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REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 1899.

I.—Population.

1. The estimated population of the Island on the last day of the quarter was 3,469,224, an increase of 15,765 on the previous quarter, due to an excess of 9,271 births over deaths and a further excess of 6,494 of arrivals compared with departures of Indian coolies. Table I, in the appendix gives the area of each Province and district of the Island with its estimated population and the number of marriages, births, and deaths registered in the quarter.

2. *Arrivals and Departures of Indian Coolies.*—The number of Indian coolies who arrived in the Island (23,426) was nearly the same as the average for the corresponding quarter in the last five years (23,599), while the number of departures (16,932) was about 5 per cent. below the average (17,777). The excess of arrivals over departures was 6,494, while the corresponding period of 1894 to 1898 showed an average excess of 5,822 of arrivals over departures.

II.—Marriages.

3. *Marriages.*—The number of general marriages (*i.e.*, marriages other than Kandyan or Mohammedan) registered in this quarter was 4,902, and of Kandyan marriages 7,306.

An unusually large number of Kandyan marriages was registered in the quarter. The Kandyans seldom register their marriages, except under official pressure; and the increase this quarter was due to the special exertions of the Acting Government Agent of Kandy.

Table VI, in the appendix shows the marriages solemnized among the general community in each Province and district of the Island, the civil condition, nationality, the highest, lowest, and mean ages of the parties, the mode of solemnization, the number of bridegrooms and brides who were unable to sign their names in the register, &c.

Table VII, in the appendix gives similar information in respect of the Kandyans.

4. *First Marriages; Re-marriages.*—Of the 4,902 general marriages, 4,287 (equal to 87 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 387 between widowers and spinsters, 152 between bachelors and widows, 70 between widowers and widows, 3 between bachelors and divorced women, 2 between widowers and divorced women, and 1 between a divorced man and a spinster. Of the 7,306 Kandyan marriages, 5,719 (equal to 78 per cent.) were between bachelors and spinsters, 686 between widowers and spinsters, 374 between bachelors and widows, 256 between widowers and widows, 137 between divorced men and spinsters, 68 between bachelors and divorced women, 31 between widowers and divorced women, 21 between divorced men and divorced women, and 14 between divorced men and widows.

5. *Age at Marriage.*—The mean age at marriage for the general community was 28·7 for males and 22·0 for females, and for Kandyans 27·5 for males and 21·3 for females.

6. *Minors.*—In the general community 4 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 44 per cent. of the brides, and amongst the Kandyans 9 per cent. of the bridegrooms and 48 per cent. of the brides, were under 21 years of age.

7. *Mixed Marriages.*—There were 36 mixed marriages in the quarter: 2 between Europeans and Burghers, 9 between Burghers and Sinhalese, 4 between Burghers and Tamils, 19 between Sinhalese and Tamils, and 2 other mixed marriages.

8. *Signature in Marriage Register.*—Of the 9,804 persons married among the general community this quarter, 1,573 men and 4,012 women signed the register with marks; that is to say, 68 per cent. of the men and 18 per cent. of the women were able to write their names. Of the 14,612 persons married among the Kandyans, 3,125 men and 6,982 women signed the register with marks, *i.e.*, 57 per cent. of the men and 4 per cent. of the women were able to write their names.

III.—Births and Deaths.

9. *Births.*—The births registered in the quarter numbered 32,720 (70 Europeans, 213 Burghers, 24,484 Sinhalese, 5,779 Tamils, 2,025 Moors, 104 Malays, and 45 others), and were in the proportion of 40·7 to 1,000 persons living per annum, as against 36·6, the average for the corresponding period in the ten years 1889–98, and 49·5, the rate in the fourth quarter of last year.

10. *Deaths.*—The deaths registered in the quarter numbered 23,449 (36 Europeans, 131 Burghers, 14,788 Sinhalese, 6,719 Tamils, 1,653 Moors, 81 Malays, and 41 others), and corresponded to an annual rate of 29·2 per 1,000, as against 27·2, the average in the ten preceding fourth quarters, and 35·7 in the fourth quarter of last year.

11. The births and deaths and their rates in this quarter are compared in the following statement with the results obtained in the previous quarter, the fourth quarter of last year, and the average for the fourth quarter in the years 1891 to 1898; and it will be seen that the birth-rate (40·7) has risen 4 per 1,000 and the death-rate (29·2) 2 per 1,000 over their averages (36·6 and 27·2 respectively) for the quarter for 10 years, though less than in the corresponding quarter of 1898. The difference is due to improved registration since 1897.

TABLE A.

	Births.	Deaths.	Per Mille per Annum.	
			Birth-rate.	Death-rate.
Average of ten previous fourth quarters in 1889-98 ...	28,224	20,882	36·6	27·2
Fourth quarter of 1898 ...	39,398	28,397	49·5	35·7
Third quarter of 1899 ...	29,557	22,968	36·9	28·6
Fourth quarter of 1899 ...	32,720	23,449	40·7	29·2

12. Table II. gives information similar to A in regard to each Province and district; Table I. gives the births and deaths according to sex, with the marriages, population, and area of each Province and district; Table VIII., the births according to nationality and sex; Table IX., the deaths for each month of the quarter according to nationality in each Province and district. The causes of deaths are shown in Table X. for each district; and in Table XI. for the estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province; and in Table XII. for the town of Colombo according to wards and nationalities. Table XIII. shows the period of life at which the deaths of various races occurred in each district.

13. *Sex.*—Of the total number of births (32,720), 16,787 were males and 15,933 females, i.e., 105 males to 100 females. Of the total number of deaths (23,449), 12,044 were males and 11,405 were females. Out of equal numbers living of each sex, there died 935 males to 1,000 females.

14. *Infant Mortality.*—The deaths of infants under one year numbered 6,155, and were in the proportion of 188 to 1,000 births. The rate of infant mortality varied in different districts from 568 (for Tamils) in I'nttalam, 442 (for Moors) in Puttalam, 369 (for Tamils) in Trincomalee, 365 (for Sinhalese) in Puttalam, 363 (for Tamils) in Mannar, 259 (for Sinhalese) in Kurunegala, and 255 (for Sinhalese) in Matale, to 193 (for Sinhalese) in Kandy, 173 (for Sinhalese) in Kegalla, 156 (for Sinhalese) in Nuwara Eliya, 156 (for Sinhalese) in Hambantota, 144 (for Sinhalese) in Galle, 125 (for Sinhalese) in Colombo, 124 (for Sinhalese) in Matara, 120 (for Sinhalese) in Kalutara, and 114 (for Sinhalese) in Negombo.

15. *Centenarians.*—Thirty-four deaths (14 males and 20 females) were reported to be of centenarians, but the ages reported cannot be relied on.

IV.—STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

16. The general health of the population during the quarter was not bad, the slight increase in the death-rate from 27·2 to 29·2 being the result of improved registration.

17. Tables III., IV., and V. in the appendix show the births and deaths, the birth-rates and the death-rates for all ages and for infants in the several Provinces and districts of the Island, and in the revenue subdivisions of those districts for the quarter under review, for the preceding quarter, and for the corresponding quarter of last year, and the average rate for the corresponding period in the last eight years 1891-98. The rates shown are for the Sinhalese only in the districts which are mainly inhabited by the Sinhalese, and for the Tamils only where the Tamils form the bulk of the population. These separate rates furnish more trustworthy data for comparing the relative sanitary condition of those districts and subdivisions of the Island than if the rates included other nationalities temporarily resident in them. In the Puttalam District, where the Sinhalese and Mohammedans are found in almost equal numbers, and in the Batticaloa District, which is inhabited almost in equal numbers by Tamils and Mohammedans, the rates are given for the principal sections of the population.

18. Judged by the mortality of the indigenous population, the healthiest Province in the quarter was the Western (19·1); the healthiest district Negombo (16·7); and the healthiest subdivision Siyane korale (12·1).

19. *Western Province.*—As usual, the Western Province ranks as the healthiest Province in the Island. The Sinhalese mortality of this Province, which contains about a third of the entire Sinhalese population of the Island, was at the annual rate of 19·1 per 1,000 as against 18·0, the average for the fourth quarter in the years 1891-98. This slight increase in the death-rate was probably due less to altered sanitary conditions than to improved registration.

20. In the Colombo District the mortality was in the proportion of 18·2 deaths to a thousand of the estimated population, as against an average of 17·4. Of its subdivisions, Siyane and Hewagam korales fared better, and the others worse than usual. In Siyane korale, which is the largest division in the Province and the most populous in the Island, and contains an agricultural population, the death-rate was as low as 12·1, the lowest rate recorded for the quarter. The good sanitary condition of this division is further evidenced by its low rate of infantile deaths (78 per 1,000 registered births). In Hewagam korale there was an appreciable improvement in the death-rate (14·7, as against an average of 18·0). The Colombo Municipality was, as usual, the unhealthiest division in the district, with a death-rate of 34·5, as against an average of 32·5, and is considered at greater length in another part of the report (chapter VII.).

21. The Negombo District, the healthiest in the Island, enjoyed better health than usual, with a mortality rate of 16·7, as against 18·3 in the corresponding quarter of last year and an average of 17·9. Hapitigam korale is the only division in this district with an enhanced death-rate (19·7, as against 17·1), while the other two divisions, Alutkuru korale north (13·3) and the Negombo Local Board division (34·9), both show improved rates.

22. In the Kalutara District deaths were in the proportion of 23·1 per 1,000, an increase of 4 per 1,000 compared with the average (19·2). Every division in the district contributed to this increase, notably Pasdun korale, whose death-rate (29·2) is over 10 per 1,000 in excess of its average (18·9).

23. *Central Province.*—The health of the Sinhalese population in the Central Province was satisfactory, the deaths recorded corresponding to an annual rate of 29·3, or 3·4 per 1,000 less than the average rate 32·7. All the districts shared in the improvement.

24. In the Kandy District the Sinhalese death-rate was equal to 28·5 per 1,000, as against 42·9 in the fourth quarter of last year and 29·4 the average for the corresponding period in 1891-98. Of the ten subdivisions of this district, seven fared better than usual, the exceptions being the Kandy Municipality, Uda Nuwara, and Udapalata. The healthiest division, and that in which the greatest improvement is noticeable, was Pata Hewaheta, where the death-rate declined to 15·5 from an average of 26·2. The unhealthiest division was, as usual, the Kandy Municipality, where the death-rate was as high as 45·4, or nearly double the average (23·8). Uda Dumbara had a mortality rate of 34·7, Yatinuwara 30·8, and Tumpane 30·7. The mortality rate of the estate Tamil population of this district (numbering 110,000) was 32·4.

25. In the Matale District there was an appreciable improvement in the Sinhalese death-rate for the quarter (35·4), being 9 per 1,000 less than the average (44·2), and less than half the rate for the corresponding period of last year (84·6), when, owing to an epidemic of fever and dysentery, the mortality was abnormally high. This improvement was shared by every division without exception. In the Matale north division the death-rate (37·0) was about one-third of that of the corresponding quarter of last year (108·4) and 5 per 1,000 less than the average (42·7). Among the estate population of the Matale District, estimated at 16,786, deaths were in the proportion of 43·5 per 1,000.

26. Nuwara Eliya District was the healthiest in the Province, with a Sinhalese death-rate of 24·7, as against an average of 30·8 for the corresponding period of 1891–98, and an estate Tamil mortality rate 17·0. With the single exception of the town division, where the mortality rose to 43·6 from 20·1, all other divisions showed diminished rates. The healthiest division was Kotmale (21·1, as against 26·7), but the greatest improvement was in Walapane (27·4, as against 35·4).

27. *Northern Province.*—The death-rate of this Province (32·2), though less than that in the corresponding quarter of the previous year (34·5), is 7 per 1,000 higher than the average (25·0). Jaffna and Mannar Districts both shared in the unhealthiness, while the Mullaittivu District showed a slight improvement.

28. In the Jaffna District, which contains more than nine-tenths of the provincial population, the deaths corresponded to an annual rate of 31·6, a rise of 34 per cent. on the average (23·5). All the subdivisions had increased death-rates, except Punikari, of which, however, the population is too small to yield trustworthy rates for purposes of comparison. In the Jaffna division there was a marked decline in health, the death-rate rising to 41·8 from its average 25·9. The death-rate of this division has been unusually high since the first quarter of 1899, when the death-rate rose as high as 61·3 owing to a severe epidemic of fever and pneumonia caused by heavy rains. The other divisions in which there was an appreciable rise in the mortality rates were Valikamam east to 27·1 from 19·8, Valikamam north to 29·5 from 21·7, Vadamaradchi west to 28·5 from 22·7, and Tenmaradchi to 36·4 from 26·5.

29. The death-rate of the Mannar District rose 31 per cent., from its average 29·8 to 38·9. The Mannar Island division, which usually is the healthiest in the district, ranked in the quarter (as in the preceding one) as the unhealthiest, with a death-rate of 49·4 per 1,000, which is nearly double its average (25·8). The death-rate of Nanaddan rose 25 per cent. over its average, while Mautai division experienced normal health.

30. The Mullaittivu District appears to have fared somewhat better than usual, its death-rate 41·5 showing a diminution of 2 per 1,000 compared with the average (43·5), and a great deal better than in the immediately preceding quarter (46·1) and in the corresponding quarter of the preceding year (49·1). The improvement in health was shared by all its divisions, except Kilakkumulai, the unhealthiest division in the quarter, where the death-rate rose to 53·5 from an average of 35·6.

31. *Southern Province.*—The Southern Province enjoyed good health during the quarter. The death-rate for the quarter (25·7) was almost the same as in the corresponding quarter of last year (25·2), but an improvement on the average (26·5). This improvement was confined to the Matura and Hambantota Districts.

32. In the Galle District the deaths were equal to an annual rate of 29·3, as against an average of 26·5, a deterioration shared by every division, except Gangaboda pattu, which experienced its normal health (25·5, as against 25·6). In the division of Four Gravets beyond Municipal limits and Akminama, usually the healthiest in the district, the death-rate increased 10 per 1,000 from 18·4 to 28·3. The mortality of the subdivisions varied from 25·5 in Gangaboda pattu to 26·9 in Walallawiti korale, 29·1 in Talpe pattu, 30·2 in Hinidum pattu, and 33·4 in Wellaboda pattu.

33. The health of the Matara District in the quarter was satisfactory, the mortality rate having declined to 22·6 from an average of 25·6. Five of the seven divisions in the district shared in the improvement, the exceptions being the Local Board division (37·3, as against 32·9) and Morowala korale (35·6, as against 34·2). The healthiest division in the district was Four Gravets beyond Local Board limits, as usual one of the healthiest divisions in the Island, with a death-rate of 14·9 for all ages and an infantile rate of 76, while the unhealthiest was the Local Board division (37·3).

34. In the Hambantota District, too, there was an improvement in health, the death-rate falling to 23·1 from an average of 28·1. The improvement extended to every one of the divisions, of which Giruwa pattu east (17·9) was the healthiest, and Magam pattu, exclusive of Four Gravets (38·3), the unhealthiest.

35. *Eastern Province.*—The health of the Tamils in the Eastern Province was unsatisfactory, their death-rate rising to 33·2 from an average of 29·5. This increase, though shared by both the districts, was in great measure due to the Trincomalee District.

36. In the Batticaloa District the increase in the Tamil death-rate (30·8) was 2·9 per 1,000, while the Moorish rate presented an increase of 2·6 per 1,000. Of its divisions, Chammanturai and Nadukadu fared badly, and its death-rates for the Tamils as well as for the Moors rose from averages of 22·2 and 23·3 to 26·9 and 38·0 respectively. In Eruvil, Porativu, and Karavaku division, too, both these sections of the population experienced worse health than usual. The Moorish death-rate of this division was 24·3 and the Tamil 30·3, as against averages of 20·9 and 28·8 respectively. In the Eravur, Rukam, and Koralai division the Moors (19·5, as against the average 28·0) experienced better, and the Tamils (32·0, against the average 25·0) worse, health than usual. In Manmunai pattu (exclusive of the Local Board), on the other hand, the Tamils fared better and the Moors worse than usual (their death-rates being 30·8 and 31·7 respectively, against averages of 31·4 and 26·7). In the Local Board division the Tamil death-rate (36·8) was more than double the average (17·5).

37. In the Trincomalee District there was a marked falling off in health, the death-rate 45·0 being 24 per cent. higher than the average 36·2, and every division without exception showed a considerably increased death-rate.

38. *North-Western Province.*—The rate of mortality among the Sinhalese in the North-Western Province was equal to 30·2 per 1,000 of the estimated population, while the average for the quarter was 32·2 and the rate for the corresponding quarter of last year 57·7, an improvement for which the Kurunegala District was solely responsible, the other two districts of this Province having fared worse than usual.

39. In the Kurunegala District the Sinhalese death-rate fell to 33·2 from 36·0, the average for the quarter, and from 60·8, the rate in the corresponding quarter of 1898. To this improvement the majority of its subdivisions contributed, the exceptions being the Kurunegala Local Board, of which the rate is usually high and, owing to the scantiness of its population, untrustworthy, and Dambadeni hatpattu, where the increase in the rate is but slight. The healthiest division in the district was Katugampola hatpattu (20·0), which is also the most populous division in the district.

40. The health of the Puttalam District, for which statistics are separately given for Sinhalese, Tamils, and Mohammedans, was not good. The death-rate for all races was 47·8, an increase of over 10 per 1,000 compared with the average (37·1); and every section of the population fared worse than usual. The Sinhalese mortality rate of this district was 42·2, the Tamil rate 57·0, and the Moorish rate 47·5, as against averages of 39·5, 42·8, and 34·4, respectively.

41. In the Chilaw District, which was in the quarter the second healthiest district in the Island, there were 17·5 deaths to a thousand of the estimated population, the annual average for the quarter being 16·7. In Pitigal korale north the death-rate declined to 19·0 from an average of 27·8 and in Chilaw town to 24·3 from 26·0, while in Pitigal korale south and central there was an increase in the death-rate from 14·7 to 17·1.

42. *North-Central Province.*—The North-Central Province, though not so healthy as usual, was healthier than in the corresponding quarter of last year. In the quartor under report the deaths were equal to an annual rate of 38·3, as against 56·6 in the fourth quarter of 1898 and 36·0, the average for the corresponding quarter in the eight years 1891–98. Every division in this Province showed a lower mortality rate than in the corresponding quarter of last year, but the only division which had a lower rate than the average was Tamankaduwa palata (43·3, as against 55·9).

43. *Province of Uva.*—The mortality among the Sinhalese population of this Province was in the proportion of 49·1 per 1,000. This, though a slight rise on its average (47·9), compares favourably with the rate in the corresponding quarter of last year (58·4). The healthiest division in the quarter was Udukin la (25·2, against 30·7), and the unhealthiest Buttala (73·9), an increase of more than 22 per 1,000 over its average (51·7). Five of the eight subdivisions of this Province showed enhanced death-rates. The exceptions were Yatikinda (36·8, as against 41·7), Wellawaya (51·9, as against 60·0), and Udukinda already noticed above. Deaths among the estate Tamil population of this Province, estimated at 34,870, were equal to an annual rate of 21·6 per 1,000.

44. *Province of Sabaragamuwa.*—The health of the Province of Sabaragamuwa was good, the Sinhalese death-rate for the quarter (28·4) being less than the average (29·3), as well as the rate for the corresponding quarter of last year (33·9). This improvement, however, was confined to the Ratnapura District, the Kegalla District showing a slight decline.

45. In the Ratnapura District the Sinhalese mortality rate was 31·1 as against an average of 35·6, and seven of the eight divisions in the Province shared in the improvement. The exception was Kuruwiti korale, with a death-rate of 29·0 as against an average of 27·9. In this district the lowest death-rate was in Kukulu korale (25·1), and the highest in Meda korale (39·9). Among the estate Tamils the mortality rate was 31·5, as against an average of 39·6.

46. In the Kegalla District the Sinhalese death-rate rose from an average of 24·1 to 26·3, which however was an improvement on the rate for the corresponding quarter of last year (29·6). The majority of the subdivisions of this district had higher rates than their averages. The healthiest division in the district was Atulugam korale (20·6), and the unhealthiest Kinigoda korale (41·6). To every thousand of the estate Tamils in this district, which is estimated to contain nearly 34,000, there were 29·8 deaths, as against an average of 31·0.

V.—Causes of Deaths.

47. The causes of deaths registered during the quarter are given in Table X., and are summarized below :—

TABLE B.

District.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Diarrhoea & Dysentery.	Violence.				All other Causes.	Total.
					Accident.	Suicide.	Homicide	Execution.		
CEYLON ...	—	16	5,120	4,904	339	24	40	8	12,998	23,449
Colombo	—	9	442	441	27	4	7	4	1,690	2,624
Negombo	—	—	192	75	13	2	3	—	367	652
Kalutara	—	—	251	244	19	4	4	—	824	1,346
Kandy	—	7	203	732	33	4	4	1	1,494	2,478
Matale	—	—	218	129	13	—	1	—	411	772
Nuwara Eliya	—	—	41	233	13	—	2	—	370	659
Jaffna	—	—	1,012	256	19	1	—	2	1,125	2,415
Mannar	—	—	55	45	5	—	—	—	132	237
Mullaithivu	—	—	54	23	—	1	—	—	63	141
Galle	—	—	281	449	23	2	3	1	1,062	1,821
Matara	—	—	133	340	22	—	1	—	645	1,141
Hambantota	—	—	245	88	9	3	1	—	197	543
Batticaloa	—	—	400	238	9	—	—	—	394	1,041
Trincomalee	—	—	59	57	3	—	—	—	161	280
Kurunegala	—	—	461	229	35	—	5	—	1,239	1,969
Puttalam	—	—	95	46	3	1	—	—	157	302
Chilaw	—	—	75	21	6	—	2	—	210	314
Anuradhapura	—	—	265	111	8	—	—	—	341	725
Badulla	—	—	368	562	21	1	—	—	882	1,834
Ratnapura	—	—	137	284	44	—	2	—	480	947
Kegalla	—	—	133	301	14	1	5	—	754	1,208

48. *Fever and Diarrhoeal Diseases.*—Of the 23,449 deaths registered in the quarter, 5,120 were reported as due to various forms of fever and 4,904 to diarrhoeal diseases, i.e., fever and diarrhoeal diseases caused 43 per cent. of the total number of deaths.

49. There were no deaths registered from cholera this quarter. Sixteen deaths were attributed to smallpox, of which 9 were in Colombo and 7 in Kandy (see paragraph 75 below for further particulars as to the Colombo cases). Five deaths resulted from chickenpox and 13 from measles. Whooping cough was the cause of 30 deaths (10 each in Galle and Jaffna, 4 in Kalutara, 2 each in Colombo and Mullaithivu, and 1 each in Kurunegala and Badulla). Three deaths occurred from diphtheria and 26 from influenza (6 in Nuwara Eliya, 4 each in Colombo, Kandy, and Galle, 2 each in Kalutara and Matara, and 1 each in Kurunegala, Badulla, Ratnapura, and Kegalla).

50. The other chief natural causes of death were infantile convulsions 2,431, debility 1,036, phthisis 794, general dropsy 647, anaemia 608, pneumonia 598, worms 552, old age 440, malarial cachexia 299 (86 in Kandy, 39 in Matale, 34 in Kalutara, 27 in Kegalla, 21 each in Colombo and Kurunegala, 16 in Badulla, 12 in Trincomalee, 9 each in Galle and Batticaloa, 7 in Mannar, 5 in Ratnapura, 4 in Negombo, 3 each in Jaffna and Puttalam, 2 in Chilaw, and 1 in Matara), puerperal convulsions 257, childbirth 253, premature birth 242 (125 in Badulla, 35 in Colombo, 17 in Kandy, 10 in Galle, 9 each in Nuwara Eliya and Jaffna, 8 in Ratnapura, 6 in Matara, 5 each in Kurunegala and

Kegalla, 4 each in Kalutara and Matale, 3 in Negombo, and 2 in Hambantota), thrush 202, remittent fever 202, rheumatism 177, bronchitis 141, dochmias duodenalis 75 (22 in Kandy, 18 in Colombo, 10 in Ratnapura, 8 in Kegalla, 5 in Chilaw, 3 each in Jaffna and Kurunegala, and 1 each in Matale, Nuwara Eliya, Galle, Matara, Hambantota, and Badulla), parangi 28 (12 in Kurunegala, 4 in Batticaloa, 3 in Hambantota, 2 in Kegalla, and 1 each in Colombo, Negombo, Matale, Mullaithivu, Trincomalee, Puttalam, and Badulla), and hydrophobia 19.

51. *Accidents.*—Of the 339 deaths attributed to accidents, 73 were reported as due to drowning, 70 to fall from trees, 46 to snake-bite, 34 to injury at birth, 21 to fall of heavy substance, 20 to gunshot wounds, 18 to burns and scalds, 12 to poison, and 7 to falls from heights other than trees. Six deaths were caused by hornet stings, 2 by wasp stings, 1 by a rat-bite, 1 by a buffalo, 1 by a bull, 1 by an alligator, 2 by elephants, 1 by a deer, and 1 by a dog. Two persons were killed by lightning, 1 by sunstroke, 1 by a railway train, 3 by carts, and 1 by a tram car. Four deaths resulted from falls into pits.

52. *Suicide.*—Twenty-four deaths (1 European, 1 Burgher, 17 Sinhalese, and 5 Tamils) were attributed to suicide. Of these, 11 were by hanging, 4 by poison, 4 by drowning, 2 by gunshot wounds.

53. *Homicide.*—As many as 40 deaths were attributed to murder and other forms of homicide (30 Sinhalese, 8 Tamils, 1 Burgher, and 1 other). Of these, 7 occurred in Colombo, 5 each in Kegalla and Kurunegala, 4 each in Kalutara and Kandy, 3 each in Galle and Negombo, 2 each in Nuwara Eliya, Chilaw, and Ratnapura, and 1 each in Matale, Matara, and Hambantota.

54. *Execution.*—Eight men (4 Sinhalese and 4 Tamils) were judicially executed, 4 in Colombo, 2 in Jaffna, and 1 each in Kandy and Galle.

VI.—Health of the Estate Population.

55. The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province, was 1,958 (of which 7 were Europeans, 2 Burghers, 66 Sinhalese, 1,855 Tamils, 21 Moors, 1 Malay, and 6 others), and the total number of deaths was 2,215 (1 European, 31 Sinhalese, 2,156 Tamils, 22 Moors, and 5 others), corresponding respectively to an annual birth-rate of 24·4 and a death-rate of 28·3 per 1,000. The causes of death are given in detail in Table XI., and may be summarized as follows:—

TABLE C.

Dysentery ...	... 395	Pneumonia ...	... 123	Bronchitis ...	... 33
General debility	... 383	Dropsy ...	... 95	Childbirth ...	... 31
Diarrhoea ...	... 377	Infantile convulsions ...	... 94	Other causes	... 297
Malarial cachexia	... 149	Old age ...	... 64		
Fever ...	... 142	Dochmias duodenalis ...	... 32		

56. The following Table D gives the estimated population of estate Tamils in each district, its birth- and death-rates for the fourth quarters of 1899 and 1898, the third quarter of 1899, and the average of the fourth quarters in 1891–98:—

TABLE D.

District.	Population.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			
		Average of 4th Quarters, 1891–98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.	Average of 4th Quarters, 1891–98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.
Kandy ...	... 110,547	27·2	24·9	27·2	28·8	29·1	35·2	33·0	32·4
Matale ...	... 16,786	28·3	25·1	21·8	26·7	33·2	60·9	41·2	43·5
Nuwara Eliya	... 79,277	28·7	21·4	22·7	17·1	26·0	28·3	22·4	17·0
Badulla ...	... 34,870	39·4	41·3	36·5	28·9	37·8	40·6	31·5	21·6
Ratnapura	... 10,962	36·1	27·5	28·8	33·7	39·6	54·6	37·2	31·5
Kegalla ...	... 33,885	18·8	27·4	23·9	19·3	31·0	49·8	49·2	29·8
Colombo ...	... 4,969	17·1	14·7	13·4	18·4	63·0	63·0	80·3	43·9
Kalutara ...	... 10,515	11·4	20·3	20·9	24·1	40·7	68·2	45·7	54·3
Total ...	301,811	29·0	25·3	25·9	24·4	33·7	38·8	33·7	28·3

57. *Kandy District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Kandy District was 847 (of which 801 were Tamils, 26 Sinhalese, 10 Moors, 4 Europeans, 2 Burghers, and 4 others), and the deaths numbered 935 (of which 902 were Tamils, 19 Sinhalese, 9 Moors, 1 European, and 4 others). The Tamil birth-rate in the quarter was equal to 29·8, as against a mean rate of 27·2 in the fourth quarter of 1891–98; and the Tamil death-rate was equal to 32·4 per cent. as against 29·1, the mean rate for the corresponding period of 1891–98. As usual, the most fatal causes were diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 315 deaths (152 from diarrhoea and 163 from dysentery), or nearly 34 per cent. of the total number of deaths (935). The other chief causes of death were debility 188 (mostly deaths of infants from inability to suck milk), malarial cachexia 73, infantile convulsions 53, fevers 46, general dropsy 33, pneumonia 32, old age 21, dochmias duodenalis 20, bronchitis 17, worms 14, and phthisis 9.

58. *Matale District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Matale District was 121 (113 Tamils, 4 Sinhalese, and 4 Moors), and the deaths numbered 188 (184 Tamils, 3 Moors, and 1 Sinhalese), and corresponded to an annual birth-rate of 26·7 against a mean rate of 28·3 for the corresponding period of 1891–98, and a death-rate of 43·5 against a mean rate of 33·2 in the fourth quarters of 1891–98. Dysentery and diarrhoea caused 55 deaths, i.e., nearly 29 per cent. of the total number of deaths (188), malarial cachexia 30, fevers 23, pneumonia 22, general dropsy 13, debility 13, and old age 7.

59. *Nuwara Eliya District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Nuwara Eliya District was 359 (14 Sinhalese, 342 Tamils, 2 Moors, and 1 Malay), and the deaths numbered 349 (6 Sinhalese, 339 Tamils, and 4 Moors), and corresponded to an annual birth-rate of 17·1 against a mean rate of 28·7 in the fourth quarters of 1891–98, and a death-rate of 17·0 as against a mean rate of 26·0. Here, as elsewhere, the diarrhoeal diseases were responsible for the majority of deaths, the total number attributed to these causes being 132, that is, nearly 38 per cent. of the total number (349). 80 deaths were attributed to debility, 27 to pneumonia, 17 to general dropsy, 16 to fevers, 15 to old age, 11 to convulsions, and 7 to bronchitis.

60. *Badulla District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Badulla District was 260 (254 Tamils, 4 Sinhalese, and 2 Europeans), and the deaths numbered 190 (all Tamils), and corresponded to an annual birth-rate of 28·9 as against a mean rate of 39·4 in the corresponding period of 1891–98, and a death-rate of 21·6 as against a mean rate of 37·8. Diarrhoea and dysentery were fatal in 52 cases, i.e., 27 per cent. of the total number of deaths (190), debility in 54, pneumonia in 15, fevers in 14, general dropsy in 9, convulsions in 7, bronchitis in 5, and malarial cachexia in 5.

61. *Ratnapura District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Ratnapura District was 98 (93 Tamils, 3 Sinhalese, 1 Moor, and 1 other), and the deaths numbered 87 (all Tamils), and corresponded respectively to an annual birth-rate among the Tamils of 33·7 and a death-rate of 31·5, as against averages of 36·1 and 39·6 respectively. The most fatal causes were as usual diarrhoeal diseases, which caused 34 deaths (17 from diarrhoea and 17 from dysentery), or nearly 40 per cent. of the total number of deaths (87). The other chief natural causes were debility 10, infantile convulsions 7, dochmias duodenalis 6, fevers 5, and old age 3.

62. *Kegalla District.*—The total number of births registered from the estates of Kegalla District numbered 185 (165 Tamils, 14 Sinhalese, 4 Moors, 1 European, and 1 other), and the deaths numbered 266 (255 Tamils, 6 Moors, 4 Sinhalese, and 1 other), and corresponded to an annual birth-rate of 19·3 as against 18·8, the average for the corresponding period of 1891–98, and a death-rate of 29·8 as against the mean rate of 31·0. The largest number of deaths in this district, as elsewhere, was due to diarrhoeal diseases, to which 109 deaths, i.e., nearly 41 per cent., were attributed. The other principal causes were debility 24, malarial cachexia 23, fevers 20, infantile convulsions 12, old age 12, pneumonia 10, general dropsy 9, and dochmias duodenalis 6.

63. *Colombo District.*—The total number of births reported for registration from the estates in the Colombo District, by which is meant the Avisawella division of the district, was 23 (all Tamils), and the number of deaths was 55 (all Tamils), and corresponded to an annual birth-rate of 18·4 and a death-rate of 43·9 as against averages 17·1 and 63·0 respectively. The birth- and death-rates among the Sinhalese inhabitants of the division were 36·1 and 14·7 respectively. Diarrhoea and dysentery were fatal in 25 cases, i.e., 46 per cent. of the total number of deaths. Ten deaths were attributed to fevers, 3 to worms, 3 to debility, and 2 to dropsy.

64. *Kalutara District.*—The total number of births registered from the estates of this district numbered 65 (64 Tamils and 1 Sinhalese), and the births numbered 145 (144 Tamils and 1 Sinhalese), corresponding to an annual birth-rate of 24·1 and a death-rate of 54·3, as against the averages 11·4 and 40·7 respectively. Diarrhoea and dysentery were fatal in 50 cases. 16 deaths were attributed to malarial cachexia, 13 to pneumonia, 11 to debility, 10 to general dropsy, 8 to fevers, and 5 to old age.

VII.—Health of the Town of Colombo.

65. The deaths registered in the town of Colombo during the quarter numbered 1,177. This, added to six deaths of town residents which occurred in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town), and were registered by an extra urban registrar, makes a total of 1,183, corresponding to an annual rate of 32·7 per 1,000, being a decline of 7 per cent. compared with the mean rate for the fourth quarter in the last six years (35·0).

66. The births registered in the quarter numbered 964, representing an annual rate of 26·6 per 1,000, which is an increase of 16 per cent. on the mean rate for the fourth quarter in the last six years (22·9).

67. As usual, the death-rate exceeded the birth-rate, due mainly to the preponderance of males over females (chiefly among Europeans and Indian Tamils and Mohammedans), to the presence of hospitals, which add to the normal mortality of the town, and to the registration of births, though considerably improved of late, being not yet satisfactory.

68. The subjoined Table E gives the births and deaths and their rates for each nationality in the fourth quarter of this year and the average rates for the fourth quarter in 1887–92 and in 1893–98:—

TABLE E.

Nationality.	Population at the Census of 1891.	Births.			Deaths.			Birth-rate per 1,000 per Annum.		Death-rate per 1,000 per Annum.			
		Average of Fourth Quarters, 1887–92.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1893–98.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1887–92.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1893–98.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1887–92.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1893–98.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1887–92.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1893–98.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.
ALL RACES ...	127836	562	791	964	655	1,209	*1,183	17·7	22·9	26·6	20·6	35·0	32·7
Europeans, including the													
Military...	2,239	10	19	33	9	18	24	17·7	33·7	58·5	15·6	31·9	42·5
Burghers ...	10,674	34	55	133	23	75	79	12·8	20·4	49·4	8·8	27·9	29·4
Sinhalese ...	59,962	233	340	452	245	549	522	15·9	22·5	29·9	16·6	36·3	34·5
Tamils ...	24,372	31	61	107	112	264	278	5·1	9·9	17·4	18·2	43·0	45·3
Moors ...	24,428	230	273	187	231	238	231	37·4	44·3	30·4	37·6	38·7	37·5
Malays ...	3,437	17	33	40	22	36	28	20·3	38·1	46·2	25·4	41·6	32·3
Others ...	2,724	7	10	12	13	29	21	10·9	14·6	17·5	20·8	42·2	30·6

* Including six deaths of town residents which occurred at the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town limits).

69. The birth- and death-rates given in the above table for the Europeans, Malays, and "Others" are not reliable, owing chiefly to their population being too small for purposes of rate calculation.

70. The lowest death-rate was, as usual, among the Burghers (29·4, against an average of 27·9 in 1893–98), and the highest among the Tamils (45·3, against an average of 43·0). The Sinhalese death-rate (34·5) shows a decline of 2 per 1,000 and the Moorish death-rate (37·5) of 1 per 1,000 as compared with the average.

71. All nationalities, except Moors, show largely improved birth-rates, the Burghers (49·4) more than double and the Tamils (17·4) nearly double, their averages 20·4 and 9·9 respectively. The Moorish birth-rate shows a decline of 31 per cent. (from an average of 44·3 in 1893-98 to 30·4 this quarter).

72. The number of births and deaths of the different races in the different wards of the town, their rates per 1,000, the principal zymotic causes of death, &c., during the fourth quarter of 1899 are shown in the following Table:—

TABLE F.

Name of Ward.	Population at Census of 1891.	Births.										Deaths.										Annual Rate per 1,000.										
		Total Births.		Class.								Total Deaths.		Class.																		
		Persons.	Males.	Females.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	Cholera.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Fever.	Pectenitis Duodenalis	Diarrhoea and Dysentery.	Homicide.	Suicide.	Execution.		
Colombo Town...	127836	964	489	475	83	133	452	107	187	40	12	1183	640	543	24	79	522	278	231	28	21	—	110	18	214	12	5	1	—	26·6	32·7	325
Fort & Galle Face	2541	4	2	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	12	—	6	1	—	1	2	—	2	—	—	3	—	1	3	—	1	6·2	18·7	—
Pettah ...	7961	27	10	17	—	9	13	1	4	—	—	26	17	9	—	3	10	6	7	—	—	1	—	5	—	4	—	—	13·5	13·0	4	
St. Sebastian ...	7943	53	24	29	—	9	13	2	27	2	—	56	33	23	—	3	12	5	33	2	1	—	—	6	—	10	1	—	26·6	28·0	22	
St. Paul's ...	16322	96	60	36	1	13	26	30	26	—	—	115	54	61	—	6	21	55	31	—	2	—	—	12	—	23	—	—	23·3	28·0	34	
Kotahena ...	27935	136	65	71	2	11	91	19	9	4	—	240	117	123	2	14	157	39	24	3	1	2	—	28	—	42	1	—	19·3	34·1	75	
New Bazaar ...	14501	135	59	76	—	14	56	10	52	3	—	120	59	61	—	10	40	18	50	1	1	2	—	9	—	11	1	—	36·9	32·8	51	
Maradana : Hospitals	23562	90	48	42	3	7	76	4	—	—	—	236	149	87	11	11	116	84	8	1	5	—	—	7	18	65	5	4	—	—	14	
Excl. of hospitals	198	102	96	7	32	84	15	40	14	6	—	186	101	85	1	23	79	29	40	9	5	3	—	14	—	27	1	—	33·3	31·3	66	
Slave Island ...	18622	109	61	48	5	13	38	13	21	18	1	115	55	60	—	3	43	26	29	11	3	—	—	17	—	23	—	—	31·7	33·5	35	
Kollupitiya ...	18449	116	58	58	11	25	55	13	8	3	1	77	43	34	4	5	44	15	7	1	1	—	—	9	—	8	1	—	34·2	22·7	24	

73. The unhealthiest division of the town in this quarter was the Kotahena Ward, with an annual death-rate of 34·1 per 1,000, followed by Slave Island (33·5) and New Bazaar (32·8). The low birth- and death-rates of the Fort and Pettah Wards are due to their population being chiefly a floating male adult one. Excluding these two divisions, the healthiest division in the quarter was the Kollupitiya Ward, with a death-rate of 22·7 per 1,000 per annum. The highest birth-rate was in New Bazaar Ward (36·9). Here and in the Kollupitiya, Maradana, and Pettah Wards the birth-rates exceeded the death-rates.

74. There were no deaths from cholera. Two deaths from smallpox occurred in the town and six in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta (outside the town), to which the patients were removed from the town. Of these, three of the deceased belonged to the Maradana Ward, 2 to the New Bazaar Ward, 2 to the Kotahena Ward, 1 to the Pettah Ward. Two deaths were attributed to influenza.

75. On the smallpox epidemic in the Colombo town the Sanitary Officer of the Municipality reports as follows:— “There were 34 cases of smallpox sent to the Infectious Diseases Hospital during this quarter. Of these, 25 cases were sent from town. Of the remaining cases, 3 were sent from Dehiwala, 1 from Kalutara, 1 from Kolonnawa, 3 from Mabola, 1 from the P. & O. steamer Clyde. Of the 34 cases treated in hospital, 6 proved fatal. Two cases of smallpox were isolated in town, 1 at No. 16, Layard's Broadway, and 1 at No. 9, St. Joseph's street. Both patients recovered. Two cases of concealed smallpox were reported after death, and these, as usual, occurred amongst the Moorish community. The two first cases occurred in Hulftsdorp street and Cemetery road, Kotahena, the history of which could not be definitely ascertained. No other cases occurred in this locality. The disease then appeared in Skinner's road south. The source of infection was a young Tamil child who came infected from Southern India. The child lived with its mother in the premises of a public bathing-place in Skinner's road south. When the child was attacked neither the mother nor the lessee of the bathing-place reported the case. All the other cases in the locality were infected by this concealed case. The epidemic in Skinner's road south, which broke out on October 27, was put a stop to on November 17, every patient being sent to hospital and every other precaution having been taken. Then the disease broke out in the Kotahena north and south and New Bazaar Wards, being chiefly confined to Layard's Broadway, Grandpass road, and St. Joseph's street. Of the 20 cases, 16 were sent to hospital, 2 isolated in town, and 2 were reported after death. In all cases of concealment the householders were prosecuted and fined.”

76. Phthisis, bronchitis, and pneumonia were fatal in 229 cases (against an average of 205 in the corresponding period of the last four years), diarrhoea and dysentery in 214 (average 165), infantile convulsions in 138 (average 155), debility in 91 (average 89), old age in 56 (average 61), remittent fever in 46 (average 58), simple and ill-defined fever in 45 (average 40), premature birth in 30 (average 33), diseases of the circulatory system in 24 (average 19), malarial cachexia in 21 (average 33), enteric fever in 18 (average 18), dochmias duodenalis in 18 (average 6), parturition in 14 (average 26), paralysis in 13 (average 16), worms in 12 (average 37), anaemia in 12 (average 16). Other causes of death were Bright's disease 11, enteritis 7, obstruction of intestines 6, peritonitis 5, diabetes 4, epilepsy 4, erysipelas 4, leprosy 4.

77. Twelve deaths were attributed to accidents, of which 3 were due to fall from heights, 3 to fall of heavy substances, 1 to drowning, 1 to poison, and 1 to sunstroke. One death was caused by a tram car. Five deaths were attributed to homicide and one to suicide.

VIII.—Health of other Towns.

78. The total number of births registered in the principal towns (exclusive of Colombo) during the quarter numbered 2,045, and corresponded to an annual rate of 35·6 per 1,000. This is an increase of about 2 per 1,000 compared with the mean rate for the fourth quarters of the preceding two years (33·7).

79. The deaths numbered 2,345 and were at the annual rate of 40·9, an increase of 6 per 1,000 over the mean rate for the corresponding period of the preceding two years (34·5).

80. The following Table G shows the birth- and death-rates in each of the principal towns of the Island for the fourth quarters of 1899 and 1898 and the average rates for the fourth quarters in 1891-98.

TABLE G.

Town.	Population at the Census of 1891.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.			Birth-rate per Mille per Annum			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			Inclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.	Exclusive of Hospital and Jail Deaths.
		Total Births.	Total Deaths.	Deaths in Hospitals and Jails.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1891-98.*	Fourth Quarter, 1898.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.	Average of Fourth Quarters, 1891-98.*	Fourth Quarter, 1898.	Fourth Quarter, 1899.		
<i>Western Province.</i>												
Colombo	127,835	964	1,183	254	21·9	25·8	26·6	32·1	31·6	32·7	25·7	
Negombo	18,933	173	152	24	68·8	39·2	36·3	40·1	29·5	31·9	26·8	
Moratuwa	24,948	266	139	—	46·1	45·6	42·3	20·0	17·7	22·1	22·1	
Kalutara	10,864	106	93	20	35·8	38·7	38·7	26·2	26·9	34·0	26·7	
Panadure	3,245	53	46	20	54·6	55·0	64·8	56·1	56·2	56·2	31·8	
<i>Central Province.</i>												
Kandy	20,558	192	228	86	17·5	39·0	37·1	24·6	43·6	44·0	27·4	
Gampola	2,975	25	86	63	13·3	14·7	33·3	81·3	97·4	114·7	30·7	
Nawalapitiya	2,542	25	86	65	83·5	21·8	39·0	142·8	167·0	134·2	32·8	
Matale	4,197	28	81	52	21·1	29·3	26·5	58·5	116·3	76·6	27·4	
Nuwara Eliya	2,726	25	43	24	25·8	21·8	36·4	37·4	65·5	62·6	27·7	
<i>Northern Province.</i>												
Jaffna	35,856	229	368	25	42·4	36·4	25·3	32·5	29·7	40·7	38·0	
Mannar	3,254	28	33	4	34·7	35·4	34·1	17·6	20·7	40·2	35·3	
Mullaittivu	1,127	4	12	4	47·5	70·4	14·1	51·0	66·9	42·2	28·2	
Vavuniya	467	2	13	9	21·2	34·0	17·0	72·2	42·5	110·4	25·5	
<i>Southern Province.</i>												
Galle	33,590	327	274	16	35·3	27·5	28·6	37·8	23·9	32·4	30·5	
Matara	11,500	123	80	10	35·4	44·5	42·4	34·6	20·4	27·6	24·1	
Hambantota	2,588	28	18	3	39·3	56·7	42·9	34·5	33·7	27·6	23·0	
Tangalla	1,436	25	10	1	51·1	63·6	69·1	23·5	30·4	27·6	24·9	
<i>Eastern Province.</i>												
Batticaloa	7,257	86	66	—	25·9	57·9	47·0	15·8	22·9	36·1	36·1	
Trincomalee	11,948	56	127	4	27·2	31·9	18·6	36·2	31·5	42·2	40·8	
<i>North-Western Province.</i>												
Kurunegala	4,745	33	99	72	24·6	39·3	27·6	59·1	119·6	82·8	22·7	
Puttalam	5,034	31	63	—	31·1	48·9	24·4	36·9	62·3	49·7	37·8	
Chilaw	3,738	38	24	—	26·9	36·1	40·3	26·3	19·1	25·5	20·2	
<i>North-Central Province.</i>												
Anuradhapura	2,508	19	44	—	27·7	44·3	30·1	49·0	79·1	69·6	41·1	
<i>Province of Uva.</i>												
Badulla	5,023	68	81	40	39·1	50·6	53·7	41·8	59·2	64·0	32·4	
<i>Province of Sabaragamuwa.</i>												
Ratnapura	3,527	37	47	30	30·6	50·6	41·6	42·7	88·8	52·9	19·1	
Kegalla	3,143	18	34	23	18·9	22·7	22·7	41·0	48·0	42·9	13·9	

* For the towns of Moratuwa, Panadure, Gampola, Nawalapitiya, Mannar, Mullaittivu, Vavuniya, Tangalla, and Kegalla, the averages are for 1897 and 1898 only.

81. The death-rates are given inclusive as well as exclusive of hospital and jail deaths. In some of the towns which attract large numbers of estate coolies and destitute poor to the hospitals, the difference between the two rates is striking, e.g., Nawalapitiya 134·2 and 32·8, Gampola 114·7 and 30·7, Vavuniya 110·4 and 25·5, Kurunegala 82·8 and 22·7, Matale 76·6 and 27·4, Ratnapura 52·9 and 19·1, Kegalla 42·9 and 13·9. Excluding hospital and jail deaths, the highest death-rate in the quarter was in Trincomalee (40·8), followed by Jaffna (38·0), and the lowest in Kegalla (13·9).

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APPENDIX.

Table I.—Area, Estimated Population, and the number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Province and District.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter.	MARRIAGES.		BIRTHS.			DEATHS.		
			Total.	General.	Kandyan.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.
CEYLON ...	25,333	3,187,415	12,208	4,902	7,306	32,720	16,787	15,933	23,449	12,044
Western	1,432	835,042	1,836	1,836	—	7,896	4,069	3,827	4,622	2,342
Central	2,300	489,151	5,043	261	4,782	5,219	2,670	2,549	3,909	2,056
Northern	3,363	340,047	605	604	1	2,584	1,302	1,282	2,793	1,404
Southern	2,146	528,312	1,566	1,563	3	6,702	3,512	3,190	3,505	1,756
Eastern	4,037	166,679	103	95	8	1,720	871	849	1,321	682
North-Western	2,997	319,760	1,982	449	1,533	2,600	1,309	1,291	2,585	1,362
North-Central	4,002	74,806	236	5	231	680	359	321	725	383
Uva	3,155	166,730	198	25	173	2,074	1,045	1,029	1,834	952
Sabaragamuwa	1,901	266,888	639	64	575	3,245	1,650	1,595	2,155	1,107
Western.										
Colombo	561	477,546	1,037	1,037	—	4,090	2,126	1,964	2,624	1,337
Negombo	247	153,635	349	349	—	1,359	702	657	652	333
Kalutara	624	203,961	450	450	—	2,447	1,241	1,206	1,346	672
Central.										
Kandy	911	298,598	3,243	150	3,093	3,427	1,741	1,686	2,478	1,291
Matale	926	76,338	1,041	27	1,014	866	437	429	772	423
Nuwar Eliya...	463	114,215	759	84	675	926	492	434	659	342
Northern.										
Jaffna	1266	302,707	521	521	—	2,260	1,144	1,116	2,415	1,207
Mannar	943	24,301	62	62	—	211	99	112	237	120
Mullaittivu	1,154	13,089	22	21	1	113	59	54	141	77
Southern.										
Galle	652	241,171	1,130	1,127	3	3,230	1,691	1,539	1,821	936
Matara	481	194,156	321	321	—	2,496	1,308	1,188	1,141	557
Hambantota	1,013	92,985	115	115	—	976	513	463	543	280
Eastern.										
Batticaloa	2,872	140,684	73	65	8	1,487	755	732	1,041	523
Trincomalee	1,165	25,995	30	30	—	233	116	117	280	159
North-Western.										
Kurunegala	1,845	225,911	1,691	208	1,483	1,859	949	910	1,969	1,040
Puttalam	890	25,068	90	40	50	202	101	101	302	152
Chilaw	262	68,781	201	201	—	539	259	280	314	170
North-Central.										
Anuradhapura ...	4,002	74,806	236	5	231	680	359	321	725	383
Uva.										
Badulla	3,155	166,730	198	25	173	2,074	1,045	1,029	1,834	952
Sabaragamuwa.										
Ratnapura	1,259	111,820	230	28	202	1,452	748	704	947	463
Kegalla	642	155,068	409	36	373	1,793	902	891	1,208	644

Table II.—Birth- and Death-rates in the Fourth and Third Quarters of 1899, the Fourth Quarter of 1898 and the mean rate for the Fourth Quarters of 1889–98.

Province and District.		Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			
		Average of Fourth Quarters of 1889–98.	Fourth Quar- ter of 1898.	Third Quar- ter of 1899.	Fourth Quar- ter of 1899.	Average of Fourth Quarters of 1889–98.	Fourth Quar- ter of 1898.	Third Quar- ter of 1899.	Fourth Quar- ter of 1899.
CEYLON	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Western	...	31·6	41·1	38·0	37·5	19·6	22·1	21·2	22·0
Central	...	34·8	45·0	36·2	42·3	30·2	48·7	32·7	31·7
Northern	...	36·7	45·3	35·0	30·1	25·6	34·7	29·5	32·6
Southern	...	36·8	55·0	41·4	50·3	26·7	25·4	23·3	26·3
Eastern	...	44·9	55·6	43·9	40·9	26·9	28·8	29·6	31·4
North-Western	...	38·9	60·7	33·4	32·3	31·5	52·8	36·2	32·1
North-Central	...	42·0	63·0	39·9	36·1	35·7	61·1	36·5	38·5
Uva	...	47·0	52·1	38·6	49·4	41·9	52·5	34·9	43·7
Sabaragamuwa	...	39·7	55·6	41·3	48·2	30·6	40·9	38·3	32·0
Western.									
Colombo	...	28·2	38·6	31·7	34·0	19·3	22·2	22·5	21·8
Negombo	...	39·2	40·6	32·6	35·1	18·7	18·2	15·9	16·9
Kalutara	...	34·4	47·2	36·3	47·6	20·7	24·7	22·0	26·2
Central.									
Kandy	...	33·7	45·9	38·5	45·5	28·5	43·2	34·1	32·9
Matale	...	39·8	52·5	33·7	45·0	40·6	83·6	37·1	40·1
Nuwara Eliya	...	34·2	37·6	32·1	32·2	27·2	39·0	26·1	22·9
Northern.									
Jaffna	...	36·0	44·5	35·0	29·6	24·4	33·7	28·5	31·7
Mannar	...	32·3	51·4	34·1	33·7	28·4	40·2	34·0	38·7
Mullaithivu	...	35·7	58·6	36·4	34·4	41·3	49·1	45·8	42·9
Southern.									
Galle	...	36·6	45·6	42·9	53·1	29·4	25·6	25·0	29·8
Matara	...	38·1	62·6	41·1	51·0	28·8	23·8	22·0	23·3
Hambantota	...	34·3	63·5	38·4	41·6	32·0	27·8	21·5	23·2
Eastern.									
Batticaloa	...	46·2	55·9	46·7	41·9	28·8	23·8	27·9	29·4
Trincomalee	...	38·2	54·1	29·2	35·6	33·6	54·8	38·5	42·7
North-Western.									
Kurunegala	...	41·6	64·2	32·8	32·6	35·2	62·6	40·8	34·6
Puttalam	...	33·9	55·1	34·8	32·0	37·1	53·9	37·3	47·8
Chilaw	...	31·7	50·7	34·9	31·1	20·0	19·5	20·4	18·1
North-Central.									
Anuradhapura	...	42·0	63·0	39·9	36·1	35·7	61·1	36·5	38·5
Uva.									
Badulla	...	47·0	52·1	38·6	49·4	41·9	52·5	34·9	43·7
Sabaragamuwa.									
Ratnapura	...	42·2	57·4	44·3	51·5	38·4	44·7	35·6	33·6
Kegalla	...	37·9	54·3	39·2	45·9	28·5	38·1	40·3	30·2

Table III.—Sinhalese Births and Deaths, with the Birth- and Death-rate for all Ages and for Infants in Sinhalese Districts during the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter.	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 year to 1,000 Births in Fourth Quarter of 1899.
					Average of Eight Fourth Quarters of 1891-98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.	Average of Eight Fourth Quarters of 1891-98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.	
CEYLON ...	25333	2,208,187	24,484	14,788	38·4	52·9	37·7	44·0	26·8	33·6	25·9	26·6	169
WESTERN ...													
<i>Colombo ...</i>	1,432	724,700	6,923	3,496	32·4	42·6	33·8	37·9	18·0	19·4	18·6	19·1	121
<i>Colombo Municipality</i>	561	404,875	3,488	1,853	29·9	40·6	32·6	34·2	17·4	18·9	18·9	18·2	125
<i>Alutkuru Korale South</i>	10	54,700	452	517	22·6	32·5	35·6	32·8	32·5	33·6	35·8	34·5	336
<i>Hewagam Korale...</i>	72	64,310	537	280	29·4	38·8	33·4	33·1	13·7	15·8	17·0	17·3	123
<i>Salpiti Korale ...</i>	170	61,441	559	228	38·3	41·6	32·1	36·1	18·0	15·2	17·6	14·7	89
<i>Siyane Korale ...</i>	75	89,261	817	417	30·7	40·4	30·2	36·3	15·9	17·2	19·0	18·6	99
<i>Negombo ...</i>	233 ³	135,163	1,123	411	29·7	48·2	32·7	33·0	12·7	15·8	13·5	12·1	78
<i>Negombo Local Board</i>	247	133,754	1,259	563	36·9	43·3	34·6	37·3	17·9	18·3	16·0	16·7	114
<i>Alutkuru Korale North</i>	7 ¹ ₂	12,403	143	109	55·2	47·8	50·8	45·8	39·7	34·4	32·1	34·9	140
<i>Hapitigam Korale</i>	159	91,111	798	304	33·5	42·1	31·1	34·8	15·1	15·7	13·4	13·3	101
<i>Kalutara ...</i>	624	186,071	2,176	1,080	34·6	46·4	35·8	46·4	19·2	21·1	19·8	23·1	120
<i>Kalutara Local Board</i>	1 ² ₃	8,864	78	66	31·1	36·2	26·4	34·9	22·3	24·9	21·1	29·5	141
<i>Kalutara Totamune</i>	88 ¹ ₂	86,293	914	461	34·6	45·9	35·2	42·0	20·4	21·5	19·0	21·2	132
<i>Pasdun Korale ...</i>	403 ³	41,281	694	304	36·5	49·7	40·7	66·7	18·9	21·6	23·1	29·2	86
<i>Rayigam Korale ...</i>	130	49,633	490	249	38·9	46·1	34·4	39·2	17·5	19·1	18·4	19·9	143
CENTRAL ...	2,300	271,310	3,515	2,003	43·6	56·0	40·4	51·4	32·7	51·1	29·3	29·3	199
<i>Kandy ...</i>	911	172,388	2,292	1,239	41·6	56·2	41·7	52·7	29·4	42·9	29·4	28·5	193
<i>Kandy Municipality</i>	6 ¹ ₂	9,430	115	108	24·7	50·7	48·8	48·4	23·8	38·0	48·0	45·4	278
<i>Harispattu ...</i>	507 ¹ ₂	28,370	408	211	47·9	61·5	41·3	57·1	32·0	51·4	27·6	25·1	218
<i>Pata Dumbara ...</i>	107 ¹ ₂	32,722	423	207	38·1	56·3	42·5	51·3	26·3	42·9	26·2	15·5	106
<i>Pata Hewaheta ...</i>	57 ¹ ₂	13,591	160	53	38·7	50·5	32·5	46·7	26·2	31·4	18·2	30·7	239
<i>Tumpane ...</i>	467 ¹ ₂	11,638	138	90	44·7	63·6	37·2	47·0	34·9	48·0	36·5	18·3	184
<i>Uda Bulatgama ...</i>	230	11,044	98	51	25·8	31·9	33·6	35·2	18·5	20·7	20·2	34·7	219
<i>Uda Dumbara ...</i>	238 ¹ ₂	20,013	274	175	44·4	56·4	42·7	54·3	40·6	68·6	36·9	28·4	196
<i>Udu Nuwara ...</i>	34 ¹ ₂	12,577	158	90	41·5	61·4	44·0	49·8	24·4	29·6	25·7	30·3	232
<i>Uda Palata ...</i>	106	18,068	276	138	40·8	53·8	46·1	60·6	25·5	34·1	29·9	30·8	182
<i>Yati Nuwara ...</i>	33 ¹ ₂	14,935	242	116	57·1	65·9	46·1	64·3	35·7	39·7	30·9	30·8	255
<i>Matale ...</i>	926	54,991	671	490	47·3	59·2	36·7	48·4	44·2	84·6	32·4	35·4	167
<i>Matale Local Board</i>	1,576	6	10	32·9	29·4	42·8	15·1	46·1	78·3	37·8	25·2	31·7	238
<i>Matale South ...</i>	163 ¹ ₂	24,275	323	194	46·3	56·1	41·0	52·8	41·8	73·6	24·5	41·1	263
<i>Matale East ...</i>	373 ¹ ₂	13,599	175	141	53·5	60·7	31·8	51·1	49·8	76·7	31·2	37·0	281
<i>Matale North ...</i>	388 ¹ ₂	15,541	167	145	44·9	65·5	33·6	42·6	42·7	108·4	45·1	24·7	156
<i>Nuwara Eliya ...</i>	463	43,931	552	274	46·6	51·3	39·7	49·8	30·8	40·5	25·1	24·7	305
<i>Nuwara Eliya Local Board and outside</i>	4 ¹ ₂	1,366	16	15	33·6	29·0	26·1	46·5	20·1	34·8	26·1	43·6	116
<i>Kotmale ...</i>	236 ¹ ₂	13,932	164	74	39·2	41·2	39·4	46·7	26·7	29·9	28·6	21·1	180
<i>Uda Hewaheta ...</i>	108 ¹ ₂	17,183	200	106	45·4	58·0	36·9	46·2	31·7	44·6	21·1	24·5	151
<i>Walapane ...</i>	113 ¹ ₂	11,450	172	79	59·5	56·2	46·0	59·6	35·4	48·1	26·8	27·4	124
SOUTHERN ...	2,146	504,638	6,475	3,273	37·0	56·2	41·8	50·9	26·5	25·2	22·4	25·7	144
<i>Galle ...</i>	652	228,491	3,103	1,688	36·9	47·0	43·1	53·9	26·5	25·4	23·9	29·0	202
<i>Galle Municipality</i>	6	25,576	247	187	33·3	30·2	35·0	38·3	26·7	22·2	24·3	29·0	138
<i>Four Gravets beyond Municipal limits and Akminama</i>	25 ¹ ₂	19,100	234	136	29·9	41·7	38·8	48·6	18·4	21·9	18·0	28·3	141
<i>Gangaboda Pattuwa ...</i>	128 ¹ ₂	29,095	475	187	37·5	44·2	46·8	64·8	25·6	27·3	22·0	25·5	120
<i>Wellaboda Pattuwa ...</i>	83 ¹ ₂	59,057	899	497	36·8	50·7	46·0	60·4	28·2	26·3	28·8	33·4	147
<i>Talpe Pattuwa ...</i>	97	49,589	635	364	37·2	44·8	39·7	50·8	27·7	25·5	21·1	29·1	148
<i>Walallawiti Korale ...</i>	146	39,895	514	270	41·5	59·6	47·1	51·1	26·7	27·3	24·4	26·9	127
<i>Hinidum Pattuwa ...</i>	166	6,179	99	47	38·9	47·2	43·8	63·6	26·4	18·4	20·7	30·2	162
<i>Matara ...</i>	481	186,572	2,424	1,064	38·6	63·7	41·8	51·5	25·6	23·6	21·2	22·6	179
<i>Matara Local Board</i>	7 ¹ ₂	7,347	106	69	40·3	61·4	56·9	57·2	32·9	22·9	41·2	37·3	76
<i>Four Gravets beyond Local Board limits</i>	7 ¹ ₂	16,754	170	63	37·4	47·9	36·0	40·3	25·1	13·9	13·4	14·9	108
<i>Wellaboda Pattuwa ...</i>	31 ¹ ₂	41,782	471	186	37·6	65·5	39·9	44·7	22·4	21·4	16·9	17·7	97
<i>Weligam Korale ...</i>	111	49,901	649	266	40·8	63·9	40·1	51·6	22·9	21·3	19·1	21·2	230
<i>Morowak Korale ...</i>	160	14,148	187	127	38·6	62·4	47·9	52·4	34·2	30·0	32·1	35·6	120
<i>Kandaboda Pattuwa ...</i>	70	23,092	343	137	36·5	69·8	46·5	58·9	28·7	24·3	24·9	23·5	140
<i>Gangaboda Pattuwa ...</i>	79 ¹ ₂	33,548	498	216	39·0	66·1	40·6	58·9	26·9	36·8	22·1	25·5	140

Table III.—continued.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter.	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.				Death-rate per Mille per Annum.				Deaths of Children under 1 year to 1,000 Births in Fourth Quarter of 1898.	
					Average of Eight Quarters of 1898-99.		Fourth Quarter of 1898.		Average of Eight Quarters of 1898-99.		Fourth Quarter of 1898.			
					First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter		
Hambantota ...	1,013	89,575	948	521	33·5	64·1	38·8	42·0	28·1	28·0	21·2	23·1	156	
Hambantota Four Gravets ...	642	1,038	10	9	37·2	49·6	15·3	38·2	34·8	45·8	19·1	34·4	299	
Magam Pattu, excl. of Four Gravets ...	4,663	49	45	45·0	73·7	53·0	41·7	55·9	92·1	32·5	38·3	327		
Giruwa Pattu East ...	1,224	10,880	98	49	33·8	64·5	34·4	35·7	25·5	21·5	18·7	17·9	112	
Giruwa Pattu West ...	2,473	72,994	791	418	33·0	63·6	39·7	43·0	26·6	24·5	21·4	22·7	149	
EASTERN ...	4,037	7,560	88	93	37·4	44·9	34·0	46·2	32·8	48·1	44·5	48·6	170	
Batticaloa ...	2,872	6,425	74	70	35·2	44·9	33·3	45·7	33·1	47·4	44·3	49·4	176	
Batticaloa Local Board ...	1	212	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Manmunai Pattu, exclusive of Local Board ...	222	52	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Bintenna ...	677	2,510	34	28	37·6	53·9	33·1	53·8	35·3	52·3	44·1	44·3	118	
Chammanturai and Nadukadu ...	420	1,149	10	12	47·8	30·7	55·0	34·5	41·7	37·6	72·2	41·4	200	
Eravur, Rukam, and Koralai ...	662	318	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Eruvil, Porativu, and Karawaku ...	277	85	3	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Nintavur and Akkarai Pattu ...	124	1,120	12	20	30·6	45·8	21·2	42·5	25·1	38·8	38·8	70·9	417	
Panama Pattu ...	486	984	12	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
NORTH-WESTERN ...	2,997	279,152	2,294	2,123	40·1	62·9	33·8	32·6	32·2	57·7	33·1	30·2	237	
Kurunegala ...	1,845	210,507	1,743	1,761	42·2	65·5	33·1	32·9	36·0	60·8	39·9	33·2	259	
Kurunegala Local Board ...	1	1,426	25	59	49·3	82·0	101·3	69·6	109·0	172·0	180·1	164·0	240	
Dambadeni Hatpattu ...	164	38,090	389	354	51·6	71·1	39·1	40·5	35·2	29·1	43·7	36·9	293	
Dewamedu do. ...	186	30,407	191	246	40·5	63·3	30·7	24·9	34·2	55·3	40·5	32·1	335	
Hiriwala do. ...	387	27,055	206	265	46·7	70·0	23·0	30·2	45·7	114·0	43·9	38·9	340	
Katugampola do. ...	358	44,930	304	227	33·2	64·2	35·3	26·8	21·4	24·9	29·6	20·0	125	
Wanni do. ...	569	33,580	237	293	37·4	61·9	34·3	28·0	35·7	54·3	42·4	34·6	287	
Weudawili do. ...	177	35,019	391	317	46·2	62·1	29·6	44·3	45·4	103·3	37·3	35·9	233	
Puttalam ...	890	9,410	74	100	35·1	62·0	35·4	31·2	39·5	52·0	37·9	42·2	365	
Puttalam Local Board ...	689	5	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Demala Hatpattu ...	441	5,906	62	69	42·5	65·4	44·4	41·6	48·3	57·4	42·3	46·3	323	
Kalpitiya Division ...	315	368	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Puttalam Division ...	133	2,447	7	13	19·1	39·0	9·7	11·3	16·6	27·6	17·8	21·1	420	
Chilaw ...	262	59,235	477	262	32·6	53·5	35·9	31·9	16·7	18·2	18·6	17·5	138	
Chilaw Town ...	2,282	26	14	30·8	45·9	22·6	45·2	26·0	15·9	20·9	24·3	76		
Pitigal Korale North ...	132	6,039	30	29	27·2	48·3	32·2	19·7	27·8	34·4	26·3	19·0	43	
Pitigal Korale Central ...	128	50,914	217	124	33·5	54·5	20·7	32·8	14·7	16·4	9·7	17·1	121	
Pitigal Korale South ...	204	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
NORTH-CENTRAL ...	4,002	60,377	575	583	43·2	65·0	41·8	37·8	36·0	56·6	35·9	38·3	303	
Anuradhapura ...	4,002	60,777	575	583	43·2	66·0	41·8	37·8	36·0	56·6	35·9	38·3	303	
Anuradhapura Town ...	5	742	6	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Nuwaramgam Palata ...	1,490	25,189	238	260	43·8	64·2	45·9	37·3	39·5	49·3	37·6	41·0	386	
Hurulu Palata ...	1,040	19,297	197	178	42·0	60·4	43·1	40·5	32·3	56·5	32·4	36·6	269	
Kelegam Palata ...	311	13,501	120	120	41·8	72·3	33·5	35·3	31·1	60·0	36·7	35·3	284	
Tamankaduwa Palata ...	1,155	1,648	14	18	61·3	74·9	36·1	33·7	55·9	121·6	36·1	43·3	357	
Uva ...	3,155	122,479	1,711	1,515	54·5	59·2	40·6	55·4	47·9	58·4	35·8	49·1	237	
Badulla ...	3,155	122,479	1,711	1,515	54·5	59·2	40·6	55·4	47·9	58·4	35·8	49·1	237	
Badulla Local Board ...	3	3,090	47	50	47·8	64·2	45·0	60·3	40·1	41·1	39·9	64·2	149	
Yatikinda Division ...	183	21,050	295	195	56·0	58·1	41·6	55·6	41·7	43·5	27·8	36·8	173	
Bintenna do. ...	359	8,825	122	144	61·1	54·1	40·9	54·8	58·4	63·5	45·4	64·7	197	
Buttala do. ...	567	14,490	192	270	54·4	74·7	52·8	52·6	51·7	76·6	53·4	73·9	406	
Wellawaya do. ...	1,019	7,184	95	94	45·9	54·9	39·8	52·4	60·0	64·8	38·9	51·9	296	
Udukinda do. ...	188	30,174	366	192	50·9	50·1	39·6	48·1	30·7	32·6	23·0	25·2	147	
Wellassa do. ...	645	20,813	292	326	55·3	57·7	31·5	55·7	57·7	89·3	45·0	62·1	308	
Wiyaluwawa do. ...	188	16,853	302	244	60·6	68·8	41·3	71·1	48·7	65·7	34·4	57·4	242	
SABARAGAMUWA ...	1,901	235,209	2,887	1,688	43·2	56·2	40·8	48·7	29·3	33·9	32·0	28·4	194	
Ratnapura ...	1,251	104,020	1,331	814	44·1	57·7	43·5	50·8	35·6	39·3	32·4	31·1	219	
Kuruwiti Korale ...	211	24,484	294	179	42·4	51·5	39·2	47·6	27·9	30·0	37·1	29·0	204	
Nawadun do. ...	193	23,245	297	164	41·7	54·4	42·8	50·7	32·9	34·2	30·3	28·0	199	
Atakalan do. ...	171	16,139	228	139	47·8	64·3	46·1	56·0	40·2	40·4	35·3	34·2	232	
Kadawata do. ...	130	9,298	114	85	55·6	79·1	38·9	48·6	43·8	62·2	27·0	36·3	246	
Kolonna do. ...	169	9,393	116	66	29·5	38·8	48·4	49·0	34·7	40·9	23·8	27·9	207	
Kukulu do. ...	224	6,806	89	43	46·7	60·9	43·8	51·9	31·0	30·7	33·9	25·1	168	
Meda do. ...	156	11,826	162	119	51·7	65·2	51·2	54·4	44·4	51·9	31·4	39·9	298	
Kegalla ...	642	131,189	1,556	869	42·4	55·0	39·5	47·1	24·1	29·6	31·6	26·3	173	
Beligal Korale ...	162	36,825	454	227	41·7	52·3	38·8	48·9	19·4	20·4	24·2	24·6	125	
Galboda do. ...	562	19,262	281	119	42·4	62·0	42·7	47·6	25·4	36·0	35·5	24·6	212	
Kinigoda do. ...	42	15,364	187	161	52·0	64·1	35·1	48·3	34·0	43·2	38·5	41·6	321	
Paranakuru do. ...	57	24,382	300	167	43·8	56·9	42·5	48·8	25·7	31·2	42·3	27·2	230	
Atulugam do. ...	125	9,263	192	48	39·9	42·3	35·6	43·7	26·7	27·9	29·8	20·6	88	
Dehigampal do. ...	74	12,841	131	69	34·5	48·6	33·2	40·5	18·7	25·0	22·6	21·3	534	
Panawal do. ...	40	5,578	63	30	36·9	46·0	38·5	44·8	24·6	36·0	31·3	21·3	159	
Lower Bulatgama ...	84	7,674	88	48	43·5	58·8	35·2	45·5	23·7	30·5	27·5	24·3	90	

* Non-Tamil statistics see Table IV. for Mohammedan statistics see Table V.

Table IV.—Tamil Births and Deaths, with the Birth- and Death-rates for all Ages and for Infants in the Tamil Districts.

Province, District, and Division.		Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter.	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			Deaths of Children under 1 year to 1,000 Births in the Fourth Quarter of 1899.		
						Average of Eight Quarters of 1891-98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.	Average of Eight Quarters of 1891-98.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.		
NORTHERN	...	3363	324,176	2,430	2,634	36·5	45·3	34·9	29·7	25·0	34·5	29·6	32·2	234
Jaffna	...	1,265 $\frac{1}{2}$	297,871	2,230	2,369	36·7	44·5	35·0	29·7	23·5	33·7	28·6	31·6	226
Jaffna Division	...	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	41,564	265	438	34·5	39·4	39·1	25·3	25·9	31·1	53·5	41·8	374
Valikamam East	...	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	23,999	186	164	37·1	43·6	36·9	30·7	19·8	32·9	16·1	27·1	199
Valikamam North	...	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	45,552	389	339	39·0	41·6	32·8	33·9	21·7	32·6	22·0	29·5	211
Valikamam West	...	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	47,864	397	315	37·2	43·0	33·8	32·9	22·1	34·1	21·0	26·1	244
Vadamaradchi East	...	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,113	34	58	43·7	63·9	48·1	32·8	28·3	60·1	57·7	55·9	353
Vadamaradchi West	...	55	49,737	343	357	40·3	46·6	33·6	27·4	22·7	31·5	25·3	28·5	131
Tenmaradchi	...	80	36,854	206	338	29·3	46·3	33·3	22·2	26·5	39·5	32·9	36·4	199
Pachchilarappalli	...	87	5,537	26	43	30·1	34·4	15·7	18·6	26·4	44·9	25·7	30·8	385
Karaichchi	...	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,657	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Punakari	...	226 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,758	27	45	47·7	28·9	26·7	22·5	44·1	28·1	29·8	37·5	333
Islands	...	78	35,650	354	267	43·5	55·1	40·6	39·4	25·6	31·3	22·9	29·7	223
Tunukkai	...	446 $\frac{1}{2}$	586	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mannar	...	943 $\frac{1}{2}$	15,494	113	152	31·4	51·4	36·1	28·9	29·8	40·2	39·6	38·9	363
Mannar Islands Division	...	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,620	39	70	41·9	54·1	46·6	27·5	25·8	31·6	46·6	49·4	282
Mantai Division	...	247	4,022	22	31	26·6	55·1	27·5	21·7	30·1	38·7	44·2	30·6	454
Nanaddan Division	...	251	5,261	50	47	22·7	48·1	27·9	37·7	28·5	47·4	27·9	35·4	380
Panankamam	...	397 $\frac{1}{2}$	591	2	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mullaittivu	...	1154 $\frac{1}{2}$	10,811	87	113	36·1	58·6	31·4	31·9	43·5	49·1	46·1	41·5	298
Karikkaddumulai	...	350	4,172	28	35	37·1	67·4	17·0	26·6	43·5	57·2	36·9	33·3	214
Mulliyawalei	...	139 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,651	13	13	49·2	50·1	23·8	31·2	40·7	42·9	54·8	31·2	154
Kilakkumulai	...	286 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,741	27	37	27·6	41·8	52·1	39·1	35·6	33·1	55·0	53·5	333
Chinnacheddikulam	...	158 $\frac{1}{2}$	739	14	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Melpattu	...	220	1,508	5	11	32·1	57·8	44·7	13·2	50·2	52·5	44·7	28·9	200
EASTERN	...	4037	95,550	961	800	43·9	55·8	41·0	39·9	29·5	29·7	28·0	33·2	252
Batticaloa	...	2872	79,162	839	614	46·1	57·2	44·3	42·0	27·9	24·6	25·2	30·8	235
Batticaloa Local Board	...	14	6,260	77	58	28·4	65·0	41·3	48·8	17·5	25·1	35·5	36·8	403
Manmunaipattu, exclusive Local Board	...	222	23,545	273	183	47·2	57·1	41·3	46·0	31·4	20·9	23·5	30·8	212
Bintenna	...	677 $\frac{1}{2}$	489	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanturai and Nadukadu	...	420 $\frac{1}{2}$	3,985	26	27	31·1	37·0	17·9	25·9	22·2	18·0	16·9	26·9	423
Eravur, Rukam, and Koralai	...	662 $\frac{1}{2}$	13,624	178	110	51·0	67·2	44·5	51·8	25·0	29·6	24·9	32·0	180
Eruvil, Poratuvu, and Karavaku	...	277	25,104	240	192	48·8	53·1	50·7	37·9	28·8	21·9	26·7	30·3	229
Nintavur and Akkarai Patti	...	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,578	42	39	45·4	59·5	50·9	30·0	30·7	42·5	19·4	27·7	214
Panawa Patti	...	486 $\frac{1}{2}$	577	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Trincomalee	...	1165	16,988	122	186	34·5	49·4	25·1	29·5	36·2	53·1	41·5	45·0	369
Trincomalee Town	...	1	8,479	39	102	27·9	36·3	28·8	18·3	39·4	34·1	52·1	47·7	564
Kaddukkulam Patti	...	490 $\frac{1}{2}$	2,421	22	28	39·0	57·3	37·7	36·1	34·4	66·8	39·3	45·9	364
Koddiyar Patti	...	223	3,877	42	34	40·8	71·2	14·3	43·1	23·4	62·2	24·5	34·8	238
Tampalakamam Patti	...	450 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,611	19	22	48·2	54·0	12·3	46·8	44·3	110·4	29·4	54·2	263
NORTH-WESTERN	...	2997	16,708	120	216	23·6	34·2	24·7	28·5	37·0	73·8	55·8	51·3	308
Puttalam	...	890	5,358	37	77	32·0	36·7	34·6	27·4	42·3	58·3	57·4	57·0	568
Puttalam Local Board	...	946	3	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Demala Hatpattu	...	441 $\frac{1}{2}$	168	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division	...	315	1,431	19	30	32·6	79·8	85·3	52·7	48·9	103·8	115·0	83·2	684
Puttalam Division	...	133	2,813	14	22	29·3	15·4	8·4	19·8	26·9	22·3	18·3	31·0	429

Table V.—Mohammedan Births and Deaths, with the Birth- and Death-rates for all Ages and for Infants in the Batticaloa and Puttalam Districts.

Province, District, and Division.	Area in Square Miles.	Estimated Population at the beginning of the Quarter.	Births.	Deaths.	Birth-rate per Mille per Annum.			Death-rate per Mille per Annum.			Deaths of Children under 1 year to 1,000 Births in the Fourth Quarter of 1899.		
					Average of Eight Quarters of 1891-98.	Fourth Quarter of 1898.	Third Quarter of 1899.	Average of Eight Quarters of 1891-98.	Fourth Quarter of 1899.	Third Quarter of 1899.			
EASTERN ...	4037	60,463	640	405	48·3	58·3	49·6	42·0	23·1	25·6	30·6	26·6	234
<i>Batticaloa</i> ...	2872	53,262	562	340	49·1	57·4	52·6	41·9	22·7	20·8	30·4	25·3	221
Batticaloa Local Board ...	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	318	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mannunai Pattu, exclusive of Local Board ...	222	11,525	143	92	54·4	68·2	60·7	49·2	26·7	17·9	34·3	31·7	196
Bintenna ...	677 $\frac{1}{2}$	250	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chammanturai and Nadukadu ...	420 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,638	68	54	48·9	43·0	48·1	47·8	23·3	24·4	26·2	38·0	323
Eravur, Rukam, and Korai ...	662 $\frac{1}{2}$	9,157	79	45	46·0	59·6	50·2	34·2	28·0	17·0	23·6	19·5	165
Eruvil, Porativu, and Karavaku ...	277	13,077	131	80	44·3	50·8	52·4	39·7	20·9	18·0	36·3	24·3	282
Nintavur and Akkurai Pattu ...	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	11,693	126	57	53·0	61·7	51·2	42·7	22·4	23·9	29·6	19·3	159
Panawa Pattu ...	486 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,604	15	12	57·6	55·7	52·3	37·1	41·9	50·6	24·9	29·8	267
NORTH-WESTERN ...	2997	22,119	175	231	—	54·8	35·2	31·4	—	52·7	32·3	41·4	400
<i>Puttalam</i> ...	890	9,694	86	116	34·3	59·8	33·6	35·2	34·4	53·2	26·7	47·5	442
Puttalam Local Board ...	2,646	20	25	35·6	53·9	15·0	29·9	33·2	59·9	21·0	37·5	500	—
Demala Hatpattu ...	441 $\frac{1}{2}$	443	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kalpitiya Division ...	315	4,457	45	69	41·4	71·2	59·0	40·1	45·4	69·4	41·1	61·4	500
Puttalam Division ...	133	2,148	18	17	18·7	35·3	1·8	33·2	14·9	11·1	3·6	31·4	278

Table VI.—Marriages (General), Civil Condition, Nationality, Age, Mode of Solemnization, Signature in Marriage Register, &c., in the Fourth Quarter of 1889.

Table VII.—Marriages (Kandyan), Civil Condition, Age, Signature in Marriage Register, &c.,
in the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Province and District.	Total Marriages.	Contracted between						Persons not 21 Years of Age.	Highest Male Age.	Mean Male Age.	Lowest Male Age.	Highest Female Age.	Mean Female Age.	Lowest Female Age.	Signed the Register with Marks.			
		Bachelors and Spinsters.	Bachelors and Widows.	Widowers and Spinsters.	Widowers and Widows.	Divorced Men and Spinsters.	Divorced Men and Widows.											
CEYLON ...	7306	5719	374	686	256	137	14	68	31	21	651	3538	80	27·5	16	58 21·3	13 3125 6982	
Central Northern Southern Eastern North-Western North-Central Uva Sabaragamuwa	1782 1 3 8 1533 231 173 575	3919 228 387 119 110 219 15 16	228 1 1 1 65 4 12 46	387 1 1 1 65 4 1 7	50 8 2 2 18 10 1 6	56 7 1 1 2 10 1 3	330 2432 199 470 18 143 18 377	2432 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	80 29·8 69 26·7 55 28·6 60 28·3 70 28·3	29·8 30·0 27·2 27·2 26·7 28·6 28·3 28·3	16 30 18 18 18 19 18 16	58 22·5 40 27·7 25 21·2 45 21·3	22·5 20·0 27·7 17 17 17 13 13	13 2193 527 1359 15 75 13 241	4650 1 3 8 527 1359 231 169 561			
Central. Kandy Matale Nuwara Eliya	3093 1014 675	2583 787 549	130 70 28	241 90 56	68 34 17	31 12 7	2 4 2	33 12 11	5 5 3	203 96 31	1570 509 353	80 70 75	30·0 28·9 30·0	16 17 18	58 56 50	22·2 22·5 22·3	13 1455 15 336	2993 402 664
Northern. Mullaittivu	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	30	30·0	—	20	20·0	—	—	1
Southern. Galle	3	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	45	38·6	25	40	27·0	17	1	3
Eastern. Batticaloa	8	7	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	38	27·2	18	25	21·2	17	5	8
North-Western. Kurunegala Puttalam	1483 50	972 22	107 3	206 13	99 12	65 1	4 2	18 1	10 1	191 8	433 37	69 48	26·6 29·3	18 18	58 45	17·4 21·7	15 16	1309 50
North-Central. Anuradhapura	231	193	16	15	6	1	—	—	—	18	143	55	28·6	19	45	21·6	15	75 231
Uva. Badulla	173	138	4	18	12	—	—	1	—	18	110	60	28·3	18	45	21·3	13	83 169
Sabaragamuwa. Ratnapura Kegalla	202 373	155 310	6 10	24 22	4 3	7 14	1 1	— 9	2 4	38 46	150 227	57 70	27·3 28·8	16 18	45 56	20·4 22·3	13 14	104 137 200 361

Table IX.—Deaths among the various Races registered in Ceylon, and in each Province and District, in each Month of the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Province and District.	OCTOBER.							NOVEMBER.							DECEMBER.													
	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	TOTAL.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.				
CEYLON ...	7,080	11	41	4406	2123	462	26	11	7525	9	42	4776	2115	540	32	11	8844	16	48	5606	2481	651	23	19				
Western	1,399	9	27	1045	196	109	8	5	1545	6	28	1180	203	111	12	5	1678	10	33	1271	206	188	8	12				
Central	1,374	—	4	636	660	65	6	3	1222	1	4	633	508	64	10	2	1313	5	3	734	493	69	4	5				
Northern	760	—	2	5	725	28	—	—	840	—	1	5	775	58	1	—	1193	—	2	9	1134	48	—	—				
Southern	1,057	1	5	992	28	27	3	1	1098	—	5	1030	23	39	1	—	1350	—	3	1251	34	60	2	—				
Eastern	362	1	3	35	194	124	4	1	446	2	2	27	291	123	—	1	513	1	4	31	315	158	4	—				
North-Western	731	—	614	58	56	3	—	—	841	—	2	687	74	73	5	—	1013	—	2	822	84	102	3	—				
North-Central	206	—	164	16	26	—	—	—	194	—	—	155	20	19	—	—	325	—	—	264	23	38	—	—				
Uva	534	—	433	81	17	2	1	—	644	—	—	515	99	25	3	2	656	—	—	567	68	18	2	1				
Sabaragamuwa	657	—	482	165	10	—	—	—	695	—	—	544	122	28	1	—	803	—	1	657	124	20	—	1				
Western.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Colombo	764	9	27	543	104	68	8	5	889	6	25	630	123	88	12	5	971	9	32	680	136	95	8	11				
Negombo	196	—	162	25	9	—	—	—	230	—	3	205	18	4	—	—	226	1	1	196	22	5	—	1				
Kalutara	439	—	340	67	32	—	—	—	426	—	—	345	62	19	—	—	481	—	—	395	48	38	—	—				
Central.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Kandy	856	2	400	402	44	5	8	3	804	1	3	408	332	50	8	2	818	3	3	431	327	46	4	4				
Matale	264	1	147	101	15	—	—	—	226	—	1	143	68	13	1	—	282	—	—	200	66	16	—	—				
Nuwara Eliya	254	1	89	157	6	1	—	—	192	—	—	82	108	1	1	—	213	2	—	103	100	7	—	1				
Northern.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Jaffna	656	1	—	650	5	—	—	—	716	—	—	694	21	1	—	—	1043	—	1	—	1025	17	—	—				
Mannar	56	—	—	36	20	—	—	—	78	—	1	—	42	35	—	—	103	—	—	1	74	28	—	—				
Mullaittivu	48	1	5	39	3	—	—	—	46	—	—	5	39	2	—	—	47	—	1	8	35	3	—	—				
Southern.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Galle	540	1	4	506	6	21	1	1	588	4	548	13	23	—	—	—	693	3	634	21	35	—	—	—				
Matara	363	1	337	20	5	—	—	—	335	—	—	313	8	14	—	—	443	—	—	414	10	19	—	—				
Hambantota	154	—	149	2	1	2	—	—	175	1	169	2	2	1	—	—	214	—	—	203	3	6	2	—				
Eastern.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Batticaloa	287	1	31	151	104	—	—	—	354	2	23	221	107	—	1	—	400	—	3	26	242	129	—	—				
Trincomalee	75	1	2	4	43	20	4	1	92	2	4	70	16	—	—	—	113	1	1	5	73	29	4	—				
North-Western.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Kurunegala	574	—	512	32	29	1	—	—	624	—	—	554	37	32	1	—	771	—	—	695	40	35	1	—				
Puttalam	70	—	25	21	23	1	—	—	106	2	33	29	38	4	—	—	126	—	—	42	27	55	2	—				
Chilaw	87	—	77	5	4	1	—	—	111	—	100	8	3	—	—	—	116	2	85	17	12	—	—	—				
North-Central.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Anuradhapura	206	—	164	16	26	—	—	—	194	—	—	155	20	19	—	—	325	—	—	264	23	38	—	—				
Uva.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Badulla	534	—	433	81	17	2	1	—	644	—	—	515	99	25	3	2	656	—	—	567	68	18	2	1				
Sabaragamuwa.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Ratnapura	297	—	238	57	2	—	—	—	283	—	—	240	40	2	—	1	367	—	—	336	27	4	—	—				
Kegalla	360	—	244	108	8	—	—	—	412	—	—	304	82	26	—	—	436	1	321	97	16	1	—	—				

Table X.—Causes of Deaths registered in Ceylon, and in each Province and District, during the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Cause of Death.	CEYLON.	WESTERN PROVINCE.	CENTRAL PROVINCE.	NORTHERN PROVINCE.	SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	EASTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-CENTRAL PROV.	UVA PROV.	SABARAGAMUWA PROV.	DEATHS AMONG ALL RACES.																			
											Buddhists.	Brahmins.	Muslims.																	
All Causes ...	23449	2624	1346	2478	772	639	2415	237	141	1821	1141	543	1041	280	1969	302	314	725	1834	947	1208	36	191	14788	6719	1653	81	41		
I. Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic diseases	10606	952	281	548	1043	389	283	1349	118	82	766	478	334	653	132	720	146	101	377	954	430	470	13	40	6233	3560	714	27	19	
II. Parasitic diseases	829	118	44	76	123	42	16	6	1	84	11	1	—	—	84	1	32	6	58	102	—	—	676	105	41	6	2			
III. Diabetic diseases	53	3	—	3	20	—	—	2	—	2	2	1	—	—	5	3	—	6	—	3	—	—	—	16	32	4	1	—		
IV. Constitutional diseases ...	1797	347	70	160	127	32	26	116	3	5	227	168	42	10	9	151	10	30	31	89	58	86	1	17	1385	274	108	7	5	
V. Developmental diseases ...	686	157	13	37	50	13	29	36	1	1	71	48	9	5	9	1	8	2	137	24	35	1	13	488	140	34	7	3		
VI. Local diseases ...	7313	859	208	456	701	229	163	710	62	35	595	393	111	292	103	828	93	119	214	506	232	404	19	46	4978	1659	578	24	9	
VII. Violence ...	411	42	18	27	42	14	15	22	5	1	29	23	13	9	3	40	4	8	8	22	46	20	2	4	306	86	11	1	1	
VIII. Ill-defined and not specified causes	1754	146	18	39	372	50	127	176	45	16	47	18	32	66	23	134	47	16	81	114	99	88	—	11	707	863	163	8	2	
I. Miasmatic diseases	4982	408	179	262	205	214	47	963	50	51	287	128	242	395	57	453	89	72	256	358	136	130	8	8	3001	1576	371	13	5	
2. Diarrhoeal do.	4904	441	75	244	732	129	233	256	45	23	449	340	88	238	57	229	46	21	111	562	284	301	4	19	3045	1528	2844	11	13	
3. Malarial do.	531	72	19	37	98	43	—	62	12	6	18	8	3	14	14	32	9	5	9	31	7	32	1	7	128	347	44	3	1	
4. Zoogogenous do.	19	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	7	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	9	—	2	—	
5. Venereal do.	19	3	—	1	4	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	—	2	—	2	—	1	2	—	1	6	—	6	33	100	13	—	—
6. Septic do.	151	23	8	2	4	3	2	66	11	2	66	11	2	4	1	4	3	2	2	1	2	1	6	—	6	33	100	13	—	—
II. Parasitic diseases	829	118	44	76	123	42	16	6	1	1	84	11	1	11	—	84	1	32	12	6	68	102	—	—	676	105	41	6	2	
III. Dietetic diseases	53	3	—	3	20	3	—	—	2	—	2	1	—	5	3	—	—	—	6	—	3	—	—	—	16	32	4	1	—	
IV. Constitutional diseases	1797	347	70	160	127	32	26	116	3	5	227	168	42	10	9	151	10	30	31	89	58	86	1	17	1385	274	108	7	5	
V. Developmental diseases	686	157	13	37	50	13	29	36	1	1	71	48	9	—	5	9	1	8	2	137	24	35	1	13	488	140	34	7	3	
VI. Diseases of—	2725	370	49	338	130	6	34	206	21	9	474	316	68	37	30	104	41	34	25	262	97	74	2	15	2022	501	174	10	1	
1. Nervous system	6	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	1	—	—	—	
2. Organs of special sense	121	43	7	5	1	6	3	—	1	14	4	1	—	1	2	—	1	—	8	3	8	2	—	2	81	25	9	2	—	
3. Circulatory system	1609	176	23	39	179	83	82	190	23	17	30	7	5	69	48	254	27	35	80	162	12	68	4	15	875	554	150	7	4	
4. Respiratory do.	302	50	7	21	45	6	18	34	—	3	18	13	8	6	8	2	3	2	11	16	24	6	7	182	90	16	—	2		
5. Digestive do.	12	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8	3	—	—	
6. Lymphatic system and Ductless Glands	78	23	3	4	5	—	—	—	1	—	2	7	—	1	3	7	—	—	6	4	3	—	4	4	41	24	4	1	—	
7. Urinary system	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
8. Reproductive system:	(a) Organs of Generation	42	8	6	4	—	6	—	—	3	7	—	2	—	2	33	32	—	15	7	2	—	1	—	24	16	2	—	—	
(b) Parturition ...	526	56	16	28	67	12	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	16	21	44	12	45	—	1	41	61	50	2

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Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	CEYLON.	WESTERN PROVINCE.	CENTRAL PROVINCE.	NORTHERN PROVINCE.	SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	EASTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.	UVA PROV.	SABARAGAMUWA PROV.	DEATHS AMONG ALL RACES.					
											Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamilis.	Malays.	Others.	
9 Organs of Locomotion	3	129	97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10 Integumentary system	1889	—	16	270	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
VII.																
1 Accident or Negligence	339	27	13	19	33	13	13	19	5	—	23	22	9	3	35	3
2 Homicide	40	7	3	4	4	1	2	—	—	—	3	1	—	5	2	—
3 Suicide	24	4	2	4	4	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
4 Execution	8	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
VIII.																
III-defined and not specified causes	1754	146	18	39	372	50	127	176	45	16	47	18	32	66	23	134
Miasmatic Diseases.																
Smallpox	16	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chickencox	5	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	13	2	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	30	2	—	4	—	—	—	—	10	—	2	10	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria	3	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Typhus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Simple and ill-defined Fever	3607	216	86	99	146	149	31	950	50	48	115	5	206	395	67	412
Enteric Fever	1281	175	92	149	45	66	10	3	—	—	157	121	36	—	38	77
Influenza	26	4	—	2	4	—	6	—	—	—	4	2	—	—	1	—
Diarrhoeal Diseases.																
Diarrhoea	3698	302	44	201	531	86	136	126	27	20	408	299	83	161	37	20
Dysentery	1206	139	31	43	201	43	97	136	18	3	41	5	77	20	23	9
Malarial Diseases.																
Remittent Fever	202	50	15	3	7	2	—	54	5	6	8	4	3	5	2	11
Ague	30	1	—	5	2	—	—	5	—	1	3	—	9	12	3	—
Malarial Cachexia	299	21	4	34	86	39	—	3	7	—	9	1	—	2	—	5
Zoogenous Diseases.																
Hydrocephalus	19	5	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Venereal Diseases.																
Syphilis	16	3	—	1	3	—	1	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Gonorrhœa, Stricture of Urethra	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—

Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—*continued.*

Structure or Strangulation			
Hernia	3	5	2
Fistula	1	1	1
Peritonitis	10	6	2
Ascites	24	2	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	6	3	1
Other diseases of Liver	61	3	10
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System	90	10	2
Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.	...	...	1
Diseases of Spleen	12	1	2
Diseases of Urinary System.			
Nephritis	11	4	1
Bright's Disease	24	11	1
Suppression of Urine	6	1	—
Calculi (stone)	1	1	—
Hæmaturia	1	—	1
Diseases of Bladder	3	2	1
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System	32	4	1
Diseases of Organs of Generation.	5	1	—
Ovarian diseases	9	3	1
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina	10	2	3
Disorders of Menstruation	1	—	1
Pelvic Abscess	17	2	3
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c.	17	2	2
Diseases of Parturition.	8	1	—
Abortion, Miscarriage	257	6	12
Puerperal Convulsions	5	1	—
Placenta Prævia, Bleeding	7	1	—
Blepharitis Dolens	1	—	—
Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth	253	7	16
Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.	2	2	—
Caries, Necrosis	...	2	—
Arthritis, Ostitis, Periodontitis	1	1	—

Table X.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—*continued.*

CAUSE OF DEATH.	CEYLON.	DEATHS AMONG ALL RACES.									
		WESTERN PROVINCE.	CENTRAL PROVINCE.	NORTHERN PROVINCE.	SOUTHERN PROVINCE.	EASTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.	NORTH-CENT. PROV.	UVA PROV.	SABARAGAMUWA PROV.	Others.
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>											
Carbuncle	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phlebiton, Cellulitis	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ulcer, Bed sore	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pemphigus	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System	1,870	127	96	15	267	119	9	253	17	—	—
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>											
Fractures, Contusions	116	16	4	7	16	7	4	3	—	10	12
Gunshot wounds	20	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Cut, Stab	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burn, Scald	18	—	2	1	5	—	4	1	—	—	—
Poison	12	2	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Drowning	73	3	5	6	9	5	3	12	2	5	1
Snake-bite	46	1	1	2	2	—	—	3	1	2	3
Otherwise	53	3	1	2	—	—	—	3	1	3	2
<i>Homicide.</i>											
Murder, Manslaughter...	40	7	3	4	4	1	2	—	—	3	—
<i>Suicide.</i>											
Gunshot wounds	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cut, Stab	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poison	4	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning	4	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Hanging	11	1	1	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Otherwise	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Execution.</i>											
Hanging	8	4	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—
<i>All-defined and not Specified Causes.</i>											
General Drowsy	647	27	7	18	78	16	23	91	23	6	8
Sudden deaths (causes unascertained)	1,036	113	9	14	284	33	98	85	19	13	13
Abscess	2	—	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	—	2
Hæmorrhage	12	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Other ill-defined and not specified causes	56	6	1	3	7	1	3	—	3	3	1

Table XI.—Causes of registered Deaths on Estates in the Central, Uva, and Sabaragamuwa Provinces, and in the Colombo and Kalutara Districts of the Western Province, during the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

Cause of Death.	Central Province.			Prov. of Uva. Badulla.	Province of S'gamuwa. Ratnapura. Kegalla.	Western Province.		
	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.			Colombo.	Kalutara.	
ALL CAUSES ...	... 935	... 188	... 349	... 190	... 87	... 266	... 55	... 145
I.—Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic diseases	... 449	... 110	... 153	... 78	... 42	... 157	... 35	... 76
II.—Parasitic diseases	... 34	... 2	—	1	... 6	... 8	... 3	... 1
III.—Dietetic diseases	... 3	... 2	—	1	—	3	—	2
IV.—Constitutional diseases	... 23	... 3	... 5	4	... 2	... 8	... 2	... 3
V.—Developmental diseases	... 26	... 7	... 18	—	... 6	... 15	... 1	... 6
VI.—Local diseases	... 164	... 33	... 68	42	... 17	... 39	... 5	... 30
VII.—Violence	... 12	... 4	... 3	1	... 2	... 3	—	... 4
VIII.—Ill-defined and not specified causes	... 224	... 27	... 102	... 63	... 12	... 33	... 9	... 23
I.								
Miasmatic diseases	... 49	... 20	... 19	14	... 4	... 16	... 10	... 9
Diarrhoeal do.	... 315	... 55	... 132	52	... 34	... 109	... 25	... 50
Malarial do.	... 80	... 33	—	9	... 3	... 27	—	... 16
Zoogenous do.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Venereal do.	... 2	—	—	1	... 1	—	—	—
Septic do.	... 3	... 2	... 1	2	—	5	—	... 1
II.								
Parasitic diseases	... 34	... 2	—	1	... 6	... 8	... 3	... 1
III.								
Dietetic diseases	... 3	... 2	—	1	—	3	—	... 2
IV.								
Constitutional diseases	... 23	... 3	... 5	4	... 2	... 8	... 2	... 3
V.								
Developmental diseases	... 26	... 7	... 18	—	6	... 15	... 1	... 6
VI.								
Diseases of—								
Nervous system	... 65	... 2	... 15	10	... 8	... 14	—	... 6
Organs of special sense	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	... 1
Circulatory system	... 2	—	4	—	2	2	—	—
Respiratory system	... 56	... 26	... 34	24	4	14	2	... 16
Digestive system	... 20	... 2	7	1	1	6	3	—
Lymphatic system and ductless glands	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Urinary system	... 2	—	2	2	—	—	—	1
Reproductive system:								
(a) Organs of generation	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2
(b) Parturition	... 17	... 2	3	5	2	2	—	3
Organs of Locomotion	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Integumentary system	... 2	1	2	—	—	1	—	1
VII.								
Accident or negligence	... 9	... 8	3	1	1	2	—	2
Homicide	... 2	1	—	—	1	1	—	1
Suicide	... 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
VIII.								
Ill-defined and not specified causes	224	27	102	63	12	33	9	23
Miasmatic Diseases.								
Smallpox	... 6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chickenpox	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Simple and ill-defined Fever	38	20	16	10	4	16	10	8
Enteric Fever	... 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Influenza	... 4	—	3	1	—	—	—	1
Diarrhoeal Diseases.								
Diarrhoea	... 152	29	53	25	17	61	13	27
Dysentery	... 163	26	79	27	17	48	12	23
Malarial Diseases.								
Remittent Fever	... 4	2	—	1	1	2	—	—
Ague	... 3	1	—	3	—	2	—	—
Malarial Cachexia	... 73	30	—	5	2	28	—	16
Zoogenous Diseases.								
Hydrophobia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cowpox and other effects of Vaccination	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table XI.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

Cause of Death.	Central Province.			Prov. of Uva.	Province of S'gamuwa.	Western Province.		
	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.			Badulla.	Ratnapura.	Kegalla.
<i>Venereal Diseases.</i>								
Syphilis ...	2	...	—	1	...	1	...	—
Gonorrhœa, stricture of Urethra	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Septic Diseases.</i>								
Erysipelas ...	...	—	—	1	...	—	—	—
Pyæmia, Septicæmia ...	2	...	—	1	...	—	—	1
Puerperal Fever ...	1	...	2	—	—	—	5	—
<i>Parasitic Diseases.</i>								
Thrush ...	—	—	—	1	...	—	—	—
Worms (animal) ...	14	...	2	—	—	—	2	3
Dochmias Duodenalis ...	20	...	—	—	6	...	6	—
<i>Dietetic Diseases.</i>								
Starvation, want of breast-milk ...	3	...	2	—	—	—	3	—
Intemperance, Chronic Alcoholism ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Intemperance, Delirium Tremens ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Constitutional Diseases.</i>								
Rheumatism ...	—	...	—	2	...	1	—	—
Rickets ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	1
Cancer ...	2	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tubercular Meningitis (hydrocephalus) ...	3	...	—	—	—	—	2	—
Phthisis ...	9	...	1	3	—	2	4	1
Other forms of Tuberculosis, Scrofula ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Anæmia, Chlorosis, Leucocytæmia ...	8	...	2	—	—	—	1	—
Diabetes Mellitus ...	1	...	—	—	—	—	—	2
<i>Developmental Diseases.</i>								
Premature Birth ...	5	...	—	3	...	—	3	—
Old age ...	21	...	7	15	...	—	12	1
<i>Nervous System.</i>								
Apoplexy ...	3	...	—	1	...	—	—	2
Paralysis ...	3	...	—	2	...	1	—	—
Epilepsy ...	2	...	—	—	2	—	—	—
Convulsions ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Infantile Convulsions ...	53	...	2	11	—	7	12	2
Tetanus ...	3	...	—	—	—	—	—	1
Other and undefined diseases of Brain or Nervous System ...	1	...	—	1	—	—	1	—
<i>Organs of Special Sense.</i>								
Conjunctivitis and other diseases of Eye ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
<i>Circulatory System.</i>								
Angina pectoris, Syncope ...	—	...	—	1	...	—	—	—
Embolism, Thrombosis ...	—	...	—	1	...	—	—	—
Varicose veins ...	—	...	—	1	...	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Heart or Circulatory System ...	2	...	—	2	—	1	2	—
<i>Respiratory System.</i>								
Laryngitis ...	1	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Croup ...	—	...	—	—	1	—	—	—
Bronchitis ...	17	...	3	7	—	5	—	1
Asthma ...	3	...	—	—	—	—	1	—
Pneumonia ...	32	...	22	27	—	16	3	10
Pleurisy ...	1	...	—	—	1	—	—	1
Other and undefined diseases of Respiratory System ...	2	...	1	—	2	1	3	1
<i>Digestive System.</i>								
Stomatitis ...	1	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dyspepsia ...	1	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hæmatemesis ...	1	...	1	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Stomach ...	1	...	1	—	—	—	—	—
Ulceration of Intestines ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Ileus, obstruction of Intestine ...	2	...	—	2	—	—	—	—
Stricture or Strangulation of Intestine ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hernia ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peritonitis ...	1	...	—	1	—	—	—	1
Ascites ...	5	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver ...	1	...	—	—	—	1	—	1
Other diseases of Liver ...	4	...	—	2	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System ...	2	...	—	2	1	—	1	—
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>								
Diseases of the Lymphatic system ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Spleen ...	—	...	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table XI.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

Cause of Death.	Central Province.			Prov. of Uva.	Province of S'gamuwa.	Western Province.		
	Kandy.	Matale.	Nuwara Eliya.			Ratnapura.	Kegalla.	Colombo.	Kalutara.
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>								
Nephritis	...	—	—	...	—	...
Bright's Disease	...	2	...	—	2	...	1	...
Calculus (Stone)	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
Diseases of Bladder	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System	...	—	...	—	...	1	...	—
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>								
Disorders of Uterus and Vagina	—	...	—	...	—	...	—	...
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c.	...	—	...	1	...	—	...	—
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>								
Abortion, Miscarriage	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
Puerperal Convulsions	...	1	...	—	...	1	...	—
Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth	...	16	...	2	...	3	...	4
<i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>								
Other and undefined diseases of Organs of Locomotion	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>								
Ulcer, Bed sore	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	1
Pemphigus	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System	...	1	...	—	...	—	...	—
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>								
Fractures, Contusions	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	—
Gunshot wounds	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—
Burn, Scald	...	5	...	—	1	...	—	—
Poison	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	1
Drowning	...	—	2	...	2	...	—	—
Snake-bite	...	—	1	...	—	—	—	—
Otherwise	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	—
<i>Homicide.</i>								
Murder, Manslaughter	...	2	...	1	...	—	—	1
<i>Suicide.</i>								
Poison	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	—
Hanging	...	—	1	...	—	—	—	1
Otherwise	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	—
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>								
General Dropsy	...	33	...	13	...	17	...	9
Debility	...	188	...	13	...	80	...	54
Sudden deaths (causes unascertained)	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	2
Abscess	...	—	2	...	—	2	...	—
Tumour	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	—
Hæmorrhage	...	—	...	—	...	—	—	1
Other ill-defined and not specified causes	...	—	1	...	1	...	—	4

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths registered in each Ward of the Town of Colombo during the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Colombo Municipality.	WARDS.												NATIONALITIES.					
		Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Matale Hospitals.	Matale (exclu- sive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
ALL CAUSES ...	1183 ^a	12	26	56	115	240	120	236	186	115	77	24	79	522	278	231	28	21	
I.—Specific, Febrile, or Zymotic Diseases ...	375	4	10	17	37	76	26	94	51	42	18	7	22	150	111	65	10	10	
II.—Parasitic Diseases ...	30	—	—	—	1	2	2	18	5	1	1	—	—	17	9	2	1	1	
III.—Dietetic Diseases ...	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	
IV.—Constitutional Diseases ...	138	1	3	5	16	30	9	17	25	20	12	1	12	63	27	28	5	2	
V.—Developmental Diseases ...	87	—	—	5	8	20	13	3	14	13	11	1	9	42	11	18	4	2	
VI.—Local Diseases ...	430	3	11	24	38	93	51	72	81	29	28	13	27	206	85	87	7	5	
VII.—Violence ...	18	4	—	1	—	1	1	9	1	—	1	2	3	7	5	1	—	1	
VIII.—Ill-defined and not specified causes	103	—	2	4	14	18	17	23	9	10	6	—	6	37	28	30	1	1	
I.																			
Miasmatic Diseases ...	73	3	3	2	8	23	5	6	5	15	8	4	5	32	14	14	3	1	
Diarrhoeal do. ...	214	1	4	10	23	42	11	65	27	23	8	3	14	82	66	39	5	8	
Malarial do. ...	68	—	3	5	11	8	8	16	14	2	1	—	3	24	28	10	2	1	
Zoogenous do. ...	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Venereal do. ...	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	
Septic do. ...	16	—	—	—	—	2	2	5	5	1	1	—	2	10	2	2	—	—	
II.—Parasitic Diseases ...	30	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	18	5	1	1	—	17	9	2	1	1	
III.—Dietetic Diseases ...	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	
IV.—Constitutional Diseases ...	138	1	3	5	16	30	9	17	25	20	12	1	12	63	27	28	5	2	
V.—Developmental Diseases ...	87	—	—	5	8	20	13	3	14	13	11	1	9	42	11	18	4	2	
VI.																			
Diseases of Nervous System ...	180	1	3	9	16	35	31	13	47	16	9	1	8	83	37	46	5	—	
Do. Organs of special sense ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Do. Circulatory System ...	24	—	1	1	4	6	2	3	1	6	2	—	15	3	4	—	—	—	
Do. Respiratory System ...	146	2	7	12	14	38	15	26	19	6	7	3	12	67	31	28	2	3	
Do. Digestive System ...	36	—	—	1	1	6	2	13	7	1	5	2	4	21	4	3	—	2	
Do. Lymphatic system and Ductless Glands ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Do. Urinary System ...	18	—	—	—	—	2	2	11	2	1	—	4	1	6	5	2	—	—	
Do. Reproductive System :—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	
(a) Organs of Generation ...	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	
(b) Parturition ...	14	—	—	—	1	5	1	2	3	1	—	1	—	5	4	4	—	—	
Do. Organs of Locomotion ...	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	
Do. Integumentary System ...	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	4	—	—	—	—	
VII.																			
Accident or Negligence ...	12	3	—	1	—	—	1	—	5	1	—	1	1	2	4	4	1	—	
Homicide ...	5	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	1	3	1	—	—	—	
Suicide ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Execution ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
VIII.																			
Ill-defined and not specified causes ...	103	—	2	4	14	18	17	23	9	10	6	—	6	37	28	30	1	1	
<i>Miasmatic Diseases.</i>																			
Smallpox ...	8	—	—	1	—	—	2	2	—	3	—	—	1	5	—	1	1	—	
Chickenpox ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Measles ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Whooping Cough ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mumps ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Diphtheria ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Cerebro-spinal Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Simple and ill-defined Fever ...	45	2	1	3	15	3	1	—	14	6	1	2	20	11	8	2	1	1	
Enteric Fever ...	18	2	—	1	—	6	—	4	1	1	3	3	2	7	3	3	2	—	
Influenza ...	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	
Other Miasmatic diseases ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
<i>Diarrhoeal Diseases.</i>																			
Cholera ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	50	40	21	2	
Diarrhoea ...	122	—	2	5	10	21	3	46	17	12	6	1	6	50	40	21	2	6	
Dysentery ...	92	1	2	5	13	21	8	19	10	11	2	2	5	32	26	18	3	6	

* Including six deaths from smallpox of town residents which occurred at the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Kanatta, to which the patients were removed from the town.

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	WARDS.												NATIONALITIES.						
	Colombo Municipality.	Fort and Galle Face.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Muradana Hos- pitals.	Muradana (exclu- sive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burghers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.	
<i>Malarial Diseases.</i>																			
Remittent Fever	46	—	3	4	9	7	6	1	13	2	1	—	—	3	14	17	10	1	1
Ague	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malarial Cachexia	21	—	—	1	2	1	2	14	1	—	—	—	—	9	11	—	—	1	—
<i>Zoogenous Diseases.</i>																			
Hydrophobia	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Venereal Diseases.</i>																			
Syphilis	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—
<i>Septic Diseases.</i>																			
Phagedæna	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	1	—	—
Pyæmia, Septicæmia	3	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Fever	9	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	—	—
<i>Parasitic Diseases.</i>																			
Worms (animal)	12	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	—	5	1	1	—	9	—	2	—	1	—
Dochmias Duodenalis	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	—	—	—	—	8	9	—	—	—	—
<i>Dietetic Diseases.</i>																			
Starvation, want of breast-milk	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Intemperance : Chronic Alcoholism	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Constitutional Diseases.</i>																			
Rheumatism	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—
Cancer	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—
Tabes Mesenterica	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—
Tubercular Meningitis (hydrocephalus)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Phtisis	96	1	2	2	13	22	5	11	19	15	6	1	7	43	23	17	3	2	2
Other forms of Tuberculosis, Scrofula	6	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	4	—	2	—	—	—
Anæmia, Chlorosis, Leucocytæmia	12	—	1	—	2	3	1	—	—	3	2	—	1	6	1	3	1	—	—
Diabetes Mellitus	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—
Leprosy	4	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined Constitutional Diseases	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	1	—	1	1	1	1	1	—	—
<i>Developmental Diseases.</i>																			
Premature Birth	30	—	—	—	1	1	9	3	2	6	4	4	1	4	15	5	4	—	1
Atelectasis	1	—	—	—	4	7	11	10	1	7	9	7	—	5	26	6	14	4	1
Old Age	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Nervous System.</i>																			
Inflammation of Brain or its Membranes	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Softening of Brain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Apoplexy	3	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
Paralysis	13	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	2	6	—	1	—	9	—	2	1	—	—
Epilepsy	4	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—
Infantile Convulsions	138	—	—	8	16	29	27	3	33	14	7	—	5	62	29	40	2	—	—
Tetanus	13	—	—	—	—	3	2	4	3	—	1	—	5	5	5	3	—	—	—
Paraplegia, diseases of the Spinal Cord	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Brain or Nervous System	5	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	2	—	—	2	1	1	—	1	—	—
<i>Circulatory System.</i>																			
Angina pectoris, Syncope	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Heart or Circulatory System	22	—	—	1	1	4	6	—	2	3	1	4	1	14	3	4	—	—	—

Table XII.—Causes of Deaths, &c.—continued.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Colombo Municipality.	WARDS.										NATIONALITIES.						
		Fort and Galle Race.	Pettah.	St. Sebastian.	St. Paul's.	Kotahena.	New Bazaar.	Matale Hos- pitals.	Matale (exclu- sive of Hospitals).	Slave Island.	Kollupitiya.	Europeans.	Burgers.	Sinhalese.	Tamils.	Moors.	Malays.	Others.
<i>Respiratory System.</i>																		
Laryngitis	3	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	—
Croup	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Bronchitis	43	—	—	1	6	7	13	9	—	6	—	—	—	6	11	—	—	—
Asthma	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Respiratory System	90	2	4	4	6	25	3	23	12	5	6	3	6	39	12	2	—	3
<i>Digestive System.</i>																		
Stomatitis	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
Quinsy	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Dyspepsia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Stomach	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	1
Enteritis	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	2	—	—	2	4	1	—	—
Ulceration of Intestine	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Ileus, Obstruction of Intestine	6	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	3	—	1	—	—	1	3	1	—	1
Peritonitis	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	2	2	—	2	—	—
Ascites	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other diseases of Liver	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Digestive System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	1
<i>Diseases of Lymphatic System and Ductless Glands.</i>																		
Diseases of Spleen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Urinary System.</i>																		
Nephritis	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—
Bright's Disease	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	5	1	1	3	3	3	2	—	—
Calculus (Stone)	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Bladder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Urinary System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Organs of Generation.</i>																		
Ovarian Diseases	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Uterus and Vagina	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
Diseases of Testes, Penis, Scrotum, &c.	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Diseases of Parturition.</i>																		
Puerperal Convulsions	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	2	1	1	—	—
Placenta Prævia, Flooding	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	—	—	2	2	1	—	—
Other and undefined accidents of Childbirth	6	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	—	—	1	—	—	1	2	3	—	—
<i>Diseases of Organs of Locomotion.</i>																		
Caries, Necrosis	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—
<i>Diseases of Integumentary System.</i>																		
Carbuncle	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ulcer, Bed sore	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Other and undefined diseases of Integumentary System	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—
<i>Accident or Negligence.</i>																		
Fractures, Contusions	9	2	—	—	1	—	—	1	4	1	—	—	1	3	4	1	—	—
Poison	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Drowning	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Otherwise	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Homicide.</i>																		
Murder, Manslaughter	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	1	3	1	—	—
<i>Suicide.</i>																		
Cut, Stab	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
<i>Ill-defined and not specified Causes.</i>																		
General Dropsy	12	—	—	2	4	14	1	8	2	7	10	5	—	6	4	6	1	1
Debility	91	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	15	7	—	—	6	33	22	29	1	—

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods of Life registered in Ceylon, and in each District, in the Fourth Quarter of 1899.

ALL AGES.		AGES AT DEATH.																											
Province, District, and Nationality.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	1 year and under.	One Week and under.	Three Months and under.	Between One and Three Years.	10 years and under.	15 years and under.	20 years and under.	25 years and under.	30 years and under.	35 years and under.	40 years and under.	45 years and under.	50 years and under.	55 years and under.	60 years and under.	65 years and under.	70 years and under.	75 years and under.	80 years and under.	85 years and under.	90 years and under.	95 years and under.	100 years and over.	Age not stated.		
CEYLON.				M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.					
Europeans ...	36	25	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
Burghers ...	131	60	71	4	7	9	5	6	5	8	4	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				
Sinhalese ...	14788	7497	7291	1080	436	444	355	381	344	388	444	360	469	486	226	147	184	212	239	284	300	327	340	368	408	230	114		
Tamils ...	6719	3522	3197	342	133	138	138	160	148	179	174	153	131	105	121	171	188	221	207	214	136	158	146	128	144	35	50		
Moors ...	1653	872	781	138	138	138	138	63	57	43	39	34	35	22	24	17	7	42	34	31	21	27	31	32	48	47	36	41	
Malays ...	81	46	35	22	19	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Others ...	41	22	19	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Total ...	23449	12044	11405	1574	11238	1018	905	669	662	538	601	537	601	520	571	310	324	684	715	464	340	386	354	429	578	935	1163	961	
Western.																													
Colombo.																													
Europeans ...	24	18	50	2	6	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Burghers ...	84	34	905	948	94	72	73	72	69	57	56	46	39	53	32	49	30	20	26	67	19	22	23	31	43	66	62	51	
Sinhalese ...	1853	148	215	148	20	7	7	14	18	8	8	7	6	3	2	1	4	5	8	10	4	10	6	8	39	30	26	31	5
Tamils ...	363	251	119	119	20	14	18	8	10	7	6	3	3	2	1	2	1	2	6	3	6	4	7	12	12	7	6	1	
Moors ...	28	18	10	1	—	—	—	1	1	1	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Malays ...	21	15	6	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Others ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total ...	2624	1337	1287	138	105	102	104	87	88	75	63	51	62	42	34	25	38	70	36	30	42	46	55	80	130	150	117		
Negombo.																													
Europeans ...	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Burghers ...	563	278	30	31	33	26	7	16	10	10	13	8	16	1	8	13	15	5	7	9	11	15	19	33	27	23	33	35	
Sinhalese ...	65	41	24	3	2	4	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	3	2	—	3	2	5	6	7	4	3	1	1	1	
Tamils ...	18	13	5	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Moors ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total ...	652	333	319	37	34	37	30	7	17	12	11	12	14	10	16	3	9	18	16	6	5	9	15	17	24	42	34	25	
Kalutara.																													
Europeans ...	4	2	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers ...	8	6	617	622	128	107	61	34	37	29	43	30	41	31	12	21	39	44	13	14	12	21	29	20	49	31	24	18	3
Sinhalese ...	1239	177	98	79	2	4	2	1	—	1	3	4	2	1	4	3	4	1	6	4	5	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
Tamils ...	1061	89	41	48	6	6	4	3	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moors ...	140	17	7	64	17	15	8	7	3	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	2	3	5	2	1	1
Malays ...	17	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others ...	9	3	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	2478	1187	1291	206	175	138	121	52	47	60	53	57	46	36	44	30	46	27	33	17	23	19	28	44	46	76	48	44	

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods, &c.—continued.

Province, District, and Nationality.	ALL AGES.	AGES AT DEATH.											
		Males.			Females.			Persons.			Males.		
Matale.													
Burghers	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	490	276	214	46	34	39	27	7	6	7	16	19	—
Tamils	236	124	111	8	5	7	2	1	5	3	16	19	—
Moors	44	21	23	3	3	4	1	—	—	—	2	17	—
Malays	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	772	423	349	58	42	50	35	19	13	10	14	13	16
Nuwara Eliya.													
Europeans	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Burghers	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	274	148	126	21	17	14	14	11	9	6	7	15	8
Tamils	365	178	187	23	14	11	15	4	6	3	11	4	5
Moors	14	11	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1
Malays	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Others	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	639	342	317	46	32	27	29	17	15	11	12	10	18
Northern.													
Jaffna.													
Burghers	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	2369	1184	1185	106	87	81	80	69	93	88	67	55	50
Tamils	43	21	22	1	1	4	5	3	2	1	1	2	1
Moors	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	2415	1207	1208	106	89	82	85	85	72	95	89	71	50
Mannar.													
Burghers	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	152	74	78	7	9	5	10	6	4	1	2	1	1
Tamils	83	45	38	19	11	3	5	2	2	1	1	1	1
Moors	8	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	237	120	117	26	20	8	15	8	6	3	5	2	1
Mullaittivu.													
Burghers	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sinhalese	18	11	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tamils	113	62	51	12	3	3	5	1	1	1	2	1	1
Moors	8	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	141	77	64	13	4	6	3	6	4	2	9	1	2

Age not
stated.
100 years
& upwards.95 years and
under 100.85 years and
under 95.75 years and
under 85.65 years and
under 75.55 years and
under 65.45 years and
under 55.35 years and
under 45.20 years and
under 25.15 years and
under 20.10 years and
under 15.5 years and
under 5.2 years and
under 3.1 year and
under 2.Between One
and Three
Months and
Years.One Week
and
under 3.Three
Months and
under One Year.Four Years and
under 5.Five Years and
under 10.Ten Years and
under 20.Twenty Years and
under 35.Thirty Years and
under 55.Fourty Years and
under 65.Fifty Years and
under 75.Sixty Years and
under 85.Seventy Years and
under 95.Eighty Years and
under 100.Ninety Years and
under 100.

Southern.			
Galle.			
Europeans ...	1	—	—
Burghers ...	11	5	—
Sinhalese ...	1688	880	103
Tamils ...	40	32	8
Moors ...	79	40	39
Malays ...	1	—	1
Others ...	1	—	—
Total ...	1821	936	885
Matale.			
Burghers ...	1	1	—
Sinhalese ...	1064	612	562
Tamils ...	38	24	14
Moors ...	38	20	18
Total ...	1141	557	584
Hambantota.			
Burghers ...	1	—	1
Sinhalese ...	250	271	42
Tamils ...	7	5	2
Moors ...	9	6	3
Malays ...	5	2	3
Total ...	543	263	280
Colombo.			
Burghers ...	6	—	2
Sinhalese ...	80	46	34
Tamils ...	614	300	314
Moors ...	340	170	170
Others ...	1	1	—
Total ...	1041	523	518
Eastern.			
Trincomalee.			
Burghers ...	4	2	—
Sinhalese ...	3	1	2
Tamils ...	13	8	5
Moors ...	186	96	90
Malays ...	65	45	20
Others ...	8	6	2
Total ...	280	159	121
Ma-Western.			
Trincomalee.			
Burghers ...	1761	918	138
Sinhalese ...	109	60	49
Tamils ...	96	60	36
Moors ...	3	2	1
Malays ...	1069	1040	929
Total ...	1969	1040	929

Table XIII.—Deaths of Males and Females at different Periods, &c.—*continued.*