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## ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the matter of the goods, chattels, estate and property of the late Valliammaipillai wife of Kanther Valathar of Meesalai deceased.

Testamentary [No. 644.]  
Jurisdiction.

Kanther Valathar of Meesalai Petitioner  
Vs  
1. Valanthar Muttukuman, wife  
2. Sivanappillai, &c. of Varany Iyattale Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Kanther Valathar of Meesalai praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Valliammaipillai wife of Kanther Valathar of Meesalai coming on for disposal before H. Nevill Esquire, acting District Judge, on the 17th day of December 1894 in the presence of Mr. T. M. Tampoo, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 17th day of December 1894 having been read it is declared that the petitioner is the husband of the said intestate and as such is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 5th day of February 1895 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

17th day of  
December 1894. H. NEVILL,  
Acting District Judge.

## ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Murguesar Chinnappah of Chulipuram Deceased.

Testamentary [No. 647.]  
Jurisdiction.

Murguesar Saravanamutto of Chulipuram Petitioner.  
Vs  
Chellappillai widow of Chinnappah of Chulipuram Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of Murguesar Saravanamutto of Chulipuram praying for letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Murguesar Chinnappah of Chulipuram coming on for disposal before H. Nevill Esquire, District Judge, on the 9th day of January 1895 in the presence of Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 8th day of January 1895 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the brother and only heir of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondent or any other person shall on or before the 4th day of February 1895 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

H. NEVILL,

Acting District Judge,

Signed this 9th day of January 1895.

## ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

In the matter of the estate of the late Veeragatt Vallipuram of Karambaikurichi deceased.

Testamentary [No. 648.]  
Jurisdiction.

Kadragamar Arun Petitioner.  
Vs  
1. Kunchipilly  
2. Kasiathar  
two to  
3. Vallu  
4. Vallu  
5. Vallu  
Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Kadragamar Arun of Karambaikurichi praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Veeragatt Vallipuram of Karambaikurichi coming on for disposal before H. Nevill Esquire, District Judge, on the 29th day of December 1894 in the presence of Mr. T. M. Tampoo, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 28th day of December 1894 having been read, it is declared that the petitioner is the husband of one of the heirs of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 5th day of February 1895 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

H. NEVILL,

Acting District Judge

29th day of  
December 1894.

## ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary [No. 645.]  
Jurisdiction.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Ambalavaner Sihanappillai of Vannarponnai Deceased.

Sihanappillai Sivaperegnam of Vannarponnai East coming on for disposal before H. Nevill Esquire, District Judge, on the 9th day of January 1895 in the presence of Mr. T. M. Tampoo, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 9th day of January 1895 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the only son and heir of the said intestate and as such he is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 12th day of February 1895 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

H. NEVILL,

Acting District Judge.

9th January 1895.

## NOTICE.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

No. 632.

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late ANDIAPPER PUNNAMMOORTHY of Point Pedro Deceased.

PUNNAMMOORTHY SARAPATHIPILLAI of Point Pedro Executor.

UNDER instructions from the above-named Executor, I the undersigned will put up for Sale, by Public Auction, at Dueter STRONG ARASARKOEN MUELLER'S House at Point Pedro, on Saturday the 16th day of February 1895, at 11 o'clock A. M., the following property belonging to the Estate of the said late Testator Andiapapper Punnammoorthy, deceased, viz:—

1. An allotment of land situated at Pollanvoo in Mannar Pattu in the District of Batticaloa in the Eastern Province, bounded on the North by the property of Kunchitambiy and others, on the South by Lane, on the East by Road, and on the West by the property belonging to Chinnatambiy, measuring 10 fathoms on the East from North to South, 13 fathoms on the West from North to South and 20 fathoms each on the North and South from East to West, with all its appurtenances.

2. An allotment of land situated on the Eastern side of Kompaely at Chorrakkannan in Champannur Pattu in the District and Province aforesaid, bounded on the North by the Junction of three rivers (Moonattapirivo) on the South by Champannur Aar (river) East by Aar (river) and on the West by the Water Course called Paddy-yadyavay Kalamattu Adialavalanay Vaykhal, containing in extent 12 acres, and called Kinnaiyadipallam (Paddy land), of the whole of this with its appurtenances, an undivided three fourth share.

3. An allotment of land situated at Chittandy Kudierippoo in Eravoor Pattu in the District and Province aforesaid, bounded on the East by Crown land, West by Road, on the North West by Lot No. 10787, and on the South-east by Lot No. 10787, containing in extent 3 acres, 1 rood, and 30 perches with all its appurtenances and marked in Government Survey No. 10787.

4. An allotment of land situated at Chennikerveli in Batticaloa Korale Pattu in the Eastern Province called Koddutharitha Chola and marked in Government Survey No. 11868, and bounded on the North by the reserved ground for Road, and on all the other sides by Crown Land, called Koddutharitha Chola, and containing in extent 12 acres, 3 rods, and 25 perches with all its appurtenances, of the whole of this, an undivided one half share.

5. An allotment of land situated in the village of Batticaloa and Province aforesaid and called Koddutharitha Chola, and marked in Government Survey No. 11892, and bounded on the North East by Crown Land, called Koddutharitha Chola and ground reserved for road, on the South East by ground reserved for road, on the South West by ground reserved for road, and on the North West by Crown Land called Koddutharitha Chola, and containing in extent 23 acres and 1 rood with all the plantations and other appurtenances thereof; of the whole of this, an undivided one half share.

S. V. SUPRAMANIAM

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The 13th day of January 1895.

## FOREIGN NEWS.

TELEGRAPHIC. Lord Rosebery, speaking at Cardiff, declared that the campaign against the House of Lords was inevitable since the Reform Bill of 1891. Government did not propose to touch the House of Lords but merely to readjust the relations of the Upper Chamber in respect to the House of Commons. The first measure in the coming session will be the Disestablishment of the Church in Wales.

The President of France, M. Casimir Perier, has resigned and M. Felix Faure has been elected President. He has, in political life, been identified with the Moderate party. He is a self-made man and holds a decoration for military services. M. Bourgeois is attempting to form a cabinet from the different Republican groups, but finds much difficulty. The Duc d'Orleans has issued a manifesto to the effect that he is ready to give his life to the service of his country when he is called upon to do so.

The Ministry of Greece have resigned, M. Trikoupi objecting to the Crown Prince appearing in the street during a demonstration and ordering the troops and police not to interfere with the people.

Monseigneur Emiliani, the Armenian Patriarch, has presented a most resolute letter to the Porte in which he gives notice of his intention to send an independent person to enquire into the truth of the atrocities committed by Turkish soldiers and officials.

The town of Suchan in Persia has been destroyed by an earthquake. A large number of persons were killed. A force of 17,000 Chinese troops were defeated by the Japanese near Hairehng. It is reported that 25,000 have landed at Tsinghsing, thirty five miles from Waihaiwei, and with troops are closing and an assault is believed to be imminent.

Prince Lubanoff has been appointed Russian Ambassador at Berlin in place of Count Shouvaloff.

A great fire in Toronto, Canada, caused a loss of \$500,000.

The President of the Argentine Republic has resigned on account of his disapproval of the Political Amnesty Bill which is fostering anarchy in the army and navy.



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## OUR AGENT'S JUBILEE.

This is the fiftieth year since Mr. Twynnam entered the Civil Service of Ceylon in Oct. 1st 1845, and twenty five years have been completed since he became Government Agent of the Northern Province by notification of the Governor September 15th 1869.

His duties consist in collecting the Revenue, in suggesting improvements in the mode of collecting it, in the superintendence of agricultural pursuits, and the sale of Government waste lands, to hear and settle all disputes arising in the management of the different Revenue farms, to exercise a general control in the Province, and to communicate to the inhabitants the orders of Government. He is also vested with the power of nominating inferior Headmen.

In addition to this office he is (1.) Collector of Customs (although this work is mostly done by the Assistant Collector Mr. Woodhouse); (2.) Fiscal (duties, to serve process and execute sentences of the several Courts of Justice); (3.) Chairman of the Provincial Road Committee and (4.) of the District Road Committee. (5.) Registrar. (6.) Receiver of Wrecks. (7.) Justice of the Peace. (8.) Unofficial Police Magistrate. (9.) Superintendent of Prisons, etc. (10.) In charge of Post office. (11.) Charge of Police. For none of these offices does he receive a salary.

Besides the establishments of Mannar, and Mullaitivu. Mr. Twynnam has under him ten Maniagars, thirty six Udaiyars and four Headmen of the Ports, eight clerks in the Kachcheri, four in Fiscal's Office, Sheriffs, Interpreters, Storekeepers, Accountants, Writers etc.

With all these duties he is perhaps the hardest worked man in the Province. Some years since in recognition of his distinguished services he was on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor Sir Arthur Gordon, honored by being made a companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, of which the motto is "*Auspiciis melioris aevi*," (a pledge of better times). There have been those who thought it not right for a Civil Servant to keep office to such an age. It is not strange that those think so who look only to their own advancement, and are always wishing for a vacancy to occur above them that they may have another step along the line. But in this case there is an exception. No one will presume to say that the present incumbent is less qualified than at any previous time, or than any other Civil Servant in respect of bodily or mental vigor and activity. And if experience is a wise teacher, as universally admitted, he is better able than ever before to administer the affairs of the Province. Such being the case the Province is to be congratulated on being able to profit by this. Whatever opinions may be held as to the wisdom of measures inaugurated, and it would be strange indeed if all agreed,—all must admit that he has sought the best interests of the people, and of the Government for the people, with great zeal. We do not care to enter so far into local politics as to discuss particular measures, or attitudes, but we do say that where he has been blamed it was when he was following his best judgment. For example in his opposition to the railway, he simply took the ground that it would not pay financially, and all statistics that have so far been collected bear him out. We should all like to see a railway, and no doubt he would also, but he was bound to give his opinion.

During the twenty five years he has been in this position, there have been great changes in the Province, and many of the improvements are due to his untiring persistence in pressing the Government for appropriations. Every year his demands are far in advance of the grants, but most of them are met in time. In this time the population of the Island has more than doubled and we presume that there has been a similar increase in Jaffna. Certainly there has been a vast change in the condition of the people. Many new roads have been opened, many public buildings erected, landing piers and cranes, light houses, telegraph stations, hospitals and dispensaries have multiplied. Others deserve credit in these respects, but indirectly at least they are due to his planning. The comparative freedom from cholera for the past fifty years is in part at least due to his untiring vigilance and preventive measures. We shall look with interest for the book on Jaffna which it is hoped, he will produce soon.

While always maintaining strict neutrality in matters of religion while acting in his administrative capacity, Mr. Twynnam has ever been ready to show his colours as a Christian gentleman.

man. The addresses which he has made on taking the chair in meetings of the Bible Society, have encouraged the friends of the Bible. His interest has always been manifested in every undertaking for the ameliorating the condition of the people and for bringing them to the blessings of Christianity.

The meeting which was called on the 19th inst, dispersed without action as it was not agreeable to him. But we trust that some step will be taken to secure this year funds sufficient to complete the Victoria Ward of the Hospital. This would certainly be a gratifying memorial and at the same time a blessing to the people. There was started some years ago a Twynnam Scholarship in Jaffna College and Rs. 425 collected. A portion of this was lost by the failure of the New Oriental Bank. If those who are interested in the College would aid in completing this by raising it to Rs. 1000 or 1500, it would be a graceful compliment in this jubilee year, as Mr. Twynnam is President of the Board of Directors, and it would also be useful to their own children for generations to come.

## THE AMERICAN MISSION.

At the Annual meeting of the Ecclesiastical Association connected with the American Mission the reports were more encouraging than usual. The number of additions to the 16 churches on profession of faith was just 100, of whom 68 were females, fifty being from the two girls' boarding schools. The number of those who died was 30, or seven more than the previous year, and those cut off as not Christians 8. This leaves the total 1656, of whom 868 are females. Eight having come by letter from other places the net gain was seventy. The number of adult baptisms was 54 and of infant baptisms 72. This brings the number of children of the church up to 1067 which with some three hundred nominal Christians makes a total Christian community of over three thousand. The number of church members unable to read has increased to 98, which is encouraging as showing that all classes are being reached. The income of the churches (Rs. 8528.75) has increased by Rs. 450, over that of '93, though that from purely native sources has diminished by Rs. 37. Of the receipts of the Native Evangelical Society only Rs. 636.16 are included, though the Society's income is considerably more than this.

In arranging the work for the current year the reduced Mission allowance is a difficult fact to face. That the annual grant from the Mission from the Home Office is all granted is not because there is any surplus in America in Mission work at present. The financial reverses affect all classes of the community there. The uncertainties of the tariff are disastrous to almost all manufactures, the varying and falling value of silver seriously affects exporters and importers, and so indirectly injures every one. These and other causes make a great shrinkage in incomes and profits, and even if the same percentage were given as before the result in the Mission Societies' Treasuries would be much less.

Some of the sixteen churches here have volunteered to do more than last year towards the support of their own pastors or of their branch churches, and it is hoped that in this way all the churches may become practically self-supporting. This is done in Madura, the stronger churches helping the weaker. Such a state in Jaffna would be very encouraging, and worth considerable effort and self-denial.

The Mission has found it necessary to reduce somewhat the salaries allowed to some of its workers, but if the churches can help in this way it may not be necessary to materially reduce their number.

## Local &amp; General.

—WEATHER.—These days are the most unhealthy season of the year. Nights are cold with heavy dew and the days burn under the heat of severe sun. Fever, measles and other kindred diseases sorely molest the people at present.

—CENTRAL ROAD COACH SERVICE. The bullock coach which runs from Kangarayanankulam as far as Vavunia, a distance of 22 miles, has now been replaced by horse coach; and a passenger can travel from here to Vavunia in 12 hours. The distance between Vavunia and Andradupura alone is left to be traversed by the bullock coach.

—CAUTION TO CARRIAGE DRIVERS. Jaffna is not now what it was a decade ago, with respect to its traffic by conveyances. The number of conveyances drawn by horses, has rapidly increased, and what was novel to a villager a few years ago, has now become common to him. Accidents sometimes occur by what may be called negligent driving, and one day last week, a boy of about twelve years of age was run over by a carriage at Goldsmith street, and received serious injuries, which, it is feared, will end fatally. The victim is now lying in the F. N. S. Hospital and the driver is at large on bail.

—KARIS. It may be said of this port, that it has one of the best natural harbors. Vessels are accommodated in its still waters all round the year, and in this season when the northern seas are so rough as to carry off vessels from their moorings, vessels conveying cargo and passengers from far and near touch at this port, and one will be surprised to see the amount of busy work and traffic done in this small port at this time of the year. There are in port more than a dozen vessels, not to speak of the numerous boats and craft plying busily with cargo to the shore and to the Town. A few vessels damaged by sea are worked on in the shore next to the sea which affords a sort of dock yard. The landing jetty, on both sides of the sea, has been extended by a substantial wooden structure projecting about 50 feet into the sea. The sea fort looks prominent after the repairs made on it. It was here that about 200 persons who returned from India from pilgrimage, last week, were confined a few days, under the quarantine regulations. The Court House is almost deserted, and the islanders who are mostly cultivators, it has been remarked, have at this time preferred to stay at their farms rather than to bargain at the Law Court.

—PERSONAL. Mr. L. C. Williams B. A. left for Panjore with his family. Mr. H. Tampoe, Proctor, has come from Mannar to be present at the trial of the case against the widow of the late Seemampillai adigar instituted by Mr. Jackson as the Chairman of the Road Committee. Mr. Jackson, Assistant Agent at Mannar, is now in Jaffna in connection with the above case. Dr. Dias, who has gone to Colombo on some private business, is expected to return shortly. Dr. Johnson has returned to Jaffna and resumed duties as Asst. Colonial Surgeon. Mr. Adv. Mathias has returned from Mannar where he went to defend a case in connection with the estate of the late Seemampillai adigar. Mr. W. Jordan, the well known Magic Lantern preacher, and who gave here some entertainments not long ago is going to England this week.

—MR. R. KANAKASABAI of the Ceylon Government Railway (and the son of late Mr. Goodell Raskarayar of Manipal) who was a Govt. Engineer and a long standing member of the Supreme Court of Northern Ceylon, is on a visit here on two months leave to his relations and friends.

—REPEAL OF THE SCHEDULE. The Government Gazette of last Friday publishes the Draft of a proposed Ordinance repealing so much of the "Thesawalamai" as requires publication and schedule of sales of immovable property, also the repeal of the old Ordinance b. 1 of 1842 relating to schedules.

—THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. The five years term of office of Mercantile, Burgher, Low country Singalese, General, European, Kandyan and Moorman members expires with this month. New appointments will have to be made before the end of February, when the Council will have to be called together, to consider the military contribution. About five years ago, it is rumoured, says the "Observer" that His Excellency the Governor has received a despatch from the Secretary of State, informing him that new members, should be appointed to represent the different communities in which suitable persons other than the present members could be found; but if any community does not contain any other suitable persons, the present members may continue their term should be reappointed.

—POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC DEPT. Mr. E. O. Walker C. I. E. will succeed Mr. Fineman as Superintendent of Telegraphs, from March next. Mr. Simpson resigns on pension.

—THE MADIA MUDALIAR is said to be in a precarious state, suffering from paralysis of the lower limbs. He is now 69 years of age.

—THE LIKESANT GOVERNOR. Sir E. N. Walker, gave a Colombo paper, is going on leave to Europe on the 15th April next.

—AIDE-DE-CAMP. Captain A. H. W. Downes has been appointed as the Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Governor.

—ELECTION MEETINGS. The Singalese and the Moorish community have finished all they could in the matter of electing their representatives. Now the Burgher community have their turn, hold meetings and write to the papers of their would be representatives, and there seems to be already a division in the camp.

—THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR. Still they fight on. The hardships of winter's conditions have not abated the fury of the war. On the 19th the Japanese attacked a force of 77,000 Chinese near Hsiencheng and defeated them with a loss of 42 killed on their side, while the Chinese lost about a thousand. On the 24th after several hours fighting near Weibaiwei, the Chinese repulsed the Japanese with a heavy loss. Since the capture of Port Arthur it is said, that the Japanese are fortifying themselves in the coast of China, to attack Moukden and Peking the two chief towns of China.

—THE PUBLIC MEETING proposed to be held Saturday before last, was not held as expected and it has been postponed sine die. Mr. Cassi Chetty the Convener of the meeting very courteously dismissed the large number of people who came to the place, which will take place on the 10th inst.

—CRICKET. Every Saturday afternoon we see a lively crowd of people on the Esplanade green. They are spectators of a cricket game played by a half dozen Europeans and a large number of Tamil and Burgher lads.

We were told that these players are training themselves up in the game in anticipation of a cricket match to be played between the "whites" and the "blacks" which will take place on the 10th inst.

—WESLEYAN NEWS. We were glad to hear that the "Central College" carried off all the scholarships of this year as determined by a competitive examination open to all the students learning in the English Schools under the mission of the Northern circuit. Young Subraman and Young Niles a son of Rev. D. Niles, won the 1st and 3rd scholarships respectively. Of the three, the "blacks" which will take place among the ministers, we were told that Rev. S. Niles will go to Trimalnolli to take the place of Rev. Panipannayagam. Rev. J. V. Benjamin of Paltor coming to Town to succeed Rev. S. Niles. Paltor will be given to Rev. Panipannayagam.

—FUNERAL. We deeply regret to record the death of Mr. K. Kathiraman an officer in local Kachcheri. He died of fever at his residence at Chavagachchi on the night of the 27th inst. He leaves behind a young widow and children for whom much sympathy is felt.