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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL NOTICES.

MUNICIPALITY OF COLOMBO.

Minutes of Proceedings of a General Meeting of the Municipal Council of Colombo held in the Town Hall on Friday, July 30, 1915.

THE Council met this day at 3 P.M., pursuant to notice dated July 23, 1915.

Present :—Mr. R. W. Byrde, Chairman; Mr. C. P. Dias; Major A. W. de Wilton; Mr. L. B. Fernando; Mr. N. H. M. Abdul Cader; Mr. Arthur Alvis; Mr. H. L. de Mel; Mr. E. G. Jayewardene; Dr. D. P. Banajee; Dr. E. V. Ratnam; Dr. W. P. Rodrigo; Mr. J. A. Perera; Mr. T. L. Villiers; and Mr. C. H. Wellard.

1. The Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 25, 1915, of the General Meeting of June 25, 1915, and of the Special Meeting of July 6, 1915, having been previously printed and copies thereof having been sent to each Member of Council, were taken as read.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of June 25, 1915, and of the General Meeting of June 25, 1915, be confirmed.

With reference to the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 6, 1915, Dr. W. P. Rodrigo moved that the words "Dr. Rodrigo said that his motion was that the appointment be suppressed for the time being" be deleted, and that the words "The Chairman upheld the point of order" be inserted instead of the words "The Chairman ruled that such a motion could not be put." Dr. E. V. Ratnam seconded.—Carried.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 6, 1915, be confirmed as amended.

2. Pursuant to notice, the Chairman read the following :—

Statement re Plague.

At our last Meeting I had only two cases of plague to report. At this Meeting I am pleased to say that I have only one to report. It occurred at No. 18, Old Moor street, on the 27th of this month, a period of seven weeks having intervened since the preceding case. The diagnosis of the case was not confirmed bacteriologically, but it has been accepted as a case of septicemic plague. Five case of rat plague have been recorded, the diseased rats having been caught at Norris road, Third Division, Maradana, St. John's road, Messenger street, and Dias place. As a result of the cool weather prevailing this month there has been a notable rise in the flea index, that for *Mus Rattus* being 7.10 and that for *Mus Norvegicus* 12.71, which is unusually high. The campaign against rats continues, the weekly catch being about 2,900.

The Chairman added :—Directly the flea index rises you may be sure we have to look for an increase in the cases of plague, and you will be sorry to hear that just before I came here to-day a report from the Medical Officer of Health was received which confirms that theory. He reports that there have been two more cases. One was of a Tamil man,

unknown, aged about 50, at No. 72, St. John's road. You will notice that St. John's road was where an infected rat was found. The second one was that of Ninohamy, Sinhalese, No. 25/8, Fish Market square. There were two infected rats found yesterday and there may be more to come.

3. Mr. C. P. Dias moved that the Council do go into Committee to consider items Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 on the Agenda. Mr. L. B. Fernando seconded.—Carried.

(Council in Committee.)

3 to 5. The following extracts from the Minutes of the Special Committee on Drainage Works and extracts from the combined Standing Committee on Municipal Works and Finance, and of the Finance Committee, having been previously printed and circulated, were laid before the Council in Committee :—

Extract from the Minutes of the Special Committee on Drainage Works of July 16, 1915.

(6) To sanction the expenditure of Rs. 15,000 on St. John's road sewer.—Recommended that a sum of Rs. 15,000 be voted for the repair of the rain water sewer in St. John's road, and that the City Sanitation Engineer commence the work as early as possible.

Resolution.

Resolved that the above recommendation be adopted.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Standing Committee on Law and General Subjects of July 21, 1915.

(3) To consider Mr. J. A. Perera's motion re Vehicles Ordinance.

Recommended—

- (1) That the basis of taxation be according to the weight of the motor vehicle and not according to the horse power, in accordance with the annexed scale.*
- (2) That the stamp duty under section 3 of the new Ordinance in respect of a bullock cart drawn by two bulls be raised to Rs. 8 ; by one bull be raised to Rs. 4
- (3) That the provisions of section 54 be extended to embrace all vehicles and be not confined to mechanical vehicles only.
- (4) That half the tax be remitted in the case of cars registered after September 30 in each year.
- (5) That the Local bodies should be given a voice in the framing of the by-laws.
- (10) To consider the question of recovering the sum of Rs. 500 as liquidated damages on Messrs. Freudenberg's contract for removal of blood.—Recommended that Messrs. F. J. and G. de Saram be informed that the actual loss sustained by the Council is Rs. 56.25, and that the Council is prepared to accept this sum and not to enforce its claim to the Rs. 500 liquidated damages.
- (12) To consider the question of framing by-laws under section No. 96 of Ordinance No. 6 of 1910, for fixing the date of the submission of the estimate of the Probable Receipts and Proposed Expenditure, and also of the Budget to Council.—Recommended that the following by-laws be passed :—
 - (1) The Chairman shall, on or before November 30 in each year, after consultation with the several Standing Committees, lay before the Council the estimate of the probable receipts and the proposed expenditure of the Municipality for the ensuing financial year.
 - (2) The Chairman shall, on or before the second Friday of December of each year, prepare and submit to the Council a Budget containing—(a) an estimate of the available Municipal income ; (b) details of proposed expenditure.

* Increased Scale of Fees referred to in item (3) above.

Motor vehicles not exceeding.	Vehicles used solely for private purposes.		Vehicles used for trade for hiring purposes.	
	Rs.	Present Tax.	Rs.	Present Tax.
20 cwt. unloaded	40	30	80	60
25 do.	50	35	100	70
30 do.	60	35	120	70
40 do.	70	35	140	70
60 do.	80	35	160	70
80 do.	90	35	180	70
100 do.	100	35	200	70
Over 100 do.	110	35	220	70

Registration fee in every case Rs. 10. Motor cycles and side cars double the present rate.

Resolutions.

Mr. H. L. de Mel moved that No. 2 of the recommendations under item No. 3 be deleted. Dr. W. P. Rodrigo seconded.

Messrs. J. A. Perera and T. L. Villiers spoke in favour of the recommendation.

The Chairman explained that the Ordinance was one which applied to the whole Island and not only to Colombo.

The motion was put to the Meeting and, on a show of hands being taken, was declared *lost*, 5 voting for it and 8 against.

With reference to No. 4 of the recommendations under item No. 3, Dr. W. P. Rodrigo moved that the words "all vehicles" be substituted in place of the word "cars." Mr. Arthur Alvis seconded.—Carried.

Resolved that the above recommendations of the Standing Committee on Law and General Subjects be adopted as amended.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Combined Standing Committee on Municipal Works and Finance of July 23, 1915.

(7) To consider Mr. J. A. Perera's questions re buildings in Gas Works street.—Recommended :—

- (1) That the tenants be given one month's notice and be informed that the Council is prepared to pay them as follows :—(a) Messrs. Delmege, Forsyth & Co., Rs. 540 ; (b) S. K. Velupillai, Rs. 375 ; (c) P. D. Bastian Appuhamy, Rs. 1,000, for the building on the land or, in the alternative, to allow them to remove the building at their cost.
- (2) That the lease of each site for five years, either with or without the building, as the case may be, be put up for public auction.
- (10) To consider the question of the sale of the lease of Municipal Council land at Green street.—Recommended that the land be leased on the present terms on a monthly tenancy to Mr. J. C. V. Ratnam until such time as the Council may decide to sell it.

- (12) To sanction the acceptance of a sum of Rs. 200,000 from Government towards the Waterworks Loan at the rate of interest of four and a half per cent., the loan to be repayable before December 31, 1918.—Recommended.
- (13) To consider an application from Mr. P. de Kretser for the extension of the 3-inch main to his land at No. 68, Wellawatta.—Recommended that the main be laid on the owners of the frontage depositing the amount apportioned to each, or that, in the alternative, Mr. de Kretser be allowed to lay a 1-inch pipe on signing an undertaking to pay his apportionment for the 3-inch main as soon as it is laid.
- (16) To consider—
- (a) The question of re-selling by auction the lease of the Municipal Council land at the junction of Panchikawatta road with 1st Division, Maradana, in view of the highest bidder having refused to undertake the lease.
- (b) An application from Mr. E. Cadman for the lease of the site.—Recommended that the lease for two years of the land be given to Mr. E. Cadman for a sum of Rs. 2,500 per annum, on his making a deposit of Rs. 833·32 and entering into a contract.
- (17) To consider an application from the owner of No. 9, Third Division, Maradana, to rebuild boutiques within the proposed street improvement lines.—Recommended, on his entering into the usual notarial deed.
- (19) To consider an application from Mr. J. C. Ebert for cleaning or renewing the water pipes laid to his premises Nos. 136, 136a, and 136b, Colpetty.—Recommended, on Mr. J. C. Ebert entering into an undertaking to pay his apportionment for the laying of a 3-inch main when called upon to do so.

Resolution.

Resolved that the above recommendations of the combined Standing Committee on Municipal Works and Finance be adopted.

Extracts from the Minutes of the Standing Committee on Finance of July 23, 1915.

- (3) To consider Mr. J. A. Perera's motion *re* Vehicles Ordinance.—Recommended that the resolution of the Law Committee be adopted.—Mr. H. L. de Mel dissents with regard to the raising of the tax on bullock carts.
- (4) To consider the question of selling by public auction premises No. 93/104, Ferry street, vested in the Council.—Recommended that the property be put up for sale at an upset price of Rs. 15,000, on the usual terms by an auctioneer.
- (5) To consider an application from Mr. Warwick Major for a remission of the ground rent of the Empire Theatre until Martial Law is revoked.—The Committee are not prepared to recommend any remission in the rent.
- (7) To sanction the transfer of Rs. 107 from I. 8—Miscellaneous to I. 4—Train and Tram Fare Allowances.—Recommended.
- (8) To sanction the inclusion of a sum of Rs. 240 on Vote G 5 in the Supplementary Budget for 1914–15.—Recommended.
- (9) To sanction the sum of Rs. 48,507·20, voted by Council on May 26, 1915, on account of land acquisition, &c., being added to the heading D 23—Land Acquisition in the Supplementary Budget for 1914–15.—Recommended.
- (10) To consider an application for leave, till the end of the war, from Mr. R. N. Watkins, Assistant Accountant.—Recommended that the leave be granted for eight months and that an extension be granted for the period of the war, on condition that he is serving with His Majesty's Forces.
- (11) To sanction peons, Don Marthelis, V. A. Peris, W. Charles, C. D. Prolis, and C. D. Esack of the Assessor's Office, being placed on the Incremental Scheme of the Peons.—Recommended.
- (12) To sanction the re-vote of Rs. 228·92 unexpended balance of Vote C 8 for the year ending June 30, 1915, to be included in the current Supplementary Budget.—Recommended.
- (13) To sanction—
- (1) The expenditure of a sum of Rs. 15,000 on St. John's road sewer, Rs. 14,559·51 of this amount to be re-voted, being the unexpended balance on the original estimate, and
- (2) A supplementary vote of Rs. 440·49 to make up the amount required on the estimate.—Recommended.
- (14) To sanction the sale by public auction, for valuable consideration, of premises No. 1,098–66, Galkapana-watta, land vested in the Council, having been sold for arrears of taxes.—Recommended.
- (15) To consider the question of framing by-laws under section 96 of the Ordinance No. 6 of 1910, for fixing the date of the submission of the estimate of the Probable Receipts and Proposed Expenditure and also of the Budget to the Council.—Recommended that the by-laws passed by the Law Committee be adopted.
- (16) To sanction a supplementary vote of Rs. 501 under D 12, Advertisements.—Recommended.

Resolutions.

Resolved that the above recommendations of the Standing Committee on Finance be adopted.

6. To consider the recommendation* of the Combined Standing Committee on Law and Municipal Works of June 17, 1915, with regard to Mr. Ambrose de Alwis' petition *re* premises No. 25, St. John's road.

Dr. E. V. Ratnam moved that the compensation asked for be granted. Dr. W. P. Rodrigo seconded.

Messrs. J. A. Perera and Arthur Alvis spoke in favour of the recommendation of the Combined Standing Committee. Messrs. E. G. Jayewardene, H. L. de Mel, T. L. Villiers, and C. P. Dias supported the motion.

The motion was put to the Meeting and, on a show of hands being taken, 7 voted for and 7 against, the Chairman giving his casting vote against the motion. Dr. E. V. Ratnam thereupon called for a division and the Council divided as follows:—

<i>For.</i>	<i>Against.</i>
Mr. C. P. Dias.	The Chairman.
Mr. N. H. M. Abdul Cader	Major A. W. de Wilton.
Mr. H. L. de Mel.	Mr. L. B. Fernando.
Mr. E. G. Jayewardene.	Mr. Arthur Alvis.
Dr. E. V. Ratnam.	Dr. D. P. Banajee.
Dr. W. P. Rodrigo.	Mr. J. A. Perera.
Mr. T. L. Villiers.	Mr. C. H. Wellard.

7 for and 7 against.

* Namely, that Mr. Ambrose de Alwis be informed that the Council is not prepared to grant his application and give him compensation.

The Chairman gave his casting vote against, and the motion was declared lost.

Dr. Ratnam gave notice that he would forward a written dissent.

7. To consider the recommendation of the Combined Standing Committee on Municipal Works and Finance of June 17, 1915, with regard to Mr. D. D. W. Samarakone's application to be placed on the list of approved contractors and the discontinuance of the firm of Messrs. Samarakone Brothers from the list of approved contractors for waterworks fittings.

Dr. E. V. Ratnam moved with regard to the recommendation of the Standing Committees on Municipal Works and Finance that "the firm of Messrs. Samarakone Brothers be taken off the list of approved contractors for waterworks fittings" that the consideration of the matter be deferred till an opportunity is given to the firm to offer an explanation and till after the explanation is considered by the same Committee. Dr. W. P. Rodrigo seconded.

The Chairman reviewed the facts.

The motion was put to the Meeting and declared lost, 4 voting for it and 10 against.

Resolved that the recommendation of the Combined Standing Committee on Municipal Works and Finance of June 17, 1915 (namely, that the firm of Messrs. Samarakone Brothers be taken off the list of contractors for waterworks fittings), be adopted.

Mr. H. L. de Mel moved that the Council do resume and that the resolutions of Council in Committee be adopted. Mr. E. G. Jayewardene seconded.—Carried.

Council Agenda (continued).

The Chairman, in Council, moved that the recommendations of the Committees, as amended by the Council in Committee, be adopted. Mr. E. G. Jayewardene seconded.—Carried.

8. To sanction the recommendations of the Special Committee, appointed on May 4, 1915, to consider the report of the Municipal Commission and letter No. 43 of March 27, 1915, from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, and to authorize the Chairman to reply to the letter in terms of the recommendations.

The Chairman formally moved that the recommendations of the Special Committee be considered. Mr. Arthur Alvis seconded.—Carried.

Mr. H. L. de Mel moved that the Council do go into Committee to consider item No. 8 on the Agenda. Mr. E. G. Jayewardene seconded.—Carried.

(Council in Committee.)

Resolved that the public do withdraw. The public thereupon withdrew.

Mr. Arthur Alvis moved that the recommendations of the Special Committee be adopted, and that the Chairman be authorized to reply to the Government in terms of these recommendations. Mr. E. G. Jayewardene seconded.—Carried.

Resolved that the Council do resume.

Council Agenda (continued.)

The Chairman, in Council, moved that the recommendations be adopted, and that he be authorized to reply to the Government in terms of these recommendations. Mr. C. P. Dias seconded.—Carried.

9. To consider the Draft Supplemental Budget for 1914-15.

Mr. H. L. de Mel moved that the Supplemental Budget for 1914-15 be adopted. Mr. E. G. Jayewardene seconded.—Carried.

10 to 12. Mr. Arthur Alvis moved that the following items on the Agenda (Nos. 10, 11, and 12) be passed. Mr. L. B. Fernando seconded.—Carried.

(10) To sanction the excess leave of 8 days over 42 days granted to Mr. O. F. A. Sepion, Clerk, Works Department.

(11) To sanction the excess leave of 57 days over 42 days granted to Miss M. Ponnamah, Health Visitor of Slave Island Dispensary.

(12) To sanction the excess leave of 54 days over 42 days granted to Mr. N. Shockman, Sub-Inspector, Public Health Department, owing to ill-health.

13. The report of the Medical Officer of Health for the first quarter of 1915 was laid on the table.

14. The City Analyst's report on town water for June, 1915, and the Municipal Bacteriologist's report on town water for May, 1915, having been previously printed and circulated, were laid on the table.

15. The Progress Report No. 52 of the City Sanitation Engineer for June, 1915, having been previously printed and circulated, was laid on the table.

16. The report of the Resident Engineer, Drainage Works, for June, 1915, having been previously printed and circulated, was laid on the table.

17. Progress Reports showing expenditure up to June 30, 1915, were laid on the table.

18. Reports of Inspectors on licensed carriages for June, 1915, were laid on the table.

The following documents were also laid on the table:—

Return of Committees of the Municipal Council for 1915.

Proceedings of Committees.

C. L. I. Band Programme for August, 1915.

Return of average daily supply and consumption of water for May, 1914.

The Works Engineer's report for June, 1915, on the condition of tramway routes.

Report of the Municipal Engineer of work done during June, 1915.

Report of the Municipal Bacteriologist of work done during June, 1915.

Diaries of the following officers for the month of June, 1915:—

The Works Engineer and his Assistants, Waterworks Engineer and his Assistants, Medical Officer of Health and his Assistants, Prosecuting Inspector, City Sanitation Engineer and his Assistant, the Financial Assistant to the Chairman and the Officers of his Department, the Veterinary Surgeon and his Officers, and the City Analyst.

R. W. BYRDE,

Chairman, Municipal Council, and
Mayor of Colombo.

Confirmed on August 27, 1915:

R. W. BYRDE,

Chairman, Municipal Council, and
Mayor of Colombo.

DISSENT.

The order of the day of the General Meeting of the Council held on July 30, 1915, contained the following item, to wit:—

“No. 6. To consider the recommendations of the Combined Standing Committees on Law and Municipal Works of June 17, 1915, with regard to Mr. Ambrose de Alwis' petition *re* premises No. 25 of St. John's road.”

This item involved the consideration and disposal of a petition from one Mr. Ambrose de Alwis, a rate-payer of St. Paul's Ward, in which he prayed to be compensated for loss and damage which he had sustained by reason of the withholding for a period of five months of a certificate of conformity which he applied for in terms of section 192 of the Municipal Ordinance, No. 6 of 1910, to enable him to occupy a new building he had erected at premises No. 25, St. John's road.

The Council in Committee discussed the matter and divided on the motion for the grant of compensation to the petitioner which was moved by me and the voting being equal, the Chairman, who had already voted against my motion, gave his casting vote against it, and the motion was thereby lost.

I desire to record my dissent from the opinion of the majority in this matter and give below my reasons for doing so.

In the first place, it must be borne in mind that without any legal obligation on his part so to do, Mr. Ambrose de Alwis applied to the Municipal authorities for permission to erect the building in question, furnishing them with plans and specifications of the proposed building and obtained the sanction of the said authorities to erect his building, which, to their knowledge, abutted on the public street.

After having obtained this authority, Mr. Alwis proceeded to erect his building and, when completed, applied for the necessary certificate of conformity to enable him to occupy the building.

This application was addressed to the Works Engineer of the Council. The Works Engineer thereupon replied that an encroachment having been made on the public street by the erection of the new building, the certificate applied for could not be granted until the encroachment is removed.

Mr. Alwis satisfied himself on the authority of a competent surveyor that he had not made any such encroachment in the erection of his building and thereupon brought that fact to the notice of the Works Engineer and renewed his application for a certificate.

The Works Engineer again replied that he was directed by the Chairman, Municipal Council, Colombo, to inform you (Mr. Alwis) “that no certificate can be granted until the encroachments referred to, which, if you so desire, can be pointed out to you, are removed.”

All this took place in October and November, 1914.

A point was made of the fact that Ordinance No. 6 of 1910, section 192, provided that the application for a certificate of conformity should be made to the Chairman, and that in this case it was not made to the Chairman but to the Works Engineer.

I dismiss the consideration of this point as altogether too trivial to deserve serious attention. It must be borne in mind that the Works Engineer has all along acted under the orders of the Chairman—(note his use of the expression—“I am directed by the Chairman” in his letter)—clearly justifying the inference that the Chairman had authorized the Works Engineer to perform his duties as regards this matter as the Chairman was empowered to do under the provisions of section 242 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance.

Having practically entered his protest against the ground on which the certificate of conformity was refused, by pointing out that he had made no encroachment as was alleged, Mr. Alwis awaited the further action of the Council.

It is to be noted that the circumstances created by the correspondence demanded that further action in the matter should be initiated by the Council's officers and not by Mr. Alwis.

The Council's officers asserted that Mr. Alwis in erecting his new building had made an encroachment on a public street—Mr. Alwis insisted on denying it—(as to whether the Council's officers had any proper material, on which to base this assertion, I will later on discuss). For the present I am on the question as to who was to take the initiative under the issues raised in the matter.

Whether the Chairman elected to act under sections 156 or 157 of the Ordinance No. 6 of 1910, to compel the removal of the alleged encroachment or whether he preferred to act under the provisions of Chapter XXIII. of the by-laws, it was clearly the Chairman's duty to have himself taken the first step in the matter.

If he was so sure of his grounds, it was open to the Chairman under section 156 to have prosecuted Mr. Alwis and for the Chairman himself to have removed the encroachment. Under section 157 it was open to the Chairman to give notice in writing to the owner to remove the encroachment and proceed further as provided in that section. And in a disputed case—such as is the present one—the Chairman was bound under the provisions of the by-laws of Chapter XXIII. to have had a survey of the encroachment made, then to notify the owner in writing of the making of the survey and that it was open to his inspection at a place to be mentioned in the notice and that the Chairman is prepared to cause the encroachment to be pointed out to him, and calling upon the owner within one month of the service of such a notice to establish his title to the alleged encroachment by an action at law.

Was anything of this sort done and were the provisions of the law in this behalf provided carried out in any respect? I regret to say that nothing whatsoever which the Chairman was legally bound to do was done. On the contrary the Chairman took up the position that he would issue no certificate—which alone would have entitled Mr. Alwis to derive some benefit from his building on the ground of the alleged encroachment knowing—as he should have known—that unless he took the initiative Mr. Alwis was powerless to act in the matter.

In the *impasse* thus created, Mr. Alwis approached me as his representative in Council with a petition to the Council praying that the necessary permission be granted to him to occupy his building. This petition I presented to Council at their General Meeting of January 15, 1915, and, after discussion, the matter, upon the motion of Mr. C. S. Burns, was referred for consideration to the Works Committee.

It is very worthy of note that even before the Works Committee met to consider the matter, the Chairman issued a certificate of conformity to Mr. Alwis. I believe that this promptitude was inspired by the fact that on reference being made to the Hon. the Surveyor-General that official, after a proper survey had been made, discovered no encroachment and reported accordingly to the Chairman.

The fact then remains that by reason of the *laches* of the Chief Executive Officer of the Council a rate-payer of this city has been damnified. That the party aggrieved has suffered damage is not denied or contested. On the contrary it is established that for a period of five months, the owner was deprived of the right to allow of occupation of his house by a tenant owing to the Chairman's withholding the certificate of conformity and thereby Mr. Alwis lost a rental of Rs. 250 per mensem.

And yet the Chairman mentioned in Council that Mr. Alwis had not come to him. The complaint struck a pathetic note, but there was nothing to appeal to me that the Chairman had in this instance done ought to inspire a rate-payer's confidence in him.

I would now like to direct attention to the materials on which the alleged encroachment was discovered and for which alone the certificate of conformity was refused.

It turns out on the Chairman's own finding, which he has conveyed to me by his letter No. 152 of July 19, 1915, that the officer who originally discovered this mythical encroachment had earned for himself a reprimand for his work. Why this reprimand? "Because he had not in the first instance taken sufficient measurements, and had not made a sufficiently reliable plan or sketch." Thus the Chairman.

He proceeds further to say:—"I am of opinion that he had reason for stating that there was a small encroachment of 3 inches at the spot indicated, but the record of his first measurements were such that they could not be relied upon to prove it conclusively."

And it was upon this finding based upon insufficient measurements, and not upon a sufficiently reliable plan or sketch, that the certificate of conformity was withheld and the rate-payer was made to suffer a loss.

I cannot, therefore, find any justification for the finding of the majority of Council. It is not as if there were no provision for the payment of compensation in such cases. The law makes express provision for such payment. Section 232 of Ordinance No. 6 of 1910 provides for such a case. It reads as follows:—

The Council may make compensation out of the Municipal fund to all persons sustaining any damage by reason of the exercise of any of the powers vested in the Council, their officers, or servants, under and by virtue of this Ordinance.

And the Council had only recently created a precedent by paying the large sum of Rs. 2,000 to a casual visitor to the town, who was not a rate-payer, for the neglect of a Council's employé, to wit:—a cooly, to place a light on a steam roller left on the road side into which steam roller a motor car was driven by a gentleman after a visit to the Prince's Club at the Cinnamon Gardens.

There was also another precedent mentioned at the Meeting by the Member for Maradana, who stated that a Member of this Council claimed and was paid a sum of money as compensation for injury to his horse, caused by the neglect of the Council's Officers to replace a rotten plank in a bridge at Forbes road.

The above considerations justify my dissenting from the finding of the majority of one in this matter.

Colombo, August 4, 1915,

E. V. RATNAM.

I agree:

C. P. DIAS.

I have read Dr. Ratnam's dissent and I give it my hearty support:

E. G. JAYEWARDENE,

Member, Municipal Council, Maradana.

I fully agree with what the Member for St. Paul's Ward says in the above dissent, and although many a similar dissent has come to nothing, I think I must join in it.

In this case I am of opinion that the Chairman should have given his casting vote in such a manner as to give the Council another opportunity of discussing the question or given the benefit of the situation to the aggrieved rate-payer.

W. P. RODRIGO.

I join in the above dissent:

HENRY L. DE MEL.

I agree to the dissent:

N. H. M. ABDUL CADER.

This dissent has my support:

TOM VILLIERS.

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements from July 1, 1914, to June 30, 1915.

HEAD OF REVENUE.	Rs. c.	HEAD OF EXPENDITURE.	Rs. c.
A.—Taxes	255,697 86	A.—Non-effective charges	817,308 45
B.—Licenses	142,453 0	B.—Chairman	18,000 0
C.—Judicial fines	42,694 66	C.—Secretariat	44,503 38
D.—Tolls	155,031 40	D.—Finance Department	250,731 56
E.—Markets	78,662 33	E.—Veterinary Department	138,964 58
F.—Slaughter-house	41,938 21	F.—Municipal Court	11,211 48
G.—Public Health Department	17,276 11	G.—Fire Brigade and ambulances ..	31,663 72
H.—Cattle Mart and Quarantine station ..	29,397 3	H.—Public Health Department	186,184 9
I.—Consolidated rate	1,625,297 49	I.—Works Department	1,170,760 27
J.—Water	440,287 50	K.—Waterworks Department	123,101 47
K.—Rents	33,795 84	L.—Assessing Department	25,512 45
L.—Miscellaneous	137,783 22	M.—Sanitation Department	147,629 95
		Excess of receipts over expenditure ..	34,743 25
	<u>3,000,314 65</u>		<u>3,000,314 65</u>

C. M. YOUNG,

Financial Assistant to the Chairman,
Municipal Council, Colombo.

August 5, 1915.

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1915.

Sundry Liabilities.		Amount.	Total.	Sundry Assets.		Amount.	Total.
		Rs.	c.			Rs.	c.
1. Deposits:—							
(a) General ..	..	17,278	31	(a) Purchase of Stores ..	..	55,039	78
(b) Security ..	..	25,016	6	(b) Do. Waterworks	..	231,065	88
(c) Waterworks ..	..	3,005	74	(c) Miscellaneous ..	..	158,188	50
(d) Miscellaneous ..	..	7,819	21	(d) Waterworks Extension:			
(e) Adjustment account:				Expenditure ..	Rs. 3,002,815	16	
Amount due to				Less amount debited			
Government ..	..	231,881	29	by Government on			
				account of loan Rs. 300,000	00		
						2,815	16
			284,998	61			
2. Excess of Assets over Liabilities:—							
(a) Balance at credit on June				(e) Latrine and house			
30, 1914 ..	..	329,557	47	connection:			
(b) Excess of Receipts over				Expenditure ..	Rs. 344,987	93	
Expenditure up to June				Less amount paid			
30, 1915 ..	..	34,743	25	by Government			
				on account of			
			364,300	loan ..	Rs. 330,841	61	
						14,146	32
			649,299	33			
Total ..				2. Suspense Account ..			461,255
				3. Cash:—			1,055
				(a) At Bank on current account ..	186,988	66	
				(b) On Fixed Deposit account ..	—		
				(c) In hand ..	—		
							186,988
							66
				Total ..			649,299
							33

August 5, 1915.

C. M. Young,
Financial Assistant to the Chairman,
Municipal Council, Colombo.

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements from July 1 to July 31, 1915.

HEAD OF REVENUE.	Amount.	HEAD OF EXPENDITURE.	Amount.				
	Rs. c.		Rs. c.				
A.—Taxes	4,264	18	A.—Non-effective charges ..	..	3,780	64
B.—Licenses	971	0	B.—Chairman ..	..	1,500	0
C.—Judicial Fines	2,538	30	C.—Secretariat ..	..	2,720	11
D.—Tolls	373	33	D.—Finance Department ..	..	15,077	37
E.—Markets	5,962	3	E.—Veterinary Department ..	..	4,201	6
F.—Slaughter-house	3,639	75	F.—Municipal Court ..	..	1,190	56
G.—Public Health Department	1,874	70	G.—Fire Brigade and ambulances ..	..	2,073	84
H.—Cattle Mart and Quarantine station	2,495	88	H.—Public Health Department ..	..	11,930	64
I.—Consolidated rate	199,088	67	I.—Works Department ..	..	36,794	79
J.—Water	43,648	22	K.—Waterworks Department ..	..	5,027	7
K.—Rents	2,030	78	L.—Assessing Department ..	..	2,415	82
L.—Miscellaneous	3,831	29	M.—Sanitation Department ..	..	8,934	89
							95,646
				Excess of receipts over expenditure ..	..	175,071	35
			270,718				270,718
			13				13

August 25, 1915.

C. M. Young,
Financial Assistant to the Chairman,
Municipal Council, Colombo.

BALANCE SHEET, JULY 31, 1915.					
Sundry Liabilities.			Sundry Assets.		
	Amount.	Total.		Amount.	Total.
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.		Rs. c.	Rs. c.
1. Deposits:—					
(a) General ..	21,644 27		I. Advance Accounts:—		
(b) Security ..	23,516 69		(a) Purchase of Stores ..	56,255 52	
(c) Waterworks ..	4,605 73		(b) Do. Waterworks ..	232,973 26	
(d) Miscellaneous ..	5,704 18		(c) Miscellaneous ..	200,364 64	
(e) Adjustment account:			(d) Waterworks Extension:		
Amount due to Government ..	224,355 98		Expenditure .. Rs.	3,018,997 75	
		279,826 85	Amount advanced		
			by Government		
			on account of		
			loan .. Rs.	3,000,000 00	
				18,997 75	
			(e) Latrines and house		
			connection:		
			Expenditure .. Rs.	345,609 80	
			Amount advanced		
			by Government		
			on account of		
			loan .. Rs.	330,841 61	
				14,768 19	
			2. Suspense Account ..	—	523,359 36
			3. Cash:—		
2. Excess of Assets over Liabilities:—					
(a) Balance at credit on June 30, 1915 ..	364,300 72		(a) At Bank on current account ..	294,489 30	
(b) Excess of Receipts over Expenditure up to July 31, 1915 ..	175,071 35	539,372 7	(b) On Fixed Deposit account ..	—	
			(c) In hand ..	700 0	295,189 30
			Total ..	819,198 92	819,198 92
		Total ..			
		819,198 92			

August 25, 1915.

C. M. YOUNG,
Financial Assistant to the Chairman,
Municipal Council, Colombo.

MUNICIPALITY OF KANDY.

Minutes of Proceedings of a Meeting of the Municipal Council of Kandy held in the Town Hall, Kandy, on July 17, 1915, at 8.30 a.m., in accordance with Notice dated July 13, 1915.

Present: The Hon. Mr. C. S. Vaughan, Chairman; Mr. E. Beven; Mr. D. E. Weerasooriya; Mr. C. A. LaBrooy; Dr. Allan de Saram; Mr. H. F. Tomalin; Mr. V. M. Saravanamuttu; and Mr. J. C. Ratwatte.

1. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Meeting held on June 19, having been previously submitted to the Chairman for his approval, and a copy thereof furnished to each Member, were taken as read and confirmed by the Chairman.

2. The following documents were submitted:—

(a) Statements of Receipts and Expenditure from close of 1914 to June 30, 1915, on account of the Municipal Fund, comprising the (No. 1) General Revenue and Consolidated Rate (Police and Lighting) and (No. 2) Water-rate accounts.

(b) Progress Report of Works brought up to the same date.

(c) Health Officer's Report for June.

(d) Statement of cases instituted by the several Inspectors and of Work done by the Municipal Magistrate during the month of June.

(e) The Reservoir Readings for June.

Resolved—That the several statements, together with the Minutes of Proceedings of this Meeting, as required by section 83 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance, No. 6 of 1910, and the Health Officer's report, be forwarded to the Colonial Secretary for publication in the *Government Gazette*.

3. The following papers were laid on the table:—Reports by the several Inspectors on laundries, bakeries, dairies, standpipes, and house service taps inspected during June.

4. Correspondence:—

(1) Letter of July 2 from the Chief Engineer of Telegraphs intimating that telegraph poles are to be erected along Colombo road, and applying for permission to remove three shade trees which are a hindrance to the running of the proposed line.

Resolved—That permission be granted on condition that the timber is stacked for removal by the Council, a portion of the timber to be given to the Conservator of Forests.

(2) Petition of May 17 from licensed timber depot-keepers praying that trading in timber within Municipal limits by persons without a license be not allowed.

Resolved—That they be informed that the Council are unable to interfere, except in the case of persons keeping timber depôts.

5. Papers *re* construction of drains along Peradeniya road.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

6. Papers *re* the appointment of an assistant to the Superintendent of Works.

Mr. Beven proposed—That Mr. Kamille Abdue be appointed on probation, and that the appointment be not confirmed unless he obtains the Surveyor-General's license as a Surveyor and Leveller at the next available examination. Mr. Saravanamuttu seconded.—Carried.

It was also agreed that the designation of the post be Assistant to the Superintendent of Works.

7. Recommendations of Standing Committees:—

Municipal Works.

That house service pipes be allowed on usual terms to (i.) No. 16, Lady McCarthy's road, A. Don Carolis & Sons; (ii.) No. 155, Peradeniya road, F. W. P. Goonewardene; (iii.) No. 305, Trincomalee street, D. J. de Alwis.

Resolved—That the recommendations be adopted.

Confirmed this 21st day of August, 1915:

C. S. VAUGHAN,
Chairman.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements to July 31, 1915.

No. 1.—GENERAL REVENUE AND ASSESSMENT TAX ACCOUNT.

REVENUE.	Estimated Revenue.		Receipts. Rs. c.	EXPENDITURE.	Estimated Expenditure.		Disbursements. Rs. c.
	Rs.	c.			Rs.	Rs.		c.
Cemetery account—fees and graves ..	1,300	0	596 50	Cemetery account—wages, &c. ..	1,360	0	751 46
Commutation rate ..	13,400	0	12,922 0	Commutation rate—establishment and sundries ..	1,570	0	1,082 42
Interest ..	1,000	0	1,869 58	Government loans—repayment ..	1,962	45	981 23
Judicial account—fines ..	2,800	0	2,574 42	House of shelter—wages, &c. ..	280	0	117 81
Lake silt—Government contribution ..	3,000	0	—	Interest to Government ..	1,144	62	572 31
Licenses ..	2,650	0	2,035 85	Judicial account—establishment, printing, &c. ..	758	0	453 99
Miscellaneous receipts ..	1,325	0	1,658 14	Lake silt—clearing of ..	3,000	0	1,134 22
Public market—rents ..	25,400	0	16,575 4	Legal expenses ..	500	0	372 80
Rents ..	2,950	0	1,671 85	Licenses—printing and advertising ..	200	0	21 80
Registration of dogs ..	550	0	515 89	Miscellaneous charges ..	5,710	0	5,430 4
Stamp duties ..	16,520	0	—	Office charges—establishment and sundries ..	11,052	70	6,325 62
Scavenging—bucket fees ..	17,210	0	11,364 36	Pensions ..	1,226	50	715 44
Slaughter-houses—fees ..	7,500	0	3,892 13	Public market—establishment, lighting, &c. ..	5,484	0	3,009 47
Taxes on vehicles and animals ..	5,810	0	4,763 80	Rents—expenses on account Town Hall, &c. ..	1,080	0	506 33
Tolls ..	26,474	0	3,397 50	Registration of dogs—seizing and feeding ..	1,300	0	692 27
Public works—Government contribution, &c. ..	1,250	0	767 50	Sanitation—establishment and sundries ..	9,541	25	11,649 50
			64,604 56	Scavenging ..	50,818	15	27,882 59
				Slaughter-houses—establishment, Grass, &c. ..	2,712	0	1,419 87
				Taxes—expenses on account vehicles and animals ..	350	0	173 93
				Time charges—wages, &c. ..	240	0	105 0
				Tolls charges—repairs of boats and approaches ..	695	0	530 65
				Public works ..	29,231	22	17,503 29
							81,432 4
<i>Assessment Tax Account.</i>				<i>Assessment Tax Account.</i>			
Arrears ..	12,500	0	14,293 29	Assessment tax charges ..	2,540	0	1,101 24
Assessment tax, 1915 ..	37,000	0	19,678 94	Maintenance of police ..	20,600	0	—
Sundry receipts ..	—	—	180 65	Street lighting ..	28,200	0	15,956 90
			34,152 88	Street names and house numbers ..	200	0	46 74
							17,104 88
<i>No. 2.—WATER-RATE ACCOUNT.</i>				<i>No. 2.—WATER-RATE ACCOUNT.</i>			
Arrears ..	8,500	0	9,054 45	Water-rate charges ..	22,490	45	12,317 35
Water-rate, 1915 ..	35,000	0	18,231 53	Interest and sinking funds ..	18,154	43	9,077 21
Fairieland and Roseneath ..	1,000	0	750 0	Waterworks maintenance ..	4,826	0	2,262 78
Water service account ..	7,250	0	7,977 0	Water service account ..	4,150	0	1,439 30
Miscellaneous receipts ..	4,300	0	3,739 13				25,096 64
			39,752 11				
				Total Expenditure ..	231,376	77	123,633 56
Total Revenue ..	234,689	0	138,509 55				
<i>Advance Account.</i>				<i>Advance Account.</i>			
Petty cash ..	—	—	4,732 60	Petty cash ..	—	—	4,847 83
Stores ..	—	—	3,441 82	Stores ..	—	—	3,407 60
Sundry debtors and advances ..	—	—	395 0				8,255 43
			8,569 42				
<i>Deposit Account.</i>				<i>Deposit Account.</i>			
Miscellaneous ..	—	—	1,188 64	Miscellaneous ..	—	—	1,183 11
Securities ..	—	—	472 69	Securities ..	—	—	4,315 33
			1,661 33				5,498 44
Total Receipts ..	—	—	148,740 30	Total Disbursements ..	—	—	137,387 43
Cash balance on January 1, 1915 ..	—	—	172,588 62	Cash balance on July 31, 1915 ..	—	—	183,941 49
Grand Total ..			321,328 92	Grand Total ..			321,328 92

Kandy, September 2, 1915.

VIVIAN PEREIRA, A.N.F.A. (LOND.)
Accountant.

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THE under-mentioned packages having been left in No. 14 Warehouse beyond the time allowed by law, notice is hereby given that unless the same be previously cleared will be sold by public auction on October 12, 1915, at 1 P.M. Goods to be removed on or before October 15, 1915:—

Date of Landing. 1915.	Name of Vessel.	From.	Marks.	Quantity and Description of Packages.
June 18	ss. Kamakura Maru	Japan	Nil	2 barrels cement
May 31	ss. Inaho Maru	do.	Nil	2 bundles shooks
May 29	ss. Lady Blake	Tuticorin	T A P.	1 bag dry fish
June 18	ss. Palitana	do.	Miss Oliver Muthukristna	1 case oil
Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Nil	1 bundle rattan
May 26	ss. Jinsen Maru	Japan	Harrison & Crosfield	2 bags superphosphate
June 19	ss. Lady Blake	Coast	Cargills, Ltd.	1 bag horse food
June 7	ss. Ula	Tuticorin	M.	1 bag g. poonac
—	Do.	do.	—	1 lot of poonac manure
June 9	Do.	do.	Nil	1 bag rice
—	Do.	do.	Nil	1 bag g. n. poonac
—	Do.	do.	Nil	1 bag dhall
May 31	ss. Zira	do.	Chartered Bank of India	2 packages sugar samples
—	Do.	do.	Delmege, made in Java	do.
June 28	ss. Rangoon Maru	Japan	T Y in a triangle and F S outside	1 bundle tea shooks
June 9	ss. Merkara	Calcutta	Nil	4 bags merchandise
—	—	—	B L upon 1 in a diamond	1 cask merchandise
—	—	—	E G A C	2 bales merchandise
May 22	ss. Palitana	Tuticorin	Madura Co.	2 cases sporting goods
May 21	ss. Java Maru	Japan	H D in a diamond	1 case leather goods
—	—	—	C S A in a diamond	2 cases
Nov. 20	ss. Nankin	China	Comer Duplex	1 case iron goods
June 10	ss. Kamakura Maru	Japan	K A in a diamond	1 case glassware
June 9	ss. Kanagawa Maru	do.	S P. T. in a diamond or 220 in a diamond and H D C outside	1 case merchandise
June 16	Do.	do.	S P T in a diamond	do.
June 28	ss. Lady Blake	Coast	Nil	1 bundle c. fish
June 9	ss. Palitana	Tuticorin	B & Co.	1 case knives

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, September 2, 1915.

R. O. DE SARAM,
for Principal Collector.

THE under-mentioned goods having been left in the Warehouses indicated below beyond the time allowed by law, notice is hereby given that, unless the same be previously cleared or re-warehoused, they will be sold by public auction on Thursday, October 14, 1915, at 1 P.M. Goods to be paid for and removed on or before October 18, 1915:—

Entry No.	Date 1915	Importers.	Vessel.	Marks.	Quantity and Description of Goods.
1,325	Jan. 16	Ceylon Wharfage Co. Ltd.	ss. Saigon Maru	Eastern Produce and Estates Co.	2 parcels merchandise
116	May 3	Do.	ss. Khiva	1914 in a diamond N M A M outside	1 case merchandise
466	May 8	Do.	ss. Kirin Maru	P in a diamond A H D B or A outside	1 parcel merchandise

B 2 WAREHOUSE.

170	May 2	E. B. Creasy & Co.	ss. Borneo	R. P. Dondairy	1 case motor accessories
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H. M. Customs,
Colombo, August 3, 1915.

R. O. DE SARAM,
for Principal Collector.

THE under-mentioned packages having been left in the Indian Goods Shed, Maradana, beyond the time allowed by law, notice is hereby given that unless the same be previously cleared will be sold by public auction on Thursday, October 21, 1915, at 1 P.M. Goods to be removed on or before October 25, 1915:—

Marks.	Description.	Consignee.
Nil	1 case beedies (Passenger Train, May 22, 1915)	Govindasamy Chetty
W.A.F/1310 C.A.N 60	1 bundle piece goods (ss. Elgin, May 20, 1915)	Malabar Weaving Co.
C.A.N. 29/1	1 bale piece goods	do.

H. M. Customs,
Colombo, September 6, 1915.

R. O. DE SARAM,
for Principal Collector.

TRADE MARKS NOTICES.

Application No. 1,009.

IN compliance with the provisions of "The Trade Marks Ordinances, 1888 to 1904," as amended by the Ordinances Nos. 9 of 1906 and 15 of 1908, and the Regulations made on June 1, 1906, notice is hereby given that Messrs. Thomas G. Plant Company, of Center and Bickford streets, City of Boston, State of Massachusetts, United States of America, Manufacturers, who claim to be the proprietors of the following Trade Mark, have applied for the registration of the same in their name in respect of boots, shoes, and slippers in Class 38 in the Classification of Goods in the above-mentioned Regulations:—

Queen

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, September 8, 1915.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Registrar-General.

Application No. 1,011.

IN compliance with the provisions of "The Trade Marks Ordinances, 1888 to 1904," as amended by the Ordinances Nos. 9 of 1906 and 15 of 1908, and the Regulations made on June 1, 1906, notice is hereby given that Mr. Charles Ernest Thomson, trading as The Crown Perfumery Company, of Fairfield Works, Sidney road, Hamerton, London, N.E., England, Manufacturer, who claims to be the proprietor of the following Trade Mark, has applied for the registration of the same in his name in respect of perfumery (including toilet articles, preparations for the teeth and hair, and perfumed soap) in Class 48 in the Classification of Goods in the above-mentioned Regulations:—



This Trade Mark is declared to have been in use by the applicant and his predecessors in business prior to the coming into operation of "The Trade Marks Ordinance, 1888."

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, September 8, 1915.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Registrar-General.

LOCAL BOARD NOTICES.

Notice of Sale, Local Board, Kalutara.

IN terms of section 34 (1) of Ordinance No. 13 of 1898, notice is hereby given that the under-mentioned properties which have been seized under section 34 of Ordinance No. 13 of 1898, and section 41 of the Ordinance No. 16 of 1865, for default of the payment of assessment tax, due for the 2nd quarter, 1915, will be sold by public auction at the premises on Saturday, September 25, 1915, and following days commencing at 10 A.M.

The Kachcheri,
Kalutara, September 6, 1915.

W. E. GRENIER,
for Assistant Government Agent.

List of Properties seized for Non-payment of Police and Local Board Assessment Tax for the 2nd Quarter, 1915, at Desastra Kalutara.

No.	Name of Owner.	Name of Land.
711, 1181	W. Selestinu Fonseka	Thambiligahawatta
739	W. John Alwis	Lindamulawatta
833, 1367	Hettiyakandegge Gabriel Fernando	Halgamaparangiyawatta
1137	W. Pransikku Silva	Godakadurugahawatta
1192	H. Appusingho Silva	Kottambagahawatta
1214	K. Appusingho Silva	Baripallagahawatta

Cancellation of Butcher's License, Local Board, Minuwangoda.

NOTICE is hereby given that licenses Nos. A 1,712 and A 1,713 of December 17, 1914, issued to D. D. Joseph Saparamadu to slaughter animals and carry on the trade

of a butcher within the Local Board limits of Minuwangoda is cancelled from July 15, 1915, in terms of section 7 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1893.

Local Board Office, C. H. A. SAMARAKODY,
Minuwangoda, September 1, 1915. Deputy Chairman.

Local Board, Chilaw.

IN terms of Excise Notification No. 9, Chapter IV., paragraph 4 (published in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,562 of May 16, 1913), it is hereby notified for general information that it is proposed that for the ensuing renting period, viz., from October 1, 1915, to September 30, 1916, the hotel license No. 1 issued in favour of H. F. X. Silva, at the Puttalam-Chilaw road, in the town of Chilaw, be abolished.

2. Regarding the proposed abolition of the above license, I am prepared to receive any written representations at the Office of the Chilaw Local Board up to 12 noon, on Saturday, October 23 next, and also to hear any verbal representations at the above-mentioned time and place.

Local Board Office,
Chilaw, September 6, 1915.

W. H. B. CARBERY,
Chairman.

Notice of Sale, Local Board, Chilaw.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned property seized in virtue of a warrant issued by the Chairman, Local Board, Chilaw, in terms of Ordinance No. 13 of 1898, for arrears of assessment tax due on the premises and for the period mentioned in the annexed schedule, will be sold by public auction at this office on October 2, 1915, at 10 A.M., unless in the meantime the amount and costs be duly paid.

A. MOHAMADO ISMAIL,
Police Headman, Northern Ward.

Local Board Office,
Chilaw, September 6, 1915.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.

First quarter, 1915.

Premises No.	Property seized.	Name of Owner.
749	Gala	Juan Anthony Fernando
804	House	Sebastian Lowe and others
909	Gala	A. K. Saul Hamido
935	Do.	Heirs of Asse Neina Marikkar
967	Do.	L. M. Meera Saibo
1062	Garden	Mosque property
1069	Do.	Segopadi Lebbo
1084	House and garden	Juan Anthony Fernando

ROAD COMMITTEE NOTICES.

Rattota-Gammaduwa Estate Cart Road.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in terms of the Estate Roads Ordinance, No. 12 of 1902, a Meeting of the Local Committee of the above road will be held on Monday, September 20, 1915, at 3 P.M., at Kensington Store.

Business.

1. Read and confirm minutes of last Meeting.
2. Submit and pass accounts.
3. Submit estimate for 1915-16.
4. Revise list of estates to be assessed.
5. Any other business of which due notice is given.

Opalgalla Estate, H. S. WILLS,
Gammaduwa, August 31, 1915. Chairman, Local Committee.

Maskeliya Branch Roads.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in terms of the Branch Roads Ordinance, No. 14 of 1896, a Meeting of the Local

Committee for the above roads will be held at Maskeliya Club on Thursday, September 16, 1915, at 3.30 P.M.

Business.

Hapugastenne estate and Brownlow-Luccombe Branch road.

Gouravilla estate, R. B. HARVEY,
Norwood, August 31, 1915. Chairman.

Aluwihare-Dullewe Gap Estate Cart Road.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in terms of the Estate Roads Ordinance, No. 12 of 1902, a Meeting of the Local Committee of the above road will be held at Beredewelle cacao store at 9 A.M., on Monday, September 20, 1915.

Business.

Extraordinary expenditure which is found to be necessary on one of the corners, and general finances for coming year.

Nikkakotua estate, GERALD ABBOTT,
Matale, September 2, 1915. Chairman.

UNOFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Warangoda Rubber Company, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Second Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the registered office of the Company, No. 14, Queen street, Colombo, on Monday, September 20, 1915, at 1 P.M.

Business.

1. To receive the report of the Directors and statement of accounts for the year ended June 30, 1915.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect a Director.
4. To appoint an Auditor, and transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.

By order of the Directors,

GEORGE STEUART & Co.,
Colombo, September 4, 1915. Agents and Secretaries.

Opalgalla Tea and Rubber Estates, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Ordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at 12 noon on Wednesday, September 22, 1915, at the registered office of the Company, Australia buildings, York street, Colombo.

Business.

- (1) To receive the report of the Directors and accounts to June 30, 1915.
- (2) To elect a Director.
- (3) To appoint Auditors.

And transact any other business that may be duly brought before the Meeting.

By order of the Board,

CARSON & Co., Ltd.,
Colombo, September 8, 1915. Agents and Secretaries.

The Mocha Tea Company of Ceylon, Limited.

THE Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at their registered office, No. 6, Prince street, Fort, Colombo, on Saturday, September 18, 1915, at noon.

Business.

To receive the Directors' report and accounts for the season ending June 30, 1915.

To declare a dividend.

To elect a Director.

To appoint an Auditor.

And transact any other business that may duly be brought before the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from September 7 to 18, 1915, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

J. M. ROBERTSON & Co.,
Agents and Secretaries.

The Ceylonese Syndicate of Nuwara Eliya, Limited

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of this Company will be held at the Central Stores Building, Nuwara Eliya, on Saturday, September 19, 1915, at 6 P.M., for the following purposes:—

(a) To receive the Directors' report and accounts for the year ending December 31, 1914.

(b) To declare a dividend.

(c) To appoint an Auditor.

(d) To transact any other business that may be duly brought before the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from September 10 to 24, 1915.

C. M. C. DE SILVA,
Secretary.

All Saints' Church, Galle.

NOTICE is hereby given by the under-mentioned Trustees of the above Church, under section 6 of Ordinance No. 12 of 1846, that a Meeting of the Congregation will be held before them at the Vestry on Sunday, September 12, 1915, at 7 P.M., for the purpose of electing a Trustee in place of Mr. G. Ross-Bell, resigned, and to transact any other business that may arise.

B. W. LEEFE, Bishop's Trustee.
D. G. GOONEWARDENE, } Elected Trustees.
G. E. ABAYASEKARA, }

Galle, August 18, 1915.

The Ceylon Buddhist Educational Society, Limited.

Balance Sheet at December 31, 1914.

LIABILITIES.	Amount.		ASSETS.	Amount.	
	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
<i>Capital Account—</i>					
Subscriptions	—	11,715	Cash at Bank of Madras	—	13,215
<i>Reserve Fund</i>	—	1,312	Sundry debtors, Henaratgoda school fees, outstanding	103	60
<i>Suspense account—</i>			Members subscriptions, outstanding	8,591	50
Members subscriptions, outstanding	—	8,591			
<i>Sundry Liabilities—</i>					
Ceylonese Union Co., Ltd.	18	90			
Colombo Apothecaries Co., Ltd.	14	43			
"Ceylon Independent" account	17	25			
H. W. Cave & Co.	11	0			
J. D. Fernando	9	74			
Salaries due to teachers for December	80	0			
Clerk's salary for December	35	0			
Auditor's fees	105	0			
		291			
		32			
		21,910			38
					21,910
					38

June 29, 1915.

J. J. GUNewardENE,

Public Auditor appointed by His Excellency the Governor under the provisions of section 18 of "The Societies Ordinance, 1891."

C. A. HEWAVITARANE,
Honorary Secretary.

Subscription Account.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for 13 Months ending December 31, 1914.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.		RECEIPTS.	Amount.	
	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Amount transferred to Reserve Fund	—	1,312	Subscriptions from members	13,122	50
Press copy book	6	0	Miscellaneous donations	806	75
Sign board	3	0			
Cables to London	12	60	Bank interest	—	341
Advertising for teachers, &c.	50	0			
Cash book, ledger, and journal	14	43			
Cost of crest and half tone block	11	0			
Auditor's fees	105	0			
Cheque book	1	25			
Printing	123	50			
Travelling expenses	1	88			
Postage stamps	21	94			
Clerk's salary	488	33			
Advertising	14	40			
		853			
		33			
Deficit on school working account	—	390			
Balance as per balance sheet	—	11,715			
		31			
		14,271			13
					14,271
					13

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School Working Account.

Income and Expenditure Account for 13 Months ending December, 1914.

EXPENDITURE.	Amount.		INCOME.	Amount.	
	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Salaries of teachers	837	50	Henaratgoda school fees	—	457
Text books	9	74	Deficit transferred to subscription account	—	390
		847			
		24			
		847			24
					847
					24

June 29, 1915.

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C. A. HEWAVITARANE,
Honorary Secretary.

Wellawatta, February 17, 1915.

The Board of Directors, the Ceylon Buddhist Educational Society, Limited, Colombo.

I HAVE completed my audit of the books of the above Society for 13 months ending December last, and have pleasure in handing you herewith statement of member's subscriptions showing receipts and disbursements, school working account, and balance sheet, which are in my opinion correct, subject to the following remarks:—

Accounts.—I regret to have to say that the books have been very badly kept. Some of the entries in the cash book were unintelligible, items have been posted into the ledger without a record in the subsidiary books, debits without credits,

and credits without debits. I experienced much difficulty in gathering materials for compiling the balance sheet, not to say anything of the great amount of time I spent in doing work which forms no part of my duty. I have made the necessary adjustments and the accounts are in proper order now. Most of these troubles was chiefly due to the non-opening of a proper set of books at the outset. It will be necessary to exercise great care in keeping the books in future; otherwise there will be complications at the end of the year. The cash book should be kept in keeping with recognized methods (i.e., by double entry, so that the entries may be self explanatory) and a trial balance taken monthly of the ledger accounts in order to test the accuracy of the work done. Not even an effort has been made to balance the present ledger until it came into my hand.

I would suggest that two small ledgers be opened, one for members accounts and the other for general accounts. *Sundry Liabilities.*—Under this head in the balance sheet you will notice the following:—

	Rs. c.
Ceylone Union Co., December, 1913, and January, 1914, account	18 90
Colombo Apothecaries Co., February, 1914	14 43
"Independent" December, 1913, and January, 1914	17 25
Cave & Co., January, 1914	11 0
	61 58

These accounts are prescribed being over a year old. It is most improbable that creditors will let accounts remain so long unpaid without claiming payment. It is just possible that these accounts have been paid by the Honorary Secretary out of his private funds; if so the amount will have to be refunded to him.

I have also shown in the balance sheet under "suspense account" Rs. 8,591.50 subscriptions outstanding, as you would like to know the amount in arrear.

I append hereto a statement showing the subscriptions and donations paid during the period under review amounting to Rs. 13,929.25.

Cash.—There was a balance of Rs. 13,215.28 at credit in the Bank of Madras on December 31 last. As only a few small cheques so far have been drawn, a good portion of this might be lodged in fixed deposit at 7 days call or for a longer period and thereby a higher rate of interest earned.

Audit.—My work has been conducted on the usual lines. I examined the counterfoils of receipts for all subscriptions paid, vouched the payments made, verified the bank balance with the banker's certificate and made a careful investigation of the accounts kept. I have pleasure in stating that the Honorary Secretary afforded me all information required.

J. J. GUNewardENE,
Public Auditor.

Auction Sale of a Valuable Land at Dangedera in the Town of Galle.

In the District Court of Colombo.

Joseph Boniface Michael Pereira Plaintiff.
No. 37,804. Vs.

Perumadura Similias de Silva Goonewardene of Randonbe, in the Wellaboda pattu of the District of Galle Defendant.

UNDER and by virtue of the decree entered in the above case, I am directed by the District Court of Colombo to sell by public auction on Saturday, October 9, 1915, at 5 P.M., at the spot, the following property specially and primarily mortgaged with the plaintiff by the defendant above named and ordered to be sold under the said decree for the recovery of the sum of Rs. 2,420 with interest on Rs. 2,000 at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from January 4, 1914, to June 12, 1914, and thereafter with further interest on the aggregate amount at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum till payment in full and costs of suit, to wit:—

All that allotment of land called Pitawillawatta *alias* a divided portion of Windian tottam and the building standing thereon, situated at Dangedera within the Municipality of Galle; containing in extent 2 roods and 19 88/100 perches.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Pereira and Perera, Proctors, Hulftsdorp, Colombo, or to—

AYRES KARUNARATNA,
Auctioneer and Broker.
89, Dam street, Colombo.

Auction Sale by Auction under Mortgage Decree. Property at Baseline Road.

UNDER a decree entered in Case No. 41,338, D. C., Colombo, in favour of A. M. Saminathan Chetty against N. A. Penis Fernando of Baseline road, I shall sell by public auction at the spot at 5 P.M., on Thursday, September 30, 1915, the following property declared specially bound and executable for the recovery of the amount stated in decree and ordered to be sold by me, viz.:—All those 7 lots of land numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 in the plan dated August 16, 1906, made by M. W. Cooray, Licensed Surveyor, with the

buildings thereon, situate at Dematagoda in Palle pattu of the Salpiti korale; containing in extent 1 acre 2 roods and 21 50/100 perches save and except therefrom the two defined lots marked Nos. 4 and 5 in the said plan and respectively in extent 21 62/100 square perches and 1 rood 12 99/100 perches.

The property adjoins the Baseline road and is a valuable investment.

Further particulars from C. T. Kandaiya, Esq., Proctor and Notary, Colombo, or—

6, Hulftsdorp,
September 4, 1915.

C. E. KARUNARATNA,
Auctioneer.

Auction Sale.

In the District Court of Galle.

No. 407. In the matter of the insolvent estate and effects of Peter Francis Mendis Abeysekera of Galle

UNDER and by virtue of a commission issued to me and on instructions from the assignee of the above insolvent estate, I shall sell by public auction at the spot on September 18, 1915, at 1 P.M., the following premises, viz.:—

The unexpired period of lease for four years of plumbago land called Ambagahawatta in Hattaka in Bentota-Walallawiti korale, the bungalow on the said land, and the cooly line and store.

CHAS. M. GOONASEKERA,
Auctioneer.

Auction Sale.

In the District Court of Galle.

The Rev. Father Oliver Feron of Galle. Substituted Plaintiff
No. 11,170. Vs.

(1) Segu Abdul Cader Ahamadu Lebbe Markar, (2) Neina Markar Amma Umma, both of China Garden in Galle Defendants

UNDER and by virtue of the decree and order in the above case, I shall sell by public auction at the spot on Saturday, September 25, 1915, at 2 P.M., the following property declared bound and executable for the recovery of Rs. 4,019.25, with interest thereon at 9 per cent. per annum from April 19, 1912, till payment and costs of suit, viz.:—

1. All that the defined portion, exclusive therefrom, however, a portion of the extent of 39.07 perches on the

east of the land called Chinakoratuwewatta *alias* Kekiri-bokkewatta and the house standing on the said portion; bearing assessment No. 133, situate at Kumbalwella, within the Four Gravets of Galle; which portion is bounded on the north by the wall of the garden of Sinna Tamby, east by the Rope-walk, south by the wall of this land, and west by land belonging to Crown; containing in extent 1 acre and 26·95 perches.

2. All that defined portion of the land called Kekiri-bokkewatta, situate at Kumbalwella aforesaid; which said defined portion is bounded on the north by the wall of this land belonging to Amma Umma, east by the new Rope-walk, south by the portion of this land excluded for $\frac{1}{2}$ part, and west by the portion claimed by Mendo Appu and Juan Appu; containing in extent 1 rood and 39·52 perches.

CHAS. M. GOONASEKERA,
Auctioneer.

Auction Sale.

In the District Court of Galle.

A. R. S. M. Narayanan Chetty of Kaluwella. Plaintiff.
No. 12,702.

Vs.

(1) Deddugoda Gamage Sethuhami, (2) Nanayak-karawasan Keppitidoowege Dionis Appuhamy, both of Deddugoda in Galle Defendants.

UNDER and by virtue of the decree and order in the above case, I shall sell by public auction at the spot on Saturday, October 2, 1915, commencing at 2 P.M., the following property declared bound and executable for the recovery of Rs. 1,192·40 with interest thereon at 9 per cent. per annum from June 18, 1914, till payment and costs of suit. :-

1. All the soil and trees of a divided lot bearing No. 3 of the land called Hikgahagodawatta, situate at Deddugoda within the Municipality and four gravets of Galle; which said lot is bounded on the north by lot No. 2 of the said land, east by Alukgewatta, south by Pashaulowita, and west by Gorakgahawatta, containing in extent 1 acre and 2 perches, together with the tiled house of 15 cubits standing hereon.

2. All the soil and trees of the defined lot bearing No. 4 of the land called Pashaulowita, situate at Deddugoda aforesaid; which said defined lot is bounded on the north by lots bearing Nos. 2 and 3 east by Moragodawatta, south by Watta-addaraliyadda and Moragoda-ela, and west by Moragoda-ela, containing in extent about 1 acre and 29·8 perches.

3. All undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ part of the soil and trees of a defined lot bearing No. 2 of the land called Pashaulowita, situate at Deddugoda aforesaid; which said defined lot is bounded on the north by Hikgahagodawatta, east by a portion of the paddy field owned formerly by Aberan Aratchi now owned by Moor peo's *alias* Weerabadjanageliyadda, south by lots bearing Nos. 3 and 4 of the land, and west by lot No. 1 of this land, containing in extent about 4 acres.

CHAS. M. GOONASEKERA,
Licensed Auctioneer.

Galle, July 8, 1915.

Auction Sale.

In the District Court of Galle.

Kottawa Gamage Don Thoronis de Silva Appuhamy of Wataraka Plaintiff.
No. 12,901.

Vs.

(1) Rosalind Jayawickreme, duly appointed to represent the Estate of Nanayakkarawasan Hiniduma Liyanage Hinni Appuhamy, late of Wataraka, deceased, (2) Don Abraham Wickmasinghe, Constable Arachchi, both of Wataraka Defendants.

UNDER and by virtue of the decree and order in the above case, I shall sell by public auction at the spot on Saturday, October 16, 1915, at 2 P.M., the following property declared bound and executable for the recovery of Rs. 377·04,

with interest at 9 per cent. per annum from September 29, 1914, till payment and costs of suit, viz. :-

The undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ part (exclusive of $\frac{1}{2}$ part of the trees of the third plantation made by Don Luwis de Silva Jayawardana Wijesekera, Atapattu Arachchi, towards the north) of the remaining fruit trees and soil of the northern one-half portion of the land Iswarakankanagedarawatta, together with the one built tiled house of eleven cubits standing on the said portion, situate at Wataraka within the Four Gravets of Galle; which portion is bounded on the north by Talpegewatta, east by Hunumissungewatta, Galweta, south by the southern portion of this land, and west by Hunumissungeheneagala, containing in extent about 3 acres.

CHAS. M. GOONASEKERA,
Auctioneer.

Auction Sale.

In the District Court of Galle.

George Clive Steward of Galle, presently of Colombo Plaintiff.
No. 13,088.

Vs.

(1) Dona Maraya Jayasekera Hamine and (2) Karanis Wijeratne, both of Dadalla, executors of the last will and testament of A. de S. Wijeratne, late of Dadalla, deceased Defendants.

UNDER and by virtue of the decree and order in the above case, I shall sell by public auction at the spot on Saturday, October 9, 1915, commencing at 1 P.M., the following property declared bound and executable for the recovery of Rs. 1,096·27 with interest at 9 per cent. per annum from December 10, 1914, and costs of suit, viz. :-

1. The land called Angulgahawatta *alias* Ehalagahawatta, together with all the buildings thereon, situate at Dadalla within the Four Gravets of Galle; bounded on the north by Sootigewatta, east by Bilingawatta and Mendrigewatta, south by Tettanbandideniya, and west by Kosgahawatta and Illungurugewatta, containing in extent 1 rood and 1·51 perches.

2. All the soil and fruit trees of the defined southern portion of the garden called Siriammalagewatta *alias* Iriyagahawatta, situate at Piyadigama within the four gravets of Galle; which portion is bounded on the north by a portion of this garden, east by Punchikumbura, south by Berawagodakumbura, and west by Berawagodawatta, containing in extent about $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre.

3. All the trees and soil of the land Weligamagewatta, situate at Piyadigama aforesaid; bounded on the north by Gallege Cornelisgewatta, east by Yakadawatta *alias* Tukkiniyawatta, south by Berawakumbura, and west by Sinnogewatta and Punchikumbura; containing in extent 38 perches.

4. All the fruit trees and soil of the land Punchilindamulawatta *alias* Minindorugewatta, situate at Dadalla aforesaid; bounded on the north by Bogahawatta and Lindamulawatta, south by Pokunewatta, and west by Hettiralgewatta; containing in extent about $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre.

5. All the fruit trees and soil of the defined western portion of the land Titanbandideniya, situate at Dadalla aforesaid; which portion is bounded on the north by Ehalagahawatta and Bilingahawatta, east by the eastern portion of Titanbandideniya, south by Badugewatta and west by Kosgahawatta, containing 6 kurunies of paddy sowing extent.

6. All the fruit trees and soil of a defined portion of Pokurehettigewatta, situate at Dadalla aforesaid; which portion is bounded on the north by the one-half portion of this land, east by Pattirigewatta and Gulugahawatta, south by Millagahawatta, and west by Dewaturegewatta, containing in extent 2 roods 13·20 perches.

7. All the fruit trees and soil of the land Sapugahawatta *alias* Sottigewatta, situate at Dadalla aforesaid; bounded on the north by Pattinigewatta and Rukmalgahawatta, east by Berawakumbura, south by Ihalagahawatta, and west by the Illungurugewatta and Bulugahawatta, containing in extent 1 acre and 37·092 perches.

Galle, July 14, 1915.

CHAS. M. GOONASEKERA.