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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON.**

Report of the Registrar-General for the Month of January, 1908.

THIS report deals with the Vital Statistics of the several towns of the Island proclaimed under sections 31 to 36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895. The Registrars of these towns are qualified medical men. No death occurring there is registered unless the cause is ascertained by the Registrar's personal inspection of the deceased, or certified by a qualified medical man in attendance on the deceased, and no dead body is buried or cremated without registration being effected. This system was commenced on January 1, 1893, in the town of Colombo, under the Ordinance No. 20 of 1891, and has been gradually extended till it now embraces 30 towns.

2. Table I. in the Appendix shows the population at the last decennial Census of 1901, and the present estimated population and the births and deaths registered during the month, their rates, and the infantile mortality in each town.

3. Table III. gives similar information as regards each ward in the Colombo Municipality.

4. The estimated population of the 30 towns is 466,362, or more than one-ninth of the total population of the Island. The population of Colombo (180,262) is nearly two-thirds of the population of all the other towns taken together (286,100).

**Births and Deaths.**

5. The births registered in the 30 towns numbered 1,378—of which 707 were of males and 671 of females—and correspond to an annual birth-rate per 1,000 of 34·89 as against 29·27 during the preceding month. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000), the highest birth-rate for the month was observed in Panadure (69·04), and the lowest in Kalpitiya (7·24). In the other towns the birth-rate ranged from 58·76 in Negombo, 51·92 in Ratnapura, and 50·51 in Kegalla to 20·37 in Batticaloa, 16·81 in Mullaittivu, and 9·56 in Hatton and Dikoya.

6. The town of Colombo, where the births registered numbered 453—of which 228 were of males and 225 of females—records a birth-rate of 29·67 per mille per annum as against 22·65 in the preceding month. The highest birth-rate was in Slave Island Ward (32·78), and the lowest in Pettah (4·68), while there were no births recorded in the Fort and Galle Face Ward. In the other Wards the birth-rate ranged from 28·38 in Maradana to 18·04 in Kollupitiya.

7. The number of deaths registered in the 30 towns was 1,501—of which 811 were of males and 690 of females—and correspond to an annual death-rate of 32·95 per mille, as against 32·58 during the previous month. 466 of the total deaths, or little less than one-third, occurred in hospitals (with 7 deaths in jails), and exaggerated the normal mortality of the towns.

**Mortality.**

8. Corrected death-rates as well as crude death-rates are shown for the several towns. By a corrected rate is meant the rate calculated for the population of each town on the basis that its age- and sex-constitution is the same as for the Island, and also excluding from the total deaths those of estate coolies and other persons who are not town residents. The corrected rate should thus furnish a more satisfactory test of the comparative health of the towns than the crude rate. I am unable to give the corrected rates for "Hatton and Dikoya," Kalpitiya and Lunugala towns, because the age- and sex-constitution of their populations was not ascertained at the last Census. The population of Lunugala (as now constituted) was not enumerated at the Census of 1901, and the figure given is an estimate made at the beginning of October last.

9. Among the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, for the reason stated) the lowest corrected mortality during the month was recorded in Nuwara Eliya (9·67), and the highest in Mannar (76·72). In the other towns the death-rate ranged from 13·93 in Nawalapitiya, 14·36 in Kegalla, 20·53 in Panadure, and 20·72 in Matara to 52·17 in Jaffna, 55·37 in Matale, 61·28 in Chilaw, and 64·42 in Mullaittivu.

10. In the town of Colombo, where the deaths registered numbered 470—of which 251 were of males and 219 of females—the annual death-rate recorded is 31·12 per 1,000 as against 30·48 during the preceding month. In Table III., which gives the death-rates for the several wards of the town, I am unable to give the corrected rates because the age- and sex-constitution of the Ward populations at the last Census has not been recorded. Omitting the Fort and Galle Face Ward and the Pettah Ward, which contain a population mainly adult male and floating, the healthiest division during the month was Kollupitiya with a crude death-rate of 11·86. The highest crude death-rate was in New Bazaar Ward (31·24). In the other wards the death-rate ranged from 17·71 in Kotahena to 30·40 in Slave Island.

**Infantile Mortality.**

11. The infantile mortality for the 30 towns was equal to a rate of 242 per 1,000 births registered. In the towns having a population of 5,000 or more the mortality ranged from 500 in Batticaloa, 444 in Puttalam, 419 in Jaffna, 417 in Trincomalee, 333 in Mannar to 128 in Moratuwa, 125 in Nuwara Eliya, 118 in Negombo, and 98 in Kalutara.

12. The infantile mortality in the town of Colombo was 305 per 1,000 births registered. The infantile mortality given for each ward in Table III. enables a comparison to be made of the health of the various wards. The lowest mortality was observed in Kollupitiya Ward (143 per 1,000), the healthiest in the town during the month, and the highest infantile mortality was in New Bazaar (555), the unhealthiest, followed by St. Paul's (414) and Maradana (364).

#### Causes of Death.

13. Table II. in the Appendix gives for each town and race the principal causes of deaths registered during the month, and shows the infantile mortality separately from the other mortality.

14. Table IV. gives similar information for each ward and race of the Colombo Municipality.

15. *Infants*.—Out of the 1,501 deaths from all causes in the 30 towns, 333 or more than one-fourth were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 102 Convulsions (of which 45 in Colombo and 17 in Galle), 83 Debility (of which 29 in Colombo and 15 in Jaffna), 37 Prematurity (of which 10 in Colombo), 26 Pneumonia (of which 14 in Colombo), 17 Bronchitis (of which 5 in Colombo and 5 in Jaffna), 14 Diarrhoea (of which 9 in Colombo), and 13 Tetanus (5 in Colombo and 4 each in Moratuwa and Jaffna).

16. In the town of Colombo Convulsions accounted for the highest mortality, and were distributed as follows:—14 in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals, 10 in New Bazaar, 8 in St. Paul's, 6 in Kotahena, 3 in St. Sebastian, 2 in Slave Island, and 1 each in Pettah and Maradana Hospitals. The next highest mortality was from Debility (9 in New Bazaar, 7 in Maradana Hospitals, 5 in St. Paul's, 2 each in Slave Island, Kollupitiya, and Maradana exclusive of Hospitals, and 1 each in Pettah and St. Sebastian), followed by Pneumonia (7 in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals, 3 each in Kotahena and Slave Island, and 1 in New Bazaar).

17. *One year and over*.—Out of the 1,168 deaths of persons one year and over in age, there were 259 due to Diarrhoea and Dysentery, of which 47 were in Colombo, 18 each in Kandy and Galle, 16 in Moratuwa, 14 each in Negombo, Kurunegala, and Badulla, 12 each in Jaffna and Lunugala, and 11 in Matale; 109 Pneumonia, of which 37 in Colombo, 8 in Moratuwa, and 7 each in Kurunegala and Chilaw; 101 Phthisis, of which 54 in Colombo and 16 in Galle; 61 *Dochmius Duodenalis*, of which 44 were of Tamil coolies; 48 Remittent Fever, of which 21 were in Jaffna, 6 in Colombo, and 5 in Batticaloa; 42 Enteric Fever, of which 23 were in Colombo and 9 in Moratuwa; 39 Malarial Cachexia; 29 Bronchitis, of which 18 were in Colombo; 25 Simple Fever, of which 7 were in Jaffna and 5 in Galle; 20 Anæmia, of which 5 were in Negombo, 4 in Galle, and 3 in Jaffna; 14 Bright's Disease and Nephritis, of which 7 in Colombo.

18. The highest mortality in Colombo was from Phthisis 54, of which 12 were in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals, 11 in Maradana Hospitals, and 8 in Slave Island, followed by Pneumonia 37, of which 9 were in Maradana Hospitals, 8 in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals and 6 in Kotahena; Diarrhoea and Dysentery 47, of which 24 were in Maradana Hospitals, 8 in Kotahena, and 5 in Slave Island; Enteric Fever 23, of which 7 were in Maradana Hospitals, 5 in St. Paul's, and 4 in Slave Island; Bronchitis 18, of which 5 were in Maradana Hospitals, and 4 each in Kotahena and New Bazaar; Bright's Disease and Nephritis 7, of which 4 were in Maradana Hospitals; and Remittent Fever 6, of which 3 were in Slave Island, 2 in St. Sebastian, and 1 in Kollupitiya.

19. *Percentage of principal causes among all ages*.—Of the total number of deaths of all ages in the towns, Diarrhoea and Dysentery accounted for more than 18 per cent., Bronchitis and Pneumonia more than 12 per cent., Debility more than 9 per cent., various kinds of Fever nearly 8 per cent., and Infantile Convulsions and Phthisis more than 6 per cent. each.

20. Of the total number of deaths of all ages in the town of Colombo, Bronchitis and Pneumonia accounted for nearly 12 per cent., Phthisis more than 11 per cent., Debility more than 10 per cent., Diarrhoea and Dysentery 10 per cent., Infantile Convulsions more than 9 per cent., and various kinds of Fever more than 6 per cent.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, February 11, 1908.

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Table I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during January, 1908, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, and the mean temperature and rainfall observed, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Towns.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of 1901.	Population estimated to the Middle of 1908 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births registered.		Total Deaths, including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths registered in Hospitals and Jails.	Total Deaths, excluding Deaths of Estate Coolies and non-residents.	Per Mille per Annum.			Deaths of Children under One Year.	Deaths of Children under One Year per 1,000 Births registered.	Mean Temperature.	Rainfall in Inches.	
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			Birth-rate.	Crude Death-rate.	Corrected Death-rate.*					
<b>All 30 Towns</b>	<b>415,679</b>	<b>466,362</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>1,378</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>473</b> †	<b>1,232</b>	<b>34.89</b>	<b>31.19</b>	<b>32.95</b> ‡	<b>333</b>		
<i>Western Province.</i>																
Colombo	155,869	180,262	228	225	453	251	219	470	132	427	29.67	27.97	31.13	138	79.5	4.20
Negombo	19,319	20,495	47	55	102	35	26	61	8	58	58.76	33.41	34.06	12	—	2.80
Moratuwa	29,800	34,139	77	56	133	40	38	78	12	78	45.99	25.98	25.47	17	—	—
Kaṭṭara	11,500	11,990	19	22	41	16	12	28	—	26	40.37	25.60	24.94	4	—	3.79
Panadure	3,845	4,275	14	11	25	5	10	15	9	7	69.04	19.33	20.53	3	—	—
<i>Central Province.</i>																
Kandy	26,511	29,437	45	30	75	53	28	81	36	59	30.08	23.66	24.81	14	74.7	3.33
Gampola	3,791	4,608	6	7	13	8	11	19	5	17	33.31	43.56	46.07	3	Not received.	—
Navalapitiya	3,454	4,043	4	4	8	10	11	21	17	4	23.36	11.68	13.93	2	—	—
Hatton and Dikoya	2,858	3,705	1	2	3	9	5	14	11	3	9.56	9.56	—	—	—	4.98
Makale	4,951	5,589	6	6	12	22	27	49	32	23	25.35	48.59	55.37	3	—	3.91
Nuwara-Eliya	5,072	7,997	8	8	16	4	2	6	2	5	23.62	7.38	9.67	2	—	5.76
<i>Northern Province.</i>																
Jaffna	33,879	35,295	55	50	105	77	74	151	6	148	35.12	49.51	52.17	44	77.6	2.65
Mannar	3,338	3,338	5	7	12	11	8	19	6	19	42.44	67.20	76.72	4	78.3	4.05
Mullaithivu	1,308	1,404	2	—	2	2	7	9	2	7	16.81	58.85	64.42	—	—	1.70
Vavuniya	566	595	—	—	—	3	2	5	4	2	—	39.71	47.75	—	—	4.45
<i>Southern Province.</i>																
Galle	37,165	40,026	83	71	154	68	71	139	32	119	45.42	35.10	34.32	30	78.1	3.27
Matara	11,848	13,242	31	18	49	16	14	30	6	24	43.69	21.40	20.72	9	—	2.34
Hambantota	2,843	3,056	1	9	10	9	4	13	5	8	38.63	30.91	32.36	3	—	1.58
Tangalla	2,333	2,629	2	4	6	3	2	5	2	5	26.95	22.46	23.72	1	—	0.73
<i>Eastern Province.</i>																
Batticaloa	9,969	10,433	10	8	18	21	18	39	7	36	20.37	40.74	42.01	9	78.0	10.49
Trincormalee	11,887	11,295	7	17	24	18	11	29	—	29	25.09	30.31	35.16	10	79.1	4.99
<i>North-Western Province.</i>																
Kurunegala	6,483	8,068	15	8	23	28	21	49	35	23	33.66	33.66	39.65	4	77.9	3.04
Puttalam	5,115	5,219	7	9	16	13	6	19	5	19	36.19	42.98	43.00	7	77.7	6.13
Kalpitiya	1,487	1,631	1	—	1	3	2	5	—	5	7.24	36.18	—	3	—	—
Chilaw	4,168	4,514	7	10	17	18	5	23	12	23	44.46	60.15	61.28	1	No records	—
<i>North-Central Province.</i>																
Anuradhapura	3,672	4,856	6	8	14	12	8	20	9	17	34.03	41.33	47.63	4	76.8	3.14
<i>Province of Uva.</i>																
Badulla	5,924	6,686	6	6	12	21	12	33	17	21	21.19	37.08	37.92	3	70.4	8.91
Lunugala	—	416	1	2	3	9	12	21	20	1	85.14	28.38	—	—	—	—
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>																
Retnapura	4,084	4,548	8	12	20	20	15	35	28	16	51.92	41.54	42.99	1	79.9	3.91
Kegalla	2,340	2,571	5	6	11	6	9	15	13	3	50.51	13.78	14.36	2	—	—

\* By "corrected death-rate" is here meant the rate calculated for the population of each town on the basis that its age- and sex-constitution is the same as for the whole Island, and also excluding the deaths of estate coolies and other non-residents.  
 † Includes the death of a Colombo town resident (Sinhalese), which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, and was registered by an extra-urban Registrar.  
 ‡ The population of "Hatton and Dikoya," Kalpitiya, and Lunugala towns at the Census of 1901 not being available by age- and sex-constitution, their corrected death-rates cannot be calculated. The death-rate given for "All Towns" is, therefore, independent of these three towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates owing to the smallness of their population.  
 § Hitherto the Census population has been inadvertently given as 5,332.  
 ¶ The population of Mannar and Trincomalee towns at the Census of 1891 not being available, no estimate can be made of the rate of growth 1891-1900 or 1901-1908. Their population estimated for 1908 is the Census population of 1901, less (in the case of Trincomalee) the Military, who are no longer stationed there.  
 \*\* The population of Lunugala town at the Census of 1901 is not available. The figure given is the population estimated at the beginning of October, 1907.  
 \*\*\* In each of these columns blanks appear against towns which do not possess observatories or rain gauges.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during January, 1908, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	Western Province.				Central Province.				Northern Province.			Southern Province.			Eastern Province.			North-Western Province.			North-Central Province.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races.													
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moretuwa.	Kalutara.	Fenadure.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Navalapitiya.	Hatton and Dikoya.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Vavuniya.	Galle.	Matura.	Hambantota.	Tangalla.	Batticaloa.	Trincomalee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Langgala.	Ratnapure.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
All Causes	61	78	28	15	81	19	21	14	49	6	15	19	9	5	139	80	13	5	39	29	49	19	5	23	20	33	21	35	15	9	35	676	555	180	25	21		
I.—Infantile Mortality	12	17	4	3	14	3	2	—	3	2	—	3	2	—	30	9	3	1	9	10	4	7	3	1	4	3	1	2	1	12	153	107	50	5	5			
A.—One Week and under.																																						
1. Prematurity	1	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																						
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other causes	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	49	61	24	12	67	16	19	14	46	4	107	15	9	5	109	21	10	4	30	19	45	12	2	22	16	30	21	34	13	8	23	523	448	130	20	16		
1. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Simple Fever	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

\* This includes the deaths of a town resident (3 years old), from Debility, which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatita (outside the town), and was registered by an extra-urban Registrar.  
 † All these resulted from Starvation.  
 ‡ This includes 4 deaths from Starvation in Colombo, 4 from Erysipelas (2 each in Jaffna and Galle), 4 from Worms (1 each in Colombo, Negombo, Kalutara, and Puttalam), 3 from Dysentery) 2 in Colombo and 1 in Negombo), 3 from Simple Fever in Jaffna, 3 from Enteritis, and 2 each from Gastro-enteritis and Dropsy in Colombo, 2 from Pyæmia in Batticaloa, 2 from Malarial Fever in Kalpitiya, and 1 each from Tonsillitis and Stomatitis in Colombo.



Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the month of January, 1908, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population, and the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, in each Ward of the Colombo Municipality.

Wards.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of 1901.	Population estimated to the middle of 1908 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births registered.			Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Deaths registered in Hospitals and Jails.	Total Deaths excluding Deaths (if any) of Estate Coolies and Non-residents.	Per mille per annum.			Deaths of Children under One Year.	Deaths of Children under One Year of Age to 1,000 Births registered.
			Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			Birth-rate.	Crude Death-rate.	Corrected Death-rate.*		
Colombo Town	155,869	180,262	228	225	453	251	219	470	133	427	29.67	27.97	31.12	138	305
Fort and Galle Face	2,285	†2,285	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	5.16	—	—	—
Pettah	7,561	†7,561	1	2	3	5	2	7	—	7	4.68	10.93	—	3	—
St. Sebastian	9,349	10,536	16	8	24	10	8	18	—	18	26.89	20.17	—	6	250
St. Paul's	20,260	23,740	19	22	41	19	23	42	—	42	20.39	20.88	—	17	414
Kotahena	33,355	37,987	46	41	87	25	32	57	—	57	27.04	17.71	—	21	241
New Bazaar	17,470	20,027	23	22	45	26	27	53	—	53	26.52	31.24	—	25	555
Maradana Hospitals	30,381	36,606	38	37	75	89	43	132	132	89	—	—	—	16	—
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals)	16,927	19,804	42	46	88	36	50	86	—	86	28.38	27.79	—	32	364
Slave Island	18,281	22,896	24	31	55	25	26	51	1	51	32.78	30.40	—	13	235
Kollupitiya	18,281	22,896	19	16	35	15	8	23	—	23	18.04	11.86	—	5	143

\* For explanation of "corrected death-rate" vide Table I. foot-note marked (\*). The population of the several wards of the town at the Census of 1901 not being available by age- and sex-constitution, their corrected death-rates cannot be calculated.

† The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their estimated population has not been calculated. Hence the Census figures are retained.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1908, in each Ward and Race of the Colombo Municipality.

Causes of Deaths.	Ward.										Deaths among all Races.						
	Colombo Town.										Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
	Fort and Galle Face.	Pettab.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.							
<b>All Causes</b>	1	7	18	42	57	53	132	86	*51	23	7	21	241	89	79	15	18
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b>	—	3	6	17	21	25	16	32	13	5	1	7	69	22	33	1	5
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																	
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	2	—	—	4	1	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	1	3	—	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	4	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	1	3	3	1	1	5	—	2	—	—	7	3	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
<b>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</b>																	
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	2	1	7	5	1	1	1	—	—	6	4	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	1	2	5	3	9	9	9	2	—	—	—	18	2	11	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	3	1	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	7	3	—	—	—	7	1	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	2	2	3	3	4	3	—	—	—	11	2	—	—	—
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)</b>	1	4	12	25	36	28	116	54	38	18	6	14	172	67	46	14	13
1. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* Includes the death of a Sinhalese who died from Debility in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta.

† Due to Starvation.

‡ Includes 5 deaths from Enteritis (1 each in New Bazaar and Kotahena and 3 in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals), 4 from Starvation (2 each in Maradana Hospitals and Slave Island), 2 from Dysentery (1 each in St. Paul's and New Bazaar), 2 from Dropsy (1 each in Kotahena and Slave Island), 1 from Tonsillitis in St. Paul's, 1 from Worms in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals, and 1 from Stomatitis in New Bazaar.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1908, in each Ward and Race of the Colombo Municipality.—*contd.*

Causes of Death.	Wards.										Deaths among all Races.							
	Colombo Town.	Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 year and over)—<i>contd.</i></b>																		
5. Simple Fever .. .. .	23				5	3	1	7	3	4		2	1	14	2	4		
6. Enteric Fever .. .. .	6			2						3				2		1		
7. Remittent Fever .. .. .	1									1								
8. Ague .. .. .																		
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .																		
10. Cholera .. .. .	32			3	1	6	1	17	1	2	1			16	14	1		
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	15					2	2	7	1	3				6	4	4		
12. Dysentery .. .. .	11						1	9	1					6	4	1		
13. Doehmius Duodenalis .. .. .	3							3						2	1			
14. Cancer .. .. .	54		1	1	7	5	6	11	12	8	3		1	31	7	8	4	3
15. Phthisis .. .. .	1													1		1		
16. Other Tubercular Diseases .. .. .	2									1	1			1		1		
17. Anæmia .. .. .																		
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	8			1			2		4	1				4	1	2	1	
19. Convulsions .. .. .	2													1		1		
20. Tetanus .. .. .	18				1	1	4	5	2	1				10	5	3	2	
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	37			3	3	6	2	9	8	3	1		4	16	7	5	3	3
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	2		2					1	1	1				1	1	1	1	
23. Other Diseases of Respiratory System .. .. .	7				1	1		4	1					5	1	1		
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	1													1				
25. Puerperal Convulsions .. .. .	2													1				
26. Puerperal Fever .. .. .								2						1				
27. Miscarriage .. .. .														1				
28. Other and undefined Accidents of Child-birth .. .. .	1						1									1		
29. Starvation .. .. .	2							2						2				
30. Accidents or Negligence .. .. .	2							1						2				
31. Homicide .. .. .	1							1						1				
32. Suicide .. .. .	1							1						1				
33. Execution .. .. .								1						1				
34. All other Causes .. .. .	*99	1	1	2	6	8	8	37	19	10	7	4	3	50	20	13	4	5

\* Here are included 21 deaths from Old Age, 19 from Debility, 6 each from Paralysis and Remittent Fever, 5 each from Worms, Enteritis, and Bright's Disease, 4 from Cirrhosis of Liver, 3 each from Cancer and Apoplexy, and 2 each from Diphtheria, Nephritis, Hernia, and Abscess.