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**VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE
MONTH OF JANUARY, 1923.**

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.

Marriages.

2. The marriages of residents in the proclaimed towns numbered 314 (261 General, 4 Kandyan, and 49 Muhammadan), as against 341 in the preceding month, and 397 in the corresponding month of last year. In the city of Colombo the marriages of residents numbered 145 (111 General and 34 Muhammadan), as against 121 in the preceding month, and 184 in the corresponding month of last year.

Births.

3. The number of births registered was 1,943 (978 males and 965 females), and was equal to an annual rate of 37·47 per 1,000, as against 38·89 in the preceding month, 37·22 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·59 the average for the corresponding months since 1913. The rate ranged from 13·60 in Kalmunai to 61·73 in Kegalla.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 761 (384 males and 377 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 35·78 per 1,000, as against 31·09 in the preceding month, 31·14 in the corresponding month of last year, and 26·10 the average for the corresponding months since 1913. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 16·43 in Kollupitiya to 38·22 in Wellawatta South.

Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 2,430 (1,258 males and 1,172 females). There were 1,981 deaths of residents in towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 41·31 per 1,000, as against 36·26 in the preceding month, 35·18 in the corresponding month of last year, and 33·89 the average for the month of January in each year since 1913. The rate ranged from 186·32 in Anuradhapura to 13·13 in Ambalangoda.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths numbered 901 (476 males and 425 females). There were 791 deaths of residents, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 42·82 per 1,000, as against 36·40 in the preceding month, and in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·47 the average for the month of January in each year since 1913. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 44·24 in Kotahena North to 14·86 in Wellawatta South.

7. The stillbirths registered numbered 130 (56 males and 74 females), as against 146 in the preceding month.

Infant Mortality.

8. The mortality of infants under one year of age was equal to a rate of 331 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January 31, 1923. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 275, as against 282 in the preceding month, 266 in the corresponding month of last year, and 275 the average for the corresponding months since 1913.

9. In the city of Colombo the mortality of infants was equal to a rate of 291 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended January 31, 1923. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 227, as against 242 in the preceding month, 297 in the corresponding month of last year, and 278 the average for the corresponding months since 1913.

Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 14 per cent. of the total deaths was due, *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 8 per cent. of the deaths, *Convulsions* 7 per cent., *Diarrhoea*, 6 per cent., *Malarial Fever*, *Phthisis*, and *Dysentery*, 5 per cent. each, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, 4 per cent., *Enteritis*, *Anchylostomiasis*, and *Prematurity* 3 per cent. each, *Bronchitis*, *Influenza*, and *Enteric Fever*, 2 per cent. each, and *Puerperal Septicæmia* and *Malarial Cachexia*, 1 per cent. each.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, which caused 14 per cent. of the deaths, and *Phthisis* 8 per cent., *Debility* of infants under one year contributed 7 per cent. of the mortality, *Convulsions* 6 per cent., *Enteritis* 5 per cent., *Diarrhea* and *Dysentery* 4 per cent. each, *Enteric Fever*, *Bright's Disease*, and *Nephritis* and *Influenza* 3 per cent. each, *Prematurity* and *Bronchitis*, and *Malaria* 2 per cent. each, and *Anchylostomiasis*, *Cancer*, *Diabetes*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia* 1 per cent. each.

12. Twenty-six deaths (23 males and 3 females) were registered from *Plague* in the city of Colombo, as against 30 in the preceding month, and 13 in the corresponding month of last year. Two deaths from *Smallpox* were registered in Kandy.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 242 cases were reported (162 in Colombo, 30 in Jaffna, 23 in Galle, 6 each in Panadure and Tangalla, 5 in Nuwara Eliya), *Measles* followed with 149 cases (98 in Colombo, 22 in Jaffna, 13 in Galle, 10 in Nuwara Eliya), *Phthisis* 140 (125 in Colombo), *Enteric Fever* 93 (71 in Colombo, 8 in Galle, 5 in Jaffna), *Plague* 31 (in Colombo), *Continued Fever* 26 (12 in Colombo, 6 in Moratuwa, 5 in Kandy), *Smallpox* 15 (10 in Kandy and 5 in Matale), *Mumps* 15 (14 in Colombo), *Dysentery* 9 (5 in Matale), and *Diphtheria* 3 (in Colombo).

Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Batticaloa recorded the highest rainfall (21·80 in.), followed by Anuradhapura (21·16 in.). In the other towns, the rainfall ranged from 19·97 in. in Mullaittivu to 2·85 in. in Kalutara. Colombo recorded 6·96 in.

15. *Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 59·4° in Nuwara Eliya to 80·2° in Ratnapura and was 79·4° in Colombo.

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

Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered during January, 1923, the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, and the Stillbirths and 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 1913, 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.

Mortality of Children under One Year.		Death-rate excluding Non-residents.		Birth-rate.		Death-rate for 1923-1925.		Its proportion to 1000 births registered during the Year ended on the last day of January, 1923.		Mean Temperature.		Height in inches.																
		Standardized. ^a	Average Death-rate for Jan., 1913-1925.	Average for Jan., 1923-1925.	Birth-rate for Jan., 1923-1925.	Deaths of Non-residents in Towns registered in Towns Inhabitants Hospitals and Jails.	Deaths of Persons in Towns registered in Towns Inhabitants Hospitals and Jails.	Total Stillbirths.	Total Deaths.	Total Births.	Population estimated to the middle of 1923 by Intercessus Increase, Census of March 18, 1921.	Proportion of Towns.	Mean Temperature.															
All 33 Towns..	597,492	610,589	261	4	49	314	978	965	1,943	1,255	1,172	2,439	56	74	130	439	1,981	37.47	31.59	38.20	41.31	33.89	535	275	331			
Provinces and Towns	Western.	Colombo	244,163	250,431	111	—	34	145	384	377	761	476	425	901	18	31	49	109	791	35.78	26.10	37.19	42.82	30.47	291	227	29.4	
	Negombo	27,639	28,103	21	—	21	—	23	69	74	143	54	83	2	2	4	3	3	79	37.71	42.52	32.68	33.45	37.96	186	173	4.94	
	Moratuwa	41,858	42,801	23	—	22	—	26	19	45	21	18	40	4	4	4	4	4	128	39.34	53.48	35.21	35.86	47.30	422	371	—	
	Kalutara	13,596	13,735	2	—	—	—	9	13	17	30	13	16	29	—	1	1	1	8	32	38.58	40.16	27.43	27.29	29.72	3	67	—
	Panadura	10,747	10,864	9	—	—	—	—	6	8	14	14	8	22	—	1	1	1	26	32.51	27.46	28.18	29.98	29.17	4	133	142	
	Kandy	32,562	33,195	9	1	11	67	66	133	68	36	104	3	5	8	28	76	47.18	33.71	26.96	29.52	30.83	33	248	338			
	Gampola	6,202	6,369	1	—	1	15	15	30	19	12	31	31	2	2	2	6	25	55.46	34.39	46.22	47.77	32.96	11	367	556		
	Nawala Pitiya	3,221	3,339	—	—	—	6	8	14	14	8	22	22	—	2	2	2	12	10	49.37	36.48	35.26	38.28	32.27	3	214	266	
	Hastota-Dikoya	2,941	2,958	1	—	—	1	6	3	9	10	6	16	—	—	4	11	35.82	28.66	43.79	51.50	25.66	3	333	388			
	Matale	7,865	7,962	3	1	—	4	14	10	24	34	20	54	1	—	1	27	35.49	33.17	39.93	42.63	42.93	7	292	304			
	Nuwara Eliya..	7,029	7,288	2	—	—	2	9	9	18	9	13	22	—	—	2	2	20	29.98	20.61	32.31	35.67	9.89	7	389	323		
	Galle	39,073	39,274	12	—	4	16	78	81	159	58	76	133	1	7	8	25	108	47.87	36.44	32.38	31.68	31.44	38	239	314		
	Ambalangoda..	3,347	3,565	—	—	—	—	8	9	17	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	4	56.14	35.51	13.21	13.13	—†	3	176	292		
	Matara	16,779	16,888	9	1	10	28	27	55	26	53	3	1	4	13	13	40	38.32	42.57	27.87	27.35	29.45	6	109	119			
	Wellawaya	9,225	9,356	8	—	8	16	20	36	6	8	14	1	—	1	—	14	45.80	42.96	17.62	16.25	22.19	2	56	66			
	Hambantota	2,849	2,903	1	—	—	1	6	3	9	7	5	12	1	—	1	5	7	36.51	32.65	28.39	28.22	35.17	2	222	203		
	Tangalle	4,896	4,935	2	—	2	6	6	12	9	10	19	—	3	3	2	13	28.93	33.43	33.01	30.78	23.41	8	667	645			
	Northern.	42,436	42,905	26	—	3	29	52	54	106	76	92	168	1	3	4	9	158	29.99	30.66	43.36	44.91	48.13	47	443	420		
	Jaffna	3,705	3,721	1	—	1	—	5	1	5	1	2	3	2	3	3	3	11	37.97	37.65	34.80	35.49	47.78	1	83	84		
	Mannar	1,563	1,605	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	4	9	13	—	—	—	3	10	22.01	30.26	73.36	76.44	39.29	2	667	421		
	Mulleaitivu	—	936	968	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	2	8	4	12	—	7	4	24.33	20.53	48.65	56.93	38.78	—	—	—		
	Vavuniya	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	Eastern.	Batticaloa	10,564	10,655	2	—	2	11	4	15	16	23	39	2	2	4	4	35	16.58	26.10	38.68	40.32	32.12	11	733	421		
	Kalmunai	2,586	2,597	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	3	8	3	11	1	6	6	5	13.80	43.64	22.67	22.84	—†	1	333	127		
	Trincomalee	9,414	9,551	4	—	4	—	—	4	15	10	25	23	25	3	3	—	48	30.82	22.73	59.17	61.89	30.86	13	520	777		
	North-Central.	Kurunegala	10,187	10,605	5	—	2	7	10	21	31	48	34	4	2	6	54	29	34.42	33.41	32.20	37.41	53.49	11	355	512		
	Puttalam	6,905	7,133	—	—	3	3	18	14	32	26	53	1	1	1	8	45	52.82	40.96	74.28	80.56	52.46	19	694	811			
	Kalpitiya	1,608	1,612	—	—	1	1	1	2	3	4	7	11	—	1	1	—	10	21.91	37.72	73.05	83.90	—†	1	333	294		
	Chilaw	6,642	6,943	4	—	4	—	15	8	23	26	15	41	1	—	11	30	39.00	35.80	50.87	58.60	42.07	8	348	469			
	Anuradhapura	7,781	8,472	—	—	—	—	6	14	20	65	54	119	1	1	2	7	112	27.79	24.32	55.65	186.32	80.78	21	—	—		
	Dua.	Badulla	8,126	8,454	3	2	5	17	13	30	27	29	56	4	3	7	10	46	41.78	42.14	64.07	65.35	35.92	15	500	550		
	Lunugala	526	529	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	44.35	35.71	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	Sabaragamuwa.	Ratnapura	7,014	7,239	1	—	1	—	1	16	16	32	12	22	2	2	1	1	1	76.4	69.9	69.9	19.28	—	219	295	7	
	Kegalla	3,608	3,624	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	12	316	512	512	—	—	219	316	6	

Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.
Standardized death-rates not available.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during January, 1923, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Southern Province.		Central Province.		Western Province.		All 33 Towns.		Causes of Deaths.	
Tangalle.	Hambantota.	Wellgamuwa.	Matale.	Ambalangoda.	Galle.	Nuwara Eliya.	Habton-Dikoya.	Kandy.	Gampola.
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Total.		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
All Causes	1,258	1,172	2,430	476	425	38	45	54	78
I.—Infantile Mortality.	245	290	535	83	90	6	10	17	36
A.—One Week and under.									
1. Prematurity	29	28	57	14	4	1	2	1	—
2. Debility	38	35	73	10	8	—	1	—	—
3. Convulsions	24	9	33	6	1	—	1	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	3	1	4	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	4*	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.									
1. Prematurity	1	6	7	—	3	—	1	—	—
2. Debility	49	66	115	19	23	2	1	7	21
3. Convulsions	34	62	96	7	26	2	2	3	9
4. Diarrhoea	12	19	31	2	4	1	1	—	—
4a. Enteritis	10	11	21	5	6	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	—
6. Bronchitis	4	11	15	—	—	—	—	2	—
7. Pneumonia	11	15	26	3	5	—	1	2	—
8. Other Causes	30†	22†	52	17	5	—	—	1	—

* Two deaths, 1 each from Syphilis and Intracranial Haemorrhage (in Colombo); 1 from Jaundice (in Nuwara Eliya); and 1 from Homicide (in Kegalle).

This includes besides 17 cases mentioned in Table I.V. roomers, 1 case from Dysentery (ur. pus), 1 from Malaria (1 in Kandy and 2 in Anuradhapura); 2 from Syphilis (1 each in Galle) ; 2 from Nephritis (1 each in Matara and Jaffna) ; 1 from Worms (in Mannar) ; and 1 from Burns (in Badulla).

This includes besides 5 cases mentioned in Table IV, footnote 3, 4 deaths from Worms (1 each in Negombo, Galle, Puttalam, and Chilew); 1 from Dysentery (in Kandy); 2 from Influenza (1 each in Nuwara Eliya and Mullaitivu); 1 from Cellulitis (1 in Jaffna); 6 from Malaria (1 in Puttalam and 5 in Anuradhapura); and 1 from Cellulitis (in Nuwara Eliya).

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during January, 1923, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

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Causes of Deaths.		All 33 Towns.		Western Province.		Central Province.		Southern Province.		Tangalle.											
										M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and over).																					
1. Plague	..	882	1,895	393	335	32	35	42	19	18	11	14	48	23	14	6	12	7	9	4	7
2. Smallpox	..	23	3	26	23	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	..	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	..	31	21	52	15	9	5	1	2	2	1	1	5	—	—	2	1	2	1	1	1
6. Pyrexia or Fever	..	6	10	16	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever	..	25	13	38	16	11	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Malaria	..	75	65	130	10	10	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	..	14	11	25	2	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	..	53	56	109	—	12	16	5	1	1	3	4	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11a. Enteritis	..	31	31	62	18	15	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	..	74	46	120	20	13	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Ankylostomiasis or Dochminus Duodenalis	..	36	46	82	2	8	2	1	2	1	4	4	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
14. Cancer	..	7	4	11	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	..	76	48	124	44	29	—	2	1	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	2	3	5	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	..	2	6	8	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	..	11	3	14	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	..	13	21	34	4	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	..	6	2	8	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	..	18	25	43	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22. Paenumonia	..	181	128	309	65	57	7	2	5	4	3	3	1	10	3	1	6	1	2	1	2
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	..	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	..	11	4	15	9	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	..	43	49	92	14	11	3	6	1	1	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicemia	..	—	5	5	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	..	—	—	36	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	..	—	—	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	..	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	..	18	8	26	7	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide	..	5	1	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	..	2	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	..	3	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	..	244*	233†	477	103	101	9	11	16	22	7	4	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
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* Here are included 69 deaths from Old Age, 15 from Debility, 20 from Worms, and 9 from Paralysis.

† Here are included 71 deaths from Old Age, 19 from Debility, 40 from Worms, and 12 from Paralysis.

Table II.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during January, 1923, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-33 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Table III.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of January, 1923, and the Deaths of Children under One Year, and their Proportion per 1,000 of the Registered Births, together with the Birth- and Death-rates for the corresponding Month of 1922, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards.	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March, 1921.	Total Deaths including Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.										Mortality of Children under one Year.												
		Total Births.					Stillbirths.					Deaths of Non-residents.					Deaths of Residents.					Per Mile per Annum.		
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	January, 1923.	January, 1922.	January, 1923.	January, 1922.	Birth-rate.*	Death-rate.*	Standardized Death-rate, January, 1923. [†]
City of Colombo ..	244,163	250,431	384	377	761	18	31	49	476	425	901	110	791	35·78	31·14	37·19	31·38	42·82	173	227	291	—	—	—
Fort and Galle Face	2,690	2,760	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	7,797	2	1	3	—	—	—	12	—	12	4·53	6·11	18·12	6·11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	23,996	26	21	47	2	—	—	26	30	56	—	56	23·06	19·35	27·48	28·28	—	—	13	277	383	—	—
San Sebastian ..	11,492	11,787	9	13	22	1	1	2	16	12	28	—	28	21·98	31·31	27·97	28·28	—	—	7	318	402	—	—
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,165	24	23	47	—	—	—	25	47	72	—	72	28·88	26·72	44·24	27·34	—	—	19	404	483	—	—
Kotahena South ..	27,488	28,194	38	44	82	4	2	6	47	54	101	1	100	34·24	26·61	41·76	37·17	—	—	26	317	485	—	—
New Bazaar ..	23,341	23,940	28	32	60	3	1	4	37	46	83	—	83	29·51	23·87	40·82	33·82	—	—	23	383	546	—	—
Maradana Hospitals ..	—	—	120	110	230	4	17	21	153	105	258	97	161	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	31,178	38	28	66	—	4	4	25	46	71	—	71	24·92	25·20	26·81	24·44	—	—	23	348	386	—	—
Maradana East ..	8,593	8,814	6	7	13	—	—	—	10	7	17	2	15	17·37	14·86	20·04	12·16	—	—	3	231	195	—	—
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,007	16	11	27	1	—	1	33	13	46	—	46	16·73	19·41	28·50	16·28	—	—	8	296	266	—	—
Slave Island ..	21,564	22,118	29	27	56	1	2	3	32	32	64	—	64	29·81	23·68	34·07	33·37	—	—	13	232	320	—	—
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	24,362	16	18	34	—	3	3	28	13	41	9	32	16·43	17·11	15·47	9·29	—	—	8	235	260	—	—
Wellawatta North ..	15,816	16,223	16	22	38	1	—	1	22	16	35	1	34	27·58	25·69	24·68	17·62	—	—	6	158	195	—	—
Wellawatta South ..	10,813	11,090	16	20	36	1	1	2	7	7	14	—	14	38·22	20·40	14·86	15·03	—	—	2	56	84	—	—

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

† "Standardized death-rates," for the wards of the city are not available.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1923, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Death.	City of Colombo.			Wards.											
				Fort and Galle Face.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes	476	425	901	3	—	12	—	26	80	16	12	25	47	47	54
I.—Infantile Mortality	83	90	173	—	—	—	—	7	6	2	5	7	12	11	15
A.—One Week and under.															
1. Prematurity	14	4	18	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
2. Debility	10	8	18	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—
3. Convulsions	6	1	7	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	2*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.															
1. Prematurity	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	19	23	42	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	2	6
3. Convulsions	7	26	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	1	3
4. Diarrhoea	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	2	1
4a. Enteritis	5	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	3	5	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1
8. Other Causes	—	17†	5‡	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	6	3
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	393	335	728	3	—	12	—	19	24	14	7	18	35	36	39
1. Plague	23	3	26	—	—	5	—	4	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	15	9	24	—	—	3	—	2	1	1	1	1	—	2	2
6. Pyrexia or Fever	2	5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	1
7. Enteric Fever	16	11	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	1
8. Malaria	10	10	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	1
9. Malarial Cachexia	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	12	15	27	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	—	1	6	7	2
11a. Enteritis	18	15	33	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	1	4	3	4
12. Dysentery	20	13	33	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	2	6	7
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis	2	8	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
15. Phthisis	44	29	73	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	6	7
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	1	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—
19. Convulsions	4	7	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	7	11	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	2	—
22. Pneumonia	65	57	122	—	—	2	—	—	4	1	3	4	6	5	4
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	9	2	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	14	11	25	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	1	—	1	1	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
31. Homicide	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	—	103§	101	204	1	—	1	—	3	4	3	1	4	9	6

* One death each from Intra-Cranial Haemorrhage and Syphilis.

† Three deaths from Influenza, 2 each from Syphilis, Dysentery, Stomatitis, and Measles, and 1 each from Nephritis, Rickets, Gastritis, Atelectasis, Empyema, and Malformation.

‡ Three deaths from Syphilis, and 1 each from Stomatitis and Influenza.

§ Here are included 24 deaths from Old Age, 12 from Debility, 7 each from Worms, Marasmus, and Diseases of the Heart, 6 from Diseases of the Liver, and 5 from Paralysis.

|| Here are included 21 deaths from Old Age, 16 from Worms, 13 from Debility, 10 from Marasmus, and 7 from Paralysis.

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1923, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—continued.

Causes of Death.	Wards.																	
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hos-pitals.		Maradana North.		Maradana East.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals).		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatta North.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes ..	37	46	153	105	25	46	10	7	33	13	32	32	28	13	22	13		
I.—Infantile Mortality ..	11	12	12	10	6	17	3	—	7	1	6	7	6	7	6	7	4	2
A.—One Week and under.																		
1. Prematurity ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																		
1. Prematurity ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	26	34	141	95	19	29	7	7	26	12	26	26	25	22	11	18	11	
1. Plague ..	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	2
2. Smallpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
3. Chickenpox ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
4. Measles ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
5. Influenza ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
6. Pyrexia or Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
7. Enteric Fever ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
8. Malaria ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
9. Malarial Cachexia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
10. Cholera ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
11. Diarrhoea ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
11a. Enteritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
12. Dysentery ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmiasis Duo-denalis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
14. Cancer ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
15. Phthisis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
17. Anæmia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
18. Diabetes Mellitus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
19. Convulsions ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
20. Tetanus ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
21. Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
22. Pneumonia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
26. Puerperal Septicæmia ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
27. Miscarriage ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
29. Starvation ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
30. Accidents and Negligence ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
31. Homicide ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
32. Suicide ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
33. Execution ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
34. All Other Causes ..	8	11	34	26	6	10	2	7	6	7	6	7	6	16	3	4	6	

Table IV.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of January, 1923, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—continued.

Causes of Death.	Wards.		Deaths among all Races.																Malays.		Others.	
	Wellawatta South.		Europeans.				Burghers.				Sinhalese.				Tamil.				Moors.			
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
	All Causes	..	7	7	3	3	18	22	230	245	104	68	77	67	15	12	29	8				
I.—Infantile Mortality	1	1	—	—	4	4	48	49	12	19	14	15	3	2	2	1				
A.—One Week and under.																						
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	3	2	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																						
1. Prematurity	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	8	12	2	6	7	3	—	—	—	—
2. Debility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	14	1	5	4	1	1	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	2	—
4. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over).	6	6	3	3	8	14	18	182	196	92	49	83	52	12	10	27	7					
1. Plague	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	11	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
2. Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	8	12	2	6	7	3	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	5	14	1	5	4	1	—	—	2	—
4. Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	—	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	
6. Pyrexia or Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	8	9	3	1	1	1	1	1	—
7. Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	6	6	3	1	1	3	—	—	2	—
8. Malaria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	5	6	3	2	2	4	6	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	12	8	4	2	1	2	1	—	—	1	—
11a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	11	7	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12. Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13. Ankylostomiasis or Dochmias Duo-denalis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	—	—	—
14. Cancer	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	26	17	8	5	3	4	1	—	—	—
15. Phthisis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anaemia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	—	—	2	2	1	—	—	—
19. Convulsions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	28	42	18	4	6	4	4	—	—
22. Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	1	7
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	8	3	2	3	4	3	2	—	—	3
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
25. Puerperal Eclampsia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7	49	60	15	15	24	12	7	2	5
30. Accidents and Negligence	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	3	4	3	2	—	—	—	3
31. Homicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes	2	3	2	2	1	7	49	60	15	15	24	12	7	2	5	3	—	—	—	—