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## APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

No. 482 of 1913.

WITH reference to the Notification No. 450 of December 11, 1913, published in the *Gazette* of the 12th idem, it is hereby notified that the appointment of Mr. R. W. BYRDE to be Chairman, Municipal Council, and Mayor of the City of Colombo, &c., took effect from December 11, 1913, and not from the 12th idem.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

No. 483 of 1913.

MR. A. N. HUTT having been appointed a Cadet on the Civil Establishment of the Colony, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to direct that he be attached to the Colombo Kachcheri, with effect from December 29, 1913.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 27, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

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No. 484 of 1913.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to sanction the following appointments:—

The Rev. A. E. RESTARICK to be a Member of the Board of Education, during the absence of the Rev. W. H. RIGBY from the Island.

Mr. C. A. WICKS to be a Member of the Board of Education, in place of Mr. T. COOKERILL, in addition to his own duties.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 26, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

No. 485 of 1913.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under the provisions of section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint Mr. DANIEL GURUSINHA, of Godagama, to act as Inquirer for Wellaboda pattu, Galle District, for two weeks from December 8, 1913, during the absence on leave of Mr. J. P. SIRIWARDENA or until further orders.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 22, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

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No. 486 of 1913.

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased, under the provisions of section 44 (1) of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," to appoint Mr. D. T. WICKREMASINHE, Translator, Police Court, Panwila and Teldeniya, to sign summons issued from those courts from December 16 to 31, 1913, during the absence on leave of the Chief Clerk.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

No. 487 of 1913.

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased, under the provisions of section 44 (1) of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," to appoint Mr. B. D. R. PIERIS, Native Writer of the Police Court, Nuwara Eliya, to sign summons issued from that court from

December 20 to 23, 1913, during the absence on leave of the Chief Clerk, Mr. R. MALALGODA, or until further orders.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

No. 488 of 1913.

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased, under the provisions of section 44 (1) of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," to appoint Mr. S. D. POHATH, Interpreter of the Police Court, Gampola, to sign summons issued from that court from December 24 to 31, 1913, and January 1 to 3, 1914, during the absence on leave of the Chief Clerk, Mr. V. SIVAGURU.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

### APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased to make the following appointments with effect from January 1, 1914:—

- (1) Mr. J. S. DE S. JAYAWARDENA to be Registrar of Lands, Kalutara, *vice* Mr. J. V. RATNAYAKA, transferred.
- (2) Mr. H. A. SIRIMANNE to be Registrar of Lands, Kurunegala, *vice* Mr. J. S. DE S. JAYAWARDENA.
- (3) Mr. F. A. PUNCHHEWA to be Registrar of Lands, Ratnapura, *vice* Mr. H. A. SIRIMANNE.
- (4) Mr. K. M. WIJESUNDERA to be Registrar of Lands, Kegalla, *vice* Mr. E. A. JAYASEKERA, transferred.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 23, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

**HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

- Mr. M. KANAGARETNAM, Secretary, District Court, Mannar, to act as Registrar of Lands, Mannar, for three days from the 29th instant, during the absence of Mr. C. SARAVANAMUTTUON leave or until further orders.
- Mr. B. E. BARTHOLOMEUSZ, Proctor, to act as Registrar of Lands, Badulla, for one week and six days from the 29th instant, during the absence of Mr. M. A. ULUWITA on leave.

Mr. A. J. JANSZ, Head Clerk, Land Registry, Kegalla, to act as Registrar of Lands, Kegalla, for three days from the 29th instant, during the absence of Mr. E. A. JAYASEKERA on leave or until further orders.

Mr. ALFRED DE SILVA WIKRAMATILAKA to be Registrar of Marriages (General) of the Colombo town division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, with effect from January 1, 1914, *vice* Mr. N. W. MORGAPPAR, resigned. His office will be at the Registrar-General's Office, Colombo.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

**WITH** reference to the Notification dated June 10, 1913, published in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,567 of June 13, 1913, it is hereby notified that **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased to confirm the appointment of JAYAWEERA MUHANDIRANGE DON CAROLIS as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Matara town and gravets division, in the Matara District of the Southern Province.

By His Excellency's command,  
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,  
Colombo, December 29, 1913. Colonial Secretary.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

**IT** is hereby notified that Tuesday, January 13, 1914 (the Tamil Thai Pongal Day), will be observed as a public holiday under the provisions of the Ordinance No. 4 of 1886.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Colombo, December 31, 1913.

By His Excellency's command,  
R. E. STUBBS,  
Colonial Secretary.

#### "THE SMALL TOWNS SANITARY (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1909."

**IT** is hereby notified that the following by-law made by the Sanitary Board of the Province of Uva, in pursuance of section 2, sub-section (2) (t), of Ordinance No. 30 of 1909, has been submitted to and confirmed by His Excellency the Governor, acting with the advice of the Executive Council.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Colombo, December 23, 1913.

By His Excellency's command,  
R. E. STUBBS,  
Colonial Secretary.

#### BY-LAW REFERRED TO.

All owners, tenants, or occupiers of lands and buildings within the limits of the town of Uva which have been brought under the operation of Ordinance No. 18 of 1892 shall keep the same free from discarded tins, barrels, coconut shells, and other receptacles which are likely to hold water and form breeding places for mosquitoes.

## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

IT is hereby notified, under Ordinance No. 26 of 1909, that the under-mentioned has been licensed as a Surveyor for the current year :—

| Date of License.  | Registration No. | License No. | Name.        | Address.     |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| December 22, 1913 | 291              | A 91        | Jansz, K. H. | Fort, Matara |

Surveyor-General's Office,  
Colombo, December 23, 1913.

W. C. S. INGLES,  
for Surveyor-General.

THE right to change money at two stalls on the Passengers' Jetty, on sites fixed by the Principal Collector of Customs, will be put up to public auction again at the Landing Surveyor's Office on January 10, 1914, at 3 p.m., for a period of 2 years on conditions which may be obtained at the Baggage Office or Customs Office. A cash deposit of Rs. 500 will be required from each stall holder.

H. M. Customs, Colombo, December 29, 1913. F. Bowes, Principal Collector.

THE following further roads are reported impassable owing to flood damages :—

*Central Province.*

Lindula-Nanuoya road.  
Gorge Valley road.

*Province of Uva.*

Naula-Spring Valley road.  
Badulla to Taldena road.  
Dikwella to Madulla road.

*North-Central Province.*

Dambulla to Anuradhapura road (between Dambulla and Kekirawa).

*Eastern Province.*

Batticaloa and Sengaladi.  
Batticaloa and Kalmunai.

HAROLD T. CREASY,  
Public Works Office, for Director of Public Works.  
Colombo, December 22, 1913.

## Contracts for the Manufacture and Supply of Country Spirit.

TENDERS are now being invited by the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium, and Abkari, Bombay, for seven separate contracts for the manufacture and supply of country spirit from the distilleries in the Bombay Presidency proper to the districts in that Presidency. The contracts, tenders for which must be received by February 16, 1914, will be for a period of three years (and in one case five years), commencing from April 1, 1915. Full particulars regarding these contracts may be obtained at or on application to the Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium, and Abkari, Bombay.

H. O. QUIN,  
Commissioner of Customs,  
Bombay, November 15, 1913. Salt, Opium, and Abkari.

## NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the use of the advertising space available on stamp booklets, viz., in the two inside pages of the cover, on the back of the booklet, and on one side of each of the two fly leaves, for issues beginning in February, 1914.

- The sale of booklets averages 20,000 per annum.
- Tenders must be for lots of 10,000. Change of advertisements is allowed on each 5,000 printed.
- All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the Postmaster-General, Colombo. Tenders should either be deposited in the tender box in the Office of the Postmaster-General, or be sent to him through the post.
- Tenders should be marked "Tenders for advertisement in Postage Stamp Booklets" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Postmaster-General not later than midday on Wednesday, January 7, 1914.
- Any alteration in a tender must bear the initials of the tenderer; otherwise the tender may be treated as informal and rejected.
- All other information can be obtained on application to the Postmaster-General, Colombo. Specimens of the booklets can be seen at the General Post Office.
- No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled.

9. The Postmaster-General reserves to himself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all the tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

Postmaster-General's Office, JOHN FOX,  
Colombo, December 9, 1913. for Postmaster-General.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the conveyance of mails for a period of four years from March 1, 1914, between Matale and Rattota, once daily each way by coach drawn by two bulls. Eight bulls will be required for this service.

- The contractor will be required to provide extra coaches at all times when necessary to meet the exigencies of the mail service without any charge.
- The hours of arrival and departure of the coaches to be fixed from time to time by the Postmaster-General.
- The contractor will be required to provide such number of coaches and bulls as will, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General, be necessary for the service, and every such coach or bull before being employed in the service will be subject to the approval of the Postmaster-General.
- All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the Postmaster-General, or be sent to him through the post.
- Tenders should be marked "Tender for the Conveyance of Mails between Matale and Rattota" in the

left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Postmaster-General not later than midday on Tuesday, January 13, 1914.

7. Tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application to the Postmaster-General, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form.

8. Any alteration in a tender must bear the initials of the tenderer, otherwise the tender may be treated as informal and rejected.

9. A deposit of Rs. 50 for this service must be made at the General Treasury, and a receipt produced for the same before a tender form is issued. Should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond, or fail to furnish approved security, within ten days of receiving notice in writing from the Postmaster-General, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposits will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature to the contract.

10. Security to the amount of one-tenth of the annual subsidy asked will be required in cash for each service.

11. Tenders for this service must be accompanied by a scale of the rates which it is intended to charge the public during the period of the service for the conveyance of passengers, luggage, and parcels, and the quantity of luggage per passenger allowed to be conveyed free. When such scale has been accepted by Government, the contractor shall not, without the express permission of Government, increase the rates charged for the conveyance of passengers, luggage, and parcels above the amount shown in the scale, or reduce the allowance of free luggage below the amount therein stated.

12. All other information can be obtained on application to the Postmaster-General.

13. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled.

14. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all of the tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

General Post Office, W. C. MACREADY,  
Colombo, December 17, 1913. for Postmaster-General.

**TENDERS** are hereby invited for the contract for the conveyance of mails for a period of four years from May 1, 1914, between Matale and Dambulla—

- (a) By motor car.
- (b) By coach drawn by two horses. Eighteen horses will be required for this service.
- (c) By coach drawn by two bulls. Twenty bulls will be required for this service.

2. Separate tenders are required for each of the above services.

3. The hours of arrival and departure of the motor cars or coaches to be fixed from time to time by the Postmaster-General.

4. The contractor will be required to provide such number of motor cars or coaches or horses or bulls as will, in the opinion of the Postmaster-General, be necessary for the services, and every such motor car, coach, horse, or bull before being employed in the service will be subject to the approval of the Postmaster-General.

5. All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Office of the Controller of Revenue, or be sent to him through the post.

6. Tenders should be marked "Tender for the Conveyance of Mails between Matale and Dambulla" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, February 10, 1914.

7. Tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application to the Postmaster-General, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form.

8. Any alteration in a tender must bear the initials of the tenderer, otherwise the tender may be treated as informal and rejected.

9. A deposit of Rs. 50 for each of the services (a), (b), and (c) must be made at the General Treasury, and a receipt produced for the same before a tender form is issued. Should any person decline to enter into the contract and

bond, or fail to furnish approved security, within ten days of receiving notice in writing from the Postmaster-General, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposits will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature to the contract.

10. Security to the amount of one-tenth of the annual subsidy asked will be required in cash for each service.

11. Tenders for above services must be accompanied by a scale of the rates which it is intended to charge the public during the period of the service for the conveyance of passengers, luggage, and parcels, and the quantity of luggage per passenger allowed to be conveyed free. When such scale has been accepted by Government, the contractor shall not, without the express permission of Government, increase the rates charged for the conveyance of passengers, luggage, and parcels above the amount shown in the scale, or reduce the allowance of free luggage below the amount therein stated.

12. All other information can be obtained on application to the Postmaster-General.

13. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled.

14. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all of the tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

General Post Office, W. C. MACREADY,  
Colombo, December 20, 1914. for Postmaster-General.

**TENDERS** are hereby invited for services mentioned in the schedule below.

2. All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Office of the Controller of Revenue, Colombo.

3. Tenders should either be deposited in the tender box in the Office of the Controller of Revenue, or be sent through the post.

4. Tenders should be marked "Tender for Supply of Timber" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, January 6, 1914.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Batticaloa, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form. Alterations must be initialled, otherwise the tenders may be treated as informal and rejected.

6. A deposit of Rs. 20 will be required to be made either at the Treasury or Kachcheri, and a receipt produced for the same before any form of tender is issued. Should any person decline or fail to enter into the contract and bond, or to furnish approved security, within ten days of receiving notice in writing from the Head of the Department, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown, and the defaulter will render himself liable to be included in the list of defaulting contractors precluded from having any concern in a Government contract. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract. Five per cent. of the estimated total sum which will have to be paid for the work must be deposited as security for the due fulfilment of the contract before it is signed.

7. Each tender must be accompanied by a letter signed by two responsible persons, whose addresses must be given, engaging to become security for the due fulfilment of the contract.

8. A rate per cubic foot of timber delivered must be quoted, written both in words and figures.

9. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of each bond, and all other necessary information, can be ascertained upon application at the offices referred to in section 5.

10. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled.

11. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

C. W. FISHER,  
Assistant Conservator of Forests,  
Batticaloa, December 8, 1913. Batticaloa Division.

## SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.

(a) Felling, barking, logging, and squaring 100 satin and 30 ranai trees (more or less) in Crown forests, in the Maha-oya Range, Batticaloa District, and for transporting and delivering them at the Batticaloa Bar, within six months of signing the contract.

(b) Felling, barking, and logging 50 halmilla trees (more or less) in Crown forests, in the Maha-oya Range, Batticaloa

District, and for transporting and delivering them at the Batticaloa Bar, within four months of signing the contract.

(c) Felling, barking, and logging 50 halmilla trees (more or less) in Crown forests, in the Vakanneri Range, Batticaloa District, and for transporting and delivering them at the Mailankarachchi Outbay Depôt, within four months of signing the contract.

## SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

LIST of unclaimed articles for sale at the Courts, Hatton, at 12 noon, on January 5, 1914 :—

|                              |                                |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 small trunk                | 5 pieces of lead, 1 small tin, |
| 1 big trunk                  | 1 China saucer, 1 small        |
| 1 ox hide                    | wooden box, 4 enamel cups      |
| 1 rubber tyre                | 1 enamel tumbler, 2 small      |
| 1 inner tube                 | tin lamps, 1 coconut           |
| 2 scythes                    | scraper, 1 iron frying pan     |
| 1 umbrella                   | 1 anvil                        |
| 9 koppus                     | 1 small bellows                |
| 1 small tin containing small | 1 packing case containing      |
| pieces of gold and silver    | goldsmiths' tools, &c.         |
| 12 small red stones          | 1 trunk                        |

G. FURSE ROBERTS,  
District Judge.

Hatton, December 22, 1913.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction, at the Public Works Department Store, Pallai, on Friday, February 13, 1914, at 1.30 P.M. :—

10 cans, tin  
14 cans and drums, iron  
59 tar barrels, empty

Public Works Office, HENRY B. LEES,  
Colombo, December 29, 1913. for Director of Public Works.

THE under-mentioned unserviceable article will be sold by public auction at the Irrigation Office Yard, Kurunegala, at 9 A.M. on January 29, 1914 :—

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W. BROWN,  
Divisional Irrigation Engineer,  
Kurunegala, December 11, 1913. Western Division.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

## Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended December 20, 1913.

**Births.**—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 107 (0 Europeans, 9 Burghers, 67 Sinhalese, 11 Tamils, 17 Moors, 1 Malay, and 2 Others). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on July 1, 1913, viz., 235,829) was 23·7, as against 30·1 in the preceding week, 20·0 in the corresponding week of last year, and 23·0 the weekly average for last year.

**Deaths.**—The total deaths registered were 166 (1 European, 12 Burghers, 81 Sinhalese, 30 Tamils, 30 Moors, 4 Malays, and 8 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 36·7, as against 32·5 in the previous week, 31·8 in the corresponding week of last year, and 29·5 the weekly average of last year.

**Infantile Deaths.**—Of the 166 total deaths, 39 were of infants under one year of age, as against 47 in the preceding week, 31 in the corresponding week of the previous year, and 30 the average of last year.

**Stillbirths.**—The number of stillbirths registered during the week was 10.

**Principal Causes of Death.**—Sixteen deaths were registered from *Phthisis* (against 15 in the previous week and 14 the weekly average for last year), of which 5 were in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), 4 in Maradana hospitals, 2 each in San Sebastian, St. Paul's, and Kollupitiya, and 1 in Kotahena.

2. Fifteen deaths were registered from *Pneumonia* (against 16 in the previous week and 17 the weekly average for last year), of which 6 were in New Bazaar, 4 in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), and 1 each in Pettah, San Sebastian, Maradana hospitals, Slave Island, and Kollupitiya. Five deaths were registered from *Bronchitis*.

3. Three deaths were registered from *Enteric Fever*, as in the previous week (against 5 the weekly average for last year), of which 2 were in St. Paul's and the other in Pettah.

4. Sixteen deaths were registered from *Infantile Convulsions*, 14 from *Debility*, 10 from *Enteritis*, 10 from *Senility*, 9 from *Dysentery*, 3 from *Diarrhoea*, 2 from *Worms*, 2 from *Accidents* (due to fall and drowning respectively), 1 from *Tetanus*, and 56 from *Other Causes*.

5. Four deaths were registered from *Cholera* (against 3 in the previous week), of which 3 were in Kollupitiya and the other in Wellawatta. One case of *Cholera* was reported during the week, against 12 in the previous week.

6. No cases of *Measles* was reported. There was 1 in the previous week. Five cases of *Chickenpox* were reported, against 13 in the previous week.

**State of the Weather.**—The mean temperature of air was 77·7°, against 78·5° in the preceding week and 78·1° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·823 in., against 29·549 in. in the preceding week and 29·820 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was 5·22 in., against 2·33 in. in the preceding week and 2·85 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, December 23, 1913.

A. DE S. WICKRAMATILAKA,  
for Registrar-General.

**Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended December 27, 1913.**

**Births.**—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 61 (3 Europeans, 4 Burghers, 32 Sinhalese, 10 Tamils, 11 Moors, 1 Malay, and 0 Others). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on July 1, 1913, viz., 235,829) was 13·5, the lowest recorded during the year, as against 23·7 in the preceding week, 18·0 in the corresponding week of last year, and 23·0 the weekly average for last year.

**Deaths.**—The total deaths registered were 149 (0 Europeans, 12 Burghers, 69 Sinhalese, 34 Tamils, 27 Moors, 5 Malays, and 2 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 32·9, as against 36·7 in the previous week, 30·6 in the corresponding week of last year, and 29·5 the weekly average of last year.

**Infantile Deaths.**—Of the 149 total deaths, 30 were of infants under one year of age, as against 39 in the preceding week, 35 in the corresponding week of the previous year, and 30 the average of last year.

**Stillbirths.**—The number of stillbirths registered during the week was 11.

**Principal Causes of Death.**—Nineteen deaths were registered from *Phthisis* (against 16 in the previous week and 14 the weekly average for last year), of which 4 were in New Bazaar, 3 each in St. Paul's, Kotahena, and Maradana hospitals, 2 in Slave Island, and 1 each in Pettah, Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), Kollupitiya, and Wellawatta.

2. Fourteen deaths were registered from *Pneumonia* (against 15 in the previous week and 17 the weekly average for last year), of which 4 were in Kotahena, 3 in Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), 2 each in New Bazaar, Maradana hospitals, and Slave Island, and 1 in St. Paul's. Eight deaths were registered from *Bronchitis*.

3. Five deaths were registered from *Enteric Fever* (against 3 in the previous week and 5 the weekly average for last year), of which 1 each was in San Sebastian, Kotahena, Maradana (exclusive of hospitals), Slave Island, and Wellawatta.

4. Seventeen deaths were registered from *Infantile Convulsions*, 12 from *Enteritis*, 10 from *Debility*, 5 from *Dysentery*, 4 from *Diarrhoea*, 3 from *Worms*, 3 from *Senility*, 1 from *Tetanus*, 1 from an *Accidental Burn*, and 45 from *Other Causes*.

5. Two deaths were registered from *Cholera* (against 4 in the previous week), of which 1 was in Kollupitiya and the other in Wellawatta. No cases of *Cholera* were reported during the week. There was one in the previous week.

6. Five cases of *Chickenpox* were reported as in the previous week.

**State of the Weather.**—The mean temperature of air was 86·5°, against 77·7° in the preceding week and 78·6° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·970 in., against 29·823 in. in the preceding week and 29·863 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was 0·81 in., against 5·22 in. in the preceding week and 0·14 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, December 30, 1913.

A. DE S. WICKRAMATILAKA,  
for Registrar-General.