

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Thursday, 17th. March, 1921.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber at Eleven of the Clock. The Honourable the President was in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

CIVIL SUITS IN DELHI COURTS.

482. Mr. Darcy Lindsay: Will the Government be pleased to state what is the number of civil suits filed in the Delhi Courts in the years 1917, 1918 and 1919 which are still unheard?

Mr. S. P. O'Donnell: It is understood that the word 'unheard' is intended to include 'partly heard but not yet decided' because there have of course been many hearings in the pending suits. A statement is laid on the table showing the position as regards these suits at the end of February 1921.

Figures for the Small Cause Court, where work is disposed of expeditiously, are not given.

Statement showing the number of civil suits filed in the courts in Delhi in the years 1917—1919 which are pending at the end of February 1921.

Name of Courts.	Year.	Institutions.	Still pending.
District Judge's Court	1917	11	Nil.
	1918	9	"
	1919	12	"
Sub-Judge's Court	1917	542	Nil.
	1918	719	52
	1919	837	203
Munsif's Court	1917	1,545	4
	1918	1,472	10
	1919	1,590	81

SUMMARY PROCEDURE ON NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS.

483. Mr. Darcy Lindsay: (a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the summary procedure on Negotiable Instruments provided under Order XXXVII of the Civil Procedure Code has been applied to any court in the Capital of India?