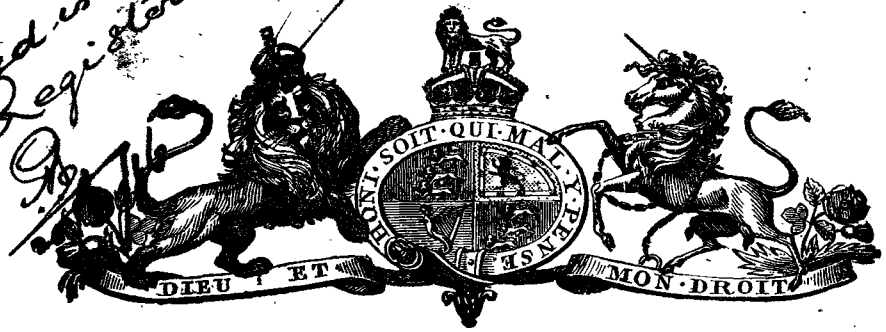


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PROCLAMATIONS.

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 REGINALD EDWARD STUBBS, Esquire, Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Officer Administering the Government of the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

R. E. STUBBS.

WHEREAS by Royal Proclamation issued the 14th day of October, 1915, certain articles specified in Schedules I. and II. thereof were declared contraband of war:

And whereas by Our Proclamation issued the 23rd day of October, 1915, and published in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,750 of the same date, the Royal Proclamation aforesaid was brought into force in the Colony of Ceylon, and the articles of contraband were published under Schedules A and B thereof:

And whereas His Majesty has by Royal Proclamation issued the 27th day of January, 1916, and published in the Schedule hereto, made certain further additions to, and amendments in, the said lists of contraband:

Know Ye that We, the Officer Administering the Government, do hereby declare that the Royal Proclamation of the 27th day of January, 1916, aforesaid is in force in the said Colony, 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 Fifteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Sixteen.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SCHEDULE.

BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION making certain additions to and amendments in the List of Articles to be treated as Contraband of War.

GEORGE, R. I.

WHEREAS on the 14th day of October, 1915, We did issue Our Royal Proclamation specifying the articles which it was Our intention to treat as contraband during the continuance of hostilities or until We did give further public notice; and

Whereas it is expedient to make certain further additions to and amendments in the said list:

Now, therefore, We do hereby declare, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, that, during the continuance of the war or until We do give further public notice, the following articles will be treated as absolute contraband, in addition to those set out in Schedule I. of Our Royal Proclamation aforementioned:—

Cork, including cork dust.

Bones in any form, whole or crushed, and bone ash.

Soap.

Vegetable fibres and yarns made therefrom.

And We do hereby further declare that as from this date the following amendments shall be made in Schedule I. of Our Royal Proclamation aforementioned:—

In item 8 for "acetone" shall be substituted "acetones, and raw or finished materials usable for their preparation."

In item 9 for "phosphorus" shall be substituted "phosphorus and its compounds."

In item 26 there shall be added after the word "parts" the words "and accessories."

In item 38 the more general term "lead" shall be substituted for the words "lead, pig, sheet, or pipe."

And We do hereby further declare that the following articles shall as from this date be treated as conditional contraband in addition to those set out in Schedule II. of Our Royal Proclamation aforementioned:—

Casein.

Bladders, guts, casings, and sausage skins.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this Twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Sixteen, and in the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

APPOINTMENTS, &c.

No. 85 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased, with the approval of the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES, to make the following promotions, with effect from the dates noted below:—

To Grade I. of Crown Counsel.

Mr. S. OBEYSEKERE, October 25, 1915.

Mr. V. M. FERNANDÓ, January 1, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 10, 1916.

No. 86 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

Mr. C. A. LA BROOY to act as District Judge and Additional Commissioner of Requests, Kandy, for March 18, 1916.

Mr. B. HORSBURGH to be, in addition to his own duties, Additional District Judge, Mannar, for March 23 and 24, 1916.

Mr. F. H. DE VOS to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Galle; Additional District Judge, Galle; and Municipal Magistrate, Galle, from March 13 to 18, 1916, inclusive, during the absence of Mr. F. MARSHALL on leave, or until further orders.

Mr. A. V. VAN LANGENBERG to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Gampola, for March 15, 1916.

Mr. C. J. A. MARSHALL to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Avissawella, from March 17 to 19, 1916, inclusive, during the absence of Mr. N. E. ERNST from the station.

Mr. H. J. M. WICKRAMARATNE to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Balapitiya, for March 16, 1916.

Mr. SOLOMON FERNANDO to be Additional Police Magistrate, Panadure, for March 22, 1916.

Mr. D. G. GOONEWARDENE to act as Municipal Magistrate, Galle, for March 10 and 11, 1916, during the illness of Mr. F. MARSHALL.

Messrs. R. F. MORRIS and A. J. R. SCHARENGUIVEL to be Justices of the Peace and Unofficial Police Magistrates for the Hambantota District.

Mr. G. H. BROMLEY, Assistant Superintendent of Police, to be a Justice of the Peace and Unofficial Police Magistrate for the district of Tangalla.

The Notification published in the *Gazette* of February 25, 1916, is cancelled in so far as it concerns Mr. G. H. BROMLEY.

Mr. WILLIAM YULE MACKINTOSH to be a Justice of the Peace and Unofficial Police Magistrate for the District of Galle.

The Notification published in the *Gazette* of February 25, 1916, is cancelled in so far as it concerns Mr. J. MACKINTOSH.

Mr. R. GATEHOUSE to be a Member of the Excise Advisory Committee for the Badulla Revenue District Area, *vice* Mr. T. G. ELLIOTT.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 16, 1916.

No. 87 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to confirm the appointment of Mr. O. BALEAN as a Justice of the Peace and Unofficial Police Magistrate for the District of Kandy.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 16, 1916.

No. 88 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to make the following temporary promotion in the Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps:—

To be Temporary Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major WILLIAM SINCLAIR.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

No. 89 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to make the following promotion in the Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps Contingent Company, with effect from January 1, 1916:—

To be Captain.

Lieutenant ROBERT BENZIE.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 13, 1916.

No. 90 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to recognize Mr. A. WARDEN provisionally as Acting Honorary Consul for Japan at Colombo during the absence of Mr. H. C. BIBBY from the Island.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

No. 91 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased, under the proviso to section 23 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, to appoint Mr. GEORGE BROWN to be an Additional Member of the District Road Committee, Ratnapura, for the years 1916, 1917, and 1918.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 11, 1916.

No. 92 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased, under section 120 of "The Criminal Procedure Code, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 37 of 1908, to appoint Mr. GILBERT HANNAH CANAGASABAI to act as Inquirer for Akkarai pattu, Eastern Province, from March 9 to 20, 1916, or until further orders.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 15, 1916.

No. 93 of 1916.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to appoint Mr. JOHN EDMUND DE SARAM, of Kottawa, Colombo, to be a Notary Public throughout the District of Badulla, with residence and office at Lunugala, and additional offices at Medagama and Bellan-ova, and to practise as such in the Sinhalese language.

By His Excellency's command,

A. S. PAGDEN,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colombo, March 10, 1916.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT has been pleased to appoint **NAMBI KALU ARACCIGE GUNASEKARA** to act as Registrar of Marriages (Kandyan) of Uda Hewaheta division, in the Nuwara Eliya District of the Central Province, for twenty-nine days, with effect from March 7, 1916, *vice* **LOKU BANDA SENEVIRATNA**, interdicted. His office will be at Uda-phillegedara at Makuruppe.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, A. S. PAGDEN,
Colombo, March 9, 1916. Acting 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, Anuradhapura, has appointed **Mr. A. A. GUNAWARDENA** to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Nuwaragam palata division, in the Anuradhapura District of the North-Central Province, for March 6, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **Mr. K. B. KULATUNGA**, on leave. His office will be at the Land Registry, Anuradhapura.

The Provincial Registrar, Anuradhapura, has appointed **Mr. E. A. JAYASEKARA** to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Nuwaragam palata division, in the Anuradhapura District of the North-Central Province, for twelve days from March 7, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **Mr. K. B. KULATUNGA**, on leave. His office will be at the Land Registry, Anuradhapura.

The Provincial Registrar, Ratnapura, has appointed **HEWAGE ARACHCHILLAGE BANDULAHAMI, Gan-Arachchi of Panawenna**, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Lellopitiya division, and of Marriages (General) of Nawadun korale division, in the Ratnapura District of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, for twenty-seven days from March 5, 1916, *vice* **K. A. LOKUMAHATMAYA**, resigned. His office will be at Gankandedgerawatta in Ganegama.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed **Dr. (Miss) C. RUDD** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Division No. 5 of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for seven days from March 6, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **Dr. J. L. FERNANDO**, on leave. His office will be at 20, Mayfield road, Kotahena.

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 six days from March 7, 1916, during the absence of the Deputy Registrar, **Dr. (Miss) C. RUDD**, on other duty. His office will be at 38, New Moor street, Pettah.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed **C. P. JAYAWARDENE** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Keshawa division, and of Marriages (General) of Palle pattu of Salpiti korale division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for thirty days from March 6, 1916, *vice* **D. A. ABEYARATNE**, deceased. His office will be at Kekunagahawatta in Makandana.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has appointed **KIRIWATTUDUWAGE DON SIMAN** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Rayigama division, and of Marriages (General) of Kumbuke pattu division, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for fourteen days from March 2, 1916, *vice* the Registrar, **GALAGAMA-ACHCHIGE DON JUANIS PERERA**, deceased. His office will be at Kalarambewatta in Rayigama.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has appointed **JAYANETTIKORALLAGE DON ALEXANDER JAYAWARDENA** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Welipenna division, and of Marriages (General) of Walallawiti pattu division, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for ten days from March 17, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **D. M. JAYANETTI**, on leave. His office will be at Muttetuwatta in Leuwanduwa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kandy, has appointed **EKANAYAKA MUDIYANSELAGE PUHULPANAWE WALAWWE HEEN BANDA EKANAYAKA** to act as Registrar

of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of Pata Dumbara No. 6 division, in the Kandy District of the Central Province, for February 21, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **R. B. EKANAYAKA**, on leave. His office will be at Meegastennewatta in Arattana, and station at Medapanguwembura in Naranpanawa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kandy, has appointed **GONAGAMA ARACHCHILLAGE DINGIRI APPUHAMI** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of Uda Bulatgama No. 2 division, in the Kandy District of the Central Province, for February 23, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **D. B. SAMARAKON**, on leave. His office will be at Kotuwagedarawatta in Ambagamawa.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Galle, has appointed **ABRAHAM MENDIS WIJESSEKERA RAJAKARUNA** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Bussa division, and of Marriages (General) of Wellaboda pattu division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province, for two days from March 6, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **S. M. WIJESSEKERA**, on leave. His office will be at Mulgedarawatta at Ratgama.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Matara, has appointed **JOHN ABRAHAM DASSANAYAKA** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Matara Four Gravets No. 2 division, and of Marriages (General) of Matara town and Four Gravets division, in the Matara District of the Southern Province, for seven days from March 9, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **A. H. TILLEKERATNE**, on leave. His office will be at Pokunewatta in Weliveriya.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Hambantota, has appointed **Mr. BENJAMIN CHARLES UKWATTELANAGE** to act as Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths of Tangalla town division, in the Hambantota District of the Southern Province, for ten days from March 2, 1916, during the absence of the Deputy Registrar, **Mr. D. R. F. OBEYSEKERA**, on leave. His office will be at Government Civil Hospital, Tangalla.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Jaffna District, has appointed **Dr. ALFRED EVARTS** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Locality No. II., Jaffna town division, in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province, for one day and 5 hours from 1 p.m. on March 4, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **M. CHELLAPPAN**, on leave. His office will be at house No. 14, Main street, Chundikkuly.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kurunegala, has appointed **CHANDRASEKARA MUDIYANSELAGE KIRI BANDA**, of Panadura, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Udukaha and Walgam pattu korales division, and of Marriages (General) of Dewamedi hatpattu division, in the Kurunegala District of the North-Western Province, for eight days from March 8, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **K. R. RANHAMY**, on leave. His office will be at the permanent Registrar's residence at Munamale.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Puttalam, has appointed **RANGE BANDARALAGE KIRI BANDA** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Marriages (General) of Rajakumarawanni pattu division, in the Puttalam District of the North-Western Province, for thirty days from February 28, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **R. PUNCHIBALA**, on sick leave. His office will be at the permanent Registrar's house at Murukwatawana.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Puttalam, has appointed **Mr. VINASITTAMPI RAMALINGAM** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Puttalam Pattu South division, in the Puttalam District of the North-Western Province, for thirty days from March 1, 1916, *vice* Registrar, **I. SEGU NOORDIN**, resigned. His office will be at the Resthouse, Madurankuly.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Puttalam, has appointed **Mr. JAMES GREGORY KROON** to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Kalpitiya town division, in the Puttalam District of the North-Western Province, for nine days from March 3, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, **Dr. M. VETTIVALOE**. His office will be at the Outdoor Dispensary at Kalpitiya.

Registrar-General's Office, W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Colombo, March 14, 1916. Registrar-General.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

“THE REGISTRARS’ PROCEEDINGS VALIDATION ORDINANCE, NO. 3 OF 1912.”

An Order for the purpose of giving validity to the Registrations of certain General Marriages in the Galle District of the Southern Province and other acts incidental thereto.

WHEREAS by section 3 of the above-named Ordinance it is enacted that “where, whether before or after the passing of this Ordinance—

(a) Any registration of a birth, death, marriage, document, or any other matter which is by law required or authorized to be registered; or

(b) Any proceeding taken or purporting to be taken by or before a Registrar by virtue of his office— is invalidated by reason of any informality, mistake, or accidental omission, whether relating to the appointment of the Registrar, or the limits of his jurisdiction, or the manner in which the registration or proceeding was made or taken, or any other incidental circumstance, and no other means are by law provided by which the registration or proceeding may be validated, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Executive Council, by Order in Council notified in the *Government Gazette*, to give directions for the correction of the mistake, informality, or omission, and to make any other order that may be necessary for the purpose of giving validity to the registration or proceeding”:

And whereas the acts specified in the second column of the schedule hereto attached relating to certain general marriages registered by the Registrars of Hinidum pattu division (Low-country) and Hinidum pattu Kandyan division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province, are invalidated by reason of the mistakes set forth in the third column of the said schedule, and no other means are by law provided for the validation of the said acts:

Now know Ye that We, the Officer Administering the Government, in exercise of the powers vested in Us as aforesaid, and with the advice of the Executive Council, do hereby order and direct as follows:—

That the said acts are as valid and effectual for all purposes as if the said mistakes had not been made.

By His Excellency’s command,

Colonial Secretary’s Office,
Colombo, February 22, 1916

A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.

Registration Divisions.	Acts validated.	Irregularities.
Hinidum pattu division (Low-country) and Hinidum pattu Kandyan division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province.	Registrations of general marriages made by the Registrars of these two divisions between July 1, 1899, and January 1, 1916, and other acts incidental thereto.	The failure on the part of the Registrars to confine their registrations to the villages within their respective divisions, and the appointment of two of the Registrars on October 1, 1905, and December 15, 1907, to the whole of Hinidum pattu, which comprises both these divisions.

“THE SMALL TOWNS SANITARY ORDINANCES, 1892 TO 1909.”

IT is hereby notified that the following regulations made by the Sanitary Board of Ratnapura District, in the Province of Sabaragamuwa, under and in pursuance of section 9 E (2) of “The Small Towns Sanitary Ordinances, 1892 to 1909,” have been confirmed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Executive Council.

By His Excellency’s command,

Colonial Secretary’s Office,
Colombo, March 9, 1916.

A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

REGULATIONS REFERRED TO.

1. All cattle, sheep, and goats straying on the public roads or paths within the town shall when seized be placed in the pound established by the Board for that purpose, and the following charges shall be paid before removal of any animal so impounded:—

For seizure	..	Re. 1 per head
For occupation	..	25 cents per head for a day or part of a day
For food if supplied	..	15 cents per head for a day or part of a day

2. Any animal seized and not claimed within ten days may be sold by public auction, and the charges and costs recovered from the proceeds.

"THE SMALL TOWNS SANITARY ORDINANCE, 1892."

THE following by-laws made by the Sanitary Board of the Hambantota District, under section 9 E 2 (t) of Ordinance No. 18 of 1892, and confirmed by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Executive Council, are published for general information.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 9, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

BY-LAWS *re* WELLS.

1. No person shall sink a well or cause a well to be sunk within the limits of any Sanitary Board town, unless he shall have given to the Chairman one month's notice of such his intention, or shall have obtained a permit from the Chairman to sink such well or cause it to be sunk.

2. No well shall be sunk less than 50 feet from any cesspit, cesspool, pigsty, gala, cattle shed, manure heap, leaking drain, neglected privy, heap of decaying vegetable or animal matter, or any manured land.

3. No cesspit, cesspool, privy, pigsty, gala, or cattle shed shall be constructed within a distance of 50 feet from any well used for drinking or domestic purposes, nor shall any manure or decaying animal or vegetable matter be deposited, nor any land be cultivated with manure, nor any drain suffered to remain in a leaking condition within such distance.

4. All wells shall be lined as far as water level either with bricks set in cement with a backing of puddled clay or with cylinders of iron, cement, or clay, or shall be otherwise so constructed as to prevent the entrance of water except from the bottom.

5. A platform upon which to stand and draw water may be constructed over the top of a portion of the mouth of the well. This platform shall be so constructed as to be absolutely water-tight, so that no water therefrom can trickle back into the well, but all flow on to the apron or pavement referred to in rule 6. The said platform shall have a slope downwards from the centre of the mouth of the well outwards so as to throw off water, and a water-tight ledge at least 6 inches high along its inner edge connected at both ends with the parapet wall. The remainder of the well mouth shall be surrounded by a parapet wall at least 2 feet 6 inches high.

6. The well shall be surrounded for a distance of 5 feet by a cement apron or pavement of stone or brick set in cement sloping away from the well.

7. The outer edge of such apron or pavement shall be surrounded by a cement gutter emptying into a leadaway drain not less than 10 feet long, so as to prevent the stagnation of water in the vicinity of the well.

8. No plank shall be placed across the mouth of the well to stand on when drawing water or for any other purpose.

9. Water from wells shall be drawn in clean receptacles.

10. No one shall wash clothes within 20 feet of the mouth of a well used for drinking or domestic purposes.

11. Every owner or lessee of a well used as a public bathing place shall supply bathing tubs, and shall not allow persons who bathe to draw water, and no person shall draw water from such well while bathing.

12. Whenever any tree or branch of any tree overhangs a well, and is deemed after inspection by the Chairman or any Sanitary Officer of the Board to be injurious to the water owing to the dropping of the leaves or fruit into the water or by otherwise rendering the water unfit for use, it shall be lawful for the Chairman of the Sanitary Board to cause notice in writing to be given to the owner, lessee, or occupier of the ground on which such tree stands to cut down or remove such tree or branch, and if such notice is not complied with within 14 days such person shall be guilty of an offence.

13. The Chairman may, whenever he deems such a course to be necessary, cause notice to be given in writing to the owner or lessee or occupant of any compound in which there is a well used for drinking or domestic purposes to bale out the water and clean the well and execute such repairs as the Chairman may consider to be necessary, and if such notice is not complied with within 14 days such person shall be guilty of an offence.

14. Whenever it shall be decided by a resolution of the Sanitary Board that such a course is expedient in the interests of health, it may give notice to the owner, lessee, or occupant of any land to fill up or disinfect any well on such land, and the owner, lessee, or occupier shall thereupon be bound to comply with such order within 8 days' time. Should such owner, lessee, or occupier fail within such time to comply with such order such person shall be guilty of an offence.

15. It shall be lawful for the supervisor or inspector of the Board or other person empowered in writing by the Chairman of the Board to inspect wells or enter upon any land or premises for the purpose of inspecting proposed sites for wells or existing wells and their surroundings.

"THE VOLUNTEER ORDINANCE, 1910."

IT is hereby notified that in terms of the provisions of section 9 of Ordinance No. 8 of 1910, His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to approve the following amendment to the rules and regulations relating to the Ceylon Volunteer Force:—

In paragraph 122, under Ceylon Volunteer Medical Corps, in line 1, after the word "or" add "qualify as a signaller."

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 10, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

" THE BUTCHERS ORDINANCE, 1893."

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government in Executive Council, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 23 of " The Butchers Ordinance, 1893," has been pleased to confirm the following rules made by the proper authority, to wit, the Government Agent of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, in reference to public slaughter-houses in the Ratnapura District, excluding, however, those that are situated within the limits of a Local Board, and the same are hereby published for general information.

The rules now in force, which are published in *Government Gazette* No. 5,421 of August 7, 1896, are hereby cancelled.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 9, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

RULES REFERRED TO.

1. No person licensed to carry on the trade of a butcher in Ratnapura District shall slaughter any animal at any place other than a slaughter-house appointed for the purpose.
2. All animals intended for slaughter shall be for a period of not less than 24 hours immediately preceding the time of slaughter exposed to public view at a spot appointed by the Government Agent.
3. No animal shall be slaughtered between the hours of 6 P.M. and 6 A.M. or on any days other than those appointed by the Government Agent.
4. No cattle or sheep shall be slaughtered until they have been inspected and approved by the Medical Officer or Apothecary in Charge, or some person appointed for the purpose by the Government Agent, as fit for human consumption.
5. Animals rejected as unfit for slaughter shall be removed immediately.
6. The same Medical Officer or Apothecary, or person appointed by the Government Agent, may prohibit the slaughter of any animal, notwithstanding that it has been approved as aforesaid, if it be found before slaughter to be diseased or otherwise unfit for human food.
7. If on any animal which has been approved as aforesaid being slaughtered the carcass shall appear diseased or unfit for human food, the said Medical Officer or Apothecary in Charge, or some person appointed by the Government Agent, Province of Sabaragamuwa, shall cause the meat to be immediately destroyed, or so disposed of as to prevent its being exposed for sale or used for human food.
8. The person in charge of the slaughter-house shall not permit the slaughter of any animal which has not been approved as aforesaid as fit to be slaughtered for human food, or the slaughter of which the said Medical Officer or the Apothecary in Charge, or the person appointed by the Government Agent, Province of Sabaragamuwa, has prohibited as provided in rule 6.
9. No person shall remove from the slaughter-house, except under the direction of the said Medical Officer or the Apothecary in Charge, or some one appointed by the Government Agent, Province of Sabaragamuwa, any meat which the latter has declared unfit for human food.
10. The floor of every slaughter-house shall be of some impermeable material, such as cement, concrete, stone slabs, bricks or tiles rendered in cement, and shall be surrounded by a drain, which shall empty into a sump or otherwise as the Government Agent may approve. This whole structure to be kept at all times in a good state of repair.
11. All offal and manure must be disposed of in such a manner as not to endanger the public health.
12. Every slaughter-house shall be thoroughly swept and washed by the person slaughtering immediately after use.
13. Every slaughter-house shall be whitewashed within and without at such intervals as the Government Agent shall direct.
14. The fee for slaughtering shall be 50 cents for each head of cattle and 25 cents for each head of animals other than cattle, and for housing 25 cents and 12½ cents respectively for each period of 24 hours or part thereof.
15. The person in charge of the slaughter-house shall keep a register in the annexed form of all cattle brought to the slaughter-house.
16. No animal shall be slaughtered in the presence of other animals.

Form required by Rule 15.

Number of cattle voucher : ————
 Description : ————
 Colour : ————
 Age : ————
 Brandmarks : —
 Right side : ————
 Left side : ————
 Name of butcher : ————
 Date of inspection : ————
 Remarks : ————
 Date of slaughter : ————
 Signature of police officer receiving cattle voucher : ————

"THE VILLAGE COMMUNITIES ORDINANCE, 1889."

IT is hereby notified for general information (a) that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to set apart the lot of land described in the schedule hereto annexed, which is the property of the Crown, for a common purpose, to wit, that the inhabitants of the village Wadiwewa, in the Kandu tulana of the Kadawat korale of the Nuwaragam palata of the Anuradhapura District, in the North-Central Province, may practise chena cultivation within the said lot on free permits issued by the Government Agent of the North-Central Province, in accordance with rules made under the provisions of sections 6 and 16 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1889; and (b) that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government reserves to himself the right to resume absolute possession on behalf of the Crown of the said lot or of any portion thereof whenever he thinks fit.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 10, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.

The following lot situated in the village Wadiwewa, in the Kandu tulana of the Kadawat korale of the Nuwaragam palata of the Anuradhapura District, in the North-Central Province:—

Lot.	Name of Land.	Preliminary plan 565.		Extent.	
		A.	R.	P.	
1D	Wadiwewalandukele	200	0	23	

IT is hereby notified that a license to import Chinese fire crackers into Ceylon during the current year has been issued to Mr. Adamjee Kadibhoy, of 41, Fourth Cross street, Pettah.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 15, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

THE following notice issued by the Board of Trade is published for general information.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

NOTICE REFERRED TO.

The Board of Trade desire to warn exporters of articles to Switzerland, the exportation of which from the United Kingdom to that country is not prohibited, that, although a license for such goods is not required, they should take every precaution to ascertain that the consignee is not a person or house of enemy nationality domiciled in Switzerland, since the fact of such enemy destination might entail a refusal by the French Railway Company to carry the goods, owing to the French law which prohibits all transactions with enemy subjects wherever domiciled.

This notice does not apply to any non-prohibited articles which, by virtue of the Royal Proclamation of the 22nd December (see pp. 806-7 of the "Board of Trade Journal" of 23rd December) are required to be consigned to the Société Suisse de Surveillance Economique.

WITH reference to the Notification dated January 27, 1916, published in the *Government Gazette* of February 4, 1916, the following additions and corrections to the lists of persons and bodies of persons to whom articles to be exported to China and Siam may be consigned are published for general information.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

By His Excellency's command,
A. S. PAGDEN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

CHINA

Additions.

Anglo-Chinese Engineers' Association,
Peking
Fernandes Noronha, Canton.
Goldsmith, Leopold A., Shanghai.
Horenstein & Co., L., Tientsin.
Hsiao, Dr. C. H., Union Dispensary,
Tientsin.
Kin Yamei, Dr., Peiyang Women's
Dispensary, Tientsin.
Kwan, Dr. K. H., Ma Chia Kou,
Tientsin.
North China Daily Mail, Tientsin.
Pou Wai Dispensary, Canton.
Seng Ann Hong Kee Dispensary,
Swatow.
Shameen Lawn Tennis Club, Canton.

Skinn, Alfred John, Peking.
Taylor, Albert, Shanghai.
Tom, H., British Concession, Tientsin.
Tshun Tak Dispensary, Swatow.
Venturi, F., Shanghai.
Wah Chang Mining and Smelting Co.,
Changsha.
Wai Chi, Japanese Concession, Tientsin.
Wilkinson, Messrs. T. M., Foochow.
Wong Ah Ming, French Concession,
Tientsin.
Wong Yuen Kee, French Concession,
Tientsin.
Yat Ling Dispensary, Swatow.
Yuen Sui Chang Dispensary, Swatow.

Corrections.

Peking Dispensary, Peking, should be
deleted.

SIAM.

Additions.

Choo Kwang Lee, Bangkok.
Hak Seng, Bangkok.
Hup Heng Huat, Bangkok.
Ito, T., & Co., Bangkok.
Mitani, Dr. T., Bangkok.
Selley, N. L., Wat Debsirindr School,
Bangkok.
Seng Heng Chan, Bangkok.
Spon Hock Seng, Bangkok.
Tilleke & Gibbins, Bangkok.
Yong Heng Huat, Bangkok.
Yong Shing, Bangkok.

MONTHLY STATEMENT issued by the Commissioners of Currency, under section 20 of Ordinance No. 32 of 1884, for the month of February, 1916 :—

1.—Note Account.

	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Total stock on January 31, 1916	61,470,170	0	In vault on February 29, 1916	34,997,670	0
Add Notes received in February, 1916	—	—	In circulation on February 29, 1916	26,282,500	0
	61,470,170	0			
Deduct Notes destroyed in February, 1916	190,000	0			
	61,280,170	0		61,280,170	0

2.—Coin Account.

	Rs.	c.		Rs.	c.
Coin received for Notes in circulation	26,282,500	0	Investments	15,161,300	9
	26,282,500	0	Coin in vault	11,121,199	91
				26,282,500	0

	Rs.	c.
3.—Average amount of Notes in circulation during the month	26,418,362	0
Average amount of Coin in vault during the month	11,257,062	0

4.—Investment Account.

	Face Value.			Face Value.			Face Value.			Cost Price.			Market Value.		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	
War Loan 4½ per cent.	7,286	3	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Colonial Securities	539,408	5	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Local Loans	18,000	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
India 3½ per cent. Stock	—	—	—	96,000	14	7	—	—	1,290,186	0	—	1,147,997	88	—	
Indian Securities	—	—	—	—	—	—	5,833,000	0	5,740,464	9	—	4,899,720	0	—	
Total	564,694	8	0	96,000	14	7	5,833,000	0	15,161,300	9	—	12,397,437	77	—	

5.—Depreciation Fund.

	Face Value.			Face Value.			Face Value.			Cost Price.			Market Value		
	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	
Colonial Securities	82,008	14	6	—	—	—	—	—	1,163,177	30	—	1,001,143	88	—	
Indian Securities	—	—	—	—	—	—	719,100	0	716,293	22	—	604,044	0	—	
Total	82,008	14	6	—	—	—	719,100	0	1,879,470	52	—	1,605,187	88	—	
Total of Nos. 4 and 5	646,703	2	6	96,000	14	7	6,552,100	0	17,040,770	61	—	14,002,625	65	—	

* South Australia £5,000 4 per cent. bonds have been converted to South Australia £5,000 5 per cent. bonds, leaving a balance of £18. 15s. in hands of the Crown Agents to be invested.

Currency Office,
Colombo, March 10, 1916.

A. S. PAGDEN, Acting Colonial Secretary,
J. G. FRASER, Acting Controller of Revenue,
BERNARD SENIOR, Colonial Treasurer. } Commissioners
of Currency.

Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association, 1914-15.

ON June 30, 1915, there were on the books of the Association 1,384 members, as against 1,218 on June 30, 1914, showing an increase of 170 members.

2. The total amount of contributions received from members during the year was Rs. 6,757·96, as against Rs. 13,526·48 in the preceding year.

3. A sum of Rs. 8,586·42 in the aggregate was refunded to members on withdrawal or on account of over-remittance, as against Rs. 8,460·23 refunded during the previous year.

4. Two claims for Rs. 500 and Rs. 393·83 respectively were made against the Association on account of the default of two members of the Railway Department. The liability of the Association in respect thereof having been established, the claims have been paid in the current financial year.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

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

Date of License.	Registration No.	License No.	Name.	Address.
March 10, 1916	285	A 235	De Niese, J. D.	Matara
Surveyor-General's Office, Colombo, March 13, 1916.				A. J. WICKWAR, for Surveyor-General.

Wholesale Prices of Food Stuffs, &c., in Colombo on March 15, 1916.

			Rs. c.
Muttusamba, No. 1 quality	Per bushel	..	5 75
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	5 50
Do. No. 3	do. .. do.	..	5 25
Do. No. 4	do. .. do.	..	—
Kara Rice, No. 1	do. .. do.	..	—
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	—
Kallunda, No. 1	do. .. Per bag (2½ bushels)	..	10 75
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	10 50
Do. No. 3	do. .. do.	..	10 25
Sulai, No. 1	do. .. do.	..	12 88
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	11 75
Do. No. 3	do. .. do.	..	—
Kora (Mall), No. 1	do. .. do.	..	12 62
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	—
Do. No. 3	do. .. do.	..	—
Raw Rice, Rangoon	.. Per bushel	..	4 50
Do. Singapore	.. do.	..	4 25
Mysore Dhol	.. do.	..	6 0
Green Peas (Gram)	.. do.	..	4 50
Thovarem Dhol	.. do.	..	5 50
Chillies, No. 1 quality	.. Per thulan (26¼ lb.)	..	5 75
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	5 50
Do. Rangoon, No. 3 quality	do. .. do.	..	—
Red Onions	.. do.	..	1 0
Bombay Onions	.. Per cwt.	..	7 0
Potatoes, Indian	.. do.	..	7 50
Do. Bangalore	.. do.	..	—
Maldiv Fish, No. 1 quality	.. do.	..	33 50
Do. No. 2	do. .. do.	..	32 50
Sugar, Crystal	.. Per bag (2 cwt.)	..	39 0
Do. Soft	.. Per cwt.	..	18 25
Matches, "Three Stars"	.. Per case of 50 gross boxes	..	120 0
Kerosine Oil, "Monkey Brand"	.. Per tin	..	4 10
Kerosine Oil, "Daylight"	.. do.	..	4 25
Coriander	.. Per lb.	..	0 16
Dry Fish, No. 1 quality	.. 800 kumbalawas	..	11 50
Do. No. 2	do. .. 800 do.	..	11 0
Do. No. 3	do. .. 750 do.	..	10 75
Do. No. 4	do. .. 750 do.	..	10 50
Do. Halmessan, No. 1 quality	.. Per cwt.	..	15 0
Do. do. No. 2 quality	do. .. do.	..	12 50
Do. do. No. 3	do. .. do.	..	11 0
Do. do. No. 4	do. .. do.	..	—
Salt	.. Per bushel	..	2 28
Coconuts	.. Per 100	..	6 0

C. W. BICKMORE,
for Financial Assistant to the Chairman,
Municipal Council.

March 15, 1916.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from K. V. Marcandan for a grant in aid of his Karaitivu Mixed Vernacular School, which is situated in Karaivaku pattu in the Batticaloa District of the Eastern Province.

Observations will be received not later than April 10, 1916.

Education Office, J. HARWARD,
Colombo, March 7, 1916. Director of Education.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from Rev. J. B. Poulain for the registration of his Naranthanai Mixed Vernacular School as two separate schools, viz., Naranthanai Boys' and Naranthanai Girls' Schools.

Observations will be received not later than April 10, 1916.

Education Office, J. HARWARD,
Colombo, March 7, 1916. Director of Education.

WHEREAS Shot-hole Borer (*Xyleborus fornicatus*, Eich.) is present on the following estate, that is to say:—

Central Province.

Bossward estate .. Nawalapitiya

Under regulations published in the *Ceylon Government Gazette* No. 6,675 of October 23, 1914, the said estate is hereby declared to be and is in quarantine.

Royal Botanic Gardens, R. N. LYNE,
Peradeniya, March 7, 1916. Director of Agriculture.

WITH reference to the notice published in the *Government Gazette* No. 6,782 of March 3, 1916, the ferry at Halpatota, on the 6th mile of the Dodanduwa-Baddegama road, in the Galle District, will remain closed to cart and motor car traffic until on or about the 25th instant.

Public Works Office, G. N. LOGGIN,
Colombo, March 16, 1916. for Director of Public Works.

THE Avissawella-Ratnapura road will be closed to traffic between the 55¼ and 55½ mileposts from March 20 for a period of about one month, owing to the reconstruction of the Weralupe bridge.

An alternative road is available for traffic, branching off from the Avissawella-Ratnapura road near the 54¼ milepost and joining it again near the 55½ milepost. This alternative road is not suitable for motor lorries.

Public Works Office, G. N. LOGGIN,
Colombo, March 13, 1916. for Director of Public Works.

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of glass chimneys and glass panes from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 Glass Chimneys and Glass Panes" in the left hand top corner of the

envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 11, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 100 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 glass chimneys must be equal to the standard samples in the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 250 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of tin cases for plans from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 Tin Cases for Plans" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 11, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 25 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 tin cases must be equal to the standard samples in the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, and tenderers must call and inspect them.

8. The security required will be Rs. 50 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of gas coke for smithy use and foundry coke from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 best Coke" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 4, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 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. Samples (ten hundredweight) of each kind for testing and other purposes must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 100 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of ink, blue-black, of local manufacture, from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 locally manufactured Ink" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 11, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 25 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. Samples in duplicate must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 250 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of coconut oil from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 Coconut Oil" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 11, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 100 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. Samples in duplicate must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 2,000 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of castor oil from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 Castor Oil" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 11, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 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. Samples in duplicate must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 500 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of South Indian tiles, first quality (flat, half, ridge, ventilation, glass, finials, and ornamental ridge), from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917.

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 South Indian Tiles" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 4, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 100 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. Samples in duplicate must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper. The name of the tenderer, name of manufacturing firm, and place of manufacture should be marked on them.

8. The security required will be Rs. 1,000 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of the under-mentioned tubs, buckets, and casks, from October 1, 1916, to September 30, 1917:—

To be of halmilla, mills, or teak. No other wood will be accepted.

Bathing tubs, large, 3 7/12 by 2 1/2 ft.	
Do. small, 3 1/4 by 2 1/8 ft.	
Round tubs, large	
Round tubs, feeding, 8 gallons	
Eight-gallon tub	
Washing tub	
Foot bath, 18 by 13 by 14 in.	
Hand bucket, 11 by 11 in.	
Pail bucket, 22 1/2 by 10 top by 17 in.	
Urine bucket, 17 1/2 by 12 top by 17 in.	
Spitting bucket, 7 by 8 1/2 in.	
Closestool bucket, 8 by 12 1/4 in.	
Breakers, 6 gallons and upwards	
Casks, 1 to 5 gallons, at per gallon	
6 to 15 do.	
16 to 25 do.	
26 to 35 do.	
36 to 45 do.	
46 to 55 do.	
56 to 65 do.	
66 to 75 do.	
76 to 85 do.	
86 to 95 do.	
96 to 105 do.	
106 to 115 do.	
116 to 125 do.	
126 and upwards do.	

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 Tubs, Buckets, and Casks" in the left hand top corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the Controller of Revenue not later than midday on April 4, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Colonial Storekeeper, 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. 100 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. Samples, in duplicate, must be deposited with the Colonial Storekeeper.

8. The security required will be Rs. 500 in cash. All other necessary information can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5.

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. A Government contractor must not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the defaulting contractors' list authorizing him to carry on the contract.

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.

J. E. HANCOCKS,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

March 13, 1916.

SEALED Tenders, addressed to the Government Agent, Badulla, and marked on the cover "Tender for the Lease of the Bandarawela Hotel" from May 1, 1916, will be received at the Badulla Kachcheri up to noon on March 31, 1916.

2. The lease will be for a period of five years.
3. The tender should show the yearly rent offered.
4. The tenders must contain a tariff of proposed charges for occupation, food, liquor, &c.

5. The brands of liquor and all articles supplied must be of the best and approved qualities.

6. The hotel includes a large amount of furniture and bedroom crockery, but glass, table crockery, cutlery, kitchenware, table and bed linen, and any additional furniture required must be supplied by the lessee.

7. The lessee will be required to keep the hotel and connected buildings and grounds in good repair and order.

8. The tender should contain the names of two securities, who, if required, are prepared to stand security to the extent of two years of the rent tendered. The nature of the security, i.e., cash or immovable property, should be stated.

9. The Government Agent, Provincial Engineer, and District Engineer shall be at liberty to enter and examine the premises at any time.

10. The lessee must maintain two rooms of the hotel subject to the rule which applies to Government resthouses, and which is hereto appended.

11. Further information may be obtained from the undersigned.

Badulla Kachcheri,
March 15, 1916.

F. BARTLETT,
Government Agent.

RULE REFERRED TO.

Length of Occupation.

A visitor who has occupied a part of the resthouse for three consecutive nights must vacate that part if it is required by a subsequent visitor, unless he has previously obtained exemption in writing from this rule from the Chairman.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the work of effecting repairs to the various quarters in the Northern Salt Depôt of Puttalam.

2. The tender must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, on the left corner of which must be written the words "Tender for effecting repairs to the quarters in the Northern Salt Depôt occupied by the storekeeper, the first and the second class constables, and the five patrols," and must be sent to the Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam, so that he may receive it before 1 P.M. on March 30, 1916.

3. Before sending his tender to the Assistant Government Agent, the intending tenderer must deposit a sum of Rs. 10 at any Kachcheri under the head of "Tender Forms," and must annex to his tender the receipt obtained for the deposit of that sum.

4. That sum will be held as a security for the tenderer's entering into a contract with the Assistant Government Agent, within a reasonable time after his tender was accepted, for carrying out the work in a satisfactory manner, and it will be confiscated if the tenderer fails to enter into such a contract.

5. The tenderer must name an address at Puttalam, where letters may be delivered to or left for him.

6. The work must be completed within 4 weeks after the contract was entered into.

7. Further particulars regarding the work may be obtained from the Salt Inspector, Puttalam.

Description of the Work to be done.

All the decayed or worthless materials that are on the buildings now should be removed and replaced by new ones.

The roof of all the outhouses belonging to the storekeeper's quarters, and of the houses, kitchens, and other outhouses occupied by the first and the second class constables and five patrols of the Depôt, should be rethatched with new cadjan.

New pootus should be placed on the roof to serve as weights.

The fences enclosing the premises and the other short fences must all be repaired wherever necessary.

Wherever necessary the floor should be raised with clay, levelled, stamped, and cowdunged.

The walls, whether of mud or cadjan, should be repaired wherever necessary.

A new door should be fixed to the hall of the salt store-keeper's house.

A window shutter should be fixed to each of the houses occupied by patrols Mirando and Banda.

A lock and key should be fixed to the door in patrol Mirando's house.

Puttalam Kacheheri, S. M. P. VANDERKOEN,
March 13, 1916. for Assistant Government Agent.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of firewood to the Railway Department during 1915-16, Kurunegala Division, the work to commence on April 15, 1916, and to be completed by September 19, 1916. The areas to be exploited for the purpose and further details are given in the schedule hereto.

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 Railway Firewood, 1915-16, Chilaw District," 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, March 28, 1916.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Forest Office, Kurunegala. 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 for each service will be required to be made either at the Treasury or Kacheheri, and a receipt produced for the same before any form of tender is issued. Should any person decline or fail to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or to furnish approved security, within ten days of receiving notice in writing from the Head of the Department, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown, and the defaulter will render himself liable to be included in the list of defaulting contractors precluded from having any concern in a Government contract. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract.

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

8. The contractor shall not issue a power of attorney to a person whose name is on the list of defaulting contractors authorizing him to carry on the work under the contract.

9. 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.

10. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount of the bond, and all other necessary information, can be ascertained upon application at the office referred to in section 5. A further security in cash of 5 per cent. of the value of contract will be required of the contractor when entering into the bond.

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

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

13. A rate per cubic yard delivered should be quoted, written both in words and figures.

14. The first delivery of firewood is to be stacked not later than May 15, 1916, and the last delivery to be stacked and ready by September 19, 1916.

15. For any further information application should be made to the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Kurunegala.

Special Conditions.

1. Dimensions of the firewood: Each piece of wood is to be 3 ft. in length, and not less than 12 in. nor more than 36 in. in girth.

2. The following species are not to be cut for firewood, viz.:—Etdemata, lunumidella, rukattana, divikaduru, kaju, walkaduru, imbul, katuimbul, erabadu, dadap, kekuna, amba, or gedumba.

3. Not less than 5 per cent. of the total annual supply of firewood under each service be required to be stacked, in addition to the quantity to be supplied monthly, as a reserve to meet emergencies, and further not less than 20 per cent. to be kept near the railway line before June 30, 1916, ready to be removed to the stacking ground.

No felling operation will be permitted in forests after July 31, 1916, and wood for the anticipated supplies for the two following months must be held in stock on that date.

4. Successful tenderers may be required at any time during the period of the contract they will be required to enter into to supply 20 per cent. in excess of or less than the quantity stipulated in the contract.

5. Payment may be made on the responsibility of the Assistant Conservator of Forests for 80 per cent. of the stacked firewood ready for delivery, provided that not less than 5 per cent. of the total annual supply remains stacked at the time as a reserve to meet emergencies; the balance will be paid for on final delivery.

Schedule.

To supply 7,200 stacked cubic yards (more or less) of firewood at Madampe and Kakkapalliya railway stations (the quantity to be delivered at each station to be decided by the Assistant Conservator of Forests as the work proceeds) from the forest known as Palubingiriya, situated in the Chilaw District; and bounded on the north by Panirendawa Reserve, east by Compasspara, south by village limit of Nankadawara, and west by Madampe-Bingiriya road and Medagama-Kakkapalli road. A supply of not less than 200 cubic yards of firewood should be made every week.

The distance of transport from the forest to the railway stations is about 5 miles.

Office of the Conservator of Forests, H. F. TOMALIN,
Kandy, March 6, 1916. Conservator of Forests.

SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

THE following unserviceable articles of the General Hospital, Colombo, will be sold by public auction on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 1 P.M., on the premises. Condition of sale, cash at fall of hammer:—

Pauper Section.

6 beds, iron	1 chair, lady's
1 mirror	2 baths, zinc
4 curtains, bead, Japanese	

Paying Section.

3 trays, tea	8 commodes
1 chair, lounging, rattan	1 screen
2 commodes, venetia	

European Nurses' Quarters.

3 chairs, basket, rattan

General Hospital,
Colombo, March 13, 1916.

G. THORNTON, M.D.,
Superintendent.

IT is hereby notified that the following confiscated articles will be sold by public auction on Friday, March 31, 1916, at 2 P.M., at this court:—

2 fishing nets	1 mosquito curtain
1 hernia suspender	2 coats
7 shawls	1 muslin banian and
2 banians	1 bed sheet
1 muffler	

Joint Police Court, Lieut.-Commander, R.N.,
Colombo, March 14, 1916. Joint Police Magistrate.

NOTICE is hereby given that two lots of waste paper will be sold by public auction at the General Treasury on Monday, March 20, 1916, at 1 P.M.

The Treasury,
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

F. J. TOTILL,
for Colonial Treasurer.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction at the Ceylon Medical College on Saturday, April 8, 1916, at 2 P.M., viz. :—

2 clips, letter, foolscap
3 files, letter
2 racks, towel

2 scales, dispensing
2 drums, spirit, empty
9 drums, zotal, empty

1 drum, turpentine
1 lamp, hurricane
5 packing cases
1 tin, empty, turpentine

1 barrel, galvanized
1 tank, zinc
2 cages, iron
1 barrel, empty

Ceylon Medical College,
Colombo, March 7, 1916.

A. F. JOSEPH,
Acting Registrar.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended March 4, 1916.

Births.—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 109 (1 European, 12 Burghers, 70 Sinhalese, 11 Tamils, 9 Moors, 3 Malays, and 3 Others). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on January 1, 1916, viz., 255,354) was 22·3, as against 28·9 in the preceding week, 30·3 in the corresponding week of last year, and 22·7 the weekly average for last year.

Deaths.—The total deaths registered were 136 (8 Burghers, 70 Sinhalese, 28 Tamils, 18 Moors, 4 Malays, and 8 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 27·8, as against 24·2 in the previous week, 27·6 in the corresponding week of last year, and 25·8 the weekly average for last year.

Infantile Deaths.—Of the 136 total deaths, 24 were of infants under one year of age, same as in the preceding week, against 38 in the corresponding week of the previous year and 29 the average for last year.

Stillbirths.—The number of stillbirths registered during the week was 6.

Selected Causes of Death.—Twenty deaths from *Phthisis* were registered, as against 13 in the previous week and 15 the weekly average for last year; of these, 6 were in Maradana (including 2 deaths of non-residents in hospitals), 4 in St. Paul's, 3 in Kotahena, 2 in New Bazaar, 2 in Wellawatta, 1 in Pettah, 1 in San Sebastian, and 1 in Kollupitiya.

2. Eight deaths from *Pneumonia* were registered, as against 20 in the previous week and 11 the weekly average for last year; of these, 3 were in New Bazaar, 2 in San Sebastian, 1 in Maradana, 1 in Slave Island, and 1 in Wellawatta. Six deaths from *Bronchitis* were registered.

3. Five deaths from *Enteric Fever* were registered, as against 1 in the previous week and 3 the weekly average for last year; of these, 3 were in Maradana (including a death of a non-resident in hospital), 1 in New Bazaar, and 1 in Kollupitiya.

4. Four deaths from *Plague* were registered, as against 3 in the previous week; of these, 2 were in New Bazaar, 1 in St. Paul's, and 1 in Maradana. Three cases were reported, as against 4 in the previous week.

5. One death from *Chickenpox* was registered (in Maradana), as against 3 in the previous week. Two hundred and thirty-five cases were reported, as against 233 in the previous week. Seventeen cases of *Measles* were reported, as against 10 in the previous week.

6. Twelve deaths from *Infantile Convulsions* were registered, 7 from *Debility*, 5 from *Enteritis*, 3 from *Diarrhoea*, 3 from *Worms*, 2 from *Dysentery*, 1 from *Tetanus*, and 59 from *Other Causes*.

State of the Weather.—The mean temperature of air was 78·6°, against 78·9° in the preceding week and 81·8° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·848 in., against 29·840 in. in the preceding week and 29·894 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was nil, against 0·66 in. in the preceding week and 8·14 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, March 7, 1916.

F. L. ANTHONISZ,
for Registrar-General.

Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended March 11, 1916.

Births.—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 101 (1 European, 8 Burghers, 58 Sinhalese, 10 Tamils, 20 Moors, 2 Malays, and 2 Others). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on January 1, 1916, viz., 255,354) was 20·7, as against 22·3 in the preceding week, 30·8 in the corresponding week of last year, and 22·7 the weekly average for last year.

Deaths.—The total deaths registered were 115 (2 Europeans, 3 Burghers, 46 Sinhalese, 31 Tamils, 24 Moors, 4 Malays, and 5 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 23·5, as against 27·8 in the previous week, 28·0 in the corresponding week of last year, and 25·8 the weekly average for last year.

Infantile Deaths.—Of the 115 total deaths, 20 were of infants under one year of age, as against 24 in the preceding week, 29 in the corresponding week of the previous year, and 29 the average for last year.

Stillbirths.—The number of stillbirths registered during the week was 7.

Selected Causes of Death.—Fifteen deaths from *Phthisis* were registered, as against 20 in the previous week and 15 the weekly average for last year; of these, 3 were in New Bazaar, 3 in Maradana (including the death of a non-resident in hospital), 2 in Pettah, 2 in St. Paul's, 2 in Slave Island, 2 in Kollupitiya, and 1 in Kotahena.

2. Nine deaths from *Pneumonia* were registered, as against 8 in the previous week and 11 the weekly average for last year; of these, 4 were in Maradana, 1 in Pettah, 1 in San Sebastian, 1 in Kotahena, 1 in New Bazaar, and 1 in Kollupitiya. Six deaths from *Bronchitis* were registered.

3. Five deaths from *Plague* were registered, as against 4 in the previous week; of these, 3 were in Maradana (including the death of a pauper in hospital whose residence was not known) and 2 in St. Paul's. Five cases were reported, as against 3 in the previous week.

4. Two deaths from *Enteric Fever* were registered, as against 5 in the previous week and 3 the weekly average for last year; of these, 1 was of a resident of Pettah and 1 of Wellawatta.

5. One death from *Smallpox* was registered at the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Wellawatta, of a lascar of ss. Burma. No cases were reported.

6. Nine deaths from *Debility* were registered, 9 from *Enteritis*, 8 from *Infantile Convulsions*, 4 from *Diarrhoea*, 1 from *Worms*, and 46 from *Other Causes*.

7. One hundred and seventy-two cases of *Chickenpox* were reported, as against 235 in the previous week. Seven cases of *Measles* were reported, as against 17 in the previous week.

State of the Weather.—The mean temperature of air was 80·1°, against 78·6° in the preceding week and 82·2° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·832 in., against 29·848 in. in the preceding week and 29·913 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was 2·38 in., against nil in the preceding week and 0·77 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, March 14, 1916.

F. L. ANTHONISZ,
for Registrar-General.