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VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1919.

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 number of births registered was 1,441 (729 males and 712 females), and was equivalent to an annual rate of 26·12 per 1,000, against 26·62 in the preceding month, 26·58 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 28·67 the average for the corresponding months since 1909. The rate ranged from 10·38 in Panadure to 55·70 in Kalpitiya.

3. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 523 (267 males and 256 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 21·55 per 1,000, against 20·60 in the preceding month, 21·70 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 23·86 the average for the corresponding months since 1909. The rate ranged from 6·79 in Kollupitiya to 22·26 in Wellawatta.

Deaths.

4. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 2,245 (1,210 males and 1,035 females). There were 1,730 deaths of residents in towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 34·18 per 1,000, against 28·89 in the preceding month, 35·16 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 32·55 the average for the month of December in each year since 1909. The rate ranged from 82·75 in Chilaw to 10·60 in Panadure.

5. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 831 (451 males and 380 females). There were 731 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual rate of 34·94 per 1,000, against 30·96 in the preceding month, 28·88 in the corresponding month of the previous year, and 31·57 the average for the month of December in each year since 1909. The rate ranged from 34·66 in St. Paul's to 10·33 in Kollupitiya.

6. The stillbirths registered numbered 100 (57 males, 42 females, and one whose sex was undistinguishable), as against 77 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

7. The mortality of infants under one year of age was equal to a rate of 325 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended December 31, 1919. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 316, against 270 in the preceding month, 328 in the corresponding month of last year, and 301 the average for the corresponding months since 1909.

8. In the city of Colombo the mortality of infants was equal to a rate of 382 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended December 31, 1919. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 367, against 291 in the preceding month, 300 in the corresponding month of last year, and 330 the average for the corresponding months since 1909.

Causes of Death.

9. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 12 per cent. of the total deaths was due, 8 per cent. was due to *Debility*, 7 per cent. each to *Convulsions* and *Diarrhœa*, 6 per cent. each to *Dysentery* and *Phthisis*, 5 per cent. to *Anchylostomiasis*, 4 per cent. each to *Influenza* and *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, 3 per cent. each to *Enteritis*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, and *Enteric Fever*, and 1 per cent. to *Bronchitis*.

10. In Colombo too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 16 per cent. of the deaths was due, 10 per cent. was due to *Phthisis*, 8 per cent. each to *Debility* and *Convulsions*, 6 per cent. to *Influenza*, 5 per cent. to *Enteritis*, 4 per cent. to *Enteric Fever*, 3 per cent. each to *Dysentery* and *Diarrhœa*, and 2 per cent. each to *Anchylostomiasis*, *Bronchitis*, *Plague*, and *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*.

11. Nineteen deaths from *Plague* were registered (in Colombo), as against 30 in the preceding month and 1 in the corresponding month of last year. There were registered 2 deaths from *Cholera* and 3 from *Measles*.

12. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Measles*, of which 128 cases were reported (113 in Colombo, 8 in Kandy), followed by *Enteric Fever* 113 (75 in Colombo, 11 in Kandy, 10 in Mannar, 6 in Moratuwa), *Phthisis* 109 (96 in Colombo), *Chickenpox* 68 (47 in Colombo, 11 in Kandy, 5 in Nuwara Eliya), *Plague* 24 (in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 18 (8 in Colombo, 6 in Moratuwa), *Mumps* 7 (5 in Kandy), *Dysentery* 3 (in Kurunegala), *Cholera* 3 (2 in Badulla and 1 in Hambantota), *Diphtheria* 1 (in Colombo), *Acute Diarrhœa* 1 (in Batticaloa), and *Smallpox* 1 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

13. *Rainfall*.—Vavuniya recorded the highest rainfall (25·54 inches), followed by Mullaitivu (22·30 inches). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 20·33 inches in Trincomalee to 5·26 inches in Puttalam. Colombo recorded 9·28 inches.

14. *Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 59·9° in Nuwara Eliya to 79·6° in Ratnapura, and was 79·4° in Colombo.

15. For detailed statistics, see Tables I. and II. for all towns, and Tables III. and IV. for the city of Colombo, in the Appendix.

Proportion per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and the Stillbirths and the Deaths of the Provinces and Towns, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates in the corresponding months since 1909, and the Mean Temperature and Rainfall in the Month in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Provinces and Towns.	Population (inclusive of the Military) at the Census of March 10, 1911.	Population estimated to the Middle of 1919 by Inter-censal Increase.		Total Births.		Total Deaths.		Total Stillbirths.		Deaths of Towns and Jails.		Birth-rate.		Death-rate excluding non-residents.			Mean Temperature in Inches.	Rainfall in Inches.			
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Crude, Dec., 1919.	Standardized, Dec., 1919.	Average Birth-rate for Dec., 1909-1918.	Number registered during Dec., 1919.			Its proportion to 1000 births registered during Dec., 1919.	Its proportion per annum to 1000 births registered during the year ending the 31st day of Dec., 1919.	
All 33 Towns*	517,877	729,712	1,441	1,210	1,085	2,245	57	42	1007	501	1,730	26.12	28.67	31.36	34.18	32.55	455	816	325	79.4	9.28
<i>Western.</i>																					
Colombo	219,557	267,256	523	451	380	831	20	22	437	86	731	21.55	23.86	30.12	34.94	31.57	192	367	382	79.4	9.28
Negombo	13,045	35,329	67	64	27	91	2	2	2	15	76	29.18	36.29	33.10	34.62	36.55	13	194	170	79.4	9.28
Moratuwa	27,256	58,329	97	60	78	138	2	2	2	5	133	36.96	41.17	50.67	55.89	41.51	43	443	454	79.4	9.28
Kalutara	13,005	20,133	33	28	22	50	4	2	6	12	38	27.01	32.60	31.10	30.90	27.98	5	151	124	79.4	9.28
Panadura	5,709	7,936	2	6	10	16	1	1	1	10	6	10.38	32.24	8.90	10.60	28.86	1	143	86	79.4	9.28
<i>Central.</i>																					
Kandy	30,149	54,521	106	69	75	144	3	4	7	41	103	37.60	26.57	36.53	39.81	29.41	28	264	336	79.4	9.28
Gampola	5,521	7,550	24	17	14	31	1	1	1	12	19	37.43	34.70	29.63	30.75	29.38	5	208	279	79.4	9.28
Nawalapitiya*	3,767	4,061	12	6	8	18	1	1	1	12	6	52.18	27.24	17.39	18.91	41.76	2	111	229	79.4	9.28
Hatton and Dikoya.	3,025	3,187	5	13	19	32	1	1	2	27	5	48.03	24.26	18.47	21.57	30.20	2	154	287	79.4	9.28
Matale	5,792	8,073	5	5	22	29	2	1	3	25	26	14.58	30.51	37.92	43.58	44.23	2	200	98	79.4	9.28
Nuwara Eliya	14,910	15,131	13	8	10	18	1	1	1	5	13	21.01	18.11	10.12	11.53	13.36	8	296	392	79.4	9.28
<i>Southern.</i>																					
Galle	39,936	42,418	33	53	57	110	5	5	5	10	100	20.26	29.54	27.76	27.18	28.87	19	260	193	79.4	9.28
Ambalangoda	4,604	4,604	6	2	7	9	1	1	1	10	100	20.26	29.54	27.76	27.18	28.87	19	260	193	79.4	9.28
Matawa	13,851	17,529	40	44	28	72	1	1	1	14	58	47.02	43.61	33.02	38.16	28.13	12	182	216	79.4	9.28
Weligama	5,672	9,684	10	15	14	29	1	1	1	29	29	25.53	41.00	35.26	31.77	13.12	3	143	250	79.4	9.28
Hambantota	3,092	3,318	5	3	6	10	1	1	1	10	10	28.39	38.93	35.48	39.68	36.33	3	375	357	79.4	9.28
Tangalla	3,505	6,187	2	8	7	15	1	1	1	6	9	15.22	33.06	17.13	17.51	28.30	3	375	214	79.4	9.28
<i>Northern.</i>																					
Jaffna	40,441	46,858	58	67	66	133	3	4	7	11	122	32.65	29.43	30.66	31.32	34.33	40	308	350	79.4	9.28
Mannar	3,777	4,191	4	13	6	19	1	1	1	7	12	28.10	32.46	33.71	37.12	44.33	4	400	529	79.4	9.28
Mullaitivu	1,392	1,466	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	32.33	30.00	16.10	21.34	49.77	—	—	—	79.4	9.28
Vavuniya	808	1,087	1	3	5	8	1	1	1	3	5	10.83	19.63	54.16	73.54	54.26	2	—	—	79.4	9.28
<i>Eastern.</i>																					
Batıcacala	10,671	11,290	22	24	14	38	1	1	2	4	34	42.76	27.03	35.46	34.97	30.61	8	195	189	79.4	9.28
Kalmunai	2,124	2,124	4	6	5	11	1	1	1	6	5	49.88	45.72	27.71	—	—	1	111	110	79.4	9.28
Trincomeale	8,840	11,136	13	17	4	21	2	2	2	21	21	21.14	30.00	22.20	24.37	37.09	3	160	128	79.4	9.28
<i>North-Western.</i>																					
Kurunegala	8,167	9,931	10	32	26	58	1	2	2	36	22	23.71	33.31	26.08	26.80	43.90	5	250	227	79.4	9.28
Puttalam	5,990	6,830	2	8	11	9	1	1	1	20	20	13.79	34.51	34.48	36.87	51.86	7	875	462	79.4	9.28
Kalpitiya	1,691	1,691	5	3	4	7	1	1	1	7	7	55.70	43.11	48.74	—	—	—	—	—	79.4	9.28
Chilaw	5,033	6,274	3	25	30	55	1	1	1	9	46	22.52	38.97	86.32	82.75	32.90	9	750	646	79.4	9.28
<i>North-Central.</i>																					
Anuradhapura	5,361	7,358	6	18	10	28	1	1	2	8	20	12.80	26.59	32.00	39.21	62.46	6	750	539	79.4	9.28
<i>Uva.</i>																					
Badulla	6,487	7,361	12	35	24	59	1	1	1	33	26	38.39	41.06	41.59	45.88	41.94	8	333	380	79.4	9.28
Lunungala	515	629	2	41	25	66	1	1	1	65	1	37.47	32.48	18.73	—	—	3	—	—	79.4	9.28
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>																					
Ratnapura	5,476	7,543	7	25	15	40	2	1	3	29	11	37.46	25.69	17.17	19.46	41.22	10	417	630	79.4	9.28
Kegalla	2,536	2,712	4	9	6	15	2	2	2	10	5	34.73	27.42	21.71	19.91	22.25	6	750	736	79.4	9.28

* 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.
 ‡ This increase of population is due to the extension of the town limits.
 § Includes population of the Negombo Local Board and registration area.
 ¶ Estimated to the end of December, 1918, by natural increase method.
 ** Standardized death-rates for Kalpitiya and Lunungala towns are 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-rates given for "All Towns" are, therefore, independent of the towns, but is scarcely affected by their rates.
 ††† Owing to an erroneous classification in the Nawalapitiya Registrar's returns of Deaths, figures published in the previous reports from June to October, 1919, are incorrect. Correct figures are:—

A.—ALL TOWNS.	Deaths of non-residents of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths of non-residents of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.		Deaths of non-residents of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and Jails.	
	Crude.	Standardized.	Crude.	Standardized.	Crude.	Standardized.
June	1,947	31.59	28.91	19	19	19
July	1,641	29.75	29.75	19	19	19
August	1,641	29.75	29.75	19	19	19
Standardized.	28.96	31.59	29.75	19	19	19

Table II.—Causes of Deaths registered during December, 1919, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	All 33 Towns.										Deaths among all Races.																																			
	Western Province.			Central Province.			Southern Province.				Northern Province.			Eastern Province.		North-Western Province.			North-Central Province.		Province of Sabaragamuwa.		Deaths among all Races.																							
	Colombo.	Negombo.	Moratuwa.	Katutura.	Panadura.	Kandy.	Gampola.	Kawasapitiya.	Hatton & Dikoya.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.	Galle.	Ambalangoda.	Matara.	Wellagama.	Hambantota.	Tangalla.	Jaffna.	Mannar.	Mullaitivu.	Vauntya.	Batticaloa.	Kalmunai.	Trincomalee.	Karunegala.	Puttalam.	Kalpitiya.	Chilaw.	Anuradhapura.	Badulla.	Lunugala.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.						
All Causes	831	91	138	50	161	44	31	18	32	51	18	110	9	72	29	10	15	133	19	2	8	38	11	21	58	20	7	55	28	59	66	40	15	8	62	1122	705	268	38	42						
I.—Infantile Mortality	192	13	43	5	1	23	5	2	2	2	8	19	2	12	3	3	3	40	4	2	2	8	1	3	5	7	9	6	8	3	10	6	—	14	231	115	71	12	12							
A.—One Week and under.	37	4	1	3	—	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—					
1. Prematurity	68	21	3	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
2. Debility	33	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
8. Other Causes.	3*	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
1. Prematurity	71	32	5	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
2. Debility	93	42	2	10	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
3. Convulsions	19	7	1	5	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4. Diarrhoea	23	14	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	43	26	—	1	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
7. Pneumonia	48†	25	1	9	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
8. Other Causes.	1,790	639	78	95	45	15	116	26	16	30	49	10	91	7	60	26	7	12	93	15	2	6	30	10	18	53	13	7	46	22	51	63	30	9	8	48	891	590	197	26	30					
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over)	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
1a. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* These are due to 1 death from Injuries of Birth (in Matara), 1 from Asphyxia Neonatorum (in Nuwara Eliya), and 1 from Atelactasis (in Colombo).

† This includes, besides 25 deaths mentioned in Table IV., footnote †, 3 deaths from Worms (1 each in Kalutara, Galle, and Ratnapura), 3 from Malaria (1 in Chilaw and 2 in Anuradhapura), 1 from Pyrexia (in Negombo), 1 from Intestinal Obstruction, 4 from Enteric Fever, and 1 from Erysipelas (in Moratuwa), 4 from Congenital Syphilis (3 in Kandy and 1 in Moratuwa), 2 from Influenza (1 each in Moratuwa and Ratnapura), 1 from Dysentery and 1 from Abscess (in Jaffna), and 1 from Pyæmia (in Kegalle).

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of December, 1919, and the Deaths of Children under One Year, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Registered Births, together with the Average Birth- and Death-rates for December, 1909 to 1918, in each Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (inclusive of Military) at the Census of 1911.	Population Estimated to Middle of 1919 by Inter-censal Increase.	Total Births registered.			Stillbirths.			Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.			Per Mille 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.*	Death-rate.*		Standardized Death-rate.†	Number registered during Dec., 1919.	Its proportion to 1000 births registered during Dec., 1919.	Its proportion to annum per 1000 births registered during the year ended last day of Dec., 1919.	
															Average for Dec., 1909 to 1918.						
			Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.	Dec., 1919.
City of Colombo ..	219,557	285,795	267	256	523	20	22	43†	451	380	831	100	724	21.55	23.86	30.12	27.72	34.94	192	367	382
Fort and Galle Face	3,512	3,513§	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	2	3	—	4.92	10.06	5.75	—	—	—	
Pettah ..	7,974	7,974§	—	1	1	—	—	—	4	2	6	—	6	—	4.31	8.86	9.91	—	—	—	
San Sebastian ..	11,546	13,780	6	12	18	1	—	1	20	13	33	—	33	15.38	19.82	28.20	25.57	—	10	556	519
St. Paul's ..	24,735	29,210	21	19	40	4	—	4	43	43	86	—	86	16.12	17.02	34.66	22.30	—	30	750	855
Kotshena ..	40,771	48,168	46	35	81	4	2	7†	74	58	132	—	132	19.80	23.67	32.27	25.37	—	27	333	322
New Bazaar ..	22,309	27,362	18	26	44	—	2	2	32	29	61	—	61	18.93	21.71	26.25	27.83	—	21	477	527
Maradana Hospitals	48,093	70,574	67	70	137	6	11	17	148	96	244	86	158	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	—
Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals) ..	—	—	55	39	94	1	2	3	68	75	143	—	143	15.70	18.61	23.88	25.72	—	56	596	683
Slave Island ..	21,984	27,353	24	27	51	2	—	2	20	21	41	2	39	21.95	22.26	16.79	21.44	—	16	314	378
Kollupitiya ..	25,410	39,878	15	8	23	2	1	3	22	23	45	10	35	6.79	12.74	10.33	12.35	—	4	174	140
Wellawatta ..	13,223	17,984	15	19	34	—	4	4	15	20	35	—	35	22.26	31.07	22.91	29.56	—	7	206	167

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

† For explanation of "standardized death-rate" see note α, 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.

‡ Sex of one not distinguishable.

§ The population of these two wards being a fluctuating one, their population cannot be estimated to the middle of 1919. Hence the Census figures are retained.

|| Average for months of December, 1912-1918.

Table 17.—Causes of Deaths registered during the Month of December, 1919, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	Wards.											Deaths among all Races.							
	City of Colombo.	Fort and Gale Face.	Pettah.	San Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Maradana Hospitals.	Maradana (exclusive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Wellawatta.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
All Causes ..	831	5	6	33	86	132	61	244	143	41	45	35	5	46	436	167	113	25	39
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	192	—	—	10	30	27	21	21	56	16	4	7	—	11	97	28	37	8	11
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																			
1. Prematurity ..	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—
2. Debility ..	21	—	—	—	8	1	—	6	6	—	—	—	—	1	12	3	1	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	14	—	—	1	1	5	—	1	5	—	1	—	—	—	6	4	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	1*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																			
1. Prematurity ..	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
2. Debility ..	32	—	—	1	1	6	3	2	16	1	—	2	—	3	14	1	10	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	42	—	—	2	8	3	13	2	12	1	—	3	—	2	16	5	12	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	7	—	—	1	4	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	1	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	14	—	—	1	1	5	1	—	4	1	1	—	—	1	11	1	1	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	4	1	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	26	—	—	2	4	4	1	4	6	1	2	2	—	2	16	4	2	2	—
8. Other Causes ..	25†	—	—	2	2	1	2	7	4	7	—	—	—	—	15	5	4	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over) ..	639	5	6	23	56	105	40	228	87	25	41	28	5	35	339	139	76	17	28
1. Plague ..	19	—	2	—	10	1	1	2	1	—	—	2	—	—	3	13	3	—	—
2. Smallpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza ..	49	—	1	4	18	11	8	2	2	1	2	—	—	1	22	16	8	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever..	30	—	1	2	—	2	—	16	2	2	1	4	2	2	20	2	1	—	—
8. Malaria ..	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea ..	14	—	—	—	—	12	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	11	1	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis ..	27	—	—	1	2	5	3	8	2	1	3	2	—	1	17	5	3	—	—
12. Dysentery ..	25	—	—	—	2	2	—	13	1	4	3	—	—	1	11	8	—	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duodenalis ..	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	1	—	—	—	—	1	14	4	1	—	—
14. Cancer ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	—	—
15. Phthisis ..	79	2	—	3	5	7	3	36	7	4	10	2	1	4	42	16	6	3	7
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anemia ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions ..	9	—	—	1	1	2	1	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	8	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis ..	14	—	—	—	4	2	1	1	—	3	2	1	—	2	6	3	3	—	—
22. Pneumonia ..	105	1	—	5	4	18	7	46	13	2	4	5	—	8	47	30	12	1	7
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	7	1	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	—	1	—	—	—	4	1	1	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	16	—	1	—	3	2	2	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	9	5	2	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents or Negligence ..	8	—	—	—	1	—	—	5	1	—	1	—	—	—	4	1	2	—	—
31. Homicide ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes ..	192‡	1	1	7	6	37	13	51	50	6	10	10	2	14	102	30	32	10	2

* From Atelectasis.

† Six deaths from Syphilis, 5 from Influenza, 3 from Want of Breast Milk, 2 each from Worms, Malformation and Injury and 1 each from Gangrene, Measles, General Tuberculosis, Rickets, and continued Fever.

‡ Here are included 53 deaths from Old Age, 17 from Worms, 15 from Marasmus, 13 from Debility, 10 from Paralysis, and 1 from Rickets.