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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE  
MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1915.**

**REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.**

This report deals with the Vital Statistics of the 33 principal towns in the Island proclaimed under sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

**Births.**

2. The births numbered 1,222 (644 males and 578 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 24·57 per 1,000, against 24·91 in the preceding month, 25·56 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·29 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 7·16 in Kalpitiya to 80·87 in Kalmunai.

3. In the city of Colombo the births numbered 428 (223 males and 205 females), and were equal to an annual rate\* of 20·05 per 1,000, against 21·64 in the preceding month, 20·78 in the corresponding month of last year, and 24·31 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 7·70 in Kollupitiya to 33·47 in Wellawatta.

**Deaths.**

4. The total deaths registered during the month amounted to 1,369 (739 males and 630 females). There were 1,097 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate of 24·04 per 1,000, against 26·92 in the preceding month, 26·48 in the corresponding month of last year, and 28·25 the average for the month of October in each year since 1908. The rate ranged from 41·04 in Hambantota to 10·70 in Matale.

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 523 (281 males and 242 females). There were 473 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate\* of 25·71 per 1,000, against 27·57 in the preceding month, 25·34 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 28·65 the average for the month of October in each year since 1908. The lowest rate, 7·33, was, as usual, observed in Kollupitiya, and the highest, 39·56, in Wellawatta.

6. Stillbirths numbered 88 (49 males and 39 females), against 68 in the preceding month.

**Infantile Mortality.**

7. The infantile mortality was equal to a rate of 205 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended October 31, 1915. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 221, against 216 in the preceding month, 222 in the corresponding month of last year, and 249 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

8. In the city of Colombo the infantile mortality was 249 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended October 31, 1915. Taking only the births registered during the month the rate was 278, against 197 in the preceding month, 249 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 291 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

**Causes of Death.**

9. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 10 per cent. of the total deaths was due, 9 per cent. each were due to *Convulsions* and *Debility*, 8 per cent. to *Phthisis*, 7 per cent. to *Diarrhœa*, 5 per cent. each to *Dysentery* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, 4 per cent. to *Anchylostomiasis*, 3 per cent. to *Enteritis*, and 2 per cent. each to *Bronchitis*, *Bright's Disease* or *Nephritis*, *Enteric Fever*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia*.

10. In the city of Colombo the highest mortality was due to *Phthisis*, which caused 13 per cent. of the total number of deaths, 10 per cent. each were due to *Pneumonia* and *Convulsions*, 7 per cent. to *Debility*, 5 per cent. to *Enteritis*, 3 per cent. each to *Dysentery* and *Bronchitis*, and 2 per cent. each to *Diarrhœa* and *Enteric Fever*. Twenty-three deaths from *Plague* were registered in the city of Colombo, against 19 in the preceding month, and 6 from *Smallpox*, against 27 in the preceding month.

11. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The most prevalent infectious disease during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 83 cases were reported (51 in Colorabo, 7 in Ratnapura, 6 in Kandy, 5 in Jaffna), followed by *Phthisis* 80 (72 in Colombo, 5 in Galle), *Enteric Fever* 70 (49 in Colombo, 6 each in Moratuwa and Galle, 4 in Tangalla), *Plague* 24 (in Colombo), *Smallpox* 20 (16 in Colombo, 3 in Galle, and 1 in Moratuwa), *Continued Fever* 18 (8 in Colombo, 6 in Galle), *Dysentery* 10 (9 in Moratuwa), *Measles* 9 (8 in Kandy), *Mumps* 2 (1 each in Colombo and Kandy), *Whooping Cough* 2 (in Kandy), *Malarial Fever* 1 (in Kandy), *Diphtheria* 1 (in Colombo), and *Cholera* 1 (in Colombo).

**Meteorology.**

12. *Rainfall.*—Colombo recorded the highest rainfall (14·12 inches), followed by Galle (11·78 inches). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 0·44 inch in Mullattivu to 11·49 inches in Ratnapura.

13. *Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 61·2° in Nuwara Eliya to 85·3° in Trincomalee, and was 80·5° in Colombo.

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

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, November 16, 1915.

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Registrar-General.

\* The city-rate is worked out differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account hospital events, &c., not assignable to wards.

Table I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during October, 1915, their Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and the Stillbirths and the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates in the corresponding months since 1908, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

| Provinces and Towns.  | Population (inclusive of March 10, 1911.) | Population estimated to the middle of 1915 by Interannual Increase. |              | Total Births.  |              | Total Deaths. |           | Total Stillbirths. |              | Deaths of Town Residents. | Average Birth-rate for October 1915. | Death-rates excluding non-residents; Mortality of Children under One Year. |                | Mean Temperature. | Rainfall in Inches. |                                 |  |  |              |
|-----------------------|---|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--------------|
|                       |   | Males.  | Females.     | Males.         | Females.     | Males.        | Females.  | Males.             | Females.     |                           |                                      | Crude October 1915.  | Standardized.* |                   |                     | Number registered October 1915. | Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during Oct., 1915. | Its proportion to 1,000 births registered during year ended last Oct., 1915. |              |
| <b>All 33 Towns</b>   | <b>517,877</b>                            | <b>644,578</b>  | <b>1,222</b> | <b>739,630</b> | <b>1,369</b> | <b>49</b>     | <b>33</b> | <b>88</b>          | <b>1,097</b> | <b>24.57</b>              | <b>28.29</b>                         | <b>22.05</b>   | <b>24.04</b>   | <b>28.25</b>      | <b>270</b>          | <b>221</b>                      | <b>205</b>   | <b>80.5</b>  | <b>14.12</b> |
| <i>Western.</i>       |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Colombo               | 219,557                                   | 223,205   | 423          | 281,242        | 523          | 15            | 11        | 26                 | 473          | 20.05                     | 24.31                                | 22.16  | 25.71          | 28.65             | 119                 | 278                             | 249  | 80.5   | 14.12        |
| Negombo               | 13,045                                    | 42,38   | 80           | 3,28           | 61           | 4             | 4         | 4                  | 51           | 39.84                     | 34.65                                | 25.40  | 26.56          | 22.86             | 13                  | 163                             | 158  | —  | 8.38         |
| Moratuwa              | 27,256                                    | 57,40   | 97           | 37,32          | 69           | 4             | 5         | 0                  | 68           | 39.27                     | 39.36                                | 27.53  | 30.36          | 29.87             | 18                  | 186                             | 164  | —  | —            |
| Kalutara              | 13,005                                    | 19,23   | 42           | 20,12          | 32           | 1             | 2         | 1                  | 25           | 36.10                     | 31.78                                | 21.49  | 21.35          | 21.62             | 9                   | 214                             | 251  | —  | 9.51         |
| Panadura              | 5,709                                     | 7   | 3            | 8              | 3            | 1             | 1         | 1                  | 8            | 17.38                     | 24.46                                | 13.90  | 16.55          | 20.25             | 1                   | 100                             | 84   | —  | —            |
| <i>Central.</i>       |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Kandy                 | 30,149                                    | 42,23   | 65           | 47,51          | 98           | 2             | 3         | 5                  | 69           | 24.24                     | 25.38                                | 25.73  | 28.04          | 29.93             | 15                  | 231                             | 200  | 76.5   | 4.36         |
| Gampola               | 5,521                                     | 5   | 7            | 6              | 10           | 1             | 1         | 1                  | 14           | 21.75                     | 35.25                                | 25.38  | 28.33          | 33.27             | 1                   | 83                              | 68   | —  | 4.35         |
| Nawalapitiya          | 3,767                                     | 3,920   | 5            | 4              | 9            | 1             | 1         | 1                  | 5            | 27.03                     | 24.73                                | 15.02  | 16.33          | 28.53             | 3                   | 333                             | 260  | —  | —            |
| Hatton & Dikoya       | 3,025                                     | 3,112   | 3            | 13             | 11           | 28            | —         | —                  | 6            | 37.83                     | 17.59                                | 22.70  | 26.51          | 35.70             | 4                   | 400                             | 589  | —  | 3.23         |
| Malle                 | 5,792                                     | 9   | 7            | 10             | 13           | 11            | 24        | 1                  | 6            | 24.84                     | 19.10                                | 9.32   | 10.70          | 39.11             | 3                   | 188                             | 174  | —  | 6.37         |
| Nuwara Eliya          | 14,910                                    | 14,976  | 5            | 7              | 9            | 8             | 17        | 3                  | 14           | 9.43                      | 18.36                                | 11.01  | 12.55          | 9.43              | 4                   | 333                             | 269  | 61.2   | 3.38         |
| <i>Southern.</i>      |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Galle                 | 39,936                                    | 27,34   | 61           | 33             | 38           | 71            | 5         | 2                  | 59           | 17.43                     | 27.23                                | 16.86  | 16.50          | 23.62             | 12                  | 197                             | 124  | 80.1   | 11.78        |
| Ambalangoda           | 4,174                                     | 5   | 14           | 1              | 1            | 2             | 1         | 2                  | 2            | 39.49                     | —                                    | 5.64   | —              | —                 | —                   | —                               | —  | —  | —            |
| Matara                | 13,851                                    | 23,28   | 51           | 15             | 13           | 28            | 1         | 1                  | 25           | 40.56                     | 29.03                                | 19.88  | 19.47          | 20.28             | 5                   | 98                              | 123  | —  | 7.70         |
| Welligama             | 8,672                                     | 9,181   | 12           | 4              | 16           | 9             | 18        | 1                  | 18           | 20.52                     | 34.54                                | 23.09  | 20.80          | 8.84              | 3                   | 188                             | 112  | —  | —            |
| Hambentota            | 3,092                                     | 7   | 2            | 9              | 6            | 11            | —         | —                  | 10           | 33.03                     | 45.86                                | 36.70  | 41.04          | 31.23             | 4                   | 444                             | 421  | 82.2   | 1.20         |
| Tangalla              | 3,505                                     | 4,178   | 6            | 7              | 3            | 10            | —         | —                  | 8            | 33.82                     | 29.09                                | 22.56  | 23.05          | 22.39             | 1                   | 83                              | 94   | —  | 1.84         |
| <i>Northern.</i>      |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Jaffna                | 40,441                                    | 57,46   | 103          | 54             | 44           | 98            | 3         | 6                  | 83           | 27.78                     | 36.55                                | 22.39  | 22.87          | 32.69             | 22                  | 213                             | 240  | 83.2   | 2.01         |
| Mannar                | 3,777                                     | 2   | 4            | 3              | 3            | 6             | —         | —                  | 4            | 17.72                     | 47.97                                | 11.81  | 13.01          | 29.82             | —                   | —                               | —  | 83.2   | 2.20         |
| Mullaitivu            | 1,392                                     | 2   | 1            | 3              | 1            | 2             | —         | —                  | 3            | 24.70                     | 21.40                                | 24.70  | 32.71          | 34.04             | 1                   | —                               | 237  | —  | 0.44         |
| Vavuniya              | 808                                       | 1   | 1            | 3              | —            | 3             | —         | —                  | 3            | 24.98                     | 20.68                                | 37.47  | —              | 39.02             | —                   | —                               | —  | —  | 8.77         |
| <i>Eastern.</i>       |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Baticaloa             | 10,671                                    | 19,27   | 40           | 12             | 14           | 26            | 1         | 2                  | 22           | 49.29                     | 35.01                                | 23.58  | 23.25          | 29.38             | 5                   | 109                             | 168  | 84.8   | 5.19         |
| Kalmunai              | 2,038                                     | 4   | 10           | 7              | 1            | 8             | —         | —                  | 5            | 80.87                     | —                                    | 28.88  | —              | —                 | 3                   | 214                             | 436  | —  | —            |
| Trincombalee          | 8,840                                     | 11,11   | 22           | 16             | 6            | 22            | —         | —                  | 21           | 25.93                     | 32.79                                | 24.81  | 27.23          | 28.58             | 7                   | 318                             | 326  | 85.3   | 3.25         |
| <i>North-Western.</i> |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Kurunegala            | 8,167                                     | 13,13   | 26           | 19             | 17           | 36            | 1         | 1                  | 24           | 33.82                     | 26.92                                | 31.22  | 32.07          | 39.30             | 3                   | 115                             | 135  | 81.3   | 6.67         |
| Puttalam              | 5,980                                     | 6,413   | 6            | 10             | 13           | 4             | 17        | 1                  | 14           | 18.36                     | 30.77                                | 25.71  | 27.49          | 30.47             | 4                   | 400                             | 287  | 81.9   | 1.47         |
| Kalpiya               | 1,591                                     | 1,644   | 1            | 1              | 2            | 3             | —         | —                  | 3            | 7.16                      | 19.48                                | 21.45  | —              | —                 | —                   | —                               | —  | —  | 0.95         |
| Chilaw                | 5,033                                     | 5,458   | 2            | 4              | 6            | 3             | 9         | —                  | 9            | 12.95                     | 33.14                                | 19.41  | 18.61          | 34.39             | —                   | —                               | —  | —  | 3.21         |
| <i>North-Central.</i> |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Anuradhapura          | 5,301                                     | 6,323   | 3            | 8              | 8            | 16            | 1         | 2                  | 16           | 11.17                     | 26.57                                | 29.79  | 36.51          | 48.61             | 2                   | 333                             | 190  | 84.7   | 11.16        |
| <i>Uva.</i>           |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Badulla               | 6,487                                     | 10,5  | 15           | 11             | 6            | 17            | 1         | 2                  | 10           | 26.11                     | 43.50                                | 17.40  | 19.20          | 55.03             | 2                   | 133                             | 107  | 75.3   | 4.21         |
| Lunugala              | 515                                       | 1   | —            | 1              | 8            | 9             | 17        | —                  | 1            | 20.50                     | 46.77                                | 20.50  | —              | —                 | 1                   | —                               | 906  | —  | —            |
| <i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>  |   |   |              |                |              |               |           |                    |              |                           |                                      |  |                |                   |                     |                                 |  |  |              |
| Ratnapura             | 5,476                                     | 6,5   | 11           | 16             | 15           | 31            | 2         | 3                  | 15           | 20.74                     | 21.98                                | 28.28  | 32.06          | 38.30             | 4                   | 364                             | 271  | 79.9   | 11.49        |
| Kesriya               | 2,536                                     | 5   | 1            | 6              | 4            | 12            | —         | —                  | 3            | 26.90                     | 20.23                                | 13.15  | 13.31          | 20.12             | 1                   | 167                             | 132  | —  | 2.73         |

\* The standardized death-rates represent the crude death-rates multiplied by the respective standardizing factor in order to make correction for differences of sex- and age-constitution of the several populations in 1911 as compared with that of the island.  
 † Blank indicates that there are no observations or main ranges.  
 ‡ Estimated to the end of December, 1913, by natural increase method.  
 § Population enumerated at the Census of 1911 by age and sex, while the town of Kalmunai was created a registration division only in January, 1914, and and Lunugala towns not available, as the population of these towns has not been enumerated at the Census of 1911 by age and sex, while the town of Kalmunai was created a registration division only in January, 1914, and Ambalangoda in January, 1915. The death-rate given for "All Towns" is therefore independent of these towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during October, 1915, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

| Causes of Deaths.                              | Western Province. |          |          |           |           |          |        |          |               |                  | Central Province. |               |        |              | Southern Province. |            |             |           | Northern Province. |         |             |           | Eastern Province. |           |              |             | North-Western Province. |            |         |               | North-Central Province. |           | Province of Sabaragamuwa. |          | Deaths among all Races. |           |            |         |        |         |         |   |
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|  | All 33 Towns.     | Colombo. | Negombo. | Moratuwā. | Kalutara. | Pandura. | Kandy. | Gampola. | Nawalapitiya. | Hatton & Dikoya. | Matale.           | Nuwara Eliya. | Galle. | Ambalangoda. | Matara.            | Welligama. | Hambantota. | Tangalla. | Jaffna.            | Mannar. | Mullaitivu. | Vavuniya. | Daitchola.        | Kalmunai. | Trincomeale. | Kurunegala. | Puttalam.               | Kalpitiya. | Chilaw. | Auradhappura. | Badulla.                | Jaingula. | Ratnapura.                | Kegalla. | Europeans.              | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |   |
| All Causes                                     | 1,369             | 523      | 61       | 69        | 32        | 11       | 93     | 16       | 28            | 24               | 26                | 17            | 71     | 228          | 18                 | 11         | 10          | 98        | 6                  | 3       | 3           | 26        | 8                 | 22        | 36           | 17          | 3                       | 9          | 16      | 17            | 17                      | 31        | 12                        | 4        | 41                      | 661       | 449        | 160     | 27     | 27      |         |   |
| <b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b>                  | 270               | 119      | 13       | 18        | 9         | 1        | 15     | 1        | 3             | 4                | 3                 | 4             | 12     | 5            | 3                  | 4          | 1           | 22        | 1                  | —       | —           | 5         | 3                 | 7         | 3            | 4           | —                       | —          | 2       | 2             | 1                       | 4         | 1                         | 8        | 136                     | 69        | 42         | 8       | 6      |         |         |   |
| <b>A.—One Week and under</b>                   | 102               | 35       | 6        | 5         | 3         | —        | 6      | 3        | 2             | 2                | 2                 | 7             | 6      | 3            | 1                  | 3          | 1           | 11        | —                  | —       | —           | 3         | 2                 | 1         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 1. Prematurity ..                              | 16                | 3        | —        | 3         | —         | —        | 1      | 2        | 1             | —                | —                 | 1             | 1      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | 2         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 2. Debility ..                                 | 40                | 13       | 4        | 1         | 1         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 3. Convulsions ..                              | 34                | 15       | 2        | 1         | 2         | —        | 4      | 1        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 4. Diarrhoea ..                                | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 4a. Enteritis ..                               | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 5. Tetanus ..                                  | 7                 | 1        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 6. Bronchitis ..                               | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 7. Pneumonia ..                                | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 8. Other Causes ..                             | 5*                | 3        | —        | —         | —         | —        | 1      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| <b>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year</b>         | 168               | 84       | 7        | 13        | 6         | 7        | 9      | 1        | 2             | 1                | 3                 | 6             | 2      | 2            | 2                  | 1          | —           | 11        | 1                  | —       | —           | 2         | 1                 | 6         | 3            | 3           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       | — |
| 1. Prematurity ..                              | 1                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 2. Debility ..                                 | 40                | 17       | 4        | 4         | 2         | —        | 3      | 1        | 1             | 1                | 1                 | 2             | 2      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | 2         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 3. Convulsions ..                              | 55                | 22       | 2        | 4         | 2         | 1        | 2      | 1        | 1             | 1                | 1                 | 4             | 2      | 2            | 2                  | 1          | —           | 1         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 4. Diarrhoea ..                                | 9                 | 4        | 1        | 1         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 4a. Enteritis ..                               | 15                | 13       | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 5. Tetanus ..                                  | 2                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 6. Bronchitis ..                               | 9                 | 4        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 7. Pneumonia ..                                | 20                | 15       | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 8. Other Causes ..                             | 17†               | 9        | —        | 1         | 1         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| <b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)</b> | 1,089             | 404      | 48       | 51        | 23        | 10       | 83     | 15       | 25            | 20               | 23                | 13            | 59     | 223          | 15                 | 7          | 5           | 76        | 6                  | 2       | 3           | 21        | 5                 | 15        | 33           | 13          | 3                       | 9          | 14      | 15            | 16                      | 27        | 11                        | 3        | 33                      | 525       | 380        | 118     | 19     | 21      |         |   |
| 1. Plague ..                                   | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |
| 1a. Smallpox ..                                | 23                | 5        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 2. Chickenpox ..                               | 8                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       |         |   |
| 3. Measles ..                                  | —                 | —        | —        | —         | —         | —        | —      | —        | —             | —                | —                 | —             | —      | —            | —                  | —          | —           | —         | —                  | —       | —           | —         | —                 | —         | —            | —           | —                       | —          | —       | —             | —                       | —         | —                         | —        | —                       | —         | —          | —       | —      | —       | —       |   |

\* These are due to 1 each from Monster Terrato Encephaliam, Laceration of Lungs, and Hydrocephalus (in Colombo), Prolonged Labour (in Jaffna), Icterus Neonatorum (in Kandy).  
 † This includes, besides 9 deaths mentioned in Table IV., footaote 1, 3 deaths from Malaria (2 in Puttalam and 1 in Jaffna), 1 each from Congenital Syphilis (in Mullaitivu), Tokamia, Burns (in Kurunegala), Whooping Cough (in Moratuwa), and Thrush (in Kalutara).



Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of October, 1915, and the Deaths of Children under One Year and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates for October, 1908 to 1914, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

| Wards.                               | Population (inclusive of Military) at Census of 1911. | Population estimated to 1915 by Inter-censal Increase. | Total Births registered. |     |          |    | Stillbirths. |    |          |     | Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails. |    |          |       | Deaths of Non-residents. | Deaths of Residents. | Per Mille per Annum.            |                |                        |                                      | Mortality of Children under one Year.                       |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|-----|----------|----|--------------|----|----------|-----|---|----|----------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|
|                                      |   |  | Males.                   |     | Females. |    | Males.       |    | Females. |     | Males.  |    | Females. |       |                          |                      | Average for Oct., 1908 to 1914. | October, 1915. | Standard-Death-rates.* | Number registered during Oct., 1915. | Its proportion to 1000 births registered during Oct., 1915. | Its proportion to 1000 births registered during Year under last day of Oct., 1915. |  |
|                                      |   |  |                          |     |          |    |              |    |          |     |   |    |          |       |                          |                      |                                 |                |                        |                                      |   |  |  |
| City of Colombo ..                   | 219,557   | 251,338†   | 223                      | 205 | 428      | 15 | 11           | 26 | 281      | 242 | 523   | 50 | 473      | 20.05 | 24.31                    | 25.50                | 22.16                           | 25.71          | 119                    | 278                                  | 249   |  |  |
| Fort and Galle Face                  | 3,812   | 3,512‡   | 1                        | 1   | 2        | —  | —            | —  | 2        | —   | 2   | —  | 2        | 6.71  | 2.43                     | 8.92                 | 6.71                            | —              | —                      | —                                    |   |  |  |
| Pettah ..                            | 7,974   | 7,974‡   | 1                        | 1   | 2        | 1  | —            | 1  | 5        | 2   | 7   | —  | 7        | 2.95  | 6.32                     | 9.75                 | 10.34                           | —              | 1                      | 500                                  | 318   |  |  |
| San Sebastian ..                     | 11,546  | 12,659   | 6                        | 4   | 10       | 2  | —            | 2  | 9        | 12  | 21  | —  | 21       | 9.30  | 21.13                    | 21.31                | 19.53                           | —              | 6                      | 600                                  | 397   |  |  |
| St. Paul's ..                        | 24,735  | 26,969   | 14                       | 20  | 34       | 1  | 2            | 3  | 28       | 19  | 47  | —  | 47       | 14.84 | 18.52                    | 18.92                | 20.52                           | —              | 13                     | 382                                  | 351   |  |  |
| Kotahena ..                          | 40,771  | 44,457   | 29                       | 26  | 55       | 1  | 1            | 2  | 39       | 48  | 87  | —  | 87       | 14.57 | 22.02                    | 21.36                | 23.04                           | —              | 22                     | 400                                  | 252   |  |  |
| New Bazaar ..                        | 22,309  | 24,810   | 25                       | 18  | 43       | 1  | —            | 1  | 15       | 12  | 27  | —  | 27       | 20.41 | 23.76                    | 25.31                | 12.81                           | —              | 9                      | 209                                  | 205   |  |  |
| Maradana Hospitals                   |   |  | 62                       | 57  | 119      | 4  | 4            | 8  | 87       | 58  | 145   | 47 | 98       | —     | —                        | —                    | —                               | —              | 13                     | —                                    | —   |  |  |
| Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) .. | 48,093  | 58,720   | 31                       | 29  | 60       | —  | —            | —  | 38       | 33  | 71  | —  | 71       | 12.03 | 20.65                    | 22.30                | 14.24                           | —              | 24                     | 400                                  | 275   |  |  |
| Slave Island ..                      | 21,984  | 24,634   | 17                       | 21  | 38       | —  | —            | —  | 16       | 25  | 41  | —  | 41       | 18.16 | 22.33                    | 21.66                | 19.60                           | —              | 14                     | 368                                  | 321   |  |  |
| Kollupitiya ..                       | 25,410  | 32,125   | 9                        | 12  | 21       | 1  | 3            | 4  | 12       | 10  | 22  | 2  | 20       | 7.70  | 15.79                    | 15.46                | 7.33                            | —              | 2                      | 95                                   | 74  |  |  |
| Wellawatta ..                        | 13,223  | 15,478§  | 28                       | 16  | 44       | 4  | 1            | 5  | 30       | 23  | 53  | 1  | 52       | 33.47 | 30.84                    | 42.72                | 39.56                           | —              | 15                     | 341                                  | 377   |  |  |

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

† Estimated partly on the intercensal increase method and partly on the natural increase method, i.e., population exclusive of Wellawatta Ward on the former method and that of Wellawatta added to the town on January 1, 1912, on the latter method (as it was not a separate division at the Census of 1901).

‡ The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their population cannot be estimated to the middle of 1914. Hence the Census figures are retained.

§ This population is estimated partly on the natural increase method and partly on the intercensal increase method, i.e., population of Wellawatta on the former method (as it was not a separate division at the Census of 1901) and that of the part of Kollupitiya taken over to Wellawatta on the latter method.

|| For three months, October, 1912, 1913, and 1914.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of October, 1915, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

| Causes of Deaths.                                 | City of Colombo. | Ward.                |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              | Deaths among all Races. |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
|---|------------------|----------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
|   |                  | Port and Galle Face. | Pettah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kotahena. | New Bazaar. | Mardana Hospitals. | Mardana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya. | Wellawatta.             | Europeans. | Burgbers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |
| <b>All Causes</b> ..                              | 523              | 2                    | 7       | 21             | 47          | 87        | 27          | 145                | 71                                | 41            | 22           | 53                      | 3          | 32        | 270        | 114     | 72     | 12      | 20      |
| <b>I.—Infantile Mortality</b> ..                  | 119              | —                    | 1       | 6              | 13          | 22        | 9           | 13                 | 24                                | 14            | 2            | 15                      | 1          | 6         | 67         | 13      | 22     | 4       | 6       |
| <i>A.—One Week and under.</i>                     |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 1. Prematurity ..                                 | 3                |                      |         | 1              | 1           | 1         | 4           | 6                  | 1                                 | 1             |              | 1                       |            |           | 1          |         | 2      |         |         |
| 2. Debility ..                                    | 13               |                      |         | 1              | 3           | 4         |             |                    | 5                                 |               |              |                         |            |           | 9          | 2       | 1      |         |         |
| 3. Convulsions ..                                 | 15               |                      |         | 2              | 3           | 4         |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           | 10         |         | 5      |         |         |
| 4. Diarrhoea ..                                   | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 4a. Enteritis ..                                  | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 5. Tetanus ..                                     | 1                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   | 1             |              |                         |            |           | 1          |         |        |         |         |
| 6. Bronchitis ..                                  | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 7. Pneumonia ..                                   | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 8. Other Causes ..                                | 3*               |                      |         |                | 1           | 1         |             |                    |                                   |               |              | 1                       |            |           | 2          |         |        |         | 1       |
| <i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>           |                  |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 1. Prematurity ..                                 | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 2. Debility ..                                    | 17               |                      |         |                | 2           | 4         | 1           | 2                  | 3                                 | 2             |              | 4                       |            | 1         | 11         | 3       | 5      | 2       | 2       |
| 3. Convulsions ..                                 | 22               |                      |         | 1              | 4           | 5         |             |                    | 4                                 | 5             |              | 2                       |            |           | 10         | 4       | 1      | 1       | 1       |
| 4. Diarrhoea ..                                   | 4                |                      |         |                |             | 3         |             |                    | 7                                 | 2             |              | 1                       |            |           | 3          | 1       | 5      | 1       | 1       |
| 4a. Enteritis ..                                  | 13               |                      |         |                | 1           | 1         |             | 2                  | 2                                 | 2             |              |                         |            |           | 4          | 1       | 5      | 1       | 1       |
| 5. Tetanus ..                                     | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 6. Bronchitis ..                                  | 4                |                      |         | 1              |             | 1         | 2           | 2                  | 4                                 | 2             | 1            | 3                       |            | 1         | 1          | 2       | 2      | 1       | 1       |
| 7. Pneumonia ..                                   | 15               |                      |         | 1              | 1           | 1         | 1           | 1                  | 4                                 | 2             | 1            | 3                       |            | 3         | 9          | 1       | 1      | 1       | 1       |
| 8. Other Causes ..                                | 9†               |                      |         |                | 1           | 2         | 1           | 1                  | 1                                 | 1             | 1            | 2                       |            |           | 6          | 1       | 1      |         |         |
| <b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)</b> .. | 404              | 2                    | 6       | 15             | 34          | 65        | 18          | 132                | 47                                | 27            | 20           | 38                      | 2          | 26        | 203        | 101     | 50     | 8       | 14      |
| 1. Plague ..                                      | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 1a. Smallpox ..                                   | 23               |                      |         | 1              | 9           |           |             | 1                  |                                   |               |              | 10                      |            |           | 3          | 15      | 4      |         |         |
| 2. Chickenpox ..                                  | 5                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   | 1             |              | 4                       |            |           | 1          | 1       | 3      |         |         |
| 3. Measles ..                                     | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 4. Influenza ..                                   | —                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 5. Pyrexia or Fever ..                            | 1                |                      |         |                |             |           |             |                    |                                   | 1             |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |

\* One each from Monster Tetrao Encephalium, Laceration of Lungs, and Hydrocephalus.  
 † This includes 4 from Rickets, and 1 each from Peritonitis, Smallpox, Septic Arthritis, Cancerum Oris, and Worms.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of October, 1915, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—continued.

| Causes of Deaths.   | City of Colombo. | Ward.                |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              | Deaths among all Races. |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
|---|------------------|----------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|----------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
|   |                  | Fort and Galle Face. | Pettah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kothena. | New Bazaar. | Maradana Hospitals. | Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya. | Wellawatta.             | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |
| II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)—<br><i>contd.</i> |                  |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 6. Enteric Fever .. .. .                                  | 11               |                      |         |                | 1           |          | 9           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 7. Malaria .. .. .  | 1                |                      |         |                | 1           |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 8. Malarial Cachexia .. .                                 | —                |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 9. Cholera .. .. .  | 8                |                      |         |                | 1           | 2        |             | 1                   |                                    | 3             | 2            |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 10. Diarrhoea .. .. .                                     | 15               |                      |         |                | 1           |          | 7           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 10a. Enteritis .. .. .                                    | 15               |                      |         |                | 1           | 1        | 9           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 11. Dysentery .. .. .                                     |                  |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 12. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo-<br>denalis .. .. .  | 7                |                      |         |                |             |          | 7           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 13. Cancer .. .. .  | 2                |                      |         |                |             |          | 2           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 14. Phthisis .. .. .                                      | 69               |                      | 1       | 5              | 3           | 13       | 29          | 8                   | 2                                  | 2             | 3            |                         |            |           | 4          |         |        |         | 3       |
| 15. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .                       | 2                |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 16. Anaemia .. .. .                                       | 2                |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           |                     |                                    | 1             |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 17. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .                             | 14               |                      |         |                |             | 4        | 2           |                     |                                    |               | 4            |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 18. Convulsions .. .. .                                   | 6                |                      |         |                | 1           |          | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 19. Tetanus .. .. .                                       | 12               |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           | 3                   |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 20. Bronchitis .. .. .                                    | 38               |                      |         |                | 6           | 5        | 14          | 4                   |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 21. Pneumonia .. .. .                                     |                  |                      |         |                |             | 3        | 1           | 5                   |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 22. Other Diseases of the Respiratory<br>System .. .. .   | 4                |                      |         |                |             | 3        | 1           | 1                   |                                    |               | 2            |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 23. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .                   | 8                |                      |         |                |             | 2        | 2           | 1                   |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 24. Puerperal Eclampsia .. .. .                           | 7                |                      |         |                |             | 2        | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 25. Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .                          | 1                |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 26. Miscarriage .. .. .                                   | 3                |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 27. Other undefined Accidents of<br>Childbirth .. .. .    | —                |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 28. Starvation .. .. .                                    | —                |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 29. Accidents or Negligence .. .. .                       | 1                |                      |         |                |             |          | 2           | 1                   |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 30. Homicide .. .. .                                      | 2                |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 31. Suicide .. .. .                                       | —                |                      |         |                |             |          | 1           |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 32. Executions .. .. .                                    | —                |                      |         |                |             |          |             |                     |                                    |               |              |                         |            |           |            |         |        |         |         |
| 33. All other causes .. .. .                              | 143*             | 3                    | 1       | 3              | 9           | 30       | 41          | 17                  | 10                                 | 10            | 13           | 1                       | 12         | 79        | 24         | 21      | 2      | 1       | 3       |

\* Here are included 38 from Senility, 16 from Worms, and 6 from Debility.