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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF JUNE, 1908.**

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

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 affected. 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 with mean temperature and rainfall of 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.

5. The births registered in the 30 towns during the month numbered 1,165—of which 646 were of males and 519 of females—and correspond to an annual birth-rate per 1,000 of 30·39, as against 30·63 during the preceding month. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000), the highest birth-rate was observed in Ratnapura (50·83), and the lowest in Nuwara Eliya (4·56), while there were no births recorded in Lunugala. In the other towns the birth-rate ranged from 43·73 in Mannar, 42·59 in Kegalla, 42·40 in Jaffna, and 42·26 in Matara to 20·01 in Badulla, 19·90 in Hambantota, 16·42 in "Hatton and Dikoya," and 14·91 in Kalpitiya.

6. The town of Colombo, where the births registered numbered 390—of which 214 were of males and 176 of females—records a birth-rate of 26·32 per mille per annum, as against 24·63 in the preceding month. The highest birth-rate was in Slave Island (28·19), and the lowest in Pettah (6·44). In the other wards the birth-rate ranged from 25·62 in Kotahena, 10·65 in Fort and Galle Face Ward.

Deaths.

7. The number of deaths registered in the 30 towns during the month was 1,424—of which 738 were of males and 686 of females—and correspond to an annual death-rate of 31·48 per mille, as against 32·07 during the previous month. 460 of the total deaths, or a little less than one-third, occurred in hospitals (with 6 deaths in jails), and exaggerated the normal mortality of the towns.

8. Corrected death-rates as well as crude death-rates are shown. 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.

9. Among the towns the lowest corrected mortality during the month was recorded in Chilaw (2·74) and the highest in Anuradhapura (60·63). In the other towns the death-rate ranged from 14·80 in Kegalla, 17·83 in Moratuwa, 19·55 in Tangalla, and 19·56 in Matara to 41·61 in Mannar, 44·49 in Batticaloa, 47·06 in Ratnapura, 47·13 in Matale, and 50·27 in Gampola.

10. In the town of Colombo, the deaths registered numbered 498—of which 260 were of males and 238 of females—corresponding to an annual death-rate of 34·85 per 1,000 per annum, as against 35·50 during the preceding month. In Table III., which gives the death-rates for the several wards of the town, I am able to give only the crude 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, St. Paul's shows this month the lowest crude death-rate (18·96) and Kotahena the highest rate (29·47). In the other wards the death-rate ranged from 26·04 in Kollupitiya to 27·34 in New Bazaar.

Infantile Mortality.

11. The infantile mortality for the 30 towns in the month was equal to a rate of 240 per 1,000 births registered. In the towns having an estimated population of 5,000 or more the mortality ranged from 333 in Batticaloa, 317 in Jaffna, 273 each in Puttalam and Badulla to 131 in Moratuwa, 109 in Matara, 88 in Kalutara, and 59 in Kurunegala.

12. The infantile mortality in the town of Colombo was 318 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 St. Paul's (264 per 1,000), and the highest infantile mortality was in St. Sebastian (500) followed by New Bazaar (428).

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 1,424 deaths from all causes in the 30 towns, 280 or nearly one-fifth were among infants under one year. Of these the chief causes were 82 Convulsions (of which 41 in Colombo, 7 in Kandy, and 4 in Galle), 54 Debility (of which 15 in Colombo, 12 in Jaffna, 6 in Batticaloa, and 4 each in Negombo and Galle), 28 Prematurity (of which 9 in Jaffna, 8 in Kandy, and 6 in Colombo), 27 Diarrhoea (of which 16 in Colombo, 3 in Galle, and 2 each in Nuwara Eliya and Jaffna), 27 Pneumonia (of which 12 in Colombo, 4 in Kandy, and 3 in Moratuwa), 17 Tetanus (of which 12 in Colombo and 4 in Jaffna), and 13 Bronchitis (of which 8 in Colombo and 2 in Jaffna).

16. In the Town of Colombo, Convulsions accounted for the highest mortality, and the cases were distributed as follows:—11 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 9 in Kotahena, 6 in New Bazaar, 5 in Slave Island, 4 in Kollupitiya, 2 each in St. Sebastian and St. Paul's, and 1 in Maradana hospitals. The next highest mortality was from Diarrhoea (6 in Kotahena 3 each in Maradana hospitals and Maradana exclusive of hospitals, and 2 each in Slave Island and Kollupitiya), followed by Debility (4 in Slave Island 3 each in St. Paul's and Maradana hospitals, and 2 in St. Sebastian), Tetanus (4 in Kotahena and 2 each in Pettah, St. Paul's, and New Bazaar), and Pneumonia (3 in New Bazaar and 2 each in Kotahena, Maradana exclusive of hospitals, and Slave Island).

17. *One year and over.*—Out of the 1,144 deaths of persons one year and over in age, there were 237 due to Diarrhoea and Dysentery, of which 52 were in Colombo, 21 in Ratnapura, 16 each in Kandy and Galle, 14 in Jaffna, 13 in Kegalla, 12 in Matale, and 10 in Kurunegala; 141 due to Pneumonia of which 65 were in Colombo, 11 in Trincomalee, 10 in Galle, 6 in Moratuwa, and 5 in Matale; 90 to Phthisis, of which 41 were in Colombo, 12 in Galle, 8 in Kandy, 5 in Jaffna, and 4 in Kurunegala; 51 to Enteric Fever, of which 38 were in Colombo and 6 in Moratuwa; 51 to Malarial Cachexia of which 16 were in Matale, 5 each in Batticaloa and Kurunegala, and 4 in Puttalam; 44 to Remittent Fever, of which 11 were in Galle, 8 in Batticaloa, and 6 in Jaffna; 41 to Doehmius Duodenalis, of which 35 were among Tamils almost all of whom are coolies; 24 to Bronchitis, of which 11 were in Colombo and 2 each in Moratuwa, Trincomalee, Kurunegala, and Kegalla; 17 to Bright's Disease and Nephritis, of which 4 were in Colombo, 3 in Panadure, and 2 each in Galle and Anuradhapura; 13 to Anæmia, of which 4 were in Colombo and 2 each in Negombo, Moratuwa, and Gampola; and 10 to simple fever, of which 5 were in Jaffna and 4 in Kandy.

18. In the Town of Colombo the highest mortality was from Pneumonia (65), of which 18 were in Maradana hospitals, 17 in Kotahena, 7 in St. Paul's, 6 each in New Bazaar and Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 5 in Slave Island, and 4 in Kollupitiya, followed by Phthisis 41 (8 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 7 in Maradana hospitals, 5 each in St. Paul's and New Bazaar, and 4 each in St. Sebastian, St. Paul's, and Kollupitiya). Enteric Fever accounted for 38 deaths, the highest yet recorded in any month of this year, and the cases were distributed as follows:—14 in Maradana hospitals, 8 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 4 each in St. Sebastian, St. Paul's, and Kollupitiya, 3 in Slave Island, and 1 in New Bazaar. Diarrhoea accounted for 35 deaths, of which 10 were in Kollupitiya, 5 of this number being patients removed from the Lunatic Asylum to the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, 9 in Kotahena, 7 in Maradana hospitals, and 6 in Slave Island; Dysentery 17, of which 11 were in Maradana hospitals and 3 in St. Paul's; and Bronchitis 11, of which 3 were in St. Sebastian and 2 each in Kotahena, New Bazaar, and Maradana exclusive of hospitals.

19. *Percentage of principal causes of death at all ages.*—Of the total number of deaths at all ages in the towns, Diarrhoea and Dysentery accounted for nearly 19 per cent.; Bronchitis and Pneumonia more than 14 per cent., Debility more than 8 per cent., various kinds of fever nearly 8 per cent., Infantile Convulsions more than 7 per cent., and Phthisis more than 6 per cent.

20. Of the total number of deaths at all ages in the town of Colombo, Bronchitis and Pneumonia accounted for more than 19 per cent., Diarrhoea and Dysentery nearly 14 per cent., Infantile Convulsions more than 9 per cent., Phthisis and various kinds of fever more than 8 per cent., and Debility more than 4 per cent.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, July 14, 1908.

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Table V. Number of Births and Deaths registered during June, 1908, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and 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 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 of Age to 1,000 Births registered.††	Mean Temperature.***	Rainfall in Inches.***
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			Birth-rate.	Crude Death-rate.	Corrected Death-rate.*				
All 30 Towns	415,679	486,362	846	519	1,165	738	688	1,424	30.39	29.79	31.48†	280	240		
<i>Western Province.</i>															
Colombo	155,869	180,262	214	176	390	260	238	464	26.32	31.32	34.85	124	318	79.5	4.27
Negombo	19,819	20,495	34	32	66	20	23	43	39.18	25.52	26.02	9	136	—	1.10
Moratuwa	29,600	34,139	61	38	99	25	28	53	35.28	18.88	17.83	13	131	—	—
Kalutara	11,500	11,990	17	17	34	10	14	24	34.50	22.32	21.75	3	88	—	6.19
Panadura	3,845	4,275	5	4	9	9	12	13	25.61	36.99	39.28	2	222	—	—
<i>Central Province.</i>															
Kandy	26,511	29,437	49	39	88	46	40	68	36.37	28.10	29.47	23	261	76.3	6.31
Gampola	3,791	4,608	5	3	8	12	13	18	21.12	47.53	50.27	2	250	—	7.93
Nawalapitiya	3,454	4,043	3	6	9	20	16	10	27.08	30.09	36.88	4	444	—	—
Hatton and Dikoya	2,853	3,705	2	3	5	9	8	5	16.42	16.42	—†	4	800	—	20.53
Matale	4,951	5,589	10	8	18	30	23	19	39.18	41.36	47.13	3	167	—	4.04
Nuwara Eliya	5,072	7,997	2	1	3	9	7	14	4.56	21.30	27.89	4	—	59.6	10.13
<i>Northern Province.</i>															
Jaffna	33,879	35,295	73	50	123	58	42	96	42.40	33.09	34.87	39	317	82.8	0.0
Mannar	3,338	3,338	7	5	12	4	6	10	43.73	36.44	41.61	—	—	83.8	0.0
Mullaitivu	1,308	1,404	1	3	4	2	1	3	34.65	26.99	28.45	—	—	—	0.0
Vavuniya	566	595	1	1	2	1	1	1	40.91	20.45	24.60	—	—	—	0.0
<i>Southern Province.</i>															
Galle	37,165	40,026	50	43	93	60	56	116	28.26	32.52	31.79	15	161	80.0	4.31
Mataara	11,848	13,242	28	18	46	14	14	28	42.26	20.21	19.56	5	109	—	3.10
Hambantota	2,843	3,056	2	3	5	3	5	8	19.90	19.90	20.84	1	200	81.8	0.69
Tangalla	2,333	2,629	5	1	6	2	3	4	27.76	18.51	19.55	1	167	—	3.23
<i>Eastern Province.</i>															
Batticaloa	9,969	10,453	16	11	27	17	21	37	31.48	43.14	44.49	9	333	85.9	0.0
Trincomalee	11,887	11,295	16	10	26	14	19	33	28.00	35.54	41.22	4	154	84.7	0.0
<i>North-Western Province.</i>															
Kurunegala	6,483	8,068	5	12	17	22	17	39	26.23	19.60	23.09	1	59	82.3	2.56
Pattalam	5,115	5,219	3	8	11	7	10	17	25.64	39.62	40.56	3	273	82.6	0.11
Kalpitiya	1,487	1,631	2	—	2	2	1	3	14.91	22.37	—†	—	—	—	—
Chilaw	4,168	4,514	7	6	13	1	—	1	35.03	2.70	2.74	—	—	Not received	—
<i>North-Central Province.</i>															
Anuradhapura	3,672	4,856	6	4	10	11	11	21	25.05	52.61	60.63	3	300	83.6	0.02
<i>Province of Uva.</i>															
Badulla	5,924	6,686	7	4	11	12	13	17	20.01	30.93	31.63	3	273	75.8	0.08
Lunugala	—	416	—	—	—	6	10	3	—	87.74	—†	2	—	—	—
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>															
Ratnapura	4,084	4,548	8	11	19	37	26	17	50.83	45.48	47.06	2	105	80.3	12.76
Kegalla	2,340	2,571	7	2	9	15	8	3	42.59	14.20	14.80	1	111	—	—

* By "corrected 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 8 deaths of Colombo town residents (all adults), which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town), and were 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.
§ In reports published up to the beginning of this year 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 (as now constituted) was not enumerated at the Census of 1901. The figure given is of 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.
†† Infantile death-rates have been omitted where the number of births is less than five.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during June, 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.	Moratuwa.	Kalutara.	Panadura.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hatton.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Vavuniya.	Galle.	Matara.	Hambantota.	Tangalla.	Batticaloa.	Trincomalee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Lunungala.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.																	
All Causes	48	53	24	21	86	25	36	17	53	16	100	10	3	2	116	28	8	5	38	33	39	17	3	1	22	25	16	63	23	12	45	635	530	160	23	19																		
I.—Infantile Mortality	124	9	13	3	2	23	2	4	4	3	4	39			15	5	1	1	9	4	1	3			3	3	2	2	1	2	11	132	84	39	6	6																		
A.—One Week and under.	26	6	4	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	9				2	2	1		5							1	1				2	10	10	2		1																		
1. Prematurity	30	8			1	1					9																				1	2	6	20	4																			
2. Debility	25	9	1		3	3					9				2	2	1														1	1	14	3	6																			
3. Convulsions	14	9	1		1	1					4																				1	1	6	6	1																			
4. Diarrhoea																																																						
5. Tetanus																																																						
6. Bronchitis																																																						
7. Pneumonia																																																						
8. Other causes	1†				1	1																																																
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	2	7			2	2					3				2	2																																						
1. Prematurity	24	32	1		4	2					2				2	3																																						
2. Debility	57	16			1	1					2				2	3																																						
3. Convulsions	27	3			1	1					2				3																																							
4. Diarrhoea	13	8			1	1					2				2																																							
5. Tetanus	27	12			4	1					8				2	2																																						
6. Bronchitis	31†	14			1	1									2	2																																						
7. Pneumonia	1,144	374	40	21	19	63	23	32	13	50	12	61	10	3	2	101	23	7	4	29	29	38	14	3	1	19	22	14	61	22	10	34	503	446	121	17	13																	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)																																																						
1. Smallpox																																																						
2. Chickenpox																																																						
3. Measles																																																						
4. Influenza																																																						
5. Simple Fever																																																						

* This includes 8 deaths of town residents, which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, vide Table IV. foot-note marked (*).
 † Due to Mal-nutrition.
 ‡ This includes, besides the 14 deaths described in Table IV. foot-note (†), 4 deaths from Erysipelas (3 in Jaffna and 1 in Batticaloa), 3 from Fever (in Jaffna), 2 from Enteritis (1 each in Kandy and Galle), 2 from Remittent Fever (1 each in Batticaloa and Anuradhapura), 1 each from Whooping Cough and Thrush in Negombo, 1 each from Asthma and Dropsy in Jaffna, 1 from Septicæmia in Galle, and 1 from Worms in Puttalam.

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of June, 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 (be 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 Estates of Coolies and Non-residents.	Per mille per annum.			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	214	176	390	280	288	498	464	26.32	31.32	34.85	124	318
Fort and Galle Face	2,285	2,285§	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	10.65	10.65	—	2	—
Pettah	7,561	7,561§	2	2	4	4	3	7	7	6.44	11.26	—	2	—
St. Sebastian	9,349	10,536	9	5	14	13	10	23	23	16.17	26.56	—	7	500
St. Paul's	20,280	23,740	17	17	34	21	16	37	37	17.42	18.96	—	9	264
Kotahena	33,355	37,987	47	33	80	50	42	92	92	25.62	29.47	—	33	412
New Bazaar	17,470	20,027	19	16	35	17	28	45	45	21.26	27.34	—	15	428
Maradana Hospitals	30,381	36,606	45	30	75	76	44	120	86	—	—	—	11	—
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals)	—	—	43	34	77	32	47	79	79	25.59	26.26	—	26	325
Slave Island †	16,927	19,804	21	25	46	16	28	44	44	28.19	26.97	—	13	282
Kollupitiya	18,281	22,896	10	13	23	30	19	49	49	12.22	26.04	—	7	304

* 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.

† Infantile death-rates have been omitted where the number of births is less than five.

‡ Includes eight deaths of town residents, which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, and were registered by an extra-urban Registrar.

§ The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their estimated population cannot be calculated. Hence the Census figures are retained.

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

Causes of Deaths.	Colombo Town.	Ward.								Deaths among all Races.								
		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.
All Causes	498	2	7	23	37	92	45	120	79	44	49	9	22	254	107	82	11	13
I.—Infantile Mortality	124	2	2	7	9	33	15	11	25	13	7	2	5	64	20	25	5	3
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																		
1. Prematurity	6	1			2	4	1	1		2		1		3	1	1		
2. Debility	8							1						2	3			
3. Convulsions	9					2		1	4		1	1		4	1	3		
4. Diarrhoea																		
5. Tetanus	9		2	1		4	1		1				1	5	2	1		
6. Bronchitis																		
7. Pneumonia																		
8. Other Causes																		
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																		
1. Prematurity	7							2	1	2	1			5	1			
2. Debility	32				1	7	6		7	5	3			15	5	9	1	2
3. Convulsions	16				2	6		3	3	2	2			12	1	1	2	
4. Diarrhoea	3				2	1								2	1	1		
5. Tetanus	8				1	4	2							3	3	1		
6. Bronchitis	12				1	2	3	1	2	2				5	1	2	1	1
7. Pneumonia	14†				4	4	1	2	7					8	1	4		
8. Other Causes	374	5	16	28	59	30	109	54	31	42	7	17	190	87	57	6	10	
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)																		
1. Smallpox																		
2. Chickentpox																		
3. Measles																		
4. Influenza																		

* Includes 8 deaths of town residents, which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town), and were registered by an extra-urban Registrar, viz: 5 deaths from Acute Diarrhoea (3 Sinhalese, 1 Tamil, and 1 Moor), of patients in the Lunatic Asylum Colombo; 2 deaths from Enteric Fever, of Sinhalese who were removed from Maradana, exclusive of Hospitals and 1 death from Pneumonia of a Sinhalese removed from Kotahena.

† 3 deaths from Gastro-enteritis (1 in Kotahena and 2 in Maradana, exclusive of Hospitals), 3 deaths from Mal-nutrition (all in Maradana exclusive of Hospitals), 2 from Worms (in Kotahena), 2 from Enteritis (1 each in Maradana Hospitals and Maradana exclusive of Hospitals) and 1 each from Abscess, Peritonitis, Syphilis, and Tabes Mesenterica (in Kotahena, New Bazaar, Maradana Hospitals, and Maradana exclusive of Hospitals respectively).

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

Causes of Death.	Colombo Town.	Wards.										Deaths among all Races.						
		Port and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)—<i>contd.</i>																		
5. Simple Fever	38				4	4	1	14	8	3	4	3	5	22	2	3	1	2
6. Enteric Fever	3							1	2					1				
7. Remittent Fever																		
8. Ague																		
9. Malarial Cachexia	35				1	9	1	7	1	6	10	1		20	10	3	2	2
10. Cholera	17				3	1	1	11	1					8	5	1		2
11. Dysentery	9			1				7	1					2	7			
12. Doehminus Duodenalis	1													1				
13. Cancer	41			4	5	4	5	7	8	3	4		2	14	13	11		1
14. Euthisis	3								3	1	2		1	2	1	1		
15. Other Tubercular Diseases	4									1	2		1	2	1	1		
16. Anæmia	3									3				1	2			
17. Diabetes Mellitus	5									1				3	2			
18. Convulsions	9				1	3	2	1	1	1	1			1	6	2		
19. Tetanus	11				1	2	2	1	2	1	1			6	2	3		
20. Bronchitis	65			3	1	2	6	18	6	5	4	1	3	30	20	9	1	2
21. Pneumonia	2			1	7	17		1	1	1		1		1	1			
22. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	4					2		2										
23. Bright's Disease and Nephritis																		
24. Puerperal Convulsions																		
25. Puerperal Fever																		
26. Miscarriage																		
27. Other and undefined Accidents of Child-birth	2								1	1				1	1			1
28. Starvation	1																	
29. Accidents or Negligence	8					2		3	2		1			5	1			
30. Homicide	1							1						1				
31. Suicide	2																	
32. Execution																		
33. All other Causes	*109		2	4	5	13	10	34	16	9	16	1	4	64	14	22	2	2

* Here are included 25 deaths from Old Age, 15 from Worms, 7 from Debility, 5 from Paralysis, 4 from Apoplexy, 3 each from Enteritis, Cirrhosis of Liver and Hernia, 2 from Whooping Cough and 1 from Beri-beri.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS IN CEYLON DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1908.

Table with columns for Station, Observer, Rainfall (Total No. of Inches, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours, No. of Days on which Registered), Barometer Reduced to 32, and Temperature of the Air and of Evaporation (Mean Daily, Mean Hourly, Mean of Max. and Min., Maximum, Minimum).

Table with columns for Station, Name of Sender, Height above Level of Sea, Total No. of Days on which Registered, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours, Station, Name of Sender, Height above Level of Sea, Total No. of Days on which Registered, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours.

OMISSIONS OF THE FEBRUARY ABSTRACT (Returns received later).

Table with columns for Mouth, Station, Height, Total No. of Days on which Registered, Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours (In, Date).