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APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

No. 1 of 1917.

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

Mr. A. V. VAN LANGENBERG to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Gampola, from January 12 to 14, 1917, during the absence of Mr. J. R. WALTERS from the station, or until further orders.

Mr. R. GARNIER to be a Justice of the Peace and an Unofficial Police Magistrate for the judicial district of Kalutara, with jurisdiction over Kalawellawa and Matugama.

Mr. R. C. FIELDER to be a Justice of the Peace and an Unofficial Police Magistrate for the judicial district of Kalutara, with jurisdiction over Ingiriya.

By His Excellency's command,
 Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
 Colombo, January 4, 1917. Colonial Secretary.

No. 2 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 13 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Members

of the Provincial Road Committee, Northern Province for the year 1917:—

- Mr. J. M. PATTERSON.
- Mr. J. M. HENSMAN.
- Mr. M. S. RAMALINGA.
- Mr. J. CHERUBIM.

By His Excellency's command,
 Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
 Colombo, January 4, 1917. Colonial Secretary.

No. 3 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 13 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Unofficial Members of the Provincial Road Committee, North-Central Province, for the year 1917:—

- Mr. L. P. EMERSON.
- Mr. S. D. KRISHNARATNE.
- Mr. C. A. VALOOPILLEY.
- Mr. G. H. R. JAYEMANNA.

By His Excellency's command,
 Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
 Colombo, January 4, 1917. Colonial Secretary.

No. 4 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 13 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Members of the Provincial Road Committee, Uva, for the year 1917 :—

Mr. A. FELLOWES GORDON.
Mr. R. GATEHOUSE.
Mr. J. J. ROBINSON.
Mr. W. A. AMERASEKERA.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, December 23, 1916. Colonial Secretary.

No. 5 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased, under section 6 (d) of Ordinance No. 10 of 1907, to nominate the following gentlemen to be members of the District School Committee, Mullaitivu, for the period of three years from January 1, 1917 :—

Rev. Father J. ALPHONSUS, O.M.I.
Rev. T. S. JOHNSON.
Mr. K. A. KAPURUHAMI.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, January 3, 1917. Colonial Secretary.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to confirm the appointment of DISANAYAKE MUDIYANSELAGE DINGIRI BANDA as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Kiralawa korale division, and of Marriages (Kandyan and General) of Kalagam palata division, in the Anuradhapura District of the North-Central Province. His office will be at Marasingha Hammillewa.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, December 29, 1916. 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 Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed Mr. K. W. ALWIS to act as Deputy Registrar

of Births and Deaths of Division No. 1 of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for fourteen days from December 22, 1916, during the absence of the Deputy Registrar, Miss C. RUDD, on leave. His office will be at No. 158, Grandpass road, Colombo.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, M. B. A. NIVARAPOLA, has appointed RAJAPAKSA WASALA MUDIYANSERALAHAMMILLA PUNCHI BANDA HALANGODA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Kohonsiya pattuwa division, and of Marriages (General) of Matale South, in the Matale District of the Central Province, for one day, December 12, 1916, during the absence of the Registrar, M. B. A. NIVARAPOLA, on leave. His office will be at Nikawellawapattuwa in Udupihilla.

Registrar-General's Office, W. L. KIMBLEY,
Colombo, December 29, 1916. Registrar-General.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

"THE HOLIDAYS ORDINANCE, 1886."

It is hereby notified that Saturday, January 13, 1917 (the Tamil Thai Pongal Day), will be observed as a public holiday under the provisions of the Ordinance No. 4 of 1886.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 3, 1917.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

"THE LOCAL BOARDS ORDINANCE, 1898."

THE following by-law made by the Local Board of Health and Improvement, Kurunegala, under section 56 (2) (a) of "The Local Boards Ordinance, 1898," as amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1916, and confirmed by the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, is published for general information.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 3, 1917.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

BY-LAW REFERRED TO.

The use of the roads appearing in the subjoined Schedule A is prohibited for bullock carts, motor lorries, and other heavy vehicles, as such use is likely to cause damage to the said roads.

Provided that this rule shall not apply to bullock carts proceeding to or from a house or land situated adjoining the said roads.

Schedule A.

Circular road south.
Section of the tank circular between the north and south approach roads.
Rajapihilla road.

ELECTION FOR CEYLONESE ELECTORATE.

IT is hereby notified that a poll will be taken for the election of a candidate to represent the Ceylonese Electorate in the Legislative Council of this Island on Saturday, January 20, 1917.

2. The names of the candidates nominated, as described in their respective nomination papers, and the names of their proposers and seconders, are shown in Schedule A attached hereto.

3. The places at which a poll will be taken, and the districts allotted to each polling station, together with the names of the officers appointed as Presiding Officers, are specified in Schedule B hereto attached.

4. The hours for polling have been fixed as follows :—

Colombo stations and Jaffna : 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

All other stations : 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 4, 1917.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE A.

List of Candidates nominated at an Election under Ordinance No. 13 of 1910 held on January 3, 1917.

Ceylonese Electorate.

No.	Name of Candidate.	Address.	Occupation.	Name of Proposer.	Name of Seconder.
1.	Ponnampalam Ramanathan	Sukhastan, No. 57, Ward place, Colombo	Literature and Civics	Alexander de Alwis Senewiratna	Francis de Soysa
2.	Justus Sextus Jayawardene	Colombo	Advocate	Alfred Victor de Silva	Ahamado Cassim Mohamado

SCHEDULE B.

Ceylonese Electorate.

District.	Polling Station.	Presiding Officer.
Colombo	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, Western Province
Colombo	Land Settlement Office	Mr. H. O. Fox
Colombo	Ceylon Medical College	Mr. A. P. Boone
Kalutara	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Kalutara
Kandy	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, Central Province
Nawalapitiya	The Police Station	Police Magistrate, Gampola
Hatton	The Police Court	Police Magistrate, Nuwara Eliya-Hatton
Matale	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Matale
Nuwara Eliya	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Nuwara Eliya
Talawakele	The Resthouse	Mr. L. J. B. Turner
Galle	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, Southern Province
Matara	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Matara
Tangalla	The Resthouse	Assistant Government Agent, Hambantota
Jaffna	The Kachcheri	Mr. S. H. Wadia
Mannar	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Mannar
Mullaittivu	The Kachcheri Treasury Room	Mudaliyar K. U. Tampaiah
Vavuniya	The Old Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Mullaittivu
Batticaloa	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, Eastern Province
Trincomalee	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Trincomalee
Kurunegala	The Town Hall	Government Agent, North-Western Province
Puttalam	The Police Station	Assistant Government Agent, Puttalam
Chilaw	The Assistant Government Agent's Office	District Judge, Chilaw
Anuradhapura	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, North-Central Province
Badulla	The Kachcheri	Government Agent, Province of Uva
Bandarawela	The Court-house	Mr. W. K. H. Campbell
Passara	The Gansabhawa Court-house	Mr. L. D. C. Hughes
Ratnapura	The Kachcheri	Mr. W. A. Weerakoon
Kegalla	The Kachcheri	Assistant Government Agent, Kegalla

N.B.—The Revised Register of Voters published as a Supplement to the *Ceylon Government Gazette* of March 3, 1916, gives the names of the Voters and the Polling Stations to which they have been assigned.

NOTICE TO IMPORTERS.

Certificates of Origin and Interest.

WITH reference to the notice dated September 30, 1916, appearing in *Government Gazette* No. 6,828 of October 6, 1916, and the notice dated December 15, 1916, appearing in *Government Gazette* No. 6,842 of December 22, 1916, it is hereby notified that Certificates of Interest will not be required in the case of imports of petroleum from any country to which the system of Certificates of Interest applies.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 3, 1917.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

"THE FOREST ORDINANCE, 1907."

IT is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in exercise of the power vested in him by section 24 (1) (d) of the Forest Ordinance, No. 16 of 1907, been pleased to revoke the rule passed under the said section on April 21, 1909, and published in the *Ceylon Government Gazette* No. 6,306 of April 23, 1909.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 4, 1917.

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

"THE REGISTRARS' PROCEEDINGS VALIDATION ORDINANCE, NO. 3 OF 1912."

An Order for the purpose of giving Validity to the Registration of a certain General Marriage in the Nuwara Eliya District of the Central Province.

WHEREAS the act specified in the schedule hereto annexed relative to a certain general marriage registered in the Nuwara Eliya District is invalidated by reason of the mistake set forth in the second column of the said schedule :

And whereas no other means are by law provided by which the said act may be validated :

It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor, in exercise of the powers vested in him by section 3 of "The Registrars' Proceedings Validation Ordinance, No. 3 of 1912," and with the advice of the Executive Council, has been pleased to order and direct as follows :—

That the said act be as valid and effectual for all purposes as if the said mistake had not occurred.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, December 16, 1916.

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

SCHEDULE.

Act validated.	Irregularity.
General marriage registration entry No. 144 of September 1, 1916, made by the Registrar of Uda Hewaheta No. 1 Division, in the Nuwara Eliya District of the Central Province.	Registration of the marriage upon a certificate issued by the Registrar of Walapone division.

"THE SMALL TOWNS SANITARY ORDINANCE, 1892."

IT is hereby notified that the Sanitary Board of the Colombo District has, in terms of section 7 of "The Small Towns Sanitary Ordinance, 1892," as amended by section 3 of Ordinance No. 12 of 1913, and with the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, made and assessed a rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the year 1917 on the annual value of all houses and buildings of every description and all lands and tenements whatsoever within the towns of Homagama and Kandana, in the Colombo District, Western Province, save such as are by the said section of the said Ordinance exempted from the payment of such rate.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, January 4, 1917.

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

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

Comparative Monthly Return of Revenue from October, 1913, to September, 1916.

	1913-14.		1914-15.		1915-16.
	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
October ..	4,590,897	..	3,881,056	..	4,771,366
November ..	4,200,364	..	4,100,206	..	5,571,484
December ..	4,310,179	..	4,164,600	..	5,106,908
January ..	4,845,096	..	4,241,496	..	5,313,806
February ..	4,323,809	..	4,077,474	..	5,372,274
March ..	4,963,961	..	4,542,590	..	5,616,979
April ..	4,441,922	..	4,234,022	..	4,608,132
May ..	4,548,314	..	4,383,968	..	5,799,066
June ..	4,837,979	..	3,619,577	..	5,119,142
July ..	5,718,316	..	4,635,060	..	7,020,687*
August ..	3,867,392	..	4,232,944	..	5,930,822
September ..	3,662,477	..	5,432,479	..	6,343,598
Total ..	54,310,706		51,545,472		66,574,264

The Treasury,
Colombo, December 21, 1916.

A. C. ALLNUTT,
Acting Colonial Treasurer.

* Includes Rs. 1,425,000 realized by sale of dredger "Sir William Matthews" to the Australian Government.

Statement of the District School Committee, Trincomalee, for the Year 1916.

RECEIPTS.	Rs.	c.	EXPENDITURE.	Rs.	c.
Government contributions ..	864	67	Salaries ..	80	0
School fines ..	654	0	Repairs to buildings ..	149	50
Miscellaneous ..	13	50	Miscellaneous ..	42	53
Balance on January 1, 1916 ..	886	52	Balance on December 31, 1916 ..	2,146	66
Total ..	2,418	69	Total ..	2,418	69

F. MARSHALL,
for Chairman.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from H. Inglis, Esq., for a grant in aid of his Tudugalla Estate Mixed Tamil School, which is situated in Iddagoda pattu, Pasdun korale west, of the Western Province.

Observations will be received not later than January 29, 1917.

Education Office, E. B. DENHAM,
Colomb, December 22, 1916. Director of Education.

IT is hereby notified for the information of Heads of Departments that the prices given in the Government Stores Price List of 1910 and the Supplementary List of 1913 are now obsolete.

J. GIBB,
Government Stores, Acting Colonial Storekeeper.
Colombo, January 3, 1917.

Prices of Food Stuffs, &c., in Colombo on
January 3, 1917.

	Rs.	c.
Muttusamba, No. 1 quality .. Per bushel	6	25
Kara Rice .. do.	4	75
Kallunda, No. 1 quality .. Per bag (2½ bushels)	11	25
Sulsi, No. 1 do. .. do.	12	75
Kora (Mill) No. 1 do. .. do.	12	0
Raw Rice, Rangoon .. Per bushel	4	50
Do. Singapore .. do.	4	25
Mysore Dhol .. do.	6	25
Green Peas (Gram) .. do.	5	0
Thovarem Dhol .. do.	5	50
Chillies, No. 1 quality .. Per thulan (26½ lb.)	6	0
Do. Rangoon .. do.	—	—
Red Onions .. do.	1	50

	Rs.	c.
Bombay Onions .. Per cwt.	13	0
Potatoes, Indian .. do.	9	50
Do. Bangalore .. do.	10	50
Maldivo Fish, No. 1 quality .. do.	49	0
Sugar, Crystal .. Per bag (2 cwt.)	46	0
Soft Sugar .. Per cwt.	22	50
Matches, "Three Stars" .. Per case of 50 gross boxes	131	0
Kerosine Oil, "Monkey Brand" .. Per tin	4	45
Kerosine Oil, "Daylight" .. do.	4	70
Coriander .. Per lb.	0	16
Beef .. do.	0	30*
Mutton .. do.	0	60*
Chicken .. Each	0	62*
Fish, Fresh (Seer) .. Per lb.	0	62*
Do. (Common) .. do.	0	30*
Dry Fish (Kumbalawas), No. 1 quality .. Per 1,000	6	66
Do. (Halmessan), No. 1 quality .. Per cwt.	18	0
Eggs .. Each	0	5½*
Milk, Fresh, Cow .. Per pint	0	24*
Bread .. Per lb.	0	16*
Plantains .. Each	0	1*
Limes .. Per 100	1	50
Salt .. Per bushel	2	95
Coconuts .. Per 100	6	0
Firewood .. Per cwt.	1	0

* Retail prices.

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

January 3, 1917.

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for loading and unloading of goods at Brockside Goods Shed from persons willing to contract for this service from date of acceptance of tender for a period of one, two, or three years.

2. All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the General Manager, Ceylon Government Railway.

3. Tenders should either be deposited in the tender box in the Office of the Controller of Revenue, or be sent through the post.

4. Tenders should be marked "Tender for Loading and Unloading of Goods at Brockside Goods Shed" in the left hand corner of the envelope, and should reach the Office of the General Manager, Ceylon Government Railway, not later than midday on Tuesday, January 23, 1917.

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

6. A deposit of Rs. 50 will be required to be made either at the Treasury or Kachcheri, and a receipt produced for the same before any form of tender is issued. Should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond, or fail to furnish approved security, within ten days of receiving notice in writing from the Head of the Department, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown, and the defaulter will render himself liable to be included in the list of defaulting contractors precluded from having any concern in a Government contract. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract.

7. The tender must be accompanied by a letter signed by two responsible persons, whose addresses must be given,

engaging to become security for the due fulfilment of the contract.

8. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount of security required will be Rs. 150.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

General Manager's Office,
Colombo, December 30, 1916.

G. P. GREENE,
General Manager

TENDERS are hereby invited for the lease of (i.) the Horton Plains Resthouse, or (ii.) the Pattipola Resthouse, or both, for a period of five years from March 1, 1917.

2. Tender should be addressed to the Provincial Road Committee, Kandy, and should reach the Kandy Kachcheri not later than 11 A.M. on January 20, 1917.

3. Tender should state the annual rent offered, and contain a tariff of the proposed charges for the items appearing in the present tariff, a copy of which may be obtained from the Provincial Road Committee, Central Province, Kandy.

4. The following are the principal conditions:—

(a) The lease to be for five years.

(b) The rent to be paid half-yearly in advance.

(c) The lessee to carry on business as a resthouse-keeper. No visitor should be allowed to remain for a longer period than fourteen days, if accommodation is required by other visitors.

(d) The resthouses will be leased with the furniture, plate, cutlery, glassware, crockery, and linen which they contain, but any additional articles required must be provided by the lessee at his own expense.

(e) The lessee at his own expense to keep the furniture and equipment in good repair and order, and return the same to the Committee on expiry of the lease in good order and condition, subject to fair wear and tear.

The Committee will keep the buildings in repair at its own expense.

(f) To supply liquor of approved brands and food of good quality, and keep the resthouses clean and well appointed.

(g) Charges not to be in excess of the tariff furnished with the tender.

(h) The lessee to afford every facility to officers of the Provincial Road Committee, Central Province, or District Road Committee, Nuwara Eliya, who may have occasion to inspect the resthouses.

(i) One room to be reserved for accommodation of officers of the Provincial Road Committee, Central Province, or District Road Committee, Nuwara Eliya, on duty, on 48 hours' notice being given.

(j) The lessee not to assign or underlet without consent of the Chairman, Provincial Road Committee, Kandy.

(k) Approved security will be required to the amount of Rs. 750 in the case of the Horton Plains Resthouse, Rs. 500 in the case of the Pattipola Resthouse, or Rs. 1,000 in the event of both resthouses being leased to the same tenderer.

(l) Disputes between the lessee and the lessors to be settled by arbitration.

5. The Chairman reserves to himself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders.

C. S. VAUGHAN,
Office of the Provincial Road Committee, Chairman.
Kandy, December 29, 1916.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended December 23, 1916.

Births.—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 118 (2 Europeans, 10 Burghers, 71 Sinhalese, 8 Tamils, 25 Moors, 1 Malasy, and 1 Other). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on July 1, 1916, viz., 259,451) was 23·8, as against 24·4 in the preceding week, 16·8 in the corresponding week of last year, and 22·7 the weekly average for last year.

Deaths.—The total deaths registered were 125 (7 Burghers, 74 Sinhalese, 19 Tamils, 20 Moors, 4 Malays, and 1 Other). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 25·2, as against 31·0 in the previous week, 23·4 in the corresponding week of last year, and 25·8 the weekly average for last year.

Infantile Deaths.—Of the 125 total deaths, 36 were of infants under one year of age, as against 31 in the preceding week, 18 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 10.

Principal Causes of Death.—Nineteen deaths from *Phthisis* were registered, as against 13 in the previous week and 15 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 10 were in Maradana (including 4 deaths of non-residents in hospitals), 3 in New Bazaar, 2 in Kotahena, 1 in San Sebastian, 1 in St. Paul's, 1 in Slave Island, and 1 in Wellawatta.

2. Fifteen deaths from *Pneumonia* were registered, as against 25 in the previous week and 11 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 5 were in Maradana, 3 in Kotahena, 3 in Slave Island, 1 in Pettah, 1 in New Bazaar, 1 in Kollupitiya, and 1 in Wellawatta. Three deaths from *Bronchitis* were registered.

3. Two deaths from *Enteric Fever* were registered, as against 4 in the previous week and 3 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 1 was in Kotahena and the other in Maradana (of a non-resident in hospital).

4. One death from *Plague* was registered (in Kotahena), as against 4 in the previous week and 2 the weekly average for last year. Five cases were reported, as against 7 in the previous week.

5. Two deaths from *Measles* were registered, same as in the previous week. Of these, 1 was in Kotahena and the other in Maradana. There were reported 32 cases of *Measles*, as against 40 in the previous week; and 18 cases of *Chickenpox*, as against 20 in the previous week.

6. Sixteen deaths from *Infantile Convulsions* were registered, 12 from *Enteritis*, 11 from *Debility*, 2 from *Dysentery*, 2 from *Worms*, 1 from *Diarrhoea*, and 39 from *Other Causes*.

State of the Weather.—The mean temperature of air was 78·1°, against 78·7° in the preceding week and 78·9° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·890 in., against 29·836 in. in the preceding week and 29·842 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was nil, against 1·70 in. in the preceding week and 0·13 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, December 30, 1916.

FRED. L. ANTHONISZ,
for Registrar-General.