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## VITAL STATISTICS OF TOWNS IN CEYLON IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1925.

### 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 proclaimed towns numbered 462 (378 General, 7 Kandyan, and 77 Muslim), as against 405 in the preceding month and 365 in the corresponding month of last year. In Colombo the number of marriages was 159 (117 General and 42 Muslim), as against 157 in the preceding month and 153 in the corresponding month of last year.

#### Births.

3. The births registered numbered 1,759 (886 males and 873 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 36·81 per 1,000 of the population, as against 37·64 in the previous month, 32·14 in the corresponding month of last year, and 31·39 the average for the corresponding months since 1915. The rate ranged from 7·93 in Mullaittivu to 56·84 in Puttalam. There were 1,606 births of children whose mothers were residents of towns, equivalent to an annual rate of 33·61 per 1,000, as against 34·40 in the preceding month. The rate ranged from 7·93 in Mullaittivu to 55·06 in Puttalam.

4. In the city of Colombo the births registered numbered 800 (416 males and 384 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 40·73 per 1,000, as against 37·94 in the preceding month, 29·90 in the corresponding month of last year, and 27·23 the average for the corresponding months since 1915. The rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 13·42 in Maradana South to 38·88 in New Bazaar. There were 708 births of children whose mothers were residents of the city, equivalent to an annual rate of 36·04 per 1,000, as against 33·06 in the preceding month.

#### Deaths.

5. The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,734 (913 males and 821 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 36·29 per 1,000, as against 37·65 in the preceding month. The rate (exclusive of the towns, Vavuniya and Lunugala) ranged from 84·08 in Ratnapura to 13·87 in Ambalangoda. There were 1,335 deaths of residents in the towns, equivalent to an annual standardized rate of 30·22 per 1,000, as against 31·77 in the preceding month, 32·64 in the corresponding month of last year, and 32·82 the average for the month of February in each year since 1915. The standardized rate ranged from 63·26 in Anuradhapura to 7·83 in Kogalla.

6. In the city of Colombo the deaths registered numbered 663 (349 males and 314 females), and were equal to an annual rate of 33·75 per 1,000, as against 34·67 in the preceding month. There were 555 deaths of residents in the city which corresponded to an annual standardized rate of 32·54 per 1,000, as against 34·37 in the preceding month, 32·94 in the corresponding month of last year, and 30·68 the average for the month of February in each year since 1915. The crude rate, exclusive of the Fort and the Pettah Wards, ranged from 29·39 in Kotahena South to 11·51 in Kollupitiya.

7. The stillbirths registered during the month numbered 109 (56 males and 53 females), as against 161 in the preceding month.

#### Infant Mortality.

8. The deaths of children under one year amounted to 379 and corresponded to a rate of 258 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1925. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 216, as against 221 in the preceding month, 246 in the corresponding month of last year, and 240 the average for the corresponding months since 1915. There were 354 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of towns which corresponded to a rate of 220 per 1,000 births as against 229 in the preceding month.

9. In the city of Colombo the deaths of children under one year numbered 153 and corresponded to a rate of 274 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended February, 1925. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only the rate was 191, as against 208 in the preceding month, 242 in the corresponding month of last year, and 240 the average for the corresponding months since 1915. There were 149 deaths of children under one year whose mothers were residents of the city which corresponded to a rate of 210 per 1,000 births, as against 231 in the preceding month.

#### Causes of Death.

10. The highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, to which 13 per cent. of the total deaths were due. *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 8 per cent. of the deaths; *Phthisis* 7 per cent.; *Convulsions* 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Dysentery*, and *Enteric Fever*, each 4 per cent.; *Malaria* and *Malarial Cachexia*, *Anchyllostomiasis*, *Enteritis*, and *Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Bronchitis* and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, each 2 per cent.; *Influenza* 1 per cent.

11. In Colombo, too, the highest mortality was from *Pneumonia*, which caused 11 per cent. of the total deaths. *Debility* (of children under one year) caused 10 per cent.; *Phthisis* 8 per cent.; *Convulsions* and *Enteric Fever*, each 6 per cent.; *Diarrhoea* 4 per cent.; *Bronchitis*, *Bright's Disease* and *Nephritis*, *Enteritis*, and *Prematurity*, each 3 per cent.; *Dysentery*, *Influenza*, and *Puerperal Septicæmia*, each 2 per cent.; *Anchyllostomiasis*, *Cancer*, and *Plague*, each 1 per cent.

12. Nine deaths from *Plague* (6 males and 3 females) were registered, of which 7 were in Colombo, 1 in Kalutara, and 1 in Galle, as against 6 in the preceding month and 22 in the corresponding month of last year.

13. *Infectious Diseases reported*.—The infectious disease most prevalent during the month was *Chickenpox*, of which 276 cases were reported (191 in Colombo, 32 in Moratuwa, 15 in Galle, 9 in Jaffna, 7 in Panadure, 6 in Anuradhapura); *Measles* followed with 107 cases (55 in Colombo, 24 in Ratnapura, 8 in Kandy, 5 in Moratuwa); *Phthisis* 104 (89 in Colombo, 7 in Galle, 6 in Kurunegala); *Enteric Fever* 73 (53 in Colombo, 5 in Moratuwa, 4 in Galle); *Continued Fever* 35 (23 in Colombo, 8 in Moratuwa); *Mumps* 14 (8 in Colombo, 4 in Kandy); *Plague* 8 (6 in Colombo, 1 in Kalutara, and 1 in Galle); *Dysentery* 8 (5 in Panadure, 2 in Kalutara, 1 in Ambalangoda); *Smallpox* 1 (in Colombo); and *Whooping Cough* 1 (in Colombo).

#### Meteorology.

14. *Rainfall*.—Batticaloa recorded the highest rainfall (11·93 in.). In the other towns the rainfall ranged from 8·55 in. in Kalutara to 0·19 in. in Tangalla. Colombo recorded 7·02 inches.

15. *Mean Temperature*.—The mean temperature varied from 80·5° in Ratnapura to 57·1° in Nuwara Eliya, and was 79·2° in Colombo.

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

Registrar-General's Office,  
Colombo, March 28, 1925

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Table I.—Number of Marriages, Births, Deaths, and Stillbirths registered during February, 1925, the Proportion of Births and Deaths per 1,000 of the Population per Annum, 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 1915, 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.

Table with columns: Provinces and Towns, (Population exclusive of Military and Shipping) estimated to the middle of 1925 by the Census Inter-censal Increase of March 18, 1921, Marriages (General, Muslim, Total), Births (Males, Females, Persons), Deaths (Males, Females, Persons), Stillbirths (Males, Females, Persons), Deaths of Non-residents of Towns registered in Town Hospitals and Jails, Birth-rate (February 1925, Average Birth-rate for Feb. 1915-1924, Death-rate February 1925), Mortality of Children under One Year (Number registered during Feb. 1925, Its proportion to 10,000 Births registered during Feb. 1925, Its proportion per annum to 10000 births registered during the Year ended the last day of Feb. 1925), Mean Temperature, Rainfall in Inches.

\* Blanks indicate that there are no observatories or rain gauges.

Table II.—Births, Deaths, and Infant Mortality of Residents with their Corresponding Rates for February, 1925.

Provinces and Towns.	Births.*			Birth-rate. February, 1925.	Deaths.			Death-rate (Standardized)		Infant Mortality.	
	Males.	Females.	Persons.		Males.	Females.	Persons.	February, 1925.	Average death-rate for February, 1915-1924.	Deaths of Children under 1 Year. †	Rate per 1,000 Births registered in February, 1925.
All 33 Towns ..	813	798	1,606	33·61	681	654	1,335	30·22	32·82	354	220
<i>Western.</i>											
Colombo ..	377	331	708	36·04	286	269	555	32·54	30·68	149	210
Negombo ..	41	31	72	32·91	30	25	55	25·74	35·19	15	208
Moratuwa ..	50	44	94	28·08	63	38	101	30·72	41·34	25	266
Kalutara ..	23	23	46	43·27	10	19	29	27·14	25·05	9	196
Panadure ..	7	18	25	29·72	9	9	18	22·77	22·43	2	80
<i>Central.</i>											
Kandy ..	41	46	87	33·59	26	39	65	28·76	31·32	11	126
Gampola ..	7	7	14	28·00	9	8	17	35·14	32·48	8	571
Nawalapitiya ..	6	4	10	35·86	3	2	5	19·47	36·73	2	200
Hatton-Dikoya ..	2	3	5	21·90	5	3	8	41·22	33·08	—	—
Matale ..	8	12	20	32·40	7	13	20	34·59	44·32	6	300
Nuwara Eliya ..	9	10	19	30·90	4	9	13	23·34	11·75	3	158
<i>Southern.</i>											
Galle ..	42	48	90	29·74	44	52	96	31·04	31·90	22	244
Ambalangoda ..	3	5	8	27·67	3	1	4	13·79	—†	—	—
Matare ..	21	34	55	42·17	10	15	25	18·81	27·36	10	182
Weligama ..	16	18	34	47·68	9	10	19	24·67	21·47	3	88
Hambantota ..	4	7	11	48·60	3	2	5	21·95	34·36	3	273
Tangalla ..	8	9	17	44·59	3	7	10	26·03	26·01	4	235
<i>Northern.</i>											
Jaffna ..	55	56	111	33·40	57	52	109	33·98	41·69	40	360
Mannar ..	3	4	7	24·43	3	2	5	17·79	41·53	—	—
Mullaittivu ..	—	1	1	7·93	1	2	3	24·81	54·54	—	—
Vavuniya ..	2	1	3	39·23	2	1	3	45·90	54·08	—	—
<i>Eastern.</i>											
Batticaloa ..	1	9	10	12·14	6	5	11	13·92	34·35	2	200
Kalmunai ..	2	—	2	10·00	2	—	2	10·08	—†	1	500
Trincomalee ..	6	4	10	13·48	12	9	21	29·60	33·47	3	300
<i>North-Western.</i>											
Kurunegala ..	14	9	23	27·30	8	3	11	15·17	36·61	4	174
Puttalam ..	17	14	31	55·06	12	18	30	57·79	59·07	12	387
Kalpitiya ..	4	1	5	40·35	1	5	6	55·61	—†	2	400
Chilaw ..	10	10	20	36·12	8	7	15	31·20	46·86	5	250
<i>North-Central.</i>											
Anuradhapura ..	10	4	14	19·99	22	15	37	63·26	78·53	4	286
<i>Uva.</i>											
Badulla ..	12	9	21	31·28	12	4	16	24·31	33·08	2	95
Launugala ..	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	27·68	—†	—	—
<i>Sabaragamuwa.</i>											
Ratnapura ..	9	16	25	43·79	9	9	18	34·37	27·81	7	280
Kegalla ..	3	5	8	27·97	1	1	2	7·83	19·67	—	—

\* Births of infants whose mothers were residents of the town.

† Deaths of children under 1 year whose mothers were residents of the town.

‡ Not available.

Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1925, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895.

Causes of Deaths.	All 33 Towns			Western Provinces.						Central Province.						Southern Provinces.																									
				Colombo.		Negombo.		Moratuwa.		Kalutara.		Panadura.		Kandy.		Gampola.		Nawalapitiya.		Hatton-Dikoya.		Matale.		Nuwara Eliya.		Galle.		Ambalangoda.		Matare.		Welligama.		Hambantota.		Tangalla.					
	M	F	Total.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F						
All Causes	918	821	1,734	349	314	38	29	66	40	18	21	12	9	37	53	13	12	13	12	11	12	6	16	24	7	10	54	63	3	1	12	18	9	10	4	2	6	9			
I.—Infantile Mortality	193	186	379	88	70	8	7	12	14	7	5	1	1	4	7	2	6	2	3	1	3	5	3	10	12	2	8	2	1	3	1	3	1	3	2	8	2	3			
A.—One Week and under.																																									
1. Prematurity	18	24	42	5	11	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	30	31	61	11	13	1	2	—	1	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	11	10	21	3	3	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
5. Tetanus	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
7. Pneumonia	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Other Causes	2*	1†	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.																																									
1. Prematurity	3	3	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2. Debility	42	41	83	23	19	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
3. Convulsions	38	23	61	17	5	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4. Diarrhoea	4	6	10	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4a. Enteritis	6	9	15	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Tetanus	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
6. Bronchitis	7	6	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
7. Pneumonia	13	9	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
8. Other Causes	13†	21‡	34	5	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		

\* 1 death from Asphyxia Neonatorum (in Moratuwa) and 1 from Peritonitis (in Ratnapura).

† From Thrush (in Negombo).

‡ Besides 5 cases mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 from Gastritis (in Moratuwa), 1 from Burns (in Matale), 1 each from Rickets and Scabies, and Influenza with Erysipelas (in Galle), 1 from Strangulation of Bowel (in Puttalam), 1 each from Malaria and Dysentery (in Jaffna), and 1 from Rickets (in Batticaloa).

§ Besides 6 cases mentioned in Table V., footnote †, 1 each from Thrush and Abscess of Scalp (in Negombo), 1 from Influenza (in Moratuwa), 1 from Keratomalacia (in Kandy), 2 from Worms (in Galle), 2 from Congenital Syphilis (in Matare), 1 from Ucer (in Tangalla), 2 from Malaria, and 1 from Worms (in Puttalam), 1 each from Syphilis and Jaundice (in Ratnapura), and 1 from Nephritis (in Jaffna).





Table III.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during February, 1925, in each Town of the Island proclaimed under Sections 31-36 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895—continued.

Causes of Deaths.	Northern Province.						Eastern Province.						North-Western Province.						North-Central Province.						Province of Uva.						Province of Sabaragamuwa.						Deaths among all Races.													
	Jaffna.		Mannar.		Mullaitivu.		Vavuniya.		Batticaloa.		Kalmunai.		Trincomalee.		Kurunegala.		Puttalam.		Kappilya.		Chilaw.		Amvadhapura.		Badulla.		Lunenburg.		Kandy.		Kegalla.		Burghers.		Shinshere.		Tamils.		Moors.		Malays.		Others.							
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over)	40	33	9	2	1	2	3	2	7	5	2	3	10	8	24	11	9	12	1	8	13	14	20	13	15	9	13	4	21	17	8	9	4	15	16	365	225	172	85	81	12	14	16	3						
1. Plague																																																		
2. Smallpox																																																		
3. Chickenpox																																																		
4. Measles																																																		
5. Influenza																																																		
6. Pyrexia or Fever																																																		
7. Enteric Fever																																																		
8. Malaria																																																		
9. Malarial Cachexia																																																		
10. Cholera																																																		
11. Diarrhoea																																																		
11a. Enteritis																																																		
12. Dysentery																																																		
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doehrinus Duo-denalis																																																		
14. Cancer																																																		
15. Phthisis																																																		
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases																																																		
17. Anæmia																																																		
18. Diabetes Mellitus																																																		
19. Convulsions																																																		
20. Tetanus																																																		
21. Bronchitis																																																		
22. Pneumonia																																																		
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System																																																		
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis																																																		
25. Puerperal Eclampsia																																																		
26. Puerperal Septicæmia																																																		
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28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth																																																		
29. Starvation																																																		
30. Accidents and Negligence																																																		
31. Homicide																																																		
32. Suicide																																																		
33. Execution																																																		
34. All Other Causes	12	5	2				2		1	2			3	2	2	3	1				4	5	5	2	3	2	4	1	4	1	4	2	6	8	129	111	59	33	30	18	7	3	1							

Table IV.—Number of Births and Deaths registered during the Month of February, 1925, 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 the corresponding Months of 1922-1924, in each Sanitary Ward of the City of Colombo.

Wards	Population (exclusive of the Military and Shipping) at the Census of March, 1921.	Population estimated to the middle of 1925 by intercensal increase.	Births.			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 Residents.	Deaths of Non-residents.	Birth-rate.*		Death-rate.*		Standard-Death-rate, Feb., 1925.†	Number registered during Feb., 1925.	Its proportion per 1,000 births registered during the Year ended last day of Feb., 1925.	Its proportion per annum per 1,000 births registered during the Year ended last day of Feb., 1925.
														Average for Feb., 1922-24.	Feb., 1925.	Average for Feb., 1922-24.	Feb., 1925.				
City of Colombo ..	224,163	256,049	416	384	800	19	29	48	349	314	663	108	555	40.73	30.32	28.26	30.40	32.54	153	191	274
Fort and Galle Face	2,680	2,821	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	2	—	1.59	9.24	12.43	—	—	—	—
Pettah ..	7,601	7,971	3	1	4	—	—	—	4	1	5	—	5	6.54	2.76	8.18	12.78	—	2	500	—
St. Paul's ..	23,395	24,534	21	25	46	—	1	1	19	13	32	—	32	24.44	20.77	17.00	29.76	—	11	239	353
San Sebastian ..	11,492	12,052	15	10	25	1	2	3	12	15	27	—	27	27.04	23.72	29.21	29.15	—	7	280	459
Kotahena North ..	18,683	19,595	23	18	41	—	1	1	22	15	37	—	37	27.28	28.04	24.02	28.56	—	11	268	342
Kotahena South ..	27,488	28,827	33	28	61	1	4	5	30	35	65	—	65	27.59	26.70	29.39	29.35	—	17	279	338
New Bazaar ..	23,341	24,477	39	34	73	—	2	2	31	22	53	—	53	38.88	21.37	28.23	26.39	—	15	205	353
Maradana Hospitals	—	—	144	150	294	9	10	19	131	101	232	93	139	—	—	—	—	—	36	—	—
Maradana North ..	30,404	31,878	39	36	75	3	1	4	25	30	55	—	55	30.67	21.42	22.49	20.88	—	21	280	368
Maradana East ..	8,593	9,011	4	10	14	—	2	2	12	8	20	—	20	20.25	24.26	28.93	21.40	—	7	500	461
Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals)	18,531	19,434	10	10	20	—	1	1	12	17	29	—	29	13.42	19.64	19.45	17.13	—	3	150	112
Slave Island ..	21,564	22,614	27	21	48	4	2	6	13	19	32	5	27	27.67	22.89	15.56	29.06	—	6	125	153
Kollupitiya ..	23,752	24,909	23	13	36	1	3	4	16	15	31	9	22	18.84	11.51	11.51	9.50	—	7	194	283
Wellawatta North..	15,816	16,586	18	17	35	—	—	—	11	15	26	1	25	27.51	24.23	19.65	24.85	—	4	114	140
Wellawatta South..	10,813	11,340	17	11	28	—	—	—	9	8	17	—	17	32.19	26.36	19.54	14.38	—	6	214	274

\* The city-rate is worked differently from the ward-rates, and takes into account events in hospitals, &c., not assigned to wards.  
 † Standardized death-rates for the wards of the city are not available.



Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1925, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo.

Causes of Deaths.	City of Colombo.			Wards.											
	M	F	Total.	Fort and Galle Face.		Pettah.		St. Paul's.		San Sebastian.		Kotahena North.		Kotahena South.	
				M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
All Causes .. .. .	349	314	663	2	—	4	1	19	13	12	15	22	15	30*	35
I.—Infantile Mortality .. .. .	88	70	158	—	—	2	—	7	4	4	3	7	4	9	8
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>															
1. Prematurity .. .. .	5	11	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility .. .. .	11	13	24	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	3
3. Convulsions .. .. .	3	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>															
1. Prematurity .. .. .	1	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Debility .. .. .	23	19	42	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	4	3
3. Convulsions .. .. .	17	5	22	—	—	—	—	2	2	3	1	—	—	—	4
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	8	4	12	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
8. Other Causes .. .. .	5*	6†	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) .. .. .	266	244	510	2	—	2	1	12	9	8	12	15	11	21	27
1. Plague .. .. .	4	3	7	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2. Smallpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
4. Measles .. .. .	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
5. Influenza .. .. .	7	3	10	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever .. .. .	—	7	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever .. .. .	18	19	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	2	2	2	4
8. Malaria .. .. .	3	1	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	14	6	20	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	3	1
11a. Enteritis .. .. .	8	5	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
12. Dysentery .. .. .	7	9	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2
13. Anchylostomiasis or Doohmius Duodenalis .. .. .	5	4	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer .. .. .	7	2	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
15. Phthisis .. .. .	27	24	51	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	1	2	1	3	2
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	2	4	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
17. Anæmia .. .. .	1	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	2	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions .. .. .	7	7	14	—	—	—	—	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—
20. Tetanus .. .. .	3	2	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	9	10	19	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	1
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	29	33	62	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	—	2	3	4
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. .. .	2	3	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	13	8	21	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	1	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. .. .	—	4	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	—	11	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
27. Miscarriage .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth .. .. .	—	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence .. .. .	4	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
31. Homicide .. .. .	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution .. .. .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes .. .. .	87‡	68§	155	1	—	—	—	4	—	2	4	4	3	5	11

\* Two deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Syphilis, Meningitis, and Nephritis.

† Two deaths from Influenza and 1 each from Enteric Fever, Tonsillitis, Nephritis, and Dermatitis.

‡ Here are included 13 deaths from Senility, 7 each from Meningitis, Paralysis, and Worms, 6 from Gangrene, 5 each from Diseases of the Liver and Debility.

§ Here are included 22 deaths from Senility, 8 from Paralysis, 7 from Heart Disease, 5 from Marasmus, and 3 from Debility.

Table V.—Causes of Deaths by Sex registered during the Month of February, 1925, in each Ward and of each Race in the City of Colombo—*continued.*

Causes of Deaths.	Wards.															
	New Bazaar.		Maradana Hos- pitals.		Maradana North.		Maradana East.		Maradana South (exclusive of Hospitals.)		Slave Island.		Kollupitiya.		Wellawatte North.	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
<b>All Causes .. .. .</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>I.—Infantile Mortality .. .. .</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<i>A.—One Week and under.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	1	—	3	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
2. Debility .. .. .	2	—	5	8	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Convulsions .. .. .	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. Other Causes .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>B.—Over 1 Week and under 1 Year.</i>																
1. Prematurity .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
2. Debility .. .. .	2	1	3	1	3	4	2	1	—	1	—	1	2	—	1	2
3. Convulsions .. .. .	1	—	—	—	5	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Diarrhoea .. .. .	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
4a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
5. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—
7. Pneumonia .. .. .	1	—	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
8. Other Causes .. .. .	2	1	—	1	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>II.—General Mortality (1 Year and Over) ..</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>
1. Plague .. .. .	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
2. Smallpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3. Chickenpox .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4. Measles .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5. Influenza .. .. .	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
6. Pyrexia or Fever .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. Enteric Fever .. .. .	3	1	7	4	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	—	1	3	1
8. Malaria .. .. .	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. Malarial Cachexia .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
10. Cholera .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. Diarrhoea .. .. .	1	—	6	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
11a. Enteritis .. .. .	—	1	2	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	1
12. Dysentery .. .. .	1	1	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	—	—
13. Anchylostomiasis or Dochmius Duo- denalis .. .. .	—	—	5	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
14. Cancer .. .. .	—	—	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15. Phthisis .. .. .	1	4	15	6	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	1	3	1	2	2
16. Other Tuberculous Diseases .. .. .	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—
17. Anæmia .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
18. Diabetes Mellitus .. .. .	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19. Convulsions .. .. .	—	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	—
20. Tetanus .. .. .	—	—	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21. Bronchitis .. .. .	—	—	1	4	—	1	1	—	2	—	1	1	2	1	—	—
22. Pneumonia .. .. .	2	1	13	13	1	2	2	—	2	—	2	2	—	2	1	1
23. Other Diseases of the Respiratory System .. .. .	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24. Bright's Disease and Nephritis .. .. .	1	—	8	5	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—
25. Puerperal Eclampsia .. .. .	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26. Puerperal Septicæmia .. .. .	—	—	6	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
27. Miscarriage .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28. Other undefined Accidents of Childbirth ..	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29. Starvation .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30. Accidents and Negligence .. .. .	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31. Homicide .. .. .	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32. Suicide .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33. Execution .. .. .	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34. All Other Causes .. .. .	6	9	41	18	5	5	3	2	6	5	5	5	2	3	1	2

