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MINUTES BY THE GOVERNOR.

WITH the view of preventing any misunderstanding on the subject, HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR in Executive Council has been pleased to direct that the following clause be substituted for the last clause in section 6 of the Minute of November 24, 1891, relating to the Subordinate Civil Service :—

“After appointment every Cadet will be required, before he can receive a substantive appointment, to pass the first examination prescribed for the Civil Service in Law, Accounts, and the Native Languages. If he passes at or before the examination occurring not later than twenty-one months from the date of his being attached to one of the Public Offices, his rank in the Service will count from the date of his appointment as Cadet, otherwise his claim to count his service will be deferred; and should he fail to pass within three years from his being attached, his pay will be withdrawn and the Secretary of State will be recommended to cancel his appointment.”

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 1, 1896.

PROCLAMATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR.

IN the Name of Her Majesty VICTORIA, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir JOSEPH 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.

WEST RIDGEWAY.

WHEREAS by section 1 of the Ordinance No. 12 of 1895 it is enacted that the said Ordinance shall come into operation at such time as the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *Government Gazette*, appoint :

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, do by this Our Proclamation appoint that the said Ordinance No. 12 of 1895, intituled "An Ordinance to extend the Jurisdiction of Courts of Requests and to amend the Procedure therein," shall come into operation as from and after the 15th day of May, 1896.

Given at Kandy, in the said Island of Ceylon, this First day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-six.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

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WEST RIDGEWAY.

WHEREAS by section 1 of "The Oaths Ordinance, 1895," it is enacted that the said Ordinance shall come into operation on such day as the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *Government Gazette*, appoint :

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, do by this Our Proclamation appoint that the said Ordinance No. 9 of 1895, intituled "An Ordinance to consolidate the Law relating to Oaths and Affirmations in Judicial Proceedings and for other purposes," shall come into operation as from and after the 15th day of May, 1896.

Given at Kandy, in the said Island of Ceylon, this First day of May, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-six.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
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WEST RIDGEWAY.

WHEREAS by the 2nd section of the Ordinance No. 9 of 1887, entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Local Board of Health and Improvement Ordinance, 1876," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, by Proclamation to be for that purpose published in the *Government Gazette*, to bring any town, or towns, whether mentioned in the schedule to the said Ordinance No. 7 of 1876 or not, under the operation of the said Ordinance, and to define the limits of such town or towns respectively for the purposes of the said Ordinance, and such Proclamation to amend, alter, or revoke as and whenever the Governor shall, with like advice, determine :

And whereas by a Proclamation dated the 20th day of December, 1895, the town of Nāwala-pitiya, in the Central Province, was brought under the operation of the said Ordinance No. 7 of

1876, and the limits of the said town were, for the purposes of the said Ordinance, defined in such Proclamation :

And whereas it is expedient to amend the said Proclamation of the 20th day of December, 1895, aforesaid, as respects the limits of the said town of Nāwalapitiya, and to re-define the limits of the said town of Nāwalapitiya for the purposes aforesaid :

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, do by this Our Proclamation amend the Proclamation of the said 20th day of December aforesaid by re-defining the limits of the said town of Nāwalapitiya as defined in the said Proclamation, and We do hereby define that the limits of the said town of Nāwalapitiya shall, for the purposes of the said Ordinance, be those set out in the schedule hereto, as from and after the First day of June, 1896.

Given at Kandy, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Second day of May, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-six.

By His Excellency's command,
W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

SCHEDULE.

North.—A line drawn from the Nāwalapitiya end of the bridge over the Mahaweli-ganga on the road to Goorook-oya estate to the 23rd milepost on the principal road from Kandy, thence to the northernmost point of the eastern boundary of the Crown land reserved as a pasture ground, and shown as lot 10,182 in the preliminary plan 3,667 dated June 7, 1887, prepared in the Surveyor-General's Office.

West.—The eastern boundary line of the above-mentioned allotment of land to its southernmost point, thence a line drawn to a point on the principal road to Ambegamuwa, 75 yards west of the bridge over the Penituduwe-oya, and continued along the right bank of the said oya parallel to and 75 yards from it to its junction with the Mahaweli-ganga.

South and East.—The Mahaweli-ganga.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Mr. H. L. CRAWFORD to be Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk to the Executive Council, with effect from April 16, 1896, *vice* Mr. R. W. LEVERS, promoted.

By His Excellency's command,
W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 8, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to make the following appointments with effect from May 1, 1896 :—

Mr. H. WHITE to be Second Assistant Colonial Secretary, Clerk to the Legislative Council, and Government Record Keeper, *vice* Mr. H. L. CRAWFORD.

Mr. C. M. LUSHINGTON to be Assistant at Nuwara Eliya to the Government Agent, Central Province; Superintendent of the Prison at Nuwara Eliya; Commissioner of Requests and Police Magistrate, Nuwara Eliya; Local Authority under the Petroleum Ordinance for the Nuwara Eliya District; and a Visitor of the Post Offices in that District, *vice* Mr. H. WHITE.

Mr. W. R. B. SANDERS to be District Judge, Commissioner of Requests, and Police Magistrate, Ratnapura, and a Visitor of the Prison at Ratnapura, *vice* Mr. C. M. LUSHINGTON.

Messrs. H. WHITE, J. J. THORBURN, and K. MACLEOD will, however, continue to act as Assistant at Trincomalee to the Government Agent, Eastern Province; Second Assistant Colonial Secretary, Clerk to the Legislative Council, and Government Record Keeper; and District Judge, Commissioner of Requests, and Police Magistrate, &c., Ratnapura, until further orders.

By His Excellency's command,
W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 8, 1896.

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

Mr. P. RAMANATHAN, C.M.G., to act as Attorney-General for the Island of Ceylon, with effect from May 8, 1896, during the absence of the Hon. C. P. LAYARD on leave, or until further orders.

Mr. J. H. TEMPLER to act as Solicitor-General, with effect from May 9, 1896, during the employment of Mr. RAMANATHAN, C.M.G., on other duty, or until further orders, and while so acting to be a Visitor of the Prisons in the Western Province, and a Commissioner of the Loan Board.

By His Excellency's command,
W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 4, 1896.

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

Mr. J. J. THORBURN to act, temporarily, as Secretary to the Central Irrigation Board, with effect from May 8.

Mr. HERBERT WHITE to be a Member of the Provincial Irrigation Board of the Eastern Province.

Mr. JOSEPH GRENIER to be Additional District Judge, Colombo, for May 20 and 21, 1896.

Mr. C. T. D. VIGORS to be Additional District Judge, Mátara, for May 16, 1896.

Mr. B. CONSTANTINE to be Additional Police Magistrate, Kurunégala.

Mr. HARRY JAYEWARDENA, Muhandiram of Gisuwa pattu West, to be an Inquirer into Deaths for the Judicial Division of Tangalla.

Samaratunga DON CAROLIS APPUHÁMI, of Dumunegedara, to be an Inquirer into Deaths for the Judicial Division of Avisáwélla.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 8, 1896.

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

Mr. T. PONNAMPALAM, Secretary, District Court, Anurádhapura, to act as Registrar of Lands, Anurádhapura, for a week commencing from May 4, during the absence of Mr. J. E. POBATH on leave.

Mr. J. L. A. M. LEBBE to be Registrar of Lands, Kéggala, with effect from May 1.

DON ELIAS AMARASIRI JAYASINHA, Mudaliyár, to act as Registrar of Marriages, Births, and Deaths of Mapalagama Division, in the District

of Galle, with effect from April 29, during the absence of the Registrar, JINADASA AMARASIRI JAYASINHA, on leave, or until further orders. His office will be at Nágoda Walawwe.

SANKARAPPILLAI ARUMUKAM PAUL PILLAI to act as Registrar of Marriages, Births, and Deaths of Vadamiradchi, in the District of Jaffna, for four weeks and three days, with effect from May 1, during the absence of the Registrar, L. S. STRONG K. ARASAKON, Mudaliyár, on leave. His office will be at the residence of the permanent Registrar in Point Pedro.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 8, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint, under section 372 of the Civil Procedure Code, Mr. G. A. JANSZ, Head Clerk, Deputy Fiscal's Office, Mátara, to administer the oath or affirmation which is requisite to the making of the affidavit mentioned in section 371 of the said Code.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 7, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to recognize Mr. HERMANN BREITENSTEIN, provisionally, as Consular Agent at Galle for the United States.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 5, 1896.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

THE following is the result of the Examination for the Lower Division of the Civil Service held on March 16, 1896, and following days.

The names of those Candidates who passed are given. The names of those who failed are not given, but their marks are printed; and unsuccessful Candidates can ascertain from the Director of Public Instruction to which of them those marks apply.

TABLE of Marks of Candidates for the Lower Division of the Civil Service Examination, March, 1896.

	Preliminary Examination.			A.—Obligatory.						B.—Optional.					Total Marks.	Order of Merit.
	Dictation (Orthography).	Hand writing.	Arithmetic.	(a) English Language and Literature.	(b) Any two of the following Languages:					(e) Mathematics.	(b) Modern Geography and Modern History.	(c) Elements of International and Constitutional Law and Political Economy.	(d) Civil Engineering and Surveying.	(e) Physical Science.		
					1	2	3	4								
				Latin.	French	German.	Sinhalese.	Tamil.								
Full Marks ...				1,500	750	750	750	500	1,000	750	750	750	750			
T. R. E. Loftus ...	P	P	P	381	332	132	—	—	282	391	—	—	417	1,935	1	
H. E. Beven ...	P	P	P	403	332	247	—	—	—	271	283	—	77	1,613	2	
—	P	P	P	518	259	—	—	0	—	300	131	—	0	1,208	3	
—	P	P	P	344	133	127	—	—	—	373	187	—	0	1,164	4	
—	P	P	P	340	320	—	—	0	0	192	104	—	—	956	5	
—	P	P	P	467	87	94	—	—	29	111	91	—	—	879	6	
—	P	P	P	186	2	97	—	—	0	22	0	—	—	307	7	

The above represents the marks gained by the Candidates after deducting one-fourth of the maximum in each subject.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 7, 1896.

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint Messrs. T. R. E. LOFTUS and H. E. BEVEN to be Cadets in the Lower Division of the Ceylon Civil Service.

HIS EXCELLENCY has further been pleased to direct that they be attached to the following Offices:—

Mr. T. R. E. LOFTUS to the Office of the Government Agent, Central Province, Kandy.

Mr. H. E. BEVEN to the Office of the Government Agent, Western Province, Colombo.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, May 7, 1896.

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

STATEMENT of the Account of the Commissioners of Currency for the Month ending March 31, 1896, required by section 20 of Ordinance No. 32 of 1884 :—

		CIRCULATION.		Value.	
				Rs.	c.
Currency notes in circulation on March 31, 1896		8,175,000	0
		RESERVE.		In Silver.	In Securities.
				Rs.	c.
By silver in the vault (12 cents copper)		3,559,897	22
By investments made by the Crown Agents as per annexed statement (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g)		—	2,795,318
By securities invested in Indian Government paper as per annexed statement (h)		—	1,819,784
				<u>3,559,897</u>	<u>22</u>
					4,615,102
					<u>78</u>
					8,175,000
					<u>0</u>

W. T. TAYLOR, Acting Colonial Secretary, }
 ALIAN A. KING, Acting Treasurer, } Currency
 F. R. SAUNDERS, Acting Auditor-General, } Commissioners.

Value of Securities, calculated at the latest known Market Prices of February, 1896.

Cost.	Stock Held.	Description.	Latest known Market Prices of Feb. 28, 1896.	Brokerage.	Net Price.	Value.			Net Value.			
						Rs.	s.	d.	Rs.	s.	d.	
(a) 599,283 0	3,290 4 7	Cape 4 per cent. Consolidated Stock	118	117 3/4	3,874	4	10					
	5,500 0 0	Canada Dominion 5 per cent. Debentures	112 1/2	112 1/2	6,173	15	0					
	6,200 0 0	Do. 4 do. do.	111	110 3/4	6,866	10	0					
	8,267 18 7	Do. 3 do. Stock	103	102 3/4	8,495	5	11					
	2,918 11 10	South Australia 4 do. do.	115	114 3/4	3,349	1	7					
	1,019 1 8	Queensland 3 1/2 do. do.	107 1/2	107 1/2	1,092	19	3					
	4,313 7 5	New South Wales 3 1/2 do. do.	110	109 3/4	4,733	18	5					
	3,601 7 11	Do. 3 1/2 do. Inscribed Stock	110	109 3/4	3,952	10	6					
	100 0 0	Do. 4 do. do.	120	119 3/4	119	15	0					
	100 0 0	Do. 4 do. Debentures	108	107 3/4	107	15	0					
(b) 292,708 50	8,600 0 0	Do. 5 do. do.	104 1/2	104 1/2	8,965	10	0					
	8,000 0 0	Do. 4 do. do.	108	107 3/4	8,620	0	0					
	8,000 0 0	Victoria 4 do. do.	107	106 3/4	8,540	0	0					
	6,400 0 0	Canada Dominion 4 do. do.	111	110 3/4	7,088	0	0					
	5,000 0 0	Do. 4 do. do.	111	110 3/4	5,537	10	0					
	(c) 299,994 0	5,000 0 0	South Australia 4 do. do.	105 1/2	105 1/2	5,262	10	0				
	5,400 0 0	New South Wales 5 do. do.	104 1/2	104 1/2	5,629	10	0					
	5,000 0 0	Victoria 4 1/2 do. do.	108	107 3/4	5,387	10	0					
	(d) 88,000 0	5,653 12 2	Do. 4 do. Inscribed Stock	108	107 3/4	6,091	15	1				
	11,732 17 2	Do. 3 1/2 do. do.	106 1/2	106 1/2	12,466	3	2					
(e) 1,000,000 0	13,277 0 5	South Australia 3 1/2 do. do.	109 1/2	109 1/2	14,505	2	9					
	10,124 12 3	New Zealand 3 1/2 do. do.	106	105 3/4	10,706	15	6					
	9,344 14 4	New South Wales 3 1/2 do. do.	110	109 3/4	10,255	16	5					
	10,694 19 6	Cape 3 1/2 do. do.	115	114 3/4	12,272	9	6					
	10,000 0 0	Canada Dominion 3 do. do.	103	102 3/4	10,275	0	0					
	2,053 17 9	New South Wales 3 1/2 do. do.	110	109 3/4	2,254	2	9					
	(f) 215,332 58	3,145 9 1	New Zealand 3 1/2 do. do.	106	105 3/4	3,328	6	3				
	5,167 18 8	Consols 2 3/4 do. do.	109 3/4	109 3/4	5,658	17	8					
	3,629 15 0	Local Loans 3 do. Stock	113	112 3/4	4,092	10	8					
	(g) 300,000 0	5,629 16 10	Queensland 3 1/2 do. do.	107 1/2	107 1/2	6,038	0	0				
10,705 8 9	South Australia 3 1/2 do. do.	109 1/2	109 1/2	11,695	13	9						
2,795,318 8	187870 13 11		Market Price of Mar. 31, 1896.									
(h) 1,819,784 70	Rs. c. 1,841,300 0	Indian Securities	108	107 1/2								
						203,434 19 0 at exchange.						
						1s. 2 3/4 per rupee—						
						Rs. 3,396,479 17						
						= 1,984,000 75						
						Present value of Securities = 5,380,479 92						
						Original cost of Securities = 4,615,102 78						
						Difference in favour of present value = 765,377 14.						
						(or about 16 per cent. of Investments)						
						4,615,102 78						

Depreciation Fund Investments.

Cost.	Stock Held.	Description.	Latest known Market Prices of Feb. 28, 1896.	Brokerage	Net Price.	Value	Net Value.
Rs. o.	£ s. d.					£ s. d.	Rs. s. d.
13,107 1	837 2 1	New South Wales 4 per cent. Inscribed Stock	120	119½	1,002 8 7		
13,390 55	837 16 9	Cape Consolidated Stock	...	117½	986 11 0		
12,737 15	957 1 2	Canada Dominion 3 per cent. Stock	...	103	983 7 5		
12,246 0	914 8 6	Victoria 3½ per cent. Stock	...	106½	971 11 5		
13,776 75	966 15 3	South Australia 3½ per cent. Stock	...	109½	1,056 3 7		
27,944 78	1,892 5 4	Victoria 3½ per cent. Stock	...	106½	2,010 10 6		
28,676 96	1,763 0 1	New Zealand 3½ per cent. Stock	...	106	1,864 7 5		
32,605 7	1,747 18 2	Queensland 3½ per cent. Stock	...	107½	1,874 12 5		
	9,916 7 4						
59,998 62	60,000 0	Indian Securities					
36,582 48	37,000 0	do.	Market				
48,000 0	48,000 0	do.	Price of				
56,373 68	54,000 0	do.	Mar. 31,				
52,659 73	49,500 0	do.	1896				
	248,500 0	do.	...	108	1107		
408,098 78						Amount uninvested	
							447,230 62
							1,752 83
							448,983 45

at exchange
1s. 2½d.
per rupee=
Rs. c.
179,471 87

ABSTRACT OF SEASON REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1896.

WESTERN PROVINCE.

COLOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy: the usual preparation for yala has in some villages been delayed owing to the recent drought.

Dry grain: there is little or no kurakkan cultivation, but what there is is thriving.

Other products: the supply of vegetables and fruit is good, and prices are reasonable.

Prices of staple products: rice, from Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 a bushel; cocoanuts, from Rs. 35 to Rs. 40 a thousand.

Rainfall: during the month the rainfall was below the average.

Remarks on harvest prospects generally: a good yala harvest may be expected.

NEGOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy: the fields in Hapitigam korale are being ploughed for yala; those in Alutkuru korale north have been sown, and the plants are thriving.

Dry grain: chenas are being prepared for cultivation in Hapitigam korale.

Other products: fruit and vegetables are scarce.

Prices of staple products: rice, from Rs. 3·50 to Rs. 4 per bushel; cocoanuts, from Rs. 35 to Rs. 37·50 a thousand.

Rainfall: deficient; there were, however, a few good showers.

Remarks on harvest prospects generally: the yala harvest at present promises to be good.

KALUTARA DISTRICT.

Paddy: the sowing of the fields for the yala harvest is nearly over, and the plants are thriving well, the present weather being favourable to cultivation.

Dry grain: nil.

Other products: fruits and vegetables are abundant in Rayigam korale and in the Totamunes, but scarce in the Pasdun korale east and west; jak is plentiful, and is largely used as food by the people of Pasdun korale west.

Prices of staple products: imported rice, Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 per bushel; country-grown rice, Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 per bushel; cocoanuts, Rs. 35 to Rs. 40 a thousand.

Rainfall: moderate.

Remarks on harvest prospects generally: good.

CENTRAL PROVINCE.

KANDY DISTRICT.

Paddy, maha: the fields in Pata Dumbara, Uda Dumbara, and Pata Hewaheta are being harvested, and in other divisions harvesting is over. Some fields cultivated later in Pata Hewaheta are still ripening.

Crop or prospects of crop: fair in Uda Dumbara and Pata Hewaheta, and good in Pata Dumbara.

Yala: the fields in Uduunuwara, Yatinuwara, Pata Hewaheta, and Udapalata are being sown; in Harispattu Pata Dumbara, and Uda Dumbara are being ploughed.

Crop or prospects of crop: too early to form an opinion.

Dry grain, maha: hill paddy chenas in Tumpāne are being cleared for cultivation. Kurakkan chenas in Uduunuwara, Yatinuwara, Tumpāne, and Harispattu are being cleared and sown; in Pata Dumbara, Pata Hewaheta, and Uda Bulatgama are being cleared; and in Udapalata in small plants.

Crop or prospects of crop: too early to form an opinion.

Rainfall : sufficient in Yatinuwara, Uda Dumbara, Pata Hewaheta, and Uda Bulatgama, and in other divisions insufficient.

Prices : paddy, per bushel Re. 1.50 ; kurakkan, per bushel Re. 1.25 ; coconuts, per 1,000 Rs. 60.

MATALE DISTRICT.

Matale south.—The rainfall for the month recorded is 3.74 in. The yala cultivation has begun in most places in Medasiya, Udasiya, Gampahasiya, and Kohonsiya pattus. The fields irrigated by rivers and hill streams are progressing rapidly. Prospects are promising.

Matale north.—The rainfall recorded at Dambulla is 2.80 in. The tanks in most places are partly filled, and the cultivation of paddy fields under them are being ploughed for yala harvest. The cultivation in Inamaluwa korale is reported to be very satisfactory.

Matale east.—The maha fields in Laggala Udasiya pattu are being reaped, with satisfactory results. In Gangala korales the preliminary operations for yala harvest have begun. Prospects are promising.

NUWARA ELIYA DISTRICT.

Paddy : Kotmale—maha harvest reaped ; crops good ; Walapane and Uda Hewaheta—young plants ; large extent sown ; every prospect of an excellent paddy crop.

Dry grain : Kotmale—chenas being cleared ; Walapane and Uda Hewaheta—no work on chenas.

Rainfall : light.

Fruits and vegetables : there was a good supply of vegetables, but very little fruit.

Prices of staple articles : paddy, Re. 1 to Re. 1.50 a bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1 to Re. 1.25 a bushel ; Indian corn, Re. 1 to Re. 1.25 a bushel ; coconuts, Rs. 7 to Rs. 8 a hundred.

Health : chickenpox in several villages of Uda Hewaheta, but not of serious form.

Health of cattle : hoof disease still prevailing in Walapane, but not seriously.

NORTHERN PROVINCE.

JAFFNA DISTRICT.

Weather : there was no rain during the month in any part of the District, excepting a slight drizzle in Valikamam east on the 5th, 8th, and 17th, the quantity registered at Jaffna by the Public Works Department being .03 in. The weather was exceptionally sultry.

Paddy : harvesting is over in all parts ; the paddy lands other than those under fine grain are being manured and ploughed.

Dry grain crops : ellu, payaru, and kurakkan are in ear ; in some places they are being harvested. The ellu crop has in many places been damaged by worms.

Tobacco : in most parts the crop is being harvested and cured, and the traders have commenced buying tobacco.

Prices of grain : paddy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; varaku, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; chamy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; payaru, Rs. 3.75 per bushel ; uluntu, Rs. 3.75, per bushel ; ellu, Rs. 4.50 per bushel ; kollu, Rs. 2.25 per bushel.

MANNAR DISTRICT.

Rainfall : a few smart showers in the Musali pattu during the month.

State of crops : reaping and stacking of paddy and dry grain over. Tobacco being cut and cured ; crop fair.

Prices of grain : paddy per bushel sells at Re. 1 to Re. 1.25 ; rice at Rs. 3 to Rs. 3.75 ; kurakkan at 75 cents to Re. 1 ; kampampullu at Re. 1 ; kadaikanny at Re. 1.

MULLAITTIVU DISTRICT.

Paddy : is being threshed in a few villages ; reaping is still going on ; crop good.

Tobacco : is being cut and cured ; crop satisfactory.

Prices of articles : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3 per bushel ; kurakkan, 75 cents per bushel ; varaku, 62½ cents per bushel ; payaru, Rs. 4 per bushel ; ellu, Rs. 4 per bushel ; kollu, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; uluntu, Rs. 4 per bushel.

Weather : there were a few showers of rain during the month. The days were very hot. South-west wind blew at intervals. Fever is said to be prevailing in some parts of the District.

VAVUNIYA DISTRICT.

There were a few good showers of rain towards the latter part of the month. Rainfall registered, 2.69 in. Tanks still more or less full.

The kalapokam crop is being reaped and threshed. The idaipokam cultivation is in ear, and prospects very good. Preparations are being made for sirupokam in some villages.

Prices : paddy, Re. 1 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1 per bushel ; gingelly, Rs. 4 per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3 per bushel.

The health of the people is not satisfactory ; fever still prevailing to a great extent in the District.

A few cases of murrain are reported in some villages in Cheddikulam west and Kilakkumalai south. Hoof-and-mouth disease still exists in Panankamam.

SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

GALLE DISTRICT.

Paddy, yala : sowing over in all the sea-borde villages, and the paddy plants are looking healthy. The extent sown in some divisions smaller than for the yala of 1895, owing to dry weather in February and March. Sowings in the interior still going on ; weather favourable.

Dry grain : sowing over, and crop presents a healthy appearance.

Miscellaneous : the yield in breadfruit improving ; plantain scarce and dear yet ; jak plentiful ; and vegetables in fair supply ; coconut crop improving, and price Rs. 30 per 1,000 nuts.

Prices of staple food : rice, from Rs. 3 to Rs. 3.75 per bushel ; paddy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan, Rs. 2 per bushel ; amu Re. 1.25 per bushel.

Rainfall : 15.48 in.

Health : dysentery, chickenpox, fever, and influenza prevailed to some extent in Talpe pattu, Gravets, and Wellaboada pattu.

Cattle : free from disease.

MATARA DISTRICT.

Paddy : good.

Dry grain : good.

The crop prospects are reported very good owing to seasonable rains.

Prices : paddy and fine grain, Re. 1.50 per bushel.

HAMBANTOTA DISTRICT.

Girawa Pattu West.

Paddy : late second maha crop being reaped. Land is being sown for yala. Chenas sown with dry grain and Indian corn ; prospects fair. Vegetables plentiful.

Rain : occasional showers.

Health : fever, dysentery, and diarrhoea in some villages, but on the decrease.

A few cases of hoof disease amongst cattle.

Girawa Pattu East.

Paddy : second maha crop reaped and threshed ; crop indifferent.

Rain : a few showers.

Health : fair.

Magam Pattu.

Paddy :—Tissa : maha crop stacked ; crop suffered from attacks of fly. Ploughing for yala commenced. Chenas have been a failure.

Rain : very slight.

Health : satisfactory.

Food supply : generally sufficient.

Prices : paddy, from Re. 1.25 to Re. 1.50 per bushel ; rice, from Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 per bushel ; kurakkan, from Re. 1 to Re. 1.25 per bushel ; Indian corn, from 50 cents to 62½ cents per 100 pods ; sweet potatoes, from 87½ cents to Re. 1.75 per cwt.

EASTERN PROVINCE.

BATTICALOA DISTRICT.

Paddy : early munmari harvested, and later munmari being harvested. The yield of neither is likely to be so good as last year. The former was partly damaged by excessive rain in December and January, and the latter by blight.

Other grain : nil.

Price of paddy : Re. 1 a bushel and less.

Rainfall : 0.12 in.

Health of people and cattle : on the whole good.

TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT.

Rainfall : Nil.

Paddy : the pinmari lands are being sown. The munmari crops have been harvested, and the yield is reported fair, except in the Koddiyar pattu, where the later cultivation has been partially damaged by insects. The later munmari cultivation in the Sinhalese division of the Kaddukulam pattu is in ear.

Dry grain : the crops have been harvested, and the result is reported fair.

Tobacco : the crops have been nearly harvested, and the leaves are being cured.

Cassava : the cultivation is in a fair condition.

Fisheries : not satisfactory.

Prices of staple articles : rice, Rs. 3 per bushel ; paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; dry grain, 75 cents per bushel ; cassava, 2 cents per lb.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.

KURUNĠGALA DISTRICT.

Weudawili Hatpattu.—About 200 acres of paddy and 100 acres of chena lands were sown, the weather proving favourable for cultivation. Except a few cases of measles and chickenpox, the health of the people in general was good. The health of cattle was fair.

Wanni Hatpattu.—Though continued rain fell for three and five days, paddy cultivation for the present yala harvest has not yet commenced for want of sufficient rain. Unless heavier rains fall cultivation will not be carried on in an extensive scale. Maha crop has all been reaped. Chenas are being sown throughout the District.

Dambadeni Hatpattu.—Paddy cultivation for the yala harvest having commenced some fields have already been sown. Health of people is good. Cattle murrain prevails in two korales.

Katugampola Hatpattu.—Only a small area has been cultivated for the yala harvest with paddy. No more cultivation will be undertaken until rain commences. Chenas are being sown. Health of people is good. Murrain prevails in one korale.

Hiriyala Hatpattu.—Greater portion of the crop of fields cultivated for the past harvest was reaped and harvested, the remaining portion being equally good is ready for reaping. Chenas which have been cleared and prepared for cultivation in a scattered area are being sown with fine grain. Health of people and cattle is good.

CHILAW DISTRICT.

Northern Division.—Paddy crop reaped and gathered completely, and some chenans for the cultivation of fine grain are being cleared.

Central Division.—Yield of paddy for maha cultivation is reported to be about 24,796 bushels, and that of fine grain to be 1,326 bushels. Dewareddiri and bala-wi cultivation for yala of this year is going on. An extent of about 496 bushels is said to have been cultivated, which is in good condition.

Southern Division.—143 bushels of paddy and 1 of fine grain have been sown during the month. Paddy crops reported to be thriving well, while yala cultivation is still going on.

PUTTALAM DISTRICT.

Paddy : in Demala hatpattu the harvesting of the maha crops was being completed. In Puttalam division fields are being prepared for the yala sowing. In Kalpitiya division some fields are being prepared for cultivation.

Dry grain : in Demala hatpattu crops have been gathered. In some pattus sowing of gingelly and meneri for the yala harvest has already commenced. In Puttalam division chenas are being cleared for the yala harvest. No chenas in Kalpitiya division.

Staple products : rice, from Rs. 3 to Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 4 to Rs. 4.50 per 100.

Rainfall : the weather has been dry, with showers. There was good rain on the 25th (1.12 in.), and the total registered up to the 30th was 3.01 in.

NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.

ANURADHAPURA DISTRICT.

There were a few very good showers during the month. The rainfall registered at Anuradhapura was 4.39 in. Maha crops have all been harvested, and meda crops have almost all been so: Yala cultivation is going on.

Tavalu and kurakkan crops have all been reaped.

The gingelly crops on kanatu lands are progressing.

Some of the tanks are half full, others are quarter full, and a very few have dried up.

Cattle murrain is still prevailing, especially in Nuwaragampalata.

Health of the people is fairly good.

PROVINCE OF UVA.

BADULLA DISTRICT.

Yatikinda : paddy plants thriving well, and crop prospects good. Fruit and vegetables plentiful and cheap. Weather, wet. Health of cattle good. Colds and fever prevalent.

Udukinda : sowing of maha fields going on. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Weather dry, with occasional showers. Health of people good. Foot-and-mouth disease amongst cattle in Gampaha korale.

Wellassa : paddy plants thriving well, and crop prospects good. Fruit and vegetables plentiful and cheap. Weather dry, with occasional showers. Health of people and cattle good.

Buttala : paddy crop ripening, and prospects good. Weather dry, with few showers. Fruit and vegetables plentiful and cheap. Health of people and cattle good.

Viyaluwa : paddy crop ripening, and prospects good. Preparations going on for yala cultivation. Fruit and vegetables plentiful and cheap. Weather dry, with occasional showers. Health of cattle good. Fever and dysentery prevalent in few villages.

Bintenna : paddy plants thriving well, and crop prospects good. Preparations going on for yala cultivation. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Weather, dry. Health of people and cattle good.

Wellawaya : paddy crop ripening, and prospects good. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Weather, wet. Health of people and cattle good.

PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.

RATNAPURA DISTRICT.

Paddy : the crops of the second maha fields in Kuruwiti korale are being harvested, they are ripening in Nawadun korale and they are being reaped and threshed in Atakalan korale. Weather is not favourable for gathering operations. Operations for yala cultivation throughout the District have begun in favourable weather, and sowing has nearly been completed. The maha crop in Kolonna korale has now been harvested ; outturn satisfactory.

Dry grain : there are no crops at present on chenas. In Kuruwiti, Nawadun, Kolonna, and Kukulu korales chenas and owtas have been sown ; in Atakalan korale chenas are now being cleared.

No murrain among cattle has been reported, and the health of the people is satisfactory.

KEGALLA DISTRICT.

Paddy, yala : ploughing operations are in progress.

Dry grain : chenas are being cleared for the cultivation of hill paddy and kurakkan. Gingelly sown in Beligal korale is growing well.

Prices : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; hill paddy, Re. 1 per bushel ; kurakkan, 87 cents to Re. 1 per bushel ; amu, 75 cents per bushel ; mun, Rs. 3 to Rs. 3.25 per bushel ; iringu, Rs. 2 to Rs. 2.50 per bushel ; meneri, cents 87 per bushel ; gingelly, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; tana, Re. 1.25 per bushel.

Rainfall : registered at Ambanpitiya 7.81 in., at Ruanwella 11.93 in.

Cattle disease : murrain has occurred at Yatattawala village in Gandolaha puttu of Beligal korale. Three new cases were reported during the month, one of which proved fatal. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

Health of the people was generally good.

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J. J. THORBURN,
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Colonial Secretary's Office,
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N. J. MARTIN,
B. P. SAMARAKONE,
C. B. PAULICKPULLE,

Trustees of St. James's Church, Chilaw.

Chilaw, April 18, 1896.

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F. W. VANE,
Acting Postmaster-General.

Postmaster-General's Office,
Colombo, April 29, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application has been received from the Rev. D. Wilkinson for the removal of his Kalutara Boys' English School to Dealgoda, five miles from the present site.

Observations will be received not later than May 16, 1896.

J. B. CULL,
Director.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
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J. B. CULL,
Director.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
Colombo, May 6, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that applications for grants in aid of the under-mentioned schools have been received. Observations will be received not later than May 19, 1896.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
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J. B. CULL,
Director.

Name of School.	Class.	Province.	Mission.	Name of Manager.
Yatchana Girls'	Vernacular	Western	Private	Mr. D. H. Jayewardene
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D. G. MANTELL,
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Surveyor-General's Office,
Colombo, May 4, 1896.

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Two Weeks ended May 6, 1896.

	Arrivals.	Departures.
Men	3,010	2,699
Women	786	639
Children	687	191
Infants	195	76
	<u>4,678</u>	<u>3,605</u>

F. O. CARTER,
for Master Attendant.

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J. B. CULL,
 Director of Public Instruction.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
 Colombo, April 30, 1896.

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| 2 boxes | 5 table spoons (strong metal) |
| 6 chairs (including seats) | 20 dessert spoons (strong metal) |
| 4 clothes horses | 6 table forks |
| 3 desks (students') | 3 table knives |
| 2 rollers | |

J. B. CULL,
 Director of Public Instruction.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
 Colombo, April 30, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles will be sold at the Welikada Jail, Colombo, by public auction, at 12 noon on Monday, June 15, 1896 :—

- 1 bucket, hand, galvanized
 1 barrel, empty, tar
 1 cape, waterproof
 3 lanterns, kerosine, hurricane
 1 lamp, kerosine, wall
 2 measures, zinc
 1 mortar, wooden, with pestle
 70 plates, tin
 60 pints, tin
 2 spoons, table, metal
 4 cocoanut scraper bits
 5 tubs, wooden, water-carrying

- 1 tub, latrine, iron galvanized
 1 tin oil measure, $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.

H. LLOYD,
 Acting Superintendent.
 Welikada Jail,
 Colombo, April 30, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles belonging to the Public Works Department will be sold by public auction at the Public Works Department yard, Negombo, on June 13, 1896, at 1 P.M. :—

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| 2 adzes of sorts | 15 hammers, sledge |
| 4 augers of sorts | 11 hammers, half sledge |
| 5 barrels, tar, empty | 34 hammers, miners' |
| 2 bits for braces | 170 mamoties |
| 3 buckets, water, wooden | 46 pickaxes |
| 6 buckets, water, galvanized iron | 1 plane |
| 2 buckets, corrugated | 1 rammer, copper |
| 8 cans, tin | 1 saw, hand |
| 1 can, iron | 16 shovels and spades |
| 1 cask, wooden, water | 1 spanner, movable |
| 2 chisels of sorts | 5 trowels, masons' |
| 1 forge, portable | 2 iron hand carts |
| 5 gravel screens | 2 metal rollers |
| 3 gauges, metal-piling | 1 do. |
| 224 hammers, hand | 1 gravel roller |

E. C. DAVIES,
 for Director of Public Works.
 Public Works Department,
 Colombo, May 2, 1896.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles belonging to the Public Works Department will be sold by public auction at the Public Works Department Store, Batticaloa, on June 27, 1896 :—

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| 2 adzes of sorts | 20 hammers, sledge |
| 5 augers of sorts | 20 hammers, sledge, half |
| 3 axes, cabook | 50 hammers, miners' |
| 10 barrels, tar, empty | 1 jack, lifting |
| 20 billhooks and coytas | 300 mamoties |
| 13 bits for braces | 200 pickaxes |
| 1 brace, ratchet | 5 planes of sorts |
| 75 buckets, galvanized | 5 porowas |
| 40 cans, tin | 3 rammers, copper-tipped |
| 25 cans, iron | 1 rat trap, spring |
| 2 casks, wooden | 2 saws, hand |
| 15 chisels of sorts | 1 saw, pit |
| 1 file, large, rubber | 5 trowels, masons' |
| 20 files of sorts | Instruments |
| 1 forge, portable | 1 tape, measuring, 50 ft. |

E. C. DAVIES,
 for Director of Public Works.
 Public Works Department,
 Colombo, May 5, 1896.

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

SEALÉD Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for building an Office for the Superintendent, Timber Depôt, Slave Island," will be received on Saturday, May 30, 1896, from persons willing to contract for the under-mentioned service :—

For building an office for the Superintendent, Timber Depôt, Slave Island.

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 made on forms which will be supplied upon application at the office of the Director of Public Works, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

A deposit of Rs. 25 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 Treasury or the Kachcheri, and the receipt of the Treasurer or the Government Agent 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 necessary information in respect of plans, specifications, &c., can be ascertained upon application at the office of the Provincial Engineer, Western Province, Waverly House, Slave Island.

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 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 contracts, 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.

H. WARD,
for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,
Colombo, April 30, 1896.

SEALÉD Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for repairing the Cottage at the Technical School," will be received on Saturday, May 30, 1896, from persons willing to contract for the under-mentioned service :—

For repairing the cottage attached to the Technical School, 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 made on forms which will be supplied upon application at the office of the Director of Public Works, 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 Treasury or the Kachcheri, and the receipt of the Treasurer or the Government Agent 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 necessary information in respect of plans, specifications, &c., can be ascertained upon application at the office of the Provincial Engineer, Western Province, Waverly House, Slave Island.

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 contracts, 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.

H. WARD,
for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,
Colombo, April 30, 1896.

SEALÉD Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for supply of Rice in the Western Province" at the following stations, viz., Colombo and Negombo, will be received at the office of the Director of Public Works up to noon on Monday, June 1, 1896, from persons willing to contract for the under-mentioned services, viz. :—

For supply of rice in the Western Province from July 1, 1896, to June 30, 1897, keeping each district separate.

Colombo District.

Best quality kallunda rice, at per bushel, delivered in any part of the district beyond the Municipal limits, consisting of the Kandy road and Avisawella road.

Negombo District.

Best quality kallunda rice, at per bushel, delivered in any part of the district known as the Negombo District of the Public Works Department.

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 made on the forms which will be supplied on application at the office of the Government Agent, Western Province, Colombo, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

A deposit of Rs. 50 will be required before any forms are issued; and should any person decline to enter into the contract and bond after he has tendered, his deposit shall be forfeited to the Crown. All other deposits will be returned upon the signature of the contract.

The tenderer whose tender has been accepted by Government will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract for the supply of rice, and shall be bound by a cash deposit of Rs. 300 in each case, which must be hypothecated to Government for the due fulfilment of such contract. Quarter bushel of rice must be sent in as sample; any less quantity will invalidate the

tender. The sample must be deposited at the Colombo Kachcheri before the date for opening of tenders.

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.

Persons whose tenders are accepted by Government will be required to bear the expense of having security bonds prepared for the due performance of their contracts, 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 shall be affixed to the document.

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

H. WARD,
for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,
Colombo, May 4, 1896.

SEALLED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for the Conveyance of Mails," will be received at the Postmaster-General's Office up to noon on Monday, May 18, 1896, for the under-mentioned service, commencing in or about July, 1896, and terminating on December 31, 1898.

The tenders are to be made in duplicate, the originals being forwarded by the tenderers direct to the Postmaster-General and the duplicates direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General; both to be forwarded at the same time.

1. For the conveyance of all overland and foreign mails between the General Post Office and the Custom House (Passengers' Landing Jetty) and *vice versa* by mail carts drawn by two horses, and consisting on an average of two or more trips daily at such hours as may be required by the Postmaster-General.

2. A deposit of Rs. 250 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.

3. Security to the amount of Rs. 1,000 will be required in cash. This amount to be available for the use of the Postmaster-General for the purpose 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.

4. Security to be completed by June 30, 1896, by deposit of the above amount in cash.

5. The person whose tender is accepted will be required to bear the expenses 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.

6. The contractor will be fined 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, his Assistants, or by an Inspector of Coaches.

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

8. A penalty of Rs. 10 will be imposed by the Postmaster-General or his Assistants on the contractor for carrying any passengers in the coaches employed for this service.

9. Extra coaches must be supplied at all times, when required, without extra charge.

10. Fines will be imposed by the Postmaster-General for all delays and irregularities.

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

12. In case of gross delays the Postmaster-General is authorized to cancel the contract.

13. That the conditions of the contract will be strictly enforced.

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

F. W. VANE,
Acting Postmaster-General.

Postmaster-General's Office,
Colombo, April 28, 1896.