...	...	1,581
12	...	...	...	1	327	5,540	5,010	530	...	...	...	...	190,521
09	...	...	...	1	453	6,441	5,582	859	...	...	...	...	481,800
682	1	8	...	19	1,817	11,614	8,028	3,486	99	1	...	...	2,588,774
418	...	2	1	11	718	2,172	488	1,213	470	1	...	...	1,541,552
472	1	...	...	23	773	1,532	...	190	1,240	2	...	...	3,060,615
43	...	...	...	5	77	127	...	...	126	1	...	...	878,638
24	...	...	...	8	66	85	...	...	...	85	...	...	3,467,385
...	
1,721	2	10	1	09	4,291	27,713	19,242	6,346	2,035	90	...	...	12,210,866
1,844	4	21	2	71	5,566	29,624	20,386	7,000	2,157	81	...	...	11,018,724
2,434	2	36	2	167	10,631	110,180	62,796	41,225	4,880	254	...	25	35,732,927	
3,563	8	78	2	226	13,532	117,245	68,068	43,249	5,480	222	...	26	20,586,829	

STATEMENT

Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases in the
and Berar during

PART I.—

Districts.	For disposal.				Total for disposal.	Disposed			
	Remain- ing at the close of previous year.	Insti- tuted.	Re- insti- tuted.	Receiv- ed by transfer from other Prov- inces.		Trans- ferred to other Prov- inces.	Plaint rejected or returned after insti- tution.	Un-	
								Dismissed for default or want of prosecution.	
							Number.	Percen- tage of total disposed of.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Nagpur ...	2,192	10,420	278	...	12,877	...	100	1,243	11.5
Wardha ...	2,056	9,581	164	...	11,941	...	65	1,515	16.0
Bhandara ...	1,927	8,699	219	...	10,845	...	115	1,299	14.2
Jubbulpore ...	2,661	9,804	282	...	12,937	...	93	2,239	20.8
Saugor ...	2,798	12,391	320	...	15,509	...	93	2,615	21.0
Hoshangabad ...	1,175	5,566	181	...	6,922	...	70	1,049	17.9
Nimar ...	2,371	10,457	160	...	12,988	...	110	1,585	14.9
Chhindwara ...	1,472	5,545	135	...	7,152	...	109	921	16.2
Raipur ...	2,694	9,914	401	...	12,909	...	134	1,934	17.9
Total Central Provinces. { 1921 ...	19,263	81,467	2,270	...	104,000	...	889	14,470	16.8
{ 1920 ...	19,259	87,621	2,334	...	109,214	...	972	16,256	18.1
East Berar ...	3,471	10,950	207	...	14,628	...	95	1,281	10.9
West Berar ...	5,946	16,763	457	...	23,166	...	148	1,991	11.9
Total Berar ... { 1921 ...	9,417	27,713	664	...	37,794	...	243	3,272	11.5
{ 1920 ...	10,454	29,624	527	...	40,605	...	330	4,332	13.9
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. { 1921 ...	28,680	110,180	2,934	...	141,794	...	1,132	17,742	15.5
{ 1920 ...	29,713	117,245	2,861	...	149,819	...	1,302	20,586	17.0

No. IV.—(CIVIL.)

Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Districts of the Central Provinces
the year 1921.

(CIVIL SUITS.)

of.

contested.

With- drawn with leave.	Compromised.		Decreed on confession.		Decided <i>ex-parte</i> .				
	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.	Decreed.	Dismissed.		Total.	
						Number.	Percentage of total <i>ex-parte</i> .	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
110	783	7'2	2,681	24'7	3,628	108	2'9	3,736	34'5
17	607	6'4	1,727	18'2	3,395	27	0'8	3,422	36'1
48	324	3'5	1,763	19'3	3,404	65	1'9	3,469	37'9
44	1,205	11'2	2,258	21'0	2,320	17	0'7	2,337	21'7
29	753	6'0	2,535	20'3	3,348	57	1'7	3,405	27'3
26	504	8'6	1,460	24'9	1,318	9	0'7	1,327	22'6
27	928	8'7	2,615	24'6	3,341	34	1'0	3,375	31'8
24	456	7'4	1,532	25'0	1,587	14	1'0	1,381	22'5
101	710	6'6	2,246	20'8	2,139	41	1'9	2,180	20'2
426	6,270	7'3	18,817	21'8	24,260	372	1'5	24,632	28'6
533	7,352	8'2	18,617	20'7	23,912	231	1'4	24,143	28'9
56	899	7'7	2,691	23'0	3,362	46	1'3	3,408	29'1
104	1,215	7'3	4,067	24'3	4,996	84	1'6	5,080	30'3
160	2,112	7'4	6,758	23'7	8,358	130	1'5	8,488	29'8
185	2,786	8'9	6,914	19'3	8,978	120	1'3	9,098	29'2
586	8,382	7'3	25,575	22'3	32,618	502	1'5	33,120	28'9
718	10,138	8'4	24,621	20'3	32,890	451	1'3	33,341	27'5

STATEMENT

PART I.—

Districts,	Disposed						
	Con						
	On reference to arbitration.		Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part of claim.		Judgment for defendant.		
	Found for plaintiff.	Found for defendant.	Number.	Percentage of total contested.	Number.	Percentage of total contested.	
1	21	22	23	24	25	26	
Nagpur	4	1	1,751	80.5	420	19.3	
Wardha	2	...	1,714	83.8	404	19.0	
Bhandara	...	...	1,779	83.4	384	16.6
Jubbulpore	10	2	2,032	78.5	543	21.0	
Saugor	7	3	2,602	85.9	415	13.7	
Hoshangabad	4	...	1,163	81.1	266	18.6	
Nimar	...	...	1,598	80.8	379	19.2
Chhindwara	13	4	1,331	75.5	386	23.6	
Raipur	5	1	2,685	76.6	812	23.2	
Total C. P.	1921	45	11	16,553	80.4	3,979	19.3
	1920	33	6	17,228	78.4	4,711	21.4
East Berar	12	...	2,728	83.0	545	16.6	
West Berar	6	4	3,352	80.8	786	18.9	
Total Berar	1921	18	4	6,080	81.8	1,331	17.9
	1920	22	3	6,829	80.9	1,589	18.8
GRAND TOTAL C. P. AND BERAR.	1921	63	15	22,633	80.8	5,310	18.9
	1920	55	9	24,057	79.1	6,300	26.7

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(CIVIL SUITS).—(Concl'd.)

of.—(Concl'd).		Pending.—			Average.				Remarks.
tested.		Total.	Total.	Over 3 months.	Duration of suits in days and tenths.		Number of hearings in suits disposed of.		
Total.					Con- tested.	Uncon- tested.	Con- tested.	Uncon- tested.	
Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.								
27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
2,176	20.1	10,829	2,068	527	134.0	74.4	4.8	1.9	
2,120	22.4	9,473	2,368	453	128.7	60.9	4.7	1.8	
2,133	23.3	9,151	1,624	158	107.7	72.2	3.8	1.8	
2,587	24.0	10,763	2,174	939	133.5	82.9	4.0	1.8	
3,027	24.3	12,457	3,052	621	131.1	77.8	3.6	1.7	
1,433	24.4	5,869	1,053	298	123.5	71.4	4.4	1.9	
1,977	18.6	10,617	2,371	243	135.6	77.7	3.8	1.7	
1,634	26.7	6,127	1,025	172	114.5	65.8	3.7	1.7	
3,501	32.4	10,866	2,123	436	110.0	69.8	3.5	1.8	
26,558	23.9	86,022	17,908	3,847	123.5	74.3	4.0	1.8	
21,978	24.4	89,951	19,263	3,813	115.7	72.4	3.7	1.7	
3,285	28.0	11,715	2,913	703	163.9	81.6	5.2	2.1	
4,748	24.8	16,751	6,415	1,104	164.9	84.9	5.3	2.1	
7,433	26.1	28,406	9,328	1,806	164.5	83.6	5.2	2.1	
8,443	27.1	31,158	9,417	2,743	170.2	92.1	5.1	2.2	
28,021	24.5	114,558	27,236	5,653	124.4	76.6	4.3	1.9	
30,421	25.1	121,130	28,690	6,556	130.8	77.4	4.1	1.8	

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*Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases in
Central Provinces and*

PART 2.—MISCELLANEOUS

Districts.	Total number of cases before the Courts.	Number of					
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	Without contest.			
				Com-promised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed <i>ex-parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex-parte</i> .
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Nagpur	2,168	...	920	27	317	110	32
Wardha	1,717	...	605	21	317	61	21
Bhandara	1,523	...	650	9	182	29	11
Jubbulpore	2,146	...	940	25	93	158	13
Saugor	1,684	...	626	21	169	178	30
Hoshangabad	1,344	...	440	8	180	13	14
Nimar	1,627	...	994	32	64	11	4
Chhindwara	1,322	...	608	41	97	20	8
Raipur	2,289	...	1,118	22	89	55	18
Judicial Commissioner's Court, Central Provinces.	116	...	38	...	...	3	10
Total Central Provinces. {							
1921..	15,836	...	6,939	206	1,528	658	161
1920..	16,017	...	6,949	174	1,583	590	214
Rest Berar	3,315	...	1,637	35	343	64	25
West Berar	3,230	...	1,341	62	386	63	183
Total Berar {							
1921..	6,545	...	2,978	97	729	127	258
1920..	7,303	...	3,741	99	651	183	278
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR {							
1921..	22,381	...	9,917	303	2,257	785	419
1920..	23,320	...	10,690	273	2,234	773	492

NOTES:—(a) Six cases of contempt of court were disposed of by Civil
(b) Insolvency petitions are not

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the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the districts of the Berar during the year 1921.

CASES.—(JUDICIAL.)

cases disposed of.				Pending.		Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
With contest.				Total.	Over 3 months.	Contested.	Un-contested.	
On reference to arbitration.		Judgment for plaintiff in whole or part.	Judgment for defendant.					
For Plaintiff.	For defendant.							
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
...	...	273	198	291	32	108'7	48'0	
...	...	271	170	251	38	75'5	38'1	
...	...	276	172	194	19	81'3	42'6	
...	...	485	214	218	39	76'1	53'5	
...	...	283	164	213	23	74'4	36'5	
...	...	206	168	215	41	80'8	39'6	
...	...	211	134	177	10	82'2	47'8	
...	...	239	153	156	5	69'9	43'0	
...	...	417	264	306	31	71'3	47'9	
...	...	19	19	27	8	112'6	37'6	
...	...	2,680	1,656	2,048	246	79'8	43'4	
...	...	2,490	1,731	2,286	267	77'4	43'8	
...	...	404	252	505	100	109'6	52'7	
...	...	431	240	524	117	101'2	55'2	
...	...	835	492	1,029	217	105'3	53'9	
...	2	861	519	969	219	105'8	58'7	
...	...	3,315	2,148	3,077	463	85'8	46'6	
...	2	3,351	2,250	3,255	486	84'5	48'9	

under Chapter XXXV of the Code of Criminal Procedure Courts during the year, taken into account for purposes of this statement,

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Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in

PART 1.—APPEALS

Districts.		For disposal.			Disposed		
		Remaining at the close of the previous year.	Instituted, re-admitted and received by transfer from other Provinces.	Total for disposal.	Transferred to other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Rule 11 (f), Order XXI, Act V of 1908.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.
1		2	3	4	5	6	7
Judicial Commissioner's Court.	Appeals from original decrees.	(a) 210	192	402	...	2	12
	Appeals from appellate decrees.	1,012	1,113	2,125	...	255	46
Total	1921	1,222	1,305	2,527	...	257	58
	1920	1,285	1,056	2,341	...	264	59
Nagpur	...	(b) 141	335	476	...	3	33
Wardha	...	118	395	513	...	3	23
Bhandara	...	95	218	313	...	8	19
Jubbulpore	...	65	281	346	...	4	18
Saugor	...	47	292	339	...	4	30
Hoshangabad	...	51	222	273	...	...	11
Nimar	...	96	248	344	...	26	16
Chhindwara	...	27	199	226	...	8	10
Raipur	...	157	598	755	...	26	97
Total Central Provinces	Districts	797	2,788	3,585	...	81	257
1921.	All Courts	2,019	4,033	6,112	...	339	315
Total Central Provinces	Districts	771	2,916	3,687	...	75	255
1920.	All Courts	2,056	3,972	6,028	...	339	314
East Berar	...	227	701	928	...	...	47
West Berar	...	398	798	1,196	...	...	73
Total Berar for 1921	Districts	625	1,499	2,124	...	...	120
	All Courts	625	1,499	2,124	...	...	120
Total Berar for 1920	Districts	427	1,311	1,738	...	19	67
	All Courts	427	1,311	1,738	...	19	67
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1921.	Districts	1,422	4,287	5,709	...	89	377
	All Courts	2,644	5,592	8,236	...	339	435
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1920.	Districts	1,198	4,227	5,425	...	94	329
	All Courts	2,483	5,283	7,766	...	358	381

(a) One appeal of 1920 was received
(b) One appeal of 1920 was transferred

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the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

FROM DECREES.

of.				Contested.				Pending.			Number of cases in which objections under Rule 23, Order XXI, Act V of 1908, were.		Average duration of each appeal tried.
Heard <i>ex-parte</i> .													
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.		Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.		Total.	Total.	Over 3 months.	Preferred.	Allowed because successfully maintained.	
		Without re-mand.	And re-manded under Rule 23, Order XXI, Act V of 1908.			Without re-mand.	And re-manded under Rule 23, Order XXI, Act V of 1908.						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
...	2	...	...	87	37	29	16	185	217	155	2	...	442'2
11	...	...	2	602	41	110	133	1,200	925	596	8	4	388'5
11	2	...	2	689	78	139	149	1,385	1,142	751	10	4	395'6
7	1	1	4	513	62	105	104	1,120	1,221	1,004	14	3	376'7
4	1	2	1	233	61	40	21	509	77	20	15	4	119'9
2	2	3	3	205	48	85	5	379	134	56	19	5	126'5
3	3	4	2	118	46	45	9	257	56	18	6	1	118'7
1	...	...	...	134	28	55	34	274	72	27	5	...	105'8
2	3	3	3	121	45	52	6	275	62	10	27	3	76'4
5	1	...	1	130	32	36	12	225	48	5	17	2	72'0
18	2	2	...	127	36	38	12	277	67	14	23	7	114'4
4	1	1	...	100	21	30	12	187	39	3	5	1	64'0
10	2	11	3	252	80	102	21	602	151	16	11	4	89'8
49	15	26	13	1,420	397	483	135	2,877	708	169	128	27	101'0
60	17	26	15	2,109	475	622	284	4,262	1,850	920	138	31	196'7
46	11	21	25	1,255	398	482	221	2,889	798	185	142	33	101'2
53	12	22	29	1,868	460	587	325	4,009	2,019	1,189	156	36	178'2
45	9	2	1	396	88	101	21	710	218	101	7	1	136'8
11	5	6	4	409	122	191	50	871	325	110	3	...	185'5
56	14	8	5	805	210	292	71	1,581	543	211	10	1	162'5
56	14	8	5	805	210	292	71	1,581	543	211	10	1	162'5
30	4	7	3	585	165	182	51	1,113	625	274	18	3	135'7
30	4	7	3	585	165	182	51	1,113	625	274	18	3	135'7
105	29	34	18	2,225	607	775	206	4,458	1,251	380	138	28	122'8
116	31	34	20	2,914	685	914	355	5,843	1,393	1,131	148	32	187'5
76	15	28	28	1,940	500	664	272	4,002	1,423	459	160	36	110'8
83	16	29	32	2,453	625	762	376	5,122	2,644	1,463	174	39	168'9

on transfer from the District Judge, Nagpur, to Judicial Commissioner's Court.

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Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the

PART 2.—MISCELLANEOUS

Districts,	Total number of appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Rule 11 (i), Order XLV, Act V of 1908.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Heard		
					Rejected.	Modified.	Decreed or granted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Judicial Commissioner's Court. { Appeals from original decrees.	62	...	9	4	1	...	...
Judicial Commissioner's Court. { Appeals from appellate decrees.	69	...	7	3	1	...	...
Total { 1921	131	...	16	7	2	...	...
Total { 1920	135	...	4	7	7	...	1
Nagpur	25	...	1	...	...	...	...
Wardha	26	...	...	1	2	...	1
Rhandara	28	...	...	1	2	...	2
Jubbulpore	41	...	11	1	1	...	...
Saugor	25	...	...	4	2	...	1
Hoshangabad	21	...	1	1	...	...	...
Nimar	21	...	1	...	5	...	...
Chhindwara	15	...	3	...	1	...	...
Raipur	46	...	4	8	...	...	1
Total Central Provinces for 1921. { Districts	250	...	21	19	13	...	5
Total Central Provinces for 1921. { All Courts	381	...	37	26	15	...	5
Total Central Provinces for 1920. { Districts	266	...	13	15	14	1	6
Total Central Provinces for 1920. { All Courts	341	...	17	22	21	1	7
East Berar	76	...	...	8	6	...	1
West Berar	58	...	1	3	5	1	...
Total Berar for 1921. { Districts	134	...	1	11	11	1	1
Total Berar for 1921. { All Courts	134	...	1	11	11	1	1
Total Berar for 1920. { Districts	119	...	7	7	5	3	3
Total Berar for 1920. { All Courts	119	...	7	7	5	3	3
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1921. { Districts	384	...	22	30	24	1	6
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1921. { All Courts	515	...	28	37	26	1	6
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1920. { Districts	325	...	20	22	19	4	9
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1920. { All Courts	460	...	24	29	26	4	10

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Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

APPEALS—(JUDICIAL).

ex-parte.	Contested.				Pending.		Average duration of appeals.	Objections under Rule 22, Order XLI, Act V of 1908.
	Rejected.	Modified.	Decreed or granted.	Remanded.	Total.	Over 3 months.		
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
...	14	...	6	9	19	16	247'4	...
...	21	...	10	6	21	11	242'4	...
...	35	...	16	15	40	27	244'8	...
1	21	16	9	11	58	41	274'5	...
1	9	2	1	3	8	1	93'0	...
1	9	...	4	2	6	2	88'4	...
...	10	...	4	1	8	1	77'4	...
...	8	...	3	5	14	1	65'6	...
...	9	...	3	4	2	...	47'2	...
1	5	1	6	...	3	...	64'6	...
1	10	...	...	1	3	...	80'7	...
2	5	...	...	3	1	1	38'8	...
...	2	1	10	3	10	...	60'4	...
6	74	4	31	22	55	6	67'8	...
6	109	4	47	37	95	33	124'1	...
4	60	2	28	20	33	4	78'6	...
5	81	18	37	41	91	45	138'9	...
...	50	3	5	1	22	10	111'8	...
...	14	1	10	8	15	4	114'0	...
...	44	4	15	9	37	14	112'8	...
...	44	4	15	9	37	14	112'8	...
1	27	1	22	12	31	11	88'6	4
1	27	1	22	12	31	11	88'6	4
6	118	8	46	31	92	20	82'7	...
6	153	8	62	46	122	47	121'2	...
5	87	3	50	42	64	15	81'8	4
6	108	19	59	53	122	56	125'7	4

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Result of Proceedings on Applications for Execution of during the

Districts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.	Applications		
		By transfer.		
		To Civil Courts.	To Collector under Section 68 of Act V of 1908.	To a Revenue Officer under Section 85 of the Tenancy Act.
1	2	3	4	5
Nagpur ...	19,086	4	518	332
Wardha ...	13,355	4	432	136
Bhandara ...	12,801	27	357	94
Jubbulpore ...	10,650	48	237	259
Saugor ...	12,594	69	428	291
Hoshangabad ...	6,831	68	251	97
Nimar ...	14,760	35	393	294
Chhindwara ...	7,882	13	202	116
Raipur ...	11,655	11	406	112
Total Central Provinces ...	109,614	279	3,224	1,731
... { 1921 ...	...	...	...	...
... { 1920 ...	111,007	463	2,489	1,448
East Berar ...	13,837	4	...	...
West Berar ...	16,291	...	...	...
Total Berar ...	30,128	4	...	...
... { 1921 ...	...	...	...	...
... { 1920 ...	33,466	14	...	...
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. ...	139,742	283	3,224	1,731
... { 1921 ...	...	...	...	...
... { 1920 ...	144,473	477	2,489	1,448

Decrees of Civil Courts in the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar year 1921.

disposed of			Pending.		
Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.	Total.	Over 3 months.	Amount realized.
6	7	8	9	10	11
1,886	3,301	9,566	3,479	528	458,408
1,691	2,051	6,317	2,724	471	291,813
1,207	1,918	6,358	2,840	192	172,251
1,406	1,725	5,573	1,402	252	241,499
1,431	1,858	5,676	2,841	418	217,961
721	942	3,481	1,271	263	118,439
1,533	1,749	7,693	3,063	270	335,737
912	1,210	3,758	1,671	225	154,938
1,443	1,430	4,951	3,302	253	210,068
12,230	16,184	53,373	22,593	2,872	2,201,054
13,766	16,746	54,501	21,594	3,248	2,321,713
2,853	1,698	6,147	3,135	569	433,721
3,337	1,941	6,766	4,227	936	688,727
6,210	3,639	12,913	7,362	1,505	1,122,448
8,132	3,648	13,620	6,052	1,768	1,373,569
18,440	19,823	66,286	29,955	4,377	3,323,502
21,898	20,394	70,121	27,646	5,016	3,695,282

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Result of Proceedings on Applications for Execution of during the

Districts.	Number of			
	On which judgment-debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which moveable property	
			Was sold.	Was attached, but subsequently released.
I	12	13	14	15
Nagpur	6	56	166	558
Wardha " " " "	2	140	237	672
Bhandara " " " "	"	32	211	956
Jubbulpore " " " "	"	95	191	921
Saugor " " " "	4	138	207	809
Hoshangabad " " " "	"	39	98	537
Nimar " " " "	9	94	147	727
Chhindwara " " " "	"	81	172	656
Raipur " " " "	2	118	317	1,068
Total Central Provinces ... { 1921 ...	23	793	1,746	6,904
... { 1920 ...	31	1,008	1,717	6,602
East Berar " " " "	7	48	124	104
West Berar " " " "	4	97	99	165
Total Berar ... { 1921 ...	11	145	223	269
... { 1920 ...	6	147	202	233
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROV- { 1921 ...	34	938	1,969	7,173
INCES AND BERAR. ... { 1920 ...	37	1,155	1,919	6,835

No. VI.—(CIVIL.)

Decrees of Civil Courts in the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar year 1921.—(Concl'd.)

applications.

On which immoveable property			On which possession was given.		On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than as in the preceding columns.	Re- marks
Was sold.	Was dealt with under Rule 83, Order XXI, paragraph 2, of Schedule III or Section 72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached, but subsequently released under Rule 55, Order XXI, Act V 1908.	Of moveable.	Of immoveables.				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
373	...	433	...	196	2	4	4,427	
190	...	284	3	234	...	...	2,420	
187	...	231	2	183	3	...	2,626	
72	...	158	...	226	...	...	1,610	
268	...	368	3	263	2	...	2,642	
132	...	75	1	158	...	1	1,197	
153	...	112	1	145	...	...	2,453	
184	...	55	5	174	4	1	1,561	
101	...	227	1	547	1	1	1,553	
1,660	...	1,943	16	2,126	12	7	20,489	
1,434	...	2,026	27	1,936	18	...	23,355	
622	...	424	4	823	...	...	2,814	
696	...	495	2	936	4	...	3,239	
1,318	...	919	6	1,759	4	...	6,053	
1,254	...	936	20	1,839	...	...	8,586	
2,978	...	2,862	22	3,885	16	7	26,542	
2,688	...	2,962	47	3,775	18	...	31,941	

STATEMENT

Proceedings in Insolvency under Act V of 1920 in the Districts

PART 1.—Showing the Number and Result of Petitions made

Districts.	Insolvency					
	Pending at close of previous year.	Number dealt with.				Received by transfer.
		Presented during the year.				
		By debtors.			By creditors.	
		Under arrest or imprisonment.	Not under arrest or imprisonment.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	
Nagpur ...	24	18	79	1	...	
Wardha ...	37	31	107	1	...	
Bhandara ...	37	1	136	4	...	
Jubbulpore ...	31	32	51	...	...
Saugor ...	4	13	15	1	...	
Hoshangabad ...	18	11	26	...	...
Nimar ...	19	16	75	...	...
Chhindwara ...	13	12	17	2	...	
Raipur ...	48	11	70	...	...
Total Central Provinces ... { 1921 ...	201	145	577	9	...	
... { 1920 ...	196	176	765	9	...	
East Berar ...	51	36	215	44	...	
West Berar ...	95	41	230	12	...	
Total Berar ... { 1921 ...	146	77	445	56	...	
... { 1920 ...	144	92	496	16	...	
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. { 1921 ...	347	222	1,022	65	...	
... { 1920 ...	340	268	1,261	25	..	

No. VII.—(CIVIL.)

of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

under Section 7 and the number of Insolvents before the Court.

petitions.

Total.	Number disposed of.					
	Transferred.	Withdrawn under Section 14.	By composition or scheme of arrangement under Section 38.	By orders of adjudication under Section 27.		Dismissed under Section 25.
				Receivers being appointed.	Receivers not being appointed.	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
122	...	1	...	...	76	23
176	88	45
178	99	41
114	...	1	...	2	32	58
33	...	1	...	...	18	11
55	3	33	14
111	...	4	3	1	54	23
44	...	1	...	1	13	19
99	1	37	37
932	...	8	3	8	450	271
1,146	...	14	..	9	595	326
346	...	7	...	16	129	101
378	...	1	...	1	108	146
724	...	8	...	17	237	247
748	...	7	2	2	318	273
1,656	...	16	3	25	687	518
1,894	...	21	2	11	914	599

STATEMENT

Proceedings in Insolvency under Act V of 1920 in the Districts
 PART I.—Showing the Number and Result of Petitions made

Districts.	petitions.			Debtors adjudged	
	disposed of.	Debtors sentenced under Section 69.	Undischarged insolvents sent for trial under Section 72	Number before	
	Total.			Remain- ing undischarged at close of previous year.	Undis- charged received by transfer
1	14	15	16	17	18
Nagpur ...	100	...	1	758	...
Wardha ...	133	...	...	854	...
Bhandara ...	140	...	...	652	...
Jubbulpore ...	93	...	...	463	...
Saugor ...	30	...	...	170	...
Hoshangabad ...	50	...	...	216	...
Nimar ...	85	1	...	628	...
Chhindwara ...	34	...	...	198	...
Raipur ...	75	...	...	430	...
Total Central Provinces... { 1921 ...	740	1	1	4,369	...
... { 1920 ...	945	...	...	3,717	...
East Berar ...	253	...	...	2,185	...
West Berar ...	256	...	...	1,721	...
Total Berar ... { 1921 ...	509	...	...	3,906	...
... { 1920 ...	602	...	...	3,595	...
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL { 1921 ...	1,249	1	1	8,275	...
PROVINCES AND BERAR. { 1920 ...	1,547	7,312	...

(a) Orders of adjudication were
 (b) Do.
 (c) Do.
 (d) Do.

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of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

under Section 7 and the number of Insolvents before the Court.

to be insolvent.

the Court.		Disposed of					Remaining undis- charged at close of year including insolvents who have been refused discharge or whose discharge remains suspended under Section 41 (2) (b).
Adjudged to be in- solvent during year.	Total.	Transferred.	Died.	Discharged.		Total.	
				Absolutely under Section 41 (2) (a)	Candi- tionally under Section 41 (2) (c).		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
76	834	...	...	2	...	2	832
90	944	...	...	10	...	10	(a) 906
118	770	...	...	3	...	3	(b) 667
34	497	...	2	...	...	2	495
18	188	...	...	...	...	...	188
36	252	...	...	5	3	8	244
58	686	...	...	6	...	6	(c) 661
16	214	...	1	5	...	6	208
38	468	...	1	...	...	1	(d) 463
484	4,853	...	4	31	3	38	4,664
663	4,380	...	3	7	1	11	4,369
145	2,330	...	...	1	...	1	2,329
109	1,830	...	...	16	15	31	1,799
254	4,160	...	...	17	15	32	4,128
320	3,915	...	...	9	...	9	3,906
738	9,013	...	4	48	18	70	8,792
983	8,295	...	3	16	1	20	8,275

annulled in respect of 28 insolvents.
do. 100 do.
do. 19 do.
do. 4 do.

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of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1921.

or in the hands of Receivers and the progress made in winding them up.

claims dealt with during the year.			Amount of insolvents' assets realised and outstanding.				Remarks.
Dis-allowed.	Satisfied.	Unsatisfied and pending at the close of the year.	Amount of realised assets in Court or in the hands of Receivers at the close of the previous year.	Gross amount realised during the year.	Total amount of disbursement.	Amount remaining in Court or in the hands of Receivers at the close of the year.	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
...	2,934	162,937	1,433	3,813	2,934	2,312	
...	10,274	(a) 35,590	803	10,250	(b) 10,396	657	
...	1,307	(c) 2,539	392	1,127	(d) 1,319	(e) 150	
466	10,119	22,406	611	10,080	10,081	(f) 572	
...	1,053	(g) ...	42	1,011	1,053	...	
...	12,760	(h) 38,650	392	13,550	(i) 13,812	130	
483	1,813	(j) 27,056 ²	323	2,213	(l) 1,370	(k) 715	
6,021	1,259	47,424	392	2,603	(r) 1,320	1,675	
...	4,724	(l) 14,272	257	6,480	(m) 4,775	(n) 215	
6,970	46,243	350,874	4,645	51,127	47,060	6,426	
3,948	45,655	335,254	8,873	53,614	55,041	4,645	
...	19,256	(o) 242,891	(s) 14,383	66,222	(p) 59,544	(q) 20,954	
1,063	8,333	284,161	19,584	7,37	8,333	18,888	
1,063	27,589	527,052	33,967	78,859	67,877	39,842	
2,697	54,297	521,796	30,265	68,333	59,730	38,868	
8,033	73,872	877,926	38,612	124,985	114,937	46,268	
6,645	99,952	867,050	39,138	121,947	114,771	43,513	

(j) Rs. 23,434 written off.

(m) Rs. 94 paid for cost of reaping, etc.

(n) Rs. 1,164 placed in Civil Court Deposits as creditors did not turn up to receive this amount, Rs. 43 placed in Civil Court Deposits for payment to creditors, and Rs. 600 were attached in execution of a decree.

(o) Rs. 659 written off.

(p) Rs. 2,787 paid as commission to receiver, Rs. 37,500 paid to insolvent and Re. 1 paid as poundage fee.

(q) Rs. 107 lapsed to Government.

(r) Rs. 61 paid as costs.

(s) 30,350,000 and 19,284 were incorrectly shown as pending at the close of the year 1920 by the District Judge, East Berar.

(t) Rs. 4 paid as remuneration to receiver.