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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF DECEMBER, 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 1,354 (693 males and 661 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 27·22 per 1,000, against 26·13 in the preceding month, 28·21 in the corresponding month of last year, and 29·04 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 7·57 in Hatton and Dikoya to 50·10 in Matara.

3. In the city of Colombo the births numbered 478 (248 males and 230 females), and were equal to an annual rate* of 22·39 per 1,000, against 20·96 in the preceding month, 22·52 in the corresponding month of last year, and 24·54 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 12·22 in St. Paul's to 28·91 in Wellawatta.

Deaths.

4. The total deaths registered during the month amounted to 1,433 (783 males and 650 females). There were 1,181 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate of 25·88 per 1,000, against 26·04 in the preceding month, 34·31 in the corresponding month of last year, and 35·58 the average for the month of December in each year since 1908. The rate ranged from 43·20 in Puttalam to 12·41 in Panadure.

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 493 (279 males and 214 females). There were 442 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate* of 24·02 per 1,000, against 25·72 in the preceding month, 31·24 in the corresponding month of last year, and 35·77 the average for the month of December in each year since 1908. The lowest rate, 7·33, was observed, as usual, in Kollupitiya, and the highest, 23·04, in Kotahena.

6. Stillbirths numbered 99 (50 males and 49 females), against 74 in the preceding month.

Infantile Mortality.

7. The infantile mortality was equal to a rate of 216 per 1,000 births registered during the year ended December 31, 1915. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 210, against 244 in the preceding month, 270 in the corresponding month of last year, and 326 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

8. In the city of Colombo the infantile mortality was 188 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended December 31, 1915. Calculated on the births registered during the month the rate was also 188, against 282 in the preceding month, 295 in the corresponding month of last year, and 385 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

Causes of Death.

9. The highest mortality was from *Debility*, to which 14 per cent. of the total deaths was due, 11 per cent. were due to *Pneumonia*, 10 per cent. to *Convulsions*, 7 per cent. to *Phthisis*, 6 per cent. to *Diarrhœa*, 4 per cent. each to *Anchylostomiasis* and *Dysentery*, 3 per cent. to *Malarial Fever*, 2 per cent. each to *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Enteritis*, *Bronchitis*, and *Enteric Fever*, and 1 per cent. to *Puerperal Septicæmia*.

10. In the city of Colombo the highest mortality was due to *Phthisis*, which caused 12 per cent. of the total number of deaths, 10 per cent. each were due to *Pneumonia* and *Convulsions*, 4 per cent. each to *Debility* and *Enteritis*, 3 per cent. each to *Bronchitis*, *Enteric Fever*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and 2 per cent. to *Dysentery*. Fourteen deaths from *Plague* were registered in the city of Colombo, against 8 in the preceding month. No deaths from *Smallpox* were registered; there was one in the preceding month.

11. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The most prevalent infectious disease during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 113 cases were reported (68 in Colombo, 17 in Ratnapura, 6 in Kegalla, 5 in Moratuwa), followed by *Phthisis* 80 (72 in Colombo, 6 in Galle), *Enteric Fever* 60 (36 in Colombo, 10 in Moratuwa, 6 in Galle), *Measles* 28 (24 in Kandy), *Plague* 23 (21 in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 22 (12 in Colombo, 4 in Galle), *Mumps* 14 (12 in Colombo, 2 in Kandy), *Dysentery* 7 (in Moratuwa), *Diarrhœa* 3 (in Colombo), and *Diphtheria* 3 (in Kandy).

Meteorology.

12. *Rainfall.*—Batticaloa recorded the highest rainfall (13·02 inches), followed by Ratnapura (10·85 inches). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 10·57 inches in Kandy to 1·47 inches in Negombo. Colombo recorded 1·49 inches.

13. *Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 58·1° in Nuwara Eliya to 80·1° in Mannar and was 78·7° 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, January 19, 1916.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
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 1.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during December, 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 the Military at the Census of March 10, 1911).	Population estimated to the Middle of 1915 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births.		Total Deaths.		Total Stillbirths.			Deaths of Town Residents.	Average Birth-rate for Dec., 1908-1914.	Death-rate excluding non-residents* Standardized.			Mortality of Children under One Year.	Mean Temperature.	Rainfall in Inches. †			
			Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.			Crude, December, 1915.	Average, December, 1915.	Number registered during Dec., 1915.				Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the year ended last Dec., 1915.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the year ended last day of Dec., 1915.	
All 33 Towns	517,877	585,687	693,661	1,354	783,650	1,433	50	49	99	248	27.22	29.04	23.74	25.88	35.58	285	210	216	78.7	1.49
<i>Western.</i>																				
Colombo	219,557	251,338	248,230	478	279,214	493	17	18	35	48	22.39	24.54	20.72	24.02	35.77	90	188	188	78.7	1.49
Negombo	13,045	23,644	40,377	77	44,34	78	4	4	8	14	38.35	37.58	31.87	33.34	36.93	16	208	199	—	1.47
Moratuwa	27,256	29,086	51,45	96	34,50	84	4	1	1	6	38.86	37.34	34.00	37.50	41.67	20	208	182	—	—
Kalutara	13,005	13,700	21,25	46	20,17	37	1	1	1	31	39.53	32.38	26.64	26.47	28.29	9	196	241	—	3.08
Panadure	5,709	6,776	7,7	14	5,2	7	1	2	3	1	24.33	35.21	10.44	12.41	28.06	1	71	83	—	—
<i>Central.</i>																				
Kandy	30,149	31,575	50,54	104	55,51	106	2	5	7	30	38.78	25.94	28.34	30.89	32.04	16	154	209	74.6	10.57
Gampola	5,521	6,496	5,11	16	9,15	24	3	3	3	19	29.00	35.98	34.44	35.74	32.88	7	438	398	—	5.60
Nawalapitiya	3,767	3,920	7,4	11	12,10	22	1	1	1	6	33.04	29.89	18.02	19.59	33.32	2	182	177	—	—
Hatton & Dikoya.	3,025	3,112	2,2	2	11,8	19	1	1	1	7	7.57	22.88	26.48	30.93	40.11	2	—	327	—	3.30
Matala	5,792	7,684†	11,10	21	12,24	36	1	—	1	15	32.60	27.68	23.29	26.76	51.56	2	95	108	—	4.90
Nuwara Eliya	14,910	14,976§	5,8	13	8,3	11	1	—	1	11	10.22	20.71	8.65	9.86	15.14	5	385	331	58.1	3.74
<i>Southern.</i>																				
Galle	39,936	41,212	51,54	105	51,60	101	6	3	9	15	30.01	31.64	24.57	24.06	31.79	20	191	215	79.0	5.67
Ambalangoda	—	4,174	6,4	10	6,2	8	—	—	—	8	28.21	—	22.57	—	—	3	300	—	—	—
Matara	13,851	14,807	26,37	63	18,12	30	—	1	1	26	50.10	39.50	20.67	20.25	31.86	10	159	235	—	3.45
Weligama	8,672	9,181	16,19	35	6,7	13	—	—	—	13	44.88	41.23	16.68	15.02	8.99	3	86	115	—	—
Hambantota	3,092	3,208	3,5	8	2,4	6	—	—	—	6	29.36	37.84	22.02	24.62	36.88	2	250	214	79.3	6.72
Tangalla	3,505	4,178	9	9	7,6	13	—	—	—	12	25.37	35.34	33.82	34.57	31.66	4	444	389	—	5.43
<i>Northern.</i>																				
Jaffna	40,441	43,656	43,32	75	60,38	98	5	4	9	95	20.23	31.73	25.62	26.18	36.40	29	387	308	77.5	9.18
Mannar	3,777	3,988	7,4	11	6,9	15	—	—	—	13	32.48	35.96	38.38	42.26	41.94	5	455	503	80.1	5.19
Mullaitivu	1,392	1,430	3,2	5	2,1	3	—	—	—	3	41.17	33.27	24.70	32.74	47.08	1	200	316	—	7.88
Vavuniya	808	943	1,1	2	3,2	5	—	—	—	5	24.98	16.33	62.45	—	66.43	—	—	—	—	4.49
<i>Eastern.</i>																				
Batticaloa	10,671	10,987	10,7	17	11,5	16	—	—	—	14	18.22	25.21	15.00	14.81	28.77	2	118	70	78.3	13.02
Kalmunai	—	2,038	3,3	6	3,4	7	—	—	—	6	34.66	—	34.66	—	—	1	167	142	—	—
Trincornalee	8,840	9,968	10,11	21	8,14	22	1	1	2	22	24.81	30.26	25.99	28.53	40.81	8	381	360	79.3	9.13
<i>North-Western.</i>																				
Kurunegala	8,167	9,052	11,14	25	30,16	46	3	1	4	23	32.52	28.74	29.92	30.74	63.85	6	240	260	78.0	6.20
Puttalam	5,990	6,413	10,8	18	16,9	25	1	2	3	3	33.05	36.14	40.39	43.20	53.16	5	278	329	77.9	2.60
Kalpitiya	1,591	1,644	3,3	6	2,4	6	—	—	—	6	42.97	39.25	42.97	—	—	1	167	386	—	2.33
Chilaw	5,033	5,458	9,6	15	6,6	12	1	—	1	4	32.36	40.19	16.48	15.80	37.56	2	133	168	—	1.66
<i>North-Central.</i>																				
Anuradhapura	5,361	6,323	3,7	10	10,7	17	—	—	—	17	18.63	25.72	31.66	38.79	66.22	1	100	95	77.5	3.02
<i>Una.</i>																				
Badulla	6,487	6,765	14,7	21	26,9	35	2	—	—	18	36.55	35.80	31.33	34.56	41.47	5	238	264	69.9	8.43
Lunugala	515	574	1,1	1	4,4	8	—	—	—	7	20.50	48.43	20.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																				
Ratnapura	5,476	6,246	5,4	9	11,9	20	1	2	3	9	16.97	25.56	20.74	23.51	55.17	5	566	336	79.7	10.85
Kegalla	2,536	2,626	2,2	4	6,4	10	—	—	—	5	17.93	26.04	22.42	20.56	21.81	2	—	298	—	6.07

* 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.
 † 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 Ambalangoda in January, 1916. The death-rate given for "All Towns" is therefore independent of these towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.
 § Standardized death-rates for Kalpitiya.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during December, 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																				
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratua.	Kalutara.	Panadure.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Nawalapitiya.	Hattotuwa & Dikoya.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Galle.	Ambalangoda.	Nagara.	Welligama.	Hambantota.	Tangalla.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Vavuniya.	Batticaloa.	Kalmunai.	Trincomealee.	Kurunegala.	Puttalam.	Kapthiya.	Chilaw.	Amarapura.	Badulla.	Lunugala.	Katnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.			
All 33 Towns.	493	78	84	37	71	106	24	22	19	36	11	101	8	30	13	6	13	98	15	3	5	16	7	22	46	25	6	12	17	35	8	20	10	7	39	711	452	187	19	18			
All Causes	285	90	16	20	9	1	16	7	2	2	5	20	3	10	3	2	4	29	5	1	2	1	8	6	5	1	2	1	5	2	5	2	7	155	72	39	9	3					
I.—Infantile Mortality																																											
<i>A.—One Week and under</i>																																											
1. Prematurity ..	31	9	2	4	—	—	3	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	2	5	7	3	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	38	6	2	1	2	—	1	—	2	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	32	11	—	2	1	—	1	4	1	—	—	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus ..	7	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes..	4*	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year</i>																																											
1. Prematurity ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility ..	41	16	6	3	1	—	3	1	—	2	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions ..	68	24	3	4	2	—	1	2	1	1	6	3	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4a. Enteritis ..	8	4	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
5. Tetanus ..	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
6. Bronchitis ..	10	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia ..	18	8	1	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes..	17†	3	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)																																											
1. Plague ..	1,148	403	62	64	28	6	93	17	20	17	34	6	81	5	20	10	4	9	69	10	2	5	14	6	40	20	5	10	16	30	8	15	8	7	32	556	380	148	10	15			
1a. Smallpox ..	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Chickpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Measles ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

* These are due to one each to Malarial Cachexia (in Kurunegala), Diseases not specified (in Colombo), Congestion of Lungs in Colombo, and Atelectasis (in Colombo).
 † This includes, besides 3 deaths mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 6 deaths from Malaria, (2 each in Negombo and Jaffna), and 1 each (in Mannar and Pattalam), 3 from Worms (2 in Galle and 1 in Puttalam), 2 from Burns (1 each in Jaffna and Trincomalee), 1 each from Anæmia (in Moratuwa), Syphilis (in Kandy), and Meningitis (in Badulla).

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of December, 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 December, 1908 to 1914, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (inclusive of Military) at Census of 1911.	Population estimated to Middle of 1915 by Intercensal 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.				Males.		Females.		Number registered during Dec., 1915.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the year ended last day of Dec., 1915.
City of Colombo ..	219,557	251,388†	248	230	478	17	18	35	279	214	493	51	442	22.39	24.54	20.72	31.78	24.02	90	188	188	
Fort and Galle Face	3,512	3,512‡	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	2	—	7.33	6.71	6.82	—	—	—		
Pettah ..	7,974	7,974‡	—	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.48	5.15	—	11.92	—	—	—		
San Sebastian ..	11,546	12,659	12	8	20	—	2	2	10	10	20	—	20	18.60	19.97	18.60	30.60	—	5	250	312	
St. Paul's ..	24,735	26,969	11	17	28	1	4	5	22	23	45	—	45	12.22	18.77	19.65	26.39	—	5	179	138	
Kotahena ..	40,771	44,457	39	40	79	3	—	3	41	47	88	1	87	20.92	23.53	23.04	27.60	—	24	304	284	
New Bazaar ..	22,309	24,810	25	14	39	1	1	2	25	23	48	1	47	18.51	23.13	22.31	32.44	—	6	154	138	
Maradana Hospitals			57	53	110	9	8	17	75	36	111	39	72	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	48,093	58,720	38	43	81	1	—	1	54	39	93	1	92	16.24	21.43	18.45	29.99	—	18	222	208	
Slave Island ..	21,984	24,634	22	23	45	1	—	1	19	12	31	2	29	21.51	22.50	13.86	25.27	—	11	244	253	
Kollupitiya ..	27,410	32,125	20	17	37	—	—	—	15	12	27	7	20	13.56	15.77	7.33	17.19	—	6	162	212	
Wellawatta ..	13,223	15,478§	24	14	38	1	1	2	16	12	28	—	28	28.91	32.78	21.30	36.13	—	10	263	242	

* 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 1915. 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, December, 1912, 1913, and 1914.

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

Causes of Deaths.	City of Colombo.	Ward.										Deaths among all Races.							
		Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	San Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Mardana Hospitals.	Mardana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Wellawatta.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
All Causes	493	2	—	20	45	88	48	111	93	31	27	28	5	25	258	107	76	8	14
I.—Infantile Mortality	90	—	—	5	5	24	6	5	18	11	6	10	—	5	53	15	13	2	2
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																			
1. Prematurity	9				1	4		1		3	1	1		2	3	3	1		
2. Debility	6				1	1		2			1				4	2			
3. Convulsions	11		1		1	4			4		1				5		1		
4. Diarrhoea	—																		
4a. Enteritis	—																		
5. Tetanus	1					1									1				
6. Bronchitis	—																		
7. Pneumonia	—					1			1		11								1
8. Other Causes	3*																		
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																			
1. Prematurity	—			1		10			2	2		1			11	2	2	1	
2. Debility	16			2	2	3	3		6	4		4		2	13		7	1	1
3. Convulsions	24																		
4. Diarrhoea	—																		
4a. Enteritis	4								1		1	2			4		1		
5. Tetanus	1									1	1	1			1	1	2		
6. Bronchitis	4				1				2	1					3	1			
7. Pneumonia	8			1			3	1	1	1				1	4	1			
8. Other Causes	3†							1	1						2				
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	403	2	—	15	40	64	42	106	75	20	21	18	5	20	205	92	63	6	12
1. Plague	—			1	7		1		1	1		3		1		11	1		1
1a. Smallpox	—																		
2. Chickenpox	—																		
3. Measles	—																		
4. Influenza	—																		
5. Pyrexia or Fever	—																		

* One each from Atelectasis, Congestion of Lungs, and Diseases not specified.

† This includes one each from Stomatitis, Mastoiditis, and Peritonitis.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of December, 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.	Kotahena.	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)—																			
<i>contd.</i>																			
6. Enteric Fever ..	14			4	2	1	1	2	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1
7. Malaria ..	3		1														2		
8. Malarial Cachexia ..	2		2														1		
9. Cholera ..			2														1		
10. Diarrhoea ..	6															2	1		
10a. Enteritis ..	14			2	2			7				4				3	3		
11. Dysentery ..	10				2			3	3			1				1	3		
12. Anchylostomiasis or Doehmius Duodenalis ..	6				1			5								1			
13. Cancer ..	2			1				1								1			
14. Phthisis ..	57			2	6	11		18	1	5	9				14	5	1	1	1
15. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	4																		
16. Anæmia ..	3				1	1		1											
17. Diabetes Mellitus ..	4			1		1		1											
18. Convulsions ..	12			2		1		1				1							
19. Tetanus ..	3				1	1		1				1							
20. Bronchitis ..	13				9	1		1	2			5							
21. Pneumonia ..	41			3	3	6		12	1			2							
22. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	7				1	1		2	1			5							
23. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	13				3	1		6	1			2							
24. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	5							1	1			1							
25. Puerperal Septicæmia ..	4							1	1			4							
26. Miscarriage ..								1	2			1							
27. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	3																		
28. Starvation ..									1										
29. Accidents or Negligence ..	12																		
30. Homicide ..	2							6				2							
31. Suicide ..	1							2											
32. Executions ..	3																		
33. All other causes ..	145*	1		4	10	20	19	38	8			31			30	22	4		1

* Here are included 56 from Old Age, 11 from Worms, and 10 from Paralysis.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS IN CEYLON DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1915.

OBSERVER.	RAINFALL.				Height above Sea Level.	Total No. of Days on which Rained.	BAROMETER REDUCED TO 32°.				TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR AND OF EVAPORATION.											
	Total No. of Inches.	Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours.					Mean Reading.	Mean Reading of the Month.	Highest Reading.	Lowest Reading.	Mean Daily Maximum Temperature in Shade.	Mean Daily Minimum Temperature in Shade.	Adopted Mean Temperature of Air.	Adopted Mean Temperature of Evaporation.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Degree of Humidity, per cent.	Maximum Temperature of Air.	Minimum Temperature.				
		In.	In.	Date.															In.	In.	In.	In.
...	24	1.49	0.77	27th-28th	6	152	5	29.961	29.836	29.898	30.040	11th	29.755	19th	85.8	71.5	78.7	73.2	724	78	91.7-19th	60.4
...	27	2.60	1.26	29th-30th	7	165	45	29.969	29.849	29.909	30.044	12th	29.795	19th	85.2	70.6	77.9	73.5	746	82	87.9-19th	64.9
...	12	5.19	2.09	24th-25th	10	233	25	30.067	29.894	29.951	30.079	11th	29.838	19th	85.0	75.2	80.1	74.0	734	75	89.3-8th	72.5

NAME OF SENDER.	RAINFALL.				Height above Sea Level.	Total No. of Days on which Rained.	STATION.				NAME OF SENDER.								
	Total No. of Inches.	Greatest Quantity in any 24 hours.					Mean Reading.	Mean Reading of the Month.	Highest Reading.	Lowest Reading.		Mean Daily Maximum Temperature in Shade.	Mean Daily Minimum Temperature in Shade.	Adopted Mean Temperature of Air.	Adopted Mean Temperature of Evaporation.	Mean Elastic Force of Vapour.	Mean Degree of Humidity, per cent.	Maximum Temperature of Air.	Minimum Temperature.
		In.	In.	Date.															
C. G. R. ...	1062	8.56	4.58	26th-27th	134	Lower Spring Valley Estate, Badulla	Mr. Wilfred Rettie												
on Engineer, Trincomalee	20	15.14	3.61	2nd-3rd	135	Luccombe Estate, Maskeliya	Mr. R. McCorquodale												
lutuwara, Badulla	300	13.45	2.72	27th-28th	136	Madawachchiya	District Engineer, Mihintale												
Kegalla	729	5.37	3.06	26th-27th	137	Madugoda Dispensary	Apothecary, Madugoda												
or, Kalmunai, S. D.	125	12.93	4.00	23rd-24th	138	Madurankuly Resthouse	Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam												
on Engineer, Trincomalee	40	9.47	0.57	24th-25th	139	Maduwawala	Government Agent, Ratnapura												
...	4300	4.87	2.80	2nd-3rd	140	Magalawewa	Subdivisional Officer, Nikaweratiya Sub												
...	1400	13.33	1.25	24th-25th	141	Mahadova Estate, Madulsima	Mr. Guy C. Morris												
...	1000	7.48	2.28	18th-19th	142	Maha-oya Hospital	Medical Officer, Maha-oya												
...	109	7.48	4.18	27th-28th	143	Mahauswewa	Subdivisional Officer, Nikaweratiya Sub												
...	250	10.12	1.71	26th-27th	144	Mahawalatenna	Government Agent, Ratnapura												
...	50	5.77	5.04	29th-30th	145	Maiboda Estate, Dehiowita	Mr. R. Neville Rolfe												
...	450	9.14	4.98	27th-28th	146	Maigakanda	Engineer, Waterworks, Maigakanda, Colombo												
...	4036	8.49	3.00	20th-21st	147	Mamadola	Irrigation Engineer, Hambantota Subdivision												
...	422	8.89	1.53	23rd-24th	148	Manapittaya Anicut	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	500	6.78	1.26	27th-28th	149	Mankulam	District Engineer, Vavuniya												
...	500	6.78	2.05	26th-27th	150	Mantota Hospital	Medical Officer, Mantota, Mannar												
...	680	12.80	2.85	23rd-24th	151	Maradankadawala	District Engineer, Maradankadawala												
...	3738	2.65	1.49	17th-18th	152	Maragalla Estate, Monaragala	Mr. R. Spearman Armstrong												
...	4273	5.77	1.00	23rd-24th	153	Marambokanda Estate, Puwakpitiya	Mr. Chas. Bouchier												
...	4500	5.85	2.70	26th-27th	154	Marawatta Estate, Gampola	Mr. D. J. Blyth												
...	63	18.41	1.15	25th-26th	155	Marichchukkaddi	Apothecary, Marichchukkaddi, Mannar												
...	16	9.30	2.47	27th-28th	156	Masketiya Hospital	Medical Officer, Maskeliya												
...	3800	3.25	1.83	26th-27th	157	Matala	District Engineer, Matala												
...	1400	11.92	1.91	26th-27th	158	Matara	District Engineer, Matara												
...	400	1.60	6.25	24th-25th	159	Maturata Hospital	Medical Officer, Maturata												
...	157	3.54	2.65	24th-25th	160	Medagama Hospital	Medical Officer, Medagama												
...	490	8.93	0.70	1st-2nd	161	Mediyawa Tank	Subdivisional Officer, Nikaweratiya Sub												
...	286	6.09	2.03	26th-27th	162	Meeriattonna Estate, Haputale	Mr. William Allan												
...	3600	9.00	2.03	26th-27th	163	Meeriattonna Estate, Haputale	Mr. E. Van Schoonbeek												
...	136	21.38	0.70	1st-2nd	164	Mihintale	District Engineer, Mihintale												
...	400	8.51	2.03	26th-27th	165	Mihintale	District Engineer, Kandy												
...	800	3.63	2.95	27th-28th	166	Mituneriya	Irrigation Engineer, Anuradhapura Subdivision												
...	2880	27.81	0.56	26th-27th	167	Monaragala Hospital	Medical Officer, Monaragala												
...	4400	2.97	1.13	24th-25th	168	Morawaka	Apothecary, Morawaka												
...	3300	7.91	4.80	26th-27th	169	Moussagala Estate, Namunukula	Mr. C. G. Pritchard												
...	400	3.82	1.10	29th-30th	170	Mullaitivu	District Engineer, Vavuniya												
...	5040	4.59	2.12	26th-27th	171	Murungan	Irrigation Engineer, Giant's Tank Subdivision												
...	4000	8.89	2.12	26th-27th	172	Nachchaduwa	Irrigation Engineer, Anuradhapura Subdivision												
...	8	10.75	7.10	24th-25th	173	Nalanda Dispensary	Apothecary, Nalanda												
...	2800	8.17	3.95	28th-29th	174	Naula Tank	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	262	7.74	1.24	26th-27th	175	Nedunkerny	District Engineer, Vavuniya												
...	11.71	3.95	5.31	22nd-23rd	176	Negombo	District Engineer, Negombo												
...	324	3.79	0.63	26th-27th	177	Negombo	Mr. H. Wilkinson Kay												
...	324	3.79	1.24	26th-27th	178	New Forest Estate, Galaha	District Engineer, Dikoya												
...	324	3.79	1.24	26th-27th	179	Nhiya Railway Station	Station Master, C. G. R.												
...	600	11.21	2.64	28th-29th	180	Orange Hill Estate, Ragama	Mr. J. Gidlow												
...	282	0.00	1.92	24th-25th	181	Orwell Estate, Gampola	Superintendent												
...	2300	1.21	0.63	25th-26th	182	Padukka	Instructor, Survey Training School												
...	2400	18.29	1.40	25th-26th	183	Padupola	District Engineer, Dikoya												
...	200	4.20	3.50	24th-25th	184	Pallai	District Engineer, Pallai												
...	4200	11.78	1.60	29th-30th	185	Palugaswewa Estate, Chilaw	Mr. N. Perera												
...	3380	9.30	1.24	26th-27th	186	Panama Tank	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	200	9.18	3.50	24th-25th	187	Panikanda Estate, Deniyaya	Mr. C. F. Winthrop												
...	500	5.11	1.60	29th-30th	188	Pannaganuwa	Irrigation Engineer, Hambantota Subdivision, Tissa												
...	4800	9.73	2.64	28th-29th	189	Paranthan Railway Station	Station Master, C. G. R.												
...	4143	3.30	1.24	26th-27th	190	Passara Dispensary	Medical Officer, Passara												
...	3490	5.05	1.24	27th-28th	191	Pathregalla Estate, Pothuhera	Mr. S. H. McBurnick												
...	33	2.50	1.36	29th-30th	192	Patigama Estate, Deltota	Mr. L. A. Ewart												
...	341	4.87	1.72	29th-30th	193	Pattipola Resthouse	Resthouse-keeper, Pattipola												
...	5240	4.99	2.15	27th-28th	194	Peimadulla	District Engineer, Peimadulla												
...	5000	11.89	2.15	27th-28th	195	Peradeniya Gardens	Mr. H. F. Mac Allan												
...	350	12.16	2.01	27th-28th	196	Poriyakulam	Divisional Irrigation Engineer, Trincomalee												
...	50	1.31	0.56	27th-28th	197	Point Pedro Civil Hospital	Medical Officer, Point Pedro												
...	214	7.60	1.84	27th-28th	198	Ponparippu Resthouse	Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam												
...	7004	7.89	1.40	27th-28th	199	Pottuvil Dispensary	Apothecary, Pottuvil												
...	42	5.92	1.84	27th-28th	200	Pullukannawa	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	42	13.84	4.25	24th-25th	201	Pussellawa	District Engineer, Pussellawa												
...	92	10.34	2.50	24th-25th	202	Puvarasankulam	District Engineer, Vavuniya												
...	9	6.70	2.02	19th-20th	203	Ragama Camp	Superintendent, Ragama Camp												
...	4300	8.25	1.14	24th-25th	204	Rajawella Estate, Teideniya	Mr. G. J. Murray												
...	14	8.58	1.14	24th-25th	205	Ravigam Estate, Padukka	Mr. Allen Coombe												
...	470	6.42	2.48	10th-11th	206	Ratawewa Tank	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	12	2.33	1.04	23rd-24th	207	Rugam Tank	Irrigation Engineer, Rugam, S. D., Unichohai												
...	35	3.08	2.64	25th-26th	208	Sacumbe Estate, Matala	Mr. A. van Starck												
...	30	2.94	1.24	29th-30th	209	Sakaman Tank	Irrigation Engineer, Kalmunai, S. D.												
...	200	3.82	1.70	27th-28th	210	Sandringham Estate, Agrapatana	Mr. P. Byrde												
...	118	8.44	2.78	24th-25th	211	Sanghikanadarawa	Irrigation Engineer, Anuradhapura Subdivision												
...	15	10.56	4.65	27th-28th	212	Sogama Estate, Pussellawa	Mr. A. C. Grant												
...	250	10.81	2.45	26th-27th	213	S. Wanasarajah Estate, Dikoya	Mr. A. F. White												
...	13	6.66	4.87	24th-25th	214	St. Martin's Estate, Rangalla	Mr. John Ellis												
...	1500	7.39	0.48	28th-29th	215	Stock Gardens, Colombo	Superintendent, Stock Gardens, Colombo												
...	8	7.49	2.93	27th-28th	216	Stratheden Estate, Donodara	Superintendent												
...	1800	5.67	3.05	24th-25th	217	Strathellie Estate, Midland Group	Superintendent												