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PROCLAMATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

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

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir JOHN ANDERSON, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

JOHN ANDERSON.

WHEREAS by section 34 (1) of "The Ceylon Railways Ordinance, 1902," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor from time to time to declare by Proclamation any road or path which the railway may cross to be a "minor crossing," and whether such "minor crossing" shall be closed by gates or not :

And whereas it is expedient to declare the road which the railway crosses between the stations of Ambanpola and Galgamuwa, in the North-Western Province, and set out in the schedule hereto, to be a "minor crossing" for the purpose of the said Ordinance :

Now know Ye that We, the Governor, in exercise of the power in Us vested as aforesaid, do hereby declare the said road to be a "minor crossing" for the purpose of the said Ordinance, as from and after April 14, 1917, and that such "minor crossing" shall not be closed by gates.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Thirty-first day of March, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Seventeen.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SCHEDULE.

Chainage. M. C.	Description.	Class.
94 60	Village road	3

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NOW know Ye that We, the Governor of Ceylon, by virtue of the powers in Us vested by clause III. 1 (A) of the Order in Council dated October 26, 1896, issued by Her Majesty the Queen, as amended by the Order in Council dated March 21, 1916, and published in the *Government Gazette* dated June 5, 1916, have been pleased to make the following regulation in place of the regulation published with Our Proclamation dated March 27, 1917, and appearing in the *Government Gazette* of March 30, 1917, and do hereby call upon His Majesty's subjects and all other persons being in the said Colony to govern themselves accordingly.

Given at Kandy, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Fifth day of April, in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Seventeen.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

REGULATION REFERRED TO.

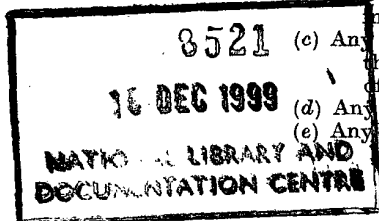
No person shall leave the Colony for any destination, unless such person, if he is a British subject, is the bearer of a passport issued to him for the purpose by the Governor, or, if he is not a British subject, is the bearer of a passport duly issued to him within the previous two years by or on behalf of the Government of which he is a subject duly visé by the British Ambassador or British Consul in that country, and further visé in the Colony by the Colonial Secretary or an Assistant Colonial Secretary.

Any person who acts in contravention of this regulation, or is reasonably suspected of having so acted or being about so to act, may be taken into custody by a Police or Customs officer without a warrant, and shall be liable to be detained.

Any person acting contrary to this regulation or attempting so to do shall be guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction with imprisonment, rigorous or simple, for a period not exceeding six months, or a fine not exceeding one thousand five hundred rupees, or both.

Provided, however, that nothing contained in the regulation aforesaid shall apply to—

- (a) Any member of His Majesty's Naval or Military Forces, or of the Indian Marine Service, entering or leaving the Colony on duty;
- (b) Any passenger on board any vessel and any member of the crew of such vessel who has been lawfully engaged as such in any country outside the Colony and who leaves the Colony in continuation of the same voyage in the same vessel;
- (c) Any member of the crew of any vessel who has been lawfully engaged in the Colony for an over-sea voyage, and who satisfies the shipping officer that he is by occupation a seafaring man;
- (d) Any *bona fide* labourer proceeding to, or returning from, India; and
- (e) Any *bona fide* Muhammadan pilgrim proceeding to, or returning from, India.



APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

No. 116 of 1917.

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

Mr. JOHN SCOTT to be, in addition to his own duties, Additional Assistant Colonial Secretary, with effect from April 5, 1917.

Major W. H. ROBINSON to act, in addition to his own duties, as Inspector-General of Prisons and Superintendent of the Convict Establishment for eight days from April 7, 1917, during the absence of Major A. W. DE WILTON.

Mr. N. W. MORGAPPAH to act, in addition to his own duties, as Registrar-General for eleven days from April

11, 1917, during the absence of Mr. W. L. KINDERSLEY on leave.

Mr. A. DE ABBREW to act as District Judge, Additional Commissioner of Requests, and Police Magistrate, Kalutara, from April 2 to 4, 1917, during the illness of Mr. ALLAN BEVEN.

Mr. P. VYTHILINGAM to act as Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Point Pedro and Chavakacheheri, for April 1 and 2, 1917, during the absence of Mr. C. COOMARASWAMY from the station.

Mr. FRANK MARKUS to act as Additional Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate for the judicial division of Kurunegala for April 2, 1917, during the absence of Mr. V. P. REDLICH from the station.

Mr. W. O. STEVENS to be, in addition to his own duties, Assistant Collector of Customs, Galle, from April 6 to 10, 1917, during the absence of Mr. M. M. ANTHONISZ on leave.

Mr. D. W. SUBASINGHE to be a Justice of the Peace for the District of Galle.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, April 5, 1917. Colonial Secretary

No. 117 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to order that Mr. R. N. THAINE be attached to the Censor's Office, with effect from April 5, 1917.

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

No. 118 of 1917.

IT is hereby notified that the Notification dated March 30, 1917, published in *Government Gazette* No. 6,864 of the same date, is cancelled in so far as it affects the appointments of Mr. C. F. S. BAKER as Acting Director of Irrigation and of Mr. R. F. MORRIS as Acting Assistant Director of Irrigation.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, April 5, 1917. Colonial Secretary.

No. 119 of 1917.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. MARCELLUS DE ABREW ABAYASINHA, at present practising as a Notary Public at Ratnapura, to be a Notary Public at Colombo and throughout the judicial division of Colombo, and to practise as such in the English and Sinhalese languages.

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

APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

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

Mr. B. J. ARASARATNAM to act as Registrar of Lands, Mullaitivu, for eleven days from April 11, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, Mr. R. K. ARULAMPALAM, on leave, or until further orders.

Mudaliyar S. DE S. RANASINGHE to act as Registrar of Lands, Anuradhapura, for eleven days from April 11, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, Mr. K. B. KULATUNGA, on leave, or until further orders.

Dr. ARNOLD RODE, L.M.S., L.R.C.P. & S., to be Medical Registrar of Births and Deaths of No. 1 division of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, with effect from March 24, 1917, *vice* Dr. DONALD SCHOKMAN, transferred. His office will be at the Port Surgeon's Office.

Dr. VIVIAN ROY SCHOKMAN, L.M.S., to be Additional Deputy Medical Registrar of Births and Deaths of No. 1 division of the Colombo Municipality division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, with effect from March 28, 1917. His office will be at the Port Surgeon's Office, Fort.

Mr. DARLEY ALEXANDER SAMARAWEEERA MUNASINGHA as Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths of Ambalangoda town division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province, with effect from April 5, 1917, *vice* Mr. D. A. GOONERATNA, resigned. His office will be at the Civil Dispensary, Ambalangoda.

HEWA MADDUMA LIYANAGE DON MENDIAS provisionally to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Parawahera division, and of Marriages (General) of Wellaboda pattu division, in the Matara District of the Southern Province, with effect from April 4, 1917, *vice* MIPE GALKETIYEGAMAGE DON MATHES, discontinued. His office will be at Degamagewatta.

Mr. CANAGASABAI VISUVALINGAM, if found competent under section 34 of Ordinance No. 1 of 1895, to be Deputy Registrar of Births and Deaths of Batticaloa town division, in the Batticaloa District of the Eastern Province, with effect from March 30, 1917, *vice* Mr. S. SITHAMPARAPPILLAI, transferred. His office will be at the Civil Hospital, Batticaloa.

By His Excellency's command,
Colonial Secretary's Office, R. E. STUBBS,
Colombo, March 31, 1917. 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 HENRY RICHARD DE SILVA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Otara West division, and of Marriages (General) of Dunagaha pattuwa division, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for thirty days from March 29, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, SEMBUKUTTIARATCHIGE MANUEL SILVA, on leave. His office will be at Kurunduwatta in Daluwakotuwa.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed Dr. DINSHAW GANDEVIA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Division No. 2A of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for one day, March 31, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, Dr. (Miss) W. NELL, on leave. His office will be at 29, Glennie street, Slave Island.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Colombo, has appointed Dr. KITULGODAVIDANARALLAGE DON PETER to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Division No. 2A of the Colombo Municipality, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for one week from April 1, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, Dr. (Miss) W. NELL, on leave. His office will be at 29, Glennie street, Slave Island.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has appointed DON MARTIN GAMMANPILA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Bandaragama division, and of Marriages (General) of Adikari pattu division, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for thirteen days from March 26, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, DON GEORGE JAYASEKERA, on leave. His office will be at Galpottewatta in Bolabotuwa.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Matale, has appointed WICKREMASINHA NAWARATNA ABEYAKOON PANDITA WAHALA MUDIYANSELA SENEWIRATNE BANDARA HAPUGODA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Gampahasya pattuwa division, and of Marriages (General) of Matale South division, in the Matale District of the Central Province, for sixteen days from March 16, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, H. M. B. DORAKUMBURA, on leave. His office will be at Bangalawatta in Dorakumbura; station: Mudiyanselagewatta in Madawala.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Galle District, has appointed THOMAS PERERA MIHIPAGALA, of Kapuhenpola, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Poddala division,

and of Marriages (General) of Four Gravets of Galle and Akmimana division, in the Galle District of the Southern Province, for two days from March 30, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, DON SIYADORIS JAYASUNDERA, on leave. His offices will be at Gudamewatta *alias* Hingagodawatta in Mipawala and Galagawawatta at Kapuhenpola.

The Additional Assistant Provincial Registrar, Matara, has appointed DON DIAS KURUPPU NANAYAKKARA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Pategama division, and of Marriages (General) of Wellaboda pattu division, in the Matara District of the Southern Province, for ten days from March 27, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, D. C. K. NANAYAKKARA, on leave. His offices will be at Dangahawatta *alias* Godakadurugahawatta in Pategama and Nanangewatta in Kottagoda.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Hambantota, has appointed JOHN PEDRICK DISSANAYAKA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Nakulugamuwa division, and of Marriages (General) of West Giruwa pattu division, in the Hambantota District of the Southern Province, for fourteen days from March 25, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, D. C. DISSANAYAKA, on leave. His office will be at Walawwewatta in Nakulugamuwa.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Jaffna District, has appointed MURUGESAR MAYILVAGANAM to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Jaffna division, in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province, for March 26, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, K. S. CHANDRASEGARAMPILLAI, on leave. His office will be at the Jaffna Kachcheri.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Jaffna District, has appointed VELAYUTAR KANTHAIYA to act as Registrar of Marriages (General) of Valikamam East division, in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province, for one week from April 4, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, RATNA MAYILVAGANAM, on leave. His office will be at the residing garden of Registrar at Koppay.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Jaffna District, has appointed CHUSAIPPILLAI NICHOLAS PONNAIYA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Elutumadduval division, and of Marriages (General) of Tenmaradchi division, in the Jaffna District of the Northern Province, for thirty days from April 6, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, S. SANTIYAPPILLAI, on leave. His office will be at Chempadu in Mirusuvit.

The Provincial Registrar, Eastern Province, has appointed CLARENCE SITTAMPALAM to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Kalmunai town division, in the Batticaloa District of the Eastern Province, for thirty days from March 15, 1917, *vice* Registrar, C. SOMASUNDARAM, transferred. His office will be at the Civil Hospital, Kalmunai.

The Provincial Registrar, Badulla, has appointed DON ABRAHAM KANNANGARA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Buttala division, and of Marriages (General) of Buttala division, in the Badulla District of the Province of Uva, for thirty days from April 1, 1917, *vice* the Registrar, K. M. SUDU BANDAR, dismissed. His office will be at Alutgedarawatta in Udagama, and additional office at Galewatta in Kataragama.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kegalla, has appointed KURUWITA ARATCHCHILLAGE MARTIN APPUHAMY, of Imbulana, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Dehigampal korale Egoda division, and of Marriages (General) of Three Korales and Lower Bulatgama division, in the Kegalla District of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, for March 23, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, K. APPUSINGHO, on leave. His office will be at Imbulana.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kegalla, has appointed KURUWITA ARATCHCHILLAGE MARTIN APPUHAMY, of Imbulana, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Dehigampal Egodapota pattu division, and of Marriages (General) of Three Korales and Lower Bulatgama division, in the Kegalla District of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, for fourteen days from March 26, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, KURUWITA ARATCHCHILLAGE APPUSINGHO, on leave. His office will be at Hitinawatta in Imbulana.

The Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kegalla, has appointed MARAPONA RALLAGE PUNCHI BANDA, of Godigamuwa, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Mawata pattu division, and of Marriages (General) of Paranakuru korale division, in the Kegalla District of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, for thirteen days from April 9, 1917, during the absence of the Registrar, L. B. GODIGAMUWA, on leave. His office will be at Hitinawatta in Godigamuwa.

W. L. KINDERSLEY,
Registrar-General.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, April 3, 1917.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

"THE VILLAGE COMMUNITIES ORDINANCE, 1889."

IT is hereby notified for general information (a) that His Excellency the Governor 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 villagers of the village of Makullapokuna, in the Kinyama korale of the Katugampola hatpattu of the Kurunegala District, in the North-Western Province, may practise chena cultivation within the said lot on free permits issued by the Government Agent, Kurunegala, in accordance with rules made by the Village Committee under the provisions of sections 6 and 16 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1889; and (b) that His Excellency the Governor reserves to himself the right to resume absolute possession on behalf of the Crown of the said lot or of any portions thereof whenever he thinks fit.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 29, 1917.

By His Excellency's command,

R. E. STUBBS,
Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO.

Preliminary plan 1,402.

Lot.	Name of Land.	Extent.		
		A.	R.	P.
11	Batuhenyaya	30	1	5

"THE VEHICLES ORDINANCE, No. 4 OF 1916."

IT is hereby notified for general information that His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has been pleased to vary, in respect of the Fort Ward of the Galle Municipality, by-law 32 of the by-laws made under section 22 of "The Vehicles Ordinance, No. 4 of 1916," and published in *Government Gazette* No. 6,840 of December 15, 1916, by prescribing 12 miles an hour as the speed limit within the area above referred to.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, April 2, 1917.

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

"THE VEHICLES ORDINANCE, No. 4 OF 1916."

IT is hereby notified for general information that His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council has been pleased, by virtue of the powers vested in him by section 22 of "The Vehicles Ordinance, No. 4 of 1916," to amend by-law No. 18 (8) (c) of the by-laws published in *Government Gazette* No. 6,840 of December 15, 1916, by substituting the words "Municipalities of Colombo and Galle" for the words "Municipality of Colombo."

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, April 2, 1917.

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

"THE BUTCHERS ORDINANCE, No. 9 OF 1893."

THE following rule made by the Assistant Government Agent, Matale, under section 23 of the above-mentioned Ordinance, for the Matale District, outside the Local Board town in the said district, has been confirmed by the Governor in Executive Council, and is hereby published for general information.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, March 29, 1917.

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

RULE.

It shall not be lawful for any person to slaughter or cause to be slaughtered any cattle, sheep, or goats in the presence of other cattle, sheep, or goats until the carcase of any animal previously slaughtered has been removed or screened off.

Order by His Excellency the Governor in Council under "The Enemy Firms Liquidation Ordinance,
No. 20 of 1916."

WHEREAS by "The Enemy Firms Liquidation Ordinance, No. 20 of 1916," the Governor in Executive Council is empowered to declare any person carrying on business in Ceylon at the commencement of the present war, who is an enemy, to be an "enemy firm" within the meaning of the said Ordinance, and to appoint a liquidator or liquidators for the purpose of winding up the business of the said person:

And whereas Mr. C. Zoller, a subject of the Emperor of Germany at the commencement of the present war, was carrying on business in Ceylon:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor is pleased, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

- (1) That the said Mr. C. Zoller is declared to be an "enemy firm" within the meaning of the said Ordinance.
- (2) That Mr. P. G. D. Bell is hereby appointed liquidator for the purpose of winding up the business of the said person.

By order of His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, this Thirty-first day of March, 1917.

M. STEVENSON,
Clerk to the Executive Council.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE

LIABILITIES.		Amount.		Total.	
		Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
<i>Deposits.</i>					
Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund	..	8,261,011	39		
Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association	..	2,426	14		
Public Service Mutual Provident Association	..	5,458	69		
Commutation Road Ordinance Account	..	170,365	2		
Branch Roads Assessment Account	..	26,807	17		
Land Settlement Account	..	148,300	65		
Ceylon Savings Bank Account	..	3,087	76		
Postmaster-General's Account	..	76,811	6		
Prize Court Account (Registrar, Supreme Court)	..	408,173	2½		
Do. (Marshal)	..	488,720	23		
Local Loans and Development Fund	..	6,537	42		
Treasurer { Suitors ..	Rs. 377,313·44½ }	3,950,203	18½		
{ Miscellaneous ..	„ 3,572,889·73½ }				
Local Kachcheries	..	2,719,386	59½		
Government Servants' One Day's Pay Fund	..	24,953	7		
Public Works Loan Account	..	388,080	44		
				16,680,321	84½

Drafts Unpaid.

Treasury and Local Kachcheries	..	134,989	26		
Family remittances	..	2,675	50		
				137,664	76

Due to Governments and Agencies.

Government of India	..	166,338	13		
Agents, Bombay	..	514	28		
				166,852	41
Sinking Fund on Local Loans	..	—		235,077	94
Sinking Fund on Loans to Colombo Municipal Council	..	—			
Drainage Works	..	—		443,297	73
Sinking Fund on Loans to Colombo Municipal Council	..	—			
Waterworks	..	—		45,015	70
Surplus	..	—		37,752,367	74½

55,460,598 13

COLONY OF CEYLON ON DECEMBER 31, 1916.

ASSETS.	Amount.		Total.	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
<i>Cash.</i>				
Treasurer	5,494,061	55		
Government Agents and their Assistants	1,654,111	82		
Crown Agents' Current Account	48,630	87		
Do. Deposit Account	945,000	0		
Madras Bank Fixed Deposit	1,425,000	0		
Mercantile Bank Fixed Deposit	1,500,000	0		
National Bank Fixed Deposit	1,250,000	0		
Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Fixed Deposit	1,850,000	0		
Chartered Bank Fixed Deposit	500,000	0		
			14,666,804	24
<i>Investments.</i>				
Indian Government 3½ per cent. Paper	3,999,105	67		
Ceylon 4 per cent. Inscribed Stock	782,848	94		
By Crown Agents (temporary)	7,396,426	95		
			12,178,381	56
<i>Loans to Local Bodies.</i>				
Kandy Industrial School	12,862	61		
Kandy Municipal Council	193,897	68		
Galle Municipal Council	276,277	32		
Board of Improvement, Nuwara Eliya	180,817	54		
Board of Health, Central Province	26,786	0		
Do. Province of Sabaragamuwa	8,300	0		
Do. Province of Uva	4,000	0		
Do. Ambalangoda	6,000	0		
Do. Talawakele	12,500	0		
Do. Passara	8,800	0		
Local Board, Batticalpa	13,200	0		
Do. Badulla	42,745	84		
Do. Bandarawela	60,274	55		
Do. Chilaw	12,750	0		
Do. Gampola	26,840	0		
Do. Hatton	17,377	50		
Do. Kegalla	16,000	0		
Do. Matale	13,050	0		
Do. Nawalapitiya	16,179	6		
Do. Puttalam	25,250	0		
Do. Trincomalee	24,500	0		
Do. Ratnapura	8,000	0		
Do. Moratuwa	35,000	0		
Sanitary Board, Kandy	4,000	0		
Do. Hanguranketa	200	0		
Do. Galle	8,000	0		
Do. Matara District	20,000	0		
Do. Kandapola	200	0		
Village Committee, Kandaboda pattu	1,200	0		
			1,075,008	10
<i>Due by Governments and Agencies.</i>				
Straits Government	4,693	81		
Federated Malay States Government	18,104	81		
Agents, Calcutta	15	94		
			22,814	56
<i>Advances.</i>				
Colombo Drainage Works	11,087,730	0		
Colombo Waterworks	3,000,000	0		
Public Officers	14,262	39		
Heads of Departments	1,845,992	40		
Post Office Savings Bank	1,532,180	0		
Colombo Municipal Council on account Riot Compensation	400,000	0		
Galle Municipal Council on account Riot Compensation	31,500	0		
Kandy Municipal Council on account Riot Compensation	34,821	10		
Riot Damages Fund	2,858,314	18		
			20,804,800	7
Remittances in transit to Local Kachcheries	—		275,193	74
Value of stores in hand	—		5,611,495	52
Local Loans Sinking Fund Investment	—		229,800	8
Colombo Municipal Council Drainage Works Loan Sinking Fund Investment	—		413,896	45
Colombo Municipal Council Waterworks Loan Sinking Fund Investment	—		44,524	92
Prize Courts, Prize Ships, their Cargoes, &c.	—		137,102	34
Suspense Account	—		776	55
			55,460,598	13

Comparative Statement of the Estimated and Actual Revenue and Expenditure of the Colony of Ceylon
for the Quarter ended December 31, 1916.

REVENUE.

	Estimated (as per printed Estimates).		Actual.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
1. Customs	4,971,500	0	5,935,666	61	964,166	61	—	—
2. Port, Harbour, Wharf, Warehouse, and other dues	691,625	0	654,585	52	—	—	37,039	48
3. Licenses, Excise, and Internal Revenue not otherwise classified	4,033,000	0	3,778,901	61	—	—	254,098	39
4. Fees of Court or Office, Payment for Specific Services, and Reimbursements in Aid	543,000	0	548,745	21	5,745	21	—	—
5. Post and Telegraph	145,250	0	116,627	91	—	—	28,622	9
6. Government Railways	4,500,000	0	5,091,478	94	591,478	94	—	—
7. Interest	347,500	0	430,263	14	82,763	14	—	—
8. Miscellaneous Receipts	119,550	0	231,140	4	111,590	4	—	—
9. Land Revenue	132,500	0	185,373	72	52,873	72	—	—
Total exclusive of Land Sales	15,483,925	0	16,972,782	70	1,808,617	66	319,759	96
10. Land Sales	225,000	0	381,280	11	156,280	11	—	—
Grand Total	15,708,925	0	17,354,062	81	1,964,897	77	319,759	96
							Deduct Decrease ..	319,759 96
							Nett Increase ..	1,645,137 81

EXPENDITURE.

	Estimated (as per printed Estimates).		Actual.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
1. Personal Emoluments	4,725,712	25	4,222,379	38	—	—	503,332	87
2. Other Charges	4,003,586	25	2,321,526	76	—	—	1,682,059	49
3. Railway Works Extraordinary	1,068,654	0	588,667	23	—	—	479,986	77
4. Irrigation Works Annually Recurrent	43,578	75	18,122	53	—	—	25,456	22
5. Irrigation Works Extraordinary	61,742	25	19,024	21	—	—	42,718	4
6. Public Works Annually Recurrent	1,029,903	75	809,090	31	—	—	220,813	44
7. Public Works Extraordinary	1,437,032	0	943,251	56	—	—	493,780	44
8. Military Expenditure	570,060	0	503,270	89	—	—	66,789	11
9. Public Debt	1,306,314	0	1,773,372	51	467,058	51	—	—
10. Pensions	463,170	75	437,045	10	—	—	26,125	65
11. Exchange	80,105	0	70,892	13	—	—	9,212	87
12. Miscellaneous Services	1,103,403	75	2,992,256	95	1,888,853	20	—	—
Grand Total	15,893,262	75	14,698,899	56	2,355,911	71	3,550,274	90
							Deduct Increase ..	2,355,911 71
							Nett Decrease ..	1,194,363 19

General Treasury,
Colombo, March 15, 1917.

BERNARD SENIOR,
Colonial Treasurer.

Comparative Statement of the Actual Revenue and Expenditure of the Colony of Ceylon for the Quarters ended December 31, 1915 and 1916.

REVENUE.

	1915.		1916.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
1. Customs	5,037,186	60	5,935,666	61	898,480	1	—	—
2. Port, Harbour, Wharf, Warehouse, and other dues	663,511	36	654,585	52	—	—	8,925	84
3. Licenses, Excise, and Internal Revenue not otherwise classified	3,892,296	65	3,778,901	61	—	—	113,395	4
4. Fees of Court or Office, Payment for Specific Services, and Reimbursements in Aid	450,471	11	548,745	21	98,274	10	—	—
5. Post and Telegraph	96,571	71	116,627	91	20,056	20	—	—
6. Government Railways	4,351,449	54	5,091,478	94	740,029	40	—	—
7. Interest	417,444	97	430,263	14	12,818	17	—	—
8. Miscellaneous Receipts	124,199	36	231,140	4	106,940	68	—	—
9. Land Revenue	145,882	64	185,373	72	39,491	8	—	—
Total exclusive of Land Sales	15,179,013	84	16,972,782	70	1,916,089	64	122,320	88
10. Land Sales	270,743	5	381,280	11	110,537	6	—	—
Grand Total	15,449,756	99	17,354,062	81	2,026,626	70	122,320	88
					Deduct Decrease	122,320	88	
					Nett Increase	1,904,305	82	

EXPENDITURE.

	1915.		1916.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.
1. Personal Emoluments	4,068,623	35	4,222,379	38	153,756	3	—	—
2. Other Charges	2,170,215	48	2,321,526	76	151,311	28	—	—
3. Railway Works Extraordinary	464,218	5	588,667	23	124,449	18	—	—
4. Irrigation Works Annually Recurrent	15,412	25	18,122	53	2,710	28	—	—
5. Irrigation Works Extraordinary	27,787	89	19,024	21	—	—	8,763	68
6. Public Works Annually Recurrent	683,408	54	809,090	31	125,681	77	—	—
7. Public Works Extraordinary	522,699	78	943,251	56	420,551	78	—	—
8. Military Expenditure	489,519	29	503,270	89	13,751	60	—	—
9. Public Debt	1,772,608	82	1,773,372	51	763	69	—	—
10. Pensions	420,132	81	437,045	10	16,912	29	—	—
11. Exchange	74,610	95	70,892	13	—	—	3,718	82
12. Miscellaneous Services	3,060,783	27	2,992,256	95	—	—	68,526	32
Grand Total	13,770,020	48	14,698,899	56	1,009,887	90	81,008	82
					Deduct Decrease	81,008	82	
					Nett Increase	928,879	8	

General Treasury,
Colombo, March 15, 1917.

BERNARD SENIOR,
Colonial Treasurer.

MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

Eighty-fifth Annual Report of the Ceylon Savings Bank.

Board of Directors :

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, *President*.
The Principal Collector of Customs.
The Postmaster-General.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1916.

THE Eighty-fifth Annual Report of the Ceylon Savings Bank is submitted herewith, together with Statements of Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1916.

New Accounts opened and closed.—The number of new accounts opened during the year was 1,640, being 97 more than in 1915, and the number of accounts closed was 1,568, the smallest since 1911.

Number of Depositors.—The total number of depositors on the books of the Bank on December 31, 1916, was 38,899, a slight increase over the previous year.

Deposits and Withdrawals.—There was some improvement in the amount deposited during the year, which was Rs. 1,401,333, being Rs. 130,338 more than in 1915; while the amount withdrawn was Rs. 1,409,050, being Rs. 402,078 less than in the previous year.

The Amount to Credit of Depositors.—The total amount to credit on December 31, 1916, was Rs. 4,107,917, being only Rs. 7,717 less than what stood under this head in the previous year.

Interest.—The amount paid and credited to depositors on this account in 1916 was Rs. 133,156, being the smallest amount paid on this account since 1901.

Investments.—During 1916 house property loans amounting to Rs. 104,665 were repaid, and fresh loans were granted to the extent of Rs. 28,000.

A sum of £7,000 was invested in Exchequer Bonds and £8,000 in Treasury Bills issued in connection with the war.

Profits.—The profits for the year amounted to only Rs. 8,617, which were transferred to the—

Reserve Fund, which now stands at Rs. 686,634.

E. DE KRETZER,
Secretary.

Colombo, March 8, 1917.

Statement showing the Annual Progress of the Ceylon Savings Bank.

Year.	Number of Accounts opened.	Number of Accounts closed.	Amount deposited.	Amount withdrawn.	Number of Depositors.	Amount to Credit of Depositors.
			Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
1907 ..	2,560	1,847	1,888,469	1,661,890	33,888	4,674,696
1908 ..	2,440	2,019	1,750,051	1,867,970	34,309	4,556,778
1909 ..	2,377	1,802	1,761,602	1,697,579	34,884	4,620,801
1910 ...	2,826	1,772	2,032,961	1,796,379	35,938	4,857,383
1911 ..	2,725	1,564	1,952,926	1,657,328	37,099	5,152,981
1912 ..	2,807	1,760	2,069,896	1,842,591	38,146	5,380,286
1913 ..	3,107	1,922	2,238,026	2,033,609	39,331	5,584,703
1914 ..	2,354	2,199	1,831,755	2,760,691	39,486	4,655,767
1915 ..	1,543	2,202	1,270,995	1,811,128	38,827	4,115,634
1916 ..	1,640	1,568	1,401,333	1,409,050	38,899	4,107,917

Nationality of New Depositors.

	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Bengalees ..	—	4	1	2
Burghers ..	319	220	339	284
Cochinese ..	—	2	1	2
Eurasians ..	—	5	1	2
Europeans ..	204	150	146	202
Goanese ..	—	1	—	2
Indians ..	—	—	1	1
Malays ..	119	89	28	17
Moors ..	150	120	55	79
Paravas ..	—	1	—	3
Parsees ..	—	—	11	1
Sinhalese ..	2,139	1,639	832	846
Tamils ..	176	123	128	199
Total ..	3,107	2,354	1,543	1,640

Distribution of New Accounts.

	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Western Province	2,589	2,042	1,138	1,358
Central Province	193	113	201	121
Southern Province	142	96	73	52
Northern Province	36	20	27	9
Eastern Province	18	8	19	19
North-Western Province	43	31	45	29
North-Central Province	11	4	2	8
Province of Uva	21	10	17	10
Province of Sabaragamuwa	54	30	21	34
Total	3,107	2,354	1,543	1,640

Classification of Professions of New Depositors.

	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.
Artificers	268	210	156	66
Civil Servants and Families	73	57	14	57
Clergy and Church Funds	32	20	15	20
Clerks and Families	495	413	424	343
District Mudaliyars and Ratemahatmayas	2	3	7	3
Domestic Servants	217	190	116	124
Educational	65	45	37	53
Labourers	202	150	13	44
Legal	17	7	10	15
Medical	55	31	12	27
Merchants and Traders	329	299	178	141
Military Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates	22	10	8	5
Minors	435	330	219	294
No occupation	590	390	177	346
Planters and Landowners	72	60	28	22
Policemen and Peons	81	52	46	42
Post and Telegraphs	37	24	26	3
Railway and Breakwater	63	42	37	21
Engineers	11	1	4	9
Seafaring	3	4	2	2
Surveyors	11	3	2	2
Police Vidanes	27	13	12	1
Total	3,107	2,354	1,543	1,640

	1913. Rs.	1914. Rs.	1915. Rs.	1916. Rs.
Interest paid to Depositors	176,189	174,731	141,190	133,156
Interest on loans against property	37,376	35,994	38,705	36,449
Balance transferred to Reserve Fund	23,308	18,833	11,348	8,617

Dr.		Balance Sheet of the Ceylon Savings Bank—December 31, 1916.		Cr.		
LIABILITIES.		Rs.	c.	ASSETS.		
To Amount due to Depositors	4,107,917	26		By Loans on security of landed property	583,967	0
Suspense Account	327	67		Interest due on loans on landed property	6,920	26
Reserve Fund	686,634	30		Balance in Banks in current account to credit Directors	33,552	30
				Balance to credit Treasurer	47,567	86
				Indian Government 3½ per cent. Paper	1,892,166	18
				Ceylon Government Inscribed Stock	653,260	20
				Colonial Government Investments	1,300,000	0
				Exchequer Bonds, £7,000	103,984	53
				Treasury Bills, £8,000	119,088	61
				Interest due on Bank Deposits, Indian Government Paper, Ceylon Inscribed Stock, Colonial Government Investments, Exchequer Bonds, and Treasury Bills	52,953	71
				Office furniture	1,418	58
Total	4,794,879	23		Total	4,794,879	23

Dr.	Profit and Loss of the Ceylon Savings Bank—December 31, 1916.		Cr.		
	Rs.	c.	Rs.		
			c.		
To Interest paid to Depositors ..	133,156	59	By Interest on loans against property ..	36,449	72
Rent of premises ..	4,800	0	Interest on Bank Deposits, Indian Govern-		
Account Books, &c. ..	291	25	ment Paper, Ceylon Inscribed Stock,		
Stationery, printing, advertisements, &c. ..	542	11	Colonial Government Investments,		
Salaries, pension, audit and lawyers' fees, ..	22,506	15	Exchequer Bonds, and Treasury Bills..	131,428	90
Five per cent. depreciation on furniture ..	74	66	Income tax on Colonial Government		
Balance, being profits transferred to			securities refunded ..	2,109	44
Reserve Fund ..	8,617	30			
Total ..	169,988	6	Total ..	169,988	6

Dr.	Reserve Fund.		Cr.		
	Rs.	c.	Rs.		
			c.		
To Balance on December 31, 1916 ..	686,634	30	By Balance on December 31, 1916 ..	678,017	0
			Profits of 1916 transferred ..	8,617	30
Total ..	686,634	30	Total ..	686,634	30

Ceylon Savings Bank,
Colombo, March 5, 1917.

E. P. GUNAWARDENE,
Accountant.

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

Date of License.	Registration No.	License No.	Name.	Address.
March 29, 1917 ..	343 ..	A 322 ..	Amarasekera, F. D. ..	Wellawatta
Surveyor-General's Office, Colombo, March 29, 1917.				A. J. WICKWAB, for Surveyor-General.

ADDITIONS and alterations to the Government Stores Price List, 1910.

Government Stores,
Colombo, March 26, 1917.

J. GIBB,
Acting Colonial Storekeeper.

SECTION A.		Per	Rs.	c.
Store No.	Article.			
102 ..	Buff bags, 9½ in. × 4½ in. O. H. M. S.	.. 100 ..	0	66
141 ..	Ink, stamping ..	.. lb. ..	1	42
170 ..	Letter clips, foolscap size ..	.. each ..	0	71
190 ..	Paper, brown ..	.. ream ..	10	46
272 ..	Pen points, "Waverley" ..	.. gross ..	1	98
324 ..	Wafers, 1 oz. boxes ..	.. box ..	0	23
458 ..	Paper, printing, slate ..	.. ream ..	22	93
498 ..	Thread, linen, binder's, 2 cord ..	.. lb. ..	3	63
499 ..	Do. 3 cord ..	.. lb. ..	3	63
500 ..	Do. 4 cord ..	.. lb. ..	3	63
SECTION B.				
1230 ..	Iron bars, flat, 14 ft. to 16 ft. × 2 in. × ½ in.	.. bar ..	6	10
1368 ..	Do. 14 ft. to 16 ft. × 2½ in. square	.. bar ..	36	52
1995 ..	Steel hoops, 2 in. × 14 wg ..	.. cwt. ..	25	55
2080b ..	Mild steel tees, 16 ft. × 3½ in. × 3½ in.	.. each ..	12	25
SECTION C.				
3002 ..	Metal polish, "Matchless" ..	.. tin ..	0	24
3695 ..	Paint, dry, red lead ..	.. cwt. ..	39	66
4123 ..	Pitch, coal tar ..	.. cwt. ..	7	33
SECTION D.				
4830 ..	Cloth, striped, ticking, 58 in. ..	.. yard ..	1	12
5123 ..	Thread, cotton, khaki, reels of 200 yards	.. reel ..	0	12
5125 ..	Do. white, in balls ..	.. dozen ..	0	13½
SECTION E.				
5631 ..	Oars, ashwood, 14 ft. long each ..	13	36
5632 ..	Do. 16 ft. long each ..	16	65

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NOTICE is hereby given that Muhandiram A. A. W. Ratnayaka of Pallegama, Deniyaya, has generously presented an annual prize, to be called "The Ratnayaka Prize," worth Rs. 100, to be awarded to the candidate who gains the highest marks in two sections of any of the examinations held by the Committee.

E. B. DENHAM,

Chairman, Committee on Oriental Studies.

Education Office,
Colombo, March 28, 1917.

NOTICE is hereby given that, under section 16 of the Rural Schools Ordinance, No. 8 of 1907, an application has been received from the Chairman, District School Committee, Mullaittivu, for opening Government schools

at Puvarasankulam in Vavuniya South division and at Unehalkaddi in Vavuniya North division, which are situated in the Vavuniya district of the Northern Province.

Observations will be received not later than May 4, 1917.

Education Office,
Colombo, April 3, 1917.

E. B. DENHAM,
Director of Education.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from Mr. J. C. Jayasinha for a grant in aid of his Vine Street Vernacular Boys' School, which is to be worked under clause 32 (b) as a preparatory department to the Vine Street Boys' English School.

Observations will be received not later than May 7, 1917.

Education Office,
Colombo, March 29, 1917.

E. B. DENHAM,
Director of Education.

Indents Committee, Ceylon.

LOCAL firms desiring to obtain from the United Kingdom machinery and parts for same, mining steel, wire rope, steel and tin plates, and other such materials, the manufacture of which is controlled by the Ministry of Munitions, are hereby informed that certificates to manufacture and to export will not be granted by the Ministry, unless the intending suppliers can produce a certificate from this Committee confirming the urgency of the demand.

Local firms desiring to obtain a certificate from this Committee should forward to this office copies of their indents in duplicate, one copy to be returned to them and one copy to be filed by the Committee for record.

Each indent should be accompanied by a perfected information form, or by a statement giving the information as required by the form. Copies of the form, which has been adopted temporarily, can be obtained on application to this office.

T. H. CHAPMAN,
Chairman, Indents Committee, Ceylon.
Public Works Office,
Colombo, April 5, 1917.

Ceylon Medical College.**THIRD PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION, PART II.**

THE following have satisfied the requirements for the License in Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery:—

First Class (in Order of Merit).

- No. 15, Jayasuriya, Joseph Herbert Fernando.
- No. 16, Wickramasuriya, George Abeysingha Weera.
- No. 26, Blazé, Louis Gerard.
- No. 6, Don Robert, Bamunu Arachchige.

Second Class (in Order of Merit).

- No. 5, Pinto, Maria Augusta.
- No. 14, De Silva, Appu Henedige Don Richard.
- No. 8, Felix, John Edward.

The following have now completed the examination:—

- No. 4, Cathiravelu, Kanapathypillai.
- No. 25, Peter, Kitulgodavidanarallage Don.

The "Rockwood Gold Medal for Surgery" is awarded to No. 15, Joseph Herbert Fernando Jayasuriya.

Ceylon Medical College, L. D. PARSONS,
March 30, 1917. Acting Registrar.

Ceylon Medical College.**SECOND APOTHECARIES' EXAMINATION.***First Class (in Order of Merit).*

- No. 10, Rajapakse, Bertie.

Second Class (in Order of Merit).

- No. 8, Ramalingam, Kanapathiar Nagamuttoo.
- No. 6, Thambipillai, Seenitamby.
- No. 1, De Silva, Hallinne Lokuge Simon.
- No. 2, Goonetilake, Arthur Nathaniel Perera.
- No. 3, Dissanayake, Tikiri Banda.
- No. 5, Jayawardena, Richard Frank Ernest Perera.
- No. 7, Seneviratne, Migael Perera.
- No. 4, Subramaniam, Sittampalam.

The "Second Apothecaries' Medal" and the "Perry Exhibition for Apothecaries" are awarded to No. 10, Bertie Rajapakse.

The "Vanderstraaten Certificate for Hygiene" is awarded to No. 5, Richard Frank Ernest Perera Jayawardena.

Ceylon Medical College, L. D. PARSONS,
March 30, 1917. Acting Registrar.

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the supply of provisions to the jails named in the schedule hereunder for the period of three years commencing from October 1, 1917, and terminating on September 30, 1920.

2. All tenders should be in duplicate and sealed under one cover, and should be addressed to the Chairman of the Tender Board, Office of the Controller of Revenue, Colombo.

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

4. Tenders should be marked "Tender for the Supply of Provisions to the ——— Jail" 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 24, 1917.

5. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the Office of the Inspector-General of Prisons, Colombo, 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 cash deposit according to the schedule hereunder will be required to be made either at the Treasury or at any 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 after he has tendered, or fail to furnish the 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 completion of the contract. No deposits for tender forms will be accepted at the Office of the Inspector-General of Prisons.

7. If required, samples must be deposited.

8. The successful tenderer will be required to furnish cash security according to the schedule hereunder, and to sign the bond given in the tender for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount deposited for tender forms will form part of the security.

9. Contracts may not be assigned, sublet, or otherwise transferred without the written authority of the Inspector-General of Prisons. Sanction will not be given for any transfers, including powers of attorney, in favour of persons in the defaulting contractors' list.

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

11. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender or the whole of it, for one, two, or three years.

12. Any further information can be obtained on application to the Inspector-General of Prisons, Colombo, or to the Superintendent of the jail concerned.

Colombo, April 2, 1917.

A. DE WILTON, Major,
Inspector-General of Prisons.

Schedule referred to.

Name of Jail.	Nature of Provisions to be supplied.	Amount of	
		Tender Deposit.	Security.
		Rs.	Rs.
Anuradhapura	Raw provisions	100	500
Kegalla	do.	50	150

TENDERS are hereby invited for the construction of quarters, Kobbekaduwa School, Kandy District.

1. Tenders must be addressed to the Government Agent, Central Province, Kandy, and should reach the Kandy Kacheheri not later than midday on April 26, 1917. The left hand top corner of the envelope must be marked "Tender for Quarters for Kobbekaduwa School."

2. Tenders must be on forms which will be supplied from the Kacheheri, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form thus obtained. Any alterations made in tenders should bear the initials of the tenderer, and all tenders containing alterations not so initialled will be treated as informal and rejected.

3. A deposit of Rs. 25 will be required to be made at the Kacheheri before a tender form is issued. Should any

person decline to enter into the contract and bond, or fail to furnish approved security, within seven days of receiving a notice in writing from the Government Agent, or his duly authorized representative, that his tender has been accepted, such deposits will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of contract or agreement.

4. The plans and specifications can be seen, and further information obtained, at the Kacheheri.

5. The Government Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender, and reserves to himself the right of accepting any tender.

The Kacheheri,
April 2, 1917.

E. F. MARSHALL,
for Government Agent.

SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following confiscated and unclaimed articles will be sold by public auction at the Court-house, Mannar, on Saturday, April 28, 1917, at 10 A.M. :—

2 deer horns	1 arecanut cutter
14 vetty cloths	1 money purse (leather)
13 white banians	2 towels
1 stove	1 table cloth
1 chempu (brass)	2 packets tea
1 plate (brass)	1 piece china silk (7½ yards)
2 black coats	10 books
6 white coats	1 razor
1 china silk coat	1 fan
1 black overcoat	1 empty snuff box
10 handkerchiefs	1 lead pencil
2 silk handkerchiefs	1 pair scissors
7 match boxes	1 trunk
1 pair slippers	2 shawls
1 pillow with cover	2 small tin boxes
1 tobacco case (tin)	1 brooch
1 piece soap	1 broken piece of brooch
2 tumblers (metal)	2 safety pins
2 finger bowls (metal)	4 nibs
1 gold ring	3 silver coins
2 silver rings	1 leather tube
1 brass ring	1 whetstone
2 cigarette paper books	2 gold earrings
2 pots, cooking, with cover	1 gold and glass necklet
1 stew pan (enamelled)	1 gold half nose stud
1 table spoon (metal)	1 small wooden box

District Court,
Mannar, March 29, 1917.

J. D. BROWN,
District Judge.

THE following found and unclaimed articles will be sold by public auction at the Railway premises, Maradana, at 2.30 P.M., on Wednesday, April 18, 1917, viz :—

1 watch
1 chain
1 bangle
1 lot 2 bundles coir bags
1 bundle coir rope
1 motor car inner tube
1 lot 2 bundles dirty linen
1 lot old hats and caps
1 lot empty boxes
1 lot empty drum, small table, and bag scuttle bones
1 small suit case
1 writing case
1 lot 6 frying pans
1 lot enamelled ware, chinaware, brassware, 2 kitchen knives, empty bottles, tin plates, &c.
1 trunk
1 cabin trunk
1 lot empty baskets
1 lot carriage lamp and katty
1 lot tin hat box and tin tappal box
1 lot tiffin carrier and bag cotton
1 bundle blankets (new)
1 lot 2 military shirts (new)

1 lot 2 tennis racquets
1 lot 2 sewing baskets
1 lot 1 dozen handkerchiefs (new)
1 lot 5 electric bulbs
1 lot 2 bottles medicine "Gonokiel"
1 thermos flask
1 Indian selai cloth (new)
1 lady's feather boa
1 town guard hat
1 damaged poultry trough and horse bit
1 lot old boots, shoes, and sandals
1 pair ammunition boots (used)
1 lot 5 inflators
1 lot 4 pairs spectacles and 2 spectacle cases
1 lot 2 sunglasses
1 lot smoking pipes, tobacco pouches, cigarette and cigar cases, and 2 trouser clips
1 lot 3 soap boxes
1 lot hair brush, tooth brush, and leather hair brush case
1 lot 3 hat pins and set geometrical instruments
1 box rubber sheets
1 parcel Buddhist priests' robes
1 lot books
1 camp bed
1 hanging lamp
1 lot gunnies
1 hurricane lamp and bundle fishing rods
1 lot 2 cases empty petrol tins
1 iron pipe
1 lot 2 bags coal and bundle scrap iron
1 flywheel (damaged)
1 silk umbrella
1 bundle 5 umbrellas marked A
1 do. B
1 do. C
1 do. D
1 bundle 10 umbrellas marked A
1 do. B
1 do. C
1 do. D
1 bundle 4 ladies' umbrellas marked A
1 do. B
1 bundle 5 ladies' umbrellas
1 bundle 5 walking sticks marked A
1 do. B
1 do. C
1 do. D
1 bundle 8 walking sticks marked A
1 do. B
1 silkoyly raincoat
1 raincoat marked A
1 do. B
1 do. C
1 do. D
1 do. E
1 do. F
1 raincape
1 overcoat

General Manager's Office,
Colombo, April 2, 1917.

G. P. GREENE,
General Manager.

VITAL STATISTICS.

ANNUAL SUMMARY, 1916.

THE salient features of the vital statistics of 1916 are as follows:—

- (a) The marriage rate, 12·0, is slightly above the average.
- (b) The birth-rate, 39·0, is the highest recorded during the past 5 years.
- (c) The death-rate, 26·8, is the lowest during the present decennium, with the exception of the rate in 1915, when it was 25·2.
- (d) The number of deaths from plague (286) was more than double the number registered in 1915.

2. Estimated on the basis of the Census of 1911 the population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the end of 1916 was about 4,547,200, an increase of nearly 122,900 on that of the previous year, due to an excess of about 54,800 births over deaths and 68,100 arrivals over departures of Indian coolies.

3. The population comprised the various nationalities shown below:—

Nationality.	Number.	Percentage of Total Population.
Sinhalese { Low-country { Kandyan	{ 1,829,100 { 1,063,800	{ 40·2 { 23·4
Tamils	1,314,000	28·9
Moors	274,000	6·0
Burghers	28,300	·6
Malays	13,800	·3
Europeans	7,600	·2
Others	16,600	·4

4. *Marriages.*—The marriages registered, during the year numbered 24,969 (18,840 under the General Marriage Ordinance and 6,129 under the Kandyan), and corresponded to a rate of 12·0 per 1,000 of the non-Muhammadan population, an increase of ·5 on the average for the preceding decennium, though 2·4 less than the rate in 1915. When an extraordinarily large number of unions was contracted. The number of Muhammadan marriages registered was 799, equivalent to a rate of 5·1 per mille of the Muhammadan population (chiefly Moors and Malays). There were 48 divorces under the General and 594 under the Kandyan law.

5. *Births.*—174,929 births were registered, corresponding to a rate of 39·0 per 1,000 of the population, and was the highest recorded during the past 5 years. The rate in 1915 was 37·0, and the decennial average 37·3. There were 105 male to every 100 female births, almost like the English rate. The birth-rate* on estates, where the Indian Tamils form the bulk of the labour force, was 42·6. The urban rate was 27·5, and was highest in Kalmunai (61·7). The Colombo rate was 21·4.

6. *Deaths.*—There were 120,162 deaths registered, equivalent to a rate of 26·8 per mille. This was 3·9 less than the average, though 1·6 higher than the rate in 1915, when it was exceptionally low. In England and Wales the average mortality is less than half that in Ceylon. The mortality this year was highest in the Province of Uva, and lowest in the Western Province. The crude estate death-rate* was 38·4, and rose from 22·2 in Kegalla to 70·2 in Matara, the standardized rate was 47·3, against an average of 35·6. The standardized urban rate was 28·0, and ranged from 17·4 in Panadure to 47·9 in Mullaittivu (excluding Nuwara Eliya, with a rate of 8·3, in which the population is largely migratory). The Colombo rate was 27·8.

7. *Infant Mortality.*—184 infants under one year died to every 1,000 born, against an average of 195. The estate rate was 232 and the urban 227.

8. *Principal Causes of Death.*—*Pyrexia*, as usual, was responsible for the greatest number of deaths, 18,767, against 17,885 in 1915; but these figures should be accepted with reserve, as rural Registrars often assign all kinds of diseases with febrile symptoms to "Fever." Then in order of frequency come *Convulsions* 14,455, against 12,251 in 1915; *Diarrhœa* 11,085, against 10,905; *Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue* 9,785, against 8,410; *Diseases of Early Infancy* 7,159, against 6,017; *Pneumonia* 4,820, against 4,255; *Tuberculosis*, including *Phthisis*, 4,271, against 4,212; *Phthisis* alone 3,932, against 3,856; *Dysentery* 3,660, against 3,426; *Anæmia* 3,629, against 3,600; *Anchylostomiasis* 2,505, against 2,070; *Malaria and Malarial Cachexia* 1,881, against 1,727. There were reported 824 deaths from *Enteritis*, against 830 in 1915; 957 from *Bronchitis*, against 817; 421 from *Cancer*, against 408. *Enteric Fever* was responsible for 541 deaths, against 390 in 1915.

9. *Plague* has been on the increase, claiming 286 victims (262 in Colombo, 12 in Kalutara, 5 in Kandy, 4 in Mannar, 1 in Mullaittivu, 1 in Kurunegala, and 1 in Galle), whilst in 1915 the number of deaths registered was only 127.

10. There were only 13 deaths from *Smallpox*, against 156 in 1915; and 44 deaths from *Cholera*, against 8 in 1915

11. Affections caused by external causes:—

(a) *Suicide.*—224 deaths were due to suicide, against 202 in 1915.

(b) *Homicide.*—170 deaths were attributed to homicide, against 342 in 1915.

(c) *Executions.*—There were 26 judicial executions, against 75 in 1915.

(d) *Accidents.*—Of the 1,752 deaths attributed to accidents and other external violence, 440 were due to drowning (of which 35 were in pits and 147 in wells), 373 to falls from trees, 221 to snake bite, and 213 to burns (of which 29 were due to kerosine oil lamps). Trains were responsible for 42 victims, cart and carriages for 28, and motor cars for 22. Lightning caused 22 deaths, and landslips 9.

* The rates on estates are calculated on the population obtained at the Census of 1911.

Registrar-General's Weekly Health Report of the City of Colombo for the Week ended March 31, 1917.

Births.—The total births registered in the city of Colombo in the week were 104 (1 European, 9 Burghers, 61 Sinhaleses, 15 Tamils, 15 Moors, 2 Malays, and 1 Other). The birth-rate per 1,000 per annum (calculated on the estimated population on January 1, 1917, viz., 263,629) was 20·6, as against 28·5 in the preceding week, 22·3 in the corresponding week of last year, and 21·6 the weekly average for last year.

Deaths.—The total deaths registered were 112 (1 European, 4 Burghers, 56 Sinhalese, 25 Tamils, 20 Moors, 4 Malays, and 2 Others). The death-rate per 1,000 per annum was 22·2, as against 32·2 in the previous week, 28·3 in the corresponding week of last year, and 27·1 the weekly average for last year.

Infantile Deaths.—Of the 112 total deaths, 35 were of infants under one year of age, as against 25 in the preceding week, 19 in the corresponding week of the previous year, and 25 the average for last year.

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

Principal Causes of Death.—Eleven deaths from *Pneumonia* were registered, as against 19 in the previous week and 15 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 5 were in Kotahena, 3 in Maradana (including 2 deaths of non-residents in hospitals), 1 in St. Paul's, 1 in New Bazaar, and 1 in Slave Island. Two deaths from *Bronchitis* were registered.

2. Four deaths from *Plague* were registered, as against 11 in the previous week and 4 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 2 were in St. Paul's, 1 in Pettah, and 1 in Slave Island. Ten cases were reported, as against 19 in the previous week.

3. Three deaths from *Phthisis* were registered, as against 16 in the previous week and 16 the weekly average for last year. Of these, 2 were in San Sebastian and 1 in Slave Island.

4. Three 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 in Kotahena, 1 in New Bazaar, and 1 in Maradana (a non-resident in hospital).

5. One death from *Measles* was registered (in Kotahena), same as in the previous week. Thirty cases were reported, as against 46 in the previous week.

6. One death from *Chickenpox* was registered in Maradana. None were registered in the previous week. Fifty-eight cases were reported, as against 117 in the previous week.

7. Eleven deaths from *Debility* were registered, 7 from *Infantile Convulsions*, 6 from *Enteritis*, 2 from *Dysentery*, 2 from *Worms*, 1 from *Diarrhœa*, and 58 from *Other Causes*.

State of the Weather.—The mean temperature of air was 79·9°, against 80·1° in the preceding week and 82·1° in the corresponding week of the previous year. The mean atmospheric pressure was 29·940 in., against 29·898 in. in the preceding week and 29·825 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year. The total rainfall in the week was 5·92 in., against 0·06 in. in the preceding week and 0·83 in. in the corresponding week of the previous year.

Registrar-General's Office,
Colombo, April 3, 1917.

FRED. L. ANTHONISZ,
for Registrar-General.