

RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTETH A NATION BUT SIN IS A REPROACH TO ANY PEOPLE.

NOTICE.

The subscribers of the *Morning Star* who have not as yet sent in their dues are hereby reminded to remit the same at their earliest convenience.

NOTICE.

The Jaffna Trading Company Limited undertake to cash Straits Settlements' Bills of Exchange. Drafts on Banks in Ceylon, on easy terms.
M. Vytilingam,
Managing Director.

THE JAFFNA TRADING COMPANY LTD.

Just received for sale
American day light Kerosine oil
Best Portland cement
Zinc sheets
Slates for schools
Printing papers 14, 20 and 23lbs, single Demy
40 lbs. Double Demy
Note papers
Envelops, pen holders and H. B. pencils
Buttons best quality with shoulder buttons
do—ordinary good kinds
Price reasonable
21st November 1895.

SALICUT FILES.

A large supply expected in December. Orders now booked at current rates, 2 1/2 percent discount will be allowed if the files are removed on landlark at the Customs.

WILLIAM MATHER,
for Walker Sons & Co. Ltd.
Sole Agents in Ceylon for the Mercantile, Mission, Calicut

JUST IMPORTED.

Flannel Shirts—Very soft and of striped
thin stuff of the best quality Rs. 3.50
Fashionable Chelays for the educated natives
Ladies and Girls—Silk linen with fancy
border and of the fastest colour Rs. 10.50
Muslin chelays of the latest design " 6.00
do do No. 2. " 4.50
Footscap writing papers.
10 lbs paper " 2.25
12 lbs " " 2.75
12 lbs. ruled " 3.75
Best quality slates with strong frames
per dozen " 1.50
do do No. 2. " 2.50
Slate pencils per box " .21
do carbon per box of 144 " 1.50
do in cedar wood each " .50
Stephen's blue black Lk 4 oz jars " .32
Coloured Printing paper per Ream " 2.25
do superior " 5.50
White printing " 3.25
Coloured tissue paper " 5.00

WARD & DAVY,

Naval Premises.

FOR SALE.

Cabinet photos from the half tone of H. E. Sir
Arthur Havelock can be had at 25 cts. per copy.
Apply to the Manager,
Morning Star.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.
Testamentary No. 691.

In the matter of the estate of the late Chinnachy Leci-
pillai wife of Valappillai Vathavanam of Udsville, deceased
Valappillai Vathavanam of Udsville, Petitioner.

1. Valappillai Muttumman and wife
2. Lethaby of Udsville Respondents.
This matter of the Petition of Valappillai Vathavanam
of Udsville praying for Letters of Administration to the
estate of the above named deceased Chinnachy Leci-
pillai coming on for disposal before F. J. de Livera Esquire,
District Judge, on the 29th day of October 1895 in the
presence of Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke Proctor on the part of
the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the
28th day of October 1895 having been read, it is declared
that the Petitioner is the lawful husband of the said Inter-
estate and as such is entitled to have Letters of Administration
to the estate of the said Inter-estate issued to him unless
the Respondents or any other person shall on or before
the 28th day of November 1895 show sufficient cause to
the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.
Sd/- this 29th day of October 1895
F. J. de LIVERA,
District Judge.

JAFFNA PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SALE OF OLD LIBRARY BUILDING.

The Freehold house and premises, formerly occupied by the Jaffna Public Library situated in 2nd Cross Street, Jaffna, will be put up for sale by Public auction, at 4 o'clock P.M. on Saturday 23rd Nov. 1895 at the Library, Main Street, Jaffna.

2. The highest bid to be submitted to the Library Committee for final acceptance who may reject it, if unsatisfactory.

3. For further information apply to Honorary Secretary, Jaffna, 8th November 1895.

W. E. THORPE,

Hon Secretary.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

It is proposed to start an English High School for girls at Chinnachy next January. There will be a Boarding establishment in connection with it if there should be a sufficient number of applicants. Further particulars will be gladly given by Mrs. Carter, St. John's College, Jaffna

Local & General.

—WEATHER. We have had a fortnight of clear weather with bright sunny days followed by heavy dews at night. There has been a great deal of fever about, and the health of the peninsula cannot be called satisfactory. Since Sunday we have had occasional showers, and the prospect seems good for more rain in the near future.

—Police Mainmar. Mr. G. W. Woodhouse returned from Colombo on the 8th inst. and has resumed duties.

—THE DISTRICT JUDGE. Mr. J. P. de Livera will shortly leave this station, on promotion, to Galle. We are not sure who his successor here will be.

—HOUSE WARMING. Mr. Assaipillai, the coach contractor, owns a valuable property on the other side of the Upper toll. He has built a beautiful house on the premises and on the 2nd inst. he celebrated the house warming ceremony, inviting his friends and relatives.

—The most beautiful and costly bicycle in the world is probably that recently presented by a cycling club of Milan to the Queen of Italy. The wheels are of pure gold.

—STUDENT CONFERENCE. The conference is put down for Dec. 12-15 inclusive. We had supposed it was mainly to be in the interests of the Y. M. C. A. but from an advertisement in the *Ceylon Observer* we judge that it is to be largely about and for the student volunteer movement. There is no question but that our young men need to be aroused and we hope the work of the Y. M. C. A. will receive a powerful impetus from the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Mott. Timely notice will be given of the place, subjects and hours of service. We hope that all young men as well as other Christian workers will avail themselves of this opportunity of becoming better acquainted with work among the young.

—CEYLONIA MEET. A Committee consisting mostly of Europeans met in the District Court house on the afternoon of the 13th inst. to make arrangements for the coming gymnastic meet, on Christmas day. Several games have been proposed to be held in the esplanade, and prizes assigned to winners, ranging from Rs. 10, downwards.

—THE LATE MR. PROCTOR CHAMPIOS. We regret to record the death of Mr. Champion on the morning of the 14th inst. Since the death of Mrs. Champion, which took place about a year ago, Mr. Champion has not been in good health. He has been frequently troubled by some sort of disorder in the intestines and general debility. Mr. Champion was chiefly known as a successful criminal lawyer and he was doing good work in the Police Courts since 1873 when he passed as a Proctor. The remains were removed to the Chinnachy burial ground from his father's residence at Chinnachy and interred with much solemnity, the funeral service being conducted both at the house, church and grave-yard by Revs. J. Pickford, Carter, Williams, Daniel, Morse and Elyatamby. The deceased leaves behind seven children for whom and for others of his relatives we express our deepest sympathy.

—THE GOVERNOR. His Excellency Sir West Ridgeway, Lady Ridgeway and their daughter and suite are to leave England for Ceylon on or about the 24th January next.

—THE HAVELOCK BALL FUND. The balance of the fund collected for the farewell ball given to Sir Arthur Havelock, was voted to the Lady Havelock Hospital for women in charge of Dr. Leslie.

—A daughter was born to the Czar and Czarina on the 15th inst. at St. Petersburg.

—MANAGERS ASSOCIATION. A general meeting of school Managers and others interested in education was to be held at St. Thomas' College yesterday. It is proposed to form an Association of School Managers whose object will be to watch over the interests of grant-in-aid schools and to promote the cause of education generally in Ceylon. The *Catholic Guardian* in its issue of the 16th inst. suggests to Managers that they withdraw all their English schools from the Department.

—Dr. E. T. McIntyre. We read the following with great pleasure in the "Catholic Guardian" of 16th inst. "Dr. McIntyre, the Deputy Asst. Colonial Surgeon appointed for Mannar arrived here about the early part of August last, but he was soon incapacitated for work by a serious attack of illness; he had to obtain 2 months leave and hurry on to Colombo. He left Mannar on the 4th of Sept. last. Dr. McIntyre, a Licentiate from the Ceylon Medi-

cal College, is acting for him. It appears that Dr. McIntyre has obtained an extension of 6 months leave and most probably Dr. McIntyre will be asked to continue to act for him till his return. Dr. McIntyre is a son of the late Dr. McIntyre who was at one time at St. Pedro as Sub Asst. Col Surgeon and a brother of Mr. McIntyre, Signaller, in the Jaffna telegraph Dept. Although he is fresh from the Medical College, yet he is well qualified to discharge his present duties and proves an ornament to the place. He has already made himself popular."

—A BULLOCK COACH. An enterprising man of Karadivee has started a bullock coach to run between Jaffna and Kaitis. Batticotta which is midway between Kaitis and Jaffna has been made a halting station. The fare is moderate, three cents per mile. We wish success to the new enterprise. Toll leaves for Rs. 1896. The salt rent of the Jaffna district has been purchased by the present renter Mr. Malavayaper of Puttoor for Rs. 53,400, being Rs. 2000, above the amount paid for 1895. Pannay ferry has been given to P. Sannumgar for Rs. 1410; Araly ferry to M. Kanappillai for Rs. 550. Toll at Uppar has been given to R. Valappillai for Rs. 6810, Vallai to R. Irragallan for Rs. 4,550, Mirusivil to R. Valappillai for Rs. 5,810, and Thummalai to R. Valappillai for Rs. 4,030.

IN MEMORIAM OF

LOUISA THIRAVIAMUTTHU

the late beloved daughter of Mr. ALWARD HENSEMAN.

Sweet child of love! thou art then gone!
In bloom of life, in youth's good dawn,
Plucked off, by cruel Death's iron hand
A happy home, a loved band,
Leaving a blank unbearable
Alas! so mark'd incurable!
Thy parents stung with sorrow's fangs,
Sisters, brothers played in grief's pangs,
What can give them consolation
Or at least some mitigation?
For what a separation this to families,
For life's long weary days to families,
One so much endearing to all
And unloving to none withal!
Possessed of nature amiable
In virtue's path e'er pliable,
With a face so lovely pleasant
And a heart so pure innocent,
With a head so intelligent
And eyes so shrewd and brilliant,
E'er happy, cheerful and sincere,
To her day's duties she'd adhere;
Her mind of zeal and patience dear
Her mild direct to knowledge clear,
With childish playthings so many
But never offending any,
With love and meekness unalloy'd
Pietously true and unaffected,
Not proud, neither of caustic mould,
And kind towards all among her fold
E'er helpful and obliging all
She'd attend to her neighbour's call,
With such qualities heavenly,
So angelic and e'er lovely,
Our homes she would always brighten
Our gatherings fond e'er enliven
But ah! away has now she gone
And left us all her loss to moan!
In truth she's too good and holy
For this labelling earthly;
And hence has sought that abode sure
Congenial to her nature pure
We are fools then to be to grief-torn
For, sweet Hope! our child is not lost.
She's "reached the land of corn and wine"
With angels bright there e'er to shine,
And safe upon that glory hour
Her trials and sorrows o'er,
She's joined that mighty saintly throng
To sing of her Redeemer strong.
Dear Jesus! forgive all our sins,
On Thee we cast all our burdens;
Help us meekly our cross to bear,
And then in Heaven a crown to wear.

Madrass
7th Nov. 1895

J. J. H.

NEWS FROM THE WIDE WORLD.

—TURKEY. The appointment of the new Turkish Ministry is regarded as the Sultan's defiance of the advice given to him by the Powers. The Italian fleet has received orders to be ready to follow the British fleet whenever the interest of European peace requires.

The English missionary station at Nablos near Jerusalem has been attacked by a mob, and some of the servants killed. The missionaries, however, escaped.

The Paris has issued a Circular instructing the Governors of the Provinces to vigorously maintain order, but troops and funds for the purpose are lacking.

Austria, Italy, Russia and the United States have sent fleets to the Levant. The situation is extremely critical, and the indications are that either the Sultan will have to yield to the demands of the Powers, or be compelled to withdraw from Europe altogether.

The London Times in a telegram from its special correspondent at Constantinople states that the Turks are making war-like preparations. They have doubled the garrisons in the Dardanelles and search lights have been placed at the entrance.

Couras. A steam launch was sunk on the 13th inst. off Chempillo, and 48 persons drowned.

நீதி இராச்சியத்தாரை உயர்த்தும், பாலமோ எந்தச் சனங்களுக்கும் இகழ்ச்சி.

யாழ்ப்பாணம், தஞ்சை (ஸ்) காந்தியை உருவ வியாழக்கிறுமை.

(சங்கியை, 28

இரு ம பத்தகம்.]

இலங்கைப் புகைக்கப்பற் கொம்பனி (விழிற்பெட)

இங்குள்ள புகைக்கப்பற் கொம்பனி (விழிற்பெட) என்பது...

உலவிலியம் மேதர், ஏசன்று.

புது மாநிலச் சமான்னன்.

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Price/Value. Includes items like 'புது மாநிலச் சமான்னன்', 'புது மாநிலச் சமான்னன்', etc.

புறங்கித் தெருவினான் வெள்கிச் சாமி.

இங்குள்ள புறங்கித் தெருவினான் வெள்கிச் சாமி என்பது...

அறிவித்தல்.

சமான்னன் வெள்கிச் சாமி என்பது... அறிவித்தல்.

பிழை திருத்தம்.

இங்குள்ள பிழை திருத்தம் என்பது...

புத்தக விளம்பரம்.

Table with 2 columns: Book title and Price. Includes 'புத்தக விளம்பரம்', 'புத்தக விளம்பரம்', etc.

உதயதாரகை

தஞ்சை (ஸ்) காந்தியை உருவ வியாழக்கிறுமை.

இங்குள்ள உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

உதயதாரகை என்பது... உதயதாரகை.

வண்ணப்பண்ணைச் சிவக்கோலிற் சீரடப்போன ஒருமை அப்பப்பாரும்.

பிஷன் கிருத்தியம்.—Mission Work—யார்...

பிஷன் கிருத்தியம்.—Mission Work—யார்...

யாழ்ப்பாணம்.

மனறு.—Rem.—காலம் போலித்தெய்வப்பெரு...

உபகூர்த்தம்.—Sub Rent—என்கூர்த்தத்தை...

மணியப்பா அச்சுக்காரன்.—Manipaly Printing...

ஹாக்கர்.—Hacker—என்கூர்த்தத்தை...

இன்னுமோர் பிறந்தார்.—The Late Mr. Pr. Channayya...

இன்னுமோர் பிறந்தார்.—The Late Mr. Pr. Channayya...

எச்சரிப்பு! எச்சரிப்பு!—A Warning Time...

OUR GOVERNMENT AGENT'S JUBILEE.

On Saturday, the 9th inst., the Jubilee of our Govt. Agent's entering the civil service was celebrated by passing over to his care with appropriate ceremonies, a large sum of money to be used in completing the Victoria ward of the F. I. N. S. Hospital. When the subject was first broached some months ago, Mr. Twynnam requested that anything that should be done in commemoration of his 50 years of service should take this form rather than some other, thus putting the good of the people before his own pleasure.

The members of the Committee entrusted with the raising of the fund and with the arranging for this public presentation, are greatly to be commended for their zeal and enterprise. About seven thousand rupees were collected and paid in to Mr. Twynnam; and those who were present at the occasion, Saturday evening, will testify as to the completeness of all the arrangements. The road from the Hospital to the Kutcherry along Main Street, was decorated most gorgeously with flags, and garlands and rows of plantain trees. At certain localities arches were erected and in front of the new ward a tastefully decorated pandal was constructed which took in also the front verandah. A deputation waited on the Govt. Agent and his lady at the Kutcherry where a second pandal had been erected and escorted them in great style to the Hospital. It took nearly two hours for the Agent's party to reach their destination owing to the demonstrations of joy and loyalty displayed all along the route. Cautions boomed, fire works were let off in great profusion; and altogether Jaffna out-did herself for this occasion.

At the main Pandal, Mr. and Mrs. Twynnam and party were met by members of the Committee and escorted to the dais erected on the verandah. An address was read by Mr. C. W. Cathi ravaluppi, Police Magistrate at Kays which was as follows:—

To
W. C. Twynnam, Esquire, C. M. S., Government Agent of the Northern Province and President of the Friend-in-need Society, Jaffna.

Sir,
On behalf of the subscribers to the Victoria Lying-in Home Fund we beg to welcome you on this occasion, and to express our heart-felt appreciation of the many and valuable services rendered by you to our country during your official career in this Province.

2. We beg to assure you of our sincere gratitude for your unflinching efforts during the last 25 years, in effectually promoting the interests of the Jaffna Friend-in-need Society established by your illustrious predecessor, P. A. Dyke, Esquire, and efficiently conducting and maintaining the institution, with due regard for the objects for which it was formed.

3. During your presidency you have among other things enhanced the usefulness of this Society, by adding to the Hospital building, a Lying-in Home, which you founded in the year 1877, at the time of the celebration of Her Majesty's jubilee.

4. In this year of the jubilee of your public career, it affords us great pleasure, as a mark of our great esteem and gratitude, to request you as President, kindly to accept the accompanying purse containing Rs. 7,000, and to devote it, together with further sums subscribed, and yet to be collected for the purpose of completing the building of the Lying-in Home. We also beg that you and your Society's Committee will allow us to place on the wall of the Lying-in Home, a mural tablet to bring the desire of the subscribers, thus to perpetuate the name of yourself and that of your esteemed lady, so well known and respected by us.

5. With our sincere and cordial wishes for the continued happiness and prosperity of yourself and your family, we remain

On behalf of the subscribers

- Sgd. J. J. Casie Chetty
Chairman of the Committee
- " J. H. Vanniasinghe
Hon. Secretary
- " B. Suncodilal
Assd. Secretary
- " T. M. Tampoo
Hon. Treasurer

Mr. Twynnam replied in suitable terms, reviewing the main incidents of his life and giving a brief history of the origin and growth of the F. I. N. S. Society. He spoke feelingly of the loyalty displayed by the people of the province, and thanked one and all for their generous gifts to the hospital. There was so much noise that Mr. Twynnam's speech could be heard only by a few of those present. Suffice it to say, however, that it was full of interesting incidents and reminiscences. Mr. Twynnam referred also to the day as being the birthday of the Prince of Wales, and paid a warm tribute to the beneficent reign of the Queen Empress.

At the close, many availed themselves of the opportunity of shaking hands and offering a word of congratulation. Tea and cakes were served, and the gathering broke up after singing "God save the Queen."

It is 50 years since Mr. Twynnam entered the

service of the Ceylon government, being in his eighteenth year when he first began his career as a public servant. 25 years later he was appointed Government Agent of the Northern Province which responsible position he has held ever since. He has ever shown himself the true friend of the people, and Jaffna owes him a debt of gratitude for his indefatigable efforts for the best interests of the peninsula. Few young men could do the amount of work he does now at his advanced age, without breaking down.

That he may be spared for many years more of active service for the people of this province, and that his closing years may be years of peace, prosperity and happiness is the sincere wish of his friends.

THE NEW EDUCATIONAL CODE FOR 1896.

To call it a *Revised Code* would be hardly right. Since 1881 we have had the Educational Code of Sir Charles Bruce. It has been yearly revised until but one third of the original articles or clauses remain unchanged. The amendments as published in the *Govt. Gazette* of the 8th inst. affect not less than 24 clauses (one fourth of the whole number in the Code.) Nine schedules are also amended, and four new ones introduced making 20 schedules in all. To call such a document a *revision* of the old Code is simply a farce. It is practically a *new Code*, bearing a striking resemblance, it is true, to the Code of Sir Chas. Bruce. Let us now take up a few of its features as indicated in the *Gazette*.

Clause 12 refers to new schools. A paragraph is added to the effect that hereafter no boys' school can be converted into a mixed school where there already exists a girls' school within two miles unless the average attendance of girls in such a boys' school should be not less than 40 for twelve months after the application. This will prove to be a real hardship.

Clause 23, 24, 25 and 26 have been amended as introductory to the famous Circular No. 11 which follows. High schools have been abolished. In the vernacular we are to have Primary, Middle and Classical schools, in future. In English, Primary and Middle English schools, and Primary and Middle English schools on a vernacular basis. The rule requiring one or more passes in a Vth standard in order to a school's becoming a Middle school, is abolished. Hereafter any school may present a pupil in the Vth standard and be called a Middle school provided the teacher is qualified to teach it as such.

Then follows Circular No. 11, enlarged, and embodied in clause 26 (a), (b), (c) and (d).

"No English school will be eligible for a grant after Jan. 1st 1897, unless all the teachers engaged in the instruction of the primary standards either hold certificates granted after examination by the Department or possess such other qualifications as shall, in the opinion of the Director, satisfy the requirements of Government; and that after Jan. 1st 1898 no grant will be paid to any English school unless the whole teaching staff of such school shall consist of teachers either holding certificates granted after examination by the Department or possessing such other qualifications as shall, in the opinion of the Director, satisfy the requirements of Government."

Graduates (B.A.s) of Indian Universities are accepted as being qualified. Those who have passed the Senior Cambridge Local, the London Matriculation, or F.A. in any Indian University "will be required to pass only in English reading, school management, and class teaching at the examinations to be held by this Department." Matriculates of Indian Universities must take the full examination.

Again, the number of free scholars in a school must be not more than fifteen per cent of the total number of pupils appearing on the register. The minimum fees remain as in the Circular, i.e. in Jaffna town from Rs. 1 monthly in the 1st standard to Rs. 4 in the 8th; and in country schools from 75 cents in the 1st standard to Rs. 2 monthly in the 8th. Any school failing to collect the above fees will be removed from the List of Aided Schools.

Thus this Circular becomes law in spite of all the protests that have been sent in by School Managers against its provisions. The Department has deliberately chosen to override the opinions of those who by long practical experience in the conduct of schools are best qualified to take fair and just views of the situation. We have no wish to be harsh or unjust in our criticism. We grant that the position of a Director of Public Instruction is not an enviable one. We credit him with a sincere desire to improve the quality of the English in the colony, but we think he has gone about it in the wrong way, and that his conclusions are calculated to do more harm than good.

Clause 30 has a sentence tacked on to it that is bound to be troublesome. "No scholar may

be presented for examination a second time within twelve months of the date of his last examination." That is to say if the scholars in a school earn grant in the latter part of October 1895, and for good reasons it seems best to have the examinations a week or two earlier in 1896, none of the scholars who were presented in 1895 would be eligible in 1896. Such changes are frequent every year. The Director himself has brought forward the Training school examination from December to November this year. It will be said these are exceptional cases; but a rule which has to be burdened with a number of exceptions every year, is a poor rule. Again, in a Boarding school the grant examination for 1895, let us say, comes in February. After a month, or six weeks of holidays, the new year in the Boarding school opens, say early in April. A new class is taken but any child who in March or early April passed the grant examination in a village school, cannot be presented for grant at the Boarding school examination in Feb. 1896 because 12 months have not elapsed since he or she last earned a grant, tho' all the other conditions of the Code may have been fulfilled. Are we to be debarred from earning grant for a pupil who has had 10 months faithful instruction by such an absurd rule as this? Does it not practically do away with the nine months' clause? If it had been said that no pupil shall earn more than one grant or be presented more than once in the same year, 1895 for instance, it would have been in accordance with the spirit of Mr. Bruce's Code and managers could not find fault.

Clause 30 (h) refers to falsification of the registers. By the introduction of a single phrase a teacher whose certificate has been suspended cannot be employed in a school in any capacity whatever until his certificate has been restored. The clause reads,—

"No school will receive a grant where a teacher is at any time employed whose certificate or license is under suspension, or where an unlicensed or unlicensed teacher is at any time employed who has been proved guilty of false personation of children or falsification of the register."

No school will receive a grant which has not been in continuous charge during the school year of a principal teacher holding the necessary certificate or license, except under special circumstances, which must be submitted to the Director for his consideration as soon as they arise."

This is severe punishment especially as the Manager is fined half the grant in addition; but if it will result in curing the teachers of trickery and fraud, real good will have been accomplished.

Certain changes have also been made with reference to Training schools. In Reading, prescribed books are hereafter to be used. In an Industrial school a pupil cannot earn a grant for industrial instruction unless he passes the standard for which he is eligible, except where he has already passed the Vth standard.

Book-keeping may hereafter be taken as a third specific subject in place of Drawing, if preferred.

These are the principal changes made, and a clause has been introduced to the effect "that all amendments affecting the schedules of examination and appearing for the first time in this Code shall come into operation on July 1st 1896."

In reading over these amendments, we are more than ever convinced that what we need in the Educational Department is a Code adapted for Ceylon, and so framed that no changes will be found to be necessary for a period of at least five years. Would that the framers of this *New Code* had followed the example of India and invited two or three missionaries and others interested in the cause of education to assist them by their experience and counsel. Where is it all to end? When can we be sure of anything connected with the educational department? These are some of the questions that will be raised when managers receive a copy of the Code for 1896.

The Protestant managers held a meeting at Nellore on Tuesday the 19th inst. The changes in the Code were fully discussed and certain resolutions drawn up to be forwarded to the Director of Public Instruction.

It was felt that possibly the Director having but recently returned to his post from furlough, might not fully realize how radical the changes were, and that it only needed a fair representation of the matter to bring about an adjustment of the present difficulties. We sincerely hope that this may be true, and that some agreement may be arrived at between Managers and the Department which shall be to the advantage of all concerned.