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DRAFT ORDINANCES.

MINUTE.

The following Draft of a proposed Ordinance is published for general information:—

An Ordinance to incorporate the Ceylon Government Railway Benefit Association.

Preamble.

HEREAS an association consisting of persons employed in the service of the Ceylon Government Railway, and called "The Ceylon Railway Benefit Association" (hereinafter referred to as the said association), was established in the year One thousand Nine hundred for the objects of promoting thrift, of giving relief to its members in times of sickness or distress, and ultimately to pay to each member of the said association at the time of his retirement from the public service or to his nominees, next of kin, or heirs at law his accumulated savings, together with a further sum as a donation calculated in manner provided therefor by the rules of the said association: And whereas the said association has heretofore successfully pursued the objects for which it was founded, and has applied to be incorporated, and it will be for the public advantage to grant the application: Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Ceylon Railway Benefit Association incorporated. 1 From and after the passing of this Ordinance such and so many persons as now are members of the said association, or shall hereafter be admitted members of the corporation hereby constituted, whose names shall be inscribed in the register mentioned in section 10, shall be and become a corporation with continuance for ever under the name of "The Ceylon Railway Benefit Association," and by that name shall and may sue and be sued in all courts, and shall have full power and authority to have and to use a common seal, and change and alter the same at their will and pleasure.

General objects.

2 The general objects for which the corporation is constituted are hereby declared to be to promote thrift, to give relief to the members in times of sickness or distress, and ultimately to pay to each member of the said association at the time of his retirement from the public service, or to his nominees, next of kin, or heirs at law his accumulated savings, together with a further sum as a donation calculated in manner provided therefor by the rules of the said association.

Committee of management.

- 3 (1) The affairs of the corporation shall, subject to the rules made as hereinafter provided, be administered by a committee of management consisting of the president, the secretary, the treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the committee of management, and fourteen members to be elected once a year at the annual general meeting of the association. Provided that no member who is not employed in Colombo shall be eligible for election as a member of the committee of management, or as president, secretary, or treasurer.
- (2) The first committee of management shall consist of the president, secretary, and treasurer, and members of the committee of management holding office at the time of the coming into operation of this Ordinance.

Powers of committee

4 The committee of management, shall, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance and of any rules made under section 13, have full power and authority generally to govern, direct, and decide all matters whatsoever connected with the appointment of officers, agents, and servants, and with the administration of the affairs of the corporation and the accomplishment of the objects thereof.

Proviso.

Provided that the said committee shall not exercise any powers which are by this Ordinance or by any rules made under section 13 declared to be exercisable by the corporation in general meeting.

Proviso.

Provided also that no rule made by the corporation in general meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the said committee which would have been valid if such rule had not been made.

Treasurer's

5 The treasurer shall receive and keep account of all the moneys and funds belonging to the corporation, and shall pay all claims, loans, advances, and expenses authorized by the committee of management. He shall also prepare and submit quarterly to the said committee an account of the transactions of the corporation.

Committee meetings.

6 Meetings for the transaction of the business of the said committee shall be held at least once in every month, and the president, on the requisition of two committee members, shall call a meeting of the committee at any time for the transaction of such business as may be mentioned in the requisition.

Quorum. President to have a casting vote.

- Vacancies how filled.
- 7 Seven members of committee shall constitute a quorum, and the president, or, in his absence, the chairman, shall have a casting vote in addition to his original vote.
- 8 On the death or absence from the colony of any member of the committee of management, or in the event of such member absenting himself from three consecutive meetings of the committee or ceasing to be a member of the corporation,

it shall be lawful for the remaining members of the said committee to elect any member of the corporation resident in Colombo as his successor, and the member so elected shall continue in office until the annual general meeting of the corporation next following his election.

Membership.

9 Every person holding an appointment in the service of the Ceylon Government Railway who fulfils the requirements of the rules shall be eligible for admission as a member, and may, in the discretion of the said committee, be admitted a member.

Register.

- 10 (1) The committee of management shall cause a register to be kept in which every person who at the date of the passing of this Ordinance is a member of the said association, and every person thereafter duly admitted a member of the corporation hereby constituted shall have his name inscribed.
 - (2) The register shall contain the following particulars:—
 - (a) The name, age on admission, address, and occupation of each member.
 - (b) The date at which the name of any person was inscribed in the register as a member.
 - (c) The date at which any person ceased to be a member.

Books of accounts.

11 The committee of management shall also cause proper books of account to be kept, which shall be open at all reasonable times to the inspection of members of the corporation, and of any person or persons whom the Governor may at any time appoint to examine the same.

Remuneration to member or members of committee. 12 It shall be lawful for the corporation by resolution passed at any general meeting to remunerate the services of any member or members of the committee of management, and from time to time to fix the amount of such remuneration and to require such security from such member or members so remunerated as may be deemed sufficient.

Rules.

It shall be lawful for the corporation from time to time at any general meeting of the members and by a majority of votes to make rules for the admission, withdrawal, or expulsion of members, for the imposition of fines and forfeitures for breaches of rules, for the conduct of the duties of the committee of management and of the various officers, agents, and servants of the corporation, for the procedure in the transaction of business, and otherwise generally for the management of the affairs of the corporation and the accomplishment of its objects. Such rules when made may at a like meeting be altered, amended, or cancelled, subject however to the requirements of section 18. Provided that no rule or alteration, amendment, or cancellation of any rule shall have effect until the same is confirmed by the Governor in Executive Council. Notice of such confirmation shall be published in the Government Gazette, and thereupon the same shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been herein enacted.

General meetings.

- 14 (1) The secretary, upon the request of the committee of management, or upon the written requisition of twenty or more members of the corporation, shall call a general meeting.
- (2) No general meeting shall be held unless the quorum of members prescribed by the rules be present, and unless at least seven days' notice, specifying the time and place of such meeting and the purpose for which it is to be held, has been given by advertisement in two or more of the local newspapers, or in such other manner as may be required by any rule made by the corporation; and no business shall be brought before or transacted at such meeting other than the business specified in such notice.

Annual general meeting.

15 (1) An annual general meeting of the members of the corporation shall be held not later than the 30th of September in each year, when there shall be submitted a balance sheet, a statement of assets and liabilities, and an account of receipts and disbursements during the previous twelve months, all which shall be prepared by the treasurer and duly audited.

- (2) Such statement and account shall be examined, and the correctness of the balance sheet ascertained by one or more auditors to be elected by the corporation in general meeting, at least three months before the close of the year the accounts of which he is to audit, and such statement, account, and balance sheet shall, after audit, be published in the Government Gazette.
- (3) In the event of the auditor so appointed not being able to act through death or other cause, it shall be lawful for the committee of management to elect another auditor, and the auditor so elected shall continue in office until the annual general meeting next following his election.
- (4) If no election of an auditor or auditors is made in manner aforesaid, the Governor may, on the application of any member of the corporation, appoint an auditor, and fix the remuneration to be paid to him by the corporation for his services.

Election of committee members.

(5) At such annual general meeting a president, secretary, treasurer, and the required number of members of the committee of management shall be elected and all business shall be transacted, of which due notice shall have been given.

Who shall preside at general meetings.

16 The president of the corporation shall preside at all general meetings of the corporation, and in his absence the members present shall elect a chairman for the occasion. The president, or in his absence the chairman, shall have a casting vote.

Security from officers, agents, and servants.

17 It shall be lawful for the committee of management to require security to be given by any of the officers, agents, or servants appointed by them, and to determine the nature and value of such security.

Mode in which rule or order once made may be subsequently altered, amended, or cancelled. 18 No rule passed and no decision come to by the corporation in general meeting shall be altered, amended, or cancelled, except by at least a majority of two-thirds of the members present and voting at any subsequent general meeting.

Property vested in corporation.

19 (1) On the coming into operation of this Ordinance, all and every the property belonging to the said association, whether held in the name of the said association or in the name of any person or persons in trust for the said association, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the corporation hereby constituted, and the same, together with all after-acquired property and all subscriptions, contributions, donations, fines, amounts of loans and advances received or to be received, shall be held by the said corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Dobts due by and payable to corporation. (2) All debts and liabilities of the said association existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Ordinance shall be paid by the corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions, contributions, fines, and amounts of loans and advances payable to the said association shall be paid to the said corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Surplus funds how to be invested. 20 It shall be lawful for the committee of management to place the whole or any part of the surplus funds belonging to the corporation, and not required for loans, advances, and other current expenses, in fixed deposit in one or more of the local banks, or to invest the same in Indian Government securities or securities of the Government of the United Kingdomor of the Government of any British Colony, including Ceylon, or in loans to members of the association to be secured by mortgage of house property situated within eight miles of the municipal limits of the town of Colombo, or in such other manner as may from time to time be approved by the Governor.

Appointment of officers, agents, &c.

21 The committee of management may from time to time under the common seal of the corporation appoint such officer or officers, agent or agents, as they may consider necessary for recovering all dividends, interest, or other revenue to be derived from such investments, or for otherwise carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance; and all persons so appointed shall hold office during the pleasure of, and shall be entitled to such remuneration as may be dertermined by, the said committee.

Seal of the corporation how to be affixed to instruments.

22 The seal of the corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever, except in the presence of the president of the committee of management and of either the secretary or the treasurer, who shall sign their names to the instrument in token of their presence, and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

Corporation may hold property movable and immovable. 23 The corporation shall be able and capable in law to take and hold any property movable or immovable which may become vested in it by virtue of any grant, gift, testamentary disposition, or otherwise, and all such property shall be held by the corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance.

May demise lands on lease 24 It shall be lawful for the corporation to demise any of the lands vested in it for building or other purposes, on lease for any term not exceeding ninety-nine years, reserving the best yearly or monthly rental procurable for the same, and with the ordinary covenants for re-entry in case of non-payment of rent, breach of covenant, or otherwise.

May not sell, exchange, or mortgage lands without leave of court.

- 25 (1) It shall not be lawful for the corporation to sell, exchange, or mortgage any of the lands vested in it without the leave of the District Court of Colombo, which leave shall be applied for by petition addressed to the said court setting out the facts and reasons for which the corporation desires to sell, exchange, or mortgage such lands, and praying for a decree of the said court.
- (2) A copy of every such petition shall be served on the Attorney-General at least fourteen days before the hearing of the petition.
- (3) The Atorney-General may oppose the prayer of the petition, and if, after hearing him upon such opposition, the said court shall be of opinion that it will be for the general advantage of the corporation to grant the prayer of the petition, a decree may be made to that effect; and any land so sold or exchanged or any land which, having been mortgaged, is sold in execution under a mortgage decree obtained from a competent court, shall be held by the purchaser or person taking the same in exchange free of the trusts created by this Ordinance.

Doubt or ambiguity how decided. 26 In any case doubt or ambiguity shall arise and any controversy shall take place among the members of the corporation and of the committee of management, or either of them, as to the interpretation of this Ordinance or as to the powers of the said committee, the same shall be referred to the Governor in Executive Council, whose decision shall be final and conclusive.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, September 16, 1907.

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

THE object of the Draft Ordinance is to give effect to the desire of the members of the Ceylon Government Railway Benefit Association that the Association should be incorporated.

2. The Draft Ordinance has been prepared on the lines of Ordinance No. 5 of 1891, incorporating the Public Service Mutual Provident Association.

Attorney-General's Chambers, Colombo, September 8, 1907. WALTER PEREIRA, Acting Attorney-General

MINUTE.

The following Draft of a proposed Ordinance is published for general information:—

An Ordinance to amend "The Firearms Ordinance, 1906."

Preamble,

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law relating to firearms: Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Short title.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as "The Firearms Ordinance, 1907," and shall come into force on such date as the Governor shall by Proclamation appoint.

Repeal of | Ordinance No. 14 of 1906. Interpretation.

- 2 "The Firearms Ordinance, 1906," is hereby repealed.
- 8 For the purposes of this Ordinance-

"Gun" includes every gun, rifle, revolver, and pistol, and every part of a gun, rifle, revolver, or pistol. It also includes every air-gun or other kind of gun from which any shot, bullet, or missile can be discharged, and every part of such air-gun or other kind of gun, but does not include any toy gun or toy pistol from which any shot, bullet, or missile is discharged by the force of a spring alone.

"Government Agent" includes the Assistant Government Agent of a district, but not the Office Assistant of any Government Agent. It also includes in respect of any province, judicial district, or judicial division any person specially appointed by the Governor, by notification in the Government Gazette, to issue licenses under this Ordinance within such province, judicial district, or judicial division.

"Peace Officer" includes police officer and headman appointed by a Government Agent in writing to

perform police duties.

License to possess a gun. Proviso 1.

4 No person shall have in his custody or possess or use any gun without having first obtained a license therefor in manner hereinafter provided. Provided that nothing in this section contained shall apply or extend to any manufacturer of or dealer in guns duly licensed as hereinafter provided, nor to any person actually employed by any such manufacturer or dealer to carry or convey guns for the purposes of his trade in respect of such carriage or conveyance, nor to the custody of any gun by any person entrusted by a person duly licensed to possess a gun with the temporary custody (whether as servant of the owner or otherwise) of any gun for which a license has been obtained; but nothing in this proviso shall be taken to enable any person to possess or keep any gun as security for a debt without having first obtained a license therefor as aforesaid. Provided also that no member of the family of a deceased person who had, at the time of his decease, license to possess a gun shall become liable in respect of such gun to any of the penalties hereinafter provided for possessing a gun without a license until after the expiration of one calendar month from the death of such licensee.

Proviso 2,

Licenses how to be obtained. 5 Every person desiring to obtain any license mentioned in the last preceding section shall make application to that effect either verbally or in writing to the Government Agent of the province in which the applicant is for the time being residing, specifying the name and residence of the applicant and the number and description of the gun or guns for which a license or licenses may be required. Such Government Agent may thereupon issue to the applicant in respect of each gun specified in the application a license as near as is material in the form Ain the first schedule hereto.

Stamps on licenses.

6 (1) In respect of every such license there shall be levied a duty payable by means of stamps according to the following scale:

Rs. c.

For every single-barrelled gun, not being a magazine gun, revolver, or pistol ... 1 0^{1} For every gun of any other description ... 2 0^{1}

Persons licensed under Ordinance No. 14 of 1906. (2) All licenses issued under "The Firearms Ordinance, 1906," shall be deemed to have been issued under this Ordinance, and shall be subject to the provisions thereof.

When dispensed with.

(3) It shall be lawful for the Government Agent, in any exceptional case in which in his discretion he shall see fit so to do, to issue such license free of stamp duty, but he shall forthwith report every such case to the Governor.

Guns may be marked by the Government Agent, if necessary. 7 Whenever any gun for which any license is required is not marked with such names or figures, or in such other manner as that the same may be readily identified, it shall be lawful for the Government Agent to whom the application is made, before granting the license applied for, to require the applicant to produce to him any such gun, and thereupon to cause the same to be marked, either on the stock or barrel, with some permanent mark, whereby the same may afterwards be known and identified, but in such manner as not to injure or disfigure the same; and such gun when duly marked shall, with the license relating thereto, be delivered to the said applicant; and the expenses attendant on such marking shall be defrayed by the Government Agent out of the public funds.

Register of licenses.

8 Every Government Agent shall register all such licenses so granted in a book to be kept for that purpose; and it shall be lawful for any person, at any time during office hours, to demand inspection of the said book, and also to take any copy or extract therefrom.

Proceedings where license is lost, destroyed, &c. 9 If any license granted under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be by any casualty destroyed, defaced, or lost, it shall be lawful for the person to whom the same shall have been granted to report the same to the Government Agent for the province wherein such person resides; and if such Government Agent shall be satisfied of the fact of such casualty or loss, he shall grant to such person a certificate as near as is material in the form B in the first schedule hereto, reciting such loss, and setting out the purport and effect of the license so lost, defaced, or destroyed, and such certificate shall be in lieu thereof and of like force and effect.

Proof of ownership.

10 The occupier of any house or premises in which any gun shall be found shall, for the purposes of this Ordinance, be deemed and taken to be the possessor of such gun.

License to make or sell guns.

- 11 (1) No person shall make or keep for or expose for sale, by way of auction or otherwise, any gun without a license from the Government Agent of the province, which license shall be as near as is material in the form C in the first schedule hereto, and shall be on a stamp of fifty rupees. Such license shall be annual, and shall expire on the thirty-first day of December next ensuing after the issue thereof.
- (2) Licenses issued under "The Firearms Ordinance, 1906," shall, during the period for which they were issued, be deemed to be licenses issued under this Ordinance.

Dealers to keep record and make returns. 12 Every person licensed under section 11 shall keep a book in the form D in the first schedule hereto, in which he shall enter a correct description of all guns made or received by him and of all guns in any way disposed of by him. Every such person shall also at the end of every month verify the number of guns in his possession and enter such number in such book; and it shall be lawful for the Inspector-General of Police, or any person authorized by him in writing, at any reasonable time, to take a copy of the entries in such book or of any portion thereof, and to examine the stock of guns of any such person licensed under section 11 and to see whether it agrees with the entries made in such book.

Power to Government Agent to refuse to issue license.

Power to Government Agent to cancel and withdraw license.

- 13 It shall be lawful for the Government Agent in his discretion to refuse to issue any license under this Ordinance. Provided that the applicant may appeal to the Governor in Executive Council against such refusal; and the Governor in Executive Council, after such inquiry as may appear necessary, may confirm or reverse such refusal. The decision of the Governor in Executive Council shall be final and
- 14 (1) The Government Agent may withdraw any license issued under this Ordinance-
 - (a) When the holder of such license is convicted of an offence under this Ordinance or under any of the sections of the Ceylon Penal Code enumerated in the second schedule hereto;
 - (b) When for reason to be recorded by him in writing the Government Agent deems it necessary for the security of the public peace to withdraw such
- (2) A license shall be withdrawn by serving upon the holder a notice in writing to that effect under the hand of the Government Agent.

Power of appeal to Governor.

Duty of licensee to deposit gun in nearest

police station.

Notice of transfer of gun.

Prohibition against transfer obtain certificate.

of a gun to an uncertificated person. Procedure to

penalties.

- (3) Any licensee whose license is withdrawn under this section may appeal to the Governor in Executive Council against such withdrawal, and the Governor in Executive Council, after such inquiry as may appear necessary, may confirm or reverse such withdrawal. The decision of the Governor in Executive Council shall be final and conclusive. (4) The holder of any license to possess a gun, upon receiving
- notice that the same is withdrawn under this section, shall forthwith deposit the gun in respect of which the license is issued with the officer in charge of the nearest police station or with such other officer as may be named in the notice. And if the withdrawal of the license is not reversed by the Governor in Executive Council, or if the owner of the gun deposited under this section does not within three years from the date on which such gun is so deposited apply for delivery of it and produce a license authorizing him or some other person to possess the gun, such gun shall be forfeited to His Majesty.
- 15 It shall be the duty of every person who shall transfer any gun by way of sale or gift to any other person to give to the Government Agent, within one month of such transfer, a notice of such transfer stating the names and addresses of the transferor and transferee, the maker's name, number, and description of such gun, and the date and place of issue of any license in respect of the same.
- 16 (1) No gun shall be transferred by way of sale, pledge, or gift to any person other than a person holding a certificate of fitness to possess and carry arms from the Government Agent of the province in which such person resides.
- (2) The Government Agent may, upon application and after such inquiry as may appear necessary, grant a certificate that the applicant is a fit and proper person to possess and carry guns. Such certificate shall be as near as is material in the form E in the first schedule hereto. Such certificate shall be in force during the time specified in the certificate. Provided that the Government Agent may refuse to issue such certificate or withdraw any certificate already issued. The provisions of section 13 and sub-section (2) of section 14 shall, mutatis mutandis, apply to such refusal to issue or cancellation of a certificate.
- 17 The following penalties are imposed for the following Offences and acts, which are hereby declared to be offences under this Ordinance:
 - (1) Any person possessing or having in his custody, or using or carrying any gun without a license therefor as required by section 4, or contrary to the terms of such license or after the same has been with-

drawn, shall be liable on conviction to a fine which may extend to twenty rupees, or imprisonment, rigorous or simple, for a period which may extend in the case of a first conviction to one month, and such gun shall be liable to confiscation in the discretion of the court. If such gun is proved to be the property of some person other than the person in whose custody it is so found, such other person shall be also guilty of an offence and liable to the same punishment, unless the proves that such first-mentioned person had such gun in his custody, or carried or used it without his knowledge or aganist his consent.

- (2) Any person who wilfully obliterates, or defaces, or alters, counterfeits, or forges any mark placed by any Government Agent on any gun under the provisions of section 7 hereof, or marks any gun with any mark resembling or intended to resemble any mark so used by such Government Agent, with intent thereby to expose any person to any fine, or to defraud His Majesty of any stamp duty, or to commit any other fraud, shall be liable for every such offence to a fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.
- (3) Any person who has in his custody or possession for the purpose of his trade as a maker of or dealer in guns any gun without having first obtained a license as required by section 11, which license shall be still in force and unexpired, or contrary to the terms of such license, shall be liable to a fine which may extend to one hundred rupees. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any person licensed to possess a gun under this Ordinance from selling any such gun without having obtained a license under section 11.
- (4) Any headman or peace officer who, having good reason to know or believe any person to be guilty of having in his custody, or using, carrying, possessing, making, or selling any gun without a license as by this Ordinance required, fails to inform against such person, shall be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees in respect of every failure so to inform against such person.
- (5) Any person who fails to perform the duty imposed on him by section 12 shall be liable to a fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.
- (6) Any person who prevents or obstructs the Inspector-General of Police, or any person duly authorized by him, from exercising the powers conferred by section 12, shall be liable to a fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.
- (7) Any person who fails to perform the duty imposed upon him by section 15 shall be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees.
- (8) Any person who, after receiving notice that his license has been withdrawn, fails to forthwith deposit the gun to which the license relates as required by section 14 shall be liable to a fine which may extend to fifty rupees, or to imprisonment of either description which may extend to one month, and such gun shall be liable to confiscation in the discretion of the court.
- (9) Any holder of a license which has been cancelled or suspended by Proclamation under section 27 who fails to comply with the provisions of 27 (2) shall be liable to the penalty provided by the last preceding sub-section.

Public servant may arrest without warrant. 18 It shall be lawful for any peace officer or headman, or any revenue or judicial officer, or any other Government officer authorized thereto in writing by the Governor, to call upon any person possessing, carrying, or using a gun to forthwith produce his license, and to arrest without a warrant any person possessing, carrying, or using a gun without a license as herein provided, and to detain such gun in his custody until such time as he can produce the same with the person arrested before a Magistrate competent to try the offence for which such person shall have been arrested.

Power to peace officer or headman to search premises suspected to contain unlicensed guns. 19 It shall be lawful for any peace officer or headman to enter and search all premises of persons suspected of possessing, making, or selling guns without a license as herein provided, and any place, vessel, boat, or conveyance which he reasonably suspects to contain unlicensed guns and then and there to take charge of and remove any guns which he reasonably suspects to be without a license as herein provided. All guns seized and removed under this section shall be delivered by the peace officer or headman to the officer in charge of the nearest police station.

Jurisdiction of courts.

- 20 Subject to the provisions of the following sub-sections, every offence under this Ordinance shall be tried in the Police Court having jurisdiction over the division in which such offence is committed, and such court shall have power to impose the maximum fine prescribed by this Ordinance for such offence, notwithstanding that such maximum fine is beyond the ordinary jurisdiction of such court to inflict. And the provisions of sections 63 to 66, both inclusive, of the Ceylon Penal Code shall be applicable to the cases of all convictions under this Ordinance.
- (2) The Governor may from time to time, by order in the Government Gazette, authorize the Village Tribunals therein named to take cognizance of such of the offences punishable under section 17 as are named in the order; and the Village Tribunals so authorized shall have power, in respect of such offences, to pass sentences not exceeding a fine of twenty rupees, and in default of payment of the fine rigorous imprisonment for a term not exceeding two weeks.

No order under this sub-section shall preclude any Police Court from taking cognizance of any offence under this Ordinance.

Half fines to the informer.

21 It shall be lawful for the court or Village Tribunal, in the case of any conviction under this Ordinance, to direct that any sum not exceeding half the fine actually recovered and realized shall be paid to the informer.

Proof of license to be on accused. 22 Whenever any person is charged under the provisions of this Ordinance with having in his custody, or using, carrying, possessing, making, or selling any gun without a license, the proof that such person is licensed shall be on such person; but it shall be lawful for the court to award a reasonable sum in lieu of costs to the accused against any person who has made a vexatious complaint against him, and such sum shall be recoverable in like manner as a fine imposed under the provisions of this Ordinance.

Prosecutions when barred.

23 No prosecution shall be instituted against any person for any offence committed against any of the provisions of this Ordinance after the lapse of three months from the time at which the offence is alleged to have been committed.

Exemptions.

24 Nothing in this Ordinance contained shall render it necessary for any person employed in the Prisons Department in the custody or supervision of prisoners, or for any person serving in His Majesty's forces, or in any police force, or in any corps of pioneers or volunteers within this Island, to obtain a license in respect of any gun intrusted to or used by any such person in such capacity.

Governor may exempt from Ordinance.

25 It shall be lawful for the Governor in his discretion from time to time, by writing under the hand of the Colonial Secretary, to exempt any person or the holder of any office during his tenure of such office from the operation of this Ordinance, and such exemption when made to cancel or revoke. None of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to apply to any person so exempted while such exemption continues in force.

Power of Governor to suspend or cancel licenses by Proclamation.

- 26 (1) The Governor in Executive Council, whenever it appears necessary for the security of the public peace in any district that licenses to possess and use guns should be cancelled or suspended, may, by Proclamation published in the Government Gazette, cancel or suspend for a period to be named in the Proclamation all such licenses held by persons residing in the district.
- (2) The Governor in Executive Council may, in any such Proclamation as aforesaid, exempt any person by name or in virtue of his office, or any class of persons from the operation of the Proclamation.
- (3) For the purposes of this section the expression "district" means any area the limits of which are defined by the Proclamation issued under this section.

Publication of Proclamation in proclaimed district.

- 27 (1) After the publication of any such Proclamation, the Government Agent shall cause notice thereof in the language or languages of the district to be posted in the several courts, including the Gansabhawa courts, and in such other places as may secure the greatest publicity thereto, and the said notice shall also be advertised by beat of tom-tom in the district at such places and times as the Government Agent may direct.
- (2) Every such notice shall contain a copy or translation of the Proclamation, and shall require the holders of licenses cancelled or suspended by the Proclamation to deposit within a period of two weeks from the date of the notice all licensed guns with the officer in charge of the nearest police station, or with such other officer as may be named in the notice.
- (3) Where, by any Proclamation under the last preceding section, licenses to possess and use guns have been cancelled or suspended, all guns which have been deposited in accordance with the last preceding sub-section shall be destroyed in such manner as the Inspector-General of Police shall direct.
- (4) Before any gun is destroyed as aforesaid the value thereof shall be appraised by a competent person appointed for the purpose by the Government Agent of the Province, and the value thereof shall be paid to the person by whom it was deposited.

SCHEDULE I.

License.

(Section 5.)

A. B., of, has this day been licensed to possess a (describe gun) fire, gauge, by, No, marked on the barrel (or as the case may be).		
No. —. Stamp, Rs. — A. B., of —, has this day been licensed to possess a (describe gun) — fire, — gauge, by —, No. —, marked on the barrel — (or as the case may be).	A.—License to possess a Gun u	under Section 5.
on the barrel ———————————————————————————————————	No. ——.	
	July gainge by	—, No. ——, marked be).
		(Signed) ———, Government Agent.

B.—Form of Certificate under Section 9. Whereas on the ———————————————————————————————————								
	(Signed) ————————————————————————————————————							
		пакс	anta	. 8611				
No. ——. Stamp, Rs. —— A. B., of ———, has this day been licensed to use and exercise the trade or calling of a manufacturer of and dealer in guns at——. This license expires on the 31st day of December, 19—.								
Is	sued the ———	d	ay of		, 19			
	1	•			(Signed) Gov	erni	nent Agent.	
	•			I).			
Consecutive Number.	Description of Gun, with full particulars, Weight, Num- ber, Maker's Name, and other distin- guishing Marks.	Date of Receipt.	How obtained.	Consecutive Number.	Description of Gun, with full particulars, Weight, Num- ber, Maker's Name, and other distin- guishing Marks.	Date of Disposal.	Full Name and Resi- dence of Person to whom disposed.	
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E.—Certificate of Fitness to possess and carry Guns. To A.B. (name of transferor). This is to certify that C.D. (name of transferee), a resident of, within the Province of, is a fit and proper person to possess and carry guns. This certificate expires within days of Issued the day of, 19 (Signed), Government Agent.								
SCHEDULE II.								
(Section 14.) Section of Penal Code. 296, 297, 300, 301 315 to 324 (inclusive) Culpable homicide, &c.								
367 to 371 (inclusive) 373 to 378 (inclusive) 380 to 385 (inclusive) 394 to 397 (inclusive) dangerous weapons. Theft, theft of cattle, &c. Extortion. Robbery. Dishonestly receiving stolen								
433	to 426 (inclusive) to 451 (inclusive) and 49			• •	Mischief. Lurking house breaking, &	c.		
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Hugh Clifford, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, September 24, 1907.

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

THE object of the Draft Ordinance is to make better provision for the prevention of the commission of offences with firearms.

The Draft Ordinance differs from "The Firearms Ordinance, 1906," mainly on the following points :-

(1) A person who has the temporary custody of a gun by reason of its having been delivered to him as security for a debt is required to obtain the usual license.

(2) Government Agents are empowered to refuse to issue licenses to possess or use guns and to cancel when expedient licenses already issued, the orders made for these purposes being subject to

appeal to the Governor in Executive Council.

(3) The transfer of a gun by way of sale or gift to any person other than a person holding a certificate of fitness to possess and carry arms from the Government Agent of the Province in which such person resides is prohibited, and provision is made for the issue of such certificates by Government Agents on the lines of the provisions regarding the issue of licenses.

(4) Peace officers and headmen are empowered to search premises in which it is suspected that

unlicensed guns are kept concealed and to seize any gun which appears to be unlicensed.

(5) The Governor in Executive Council is empowered, whenever it appears necessary for the security of the public peace in any district, by Proclamation to cancel or suspend for a period to be named in the Proclamation all licenses to possess and use guns held by persons residing in the district.

The execution of the Proclamation is entrusted to the Government Agent of the Province within

whose jurisdiction the proclaimed district is situated, and after publication of the Proclamation in the

Gazette provision is made for its being published in the district itself.

(6) The holder of a license which has been cancelled by the Government Agent or suspended or cancelled by Proclamation of the Governor in Executive Council is bound to deposit the gun in respect of which the license was issued at the nearest police station or with the person named in the notice informing him that his license has been cancelled or suspended, and provision is made for the forfeiture and destruction of guns so deposited in certain circumstances.

(7) Provision is made for the trial of offences under the Draft Ordinance by Village Tribunals

authorized by the Governor by order in the Government Gazette.

Attorney-General's Chambers Colombo, September 4, 1907.

WALTER PEREIRA, Acting Attorney-General.

NOTICES IN TESTAMENTARY ACTIONS.

In the District Court of Colombo.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary Jurisdiction. No. 1,099 C.

In the Matter of the Last Will and Testament and Codicils of Peter Jurgen Ondatjee of Jampettah street in Colombo, deceased.

Spencer Sparling Casiechetty of Hatton....Petitioner. And

(1) Catheriene Casiechetty. wife of Spencer Sparling Casiechetty of Hatton. (2) Sarah Sophia Ondatjee, widow of the late G. A. Ondatjee of Jampettah street in Colombo, (3) Mary Magda-lena Ondatjee, widow of the late Philip Ondatjee of Kotahena in Colombo, (4) Elizabeth Ondatjee and (5) Sophia Ondatjee, both of Chekku

street in Colombo...... Respondents.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before Felix R. Dias, Esq., District Judge of Colombo, on the 22nd day of August, 1907, in the presence of Mr. John Alfred Perera, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner above-named: and the affidavit of the said petitioner dated 13th August, 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be and he is hereby declared entitled, as son-in-law of the deceased abovenamed, to administer the estate of the said deceased. and that letters of administration de bonis non. with the will and codicils annexed thereto, do issue to him accordingly, unless the respondents above-named or any other person interested shall, on or before the 3rd day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary

FELIX R. DIAS, The 22nd day of August, 1907. District Judge. In the District Court of Colombo.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary Jurisdiction. No. 2,887 C In the Matter of the Intestate Estate of James Pereira, late of 74, Colpetty, Colombo, deceased.

Clara Pereira of 74, Colpetty, Colombo .. Petitioner.

And

1, Lawrence Marcus Pereira; 2, Edina Sibel Pereira; 3, Cyril Pereira; 4, Hugh Sibel Pereira, all of 74, Colpetty,

Victor Pereira, all of 74, Colpetty,

Respondents.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before Felix L R. Dias, Esq., District Judge of Colombo, on the 22nd day of August, 1907, in the presence of Mr. H. W. E. Dias Wanigasekera, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner abovenamed; and the affidavit of the said petitioner. dated 1st July, 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be and she is hereby declared entitled, as the widow of the deceased abovenamed, to administer the estate of the said deceased, and that letters of administration do issue to her accordingly, unless the respondents above-named or any other person interested shall, on or before the 26th day of September, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

> FELIX R. DIAS. District Judge.

The 22nd day of August, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary Jurisdiction. No. 2,901C. In the Matter of the Intestate
Estate of Rannage Don James
Boniface Weerasinghe alias James
Boniface Weerasinghe, late of
Layard's Broadway, Colombo,
deceased.

Rannage Don Edward Henry Weerasinghe of Layard's Broadway Petitioner.

And

(1) Attukorallalage Dona Elizabeth Weerasinghe, nee Perera, widow of the late Rannage Don Lawrence Philip Weerasinghe Muhandirum, (2) Rannage Don William Peter Weerasinghe, (3) Rannage Dona Mary Clarible Teresa Weerasinghe, wife of (4) Fredrick Alexander Jayatilleke. (5) Rannage Don Alfred Theodore Weerasinghe, (6) Rannage Don Albert Edwin Victor Weerasinghe, (7) Rannage Dona Matilda Louisa Weerasinghe, (8) Rannage Dona Evelyn Beatrice Weerasinghe, (9) Rannage, Don Arthur Martin Weerasinghe, and (10) Rannage Dona Beatrice Elizabeth Rosaline Weerasinghe, all of Layard's Broadway in Colombo Respondents.

The 8th, 9th, and 10th respondents by their guardian ad litem the 4th respondents above-named.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before Felix R. Dias, Esq., District Judge of Colombo, on the 5th day of September, 1907, in the presence of Mr. J. V. de P. Ekanayaka, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner above-named; and the affidavit of the said petitioner, dated 27th August, 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be and he is hereby declared entitled, as a brother and heir of the deceased above-named, to administer the estate of the said deceased, and that letters of administration do issue to him accordingly, unless the respondents above-named or any other person interested shall, on or before the 3rd day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

FELIX R. DIAS, District Judge.

The 5th day of September, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary urisdiction, No. 2,904.

In the Matter of the Intestate Estate of Mohamado Lebbe Marikar Rafia Umma, late of Second Division, Maradana, Colombo, deceased.

Ismail Lebba Assena Lebbe of Second
Division, Maradana in Colombo...... Petitioner.

And

THIS matter coming on for disposal before Felix R. Dias, Esq., District Judge of Colombo, on the 7th day of September, 1907, in the presence of Messrs. Prins & Brito, Proctors, on the part of the

petitioner above-named; and the affidavit of the said petitioner, dated 6th September. 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby declared entitled, as the husband of the deceased abovenamed, to administer the estate of the said deceased, and that letters of administration do issue to him accordingly, unless the respondents above-named or any other person interested shall, on or before the 3rd day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

FELIX R. DIAS, District Judge.

The 7th day of September, 1907.

In the District Court of Negombo.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1,017. In the Matter of the Estate of the late Hettiarachchige Saveneris Perera, deceased, of Kovinna and his wife, Jayasinghe Appuhamillage Rosa Marihamy of Kovinna.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before A. de A. Seneviratne, Esq., District Judge, Negombo, on the 3rd day of August, 1907, in the presence of Messrs. De Silva and Perera, Proctors, on the part of the petitioner, Jayasingha Appuhamillage Rosa Marihamy of Kovinna, and the affidavit of D. S. Perera. Peace Officer of Kovinna, Kumarasinghe Hetti Arachchige Arnolis Perera Appuhamy, Don Monarath Perera, Salpadoruge Jokino, and Salpadoruge Siman, all of Kovinna, witnesses to the last will and testament of the deceased, Hettiarachchige Saveneris Perera, and A. Rosa Marihamy having been read: It is ordered that the will of Hettiarachchige Saveneris Perera, deceased, and Jayasinghe Arachchige Rosa Marihamy, dated 14th May, 1907, and the same is hereby declared proved, unless any person or persons interested therein shall, on or before the 4th day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said Jayasinghe Appuhamillage Rosamarihamy is the executrix named in the said will, and that he is entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly, unless any person or persons interested therein shall, on or before the 4th day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

A. SENEVIRATNE, District Judge.

The 3rd August, 1907.

In the District Court of Kalutara.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary
Jurisdiction.
No. 365.

In the Matter of the Estate of the
late Tuppahigey Alexander Siriwardene Appu Hamy, deceased, of
Maggona.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before P. E. Pieris, Esq., District Judge of Kalutara, on the 18th day of September, 1907, in the presence of Mr. J. Aloysius Fernando, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner Kankanange Don Fredrick Senasingha Appu Hamy of Mahagammedda in Paiyagala; and the affidavit of the said petitioner, dated 28th day of August, 1907, having been read: It is ordered that letters of administration to the estate of the late Tuppahigey Alexander Siriwardana Appu Hamy of Maggona, deceased, be issued to Kankanangey Don Fredrick Senasinghe Appu Hamy of Mahagammedda in Paiyagala, unless the respondents—(1) Tuppahigey Dona Helena,

(2) Don Fredrick Jayasundara Appu Hamy, (3) T. Dona Sophia Siriwardana Hamine, (4) Don Johannas Wittahatchi Appu Hamy, (5) T. Dona Edlina Siriwardane Hamine, (6) T. Dona Dandris Siriwardane, (7) Don Bastian Munasingha, (8) T. Dona Johanna Siriwardana, (9) Cornelis Porera Gunatilleke, (10) T. Dona Orelis Siriwardana Hamine, (11) R. Don Charles Appu Hamy, (12) Don Adrian Gunasekara, (13) Liyonella Gunasekara, (14) Jane Jayawardane Hamine, (15) James Siriwardana, (16) Denister Siriwardane (17) T. Don Taralis Siriwardana, (18) T. Don Carlina Siriwardana Hamine-shall, on or before the 16th day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

13th minor respondent by her guardian ad liter the 12th respondent; 15th and 16th minor respondents by their guardian ad litem the 14th respondent.

> P. E. PIERIS, District Judge.

On this 18th day of September, 1907.

In the District Court of Jaffna. Order Nisi.

In the Matter of the Estate of the Testamentary Jurisdiction. late Franciscappillai Thangam, wife of John Joseph Tisseverasinghe No. 1,930. of Jaffna, deceased. Class II.

John Joseph Tisseverasinghe of Jaffna. Petitioner.

1, Francis Alexander Tisseverasinghe of 95, Silver Smith street, Colombo, and 2, John Abraham Muttiah Tisseverasinhge of Gaetawattai, Kurunegala.. Respondents.

THIS matter of the petition of John Joseph Tisseverasinghe of Jaffna, praying for letters of verasinghe of Jaffna, praying for letters of administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Franciscappillai Thangam, wife of John Joseph Tisseverasinghe, coming on for disposal before W. R. B. Sanders, Esq., District Judge, on the 2nd day of September, 1907, in the presence of Messrs. Casippillai and Cathiravelu, Proctors, on the part of the petitioner; and affidavit of the petitioner, dated the 30th day of August, 1907, having been read: It is declared that the petitioner is the lawful husband of the said intestate, and is entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him, unless the respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 8th day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

> W. R. B. SANDERS. District Judge.

This 2nd day of September, 1907.

In the District Court of Jaffna. Order Nisi

Testamentary In the Matter of the Estate of the late Aiyyampillai Kanapatippillai Jurisdiction. of Alvay North, deceased. No. 1,931.

Meenatchippillai, widow of Kanapatippillai of Alvay North Petitioner.

Vs. (1) Sivakaman, widow of Aiyyampillai of Alvay West, (2) Aiyyampillai Varitamby of Alvay North, (3) Seetahavippillai, widow of Aiyyampillai Katiri-

HIS matter of the petition of Meenatchippillai widow of Kanapatippillai of Alvay North, praying for letters of administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Aiyyampillai Kanapatippilla of Alvay North, coming on for disposal before W. R. B. Sanders, Esq., District Judge, on the 2nd day of September, 1907, in the presence of Mr. S. Subramaniam, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner; and the affidavit of the petitioner, dated the 27th day of August, 1907, having been read: It is declared that the petitioner is the widow of the said intestate, and is entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to her, unless the respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 30th day of September, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

> W. R. B. SANDERS. District Judge.

2nd day of September, 1907.

In the District Court of Galle.

Order Nisi declaring Will proved, &c.

Testamentary In the Matter of the Last Will and Testament of Obadage Odris de Jurisdiction. Silva, deceased, of Eranawila. No. 3,749.

HIS matter coming on for disposal before K. W. B. Macleod, Esq., District Judge, Galle, on the 27th day of August, 1907, in the presence of Mr. J. D. S. Abeyeratne, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner Kanatte Hewage Baba Nona; and the affidavit of David Mendis Gunesekere Wijesiriwardane and two others, dated 26th August, 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the will of Obadage Odris de Silva. deceased, dated 10th March, 1906, be and the same is hereby declared proved, unless the respondents shall, on or before the 27th day of September, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said Kanatte Hewage Baba Nona is the executrix named in the said will, and that she is as such entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly, unless the respondents (1) Obadage Pinso Nona, (2) Obadage Daniel de Silva, (3) Obadage Nebo Nona, (4) Obadage Punchi Nona, all of Eranawila, by their guardian ad litem Santiappu Andris de Silva shall, on or before the 27th day of September, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

> K. W. B. MACLEOD, District Judge.

The 27th day of August, 1907.

In the District Court of Galle.

Order Nisi.

In the Matter of the Estate of Evelin Testamentary de Costa, deceased, of Kaluwella. Jurisdiction. No. 3,751.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before K. W. 18th day of September, 1907, in the presence of Mr. C. L. Wickremasinha, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner Emamiel Monic de Costa; and the affidavit of the petitioner, dated 16th September, 1907, having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the 4th and 5th respondents, viz., 1, Cyrilene, wife of 2, Antony Francis Jurie, both of Peliyagoda, Kelaniya; 3, Paul Emamiel de Costa of Prince street, Pettah, Colombo; 4, Marcelline de Costa, 5, Eva de Costa, both of Kaluwella, Galle, shall, on or before the 21st day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.



It is further declared that the said Emamiel de Costa is the father of the deceased, and that he is as such entitled to have administration issued to him accordingly, unless the respondents shall, on or before the 21st day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

K. W. B. MACLEOD, District Judge.

This 18th day of September, 1907.

in the District Court of Matara.

Order Nisi.

Testamentary Jurisdiction. No. 1,586. In the Matter of the Estate of the late Samsi Lebbe Markar Kanakapulle Ossen Baseer Lebbe Markar, deceased, of Kohunugamua.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before G. F. Plant, Esq., District Judge of Matara, on the 28th day of August, 1907, in the presence of Messrs. Keuneman, on the part of the petitioner Asen Baseer, Lebbe Markar Abdul Raheem of Kohunugamuwa; and the affidavit of the said Asen Baseer Lebbe Markar Abdul Rahim, dated 24th August, 1907, having been read: It is ordered and declared that the said petitioner Asen Baseer Lebbe Markar Abdul Raheem of Kohunugamuwa is son of the said deceased, and that he is as such entitled to letters of administration of the said estate issued to him accordingly unless the respondents—(1) Ummu Hani Umma of Kohunugamuwa, widow of S. L. M. C. Osen Baseer Lebbe Markar, (2) Sula Atchi, widow of Uduma Lebbe Mohamadu Ossen of Talapitiya in Galle, (3) Maria Muttu Natchia, wife of Ismail Lebbe Marker Maticham Mohamadu Lebbe Markar of Kohunugamuwa, (4) Patumma Natchia, wife of Ismail Lebbe Markar Mohammadu Ibrahim of Kohunugamuwa, (5) Zeynambu, wife of Mohamadu Ali Mohamadu Usuf of Kohunugamuwa, (6) Assen Baseer Lebbe Markar Mohammado of Kohunugamuwa—shall, on or before the 19th day of September, 1907, show sufficien cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary

G. F. PLANT, District Judge,

The 28th day of August, 1907.

Date extended to 11th October, 1907.

In the District Court of Tangalla.

Order Nisi declaring Will proved, &c.

Testamentary
Jurisdiction.
No. 428.
In the Matter of the Estate of the late Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka
Leana Araccige Don Thomis, deceased, of Taraperiya.

THIS matter coming on for disposal before W. T. Southorn, Esq., District Judge of Tangalla, on the 9th day of August, 1907, in the presence of the petitioner Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Don Janis of Taraperiya; and the affidavit of the said petitioner having been read: It is ordered that letters of administration of the said estate be issued to the said petitioner, unless the respondents-(1), Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Don Jandris, (2) Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Don Andris of Taraperiya, (3) Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Lama Etani, (4) Don Dines Gunasekara Wellapuli of Ittademaliya, (5) Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Doua Pelencina of Medagama, (6) Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Dona Carlina, (7) Ipitakadaduwagamage Don Lewis of Yatigala, and (8) Yapa Wanni Wickramanayaka Leana Araccige Dona Gimara of Taraperiya—shall, on or before the 17th day of October, 1907, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

> W. T. Southorn, District Judge.

The 14th day of September, 1907.

NOTICES OF INSOLVENCY.

In the District Court of Colombo.

No. 2,246.

In the matter of the insolvency of Sadris Peter de Silva of Colpetty in Colombo.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above-named insolvent has been refused a certificate of conformity.

By order of court,

J. B. Misso, Secretary.

Colombo, September 23, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

No. 2,272.

In the matter of the insolvency of Kankanige William Perera of Kotte road, Borella, presently of Kesbewa, in Salpiti korale.

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the creditors of the above-named insolvent will

take place at the sitting of this court on October 24, 1907, for the grant of a certificate of conformity to the above-named insolvent.

By order of court,

J. B. Misso,

Secretary.

Colombo, September 19, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

No. 2,264,

In the matter of the insolvency of Mahamarakkalage John Hendrick Dias of Laxapatiya in Moratuwa.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above-named insolvent has been allowed a certificate of the second class.

By order of court,

J. B. Misso, Secretary.

Colombo, September 23, 1907.

NOTICES OF FISCALS' SALES.

Western Province.

In the District Court of Colombo.

M. Wappoo of No. 21, Prince street,

No. 24,745.

Vs.

(1) Juasigey John Perera of No. 27, Wall street, Kotahena; (2) H. A. Manonaide of No. 41, Galpotte street, in Colombo Defendants.

OTICE is hereby given that on Monday, October 28, 1907, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the right, title, and interest of the said first defendant in the following property, for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 501.25, with interest thereon at 9 per cent. per annum from February 2, 1907, till payment in full, and costs not taxed, and poundage, viz. :-

All those premises bearing assessment No. 32, with the buildings standing thereon, situated at Galpotta street in Colombo; bounded on the north by a portion of the same property now acquired by the Crown, south by the property bearing assessment No. 33 belonging to Hendappuhamy, east by the road known as Galpotte street, and west by the premises bearing assessment No. 41 belonging to H. A. Manonaide; containing in extent about 1 rood more or

> H. TTRUVILANGAM. Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Colombo, September 25, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo. Frederick Charles Loos of Colombo Plaintiff.

No. 25,086.

(1) Peria Tamby Ahamed Ally Marikar, executor of the last will of his wife, the late Ahamadu Lebbe Maricar Sara Ummah; (2) Peria Tamby Ahamed Ally Maricar of Vauxhall street, Slave Island; (3) Ahamadu Lebbe Maricar Abdul Cader of Messenger street, Colombo......Defendants.

OTICE is hereby given that on Friday, October 25, 1907, at 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following property, declared bound and executable under the decree entered in the above action, for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 3,324, with interest on Rs. 3,000 at 12 per cent. per annum from June 18, 1907, till July 12, 1907, and thereafter on the aggregate amount of the decree at 9 per cent. per annum till payment in full, and costs, viz. :-

All that and those houses and ground formerly bearing assessment No. 7 and now Nos. 7, 7A, and 7B, situated at Vauxhall street in Slave Island, within the Municipality of Colombo, Western Province; and bounded on the north by the property of the late Sego Lebbe Sinne Lebbe Maricar, on the east by the Colombo lake, on the south by the property of Mariambo Natchia, and on the west by the property of J. C. Marikar alias I. L. Marikar; containing in extent 1 rood and 37 too square perches, as per figure of survey thereof dated March 5, 1895, made by W. B. de Saram, Fiscal's Licensed Surveyor, together with all and singular the buildings, rights, easements, members, advantages, and appurtenances whatsoever to the said premises belonging or used or enjoyed therewith, and all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim, and demand whatsoever of the said Ahamadu Lebbe Marikar Sara Ummah, deceased, and of the 1st defendant as her said executor, and of the 2nd defendant in, to, upon, or out of the same on the footing of the mortgage dated October 26, 1904.

> H. TIRUVILANGAM, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Colombo, September 25, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

R. M. K. A. Annamalay Chetty, presently of India, appearing by his attorney Peria Caruppan Chetty of No. 65, Sea street, in Colombo.......Plaintiff. ٧s. No. 25,318.

(1) S. Joseph Perera and (2) M. Perera, both of Kotahena road, in Colombo . . Defendants.

OTICE is hereby given that on Monday, October 28, 1907, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the right, title, and interest of the said first defendant in the following property, for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 1,275, with interest on Rs. 1,000 at 30 per cent. per annum from July 10, 1907, till August 20, 1907, and thereafter at 9 per cent. per annum till payment in full and costs of suit, viz.:-

The house and premises bearing assessment No. 132, situated at Kotahena street, within the Municipality of Colombo; bounded on the north by the garden belonging to Mrs. Perera, on the east by the high road leading to Kotahena, on the west by the property of Christian David, Mudaliyar, and on the south by the property of John Clovis de Silva; containing in extent 1 of an acre more or less.

> H. TIRUVILANGAM, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Colombo, September 25, 1907.

In the District Court of Negombo.

Sawanna Thana Lena Muna Muthaiya

No. 6,826.

Handun Awanis Silva Kankanama of Udammitta Defendant.

 ${f OTICE}$ is hereby given that on October 19, 1907, commencing at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following property, mortgaged by bond No, 7,421, dated 10th April, 1906, and declared liable to be sold by the decree entered in the above case, viz. :-

An undivided \frac{1}{8} share of the land called Ekalakurunduwatta, situate at Galegameliya in the Ragam pattu of Alutkuru korale; the entire land being bounded on the north by the land in the name of Mantirige Appu Silva, deceased, on the east by the land of Abraham de Abrew Rajapakse Appuhamy, on

the south by the land of Dunuhinga Johanis Silva, and on the west by the land belonging to Dunuhinga Johanis Silva and others; containing in extent 2 acres more or less within the said boundaries.

- 2. An undivided 47/60 shares of the portion of land called Delgahawattukotasa, situate at Udammitta in ditto (excluding the 4 coconut trees of the old plantations standing on the said land); the entire land being bounded on the north by the live fence separating a portion of this land belonging to Delat Machchohamy, Juse Appu, and Mangohamy, on the east by the ditch separating this land alias Ekalakurunduwatta, on the south by the live fence of the land of H. Jayamanis Silva, and on the west by the live fence separating the land belonging to Warden a Girigoris Silva and Kadupitige Saviel Silva; containing in extent 21 acres more or less within the said boundaries.
- 3. An undivided 11/48 shares of the portion of land called Delgahawattukotasa, situate at ditto; the entire land being bounded on the north and south by lands of Kuttihodi, on the east by thejeinnamon estate of Gabriel Croos, and on the west by the land of Weda Abraham and others; containing in extent 1 rood more or less within the said boundaries.
- 4. The land called Kajugahawatta, situate at ditto, and all the buildings standing thereon; bounded on the north by the high road, on the east by the land belonging to Kutti Saviel and others, and on the south and west by the land belonging to Hattimuni Porolis and others; containing in extent 2 acres more or less.
- 5. The land called Delgahawatta, situate at ditto; bounded on the north by the land belonging to Weda Romel Silva, on the east by the lands belonging to Bastian and others, south by the land belonging to Maggona James, and on the west by the land belonging to D. Davith and others; containing in extent 2 acres more or less.

6. The portion of land called Ekalekurunduwatta, situate at ditto; bounded on the north by the land belonging to Obinamuni Allis, on the east by the lands belonging to Martino Latteru, and on the south and west by another land belonging to the defendant; containing in extent 1 acre more or less.

7. An undivided ½ of the land called Kadjugahawatta, situate at ditto; and bounded on the north and west by the road and on the east and south by the lands of Martino Latteru; containing in extent 32 perches more or less and all the right, title, interest, and claim whatsoever of the said defendant in, to, upon, or out of the said premises mortgaged by the defendant.

Amount to be levied Rs. 4,000.

FRED. G. HEPPONSTALL Deputy Fiscal.

Deputy Fiscal's Office, Negombo, September 24, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

, (1) Albert Benjamin Gomis, No. 97, Ambalama road in Kotahena in Colombo, executor of the last will and testament of Charles Henry Gomis, late of No. 97, Ambalama road in Kotahena, deceased : and (2) Francina Gomis, nee Dona Francina Ratnaika, also of No. 97, Ambalama road in Kotahena, widow of the late Charles Henry Gomis, deceased Plaintiffs.

No. 23,337 C.

Elanganatha Mudaliyar Nanny Tamby Mudaliyar of Ward Place in the Cinnamon Gardens in Colombo................. Defendant.

OTICE is hereby given that on October 26, 1907. commencing at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following

property ordered to be sold by the order of the District Court of Colombo, dated September 20,

All that allotment of land called and known as Kahatagahalanda, situated in the village Mukalangedara in the Dunagaha pattu of Alutkuru korale in the District of Negombo, Western Province; and bounded on the north and north-east by a watercourse; on the east by a water-course and lands claimed by K. P. Samel Appu, K. P. Lokuh i, and K. P. Appurala and others; on the south by the land said to belong to the Crown; on the west by lands said to be those described in plan No. 46,590; and on the north-west by land said to be that described in plan No. 46,590 and by a burial ground; containing in extent 17 acres and I rood more or less.

Amount to be levied Rs. 1,250.62, with interest on Rs. 1,000 at 12½ per cent. per annum from May 1, 1906, till June 15, 1906, and thereafter at 9 per cent. per annum till payment in full and costs of suit.

> FRED. G. HEPPONSTALL, Deputy Fiscal.

Deputy Fiscal's Office Negombo, September 24, 1907.

Central Province,

In the District Court of Kandy.

Vs.

(1) Elizabeth Anne Milliard, (2) Thomas Henry Milliard, both of Nawala-

No. 17,921.

Dewasagayam Arnold Samuel of Na-/

OTICE is hereby given that on October 23, 1907. commencing at 12 noon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following property, mortgaged upon bond No. 5,742 dated July 2, 1900, and decreed to be sold by the judgment entered in this case:-

All that estate, plantations, land, and premises, now called and known as "Hopewell estate," comprising the following allotments of land, to wit :-

- 1. All that land called Alutkaderegewatta, situate at Penetuduwa alias Karahandugala in Pasbage korale of Uda Bulatgama in the Central Province; bounded on the east by Horatala's field, and the garden of Jona Meyanna Cader Saibo, on the south by the portion beloning to Chawanna, Shangalingam, on the west by Meepitiya-ela, and on the north by Palamaram tree and Government road; containing in extent about ten acres.
- 2. All that land called Gode-epanellakumbura and watta, situate at Rambukpitiya in Uda Bulatgama aforesaid; and bounded on the east by the property of Muhamadu Lebbe and others, on the south by the property of Ratemahatmaya and Mendis, on the west by the property of A. D. L. Mendis. and on the north by Meepitiya-ela; containing in extent 2 acres.
- 3. All that land called Horatalawatta, situate at Rambukpitiya aforesaid; and bounded on the east by the property of Kirihatana, on the south by high road, on the west by Perera's land, and on the north by Kirihatana's land; containing in extent 5 acres.
- 4. All that land called Kirihatanagewatta, situate at Rambukpitiya aforesaid; bounded on the east by the property of Babanis Appu and Duraya, on the south by Horatella's property, on the west by the property of D. Perera and Palamaram tree, and on the north by the porperty of J. Perera; containing in extent 13 acres.

5. All that land called Gode-epenellawatta of 1 acre and 30 parches in extent, situate at Meepitiya n Pasbage korale aforesaid; bounded on the east and 10th by 0ya, on the south by 0ya, on the west by 11gh road to Ambagamuwa.

6. The northern 15 lahas in paddy sowing extent of all that land called and known as Gode-epenella of 3 pelas in the whole, situate at Meepitiya aforesaid; bounded on the east by the limit of Kader's land, on the south by Kahata tree standing on the remaining portion of the same land, on the west by iwura of the said belonging to Unga, and on the north by Kitul tree.

The eastern one pela in paddy sowing extent out of the western one amunam in extent of the chena land called Gode-epenellahena of 3 amunams in extent in the whole, situate in the village Bodadeniya in Pasbage korale aforesaid; which said eastern one pela is bounded on the east by Kottagaha on the land sold by Unga, on the south by the Dangaha and a ditch (ela), on the west by Kahatagaha standing on the remaining 3 pelas of the land sold by Sirimalla to Kader, on the north by Dangaha standing on Kader's land, which said 7 allotments of land abovedescribed adjoin each other and now form one property, and are bounded and abutted as follows: on the north-east and east by land claimed by Sarana, land claimed by Kirihatana, Dingiri Duraya, a road to Nawalapitiya, land claimed by Kadersa, Kaina Muhamadu Lebbe, and Selema Lebbe, on the south and south-west by land claimed by Moganar, on the west by land claimed by Dingiri, road to Nawala-pitiya, and land claimed by Cornelis Silva; containing in extent 22 acres 39 perches, as per plan dated June, 1897, and made by David Dewapuraratne, Licensed Surveyor, excluding therefrom two lands within the said boundaries, viz., the land marked A in the said plan of 1 rood and 28 perches and the other marked B, 3 roods in extent.

Amount of writ, Rs. 3,862.86 and interest.

A. V. WOUTERSZ, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Kandy, September 25, 1907.

In the District Court of Kandy.

No. 18,318

l. . :

Vs.

Selema Lebbe Sinne Lebbe Marikkar of Kandy Defendant.

NOTICE is hereby given that on October 21, 1907, at 12 noon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following property, mortgaged upon bond No. 5,249, dated June 9, 1903, and decreed to be sold by the judgment entered in this case, viz.:—

All that allotment of land called Udewatta, situate at Udewattakelle within the jurisdiction of Kandy, Central Province; bounded on the north-east by land described in plan No. 80,304, on the east by land described in plan No. 8,033, on the south-west by reservation of a road; containing in extent 1 acre 2 roods and 5 perches, together with the buildings and plantations thereon.

Amount of writ, Rs. 1.344.35.

A. V. WOUTERSZ, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Kandy, September 24, 1907.

Northern Province.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

- 1, Vairamuttu Iramappillai and wife 2, Chellamuttu of Vannarponnai West . Plaintiffs. No. 4,208. Vs.
- I, Kanapathipillai Kopalapillai and wife
 2, Nagamuttuppillai of Vannarponnai
 West Defendants

OTICE is hereby given that on Monday, October 28, 1907, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the following property, hypothecated to the plaintiffs and decreed to be sold by decree entered in the above action, for the recovery of Rs. 672 with interest on Rs. 400 at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from October 28, 1905, until payment in full and charges, viz.:—

1. A piece of land situated at Vannarponnai West called Pandikkodduvalavu, containing or reputed to contain in extent 1½ lacham of varagu culture with plantations, stone-built houses, and share of well on the western limit; bounded or reputed to be bounded on the east by the property of Nagamuttuppillai, wife of Kopalapillai, and others, north by the property of Kanapathippillai Kopalapillai and others, west by the property of Naguppillai, wife of Veluppillai, and others, and south by lane.

2. An undivided half share with its appurtenances of a piece of land situated at Vannarponnai West called Pandikkodduvalavu, containing or reputed to contain in extent 1½ lacham of varagu culture with plantations, stone-built houses, and share of the well on the western limit; bounded or reputed to be bounded on the east by the property of the heirs of the late Ponniah Cheddiar Veluppillai, north by the property of Chellam, daughter of Theivanai, and others, west by the property of Nagamuttuppillai, wife of Kopalapillai, and south by lane.

V. THAMBIPILLAL, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Jaffna, September 19, 1907.

In the Court of Requests of Jaffna.

Kathiravelu Sinnavar of Chunnagam...Plaintiff.

No. 6,149 A. Vs.

(1) Sinnappodi Nagamuttu and wife (2)
Ponnu, both of Chunnagam......Defendants.

NOTICE is hereby given that on Tuesday, October 29, 1907, at 10 o'clock in the forencon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the right, title, and interest of the said defendants in the following property, for the recovery of Rs. 300, with interest thereon at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from September 2, 1907, until payment in full, and costs of suit being Rs. 25 25 and charges, viz.:—

1. In a piece of land situated at Chunnagam called Kallollai, containing or reputed to contain in extent 20 lachams of paddy culture, together with share of well standing on the eastern land bearing the same name and belonging to Manikkappillai, wife of Thamotharampillai, and the right of path and water-course; bounded or reputed to be bounded on the east by the property of Kuddippillai, widow of Suppiramanier Sinnappah, and Manikkappillai, wife of Ponnampalam Thamotharampillai, north by the property of Taivanaippillai, wife of Rasingar Kumaravelar, west by the property of Thommai, Soosai, and Sinnappillai, wife Periyan Murugan, and south by the property of Suppiramaniar Kanthappar.

2. In a piece of land situated at Chunnagam called Malavarayavayal, containing or reputed to contain in extent 7 lachams of varaku culture, with share of well standing on the north-eastern land called Malavarayavayal; bounded or reputed to be bounded on the east and north by water-course, west by the property of Velankanthan and brother and Vallippillai, widow of Mootatamby, and south by the property of Visaladchy, wife of Kanthavanam.

3. In a piece of land situated at Chunnagam called Theviranai and Kuravankaladdy, containing or reputed to contain in extent 8 lachams of varaku culture with cultivated and spontaneous plantations, well, house, and share of water of well standing on the land called Thevaranai and other parcels lying to the west of the lane, which forms the western boundary, and with right of path and water-course; bounded or reputed to be bounded on the east by the property of Sangarapillai Vissuvanathan, north by the property of Sellachchippillai, wife of Sinnatamby and Ampalavy Nanny, west by the property of the heirs of the late Tangam and shareholders and lane, and south by the property of Sinnachy, wife of Ramu Sinnappu.

V. THAMBIPILLAI, Fiscal's Office, Deputy Fiscal Jaffna, September 21, 1907.

North-Western Province.

In the District Court of Kurunegala.

No. 3,207. Vs.

Sena Zenudeen, administrator of the intestate estate of the late Assen

Aliyar's son Kamsa of Kurunegala....Defendant

NOTICE is hereby given that on Saturday, October 26, 1907, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the right, title, and interest of the said defendant in the following property, viz.:—

An allotment of land situate on the Dambulla road in the town of Kurunegala in Tiragandahe korale of the Weudawili hatpattu; containing in extent about 20 perches with the two houses bearing Nos. 73 and 74 standing thereon; bounded on the north by the rock and stream, on the east by the land of Musafer, on the south by Dambulla road, and on the west by the land of Musafer.

Amount to be levied Rs. 1,574 50, with interest thereon at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum from date of decree till payment in full.

Fiscal's Office, C. V. REBEIRA,
Deputy Fiscal.
Kurunegala, September 24, 1907.

In the District Court of Colombo.

No. 21,988 C.

Vs.

 $M.\ H.\ Senanayake\ of\ Mirigama.....Defendant.$

OTICE is hereby given that on Tuesday, October. 22, 1907, commencing at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, will be sold by public auction at the premises the right, title, and interest of the said defendant in the following property, subject to mortgage bond No. 2,905 of October 1, 1903, in favour of the late Don Philip Muhandiram for Rs. 3,500 and interest Rs. 2,016, together aggregating to Rs. 5,516.

1. The land called Nedungalla of 20 acres and 17 perches in extent, situated at Labbala in the Meda pattu korale of the Katugampola hatpattu, in the Kurunegala District of the North-Western Province; bounded on the north by survey line, by Kahatagahahena belonging to Ukkurala, Delgahahena claimed by Appuhamy and Edadelgahahena claimed by Appuhamy and others; on the east by Kahatagahahena claimed by Ukkurala and others, Kandehena claimed by Appuhami and others, and by Higgahahena claimed by Kirihami and others; on the south by the Kongahahena claimed by Kirihami and others, by Kandehena claimed by Saruwany, and by Dolehena claimed by Unga and Lamindara; and on the west by Paragahahena claimed by Punchappuhami and others.

The contiguous portions of lands called Peniweraluwemukalana, Peniweraluwemukalane alias Kandehena, and Peniweraluwemukalana alias Diviya Andanagalemukalane, all of 9 acres and 10 perches in extent, with everything appertaining thereto, situated at Labbala aforesaid; bounded on the north by Paragahena claimed by Ukkurala and others, and by Paragahena claimed by Punchappuhami and others and by Ukkurala and others, and by Dawatagahena claimed by Andirala; on the east by Paragahena claimed by Punchappuhamy and others, by Kongahena claimed by Unga, and by Moragahahena claimed by Sangina; on the south by Kongahahena claimed by Lamina and by Mahawattehena claimed by Ganitha; and on the west by Kahatagahahena claimed by Mallia and others.

3. Nedungalla alias Getakende of 1 acre 3 roods and 19 perches in extent, with everything appertaining thereto, situated at Labbala aforesaid; bounded on the north-east by Dolehena claimed by Lamindara, on the south by Millagahena claimed by Puncha Veda, on the west by Kadumbiriyagahahena claimed by Lamadara and others and by Dolehena claimed by

Lamindara, and all the right, title, and interest and claim whatsoever of the said defendant in, to, upon, or out of the said several premises described above.

Amount to be levied Rs. 6,500 and poundage.

C. V. REBEIRA, Deputy Fiscal.

Fiscal's Office, Kurunegala, September 23, 1907.

DISTRICT AND MINOR COURTS NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Bandarawela Sessions (Police Court and Court of Requests) for the fourth quarter of the year 1907 will be held as follows:—

October 21 to 26. November 18 to 23. December 16 to 21.

Badulla-Haldummulla Circuit Court, September 20, 1907.

W. A. G. Hood, Police Magistrate and Commissioner.

Return of Testamentary Cases under Official Administration in the District Court of Galle for the Half-Year ended June 30, 1907.

No. of C	ase,	To whom granted.	Whose Estate.	Value of Estate. Rs.
3,535		The Secretary, District Court	 Estate of Pinnaduwe Hewage Kirigoris de Silva	3,283
3.575		Do.	 Estate of Patiranage Peiris Appu	1,340
3,587	٠.	Do.	 Estate of Ratgamaguruge Ondiris de Silva Tilaka-	
- ,			suriya	2,436
3,609		Do.	 Estate of Mohamed Baay Pathumma	6,750
3.624		Do.	 Estate of Saris Wimalasurendara	5,000
3,632		Do.	 Estate of Agampodi Odiris de Silva of Totagamuwa	1,375
		ourt, Galle, mber 19, 1907.	. K. Macli	