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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE  
MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1909.**

**REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.**

THIS report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 31 principal towns in the Island proclaimed under sections 31 to 36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

**Births.**

2. The births registered in the 31 towns during the month numbered 1,238 (654 males and 584 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 30·10 per 1,000, against 33·09 during the preceding month, 30·43 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·37 the monthly average for the 24 months, July, 1907, to June, 1909. Of the towns (excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, which have a population under 1,000), the highest birth-rate was in Chilaw (61·92, average 36·04), and the lowest in Hatton and Dikoya (6·13, average 16·28).

3. In the city of Colombo the births numbered 420 (231 males and 189 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 26·89 per 1,000, against 32·03 in the preceding month, 23·71 in the corresponding month of last year, and 25·18 the monthly average. Of the wards (omitting Fort and Galle Face and the Pettah, which contain a population mainly adult and floating), the highest birth-rate was in Kotahena (31·97, average 22·10), and the lowest in San Sebastian (17·59, average 21·94).

**Deaths.**

4. The deaths registered in the 31 towns during the month numbered 1,528 (859 males and 669 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 29·93 per 1,000, against 28·14 during the preceding month, 41·89 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·29 the monthly average. The health of the towns was thus better than usual, but slightly worse than in the previous month. Excluding Vavuniya and Lunugala, the highest death-rate was in Mullaitivu (72·71, average 52·29), followed by Ratnapura (60·73, average 38·29), and the lowest in Nuwara Eliya (5·44, average 14·32).

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 572 (317 males and 255 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 33·28 per 1,000, against 27·17 during the preceding month, 45·56 in the corresponding month of last year, and 35·04 the monthly average. The city was thus healthier than usual, but not so healthy as in the previous month. Omitting the Fort and Galle Face Ward and the Pettah Ward, the lowest death-rate was in Kollupitiya (14·46, average 21·67), and the highest in New Bazaar (39·82, average 31·62).

**Infantile Mortality.**

6. The infantile mortality of the 31 towns was equal to a rate of 287 per 1,000 births registered, against 222 in the previous month, 354 in the corresponding month of last year, and 254 the monthly average. In the towns having an estimated population of 5,000 or more, the infant mortality ranged from a rate of 555 in Anuradhapura (average 405) to 36 in Weligama (average 123).

7. The infantile mortality in the city of Colombo was 374 per 1,000 births registered, against 238 in the previous month, 469 in the corresponding month of last year, and 329 the monthly average, and ranged from 627 in New Bazaar (average 420) to 146 in Kollupitiya (average 314).

**Causes of Death.**

8. **Infants.**—Out of the 1,528 deaths from all causes at all ages in the 31 towns, 355 were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 113 *Convulsions* (including 44 in Colombo, 20 in Galle, 6 in Matara); 70 *Debility* (32 in Colombo, 7 each in Kandy and Jaffna, 5 in Moratuwa); 42 *Premature Birth* (12 in Colombo, 6 each in Moratuwa and Kandy, 5 in Kalutara); 22 *Pneumonia* (8 in Colombo, 2 each in Galle and Badulla).

9. Out of the 572 deaths from all causes at all ages in the city of Colombo, 157 were among infants under one year. Of these, the chief causes were 44 *Convulsions* (14 in Maradana exclusive of hospitals, 9 in Kotahena, 8 in New Bazaar, 5 in Kollupitiya); 32 *Debility* (9 in New Bazaar, 8 in Slave Island); 14 *Tetanus* (4 in Kotahena, 3 in San Sebastian).

10. **General Mortality (One year and over).**—Out of the 1,173 deaths of persons one year and over in age in the 31 towns, there were 178 from *Diarrhœa*, 121 from *Pneumonia* (57 in Colombo, 10 in Galle, 7 in Trincomalee, 6 in Jaffna); 106 from *Phthisis* (45 in Colombo, 16 in Galle, 6 each in Kandy and Kurunegala, 5 each in Moratuwa and Matara); 97 from *Dysentery*; 54 from *Dochmius Duodenalis*; 32 from *Enteric Fever* (15 in Colombo, 4 in Moratuwa, 3 in Kandy).

11. The highest mortality in the town of Colombo was from *Pneumonia* (14 per cent. of all deaths one year and over), followed by *Phthisis* (11 per cent.), *Diarrhœa* (7 per cent.), *Dysentery* (6 per cent.), *Bronchitis* and *Enteric Fever* (each 4 per cent.). Out of 109 deaths from *Phthisis* in all towns, 48 occurred in Colombo. This and *Pneumonia* were responsible for 113 deaths at all ages in the city, or 20 per cent. of the deaths from all causes in it.

12. Taking all the towns together, *Diarrhœa* and *Dysentery* contributed the highest mortality (19 per cent.), followed by *Bronchitis* and *Pneumonia* (12 per cent.), *Infantile Convulsions* (8 per cent.), and *Phthisis* (7 per cent.).

13. For detailed information, see Tables I. and II. for all towns, and Tables III. and IV. for the city of Colombo, in the Appendix.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, January 17, 1910.

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Registrar-General.

Table I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during December, 1909, their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates and Infantile Mortality from July, 1907, to June, 1909, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ord. No. 1 of 1895.

| Towns.                           | Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of 1901. | Population estimated to the Middle of 1909 by Inter-censal Increase. | Total Births. |         | Total Deaths. |         | Deaths in Hospitals and of Non-residents. | Birth-rate.                |            | Death-rate.            |                                       | Deaths of Children under One Year. | Deaths of Children under One Year of Age to 1,000 Births. | Mean Temperature. | Rainfall in Inches. |            |                            |            |            |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---------------|---------|---------------|---------|---|----------------------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|-------------------|---------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|
|                                  |   |  | Males.        | Females | Males.        | Females |   | July, 1907, to June, 1909. | Dec. 1909. | Crude, December, 1909. | Corrected,* July 1907, to June, 1909. |                                    |   |                   |                     | Dec. 1909. | July, 1907, to June, 1909. | Dec. 1909. |            |
| All 31 Towns                     | 423,109   | 484,240  | 654           | 584     | 1,238         | 859     | 669                                       | 1,528                      | 363        | 1,165                  | 30.37                                 | 30.10                              | 28.83   | 29.98             | 355                 | 354        | 287                        | 77.6       | 1.14       |
| <i>Western Province.</i>         |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Colombo                          | 155,869   | 183,872  | 231           | 189     | 420           | 317     | 255                                       | 572                        | 105        | 467                    | 25.18                                 | 26.89                              | 29.90   | 33.28             | 157                 | 329        | 374                        | 77.6       | 1.14       |
| Negombo                          | 19,819  | 20,589   | 30            | 36      | 66            | 43      | 19  | 62                         | 10         | 52                     | 44.23                                 | 37.74                              | 29.74   | 28.49             | 16                  | 106        | 242                        | —          | 3.78       |
| Moratuwa                         | 29,600  | 34,809   | 53            | 64      | 117           | 36      | 35  | 71                         | —          | 71                     | 33.11                                 | 39.57                              | 24.01   | 21.41             | 18                  | 167        | 154                        | —          | —          |
| Kalutara                         | 11,500  | 12,058   | 22            | 28      | 50            | 23      | 26  | 49                         | 13         | 36                     | 34.18                                 | 48.82                              | 35.15   | 30.46             | 9                   | 173        | 180                        | —          | 3.66       |
| Panadura                         | 3,845   | 4,338  | 8             | 7       | 15            | 13      | 8   | 21                         | 9          | 12                     | 36.00                                 | 40.72                              | 32.57   | 28.45             | 3                   | 195        | 200                        | —          | —          |
| <i>Central Province.</i>         |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Kandy                            | 26,511  | 29,860   | 28            | 25      | 53            | 54      | 42  | 96                         | 31         | 65                     | 30.44                                 | 29.90                              | 25.63   | 30.12             | 24                  | 213        | 453                        | 74.5       | 4.57       |
| Gampola                          | 3,791   | 4,732  | 10            | 6       | 16            | 9       | 9   | 18                         | 8          | 7                      | 35.59                                 | 39.82                              | 24.88   | 26.32             | 6                   | 272        | 375                        | —          | 4.59       |
| Nawalapitiya                     | 3,454   | 4,131  | 7             | 3       | 10            | 22      | 12  | 34                         | 27         | 10                     | 25.22                                 | 28.50                              | 19.95   | 23.49             | 2                   | 295        | 200                        | —          | —          |
| Hatton and Dikoya                | 2,868   | 3,840  | 2             | —       | 2             | —       | 1   | 1                          | —          | —                      | 16.28                                 | 6.13                               | 3.07  | 10.64             | —                   | —          | —                          | —          | —          |
| Matale                           | 4,951   | 5,682  | 6             | 5       | 11            | 19      | 12  | 31                         | 20         | 11                     | 30.83                                 | 22.79                              | 22.79   | 44.57             | 2                   | 522        | 0                          | —          | 2.95       |
| Nuwara Eliya                     | 5,072   | 8,509  | 6             | 4       | 10            | 4       | 4   | 8                          | 5          | 3                      | 15.16                                 | 13.84                              | 4.15  | 14.32             | 1                   | 241        | 182                        | —          | 3.84       |
| <i>Northern Province.</i>        |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Jaffna                           | 33,879  | 35,493   | 59            | 56      | 115           | 55      | 51  | 106                        | —          | 106                    | 42.38                                 | 38.15                              | 35.16   | 33.69             | 27                  | 246        | 235                        | 78.5       | 10.34      |
| Mannar                           | 3,338   | 3,338  | 6             | 7       | 13            | 5       | 3   | 8                          | —          | 8                      | 39.47                                 | 45.85                              | 28.22   | 36.16             | 4                   | 186        | 308                        | 79.8       | 5.16       |
| Mullaitivu                       | 1,308   | 1,418  | 3             | 2       | 5             | 4       | 4   | 8                          | —          | 8                      | 31.67                                 | 41.51                              | 66.42   | 52.29             | 3                   | 209        | 600                        | —          | 2.70       |
| Vavuniya                         | 566   | 599  | —             | —       | —             | 3       | —   | 3                          | 1          | 2                      | 21.85                                 | 0.0                                | 39.33   | 82.57             | —                   | 368        | 0                          | —          | 2.04       |
| <i>Southern Province.</i>        |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Galle                            | 37,165  | 40,433   | 52            | 49      | 101           | 64      | 46  | 110                        | 15         | 95                     | 30.19                                 | 29.41                              | 27.66   | 28.33             | 29                  | 204        | 287                        | 78.1       | 2.02       |
| Matara                           | 11,848  | 13,445   | 22            | 22      | 44            | 16      | 22  | 38                         | —          | 38                     | 39.01                                 | 38.53                              | 33.28   | 24.89             | 8                   | 174        | 182                        | —          | 5.72       |
| Weligama                         | 7,430   | 10,303   | 17            | 11      | 28            | 5       | 5   | 11                         | 7          | 7                      | 33.05                                 | 32.00                              | 8.00  | 16.96             | 1                   | 128        | 36                         | —          | —          |
| Hambantota                       | 2,843   | 3,087  | 9             | 3       | 12            | 6       | 5   | 11                         | —          | 4                      | 35.54                                 | 45.78                              | 15.26   | 30.98             | 4                   | 294        | 333                        | 78.8       | 9.46       |
| Tangalla                         | 2,333   | 2,672  | 3             | 3       | 6             | 2       | 1   | 3                          | —          | 3                      | 34.58                                 | 26.44                              | 13.22   | 44.93             | —                   | 247        | 0                          | —          | 1.13       |
| <i>Eastern Province.</i>         |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Batticaloa                       | 9,969   | 10,498   | 17            | 10      | 27            | 13      | 8   | 21                         | 1          | 20                     | 32.42                                 | 30.28                              | 22.43   | 36.16             | 10                  | 343        | 370                        | 78.7       | 7.10       |
| Trincomalee                      | 11,887  | 11,295   | 4             | 14      | 18            | 7       | 10  | 17                         | —          | 17                     | 28.13                                 | 18.76                              | 17.72   | 34.57             | 5                   | 269        | 278                        | 79.4       | 7.33       |
| <i>North-Western Province.</i>   |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Kurunegala                       | 6,483   | 8,312  | 3             | 4       | 7             | 24      | 15  | 39                         | 16         | 23                     | 28.85                                 | 9.92                               | 32.58   | 64.54             | 2                   | 415        | 286                        | 78.8       | 2.85       |
| Puttalam                         | 5,115   | 6,234  | 7             | 6       | 13            | 14      | 5   | 19                         | 3          | 16                     | 36.65                                 | 29.25                              | 35.99   | 29.70             | 2                   | 276        | 154                        | 78.9       | 0.71       |
| Kalpitiya                        | 1,487   | 1,652  | 3             | 2       | 5             | 2       | —   | 2                          | —          | 2                      | 23.48                                 | 35.63                              | 14.25   | 41.70             | —                   | 383        | 200                        | —          | —          |
| Chilaw                           | 4,108   | 4,564  | 12            | 12      | 24            | 13      | 7   | 20                         | —          | 20                     | 36.04                                 | 61.92                              | 51.60   | 31.47             | 4                   | 163        | 167                        | —          | No Records |
| <i>North-Central Province.</i>   |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Anuradhapura                     | 3,672   | 5,045  | 6             | 3       | 9             | 12      | 5   | 17                         | 3          | 14                     | 25.28                                 | 21.00                              | 32.67   | 59.82             | 5                   | 405        | 555                        | 77.9       | 2.63       |
| <i>Province of Uva.</i>          |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Badulla                          | 5,924   | 6,797  | 14            | 5       | 19            | 18      | 21  | 39                         | 21         | 18                     | 30.09                                 | 32.91                              | 31.18   | 27.38             | 7                   | 239        | 368                        | 70.5       | 6.77       |
| Lunugala                         | —   | 416  | 1             | 2       | 3             | 10      | 6   | 16                         | 16         | —                      | 45.21                                 | 84.91                              | 0.0   | 46.74             | 1                   | 179        | —                          | —          | —          |
| <i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i> |   |  |               |         |               |         |   |                            |            |                        |                                       |                                    |   |                   |                     |            |                            |            |            |
| Ratnapura                        | 4,084   | 4,615  | 8             | 5       | 13            | 36      | 29  | 65                         | 42         | 23                     | 31.60                                 | 33.17                              | 58.68   | 60.73             | 4                   | 238        | 308                        | 79.6       | 11.06      |
| Kegalle                          | 2,340   | 2,604  | 5             | 1       | 6             | 10      | 6   | 16                         | 10         | 6                      | 27.77                                 | 27.13                              | 27.13   | 23.48             | —                   | 208        | 0                          | —          | —          |

\* I.e. rate calculated on the basis that the age- and sex-constitution of the population of each town is the same as for the whole Island, and also (as in crude rate) excluding 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.  
 § Corrected death-rates for "Hatton and Dikoya," Weligama, Kalpitiya, and Lunugala towns not available, as they were created in districts after the Census of 1901.  
 ¶ Population of Mannar and Trincomalee towns not having been separately enumerated at the Census of 1891, no estimate can be made of the rate of growth, 1891-1900 or 1901-1906. The population estimated for 1909 is the Census population of 1901, less (in the case of Trincomalee) the Military who are no longer stationed there. ¶ The population of Lunugala town (as now constituted) was not enumerated at the Census of 1901; the estimate is of the population at the beginning of October, 1907.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during December, 1909, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

| Causes of Deaths.                       | All 31 Towns. | Western Province. |          |          |         | Central Province. |        |           |               | Northern Province. |         |               | Southern Province. |         |            | Eastern Province. |        |         | North-Western Province. |             |           | North-Central Province. | Province of Sabaragamuwa. |            | Deaths among all Races. |           |         |               |          |           |            |          |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |   |  |
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|   |               | Colombo.          | Negombo. | Moratwa. | Katara. | Pendure.          | Kandy. | Garipola. | Navalapitiya. | Hatton and Dikoya. | Matale. | Nuwara Eliya. | Jaffna.            | Mannar. | Mullativu. | Vavuniya.         | Galle. | Matawa. | Wellagama.              | Hambantota. | Tangalla. | Batticaloa.             | Trincomalee.              | Kurmegele. | Puttalam.               | Kapitiya. | Chilaw. | Anuradhapura. | Badulla. | Lunugala. | Ratnapura. | Kegalla. | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |   |   |   |  |
| All Causes                              | 1,528         | 572               | 62       | 71       | 49      | 21                | 96     | 18        | 34            | 1                  | 31      | 8             | 106                | 8       | 8          | 3                 | 110    | 38      | 7                       | 11          | 8         | 21                      | 17                        | 39         | 19                      | 2         | 20      | 17            | 39       | 16        | 16         | 7        | 50         | 729       | 543        | 163     | 22     | 14      |         |   |   |   |  |
| I.—Infantile Mortality                  | 355           | 157               | 16       | 18       | 9       | 8                 | 24     | 6         | 2             | —                  | 2       | 1             | 27                 | 4       | 3          | —                 | 29     | 8       | 1                       | 4           | —         | 10                      | 5                         | 2          | 2                       | 1         | 4       | 5             | 7        | 4         | —          | 20       | 189        | 90        | 43         | 7       | 1      |         |         |   |   |   |  |
| A.—One Week and under.                  |               |                   |          |          |         |                   |        |           |               |                    |         |               |                    |         |            |                   |        |         |                         |             |           |                         |                           |            |                         |           |         |               |          |           |            |          |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Prematurity                          | 38            | 10                | 3        | 6        | 4       | —                 | 5      | 1         | 2             | —                  | —       | 2             | 1                  | —       | —          | 3                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | 1                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | 3        | 27         | 5         | 3          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |   |   |  |
| 2. Debility                             | 29            | 16                | 1        | 1        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | 1                  | —       | 4             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | 12       | 13         | 3         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |   |   |  |
| 3. Convulsions                          | 33            | 8                 | 4        | —        | 1       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | 2             | —                  | —       | —          | 6                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | 2          | 16       | 10         | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |   |   |  |
| 4. Diarrhoea                            | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |   |   |  |
| 5. Tetanus                              | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 6. Bronchitis                           | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 7. Pneumonia                            | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 8. Other causes                         | 2†            | 1                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.        |               |                   |          |          |         |                   |        |           |               |                    |         |               |                    |         |            |                   |        |         |                         |             |           |                         |                           |            |                         |           |         |               |          |           |            |          |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Prematurity                          | 4             | 2                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — | — |  |
| 2. Debility                             | 41            | 16                | 3        | 4        | 1       | —                 | 7      | —         | —             | 1                  | —       | 3             | 1                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — | — |  |
| 3. Convulsions                          | 80            | 36                | 1        | —        | —       | —                 | 3      | 2         | —             | —                  | —       | 2             | 1                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — | — |  |
| 4. Diarrhoea                            | 13            | 3                 | 2        | 1        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | 2             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 5. Tetanus                              | 10            | 8                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 6. Bronchitis                           | 19            | 10                | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 7. Pneumonia                            | 21            | 8                 | 1        | 1        | 1       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |   |   |  |
| 8. Other causes                         | 56†           | 33                | 1        | 3        | 1       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | 9             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| (I.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) | 1,173         | 415               | 46       | 53       | 40      | 18                | 72     | 12        | 32            | 1                  | 29      | 7             | 79                 | 4       | 5          | 3                 | 81     | 30      | 6                       | 7           | 8         | 11                      | 12                        | 37         | 17                      | 1         | 16      | 12            | 32       | 15        | 61         | 16       | 7          | 80        | 540        | 453     | 115    | 15      | 13      |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Smallpox                             | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 2. Chickenpox                           | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 3. Measles                              | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 4. Influenza                            | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |
| 5. Simple Fever                         | —             | —                 | —        | —        | —       | —                 | —      | —         | —             | —                  | —       | —             | —                  | —       | —          | —                 | —      | —       | —                       | —           | —         | —                       | —                         | —          | —                       | —         | —       | —             | —        | —         | —          | —        | —          | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — | — |   |  |

\* Includes death of a city resident which occurred in the Enteric Hospital, Kanatta. vide Table IV., footnote (\*).  
 † One each from Erysipelas (in Colombo) and Starvation (in Puttalam).  
 ‡ This contains, besides the 33 deaths described in Table IV., footnote (†), 8 deaths from Dysentery (4 in Jaffna and 1 each in Negombo, Trincomalee, Anuradhapura, and Badulla), 3 from Fever (in Jaffna), 2 each from Thrush (in Moratuwa) and Enteritis (in Galle), and 1 each from Stomatitis (in Moratuwa), Peritonitis (in Kalutara), Pemphigus (in Kandy), Erysipelas and Nephritis (in Jaffna), Acute Buras (in Matawa), Remittent Fever (in Chilaw), and Strangulation of Bowels (in Lunugala).

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during December, 1909, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

| Causes of Death.                                | Western Provinces. |          |           |                   |          |        |          |              |                    |         | Central Province.  |         |         |                   |           |                         | Southern Province. |          |                         | Eastern Province. |                           | North-Western Province. |                         |            | North-Central Province. |               | Province of Sabaragamuwa. |            | Deaths among all Races. |            |           |            |        |        |         |         |   |   |   |
|---|--------------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|----------|--------|----------|--------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---|---|---|
|   | Western Provinces. |          |           | Central Province. |          |        |          |              |                    |         | Southern Province. |         |         | Eastern Province. |           | North-Western Province. |                    |          | North-Central Province. |                   | Province of Sabaragamuwa. |                         | Deaths among all Races. |            |                         |               |                           |            |                         |            |           |            |        |        |         |         |   |   |   |
|   | Colombo.           | Negombo. | Moratuwa. | Kalutara.         | Pandure. | Kandy. | Gampaha. | Nawalpitiya. | Horton and Dikoya. | Matale. | Nuwara Eliya.      | Jaffna. | Mannar. | Mullaitivu.       | Vavuniya. | Galle.                  | Moratuwa.          | Wingana. | Hambantota.             | Tangalla.         | Batticaloa.               | Trincomalee.            | Kurunegala.             | Kalpitiya. | Chilwa.                 | Anuradhapura. | Badulla.                  | Katnapure. | Kegalla.                | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamil. | Moors. | Malaya. | Others. |   |   |   |
| All 31 Towns.                                   | 32                 | 15       | 4         | 4                 | 3        | 1      | 2        | 2            | 2                  | 2       | 2                  | 2       | 2       | 2                 | 2         | 2                       | 2                  | 2        | 2                       | 2                 | 2                         | 2                       | 2                       | 2          | 2                       | 2             | 2                         | 2          | 2                       | 2          | 2         | 2          | 2      | 2      | 2       | 2       | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 6. Enteric Fever                                | 16                 | 1        | 4         | 4                 | 3        | 1      | 2        | 2            | 2                  | 2       | 2                  | 2       | 2       | 2                 | 2         | 2                       | 2                  | 2        | 2                       | 2                 | 2                         | 2                       | 2                       | 2          | 2                       | 2             | 2                         | 2          | 2                       | 2          | 2         | 2          | 2      | 2      | 2       | 2       | 2 | 2 |   |
| 7. Remittent Fever                              | 25                 | 4        | 2         | 4                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 8. Ague   | 27                 | 1        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 9. Malarial Cachexia                            | 178                | 31       | 10        | 4                 | 5        | 16     | 41       | 11           | 8                  | 12      | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 3                 | 5         | 4                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 10. Cholera                                     | 97                 | 24       | 6         | 3                 | 2        | 10     | 14       | 4            | 4                  | 1       | 6                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 11. Diarrhoea                                   | 54                 | 5        | 6         | 6                 | 1        | 9      | 2        | 3            | 6                  | 4       | 1                  | 6       | 1       | 1                 | 3         | 3                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 12. Dysentery                                   | 4                  | 2        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 6      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 13. Doehmius Duodenalis                         | 106                | 45       | 1         | 5                 | 2        | 6      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 14. Cancer                                      | 7                  | 2        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 15. Phthisis                                    | 10                 | 3        | 5         | 2                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 16. Other tubercular diseases                   | 3                  | 8        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 17. Anemia                                      | 17                 | 6        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 18. Diabetes Mellitus                           | 11                 | 6        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 19. Convulsions                                 | 22                 | 16       | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 20. Tetanus                                     | 121                | 57       | 3         | 3                 | 4        | 4      | 1        | 1            | 2                  | 3       | 6                  | 1       | 2       | 1                 | 10        | 4                       | 1                  | 2        | 1                       | 4                 | 7                         | 4                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 21. Bronchitis                                  | 8                  | 5        | 1         | 1                 | 2        | 2      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 22. Pneumonia                                   | 14                 | 5        | 2         | 1                 | 2        | 2      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 23. Other Diseases of Respiratory System        | 14                 | 5        | 2         | 1                 | 2        | 2      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis              | 4                  | 2        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 25. Puerperal Convulsions                       | 12                 | 1        | 4         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 26. Puerperal Fever                             | 5                  | 4        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 27. Miscarriage                                 | 4                  | 3        | 1         | 2                 | 3        | 3      | 2        | 2            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 28. Other and undefined Accidents of Childbirth | 24                 | 7        | 1         | 2                 | 3        | 3      | 2        | 2            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 29. Starvation                                  | 2                  | 1        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 30. Accidents or Negligence                     | 2                  | 1        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 31. Homicide                                    | 2                  | 1        | 1         | 1                 | 1        | 1      | 1        | 1            | 1                  | 1       | 1                  | 1       | 1       | 1                 | 1         | 1                       | 1                  | 1        | 1                       | 1                 | 1                         | 1                       | 1                       | 1          | 1                       | 1             | 1                         | 1          | 1                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1      | 1      | 1       | 1       | 1 | 1 |   |
| 32. Suicide                                     | 18                 | 27       | 15        | 5                 | 16       | 16     | 15       | 5            | 5                  | 127     | 1                  | 2       | 1       | 2                 | 33        | 11                      | 1                  | 2        | 2                       | 3                 | 2                         | 6                       | 2                       | 4          | 2                       | 4             | 5                         | 3          | 5                       | 10         | 196       | 103        | 44     | 6      | 3       | 3       |   |   |   |
| 33. Execution                                   | 367                | 164      | 18        | 27                | 15       | 16     | 15       | 5            | 5                  | 127     | 1                  | 2       | 1       | 2                 | 33        | 11                      | 1                  | 2        | 2                       | 3                 | 2                         | 6                       | 2                       | 4          | 2                       | 4             | 5                         | 3          | 5                       | 10         | 196       | 103        | 44     | 6      | 3       | 3       |   |   |   |
| 34. All other causes                            | 367                | 164      | 18        | 27                | 15       | 16     | 15       | 5            | 5                  | 127     | 1                  | 2       | 1       | 2                 | 33        | 11                      | 1                  | 2        | 2                       | 3                 | 2                         | 6                       | 2                       | 4          | 2                       | 4             | 5                         | 3          | 5                       | 10         | 196       | 103        | 44     | 6      | 3       | 3       |   |   |   |

\* Here are included 89 deaths from Old Age (39 in Colombo, 9 in Moratuwa, 8 each in Jaffna and Galle, 5 in Kalutara, 44 from Debility (16 in Colombo, 5 each in Kalutara and Matare), 37 from Enteritis (28 in Colombo, 5 in Galle), 18 from Paralysis (14 in Colombo).

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of December, 1909, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population, and the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates and Infantile Mortality from January, 1908, to June, 1909, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

| Wards.                               | Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of 1901. | Population estimated to the Middle of 1909 by Intercensal Increase. | Total Births registered.              |                 | Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails. |                 | Deaths of Non-residents. | Deaths of Residents. | * Per Mille per Annum.                |                 |                                       |                 |                                       |                 | Deaths of Children under One Year. | Deaths of Children under One Year of Age to 1,000 Births registered. |                        |     |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------------|-----|
|                                      |   |   | Males.                                | Females.        | Persons.  | Males.          |                          |                      | Females.                              | Persons.        | Birth-rate.                           |                 | Crude Death-rate.                     |                 |                                    |  | Corrected Death-rate.* |     |
|                                      |   |   |                                       |                 |   |                 |                          |                      |                                       |                 | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909. | December, 1909. | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909. | December, 1909. |                                    |  |                        |     |
|                                      |   |   | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909. | December, 1909. | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909.                 | December, 1909. |                          |                      | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909. | December, 1909. | Average January, 1908, to June, 1909. | December, 1909. |                                       |                 |                                    |  |                        |     |
| City of Colombo ..                   | 155,869   | 183,872   | 231                                   | 189             | 420   | 317             | 255                      | 572                  | 105                                   | 467             | 25.37                                 | 26.89           | 32.27                                 | 29.90           | 33.28                              | 157  | 341                    | 374 |
| Fort and Galle Face                  | 2,285   | 2,285†  | 2                                     | —               | 2   | 2               | —                        | 2                    | 2                                     | —               | 5.26                                  | 10.31           | 7.06                                  | —               | —                                  | —  | 185                    | —   |
| Pettah ..                            | 7,561   | 7,561†  | —                                     | 2               | 2   | 4               | 4                        | 8                    | 8                                     | 8               | 5.90                                  | 3.11            | 12.30                                 | 12.46           | —                                  | 1  | 440                    | —   |
| San Sebastian ..                     | 9,349   | 10,709  | 9                                     | 7               | 16  | 11              | 15                       | 26                   | 26                                    | 26              | 21.94                                 | 17.69           | 23.78                                 | 28.59           | —                                  | 5  | 323                    | 312 |
| St. Paul's ..                        | 20,260  | 24,285  | 24                                    | 19              | 43  | 30              | 18                       | 48                   | 48                                    | 48              | 18.31                                 | 20.87           | 25.31                                 | 23.30           | —                                  | 12   | 306                    | 279 |
| Kotahena ..                          | 33,355  | 38,666  | 59                                    | 47              | 106   | 39              | 47                       | 86                   | 86                                    | 86              | 22.10                                 | 31.97           | 25.92                                 | 26.19           | —                                  | 32   | 365                    | 306 |
| New Bazaar ..                        | 17,470  | 20,404  | 27                                    | 24              | 51  | 34              | 35                       | 69                   | 69                                    | 69              | 23.13                                 | 29.43           | 31.62                                 | 39.82           | —                                  | 32   | 420                    | 627 |
| Maradana Hospitals                   | 30,381  | 37,649  | 29                                    | 21              | 50  | 101             | 55                       | 156                  | 103                                   | 53              | —                                     | —               | —                                     | —               | —                                  | 20   | —                      | —   |
| Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) .. | 16,927  | 20,286  | 21                                    | 14              | 35  | 25              | 21                       | 46                   | 46                                    | 46              | 22.61                                 | 21.32           | 30.80                                 | 31.98           | —                                  | 30   | 400                    | 441 |
| Slave Island ..                      | 18,261  | 23,610  | 23                                    | 23              | 48  | 14              | 15                       | 29                   | 29                                    | 29              | 15.72                                 | 23.94           | 21.67                                 | 14.46           | —                                  | 7  | 314                    | 146 |

\* For explanation of "corrected death-rate" see note, \* Table I. The population of the several wards of the city not being available by age- and sex-constitution, their corrected death-rates cannot be calculated.

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

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

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of December, 1909, in each Ward and Race of the City of Colombo.

| Causes of Deaths.                              | City of Colombo. | Ward.                |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              | Deaths among all Races. |           |            |        |        |         |         |
|--|------------------|----------------------|--------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
|  |                  | Fort and Galle Race. | Petah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kotahena. | New Bazaar. | Maradana Hospitals. | Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya. | Europeans.              | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamil. | Moors. | Malaya. | Others. |
|  |                  | 2                    | 8      | 26             | 48          | 88        | 69          | 156                 | 102                                | 46            | 29           | 6                       | 33        | 288        | 189    | 83     | 15      | 8       |
| <b>All Causes</b>                              | 572*             |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| <b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b>                  | 157              |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| <i>A.—One Week and under.</i>                  |                  |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 1. Prematurity                                 | 10               |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 2. Debility                                    | 16               |                      |        |                | 3           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 3. Convulsions                                 | 8                |                      |        |                | 1           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 4. Diarrhoea                                   | —                |                      |        |                | —           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 5. Tetanus                                     | 6                |                      |        |                | —           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 6. Bronchitis                                  | —                |                      |        |                | 1           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 7. Pneumonia                                   | —                |                      |        |                | —           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 8. Other Causes                                | 1†               |                      |        |                | —           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| <b>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</b>        |                  |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 1. Prematurity                                 | 2                |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 2. Debility                                    | 16               |                      |        |                | 2           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 3. Convulsions                                 | 36               |                      |        |                | 4           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 4. Diarrhoea                                   | 3                |                      |        |                | 1           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 5. Tetanus                                     | 10               |                      |        |                | 2           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 6. Bronchitis                                  | 8                |                      |        |                | 1           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 7. Pneumonia                                   | 33†              |                      |        |                | —           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 8. Other Causes                                |                  |                      |        |                | 7           |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| <b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)</b> | 415              | 2                    | 7      | 21             | 36          | 54        | 37          | 136                 | 28                                 | 22            | 6            | 20                      | 199       | 115        | 58     | 9      | 8       |         |
| 1. Smallpox                                    | —                |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 2. Chickenpox                                  | —                |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 3. Measles                                     | —                |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |
| 4. Influenza                                   | 1                |                      |        |                |             |           |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |           |            |        |        |         |         |

\* Includes 1 death of a city resident (a Burgher) who died in the Enteric Hospital at Kanattia (removed from Maradana, exclusive of hospitals).

† Represents 1 death from Erysipelas of a Burgher from Kollupitiya.

‡ Includes 12 deaths from Enteritis (6 in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals), 3 each in Kotahena and Maradana hospitals, 6 from Syphilis, (4 in Maradana hospitals, 1 each in New Bazaar and Slave Island), 4 from Starvation (3 in Kotahena, 1 in Maradana hospitals), 3 from Phthisis (in New Bazaar), 2 Dysentery (1 each in New Bazaar and Slave Island), and 1 each from Erysipelas (in Slave Island). Tables Mesenterica (in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals), Fever (in Slave Island), Thrush (in Kotahena), Measles and Tubercular Meningitis (in New Bazaar).

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of December, 1909, in each Ward and Race of the City of Colombo—*contd.*

| Causes of Deaths.  | City of Colombo. | Ward.                |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               | Deaths among all Races |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
|--|------------------|----------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---|---|
|  |                  | Fort and Galle Race. | Pettah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kotahena. | New Bazaar. | Maradana Hospitals | Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya.           | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |   |   |
| II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)— <i>contd.</i>   |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 5. Simple Fever .. .. .                                  | 4                |                      |         |                | 3           | 5         |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 6. Enteric Fever .. .. .                                 | 15               |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 7. Remittent Fever .. .. .                               | 4                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 8. Ague .. .. .  | 1                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .                             |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 10. Cholera .. .. .                                      |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 11. Diarrhoea .. .. .                                    | 31               |                      |         |                | 1           | 4         | 3           | 9                  | 6                                  | 5             | 3                      | 1          | 1         | 1          | 5       | 13     | 3       | 3       | 1 | 2 |
| 12. Dysentery .. .. .                                    | 24               |                      |         | 2              | 3           | 2         | 2           | 13                 | 1                                  | 1             | 1                      | 1          | 1         | 1          | 6       | 3      | 3       | 3       | 1 | 1 |
| 13. Doehrnus Duodenalis .. .. .                          | 5                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 14. Cancer .. .. .                                       | 2                |                      |         | 1              | 6           | 1         |             | 4                  | 1                                  |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 15. Phthisis .. .. .                                     | 45               |                      | 2       | 2              |             |           |             | 12                 | 10                                 | 2             | 4                      |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 16. Other Tubercular Diseases .. .. .                    | 2                |                      |         | 2              |             |           |             | 1                  |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 17. Anæmia .. .. .                                       | 3                |                      |         |                | 2           |           |             | 1                  |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .                            |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 19. Convulsions .. .. .                                  | 8                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 20. Tetanus .. .. .                                      | 6                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 21. Bronchitis .. .. .                                   | 16               |                      | 2       |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 22. Pneumonia .. .. .                                    | 57               |                      |         | 1              | 3           | 1         | 2           | 1                  | 2                                  | 1             | 1                      |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 23. Other Diseases of Respiratory System .. .. .         | 5                |                      |         | 6              | 4           | 3         | 7           | 21                 | 9                                  | 2             | 2                      |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .               | 5                |                      |         |                |             |           |             | 2                  | 1                                  |               | 3                      |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 25. Puerperal Convulsions .. .. .                        | 2                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 26. Puerperal Fever .. .. .                              |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 27. Miscarriage .. .. .                                  |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 28. Other and undefined Accidents of Child-birth .. .. . |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 29. Starvation .. .. .                                   | 4                |                      |         |                |             |           |             | 4                  |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 30. Accidents or Negligence .. .. .                      | 3                |                      |         |                |             |           |             | 3                  |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 31. Homicide .. .. .                                     | 7                |                      |         |                |             |           |             | 3                  |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 32. Suicide .. .. .                                      | 1                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 33. Execution .. .. .                                    |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                    |               |                        |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |   |
| 34. All other causes .. .. .                             | 164*             | 1                    | 1       | 5              | 11          | 24        | 13          | 54                 | 35                                 | 13            | 7                      | 6          | 82        | 41         | 25      | 3      |         |         |   |   |

\* Here are included 29 deaths from Old Age (9 in Maradana hospitals, 7 in Kotahena), 28 from Enteritis (22 in Maradana hospitals, 5 in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals), 19 from Debility (7 in Kotahena, 4 in Maradana hospitals), 14 from Paralysis (6 in Maradana, exclusive of hospitals, 4 in St. Paul's).