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PROCLAMATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

IN the Name of His Majesty GEORGE THE FIFTH, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir ROBERT CHALMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

ROBERT CHALMERS.

WHEREAS by Our Proclamations dated January 6, March 26, and June 19, 1915, published in the *Government Gazettes* Nos. 6,693, 6,706, and 6,723 of January 8, March 26, and June 25, 1915, respectively, certain Proclamations of His Majesty the King declaring various articles Contraband of War, were brought into force in the Colony of Ceylon:

And whereas His Majesty the King has issued a further Proclamation dated August 20, 1915, declaring the articles contained in the schedule hereto Contraband of War in addition to those referred to in the Proclamations aforesaid:

Know Ye that We, the Governor of Ceylon, do hereby declare that the said Proclamation of His Majesty the King dated August 20, 1915, is in force in the Colony of Ceylon, and do call upon His Majesty's subjects and all other persons being in the said Colony to govern themselves accordingly.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

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

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SCHEDULE.

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| 1. Raw cotton. | | 3. Cotton waste. |
| 2. Cotton linters. | | 4. Cotton yarns. |

In the Name of His Majesty GEORGE THE FIFTH, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir ROBERT CHALMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

ROBERT CHALMERS.

WHEREAS owing to the sparseness of the population of the irrigation district of Bintenna, in the District of Batticaloa, in the Eastern Province, no public meeting of the proprietors within such district can be convened or held in manner provided by "The Irrigation Ordinance, 1906":

And whereas the Government Agent of the Eastern Province, by virtue of the powers vested in him by section 11 of the Irrigation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1906, has drawn up the irrigation rules set forth in the schedule hereto annexed, for the said irrigation district:

And whereas the said rules having been transmitted to Us by the said Government Agent for approval or disallowance thereof have been approved by Us with the advice of the Executive Council:

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, in pursuance of the powers in Us vested by section 20 of the said Ordinance, do by this Our Proclamation give notice of Our approval of the said rules set forth in the schedule hereto annexed.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Eleventh day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SCHEDULE.

Rules framed under Section 11 of the Irrigation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1906, to be observed by the Proprietors of all Manavari Lands and of all Paddy Lands under Village Tanks or Minor Irrigation Works under the Control and Management of the Government Agent, in Bintenna Pattu of the Batticaloa District, Eastern Province.

"In these rules 'proprietor' means the owner of any paddy lands irrigable by any irrigation work, and includes the cultivator, the person in actual possession, and, in case of Crown lands, the lease or permit holder."

1. The works are in charge of the Government Agent, Eastern Province, and the terms Chief Headman and Irrigation Superintendent refer to the officers appointed by him to exercise control in accordance with these rules.

2. The Vel-Vidanes, who shall be elected in the manner provided in section 14 of "The Irrigation Ordinance, 1906," shall have the entire supervision of all works of irrigation and paddy cultivation within their respective divisions, subject to instructions from and the control of the Chief Headman or Irrigation Superintendent. The Vel-Vidanes shall enforce these rules and bring all breaches of the same before the Village Council for adjudication. The Vel-Vidanes shall be assisted, when necessary, by Yaya-Vidanes, who will be nominated by the Vel-Vidanes. Both Vel-Vidanes and Yaya-Vidanes shall be liable for any neglect of duty proved to the satisfaction of the Village Council as for a breach of rule.

3. The Vel-Vidane shall be entitled to receive from the proprietors one marakal of paddy for each ammunam of land sown as his share of the crop; and when a Yaya-Vidane has been appointed, he also shall be entitled to receive one marakal per ammunam of land sown as his share of the crop; if more than one Yaya-Vidane has been appointed, the Yaya-Vidane's share shall be divided proportionately between them. The shares of the Vel-Vidanes and Yaya-Vidanes shall be delivered to them at the threshing-floor before any paddy is removed. The whole or any portion of these shares may be withheld if, in the opinion of the Government Agent, the work has been improperly performed, and he may, if he considers it necessary, cause the amount withheld to be paid to any person who has acted for a Vel-Vidane or a Yaya-Vidane or into the Irrigation Fine Fund. The Government Agent may appoint a person to receive the share or portion of the share withheld from any Vel-Vidane or Yaya-Vidane. Such appointment shall be in writing, and the Government Agent may devote a portion of the share so withheld to the remuneration of the person appointed. For the purpose of this rule an ammunam shall be taken as equivalent to two acres.

4. As the season for cultivation approaches, whether it be maha, yala, or other cultivation, a meeting of the proprietors of lands concerned shall be convened and presided over by the Government Agent or some person deputed in writing by him for the purpose, and the date and place of the meeting, of which at least seven days' notice shall be given, shall be fixed by the Government Agent or person so deputed.

5. The meeting convened as in the last paragraph shall determine—

- (a) What lands are to be cultivated.
- (b) The dates for the commencement and completion of sowing and irrigation.
- (c) The date for furnishing list of cultivators on account of the cultivation.
- (d) The date for the completion of fencing.
- (e) The order in which the different yayas shall be sown.
- (f) The method of cultivation.
- (g) The kind of paddy to be sown in each yaya.
- (h) The place and manner in which black cattle and buffaloes are to be confined during cultivation.
- (i) The manner in which the different yayas have to be fenced.

Any breach of any decision of the meeting will be considered as a breach of rule.

6. Should it not be possible to commence cultivation on the time fixed, a meeting convened as in rule 5 shall be called to decide, subject to the approval of the Government Agent, what extensions of time are necessary.

7. Whenever it occurs that there is not sufficient water in any tank for the irrigation of the whole of the tract dependent thereon, a meeting convened as in rule 5 shall decide how much of the tract shall be cultivated, the proprietors generally shall cultivate such portion or portions, without reference to ownership, in the same proportion to the extent cultivated as the extent owned by each bears to the whole tract dependent on the tank.

8. Each proprietor or mulkaraya shall deliver to the Vel-Vidane not later than the day fixed under rule 5 (c) a list of the mulkaraya and cultivators to be employed in his field. This list shall be signed by the proprietor and the mulkaraya and cultivators, or they shall make their marks before two witnesses. Persons supplying false information or withholding information shall be guilty of an offence under these rules. From the date of the delivery of the list the mulkaraya and cultivators as well as the proprietor shall become liable for all works of cultivation, and in the event of neglect or default without sufficient reason shall be guilty of an offence under these rules.

Any change of proprietors during the cultivation shall be notified forthwith to the Vel-Vidane in writing by the proprietor (or mulkaraya).

9. In the absence of a legal document showing that another person has been placed in actual possession of the land, list shall be accepted, in case of dispute, from those persons who furnished a list for the preceding harvest. The acceptance by the Vel-Vidane of a list involves the due observance of these rules on all persons, witnesses excepted, who have signed it.

10. Should it be found that any proprietor does not intend to cultivate his share, the Vel-Vidane shall submit the matter to the Chief Headman, who may, if possible, exclude such share from the tract, or may allow such share to be cultivated by any other proprietor in the tract, should the proprietor of such lands agree in writing thereto. Such other proprietor shall not be liable for any payment to the proprietor of the land, but shall be liable for everything required by these rules for the season's cultivation to the same extent as if he were the proprietor of the field thus apportioned to him.

Provided that, should the proprietor of the land in question not agree to its being cultivated by such other proprietor, he himself shall be liable for all such duties as are required by these rules.

11. No proprietor shall be exempt from contributing everything required by these rules for the season's cultivation unless exempted at the meeting under rule 5, or unless his share has been excluded from the tract under rule 10. In the event of any proprietor becoming liable for any work and failing to perform it, the Vel-Vidane shall inform the Government Agent through the Chief Headman in writing of the estimated cost thereof, and shall prosecute the defaulting proprietor for a breach of the rule. The Government Agent may then, in special cases, advance the sum required from the Irrigation Fine Fund; but the Vel-Vidane shall do the work at once in any case, and the Chief Headman shall certify the sum expended, which will be recovered as provided for in Chapter IX. of the Irrigation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1906.

12. Trees or jungle within the yaya or tract likely to occasion damage by giving cover to birds or wild animals shall be removed by the proprietors of such lands.

13. The periods during which water shall be issued to the different yayas shall be fixed by the Vel-Vidane, and, subject to the control of the Chief Headman or Irrigation Superintendent, the distribution of water shall be regulated by him. During the period in which his yaya is entitled to receive water, the Vel-Vidane may cause any dam which impedes the flow of water thereto to be cut, and any channel which is depriving it of water to be closed. Excepting during that period, he may not interfere with any dam or channel outside his yaya.

14. The distribution of water from the tank or other source of supply shall be made under the control of the Vel-Vidane, and no person shall issue, distribute, cut off, divert, or use in any manner the water except under the direction of, or with the consent of, the Vel-Vidane.

15. In distributing water from any source of supply to the fields in a tract, the water shall first be taken to the fields on the higher level, and thence to those on lower level, and no one shall in any way interfere to the prejudice of others with the distribution of water.

16. If any person shall wilfully prevent water from flowing to the field below his own, or shall obstruct the flow of surplus water from the field on a higher level, or shall in any other way interfere with the general distribution of water, the Vel-Vidane shall proceed to the spot with witnesses and open the gaps or remove the obstruction himself; and no person shall issue, distribute, cut off, divert, or use the water in any manner except in accordance with the Vel-Vidane's instructions.

17. Proprietors and others concerned shall be held liable for waste of water occurring in their fields. No paddy shall be sown in any irrigation or other channel.

18. No person other than a proprietor of the lands under the tank shall be entitled to the use of water from the tank for agricultural purposes.

19. The fence round the whole yaya shall be measured by the Vel-Vidane within three days of sowing being completed, and shall be apportioned by him to the proprietors in proportion to the extent of the proprietor's field, without regard to whether the fence adjoins his field or not. If fresh sticks are required, the Vel-Vidane shall inform the Chief Headman, who will obtain a license for him to have them cut.

20. The proprietors shall finish the fence within the time fixed at the meeting under rule 5, and each proprietor shall construct a watch hut adjoining the centre

of the portion of the fence erected by him. The proprietor shall keep fences and watch huts in repair, and shall keep regular watch in accordance with the orders of the Vel-Vidane. No persons shall be employed as watcher who is incompetent or under the age of sixteen.

21. No fence shall be put up on any part of tank bund.

22. The mulkaraya shall accompany the Vel-Vidane or the Yaya-Vidane with a light on their rounds at night until such time as the Vel-Vidane considers this no longer necessary.

23. Should any portion of any tract ripen before the rest from any cause, the proprietors thereof shall be allowed to reap and store their crops, but shall continue to watch the field and preserve the fence until the crops of the remainder of the yaya have been reaped and stored. Should any portion of a tract not ripen until after the reaping of the crop sown in accordance with the decision under rule 5, either on account of default in sowing in proper time or because of sowing of a different kind of paddy to that agreed upon by the meeting under rule 5, the proprietors of the other portion of the tract shall not be bound to continue preserving the fence and watching the field until that portion of the tract ripens.

24. After the reaping is over the Vel-Vidane shall order the removal of the fence, and shall cause the fence sticks to be heaped by the proprietors in such places as he may direct. Proprietors may, with the consent of the Vel-Vidane, remove the fence sticks from the fields. They shall, however, furnish the Vel-Vidane with a receipt for the number taken and return them to the land for the following harvest, whether they cultivate or not, or shall be liable for their assessed value.

25. The threshing-floor shall be cleared and fenced with a strong fence of stakes by the joint labour of all the proprietors of each field. The paddy shall be stacked there, and the proprietors shall take their turn in watching the stacks until they have been threshed for a period not exceeding three months from the date of reaping. No paddy shall be threshed without giving notice to the Vel-Vidane.

26. No paddy shall be removed from the fields at the termination of the harvest until the shares due to the headmen under rule 3 and the wages due to all persons engaged in the harvest and the hire of cattle and other cultivation charges have been paid.

27. Tanks, dams, minor channels, water-courses, or other minor works shall be repaired or improved by the proprietors whenever the Government Agent shall consider it necessary. The work to be performed by each proprietor shall be in proportion to the extent of his land likely to be benefited by the work in question.

28. Should any new channel, dam, or other work be required either outside or inside any field, it shall be constructed by the proprietors interested in proportion to their holdings as in rule 27. The channels will be set out and pegs put in under the orders of the Chief Headman, Irrigation Superintendent, or Irrigation Inspector. All proprietors must grant way leave for such channels, dams, or other works, even though their land may not be benefited thereby; but those proprietors whose lands are benefited by any such works shall pay to the owners of lands who suffer damage by the construction of the work compensation for any land taken, or damage done to land, in proportion to the area of their holdings benefited. The Government Agent or the Assistant Government Agent shall determine the amount of such compensation.

29. Water-courses and channels within the fields shall be kept in proper order by the proprietors of the lands through which they flow.

30. All ordinary repairs incidental to cultivation, such as clearing of channels, repair of bunds, shall be done by the proprietors.

31. The bunds of all tanks shall be divided equally among the proprietors of lands under them, and each proprietor shall keep the portion assigned to him always free from jungle, brushwood, and overgrowth of every description, and from white ants' nests, and also shall keep such portion properly turfed.

32. (a) The full amount of labour which each proprietor of paddy land shall be liable to contribute under rules 27 and 28 and under section 31 of Ordinance No. 16 of 1906, shall not, except in urgent cases provided for in rule 33, exceed two cubes of earthwork or five days' labour annually for each acre of his land likely to be benefited, or their equivalent in money paid in advance at the rate of Rs. 2 per acre. If in any year it shall not be found necessary to require from the proprietors the full amount of labour, the Government Agent shall decide what amount of labour shall be contributed by them.

(b) Provided that when it has been decided by the proprietors or by the Government Agent that an irrigation work is to be constructed or restored with Government aid, the proprietors of lands benefited by such work, and the persons who have applied to purchase, lease, or cultivate on permit Crown land likely to be irrigated by such work, shall be liable to contribute not more than sixty days' labour on such work in any one year, and shall be paid therefor at rates not less than those commonly prevailing in the pattu.

33. In addition to the ordinary labour of the year as above provided for, whenever the Government Agent or person authorized by him to supervise the work shall find it necessary to call out labour to perform an urgent work of repair, or of prevention of impending damage, uncommuted labour, either in person or by substitute, shall at once be furnished by every proprietor, and continued daily until the completion of the work. Provided that double the ordinary labour provided for in rule 32 (a) shall not be exceeded in any one year.

34. Notice shall be given by the Vel-Vidane by beat of tom-tom not less than twenty-one days beforehand of the intention to call out labour provided for in rule 32 and of the proportion of labour required. Copies of such notices shall be forwarded by the Vel-Vidane to the Government Agent, or person authorized by him to supervise the work.

35. Should any proprietor fail to do any work required under these rules, the Government Agent may order the Vel-Vidane to do the work, advancing him the estimated cost of the same from the Irrigation Fine Fund, and the cost of the work, together with any fine imposed by the Village Council on the defaulter, shall be recovered as provided for in Chapter IX. of the Irrigation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1906.

36. No person shall, in any way alter or injure any ridge or boundary between two fields in the same tract. On information that such alteration or injury has been effected, the Vel-Vidane shall notify the owners and proceed to the spot with witnesses and call upon the owners to restore the boundary to its original state, and on their failing to do so within three days after notice the Vel-Vidane shall report the matter to the Chief Headman, who shall summon a Village Council to decide the dispute.

37. Any proprietor shall, when required, point out the correct boundaries of his land, and, if required, by the Chief Headman or Irrigation Superintendent, shall erect bunds or other suitable works to define such boundaries.

38. No person other than the Irrigation Inspector or some one duly authorized by him in that behalf shall in any way interfere with or alter the level of the spill water or sluice of any village tank.

39. During cultivation the Vel-Vidane is empowered to seize all cattle found in his yaya or in a tank bund or bank of an irrigation channel or straying near by and likely to endanger the crops.

Cattle seized under this rule should be handed over to the local Police Headman without delay to be produced before the Village Council.

40. Vel-Vidanes and Yaya-Vidanes shall reside within three miles of their divisions or kandams, and shall not absent themselves during the cultivation season or at other times when their services are required without making arrangements to the satisfaction of the Chief Headman or Irrigation Superintendent for the discharge of their duties.

41. The tank bed may be cultivated when the majority of proprietors under it so decide with the permission of the Government Agent. Unless the majority decide to cultivate the tank bed, and the permission of the Government Agent is obtained, no proprietor shall cultivate the tank bed or any portion thereof.

42. Paths between cultivated places shall be kept open by the proprietors according to the limits prescribed by ancient custom and in proportion to their respective shares.

43. The proprietors of all paddy lands which may hereafter be purchased from the Crown or from private persons shall become liable to obey these rules. Such proprietors shall in all respects enjoy the same privileges and rights as the proprietors of lands already under cultivation.

44. A meeting of proprietors may be convened by the Chief Headman whenever the Government Agent, the Assistant Government Agent, or a majority of the proprietors consider it desirable, to obtain their advice or assistance in any matter concerning cultivation or irrigation.

45. Any custom now existing relating to paddy cultivation not expressly provided for in these rules and not opposed thereto shall have the force of these rules and be considered part of them.

46. These rules shall be enforced by the Government Agent, Presidents of Village Councils, Chief Headmen, Irrigation Superintendents, Inspectors, Vel-Vidanes, and Yaya-Vidanes as may from time to time be appointed, and breaches of the rules are punishable as provided for in the Irrigation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1906.

I, Bertram Hill, Government Agent, Eastern Province, do hereby declare that owing to the sparseness of the population of the Bintenna irrigation district of the Batticaloa Revenue District, no public meeting of the proprietors of the Bintenna district could be held, and that the foregoing rules were after making due inquiry drawn up by me under the provisions of section 11 of Ordinance No. 16 of 1906.

BERTRAM HILL,
Government Agent.

In the Name of His Majesty GEORGE THE FIFTH, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir ROBERT CHALMERS, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

ROBERT CHALMERS.

WHEREAS the provisions of "The Town Schools Ordinance, 1906," were by Proclamation dated September 12, 1912, brought into operation in the Local Board town of Ratnapura within the limits set out and defined in the schedule thereto.

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, in exercise of the powers in Us vested by section 3 of the said Ordinance, and with the advice of the Executive Council, do hereby amend the said Proclamation by substituting for the schedule thereto the schedule hereto annexed re-defining the limits of the said town of Ratnapura.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Fifteen.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SCHEDULE.

On the West.—A line from the north-western boundary of land appearing in title plan No. 99,563, following the eastern boundary of Galkadamukalana as far as the northern boundary of the land appearing in title plan No. 100,362, and thence a straight line to the river.

On the North and North-east.—A line 200 feet to the north and east along the Weralupe minor road from its junction with the Colombo road between the 54th and 55th mileposts to a point where it meets the railway line, thence a line 200 feet to the north along the Outer Circular road to the point where it meets the Malwala road, then following the Malwala road as far as Magurankanagina-dola, and along this dola to its junction with Kalu-ganga.

On the East.—Along the Hin-ela from its junction with Kalu-ganga to the Doloswala-ela, and along the Doloswala-ela to the junction of the Pelmadulla and Dela roads, thence along the Dela road up to Ketan-dola, thence along the Ketan-dola to where it meets the We-ganga.

On the South and South-west.—The We-ganga and Kalu-ganga as far as the point where the line described as the western boundary meets the Kalu-ganga.

All this land within the said limits, exclusive of the paddy fields on the north and east of the Weralupe minor road, the paddy fields to the north of the Outer Circular road, the paddy fields and tea plantations between the Malwala and Gilimale roads, and the paddy fields between Ketan-dola and Koraliwala totupola.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

No. 385 of 1915.

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

Mr. N. J. LIDDINGTON to be, in addition to his own duties, District Judge, Negombo; Superintendent of the Negombo Prison; Assistant Collector of Customs, Negombo; and Additional Local Authority under the Petroleum Ordinance within the limits of the Local Board, Negombo, from October 13, 1915, until further orders.

Mr. W. S. STRONG to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Puttalam, and Additional District Judge, Puttalam, from October 24 to 27, 1915, inclusive, during the absence of Mr. V. COOMARASWAMY from the station.

Mr. L. L. HUNTER to be Additional Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Ratnapura, with effect from October 11, 1915, until further orders.

Mr. SOLOMON FERNANDO to be Additional Police Magistrate, Panadure, for October 22, 1915.

Mr. C. E. DE PINTO to be, in addition to his own duties, Additional Assistant Superintendent of Police, Galle, from October 11 to 23, 1915.

Mr. C. L. VIZARD to be a Justice of the Peace for the Western Province, and an Unofficial Police Magistrate for the Judicial Districts in the Western Province.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 15, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 386 of 1915.

IT is hereby notified that **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR** has been pleased to direct that Mr. W. O. STEVENS be attached to the Batticaloa Kachcheri, with effect from October 4, 1915.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 387 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointment in the Ceylon Artillery Volunteers:—

To be Second Lieutenant.

GUNNER GEORGE KRAAL THORNHILL.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 388 of 1915.

IT is notified for information that Second Lieutenant GEOFFREY CHARLES MARQUIS'S resignation of his Commission in the Ceylon Artillery Volunteers has been accepted by **HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR**.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 13, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 389 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointment in the Ceylon Mounted Rifles:—

To be Second Lieutenant.

Mr. GEORGE HUBERT GOLLEDGE.

The above Officer to act as Transport and Supply Officer for the Southern Province, and to hold Commission only so long as he carries out the duties of Transport and Supply Officer.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 9, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 390 of 1915.

IT is hereby notified that "Trooper W. R. WESTLAND" is substituted for "Trooper J. WESTLAND" in Notice No. 347, published in *Gazette* dated September 17, 1915.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 9, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 391 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointment in the Administrative Section, Colombo Town Guard :—

To be Captain.

Mr. JOHN SCOTT.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 392 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 6 (d) of Ordinance No. 8 of 1907, to appoint Mr. T. B. MADAWALA, Ratemahatmaya, Weudawila hatpattu, to be a Member of the District School Committee, Kurunegala.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 14, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 393 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Assessors for the town of Kochchikade for the year 1916, under the provisions of section 8 of Ordinance No. 18 of 1892 :—

Mr. MARASINGHEGE JOKIN FERNANDO.
Mr. OBBERIYAGE DON SAVERIAL FONSEKA.
Mr. BENEDICT DE CROOS.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 11, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 394 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint Mr. JOHN EDWARD PERERA, President, Village Tribunals of Morawak korale, to be an Inquirer for the division of Morawak korale, in the Matara District.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 13, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 395 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint Mr. P. B. HERAT to be an Inquirer for the town of Kurunegala, North-Western Province.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 396 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Inquirers for the division noted against their names :—

1) DISSANAYAKE MUDIYANSELAGE WANNIHAMY, for Uddiyankulama korale in Hurulu palata.

(2) UKKU BANDA KARUNADIPOTTI WEERAKOON MUDIYANSELAGE TIRKANPOTANE, for Mahapotana korale in Hurulu palata.

(3) RAJAKARUNA DISSANAYAKE PUNCHI BANDA, for Matombuwa korale in Hurulu palata.

(4) KADIRA VELATE GAMARALAGE PUNCHIRALA, for Kunchuttu korale in Hurulu palata.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 8, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 397 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint RAJASINGHE MUDIYANSELAGE SUDU BANDA, Korala of Buttala-Wedirata korale, to be an Additional Inquirer for Buttala-Wedirata korale, Badulla District.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 13, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 398 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. SAMUEL THURAIRETNAM SPENCER, of No. 7, Hulftsdorp, Colombo, to be a Notary Public at Colombo and throughout the judicial division of Colombo, and to practise as such in the English language.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 11, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 399 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. SAMUEL GUNANAYAGAM WATSON, of No. 5, Van Rooyen street, Colombo, to be a Notary Public at Colombo and throughout the judicial division of Colombo, and to practise as such in the English language.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 11, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 400 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. HALLOCK TIRUVILANGAM RAMACHANDRA, of "Sorna Villa," Dam street, Colombo, to be a Notary Public at Colombo and throughout the judicial division of Colombo, and to practise as such in the English language.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 401 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. GEORGE EDWARD ABEYEWAR-DENE, of "Woodlands," Galle, to be a Notary Public at Galle and throughout the judicial division of Galle, and to practise as such in the English language.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 7, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 402 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. JAYACODIMUDIANSSELAGE PAULIN MARTINES PERERA WATTEGAMA ILLANGAN-RATNE, Notary Public of Wattegama, to be a Notary Public throughout Gampaha East and West and Gandeke and Kandapahala korales of Uda Dumbara division, in Kandy District, with residence and office at Nugatenna, and an additional office at Mediwaka, and to practise as such in the Sinhalese language.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 11, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

No. 403 of 1915.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. VALLIPURAM CANAGABATNAM, of Chavakachcheri, to be a Notary Public at Chavakachcheri and throughout the judicial division of Point Pedro-Chavakachcheri, and to practise as such in the English and Tamil languages.

By His Excellency's command,
R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 11, 1915.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

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

Mr. ARTHUR ERIC CHRISTOFFELSZ to be an Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of the Colombo District of the Western Province, with effect from October 8, 1915. His office will be at Colombo Kachcheri.

Mr. MURUKESAR CHINNATTAMPY to be Registrar of Marriages (General) of Vadamardchi West division, in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province, with effect from October 20, 1915. His office will be at Manatpulo in Udu Imaiyanan; station: Irasinganmanal in Valvedditurai.

Mr. WILLIAM OSWALD STEVENS to be Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of the Batticaloa District of the Eastern Province, with effect from October 26, 1915, *vice* Mr. H. E. JANSZ, appointed Assistant Provincial Registrar, Batticaloa. His office will be at the Batticaloa Kachcheri.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to confirm RAJAGURU MUDIYANSELAGE LOKU BANDA HUNUKUMBURA in his appointment as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Tiragandahe korale division, and of Marriages (Kandyan and General) of Weudawili hatpattu division, in the Kurunegala District of the North-Western Province.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, October 7, 1915. Colonial Secretary.

THE following appointments under section 3 of Ordinance No. 23 of 1900 and section 7 of Ordinance No. 19 of 1907 are hereby notified:—

The Provincial Registrar, Central Province, has appointed Mr. ROBERT EDWIN PERERA to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Kandy Municipality division, in the Kandy District of the Central Province, for two days from October 1, 1915, *vice* Registrar, Mr. ARTHUR DE SILVA, transferred. His office will be at the Kachcheri, Kandy.

The Provincial Registrar, Central Province, has appointed Mr. WIJEMUNI DUBLIUS DE ZOYSA to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Kandy Municipality division, in the Kandy District of the Central Province, for twenty-one days from October 4, 1915, *vice* Registrar, Mr. ARTHUR DE SILVA, transferred. His office will be at the Kachcheri, Kandy.

The Provincial Registrar, Anuradhapura, has appointed EKANAYAKA MUDIYANSELAGE UKKU BANDA to act as

Registrar of Births and Deaths of Sinhala pattu division, and of Marriages (General) of Tamankaduwa division, in the Anuradhapura District of the North-Central Province, for thirty days from October 4, 1915, *vice* L. APPUHAMI, resigned. His office will be at Heratgedara in Giritala.

The Provincial Registrar, Anuradhapura, has appointed KADURE MUDIYANSELAGE KIRI BANDA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Meda pattu division, and of Marriages (General) of Tamankaduwa division, in the Anuradhapura District of the North-Central Province, for five days from October 7, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, P. B. DODANWALA on leave. His office will be at "St. Gabriel's" in Galewatta, Topawewa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed DON POLORIS SENARATNE to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Radawana division, and of Marriages (General) of Gangaboda pattu of Siyane Korale East division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for thirty days from September 20, 1915, *vice* RUTHAN PERERA, resigned. His office will be at Kahatagahawatta in Paddawala.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed M. CORNELIS DE COSTA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Mampe division, and of Marriages (General) of Palle pattu of Salpiti korale division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for eight days from September 30, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, PAULIS DE COSTA, on sick leave. His office will be at Delgahawatta in Tumbowila.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed B. JAMES PERERA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Ambatalenpahala West division, and of Marriages (General) of Ambatalenpahala division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for seven days from October 1, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, M. PAUL PERRERA, on leave. His office will be at Alubogahawatta in Kotuwila.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed Dr. (Miss) C. RUDD to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Division No. 2A of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for one day (October 14, 1915), during the absence of the Registrar, Dr. (Miss) W. NELL, on other duty. Her office will be at "Palm Grove Bungalow," Jefferson street, Slave Island.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed Mr. K. W. ALWIS to act as Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths of Division No. 4 of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for one day (October 14, 1915), during the absence of the Deputy Registrar, Dr. (Miss) C. RUDD, on other duty. His office will be at No. 38, New Moor street, Colombo.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has appointed HETTIARACHCHIGE DON DIAS JAYASEKERA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Horawala division, and of Marriages (General) of Iddagoda pattu division, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for twenty days from October 12, 1915, *vice* Registrar, JUSTIN WILLIAM JAYANETTI, dismissed. His office will be at Appuhamiakanattewatta in Nauttuduwa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has appointed MURAGE DON DIYONIS to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Kulupana division, and of Marriages (General) of Kumbuke pattu division, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for nineteen days from October 18, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, M. DON PROLIS, on leave. His office will be at Mananehewatta in Batuwita.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Galle, has appointed DON DIYONIS WIJewardane to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Hiniduma division, and of Marriages (General) of Hinidum pattu division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province, for four days from October 10, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, C. E. D. W. KARUNARATNA, on leave. His office will be at Danewalegedarawatta in Hiniduma.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Puttalam-Chilaw, has appointed Mr. MAPA WIJeyesinghe PUNCHI APPUHAMY to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of

Meda Palata East division, in the Chilaw District of the North-Western Province, for thirty days from September 27, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, M. ANDRIS APPUHAMY, on sick leave. His office will be at his residence at Attikkagahawatta in Tabbowa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Puttalam, has appointed PEDURU LEWIS FERNANDO to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of Akkarai Pattu South division, in the Puttalam District of the North-Western Province, for ten days from October 2, 1915, during the absence of the Registrar, S. ABRAHAM FERNANDO, on leave. His office will be at the permanent Registrar's house in Muttipalaikulam.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Registrar-General.

IT is hereby notified that DON CHARLES RAMACHANDRA, Registrar of Births and Deaths of Beralapanatara division, and of Marriages (General) of Morawak korale division, in the Matara District of the Southern Province, will, with effect from October 15, 1915, hold his office at Udabangalawewatta in Beralapanatara, instead of at Polgahamullewatta in Beralapanatara, as notified in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,617 of March 27, 1914.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, October 7, 1915.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Registrar-General.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

"THE HOLIDAYS ORDINANCE, 1886."

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under the provisions of section 9 of the Ordinance No. 4 of 1886, to appoint Wednesday, October 20, 1915, to be the day to be observed as a Public Holiday on account of the Muhammadan Hadji Festival.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

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

"THE CEYLON TELEGRAPH ORDINANCE, 1908."

IT is hereby notified for the general information that His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 7 of "The Ceylon Telegraph Ordinance, 1908," has been pleased to sanction the following scale of charges for the use of the telephone trunk line between Polgahawela and the places named in the schedule, with effect from October 11, 1915.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 13, 1915.

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

Scale of Charges for Three Minutes' Conversation.

	Rs. c.
Call Office fee	0 10
Between Polgahawela and Colombo (including Cotta and Kelaniya)	0 50
Do. Moratuwa	0 75
Do. Panadure	0 75
Do. Wadduwa	0 75
Do. Kalutara (including Paiyagala)	0 75
Do. Neboda	1 0
Do. Ambalangoda	1 0
Do. Galle	1 25
Do. Negombo	0 75
Do. Kandy (including Peradeniya)	0 25
Do. Galaha	0 50
Do. Campola	0 50
Do. Hatton	0 75
Do. Nuwara Eliya	1 0
Do. Norwood (including Maskeliya and Bogawantalawa)	0 75

"THE LOCAL BOARDS ORDINANCE, 1898."

THE following rules relating to the grant of retiring pensions and gratuities to officers of the Local Board, Badulla, prescribed by His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, under the provisions of section 87 of Ordinance No. 13 of 1898, are published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 8, 1915.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

RULES REFERRED TO.

1. No pension will be granted to any officer of the Local Board of Badulla without the authority of the Governor, in order to obtain which a certificate of service, age, good conduct, and of the ground of retirement must be submitted to the Colonial Secretary.

2. Subject to the provisions of rule 1, all officers of the Local Board of Badulla on the fixed establishment drawing a salary of Rs. 250 per annum and upwards shall be entitled to pension as follows:—

An officer who shall have served ten years and upwards and under eleven years shall receive an annual allowance of ten-sixtieths of his annual salary, eleven years and under twelve years an annual allowance of eleven-sixtieths of such salary, and in like manner a further addition to the annual allowance of one-sixtieth in respect of each additional year of such service until the completion of a period of service of thirty-five years, when the annual allowance of thirty-five-sixtieths may be granted, and no addition shall be made in respect of any service beyond thirty-five years; provided that officers in office at the date of the passing of these rules who do not receive promotion or new appointments shall be entitled to pension at three-fourths of the rates prescribed in this section, but such officers will be entitled to full pensions under these rules, provided that they pay, within a period to be fixed by the Board, all arrears of contribution that would have been payable by them if these rules had been in force at the time they joined the fixed establishment of the Board.

3. No officer of the Local Board will be held to have an absolute right to compensation for past services, or to any pension under these rules; and the Local Board will retain power and authority to dismiss any such officer without compensation.

4. No pension shall be granted to any officer of the Local Board who shall be under fifty-five years of age, unless upon a certificate from the Chairman of the Local Board and from two medical practitioners that he is incapable from infirmity of mind or body to discharge the duties of his situation, nor unless he shall have discharged these duties with diligence and fidelity to the satisfaction of the Chairman.

5. It shall be competent for the Local Board, with the authority of the Governor, in cases of peculiar and extraordinary merit in respect of duties outside of those for which the officer has received a salary, to grant special and higher rates of pension than those laid down in these rules.

6. The above-mentioned rates are only to be granted in case of decidedly faithful and meritorious service, but when the testimony as to fidelity, diligence, and merit is in any respect defective, a deduction will be made from the apportioned rate. Where there has been obvious negligence, irregularity, or misconduct, the grant of an allowance will be altogether withheld.

7. The claim of an officer of the Local Board to pension will be considered to have commenced from the date of his first permanent appointment to the fixed establishment of the Local Board.

8. Every officer on the provisional and temporary establishment drawing a salary of over Rs. 250 per annum will, in the event of transfer to the fixed establishment, be entitled to reckon his provisional and temporary services when it has been continuous with his subsequent permanent service.

9. The services in respect of which superannuated allowances are granted should in all cases be continuous, unless interrupted by abolition of office or other temporary suspension of employment not arising from misconduct or voluntary resignation of the office.

10. The pension will be computed upon the salary of the permanent office held by an officer of the Local Board at the time of his retirement, provided he shall have held such appointment for at least three years, otherwise the pension shall be calculated upon the average of salaries attached to the permanent offices held by such person during the three years next preceding the commencement of such pension.

11. In case of suspension or reduction or abolition of office, temporary allowances may be assigned according to the specified rates, on condition, however, that the persons receiving the same shall be liable to be recalled into service, and with the understanding that they are to be re-employed, as opportunity may offer, in preference to new applicants for office.

12. In the case of officers to whom temporary allowances may be assigned in accordance with rule 11 on the abolition or reorganization of their offices, and who may be afterwards re-employed, one-half of the period during which they have been in receipt of such allowance will be allowed to count towards pension on their final retirement.

13. In the case of the abolition of an office, a period of ten years shall be added to the actual service in computing the allowance of persons who have served twenty years and upwards, of seven years where the service is over fifteen and under twenty

years, and of five years where the service is over ten and under fifteen years. To persons who shall have served under ten years and not less than five years a gratuity shall be granted calculated at the rate of one month's pay for each year's service, with an additional allowance of three months' pay. To persons who shall have served less than five years a gratuity shall be awarded calculated at the rate of one month's pay for each year's service, with one month's pay added. The number of years to be added to actual service on abolition of office should not be more than that which, if added to the age of the retiring officer, would make that age up to sixty, except that one year may be added in the case of an officer of the actual age of sixty or more, unless the officer was quite disqualified for further service.

14. In the case of persons retired through abolition of office, who, if they had served the extra time granted by rule 13 for compensation, would at the expiry of that time be over fifty-five, the provisions in rule 13 shall not be binding on the Local Board, but each particular case will be decided after a full consideration of all the circumstances attending it.

15. Should the term of office not warrant the assignment of an annual allowance, a gratuity may be granted at the rate of one month's salary for each year's service. For a fractional part of a year's service exceeding six months half a month's salary will be added to the gratuity.

16. If any person being in receipt of any pension or superannuation allowance from the Local Board shall be convicted of any offence in any court of justice in the Island for which he shall be sentenced to death, or to any term of imprisonment with hard labour exceeding six months, such pension or superannuation allowance shall forthwith determine and cease to be payable, unless such person shall, within three months after his conviction, receive free pardon, or unless the Local Board shall otherwise order.

17. Every person hereafter appointed to any office under the Local Board to which a pension is attached on retirement may be required to retire from the service of the Local Board on or after attaining the age of fifty-five upon the receipt of twelve months' notice to that effect, but they may continue in office till sixty years of age with the consent of the Board.

18. As a contribution to the pension fund a deduction of 4 per cent. shall be made from the salary of each officer entitled to pension.

19. All sums so deducted shall be deposited monthly in the Government Savings Bank pending permanent investment or other disposal by the Board.

20. Officers receiving promotion or taking up a new appointment shall receive a salary less by 20 per cent. than the maximum salary payable to their predecessors. The initial salary shall be raised annually by 2 per cent. of the maximum salary until the maximum salary shall be attained.

21. Should an officer be transferred to a post under Government or under another Local Board or other public authority with the approval of the Board; he shall retain his claim to ultimate pension for service rendered to the Board, provided that he retires from the latter service under circumstances which would entitle him to pension in terms of this Minute.

22. Should an officer who retires on pension find after such retirement an employment under Government, or under another semi-official body, on a salary equal to or higher than what he drew from the Board at the time of his retirement, his pension shall be suspended so long as such employment continues. If he draws a less salary, he shall be entitled to only so much of his pension as, when added to the salary of the new appointment, will make his total emolument equal to the salary last drawn by him previous to his retirement.

23. When an officer seeking pension under this Minute is found to be already in receipt of a pension from another public body or from Government, his maximum pension under this Minute shall be such as when added to such other pension shall not exceed thirty-five-sixtieths of the highest salary drawn by the officer at any time during the course of his service, be it under Government or under a semi-official body.

24. Local Board employes drawing a salary of less than Rs. 250 per annum and retiring on account of age or infirmity after serving continuously for a period of twenty-five years and upwards may, if the Board be satisfied that they are unfit, owing to age or infirmity of body or mind, to discharge efficiently the duties of their offices, be granted such long service allowances not exceeding Rs. 5 per mensem in each case as the Board may award. Persons in receipt of a daily pay, who have completed a period of twenty-five years of continuous service, retiring under similar circumstances may be awarded gratuities calculated at the rate of one month's pay for every three years of service.

25. Subject to the approval of His Excellency the Governor, the Board may allow a gratuity to the widow or orphans of an officer in the event of his death, provided that he has not received from the Board any gratuity.

IT is hereby notified for general information, with reference to the "Trading with the Enemy, China, Siam, Persia, and Morocco Proclamation," published in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,725 of July 2, 1915, that transshipment facilities will not be afforded to goods shipped to or by enemy firms or their intermediaries in the countries named hereunder :—

China, Siam, Persia, Morocco.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

"THE SMALL TOWNS SANITARY ORDINANCE, 1892."

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 35 (1) of "The Small Towns Sanitary Ordinance, 1892," has been pleased to direct that the town of Kendangomuwa, in the Districts of Kegalla and Ratnapura, Province of Sabaragamuwa, subject to the said Ordinance, and as defined in the schedule hereto, shall be a school division for the purposes of "The Rural Schools Ordinance, 1907," and that the said last-named Ordinance shall be in force in such town as from and after the date hereof.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

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

SCHEDULE.

North.—Along the southern limits of the lands called Egodamunnewatta, Galpotehena, and Kelagahahena up to the Woodend road, thence along the road up to the northern boundary fence of Kolondagewatta, along this fence up to the south-western limit of the tract of paddy fields called Asgangul-welyaya.

East.—From the north-eastern limit of Kolondagewatta along the south-western limit of the tract of paddy fields called Asgangul-welyaya up to and along the Biso-dola to the point where it crosses the Ratnapura road, thence along the same dola up to the southern limit of the hospital cemetery.

South.—A line from the point where the Biso-dola adjoins the hospital cemetery, thence a straight line to meet the Gansabhawa road from Idangoda.

West.—By the Gansabhawa road from Idangoda up to where it meets the Bulugahapitiya Gansabhawa road, thence in a westerly direction to its junction with the footpath leading to the main road, along this footpath up to the reservation of the railway line, and thence along the railway reservation in a north-easterly direction for a distance of 17½ chains to a point in the land called Gasbarugewatta opposite the culvert on the Public Works Department road from Kendangomuwa to Avissawella, thence a straight line to the said culvert, and from the culvert along the edge of the paddy field called Urumulla as far as the garden called Egodamunnewatta.

MONTHLY STATEMENT issued by the Commissioners of Currency, under section 20 of Ordinance No. 32 of 1884, for the month of September, 1915:—

1.—Note Account.

	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Total stock on August 31, 1915	62,935,320	0	In vault on September 30, 1915	33,544,320	0
Add Notes received in September, 1915	500,000	0	In circulation on September 30, 1915	27,325,500	0
	63,435,320	0			
Deduct Notes destroyed in September, 1915	2,565,000	0			
	60,870,320	0		60,870,320	0

2.—Coin Account.

	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Coin received for Notes in circulation	27,325,500	0	Investments	15,161,300	9
	27,325,500	0	Coin in vault	12,164,199	91
				27,325,500	0

	Rs.	c.
3.—Average amount of Notes in circulation during the month	28,389,333	0
Average amount of Coin in vault during the month	11,228,030	0

4.—Investment Account.

	Face Value.			Face Value.		Face Value.		Cost Price.		Market Value.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
Consols	11,000	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Colonial Securities	529,408	5	0	—	—	—	—	—	8,130,650	0	7,152,680	12
Local Loans	18,000	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
India 3½ per cent. Stock	—	—	—	96,000	14	7	—	—	1,290,186	0	1,154,698	27
Indian Securities	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,833,000	0	5,740,464	9	5,060,127	50
Total	568,408	5	0	96,000	14	7	5,833,000	0	15,161,300	9	13,367,505	89

5.—Depreciation Fund.

	Face Value.			Face Value.		Face Value.		Cost Price.		Market Value.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
Colonial Securities	82,008	14	6	—	—	—	—	—	1,163,177	30	1,052,615	71
Indian Securities	—	—	—	—	—	—	719,100	0	716,293	22	623,819	25
Total	82,008	14	6	—	—	—	719,100	0	1,879,470	52	1,676,434	96

Total of Nos. 4 and 5	650,416	19	6	96,000	14	7	6,552,100	0	17,040,770	61	15,043,940	85
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Currency Office,
Colombo, October 7, 1915.

R. E. STUBBS, Colonial Secretary,
A. S. PAGDEN, Controller of Revenue,
BERNARD SENIOR, Colonial Treasurer, } Commissioners
of Currency.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

Abstract of Cooly Labourers on Estates in the several Provinces during the Quarter ended June 30, 1915.

District.	Number of Estates.	Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total.	Births.	Deaths.
<i>Western Province.</i>						
Colombo	58	5,510	4,162	9,672	108	44
Kalutara	125	18,039	14,549	32,588	343	140
<i>Central Province.</i>						
Kandy	614	65,697	56,052	121,749	1,567	943
Matale	138	13,817	12,669	26,486	331	233
Nuwara Eliya	233	43,306	43,558	86,864	1,078	621
<i>Southern Province.</i>						
Galle	42	3,476	2,486	5,962	62	37
Matara	30	1,852	1,432	3,284	30	24
Hambantota	1	—	—	—	—	—
<i>North-Western Province.</i>						
Kurunegala	103	4,016	3,185	7,201	63	67
Puttalam	18	145	65	210	—	—
Chilaw	43	619	305	924	7	3
<i>Province of Uva.</i>						
Badulla	214	32,424	30,906	63,330	701	426
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>						
Ratnapura	127	18,343	16,164	34,507	359	309
Kegalla	223	32,679	30,071	62,750	773	384

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from Rev. J. Brault for a grant in aid of his Puttalam Mixed Sinhalese and Tamil School, which is to be carried on as a preparatory department of his Puttalam Boys' and Girls' English Schools, under clause 29 (b) of the Code for 1914.

Observations will be received not later than November 15, 1915.

Education Office, J. HARWARD,
Colombo, October 12, 1915. Director of Education.

Wholesale Prices of Food Stuffs, &c., in Colombo on October 13, 1915.

	Rs. c.
Muttusamba, No. 1 quality	5 62
Do. No. 2 do.	5 37
Do. No. 3 do.	5 12
Kara Rice, No. 1 do.	12 0
Do. No. 2 do.	11 50
Kallunda, No. 1 do.	12 25
Do. No. 2 do.	12 0
Sulai, No. 1 do.	12 37
Do. No. 2 do.	12 25
Do. No. 3 do.	12 0
Kora (Mall), No. 1 do.	12 62
Do. No. 2 do.	12 50
Do. No. 3 do.	—
Raw Rice, Rangoon	4 87
Do. Singapore	4 50
Mysore Dhol	6 0
Green Peas (Gram)	4 50

	Rs. c.
Thovarem Dhol	5 50
Chillies, No. 1 quality	5 62
Do. No. 2 do.	—
Do. Rangoon, No. 3 quality	—
Red Onions	2 25
Bombay Onions	10 50
Potatoes, Indian	9 0
Do. Red	8 50
Maldivo Fish, No. 1 quality	39 0
Do. No. 2 do.	36 50
Sugar, Crystal	40 0
Do. Soft	20 50
Matches, "Three Stars"	105 25
Kerosine Oil, "Monkey Brand"	3 55
Kerosine Oil, "Daylight"	3 75
Coriander	0 16
Dry Fish, No. 1 quality	—
Do. No. 2 do.	—
Do. No. 3 do.	—
Do. No. 4 do.	—
Do. Halmessan, No. 1 quality	22 0
Do. do. No. 2 quality	18 0
Do. do. No. 3 do.	14 50
Do. do. No. 4 do.	—
Salt	2 32
Coconuts	6 25

October 13, 1915.

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

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for loading and unloading of goods at Rambukkana Goods Shed from persons willing to contract for this service from date of acceptance of tender to September 30, 1916.

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 Loading and Unloading of Goods at Rambukkana Goods Shed" in the left hand corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, October 26, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the General Manager of the Railway, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form.

6. A deposit of Rs. 50 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 to enter into the contract and bond, or fail 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.

7. The 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. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of security required will be Rs. 250.

9. The security should be furnished within ten days of acceptance of tender being notified.

10. All alterations or erasures in tenders should bear the initials of the tenderers, otherwise the tenders will be treated as informal and rejected.

11. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled. Any offers received containing conditions outside the specification will be rejected without question.

12. Fines will be inflicted for delays in complying with orders.

13. 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.

14. Before tender forms are supplied to persons wishing to tender, they will have to satisfy the General Manager or person delegated by him that they are in a position to execute the contract in a satisfactory manner, and for this purpose they must be prepared to produce documentary or other evidence if called for.

15. Contracts may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board.

General Manager's Office, G. P. GREENE,
Colombo, October 9, 1915. General Manager.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the purchase of the following old material from persons willing to buy same, viz:—

	Tons.
Old brass loco tubes (this includes tube ends)	7
Old lead	1½
Old spring steel plates	7
Old cast iron scrap	50
Old wrought iron scrap	20
Old steel tyres	75
Old gun metal borings with white borings mixed	4

The above quantities are approximate.

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 the purchase of Old Material" in the left hand corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, October 26, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the General Manager of the Railway, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form.

6. A deposit of Rs. 50 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; and should the person whose tender has been accepted decline to make payment and take delivery of the articles in question, or fail to remove them within the time specified by the General Manager, such deposit shall be forfeited to the Crown. Should, however, he pay the charges due and remove the material in the specified time, the deposit of Rs. 50 will be refunded. The deposits of all other tenderers whose tender has not been accepted will be refunded to them.

7. Tenderers are requested to inspect the old material before tendering, which can be seen on application at the Office of the Locomotive, Carriage, and Wagon Superintendent; and once a tender has been accepted, no excuse whatever as regards the quality, &c., of the material will be accepted by the General Manager.

8. Payment must be made within three days after notification of acceptance of tender, and the material must be removed within one month from date of payment.

9. All alterations or erasures in tenders should bear the initials of the tenderers, otherwise the tenders will be treated as informal and rejected.

10. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled. Any offers received containing conditions outside the specification will be rejected without question.

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.

General Manager's Office, G. P. GREENE,
Colombo, October 9, 1915. General Manager.

TENDERS are hereby invited for loading and unloading of goods at the under-mentioned places from persons willing to contract for the services from November 1, 1915, for a period of one, two, or three years, viz:—

(a) Kelani Valley Goods Sheds, Colombo (exclusive of the Lakeside).

(b) Broad Gauge Lakeside Sidings and Lakeside Goods Shed, Colombo.

(c) Kelani Valley Narrow Gauge Lakeside Sidings, Colombo.

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 Loading and Unloading of Goods at Maradana Kelani Valley Goods Sheds, &c.," in the left hand corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, October 26, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the General Manager of the Railway, and no tender will be considered unless it is on the recognized form.

6. A deposit of Rs. 50 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 to enter into the contract and bond, or fail 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.

7. The 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. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of security required will be Rs. 500 for service (a), Rs. 400 for service (b), Rs. 100 for service (c).

9. The security should be furnished within ten days of acceptance of tender being notified.

10. All alterations or erasures in tenders should bear the initials of the tenderers, otherwise the tenders will be treated as informal and rejected.

11. No tender will be considered unless in respect of it all the conditions above laid down have been strictly fulfilled. Any offers received containing conditions outside the specification will be rejected without question.

12. Fines will be inflicted for delays in complying with orders.

13. 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.

14. No concessions of any kind will be allowed, and any tender containing such conditions outside this notice will be rejected without question.

15. Before tender forms are supplied to persons wishing to tender, they will have to satisfy the General Manager or person delegated by him that they are in a position to execute the contract in a satisfactory manner, and for this purpose they must be prepared to produce documentary or other evidence if called for.

16. Contracts may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board.

General Manager's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

G. P. GREENE,
General Manager.

TENDERS marked on the envelopes "Tender for weighing, removing, and loading into Boats and Carts Salt issued to Purchasers from the Kalpitiya Stores," from January 1, 1916, to December 31, 1917, will be received by the Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam, up to 12 noon on October 30, 1915.

Tenderers are requested to observe the following conditions:—

(a) The rate shall be fixed for 1,000 cwt. to be weighed, removed, and loaded into boats, &c.

(b) Tenderers should be prepared to weigh, remove, and load as much as 1,200 cwt. daily.

(c) A deposit of Rs. 100 shall be made with the tender in any kachcheri on or before October 29, 1915, to be forfeited if the tenderer fails to enter into a contract within a reasonable time. Kachcheri receipt to be attached to the tender.

(d) Duplicate of tender to be forwarded by post to the Hon. the Controller of Revenue at the same time that the tenderer forwards the original to the Assistant Government Agent.

(e) Tenderers to name an address in Puttalam for delivery of any notices.

For further particulars apply to the Salt Inspector, Puttalam.

Puttalam Kachcheri, S. M. P. VANDERKOEN,
October 10, 1915. for Assistant Government Agent.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes, "Tender for weighing, removing, and loading into Boats and Carts Salt issued to Purchasers from the Nachchikali Stores," from November 1, 1915, to October 31, 1917, will be received by the Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam, up to 1 P.M. on October 26, 1915.

Tenderers are requested to observe the following conditions:—

1. The rate shall be fixed for 1,000 cwt. to be weighed, removed, and loaded into boats, &c.

2. Tenderers should be prepared to weigh, remove, and load as much as 1,200 cwt. daily.

3. A money deposit of Rs. 50 to be made in any Kachcheri on or before October 25, 1915, to be forfeited if the tenderer fails to enter into contract within a reasonable time. The Kachcheri receipt should be annexed to the tender.

4. Duplicate of tender to be forwarded by post to the Hon. the Controller of Revenue at the same time that the tenderer forwards the original to the Assistant Government Agent.

5. Tenderers to name an address in Puttalam for delivery of any notices.

6. For further particulars apply to the Salt Inspector, Puttalam.

Puttalam Kachcheri, S. M. P. VANDERKOEN,
October 11, 1915. for Assistant Government Agent.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for removing Salt during the Fish-curing Season, from November 1, 1915, to April 30, 1916, from the Stores at Puttalam, and weighing and storing it in the Store at Udappu," will be received by the Assistant Government Agent of Puttalam up to 1 P.M. on October 27, 1915.

Tenderers are requested to observe the following conditions:—

(a) Money deposit of Rs. 20 to be made in the Puttalam Kachcheri before October 26, 1915, to be forfeited if the tenderer fails on acceptance of his tender to enter into a contract within a reasonable time.

(b) Duplicate of tender to be forwarded by post to the Hon. the Controller of Revenue at the same time the tenderer forwards the original to the Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam.

(c) Tenderer to name an address in Puttalam for delivery of any notices.

(d) Tenderers are requested to state the rate of hire for every boat load of 280 cwt. of salt to be taken from Puttalam to Udappu.

For further particulars apply to the Salt Inspector, Puttalam.

Puttalam Kachcheri, S. M. P. VANDERKOEN,
October 11, 1915. for Assistant Government Agent.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the purchase and removal of coconuts picked every two months at the Experiment Station, Maha Iluppallama, from November 15, 1915, to September 30, 1916.

Coconuts about 25,000 for eleven months (price per 1,000 nuts should be quoted).

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 "Tenders for Coconuts of the Experiment Station, Maha Iluppallama," on the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on Tuesday, November 2, 1915.

5. A deposit of Rs. 20 will be required to be made either at the Treasury or Kachcheri, and a certified copy of the receipt should be attached to the original tender. Should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond, or fail to furnish 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 his name would be liable to be placed in the list of defaulting contractors. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of the contract.

6. Cash security of Rs. 100 will be required for the fulfilment of the contract.

7. Samples of coconuts can be seen at the Store of the Experiment Station, Maha Iluppallama.

8. The husking of coconuts must be done at the expense of the contractor, and the contractor must agree to remove all the coconuts in the Store at the Experiment Station, Maha Iluppallama, within fifteen days of notice having been given of completion of bi-monthly picking. In the event of non-compliance with these terms, the deposit and cash security will be forfeited to the Crown.

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

10. Contracts may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board.

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.

R. N. LYNE,

Peradeniya, October 12, 1915. Director of Agriculture.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the services described in the schedule annexed.

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 Sleeper Supply, 1915-16, Jaffna Division," for service (a) or (b), as the case may be, 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, October 26, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Forest Office, Jaffna, 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 to enter into the contract and bond, or fail 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.

7. Contract may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board previously obtained.

8. 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.

9. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of cash security required will be 5 per cent. of the value of the contract. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office 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.

Special Conditions.

(1) Trees are to be felled within 6 inches from the ground by saw or axe and saw combined.

(2) Only such trees as are stamped and marked by the Forest Ranger are to be felled, and no sound trees below 4 feet 6 inches in girth will be marked or should be felled.

(3) All suitable dead and hollow trees within the forest such as are marked by the Forest Officer, though below 4 feet 6 inches in girth, should, in addition to all matured sound trees marked by him, be utilized for conversion into sleepers.

(4) Logs attacked by fungus or defective logs are not to be sawn into sleepers. The sleepers should be sawn from sound matured wood, free from shakes, cracks, sapwood, and large or loose knots.

(5) Broad gauge sleepers are to be 9 feet by 10 inches by 5 inches, and narrow gauge sleepers 5 feet by 9 inches by 4½ inches.

(6) Sleepers should be rectangular in form, perfectly parallel on all sides, and should have smooth surfaces on all sides, and should have no wane.

(7) Sleepers should be covered with saw dust or immersed in water and kept invariably under shade immediately they are sawn until they can be transported to delivery depôts, where they should be stacked and kept under shade in the manner to be pointed out by the Forest Ranger.

(8) Only such sleepers as are practically certain to be accepted by the Railway authorities will be allowed to be stacked at delivery depôts. Payments may be made on the responsibility of the Assistant Conservator of Forests "on account," or for not more than 90 per cent. of stacked sleepers.

(9) Rejected sleepers will not be paid for, and they will lapse to Government, as well as all refuse wood in the sleeper operations. The contractor shall have no claim in respect of any material sold as rejections.

(10) The felling operations should commence in the middle of January, 1916. Not less than 70 per cent. of sleepers should be sawn by May 15, 50 per cent. must be transported to delivery depôts by the end of June, and the whole supply on the contract must be completed on August 15, 1916.

H. F. TOMALIN,

Acting Conservator of Forests.

Office of the Conservator of Forests,
Kandy, October 6, 1915.

SCHEDULE.

Service (a).

To fell a sufficient number of palu or milla trees standing in the forest known as Naravikulamakadu, in Mannar Range; bounded on the north by the Parankiaru, on the east by the Mundumrippuiranai-Iluppaikulam minor road, on the south by the Iranai-Iluppaikulam-Mailadivillu minor road, and on the west by the pattu boundary between Perumkalipattu and Panankamam; to convert the trees felled into 2,500 broad gauge and 1,500 narrow gauge sleepers (more or less), to transport the sleepers, and to deliver them stacked at Puliyadi-irakam on the Madawachchi-Mannar Railway line, distance of transport being from 22 to 28 miles.

Service (b).

To fell a sufficient number of palu or milla trees standing in the forest known as Tammikkalukadu, in Mullaivivu Range; bounded on the north by Odaivelikulam-Udankukulam minor road, on the east by the Andankulam proposed reserved forest and the pattu boundary between Melpattu East and Karikkaddumulai South, on the south by the Parayan-aru, on the west by Odaivelikkulam-Veddivaikallu minor road; to convert the trees felled into 2,500 broad gauge and 2,000 narrow gauge sleepers (more or less), to transport the sleepers, and to deliver them stacked at Puliyanukulam on the Northern Railway line, the distance of transport being from 21 to 26 miles.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the service described in the schedule annexed.

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 Jaffna Depôt Firewood," for service (a) or (b), as the case may be, 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, November 9, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Forest Office, Jaffna, 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 to enter into the contract and bond, or fail 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.

7. Contract may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board previously obtained.

8. 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.

9. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of cash security required will be 5 per cent. of the value of the contract. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office 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. Firewood should generally be between the limit of 3 feet and 5 feet in length and 1 foot and 3 feet in girth.

12. 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.

H. F. TOMALIN,
Acting Conservator of Forests.

Office of the Conservator of Forests,
Kandy, October 9, 1915.

SCHEDULE.

Service (a).

(1) To cut from an area in Palavi and Kalluthalayai (full particulars of which can be obtained at the Forest Office, Jaffna) 500 tons, more or less, of common firewood, to transport the same by boats to Jaffna Customs and thence by carts to the Jaffna Firewood Depôt, and to weigh and deliver to the depôt-keeper.

(2) Deliveries should commence soon after acceptance of tender and completed before the close of April, 1916.

(3) Not less than 125 tons should be delivered monthly from January 1, 1916.

(4) A rate per ton of firewood accepted by the depôt-keeper must be quoted both in words and figures.

Service (b).

(1) To cut from irrigable areas under the Karachchi Scheme on the eastern side of the North-Central road, between the 157th and 160th mileposts (full particulars of which can be obtained at the Forest Office, Jaffna), 3,000 tons, more or less, of common firewood, to transport the same to Kilinochchi Siding, to load and unload firewood trucks, and to weigh and deliver the firewood on the Jaffna Depôt scales.

(2) All trees cut for the purpose must be cut within a foot of the ground, and the area must be stripped clean, and work must proceed steadily from one direction. The leaving of small patches of firewood jungle will not be allowed.

(3) Deliveries should commence in the first week of February and be completed before the close of November, 1916.

(4) Not less than 300 tons should be delivered monthly from February 1, 1916.

(5) A rate per ton of firewood accepted by the depôt-keeper, Jaffna, must be quoted both in words and figures.

(6) Arrangements with the Railway will be made by the Forest Department for the conveyance of the wood from Kilinochchi to Jaffna by a system of specials. Full particulars of the arrangements at present in contemplation can be obtained at the Forest Office, Jaffna. The running of regular specials is in no way guaranteed, and no liability for delays, irregular service, or alteration in the system of specials, due to Railway requirements, will be incurred by the Railway or Forest Department.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the service described in the schedule annexed.

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 Jaffna Depôt Timber Supply" 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, October 26, 1915.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Forest Office, Jaffna, 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 to enter into the contract and bond, or fail 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.

7. Contract may not be assigned or sublet without the authority of the Tender Board previously obtained.

8. 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.

9. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of cash security required will be 5 per cent. of the value of the contract. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office 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.

H. F. TOMALIN,
Acting Conservator of Forests.

Kandy, October 7, 1915.

SCHEDULE.

To cut in the Kilinochchi reserve on the western side of the North-Central road, between the 154th and 156th mileposts (full particulars of which can be obtained at the Forest Office, Jaffna), the following timber; to transport the same to Kilinochchi Siding, to load and unload the timber trucks, and to deliver the timber at the Jaffna Depôt, and arrange it in an orderly manner as required by the depôt-keeper. The distance of transport of timber from the forest to Kilinochchi Siding will be from 7 to 10 miles.

The supply of palu logs should be continuous and regular.

The supply of small round timber will vary with the requirements of the depôt; and deliveries in excess of the normal average, if required, should be made within one fortnight of the date of order to the contractor.

Arrangements with the Railway will be made by the Forest Department for the conveyance of the timber.

Tenders should quote both in words and figures rates as follows for the timber referred to:—

- 250 palu logs (more or less), per cubic foot.
- 5,000 pachchus (more or less), per pachchu.
- 2,500 posts (more or less), per post.
- 2,000 valais (more or less), per valai.

Deliveries should commence in the first week of February and be completed before the close of November, 1916.

SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the private property of long-sentenced prisoners of Jaffna Jail will be sold by public auction at the Jaffna Jail premises on Saturday, November 6, 1915, at 12 noon :—

Registration No.	Description of Property.
V 8,242 ..	One old white cloth, one piece rag.
V 8,247 ..	One old white cloth, one piece rag.
V 8,255 ..	One old Turkey cap, one old white coat, one old coloured coat, one old white cloth, one old leather belt, one old coloured sarong, one piece rag.
V 8,261 ..	One old coloured sarong, one old cloth banian, three common shop studs, one old white small shawl, one old leather belt, one old money purse.
V 13,250 ..	One old Cannanore cloth, one old knitted banian.
V 8,284 ..	One old white cloth, one old white shawl.
V 8,295 ..	One old dyed cloth, one old rag.
<i>Other than Clothing.</i>	
V 8,255 ..	One white metal amulet, one white metal bangle.
V 8,261 ..	One clasp knife, one brass ticket, one watch, and one brass chain.

Jaffna Prison,
October 11, 1915.

C. J. S. PRITCHETT,
Superintendent.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction at the Inspector-General of Police Stores at Maradana Headquarters, on October 26, 1915, at 2.30 p.m., viz. :—

2 almirahs with trays	150 frogs, leather
1 arm rack	6 inkstands, pewter
250 belts, Sergeants' and constables'	1 jug, enamelled
24 bicycles, old	75 lanterns, bull's-eye
6 boards, measuring	2 lanterns, hurricane
3 buckets, wooden	2 lamps, reading
1 bench	1 lamp, side
6 boxes, record	8 mops
1 signboard	16 oars, ashwood
1 basin, enamelled	250 pouches, cartridges
7 chairs, arm	1 plane
15 cots, wooden	2 rowlocks, brass
1 can, oil	2 stands, commode
2 clocks	3 trays, office
1 desk	54 trays for filing cards

W. C. C. KING,
for Inspector-General of Police.

1 bed	2 iron rails
1 raban wheel	2 wheels
1 piece iron	1 axle-tree
1 tin	1 lot rattan
1 plate	2 vessels liquid fuel oil
1 table	

Police Court,
Galle, October 12, 1915.

G. FURSE ROBERTS,
Police Magistrate.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned articles lying in the District Court of Kalutara will be sold by public auction at the premises of the said court on Monday, November 1, 1915, commencing at 1 p.m. :—
Property produced in Criminal Cases.

1 mat	1 napkin
3 pieces wood	5 forks
1 rag	1 teaspoon
4 banians	4 spoons
5 boxes	1 pillow case
5 coconuts	2 collars
1 basin	1 chair cover
1 iron tub	3 dusters
3 rice pounders	1 table cloth
1 comb	2 coffee cups
9 cloths	1 silk handkerchief
1 pot	6 empty jewel cases
2 shawls	1 sheet
2 sarongs	1 ring
3 handkerchiefs	6 dessert knives
1 Cannanore cloth	4 spoons
2 purses	1 key
2 bags manure	1 watch
5 jackets	2 drawers
1 shirt	1 table stand
2 silver bangles	1 table
3 strings of beads	1 glass jug

District Court,
Kalutara, October 11, 1915.

ALLAN BEVEN,
District Judge.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended October 9, 1915.

Births.—The total births registered in the City of Colombo in the week were 113 (1 European, 11 Burghers, 76 Sinhalese, 14 Tamils, 14 Moors, 4 Malays, and 2 Others). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on July 1, 1915, viz., 251,338) was 23.4 as against 20.3 in the preceding week, 20.8 in the corresponding week of last year, and 22.2 the weekly average for last year.

Deaths.—The total deaths registered were 123 (2 Europeans, 11 Burghers, 67 Sinhalese, 24 Tamils, 14 Moors, 1 Malay, and 4 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 25.5, as against 27.0 in the previous week, 24.9 in the corresponding week of last year, and 26.7 the weekly average for last year.

Infantile Deaths.—Of the 123 total deaths, 20 were of infants under one year of age, as against 19 in the preceding week, 21 in the corresponding week of the previous year, and 27 the average for last year.

Stillbirths.—The number of stillbirths registered during the week was 4.

Principal Causes of Death.—Fourteen deaths from *Phthisis* were registered, as against 24 in the previous week and 14 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 6 were in Kotahena, 3 in Maradana (including 1 death of a non-resident in hospital), 2 in Wellawatta, 1 in Slave Island, 1 in San Sebastian, and 1 in St. Paul's.

2. Ten deaths from *Pneumonia* were registered as in the previous week, against 11 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 4 were in Maradana (including 1 death of a non-resident in hospital), 3 in St. Paul's, 1 in Kotahena, 1 in Slave Island, and 1 in Kollupitiya. Two deaths from *Bronchitis* were registered.

3. Four deaths from *Plague* were registered, as against 2 in the previous week. Of these, 3 were in St. Paul's and 1 in Pettah. Seven cases were reported, as against 9 in the previous week.

4. Two deaths from *Enteric Fever* were registered, as against 1 in the previous week and 2 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 1 was in New Bazaar and 1 in Maradana.

5. One death from *Smallpox* was registered (in Maradana), as against 3 in the previous week. One case was reported, as against 4 in the previous week.

6. Twelve deaths from *Debility* were registered, 8 from *Infantile Convulsions*, 6 from *Enteritis*, 5 from *Worms*, 2 from *Diarrhœa*, 2 from *Dysentery*, 1 from *Tetanus*, and 54 from *Other Causes*.

7. Thirteen cases of *Chickenpox* were reported, as against 9 in the previous week. No cases of *Measles* were reported.

State of the Weather.—The mean temperature of air was 81·8°, against 80·2° in the preceding week and 79·7° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·831 in., against 29·855 in. in the preceding week and 29·863 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was 0·02 in., against 2·12 in. in the preceding week and 3·22 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, October 12, 1915.

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