
REPORT
ON THE
ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL JUSTICE
IN THE
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY
(INCLUDING SIND)
FOR THE YEAR 1915.

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HIS MAJESTY'S HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE,
APPELLATE SIDE,
Bombay, 6th September 1916.

From

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Registrar, High Court.
Appellate Side,
Bombay :

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Judicial Department,
Bombay.

Sir,

I am directed to forward the accompanying Reports on the Administration of Civil and Criminal Justice in the Presidency of Bombay for the year 1915, together with the Report in original of the Judicial Commissioner in Sind.

2. Judicial Statements Nos. 1 to 13 accompany the Reports.

3. The Statement showing the amount of work disposed of by the Courts in each District will be sent separately as it is not required by the Government of India.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

F. W. ALLISON,

Registrar.

**REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CIVIL JUSTICE IN
THE PRESIDENCY OF BOMBAY FOR THE YEAR 1915.**

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

The area and population of the territories to which the report relates are shown in the following table:—

	Area in Square miles.	Population according to the census of 1911.
Presidency proper	77,275	16,113,012
Sind	47,789	3,513,435
Total ..	125,064	19,626,477

2. During the year under report there were few variations in the constitution and jurisdiction of the Civil Courts in the Presidency. There was a redistribution of villages under the jurisdiction of certain Subordinate Courts in the Ahmednagar District. The Subordinate Courts of Kaira and Kapadvanj in the Ahmedabad District, as also the Subordinate Courts of Ankleshvar and Wagra in the Broach District, continued to be linked till the end of the year. The Jahagirdar's Court at Vinchur ceased to exist owing to the death of the Jahagirdar invested with civil powers under Bombay Regulation XIII of 1830. The villages of Vantmuri, Yalli Manoli, Nagar Manoli, Belagli, Nerali, Amangi and Avargol were excluded from the local limits of the ordinary jurisdiction of the Subordinate Judge of Chikodi in the Belgaum District, in consequence of the investiture of Mr. Basavaprabhu Lakhamgowda, son of the Sar Desai of Vantmuri with Civil Jurisdiction under Bombay Regulation XIII of 1830 over those villages.

3. The High Court was presided over by the Honourable Sir Basil Scott, Knight, throughout the year under report.

Puisne Judges.

The Honourable Sir Stanley L. Batchelor, Knight, from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

The Honourable Sir Dinshah D. Davar, Knight, from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Beaman from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

The Honourable Sir Joseph John Heaton, Knight, from 1st January to 13th June and from 22nd October to 31st December 1915. His Lordship was on furlough from 14th June to 21st October 1915.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Macleod from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Shah from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Hayward officiated as a Judge of the High Court from 14th June to 21st October 1915.

4. In the Presidency proper there were on the 31st December 1915:—

15 District Judges,

1 Joint Judge,

12 Assistant Judges,

8 Small Cause Court Judges (including those at the Presidency Town) besides the Cantonment Magistrates at Belgaum, Ahmednagar and Ahmedabad and the Registrars of the Small Cause Courts

of Bombay, Poona and Nadiad, who are also invested with Small Cause Court powers,

18 First Class Subordinate Judges (excluding two Inspecting First Class Subordinate Judges, who do not exercise judicial powers),

101 Second Class Subordinate Judges (excluding two Inspecting Second Class Subordinate Judges, who do not exercise judicial powers).

5. Besides the above Judicial Officers, there were during the year under report 5 Inamdars and Jahagirdars exercising powers of Subordinate Judges under Regulation XIII of 1830.

6. In the Province of Sind there were on the 31st December 1915, besides the Judicial Commissioner,—

2 Additional Judicial Commissioners,

3 District Judges,

2 Joint Judges,

1 Assistant Judge,

1 Small Cause Court Judge (besides the Cantonment Magistrate at Karáchi exercising civil powers, and the Registrar of the Small Cause Court, Karáchi),

3 First Class Subordinate Judges,

13 Second Class Subordinate Judges.

7. As regards the working of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, the reports of five of the District Judges will be found summarized below:—

The District Judge of Kánara says that he sees no reason to alter the opinion already expressed to the Special Commissioners that the Act is not really needed in his District. He further says that agriculturists are ready to take advantage of the provisions of the Act, both for the purpose of disputing the consideration for their agreements, and for applying for instalments in execution; observes that there is a general reduction in the number of suits coming under the Act, partly owing to the growing inclination on the part of money-lenders and landholders to settle their disputes out of Court and partly to the effect of Co-operative Credit Societies; and adds that the rate of interest agreed upon between the parties is usually not unreasonable.

The District Judge of Khándesh states that the provisions of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act have been worked as usual, that they are taken full advantage of by agriculturists and evaded by the creditors as much as possible, and that a state of equilibrium has been reached, the debtors' advantage being about equal to the creditors' means of evasion. He further states that owing to the growth of the cotton trade, Khándesh is being slowly industrialized and persons who trade unsuccessfully often seek to save themselves by an appeal to the provisions of the Act, that the possibility that such an appeal will be successful leads to a great deal of contention and perjury, and that much time is consumed in investigating false allegations of payments, and accounts intended to mislead the Courts; observes that creditors almost always insist on getting a sale-deed executed when they lend money on mortgage, and dishonest agriculturists who have sold their property and have remained in possession as tenants usually resist a claim for possession and rent on the ground that they are mortgagors; adds that the Act is now causing much unnecessary litigation and giving occasion to a great deal of perjury and fraud and remarks that it is doubtful if it is benefitting any class substantially; and concludes with a proposal that these drawbacks might be avoided by some form of bankruptcy law on the lines of the Incumbered Estates Act, and by a mode of registering documents involving title to possession of land which would ensure that the deed really represents the agreement between the parties.

The District Judge of Poona says that a revision of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act should be taken in hand without delay on the lines of the draft which is already before Government; that the amendments to the Act should be in the direction of mitigating its severity as against money-lenders, as indicated by the Commission which inquired into the working of the Act; that Section

10A of the Act in particular requires amendment on the lines of the abovementioned draft, a time limit being fixed, as there proposed; that in regard to the definition of agriculturist he is not in favour of an assessment limit as proposed in the draft, but thinks that the present definition should be retained, with some proviso to exclude non-agriculturists who become agriculturists merely to get the benefit of the Act; observes that it would not be easy to draft such a proviso but that he believes that it could be done; that he is also not in favour of the proposal regarding duplicate accounts made by the abovementioned Commission, and that the abolition of the Conciliation System and of the Village Registration System has been advantageous.

The District Judge of Násik observes, as he did last year, that the provisions of the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act are widely known to, and fully utilized by, the agriculturists generally and adds that there are no village munsiffs appointed in the District.

The District Judge of Surat reports this year also that the working of the Act appears to be satisfactory.

The District Judges of Ahmednagar and Dhárwár do not consider it necessary to make any remarks as the proposals made by the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act Commission are under the consideration of Government.

The District Judges of Ahmedabad, Belgaum, Bijápur, Broach, Ratnágiri, Sátára, Sholápur and Thána are silent on the point.

The Annual Statements.

8. In accordance with letter No. 1446-1448, dated the 18th September 1905, from the Government of India to the Government of Bombay this statement is filled up in duplicate—one form for Civil and the other for Criminal work—and the statistics for Revenue Courts are excluded from it, as also from the other Judicial statements.

Statement No. I (Civil).

9. The total number of civil cases decided during the year under report was 337,569 as against 335,938 in the last year, showing an increase of 1,631. There was a slight decrease in the number of miscellaneous appeal cases but there was a small increase in the number of regular suits and appeals and miscellaneous original cases.

10. Of the total number of decided cases, 48·0 per cent. were regular suits, 48·8 per cent. miscellaneous cases, and 2·3 per cent. appeals as against 49, 48·0 and 2·1 per cent. respectively during the year 1914.

11. The total receipts of all the Courts (Civil and Criminal) have risen from Rs. 50,86,940 to Rs. 53,33,924 and the total charges from Rs. 53,63,167 to Rs. 54,04,312. These figures are supplied by the Accountant General, Bombay, in accordance with Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 5012, dated 11th August 1903.

12. The total number of suits instituted in all the Courts was 162,417 as against 161,944 in the preceding year, showing an increase of 473. Last year there was an increase of 8,492.

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13. There was an increase of 2,173 in the number of suits for money as compared with the increase of 13,309 last year. There was also an increase in all other kinds of suits except suits for immoveable property, suits for Specific Relief, mortgage suits and matrimonial suits.

14. The percentage of suits for money or moveable property rose from 82·8 to 83·9 and that of suits relating to immoveable property (including mortgage and pre-emption suits) fell from 12·4 to 11·6; the percentage of all other kinds of suits was 4·5 as compared with 4·8 last year.

15. The aggregate value of suits fell from Rs. 6,75,05,818 to Rs. 5,10,53,877. There was a decrease of 309, 238, 43 and 307, respectively, in the number of suits not exceeding Rs. 10, 1,000 and 10,000 and in the number of suits the value of

Statement No. VIII.

which could not be estimated in money, while all other kinds of suits, *i. e.*, those not exceeding in value Rs. 50, 100, 500, 5,000, as also those exceeding Rs. 10,000 in value, showed an increase.

16. The Small Cause Courts, the Presidency Small Cause Courts and the Superior Courts showed a decrease in the value of suits instituted during the year, while all the rest showed an increase. The increase is most marked in the Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals and the District Courts, where the value of suits instituted rose from Rs. 2,62,54,604 and Rs. 29,83,809 to Rs. 2,87,68,025 and Rs. 31,71,486, respectively.

17. There were 220,163 suits for disposal before all the Courts, out of which 165,255 were disposed of, leaving a balance of 54,908 pending at the end of the year. The corresponding figures for the last year were 220,169, 164,628 and 55,541.

Statement No. IX, Part I.

18. The disposals may be classified as under:—

Without trial.. .. .	about 10.4
Without contest	52.8
After contest	35.7
On reference to Arbitration	1.1

19. Of the total number of suits disposed of after contest and on reference to Arbitration, judgment was given for plaintiff in whole or in part, in 85.4 per cent. and for the defendant in 14.6 per cent. of cases.

20. The average duration of contested suits rose from 191 to 213 days in the year under report but that of uncontested suits fell from 101 to 89. The corresponding figures for 1912 and 1913, respectively, were 222 and 210 for contested, and 96 and 95 for uncontested suits. In the District Courts the average duration was 395 days for contested and 229 for uncontested suits as against 278 and 119, respectively, in the preceding year. In the Mofussil Subordinate Courts the average duration was 240 days for contested and 105 for uncontested suits as against 215 and 128, respectively, in the previous year. In the Superior Courts the average duration was 336 days for contested and 369 days for uncontested suits as against 368 and 332, respectively, in the preceding year. The delay in the disposal is mainly due to the non-service of notices and the effect of Rule 5 of Order IX which allows the party a year within which to apply for fresh notice.

21. The following table gives some idea of the comparative litigiousness of the several districts in the Presidency:—

District.	Population.	No. of suits instituted.	Proportion of suits instituted to population.	Total No. of decided suits.	Proportion of contested suits to the number of decided suits.
Bombay	979,445	33,163	1 to 30	33,515	1 to 5½
Karachi	521,721	6,689	1 to 77	6,555	1 to 4½
Poona	1,071,512	11,274	1 to 95	11,511	1 to 2
Lárkána	660,879	6,989	1 to 95	6,967	1 to 6½
Khándesh	1,615,609	15,817	1 to 102	15,241	1 to 1½
Broach	306,717	2,925	1 to 105	3,081	1 to 2
Násik	905,030	8,464	1 to 107	8,365	1 to 1½
Sukkur (including Upper Sind Frontier).	836,920	7,344	1 to 114	7,122	1 to 6
Ahmedabad (including Kaira and Panch Maháls).	1,842,248	14,690	1 to 125	14,683	1 to 2½
Surat	654,109	4,723	1 to 138	4,952	1 to 2½
Hyderabad (including Thar and Párkar).	1,493,915	9,498	1 to 157	9,623	1 to 7½
Ahmednagar	945,305	5,635	1 to 168	5,512	1 to 2
Sholápur	768,330	4,482	1 to 171	4,325	1 to 2
Kánara	430,548	2,491	1 to 173	2,621	1 to 1½
Thána (including Kolába)	1,476,475	7,694	1 to 192	8,444	1 to 2
Ratnágiri	1,203,638	5,373	1 to 224	5,751	1 to 1½
Sátára	1,081,278	4,347	1 to 249	5,754	1 to 2
Dhárwár	1,026,005	4,035	1 to 254	4,137	1 to 2
Belgaum	943,820	3,664	1 to 258	4,094	1 to 1½
Bijápur	862,973	3,120	1 to 277	3,002	1 to 2½

22. In addition to the regular suits mentioned above, the Courts disposed of 17,172 miscellaneous cases as against 18,761 during the previous year. The percentage of contested miscellaneous cases to the total of cases of all kinds was 31·6 and the average duration of such cases was 78 days as against 81 days in the preceding year.

Statement No. IX, Part II.

Statement No. X, Part I.

23. The following table shows the results of appeals disposed of during the year as compared with those disposed of during the last year:—

Year.	Appeals presented.	Objections under Order XLI, rule 22, Civil Procedure Code.	Appeals decided.	Arrears.
1914	6,892	317	6,676	7,227
1915	6,956	421	7,298	6,885

24. The First Class Subordinate Judges and Small Cause Court Judges invested with Appellate powers disposed of 855 appeals as against 818 last year.

25. Of the total number of appeals decided, 1,683 were dismissed under Order XLI, rule 11, Civil Procedure Code, or for default or were otherwise not prosecuted. Excluding the 1 transferred to another Presidency, the disposal of the remaining 5,612 may be classified as under:—

Number in which decree was confirmed .. 3,883 or 69·2 per cent.

Do. do. do. modified .. 586 or 10·4 ..

Do. do. do. reversed .. 871 or 15·5 ..

Do. do. suit was remanded .. 272 or 4·9 ..

26. The average duration of appeals was 364 days as against 318 last year.

27. There was a decrease in the institutions and the disposals of miscellaneous appeals, the figures being 366 and 341 as against 379 and 390, respectively, last year. The average duration of these appeals was 154 days as against

Statement No. X, Part II.

145 in the previous year.

Statement No. XI.

28. As regards applications for execution the following table shows the figures for the year under report as compared with those in 1914:—

Year.	Institutions.	Disposals.	Arrears.
1914	148,540	145,032	47,622
1915	147,358	146,870	48,110

29. Out of the total number of applications for execution disposed of, 727 were disposed of by transfer. In 33,523 satisfaction was obtained in full and in 35,548 in part, while 77,072 proved wholly infructuous. The percentages of the last three heads of disposal remain the same as last year, viz., 23, 24 and 53.

30. The total amount realized in execution came to Rs. 80,69,631 as against Rs. 81,11,770 last year.

31. The number of cases in which the judgment-debtor was imprisoned was 1,090 as against 860 last year, and of those in which immoveable property was sold was 3,262 as against 2,905 in the preceding year.

32. As against the 1,090 persons imprisoned in execution of decrees, the number of persons arrested but released without imprisonment was 3,901.

33. The number of applications for declaration of insolvency was 1,144, out of which 633 were disposed of. Of these 109 were withdrawn, 433 were granted and 91 rejected.

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General Remarks.

34. The congestion of the civil files was partially dealt with by the appointment of Additional First Class Subordinate Judges at Ahmedabad, Dhulia, Poona and Ratnágiri, and by the deputation or appointment of Joint or Additional Second Class Subordinate Judges to the following places during the whole or part of the year under report, *viz.*, Ahmedabad, Kaira, Viramgám, Ahmednagar, Sangamner, Belgaum, Bail-Hongal, Gokák, Bijápur, Bágalkot, Muddebihal, Broach, Dhárwár, Haveri, Hubli, Dhulia, Chálistgaon, Jalgaon, Násik, Málegaon, Pimpalgaon, Sinnar, Yeola, Poona, Haveli, Khed, Chiplun, Dápoli, Devgad, Málvan, Rájápur, Sátára, Islámpur, Karád, Vita, Sholápur, Bársi, Surat, Bulsár and Panvel.

35. The District or Assistant Judges or Inspecting Subordinate Judges of Ahmedabad, Ahmednagar, Belgaum, Bijápur, Broach, Dhárwár, Kánara, Khándesh, Násik, Poona, Ratnágiri, Sátára, Sholápur, Surat and Thána inspected in all 52 Subordinate Judges' Courts during the year under report.

36. The District Judges of Ahmedabad, Bijápur, Khándesh, Poona, Ratnágiri, Sholápur and Thána assembled judicial conferences of the Judges subordinate to them, where points touching the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

37. The record rooms and libraries are reported by all District Judges to be in good order. The destruction of useless records is carried out periodically in accordance with the rules framed by the High Court.

F. W. ALLISON,
Registrar.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side, Bombay, 6th September 1916.*

**REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
IN THE PRESIDENCY OF BOMBAY FOR THE YEAR 1915.**

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

1. The Report relates to the Administration of Criminal Justice in all the Courts (including the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates) in the Bombay Presidency proper and in the Province of Sind.

2. The area and population of the above territories are the same as those given at page 1.

3. In the Presidency proper there were on the 31st December 1915, besides the Honourable the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court,—

- 15 Sessions Judges,
- 7 Additional Sessions Judges,
- 2 Assistant Sessions Judges,
- 19 District Magistrates,
- 4 Presidency Magistrates,
- 275 First Class Magistrates,
- 277 Second Class Magistrates,
- 255 Third Class Magistrates,
- 188 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards under Bombay Act I of 1889.

In addition to the above, the number of Police Patels in the Presidency exercising powers under section 14 of the Village Police Act, VIII of 1867, was 21,500. Out of these, 358 have also been invested with powers under section 15 of the said Act.

4. In Sind, on the 31st December 1915, besides the Judicial Commissioner and two Additional Judicial Commissioners, there were—

- 3 Sessions Judges,
- 3 Additional Sessions Judges,
- 6 District Magistrates,
- 1 Deputy Commissioner,
- 70 First Class Magistrates,
- 58 Second Class Magistrates,
- 75 Third Class Magistrates,
- 18 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards under Bombay Act I of 1889.

5. All the Judges and Magistrates mentioned above were stipendiary, with the exception of 361. Special and Honorary Magistrates, of whom 297 formed 36 Benches which were distributed as follows:—

4 at Bombay	consisting of 101 Magistrates.	
4 „ Karáchi	„	28 „
2 „ Poona	„	20 „
2 „ Nadiád	„	12 „
1 „ Belgaum	„	12 „
2 „ Sholápur	„	10 „
1 „ Dhulia	„	7 „
1 „ Násik	„	7 „
1 „ Nipáni	„	7 „
1 „ Ahmednagar	„	6 „

1 at Bágalkot	consisting of	6 Magistrates.
1 „ Godhra	„	6 „
1 „ Kárwár	„	6 „
1 „ Málegaon	„	6 „
1 „ Málvan	„	6 „
1 „ Ratnágiri	„	6 „
1 „ Sirsi	„	6 „
1 „ Thána	„	6 „
1 „ Barsi	„	5 „
1 „ Broach	„	5 „
1 „ Kalyán	„	5 „
1 „ Panvel	„	5 „
1 „ Sátára	„	5 „
1 „ Uran	„	5 „
1 „ Kumta	„	3 „
1 „ Panchgani	„	3 „
1 „ Sangamner	„	3 „
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6. The total number of criminal cases disposed of during the year under report was 156,805 as compared with 159,283 in the last year, showing a decrease of 2,478. Of the total number of decided cases, 96 per cent. were original cases and 4 per cent. were cases in appeal and revision. The percentages for the previous year were 95·8 and 4·2.

Statement No. I (Criminal).

7. The total number of offences reported during the year was 161,053 as compared with 161,502 in the last year, showing a decrease of 449. The number of cases returned as true was 151,124 or 93·8 per cent. of the total number of offences reported, the rest being cases dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code, or cases in which the charge was declared to be false.

Statement No. II.

8. Of the total number of cases returned as true about 33 per cent. were under the Indian Penal Code and the rest under Special and Local Laws. Cases under the Indian Penal Code related chiefly to offences of hurt, criminal force and assault, theft, mischief, criminal trespass and criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance. The principal cases under Special and Local Laws related to offences under the Breaches of Contract Act, Cantonment Act, Cattle Trespass Act, Criminal Procedure Code, Forest Act, Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, A'bkári Act, City of Bombay Police Act, District Police Acts, Bombay and District Municipal Acts, Public Conveyance Act and Village Police Act.

9. Among the offences returned as true, there was one offence against the State and 4 relating to the Army and Navy. There was no offence under the Official Secrets Act.

10. There was a material increase in the following classes of offences:—

Offences.	Number in 1914.	Number in 1915.
Under the Cattle Trespass Act	1,636	1,724
„ Indian Lepers Act	114	149
„ Municipal (Bombay) Act	8,203	8,981
„ Municipal (District) Act	16,884	18,973
„ District Police Acts	13,135	13,959
„ Motor Vehicles Act	251	400
„ Railway Act	377	564
„ Village Police Act	2,243	2,560

11. Offences under the following heads show a considerable decrease :—

Offences.	Number in 1914.	Number in 1913.
Public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals..	1,175	922
Religion	88	35
Hurt	15,618	14,517
Criminal force and assault	5,031	4,135
Criminal breach of trust	1,371	1,200
Mischief	2,753	2,501
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance	4,817	3,787
Under the Cantonment Act	1,972	1,635
" Coasting Vessels Act	25	3
" European Vagrancy Act	190	76
" Indian Explosives Act	46	18
" Stage Carriages Act	125	67
" Petroleum Act	17	7
" Stamp Act	96	15
" Public Conveyance Act	9,393	8,899

12. Out of 777 cases affecting human life brought to trial during the year, 302 were murders. The corresponding numbers in the previous year were 729 and 316.

13. These murders may be classified as under :—

From motives connected with women	150
Of children for the sake of their ornaments	11
Other murders for the sake of gain	40
Murders from other causes	101
	302

14. The following table shows the comparative criminality of the several districts :—

District.	Population.	Offences returned as true.	Proportion of such offences to population.
Bombay	979,415	57,113	1 to 17
Karáchi	521,721	9,144	1 to 57
Ahmedabad	827,809	12,614	1 to 66
Broach	306,717	3,411	1 to 90
Hyderabad	612,039	4,555	1 to 131
Poona	1,071,512	7,929	1 to 135
Surat	654,109	4,361	1 to 150
Thána	882,309	5,254	1 to 168
Kaira	691,744	4,076	1 to 170
Sukkur	573,913	3,289	1 to 174
Lárkána	660,879	3,701	1 to 179
Nawábsháh	448,478	2,489	1 to 180
Panch Maháls	322,695	1,559	1 to 207
Sholápur	768,330	3,427	1 to 224
Násik	905,030	3,902	1 to 232
West Khándesh	680,723	2,455	1 to 237
Kolába	594,166	2,378	1 to 250
Upper Sind Frontier	263,007	971	1 to 271
Kánára	430,518	1,557	1 to 277
East Khándesh	1,034,886	3,167	1 to 327
Ahmednagar	915,305	2,581	1 to 366
Thar and Párkar	433,398	1,061	1 to 408
Dhárwár	1,026,005	2,431	1 to 422
Sátára	1,081,278	2,369	1 to 458
Belgaum	913,820	2,013	1 to 469
Ratnágiri	1,203,633	2,137	1 to 563
Bijápur	862,973	1,159	1 to 745

15. In the districts of Poona, Karáchi and Broach, the number of offences increased by 1,337, 1,195 and 443 respectively, whereas in the districts of Thána, Sholápur, Kaira, Belgaum, Bombay and Hyderabad, there was a decrease of 1,500, 787, 621, 583, 460 and 430, respectively. In the remaining districts there was no marked increase or decrease.

16. The number of cases brought to trial during the year was 150,650 and the number of persons involved in them was 225,512 as against 151,492 cases and 234,082 persons in the preceding year.

17. Of the 225,512 persons under trial 93,920 or 41·7 per cent. were acquitted or discharged; 122,328 or 54·2 per cent. were convicted; 1,097 or 5 per cent. died, escaped, were transferred to another province or made over to Military Authorities; and 8,167 or 3·6 per cent. remained under trial.

18. In the last year the percentages were 43·1, 53·2, ·5 and 3·2 respectively. Out of 93,920 persons acquitted or discharged, 43,355 or about 46·2 per cent. were acquitted under section 345, Criminal Procedure Code, the cases against them being compounded.

19. The following table shows the ratio of acquittals to convictions in each class of offences:—

Description of offence.	Persons acquitted or discharged.	Persons convicted.	Ratio of acquittals to convictions.
Offences against the State .. .. .	..	2	..
Offences relating to the Army and Navy	6	2	75 : 25
Offences against the public tranquillity	3,765	2,591	59 : 41
Attempts at do.	5	..	..
Offences by or relating to public servants	63	113	36 : 64
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants.	251	486	34 : 66
False evidence and offences against public justice ..	476	630	43 : 57
Attempts at do. .. .. .	..	2	..
Offences relating to coins	18	24	43 : 57
Do. Government Stamps .. .. .	..	4	..
Do. weights and measures	39	113	26 : 74
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals.	270	861	24 : 76
Offences relating to religion	87	27	76 : 24
Offences affecting life	623	570	52 : 48
Attempts at do.	19	30	39 : 61
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	43	54	44 : 56
Attempts at do. .. .. .	..	4	..
Hurt	30,968	3,563	90 : 10
Attempts at hurt	8	4	67 : 33
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	1,090	165	87 : 13
Criminal force and assault	8,008	1,119	88 : 12
Attempts at do.	1	10	9 : 91
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	457	133	77 : 23
Attempts at do. .. .. .	..	2	..
Rape	66	32	67 : 33
Attempts at rape	1	3	25 : 75
Unnatural offence	25	21	54 : 46
Theft	3,495	10,759	25 : 75
Attempts at theft	5	79	6 : 94
Extortion	146	35	81 : 19
Attempts at extortion	1	3	25 : 75
Robbery and dacoity	509	641	44 : 56
Attempts at do. .. .. .	..	2	..
Criminal misappropriation of property	429	194	69 : 31
Attempts at do.	1	..	..
Criminal breach of trust	716	702	50 : 50
Attempts at do. .. .. .	..	3	..

Description of offence.	Persons acquitted or discharged.	Persons convicted.	Ratio of acquittals to convictions.
Receiving of stolen property	585	1,095	35 : 65
Cheating	598	531	53 : 47
Attempts at cheating	6	15	28 : 72
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ..	43	31	58 : 42
Mischief	5,804	720	89 : 11
Attempts at mischief	1	..	..
Criminal trespass	3,191	1,699	65 : 35
Attempts at do.	8	21	25 : 75
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks.	126	88	59 : 41
Criminal breach of contracts of service	18	3	86 : 14
Offences relating to marriage	3,198	185	95 : 5
Defamation	405	31	92 : 8
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance ..	7,323	696	91 : 9
Offences under Special and Local Laws	21,023	91,221	18 : 82

20. The total number of European British subjects whose cases were disposed of during the year under report fell from 607 to 572. Of these 178 or 31·11 per cent. were charged with offences under the Indian Penal Code and 394 or 68·9 per cent. under Special and Local Laws. The charges under the Indian Penal Code related chiefly to hurt, criminal force and assault, theft, criminal breach of trust, cheating and criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance.

Statement No. IIA.

21. Out of the 572 persons whose cases were disposed of, 376 were convicted and 196 acquitted or discharged. The cases of 571 persons were disposed of by Magistrates and the case of 1 person was disposed of by the High Court. In the case of 194 persons the deciding Magistrate was a European British subject and in the case of 377 persons he was other than a European British subject. In the case of the 1 person tried in the High Court, the Judge was not a European British subject. One person claimed to be tried by a mixed jury under sections 450 and 451 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

22. There were 4,695 miscellaneous cases before the Courts involving 7,893 persons, of whom 25·3 per cent. were discharged, 70·9 were convicted and the cases of 3·8 per cent. were pending.

Statement No. III.

23. There was a material decrease in the number of persons involved in proceedings under Chapter VI-C against witnesses, under Chapter VIII requiring security for good behaviour, under Chapter X, against Local nuisances and under Chapter XII for possession; and a marked increase in the number of persons involved in proceedings under Chapter XLII for forfeiture of bail or recognizance.

24. The number of original regular cases disposed of during the year was 147,515 as against 150,014 in the last year. Of these 143,856 were disposed of by Magistrates, 2,572 by Village Officers and Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards, and 1,087 by Courts of Session and Superior Courts.

Statement No. IV.

25. Of the total number of persons convicted 37·9 per cent. were convicted on regular and 62·1 per cent. on summary trial. The percentages of the last year were 38·7 and 61·3 respectively.

26. The number of youthful offenders dealt with under section 91 of Act VIII of 1897 was 160 as against 161 in the previous year. The number of persons released on probation under section 562 of the Criminal Procedure Code was 1,376 as against 1,099 in the preceding year.

Statement No. V.

27. The following table shows the punishments inflicted in 1915 as contrasted with those in 1914 :—

Year.	Number of persons sentenced to					
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal servitude.	Imprisonment.	Fine.	Whipping.
1914	62	204	..	21,944	96,315	919
1915	54	235	..	20,812	94,230	883

28. In 84,498 cases the amount of fine imposed did not exceed Rs. 10 and in 8,468 cases it was between Rs. 10 and Rs. 50. In 5,672 cases the term of imprisonment did not exceed 15 days and in 10,597 cases it was between 15 days and 6 months.

29. The total amount of fines imposed fell from Rs. 697,533 to Rs. 661,480 and that of fines realized, fell from Rs. 559,579 to Rs. 559,339.

30. Out of 883, the total number of whippings inflicted, 660 were in lieu of other punishments (544 being on first conviction and 116 on re-conviction), 7 were in addition to other punishments and 216 were inflicted on juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II of Statement No. VA.

31. The percentage of whippings on the total number of all punishments was 10·96 as compared with 11·1 in the preceding year. In the majority of cases whipping was inflicted for offences of theft, the number of stripes being most commonly 5 to 10.

32. Excluding the number of appellants who died and the number of those whose appeals were pending at the close of the year, the results of the appeals preferred were :—

Statement No. VI.

Rejected	.. .. .	..	in	44·6 per cent. cases.
Sentence confirmed	.. .. .	..	in	27
" enhanced	.. .. .	..	in	·3
" reduced	.. .. .	..	in	9·7
" reversed	.. .. .	..	in	17·2
Otherwise disposed of	.. .. .	..	in	1·2

33. Of the total number of appeals decided, 42·5 per cent. were disposed of by District Magistrates and other Magistrates invested with Appellate powers, 42·9 per cent. by Courts of Session and 14·6 per cent. by Superior Courts.

34. In revision the sentence was enhanced in the cases of 19 persons. The general results of revision are compared with those of appeals in the following table :—

	In Revision.	In Appeal.
	In the case of	In the case of
Proceedings quashed	59	7
New trial or further inquiry ordered	161	64
Sentence reduced or otherwise altered	101	644
Sentence reversed	132	1,139

35. Persons tried by Jury and with the aid of Assessors numbered 522 and 1,413 respectively. In the Courts of Session the verdict of the jury was approved as regards 421 out of 452 accused persons and disapproved as regards 31.

Statement No. XIII.

In cases tried with Assessors, the Judge agreed with all assessors in 69·6 per cent. of the cases, with some in 10·3 per cent. and differed from all in 20·1 per cent.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side,
Bombay, 6th September 1916..*

F. W. ALLISON,
Registrar.

No. A.—1024 of 1916.

*Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind,
Karachi, 21th July 1916.*

From

VAZIRMAL UTAMSING, ESQUIRE,
Registrar, Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind ;

To

THE REGISTRAR,
His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your Memorandum No. 1361 of the 10th instant, I am directed to forward the accompanying Report on the Administration of Criminal and Civil Justice in the Province of Sind for the year 1915.

2. Consolidated Annual Statements Nos. I to XIV and the Statements received from the District Judges and Magistrates have this day been forwarded in a separate registered parcel.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
V. UTAMSING,
Registrar.

**REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL AND CIVIL
JUSTICE IN THE PROVINCE OF SIND IN THE YEAR 1915.**

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

1. The Court of the Judicial Commissioner was presided over by Mr. E. M. Pratt, I. C. S., from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

2. The following were the Additional Judicial Commissioners:—

Mr. H. N. Crouch, LL.B. (London), Bar.-at-Law, from 1st January to 31st December 1915.

Mr. M. H. W. Hayward, LL.B. (Cantab.), Bar.-at-Law, I. C. S., from 1st January to 25th February and from 1st November to 31st December 1915.

Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, I. C. S., from 26th February to 28th April 1915.

Mr. C. C. Boyd, I. C. S., from 29th April to 12th May and from 13th June to 31st October 1915.

The Court was closed for vacation from 13th May to 12th June 1915.

3. The temporary appointment of a 3rd Additional Judicial Commissioner created for 6 months in the year 1914 terminated on the 28th April 1915 and was held by Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, I. C. S., from the 1st January to the 25th February and by Mr. C. C. Boyd, I. C. S., from the 26th February to the 28th April 1915.

4. There were on the 31st December 1915—

3 Sessions Judges.

3 Additional Sessions Judges.

7 District Magistrates.

19 Sub-Divisional Magistrates.

2 Cantonment Magistrates.

19 City and Resident Magistrates.

30 Other First Class Magistrates.

58 Second Class Magistrates.

75 Third Class Magistrates.

18 Sanitary Committees and Boards under Bombay Act I of 1899.

Of the above Magistrates, 39 were special and Honorary Magistrates.

5. There were on the 31st December 1915—

3 District Judges.

2 Joint Judges.

1 Assistant Judge.

3 Small Cause Court Judges (including Cantonment Magistrate, Karachi, exercising powers of a Judge of the Small Cause Court and the Registrar, Small Cause Court, Karachi).

4 First Class Subordinate Judges (including the Registrar of the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind).

13 Second Class Subordinate Judges.

6. The Judicial Commissioner deputed Mr. Hayward, Additional Judicial Commissioner, for 2 months to make the annual tour of inspection of the Courts in Sind, and he inspected the 3 District and Sessions Courts and the 3 First Class Subordinate Civil Courts at Hyderabad, Larkana and Sukkur, 1 Second Class Subordinate Court in the Hyderabad District, 3 Second Class Subordinate Courts

in the Sukkur District and 1 in the Karáchi District, as also the Small Cause Court and Cantonment Small Cause Court, Karáchi, besides 50 Magisterial Courts in different parts of the Province.

The District Judges, Hyderabad and Lárkána, each inspected 1 Subordinate Civil Court in his respective district, and the District Judge, Sukkur, inspected all the Subordinate Civil Courts in his district.

7. During the year under report there were a few variations in the constitution and jurisdiction of the Courts in the Province. The Revenue districts of Hyderabad, Nawábsháh and Thar and Párkar were, for the purposes of the Bombay Civil Courts Act XIV of 1869 and the Sind Courts Act XII of 1866, combined with effect from the 1st July 1915 into one district, called the Judicial district of Hyderabad. The Desert and Sinjhoró Tálukas were consequently transferred to the original jurisdiction of Mirpurkhás Subordinate Court and all civil work pending on that date before the Collector, Thar and Párkar, and the Revenue Officers exercising civil powers in that district, was transferred to Courts having jurisdiction in the Hyderabad District.

Sákrand and Nawábsháh Tálukas were, in consequence of amalgamation of the Nawábsháh and Sháhdádpur Subordinate Courts into one, namely, Sháhdádpur-Nawábsháh Subordinate Court, transferred to Sháhdádpur, and Moro Táluka was re-transferred to Nausháhro Subordinate Court.

8. The Subordinate Judge of Nawábsháh thus made available was appointed as Joint Subordinate Judge and deputed to help the First Class Subordinate Judges, Hyderabad and Sukkur, in the disposal of Second Class suits, for a period of 6 months alternately.

The Second Class Subordinate Judge's work of the Hyderabad Táluka was re-transferred to the Subordinate Civil Court, Hyderabad, from the Subordinate Court, Tándo Mahomedkhán.

The Subordinate Judge of Tatta in the Karáchi District was deputed to work for a month and a half in the Small Cause Court, Karáchi, as Additional Small Court, Judge.

9. The Sessions Judge of Hyderabad was assisted by an Additional Sessions Judge throughout the year except for a few days, viz., from the 30th May to the 11th June 1915, and also by a Second Additional Sessions Judge from the 29th November to the 31st December 1915.

The Sessions Judge of Lárkána was assisted by an Additional Sessions Judge from the 1st January to 16th February and from the 7th June to the 14th October 1915.

The Sessions Judge of Sukkur was assisted from the 1st January to the 5th June and from the 22nd October to the 31st December 1915.

10. The record rooms of the Civil and Criminal Courts were inspected by Mr. Hayward, Additional Judicial Commissioner, on tour and found in good condition.

11. The work of arranging libraries of all Subordinate Civil and District Courts was taken up under the directions and superintendence of Mr. Hayward, by the touring establishment of this Court during the tour of 1912-1913 and subsequent years and accomplished in the year under report. The books have been classified in the order prescribed by rule 67, Chapter IV, pages 66 and 67, Sind Courts Civil Circulars (1912), and catalogued properly. The condition of the libraries is now satisfactory.

12. A Judicial Conference was held by the District Judge, Hyderabad, in the year under report.

13. The Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act is reported to be working satisfactorily in the Province.

14. The total receipts of all the Courts are, according to the figures supplied by the Accountant General, Rs. 6,78,776 and the total charges Rs. 7,52,786 during the year under report, disclosing an excess of Rs. 74,010 in the expenditure over receipts.

Criminal Justice.

15. The number of offences reported during the year under review shows an increase while that of offenders shows a decrease as compared with the preceding year, the figures being—

Year.	Offences reported.	Offenders.
1914	25,963	52,235
1915	27,114	49,850
	+1,151	-2,385

The figures relating to offences eventually returned as true show an increase while those relating to offenders in cases returned as true show a decrease as compared with the previous year as shown below :—

Year.	Offences returned as true.	Number of offenders returned as true.
1914	22,813	42,993
1915	23,735	41,583
	+922	-1,410

16. The number of trials rose from 23,926 to 25,154 and the number of persons tried fell from 47,052 to 44,893. The number of persons remaining under trial at the end of the year under report rose from 3,002 to 3,587. There were 45,718 persons under trial during the year under review before the several Criminal Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner.

The following table exhibits the result as contrasted with the figures in 1914 :—

Year.	Total number of persons under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	
			On regular trial.	On summary trial.
1914	47,581	27,600	10,320	5,637
1915	45,718	25,451	8,811	6,710
	-1,863	-2,149	-1,485	+1,103

17. The following table shows punishments inflicted in 1915 as contrasted with those in 1914 :—

Year.	Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.		Fines.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to furnish security.	Persons imprisoned for default.
			Rigorous.	Simple.				
1914 ..	32	33	4,601	201	10,039	187	1,232	839
1915 ..	21	75	4,264	161	10,278	207	915	611

The fines in 1915 amounted to Rs. 1,23,825-1-4 as against Rs. 1,40,705-11-0 in 1914 and compensation paid to accused persons in 1915 amounted to Rs. 9,055-6-9 as against Rs. 9,329-12-0 in 1914.

18. Particulars as to results of trials in the different districts (including the 35 persons in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) are given in the following table :—

District of	Under trial.	Acquitted or discharged.	Con- victed.	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province or Presi- dency.	Remaining under trial.	On dormant file.
Karáchi	13,027	4,881	6,731	82	1,333	..
Hyderabad	8,242	5,318	2,278	106	540	..
Thar and Párkar	2,639	1,578	687	42	332	4
Nawábsháh	4,847	3,086	1,377	16	368	..
Lárkána	8,695	6,429	1,569	23	674	8
Sukkur	5,322	2,927	2,121	4	270	..
Upper Sind Frontier	2,086	1,230	788	1	67	21
Court of the Judicial Commissioner.	35	2	30	..	3	..
	44,893	25,451	15,581	274	3,587	33

19. The following statement shows the work done by the several Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner) for the last 3 years :—

District of	1913.				1914.				1915.			
	Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.		Cases.		Appeals.	
	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.	Filed.	Disposed of.
Karáchi	36	31	198	192	45	48	182	192	39	35	181	176
Hyderabad	108	109	345	341	111	134	442	432	136	132	536	531
Sukkur	65	79	227	219	52	48	189	188	57	54	173	167
Lárkána	47	41	146	139	68	73	109	114	79	74	124	127

20. The number of offences affecting life and attempts at such offences rose from 189 in 1914 to 244 in the year under report. A large proportion of this class of crime arises from intrigues or supposed intrigues with women. The following statement shows the cases of murders and their motives during the year under report :—

District.	From motives con- nected with women.	Other causes.
Karáchi	8	8
Hyderabad	17	14
Thar and Párkar	1	5
Nawábsháh	15	16
Lárkána	23	12
Sukkur	14	2
Upper Sind Frontier	25	5

21. There was an increase in the number of offences under the following heads :—

- i. Offences by, or relating to, public servants, Chapter IX.
- ii. Contempt of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X.
- iii. False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI.
- iv. Offences relating to coins, Chapter XII.

- v. Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII.
- vi. Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV.
- vii. Offences affecting life.
- viii. Attempts at offences affecting life.
- ix. Grievous hurt.
- x. Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement.
- xi. Attempts at criminal force and assault.
- xii. Rape.
- xiii. Unnatural offence.
- xiv. Theft, cattle-lifting.
- xv. Criminal misappropriation of property.
- xvi. Receiving of stolen property.
- xvii. Criminal trespass.
- xviii. Defamation, Chapter XXI.
- xix. Offences under Special and Local laws.

There was a decrease in the number of offences under the following heads:—

- i. Offences against the public tranquillity, Chapter VIII.
- ii. Offences relating to Government Stamps, Chapter XII.
- iii. Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV.
- iv. Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure to infants and the concealment of births.
- v. Hurt.
- vi. Criminal force and assault.
- vii. Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.
- viii. Theft, ordinary.
- ix. Robbery and dacoity.
- x. Criminal breach of trust.
- xi. Cheating.
- xii. Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.
- xiii. Mischief.
- xiv. Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII.
- xv. Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XLX.
- xvi. Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX.
- xvii. Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII.
- xviii. Attempts at do. do.

22. The power of requiring security for good behaviour from bad characters was less freely exercised in the year under report than in the preceding year, the number of cases being 465 as compared with 503 in 1914.

23. The number of frivolous and vexatious accusations dealt with summarily under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code, in the year under report was 159 as against 130 in 1914.

24. Applications for orders for maintenance rose from 120 in 1914 to 125 in the year under report; but the orders granted numbered the same as last year, viz., 6.

25. The number of individual appeals disposed of in the year under report was 2,342, that is, 183 less than in the preceding year. Out of these the sentences were left unaltered in 1,895 cases and were reversed or varied in 446. The sentences were maintained intact in close upon 80·91 per cent. of appeals.

The above appeals were thus distributed :—

Magistrates' Courts	766
Sessions Courts (including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner)	1,348
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (High Court Jurisdiction) ..	228

The Criminal appeals in the Sessions Courts show an increase of 141, while those in the Magistrates' Courts and the Court of the Judicial Commissioner show a decrease of 287 and 37 respectively.

26. During the year under report the cases of 194 persons were examined in revision by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind (High Court Jurisdiction). The Sessions Courts examined the cases of 423 and the District Magistrates of 55 persons. The principal results of this revision were that 29 sentences were reduced or otherwise altered and 19 reversed. In the case of 7 persons proceedings were quashed and in the case of 31 persons new trials or further enquiries were ordered.

27. The following table shows the Criminal work (apart from inspection of Magistrates' Courts) disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind, High Court Jurisdiction, in the year under report, as compared with that of 1914, and the arrears at the end of the year :—

Serial No.	Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1913.	1914.		Arrears on 31st December 1914.	1915.		Arrears on 31st December 1915.
			Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
1	Criminal appeals	30	148	157	21	111	123	9
2	Cases under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	..	1	1	..	2	1	1
3	Confirmation cases	20	29	45	4	19	23	..
4	Reported cases, section 215, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	2	3	..	1	1	..
5	Do. section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	6	55	56	5	41	43	3
6	Criminal Revision on Courts' own motion.	1	1	2	..	2	2	..
7	Criminal revision on application ..	29	135	144	20	104	112	12
8	Applications, section 498, Criminal Procedure Code.	..	12	11	1	6	7	..
9	Transfer applications, section 526, Criminal Procedure Code.	1	31	30	2	20	21	1

The cases of 31 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner for confirmation of the sentence of death. In the case of 24 the sentence of death was confirmed, in the case of 5 it was commuted to transportation for life, and in the case of 2 the convictions and sentences were reversed and the accused acquitted. Also the cases of 4 persons were referred to the Court of the Judicial Commissioner under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code; of them 1 person was sentenced to transportation for life and the case of the 3 persons was pending at the close of the year.

Civil Justice.

28. The total number of Civil suits instituted in Sind during the year under report was 30,520 as compared with 27,107 in 1914. The number in each

of the District Courts, including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction) filed in the 2 years was:—

District of	1914.	1915.
Hyderabad	10	22
Sukkur	20	31
Lárkána	8	3
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction).	519	519

29. The following table shows the nature of suits principally filed in the Province during the years 1914 and 1915:—

Nature.	1914.	1915.
Money and moveable property	21,551	27,966
Mortgage	709	836
Immoveable property	822	771

30. The total value of suits filed during the year under report was Rs. 90,22,342-13-1½ as compared with Rs. 86,96,065-13-6 in 1914.

31. The total number of suits disposed of in the Civil Courts in Sind was 30,267 as against 27,374 in the preceding year. The following table exhibits the manner of disposal in 1915 as compared with the year 1914:—

Manner of disposal	1914.	1915.
Without trial.. .. .	8,051	8,710
Compromised	8,637	10,363
Decreed on confession	1,063	1,161
Decreed ex-parte	3,507	3,618
Dismissed ex-parte	253	231
By arbitration	1,262	1,363
Contested	4,578	4,768

32. The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 5,802, out of which 2,236 were pending for more than 3 months.

33. The average duration of contested and uncontested suits in the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, District Court Jurisdiction, was 373·23 and 226·49 days respectively in the year under report as against 150·74 and 96·31 days respectively in 1914.

34. The number of Miscellaneous Judicial cases for disposal before the Courts was 868 as against 861 in 1914. The number disposed of was 626 as against 677 in 1914.

35. The number of Civil Appeals before the District Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, District Court Jurisdiction, was 536 as against 582 in 1914. Of these, 233 were disposed of as compared with 315 in 1914. The number of Civil appeals disposed of during the year under report as contrasted with the preceding year is as follows:—

District of	1914.	1915.
Hyderabad	116	51
Thár and Párkar	5	
Lárkána	109	67
Sukkur	109	107
Court of the Judicial Commissioner (District Court Jurisdiction).	6	5

36. The average duration of appeals in the District Courts during the year under report was 232.09 days and in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, District Court Jurisdiction, 212.5, and High Court Jurisdiction 521.08 as against 197.52, 184.83 and 701.61 respectively in the year 1914.

37. There were in all 22,870 applications for execution before the Civil Courts including the Court of the Judicial Commissioner as against 21,457 in 1914. Of these, 19,479 were disposed of as against 18,378 in 1914. The amount realised in execution of decrees during the year under report was Rs. 4,79,716-1-3 as compared with Rs. 3,37,979-3-9 in the year 1914. Moveable property was sold in 200 cases as against 194 in 1914 and attached but subsequently released in 292 as against 282 in 1914.

38. The following table shows the Civil work (apart from the inspection of the Civil Courts) disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, High Court Jurisdiction, during the year under report as contrasted with that of 1914 and the arrears awaiting disposal:—

Description of work.	Arrears on 31st December 1913.	1914.		Arrears on 31st December 1914.	1915.		Arrears on 31st December 1915.
		Filed.	Disposed of.		Filed.	Disposed of.	
First appeals	96	43	67	72	46	58	60
Second appeals	66	51	53	64	38	61	41
Miscellaneous appeals	17	14	14	17	28	27	18
Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.	19	36	46	9	15	19	5
Do. sections 22 and 23, Civil Procedure Code.	1	3	3	1	1	1	1
Do. Order XLIV, Rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	..	3	3	..	1	1	..
Do. section 25 of Act IX of 1887.	31	19	13	37	20	47	10
Do. Act VII of 1913 ..	..	4	4	..	..	..	..
Do. Act III of 1907 ..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Do. sections 24 and 25, Civil Procedure Code.	1	6	5	2	14	16	..
Do. Order LVX, Rule 2, Civil Procedure Code.	..	7	5	2	9	7	4
Do. section 114 and Order XLVII, Rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.	1	6	2	5	3	6	2
Do. Order XLVI, Rule 6, Civil Procedure Code.	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Do. section 104, Civil Procedure Code.	..	..	..	..	1	1	..
Do. Act X of 1865 ..	2	16	16	2	2	4	..

V. UTAMSING,
Registrar,

Karachi, 24th July 1916.

Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 1.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers on the last day of the year 1915,

Name of Presidency.	Area.	Population.	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of Districts.	Number of Dis-tricts.	Number of Sub-Dis-tricts.	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS EXERCISING ORIGINAL OR APPELLATE JURISDICTION.					
						Judges of Chief Court of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of Dis-trict Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Sub-ordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Presi- dency of Bom- bay.	Territory subject to the High Court. } Civil ...	77,275	16,118,042	...	15	104	(a) 7	...	(c) 16	(e) 44	(g) 101
		Territory not subject to the High Court. } Civil ...	47,789	3,513,435	...	4	13	(b) 3	...	(d) 5	(f) 7	13
	Total ...	125,064	19,626,477	...	19	117	10	...	21	51	*114

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Total."—The entries to be made here will show the area and population of the entire Presidency, total work done by them, with the financial results.

Columns 16 and 17.—The Judicial receipts and charges should be shown as a whole, just as they appear in the Treasury

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate

Designation.	Europeans.
Chief Justice and High Court Judges	5
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners in Sind.	3
District Judges	13
Joint Judges	2
Assistant Judges	4
Small Cause Court Judges	2
Subordinate Judges, First Class	.....
Subordinate Judges, Second Class	.....

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 6th September 1916.

No. 1—(CIVIL).

exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay with the cost of Tribunals.

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
134,988	144,458	6,046	290	Rs. 40,55,149 0 0	a. p. 0 0	(a) Includes the Chief Justice. (b) Includes the two Additional Judicial Commissioners of Sind. (c) Includes 1 Joint Judge. The District Judge of Poonah is also <i>ex-officio</i> Agent for the Sirkars in the Deccan. (d) Includes two Joint Judges. (e) Includes 12 Assistant Judges, 8 Small Cause Court Judges, 13 First Class Subordinate Judges, 3 Registrars and 3 Cantonment Magistrates, but does not include 2 Inspecting First Class Subordinate Judges who do not exercise Appellate or Original Jurisdiction.
30,237	20,217	352	61	Rs. 6,76,776 0 0	a. p. 0 0	(f) Includes 1 Assistant Judge, 1 Small Cause Court Judge, 3 First Class Sub-Judges, 1 Registrar and 1 Cantonment Magistrate exercising civil powers. (g) 2 Inspecting Second Class Subordinate Judges who do not exercise Appellate or Original Jurisdiction are not included.
165,255	(A) 164,675	7,298	341	Rs. 53,33,924 0 0	a. p. 0 0	(A) Includes all applications for execution of decrees and applications under the Provincial Insolvency Act III of 1907. • Besides these, there were 5 Inamdars and Jhagirdars exercising civil powers. † This includes Rs. 12,42,000 being the fixed adjustment debitable to Criminal Courts as per Government Resolution, Financial Department, No. 513, dated the 5th February 1916, both for the Presidency proper and Sind.

the average number of Districts and Sub-Districts for civil purposes, the actual number of persons exercising jurisdiction, and the accounts, care being taken that the charges on account of buildings are included in column 17.

Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Natives, in the Presidency of Bombay, including Sind.

Natives.	Remarks.
2	
.....	
6	
1	Besides these there were 8 Native Registrars, 1 European Registrar and 4 European Cantonment Magistrates exercising Civil powers.
9	
7	
21	
114	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the number of Officers on the last day of the year 1915,

Name of Presidency.	Area.	Population.	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to the Chief Courts of Districts.	Number of Districts.	Number of Sub-Districts.	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS EXERCISING ORIGINAL OR APPELLATE JURISDICTION.					
						Judges of Chief Court of Province.	Judges of other Courts superior to Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts.	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts.	Judges of other Subordinate Courts.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Presidency of Bombay.	Territory subject to the High Court. Criminal.	(a)	(a)	...	20	187	(e) 7	...	(g) 45	(i) 81	(k) 406
	Territory not subject to the High Court. Criminal.	(b)	(d)	...	7	62	(f) 8	...	(h) 13	(j) 20	(l) 144
	Total ...	...	.....	...	27	249	10	...	58	101	550+

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Total."—The entries to be made here will show the area and population of the entire Presidency, and the total work done by them, with the financial results.

Columns 16 and 17.—The Judicial receipts and charges should be shown as a whole, just as they appear in the Treasury

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising Original and Appellate

Designation.	Europeans.
Chief Justice and High Court Judges	5
Judicial Commissioner and Additional Judicial Commissioners in Sind.	3
Sessions Judges	12
Additional Sessions Judges	4
Assistant Sessions Judges	...
Magistrates, First Class*	89
" Second Class*	7
" Third Class*	3
Police Patels	...

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 6th September 1916.

No. 1—(CRIMINAL).

exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay with the cost of Tribunals.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES DECIDED.				Total receipts of the Courts.	Total charges of the Courts.	REMARKS.
Original.		Appeals.				
Regular.	Mis-collaneous.	Regular.	Mis-collaneous.			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
124,076	2,718	3,272	959	46,55,148 0 0 †	46,51,526 0 0	(a) to (d). See columns 2 and 3 of Statement No. 1—(Civil). (e) and (f). See column 7 of Statement No. 1—(Civil). (g) and (h). These are District Magistrates, Presidency Magistrates, Deputy Commissioner in Sind, Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges. (i) and (j). These are Assistant Collectors, Deputy Collectors and Assistant Sessions Judges. (k) and (l). These are all Stipendiary 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates other than those shown in columns 9 and 10.
23,439	388	1,617	336	6,78,776 0 0	7,52,786 0 0	* Excluding 1,574 cases under sections 107, 108, 109, 110, 118, 120 and 123 of Chapter VIII, Criminal Procedure Code, which are shown in statement No. 2 as well as statement No. 3. † This includes Rs. 12,42,000 being the fixed adjustment debitables to Criminal Courts as per Government Resolution, Financial Department, No. 513, dated the 5th February 1914, both for the Presidency Proper and Sind.
147,515	* 3,106	4,889	§ 1,295	53,33,924 0 0	54,04,312 0 0	‡ Besides these, there were 33 Special and 329 Honorary Magistrates, 21,506 Police Patels and 206 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards. § These are all cases of Revision under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

the average number of Districts and Sub-Districts for criminal purposes, the actual number of persons exercising jurisdiction, accounts, care being taken that the charges on account of buildings are included in column 17.

Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Natives, in the Presidency of Bombay, including Sind.

Natives.	Remarks.
2	
...	
6	
6	
2	
286	* These include 25 District Magistrates, 4 Presidency Magistrates, 1 Deputy Commissioner in Sind, 40 Assistant Collectors, 59 Deputy Collectors, 33 Special Magistrates and 323 Honorary Magistrates.
323	
327	
21,506	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—continued.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of Persons					Cases in which the accused was found guilty of an offence under the Criminal Procedure Code.	Cases in which the accused was found guilty of an offence under the Criminal Procedure Code.	Remarks			
					Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Not disposed of or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.			Local.	Foreign.	Transferred.	
1	2	3	3a	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Offences against property—Chapter XVII.															
Theft	10,640	9,918	835	10,063	10,072	2,416	10,758	60	637	270	112	34	21	2	
Attempts at do. ...	83	83	1	81	84	5	79	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Extortion	119	66	12	79	200	165	24	—	19	47	9	—	—	—	
Attempts at do. ...	5	6	—	4	4	1	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Robbery and dacoity ...	498	303	40	354	1,223	800	641	11	101	27	9	—	2	—	
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	—	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Criminal misappropriation of property ...	718	425	81	404	67	424	104	7	27	270	11	—	7	—	
Attempts at do. ...	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Criminal breach of trust ...	1,545	1,127	73	1,216	1,519	716	702	14	26	200	29	8	—	9	
Attempts at do. ...	4	3	—	3	3	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Receiving of stolen property ...	1,280	1,236	69	1,208	1,700	668	1,038	20	90	22	9	11	7	1	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Cheating	1,107	778	61	634	1,251	538	631	10	112	278	11	8	6	1	
Attempts at do. ...	19	18	—	18	21	6	13	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ...	47	20	10	41	93	41	21	11	9	17	—	—	11	—	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mischief	2,276	2,417	81	2,325	6,702	5,804	720	9	201	800	70	3	2	—	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Criminal trespass	2,163	2,518	90	2,477	5,104	2,011	1,009	2	211	577	61	1	2	—	
Attempts at do. ...	23	22	—	21	22	9	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks—Chapter XVIII of the Indian Penal Code ...	108	92	23	141	225	129	86	6	62	12	2	—	5	1	
Attempts at do. ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Criminal breach of contracts of service—Chapter XIX of the Indian Penal Code ...	19	12	2	14	27	18	2	—	1	6	1	—	—	—	
Offences relating to marriage—Chapter XX of the Indian Penal Code ...	1,872	1,234	122	1,205	2,540	2,109	183	22	426	618	21	2	20	—	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Defamation—Chapter XXI of the Indian Penal Code ...	326	199	12	214	476	404	24	—	26	121	6	—	—	—	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Criminal intimidation, insults and annoyances—Chapter XXII of the Indian Penal Code ...	5,405	2,628	119	2,912	2,227	7,223	608	12	206	1,040	142	7	6	—	
Attempts at do. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Offences under Special and Local Laws—Ancient Monuments Preservation Act VII of 1904 ... (India)	1	1	—	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Apprentices Act XIX of 1850 ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Arms Act XI of 1878	202	239	8	204	312	24	229	2	22	2	—	1	2	—	
Army Act I of 1891	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Breaches of Contract Act XIII of 1859	2,082	1,297	178	1,247	1,902	1,204	284	20	242	224	—	2	20	—	
Cantonment Act XIII of 1859	1,642	1,631	4	1,634	2,020	142	1,940	6	10	6	—	—	6	—	
Cantonment Rules of 1899	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Cattle Trespass Act I of 1871	1,942	1,700	24	1,714	4,402	2,440	222	—	121	108	10	—	—	—	
Civil Procedure Code Act V of 1908. ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Coasting Vessels (Bombay) Act XIX of 1839	2	2	1	2	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Court Fees Act VII of 1870	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—continued.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	NUMBER OF PERSONS					Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complaints found under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code.	REMARKS.		
					Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remaining under trial.			Died.	Escaped.	Transferred.
1	2	3	3a	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
Criminal Procedure Code Act V of 1909 ... (India).	1,610	1,487	60	1,580	4,117	1,202	2,645	43	227	23		4	30	
Criminal Tribes Act XXVII of 1911...	216	216	1	246	293	29	260	6	8	1				
Dekhan Agriculturists' Relief Act XVII of 1879 ...	13	12		12	13	6	7			1				
Distress Act I of 1875 ...														
Explosive Substances Act VI of 1908.	1	1		1	1		1							
European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874...	75	75	1	76	76	8	63							
Factories Act XV of 1891 ...	21	21		21	21		20		1					
Foreigners' Act III of 1914 ...														
Forest Act VII of 1873...	1,081	1,583	68	1,653	3,283	1,009	2,101	7	76	62		6	1	
Frontier Regulation No. III of 1892 .														
Indian Companies Act VII of 1913 ...														
Indian Explosive Act IV of 1894 ...	17	17	1	18	20	4	16							
Indian Lepers Act III of 1898 ...	149	149		149	149	2	147							
Indian Official Secrets Act XV of 1889 ...														
Indian Steamship Act VII of 1894 ...			3	3	3		3							
Indian Tariff Act XIX of 1888 ...	4	4		4	4		4							
Land Customs (Bombay) Act XXIX of 1857 ...														
Land Acquisition Act I of 1894 ...	2	2		2	2	2								
Lunatic Asylum Act XXXVI of 1858.														
Merchants Seaman Act I of 1859 ...	32	32	1	33	31	35	50							
Merchants Shipping Act VII of 1880.	27	27	1	28	79	16	63							
Mutiny Act (as amended by Act VII of 1907) ...														
Murder of Female Infants Act VIII of 1870 ...														
Native Passenger Ships Act X of 1887 ...														
Opium Act I of 1878 ...	268	207	4	271	299	25	270	1	3		1	1		
Petroleum Act XII of 1886 ...	7	7		7	8	3	5							
Police (Presidency Towns) Acts XIII of 1866 and XLVIII of 1860 ...														
Police Act V of 1831 ...														
Ports Act XV of 1808 ...	63	63		63	85	8	63		16					
Post Office Act VI of 1908 ...	11	11	1	16	17	4	11		2					
Presidency Small Cause Courts Act XV of 1894 ...	18	7		7	9	8	1			11				
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act XI of 1890 ...	12,823	12,731	8	12,860	12,631	608	12,109	11	3	61		9	2	
Printing Press Act XIV of 1867 ...														
Printing Press and Newspapers Act XXV of 1867 as amended by Act X of 1890 ...	4	4		4	5	1	4							
Prisoners Act IX of 1894 ...	21	20		21	30	2	23							
Provincial Insolvency Act III of 1900 ...	6	6		6	8	4	1			1				
Railway Act IX of 1890...	509	502	2	559	710	83	618	1	6	4	3	1		
Registration Act XVI of 1908 ...	1	1	2	3	5	2	3							
Salt Act XII of 1891 ...														
Sea Customs Act VII of 1879 ...	1	1		1	3	3								
Stage Carriages Act XVI of 1831 ...	66	66	1	67	68	8	69							
Stamp Act II of 1890 ...	15	15		15	16	2	13		1					
Telegraph Act XIII of 1865 ...	1									1				
Transport of Salt by Sea Act XVI 1859 ...	1	1		1	1		1							
Treasure Trove Act VI of 1878 ...	9	9		9	13	2	16							
Wild Birds and Animals Protection Act VIII of 1913 ...	1	1		1	1		1							
An Act to reduce the pecuniary Penalty for purchasing arms, etc., from Soldiers Act VII of 1867 ...														

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2—(CRIMINAL)—concluded.

Description of Offence.	Number of offences reported.	Number of cases returned as true.	Cases found to be true of offences reported in and pending from the previous year.	Number of cases brought to trial during the year.	Number of Persons						Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.	Complaints of offence not taken up for trial under section 204, Criminal Procedure Code.	Mentions	
					Under trial during the year, including pending from previous year.	Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province.	Remains under trial.	Died.			Under trial.	
1	2	3	3a	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Abkari Act V of 1878 ... (Bombay)	3,054	2,051	21	2,005	2,370	273	2,099	...	37	2	...	...	...	...
Boiler Inspection Act II of 1891 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
City of Bombay Police Act IV of 1902 ...	20,582	20,523	...	20,268	23,642	701	22,799	1	1	34	...	1	...	...
District Police Acts VII of 1897 and IV of 1890 ...	13,967	13,786	173	13,917	16,236	1,874	13,863	214	779	16	6	143	113	...
Frontier (Sind) Regulation II of 1893 ...	39	39	...	39	176	31	145	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gambling Act IV of 1897 as amended by Act I of 1890 ...	719	714	7	719	2,531	184	2,346	8	6	8	...	...	...	...
Irrigation Act VII of 1879 ...	249	243	23	232	672	106	566	2	36	0	...	1	1	...
Jail Acts II of 1874 and IX of 1891 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Land Revenue Code Act V of 1879 ...	40	43	...	43	60	6	54	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Markets and Fairs Act IV of 1892 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Motor Vehicles Act II of 1904 ...	309	293	4	400	64	73	326	1	2	2	...	...	1	...
Municipal (District) Act III of 1901 ...	18,784	18,611	402	18,941	20,361	2,466	16,670	279	1,167	215	1	13	109	...
Municipal (Bombay) Act III of 1883 ...	9,027	8,981	...	8,731	8,731	4,471	4,260	31	...	60	...	31	...	...
Municipal Servants Act V of 1890 ...	2	2	...	2	7	6	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Police Regulation XII of 1827 ...	68	63	1	64	73	8	65	...	2	2	...	...	...	...
Port Trust Acts VI of 1870 and VI of 1893 ...	91	89	...	89	99	10	89	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Prevention of Adulteration Act II of 1890 ...	9	9	...	9	9	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Public Conveyance Act VI of 1893 ...	8,975	8,877	23	8,931	8,931	819	8,112	41	83	91	1	2	31	...
Public Ferries Act II of 1898 as amended by Act II of 1878 ...	14	14	1	15	26	19	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Registration of Boats Act I of 1893 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sales of Poisons Act VIII of 1896 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salt Act II of 1890 ...	121	121	...	121	151	29	122	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sanitary Board Act V of 1899 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tolls Act III of 1875 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tramways Act I of 1874 ...	13	13	...	13	13	10	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Attempts at do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tramways (Karachi) Act II of 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vaccination (Karachi) Act IV of 1879 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vaccination Act I of 1877 ...	13	13	1	13	13	2	7	...	4	...	...	...	...	...
Vessels Plying on the Indus Act I of 1863 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Village Police Act VIII of 1877 ...	2,608	2,515	25	2,599	2,740	2,176	1,510	...	55	24	1	...	...	...
Village Sanitation Act I of 1899 ...	216	210	...	207	124	20	98	...	2	8	...	...	...	...
44 and 45 Vic. Chap. 58 Statute ...	10	10	...	10	(a)10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
57 and 58 Vic. Chap. 61 Statute ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ordinance No. III of 1914 ...	3	3	...	3	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	187,963	147,877	2,217	149,760	239,812	93,211	132,228	1,067	8,167	11,644	1,151	56	712	21

(a) 10 sent to Military authorities.
 * Of these, 10 sent to Military authorities.

Notes.—Column 1.—(1) "Attempts" should be entered immediately after the offences to which they relate.
 (2) "Abettments" should be included with the substantive offences abetted.
 (3) When giving the list of Special and Local Laws and of which offences have been committed, care should be taken to specify the title of each Act quoted, as well as its number and year. An Act of a local legislature should be distinguished by initial letters placed after the number of the Act.
 Column 2.—All offences (cases) of which information was given, complaint made, or proceedings taken under Chapters IV, V, XIV, XVI, Cr. P. C., for the first time during the year are to be shown, although some of the charges may not have been prosecuted, or may have turned out to be false.
 Column 3.—This column should be the total of column 2 less the number of cases dismissed under section 203, Cr. P. C., and less all other cases in which a Magistrate declared that the charge was false, and that the offence never occurred, or which were dismissed as frivolous and vexatious, and in which the complainant was fined under section 204, Cr. P. C.
 Column 4.—This column should be the total of columns 5 to 9.
 Column 5.—Persons transferred from one Court to another in the same province are not to be entered in this column. A note should be entered in the column of remitta, showing respectively the number of persons who died, escaped or were transferred.
 General.—Cases committed or referred abroad are to be included in this statement by the name of the referring Magistrate. The number of the Act, and these cases should be shown by the Courts to which the cases are committed or referred. If the total of column 11 of Statement No. 1 is deducted from the total of column 2 of that statement, the difference should correspond with the total of column 6 of this statement.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
 Bombay, 6th September 1916.

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Statement to be added as footnote to Annual Judicial Statement No. II (Criminal),
as directed by Government in their Letter No. 3464, dated 8th July 1901.

Discharged.											
Section 118.	Section 119.	Section 203.	Section 203.	Section 219	Section 253.	Section 255.	Section 259.	Section 302.	Section 404.	Section 495.	Special and Local Laws.
5	1,006	236	879	13	14,383	48	3,309	22	86	42	650

Acquitted.								
Section 119.	Section 245.	Section 247.	Section 248.	Section 249.	Section 258.	Section 259.	Section 305.	Section 306.
138	8,602	8,777	10,112	1	4,782	14	18	169

Acquitted—continued.							
Section 307.	Section 309.	Section 345.	Section 376.	Section 404.	Section 495.	Special and Local Laws.	Total.
17	403	43,955	7	554	121	1,174	93,920

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 6th September 1916.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 2-A—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of European British subjects in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

Description of Offence.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE DISPOSED OF										BY THE TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS OR WHOSE												
	By District Magistrates and other First Class Magistrates.				By Courts of Session.			By High Court.			Total for all Courts.	Column 2 to 4.		Column 5 to 6.	Column 7 and 14.	Column 11 and 12.							
	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Committed		Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Transferred to High Court under section 449 (2) of the Code.	Convicted.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Acquitted or discharged.	Number who cannot be tried by a mixed jury, section 421 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not claim.	Number of those in whose case were transferred under section 419 of the Code.	Number who were tried by a mixed jury, section 421 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not claim.	Number who were tried by a mixed jury, section 421 (1) of the Code.	Number who did not claim.	Total of European British subjects.	Total of those who were tried by a mixed jury.	Total of those who were tried by a mixed jury.	Total of those who were tried by a mixed jury.	Total of those who were tried by a mixed jury.
			To Courts of Session.	To High Court.																			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Offences against the State, Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to the Army and Navy, Chapter VII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences against the public tranquillity, Chapter VIII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences by or relating to public servants, Chapter IX, Indian Penal Code	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Contempts of the lawful authority of public servants, Chapter X, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
False evidence and offences against public justice, Chapter XI, Indian Penal Code	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to Coin and Government Stamps, Chapter XII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to weights and measures, Chapter XIII, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals, Chapter XIV, Indian Penal Code	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to religion, Chapter XV, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences affecting life	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hurt	9	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	24	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal force and assault	11	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	30	..	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Attempts at do.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rape	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Attempts at rape	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Unnatural offences	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Theft	20	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	4	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Extortion	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Robbery and dacoity	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal misappropriation of property	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of trust	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receiving of stolen property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cheating	9	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	4	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mischief	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal trespass	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks, Chapter XVIII, Indian Penal Code	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal breach of contracts of service, Chapter XIX, Indian Penal Code	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences relating to marriage, Chapter XX	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Defamation, Chapter XXI	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance, Chapter XXII	4	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	20	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Offences under Special and Local laws	202	62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	202	62	..	264	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	378	106	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	378	106	1	485	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	194	177	..

* The case of European British subject disposed of by the High Court is shown in column 21.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 3—(CRIMINAL).

Statement of Miscellaneous Proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Code in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1915.

Nature of Proceedings.	Total number of cases before the Courts during the year.	Number of persons concerned.	Number of persons discharged.	Number of persons convicted.	REMARKS.		
					Pending.	Died.	Escaped.
1	2	3	4	5	6		
1.—Proceedings against witnesses under Chapter VI C and section 485.	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
2.—Proceedings under Chapter VIII to prevent breach of the peace.	235	1,323	565	711	47	...	...
3.—Proceedings under Chapter VIII, security for good behaviour.	1,339	2,921	568	2,147	165	5	36
4.—Proceedings against local nuisances, Chapter X.	43	95	47	43	5	...	...
5.—Possession, Chapter XII...	82	330	140	165	25	...	...
6.—Frivolous or vexatious accusations summarily dealt with under Chapter XX, section 250.	972	1,101	100	1,001	...	...	...
7.—Non-attendance of Jurors or Assessors, Chapter XXIII, section 332.	8	8	3	5	...	...	...
8.—Maintenance, Chapter XXXVI.	675	694	514	163	17	...	...
9.—Forfeiture of bail or recognizance under Chapter XLII.	1,278	1,347	56	1,291	...	...	...
10.—Proceedings under Chapter XLVI, section 563, against convicted offenders released under section 562.	62	73	...	73	...	...	...
Total ...	4,625	7,893	1,993	5,600	259	5	36

15 cases were pending at the close of the year.

NOTES.—Column 1, Sub-head 6.—Complainants fined under section 250 are not to be entered as convicted in Statements 2, 4 or 5, but the fact of the fines having been imposed may be noted in the column of remarks of Statement 2 against the complaints preferred by them.

Column 1, Sub-heads 2 and 3.—Cases under sections 107, 108, 109, 110, 118, 120 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code, will also appear under the appropriate head of the Schedule in Statement 2. Persons convicted under these heads and required to give security or recognizance under sections 120 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code, will also appear in Statement 5.

Column 1, Sub-heads 4, 5 and 8.—Cases under these sub-heads will not appear in Statements 2, 4 or 5. Jury cases, under Chapter X, will however appear in Statement 13.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 4.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the General Result of Criminal Trials in the Tribunals

Class of Courts.	Total number of persons under trial.	PERSONS WHOSE CASES WERE					
		Died, escaped or transferred to another province.	Discharged or acquitted.	CON			
				On regular trial.			
				Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.	
Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, etc.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Village Officers	3,704	...	2,233	909	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—							
Special Magistrates under section 14.	(a) 28,741	110	16,338	2,104	1	...	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly.	15,165	588	4,176	2,732	14	...	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	118,219	372	65,281	33,884	601	1	3
Benches of Magistrates	57,488	4	4,492	3,672	14	...	...
Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards.	228	...	20	205	...	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—							
Cases referred under sections 347, 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	1,043	...	350	598	27	...	1
Chief Magistrates of Districts ...	265	...	87	129	2	...	1
Courts of Session	2,607	13	901	1,271	5	...	...
Superior Courts	191	...	42	140	...	...	...
Total ...	* 227,671	1,087	93,920	45,644	664	1	5

* Includes 10 sent to

NOTES.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts of Session" includes cases decided by Sessions Judges on reference under sections 31, Column 1.—Sub-head "Superior Courts" includes cases decided by the High Court on reference under sections 307 and 374. Column 2.—That is the total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14. The cases of persons transferred from one Court to another are shown in Column 3.—A note against the figure for each Court should be made in the column of remarks, showing separately how many persons whose cases were referred to a Superior Court for higher punishment or for confirmation of sentence. Column 4.—These cases will also be shown against the Magistrates who made the reference, entry being made as directed in Column 14.—An insane accused, who has been sent to a Lunatic Asylum, should be kept on the file and entered in this column. Column 5.—Omit cases in which the accused died, escaped or was transferred. Column 6.—In calculating the duration before the Magistrates' Courts the starting point to be taken is not the date of commitment but the date of days occupied should be given commencing from the date of commitment. Cases in which the accused has absconded should be given as such. General.—The figures in this Statement should agree with those in Statement No. 2, and should include nothing else.

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No. 4—(CRIMINAL).

of various Classes in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

DISPOSED OF.												
VICTED.												
On summary trial.												
Sentence passed.	Released on probation, section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.	Youthful offenders dealt with under section 31, Act VIII of 1897.		Committed or referred.	Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year.	Number of cases disposed of during the year.	Average number of days during which each case lasted.	Number of witnesses examined.	Particulars of column 8.			Remarks.
		Discharged after admonition.	Delivered to parent or guardian, &c.						Decd.	Escaped.	Transferred.	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18			19
515	...	...	...	...	47	2,335	6.1	3,723	...	...	...
9,379	444	2	...	81	272	21,215	5.8	53,524	39	42	29	(1) Ill sent to Military Authorities.
6,714	28	...	...	35	893	10,660	7.2	9,621	291	307	...	
10,314	235	4	20	1,918	5,586	59,998	14.3	109,186	170	202	...	
48,189	3	128	...	1	935	51,178	4.01	61,674	4	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	3	207	1.04	195	...	...	...
17	2	...	...	19	29	718	8.2	2,438	...	...	...
20	...	...	...	...	23	89	22.7	261	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	105	312	964	106.9	9,900	13	1	...	
...	...	...	...	...	9	123	23.3	424	...	...	...
75,148	712	134	20	2,159	8,167	147,515	9.7	311,003	206	372	29	

Military Authorities.

84 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code.

Criminal Procedure Code.

another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided or in which pending at the end of the year, if not decided.

accused persons were transferred to other Provinces.

sentence, will be entered in Column 13, and not in Columns 5 to 12 against the Court making the reference. Against the Court receiving the reference passed.

above, until he has been tried and either convicted or acquitted.

plaint or information, but that of apprehension or attendance on summons or otherwise of the accused. As regards Courts of Session, the actual number before arrest or has escaped from custody should be taken off the file till the persons implicated appear again.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the Punishment inflicted by the various Criminal

Class of Tribunal.	PERSONS SENTENCED TO									Persons ordered to pay fine or give security or recognizance to keep the peace or sureties for good behaviour.	Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.						
	Death.	Transportation.	Penal Servitude.	Imprisonment.		Forfeiture of property.	Fine.	Whipping.	Persons ordered to pay fine or give security or recognizance to keep the peace or sureties for good behaviour.			Persons imprisoned in default of security for good behaviour.	Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.
				Rigorous.	Simple.								Rs. 10 and under.	Rs. 50 and under.	Rs. 100 and under.	Rs. 500 and under.	Rs. 1,000 and under.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Village Courts ... ..	...	...	...	...	825	...	1,099	...	...	...	1,099	...	...	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—																	
Special Magistrates under section 14 ... ..	...	...	...	2,705	1,182	...	5,042	460	468	18	2,757	1,955	216	105	8
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly ... ..	...	...	...	442	87	...	8,969	7	105	84	8,610	836	13	10	...
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly ... ..	...	...	...	11,523	880	1	81,807	358	2,735	1,184	25,489	5,483	633	181	21
Benches of Magistrates ... ..	...	...	...	490	545	...	46,636	22	114	...	46,032	591	9	4	...
Sanitary Boards and Sanitary Committees ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	...	203	...	...	...	203	...	...	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—																	
Cases referred under sections 347, 349, Criminal Procedure Code ... ..	...	...	...	266	11	...	339	27	82	8	286	46	5	2	...
Chief Magistrates of Districts ... ..	...	...	...	52	1	...	82	1	69	...	21	4	1	2	4
Courts of Session ... ..	...	203	...	914	75	...	101	8	27	63	1	53	20	25	1	
Superior Courts	54	82	...	53	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Total	54	235	...	16,417	3,058	1	94,230	883	3,600	1,307	84,498	8,468	697	331	34		

NOTES.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts of Session" includes cases decided by Sessions Judges on reference under section 123. Column 1.—Sub-head "Superior Courts" includes cases decided by the High Court on reference under sections 307 and Column 19.—Includes fines realized during the year though imposed in previous years. This column is intended to show the Column 20.—Represents compensation awarded to complainants under section 545, Act X of 1882. These awards should General (1).—The total of columns 5, 6 and 11 should correspond with the total of columns 21 to 25 (both inclusive) and the (2).—This statement is meant to exhibit every sentence passed, and where two penalties are inflicted on the same convicted in Statement No. 4, it is necessary to note cases such as those in which fulfilment of contract is tion 502, Code of Criminal Procedure, or for confirmation of sentence, the punishment, if any, sanctioned by

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No. 5—(CRIMINAL).

Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

DETAIL OF PUNISHMENT.													Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.	REMARKS.
Fine.				Imprisonment.					Whipped.					
Above Rs. 1,000.	Total amount of fines imposed during the year.	Total amount of fines realized during the year.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	15 days and under.	6 months and under.	3 years and under.	7 years and under.	Above 7 years.	10 stripes and under.	20 stripes and under.	30 stripes and under.			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
	Rs. s. p.	Rs. s. p.	Rs. s. p.											
...	1,143 13 0	1,131 15 0	.....	825	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
1	1,19,884 5 6	96,064 13 5	11,979 3 4	1,508	1,893	504	...	...	342	118	...	...	68
...	81,245 11 8	80,228 5 6	2,399 12 0	161	270	82	...	...	4	3	...	...	...
...	3,80,779 13 11	3,16,368 12 2	81,002 6 1½	2,701	8,014	2,871	2	...	194	126	89	...	11	
...	1,06,210 6 9	1,01,840 2 5	1,822 4 0	806	146	23	...	...	21	1	...	...	2
...	83 5 0	84 13 0	.....	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	3,177 5 0	2,144 3 3	146 0 0	84	99	152	...	...	17	10	...	...	1
...	4,417 0 0	2,619 5 0	82 0 0	1	4	16	32	...	1	...	...	...	2
1	14,333 12 1½	8,858 10 10½	2,738 8 1½	74	170	274	412	92	2	2	4	...	1	
...	700 0 0	.....	.....	...	1	18	37	2	...	...	...	...	...
2	6,61,450 8 11½	5,59,339 0 7½	50,220 1 7	5,672	10,597	3,935	614	94	551	200	42	...	55	

Criminal Procedure Code.

374, Criminal Procedure Code.

realized portion of fines imposed by officers in the exercise of Original Jurisdiction only.

also be shown under the head *fines* "imposed" and "realized" in columns 18 and 19, for they form part of such fines.

total of column 8 should correspond with the total of columns 12 to 17 inclusive.

offender to exhibit them both. Further, to reconcile the number of persons entered in this statement as punished with the number entered as ordered under Act XIII of 1859 in a foot-note, As regards persons whose cases were referred for higher punishment for orders under the Higher Court should be entered against such higher Court, and not against the Court making the reference.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. V-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART I.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1915.

Showing Whippings inflicted under sections 3, 4 and 5 of Act IV of 1909, in lieu of other punishments.

Offences for which awarded.	NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED			Total.	REMARKS.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>In lieu of other punishments (sections 3 to 5, Act IV of 1909).</i>					
1. Theft, as defined in {					
Section 378, Indian Penal Code.	48	51	26	125	
" 379 " ...	131	38	1	170	
" 380 " ...	135	87	7	279	
" 381 " ...	26	15	...	41	
" 382 " ...	...	1	...	1	
2. Extortion, as defined in {					
" 388 " ...	...	...	...	...
" 389 " ...	...	...	...	...
3. Dacoity as defined in section 395, Indian Penal Code.	2	...	...	2	
4. Dishonestly receiving stolen property, as defined in {					
Section 411, Indian Penal Code...	10	5	...	15	
" 412 " ...	...	...	...	...
5. Lurking house-trespass, as defined in section 443, Indian Penal Code.	...	...	...	...
6. Lurking house-trespass by night, as defined in section 444, Indian Penal Code.	4	2	...	6	
7. House-breaking, as defined in section 445, Indian Penal Code.	...	2	...	2	
8. House-breaking by night, as defined in section 446, Indian Penal Code.	11	5	...	16	
9. Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking, as defined in section 454, Indian Penal Code.	1	...	...	1	
10. Offences under section 52, Act IX of 1894 ...	...	...	...	...
11. Offences under section 127, Act IX of 1890 ...	2	...	...	2	
On 1st conviction ...	379	159	6	544	
On re-conviction ...	41	47	28	116	
Total ...	420	206	34	660	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. V-A--(CRIMINAL).

PART II.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1915.

Showing Whippings in addition to other punishments, section 4, Act IV of 1900.

Offences for which awarded.	NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED			Total.	REMARKS.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
IN ADDITION TO OTHER PUNISHMENTS. (SECTION 4.)					
Section 378, Indian Penal Code...	...	...	...	...
1.—Theft as defined in ...	379	1	2	3	
"	380	...	...	...
"	381	...	...	...
"	382	...	...	...
2.—Extortion ditto ...	388	...	...	...
"	389	...	...	...
3.—Dishonestly receiving stolen property as defined in ...	411	2	...	2	
4.—Lurking house-trespass as defined in ...	412	...	...	...
"	443	...	...	...
5.—Lurking house-trespass by night as defined in ...	414	...	...	...
6.—House-breaking as defined in ...	445	...	...	...
7.—House-breaking by night as defined in ...	446	...	...	...
8.—Offences under section 52, Act IX of 1894	...	...	...	...
Section 193, Indian Penal Code...	...	...	...	...
9.—False evidence as defined in ...	194	...	...	...
"	195	...	...	...
10.—False charge of unnatural offence as defined in ...	211	...	...	...
"	377	...	...	...
11.—Assault as defined in...	354	...	...	...
12.—Rape ditto ...	375	...	2	2	
13.—Unnatural offence as defined in ...	377	...	...	...
14.—Hobbery ditto ...	390	...	...	...
15.—Dacoity ditto ...	391	...	...	...
16.—Attempt at robbery as defined in ...	393	...	...	...
17.—Hurt in committing robbery as defined in ...	394	...	...	...
18.—Receiving stolen property as defined in ...	413	...	...	...
"	463	...	...	...
19.—Forgery as defined in ...	466	...	...	...
"	467	...	...	...
"	468	...	...	...
"	469	...	...	...
20.—Lurking house-trespass as defined in ...	443	...	...	...
21.— Ditto by night ditto	444	
22.—House-breaking ditto	445	
23.—Ditto by night ditto...	446	
Total ...	3	2	2	7	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. V-A—(CRIMINAL).

PART III.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1915.

Showing Whippings inflicted under section 5, Act IV of 1909, on juveniles for offences other than those specified in Parts I and II.

Offences.	NUMBER OF PERSONS AWARDED			Total.	REMARKS.
	5 to 10 stripes.	11 to 20 stripes.	21 to 30 stripes.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
.....	158	52	6	216	
On 1st conviction	150	49	4	203	
On re-conviction	8	3	2	13	
Total	158	52	6	216	

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PART IV.

Statement showing the Particulars of Whippings inflicted by the Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency of Bombay during the year 1915.

Showing relative number of times Whipping was awarded as compared with other punishments.

Punishments.	Number.	Remarks.
1	2	3
1. Total number of whippings awarded	893	
2. Total number of other punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded	7,174	
3. Total number of all punishments in cases in which whipping might have been awarded. (Total of headings 1 and 2)	8,057	
4. Percentage of whippings on total number of all punishments (percentage of heading 1 on heading 3)	10.96	

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6—(CRIMINAL).

Statement showing the result of Appeal and Revision in Criminal Cases in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

Tribunals.	NUMBER OF PERSONS.											Average number of days during which each appeal lasted.	Number of Appeals raised during the year.	Remarks.
	Total number of Appellants and Applicants for revision before the Courts.	Died, escaped, transferred to another province.	Appeals or Applications rejected.	Sentences or order confirmed.	Sentences enhanced.	Sentences reduced or otherwise altered.	Sentences reversed.	Proceedings quashed.	New trial or further enquiry ordered.	Referred for revision to the High Court.	Pending trial.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Appeals.														
To Chief Magistrates of Districts	3,009	...	975	911	...	303	669	4	27	1	116	110	2,074	
„ Courts of Session	2,954	1	1,432	608	...	273	469	3	16	4	204	123	2,007	
Superior Courts. {	By persons convicted	784	1	423	161	...	47	47	...	9	...	43	282	
	By Government from judgment of acquittal	305	2	114	98	17	18	14	...	12	1	21	132	
Total	7,002	4	2,944	1,781	17	614	1,139	7	64	6	306	307	4,293	
Revision.														
By Chief Magistrates of Districts	157	...	138	...	...	...	...	40	42	20	6	100	190	
„ Courts of Session	541	...	292	...	...	...	...	9	93	59	101	210	203	
„ Superior Courts	995	...	422	305	19	101	132	10	26	...	130	415	213	
Total	1,693	...	1,552	315	19	101	132	59	161	84	235	375	1,295	
Grand Total	*3,696	4	4,496	2,146	36	715	1,271	66	225	94	631	369	6,184	* In the application for revision mentioned in the column of remarks there were 1,015 persons involved, and these must be added to the grand total of column 2 to make it equal to the total of column 3 to 12.

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "To Chief Magistrates of Districts" includes other Magistrates authorized to hear appeals under section 47, Criminal Procedure Code.

Column 2.—Total of Columns 3 to 12. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the end of the year, if not decided. The words "Applicants for Revision" in the heading of this column should be held to include only persons on whose behalf an application for revision is made, or in whose interest the Magistrate or Judge may take steps to obtain revision on his own motion. Where such application is made on behalf of a complainant, the fact should be noted with the number of complainants concerned in the column of remarks. In the latter case the persons concerned whom the application is made, though not appearing in this column, will fall into their proper places in Columns 3 to 12 according to the result of each application. This note is held to apply also to cases dealt with by the High Court on review of returns.

Column 3.—Appeals dismissed under section 423, Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in this column.

Column 4.—Orders of discharge set aside by a Superior Court under section 436, Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in this column.

Column 10.—When a sentence is reversed or proceedings are quashed on appeal, and a new trial or further enquiry is at the same time ordered, the Appellate Court should not fill in Column 8 as well as Column 10, or Column 9 as well as Column 10, in each case, respectively, but should make the entry in Column 10 only.

Column 13.—Duration of appeals, applications for revision or references should be calculated thus:—

- (1) Appeals from the date of receipt in office of the petition of appeal.
- (2) Applications for revision from the date of application.
- (3) Cases dealt with by the Court otherwise than on application from date of the order calling for the records; and
- (4) Cases sent to the High Court by Lower Courts for revision from the date of the letter from the Court making the reference.

General.—Persons whose appeals were rejected under section 421, Criminal Procedure Code, should be entered in Column 6, in which should also be included applicants for revision whose cases the Courts have refused to submit to the High Court.

In Columns 8 to 10 should be shown opposite the sub-heads for "Magistrates of Districts" and "Courts of Session" persons whose cases were disposed of by those Courts without reference to the High Court, and in Column 11 all persons whose cases those Courts referred to the High Court.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the Number and Description of Civil Suits instituted

Class of Tribunals.	Suits for money or moveable property.	SUITS UNDER THE RENT LAW.					
		Arrears of rent with or without ejection.	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For penalties or damages of compensation for wrongful act on the part of landlord or tenant.	For ejection or recovery of possession alone.	All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
<i>Civil Courts.</i>							
Unpaid Tribunals	141	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	87,055	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small Cause Courts	12,335	...	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts. }	333	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chief Courts of Districts							
Total	99,864	...	...	...	...	...	...
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	*35,349
Superior Courts	1,058
Total	36,407
Grand Total	136,271

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in the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

TITLE AND OTHER SUITS.										REMARKS.
Suits for immovable 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	19
20	3	...	10	...	...	...	15	48	180	
12,052	1,511	57	6,489	22	180	28	3,778	24,117	111,172	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	105	105	12,440	
134	64	...	30	6	25	175	107	631	964	
12,206	1,575	57	6,529	28	205	203	4,095	24,901	124,765	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	85,340	* Includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.
17	12	...	...	18	15	21	1,167	1,245	2,303	
17	12	18	15	21	1,167	1,245	37,652	
12,223	1,590	57	6,529	41	220	224	5,262	26,146	162,417	

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Statement showing Number and Value of Suits instituted in the

Class of Tribunals	NUMBER OF SUITS INSTITUTED				
	Not exceeding Rs. 10.	Not exceeding Rs. 50.	Not exceeding Rs. 100.	Not exceeding Rs. 500.	Not exceeding Rs. 1,000.
1	2	3	4	5	6
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.					
<i>Civil Courts.</i>					
Unpaid Tribunals	23	59	45	52	5
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals...	10,499	41,987	22,737	27,987	4,011
Small Cause Courts	1,250	5,343	2,793	2,889	165
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	50	38	35	163	63
Chief Courts of Districts					
Total ...	11,822	47,427	25,610	31,091	4,244
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.					
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	*1,457	13,354	8,086	9,986	1,666
Superior Courts ... ..	...	...	...	1	8
Total ...	1,457	13,354	8,086	9,987	1,674
Grand Total ...	13,279	60,781	33,696	41,078	5,918

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No. 8—(CIVIL).

Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

IN THE DIFFERENT COURTS.				Total Value of Suits.	REMARKS.
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.		
7	8	9	10	11	12
				Rs. a. p.	
5	...	...	...	31,569 1 4	
2,752	273	141	785	2,87,68,025 15 5½	
...	...	...	...	11,39,835 6 1	
269	58	58	285	31,71,480 1 5	
3,026	326	199	1,020	3,31,10,938 8 3½	
800	...	...	...	55,66,414 1 10	* Includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.
613	177	260	1,244	1,53,91,497 5 7½	
1,413	177	260	1,244	2,03,47,941 7 5½	
4,439	503	459	2,264	5,40,53,977 16 9½	

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PART I—

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of Civil Cases in the

Class of Courts.	Total number of suits before the Courts.	NUMBER OF SUITS					
		Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Without trial.	WITHOUT CONTEST.			
				Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed <i>ex parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex parte</i> .
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
<i>Civil Courts.</i>							
Unpaid Tribunals ..	293	...	32	23	43	21	8
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	157,035	32	13,701	29,516	6,358	13,087	2,129
Small Cause Courts ...	15,795	27	1,226	2,290	1,478	2,925	40
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	2,019	1	225	106	3	106	7
Chief Courts of Districts ...							
Total ...	175,192	60	15,184	31,935	7,892	16,139	2,184
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts.	*10,170	...	1,470	7,585	8,807	10,791	193
Superior Courts ...	4,801	...	531	415	54	829	399
Total ...	44,971	...	2,001	8,000	8,861	11,610	592
Grand Total ...	(a)220,163	60	17,185	39,935	16,743	27,749	2,776

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 13. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will pendency from the preceding year should be noted in the column of remarks and when deducted from the total of at the end of the previous year, the balance does not agree with the figures in Column 18 of Statement No. VII, the Column 6.—When under Order IX, rule 8, Civil Procedure Code, a decree is wholly or partially made in favour of an absent Column 8.—A case in which Defendant appears but a Plaintiff does not and Defendant does not confess judgment and the Columns 15 and 16.—As regards the average duration of suits the date of the presentation of the plaint shall be considered admission after amendment shall be regarded as the date of institution. With regard to applications to execute decrees in the particular Court should alone be calculated. The interval should be omitted during which an application for review are to be treated as if newly instituted on revival.

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No. 9—(CIVIL).

CIVIL SUITS.

Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

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.		REMARKS.
ON REFERENCE TO ARBITRATION.		WITH CONTEST.				Contested.	Uncontested.	
For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.	Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
10	...	27	3	126	109	398.2	115.3	
1,356	73	41,164	6,850	42,810	22,662	240	105.1	Besides the suits shown in columns 4 to 12, the following were also before the High Court on its Original Side:— 84 Petitions for leave to sue or defend in forma pauperis. 19 " under the Indian Trustees' Act. 67 " " the Indian Companies' Act. 3 References under the Land Acquisition Act. 263 Miscellaneous Petitions.
8	1	3,447	260	4,093	2,103	102	65.3	
85	10	418	151	907	720	395.6	229.1	
1,459	84	45,056	7,264	47,945	25,594	232	101	There were also 589 applications for Probate and Letters of Administration, most of which were disposed of by the Registrar.
176	58	4,983	1,404	4,713	1,131	54.9	46.5	* This includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.
...	...	234	89	2,250	1,310	336	369	(a) The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 55,841. If this be deducted from the total in column 7, the balance is 164,623 instead of 162,417. This is due to there being 2,206 revived suits.
176	58	5,217	1,493	6,963	2,971	68.3	65.3	
1,635	142	50,273	8,757	54,903	28,565	213.4	89.1	

appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided. The number of cases Column 2 should leave a balance corresponding with the total of Column 13 of Statement No. VII. II, after deducting the arrears shown difference should be explained.

Plaintiff on the admission of the Defendant, the case should be entered in this column.
case is thereupon dismissed, the case should be entered in this column.

as the date of institution unless some defect or omission requires to be amended before the plaint can be admitted, in which case the date of the date of their presentation should alone be considered. In calculating average duration, the time that the suit has been actually pending which has been granted, or an appeal in which an order of remand has been passed, has been pending in the Superior Court. Revived suits

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PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the General Result of the trial of Civil Cases in the Courts

Class of Courts.	Total Number of Cases before the Courts.	NUMBER OF SUITS					
		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
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
<i>Civil Courts.</i>							
Unpaid Tribunals	34	...	2	...	...	6	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	9,707	1	1,058	228	475	1,397	588
Small Cause Courts	383	...	25	28	42	39	7
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	2,217	...	126	13	31	330	129
Chief Courts of Districts							
Total ...	12,341	1	1,211	269	548	1,772	724
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Presidency Small Cause Courts ...	8,123	...	2,910	558	2,556	1,150	2
Superior Courts	30	...	5	...	...	...	...
Total ...	8,153	...	2,915	558	2,556	1,150	2
Grand Total ...	20,494	1	4,126	827	3,104	2,922	726

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 13. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province, General (1)—Cases under Order XXI, rule 58, Civil Procedure Code, should be treated as Miscellaneous Judicial Cases.

(2)—The classes of Applications dealt with by Appellate Courts only and specified in the note to Judicial Statement

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Bombay, 6th September 1916.

No. 9—(CIVIL).

CASES (JUDICIAL).

of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

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.	REMARKS.
On reference to Arbitration.		With contest.					
For Plaintiff.	For Defendant.	Judgment for Plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for Defendant.				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9	3	1	2	11	8	207.9	
12	7	2,442	1,341	2,158	851	112.7	
...	...	115	67	70	24	44.5	
1	...	590	350	637	388	146.2	
22	10	3,148	1,760	2,876	1,266	122	
...	...	205	210	412	14	23.4	* This includes the figure for the Small Cases Court, Karachi.
...	...	12	9	4	4	87.6	
...	...	307	219	416	18	25.6	
22	10	3,455	1,979	3,322	1,231	78.7	

will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

No. 10, Part II, should not be shown in this Statement.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART I.—APPEALS

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in another Province or Presidency.	Decisions confirmed under Order XLI, rule 11, Civil Procedure Code.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD <i>ex parte</i> .				
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.									
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.									
<i>Civil Courts.</i>									
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	(a) 10,982	1	676	480	56	22	26	12	
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ...									
Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Court of Province ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	10,982	1	676	480	56	22	26	12	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.									
Chief Court of Province.	Appeals from Original Decrees	965	...	15	39	41	...	2	...
	Appeals from Appellate Decrees	2,236	...	451	24
Total ...	3,201	...	466	63	41	...	2	...	
Grand Total ...	14,183	1	1,142	543	97	22	28	12	

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14. Appeals, transferred from one Court to another *in the same*. This column should also include appeals pending from the preceding

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No. 10—(CIVIL).

FROM DECREES.

Courts of the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

CONTESTED.				Pending.	Of these pending more than three months.	Average duration of Appeals.	Objections under Order XXI, rule 22, Act V of 1908.	REMARKS.
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
3,047	497	688	285	5,242	3,629	366	317	(a) These include 853 appeals disposed of by First Class Subordinate Judges and Small Cause Court Judges invested with Appellate Powers.
...	
3,047	497	688	285	5,242	3,629	366	317	
201	28	55	2	582	482	413.3	32	
538	39	100	23	1,061	875	339.3	45	
739	67	155	25	1,643	1,357	357.5	77	
3,786	564	843	260	6,885	4,986	364.2	424	* This includes 7,227 appeals pending at the close of the preceding year.

Provinces, will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided, or, the number of such being noted in the column of remarks.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate

Class of Courts.	Total number of Appeals before the Court.	Transferred to Courts in other Provinces.	Decisions confirmed, Order XLI, rule 11, C. P. C.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	HEARD <i>ex parte</i> .			
					Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.								
<i>Civil Courts.</i>								
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts. } Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ... } Superior Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Province.	353	1	49	31	14	2	1	3
...
Total ...	353	1	49	31	14	2	1	3
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.								
Chief Court of Province. { Appeals from Original Orders. Appeals from Appellate Orders.	68	...	9	5	...	...	1	...
...	101	...	12	4	...	...	...	...
Total ...	*169	...	21	9	...	...	1	...
Grand Total ...	+522	...	70	40	14	2	2	3

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in Columns 3 to 14, Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts transferred from the year, if not decided.

General.—This statement should include not only Appeals from Orders under section 104 of the Code of Civil Procedure

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No. 10—(CIVIL).

APPEALS.

Courts of the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

CONTESTED.				Pending.	Of those pending more than three months.	Average duration of Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts.	Objections under Order XII, rule 25, Act V of 1908.	REMARKS
Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
92	6	30	8	116	44	130.4	1	<p>* In addition to these the following miscellaneous work was disposed of by the High Court, Appellate Side, and the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind:—</p> <p><i>By the High Court, Appellate Side,</i></p> <p>20 Applications to withdraw or transfer Appeals, section 24, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>8 Applications for leave to appeal as a pauper, Or. XLIV, r. 1, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>27 Applications for review of judgment, section 114, and Or. XLVII, r. 1, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>8 Applications for leave to appeal to His Majesty's Privy Council, Or. XLV, r. 7, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>135 Applications for stay of execution, Or. XLI, r. 3, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>306 Applications under the Court's Extraordinary Jurisdiction.</p> <p>12 Civil References. Of these— 7 were under the Indian Divorce Act (IV of 1909); 2 were under the Civil Procedure Code (Act V of 1909); 2 were under the Adm. Act (Bom. Act II of 1904); and 1 was under the Indian Stamp Act (II of 1902).</p>
...	
92	6	30	8	116	44	130.4	1	
13	5	12	...	23	5	195.8	...	
26	5	9	3	42	31	222	3	
39	10	21	3	65	36	210.7	3	
131	16	51	11	181	80	154.9	4	<p>120 All other applications under the Civil Procedure Code not especially mentioned above, and 2,335 Applications were disposed of out of Court by the Registrar and his Deputy.</p> <p><i>By the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sind,</i></p> <p>47 Applications under section 25 of Act IX of 1907.</p> <p>19 Applications under section 115, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>1 Application under Or. XLVI, r. 6, Civil Procedure Code and 1 Application under sections 104, Civil Procedure Code.</p> <p>† This includes 154 appeals pending at the close of the preceding year.</p>

one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or is still pending at the close of but also Appeals in Miscellaneous Judicial cases, & c., the cases entered in Judicial Statement No. 9—Part II.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the result of Proceedings on applications for the Execution of the

Class of Courts,	Total number of applications for the execution of decree 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.	Amount realized.
		By transfer.	Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Rs. s. p.								
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.								
<i>Civil Courts.</i>								
Unpaid Tribunals	226	...	54	34	69	69	59	10,477 8 2
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	158,349	14	28,614	28,882	57,616	43,223	21,024	46,08,109 6 1
Small Cause Courts	12,106	...	1,722	2,676	5,786	1,922	506	1,82,440 14 4
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	717	16	174	51	318	158	64	1,30,879 1 4
Chief Courts of Districts								
Total ...	171,393	30	30,564	31,643	63,780	45,372	21,653	48,81,906 13 11
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.								
Presidency Small Cause Courts	*22,235	499	2,391	3,393	12,602	2,250	219	9,03,033 9 4
Superior Courts	1,347	198	68	12	681	858	160	22,84,031 0 7
Total ...	23,582	697	2,959	3,905	13,283	2,738	379	81,87,724 9 11
Grand Total ...	†194,980	727	33,523	35,548	77,072	48,110	22,032	80,69,631 7 10

Note.—Column 2—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 7.

* This includes the figures for the Small Cause Court, Karachi.

† This includes 47,022 pending at the close of the preceding year.

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No. 11—(CIVIL).

Decrees of the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS.												REMARKS
On which the judgment debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which moveable 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 the preceding columns.	
10	11	Was sold.	Was attached, but subsequently released.	Was sold.	Was dealt with under r. 85, O. XXI, section 2 of schedule III or section 72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached, but subsequently released under r. 85, O. XXI.	Of moveables.	Of immovables.	19	20	21	
4	3	5	1	11	...	8	...	1	30	Statement showing the number and duration of Decrees disposed of during the year 1915, in which Immovable Property was sold by the Collectors of the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay, including bid (vide Government letter No. 875, dated 16th February 1914).
215	534	777	890	3,216	721	2,214	44	3,430	127	200	33,403	
140	194	104	85	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1,087
3	...	7	1	18	...	8	...	14	...	2	48	
892	728	888	979	3,230	722	2,228	40	3,428	127	209	34,028	
692	3,146	308	669	...	...	...	...	97	...	...	1,323
6	80	1	31	23	...	20	...	4	...	...	118
698	3,176	369	700	23	...	20	...	101	...	...	1,413
1,030	3,904	1,287	1,679	3,862	722	2,219	46	3,559	127	209	35,961	

Total number of Decrees in which Immoveable property was sold.	Number of Decrees in Columns 2 which were pending										
	Less than 1 year.	Over 1 year.	Over 2 years.	Over 3 years.	Over 4 years.	Over 5 years.	Over 6 years.	Over 7 years.	Over 8 years.	Over 9 years.	Over 10 years.
1	3	4	5	7	8	9	10	11	11	11	3
By the Civil Courts -	67	64	63	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	1
By the Collectors -	15	71	24	2	3	10	3	1	1	1	2

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 12—(CIVIL).

Statement showing the Number and Result of Applications and Proceedings under the Provincial Insolvency Act, III of 1907, in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

Class of Courts.	APPLICATIONS FOR A DECLARATION OF INSOLVENCY.								Number of Insolvents discharged during the year under section 44.
	Total number for hearing.	Transferred to another Province, withdrawn, etc.	Granted.		Rejected.			Pending at the close of the year.	
			A receiver being appointed.	A receiver not being appointed.	Penal proceedings under section 43 not being taken.	Sentence of imprisonment being passed under section 43.	Applicant being sent to the Magistrate to be dealt with.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	1,051	83	101	291	84	5	...	487	32
Chief Courts of Districts.	93	26	35	6	...	2	...	24	6
Superior Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,144	109	136	297	84	7	...	511	38

Class of Courts.	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 INSOLVENTS' ASSETS REALIZED AND DISBURSED.		REMARKS.
		Admitted.	Satisfied.	Realized during the year.	Disbursed during the year.	
1	11	12	13	14	15	16
Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	34	78,508 12 4	6,809 10 9	1,07,632 4 8	66,900 10 5	
Chief Courts of Districts.	13	98,757 8 7	88,996 13 8	89,711 0 8	86,025 12 5	
Superior Courts ...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	47	1,77,265 15 11	95,306 8 5	1,47,343 4 11	1,52,926 6 10	

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts." Specially empowered under the proviso to sub-section (f) of section 3 of Act III of 1907. (Vide Government Notification, J. D., No. 3358, dated 16th June 1910).

Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 9. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province, will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

Column 3.—Applications struck off for default or otherwise not prosecuted should be entered in this column.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 13.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the use of Juries and Assessors in the Criminal

Classes of Courts in which Jurors or Assessors are employed.	Established or average number of Jury or Assessors in each case and prescribed qualifications.	NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN JURY TRIALS.			
		Tried.	As to whom the Judge		
			Approved verdict.	Did not approve of verdict.	Made reference under section 807, Criminal Procedure Code.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Magistrates' Courts under Chapter X, Criminal Procedure Code. ...	...	...	...	...	...
Courts of Session { Jurors ...	5	452	421	31	31
{ Assessors ...	2
High Court, Original Criminal Jurisdiction. ...	9	70	70
Total	(a) 522	491	31	31

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No. 13—(CRIMINAL).

Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1915.

NUMBER OF ACCUSED PERSONS IN TRIALS WITH ASSESSORS.				REMARKS
Tried.	As to whom the Judge			
	Agreed with all the Assessors.	Differed from one or more but not from all the Assessors.	Differed from all the Assessors.	
7	8	9	10	11
...	...	.....	...	All cases falling under Chapters VIII, XI, XII, XVI, XVII and XVIII or any of the said Chapters, taken in connection with section 75 of the Indian Penal Code, in which the punishment awardable is death, transportation for life or transportation or imprisonment for 10 years or upwards, and also attempts and abettments to commit any of the aforesaid offences were tried by Jury in the district of Poona.
...	...	.....	...	All offences punishable with death, transportation for life, or imprisonment for 10 years were tried by Jury in the districts of Thana and Surat and in the city of Karachi; and in the District of Belgaum upto 21st December 1915.
1,413	984	145	284	All offences except offences punishable under sections, 302, 303, 304, 304A, 305, 306, 307, 308, 311, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 477A, 484, 485, 487, 488, 489A, 489B, 489C, and 489D of the Indian Penal Code and attempts to commit or abettment of, any of these offences, were tried by Jury in the District of Belgaum with effect from 22nd December 1915.
...	...	.....	...	All offences punishable with death were tried by Jury in the district of Ahmedabad.
...	Assessors were employed in all cases committed for trial to the Courts of Session except in the abovementioned districts as noted above. (a) In addition to these there were 8 persons who pleaded guilty, 1 person who died and 3 persons proceedings against whom were withdrawn. (b) In addition to these, there were 216 persons as under :— 118 persons who pleaded guilty. 47 " whose cases were withdrawn. 8 " who died. 1 person proceedings against whom were quashed. 1 person who was pardoned and discharged under section 335, Criminal Procedure Code. 1 " who ran away. 1 " was dealt with under Section 123 (2). 3 persons referred to High Court. 41 " pending trial.
(b) 1,413	984	145	284	216

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