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attempt failed, the conviction should be of an offence punishable under Sections 363 and 116 (not 109).

Reg. v. Samia Kaundan. The order of the Sessions Judge reversing the conviction is annulled. The accused Samia Kaundan is convicted of an offence punishable under Sections 363 and 116 of the Penal Code, and is sentenced to be rigorously imprisoned for six months.

## JURISDICTION AS COURT OF REVISION.

Before Mr. Justice Holloway and Mr. Justice Kindersley.

1876. December 11.

PROCEEDINGS, 11TH DECEMBER 1876.

Ex Parte POONEN.

Madras Act III of 1871.—Washerman not an artizan.

A Washerman is not an artizan within the meaning of Madras Act III of 1871.

Upon a reference from the Sessions Judge of Tanjore in this case the High Court were clearly of opinion that a washerman is not an artizan within the meaning of Madras Act III of 1871.

## PRIVY COUNCIL.

Before Sir James W. Colvile, Sir Barnes Peacock, and Sir Robert P. Collier.

1876. November 3. VELLANKI VENKATA KRISHNA RA'O (PLAINTIFF), v. VENKATA RA'MA LAKSHMI, AND TWO OTHERS (DEFENDANTS).

On appeal from the High Court of Judicature at Madras.

Hindu Law-Adoption in the Dravida country-Widow's power to adopt with consent of Sapindas-Motives for making an adoption.

According to the Hindu Law, a widow who has received from her deceased husband an express power to adopt a son in the event of his natural-born son dying under age and unmarried, may on the happening of that event make a valid adoption.

Bhoobun Moyes Debia v. Ram Kishore Acharj Chowdry (1) distinguished.

<sup>(1) 10</sup> Moo. I. A., 279,