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ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the matter of the Estate and Effects of the late Arumugam Sathasivam of Manipay, deceased. Testamentary Jurisdiction. } No. 450. Sathasivam Chelliah of Manipay Petitioner.

1. Sathasivam Arumugam and
2. Sathasivam Chellappah both of Trincomalee. Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before Patrick William Conolly, Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna, on the 30th day of Sept. 1891 in the presence of Mr. S. T. Arnold, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner Sathasivam Chelliah of Manipay, and the affidavit of the said Petitioner dated the 30th day of Sept. 1891 having been read, it is ordered that the said Petitioner be and he is hereby declared entitled as an heir of the said late Arumugam Sathasivam of Manipay to have Letters of Administration to the Estate of the said deceased issued to him unless the respondents or any other person shall on or before the 2nd day of November 1891 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Jaffna } P. W. CONOLLY
2nd Oct. 1891. } District Judge.

விளம்பரம்.

வடதேசம் நாட்டுக்கோட்டைப்பள்ளத்தூறிலிருந்து இப்பொழுது இயாட்பாணத்தில் வந்திருக்கும் முத்து கருப்பன் சேட்டையார் அருணாசலம் சேட்டையார் அல்லது முத்தையாச்சேட்டையாராசிய நாள் இத்தர விழிப்பது முன் நாள் இயாட்பாணத்தில் நாட்டுக்

கோட்டைச் சேட்டையார் கள்களுடைய கடைகளில் பாராபிப்புகாரியகரணை வந்திருந்த சமயங்களில் எதைமேல் முத்தையாச் சேட்டையாராகப் பாலித்து வந்தேன். ஆனால் வடதேசத்தில் என்னை ஊரில் எதைமேல் அருணாசலம் சேட்டையாக அதிக்கப்படுக அறியப்பட்டுப்பதால் இன்றுமுதல் விவிலித்தலும் எதைமேல் முத்துக்கருப்பன் சேட்டையார் அருணாசலம் சேட்டையாராகப் பாலித்துக்கையொப்பம் முதலியவைகள் வைப்பேன் என்பதைச் சகலருமறிந்து கொள்ளுவர்.

முத்துக்கருப்பன் சேட்டையார் அருணாசலம் சேட்டையார்

தொகைம் ரூ அற்பபி ரூ ௨.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the matter of the Estate of the Goods and Chattels Estate and Property of Arunasalem Supramanier of Sandanpokay deceased. Elyanatchi Pillai widow of Arunasalem of Sandanpokay Petitioner.

1. Elyanatchi Pillai widow of Murugaan & daughter of Velliammi and
2. Velliammi widow of Arunasalem and daughter of Valathur both of Sandanpokay. Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before Patrick William Conolly Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna on the 24th day of October 1891 in the presence of Mr. T. M. Tampon, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner Elyanatchi Pillai widow of Arunasalem of Sandanpokay and the Affidavit of the said Elyanatchi Pillai widow of Arunasalem be and she is hereby declared entitled as one of the heirs of the said intestate to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said late Arunasalem Supramanier issued to her unless the above named Respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 24th day of Novr. 1891 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court, to the contrary.

24th day of } P. W. CONOLLY
Oct. 1891. } District Judge.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the matter of the Goods and Chattels, Estate and property of Kathiramer Murgar late of Varani Idaiquirichy deceased. Murgar Kanther of Varani Idaiquirichy.

Testamentary Jurisdiction. } No. 452. Petitioner.
Vs.
Minors. 1. Kathiramer Murgar.
2. Kathiramer Kattasaser.
3. Murgar Sithamparanather wife
4. Valliamma.
5. Theyvanai widow of Changarapilly
Minor. 6. Menatchy daughter of Changarapilly all of Varani Idaiquirichy. Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before Patrick William Conolly, Esquire, District Judge of Jaffna on the 16th day of Oct. 1891 in the presence of the Petitioner Murgar Kanther of Varani Idaiquirichy, and the Affidavit of the said Murgar Kanther dated the 13th October 1891 having been read it is ordered that the said Murgar Kanther of Varani Idaiquirichy be, and he is hereby declared entitled as one of the heirs of the said intestate to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said late Kathiramer Murgar of Varani Idaiquirichy issued to him, unless the above named Respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 27th day of November 1891 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court, to the contrary.

Jaffna, 16th day } P. W. CONOLLY
of Oct. 1891. } District Judge.

Local and General.

We have received a communication signed Fox Jaffna, disputing some of the statements of the Bombay letter with reference to Christian young

men in South India. He says, "many of the young men who have come over to South India in recent years are true and earnest Christians," "nearly all the young men with one or two exceptions, who were trained in Jaffna College are true to their faith, and are decided Christians." "Some of them are known by their English names. One of these was once advised by a Civil Servant to add "Pillai" to his name to avoid being thought to be a European"

Both writers are right. There is no doubt more temptation in South India, and in former times a majority of Jaffna young men yielded to them. But we are glad to believe that a good majority now stand firm.

DIRECTOR P. W. D. Mr. Mac Bride has gone to England, on three month's leave, during which time Mr. R. D. Ormsby will act for him.

MEDICAL COLLEGE EXAMINATION. We are glad to notice the success of some of our Jaffna students in Colombo, in a few subjects of the 1st professional Examination. McIntyre in Anatomy and Biology, Handy in Zoology, Hoole in Pharmacy, Physics and Chemistry.

OUR OCTOBER ANNUAL MEETING. It was very much feared that the continuing wet weather would interfere with the usual assembling of Christians. But the appointed day, Thursday the 15th inst. was wonderfully bright and pleasant. The Manipay church was nearly full and Dr. S. W. Howland opened the meeting. The devotional exercises being over very interesting reports of Christian work in different parts of the world, including also our adjoining islands where the gospel message was sent by our churches, were given by Revds. B. H. Rice, T. P. Hunt, Mr. Yesudasan and the Brahmin convert. Revs. T. S. Smith and A. Bryant officiated in the after meeting and a large number sat at the Lord's table.

RAINS AND CROPS. Heavy rains, with stormy blowing, lightning and thunder, have been frequent during the past fortnight. The weather has been unpleasantly cold and dangerous, the like of which has not been experienced for many years. All tanks, wells and fields were full and overflowing. The rains were a little before the desirable time for the paddy plants, which have not grown a foot and the tender ones have been seriously damaged. The "Observer" reports that this October exceeds the average for the whole of October during the past 21 years by 18 inches of rain. At Batticotta there have been nearly 30 inches this month which is nearly as much as for the whole of last year. These heavy rains are due to a cyclone in the bay of Bengal.

PALMYRAH FIBRE. A year has not elapsed and this fibre has earned thousands of Rupees for Jaffna. The heretofore castaway leaf stalk of the tree has in it materials for the best brushes and brooms. Messrs Vavassee and Co. of Colombo are purchasing the fibre in large quantities through their agents at Pt. Pedro and Jaffna Town. The new industry, we are glad to see, has opened a good living to many of the poor villagers, and we hope the cheapness and superiority of the fibre will induce the company to keep on the industry for many years.

MARRIAGE. A son of Mr. Kanapathypillai, Bank sh'off, was married to a grand daughter of Kasinatha Modliar on the night of the 16th inst. The celebration was very grand and expensive but was a little marred by the heavy rains that fell on that day.

OBITUARY. The night of the 19th inst. records the very sad death of the 2d daughter of Rev. J. Christmas, and wife of Mr. Cornelius Arudpragasam of the telegraphic office Colombo. She succumbed to influenza which came upon her after a few days illness at child birth. Our deep sympathy is with the sorrowing relatives.

THEFT. A box was discovered floating in a tank at Nellore, with some title Deeds scattered carelessly within it. Upon inspection, the owner was identified, and it was found that his house was broken into on the night of the 21st inst and the box with the title Deeds and some valuables worth about Rs. 250 stolen away. The same night another clever rogery was committed in the Hospital Road. Two bazaar women had their necklaces pulled off when returning from the market.

BIBLE SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING. On account of the rains, the meeting was not held on the 20th inst.

We have received the Report for 1890 of the Director of Public Instruction. It indicates steady progress in all respects. The number of examined schools has increased to 1,420, a gain of 42, and of pupils 113,988, a gain of 5,479.

The unaided schools are more in number being 2,617, with 32,000 pupils, or only 12 on an average. Most of these unaided schools are pansala, or Buddhist temple schools, and the average number of pupils in them is only 6.

The proportion of the population under education has increased from 1 in 19 last year, to 1 in 18; this year. The Northern province has 1 in 12, which is next to the Western which has 1 in 11.

There seems to be no lack of licensed or certificated teachers. There are about 1500, 61 having been added during the year, while only 219 boys schools require them.

A step is taken towards technical education in a vote of Rs 5000 for the payment of an Instructor, and measures taken to secure a suitable man. Apparently plans for instruction in that department are to be left mainly to the Instructor when he is secured. The Madras Presidency, it seems, is far in advance of Ceylon in this matter. The School of Arts has 364 students and expends about Rs. 30,000 above its receipts. There is a Victoria Technical Institute just starting, and the Art Industrial School at Nazareth with an annual expenditure of a lac of rupees, only a small part of which comes from the Government.

In higher education the proposed changes have not yet been adopted.

In the Girls Boarding Schools, Udappity and Uduvil head the list as receiving the largest grant per head. This is of course in part due to the fact that those schools do not have pupils in the lower standards.

Of the Northern province and his visit to it the Director says, "A real spirit of educational interest and activity seems to have taken root and found a congenial soil amongst the community and with very practical results."

THE JAFFNESE.

are charged with accusing the Jaffnese of a want of loyalty, but this is only by twisting our words. We said "it is not the part of good citizens" etc. We consider most of the people of Jaffna "good citizens" and we do not think that many of them "try to get all the benefits of a good government without paying a reasonable share," and we believe that those of the good citizens who are doing this, will cease doing it when they realize what it is they are doing. No man is always consistent, and some good citizens do things which are inconsistent with that character, and yet do not by that altogether cease to be good citizens.

As to our statement concerning the prosperity of the Jaffnese, the critic does not contradict any thing we said. He mentions what he calls three forms of "foreign capital and enterprise." The first is that of the Nattukottai Chetties, but according to his own statement they have been no "benefit" to Jaffna, and we only spoke of "benefit." His third is that of the Missionaries. We would not fall behind our critic in valuing the benefit from this source, material as well as spiritual. But he certainly does need to stop to consider "the significance of the terms used." "Capital" is stock in trade, "enterprise" in that phrase must mean business undertaking, and how can we apply these terms to the work of the missionaries. His second form we admit is rightly included, but compared with other places, the capital invested in coconut estates has not very strongly affected the community.

The main point in our mind was the fact that Jaffna had made progress, which had not been hindered, but rather helped by the fostering care of the government. We do not need to go into details at great length. But we do not think we are likely to be contradicted in a few points. During this century Jaffna has received a better system of roads than almost any place of the same size in the world, and at greater expense, which has nearly all been expended in Jaffna. We need not omit the Punnalay Causeway costing nearly Rs. 100,000. The system of schools is not

perfect, but in other parts of the island except the mountains. The material prosperity of the people is indicated by what we believe to be the fact that there are now ten stone houses where there was one at the opening of the century, and thousands of carts and large cart oxen where there were none then. In fact we have been told that the first cart was made under the direction of Mr. Meigs, one of the first American missionaries. The dowries that are given now average five times as much as they did fifty years ago. The jewels worn by the women on public occasions are ten times what they were. The number of sovereigns worked into jewelry every year in Jaffna is very great. In addition we can safely say that not less than ten lacs of rupees have been expended on temples in these years. One slight indication of prosperity is in the fact that in one year '89, for which we have the report, more than two lacs of rupees were received in Jaffna by post office orders from within Ceylon, above what was sent away, while the Straits Settlement sent 68,000 to Ceylon, most of it as the P.M.G. says, to Jaffna. This last could not have been secured without the aid of foreign capital and enterprise in those places from which it comes, and yet it is due to the enterprise of the Jaffna Tamils that they secure it rather than others.

To the Editor of the Morning Star.

Sir,

Kindly publish in your paper the following facts concerning the position of the Brahmins as described in the Hindu Vedas and Smirthies.

1. They are styled "Gods of the world" in the Hindoo Shastras.
2. Brahmins guilty of murder cannot be punished with death.
3. They only are authorised to teach the Vedas and to receive offerings
4. They only can become priests of all nations.
5. A person lamenting for one killed by a brahmin commits sin and must do penance to expiate it.
6. A person offering a human sacrifice to Doorka will receive her favours for one thousand years but no one shall offer a Brahmin as a sacrifice to her.
7. All sins will be forgiven by making offerings to the Brahmins.
8. Any one bringing a Brahmin into difficulty will have to be born 201 times from the low animals.
9. Any one giving a cow as an offering to a Brahmin will go to Paradise, but any one selling the cow set apart for him will be thrown into hell.
10. Lies may be told to save a Brahmin's life.
11. It is by his greatness that all the worlds are prosperous.
12. The world and every thing in it belong to the Brahmin.
13. It is unlawful to receive taxes from a Brahmin.
14. In heaven and in earth he is the lord of other men.

When we consider what is said in the Hindu Vedas and Smirthies regarding caste distinctions, it becomes plain that the caste system was built up by the Brahmins to press all men of other caste into their service and the persons of inferior caste are like beasts in an enclosure put up by a king to be hunted by him at his will to satisfy his own desire. The Brahmin is the god of the Hindoo religion, which is his own production.

Yours truly

A Student of the Hindu shastris.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—A SERIOUS ACCIDENT. The District Court building was recently condemned as rickety and unsafe and immediate attention was necessary. Since last Monday an adjoining building has been used for the Court work, and the unroofing of the District Court building has been going on. While the timbers were being lowered, a mishap, by carelessness or accident fearfully injured some of the coolies, two of whom were seriously crushed. The unfortunate victims were at once removed to the F.N. S. Hospital, where they are lying in a precarious state.

—RAIN AND BALLOON. Professor Van Tassel an American Aeronaut believes that he can produce rain at all times by explosion of dynamite &c at altitudes varying from 3000 to 4000 feet. He appears to have succeeded in his experiments in America and will probably try rain making by balloons in India. He further expects to make a trip in one of his large gas balloons across India from Calcutta to Bombay, a distance of 1,300 miles.

Some experiments at rain making have been tried near Arcot, exploding dynamite in the air with the aid of kites. Rain came before the experiments were resumed and there was doubt about the success.

—S. S. LADY GORDON left Colombo yesterday, south about and will sail direct to Colombo from Jaffna touching here early next week.

—On Monday the 11th inst. a meeting was held in the Wesleyan chapel, Jaffna, in celebration of the completion of a century since the death of John Wesley the Father of Methodism. The meeting was well attended and was presided over by Proctor T. M. Tampoo. Besides the address of the chairman the audience listened to remarks from Pastor Benjamin, Dr. Paul, Rev. J. I. Pickford, Rev. T. S. Smith, and Rev. W. T. Garrett, Rev. G. J. Trimmer read the list of subscriptions to the Fund which is being raised partly for repairing the chapel and partly for building a new hall for the Girls Boarding School. The amount of subscriptions with the additions that were made at the meeting that evening was over Rs. 5,000 of the 7,000 which is needed. It is remarkable in how short a time this money was raised, and helps to show how rapidly the cause of education is advancing in Jaffna.

—Ceylon is to be represented at the Chicago Exhibition and a committee has been appointed to make the preliminary arrangements consisting of:

The Hon. F. R. Saunders C.M.G. Treasurer, The Hon. A. R. Dawson, Gov. Agr. W. Province, The Hon. J. J. Grinlinton, M. L. C., The Hon. L. H. Kelly, M. L. C. Dr. H. Trimen, Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, A. Haley, Esq. Director of the Colombo Museum, Giles F. Walker, Esq. Chairman of the Planters Association, Henry Bois, Esq. Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce.

—Monday the 26th inst. was made a public holiday on account of the cricket match at Colombo with Lord Sheffield's team.

—At a large meeting held at Lucknow an Anti-opium Memorial to the Imperial Government was adopted.

—THE NEW STEAMER of the Ceylon Steam Ship Company Limited "the Lady Havelock" is expected to arrive at Colombo on the 6th proximo. As soon after her arrival as possible she will begin running round the island with the "Lady Gordon" making alternate trips; that is to say, the "Lady Gordon" will leave one Wednesday North about, arrive at Jaffna (or Kankesantra) the succeeding Friday morning and leave the same day for Colombo via Trincomalee. The "Lady Havelock" will leave the next Wednesday South about and arrive at and leave Jaffna for Colombo via Paumotu on or about Tuesday. The Steamers will thus continue running North about and South about, so that the service will be weekly instead of fortnightly as heretofore.

The "Lady Havelock" has superior accommodation for second class and deck passengers to that of the "Lady Gordon" also greater facilities and space for cargo. With regular and speedy communication between the different ports all the requirements of the travelling public and of the shippers of cargo will be provided.

—Owing to the floods the city of Lucknow are submerged and overflowed its banks. It has property and rendered many

—Ocean Penny Postage is established.

FOREIGN NEWS.

ENGLAND. The leadership of the House of Commons has been offered to Mr. Balfour and he has accepted it.

The Queen has been pleased to confer the honor of a peerage on the widow of the late Mr. W. H. Smith.

Severe storms have prevailed in many part of Great Britain recently. Several wrecks, attended by loss of life, have occurred on the south coast of England. Thousands of acres in the Midlands and in Somerset were flooded; and large numbers of cattle have been drowned in South Wales.

AUSTRALIA. The New South Wales Government sustained a defeat in the Legislative Assembly on the question of enforcing the eight hours principle in mines. Sir Henry Parkes will probably resign and retire from public life.

RUSSIA. It is reported that the people of the Pamirs are asking for the Russian annexation of their territory.

Sir Robert Morier, the British Ambassador at St. Petersburg is in London on leave. The Government is consulting with him in regard to the affairs in the Pamirs. It is expected that both England and China will protest against the Russian advance; but it has been decided to take no steps till the return to India of Captain Younghusband with fuller information of the situation.

ITALY. On the 19th it was reported that a shock of earthquake was felt in the island of Pantellaria, and that a volcano merged in the sea close to the island was throwing up stones to a great height.