

# SUPPLEMENT

TO

# The Ceylon Government Gazette,

PART I.

---

No. 6,306 — FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1909.

---

## VITAL STATISTICS OF CEYLON.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1908.

### I.—Population.

THE estimated population of the Island on the last day of the quarter was 4,038,456, showing an increase of 7,852 on the previous quarter, due to an excess of 8,230 births over deaths, but a deficit of 378 arrivals over departures of Indian coolies.

2. *Arrivals and departures of Indian coolies.*—The number of Indian coolies who arrived in the Island during the quarter was 16,946 and of departures 17,324, as against 19,620 arrivals and 15,943 departures, the averages for the corresponding quarters of the last ten years.

### II.—Marriages.

3. *Marriages.*—4,186 general marriages (*i.e.*, marriages other than Kandyan or Muhammadan) were registered during the quarter, and 1,360 Kandyan marriages. Their distribution by Provinces and districts is given in Table I.

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

5. Table VII. gives similar information in respect of the Kandyan marriages.

6. *First marriages; re-marriages.*—Of the 4,186 general marriages, 3,617 (equal to 86 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 378 between widowers and spinsters, 112 between bachelors and widows, 62 between widowers and widows, 7 between divorced men and spinsters, 6 between bachelors and divorced women, 3 between divorced men and widows, and 1 between a divorced woman and a widower. Of the 1,360 Kandyan marriages, 1,043 (equal to 77 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 137 between widowers and spinsters, 65 between bachelors and widows, 37 between widowers and widows, 32 between divorced men and spinsters, 28 between bachelors and divorced women, 8 between widowers and divorced women, 6 between divorced men and divorced women, and 4 between divorced men and widows.

7. *Age at marriage.*—The mean age at marriage for the general community was 27·0 for males and 20·7 for females, and for Kandyans 26·7 for males and 20·5 for females. It is likely that in many of these cases the couples had lived as husband and wife for years before registration of marriage, the usual religious ceremony alone having been performed in time. The figures in this chapter are based on actual registration, which is not, except among Kandyans, necessary to the validity of a marriage.

8. *Minors.*—In the general community about 3 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 50 per cent. of the brides, and among the Kandyans about 14 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 74 per cent. of the brides, were under 21 years of age.

9. *Mixed marriages.*—There were 38 mixed marriages during the quarter, including 2 between Europeans and Burghers, 11 between Burghers and Sinhalese, 2 between Burghers and Tamils, 18 between Sinhalese and Tamils, 2 between Cochins and Sinhalese, 1 between a Telugu and a Tamil, and 1 between a Malayalam and a Sinhalese.

10. *Signatures in marriage register.*—Of the 8,372 persons married in the general community during the quarter, 845 men and 2,674 women signed the register with marks, that is to say, nearly 20 per cent. of the men and 64 per cent. of the women could not write their names. Of the 2,720 Kandyans married, 416 men and 1,329 women signed the register with marks, *i.e.*, about 30 per cent. of the men and 97 per cent. of the women could not write their names.

### III.—Births and Deaths.

11. *Births.*—The births registered during the quarter numbered 41,843 (44 Europeans, 210 Burghers, 29,386 Sinhalese, 9,564 Tamils, 2,430 Moors, 124 Malays, and 85 Others), and were in the proportion of 43·4 per 1,000 persons living, as against 38·1 in the previous quarter and 40·8 the average of the corresponding quarters in the period 1898–1907.

Table VIII. gives the births of the quarter according to race and sex for each Province and district of the Island.

12. *Deaths.*—The number of deaths registered during the quarter amounted to 33,613 (36 Europeans, 198 Burghers, 22,340 Sinhalese, 8,797 Tamils, 2,000 Moors, 121 Malays, and 121 Others), and was equal to an annual rate of 34·9 per 1,000 persons living, as against the average 29·0 for the fourth quarters in the period 1898–1907 and 28·1 the rate in the preceding quarter. Table IX. gives the deaths according to race in each month of the year for each Province and district in the Island.

13. The births and deaths and their rates are compared in Tables I. and II. in the Appendix for each Province and district, with the results obtained in the previous quarter, the corresponding quarter of the previous year, and the average rates for the fourth quarters of 1898–1907, and are summarized for the whole Island in the following Table A :—

TABLE A.

	Births.	Deaths.	Per Mille per Annum.	
			Birth-rate.	Death-rate.
Average for ten previous fourth quarters in 1898–1907	.. 37,490	.. 26,666	.. 40·8	.. 29·0
Fourth quarter, 1907	.. 35,877	.. 26,092	.. 37·5	.. 27·3
Third quarter, 1908	.. 36,629	.. 27,023	.. 38·1	.. 28·1
Fourth quarter, 1908	.. 41,843	.. 33,613	.. 43·4	.. 34·9

14. The birth-rate thus shows an improvement on the average, and the death-rate a deterioration. The improvement in the birth-rate has been shared by all the districts of the Island, except Negombo, Mullaittivu, Batticaloa, Galle, Mannar, Matara, Hambantota, and Puttalam. The deterioration in the death-rate has been shared by every district, except Jaffna, Mannar, and Batticaloa (*vide* Table II. in the Appendix).

15. *Sex.*—Of the total number of births (41,843), 21,461 were of males and 20,382 were of females, *i.e.*, 1,053 males to 1,000 females. Of the total number of deaths (33,613), 16,924 were of males and 16,689 were of females. Out of equal numbers living of each sex there died 893 males to 1,000 females.

16. *Infantile mortality.*—The deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 9,049, and were in the proportion of 216 to 1,000 registered births. The rate of infantile mortality varied in different districts from 423 (for Tamils) in Mannar, 397 (for Sinhalese) in Batticaloa, 395 (for Tamils) in Puttalam, 386 (for Sinhalese) in Matara, 377 (for Sinhalese) in Kurunegala, 369 (for Tamils) in Mullaittivu, 354 (for Sinhalese) in Anuradhapura, and 348 (for Moors) in Puttalam, to 173 (for Moors) in Batticaloa, 170 (for Tamils) in Jaffna, 167 (for Sinhalese) in Colombo, 151 (for Sinhalese) in Galle, 146 (for Sinhalese) in Negombo, 129 (for Sinhalese) in Matara, 122 (for Sinhalese) in Kalutara, and 121 (for Sinhalese) in Chilaw.

### IV.—State of Public Health.

17. The general health of the population during the quarter was worse than usual, the death-rate rising to 34·9 from 28·1 in the previous quarter and 29·0 the average for the fourth quarters in the period 1898–1907. The deterioration from the previous quarter was noticeable in every Province, and from the average in every Province, except the Northern and Eastern.

18. The healthiest Province during the quarter was the Northern, with a death-rate for all races of 25·4. The Western, usually the healthiest, follows with a death-rate of 28·6. The unhealthiest Province was as usual the Province of Uva, with a death-rate of 47·2. The healthiest district for all races was Chilaw, with a death-rate of 20·0, followed by Negombo, with a death-rate of 20·6; and the unhealthiest was Matara, with a death-rate of 71·0, followed by Kurunegala with 55·7.

19. Tables III., IV., and V. in the Appendix show the number of births and deaths registered in the several Provinces and districts of the Island and in the revenue subdivisions of those districts for the quarter under review, and the average for the corresponding quarters in the period 1898–1906. The birth-rates and death-rates for all ages and for infants in the several Provinces and districts of the Island are shown for the Sinhalese only in the districts which are mainly inhabited by the Sinhalese, and for the Tamils only where Tamils form the bulk of the population. In the Puttalam and the Batticaloa Districts, which contain a resident population comprised of Sinhalese, Tamils, and Moors, the rates are given for each of these races.

20. *Western Province.*—The Sinhalese inhabitants of this Province, who on the first day of the quarter were estimated to number 854,519, or a little less than a third of the entire Sinhalese population of the Island, experienced worse health than usual, their death-rate (25·0) rising by 4·2 over the average (20·8). It was not so healthy as the Northern Province, but was healthier than any other Province. The Sinhalese infantile mortality of the Province, *viz.*, 150 per 1,000 births registered, was the lowest of any Province in the Island. All the three districts show higher death-rates than usual, the increase being greatest in Colombo (from 21·0 to 27·0) and least in Negombo (from 18·0 to 18·9). This is the healthiest district in the Province, and the second healthiest in the Island, coming next after Chilaw.

The death-rate of Kalutara was 24·9, against an average of 22·2. Its infantile mortality (122 per 1,000 births registered) was the lowest in the Province, and the second lowest in the Island, Chilaw leading with 121, Matara taking the third place with 129, and Negombo the fourth place with 146. The birth-rate of the Province (37·9) was also a slight deterioration from the average (38·7), all the three districts sharing in the deterioration. The highest birth-rate was in Negombo (40·7).

21. *Central Province.*—The Sinhalese inhabitants of this Province, who on the first day of the quarter numbered a little over 326,000, experienced worse health than usual, their death-rate rising to 45·5 from the average (32·1). This deterioration was most marked in Matale (71·4 from an average mortality of 37·9) and less so in Kandy (40·0 from an average of 30·6). Nuwara Eliya, on the other hand, shows an improvement (29·0 from average 30·4), and was the healthiest district in the Province, Matale being as usual the unhealthiest. The birth-rate of the Province (49·5) was about the average (49·8). Matale alone shows an enhanced birth-rate (56·9 against 52·3), the highest recorded in the Province.

22. *Northern Province.*—The health of the Tamil inhabitants of the Province, who form the bulk of the population, and were estimated to number 347,000 on the first day of the quarter, was better than usual, their death-rate for the quarter (25·0) declining by 3·9 from the average (28·9). The improvement was in Jaffna (which contains the bulk of the Tamil population, 319,701) from 28·0 to 24·2, and in Mannar 34·3 to 31·1, while Mullaittivu deteriorated from 42·4 to 43·2, and was as usual the unhealthiest district in the Province. The infantile mortality of the district of Mannar was 423, or more than double that of Jaffna (170), and the highest in the Island. The birth-rate of the Province (42·3) was better than the average (37·6). The improvement was confined to the Jaffna District, which records a birth-rate of 43·3, against 28·8 in Mannar and 34·0 in Mullaittivu.

23. *Southern Province.*—The health of the Sinhalese inhabitants of the Province, who numbered nearly 598,000 on the first day of the quarter, was unsatisfactory, the death-rate for the quarter rising to 30·1 from the average (27·3). The deterioration was shared by every district in the Province. It was greatest in the Hambantota District (36·3 from average 29·2) and least in the Matara District (28·3 from average 27·1). The infantile mortality of Matara District (129 per 1,000 births registered) was the third lowest in the Island. The birth-rate of the Province (44·0) was also worse than usual (47·1), a deterioration noticeable in each of its three districts. The highest birth-rate was in Matara (46·0) and the lowest in Hambantota (40·4).

24. *Eastern Province.*—This Province, which at the beginning of the quarter was estimated to contain a population of 102,399 Tamils (of whom 84,931 were in the Batticaloa District and 17,468 in the Trincomalee District), 69,646 Moors, and 8,922 Sinhalese, presented death-rates of 33·9, 23·1, and 30·3 respectively, for the Tamils, Moors, and Sinhalese, against their respective averages of 32·0, 27·6, and 36·5 for the corresponding quarters of the period 1898–1907. The Tamils, who constitute the majority of the population, experienced rather worse health, and the Moors and Sinhalese better health than usual, and the Tamils were even worse off this quarter than the Sinhalese, which is unusual. The birth-rate of all three sections of the population showed a deterioration, viz., Tamils 43·9 (from average 45·4), Moors 50·7 (average 50·9), and Sinhalese 36·1 (average 40·0). The decline in the Tamil birth-rate is confined to the Batticaloa District, where the birth-rate fell by 4·8 from the average (48·6), while in the Trincomalee District (which has about one-fifth of the population of Batticaloa) it rose to 44·4 from the average (40·8). The highest birth-rate in the Province (50·7) and the lowest death-rate (23·1) were among the Moors.

25. *North-Western Province.*—The Sinhalese, who form the bulk of the population of the Province and were estimated to number 332,378 persons on the first day of the quarter, experienced worse health than usual, their death-rate rising to 45·6 from the average (29·5) for the corresponding quarters of the last ten years. In Kurunegala District (which contains the bulk of the population, close on 250,000) the death-rate rose from 32·4 as high as 54·0, which was only exceeded by Matale, and in Puttalam (which contains scarcely 12,000) from 33·0 to 34·4. On the other hand, Chilaw District (which contains over 71,000 Sinhalese) was the healthiest district in the Island, with a Sinhalese death-rate of 18·1 and an infantile mortality of 121. The Tamils and Moors of the Province (who are mostly in the Puttalam and Chilaw Districts) also fared worse than usual, viz., the death-rate of the Tamils rising to 60·9 from the average 40·0, and Moors to 49·8 from 34·4. The Sinhalese birth-rate of the Province (52·8) was an improvement on the average (45·4), the Tamil rate also shows an improvement, but the Moor birth-rate was worse than usual.

26. *North-Central Province.*—The North-Central Province or the Anuradhapura District, with which it is co-terminous, showed a deterioration in the health of its Sinhalese inhabitants, its death-rate rising from the average 39·3 to 45·5. The birth-rate of the Province, however, showed an improvement from the average 42·3 to 49·1. The Sinhalese infantile mortality was 354 per 1,000 births registered.

27. *Province of Uva.*—This Province, which is the same as the Badulla District, enjoyed slightly better health than usual, its death-rate falling to 49·0 from the average 50·5. The birth-rate (50·9), on the other hand, was a deterioration from the average (54·1).

28. *Province of Sabaragamuwa.*—The health of the Sinhalese inhabitants of this Province during the quarter was worse than usual, the death-rate rising to 35·1 from the average (29·4), Ratnapura rising to 39·7 from 34·4, and Kegalla to 31·7 from 25·5. The birth-rate of the Province is, however, a slight improvement on the average, viz., 50·9 against 49·5, an improvement shared by both its districts.

## V.—Causes of Death.

29. The causes of death registered in the Island during the quarter are shown in Table X. in the Appendix, and are summarized below :—

TABLE B.

District.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Diarrhoea and Dysentery.	Fevers.	Phthisis.	Bronchitis and Pneumonia.	Violence.				All other Causes.	Total.
							Accident.	Homicide.	Suicide.	Execution.		
CEYLON ..	13	144	5,972	6,351	1,139	1,369	381	31	55	11	18,147	33,613
Colombo ..	13	109	563	729	308	319	37	7	12	1	2,374	4,472
Negombo ..	—	5	61	211	23	26	12	3	2	—	544	887
Kalutara ..	—	1	238	254	86	41	32	3	—	—	1,178	1,833
Kandy ..	—	17	822	448	76	207	46	2	4	8	2,069	3,699
Matale ..	—	2	330	363	31	46	10	3	4	—	938	1,727
Nuwara Eliya ..	—	—	310	77	23	93	15	1	6	—	709	1,234
Jaffna ..	—	—	138	616	72	175	28	—	6	—	935	1,970
Mannar ..	—	—	15	40	1	21	2	—	—	—	102	181
Mullaitivu ..	—	—	11	57	5	20	2	—	1	—	65	161
Galle ..	—	3	571	202	158	34	33	2	3	2	1,123	2,131
Matara ..	—	—	581	310	69	17	22	—	3	—	669	1,671
Hambantota ..	—	—	251	438	23	19	16	1	1	—	262	1,011
Batticaloa ..	—	—	106	488	9	52	23	—	2	—	429	1,109
Trincomalee ..	—	—	21	70	3	41	—	—	1	—	132	268
Kurunegala ..	—	2	323	817	71	63	29	2	4	—	2,477	3,788
Puttalam ..	—	—	53	59	1	9	4	1	—	—	165	292
Chilaw ..	—	—	42	68	8	10	11	1	—	—	277	417
Anuradhapura ..	—	2	129	262	5	11	4	1	2	—	503	919
Badulla ..	—	3	593	346	38	95	13	1	2	—	1,177	2,268
Ratnapura ..	—	—	419	269	75	28	17	2	—	—	823	1,633
Kegalla ..	—	—	395	227	54	42	25	1	2	—	1,196	1,942

30. *Smallpox.*—This disease, which was responsible for 4 deaths in the first quarter, 68 in the second, and 87 in the third, continued to spread vigorously this quarter, causing as many as 144 deaths (109 in Colombo District, 17 in Kandy, 5 in Negombo, 3 each in Galle and Badulla, 2 each in Matale, Kurunegala, and Anuradhapura, and 1 in Kalutara). The deaths in Colombo were a continuation of the epidemic of the last three quarters which was introduced from India. Of the 109 deaths that occurred in the district, 51 were of residents within the Municipality, and the remaining 58 occurred in the suburbs. Eleven deaths in Kandy were traceable to infection from Colombo, 3 to infection from Kurunegala, and 1 to infection from Matale, while in the other 2 the origin could not be traced. The two deaths in Kurunegala had occurred during the previous quarter, but were registered this quarter. The deaths in Negombo, Galle, Anuradhapura, and Badulla were due to infection from Colombo, while in the Matale cases infection was traced to Kandy, and in the Kalutara case to Maturata in Nuwara Eliya District.

31. *Cholera.*—There were 13 deaths from cholera reported for registration during the quarter, all in Colombo District. In not one of these could the origin of the disease have been traced. See further paragraph 60.

32. *Fever and diarrhoeal diseases.*—Of the 33,613 deaths registered in the Island during the quarter, no less than 5,972 were due to diarrhoeal diseases, and 6,351 were reported as due to various kinds of fever, i.e., fever and diarrhoeal diseases were responsible for nearly 37 per cent. of the total number of deaths.

33. There were 4 deaths from chickenpox reported for registration during the quarter (1 each in Kalutara, Matale, Badulla, and Kegalla). Forty-three deaths were due to measles (11 in Kandy, 9 in Colombo, 7 in Nuwara Eliya, 5 in Badulla, 4 in Kalutara, 3 in Kurunegala, and 1 each in Negombo, Galle, Matara, and Kegalla). Whooping cough caused 37 deaths (12 in Colombo, 10 in Galle, 8 in Kalutara, 2 in Nuwara Eliya, and 1 each in Kandy, Jaffna, Batticaloa, and Kegalla). Diphtheria caused 2 deaths (1 in Colombo and the other in Jaffna). Forty deaths resulted from influenza (13 in Kandy, 11 in Nuwara Eliya, 8 in Badulla, 3 in Colombo, 2 in Matale, and 1 each in Negombo, Hambantota, and Ratnapura).

34. The other chief causes of deaths were infantile convulsions 3,662, debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 1,385, phthisis 1,239, rickets 1,171, pneumonia 1,144, anæmia 1,105, worms 1,073, old age 821, dropsy 661, premature birth 419, puerperal convulsions 410, doehmius duodenalis 364 (of which 266 were of estate coolies), thrush 354, abscess 345, and malarial cachexia 260.

35. *Deaths by violence.*—Of the 381 deaths attributed to accidents, as many as 90 were due to drowning (of which 22 were by falling into wells), 86 to falls from trees, 45 to snakebites, 32 to burns and scalds, 15 to falls from heights other than trees, 12 to fall of heavy substances, 15 to taking poisonous substances, 13 to suffocation, and 11 to gun-shot wounds; 17 deaths were due to injuries caused by animals (of which wasps were responsible for 8 deaths, buffaloes and crocodiles for 2 each, and a hikenala or Brahmin lizard, a bull, a "mad rat," a dog, and bees for 1 each). Five deaths were registered as due to vehicles running over the body (of which 2 each were by railway trains and carts and 1 by a roller). Three deaths each were due to being buried under a wall, to wire shoot accidents, and to cuts and stabs.

Sunstroke and lightning caused 1 death each, while a death each has been registered as due to foreign body in air-passage, to breathing poisonous gas, and to being jammed between two vessels.

36. *Homicide*.—Thirty-two deaths were due to homicide, of which 7 were from Colombo, 3 each from Negombo, Kalutara, and Matale, 2 each in Kandy, Galle, Kurunegala, Badulla, and Ratnapura and 1 each in Nuwara Eliya, Hambantota, Puttalam, Chilaw, Anuradhapura, and Kegalla. Not one homicide was contributed by the Tamil Provinces—Northern and Eastern.

37. *Suicides*.—Fifty-five deaths resulted from suicide, of which 30 by hanging, 8 by poison, 6 by drowning, 4 each by gun-shot wounds and other means, and 3 by cuts and stabs.

38. *Executions*.—There were 11 judicial executions (all Sinhalese) registered in the Island during the quarter: 8 in Kandy, 2 in Galle, and 1 in Colombo.

#### VI.—Health of Estate Population.

39. The total number of births reported for registration from the estates\* in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province, during the quarter amounted to 4,078 (8 Europeans, 14 Burghers, 138 Sinhalese, 3,880 Tamils, 27 Moors, 6 Malays, and 5 Others), and the deaths numbered 4,164 (5 Burghers, 106 Sinhalese, 4,010 Tamils, 34 Moors, 4 Malays, and 5 Others), corresponding to an annual birth-rate of 38·6, and a death-rate of 39·4 per thousand, as against their respective averages of 24·1 and 27·3 for the period of 1898 to 1907. Deaths are in marked excess over births in Matale and Ratnapura Districts, and in less degree in the districts of Colombo and Kalutara. The Ratnapura District leads with the highest death-rate (90·6), followed by Matale (63·0) and Kalutara (61·0), while Nuwara Eliya District shows the lowest death-rate (29·6) followed by Kandy (30·3). The highest birth-rate is noticeable in Kegalla (55·8) and the lowest in Colombo (28·7).

40. The causes of death are shown in Table XI. in the Appendix, and may be summarized as follows:—

TABLE C.

Diarrhœa .. .. .	806	Malarial cachexia .. .. .	131
Dysentery .. .. .	585	General dropsy .. .. .	121
Debility .. .. .	507	Premature Birth .. .. .	115
Pneumonia .. .. .	332	Bronchitis .. .. .	75
Infantile convulsions .. .. .	279	Parturition .. .. .	67
Doehmius duodenalis .. .. .	266	Phthisis .. .. .	45
Fevers .. .. .	177	Anæmia .. .. .	38
Old age .. .. .	139	All other causes .. .. .	596

41. The following Table D gives the estate population at the Census of 1901, their births and deaths during the fourth quarter of 1908, together with their birth and death-rates for the fourth quarters of 1907 and 1908, and the averages for the fourth quarters of 1898 to 1907. But the rates are calculated on the population as enumerated and distributed at the Census of 1901, and the number and distribution of the population at present may be different.

TABLE D.

District.	Population at the Census of March 1, 1901.	Births registered during Fourth Quarter 1908.	Deaths registered during Fourth Quarter 1908.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				
				Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter of 1907.	Third Quarter of 1908.	Fourth Quarter of 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter of 1907.	Third Quarter of 1908.	Fourth Quarter of 1908.
Kandy ..	155,444	1,340	1,185	24·7	26·6	33·2	34·3	25·7	22·3	26·5	30·3
Matale ..	26,136	233	414	25·1	34·2	50·2	35·5	34·5	34·2	65·8	63·0
Nuwara Eliya ..	103,564	833	770	22·5	27·2	34·6	32·0	20·1	21·2	27·8	29·6
Badulla ..	51,788	566	521	28·3	40·2	37·6	43·5	28·5	40·4	34·0	40·0
Ratnapura ..	16,642	232	379	26·4	29·8	50·0	55·4	45·1	58·9	90·8	90·6
Kegalla ..	41,499	582	559	26·1	37·9	38·2	55·8	34·6	39·7	51·2	53·6
Colombo ..	8,302	60	76	17·1	18·2	39·3	28·7	39·5	31·5	67·1	36·4
Kalutara ..	16,965	232	260	25·2	41·2	39·6	54·4	45·5	66·6	50·4	61·0
Total ..	420,340	4,078	4,164	24·1	30·6	35·7	38·6	27·3	30·1	36·9	39·4

42. *Kandy District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kandy District amounted to 1,340 (3 Europeans, 1 Burgher, 28½ Sinhalese, 1,294 Tamils, 9 Moors, 1 Malay, and 4 Others), and the deaths numbered 1,185 (32½ Sinhalese, 1,141 Tamils, 11 Moors, and 1 Malay). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 34·3, as against the average of 24·7 for the corresponding period of 1898 to 1907, and the death-rate was 30·3 as against its average 25·7 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhœal diseases 353 (diarrhœa 200, dysentery 153), pneumonia 120, infantile convulsions 117, premature birth 83, debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 81, doehmius duodenalis 74, old age 47, fevers 46, bronchitis 29, and general dropsy 20.

\* By "estate" is meant any land having ten or more acres in cultivation under coffee, tea, cacao, or cinchona grouped together by Proclamation into a district under the Medical Wants Ordinance, No. 17 of 1880.

43. *Matale District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Matale District amounted to 233 (8 Sinhalese, 218 Tamils, 6 Moors, and 1 Malay), and the deaths numbered 414 (8 Sinhalese, 399 Tamils, 6 Moors, and 1 Malay). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 35·5 as against the average 25·1 for the period 1898 to 1907, while the death-rate was 63·0 as against its average 34·5 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 105 (diarrhoea 43, dysentery 62), fevers 49, malarial cachexia 42, debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 40, *dochmius duodenalis* 32, general dropsy 25, infantile convulsions 24, pneumonia 21, anæmia 11, old age 10, and bronchitis 8.

44. *Nuwara Eliya District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Nuwara Eliya District amounted to 833 (3 Europeans, 6 Burghers, 22 Sinhalese, 798 Tamils, 2 Moors, and 2 Malays), and the deaths numbered 770 (1 Burgher, 21 Sinhalese, 739 Tamils, 5 Moors, and 4 Others). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 32·0 as against its average 22·5 for the period 1898–1907, while the death-rate was 29·6 as against its average 20·1 for the same period. The most fatal causes were diarrhoeal diseases 221 (diarrhoea 135, dysentery 86), debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 186, pneumonia 73, infantile convulsions 43, *dochmius duodenalis* 30, old age 25, general dropsy 18, bronchitis 14, fevers 13, and premature birth 10.

45. *Badulla District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Badulla District amounted to 566 (1 European, 3 Burghers, 17 Sinhalese, 540 Tamils, 4 Moors, and 1 Malay), and the deaths numbered 521 (2 Burghers, 7 Sinhalese, 504 Tamils, 6 Moors, 1 Malay, and 1 Other). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 43·5 as against its average 28·3 for the period 1898–1907, and the death-rate was equal to 40·0 as against its average 28·5 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 170 (99 from diarrhoea and 71 from dysentery), debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 62, pneumonia 58, fevers 35, infantile convulsions 28, old age 25, general dropsy 14, *dochmius duodenalis* and premature birth 13 each, and bronchitis 11.

46. *Ratnapura District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Ratnapura District was 232 (2 Burghers, 15 Sinhalese, 214 Tamils, and 1 Moor), and the deaths numbered 379 (12 Sinhalese, 366 Tamils, and 1 Moor). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 55·4 as against the average 26·4 for the period 1898–1907, while the death-rate was 90·6 as against its average 45·1 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 151 (diarrhoea 57, dysentery 94), *dochmius duodenalis* 62, debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 47, infantile convulsions 24, pneumonia 12, malarial cachexia 11, fevers 10, old age 10, and general dropsy 8.

47. *Kegalla District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kegalla District amounted to 582 (1 European, 2 Burghers, 33 Sinhalese, 543 Tamils, and 3 Moors), and the deaths numbered 559 (20 Sinhalese, 538 Tamils, and 1 Moor). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 55·8 as against the average 26·1 during the period 1898–1907, while the death-rate was 53·6 as against its average 34·6 for the same period. The principal causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 273 (190 from diarrhoea and 83 from dysentery), debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 55, malarial cachexia 33, pneumonia 23, *dochmius duodenalis* 25, general dropsy 25, infantile convulsions 22, and old age 15.

48. *Colombo District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Colombo District amounted to 60 (58 Tamils, 1 Malay, and 1 Other), and the deaths numbered 76 (1 Burgher, 2 Sinhalese, and 73 Tamils). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 28·7 as against its average 17·1 for the period 1898–1907, and the death-rate was 36·4 as against its average 39·5 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 28 (diarrhoea 25, dysentery 3), ascites 7, and pneumonia and infantile convulsions 6 each.

49. *Kalutara District*.—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kalutara District was 232 (15 Sinhalese, 215 Tamils, and 2 Moors), and the deaths amounted to 260 (1 Burgher, 4 Sinhalese, 250 Tamils, 4 Moors, and 1 Malay). The birth-rate during the quarter was equal to 54·4 as against its average 25·2 for the period 1898–1907, and the death-rate was 61·0 as against its average 45·5 for the same period. The chief causes of death were diarrhoeal diseases 90 (diarrhoea 57, dysentery 33), debility (mostly of infants from inability to suck) 35, *dochmius duodenalis* 29, malarial cachexia 17, infantile convulsions 15, pneumonia 14, and fevers 9.

#### VII.—Health of the City of Colombo.

50. The births registered in the city of Colombo numbered 1,151, and corresponded to an annual rate per mille of 25·3, being ·8 per 1,000 higher than the average (24·5) for the corresponding quarters in 1898–1907.

51. The deaths registered numbered 1,861. To this have to be added 55 deaths of town residents, of which 53 occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital and the 2 others in the Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta (outside the town limits), and which were registered by an extra-urban Registrar, making a total of 1,916, and corresponding to a rate of 42·1 per mille per annum, being 6·5 per 1,000 higher than the average 35·6 for the corresponding quarters in 1898–1907.

52. As usual in the town, the death-rate exceeded the birth-rate, owing mainly to the preponderance of males over females (chiefly among the Europeans, Indian Tamils, and Moors), to the presence of hospitals which add to the normal mortality of the town, and to the registration of births being still somewhat defective.

53. The subjoined Table E gives the births and deaths and their rates for each race for the fourth quarters of 1908 and 1907, and the average for the fourth quarters in 1898–1907.

TABLE E.—Births and Deaths and their Rates, by Race, of the City of Colombo for the Fourth Quarter, 1908, 1907, and 1898-1907.

Nationality.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census, 1901.	Births.			Deaths.			Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.		
		Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.
ALL RACES ..	155,869	1,063	1,169	1,151	1,443	1,351	1,916*	24.5	26.1	25.3	35.6	30.2	42.1
Europeans ..	2,657	24	21	23	22	12	31	36.8	26.7	30.2	32.4	15.3	40.8
Burghers ..	11,861	98	94	101	74	71	125	33.5	29.3	31.3	24.8	22.1	38.7
Sinhalese ..	68,772	542	606	610	663	612	937	29.7	31.9	31.8	38.2	32.2	48.8
Tamils ..	34,640	167	174	166	347	311	424	15.3	15.8	14.6	40.9	28.3	37.3
Moors ..	28,898	179	205	193	255	253	294	23.9	25.2	23.4	35.5	31.3	35.6
Malays ..	4,493	34	47	37	41	54	49	30.6	34.8	26.7	36.2	40.0	35.4
Others ..	4,548	19	22	21	41	38	56	13.4	13.7	12.4	36.0	23.6	33.2

\* Includes 55 deaths of town residents, of which 53 (3 Burghers, 37 Sinhalese, 7 Tamils, 5 Moors, and 1 Malay occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital and 2 (a Sinhalese and a Malay) in the Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta (outside the town), and were registered by an extra-urban Registrar.

54. The rates are calculated on the figures for the quarter estimated upon the basis of the population as enumerated and distributed at the Census of 1901. The rates for Europeans, Malays, and the races classed together as "Others" being calculated upon small populations are not very reliable. Excluding the rates for these sections, the lowest death-rate was among the Moors (35.6 against an average of 35.5), and the highest death-rate was among the Sinhalese 48.8 (average 38.2) followed by 38.7 among the Burghers (average 24.8). The Malays, who at the last Census numbered 4,493, show a death-rate of 35.4 against 36.2, the average for the corresponding quarters in 1898-1907.

55. The highest birth-rate in the quarter was among the Sinhalese, 31.8, a rise of 2.1 per 1,000 over the average 29.7. The Burghers come next with a birth-rate of 31.3, which, however, shows a fall of 2.2 from the average (33.5) for the period 1898-1907. The low birth-rates for Tamils and Others are due to their population being mostly a floating one, and composed chiefly of adult males.

56. Table XII. gives in detail the deaths from various causes in each Ward of the city of Colombo, and according to each nationality. The number of births and deaths in each Ward of the town, their rates per mille per annum, and certain selected causes of death during the quarter are shown in the following Table F:—

TABLE F.—Births and Deaths, by Race and Ward, of the City of Colombo, and selected causes of deaths in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Ward.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census, 1901.	Births.									Deaths.											Annual Rate per 1,000.														
		Total Births.		Nationality.							Total Deaths.		Nationality.			Selected Causes of Death.																				
		Persons.	Males.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	Diarrhea.		Dysentery.	Pneumonia.	Bronchitis.	Phthisis.	Enteric Fever.	Other Fevers.	Cholera.	Smallpox.	Dochinus Duodenalis.	Diphtheria.	Birch.	Deaths.		
Colombo Town ..	155869	1151	597	554	23	101	610	166	193	37	21	1916	1010	906	31	125	937	424	294	49	56	194	110	222	62	190	123	22	13	51	31	125.3	42.1			
Fort & Galle Face	2285	7	2	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	11	9	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.2	1.9	
Pettah ..	7561	17	9	8	—	1	9	6	—	—	—	25	20	5	4	1	8	10	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8.9	13.1	
St. Sebastian ..	9849	48	24	24	—	5	18	3	21	1	—	76	34	42	—	5	22	12	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18.0	23.6	
St. Paul's ..	20280	180	80	50	—	6	39	53	28	—	—	203	99	104	—	7	48	110	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.7	33.8	
Kotahena ..	33855	210	99	111	—	18	155	18	18	—	—	270	124	146	1	21	159	54	29	4	2	44	9	42	9	17	7	2	—	—	—	—	21.9	23.1		
New Bazaar ..	17470	114	57	57	—	7	40	11	53	2	1	204	96	108	—	15	78	22	75	3	11	4	8	23	13	25	14	4	4	2	—	—	—	122.5	40.3	
Maradana :																																				
Hospitals	30831	202	98	104	3	20	154	16	5	1	3	474	306	163	19	19	296	113	19	1	7	89	50	52	2	48	44	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Excl. of hospitals	190105	105	85	85	—	20	100	17	41	6	4	344	159	185	1	33	172	48	62	11	17	16	16	43	7	43	13	2	123	2	—	—	—	20.5	37.1	
Slave Island ..	16927	138	74	64	—	8	40	38	23	24	8	146	78	68	1	5	54	25	24	25	12	14	2	14	2	11	4	5	110	2	—	—	—	—	27.5	29.1
Kollupitiya ..	18231	95	49	46	11	16	54	8	4	2	—	163	85	78	5	19	99	25	12	3	—	10	8	11	3	17	21	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.4	23.1

\* The estimated population on the last day of the quarter was 182,060. Its distribution among the Ward cannot be estimated. Hence the Census figures are retained.

57. The low birth- and death-rates of the Fort and Galle Face and the Pettah Wards are due to their population being for the most part a floating male adult one. Excluding these wards, the healthiest divisions of the town were Kotahena and Kollupitiya, each showing a death-rate of 28.1, while the unhealthiest was New Bazaar, with a death-rate of 40.3.

58. The following Table G is an attempt to ascertain the comparative healthiness of each ward and race in the city. It is based on the infantile mortality, which is about the most sensitive sanitary test available. In this table the Census population, the births and infantile deaths, and their rates are given for the fourth quarter of 1908 by wards and races.



59. In the quarter under review the infant mortality, which was 422 per 1,000 births for the whole city, rose as high as 588 in New Bazaar, 562 in St. Paul's, 484 in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), and 471 in Pettah, and was lowest (143) in the Fort. Among the races the Tamils lead with the highest mortality (566), followed by those classed together as "Others" (476) and the Moors (451). The Moor mortality rose to 528 in New Bazaar, 476 in St. Sebastian, and 464 in St. Paul's. The Sinhalese come next with a rate of 413 for the whole town, rising to 575 in New Bazaar, 490 in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), 475 in Slave Island, 463 in Kollupitiya, and 462 in St. Paul's. The Malays show a rate of 378 for the whole city, rising to 667 in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals). The European rate (130) is the lowest for the city, and the Burgher rate (257) the next lowest.

60. Thirteen deaths were registered in the town during the quarter as due to cholera. The epidemic commenced about the middle of November last and ceased about the end of the following month. Its origin could not be traced. Of the total number, 7 occurred in the Welikade jail, 3 in New Bazaar Ward, 1 each in Maradana and Slave Island, and 1 in the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Kanatta (a patient from New Bazaar Ward).

61. As many as 51 deaths were registered from smallpox. Of this number, 46 occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Kanatta, whither the patients were removed from the town, namely, 22 from Maradana Ward, 8 from Slave Island, 7 from St. Paul's, 4 from Kollupitiya, 2 each from St. Sebastian and New Bazaar, and 1 from Pettah, 2 at Slave Island, 2 at Kollupitiya, and the other at Maradana.

62. Five deaths were registered from measles, 2 in New Bazaar, 1 each in Kotahena and Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), and 1 in the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Kanatta (a patient from Slave Island).

63. Diarrhœa and dysentery were fatal in 304 cases (against an average of 256 in the corresponding quarters of the last ten years), bronchitis and pneumonia in 284 (average 173), phthisis in 190 (average 139), infantile convulsions in 180 (average 133), enteric fever in 123 (average 31), debility in 91 (average 111), old age in 75 (average 77), worms in 63 (average 23), tetanus in 54 (average 55), premature birth in 37 (average 26), enteritis in 35 (average 19), paralysis in 27 (average 16), and starvation and want of breast milk in 19 (average 3).

64. Fifteen deaths were due to accidents, of which 7 were due to burns and scalds, 2 to drowning, 2 to falls from trees, 1 to sunstroke, and 1 to pieces of stone striking vital parts.

65. Four deaths were attributed to homicide and 7 to suicide.

#### VIII.—Health of the Principal Towns.

66. This chapter deals with the Vital Statistics of the 31 principal 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.

67. Table XIII. 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 fourth quarter of 1908, their rates, and the infantile mortality in each town, with mean temperature and rainfall of each town.

68. *Population.*—The estimated population of the thirty-one 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).

69. The death-rate for all towns this quarter (38·28) is higher than in the previous quarter (32·59) and in the corresponding quarter of last year (30·88). Corrected death-rates not being available before the middle of 1907, an average cannot be stated for the quarter for the purpose of comparison. However, if the average of the monthly mortality rates up to December, 1908, be regarded as holding good for the quarters too, the death-rate has risen by 5·81 over this average. This deterioration occurred in 20 out of the 31 towns, and was greatest in Kurunegala town, where the death-rate during the quarter rose to 117·45 from the average (57·49). The death-rate here has been abnormal since September last, when it was only 47·96. In October (the first month in the quarter) it rose suddenly to 62·05, and with a leap in November to 103·01, mounted to the extraordinary rate of 182·73 in December (the last month in the quarter).

70. *Births.*—The births registered in the thirty-one towns during the quarter numbered 3,722, of which 1,906 were of males and 1,816 of females, and correspond to an annual birth-rate per 1,000 of 32·09, as against 29·56 during the previous quarter and 30·71 during the corresponding quarter of last year. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000) the highest birth-rate for the quarter was observed in Jaffna (51·84), and the lowest in Kalpitiya (9·86). In the other towns the birth-rate ranged from 45·25 in Matara, 44·05 in Weligama, 39·38 in Kurunegala, 38·91 in Kalutara, and 38·31 in Chilaw, to 22·91 in Mullaattivu, 19·45 in Ratnapura, 18·45 in Hatton and Dikoya, and 17·10 in Nuwara Eliya. Colombo records a rate of 25·68, as against 22·94 in the previous quarter and 26·24 during the corresponding quarter of last year.

71. *Deaths.*—The number of deaths registered in the thirty-one towns during the quarter was 5,236, of which 2,843 were of males and 2,393 of females, and correspond to an annual death-rate of 38·28 per mille, as against 32·59 during the preceding quarter and 30·88 during the corresponding quarter of last year. 1,711 of the total deaths, or little less than one-third, occurred in hospitals (and 41 deaths in jails), and exaggerated the normal mortality of the towns.

72. Corrected death-rates, as well as crude death-rates, are shown in Table XIII. 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 hospital deaths 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.

73. Of the towns, excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, the lowest corrected mortality during the quarter was recorded in Nuwara Eliya (11·20) and the highest in Kurunegala (117·45). In the other towns the death-rate ranged from 21·35 in Nawalapitiya, 25·58 in Moratuwa, 26·32 in Galle, 26·97 in Panadure, and 28·52 in Matara, to 44·47 in Chilaw, 52·06 in Puttalam, 68·07 in Matale, 69·24 in Gampola, and 69·67 in Anuradhapura. Colombo town shows 42·81, as against 37·59 in the previous quarter and 31·16 in the corresponding quarter of last year.

74. In the following Table H the birth- and death-rates for each town for the quarter are compared with the rates for the fourth quarter of last year, and the average birth- and death-rates for the corresponding quarters of the preceding ten years.

TABLE H.—Birth- and Death rates of the Principal Towns in the Fourth Quarter, 1907, 1908, and 1898–1907.

Towns.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.					
	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898–1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1898–1907.		Fourth Quarter, 1907.		Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
				Inclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Exclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Inclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Exclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Inclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Exclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.
<i>Western Province.</i>									
Colombo ..	24·1	26·1	25·7	35·1	25·1	30·2	21·4	42·7	30·9
Negombo ..	40·4	44·3	38·3	34·3	29·4	31·3	26·0	38·1	30·2
Moratuwa ..	37·5	39·3	31·2	22·3	23·3	24·1	24·1	27·1	27·1
Kalutara ..	35·8	32·6	38·9	34·9	27·1	35·5	24·3	38·6	27·5
Panadure ..	40·1	46·9	31·0	46·9	22·8	41·3	12·2	36·4	23·5
<i>Central Province.</i>									
Kandy ...	27·5	29·6	29·1	37·6	23·9	36·1	19·7	50·0	25·8
Gampola ..	26·5	39·5	31·4	77·5	34·3	69·4	54·5	65·5	30·5
Nawalapitiya ..	24·1	18·9	32·8	89·0	21·6	83·8	14·9	66·6	17·9
Hatton and Dikoya*	—	15·5	18·5	—	—	52·8	4·4	59·7	20·6
Matale ..	29·3	28·0	27·3	87·5	28·4	84·8	19·4	159·0	38·1
Nuwara Eliya ..	19·8	15·1	17·1	28·2	17·0	18·7	11·9	12·6	6·0
<i>Northern Province.</i>									
Jaffna ..	36·0	37·4	51·8	35·4	33·1	34·5	32·2	33·8	32·2
Manaar ..	21·4	14·9	37·4	17·9	20·3	17·9	17·1	28·9	22·9
Mullaitivu ..	37·7	28·4	22·9	39·7	35·4	39·8	39·8	45·8	37·2
Vavuniya ..	25·7	20·2	33·8	77·7	26·7	114·2	47·0	121·7	60·9
<i>Southern Province.</i>									
Galle ..	31·3	31·5	31·5	30·1	26·5	37·4	30·8	30·7	25·4
Matara ..	39·4	44·5	45·3	28·1	24·5	25·8	22·4	38·0	29·5
Weligama† ..	—	—	44·1	—	—	—	—	22·4	22·4
Hambantota ..	40·4	35·3	35·5	34·2	26·3	52·3	40·5	52·6	26·1
Tangalla ..	36·7	42·8	30·6	24·6	22·9	44·3	39·7	35·2	26·0
<i>Eastern Province.</i>									
Batticaloa ..	35·1	34·4	27·8	30·2	32·0	33·2	31·3	33·5	30·8
Trincomalee ..	31·1	19·7	31·7	30·4	28·6	16·7	15·7	29·5	26·7
<i>North-Western Province.</i>									
Kurunegala ..	28·4	27·1	39·4	65·4	25·8	64·4	25·1	145·1	61·8
Puttalam ..	38·2	46·5	33·9	47·6	38·2	44·2	33·5	63·2	43·9
Kalpitiya‡ ..	27·3	36·9	9·9	28·9	28·9	27·0	27·0	27·1	27·1
Chilaw ..	33·5	22·2	38·3	31·2	24·7	31·9	19·5	43·7	29·4
<i>North-Central Province.</i>									
Anuradhapura ..	26·1	21·9	33·1	65·7	43·7	57·2	39·5	69·6	42·2
<i>Province of Uva.</i>									
Badulla ..	38·7	33·1	36·1	60·5	30·2	51·8	16·8	69·2	27·1
Lunugala§ ..	—	85·8	58·0	—	—	438·7	47·7	386·8	48·3
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>									
Ratnapura ..	34·2	32·6	19·5	69·8	25·8	87·3	21·2	97·3	22·1
Kegalla ..	33·3	29·6	28·2	70·9	13·9	57·6	14·0	89·2	18·8

\* Statistics for this town having been recorded from Second Quarter, 1907, only, the averages are not available.

† Statistics for this town being available from Second Quarter, 1908, only, the averages cannot be calculated.

‡ Statistics for this town having been recorded from First Quarter, 1905, only, the averages available are for the three years 1905–1907.

§ Statistics for this town being available from the Fourth Quarter, 1907, only, the averages cannot be calculated.

75. The death-rates shown in this table are crude rates (the corrected death-rates not being available for comparison before the middle of 1907), and are given inclusive as well as exclusive of hospital and jail deaths.

76. *Infantile mortality*.—The infantile mortality for the thirty-one towns was equal to a rate of 306 per 1,000 births registered, as against 267 in the previous quarter and 251 in the corresponding quarter of last year. In the towns having an estimated population of 5,000 or more the mortality ranged from 684 in Kurunegala, 422 in Colombo, 395 in Matale, and 375 each in Kandy and Batticaloa, to 200 in Negombo, 191 in Trincomalee, 181 in Moratuwa, 127 in Matara, and 113 in Weligama. The Colombo town rate was 62 in excess of previous quarter's rate (360), and 47 per cent. in excess of the rate in the corresponding quarter of last year, viz., 287 per 1,000 births registered.

77. *Causes of deaths*.—Table XIV. in the Appendix gives for each town and race the principal causes of deaths registered during the quarter, and shows the infantile mortality separately from the general mortality (one year and over).

78. *Infants*.—Out of the 5,236 deaths from all causes in the thirty-one towns, 1,138 or little more than one-fifth were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 369 *convulsions* (of which 139 in Colombo, 41 in Galle, 21 each in Negombo and Kandy, 19 in Kurunegala, 17 each in Matara and Anuradhapura, 13 in Trincomalee, 11 in Kalutara, 10 in Jaffna), 204 *debility* (of which 70 in Colombo, 28 in Jaffna, 21 in Kurunegala, 13 in Kandy, 12 in Batticaloa), 136 *premature birth* (of which 37 in Colombo, 29 in Jaffna, 25 in Kandy, 12 in Kalutara, 9 in Moratuwa), 83 *pneumonia* (of which 46 in Colombo, 7 each in Moratuwa and Kandy, 6 in Kurunegala, 5 in Galle), 74 *typhoid* (of which 46 in Colombo, 17 in Jaffna, 7 in Moratuwa), 65 *diarrhoea* (of which 37 in Colombo, 6 in Jaffna, 5 in Galle), and 47 *bronchitis* (of which 28 in Colombo, 11 in Jaffna).

79. *General mortality (one year and over)*.—Out of the 4,098 deaths of persons one year and over in age, there were 1,023 due to *diarrhoea* and *dysentery*, of which 262 were in Colombo, 88 in Kandy, 85 in Kurunegala, 64 in Matale, 57 in Badulla, 47 in Ratnapura, 44 in Matara, 38 in Negombo, 34 in "Hatton and Dikoya," 33 in Gampola, 31 each in Moratuwa and Jaffna, 28 in Kegalla, 21 in Lunugala; 466 to *pneumonia*, of which 176 were in Colombo, 40 in Kurunegala, 36 in Kandy, 25 in Galle, 20 in Negombo, 16 in Moratuwa, 15 in Trincomalee, 11 in Matale, 10 each in Kalutara, Anuradhapura, and Badulla; 330 to *phthisis*, of which 188 were in Colombo, 42 in Galle, 15 in Kandy, 13 in Jaffna, 12 in Moratuwa, 10 in Kurunegala; 180 to *doctimus duodenalis*, of which 145 were among Tamils—almost all of whom were coolies; 169 to *enteric fever*, of which 121 were in Colombo, 23 in Moratuwa, 4 each in Galle and Weligama; 149 to *malarial cachexia*, of which 50 were in Matale, 26 in Kurunegala, 10 in Batticaloa, 9 in Jaffna, 6 each in Puttalam and Kegalla; 124 to *remittent fever*, of which 15 were in Jaffna, 14 in Anuradhapura, 13 in Colombo, 8 in Kurunegala, 7 in Puttalam, 6 each in Galle and Batticaloa; 84 to *bronchitis*, of which 34 were in Colombo, 8 each in Matara and Trincomalee, 6 in Jaffna, 4 each in Kalutara and Kegalla; 66 to *smallpox*, of which 46 were in Colombo, 10 in Kandy; 53 to *Bright's disease* and *nephritis*, of which 26 were in Colombo, 8 in Kandy; 40 to *simple fever*, of which 10 each were in Matale and Jaffna, 8 in Colombo, 6 in Kandy; 31 to *anæmia*, of which 9 were in Negombo, 6 each in Colombo and Kalutara; 14 to *cancer*, of which 6 in Colombo and 3 in Jaffna; and 13 to *cholera* in Colombo.

80. *Percentage of principal causes of deaths 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 13 per cent., infantile convulsions nearly 9 per cent., various kinds of fever and debility each nearly 7 per cent., and phthisis more than 6 per cent.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, March 25, 1909.

P. ARUNACHALAM,  
Registrar-General.

## APPENDIX.

Table I.—Area, Estimated Population, and the Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province and District.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.*	MARRIAGES.			BIRTHS.			DEATHS.		
			Total.	General.	Kandyan.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.
CEYLON ..	25,331 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,834,513	5,546	4,186	1,360	41,843	21,461	20,382	33,613	16,924	16,689
Western ..	1,432	1,001,086	1,966	1,966	—	9,377	4,852	4,525	7,192	3,701	3,491
Central ..	2,299 $\frac{1}{2}$	659,478	419	156	263	6,954	3,538	3,416	6,630	3,298	3,362
Northern ..	3,363 $\frac{1}{2}$	361,732	518	518	—	3,857	1,974	1,883	2,312	1,189	1,123
Southern ..	2,146 $\frac{1}{2}$	628,028	1,001	992	9	6,835	3,515	3,320	4,813	2,343	2,470
Eastern ..	4,036 $\frac{1}{2}$	186,678	99	56	43	2,147	1,089	1,058	1,377	736	641
North-Western ..	2,996 $\frac{1}{2}$	382,110	729	350	379	4,865	2,514	2,351	4,497	2,204	2,293
North-Central ..	4,002 $\frac{1}{2}$	78,215	118	10	108	941	486	455	919	467	452
Uva ..	3,154 $\frac{1}{2}$	190,978	219	43	176	2,308	1,206	1,102	2,268	1,203	1,068
Sabaragamuwa ..	1,901	346,208	477	95	382	4,559	2,287	2,272	3,575	1,786	1,789
Western.											
Colombo ..	560 $\frac{1}{2}$	576,278	1,104	1,104	—	4,995	2,594	2,401	4,472	2,313	2,159
Negombo ..	247 $\frac{1}{2}$	171,234	367	367	—	1,736	874	862	887	469	418
Kalutara ..	623 $\frac{1}{2}$	253,574	495	495	—	2,646	1,334	1,262	1,833	919	914
Central.											
Kandy ..	911	401,919	263	95	168	4,239	2,153	2,081	3,699	1,847	1,852
Matale ..	925 $\frac{1}{2}$	96,728	73	24	49	1,280	607	673	1,727	836	891
Nuwara Eliya ..	462 $\frac{1}{2}$	160,831	83	37	46	1,435	773	662	1,234	615	619
Northern.											
Jaffna ..	1,265	323,905	471	471	—	3,522	1,801	1,725	1,970	1,033	937
Mannar ..	943 $\frac{1}{2}$	23,333	29	29	—	199	104	95	191	97	84
Mullaittivu ..	1,154 $\frac{1}{2}$	14,494	18	18	—	132	69	63	161	89	72
Southern.											
Galle ..	652 $\frac{1}{2}$	287,638	509	503	6	3,088	1,625	1,463	2,131	1,021	1,110
Matara ..	481 $\frac{1}{2}$	229,850	331	328	3	2,628	1,324	1,304	1,671	822	849
Hambantota ..	1,012 $\frac{1}{2}$	110,490	161	161	—	1,119	566	553	1,011	500	511
Eastern.											
Batticaloa ..	2,871 $\frac{1}{2}$	156,461	83	40	43	1,793	912	881	1,109	606	503
Trincomalee ..	1,165	30,217	16	16	—	354	177	177	268	130	138
North-Western.											
Kurunegala ..	1,844 $\frac{1}{2}$	270,467	473	120	353	3,833	2,007	1,826	3,788	1,816	1,972
Puttalam ..	889 $\frac{1}{2}$	28,563	54	23	26	222	109	113	292	164	128
Chilaw ..	262 $\frac{1}{2}$	83,080	202	202	—	810	398	412	417	224	193
North-Central.											
Anuradhapura	4,002 $\frac{1}{2}$	78,215	118	10	108	941	486	455	919	467	452
Uva.											
Badulla ..	3,154 $\frac{1}{2}$	190,978	219	43	176	2,308	1,206	1,102	2,268	1,200	1,068
Sabaragamuwa.											
Ratnapura ..	1,259	136,981	195	49	146	1,721	867	854	1,633	837	796
Kegalla ..	642	209,227	282	46	236	2,838	1,420	1,418	1,942	949	993

\* The estimate of the population in this Table and in Tables III., IV., and V. is based on the Census of March, 1901, and the returns of births and deaths registered.

Table II.—Birth- and Death-rates in the Fourth Quarter of 1908, the corresponding Quarter of 1907, the Third Quarter of 1908, and the Mean Rates for the Fourth Quarters of 1898-1907.

Province and District.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			
	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.
• CEYLON ..	40.8	37.5	38.1	43.4	29.0	27.3	28.1	34.9
Western	36.5	36.7	31.1	37.3	23.4	22.7	24.6	28.6
Central	37.0	35.1	38.7	41.9	29.9	25.7	31.3	40.2
Northern	37.8	31.6	41.2	42.4	28.8	27.6	21.8	25.4
Southern	46.1	39.4	39.1	43.9	27.6	30.2	27.6	30.5
Eastern	46.4	36.8	39.4	45.8	30.1	29.9	26.6	28.7
North-Western	43.3	38.2	45.1	51.7	30.5	25.3	29.9	46.8
North-Central	40.8	30.2	36.2	47.9	40.9	35.3	27.9	46.7
Uva	45.5	43.6	40.6	48.1	44.4	38.6	37.3	47.2
Sabaragamuwa	45.1	45.6	42.7	52.4	31.8	31.1	33.5	41.1
Western.								
Colombo	34.1	34.3	29.6	34.5	23.5	22.9	26.8	30.9
Negombo	41.0	40.9	34.3	40.3	19.0	17.2	16.3	20.6
Kalutara	41.0	39.3	32.5	41.5	25.2	25.5	25.2	28.9
Central.								
Kandy	37.9	35.6	38.1	42.0	30.0	25.7	29.5	36.6
Matale	44.7	41.6	47.1	52.6	38.9	29.5	44.0	71.0
Nuwara Eliya	31.0	29.7	35.1	35.5	24.1	23.5	28.1	30.5
Northern.								
Jaffna	37.9	32.1	39.7	43.3	28.0	26.3	19.8	24.2
Mannar	36.4	28.0	40.5	33.9	35.1	33.4	30.4	30.9
Mullaittivu	37.3	25.3	48.7	36.3	42.8	44.9	38.2	44.3
Southern.								
Galle	45.9	43.4	35.4	44.1	27.0	29.7	25.5	29.5
Matara	48.0	39.4	40.2	45.5	27.4	28.5	26.4	28.9
Hambantota	43.0	28.8	46.4	40.3	29.2	34.8	35.6	36.4
Eastern.								
Batticaloa	46.7	37.4	39.4	45.6	29.2	30.2	24.9	28.2
Trincomalee	45.0	33.9	39.5	46.6	34.7	28.1	35.3	35.3
North-Western.								
Kurunegala	46.0	39.6	48.6	56.4	33.1	26.6	33.0	55.7
Puttalam	33.8	32.8	37.5	30.9	36.9	31.7	38.7	40.7
Chilaw	36.0	35.6	35.5	38.8	18.2	18.4	16.7	20.0
North-Central.								
Anuradhapura	40.8	30.2	36.2	47.9	40.9	35.3	27.9	46.7
Uva.								
Badulla	45.5	43.6	40.6	48.1	44.4	38.6	37.3	47.2
Sabaragamuwa.								
Ratnapura	45.1	43.8	44.9	50.0	37.1	38.1	41.0	47.4
Kegalla	45.1	46.8	41.2	54.0	28.3	26.3	28.5	36.9

Table III.—Sinhalese Births and Deaths, with their Rates per 1,000 of the estimated Population and the Proportion of Infantile Deaths to 1,000 registered Births in Sinhalese Districts in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.	Births.		Deaths.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 Year to 1,000 Births registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.
			Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
CEYLON ..	25331½	2,589,244	27309	29386	16786	22340	44·9	40·0	38·4	45·1	27·7	25·3	26·3	34·3	212
WESTERN ..	1,432	854,519	7,691	8,135	4,143	5,370	38·7	37·2	31·3	37·9	20·8	19·7	21·4	25·0	150
Colombo ..	560½	478,822	4,116	4,305	2,370	3,252	36·7	35·5	30·5	35·8	21·0	19·9	23·3	27·0	167
Colombo Municipality	10	64,731	512	610	762	899	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alutkuru Korale South	72	74,860	647	639	350	434	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hewagam Korale ..	167	73,696	643	675	279	405	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Saipiti Korale ..	75	104,912	890	895	522	810	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Siyane Korale East*	116½	58,584	560	550	210	229	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Siyane Korale West*	120½	102,039	923	936	386	475	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Negombo ..	247½	154,072	1,454	1,578	630	732	41·6	40·4	33·7	40·7	18·0	16·3	14·9	18·9	146
Negombo Local Board	7½	14,761	140	120	110	110	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Alutkuru Korale South	159	102,873	943	1,056	377	429	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hapitigam Korale ..	81½	36,438	371	402	143	193	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalutara ..	623½	221,625	2,121	2,252	1,143	1,386	41·4	38·5	31·2	40·4	22·2	21·6	21·8	24·9	122
Kalutara Local Board	1½	9,098	79	93	73	85	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalutara Totamune	88½	102,059	970	987	537	678	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pasdun Korale East*	280½	27,152	250	293	139	172	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pasdun Korale West*	123½	26,397	262	269	148	163	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rayigam Korale ..	130	56,919	544	610	255	288	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
CENTRAL ..	2,299½	326,188	3,732	4,064	2,404	3,731	49·8	42·1	42·7	49·5	32·1	25·2	31·3	45·5	260
Kandy ..	911	210,443	2,373	2,569	1,470	2,114	49·4	42·5	42·5	48·6	30·6	25·1	30·5	40·0	226
Kandy Municipality	11	14,150	120	143	114	202	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harispattu ..	507	34,122	394	421	235	323	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pata Dumbara ..	107½	40,849	451	459	263	420	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pata Hewaheta ..	57½	14,301	176	199	84	118	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tumpane ..	46½	13,311	182	237	95	160	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uda Bulatgama ..	230	12,964	99	109	65	75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uda Dumbara ..	238½	21,820	287	278	230	304	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uda Nuwara ..	34½	15,445	182	174	102	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uda Palata ..	106	23,757	264	288	153	185	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yati Nuwara ..	29	19,724	218	261	129	174	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matale ..	925½	64,559	802	923	575	1,158	52·3	5·6	46·3	56·9	37·9	25·5	34·5	71·4	386
Matale Local Board	1	1,844	17	15	23	55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matale South ..	163½	29,034	354	387	218	463	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matale East ..	373½	15,477	212	292	166	310	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Matale North ..	388½	18,204	219	229	168	330	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nuwara Eliya ..	462½	51,188	557	572	359	460	47·2	36·1	39·1	36·1	30·4	25·4	30·3	29·0	211
Nuwara Eliya Local Board and outside	47	2,066	16	19	14	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kotmale ..	236½	15,641	137	154	92	136	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Uda Hewaheta ..	108½	19,894	219	219	135	148	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Walapane ..	113½	13,587	185	180	118	162	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SOUTHERN ..	2,146½	597,709	6,588	6,613	3,845	4,528	47·1	39·8	39·6	44·0	27·3	30·0	27·4	30·1	158
Galle ..	652½	271,349	2,978	2,986	1,679	1,992	47·4	44·3	36·3	43·8	26·7	29·4	25·0	29·2	151
Galle Municipality	6½	27,946	239	260	197	222	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Four Gravets beyond Municipal limits and Aknimana	24½	21,917	223	229	117	128	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gangaboda Pattuwa	128½	35,601	406	408	200	296	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wellaboda Pattuwa ..	83½	73,426	831	841	452	563	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Talpe Pattuwa ..	97	58,229	634	629	375	381	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Walallawiti Korale ..	146	47,896	561	529	300	346	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rinidum Pattuwa ..	166	6,934	84	90	38	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* Births and Deaths for this division being available from 1901 only, the averages shown are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

Table III.—continued.

Provinces, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.	Births.		Deaths.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 Year to 1,000 Births registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.
			Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
<i>Matara</i>	481½	219,698	2,475	2,543	1,390	1,562	47·7	39·7	40·4	46·0	27·1	28·3	26·5	28·3	129
Matara Local Board	1½	10,679	104	123	70	104	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Four Gravets beyond Local Board limits	7½	17,522	193	192	91	83	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wellaboda Pattuwa..	51½	47,817	551	515	280	335	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Welligam Korale ..	111	59,737	647	712	337	366	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Morawak Korale ..	160	17,383	198	220	140	180	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kandaboda Pattuwa	70	27,790	337	317	203	207	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gangaboda Pattuwa	79½	38,770	445	564	269	287	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Hambantota</i>	1,012½	106,662	1,135	1,084	779	974	43·2	28·6	46·4	40·4	29·2	34·6	35·6	36·3	244
Hambantota Four Gravets	1½	1,080	11	7	12	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Magam Pattu, exclusive of Four Gravets	641	6,454	61	52	81	93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Giruwa Pattu East..	122½	11,458	113	139	99	121	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Giruwa Pattu West..	247½	87,660	950	886	584	738	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>EASTERN</b>	4,036½	8,922	91	81	80	68	40·0	37·2	41·2	36·1	36·5	23·8	25·1	30·3	370
<i>Batticaloa</i> *†	2,871½	7,681	79	68	69	61	40·5	40·2	42·6	35·2	35·6	23·5	25·5	31·6	397
Batticaloa Local Board	1½	232	2	2	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu North	148	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu South	74	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bintenna Pattu ..	677½	3,297	34	38	28	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanturai Pattu	160	600	9	7	8	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eravur and Rukam Pattus	372½	180	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koralai Pattu ..	290	166	2	3	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erivil and Porativu Pattus	247	778	4	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karavaku and Nintavur Pattus	41	126	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Akkarai Pattu ..	374	1,177	14	13	12	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Panawa Pattu ..	486½	1,077	12	4	9	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>NORTH-WESTERN</b>	2,996½	332,378	3,592	4,411	2,323	3,811	45·4	39·0	46·4	52·8	29·5	23·6	27·7	45·6	332
<i>Kurunegala</i>	1,844½	249,543	2,807	3,572	1,923	3,386	47·3	40·2	49·0	56·9	32·4	24·9	31·1	54·0	377
Kurunegala Local Board	1½	3,037	38	61	64	165	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hiriyala Hatpattu ..	387½	30,418	332	344	295	582	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weudawili do. ..	177	44,235	561	777	399	1,038	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dambadeni do. ..	164½	45,768	585	826	323	578	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dewamedi do. ..	186½	33,661	380	499	271	370	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Katugampola do. ..	358½	56,505	558	687	281	345	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wanni do. ..	569½	35,889	353	378	289	308	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Puttalam</i> *	889½	11,553	104	112	97	100	35·3	25·1	40·7	38·6	33·0	29·6	32·4	34·4	268
Puttalam Local Board	8½	634	8	5	12	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Demala Hatpattu ..	441½	6,505	73	72	66	57	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division ..	315	1,062	3	4	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puttalam Division ..	124½	7,352	20	31	15	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Chilaw</i>	262½	71,282	661	727	303	325	40·4	37·0	38·1	40·6	18·4	17·8	15·4	18·1	121
Chilaw Town ..	½	2,546	26	36	19	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pitigal Korale North	132½	7,387	60	83	52	62	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pitigal Korale Central	88½	30,816	288	313	132	124	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pitigal Korale South†	40	30,533	276	295	102	110	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* For Tamil Statistics see Table IV. and for Moor Statistics see Table V.

† Births and Deaths for the divisions as at present constituted of this district being available from 1901 only, the averages shown are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

‡ Births and Deaths for this division being available from 1899 only, the averages shown are for the nine years, 1899-1907

Table III.—continued.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.	Births.		Deaths.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 Year to 1,000 Births registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.
			Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
NORTH-CENTRAL ..	4,002½	62,025	668	773	620	717	42.3	31.0	36.4	49.1	39.3	34.1	26.7	45.5	354
Anuradhapura ..	4,002½	62,625	666	773	620	717	42.3	31.0	36.4	49.1	39.3	34.1	26.7	45.5	354
Anuradhapura Town	5½	817	10	120	21	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nuwaragam Palata ..	1,490½	26,409	276	321	258	274	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hurulu Palata ..	1,040	19,963	211	255	184	213	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalagam Palata ..	311	13,983	148	138	129	153	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamankaduwa Palata	1,155	1,453	21	29	28	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
UVA ..	3,154½	129,103	1,707	1,652	1,584	1,589	54.1	46.0	42.3	50.9	50.5	37.7	36.8	49.0	252
Badulla ..	3,154½	129,103	1,707	1,652	1,584	1,589	54.1	46.0	42.3	50.9	50.5	37.7	36.8	49.0	252
Badulla Local Board	3½	3,591	46	45	48	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yatikinda Division ..	183½	22,897	285	294	215	172	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bintenna do. ..	359	9,651	136	112	132	136	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Buttala do. ..	567½	14,149	191	151	262	181	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wellawaya do. ..	1,019½	7,235	90	84	106	109	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Udukinda do. ..	188½	32,143	381	387	234	283	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wellassa do. ..	645½	21,036	303	301	354	342	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wiyaluwa do. ..	187½	18,401	275	278	233	307	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
SABARAGAMUWA ..	1,901	284,242	3,256	3,639	1,943	2,510	49.5	46.8	42.0	50.9	29.4	26.7	26.4	35.1	195
Ratnapura ..	1,259	121,674	1,392	1,473	1,008	1,214	47.7	44.8	42.8	48.2	34.4	32.7	32.1	39.7	197
Ratnapura Local Board	21	3,107	30	21	34	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kuruwiti Korale ..	211½	32,412	326	334	173	233	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nawadun do. ..	193½	25,492	305	298	210	218	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Atakalan do. ..	171½	18,318	227	256	179	204	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kadawata do. ..	130½	10,090	134	135	115	103	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kolonna do. ..	169	10,366	110	125	91	178	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kukulu do. ..	224½	8,395	88	101	58	59	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Meda do. ..	156½	13,494	172	203	148	133	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kegalla ..	642	162,568	1,864	2,166	935	1,296	50.9	48.4	41.4	53.0	25.5	22.2	22.1	31.7	193
Kegalla Local Board	7	1,783	17	15	20	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paranakuru Korale*	56½	29,132	360	441	164	204	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Beligal do. ..	162½	43,699	486	591	223	266	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Galboda do. ..	56½	22,994	297	307	147	236	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kinigoda do. ..	42	18,466	252	296	132	308	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Atulugam do. ..	125½	12,392	123	145	66	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dehigampal do. ..	74½	17,246	163	207	85	93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Panawal do. ..	40	7,096	74	76	37	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lower Bulatgama ..	84½	9,760	98	88	54	55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* Births and Deaths for this division being available from 1901 only, the averages shown are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

Table IV.—Tamil Births and Deaths, with their rates per 1,000 of the estimated Population, and the Proportion of Infantile Deaths to 1,000 registered Births in the Tamil Districts, in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.	Births.		Deaths.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 Year to 1,000 Births registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.
			Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
<b>NORTHERN</b>	<b>3,363</b>	<b>347,086</b>	<b>3,162</b>	<b>3,691</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>2,179</b>	<b>37·6</b>	<b>31·6</b>	<b>41·1</b>	<b>42·3</b>	<b>28·9</b>	<b>27·4</b>	<b>21·7</b>	<b>25·1</b>	<b>133</b>
<i>Jaffna</i>	1,265	319,701	2,910	3,477	2,150	1,932	37·9	32·1	41·0	43·3	28·0	26·2	20·4	24·2	170
Jaffna Division	18½	44,218	398	576	358	336	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Valikamam East	40½	27,224	239	273	154	140	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Valikamam North	36½	49,203	473	598	292	264	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Valikamam West	38½	49,889	441	490	307	227	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vadamaradchi East	34½	3,960	40	37	53	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vadamaradchi West	55	53,002	481	534	300	272	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tenmaradchi	80	38,241	334	323	313	284	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pachchilappallai	87	5,632	41	35	50	53	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karaichchi	123½	2,702	6	20	7	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Punakari	226½	4,525	44	52	47	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Islands*	59½	36,081	355	472	242	225	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Delft*	18½	4,422	46	64	25	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tunukkai	446½	602	6	3	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Mannar</i>	943½	15,335	137	111	142	116	33·4	30·4	40·0	28·8	34·3	38·1	34·3	31·1	423
Mannar Island	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Divisions	47½	5,637	49	33	45	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mantai Division	644½	5,131	46	50	52	48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nanaddan Division	251	4,567	42	28	45	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Mullaitivu</i> †	1,154½	12,050	115	103	134	131	36·0	20·9	45·0	34·0	42·4	45·1	39·7	43·2	369
Maritime Pattus	393½	5,966	49	46	65	60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vavuniya North	316	2,324	19	24	26	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vavuniya South	445	3,760	37	33	93	47	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>EASTERN</b>	<b>4,036½</b>	<b>102,399</b>	<b>1,130</b>	<b>1,131</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>45·4</b>	<b>35·1</b>	<b>39·4</b>	<b>43·9</b>	<b>32·0</b>	<b>33·1</b>	<b>28·0</b>	<b>33·9</b>	<b>243</b>
<i>Batticaloa</i> †	2,871½	84,931	952	936	636	693	48·6	36·2	38·5	43·8	31·7	33·7	25·8	32·5	235
Batticaloa Local	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Board	1½	8,298	78	63	71	74	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu North	148	13,878	157	150	122	104	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu South	74	8,890	93	92	62	57	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bintenna Pattu	677½	684	8	7	5	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanturai Pattu	160	3,199	32	53	22	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eravur and Rukam Pattus	372½	8,603	96	113	71	84	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koralai Pattu	290	6,151	95	113	68	121	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eruvil and Porativu Pattus	247	14,056	149	114	92	62	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karavaku and Nintavur Pattus	41	14,885	165	156	109	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Akkarai Pattu	374	5,545	64	70	44	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Panawa Pattu	486½	742	8	5	7	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Trincomalee</i>	1,165	17,468	178	195	162	180	40·8	29·9	43·6	44·4	37·2	30·1	38·5	41·0	287
Trincomalee Town	1	9,260	75	78	76	73	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kaddukkulam Pattu	490½	1,823	22	26	22	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koddiyar Pattu	223	4,362	54	51	38	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tampalakamam Pattu	450½	2,023	27	40	26	38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>NORTH-WESTERN</b>	<b>2,996½</b>	<b>22,682</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>23·2</b>	<b>29·7</b>	<b>30·7</b>	<b>32·1</b>	<b>40·0</b>	<b>46·3</b>	<b>58·4</b>	<b>60·9</b>	<b>366</b>
<i>Puttalam</i>	889½	6,660	39	38	69	76	20·1	24·0	32·0	22·7	36·0	36·3	57·6	45·4	395
Puttalam Local	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Board	8½	849	7	7	17	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Demala Hatpattu	441½	321	1	1	4	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division	315	1,910	13	10	25	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puttalam Division	124½	3,580	18	20	23	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* Births and Deaths for this division being available from 1901 only, the averages shown are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

† Births and Deaths for the divisions as at present constituted of this district being available from 1901 only, the averages shown for them are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

Table V.—Moer Births and Deaths with their rates per 1,000 of the estimated Population and the Proportion of Infantile Deaths to 1,000 registered Births in Batticaloa and Puttalam Districts in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population on October 1, 1908.	Births.		Deaths.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 Year to 1,000 Births registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.
			Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	Average for Fourth Quarters, 1898-1907.	Fourth Quarter, 1907.	Third Quarter, 1908.	Fourth Quarter, 1908.	
EASTERN ..	4,036½	69,646	822	887	449	404	50.9	40.8	40.6	50.7	27.6	27.3	24.8	23.1	170
<i>Batticaloa*</i> ..	2,871½	60,262	706	775	382	342	50.4	40.0	41.8	51.1	27.1	27.0	23.9	22.6	173
Batticaloa Local Board ..	1½	347	2	3	2	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu North ..	148	12,051	186	203	123	96	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manmunai Pattu South ..	74	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bintenna Pattu ..	677½	126	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanturai Pattu ..	160	5,997	77	121	50	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eravur and Rukam Pattus ..	372½	6,611	57	64	30	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Koralai Pattu ..	290	4,317	61	55	29	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eruvil and Porativu Pattus ..	247	176	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Karavaku and Nintatur Pattus ..	41	19,516	216	216	115	88	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Akkarai Pattu ..	374	9,072	102	92	54	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Panawa Pattu ..	486½	2,003	22	21	11	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
NORTH-WESTERN ..	2,996½	24,818	242	253	201	311	40.8	36.6	41.8	40.6	34.4	27.5	33.4	49.8	403
<i>Puttalam</i> ..	889½	9,840	103	66	101	108	43.0	46.4	31.7	26.7	42.0	29.3	33.2	43.7	348
Puttalam Local Board ..	8½	2,788	32	29	29	42	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Demala Hatpattu ..	441½	457	5	4	5	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division ..	315	4,669	41	21	51	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puttalam Division ..	124½	1,926	25	12	16	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* Births and Deaths for the divisions as at present constituted of this district being available from 1901 only, the averages shown for them are for the seven years, 1901-1907.

Table VI.—Marriages (General), Civil Condition, Nationality, Age, Mode of Solemnization, Signature of Marriage Register, &c., in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province and District.	MARRIAGES.													The number who signed Register with Marks.																									
														Males.	Females.																								
	Contracted between			Of			Contracted between				Of Persons not 21 Years of Age.		Contracted between Persons of same Race.		Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.	Mean Female Age.	Lowest Female Age.	Marrages solemnized by Ministers.																			
Total Marriages.	Bachelors and Spinners.	Bachelors and Widows.	Widowers and Spinners.	Widowers and Widows.	Widowers.	Widows.	European and Bachelors.	European and Spinners.	European and Widows.	Burgher and Bachelors.	Burgher and Spinners.	Burgher and Widows.	Sinhalese and Bachelors.	Sinhalese and Spinners.	Sinhalese and Widows.	Tamil.	Others.	Males.	Females.	Highest Male Age.	Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.	Mean Female Age.	Lowest Female Age.	Marrages solemnized by Ministers.	Males.	Females.											
Ceylon ..	4186	3617	112	378	62	7	6	3	1	—	441	177	2	—	—	11	2	18	5*	21	463313	767	1*	141	2087	7027.0	18	60	20.7	12	848	845	2674						
Western	1966	1714	53	174	22	2	1	—	—	196	75	2	—	—	—	6	1	9	2	17	321811	85	1	60	774	7027.7	18	55	21.3	13	474	385	1111						
Central	156	128	5	17	2	—	—	—	—	20	9	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	2	5	101	42	—	5	91	52	20.9	13	60	29	90							
Northern	518	447	11	48	11	—	—	—	—	59	22	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	3	513	5	—	19	286	45	19.8	12	124	44	333							
Southern	992	861	25	94	12	—	—	—	—	106	37	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	984	5	—	36	596	60	20.3	13	5	276	755							
Eastern	56	43	3	9	1	—	—	—	—	10	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	52	—	—	44	36	18.3	14	20	9	35							
North-Western	350	302	11	23	10	3	—	—	—	33	21	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	295	49	—	12	210	45	19.9	13	147	67	241						
North-Central	40	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	5	37	20.5	15	—	4	8							
Uva	43	33	1	6	3	—	—	—	—	9	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	32	9	—	2	52	29.0	13	9	9	32							
Sabaragamuwa	95	81	1	7	1	1	3	1	—	8	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	85	6	—	5	36	25.9	19	26	19.7	15	9	22	69				
Western.	104	967	33	89	12	2	1	—	—	101	45	2	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	17	281000	45	1	33	442	60	27.2	18	55	20.8	13	305	195	573				
Colombo	367	325	6	30	6	—	—	—	—	36	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	320	39	—	24	193	70	26.3	19	50	30.1	13	137	60	219				
Negombo	495	422	14	55	4	—	—	—	—	59	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	491	1	—	3	139	53	29.7	19	40	23.5	15	32	130	319			
Kalutara	95	76	2	14	2	—	—	—	—	17	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	25	—	—	2	54	62	28.8	20	52	21.1	14	41	17	51			
Kandy	24	19	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	65	28.5	21	48	21.8	15	5	3	14			
Matale	37	33	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	43	26.3	19	34	19.6	13	14	9	25			
Nuwara Eliya	471	420	5	39	6	1	—	—	—	45	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	16	253	55	26.4	18	45	19.9	13	95	42	296			
Jaffna	29	18	3	5	3	—	—	—	—	8	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	22	45	25.8	19	28	17.5	12	27	—	25			
Mannar	18	9	3	4	2	—	—	—	—	6	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	11	38	27.7	18	26	19.3	14	2	—	12			
Mullaitivu	503	411	9	49	4	—	—	—	—	53	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	269	70	26.0	20	50	21.1	13	4	114	346			
Southern.	328	284	9	32	3	—	—	—	—	35	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	225	61	25.9	18	40	19.5	14	1	105	264			
Galle	161	136	7	13	5	—	—	—	—	18	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	102	70	27.0	20	60	19.8	14	—	57	145			
Matare	40	33	2	4	1	—	—	—	—	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	38	25.9	20	30	17.9	14	16	8	29			
Hambantota	16	10	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	48	26.6	21	3	19.5	14	4	1	6			
Batticaloa	120	102	5	8	2	—	—	—	—	10	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	80	5	25.7	18	40	20.0	14	20	2	89			
Trincomalee	28	21	1	2	4	—	—	—	—	6	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	53	29.0	21	40	21.3	13	22	7	23			
North-Western.	202	179	5	13	4	—	—	—	—	17	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	115	55	25.9	19	45	19.7	14	9	38	129			
Kurunegala	10	8	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	37	28.4	20	28	20.5	15	—	4	8		
Puttalam	43	33	1	6	3	—	—	—	—	9	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	25	6	29.0	19	43	20.5	13	9	9	32			
Chilaw	49	43	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	27	36	26.0	19	26	19.4	15	—	11	37			
North-Central.	46	38	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	29	35	25.8	19	26	20.0	15	7	11	32		
Anuradhapura																																							
Uva.																																							
Badulla																																							
Sabaragamuwa.																																							
Ratnapura																																							
Kegalla																																							

\* Two between Cochin and Sinhalese, 1 between a Scotch and an Australian, 1 between a Malayalam and a Sinhalese, and 1 between a Telugu and a Tamil.

Table VII.—Marriages (Kandyan), Civil Condition, Age, Signature of Marriage Register, &c.,  
in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province and District.	Contracted between.										Persons not 21 Years of Age.		Highest Male Age.	Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.	Mean Female Age.	Lowest Female Age.	The number who signed Register with Marks.	
	Total Marriages.	Bachelors and Spinsters.	Bachelors and Widows.	Widowers and Spinsters.	Widowers and Widows.	Divorced Men and Spinsters.	Divorced Men and Widows.	Divorced Women and Bachelors.	Divorced Women and Widows.	Divorced Men and Divorced Women.	Males.	Females.							Males.	Females.
CEYLON ..	1360	1043	65	137	37	32	4	28	8	6	192	1011	60	26.7	16	52	20.5	13	416	1329
Central ..	263	205	7	19	5	11	1	10	1	4	41	209	60	25.5	18	52	19.4	13	68	226
Northern ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Southern ..	9	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	38	25.7	21	23	18.9	16	—	7
Eastern ..	43	38	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	24	35	25.1	19	31	20.4	13	28	43
North-Western ..	379	273	23	50	11	7	2	9	3	1	45	256	55	25.8	18	43	20.2	15	98	365
North-Central ..	108	80	10	12	4	—	1	—	—	—	8	72	50	27.7	18	38	21.2	16	24	105
Uva ..	176	142	8	15	6	3	—	1	1	—	14	136	60	24.9	16	50	19.2	14	76	174
Sabaragamuwa ..	382	297	15	37	10	11	—	8	3	1	81	306	58	25.1	17	46	18.9	13	121	409
Central.																				
Kandy ..	168	135	1	15	2	4	—	8	1	2	29	136	54	25.0	18	52	19.3	13	36	134
Matale ..	49	35	3	3	3	3	—	2	—	—	5	37	50	26.8	19	35	20.2	14	17	48
Nuwara Eliya ..	46	35	3	1	0	4	1	—	—	2	7	36	60	26.2	18	35	18.9	14	15	44
Northern.																				
Mullaittivu ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Southern.																				
Galle ..	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	28	24.3	23	20	18.3	16	1	5
Matara ..	3	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	38	28.3	21	23	20.0	17	—	2
Eastern.																				
Batticaloa ..	43	38	2	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	24	35	25.1	19	31	20.4	13	28	43
Trincomalee ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
North-Western.																				
Kurunegala ..	353	257	22	45	8	7	2	8	3	1	42	234	55	25.8	18	43	20.3	15	89	339
Puttalam ..	26	16	1	5	3	—	—	1	—	—	3	22	40	25.6	20	25	19.2	16	9	26
North-Central.																				
Anuradhapura ..	108	80	10	13	4	—	1	—	—	—	8	72	50	27.7	18	38	21.2	16	24	105
Uva.																				
Badulla ..	176	142	8	15	6	3	—	1	1	—	14	136	60	24.9	16	50	19.2	14	76	174
Sabaragamuwa.																				
Ratnapura ..	146	112	5	19	2	4	—	3	1	—	30	125	48	25.5	17	32	18.3	13	60	139
Kegalla ..	236	185	10	18	8	7	—	5	2	1	51	181	58	24.9	18	46	19.2	14	61	270

Table VIII.—Return of Births of each Nationality in each Province and District in the Island registered during the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province and District.	All Races.			Europeans.			Burghers.			Sinhalese.			Tamil.			Moors.			Malays.			Others.		
	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.
CEYLON ..	41,843	21,461	20,382	44	22	22	210	111	99	29,386	15,088	14,298	9,564	4,917	4,647	2,430	1,218	1,212	124	65	59	85	40	45
Western	9,377	4,852	4,525	24	13	11	126	63	63	8,135	4,219	3,916	603	311	292	420	207	213	41	25	16	28	14	
Central	6,954	3,538	3,416	15	6	9	34	21	13	4,064	2,052	2,012	2,482	1,288	1,194	315	150	165	29	13	16	15	8	
Northern	3,857	1,974	1,883	1	1	—	7	3	4	6,613	3,395	3,218	3,691	1,896	1,795	138	66	72	1	—	1	1	1	
Southern	6,835	3,515	3,320	2	—	2	13	9	4	6,613	3,395	3,218	3,691	1,896	1,795	138	66	72	1	—	1	1	1	
Eastern	2,147	1,089	1,058	—	—	—	8	7	1	1,131	560	571	1,131	560	571	887	487	430	24	14	10	16	7	
North-Western	4,865	2,514	2,351	—	—	—	4	—	4	4,411	2,288	2,123	1,183	599	584	253	122	131	12	5	7	2	2	
North-Central	941	486	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	773	405	368	59	23	36	102	54	48	1	—	1	6	4	
Uva	2,308	1,206	1,102	1	1	—	9	5	4	1,652	868	794	571	305	266	60	31	29	3	1	2	12	5	
Sabaragamuwa	4,559	2,287	2,272	1	1	—	9	3	6	3,639	1,819	1,820	787	403	384	121	59	62	1	1	1	1	1	
Western.	4,995	2,594	2,401	24	13	11	116	58	58	4,305	2,221	2,084	256	148	108	228	118	110	41	25	16	25	11	
Colombo	1,736	874	862	—	—	—	6	3	3	1,578	798	780	120	60	60	32	13	19	—	—	—	—	—	
Negombo	2,646	1,384	1,262	—	—	—	4	2	2	2,252	1,200	1,052	227	103	124	160	76	84	—	—	—	3	3	
Kalutara	4,239	2,158	2,081	10	3	7	23	13	12	2,569	1,310	1,259	1,393	714	679	212	102	110	19	10	9	11	6	
Central.	1,280	607	673	—	—	—	2	1	1	923	428	495	265	138	127	85	39	46	5	1	4	—	—	
Kandy	1,435	773	662	5	3	2	7	7	—	572	314	258	824	436	388	18	9	9	5	2	3	4	2	
Matale	3,526	1,801	1,725	1	1	—	3	2	1	—	—	—	3,477	1,778	1,699	43	20	23	1	—	1	1	—	
Nuwara Eliya	199	104	95	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	111	62	49	86	42	44	—	—	—	—	—	
Northern.	132	69	63	—	—	—	2	1	1	18	8	10	103	56	47	9	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	
Jaffna	3,088	1,625	1,463	—	—	—	8	5	3	2,986	1,572	1,414	20	13	7	72	35	37	—	—	—	2	2	
Mannar	2,628	1,324	1,304	2	—	2	4	3	1	2,543	1,277	1,266	32	17	15	44	26	18	2	1	1	1	1	
Mullaithivu	1,119	566	553	—	—	—	1	1	—	1,084	546	538	5	2	3	18	11	11	7	10	5	1	1	
Southern.	1,793	912	881	—	—	—	6	6	—	68	37	31	986	465	471	775	399	376	—	—	—	8	5	
Galle	354	177	177	—	—	—	2	1	1	13	7	6	195	95	100	112	58	54	24	14	10	8	2	
Matare	3,833	2,007	1,826	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,572	1,880	1,692	99	49	50	155	76	79	6	2	4	1	1	
Hambantota	222	109	113	—	—	—	—	—	2	112	56	56	38	21	17	66	30	36	4	2	2	—	—	
Eastern.	810	398	412	—	—	—	2	—	2	727	352	375	5	46	29	32	16	16	2	1	1	1	1	
Batticaloa	941	486	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	773	405	368	59	23	36	102	54	48	1	—	1	6	4	
Trincomealee	2,308	1,206	1,102	1	1	—	9	5	4	1,652	858	794	571	305	266	60	31	29	3	1	2	12	5	
North-Western.	1,721	867	854	—	—	—	2	2	—	1,473	744	729	228	112	116	18	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	
Kurunegala	2,838	1,420	1,418	1	1	—	7	1	6	2,166	1,075	1,091	559	291	268	103	50	53	—	—	—	1	1	
Puttalam	941	486	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	773	405	368	59	23	36	102	54	48	1	—	1	6	4	
Chilaw	2,308	1,206	1,102	1	1	—	9	5	4	1,652	858	794	571	305	266	60	31	29	3	1	2	12	5	
North-Central.	1,721	867	854	—	—	—	2	2	—	1,473	744	729	228	112	116	18	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	
Anuradhapura	2,838	1,420	1,418	1	1	—	7	1	6	2,166	1,075	1,091	559	291	268	103	50	53	—	—	—	1	1	
Uva.	941	486	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	773	405	368	59	23	36	102	54	48	1	—	1	6	4	
Badulla	2,308	1,206	1,102	1	1	—	9	5	4	1,652	858	794	571	305	266	60	31	29	3	1	2	12	5	
Sabaragamuwa.	1,721	867	854	—	—	—	2	2	—	1,473	744	729	228	112	116	18	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	
Ratnapura	2,838	1,420	1,418	1	1	—	7	1	6	2,166	1,075	1,091	559	291	268	103	50	53	—	—	—	1	1	
Kegalla	941	486	455	—	—	—	—	—	—	773	405	368	59	23	36	102	54	48	1	—	1	6	4	

Table IX.—Deaths among the various Races registered in Ceylon, and in each Province and District, in each Month of the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Province and District.	OCTOBER.							NOVEMBER.							DECEMBER.										
	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
CEYLON ..	9779	1261	6097	2945	596	34	34	11310	1269	7603	2826	705	50	45	12524	1268	8640	3026	699	37	42				
Western ..	2135	1145	1572	311	161	14	21	2467	1254	1868	327	160	25	21	2590	1049	1930	372	191	15	23				
Central ..	1989	17	971	921	76	6	7	2255	8	1309	825	98	8	7	2416	15	1452	849	100	3	6				
Northern ..	716	3	8	670	35			750	1	2	705	41	1		846	1	5	804	36						
Southern ..	1484	1	1405	33	41	3	1	1601	3	1507	44	46	1		1728	4	1616	43	61	3	1				
Eastern ..	437	2	23	267	140	2	3	553	2	31	330	179	8	3	387	1	3	14	276	85	6	2			
North-Western ..	964	3	780	100	78	2	1	1422		1207	108	99	7	1	2111		2	1824	139	134	9	3			
North-Central ..	210		161	26	19	3	1	301		238	26	33	4		408		3	318	46	41		3			
Uva ..	718		486	207	21	4		843		632	173	31	1	6	707	3	471	218	11	1	3				
Sabaragamuwa ..	1126		691	410	25			1118	1	809	288	18	1	1	1331	1	1010	279	40		1				
Western.																									
Colombo ..	1333	1045	948	185	113	13	19	1550	1250	1122	214	106	25	21	1589	1042	1182	196	122	15	22				
Negombo ..	256		200	49	6		1	318	1	271	40	6			313	4	261	40	7		1				
Kalutara ..	546	1	424	77	42	1	1	599	3	475	73	48			688	3	487	136	62						
Central.																									
Kandy ..	1161	16	574	517	52	5	6	1230	6	730	420	62	6	6	1308	4	810	430	60	1	3				
Matale ..	384	1	243	120	19		1	629	1	425	172	29	2		714	1	490	185	36	2					
Nuwara Eliya ..	444		154	284	5			396	1	154	233	7	1		394	1	152	234	4		3				
Northern.																									
Jaffna ..	600	2	1	589	8			639			622	16	1		731	1		721	9						
Mannar ..	58			36	22			57			37	20			66		1	43	22						
Mullaitivu ..	58	1	7	45	5			54	1	2	46	5			49		4	40	5						
Southern.																									
Galle ..	674	1	637	11	24	1		712	3	665	15	29			745	1	690	16	38						
Matara ..	517		486	17	14			591		555	26	10			563	3	521	22	17						
Hambantota ..	293		282	5	3	2	1	298		287	3	7	1		420		405	5	6	3	1				
Eastern.																									
Batticaloa ..	376		22	223	128		3	424	2	25	253	142	2		309	3	14	217	72	1	2				
Trincomalee ..	61	2	1	44	12	2		129		6	77	37	8	1	78	1		59	13	5					
North-Western.																									
Kurunegala ..	751	2	655	53	41			1180		1068	62	46	4		1857	1	1663	91	94	6	2				
Puttalam ..	82		27	22	30	2	1	103		27	26	47	2	1	107	1	46	28	31	1					
Chilaw ..	131	1	98	25	7			139		112	20	6	1		147		115	20	9	2	1				
North-Central.																									
Anuradhapura ..	210		161	26	19	3	1	301		238	26	33	4		408		318	46	41		3				
Uva.																									
Badulla ..	718		486	207	21	4		843		632	173	31	1	6	707	3	471	218	11	1	3				
Sabaragamuwa.																									
Ratnapura ..	492		348	142	2			510	1	376	126	7			631		490	135	6						
Kegalla ..	634		343	268	23			608		433	162	11	1	1	700	1	520	144	34		1				

Table X.—Causes of Deaths Registered in Ceylon and in each Province and District during the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	CEYLON										NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.						N. C. UVA PROVINCE.		SABARA-GAMUWA PROVINCE.		DEATHS AMONG ALL RACES.								
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Kalutara.	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Elyya.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Galle.	Matara.	Hambantota.	Batticaloa.	Trincomalee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
ALL CAUSES	4472	887	1833	3699	1727	1234	1970	181	161	213	1671	1011	1109	268	3788	292	417	919	2268	1633	1942	36	198	22340	8797	2000	121	121	
I. Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic diseases	13075	1484	281	529	1355	764	423	61	76	793	894	693	607	101	1178	119	120	402	985	705	669	15	66	8398	3822	689	43	42	
II. Parasitic diseases	1791	265	65	116	265	142	63	4	1	109	14	—	1	—	309	10	25	29	28	143	202	—	4	1306	379	95	2	5	
III. Dietetic diseases	155	24	—	4	28	3	9	5	19	16	1	—	2	—	7	2	2	2	6	—	11	—	1	32	88	28	1	5	
IV. Constitutional diseases	3959	736	160	392	437	142	121	119	12	17	365	193	67	37	238	17	40	67	247	234	258	—	4	3213	471	229	7	12	
V. Developmental diseases	1242	248	37	119	198	20	45	94	3	98	91	9	4	6	10	12	8	4	168	35	37	—	10	773	396	51	8	4	
VI. Local diseases	10501	1479	298	570	1052	435	291	735	37	628	404	174	335	102	1798	102	193	356	645	292	503	15	84	7029	2538	746	49	40	
VII. Violence	479	57	17	35	60	17	22	34	2	3	40	25	18	25	1	35	5	12	7	17	19	28	1	4	323	130	17	1	3
VIII. Ill-defined and not specified causes	2411	179	29	68	303	204	260	144	8	98	49	57	72	14	211	20	17	52	172	205	234	1	6	1266	973	145	10	10	
I. Miasmatic diseases	6425	841	213	256	433	363	88	40	49	209	294	433	482	70	810	50	65	247	342	269	224	10	27	4558	1369	427	20	14	
2 Diarrhoeal do.	5985	576	61	238	822	330	310	138	15	11	571	581	106	21	323	53	42	129	593	419	395	3	35	3661	2038	210	14	24	
3 Malarial do.	456	25	6	24	26	65	16	40	2	7	19	9	17	3	43	15	12	21	42	12	42	—	4	128	275	40	6	3	
4 Zoogenous do.	28	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
5 Venereal do.	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	21	—	—	—
6 Septic do.	179	34	1	17	4	6	69	4	6	4	—	—	2	—	2	1	1	5	6	3	7	—	—	43	119	11	—	—	—
II. Parasitic diseases	1791	265	65	116	265	142	63	4	1	109	14	—	1	—	309	10	25	29	28	143	202	—	4	1306	379	95	2	5	
III. Dietetic diseases	155	24	—	4	28	3	9	5	19	16	—	—	2	—	7	2	2	2	6	—	11	—	1	32	88	28	1	5	
IV. Constitutional diseases	3959	736	160	392	437	142	121	119	12	17	365	193	67	37	238	17	40	67	247	234	258	4	23	3213	471	229	7	12	
V. Developmental diseases	1242	248	37	119	198	20	45	94	3	98	91	9	—	6	10	12	8	4	168	35	37	—	10	773	396	51	8	4	
VI. Diseases of—																													
1 Nervous system	4117	629	68	384	238	73	73	316	24	10	497	334	134	37	468	52	78	73	294	145	140	—	4	33	2876	922	253	22	7
2 Organs of special sense	11	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—
3 Circulatory system	187	59	3	24	14	4	11	5	1	18	4	1	2	1	4	2	2	1	10	11	9	—	—	—	118	44	12	2	1
4 Respiratory do.	2330	346	39	53	345	136	149	197	31	22	40	23	80	45	274	31	47	89	251	35	79	—	2	8	1110	956	200	14	25
5 Digestive do.	362	118	6	25	53	4	26	32	7	16	12	8	3	3	3	5	5	2	14	12	13	—	5	11	186	139	16	2	3
6 Lymphatic system and Ductless Glands	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	12	—	—	—
7 Urinary system	90	41	1	3	15	—	4	4	1	—	4	4	—	2	1	1	—	—	3	2	4	—	2	3	34	34	15	—	2
8 Reproductive system—																													
(a) Organs of generation	11	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Parturition	701	63	25	42	76	31	20	2	—	35	20	7	6	—	162	4	18	38	61	33	57	—	2	—	561	98	38	—	2











Table XI.—Causes of Deaths Registered on Estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province, during the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

Causes of Death.	Central Province.				Province of Uva.	Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Western Province.	
	Ceylon.	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Badulla.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Colombo.	Kalutara.
<b>ALL CAUSES</b> ..	4,164	1,185	414	770	521	379	559	76	260
<b>I.—Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic diseases</b> ..	1,794	448	204	263	230	176	322	35	116
II.—Parasitic diseases ..	279	84	32	32	13	62	26	1	29
III.—Dietetic diseases ..	56	28	2	9	5	—	10	—	2
IV.—Constitutional diseases ..	105	23	17	16	17	11	9	6	6
V.—Developmental diseases ..	254	130	12	35	38	13	16	1	9
VI.—Local diseases ..	980	351	76	187	137	60	89	28	52
VII.—Violence ..	51	17	4	20	—	1	7	—	2
VIII.—Ill-defined and not specified causes ..	645	104	67	208	81	56	80	5	44
<b>I.</b>									
Miasmatic diseases ..	195	60	51	21	35	10	5	4	9
Diarrhoeal do. ..	1,391	353	105	221	170	151	273	28	90
Malarial do. ..	161	18	43	13	18	12	39	1	17
Zoogenous do. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Venereal do. ..	17	8	2	2	2	1	1	1	—
Septic do. ..	30	9	3	6	5	2	4	1	—
<b>II.</b>									
Parasitic diseases ..	279	84	32	32	13	62	26	1	29
<b>III.</b>									
Dietetic diseases ..	56	28	2	9	5	—	10	—	2
<b>IV.</b>									
Constitutional diseases ..	105	23	17	16	17	11	9	6	6
<b>V.</b>									
Developmental diseases ..	254	130	12	35	38	13	16	1	9
<b>VI.</b>									
<b>Diseases of—</b>									
Nervous system ..	341	135	35	47	42	31	28	6	17
Organs of special sense ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Circulatory system ..	23	3	2	7	4	—	5	—	2
Respiratory system ..	442	158	29	100	73	16	40	7	19
Digestive system ..	76	26	1	17	6	4	7	9	6
Lymphatic system and ductless glands ..	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Urinary system ..	19	7	—	4	3	1	3	—	1
Reproductive system :									
(a) Organs of generation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Parturition ..	67	20	8	10	8	5	6	4	6
Organs of Locomotion ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Integumentary system ..	9	1	1	1	1	2	—	2	1
<b>VII.</b>									
Accident or negligence ..	38	16	—	13	—	1	6	—	2
Homicide ..	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Suicide ..	11	—	4	6	—	—	1	—	—
Execution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>VIII.</b>									
Ill-defined and not specified causes ..	645	104	67	208	81	56	80	5	44
<b>Miasmatic Diseases.</b>									
Smallpox ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chickenpox ..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Measles ..	15	9	—	1	5	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough ..	3	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Simple and ill-defined Fever ..	142	40	48	7	23	8	4	3	9
Enteric Fever ..	5	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Influenza ..	28	9	2	11	5	1	—	—	—
<b>Diarrhoeal Diseases.</b>									
Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diarrhoea ..	806	200	43	135	99	57	190	25	57
Dysentery ..	585	153	62	86	71	94	83	3	33
<b>Malarial Diseases.</b>									
Remittent Fever ..	24	3	1	4	9	1	6	—	—
Ague ..	6	1	—	2	3	—	—	—	—
Malarial Cachexia ..	131	14	42	7	6	11	33	1	17
<b>Zoogenous Diseases.</b>									
Hydrophobia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cowpox and other effects of Vaccination ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Venereal Diseases.</b>									
Syphilis ..	16	8	2	2	2	—	1	1	—
Gonorrhoea, stricture of Urethra ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—



Table XI.—Causes of Deaths Registered on Estates, &c.—*continued.*

Causes of Death.	Central Province.				Province of Uva.	Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Western Province.	
	Ceylon.	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.		Badulla.	Ratnapura. Kegalla.	Colombo.	Kalutara.
Peritonitis ..	8	2	—	5	—	—	—	—	1
Ascites ..	12	2	1	—	—	—	2	7	—
Cirrhosis of Liver ..	4	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
Other diseases of Liver ..	12	4	—	1	—	2	2	2	1
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System ..	8	—	—	4	2	—	—	—	2
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Duodless Glands.</i>									
Diseases of the Lymphatic System ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Spleen ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>									
Nephritis ..	5	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Bright's Disease ..	12	2	—	3	3	1	2	—	1
Uræmia ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Bladder ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System ..	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>									
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Disorders of Menstruation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c. ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>									
Abortion, Miscarriage ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Mania ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Convulsions ..	11	3	1	2	—	—	1	1	3
Placenta prævia, flooding ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth ..	55	16	7	8	8	5	5	3	3
<i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>									
Cies, Necrosis ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Organs of Locomotion ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>									
Carbuncle ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phlegmon, Cellulitis ..	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ulcer, Bed sore ..	4	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	1
Eczema ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System ..	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>									
Fractures, Contusions ..	12	7	—	1	—	1	3	—	—
Gunshot wounds ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burn, scald ..	9	3	—	6	—	—	—	—	—
Poison ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning ..	8	3	—	2	—	—	1	—	2
Suffocation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Snake-bite ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Otherwise ..	7	3	—	4	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Homicide.</i>									
Murder, Manslaughter ..	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Suicide.</i>									
Gunshot wounds ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cut, Stab ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning ..	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
Hanging ..	7	—	3	3	—	—	1	—	—
Otherwise ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Execution.</i>									
Hanging ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>									
General Dropsy ..	121	20	25	18	14	8	25	4	7
Debility ..	507	81	40	186	62	47	55	1	35
Sudden deaths (causes unascertained) ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Abscess ..	12	3	2	2	3	1	—	—	1
Tumour ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hæmorrhage ..	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Other ill-defined and not specified causes ..	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths Registered in the Colombo Municipality in the Fourth Quarter of 1908.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Colombo Town.	WARD.										NATIONALITY.							
		Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Pazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals.)	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
ALL CAUSES ..	1916	11	25	76	203	270	204	474	344	146	163	31	125	937	424	294	49	56	
I.—Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic Diseases ..	554	1	6	19	42	70	41	200	81	42	52	12	44	277	135	59	10	17	
II.—Parasitic Diseases ..	94	—	—	3	3	22	10	28	16	5	7	—	2	52	21	14	2	3	
III.—Dietetic Diseases ..	19	—	—	—	—	6	—	3	10	—	—	—	1	5	5	6	—	2	
IV.—Constitutional Diseases ..	218	3	1	8	22	20	27	54	44	17	22	2	14	117	38	33	6	8	
V.—Developmental Diseases ..	113	—	1	2	13	23	11	17	26	8	12	—	5	72	20	14	2	—	
VI.—Local Diseases ..	776	3	15	38	99	115	105	134	149	60	58	15	55	348	171	143	24	20	
VII.—Violence ..	26	3	2	—	2	2	—	14	2	—	1	—	2	14	7	—	—	2	
VIII.—Ill-defined and not specified causes ..	116	1	—	6	22	12	10	24	16	14	11	1	2	52	27	25	5	4	
I.																			
Miasmatic Diseases ..	193	—	3	11	17	11	19	44	38	19	31	8	20	110	28	19	4	4	
Diarrhoeal do. ..	317	1	2	8	23	53	16	146	33	17	18	3	23	150	95	31	3	12	
Malarial do. ..	15	—	—	—	1	3	2	2	5	2	—	—	1	4	5	3	2	—	
Zoogenous do. ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	
Venereal do. ..	6	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	3	3	—	—	—	
Septic do. ..	22	—	—	—	—	2	3	8	4	3	2	1	—	10	4	5	1	1	
II.—Parasitic Diseases ..	94	—	—	3	3	22	10	28	16	5	7	—	2	52	21	14	2	3	
III.—Dietetic Diseases ..	19	—	—	—	—	6	—	3	10	—	—	—	1	5	5	6	—	2	
IV.—Constitutional Diseases ..	218	3	1	8	22	20	27	54	44	17	22	2	14	117	38	33	6	8	
V.—Developmental Diseases ..	113	—	1	2	13	23	11	17	26	8	12	—	5	72	20	14	2	—	
VI.																			
Diseases of Nervous System ..	304	1	8	21	43	41	54	17	58	32	29	4	21	135	66	63	11	4	
Do. Organs of Special Sense ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Do. Circulatory System ..	28	1	—	1	1	2	1	9	7	2	4	2	5	12	3	4	2	—	
Do. Respiratory System ..	291	1	6	8	48	51	36	55	54	18	14	2	15	127	80	48	7	12	
Do. Digestive System ..	84	—	—	4	3	14	3	27	23	5	5	5	9	49	10	7	2	2	
Do. Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Do. Urinary System ..	32	—	1	1	2	3	8	14	1	—	2	2	1	13	4	11	—	1	
Do. Reproductive System:—																			
(a) Organs of Generation ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	
(b) Parturition ..	18	—	—	3	2	3	3	2	3	1	1	—	—	5	5	6	1	1	
Do. Organs of Locomotion ..	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	
Do. Integumentary System ..	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	2	2	1	—	1	6	3	4	—	—	
VII.																			
Accident or Negligence ..	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	10	1	—	1	1	1	8	4	—	—	1	
Homicide ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	
Suicide ..	7	1	1	—	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	—	—	1	
Execution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
VIII.																			
Ill-defined and not specified Causes ..	116	1	—	6	22	12	10	24	16	14	11	1	2	52	27	25	5	4	
Miasmatic Diseases.																			
Smallpox ..	51	—	1	2	7	—	2	—	23	10	6	—	3	35	6	6	1	—	
Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Measles ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	
Whooping Cough ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths in the Colombo Municipality, &amp;c.—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	WARD.										NATIONALITY.							
	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.	Tamil.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
Diphtheria ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Simple and ill-defined Fever ..	9	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	4	2	—	1	6	1	—	—	1	—
Enteric Fever ..	123	—	2	9	9	7	14	44	13	4	21	8	16	62	19	12	2	4
Influenza ..	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—
Beri-beri ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diarrhœal Diseases.</i>																		
Cholera ..	13	—	—	—	—	—	4	7	1	1	—	—	—	8	—	3	—	2
Diarrhœa ..	194	1	1	5	10	44	4	89	16	14	10	1	10	103	55	18	2	5
Dysentery ..	110	—	1	3	13	9	8	50	16	2	8	2	13	39	40	10	1	5
<i>Malarial Diseases.</i>																		
Remittent Fever ..	13	—	—	—	—	3	2	2	4	2	—	—	1	4	3	3	2	—
Ague ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malarial Cachexia ..	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
<i>Zoogenous Diseases.</i>																		
Hydrophobia, ..	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
<i>Venereal Diseases.</i>																		
Syphilis ..	6	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	1	1	1	—	—	3	3	—	—	—
Gonorrhœa, Stricture of Urethra ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Septic Diseases.</i>																		
Phagedæna ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas ..	4	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	2	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	—
Pyæmia, Septicæmia ..	7	—	—	—	—	1	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	2	—	—
Puerperal Fever ..	9	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	3	2	—	—	3	2	2	1	1
<i>Parasitic Diseases.</i>																		
Thrush ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worms (animal) ..	63	—	—	3	3	20	10	2	14	5	6	—	2	44	5	8	1	3
Doehmius Duodenalis ..	31	—	—	—	—	2	—	26	2	—	1	—	—	8	16	6	1	—
<i>Dietetic Diseases.</i>																		
Starvation, want of breast-milk ..	19	—	—	—	—	6	—	3	10	—	—	—	1	5	5	6	—	2
Intemperance, Delirium Tremens ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Constitutional Diseases.</i>																		
Rheumatism ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rickets ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancer ..	6	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	2	3	1	—	—	—
Tabes Mesenterica ..	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	—	5	—	—	—	9	—	—	—	1
Tubercular Meningitis (hydrocephalus) ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phthisis ..	190	3	1	7	18	17	25	48	43	11	17	2	11	102	34	30	5	6
Other Forms of Tuberculosis Scrofula ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Purpura, Hæmorrhagic Diathesis ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Anæmia Chlorosis, Leucoeythæmia ..	6	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	3	—	1	1	1	1	1	1
Diabetes Mellitus ..	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—
Leprosy ..	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Other and undefined Constitutional Diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Developmental Diseases.</i>																		
Premature Birth ..	37	—	1	—	1	10	—	17	7	—	1	—	1	32	3	—	1	—
Other Congenital Defects ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Old Age ..	75	—	—	2	12	13	11	—	18	8	11	—	4	34	17	14	1	—

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths in the Colombo Municipality, &amp;c.—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	WARD.										NATIONALITY.							
	Colombo Town.	Fort and Gale 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.
<i>Nervous System.</i>																		
Inflammation of Brain or its Membranes ..	12	—	1	—	2	2	—	6	1	—	—	1	—	8	2	1	—	—
Softening of Brain ..	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	—
Apoplexy ..	11	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	2	1	3	4	3	—	—	—
Paralysis ..	27	—	—	2	2	5	4	3	8	2	1	1	5	9	5	5	1	1
Epilepsy ..	5	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	2	—	1	—	1	1	2	1	—	—
Convulsion ..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Infantile Convulsions ..	180	—	4	10	26	22	32	2	42	26	16	—	9	85	41	35	9	1
Tetanus ..	54	—	1	8	12	9	18	1	2	2	1	—	3	17	12	20	—	2
Paraplegia, diseases of the Spinal Cord ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Brain or Nervous System ..	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	3	1	—	6	1	—	1	—
<i>Organs of Special Sense.</i>																		
Otitis and other diseases of Ear ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Circulatory System.</i>																		
Pericarditis ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Valve disease of Heart ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—
Angina pectoris, Syncope ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Aneurism ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Phlebitis ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Heart of Circulatory System ..	21	1	—	1	1	2	1	4	7	2	2	1	4	7	3	4	2	—
<i>Respiratory System.</i>																		
Bronchitis ..	62	—	2	1	23	9	13	2	7	2	3	—	1	28	12	14	2	5
Asthma ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia ..	222	1	4	7	25	42	23	52	43	14	11	2	14	94	66	34	5	7
Pleurisy ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Respiratory System ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—
<i>Digestive System.</i>																		
Stomatitis ..	2	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
Dyspepsia ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Enteritis ..	35	—	—	1	—	7	—	7	17	2	1	—	3	26	2	3	1	—
Ulceration of Intestines ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Ileus, Obstruction of Intestine ..	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	1	—	—
Intussusception of Intestine ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hernia ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Appendicitis ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peritonitis ..	8	—	—	—	2	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	2	2	3	1	—	—
Ascites ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	3	1	—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver ..	8	—	—	—	—	1	1	5	1	—	—	—	2	4	1	—	—	1
Other diseases of Liver ..	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	1	1	1	4	—	4	2	—	1	—
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System ..	11	—	—	1	—	5	—	1	2	1	1	—	2	6	1	1	—	1
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>																		
Diseases of Lymphatic System ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>																		
Nephritis ..	18	—	1	1	2	3	7	3	1	—	—	—	—	6	2	9	—	1
Bright's Disease ..	11	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	—	—	2	2	—	5	2	2	—	—
Uræmia ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Bladder ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths in the Colombo Municipality, &c.—*continued.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.	WARD.											NATIONALITY.						
	Colombo Town.	Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (excluding Hospitals.)	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	MOORS.	Malays.	Others.
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>																		
Ovarian diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pelvic Abscess ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c. ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>																		
Abortion, Miscarriage ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Puerperal Convulsions ..	2	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
Other and undefined accidents of Child-birth ..	15	—	—	2	2	2	3	2	3	1	—	—	—	4	5	4	1	1
<i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>																		
Arthritis, Ostitis, Periostitis ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Organs of Locomotion ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>																		
Carbuncle ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phlegmon, Cellulitis ..	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
Ulcer, Bed sore ..	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	2	—	—	—	2	3	3	—	—
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>																		
Fractures, Contusions ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1
Burn, scald ..	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	—	4	2	—	—	—
Poison ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning ..	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
Suffocation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Snake-bite ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Otherwise ..	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—
<i>Homicide.</i>																		
Murder, Manslaughter ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	3	1	—	—	—
<i>Suicide.</i>																		
Gunshot wounds ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poison ..	4	—	1	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—
Drowning ..	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hanging ..	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>																		
General dropsy ..	18	—	—	—	—	8	—	—	7	2	1	—	—	11	2	4	1	—
Debility ..	91	1	—	6	22	4	10	21	8	10	9	—	—	36	25	21	4	3
Abscess ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Tumour ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Hæmorrhage ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—

Table XIII.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Fourth Quarter of 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 the Military) at the Census of 1901.	Population estimated to the 30th Dec. 1908 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births registered.		Total Deaths, including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths registered in Hospitals and Jails.	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, † per-centage.	Rainfall in Inches. ‡	
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Birth-rate.	Crude Death-rate.	Corrected Death-rate.*					
<b>All 31 Towns</b>	<b>423,109</b>	<b>476,265</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>3,722</b>	<b>2,343</b>	<b>2,393</b>	<b>1,752</b>	<b>4,201</b>	<b>32.09</b>	<b>36.23</b>	<b>38.28</b>	<b>1,138</b>	<b>306</b>	
<i>Western Province.</i>															
Colombo	155,869	180,262	597	554	1,151	1,011	905	1,916	1,724	28.68	38.46	42.81	486	422	78.5
Negombo	19,819	20,495	95	100	195	105	89	194	167	38.26	32.77	33.40	39	200	—
Moratuwa	29,600	34,139	140	125	265	102	128	230	280	31.22	27.09	25.58	48	181	—
Kalutara	11,500	11,990	56	60	116	63	52	115	102	38.91	34.22	33.33	26	224	—
Panadura	3,845	4,275	14	19	33	35	25	60	27	31.04	25.40	26.97	8	242	31.75
<i>Central Province.</i>															
Kandy	26,511	29,437	115	98	213	214	152	366	259	29.10	35.39	37.10	80	375	74.7
Gampola	3,791	4,608	20	16	36	37	38	75	75	31.42	65.46	69.24	13	333	—
Nawalapitiya	3,454	4,043	15	18	33	30	37	67	18	32.82	17.90	21.35	7	212	—
Hattion and Dikoya	2,858	3,705	12	5	17	26	29	55	9	18.45	9.77	—	2	118	—
Metale	4,951	5,589	24	14	38	132	89	221	83	27.34	59.73	68.07	15	395	29.10
Nuwara Eliya	5,072	7,997	18	16	34	17	8	25	17	17.10	8.55	11.20	7	206	34.78
<i>Northern Province.</i>															
Jaffna	33,879	35,295	246	209	455	160	137	297	286	51.84	32.59	34.34	123	270	58.5
Mannar	3,338	3,338†	4	17	31	13	11	24	24	57.35	28.91	33.01	6	193	79.1
Mullaitivu	1,308	1,404	4	4	8	7	9	16	13	22.91	37.22	40.76	2	250	80.2
Vavuniya	566	595	3	2	5	10	8	18	13	33.81	87.91	105.73	3	600	—
<i>Southern Province.</i>															
Galle	37,165	40,026	161	152	313	153	153	306	268	31.45	26.92	26.32	65	208	78.1
Matara	11,848	13,242	70	79	149	80	45	125	97	45.25	29.46	28.52	19	127	26.08
Weligama	7,430	9,003	55	51	106	24	30	54	54	44.05	22.44	—	12	113	16.63
Hambantota	2,843	3,056	12	15	27	24	16	40	25	35.53	32.90	34.44	6	222	—
Tangalla	2,333	2,629	12	8	20	13	10	23	23	30.59	35.18	37.17	4	200	79.8
<i>Eastern Province.</i>															
Batticaloa	9,969	10,433	36	36	72	60	27	87	84	27.75	32.38	33.39	27	375	78.9
Trincomalee	11,887	11,295†	43	46	89	39	44	83	79	31.69	28.13	32.62	17	191	80.0
<i>North-Western Province.</i>															
Kurunegala	6,483	8,068	41	38	79	175	116	291	200	39.38	99.69	117.45	54	684	79.5
Puttalam	5,115	5,219	17	27	44	50	32	82	66	33.90	50.85	52.06	10	227	78.0
Kalpitiya	1,487	1,631	2	2	4	6	5	11	11	9.86	27.11	—	3	—	—
Chilaw	4,168	4,514	18	25	43	28	21	49	49	38.31	43.66	44.47	9	209	—
<i>North-Central Province.</i>															
Anuradhapura	3,672	4,856	18	22	40	47	37	84	73	33.12	60.45	69.67	20	500	No records
<i>Province of Uva.</i>															
Badulla	5,924	6,686	26	34	60	60	55	115	57	36.09	34.28	35.06	14	233	71.4
Luunigala	—	416**	2	4	6	24	16	40	6	58.00	58.00	—	3	500	—
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>															
Ratnapura	4,084	4,548	12	10	22	64	46	110	42	19.45	37.14	38.44	5	227	79.7
Kegalla	2,340	2,571	8	10	18	34	23	57	20	28.15	31.28	32.61	5	278	26.55

\* 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 in hospitals of estate coolies and other non residents.  
 † Infantile death-rates omitted where the number of births is less than five.  
 ‡ Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.  
 § Includes 55 deaths of Colombo town residents registered by an extra-urban Registrar, of which 53 (43 adults, 4 children of 13, 2, 3, and 6 years, respectively, and 6 infants of 9 days, 1 month, 6 months, 9 months, and 1 year, respectively) occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, and the other 2 (2 infants of 15 days and 1 month respectively) in the Segregation Camp, both at Kanatta.  
 ¶ The population of "Hattion and Dikoya," Weligama, 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 four towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates owing to the smallness of the 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.  
 ¶¶¶ The population of Lunugala town (see note constituted) was not enumerated at the Census of 1901. The figure given is of the 1901-1908 period.



Table XIV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Fourth Quarter of 1908, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—*contd.*

Causes of Deaths.	Western Province.			Central Province.			Northern Province.			Southern Province.			Eastern Province.			North-Western Province.			North-Central Province of Uva.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races.																			
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratuwa.	Kalutara.	Pandure.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hatton and Dikoya.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullattivu.	Vavuniya.	Galle.	Matara.	Weligama.	Hambantota.	Tangalla.	Batticaloa.	Trincomalee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Lunugala.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.				
6. Enteric Fever	169	121	1	3	1	1	1	1	2	5	15	3	5	4	4	6	5	3	3	2	6	1	8	7	2	3	1	1	1	2	8	19	20	13	3	4						
7. Remittent Fever	124	13	5	4	2	2	2	2	5	2	9	2	2	3	5	6	5	3	3	2	6	1	8	7	2	3	14	4	2	—	1	1	48	46	25	3	1					
8. Ague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	—	9	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	4	10	2	26	6	4	4	—	4	4	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
9. Malarial Cachexia	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
10. Cholera	722	157	30	10	68	27	16	33	39	3	22	3	1	13	1	13	4	2	5	1	4	1	73	4	2	9	54	17	36	26	1	9	314	843	44	4	7	—	—			
11. Diarrhoea	301	105	8	4	20	6	3	1	25	1	9	1	2	6	3	6	3	2	5	2	5	10	12	15	2	7	9	13	4	11	2	16	97	145	29	4	8	—	—			
12. Dysentery	180	31	1	4	15	29	3	11	33	2	3	1	3	3	3	6	1	2	1	1	1	8	12	3	8	1	1	3	8	12	3	26	145	8	1	—	—	—	—	—		
13. Dochnus Duodenalis	14	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
14. Cancer	330	188	6	3	15	5	—	—	4	—	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
15. Phthisis	20	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
16. Other tubercular diseases	31	6	9	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
17. Anemia	13	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
18. Diabetes Mellitus	95	43	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
19. Convulsions	25	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	84	34	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	466	176	20	16	10	3	36	6	3	4	9	7	2	6	25	3	2	8	7	8	15	40	7	—	—	—	10	10	5	8	2	11	204	161	74	7	8	—	—	—	—	
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
23. Other Diseases of Respiratory System	28	5	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	53	26	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
25. Puerperal Convulsions	5	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
26. Puerperal Fever	28	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
27. Miscarriage	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
28. Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth	33	15	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
29. Starvation	5	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
30. Accidents or Negligence	69	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
31. Homicide	14	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
32. Suicide	15	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
33. Execution	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
34. All other causes	*981	369	54	67	30	13	64	3	21	6	14	6	50	1	117	25	15	4	1	2	15	26	24	—	6	5	9	1	25	5	13	43	550	227	124	16	8	—	—			

\* Here are included 221 deaths from Old Age (75 in Colombo, 21 in Negombo, 16 in Moratuwa, 13 in Kandy, 12 in Kalutara, 11 in Matara, and 10 in Puttalam); 144 from Debility (25 in Galle, 21 in Colombo, 17 in Kandy, 15 each in Moratuwa and Ratnapura, and 12 in Negombo); 50 from Paralysis (27 in Colombo, 5 in Galle, 4 each in Kandy and Jaffna); 34 from Enteritis (16 in Colombo, 5 in Kandy); 29 from Apoplexy (11 in Colombo, 3 each in Jaffna, Matara, and Puttalam); 1 from Appendicitis of an Englishman in the General Hospital, Colombo, whether the patient was removed from Galle Face Hotel, Colombo.