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## VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 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 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 31 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 31 towns is 476,265, or more than one-ninth of the total population of the Island. The population of Colombo (180,262) is a little less than two-thirds of the population of all the other towns taken together (296,003).

#### Births.

5. The births registered in the 31 towns during the month numbered 1,220—of which 618 were of males and 602 of females—and corresponded to an annual birth-rate per 1,000 of 30·88 as against 31·67 during the preceding month, 30·91 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·29 the average for the previous fifteen months, (July, 1907–September, 1908). Of the towns excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000, the highest birth-rate was observed in Badulla (51·21 against average 28·39) and the lowest in Kalpitiya (7·24 against average 25·54). In the other towns the birth-rate ranged from 49·84 in Jaffna (average 40·84), 44·45 in Chilaw (average 35·06), 42·44 in Mannar (average 34·64), 41·35 in Kalutara (average 32·80), and 40·97 in Kurunegala (average 28·62) to 18·17 in Ratnapura (average 34·06), 17·96 in Tangalla (average 34·54), 15·93 in “Hatton and Dikoya” (average 10·87), 14·76 in Nuwara Eliya (average 15·62), and 13·78 in Kegalla (average 29·64).

6. The town of Colombo, where the births registered numbered 382—of which 193 were of males and 189 of females—records a birth-rate of 25·02 per mille per annum as against 25·24 in the preceding month, 27·45 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·19 the average for the previous fifteen months (July, 1907–September, 1908). The highest birth-rate was in Slave Island Ward (26·17 against average 26·18) and the lowest in Fort and Galle Face (5·17 against average 5·81). In the other wards the birth-rate ranged from 22·40 in New Bazaar (average 22·68) to 7·81 in Pettah (average 4·92). The average given for the wards is for the nine months, January–September, 1908, as the monthly statistics for wards began to be recorded since the beginning of this period, though they had been previously recorded by the quarter and the year.

#### Deaths.

7. The number of deaths registered in the 31 towns during the month was 1,543—of which 833 were of males and 710 of females—and corresponded to an annual death-rate of 32·95 per mille as against 31·23 during the previous month, 28·74 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·40 the average for the preceding fifteen months, viz., July, 1907–September, 1908. 495 of the total deaths or a little less than one-third occurred in hospitals (and 13 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 town than the crude rate. For the wards of the town of Colombo only crude death-rates are available.

9. Of the towns excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, the highest death-rate was in Gampola (73·17 against average 49·47) and the lowest in Nuwara Eliya (13·52 against average 15·96). In the other towns the death-rate ranged from 17·05 in Matara (average 22·04), 17·59 in Panadura (average 28·64), 18·34 in Weligama (average 15·60), and 20·89 in Nawalapitiya (average 25·04) to 50·43 in Anuradhapura (average 53·64), 53·26 in Puttalam (average 40·71), 62·05 in Kurunegala (average 45·80), and 62·59 in Matale (average 41·70).

10. In the town of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 580—of which 291 were of males and 289 of females—corresponding to an annual corrected death-rate of 37·97 per 1,000 per annum as against 36·90 during the preceding month, 32·11 in the corresponding month of last year, and 34·37 the average for the previous fifteen months (July, 1907–September, 1908). 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 (25·36 as against average 22·15), and New Bazaar the highest rate (36·55 as against average 30·53). In the other wards the death-rate ranged from 25·77 in St. Sebastian (average 22·88) to 34·18 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals (average 29·74).

### Infantile Mortality.

11. The infantile mortality for the 31 towns in the month was equal to a rate of 284 per 1,000 births registered. In the towns having an estimated population of 5,000 or more the mortality ranged from 556 in Batticaloa, 406 in Colombo, 400 in Matale, and 300 in Nuwara Eliya to 140 in Moratuwa, 129 in Trincomalee, 115 in Weligama, and 114 in Matara.

12. The infantile mortality given in Table III. for each ward in the City of Colombo enables a comparison to be made for the health of the various wards. The lowest mortality was observed in Slave Island (318 per 1,000) followed by Kollupitiya (324), and the highest mortality was in Pettah (800) followed by New Bazaar (579) and St. Paul's (500).

### 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 1,543 deaths from all causes in the 31 towns, 346 or a little over one-fifth were among infants under 1 one year. Of these, the chief causes were 104 *Convulsions* (of which 36 in Colombo, 11 in Galle, 9 in Negombo, 8 in Kandy, 5 in Gampola, 4 each in Matara and Batticaloa); 61 *Debility* (of which 23 in Colombo, 8 in Batticaloa, 5 in Jaffna, 4 in Badulla, 3 each in Kandy, Galle, and Kurunegala); 38 *Premature Birth* (of which 13 in Colombo, 8 in Jaffna, 6 each in Kalutara and Kandy, 3 in Moratuwa); 31 *Pneumonia* (of which 19 in Colombo, 4 in Galle, 2 each in Moratuwa and Kandy); 22 *Tetanus* (of which 18 in Colombo, 3 in Jaffna, and 1 in Moratuwa); 20 *Diarrhoea* (of which 8 in Colombo and 2 each in Kandy, Jaffna, Galle, and Kurunegala); and 15 *Bronchitis* (of which 10 in Colombo, 3 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, 7 in New Bazaar, 4 each in St. Paul's and Slave Island, 3 in Pettah, 2 each in St. Sebastian, Kotahena, and Kollupitiya, and 1 in Maradana hospitals. The next highest mortality (23) was from *Debility* (7 in Slave Island, 5 in St. Paul's, 3 each in Maradana exclusive of hospitals and Kollupitiya, 2 each in New Bazaar and Maradana hospitals, and 1 in St. Sebastian); followed by *Pneumonia* 19 (6 in Kotahena, 4 in Maradana hospitals, 3 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals); *Tetanus* 18 (7 in New Bazaar, 4 each in St. Paul's and Kotahena, and 3 in St. Sebastian); *Premature Birth* 13 (7 in Maradana hospitals, 5 in Kotahena, and 1 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals); *Bronchitis* 10 (3 each in St. Paul's and New Bazaar, 2 in Kollupitiya), and *Diarrhoea* 8 (4 in Maradana hospitals and 1 each in St. Paul's, Kotahena, Maradana exclusive of hospitals, and Kollupitiya.)

17. *General Mortality (one year and over)*.—Out of the 1,197 deaths of persons one year and over in age there were 313 due to *Diarrhoea* and *Dysentery*, of which 79 were in Colombo, 23 in Badulla, 20 each in Kandy and Ratnapura, 17 in Matale, 15 in Negombo, 14 in Kurunegala, 13 each in Gampola and "Hatton and Dikoya," 12 each in Moratuwa and Jaffna, 11 each in Nawalapitiya and Matara; 114 due to *Pneumonia*, of which 47 were in Colombo, 7 in Galle, 6 in Kandy, 5 in Matale; 111 to *Phthisis*, of which 58 were in Colombo, 17 in Galle, 9 in Jaffna, 5 in Moratuwa, 4 in Kandy; 50 to *Dochmius Duodenalis*, of which 39 were among Tamils, almost all of whom were coolies; 49 to *Enteric Fever*, of which 35 were in Colombo, 6 in Moratuwa; 41 to *Malarial Cachexia*, of which 14 were in Matale, 6 in Kurunegala, 4 each in Batticaloa and Ratnapura; 26 to *Remittent Fever*, of which 3 were in Jaffna and 2 each in Colombo, Galle, Kurunegala, Anuradhapura, and Badulla; 26 to *Bronchitis*, of which 12 were in Colombo, 3 each in Matara and Badulla; 20 to *Smallpox*, of which 18 were in Colombo, 1 in Moratuwa, and 1 in Anuradhapura; 13 to *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, of which 6 were in Colombo; 12 to *Anæmia*, of which 5 were in Colombo, 3 each in Negombo and Kalutara; 11 to *Simple Fever*, of which 5 were in Matale and 3 each in Colombo and Jaffna; and 8 to *Puerperal Fever*, of which 3 each were in Colombo and Jaffna.

18. In the town of Colombo, the highest mortality was from *Phthisis* (58), of which 15 were in Maradana hospitals, 12 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 8 in New Bazaar, 7 each in Kotahena and Kollupitiya, 6 in St. Paul's; followed by *Pneumonia* (47), of which 11 each were in Kotahena and Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 9 in Maradana hospitals, 4 each in St. Sebastian and St. Paul's; *Diarrhoea* (41), of which 19 were in Maradana hospitals, 13 in Kotahena, 3 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals; *Dysentery* (38), of which 22 were in Maradana hospitals, 4 in Kollupitiya, 3 each in St. Paul's and Kotahena; and *Enteric Fever* (35), of which 12 were in Maradana hospitals, 7 in Kollupitiya, 3 each in St. Paul's, New Bazaar, Slave Island, and Maradana exclusive of hospitals (including the death that occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, whither the patient was removed), 2 in Kotahena, and 1 each in Pettah and St. Sebastian.

Altogether in this and the two preceding months there have been 345 cases reported to the Municipal authorities, and 123 deaths registered from Enteric Fever.

19. *Smallpox*.—In the month under review 18 deaths (as against 25 in the preceding month and 5 in the month previous) were registered in the town of Colombo as due to Smallpox, all of which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (8 from Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 3 each from St. Paul's and Slave Island, 2 from Kollupitiya, and 1 each from St. Paul's and New Bazaar). Altogether in this and the two preceding months, there have been 262 cases reported to the Municipal authorities, and 48 deaths registered from this cause.

20. The other chief causes of deaths were *Bronchitis* 12 (3 each in Maradana exclusive of hospitals and Kotahena, 2 in St. Paul's); *Dochmius Duodenalis* 8 (in Maradana hospitals); *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis* 6 (4 in New Bazaar, 1 each in Kotahena and Maradana hospitals); *Anæmia* 5 (2 in Kollupitiya, 1 each in St. Paul's, Kotahena, and Slave Island). There were no deaths registered as due to *Cholera* during the month in the town of Colombo, the last case having occurred on July 26 last.

21. *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 21 per cent., Bronchitis and Pneumonia little more than 12 per cent., Infantile Convulsions nearly 9 per cent., Phthisis more than 7 per cent., Debility and various kinds of fever more than 6 per cent.

22. Of the total number of deaths at all ages in the City of Colombo, Diarrhoea and Dysentery accounted for more than 15 per cent., Bronchitis and Pneumonia also more than 15 per cent., Phthisis nearly 4 per cent., Infantile Convulsions more than 3 per cent., various kinds of fever nearly 3 per cent., and Debility little less than 2 per cent.

I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during Oct. 1908, their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under 1 Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall observed in each Town of the Island proclaimed under §§ 31-36 of Ord. 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 1 Year registered.	Mean Temperature per-ature.†	Rainfall in Inches.‡	
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.			Birth-rate.	Crude Death-rate.	Corrected Death-rate.*				
<b>All 31 Towns</b>	423,109	476,265	618	602	1,220	833	710	1,543	508§	1,232	30.88	31.19	32.95	346	284
<b>Western Province.</b>															
Colombo	155,869	180,202	193	189	382	291	289	580	162	321	25.02	34.12	37.97	155	406
Negombo	19,819	20,495	25	35	60	32	27	59	13	50	34.56	23.80	29.36	15	250
Moratuwa	29,600	34,139	51	49	100	33	36	69	—	69	34.58	22.52	22.52	14	140
Kalutara	11,500	11,990	19	23	42	16	17	33	7	33	41.35	32.40	31.66	10	238
Panadura	3,845	4,275	3	6	9	11	9	6	15	6	24.85	16.57	17.59	2	222
<b>Central Province.</b>															
Kandy	26,511	29,437	46	32	78	62	36	98	46	66	31.28	26.47	27.75	23	295
Gampola	3,791	4,008	7	7	14	14	13	27	17	27	35.87	69.19	73.17	6	428
Nawalapitiya	3,454	4,043	5	2	7	8	15	23	6	6	20.44	17.52	20.89	—	—
Hatton and Dikoya	2,858	3,705	—	—	5	11	8	19	17	11	15.93	6.37	—	—	—
Matale	4,951	5,589	3	7	10	36	28	64	47	26	21.12	54.92	62.59	4	400
Nuwara Eliya	5,072	7,997	6	4	10	6	3	9	3	7	14.76	10.33	13.52	3	300
<b>Northern Province.</b>															
Jaffna	33,879	35,295	71	78	149	65	40	95	6	92	49.84	30.77	32.42	32	215
Mannar	3,338	3,338¶	4	8	12	2	7	9	2	9	42.44	31.83	36.34	2	167
Mullaitivu	1,308	1,404	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	3	—	23.22	27.61	—	—
Vavuniya	566	595	1	2	3	2	1	3	1	2	59.55	39.70	47.74	2	—
<b>Southern Province.</b>															
Galle	37,165	40,026	57	41	98	44	51	95	13	85	28.91	25.07	24.51	20	204
Matara	11,848	13,242	16	19	35	18	13	31	11	20	31.20	17.83	17.05	4	114
Welligama	7,430	9,903	16	10	26	7	17	17	17	17	30.99	20.31	18.84	3	115
Hambantota	2,843	3,056	3	4	7	9	5	14	5	9	27.04	34.76	36.40	3	429
Tangalla	2,333	2,629	4	—	4	3	3	6	—	6	17.96	26.94	28.46	2	—
<b>Eastern Province.</b>															
Batticaloa	9,969	10,433	13	14	27	23	7	30	3	27	30.55	30.55	31.50	15	556
Trincomalee	11,887	11,295¶	13	18	31	8	10	18	3	18	32.40	18.81	21.82	4	129
<b>North-Western Province.</b>															
Kurunegala	6,483	8,068	19	9	28	36	20	56**	32	36	40.97	52.68	62.05	8	286
Puttalam	5,515	5,219	5	9	14	10	8	27	6	23	31.66	52.02	53.26	2	143
Kalpitiya	1,487	1,631	1	—	1	2	1	3	—	3	7.24	21.71	—	—	—
Chilaw	4,168	4,514	9	8	17	11	4	15	5	15	44.45	39.22	39.96	4	235
<b>North-Central Province.</b>															
Anuradhapura	3,672	4,856	4	6	10	14	8	22	9	18	24.31	43.76	50.43	4	400
<b>Province of Uva.</b>															
Badulla	5,924	6,886	14	15	29	22	21	43	25	21	51.21	37.08	37.92	6	207
Lunugala	—	410**	—	—	2	2	3	5	5	1	56.76	28.38	—	—	—
<b>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</b>															
Ratnapura	4,084	4,548	3	4	7	22	12	34	32	8	18.17	20.76	21.49	1	143
Kegalla	2,340	2,571	2	1	3	11	5	16	12	6	13.78	27.55	28.72	2	—

\* 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 in hospitals of estate coolies and other non-residents.  
 † In each of these columns blanks appear against towns which do not possess observatories or rain gauges.  
 ‡ Includes 21 deaths of Colombo town residents of which 20 (13 adults, 5 children of 1, 2, 3, and 6 years, respectively, and 2 infants of 6 and 9 months respectively), occurred in the Infectious Disease Hospital and the other (an infant of 15 days) in the Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta (outside the town), all 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.  
 ¶ 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.





Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of October, 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 Intercensal 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	193	189	382	291	289	580	162‡	521	25.02	34.12	37.97	155	406
Fort and Galle Face	2,285	2,285§	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	5.17	—	—	—	—
Pettah	7,561	7,561§	2	3	5	8	2	10	—	10	7.81	15.61	—	4	800
St. Sebastian	9,349	10,536	6	11	17	10	13	23	1	23	19.05	25.77	—	6	353
St. Paul's	20,260	23,740	22	16	38	22	29	51	4	51	18.89	25.36	—	19	500
Kotahena	33,355	37,987	28	31	59	41	46	87	—	87	18.33	27.04	—	24	407
New Bazaar	17,470	20,027	15	23	38	26	36	62	1	62	22.40	36.55	—	22	579
Maradana Hospitals	30,381	36,606	41	35	76	90	51	141	141	82	—	—	—	22	—
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals)	16,927	19,804	37	30	67	46	60	106	9	106	21.61	34.18	—	32	478
Slave Island	18,281	22,896	26	18	44	20	24	44	4	44	26.17	26.17	—	14	318
Kollupitiya	18,281	22,896	15	22	37	28	28	56	2	56	19.08	28.87	—	12	324

\* For explanation of "corrected death-rate" vide Table I. footnote 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 twenty deaths in the Infectious Diseases Hospital and one in the Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta (outside Municipal limits), 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 October, 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.	Burgbers.	Sinhalese.	Tamilis.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
<b>All Causes</b>	580*	10	23	51	87	62	141	106	44	56	10	38	294	119	92	11	16	
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b>	155	4	6	19	24	22	22	32	14	12	2	7	79	26	33	3	5	
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																		
1. Prematurity	11				5		5	1					9	1				
2. Debility	13		1	2		2	1	2	5			1	4	4	4			
3. Convulsions	8			1			1	6					3	2	3			
4. Diarrhoea	1						1											
5. Tetanus	12		2	2	4	4						2	6	2	2			
6. Bronchitis																		
7. Pneumonia																		
8. Other Causes	2†				2													
<b>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</b>																		
1. Prematurity	2						2	1					2					
2. Debility	10			3			1	5	2	3			3	1	4	1		
3. Convulsions	28		2	3	2	7	3	1	4	2		1	11	9	7			
4. Diarrhoea	7			1	1		3	1		1			6	1				
5. Tetanus	6			2	1	3		1		2			2	2	2			
6. Bronchitis	10			3	1	3		3		2			6	6	3			
7. Pneumonia	19			1	6	2	4	3		2		1	13	2	1	1		
8. Other Causes	26‡			1	3	1	4	12	3	2	1	2	13	1	6			3
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)</b>	425	6	17	32	63	40	119	74	30	44	8	31	215	93	59	8	11	
1. Smallpox	18		1	3		1		8	3	2			12	3	2	1		
2. Chickenpox																		
3. Measles	1												1					
4. Influenza																		

\* Includes 21 deaths of town residents, of which 20 occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital and the other in Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta (outside the town), and were registered by an extra-urban Registrar, viz., 18 deaths from Smallpox (12 Sinhalese, 3 Tamilis, and 3 Moors), 8 from Maradana, 4 from St. Paul's, 2 each from Slave Island and Kollupitiya, and 1 each from St. Sebastian and New Bazaar; 1 from Measles (a Sinhalese from Slave Island), 1 from Enteric Fever (a Sinhalese from Maradana), and 1 from Debility (in the Segregation Camp, a Malay infant from Slave Island).

† Both from Inanition (a Tamil and a Moor from Kotahena.)

‡ Seven deaths from Mal-nutrition (all in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals), 6 from Enteritis (2 each in Kotahena and Maradana, exclusive of hospitals, and 1 each in Maradana Hospitals and Kollupitiya), 2 from Smallpox (a Sinhalese and a Moor from Slave Island and St. Paul's in the Infectious Disease Hospitals, Kanatta), 2 from Dysentery (in Maradana Hospitals), and 1 in each from Ileo-colitis, Tabes Mesenterica, Enteric Fever, Meningitis, Nephritis, Hare-lip, Gastro-intestinal Catarrh, Fever and Worms (in Kotahena, New Bazaar, Maradana Hospitals, Maradana exclusive of hospitals, Slave Island, and Kollupitiya).

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

Causes of Death.	Wards.										Deaths among all Races.								
	Colombo Town.	Fort and Galle Race.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kothahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)—<i>contd.</i></b>																			
5. Simple Fever .. .. .	3							12	3	1	7	1	1	2	9	2	1		1
6. Enteric Fever .. .. .	35				3	1	1												
7. Remittent Fever .. .. .	2																		
8. Ague .. .. .	1																		
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .																			
10. Cholera .. .. .	41					13	2	19	3	1	4	1	3	17	10	4			
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	38			2	3	3	2	22	2	1	4	1	6	4	3	1			
12. Dysentery .. .. .	8							8					1	4	1				
13. Doehnius Duodenalis .. .. .	2				6	7	8	15	12	2	7	1	3	32	12	9			1
14. Cancer .. .. .	58		1							2			3	2					1
15. Phthisis .. .. .	2				1	1				2	2			1	1	1			1
16. Other Tubercular Diseases .. .. .	5				1	1				1	1		4	1	1	2			1
17. Anæmia .. .. .	1				1	4	3		2	3	3			8	1	2			1
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	16				1														1
19. Convulsions .. .. .	1				1														1
20. Tetanus .. .. .	12			1	2	3	1	1	3	1	2		2	6	2	3	2		2
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	47			4	4	11	3	9	11	3	2			20	14	7			
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	2													2		2			
23. Other Diseases of Respiratory System .. .. .	6					1	4	1						3					
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	1					1	1												
25. Puerperal Convulsions .. .. .	3																		
26. Puerperal Fever .. .. .																			
27. Miscarriage .. .. .							2	1	2	1				1	1	3	1		1
28. Other and undefined Accidents of Child-birth .. .. .	7			1		2	1	4											
29. Starvation .. .. .	3																		
30. Accidents or Negligence .. .. .	6																		
31. Homicide .. .. .																			
32. Suicide .. .. .	2																		
33. Execution .. .. .																			
34. All other Causes .. .. .	104*		1	6	7	11	8	27	26	5	13	3	9	52	18	19			2

\* Here are included 17 deaths from Old Age, 15 from Worms, 8 from Diseases of the Liver, 6 each from Paralysis, General Dropsy, and Inflammation of Brain, and 4 from Peritonitis.