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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, CEYLON.

Address of the Legislative Council to the Governor in Reply to His Excellency's Sphere of November 7, 1898.

To His Excellency the President of the Legislative Council, the Right Honourable Sir J. WEST RIDGEWAY, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Knight
Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Ceylon, with the Dependencies thereof.

#### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

THE Council is gratified to learn that Your Excellency's anticipations as to the revenue have been so fully realized, and trusts that the expansion of revenue manifested in recent years may continue to be maintained.

The Council, while admitting that the condition of affairs with regard to the tea industry is not so satisfactory as may be desired, is not on that account prepared to advise a curtailment of the policy of developing the means of communication in the Island. In the opinion of the Council, no better means of assisting the staple industries of the Island can be adopted than by facilitating in every possible way their transport and shipment.

While agreeing with Your Excellency that the taxation of the Colony is not heavy in the aggregate, the Council is of opinion that its incidence is unequally distributed in some respects, and that this question is one that calls for early consideration.

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It is a subject of congratulation that the minor economic products of the Colony are in a prosperous state, and it is hoped that new products may be encouraged and promoted.

The Council welcomes the prospect of the early commencement of the Railway to the North and of the Kelani Valley Railway, and will be prepared to give careful consideration to any proposals regarding further extension that may be submitted.

The various public works which it is Your Excellency's pleasure to propose will have the earnest attention of the Council when laid before it.

The Council hears with pleasure that the reorganization of the Civil Service, which came into force from the beginning of the current year, has been a success, and will be prepared to assist in promoting any similarly well-devised scheme for the reorganization of the Clerical Service. The satisfactory results of the working of the Technical College and the steady progress being

The satisfactory results of the working of the Technical College and the steady progress being made justify the proposals put forward for providing more adequate accommodation for this institution.

The Council concurs with Your Excellency in attaching importance to the operations of the Survey Department. It is glad to learn that good progress is being made with the cadastral and topographical surveys, and will readily support any measure for the efficient maintenance of this branch of the administration.

The Council shares the hope expressed by Your Excellency that the result of the proceedings now being taken with respect to the Forest Department will be a considerable saving in expenditure as well as a gain of increased efficiency.

Any measures having for their object the better regulation of the sale of arrack and to check the tendency towards increased consumption of opium in Ceylon will meet with favourable consideration from the Council.

The Council is pleased at the means taken for the improvement of the Irrigation Department; and Your Excellency's determination not to enter on a speculative policy in respect of irrigation meets with its entire approval.

The Council regrets that the statistics of the year 1897 do not disclose any marked diminution in violent crime, and trusts that no efforts will be spared by all concerned to ensure the repression of crime and maintenance of order. It is satisfactory to have Your Excellency's assurance that crimes are now almost invariably reported by the Headmen to Magistrates and Inquirers, and are followed up and prosecuted with vigour.

It is gratifying to find that the measures adopted for dealing with plague have so far met with success, and the Council confidently hopes that a continuance of the precautions hitherto taken and the adoption of the measures contemplated by Your Excellency will be equally successful.

The Council does not fail to appreciate the importance of the improvement of sanitation generally, and is disposed to give its careful and cordial consideration to any well-planned and reasonable scheme that may be placed before it.

The improvements carried out and contemplated in connection with the wharf and warehouse accommodation of the Port of Colombo are heartily approved by the Council.

The extension and improvement of hospital and dispensary accommodation at a reasonable cost commend themselves to the Council, and it is satisfactory to learn that the time is approaching when the Colony may be regarded as adequately provided with institutions of this character.

The Estimates of 1899 and the Bills alluded to in Your Excellency's Address will be attentively considered by the Council.

The Council assures Your Excellency of its hearty co-operation and support in all that concerns the prosperity and welfare of the Island.

By order of the Council,

H. WHITE, Clerk to the Legislative Council.

Legislative Council Chamber, Colombo, November 10, 1898.

#### THE GOVERNOR'S REPLY.

#### HONOURABLE GENTLEMEN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

I THANK you most sincerely for your Address and the assurance of your hearty co-operation. I am sure that under these conditions your deliberations and proceedings will not fail to promote the prosperity of the Island.

## APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

IS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointments:—

Mr. J. HARWARD to act as Director of Public Instruction, with effect from the 15th November, 1898, during the absence of Mr. J. B. CULL on leave, or until further orders.

Mr. P. E. PIERIS to be Additional District Judge, Puttalam.

By His Excellency's command, E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 7, 1898. IS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. SOLOMON GERARD DE SOYZA WIJAYAGUNARATNA SIRIWARDANA, Notary Public of Walasmulla, in the district of Tangalla in the Southern Province, to be a Notary Public at Bandarawela, Welimada, and Haldummulla, and throughout the District of Badulla in the Province<sup>3</sup> of Uva, and to practise as such in the English and Sinhalese languages.

> By His Excellency's command, E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 10, 1898.

## APPOINTMENTS, &c., OF REGISTRARS.

IS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointments :-

DON DANIEL JAYATILAKA to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Dandugama division and as Registrar of Marriages of Ragam pattu of Alutkuru korale south, in the Colombo District of the Western Province, for twelve weeks and six days from the 15th November, 1898, during the absence of the Registrar, DEDRICK PELAX JAYA-TILAKA, on leave. His office to be at Kajugahawatta in Dandugama.

HETTIPATIRA KANKANAMALAYA PODIHAMI, Gan-arachchi, to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths and of Kandyan Marriages of Palle pattu division, and as Registrar of General Marriages of Kukulu korale, in the Ratnapura District of the Province of Sabaragamuwa, for six weeks and three days from the 15th November, 1898, during the absence of the Registrar, D. C. A. APPUHAMI, on leave. His office to be at Galature.

P. B. BULANKULAMA, Registrar of Births and Deaths of Nuwaragam korale division, to be Additional Registrar of Marriages (Kandyan and General) of Nuwaragampalata division, in the North Central Province, with effect from the 1st December, 1898. His office to be at Karambawa in Galkadawala Tulana.

-By His Excellency's command,

E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 8, 1898.

T is hereby notified that the notice published in the Government Gazette of the 21st October, 1898, relating to the acting appointment of HAPU ARACHCHI VIDANA-LAGE DINGIRI MAHATMAYA, is hereby cancelled.

By His Excellency's command,

E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 5, 1898.

T is hereby notified that the Assistant Provincial Registrar, Kalutara, has, under the provisos of section 7 of the Ordinance No. 1 of 1895 and of section 7 of the Ordinance No. 2 of 1895, appointed DON ELIYES RANA-WAKA-ACHCHI to act as Registrar of Births and Deaths of Walgama division, and as Registrar of Marriages of Gangaboda pattu, Pasdun korale east, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, for nine days from the 10th instant, during the absence of the Registrar, DON DAVID WIJEGUNAWARDANA, on leave. His office to be at Kalawellawatta in Pahala Walgama.

Registrar-General's Office, Regis Colombo, November 8, 1898.

P. ARUNACHALAM, Registrar-General.

T is hereby notified that HARMANIS DE SOYSA JAYA-TILAKA ARSAKULARATNA, Registrar of Births and Deaths of Panadurebedda division<sup>2</sup> and of Maraiages of Panadure Totamune, in the Kalutara District of the Western Province, will, with effect from November 15, 1898, hold his office at Gorakagahawatta in Walana and not at Timbirigahawatta in Walapolapattiya, as notified in the Gazette Extraordinary of the 1st July, 1897.

Registrar-General's Office, Colombo, November 4, 1898.

P. ARUNACHALAM, Registrar-General.

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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

N accordance with articles (c) and (d) of the amended Government Minute dated December 7. 1894, it is hereby notified that the rate of Exchange which ruled on October 31, 1898, was-

1s. 4d.

Audit Office, W. T. TAYLOR, Colombo, November 3, 1898. Auditor-General.

THE President of the Board of Civil Service Examiners has reported that the under-mentioned gentleman has passed the examination prescribed under the regulations of August 26, 1891 : First Examination.--Mr. T. B. RUSSELL.

TABLE of Marks obtained by the above-mentioned Candidate.

Mr. T. B. Russell	` <b></b>			Law. 58·2		Accounts. 89
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Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November 7, 12	898.					WALKER, onial Secretary.

T is hereby notified that the Local Board of Matale has, with the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Executive Council, in terms of section 30 of "The Local Boards Ordinance, 1898," imposed and levied for the year 1899, over and above the sum necessary for the maintenance of the police of the said town, a rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per centum on the annual value of all houses and buildings of every description and all lands and tenements whatsoever within the said town of Matale, subject to the provisions of the aforesaid section.

Colonial Secretary's Office Colombo, November 8, 1898. By His Excellency's command, E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

THE following by-laws made by the Local Board, Ratnapura, under section 12 of Ordinance No. 5 of 1898, and approved by the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council, are published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, November, 2, 1898.

E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary.

#### By-laws referred to.

1. The proprietor, trustee, or other person entitled to the possession of a burial or cremation ground shall apply in writing to the Chairman of the Local Board to have the same registered as such, stating the name of the keeper, if any, of the ground, and annexing to his application a figure of survey of the premises certified by the Surveyor-General or by a duly licensed surveyor. And the person named as keeper in such application shall subscribe the same in acknowledgment of his acceptance of the office and duties of such keeper.

If no keeper be named, or if the keeper so named shall not have signed the application in manner aforesaid, then and in either of such cases the person on whose application registration of a burial or cremation ground is made shall be held to be the keeper of that ground, and to be responsible for any breach of regulations.

3. In the event of the death or inability from any cause to fulfil his duties of the keeper of a burial or cremation ground, the name of another keeper shall be registered; and no burial or cremation shall take place in such ground until such fresh registration shall have been effected, except on the special license of the Chairman of the Local Board or in his absence of the Secretary or of the Sanitary Officer of the Board.

4. It shall be the duty of the keeper of any burial or cremation ground to keep a register of all burials or cremations carried out on the premises of which he is a keeper in the form prescribed by the Chairman of the Local Board, and to cause to be delivered a copy of every entry in this register to the Local Board office and to the office of the Registrar-General.

5. It shall be lawful for the Chairman of the Local Board, the Inspector-General of Police, the Registrar General, or any person authorized in writing by any one of them for the purpose, to visit and inspect at any time any burial or cremation ground, and to have access to all books or documents relating thereto.

6. It shall be the duty of every keeper of a burial or cremation ground to keep the same clean and in good order to the satisfaction of the Chairman of the Local Board.

7. No grave shall be less than 5 ft. in depth nor less than 3 ft. distant from the nearest grave.

In the Western Province, 18,909 acres, situated in Siyane, Hewagam, Salpiti, and Alutkuru korales of the Colombo District, consisting of forest, chena, and jungle land.

In the Central Province, 2,841 acres, situated in the Kandy, Matale, and Nuwara Eliya Districts, and composed chiefly of jungle, chena, and patana lands.

In the Southern Province, 28,278 acres, situated in the Hambantota District, consisting of paddy fields, chena, jungle, and garden land.

In the Eastern Province, 38,260 acres, situated in the Batticaloa and Trincomalee Districts, consisting of garden lands, paddy lands, and jungle.

In the North-Central Province, 10,270 acres, distributed throughout the Province.

In the Province of Uva, 13,936 acres, situated in the Yatikinda division, and consisting of patana, chena, and paddy fields.

In the Province of Sabaragamuwa, 49,153 acres, situated in the Ratnapura and Kegalla Districts, consisting of forest and chena lands.

By His Excellency the Governor's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, July 9, 1898. E. NOEL WALKER, Colonial Secretary. , -

# MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTAL NOTICES.

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H. WHITE, Government Recordkeeper. October, 1898.

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Colonial Secretary's Office, Colombo, February, 1898.

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## Senior and Junior Examination, Survey Department.

T is hereby notified that an examination will be held at the Surveyor-General's Office, Colombo, and the Headquarters of the Superintendents of Surveys, commencing on January 5, 1899, at 7 A.M.

J. B. CULL, Director.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Colombo, May 30, 1898.

THE road between Ratnapura and Pelmadulla will be stopped to traffic from the 25th to 30th November, both days inclusive, in order to effect the renewal of two bridges on the 59th and 68th miles respectively.

F. W. JOHNSON,

for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department, Colombo, November 5, 1898.

Return of Immigrants and Emigrants during the Week ended November 9, 1898.

	Men.	Wor	nen.	$\mathbf{Chi}$	ldren	. i	nfant	ts.	Total.
Immigrants :				• •					
Estate Coolies							34		648
Colombo Coolies	328	3	17	•••	12	•••	7	•••	364
Emigrants :									·
All classes	819	)	272	•••	91	•••	<b>45</b>	]	1,227 %
* Of these, 447 were estate coolies.									

J. G. O. REYNOLDS. Acting Master Attendant. NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from the Very Rev. J. Collin for a grant inaid of his Anuradhapura English Mixed School.

Observations will be received not later than November 23, 1898.

J. B. CULL, Director.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Colombo, November 8, 1898. Clerical Examination.

T is hereby notified that candidates for the Clerical Examination at the Jaffna Centre taking up the optional subjects of interpretation and shorthand will be examined at Jaffna.

J. B. CULL, Director of Public Instruction. Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Colombo, November 10, 1898.

IN pursuance of the provisions of section 11 of the Ordinance No. 2 of 1895, intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Registration of Marriages other than the Marriages of Kandyans or of Mohammedans," I, Ponnambalam Arunachalam, Registrar-General of Ceylon, do hereby notify that the undermentioned building, used as a place of public Christian worship, has been duly registered for the solemnization of marriages therein :-

No.	Date•of Registration.	• Description.	Situation.	Minister, or Proprietor, or Trustee.	Religious Denomi- nation on whose behalf the Building is registered.		
65	November 4, 1898	School Chapel	Ranchagoda, Kandaboda pattu, Matara District	The Rev. R. Tebb, Minister and Trustee	Wesleyan Methodist		
Registrar-General's Office, Colombo, November 4, 1898.							

UNDER the provisions of section 5 of Ordinance No. 5 of 1864, we, the undersigned Trustees of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Good Death, Hulftsdorp, Colombo, and its temporalities, hereby give notice that a General Meeting of the Members of the said Cathedral will be held on November 19, 1898, at 5.30 P.M., at the vestry of the said Cathedral for the purpose of electing a Trustee for the remainder of the current year in place of Dr. Lisboa Pinto, deceased.

Colombo, November 2, 1898.

VINCENT W. PEREIRA, Trustees. R. E. FERNANDO, -

## NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for Dieting Agricultural and Training Schoolmasters and Students," will be received at the Office of the Director of Public Instruction up to noon on Monday, November 28, 1898, from persons willing to contract for dieting the masters and students of the Colombo School of Agriculture and Colombo Training School from January 1 to December 31, 1899.

January 1 to December 31, 1899. Tenders should be made in duplicate, the original being forwarded by the tenderer to the Director of Public Instruction, while the duplicate should be forwarded on the same day direct to the Auditor-General. The tenders are to be made on forms which will be

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A deposit of Rs. 20 will be required before any form of tender is issued; and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract.

Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of each contract. The amount of such bond, and all other necessary information, cau be ascertained upon application at the Office of the Director of Public Instruction.

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Samples of rice must be deposited at the Office of the Director of Public Instruction in sealed packets or bottles, labelled with the tenderer's name, before the date on which the tenders are to be opened.

The necessary cooking utensils should be provided by the contractor.

Persons whose tenders have been accepted by Government will be required to bear the expenses of having

security bonds prepared for the due performance of their contract, which bonds will be subject to the approval of the Attorney-General, whose fees should be paid by the contractor, but such bonds may be drawn by the tenderers' own lawyers.

On bonds which have been drawn by the tenderors' own lawyers the name and stamp of the Proctor who drafted the bond should be affixed, in order to facilitate the work of the Crown Counsel.

Every alteration in the tender should bear the initials of the tenderer. All alterations in tenders not bearing the tenderers' initials will be treated as informal and rejected.

J. B. CULL, Director of Public Instruction. Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Colombo, October 5, 1898.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for provisioning Hospitals," will be received up to 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, November 23, 1898, from persons willing to contract for supplies for the use of the under-mentioned Government Civil and District Hospitals commencing from January 1, 1899, or from date of acceptance thereafter of tender, to December 31, 1899 :--

Security

			· i	n Cash.
				Rs.
Civil Hospita		•••		200
Do.	Balapitimo	dara		150
District Hos	pital, Karawai	nella		350
Do.	Haputale,	including	Infectious	-
	Wards			250
Do.	Ramboda	•••		200
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• 2. Tenders should be submitted in duplicate, the original being forwarded to the Principal Civil Medical

Officer and the duplicate direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General, both being required to be forwarded at the

same time. 3. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application to the Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals, or to the Medical Officer in charge of the respective hospitals, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form, and the tender and the schedules attached thereto each signed in the presence of two respect-uble witnesses. Each tender should be for provisioning one hospital only.

4. Every tenderer will be required to make a deposit (on applying for forms) of half the amount of security for hospitals where Rs. 400 or under are required, and Rs. 200 for hospital where scourity over Rs. 400 is required; and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned after the contract has been signed. The deposit must be made at the Treasury or Kachchezi, and the deposit receipt must be produced to the officer issuing the form as his authority for making the issue. In stations where there are no Kachcheries the deposit must be made to the Medical Officer in charge of the hospital. 5. Provisions should be of the best quality, approvable by the Medical Officer of the hospital.

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6. When required, samples must be deposited.
7. The successful tenderers will be required to give cash security as given opposite the name of each station, and to sign the bond given in the tender for the due fulfilment of each contract within a fortnight from date of notification of acceptance of the tenders. The amount deposited for tender forms will form part of the cash security, which will be deposited in the Colombo Kach-oheri to credit of the Hon. the Treasurer. Those contractors who are required to furnish security to the extent of Rs. 500 and over may have their securities lodged in fixed deposits, if they so desire, in any one of the local Banks, which they must elect, the deposit being in the name of the Hon. the Treasurer. It is left to the option of the successful tenderer to substitute at any time thereafter for cash deposited by him approved title deeds and to enter into a fresh security bond at his

expense. 8. In case any person makes any alterations in his tender before forwarding it, such alteration should invariably bear his initials, otherwise the tender will be treated as informal and rejected.

9. Any further information can be obtained on application to the Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals.

10. The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

#### ALLAN PERRY, Principal Civil Medical Officer and Inspector-General of Hospitals.

Principal Civil Medical Office. Colombo, November 1, 1898.

SEALED Tenders marked on the envelopes "Tender for extending Female Surgical Ward, Civil Hospital, Colombo,' will be received on Monday, November 28, 1898, from persons willing to contract for the undermentiond services :-

For extending Female Surgical Ward, Civil Hospital, Colombo.

Tenders should be submitted in duplicate, the original being forwarded to the Director of Public Works and the duplicate direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General, both being required to be forwarded at the same time.

The tenders are to be node on forms which will be supplied upon application at the office of the Provincial Engineer, Western Province, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

A deposit of Rs. 20 will be required before any form of tender is issued; and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered,

or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract.

The deposit should be made at the General Treasury or the Kachcheri, and the receipt of the Treasurer or the Government Agent, Western Province, produced when applying for forms. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond

for the due fulfilment of a contract.

The amount of the bond and all other necsssary information in respect of plans, specification, &c., can be ascertained upon application at the office of the Provincial Fngineer, Western Province, The Mound, Kollupitiya.

The Government reserves to itself the right, without question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender.

Time required for the completion of the work should be stated in the tender.

Persons whose tenders are accepted by Government will be required to bear the expenses of having security bonds prepared for the due performance of their contract, which bonds will be subject to the approval of the Attorney-General, but may be drawn by the tenderers own lawyers, and when bonds have been drawn by the tenderers' own lawyers, the name or stamp of the Proctor who drafted the bond should be affixed to the document.

Any alterations made in the tender form should bear the initials of the tenderers, and all tenders containing alterations not bearing the tenderers' initials will be treated as informal and rejected.

> F. W. JOHNSON for Director or Public Works.

Public Works Department, Colombo, November 8, 1898.

S EALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for the convergence of Meile to Difference of the conveyance of Mails to Railway Stations and Jetty and conveyance of Postmen," will be received by the Postmaster-General up to 12 o'clock noon on Monday, November 28, 1898, for the under-mentioned services from February 1, 1899, to December 31, 1902:-

For the conveyance of mails between the General Post Office, Colombo, and the railway stations at Mara-dana and the Fort, by mail carts drawn by a pair of horses.

2. For the conveyance of the English, Foreign, and Indian mails between the General Post Office and the Passengers' landing jetty, and vice versû, by mail carts

drawn by two horses. 3. For the conveyance of postmen between the General Post Office, Colombo, and the suburbs of Colombo, by means of four carriages drawn by a single horse, or by two wagons drawn by a pair of horses.

The following particulars denote the work required to be performed under the above services-:-

Service No. 1.—Mail carts will be required to perform about 20 trips per day each way between the General Post Office and the two railway stations.

Service No. 2.-Mail carts will be required to perform an average of from two to three trips daily between the General Post Office and the jetty on the arrival and the departure of mail steamers.

A coach will be required to be in attendance at any

hour required by the Postmaster-General. Service No. 3.—Three trips per day will be required to be performed between the General Post Office and the suburbs of Colombo in conveying postmen and bringing mails from the sub-offices on the return journeys.

Not less than seven mail carts will be required to be supplied and kept in constant use by the successful contractor for use under services Nos. 1 and 2.

The tenders must be made in duplicate, the original is to be forwarded by the tenderers direct to the Postmaster-General, while the duplicate shall be sent on the same day to the Hon. the Auditor-General.

Tenders may be submitted either for the combined services or separately for one or more of these services.

The tenders must be made upon forms which will be supplied on application to the Postmaster-General, and

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no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

Any alterations in a tender must bear the initials of the tenderer or tenderers, otherwise it will be rejected.

A deposit of Rs. 300 will be required before any form of tender is issued, and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of the contract.

Security to the amount of Rs. 3,000 will be required. From this sum the Postmaster General will meet the cost of carrying on the service when he may deem it to be necessary to incur expenditure on account of the contractor's failure to comply with the conditions of the contract.

Security must be completed by January 15, 1899, by the deposit of the above amount in cash.

The person whose tender is accepted will be required to bear the expense of having the security bond prepared for the due performance of his contract, which bond will be subject to the approval of the Attorney-General, but may be drawn by the tenderer's own lawyers.

The contractor will be liable to a fine not exceeding Rs. 20 a day for using or allowing to be used for the service in any coach run by him under this contract, a horse or vehicle which has been condemned by the Postmaster-General, or any of his Assistants, or by an Inspector of Coaches.

All vehicles and horses intended to be used in this service must be approved by the Postmaster-General or his Assistants. Horses under 14 hands will not be accepted for use in any coach to be run under this contract.

A penalty not exceeding Rs. 50 will be imposed by the Postmaster-General or by any of his Assistants on the contractor for carrying in his coach any passengers than mail guards or employés under the contractor.

Extra mail carts or carriages must be supplied at all times, when required, without any extra charge. Fines will be imposed by the Postmaster-General for

all delays and irregularities.

The Government reserves to itself the right of rejecting, without question, any tender or any portion of a tender.

The Postmaster-General shall be at liberty at any time during the pending of the agreement to substitute motor cars for any part of the service, and to make on this account, at his discretion, such deductions from the payments to the contractor as he may consider reasonable.

Any tender which may be accepted will be subject to such modification as may become necessary in the opinion of the Postmaster-General owing to the changes in the Railway Time Table. In case of repeated delays or irregularities the contract

will be cancelled.

Further particulars can be obtained on application at the Postmaster General's Office, Colombo.

### F. W. VANE,

Assistant Postmaster-General.

Postmaster-General's Office Colombo, November 7, 1898.

SEALED Tenders (in duplicate), marked on the envelopes "Tender for \_\_\_\_\_," will be received up to noon on Monday, November 28, 1898, from persons willing to contract for the under-mentioned prisons and supplies for the use of the jails for one year commencing from January 1, 1899 :---

Nature of Service. - For victualling the following prisons :-

Southern Province.—Tangalla. Eastern Province.—Batticaloa.

The tenders should be submitted in duplicate, the original being forwarded to the Inspector General of Prisons and the duplicate direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General, both being required to be forwarded at the same time.

3. The tenders are to be made upon forms which will be supplied upon application at the offices of the abovenamed jails and the Inspector-General of Prisons, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

4. A deposit of Rs. 50, which must be made at the Treasury or Kachcheri for each of the jails, will be required before any form of tender is issued; and should any person fail (within a fortnight after he has been written to or notified to the address given by him of the acceptance of his tender), or decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, or fail to furnish approved security, such deposit will be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon signature of a contract.

5. When required, samples must be deposited. Sufficient securities will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract.

6. The amount of the bond, and all other necessary information, can be ascertained upon application at the offices specified.

The Government reserves to itself the right, with-7 out question, of rejecting any or all tenders, and the right of accepting any portion of a tender. 8. Persons whose tenders are accepted by Govern-

ment will be required to bear the expenses of having the security bonds prepared for the due performance of their contract, which bonds will be subject to the approval of the Attorney-General, but may be drawn by the tenderers' own lawyers.

9. When bonds have been drawn by the tenderers own lawyers, the name or stamp of the Proctor who drafted the bond should be affixed to the document.

10. Every alteration should bear the initials of the tenderers, and all tenders containing alterations not bearing the tenderers' initials will be treated as informal and rejected.

11. Every tenderer should write his address on his tender, giving the name of the street and the number of the house he lives in.

> L. F. KNOLLYS Inspector-General of Prisons.

Prisons Office, Colombo, November 4, 1898.

#### SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following un-serviceable articles belonging to the Master Attendant's Department, Galle, will be sold by public auction at noon on Saturday, November 19, 1898, at the Master Attendant's boat sheds, viz. :--

- 3 oars
- l lamp
- 2 taps, brass 7 files
- 10 packing cases
- 1 packing cask

Master Attendant's Office, Galle, November 3, 1898.

4 coir cable of 40 fathoms 3 coir cable of 80 fathoms

- 1 rock boat
- 1 measure, copper
- 1 measuring tape
- 1 gouge

J. TRUSCOTT,

Master Attendant.

HE under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction at the Batticaloa Kachcheri at 12 noon on Monday, November 21, 1898 :--

- 4 Chubb's padlocks
- 1 date rack
- 8 galvanized buckets
- 1 galvanized standard measure
- 2 iron weights
- 1 brass weight

Batticaloa Kachcheri, November 4, 1898.

- 1 gold-laced band belt 2 inkstands
- 1 measuring tape
- 2 padlocks
- 12 peons' belts
- 6 chairs

Allan Beven, . for Government Agent.

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OTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction December 15, 1898, at 10 A.M. :at the Public Works Department Store, Kandy, on Saturday. December 3, 1898, at 1 P.M. :--5 adzes of sorts 12 augers of sorts 26 buckets, wooden 5 barrels, tar, empty 4 augers of sorts 15 hammers, sledge, half 1 pair bellows 4 billhooks and coytas 1 20 hammers, miners' 15 chisels of sorts 92 paint kegs 9 files of sorts 1 bushel measure, 10 252 mamoties 10 plane iron bits 39 rakes 1 gauge, rain cubic ft. 100 hammers, hand 8 cases, wooden 30 cans, tin 43 cans, iron 100 mamoties 10 shovels and spades 8 tubs, water trowels, masons' vice, standing 9 2 chisels of sorts 2 chisels of solts 1 forge, portable 3 grinding-stones 27 hammers, hand 1 Public Works Department, 3 tapes, measuring 50 ft. 1 hand cart Colombo, November 5, 1898. 20 hammers, sledge. iron 1 road roller H. A. MARTIN, for Director of Public Works. **Public Works Department** 1 pair scissors. 20 tatties, tin knife, kitchen Colombo, November 5, 1898. 2 lanterns, hurricane 2 lamps, wall 17 pints, tin OTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold by public auction

at the Public Works Department Store, Batticaloa, on L

1 mason's spirit level 8 rakes 1 rasp scale, copper, small spanner, shifting square, iron, figured 10 tubs, water 4 tubs, feeding 2 vices, standing H. A. MARTIN, for Director of Public Works.

THE following unserviceable articles belonging to the Hulftsdorp Prison will be sold by public auction on Saturday, December 17, 1898, at 2 P.M., at the Fiscal's Office, Colombo, viz. :--

1 tray, rice-cooling

E. ONDATJE, Assistant Superintendent.

GEORGE J. A. SKEEN, GOVERNMENT PRINTEB, COLOMBO, CEYLON.