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VITAL STATISTICS OF CEYLON.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 1901.

I.—Population.

THE estimated population of the Island on the last day of the quarter was 3,612,711, being an increase of 19,020 on the previous quarter, due to an excess of 6,836 births over deaths, and of 12,184 arrivals over departures of Indian coolies. Table I. in the appendix gives the area of each Province and district of the Island with its estimated population and the number of marriages, births, and deaths registered during the quarter.

2. *Arrivals and Departures of Indian Coolies.*—The total number of Indian coolies who arrived in the Island this quarter was 37,548, and of departures 25,364. Compared with the average for the corresponding quarter of the preceding five years the arrivals show a decline of 3 per cent., and the departures an excess of 6 per cent.

II.—Marriages.

3. *Marriages.*—The number of general marriages (*i.e.*, marriages other than Kandyan or Mohammedan) registered during the quarter was 4,374, and of Kandyan marriages 2,247.

Table VI. in the appendix shows the marriages solemnized in the general community in each Province and district of the Island, the civil condition, nationality, the highest, lowest, and mean ages of the parties, the mode of solemnization, the number of bridegrooms and brides who were unable to sign their names in the register, &c.

Table VII. in the appendix gives similar information in respect of the Kandyans.

4. *First Marriages; Re-marriages.*—Of the 4,374 general marriages, 3,857 (equal to 88 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 358 between widowers and spinsters, 103 between bachelors and widows, 51 between widowers and widows, 2 between bachelors and divorced women, 2 between divorced women and widowers, and 1 between a divorced man and a spinster. Of the 2,247 Kandyan marriages, 1,712 (equal to 76 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 211 between widowers and spinsters, 99 between bachelors and widows, 93 between widowers and widows, 64 between divorced men and spinsters, 43 between divorced women and bachelors, 10 between divorced men and widows, 10 between divorced men and divorced women, and 5 between divorced women and widowers.

5. *Age at Marriage.*—The mean age at marriage for the general community was 26·7 for males and 21·0 for females, and for Kandyans 27·9 for males and 21·0 for females.

6. *Minors.*—In the general community 6 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 52 per cent. of the brides, and amongst the Kandyans 13 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 63 per cent. of the brides, were under 21 years of age.

7. *Mixed Marriages.*—There were 40 mixed marriages during the quarter: 27 between Sinhalese and Tamils 4 between Europeans and Burghers, 4 between Burghers and Sinhalese, 2 between Burghers and Tamils, 1 between a European and a Sinhalese, and 2 other mixed marriages.

8. *Signatures in Marriage Register.*—Of the 8,748 persons married in the general community during the quarter, 1,125 men and 3,338 women signed the register with marks, that is to say, 25 per cent. of the men and 76 per cent. of the women were unable to write their names. Of the 4,494 Kandyans married, 851 men and 2,181 women signed the register with marks, *i.e.*, 38 per cent. of the men and 97 per cent. of the women were unable to write their names.

III.—Births and Deaths.

9. *Births.*—The births registered during the quarter numbered 29,953 (43 Europeans, 161 Burghers, 20,497 Sinhalese, 7,091 Tamils, 2,028 Moors, 90 Malays, and 43 others), and were in the proportion of 33·1 to 1,000 persons living, as against 34·2, the average for the ten third quarters of 1891 to 1900, and 37·3, the rate for the third quarter of last year. The birth- and death-rates for the quarter under report and the previous quarter are based on the census population of 1901, and are not useful for comparison with the rates which are prepared on the estimates of population previous to the census and which require revision.

10. *Deaths.*—The number of deaths registered in the quarter was 23,117 (41 Europeans, 133 Burghers, 13,620 Sinhalese, 7,644 Tamils, 1,523 Moors, 79 Malays, and 77 others), and was equal to an annual rate of 25·6 per 1,000, as against 27·5, the average for the corresponding period in the decade 1891 to 1900, and 26·2, the rate for the preceding quarter.

11. The births and deaths and their rates in the quarter are compared in the following table with the results obtained for the previous quarter, the corresponding quarter of last year, and the average for ten third quarters in the decade 1891 to 1900:—

TABLE A.

		Per Mille per Annum.		
	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate.	Death-rate.
Average of ten previous third quarters in 1891-1900	... 26,624	... 21,410	... 34·2	... 27·5
Third quarter, 1900	... 30,242	... 26,150	... 37·3	... 32·3
Second quarter, 1901	... 30,173	... 23,362	... 33·8	... 26·2
Third quarter, 1901	... 29,953	... 23,117	... 33·1	... 25·6

12. The birth-rate for the quarter (33·1) was a deterioration from the average (34·2), while the death-rate (25·6) shows a fall of nearly 2 per 1,000 from the average (27·5).

13. Table II. in the appendix gives information similar to that given in Table A in respect of each Province and district in the Island; Table I. gives the births and deaths according to sex; Table VIII. the births according to nationality and sex; Table IX. the deaths for each month of the quarter, according to nationality, for each Province and district. The causes of death for each district are shown in Table X.; and for the estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, and in the Kalutara and Colombo Districts of the Western Province in Table XI.; and for the town of Colombo (according to wards and nationalities) in Table XII. Table XIII. shows the period of life at which the deaths of the various races occurred in every district.

14. *Sex.*—Of the total number of births (29,953) 15,368 were males and 14,585 were females, i.e., there were 105 males born to every 100 females. Of the total number of deaths (23,117) 11,920 were males and 11,197 were females. Out of equal numbers living of each sex, there died 937 males to 1,000 females.

15. *Infant Mortality.*—The deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 4,739 and were in the proportion of 158 deaths to 1,000 births. The rate of infant mortality varied in different districts from 429 (for Tamils) in Puttalam, 348 (for Tamils) in Mannar, 286 (for Mohammedans) in Puttalam, 233 (for Sinhalese) in Batticaloa, and 223 (for Sinhalese) in Puttalam, and 209 (for Sinhalese) in Ratnapura and (for Tamils) in Batticaloa, to 149 (for Sinhalese) in Kegalla, 139 (for Sinhalese) in Galle, 119 (for Sinhalese) in Colombo, 111 (for Sinhalese) in Kalutara and in Matara, 98 (for Sinhalese) in Negombo, and 84 (for Sinhalese) in Chilaw.

16. Forty-six deaths (24 males and 22 females) were reported to be of centenarians, but the ages stated cannot be relied upon.

IV.—STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

17. The general health of the population during the quarter was an improvement on the average, the death-rate for the quarter being 25·6 and the average 27·5. The improvement was shared by five of the nine Provinces, especially the North-Western Province, where the death-rate fell to 22·4 from its average 33·9.

18. Tables III., IV., and V. in the appendix show the births and deaths, the birth-rates and the death-rates for all ages in the several Provinces and districts of the Island and in the revenue subdivisions of those districts for the quarter under review, for the preceding quarter, and for the corresponding quarter of the previous year, and the average rate for the corresponding quarters in the decade 1891 to 1900. The rates shown are for the Sinhalese only in the districts which are mainly inhabited by the Sinhalese, and for the Tamils only where the Tamils form the bulk of the population. In the Puttalam District, where the Sinhalese and Mohammedans are found in almost equal numbers, and in the Batticaloa District, which is inhabited in almost equal numbers by Tamils and Mohammedans, the rates are given for the different sections of the population.

19. The healthiest Province in the quarter was as usual the Western, with a Sinhalese death-rate of 17·8. The healthiest district was Negombo (14·6), and the healthiest division was Pitigal korale south of the Chilaw district (10·7), if the small division of Chammanturai patty of Batticaloa district be excluded.

20. *Western Province.*—The Western Province, which contains nearly one-third of the entire Sinhalese population of the Island, showed a Sinhalese mortality rate of 17·8 for the quarter and was an improvement on its average (18·8), and also on the rates for the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of last year (18·3 and 22·6 respectively). The death-rate for all races (20·6) was also an improvement on the average (21·2).

21. In the Colombo District the death-rate declined to 17·9 from its average 18·6. All its subdivisions, except Alutikuru korale south and Salpitit korale showed improved rates. The healthiest division was Siyane korale east (13·4), and the unhealthiest as usual the Colombo Municipality. This division is more fully dealt with in chapter VII.

22. The Negombo District showed an improvement in health during the quarter, the mortality rate declining to 14·6 from an average of 19·1. The improvement was shared by all its subdivisions, especially the Negombo Local Board, where the death-rate fell to 24·0 from its average 39·9.

23. In the Kalutara District the death-rate showed an increase on the average, 19·7 as against 19·1. The deterioration occurred in three of its five subdivisions. The unhealthiest division was Kalutara Local Board (28·1, average 24·5).

24. *Central Province.*—The health of the Sinhalese inhabitants of the Central Province improved during the quarter, their death-rate falling to 24·4 per mille from an average of 31·6. Each of the three districts in the Province contributed to this improvement.

25. In the Kandy District the death-rate for the quarter was 23·0, as against 30·1, the average. Nine of its ten subdivisions enjoyed better health than usual, the exception being Uda Bulatgama. The greatest improvement was in Tumpane, where the death-rate declined to 19·9 from its average 36·9.

26. Matale District, with a death-rate of 28·8, showed a great improvement on the average 40·4. All its subdivisions showed improved rates, notably Matale south, 25·0 as against 39·6, and Matale east, 29·5 as against 43·6.

27. In the Nuwara Eliya District the mortality rate declined to 24·7 from its average 26·6. Of its subdivisions, Uda Hewaheta (23·2) and Walapane (24·7) enjoyed better health than usual, while the other two, Nuwara Eliya Local Board (26·2) and Kotmale (26·2), deteriorated from their respective averages 20·0 and 24·6 respectively.

28. *Northern Province.*—The Northern Province, which contains nearly a third of a million Tamils, showed a Tamil death-rate of 24·1 for the quarter as against the average 21·1. Both Jaffna and Mannar Districts fared worse, and Mullaittivu District better, than usual.

29. In the Jaffna District the death-rate for the quarter was 23·0 per thousand, and the average 19·5. All its subdivisions, except Punakari, showed enhanced rates. The greatest deterioration was in Pachchilaippalli (33·7, average 24·5). The highest death-rate during the quarter was in Vadamaradchi east (35·4).

30. In the Mannar District the death-rate rose to 40·4 from its average 34·5, and the birth-rate declined to 25·2 from the average of 32·3. In Mannar Island Division the death-rate declined to 34·5 from the average 37·1, and in Nanaddan Division there was a rise of 8·1 per 1,000. The highest death-rate was in Mantai Division (50·1). This division also showed a high infant mortality, 455 deaths per 1,000 births registered.

31. The death-rate of Mullaittivu District shows a decline of 10·3, as compared with the average 39·2. The unhealthiest division was Maritime pattu (30·3), and the healthiest Vavuniya north (25·6).

32. *Southern Province.*—The Southern Province, which at the beginning of the quarter was estimated to contain 538,199 Sinhalese, showed a death-rate of 24·2 as against 25·3, the average, and 22·1, the rate for the preceding quarter. Of its three districts Matara and Hambantota showed an improvement in health, and Galle a deterioration.

33. The death-rate of the Galle District increased to 27·0 from the average 25·6. Four of the subdivisions, viz., Galle Municipality, Four Gravets and Akminama, Talpe pattu, and Walallawiti korale, showed enhanced rates, and the other three, Gangaboda pattu, Wellaboda pattu, and Hinidum pattu, showed diminished rates. The mortality ranged from 31·6 in Galle Municipality and in Talpe pattu to 16·2 in Hinidum pattu.

34. The health of the Matara District was satisfactory, the death-rate having declined to 21·9 from its average 24·9. The improvement was shared by five of the seven subdivisions. The unhealthiest division was Matara Local Board (30·3), and the healthiest Wellaboda pattu (15·6).

35. Hambantota District had a death-rate of 21·8 as against an average of 24·8. In Hambantota, Four Gravets, and Giruwa pattu east the death-rates exceeded the average, while Magam pattu exclusive of Four Gravets and Giruwa pattu west showed a decline. The highest death-rates in the Province for adults and infants were in Hambantota Four Gravets, 42·2 and 500 respectively.

36. *Eastern Province.*—The Eastern Province, which is mainly inhabited by Tamils and Moors in the proportion of about 8 : 5, had a death-rate of 27·9 for Tamils and 26·7 for Moors as against 27·4 and 26·2 respectively.

37. In the Batticaloa District the Tamil death-rate rose to 28·4 from the average 26·3, and the mortality among the Moors to 28·0 from the average 26·8. The healthiest division for Tamils was Chammanturai pattu (9·3) and for Moors, Koralaipattu (15·5). The highest death-rate in the Province was in Akkarai pattu (47·8) for Tamils.

38. In the Trincomalee District, where the Tamils (estimated number 17,805) form the bulk of the population, the death-rate for Tamils (25·4) was a decline of 6·8 from the average 32·2. All its subdivisions enjoyed better health than usual. The healthiest subdivision was Koddiyar pattu (14·9), and the unhealthiest Kaddukulam pattu (36·0).

39. *North-Western Province.*—The health of the North-Western Province was better than usual, the death-rate falling from an average of 33·4 to 21·2 during the quarter. All its three districts showed improved rates.

40. The death-rate of Kurunegala District (22·7) was a great improvement on the average (37·3). The improvement extended to all its seven subdivisions, notably the Kurunegala Local Board, where the death-rate declined to 35·3 from an average of 127·1. The lowest death-rate was in Katugampola hatpattu (17·8).

41. In the Puttalam District, the population of which comprises Sinhalese, Moors, and Tamils in the proportion of 12 : 9 : 8, the Sinhalese returned a death-rate of 23·2, being 13·9 less than their average rate 37·1, the Tamils 35·1 as against their average 51·9. But the Moors deteriorated in health during the quarter, their death-rate rising to 34·4 from an average of 26·7. The deterioration was chiefly confined to Puttalam division, where the mortality was 66·6 as against the average 12·0.

42. The Chilaw District showed the second lowest death-rate in the Island during the quarter for adults (15·3), and the lowest for infants (84) and fared better than usual, the average death-rate being 19·6 per 1,000. The healthiest division was Pitigal korale south (10·7).

43. *North-Central Province.*—In the North-Central Province, which is coterminous with the Anuradhapura District, the death-rate was in the proportion of 33·9 per 1,000 persons living as against 33·0, the average, and 34·9, the rate for the previous quarter. Anuradhapura town, the unhealthiest division in the district, with a death-rate of 72·3 for adults and 62·5 for infants, showed a deterioration from the average 50·1. The lowest death-rate was in Hurulu palata and in Kelegama palata (31·1).

44. *Province of Uva.*—The Province of Uva, or Badulla District, showed a slight deterioration in health, the death-rate rising to 39·3 from the average 37·6. Four of its subdivisions, viz., the Local Board, Yatikinda, Buttala, and Wiyalawa, enjoyed better health than usual, and the rest fared worse.

45. *Province of Sabaragamuwa.*—In the Province of Sabaragamuwa the death-rate for the quarter was 26·1 as against the average 30·1.

46. The death-rate of the Ratnapura District was 4 per 1,000 in excess of the average 31·0, and 2·8 per 1,000 higher than the rate for the preceding quarter (28·6). In Kuruwiti korale, the healthiest division in the district, the death-rate declined to 24·4 from an average of 29·1, and in Nawadun korale on the other hand it rose to 37·6 from the average 30·9.

47. The death-rate of the Kegalla District declined to 21·8 from an average of 29·2. The improvement was shared by six of the nine divisions, the exceptions being Atulugam korale, Panawal korale, and Lower Bulatgama.

V.—Causes of Deaths.

48. The causes of deaths registered in the Island during the quarter are given in Table X., and are summarized below:—

TABLE B.

District.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Diarrhoea & Dysentery.	Fever.	Violence.				All other Causes.	Total.
					Accident.	Suicide.	Homicide	Execution.		
CEYLON ...	7	24	6,075	4,082	405	31	34	6	12,453	23,117
Colombo ...	—	15	550	497	55	9	15	2	1,787	2,930
Negombo ...	—	6	78	170	17	1	—	—	305	577
Kalutara ...	—	1	298	212	43	3	5	—	740	1,302
Kandy ...	—	—	1,227	208	38	1	2	1	1,570	3,047
Matale ...	—	—	212	139	10	1	1	—	424	787
Nuwara Eliya ...	—	—	347	45	6	—	—	—	346	744
Jaffna ...	—	—	143	510	23	2	—	—	1,090	1,768
Mannar ...	—	—	52	41	3	—	—	—	129	225
Mullaittivu ...	—	—	14	28	3	1	—	—	68	114
Galle ...	—	1	582	202	34	5	5	—	970	1,799
Matara ...	—	—	458	162	20	1	1	3	546	1,191
Hambantota ...	—	—	71	270	21	—	1	—	208	571
Batticaloa ...	—	—	151	389	21	1	—	—	474	1,036
Trincomalee ...	—	—	22	30	1	—	—	—	107	160
Kurunegala ...	—	—	197	272	28	1	—	—	965	1,463
Puttalam ...	—	1	27	69	4	—	—	—	126	227
Chilaw ...	—	—	18	52	4	3	2	—	232	311
Anuradhapura ...	7	—	93	222	4	—	—	—	353	679
Badulla ...	—	—	603	298	24	1	—	—	808	1,734
Ratnapura ...	—	—	467	143	29	—	1	—	558	1,198
Kegalla ...	—	—	465	123	17	1	1	—	647	1,254

49. *Fever and Diarrhoeal Diseases.*—Of the 23,117 deaths registered during the quarter, 6,082 were due to diarrhoeal diseases and 4,082 to various forms of fever, i.e., fever and diarrhoeal diseases contributed nearly 44 per cent. of the total number of deaths.

50. There were 24 deaths from smallpox during the quarter (15 in Colombo, 6 in Negombo, and 1 each in Kalutara, Galle, and Puttalam), measles proved fatal in 44 cases (of which 13 were in Badulla, 5 each in Colombo and Matale, 4 each in Kandy and Kurunegala, and 3 each in Kalutara and Anuradhapura, 2 each in Jaffna and Kegalla, and 1 each in Nuwara Eliya, Batticaloa, and Puttalam), and chickenpox resulted in 6 deaths. 14 deaths (3 each in Colombo and Negombo, 2 each in Kalutara and Kandy, and 1 each in Nuwara Eliya, Trincomalee, Chilaw, and Badulla) were attributed to whooping cough, and 15 deaths (4 in Kandy, 2 each in Colombo, Nuwara Eliya, and Galle, and 1 each in Negombo, Matale, Hambantota, and Ratnapura) to influenza.

51. The other chief natural causes of death were infantile convulsions 1,998, debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 1,081 (of which 374 were in Kandy, 103 in Colombo, 83 in Ratnapura, 81 in Badulla, 72 in Jaffna, 59 in Nuwara Eliya, 54 in Kegalla, 48 in Matale, 41 in Kurunegala, 26 in Hambantota, 25 in Galle, 22 in Matara, 20 in Anuradhapura, 16 in Kalutara, 10 in Mullaittivu, 9 in Negombo, 8 each in Mannar, Batticaloa, and Puttalam, and 7 each in Trincomalee and Chilaw), phthisis 862, anaemia 728, pneumonia 668, general dropsy 631, worms 608, old age 521, malarial cachexia 276, puerperal convulsions 223 (63 in Kurunegala, 21 in Badulla, 19 in Colombo, 16 each in Galle and Anuradhapura, 14 in Kegalla, 12 in Matale, 11 in Matara, 9 in Negombo, 8 in Chilaw, 6 each in Kalutara, Hambantota, and Ratnapura, 4 each in Kandy and Batticaloa, 3 each in Nuwara Eliya and Jaffna, and 1 each in Mannar and Puttalam), thrush 178, bronchitis 178, premature birth 148 (72 in Badulla, 16 each in Colombo and Jaffna, 13 in Kandy, 12 in Galle, 7 in Anuradhapura, 5 in Nuwara Eliya, 2 in Negombo, and 1 each in Kalutara, Matale, Mullaittivu, Ratnapura, and Kegalla), rheumatism 127, puerperal fever 81, and dochmias duodenalis 75 (18 each in Colombo and Ratnapura, 15 in Kandy, 8 in Kegalla, 5 each in Galle and Matara, and 3 each in Kalutara and Nuwara Eliya).

52. *Accidents.*—Four hundred and five deaths (or 85 per cent. of the total number of deaths caused by violence) were due to accident or negligence. Of these 114 were attributed to falls from trees, 91 to drowning, 39 to snake-bite, 12 to other poison, 27 to burns and scalds, 21 to gun-shot wounds, 17 to injury at birth, 12 to falls of heavy substances, 7 to falls from heights, 4 to being run over by trains, 4 to falling off carts, 4 to elephants, 3 to cheetahs, 4 to bulls, 3 to buffaloes, 1 to a cow, 1 to wasps, 1 death resulted from a fall from a horse, 1 from sunstroke, 1 from a shock, and 1 from an overdose of arrack.

53. *Suicide.*—There were 31 suicides (1 European, 1 Burgher, 24 Sinhalese, 4 Tamils, and 1 Moor). Of these 21 were by hanging, 3 by gun-shot wounds, 3 by poison, 1 by cut or stab, and 3 by other means.

54. *Homicide.*—Thirty-five deaths were attributed to murder and other forms of homicide (31 Sinhalese, 2 Moors, 1 Tamil, and 1 Malay). Of these 15 were in Colombo, 6 in Kalutara, 5 in Galle, 2 each in Kandy and Chilaw, and 1 each in Matale, Matara, Hambantota, Ratnapura, and Kegalla.

55. *Executions.*—Six men (all Sinhalese) were judicially executed during the quarter. Of these 3 occurred in Matara, 2 in Colombo, and 1 in Kandy.

VI.—Health of the Estate Population.

56. The total number of births reported from the estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province was 2,154 (of which 6 were Europeans, 6 Burghers, 54 Sinhalese, 2,062 Tamils, 21 Moors, 4 Malays, and 1 other), and the total number of deaths was 3,507 (4 Europeans, 4 Burghers, 50 Sinhalese, 3,426 Tamils, 21 Moors, and 2 others), corresponding respectively to an annual birth-rate of 19.9 and a death-rate of 32.4 respectively. The causes of death are given in Table XI., and may be summarized as follows:—

TABLE C.

Dysentery ...	... 955	Malarial cachexia ...	... 133	Anæmia ...	... 37
Diarrhoea ...	... 704	General dropsy ...	... 132	Bronchitis ...	... 33
Debility ...	... 503	Old age ...	... 117	Dochmias duodenalis ...	... 30
Fever ...	... 173	Infantile convulsions ...	... 104	Accidents at childbirth ...	... 30
Pneumonia ...	... 142	Phthisis ...	... 40	Other causes ...	... 374

57. The following Table D gives the estate population at the Census of 1901, their birth- and death-rates for the third quarters of 1901 and 1900, the second quarter of 1901, and the average for the third quarters in 1891–1900.

TABLE D.

District.	Population at the Census of 1901.	Birth-rate per Millé per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				
		Average of Third Quarters, 1891-1900	Third Quarter of 1900.	Second Quarter of 1901.	Third Quarter of 1901.	Average of Third Quarters, 1891-1900	Third Quarter of 1900.	Second Quarter of 1901.	
Kandy ...	155,296	27·6	29·5	17·7	20·7	33·8	46·7	39·6	40·1
Matale ...	26,234	27·8	34·1	19·4	19·5	40·6	73·5	46·3	41·3
Nuwara Eliya ...	103,566	25·5	19·2	13·5	17·3	27·6	18·5	12·8	15·4
Badulla ...	51,793	32·7	31·8	19·6	24·1	33·4	29·4	32·8	27·0
Ratnapura ...	16,735	33·8	47·2	21·8	21·3	37·9	67·9	43·4	49·8
Kegalla ...	41,361	21·0	36·3	20·0	25·0	36·0	52·9	47·1	41·1
Colombo ...	8,301	25·0	28·8	11·6	16·2	66·6	50·2	59·9	48·7
Kalutara ...	16,974	16·0	12·4	15·6	15·4	41·4	46·5	53·4	40·2
Total ...	420,260	27·1	28·0	17·2	19·9	34·3	40·5	34·2	32·4

58. *Kandy District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kandy District was 809 (of which 790 were Tamils, 9 Sinhalese, 6 Moors, 3 Europeans, and 1 Burgher), and the deaths numbered 1,568 (1,540 Tamils, 16 Sinhalese, 7 Moors, 2 Burghers, 2 others, and 1 European). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 20·7 as against a mean rate of 27·6 for the period of 1891–1900, and the death-rate was equal to 40·1 per 1,000 as against 33·8, the average for the corresponding period of 1891–1900. As usual, the most causes fatal were diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 760 deaths, that is 48 per cent. of the total number of deaths. The other chief natural causes of death were debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 301, general dropsy 72, pneumonia 56, fevers 52, malarial cachexia 48, infantile convulsions 47, old age 44, bronchitis 16, anaemia 15, starvation and want of breast milk 13, dochmias duodenalis 11, and worms 11.

59. *Matale District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Matale District amounted to 129 (126 Tamils, 1 European, 1 Sinhalese, and 1 Moor), and the deaths numbered 273 (271 Tamils and 2 Sinhalese). The birth-rate for the quarter was equal to 19·5, about 8 per 1,000 less than the mean average for the third quarters of 1891–1900 (27·8), and the death-rate (41·3) was slightly higher than the average (40·6). The chief natural causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 111 deaths or 41 per cent. of the total number of deaths (273). The other principal causes of death were general debility 31, fevers 19, malarial cachexia 18, general dropsy 18, pneumonia 18, anaemia 14, infantile convulsions 8, and old age 7.

60. *Nuwara Eliya District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Nuwara Eliya District amounted to 451 (436 Tamils, 12 Sinhalese, 2 Moors, and 1 Burgher), and the deaths numbered 401 (392 Tamils, 6 Sinhalese, 2 Moors, and 1 European). The birth-rate for the quarter (17·3) is much below the average rate for the period of 1891–1900 (25·5), as also the death-rate (15·4), which was 12·2 per 1,000 less than the average (27·6). The principal natural causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 223 deaths, i.e., nearly 55 per cent. of the total number of deaths (general debility 35, old age 33, pneumonia 30, general dropsy 13, and bronchitis 8).

61. *Badulla District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Badulla District was 314 (300 Tamils, 7 Sinhalese, 3 Burghers, 2 Moors, 1 European, and 1 Malay), and the deaths numbered 353 (340 Tamils, 5 Sinhalese, 4 Moors, 2 Europeans, and 2 Burghers). The birth-rate during the quarter (24·1) was 8·6 per 1,000 below the mean-rate for the corresponding period of 1891–1900 (32·7), and the death-rate (27·0) was 6·4 per 1,000 less than the average (33·4). Here, as elsewhere, the chief natural cause of death was diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 136 deaths, or nearly 40 per cent. of the total number of deaths (353). The other principal causes of death were general debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 61, fevers 28, general dropsy 19, pneumonia 18, old age 12, measles 10, and infantile convulsions 10.

62. *Ratnapura District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Ratnapura District was 90 (82 Tamils, 5 Sinhalese, 2 Moors, and 1 Burgher), and the deaths numbered 210 (203 Tamils, 6 Sinhalese, and 1 Moor). The birth-rate for the quarter (21·3) was less than the mean rate for the corresponding quarter of 1891–1900 (33·8), and the death-rate (49·8) was 11·9 per 1,000 in excess of the average for the period 1891–1900 (37·9). The chief natural causes of death were as usual diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 117 deaths. Malarial cachexia caused 19 deaths, fevers 14, debility 14, infantile convulsions 10, and dochmias duodenalis 10.

63. *Kegalla District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kegalla District during the quarter was 261 (238 Tamils, 10 Sinhalese, 8 Moors, 3 Malays, 1 European, and 1 other), and the deaths numbered 428 (411 Tamils, 10 Sinhalese, and 7 Moors). The birth-rate during the quarter was 25·0 as against 21·0, the average for the corresponding quarters for the period 1891–1900, and the death-rate was 41·1 as against the average 36·0. The chief natural causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 216 (diarrhoea 109 and dysentery 107), debility 42, malarial cachexia 30, fevers 24, infantile convulsions 18, old age 13, pneumonia 11, dochmias duodenalis 7, and phthisis 7.

64. *Colombo District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Colombo District, by which is meant the Avisawella division, was 34 (27 Tamils and 7 Sinhalese), and the deaths numbered 102 (100 Tamils and 2 Sinhalese). This is one of the unhealthiest districts for estate labourers, and this quarter showed a birth-rate of 16·2 and a death-rate of 48·7, as against their respective averages 25·0 and 66·6. Here, as elsewhere, the chief natural causes of death were diarrhoea and dysentery, which caused 55 deaths, i.e., more than half the total number of deaths (102). Fever caused 19 deaths, pneumonia 4, ascites 4, debility 3, old age 3, phthisis 3, and worms 3.

65. *Kalutara District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kalutara District was 66 (63 Tamils and 3 Sinhalese), and the deaths numbered 172 (169 Tamils and 3 Sinhalese). The birth- and death-rates of this district, which, as a rule, shows low birth-rates and high death-rates, was this quarter 15·4 and 40·2 against their respective averages 16·0 and 41·4. The chief natural causes of death were tabes mesenterica 59, diarrhoeal diseases 41, debility 16, malarial cachexia 11, fevers 10, infantile convulsions 4, and phthisis 4. The large number of deaths attributed in this district to tabes mesenterica (59 out of 62 for the whole Island this quarter and 55 out of 65 the previous quarter) is remarkable, and is perhaps due to more careful diagnosis.

72. The unhealthiest division of the town in the quarter appears to have been St. Sebastian Ward, with a death-rate of 33·1, followed by Slave Island Ward with 32·2. Excluding the Fort and Pettah Wards, whose population, being a floating male adult one, yields low birth- and death-rates, the healthiest Ward as usual was Kollupitiya, which includes the seaboard on the south of the town and the greater part of the Cinnamon Gardens (death-rate 18·5).

73. There were no deaths from cholera in the town, six deaths from smallpox are attributable to the town, all of which occurred at the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town), to which the patients (3 Sinhalese, 2 Tamils, and 1 Moor) were removed (2 each from St. Sebastian and Kotahena Wards and 1 each from St. Paul's and Maradana Wards). Measles caused 2 deaths, 1 of which occurred in New Bazaar Ward and the other in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, to which the patient was removed from Maradana Ward. Phthisis, bronchitis, and pneumonia were fatal in 352 cases (against an average of 204 in the corresponding period in the last six years), diarrhoea and dysentery in 251 (against an average of 200), fever in 126, including 36 of enteric fever (average 32), and 39 of remittent fever (average 60), infantile convulsions in 89 (average 126), debility in 70 (average 90), old age in 59 (average 58), tetanus in 43 (average 25), diseases of the circulatory system in 32 (average 18), dochmimus duodenalis in 18 (average 10), worms in 16 (average 35), parturition in 15 (average 17), malarial cachexia in 13 (average 33), premature birth in 12 (average 29), anaemia in 11 (average 13), paralysis in 7 (average 13). Other causes of death were liver diseases 13, brain diseases 13, apoplexy 11, Bright's disease 7, leprosy 3.

74. Nineteen deaths were attributed to accidents, of which 8 were due to drowning, 2 to poison, 2 to falls from heights, 1 to burns, 1 to fall of heavy substance, 1 to being run over by a cart, 1 to being caught in machinery. Four deaths were due to homicide and 3 to suicide (2 by hanging and 1 by poison).

VIII.—Health of other Towns.

75. The total number of births registered in the principal towns (as given in the following table) during the quarter numbered 2,683 and the deaths 3,690, and corresponded to a birth-rate of 25·7 and a death-rate of 35·4 per mille per annum. The death-rate, exclusive of deaths in hospitals and jails, was 24·9.

TABLE G.

76. The death-rates are given inclusive as well as exclusive of deaths in hospitals and jails. In some of the towns, which attract large numbers of estate coolies and destitute poor to the hospitals, the difference between the two rates is striking, e.g., Nawalapitiya 135·8 and 11·0, Gampola 119·3 and 24·1, Matale 97·8 and 17·6, Kegalla 45·8 and 6·8, Ratnapura 66·1, and 25·3.

Exclusive of deaths in hospitals and jails, the lowest death-rate was in Kegalla (6·8), and the highest in Badulla (38·8), followed by Anuradhapura (35·7), and Mullaittivu (33·4).

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Colombo, April 7, 1902.

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APPENDIX.

Table I.—Area, Estimated Population, and the Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in the Third Quarter of 1901.

Province and District.	Area in Square Miles	Estimated Population on July 1, 1901.*	MARRIAGES.			BIRTHS.			DEATHS.			
			Total.	General.	Kandyam.	Births.	Males.	Females.	Deaths.	Males.	Females.	
CEYLON ...	25,333	3,586,873	6,621	4,374	2,247	29,953	15,368	14,585	23,117	11,920	11,197	
Western	...	1,432	927,609	1,750	1,750	—	6,303	3,195	3,108	4,809	2,517	2,292
Central	...	2,300	622,817	644	126	519	4,607	2,289	2,318	4,578	2,429	2,149
Northern	...	3,363	344,161	679	678	1	3,686	1,960	1,726	2,107	1,086	1,021
Southern	...	2,146	569,283	1,074	1,072	2	4,734	2,432	2,302	3,561	1,760	1,801
Eastern	...	4,037	174,626	119	95	24	1,861	977	884	1,196	637	559
North-Western	...	2,997	354,915	821	465	356	3,501	1,777	1,724	2,001	1,022	979
North-Central	...	4,002	79,054	528	41	487	1,002	528	474	679	333	346
Uva	...	3,155	192,142	260	48	212	1,624	840	784	1,734	888	846
Sabaragamuwa	...	1,901	322,266	746	100	646	2,635	1,370	1,265	2,452	1,248	1,204
Western.												
Colombo	...	564	548,053	1,149	1,149	—	3,446	1,747	1,698	2,930	1,556	1,374
Negombo	...	247	148,935	221	221	—	1,216	695	621	577	317	260
Kalutara	...	621	230,621	380	380	—	1,642	853	789	1,302	644	658
Central.												
Kandy	...	911	377,254	259	75	184	2,825	1,406	1,419	3,047	1,585	1,462
Matale	...	926	92,407	336	29	307	892	444	448	787	406	381
Nuwara Eliya	...	463	153,156	49	21	28	890	439	451	744	438	306
Northern.												
Jaffna	...	1,265	303,896	626	626	—	3,336	1,778	1,558	1,768	896	873
Mannar	...	943	25,096	31	31	—	191	103	88	225	132	93
Mullaitivu	...	1,154	15,169	22	21	1	159	79	80	114	59	55
Southern.												
Galle	...	652	258,957	389	387	2	2,126	1,115	1,011	1,799	872	927
Matara	...	481	204,938	356	356	—	1,673	861	812	1,191	596	595
Hambantota	...	1,013	105,388	329	329	—	935	456	479	571	292	279
Eastern.												
Batticaloa	...	2,872	145,573	77	55	22	1,536	799	737	1,036	553	483
Trincomalee	...	1,165	29,053	42	40	2	325	178	147	160	84	76
North-Western.												
Kurunegala	...	1,845	250,295	468	134	334	2,649	1,346	1,303	1,463	740	723
Puttalam	...	890	30,033	41	19	22	233	101	132	227	126	101
Chilaw	...	262	74,587	312	312	—	619	330	289	311	156	155
North-Central.												
Anuradhapura	...	4,002	79,054	528	41	487	1,002	528	474	679	333	346
Uva.												
Badulla	...	3,155	192,142	260	48	212	1,624	840	784	1,734	888	846
Sabaragamuwa.												
Ratnapura	...	1,259	133,256	352	42	310	1,127	572	555	1,198	594	604
Kegalla	...	642	189,010	394	58	336	1,508	798	710	1,254	654	600

* The estimate of the population is based on the Census of March 1, 1901, and the returns of births and deaths registered.

Table II.—Birth- and Death-rates in the Third and Second Quarters of 1901, the Third Quarter of 1900, and the mean rate for the Third Quarters of 1891–1900.

Province and District.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.						Death-rate per Mille per Annum.					
	Average of Ten Third Quarters of 1891–1900.	Third Quar- ter of 1900.	Second Quar- ter of 1901.	Third Quar- ter of 1901.	Average of Ten Third Quarters of 1891–1900.	Third Quar- ter of 1900.	Second Quar- ter of 1901.	Third Quar- ter of 1901.	Second Quar- ter of 1901.	Third Quar- ter of 1901.		
CEYLON	34·2	37·3	33·8	33·1	27·5	32·3	26·2	25·6
Western	30·2	31·2	28·4	27·0	21·2	26·3	20·8	20·6
Central	35·5	38·7	28·1	29·3	33·2	42·7	28·8	29·2
Northern	33·3	39·7	45·1	42·5	21·8	21·7	26·8	24·3
Southern	33·8	38·1	36·3	33·0	26·1	29·1	23·2	24·8
Eastern	43·5	42·2	46·9	42·3	27·1	30·8	38·2	27·2
North-Western	35·2	39·9	33·4	39·1	33·9	38·8	24·6	22·4
North-Central	40·5	40·2	45·6	50·3	32·4	32·7	37·1	34·1
Uva	39·2	37·3	36·8	33·5	35·2	36·6	35·3	36·8
Sabaragamuwa	34·1	42·4	32·7	32·4	32·8	41·6	28·2	30·2
Western.												
Colombo	28·8	29·5	27·1	24·9	21·5	27·3	21·2	21·2
Negombo	35·1	31·4	28·2	32·4	20·3	26·3	15·3	15·4
Kalutara	29·9	34·9	32·0	28·2	20·9	24·1	23·2	22·4
Central.												
Kandy	35·8	39·9	29·1	29·7	32·5	46·4	31·8	32·0
Matale	39·7	46·7	38·0	38·3	42·3	54·0	34·3	33·8
Nuwara Eliya	31·6	30·2	19·6	22·5	28·7	26·4	18·2	19·3
Northern.												
Jaffna	32·9	38·5	43·9	43·6	20·1	19·7	23·6	23·1
Mannar	33·9	44·7	46·9	30·2	31·2	38·1	54·9	35·0
Mullaithivu	39·7	57·4	46·8	41·6	40·4	39·1	45·8	29·8
Southern.												
Galle	33·3	37·0	33·9	32·6	27·1	28·1	25·6	27·6
Matara	33·3	37·6	39·5	32·4	25·4	31·9	20·8	23·1
Hambantota	36·1	41·6	35·8	35·2	24·8	26·0	22·8	21·5
Eastern.												
Batticaloa	44·7	43·2	47·0	41·9	26·7	30·8	39·6	28·2
Trincomalee	37·4	36·7	46·4	44·4	29·4	31·3	30·9	21·5
North-Western.												
Kurunegala	37·1	43·6	35·2	42·0	37·6	43·3	25·5	23·2
Puttalam	33·6	33·4	38·1	30·8	36·6	34·8	34·2	30·0
Chilaw	29·3	30·8	25·8	32·9	20·1	25·6	17·6	16·5
North-Central.												
Anuradhapura	40·5	40·2	45·6	50·3	32·4	32·7	37·1	34·1
Uva.												
Badulla	39·2	37·3	36·8	33·5	35·2	36·5	35·3	35·8
Sabaragamuwa.												
Ratnapura	36·3	44·1	36·9	33·6	32·8	35·0	32·0	35·7
Kegalle	32·4	41·2	29·8	31·7	32·8	46·4	25·6	26·3

Table V.—Mohammedan Births and Deaths, with their rates per 1,000 of the estimated population and the proportion of Infantile Deaths to 1,000 registered Births in Batticaloa and Puttalam Districts, in the Third and Second Quarters of 1901, the Third Quarter of 1900, and the mean rates for the Third Quarter of 1891–1900.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			Deaths of Children under 1 year to 1,000 Births in the Third Quarter of 1901.		
					Average of Ten Third Quarters of 1891–1900.	Third Quarter of 1900.	Second Quarter of 1901.	Third Quarter of 1901.	Third Quarter of 1900.	Second Quarter of 1901.			
EASTERN ...	4,036 $\frac{1}{2}$	61,943	777	417	48·8	47·6	45·2	49·8	26·2	31·2	37·8	26·7	176
Batticaloa ...	2,871 $\frac{3}{4}$	53,608	652	379	50·8	48·3	44·4	48·3	26·8	31·5	39·2	28·0	184
Batticaloa Local Board ...	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	274	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu North ...	148	11,154	127	87	57·7	43·2	48·9	45·2	35·0	41·1	78·9	30·9	197
Manmunai Pattu South ...	74	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bintenna Pattu ...	677 $\frac{3}{4}$	123	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanurai Pattu ...	160	5,140	72	36	—	—	47·0	55·6	—	—	31·3	27·8	125
Eravur and Rukam Pattus ...	372 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,854	63	48	42·7	31·7	41·3	44·1	18·1	28·7	26·1	32·5	246
Koralai Pattu ...	290	3,688	32	14	—	—	24·6	35·4	—	—	17·9	15·5	94
Eruvil and Porativu Pattus ...	247	178	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karavaku and Nintavur Pattus ...	41	17,120	226	125	—	—	44·0	52·4	—	—	29·6	29·0	190
Akkarai Pattu ...	374	8,318	106	56	—	—	52·4	50·6	—	—	30·1	26·7	189
Panama Pattu ...	486 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,824	24	12	53·5	51·3	37·4	52·2	27·6	24·4	37·4	26·1	167
NORTH-WESTERN ...	2,996 $\frac{1}{2}$	22,526	194	158	31·3	35·8	38·6	34·2	29·6	39·9	32·3	27·8	216
Puttalam ...	889 $\frac{3}{4}$	9,112	84	79	32·8	29·7	42·7	36·6	26·7	28·5	38·8	34·4	286
Puttalam Local Board ...	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,738	18	17	38·0	37·0	29·3	26·1	26·6	28·1	24·9	24·6	222
Demala Hatpattu ...	441 $\frac{1}{4}$	452	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division ...	313	4,969	40	45	38·6	30·4	42·8	31·9	34·4	29·5	42·8	35·9	375
Puttalam Division ...	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	953	20	16	15·9	16·5	89·0	83·3	12·0	18·2	63·5	66·6	200

Table VI.—Marriages (General), Civil Condition, Nationality, Age, Mode of Solemnization, Signature of Marriage Register, &c., in the Third Quarter of 1901.

Table VII.—Marriages (Kandyan), Civil Condition, Age, Signature of Marriage Register, &c.,
in the Third Quarter of 1901.

Province and District.	Total Marriages.	Contracted between										Persons not 21 Years of Age.	Highest Male Age.	Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.	Mean Female Age.	Lowest Female Age.	Signed the Register with Marks.	
		Bachelors and Spinsters.	Bachelors and Widows.	Widowers and Spinsters.	Divorced Men and Spinsters.	Divorced Men and Widows.	Divorced Women and Bachelors.	Divorced Women and Widowers.	Divorced Men and Divorced Women.	Males.	Females.									
CEYLON ...	2247	1712	99	211	93	64	10	43	5	10	291	1429	85	27·9	16	60	21·0	12	851	2181
Central.																				
Northern	519	410	13	43	8	21	1	17	1	5	74	333	61	27·2	17	50	20·5	12	196	498
Southern	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	30	30·0	30	18	18·0	18	—	1
Eastern	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	26	26·0	26	17	16·0	15	—	2
North-Western	24	18	4	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	20·1	18	35	23·6	16	18	24	
North-Central	356	240	24	45	19	13	5	7	2	1	66	251	60	26·8	17	45	20·7	14	109	349
Uva	356	240	24	45	19	13	5	7	2	1	40	277	85	28·0	19	60	21·6	15	154	487
Sabaragamuwa	487	390	24	44	22	4	2	1	—	—	9	119	59	29·1	18	47	20·9	14	97	208
Central.																				
Kandy	184	154	4	11	1	8	—	5	—	—	36	149	61	25·0	17	45	18·9	12	67	165
Matale	307	234	9	30	6	12	1	11	1	3	41	167	61	28·5	18	50	21·5	14	117	305
Nuwara Eliya	28	22	—	2	1	1	—	1	—	1	3	17	45	26·6	20	30	19·6	14	12	28
Northern.																				
Mullaittivu	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	30	30·0	30	18	18·0	18	—	1	
Southern.																				
Galle	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	26	26·0	26	17	16·0	15	—	2	
Matara	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Eastern.																				
Batticaloa	22	17	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	12	50	29·5	18	35	21·7	16	18	22
Trincomalee	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	50	36·0	22	25	21·0	18	—	2	
North-Western.																				
Kurunegala	334	227	23	39	17	13	5	7	2	1	63	234	60	26·6	17	45	20·6	14	105	327
Puttalam	22	13	1	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	3	17	56	20·7	20	37	21·7	18	4	22
North-Central.																				
Anuradhapura	487	390	24	44	22	4	2	1	—	—	40	277	85	28·0	19	60	21·6	15	154	487
Uva.																				
Badulla	212	153	13	20	24	1	—	1	—	—	9	119	59	29·1	18	47	20·9	14	97	208
Sabaragamuwa.																				
Ratnapura	310	237	17	23	16	8	1	8	—	—	47	217	65	28·8	16	60	21·2	13	154	297
Kegalla	336	261	8	32	2	17	1	9	2	4	53	216	60	28·0	17	50	21·4	13	123	315

Table VIII.—Return of Births of each Nationality in each Province and District in the Island registered during the Third Quarter of 1901.

Province and District.		All Races.		Europeans.		Burghees.		Sinhalese.		Tamilis.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.			
		Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.	Persons.	Males.		
Ceylon	...	29,953	15,368	14,585	43	22	21	161	76	85	20,497	10,456	10,041	7,091	3,697	3,394	2,028	1,050	
Western	...	6,303	3,195	3,108	19	9	10	91	40	51	5,551	2,804	2,747	262	139	123	331	177	
Central	...	4,607	2,289	2,316	14	6	8	18	11	7	2,863	1,421	1,442	1,455	715	740	284	112	
Northern	...	3,686	1,960	1,726	—	—	—	3	1	18	9	9	3,539	1,878	1,661	122	69		
Southern	...	4,734	2,432	2,302	1	—	1	16	11	5	4,684	2,354	2,230	34	16	18	92	50	
Eastern	...	1,861	977	884	5	3	2	15	5	10	87	5	50	437	777	402	42		
North-Western	...	2,501	1,724	1	—	—	2	1	1	3	1,111	1,588	1,523	145	76	69	375	104	
North-Central	...	1,002	628	474	1	—	—	3	—	3	933	436	398	50	27	23	64	127	
Uva	...	1,624	840	784	1	1	1	—	2	4	1,289	649	590	316	161	165	60	1	
Sabaragamuwa	...	2,635	1,370	1,265	1	—	—	6	3	3	2,211	1,159	1,C52	334	166	168	76	39	
Western.	...	3,445	1,747	1,698	19	9	10	86	37	49	2,997	1,514	1,483	128	—	—	—	—	
Colombo	...	1,216	605	621	—	—	—	3	3	—	1,115	539	576	70	58	91	156	91	
Kalutara	...	1,642	853	789	—	—	—	2	—	2	1,439	761	688	31	34	32	22	10	
Central.	...	2,825	1,406	1,419	7	2	5	14	8	6	1,768	867	891	859	424	435	174	98	
Kandy	...	892	444	448	1	—	1	3	2	1	682	338	344	150	80	70	47	18	
Matale	...	890	439	461	6	4	2	1	1	—	423	216	207	446	211	235	13	6	
Nuwara Eliya	...	3,336	1,778	1,558	—	—	—	3	2	1	—	—	2	3,304	1,758	1,546	26	18	
Northern.	Jaffna	...	191	103	88	—	—	—	1	—	1	107	59	48	61	67	70	—	—
Mannar	...	159	79	80	—	—	—	1	—	1	6	128	61	67	14	8	8	—	—
Mullaitivu	...	2,126	1,115	1,011	1	—	1	12	9	3	2,056	1,076	980	10	4	6	45	26	
Galle.	Matara	...	1,973	861	812	—	—	—	2	1	1	1,619	831	788	19	11	8	33	18
Hambantota	...	935	456	479	—	—	—	2	1	1	909	447	462	5	1	4	14	6	
Eastern.	Batticaloa	...	1,536	799	737	1	—	1	13	5	8	73	32	41	794	427	367	652	
Trincomalee	...	325	178	147	4	3	1	2	—	2	14	5	9	162	92	70	125	68	
North-Western.	Kurunegala	...	2,649	1,346	1,303	1	1	—	1	—	2,463	1,250	1,213	69	31	28	120	60	
Putalam	...	233	101	132	—	—	—	1	—	1	103	43	60	42	24	25	44	84	
Chilaw	...	619	330	289	—	—	—	—	—	—	545	295	250	21	23	27	12	15	
North-Central.	Anuradhapura	...	1,002	528	474	1	—	—	3	—	3	833	435	398	50	27	23	114	
Uva.	Badulla	...	1,624	840	784	1	—	—	6	2	4	1,239	649	590	316	161	165	52	
Sabaragamuwa.	Ratnapura	...	1,127	572	556	—	—	—	5	3	2	1,015	519	496	86	43	43	7	
Kegalla	...	1,508	798	710	1	—	—	1	—	1	1,196	640	556	125	125	125	57	32	

Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

<i>Septic Diseases.</i>	
Phagedenia...	31
Erysipelas...	15
Pyænia, Septicæmia	2
Puerperal Fever	5
<i>Parasitic Diseases.</i>	
Thrush...	179
Worms (animal)	608
Dochimius Duodenalis	18
<i>Dietetic Diseases.</i>	
Starvation, want of Bread!	52
Milk...	2
{ Chronic Alcoholism	3
{ Delirium Tremens	1
<i>Constitutional Diseases.</i>	
Rheumatism	127
Rickets	21
Cancer	68
Tubes Mesenterica	23
Tubercular Meningitis (Hydrocephalus)	66
Phthisis	13
Other forms of Tuberculosis	224
Serofulosa...	862
Purpura, Haemorrhagic Diathesis	63
Anæmia, Chlorosis, Leucocytæmia...	—
Diabetes Mellitus	728
Leprosy...	27
Elephantiasis	30
Paroxys...	—
Other and undefined Constitutional Diseases	22
<i>Developmental Diseases.</i>	
Premature Birth	148
Atelectasis...	4
Cyanosis...	—
Spina Bifida	—
Imperforate Anus	1
Other Congenital Defects	2
Old Age...	621
<i>Nervous System.</i>	
Inflammation of Brain or its Membranes	13
Softening of Brain	3
Apoplexy...	36
Paralysis...	86
Epilepsy...	26
Convulsions...	32
Infantile Convulsions	1998
Collapse...	—
Tetany...	105

Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—*continued.*

Table XI.—Causes of registered Deaths, &c.—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Central Province.			Prov. of Uva. Kandy. Matale. Nuwara Eliya.	Province of S'gamuwa. Badulla. Ratnapura.	Western Province. Kegalla. Colombo. Kalutara.
	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.			
Hernia	...	1	...	—	—	—
Peritonitis	...	4	—	3	2	1
Ascites	...	1	—	1	—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver	...	1	—	—	—	—
Other diseases of Liver	...	3	—	2	1	—
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System	...	3	—	2	1	—
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>						
Diseases of the Lymphatic system	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Spleen	...	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>						
Nephritis	...	—	—	1	—	—
Bright's Disease	...	1	—	1	1	—
Uræmia	...	—	—	—	—	—
Suppression of Urine	...	—	—	—	—	—
Calculus (Stone)	...	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Bladder	...	—	—	—	—	1
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System	...	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>						
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina	—	—	—	—	—	—
Disorders of Menstruation	...	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c.	...	—	—	—	1	—
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>						
Abortion, Miscarriage	...	—	—	—	1	—
Puerperal Convulsions	...	—	—	—	1	—
Placent Prævia, Flooding	...	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth	...	7	3	2	10	1
4	—	—	—	—	—	1
1	—	—	—	—	—	2
<i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>						
Other and undefined diseases of Organs of Locomotion	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>						
Phlegmon, Cellulitis	...	—	—	—	—	—
Ulcer, Bed sore	...	5	—	—	1	—
Eczema	...	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System	...	1	—	—	—	1
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>						
Fractures, Contusions	...	4	2	—	—	—
Gun-shot wounds	...	1	—	—	—	—
Burn, Scald	...	4	—	—	1	—
Poison	...	3	—	—	—	—
Drowning	...	7	—	—	2	1
Suffocation	...	1	—	—	—	1
Snake-bite	...	—	—	—	—	—
Otherwise	...	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Homicide.</i>						
Murder, Manslaughter	...	—	—	—	—	1
<i>Suicide.</i>						
Gun-shot wounds	...	—	—	—	—	—
Cut, Stab	...	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning	...	—	—	—	—	—
Hanging	...	—	—	—	—	—
Otherwise	...	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Execution.</i>						
Hanging	...	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>						
General Dropsy	...	72	18	13	19	1
Debility	...	301	31	35	61	14
Sudden deaths (causes unascertained)	...	2	—	1	—	—
Abscess	...	—	—	—	—	—
Tumour	...	—	—	—	1	—
Hæmorrhage	...	—	—	—	—	1
Other ill-defined and not specified causes	...	4	—	1	—	2

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	WARD.	NATIONALITY.		
		Colombo Municipality.	Fort and Galle Face.	
<i>Respiratory System.</i>				
Laryngitis	1	—		
Bronchitis	60	—	1	
Asthma	6	—	1	4
Pneumonia	151	2	5	9
Pleurisy	4	—		14
Other and undefined diseases of Respiratory System	3	—		1
<i>Digestive System.</i>				
Stomatitis	1	—		
Diseases of Stomach	1	—		
Enteritis	5	—		1
Ileus, obstruction of Intestine	4	—		1
Intussusception of Intestine	1	—		1
Peritonitis	3	—		1
Ascites	2	—		
Cirrhosis of Liver	7	—		
Other diseases of Liver	6	—		1
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System	4	—		1
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>				
Nephritis	6	—		
Bright's Disease	7	—		
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System	3	—		1
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>				
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina	2	—		
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>				
Puerperal Mania	1	—		
Puerperal Convulsions	1	—		
Phlegmasia Dolens	1	—		
Other and undefined accidents of Child-birth	12	1	1	2
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>				
Phlegmon, Cellulitis	4	—		
Ulcer, Bed sore	2	—		
Eczema	1	—		
Pemphigus	1	—		
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System	9	—		1
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>				
Fractures, Contusions	7	—	1	
Burn, Scald	1	—	1	
Poison	2	2		
Drowning	8	—	6	1
Otherwise	1	—	1	1
<i>Homicide.</i>				
Murder, Manslaughter	4	—		
<i>Suicide.</i>				
Poison	1	—		
Hanging	2	1		
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>				
General Dropsy	6	—		
Debility	70	—	1	9
Sudden deaths (causes unascertained)	2	—	1	7
Abscess	1	—		
Tumour	1	—		

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods of Life registered in Ceylon, and in each District, during the Third Quarter of 1901.

Province, District, and Nationality.	All Ages.	AGES AT DEATH.										
		Males. Persons.	Females. Persons.	1 Year under. One Week.	2 Years and under 3.	3 Years and under 4.	4 Years and under 5.	5 Years and under 6.	6 Years and under 7.	7 Years and under 8.	8 Years and under 9.	
CEYLON.				M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F. M. F.	
Europeans	41	33	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers	69	41	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	133	677	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamils	13620	6770	6845	796	659	416	376	387	333	381	420	485
Moors	7644	4150	3494	313	219	250	173	132	131	138	119	124
Malays	1623	794	729	102	94	53	45	37	46	38	39	40
Others	77	79	44	35	7	1	10	2	2	1	1	1
Total ...	23117	11929	11197	1225	1077	742	610	575	510	521	571	583
Western.												
Colombo.												
Europeans	31	26	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers	88	40	48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	11862	987	975	73	58	50	45	3	3	1	1	1
Tamils	497	310	187	17	8	16	8	10	9	8	7	4
Moors	254	128	126	9	12	13	9	8	11	6	6	1
Malays	50	24	26	4	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1
Others	48	41	7	3	—	1	1	2	—	1	1	1
Total ...	29350	1556	1374	107	82	91	67	95	79	77	82	87
Negombo.												
Burghers	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	488	258	230	31	27	21	8	14	9	17	14	12
Tamils	65	45	20	1	3	1	—	2	1	3	1	2
Moors	—	21	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malays	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	577	317	260	32	30	23	8	9	16	18	16	9
Kalutara.												
Burghers	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	983	486	497	30	26	24	28	33	42	48	29	44
Tamils	206	104	102	5	2	1	—	2	1	6	5	3
Moors	112	53	59	2	5	—	—	4	6	5	6	3
Others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	1302	644	658	37	33	26	25	33	38	57	44	37
Central.												
Kandy.												
Europeans	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers	8	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	1070	514	556	85	74	33	34	29	31	36	26	23
Tamils	1795	966	829	62	41	36	43	13	18	41	12	13
Moors	—	152	87	65	11	2	7	3	4	8	79	0
Malays	—	10	6	4	—	1	—	1	—	6	7	3
Others	—	9	6	3	—	2	1	—	—	4	1	1
Total ...	3047	1585	1462	159	117	79	82	54	47	55	56	69

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods, &c.—continued.

Province, District, and Nationality.	Persons, Males, Females.	ALL AGES.		AGES AT DEATH.															
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Burghers	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers	210	105	33	17	19	9	5	7	10	12	15	7	20	14	11	8	7	5	5
Sinhalese	180	152	75	45	21	9	2	4	2	6	3	1	23	15	11	7	6	4	2
Tamils	16	18	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moors	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	787	406	387	40	43	28	24	10	12	10	15	11	13	15	21	9	32	26	20
Nuwara Eliya.																			
Europeans ...	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers ...	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese ...	282	152	130	13	24	14	7	13	2	8	3	1	3	2	2	2	6	9	4
Tamils ...	282	169	33	8	4	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moors ...	5	1	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others ...	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	744	438	306	16	33	18	10	15	5	12	10	18	12	10	8	5	12	22	14
Northern.																			
Jaffna.																			
Burghers	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	1738	878	860	129	108	93	62	67	46	47	40	38	28	25	8	18	41	17	22
Tamils	28	16	12	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—
Moors	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malays	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1768	895	873	131	108	96	63	67	58	49	47	40	39	28	8	18	26	14	23
Mannar.																			
Burghers	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamils	172	105	67	8	4	9	4	6	6	8	2	1	—	—	3	1	4	3	2
Moors	50	25	7	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	1
Others	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	225	132	93	15	9	13	7	7	8	8	2	1	3	3	3	5	4	8	12
Mullaithivu.																			
Burghers	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	11	6	47	47	4	3	4	3	2	3	3	2	1	—	1	2	3	2	1
Tamils	9	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	114	59	55	4	4	5	3	3	4	5	3	3	2	1	1	1	2	1	1

<i>Southern,</i>		
Galle.		
Europeans ...	2	1
Burghers ...	7	6
Sinhalese ...	1646	793
Tamils ...	31	19
Moors ...	92	40
Malays ...	1	—
Others ...	—	—
Total ...	1799	872
Matale.		
Europeans ...	—	—
Burghers ...	1	1
Sinhalese ...	537	48
Tamils ...	41	2
Moors ...	17	1
Malays ...	—	—
Others ...	—	—
Total ...	1191	595
Hambantota.		
Sinhalese ...	558	285
Tamils ...	7	3
Moors ...	5	—
Malays ...	1	—
Total ...	571	292
<i>Eastern.</i>		
Batticaloa.		
Sinhalese ...	13	5
Tamils ...	78	30
Moors ...	564	308
Malays ...	379	209
Others ...	2	1
Total ...	1036	483
Trincomalee.		
Europeans ...	1	—
Burghers ...	1	—
Sinhalese ...	5	4
Tamils ...	111	57
Moors ...	38	19
Malays ...	4	3
Others ...	—	—
Total ...	160	84
<i>North-Western.</i>		
Kurunegala.		
Europeans ...	—	—
Burghers ...	—	—
Sinhalese ...	65	138
Tamils ...	83	40
Moors ...	67	4
Malays ...	4	—
Others ...	—	—
Total ...	1463	740

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods, &c.—continued.

Provinces, Districts, and Nationalities.	All Ages.											
	Males.	Females.	Over Week and under Three Months.	Three and under Six Months.	Over One Year and over Three Months.	Over One Year and over Three Years.	Over Three Years and over Five Years.	Over Five Years and over Ten Years.	Over Ten Years and over Fifteen Years.	Over Fifteen Years and over Twenty Years.	Over Twenty Years and over Thirty Years.	Over Thirty Years.
V. Puttalam. Burglers ...	1	—	M	F	M	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese ...	69	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamils ...	76	53	23	6	2	3	1	2	1	2	1	1
Moors ...	79	36	43	4	2	4	1	3	1	2	1	1
Malays ...	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	227	126	101	23	9	7	3	10	12	2	4	—
Chilaw. Sinhalese ...	242	117	125	6	11	14	5	4	7	2	2	—
Tamils ...	56	34	22	2	1	3	2	1	1	2	1	1
Moors ...	12	4	5	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malays ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	311	156	155	9	13	18	8	9	13	9	5	—
North Central. Anuradhapura. Sinhalese ...	536	260	276	52	39	16	22	12	9	12	6	15
Tamils ...	78	40	38	5	4	2	3	2	1	2	1	—
Moors ...	64	33	31	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	679	333	346	64	50	20	27	15	17	5	7	—
Badulla. Europeans ...	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burglers ...	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese ...	1223	623	600	69	86	29	40	41	33	36	38	48
Tamils ...	411	223	218	4	16	11	7	12	4	6	12	5
Moors ...	50	28	22	3	1	—	—	2	1	1	1	—
Malays ...	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Others ...	11	8	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Total ...	1734	838	846	76	53	41	50	37	33	51	47	58
Sabaragamuwa. Ratnapura. Burglers ...	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese ...	899	443	456	56	61	30	25	16	28	31	38	44
Tamils ...	289	146	143	6	5	1	8	—	—	—	—	—
Moors ...	7	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others ...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	1198	594	604	63	68	31	33	17	26	32	36	41
Kegalla. Burglers ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese ...	733	382	381	4	42	37	18	13	23	14	20	33
Tamils ...	17	16	20	4	5	7	3	3	5	6	6	6
Moors ...	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malays ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others ...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	1254	654	600	48	44	21	17	26	20	26	28	40