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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1917.

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 1,809 (932 males and 877 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 34·45 per 1,000, against 31·32 in the preceding month, 29·48 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·38 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 11·22 in Hatton and Dikoya to 61·66 in Moratuwa.

3. In the city of Colombo the births numbered 676 (348 males and 328 females), and were equal to an annual rate* of 29·71 per 1,000, against 24·21 in the preceding month, 24·80 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·30 the average of the corresponding months since 1908. The rate ranged from 11·51 in Kollupitiya to 45·19 in Wellawatta.

Deaths.

4. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,713 (988 males and 725 females). There were 1,372 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate of 28·48 per 1,000, against 29·92 in the preceding month, 27·98 in the corresponding month of last year, and 34·65 the average for the month of January in each year since 1908. The rate ranged from 78·26 in Anuradhapura to 5·35 in Nuwara Eliya.

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 575 (340 males and 235 females). There were 503 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate* of 25·65 per 1,000, against 29·93 in the preceding month, 26·08 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·90 the average for the month of January in each year since 1908. The lowest rate, 5·26, was in Kollupitiya, and the highest, 24·68, in Kotahena.

6. Stillbirths numbered 108 (58 males and 50 females), as against 109 in the preceding month.

Infantile Mortality.

7. The infantile mortality was equal to a rate of 261 per 1,000 births registered during the year ended the last day of January, 1917. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 207, against 251 in the preceding month, 224 in the corresponding month of last year, and 284 the average of the corresponding months since 1908.

8. In the city of Colombo the infantile mortality was 267 per 1,000 births registered during the year ended the last day of January, 1917. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 191, against 265 in the preceding month, 189 in the corresponding month of last year, and 309 the average for the month of January in each year since 1908.

Causes of Death.

9. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 13 per cent. of the total deaths was due, 9 per cent. each were due to *Debility* and *Convulsions*, 6 per cent. each to *Phthisis* and *Diarrhoea*, 4 per cent. each to *Anchylostomiasis* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, 3 per cent. each to *Dysentery*, *Enteritis*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and *Bronchitis*, 2 per cent. each to *Prematurity* and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, and 1 per cent. to *Enteric Fever*.

10. In the city of Colombo the highest mortality was also from *Pneumonia*, which caused 13 per cent. of the total deaths, *Phthisis* caused 12 per cent. of the deaths, *Convulsions* 8 per cent., *Debility* 7 per cent., *Enteritis* 4 per cent., *Bronchitis* and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis* 3 per cent. each, *Prematurity*, *Diarrhoea*, and *Enteric Fever* 2 per cent. each, and *Anchylostomiasis*, *Cancer*, and *Dysentery* 1 per cent. each. Nineteen deaths from *Plague* were registered, against 23 in the preceding month and 18 in the corresponding month of last year.

11. *Infectious Diseases reported.*—The most prevalent infectious disease during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 337 cases were reported (199 in Colombo, 64 in Kandy, 38 in Hatton and Dikoya), followed by *Measles* 194 (148 in Colombo, 17 in Ratnapura, 8 in Galle, 6 in Panadure), *Phthisis* 98 (89 in Colombo, 5 in Galle), *Enteric Fever* 61 (29 in Colombo, 14 in Galle, 12 in Moratuwa), *Plague* 25 (in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 17 (7 in Colombo, 5 in Galle), *Mumps* 8 (5 in Colombo), *Dysentery* 7 (5 in Moratuwa), *Smallpox* 7 (6 in Jaffna and 1 in Colombo), *Diarrhoea* 4 (2 in Moratuwa), *Diphtheria* 1 (in Colombo), and *Typhoid Fever* 1 (in Moratuwa).

Meteorology.

12. *Rainfall.*—Badulla recorded the highest rainfall (16·24 inches), followed by Batticaloa (15·20 inches). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 13·18 inches in Vavuniya to 2·17 inches in Chilaw. Colombo recorded 4·34 inches.

13. *Temperature.*—The mean temperature varied from 55·6° in Nuwara Eliya to 79·0° in Ratnapura, and was 78·1° in Colombo.

14. For detailed statistics, 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, February 22, 1917.

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for Registrar-General.

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

Table I.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during January, 1917, 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 for the Middle of 1917 by Inter-censal Increase. | Total Births. | | | Total Deaths. | | | Total Stillbirths. | | | Deaths of Town and Resid. depts. | | Birth-rate. | | Mortality of Children under One Year. | | | | Mean Temp. per-ature.† | Rainfall in Inches. † |
|-----------------------|---|---|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Remains. | Persons. | Jan. 1917. | Average for Jan., 1908-1916. | Number registered during Jan., 1917. | Its proportion to 1000 births registered during year ended last day of Jan., 1917. | Its proportion per annum to 1000 births registered during year ended last day of Jan., 1917. | | | |
| All 53 Towns | 517,877 | 618,347 | 932,877 | 1,809 | 988,725 | 1,713 | 58 | 50 | 108 | 1,372 | 336 | 34.45 | 32.38 | 26.12 | 28.48 | 34.65 | 375 | 207 | 261 | 78.1 | 4.34 |
| <i>Western.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombo | 219,557 | 267,888 | 348,328 | 676 | 340,235 | 575 | 21 | 18 | 39 | 503 | 72 | 29.71 | 27.30 | 22.11 | 25.65 | 31.90 | 129 | 191 | 267 | 78.1 | 4.34 |
| Negombo | 13,045 | 26,339 | 55,511 | 106 | 41,411 | 82 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 70 | 12 | 47.36 | 41.72 | 31.29 | 32.73 | 35.47 | 16 | 151 | 195 | — | 2.69 |
| Moratuwa | 27,256 | 29,980 | 85,721 | 157 | 56,481 | 104 | 7 | 3 | 10 | 103 | 1 | 61.66 | 51.48 | 40.45 | 44.61 | 40.56 | 31 | 197 | 286 | — | — |
| Kalutara | 13,005 | 14,039 | 28,366 | 64 | 28,194 | 47 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 40 | 7 | 53.69 | 42.53 | 33.55 | 33.33 | 30.07 | 12 | 188 | 311 | — | 4.33 |
| Panadura | 5,709 | 7,333 | 7,512 | 5 | 5,116 | 6 | — | — | — | 5 | 1 | 19.27 | 32.67 | 8.03 | 9.56 | 32.31 | — | — | — | — | — |
| <i>Central.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kandy | 30,149 | 32,376 | 47,401 | 87 | 42,555 | 97 | 4 | 8 | — | 67 | 30 | 31.64 | 27.68 | 24.37 | 26.56 | 28.64 | 14 | 161 | 185 | — | 8.41 |
| Gampola | 5,521 | 7,003 | 16,510 | 21 | 9,101 | 19 | 2 | 2 | — | 15 | 4 | 33.31 | 36.70 | 25.22 | 26.17 | 42.25 | 4 | 190 | 224 | — | 4.21 |
| Nawalapitiya | 3,767 | 3,990 | 4,418 | 8 | 12,820 | 20 | 1 | — | — | 15 | 1 | 32.61 | 30.64 | 14.75 | 16.04 | 21.78 | 3 | 375 | 297 | — | — |
| Hatton and Dikoya. | 3,025 | 3,149 | 1,233 | 3 | 13,821 | 21 | — | — | — | 7 | 14 | 11.22 | 22.85 | 26.17 | 30.56 | 34.39 | 2 | — | 318 | — | 3.87 |
| Matale | 5,792 | 7,825† | 14,122 | 26 | 27,166 | 43 | 1 | — | — | 18 | 25 | 39.12 | 32.21 | 27.09 | 31.13 | 47.74 | 4 | 154 | 171 | — | 10.36 |
| Nuwara Eliya | 14,910 | 15,060§ | 5,111 | 16 | 8,114 | 8 | 1 | — | — | 6 | 2 | 12.51 | 16.49 | 4.69 | 5.35 | 10.32 | 2 | 125 | 120 | — | 10.55 |
| <i>Southern.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Galle | 39,936 | 41,810 | 63,601 | 123 | 59,555 | 114 | 7 | 8 | 15 | 97 | 17 | 34.64 | 36.81 | 27.32 | 26.75 | 33.57 | 17 | 138 | 174 | — | 5.02 |
| Ambalangoda | — | 4,384 | 10,516 | 6 | 6,114 | 6 | — | — | — | 6 | — | 40.29 | — | 16.12 | — | — | 3 | 200 | — | — | — |
| Matara | 13,851 | 15,276 | 28,277 | 55 | 17,203 | 37 | — | — | — | 36 | 1 | 42.39 | 46.96 | 27.75 | 27.18 | 27.75 | 11 | 200 | 237 | — | 3.62 |
| Weigama | 8,672 | 9,428 | 17,153 | 32 | 16,521 | 21 | — | — | — | 21 | — | 39.96 | 35.87 | 26.22 | 23.63 | 26.54 | 6 | 188 | 213 | — | — |
| Hambantota | 3,092 | 3,263 | 11,617 | 6 | 3,619 | 9 | — | — | — | 8 | — | 61.35 | 36.33 | 28.87 | 32.28 | 41.77 | 1 | 59 | 81 | — | 7.03 |
| Tangalla | 3,505 | 5,704** | 4,512 | 9 | 7,512 | 12 | — | — | — | 12 | — | 18.58 | 35.95 | 24.77 | 25.32 | 29.42 | 6 | 667 | 355 | — | 4.01 |
| <i>Northern.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jaffna | 40,441 | 45,220 | 63,651 | 128 | 66,531 | 119 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 110 | 6 | 33.32 | 35.92 | 28.64 | 29.25 | 50.48 | 45 | 352 | 349 | — | 2.35 |
| Mannar | 3,777 | 4,088 | 5,813 | 8 | 4,610 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 37.44 | 43.88 | 23.04 | 25.37 | 54.07 | 3 | 231 | 244 | — | 4.69 |
| Mullaitivu | 1,392 | 1,448 | 2,517 | 7 | 1,411 | 1 | — | — | — | 1 | — | 56.92 | 24.88 | 8.13 | 10.78 | 49.00 | — | — | — | — | 4.63 |
| Vavuniya | 808 | 1,012 | 1,111 | 1 | 4,111 | 4 | — | — | — | 2 | — | 11.63 | 23.71 | 23.26 | 31.59 | 50.59 | — | — | — | — | 13.18 |
| <i>Eastern.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Batticaloa | 10,671 | 11,138 | 18,153 | 33 | 25,138 | 38 | — | — | — | 32 | 5 | 34.89 | 24.83 | 33.83 | 33.36 | 33.12 | 11 | 333 | 276 | — | 76.5 |
| Kalmunai | — | 2,081 | 3,114 | 4 | 5,312 | 8 | — | — | — | 3 | 5 | 22.63 | 44.37 | 16.98 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Trincomalee | 8,840 | 10,537 | 21,153 | 36 | 16,122 | 28 | 1 | — | — | 27 | 1 | 40.23 | 27.77 | 30.17 | 33.12 | 41.09 | 12 | 333 | 410 | — | 8.50 |
| <i>North-Western.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kurunegala | 8,167 | 9,482 | 14,201 | 34 | 46,190 | 65 | 1 | — | — | 34 | 31 | 42.22 | 30.22 | 42.22 | 43.38 | 65.87 | 9 | 265 | 359 | — | 4.47 |
| Puttalam | 5,990 | 6,618 | 10,177 | 27 | 17,163 | 33 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 32 | 1 | 42.03 | 34.50 | 56.93 | 60.89 | 40.12 | 11 | 437 | 594 | — | 76.3 |
| Kalpitiya | 1,591 | 1,667 | 3,316 | 6 | 1,233 | 3 | — | — | — | 3 | — | 48.37 | 28.58 | 21.18 | — | — | 2 | 333 | 471 | — | 3.19 |
| Chilaw | 5,033 | 5,668 | 5,131 | 18 | 14,100 | 24 | — | — | — | 16 | 8 | 37.39 | 41.47 | 33.24 | 31.86 | 47.83 | 4 | 222 | 287 | — | 2.17 |
| <i>North-Central.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anuradhapura | 5,361 | 6,821 | 17,825 | 8 | 27,100 | 37 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 37 | — | 43.15 | 26.89 | 63.87 | 78.26 | 64.85 | 7 | 280 | 515 | — | 75.0 |
| <i>Uva.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Badulla | 6,487 | 7,226** | 21,111 | 32 | 20,141 | 34 | 1 | — | — | 20 | 14 | 52.14 | 39.16 | 32.59 | 35.96 | — | 4 | 125 | 158 | — | 68.2 |
| Lunugala | 515 | 601 | — | — | 16,122 | 28 | — | — | — | — | 27 | — | 42.21 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| <i>Sabaragamuwa.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ratnapura | 5,476 | 7,215** | 4,913 | 13 | 23,166 | 39 | 1 | — | — | 16 | 23 | 21.22 | 36.08 | 26.11 | 29.60 | 45.52 | 5 | 385 | 338 | — | 75.0 |
| Kegalla | 2,536 | 2,669 | 3,212 | 5 | 15,621 | 21 | — | — | — | 9 | 9 | 22.06 | 31.59 | 52.95 | 48.56 | 13.90 | 1 | 200 | 157 | — | 4.88 |

* 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.
† Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.
‡ Estimated to the end of December, 1916, by natural increase method.
§ Standardized death-rates for Kalpitiya and Lunugala towns not available, as the population of these towns has not been enumerated at the Census of 1911 by age and sex, while the town of Kalmunai was created a registration division only in January, 1914, and Ambalangoda in January, 1915. The death-rate given for "All Towns" is therefore independent of these towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.
** Increase of population is due to the extension of the town limits.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during January, 1917, 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 Provinces. | | | Northern Province. | | | Eastern Province. | | | North-Western Province. | | North-Central Province. | Province of Uva. | | Province of Sabaragamuwa. | | Deaths among all Races. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Colombo. | Negombo. | Moratuwa. | Kalutara. | Pandure. | Kandy. | Gampola. | Navalapitiya. | Hatton & Dikoya. | Matale. | Nuwara Eliya. | Galle. | Ambalangoda. | Matura. | Veligama. | Han Badula. | Tangalla. | Jaffna. | Mannar. | Mullaitivu. | Vavuniya. | Batticaloa. | Kalmunai. | Trincomalee. | Kurunegala. | Puttalam. | Kalpitiya. | Chilaw. | Anuradhapura. | Badulla. | Lunugala. | Ratnapura. | Kegalla. | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamil. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. | | | | |
| All Causes | 575 | 82 | 104 | 47 | 6 | 97 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 43 | 8 | 114 | 637 | 21 | 9 | 12 | 119 | 10 | 1 | 438 | 828 | 6533 | 324 | 37 | 3428 | 39 | 21 | 4 | 35 | 853 | 529 | 242 | 29 | 21 | 2 | 1,713 | | | | | | | | |
| I.—Infantile Mortality | 129 | 16 | 31 | 12 | — | 14 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 17 | 311 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 45 | 3 | — | 11 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 194 | 106 | 64 | 1 | 2 | 375 | | | | | | | | | |
| A.—One Week and under. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Prematurity | 13 | 1 | 2 | — | — | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 5 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | | |
| 2. Debility | 46 | 13 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 6 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 3. Convulsions | 37 | 12 | 4 | 2 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 4. Diarrhoea | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 4a. Enteritis | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 5. Tetanus | 4 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 6. Bronchitis | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| 7. Pneumonia | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| 8. Other Causes. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Prematurity | 4 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 2. Debility | 56 | 21 | 3 | 6 | — | 3 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 3. Convulsions | 83 | 28 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 4. Diarrhoea | 11 | 3 | 2 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 4a. Enteritis | 10 | 4 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 5. Tetanus | 4 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | |
| 6. Bronchitis | 18 | 4 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| 7. Pneumonia | 24 | 10 | 2 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| 8. Other Causes. | 30 | 12 | 2 | 2 | — | 3 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |
| II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) | 1,338 | 446 | 66 | 73 | 35 | 6 | 83 | 15 | 17 | 39 | 6 | 97 | 326 | 15 | 8 | 6 | 74 | 7 | 1 | 427 | 816 | 5622 | 120 | 30 | 3028 | 84 | 30 | 4 | 27 | 659 | 433 | 178 | 23 | 19 | 1,338 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Plague | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 1a. Smallpox | 19 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 2. Chickenpox | 4 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | | |
| 3. Measles | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | | |

* These are due to Atelectasis 3 (in Colombo), Stomatitis 2 (1 each in Colombo and Negombo), Hernia 2 (1 each in Moratuwa and Matale), and 1 each from Dropsy (in Colombo), Septicæmia (in Colombo), Thrush (in Kalutara), Erysipelas (in Kegalla).
 † This includes, besides 12 deaths mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 2 from Thrush (in Kalutara), 2 from Intestinal Obstruction (in Kandy), 2 from Malaria (1 each in Jaffna and Puttalam), 2 from Dysentery (1 each in Jaffna and Mannar), and 1 each from Stomatitis (in Negombo), Abscess (in Negombo), CEJema (in Moratuwa), Worms (in Moratuwa), Pyæmia (in Kandy), Septicæmia (in Nawalapitiya), Erysipelas (in Jaffna), Smallpox (in Jaffna), Nephritis (in Jaffna), Asthma (in Jaffna).

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1917, 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 January, 1908 to 1916, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

| Wards. | Population (inclusive of Military) at Census of 1911. | Population estimated to Middle of 1917 by Inter-censal Increase. | Total Births registered. | | | Semi-births. | | | Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails. | | | Per Mile per Annum. | | | Mortality of Children under one Year. | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|----------|---|----------|----------|--------------------------|----------------------|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|-----|-----|
| | | | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Males. | Females. | Persons. | Deaths of Non-residents. | Deaths of Residents. | Birth-rate. Average for Jan., 1908 to 1916. | Death-rate. Average for Jan., 1908 to 1916. | Standardized Death-rate.* | Number registered during Jan., 1917. | Its proportion to 1000 births registered during January, 1917. | Its proportion per annum to 1000 births registered during the year ended last day of Jan., 1917. | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| City of Colombo .. | 219,557 | 267,888† | 348 | 328 | 676 | 21 | 18 | 39 | 340 | 235 | 575 | 72 | 503 | 29.71 | 27.30 | 22.11 | 28.20 | 25.65 | 129 | 191 | 267 |
| Fort and Galle Face | 3,512 | 3,512† | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Pettah .. | 7,974 | 7,974† | 2 | 5 | 7 | — | — | — | 4 | 1 | 5 | — | 5 | 10.34 | 7.26 | 7.38 | 12.80 | — | 1 | 143 | 274 |
| San Sebastian .. | 11,546 | 13,207 | 21 | 5 | 26 | — | — | — | 12 | 7 | 19 | — | 19 | 23.18 | 25.35 | 16.94 | 23.08 | — | 6 | 231 | 293 |
| St. Paul's .. | 24,735 | 28,068 | 25 | 22 | 47 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 23 | 17 | 40 | — | 40 | 19.72 | 19.13 | 16.78 | 22.00 | — | 14 | 298 | 395 |
| Kotahena .. | 40,771 | 46,274 | 57 | 61 | 118 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 55 | 42 | 97 | — | 97 | 30.02 | 27.01 | 24.68 | 26.78 | — | 29 | 246 | 344 |
| New Bazaar .. | 22,309 | 26,055 | 33 | 25 | 58 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 22 | 20 | 42 | — | 42 | 26.21 | 28.45 | 18.98 | 31.47 | — | 18 | 310 | 391 |
| Maradana Hospitals | | | 69 | 69 | 138 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 120 | 64 | 184 | 56 | 128 | — | — | — | — | — | 12 | — | — |
| Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) .. | 48,093 | 64,374 | 65 | 60 | 125 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 60 | 46 | 106 | 7 | 99 | 22.86 | 23.48 | 18.11 | 24.72 | — | 28 | 224 | 332 |
| Slave Island .. | 21,984 | 25,958 | 25 | 33 | 58 | — | — | — | 20 | 18 | 38 | 4 | 34 | 26.31 | 25.44 | 15.42 | 22.53 | — | 9 | 155 | 187 |
| Kollupitiya .. | 25,410 | 35,791 | 21 | 14 | 35 | — | — | — | 11 | 10 | 21 | 5 | 16 | 11.51 | 15.23 | 5.26 | 12.69 | — | 3 | 86 | 103 |
| Wellawatta .. | 13,223 | 16,675‡ | 30 | 34 | 64 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 10 | 22 | — | 22 | 45.19 | 36.50 | 15.53 | 25.68 | — | 9 | 141 | 220 |

* 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).

‡ 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 four months, January, 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1917, 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 Race. | Pettah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kotahena. | New Bazaar. | Maradana Hospitals. | Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya. | Wellawatta. | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamil. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |
| All Causes .. | 575 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 40 | 97 | 42 | 184 | 106 | 38 | 21 | 22 | 3 | 21 | 317 | 117 | 83 | 14 | 20 |
| I.—Infantile Mortality .. | 129 | — | 1 | 6 | 14 | 29 | 18 | 12 | 28 | 9 | 3 | 9 | — | 5 | 77 | 24 | 21 | — | 2 |
| <i>A.—One Week and under.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Prematurity .. | 13 | | | | | 1 | | 6 | 2 | 3 | | 1 | | 1 | 10 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| 2. Debility .. | 13 | | | 2 | | 1 | | | 4 | | | 1 | | 1 | 6 | 3 | 4 | | |
| 3. Convulsions .. | 12 | | | 3 | | 2 | | | 1 | 2 | | 2 | | | 7 | 3 | 1 | | 1 |
| 4. Diarrhoea .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4a. Enteritis .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Tetanus .. | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Bronchitis .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Pneumonia .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. Other Causes .. | 6* | | | | | | | 3 | | 2 | | 1 | | | 4 | 1 | 1 | | |
| <i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Prematurity .. | 2 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | 2 | | | | |
| 2. Debility .. | 21 | | | 1 | | 7 | 4 | | 6 | | | 2 | | 1 | 14 | 3 | 3 | | |
| 3. Convulsions .. | 28 | | | 2 | | 8 | 5 | 1 | 3 | | 2 | | | 1 | 14 | 9 | 5 | | |
| 4. Diarrhoea .. | 3 | | | | | 2 | 1 | | 2 | | | | | | 3 | | | | |
| 4a. Enteritis .. | 4 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | | | | 3 | | 1 | | |
| 5. Tetanus .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Bronchitis .. | 4 | | | | | | | | 3 | | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | |
| 7. Pneumonia .. | 10 | | | | | 5 | | | 2 | | | 2 | | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | | |
| 8. Other Causes .. | 12† | | | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | 5 | 1 | | | | 2 | 8 | 2 | 2 | | |
| II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) .. | 446 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 20 | 68 | 24 | 172 | 78 | 29 | 18 | 13 | 3 | 16 | 240 | 93 | 62 | 14 | 18 |
| 1. Plague .. | 19 | | | | | | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | | | 4 | 8 | 6 | | |
| 2. Smallpox .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Chickenpox .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Measles .. | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Influenza .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Pyrexia or Fever .. | 2 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | |

* Three were due to Atelectasis and 1 each to Dropsy, Septicæmia, and Stomatitis.

† This includes 4 from Rickets, 3 from Thrush, 2 from Worms, 1 from Dysentery, 1 from Syphilis, and 1 from Influenza.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1917, 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 Calle Face. | Petah. | San Sebastian. | St. Paul's. | Kotahena. | New Bazaar. | Maradana Hospitals. | Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals). | Slave Island. | Kollupitiya. | Vellawata. | Europeans. | Burghers. | Sinhalese. | Tamils. | Moors. | Malays. | Others. |
| II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) — contd. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Enteric Fever .. | 10 | | | | | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. Malaria .. | 3 | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9. Malarial Cachexia .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. Cholera .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. Diarrhoea .. | 7 | | | | | | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11a. Enteritis .. | 20 | | | | | 1 | | 16 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12. Dysentery .. | 6 | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13. Anchylostomiasis or Doehmius Duo- denalis .. | 7 | | | | | | | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14. Cancer .. | 7 | | | | | | | 7 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15. Phthisis .. | 69 | | | | | 6 | | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. | 2 | | | | | 8 | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17. Anaemia .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18. Diabetes Mellitus .. | 2 | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19. Convulsions .. | 6 | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20. Tetanus .. | 3 | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21. Bronchitis .. | 14 | | | | | 5 | | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22. Pneumonia .. | 66 | | | | | 15 | | 26 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. | 17 | | | | | 3 | | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26. Puerperal Septicæmia .. | 4 | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 27. Miscarriage .. | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth .. | 7 | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29. Starvation .. | — | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30. Accidents or Negligence .. | 2 | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31. Homicide .. | 1 | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 32. Suicide .. | 2 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 33. Execution .. | — | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 34. All other causes .. | 163* | | | | | 22 | 8 | 47 | | | | | | | | | | | |

* Here are included 54 from Old Age, 15 from Paralysis, 9 from Worms, 9 from Paralysis, and 6 from Debility.