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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 the 19th section of "The Forest Ordinance, 1885," as amended by the 6th section of Ordinance No. 1 of 1892, it is enacted that when the following events have occurred, viz. :—

- (a) The period fixed under section 7 of the said "Forest Ordinance, 1885," for preferring claims has elapsed, and all claims (if any) made within such period have been disposed of by the Forest Settlement Officer; and
- (b) If such claims have been made, the periods fixed for appealing from the orders passed on such claims have elapsed, and all appeals (if any) presented within such period have been disposed of by the Supreme Court; and
- (c) All lands (if any) to be included in the proposed forest which may be acquired under section 13 of the said last-mentioned Ordinance have become vested in the Crown—

the Governor shall, by Proclamation to be published in the *Government Gazette*, specify the limits of the forest which it is intended to reserve, and declare the same to be reserved from a date fixed by such Proclamation :

And whereas it is expedient to constitute the Crown land specified in the schedule hereto a reserved forest :

And whereas the period fixed for preferring claims has elapsed, and no claim has been preferred :

Now know Ye that We, the said Governor, do by this Our Proclamation declare the Crown lands situated in the village Ingiriya, and specified in the schedule hereto, to be a reserved forest, as from and after 1st September, 1896.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Twelfth day of August, 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.

The land situated in the Udugaha pattu of Rayigam korale, Kalutara District, Western Province, called Ingiriya forest; and bounded on the east by a stream called Ingiriya-ela, north by land described in title plan 46,221, Godakumburapulakattiya claimed by Solage Geronis and others, Godakumbura claimed by B. Don Kornelis and others, Godakumbura belonging to the Crown, Kitulgahakumbura claimed by Marakkala Kankani, Kitulgahakumbura claimed by A. Don Seneris and others, land described in preliminary plan 8,443, A480, Kudadolakumbura claimed by Don Magris, Kudadoladeniya belonging to the Crown, Getadelakumbura claimed by Radage Babaya, Getadela-kumbura claimed by G. Davit Fernando, land described in title plan 136,917, Alutketiyadeniya belonging to the Crown, Ehalakapatiyakattiya claimed by Talagiya Baba Appu, Ehalakapatiyakattiya claimed by Talagiya Deonis, Kapatiakattiakumbura claimed by R. Peris Appu and others, land described in preliminary plan 8,443/6,310, Maguruwalakumbura claimed by B. Swalis Appu and others, Demoderakumbura claimed by A. Eranis Appu and others, land described in title plan 65,995, land described in preliminary plan 6,786/484 and 6,786/483, and land described in title plans 136,895 and 136,894; west by the stream called Kadawatta-ela, land described in title plan 136,893 and the stream called Diyaberiya-ela, south by the Kalu-ganga.

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WEST RIDGEWAY.

WHEREAS by section 6 of "The Courts Ordinance, 1889," it is enacted that the limits of each district and division of each of the four Circuits into which the Island is divided for the purpose of administering justice shall be as the same are respectively set out and defined in the second schedule thereto annexed, provided that it shall be lawful for the Governor, with the concurrence of the Judges of the Supreme Court, or a major part of them, by Proclamation, from time to time to revoke, alter, or amend the division of the Island into Circuits, and, with the like concurrence and with the advice of the Executive Council, by Proclamation, from time to time to revoke, alter, or amend the division of any Circuit into districts and divisions, and to alter the limits of any such district or division :

And whereas it is expedient to revoke the limits of the divisions of Badulla and Haldummulla of the Midland Circuit, as defined in the said second schedule to the said Ordinance, and to substitute therefor the division of Badulla-Haldummulla.

Now know ye that We, the said Governor, with the concurrence of the Judges of the Supreme Court and with the advice of the Executive Council, do by this Our Proclamation revoke the limits of the divisions of Badulla and Haldummulla as defined in the said second schedule to the said Ordinance, and substitute therefor the division of Badulla-Haldummulla with the limits set forth in the schedule hereto.

Given at Colombo, in the said Island of Ceylon, this Tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Ninety-six.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

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SCHEDULE.

The limits of the division of Badulla-Haldummulla :—

The judicial District of Badulla, as defined in the said second schedule to the said Ordinance, except such portions thereof as are included within the jurisdiction of the Police Court and Court of Requests of Nuwara Eliya, as defined in the said second schedule to the said Ordinance.

APPOINTMENTS, &c., BY THE GOVERNOR.

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

Mr. C. L. TRANCHELL, Assistant Superintendent of Police, to be a Justice of the Peace for the Districts of Kandy, Galagedara, Mátalé, Hatton, Nuwara Eliya, and Dumbara, and an Unofficial Police Magistrate for the Judicial Divisions of Kandy, Galagedara, Mátalé, Hatton, Nuwara Eliya, and Panwila and Urugala.

Mr. C. M. FERNANDO, Advocate, to be a Justice of the Peace for the District of Colombo.

Mr. J. J. DE ROSAIRO to be an Official Member of the Local Board of Puttalam, *vice* Mr. NICHOLAS, who has left the station.

Dr. ELIYATAMBY to be an Official Member of the Local Board of Gampola, *vice* Mr. A. NELL, who has left the station.

Mr. W. B. GREGSON to be an Inspector of Coaches for the District of Batticaloa.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 14, 1896.

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

D. A. EMILIAN to act as Registrar of Marriages (Kandyan and General), Births, and Deaths of the Badulla District, for three weeks and six days from the 17th instant, during the absence of the Registrar, W. H. DE SOYSA, on leave. His office will be at the Badulla Kachchéri.

DON DAVITH ABEYAWICKREMA to act as Registrar of Marriages, Births, and Deaths of Marakada division, in the District of Hambantota, for two weeks and three days from the 15th instant, during the absence of the Registrar, D. D. W. DISSANAYAKA, on leave. His office will be at Mahagedarawatta in Mandaduwa.

MAHABÁLAGÉ DON YAHONIS JAYAWARDANA to be, provisionally, Registrar of Marriages, Births, and Deaths of Padukka division in Héwágam kóralé, in the District of Colombo, with effect

from the 15th instant, *vice* GAMALATGE DON JUWANIS, retired. His office will be at Ambagahawatta in Padukka.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be Assessors for the town of Jaffna for the year 1897, under the provisions of the 5th section of Ordinance No. 7 of 1866:—

VELAUTHAR PONNAMPALAM.
MEERA LEBBE MOHIDEEN ABDULLA.
SOMASEKARAMPILLAI SELLAPPAH.
KATHIRTAMPI SELLAPPAH.
TEOGUPPILLAI ANTHONIPPILLAI.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 11, 1896.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR has been pleased to appoint the following persons to be Inspectors of Explosives for their respective divisions, in terms of section 4 of Ordinance No. 18 of 1894:—

Mr. R. V. DE WANGSO, for the Jaffna District.

H. SARAVANAMUTTU, Mudaliyár, Maniagar of Tenmaradchi.

V. MUDALIYÁR SIVASIDEMPARAM, Maniagar of Vadamarádchi west.

G. S. MUTTUTAMBI, Maniagar of Pachchilaippali.

V. SAVERIMUTTU, District Mudaliyár of Kilakumulai.

S. PHILIPPUPILLAI, District Mudaliyár of Cheddikulam.

K. TAMPIAH, Mudaliyár, District Mudaliyár of Maritime Pattus, Mullaittivu.

By His Excellency's command,

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 6, 1896.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS.

IN terms of sub-section 1 of section 2 of Ordinance No. 20 of 1892, it is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize Lieut. J. B. F. CURRIE, R.A., to issue the Certificate referred to in the said sub-section, from August 1 to September 27, 1896 inclusive, in respect of articles for the use of Her Majesty's Naval Forces.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Report on the Working of the Ceylon Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association, 1895-1896.

ON June 30, 1896, there were on the books of the Association 458 Members, as against 398 on June 30, 1895, showing an increase of Membership of 60.

2. The total amount of contributions received from the Members of the Association during the year was Rs. 13,716·26, as against Rs. 11,399·79 in the preceding year.

3. A sum of Rs. 1,887·87 in the aggregate has been refunded to Associates on withdrawal from the Association, as against Rs. 1,399·99 refunded during the preceding year.

4. During the past year the Association was not called upon to make good any claims an account of defaulting Associates.

5. The accounts for the period under review are attached. They show an improvement of some Rs. 900 in the financial condition of the Society, the balance to debit on the Profit and Loss account having been reduced to a little over one thousand rupees.

H. L. CRAWFORD,
Secretary.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Ceylon Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association for the year ended June 30, 1896.

RECEIPTS.	Rs. c.	EXPENDITURE.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.
To Balance brought forward from last account	30,832 41	By Amount paid to Associates in refund of their contributions	—	1,887 87
Contributions for the year 1895-96	... 13,716 26	Amount paid as salary of Clerk from July, 1895, to June, 1896	... 240 0	
Interest on investments, &c.	... 1,188 72	Amount paid as renewal fee on three new notes, Indian Government paper	... 3 0	
		Amount paid as refund of interest over-remitted by Mr. H. T. S. Ward	... 12 0	255 0
		<i>Balance on June 30, 1896.</i>		
		Amount in the General Treasury	... 2,196 25	
		Amount invested in the Ceylon Savings Bank	... 105 62	
		Amount invested in Ceylon Government Inscribed Stock	*24,931 80	
		Amount invested in Indian Government paper	... †16,360 85	43,594 52
Total ...	Rs. 45,737 39	Total ...	Rs. 45,737 39	

* Face value Rs. 24,700.

† Face value Rs. 15,000.

Balance Sheet of the Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association on June 30, 1896.

LIABILITIES.		Rs. c.	ASSETS.		Rs. c.
To Amount to credit of Associates	...	44,629 65	By Amount in deposit in the General Treasury	...	2,196 25
			Amount invested in the Ceylon Savings Bank	...	105 62
			Amount invested in Ceylon Government	...	
			Inscribed Stock	...	*24,931 80
			Amount invested in Indian Government paper	...	† 16,360 85
					43,594 52
			Amount to debit of Profit and Loss	...	1,035 13
Total	...	Rs. 44,629 65	Total	...	Rs. 44,629 65

* Face value Rs. 24,700.

† Face value Rs. 15,000.

Profit and Loss Account of the Public Service Mutual Guarantee Association for the year ended June 30, 1896.

Dr.	Rs. c.	Cr.	Rs. c.		
To Loss during previous years	...	1,968 85	By Interest on investments, &c.	...	1,188 72
Salary of clerk from July, 1895, to June, 1896	...	240 0	Balance to debit of account	...	1,035 13
Amount paid as renewal fee on three new notes, Indian Government paper	...	3 0			
Amount paid as refund of interest over-remitted by Mr. Ward...	...	12 0			
Total	...	Rs. 2,223 85	Total	...	Rs. 2,223 85

THE following amended lists of Trustees under "The Buddhist Temporalities Ordinance" for the Districts of Ratnapura and Kégalla are published for general information.

By His Excellency's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, August 11, 1896.W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Lists of Trustees referred to.

RATNAPURA DISTRICT.		Name of Vihare or Dewale.	Name of Trustee.
Name of Vihare or Dewale.	Name of Trustee.	Kotamulle Vihare ...	Beligaswatte Punchimahatmaya
Mahasaman Dewale ...	Eknelligoda Basnayaka Nilame	Potgul Vihare ...	Heratham, Gampaha Vidane
Kirielle Vihare ...	Dasanayaka Lekamalaye Appuhami, Vedarala	Telihosse Vihare ...	do.
Katutiyambarawe Vihare ...	Eknelligoda Dissawa	Lellapitiye Vihare ...	Gunahami Ganarachchi
Kendangomuwa Vihare ...	Mohottihami, Ganarachchi	Budulena Vihare ...	Tumbagoda Kankanamalaye Jayatuhami
Iddamaligoda Vihare ...	Marambe Dingiri Banda	Kiriweldeniyeh Vihare	Jayatuhami Ganarachchi
Paligala Vihare ...	Bulngahapitiye Ukkuhami Arachchi	Ganagama Vihare ...	J. M. Loku Banda
Badahelawatta Vihare	Kirielle Hami, Ganarachchi	Pelmadulle Vihare ...	Pinhami Vidane
Ellawala Vihare ...	Ellawala Mudalihami, Ganarachchi	Pelmadulle Dharma-salawa ...	None appointed
Karandana Vihare ...	Mohotti Appuhami Muhandirama	Panawenna Vihare ...	—
Weralupe Vihare ...	D. L. Attygala, Shroff Mudaliyar	Sripade (Adam's Peak)	Vacant
Angamma Vihare	Hakamuwe Gamatirallaye Dingirimahatmaya	Migahagoda Vihare ...	—
Ganegoda Vihare ...	Vacant	Balangoda Tumbagoda Sudharma Vihare ...	Mahawalatenne Ratemahatmaya
Indola Vihare ...	Gamatirallaye Dingirimahatmaya	Opanake Vihare ...	do.
Galhengoda Vihare ...	Delkandure Madduma Banda, Muhandirama	Pallewela do. ...	do.
Paha Pansala ...	Delkandure Madduma Banda, Muhandirama	Udawela do. ...	do.
Niwitigala Dewale ...	Jotihami Kapurala	Rassagala do. ...	do.
Niwitigala Pansala ...	do.	Maddegama do. ...	do.
Alupota Pansala ...	Hakamuwe Appuhami, Ganarachchi	Tumbagoda do. ...	Karangoda Arachchillaye Heenhamy
Karawita Vihare ...	Karawita Punchimahatmaya, Ganarachchi	Beligala do. ...	do.
Amuwala Vihare ...	Hangomuwe Balahami, Ganarachchi	Welange do. ...	Vacant
		Hunuwala do. ...	Galwalakumbure Lekamalaye Appuhamy Lekama
		Kiramba do. ...	Narissegamatirallaye Mudalihami, Ganarachchi
		Weligepola do. ...	Wickramasingha Mudiyanseye Kirimenika
		Belimaliyadda do. ...	Wasanahami Muhandirama

Name of Vihare or Dewale.	Name of Trustee.	Name of Vihare or Dewale.	Name of Trustee.
Ganelande Vihare ...	Vacant	Makandure Vihare ...	A. F. Molamure, Ratemahatmaya
Bulatgama do. ...	Punchimahatmaya, Balangoda Gan-arachchi	Alutnuwara Kataragama Dewale ...	Vacant
Etawakwala do. ...	Kiri Banda Gan-arachchi	Boltumbe Dewale ...	Karunaratne, Korala
Karagastalawa do. ...	Dingiri Mudiyanse	Ammuduwe do. ...	Molamure Ratemahatmaya
Diyabetma do. ...	Ratnayaka Ukkhami, Gan-arachchi	THREE KORALE (KEGALLA DISTRICT).	
Parana do. ...	do.	Doranuwa Vihare ...	Kulatunga Wijekonmudiyanse:age Madduma Nilame
Delgastenna do. ...	Naluwela Kitanhamy, Muhandirama	Yatanwala do. ...	Weerasingha Mudiyanse:age Madduma Appuhamy
Wijeriya do. ...	Wijeysingha Sami Appu	Wendala do. ...	Wendalagamarallaye Adonis Appu
Butkande do. ...	Jayasundara Kiri Banda	Imbulane do. ...	Imbulane Appuhami, Gan-arachchi
Kolonne do. ...	do.	Niwunhelle do. ...	Imbulane Kuruwita-arachilage Appu Sinno
Maduanwala do. ...	Maduanwala Ratemahatmaya	Lewangama do. ...	James Ehaliyagoda
Dupane do. ...	do.	Kadigomuwa do. ...	Lewangama Mudalihami, Gan-arachchi
Omalpe do. ...	do.	Kitalangomuwa do. ...	Walgampota Punchirala, Gan-arachchi
Walakada do. ...	do.	Batwita do. ...	Edirisinghamudiyanse:age Mudiyanse
Walagoda do. ...	do.	Mapitigama do. ...	Mapitigama Subandiya, Banda
Kumburugamuwa do. ...	Weerahinge Heenhamy	Medagoda Dewale ...	J. A. Ehaliyagoda
Kelle do. ...	Babun Appuhami, Kelle Gan-arachchi	Amitirigala do. ...	Don Charles Appuhami, Arachchi
Eraporuwa do. ...	Singamumi Mudiyanse:age Punchi Banda	Kadadara do. ...	Vijeratnamudiyanse:age Punchi Nilame
Dorapone do. ...	Abeywickrama Jasinha, late Gan-arachchi	Lewangama do. ...	Lekamalaye Mituruhamy
Diyapote do. ...	Tennakon Punchi Appuhamy	Hapugammana Dewale	Telkumuduwale Kiri Banda, Arachchi
Embilipitiya do. ...	Ekanayaka Punchi Banda	Kubulumulle do. ...	Pelellevitaramalaye Appuhami, Arachchi
Padalangala do. ...	Don Jalat, late Registrar	Atulugama Vihare ...	Magammana Appu, Ganarachchi
Kottimbula do. ...	Vacant	Epelepitiye do. ...	Daigala Appuhamy, do.
Pallebedde San-khapala do. ...	Kuruppu Mudiyanse:age Punchi Banda	Hakurugala do. ...	Nikawalamulle Polbadde Vidanalse:age Elanis Appu
Meddegama do. ...	Kuruppu Mudiyanse:age Agalagomuwa Punchi Banda	Deraniyagala do. ...	Yapapatirennelalaye Loku Appuhamy
Godakawela do. ...	Masimbule Gal-vidane	Miyanawita do. ...	do.
Werahera Bogoda Vihare ...	do.	Deraniyagala Dewale	Deraniyagala Appuhami, Arachchi
Madampe Alut Vihare	Emitiyagoda Wijeratna Basnakamudiyanse:age Heenmudiyanse	Pelellegama do. ...	Mahinkande Sinno Appu, Gan-arachchi
Madampe Etwalawatte Vihare ...	Punchimahatmaya, Madampe Gan-arachchi	Madawala do. ...	Ballahela Hetuhamy, Ganarachchi
Maragala Gellenagoda Vihare ...	Welandure Kirimenike, Korala	Maniyangama Vihare	Punchi Appuhami, Maniyangama Gan-arachchi
Atakalanpanne Weheragoda Vihare ...	do.	Mahara do. ...	Asgangule Patirennelalaye Appuhamy
Waldeniye Vihare ...	Niyangama Ilankuruppu Kiri Banda	Uduwe do. ...	Uduwe Adikarige Appuhamy, Vibadde Lekama
Balawinne do. ...	Bambaragastenne Mohottala	Rangalle do. ...	Dahanaka Vidanalse:age Appu, Gan-arachchi
Panawala do. ...	Gamarallaye Ranhamy	Amanawala Dewale ...	Ukku Banda, Gan-arachchi
Gabbela do. ...	Gabbela Mudalihami, Gan-arachchi	Provincial Committee, W. ELLAWALA, Ratnapura, August 1, 1896. President.	
Madalagama do. ...	Unapalavidanalse:age Heenhamy, Gan-arachchi		
Rakwane do. ...	Gorakanegge Andiris Silva		

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

WESTERN PROVINCE.

COLOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy : yala plants are thriving, and are here and there in ear. In some villages sowing for maha has begun
 Dry grain : kurakkan sown to a small extent on private lands is thriving.
 Other products : the supply of fruit and vegetables was good, and prices were reasonable.
 Prices of staple products : rice, from Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 a bushel ; cocoanuts, from Rs. 30 to Rs. 38 a thousand.
 Rainfall : deficient, but during the latter part of the month a few showers of rain fell.
 Remarks on harvest prospects generally : a fairly good yala harvest may be expected.

KALUTARA DISTRICT.

Paddy, yala harvest : the plants are from three to four months old, and are in good condition. The crop is not yet ripe for reaping.
 Dry grain : there is a little kurakkan cultivation in Panadurabadda, and it is in fair condition.
 Other products : fruit and vegetables are scarce throughout the district, except in Rayigam korale.

Prices of staple products : rice, Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 30 to Rs. 40 a thousand.

Rainfall : light.

Remarks on harvest prospects generally : a good crop is expected.

NEGOMBO DISTRICT.

Paddy : yala plants are in ear, and fields are being prepared for maha.

Dry grain : in the Hapitigam korale a small extent of land is under chena cultivation.

Other products : fruit and vegetables are scarce.

Prices of staple products : rice, Rs. 3.25 to Rs. 4 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 32 to Rs. 35 per thousand.

Rainfall : deficient, but there were a few good showers during the month.

Remarks on harvest prospects generally : harvest prospects generally are good.

CENTRAL PROVINCE.

KANDY DISTRICT.

Paddy, maha : maha cultivation of paddy commenced in all the divisions, except Uda Dumbara. Crop or prospect of crop : too early to form an opinion.

Paddy, yala : no fields cultivated for yala in Uda Bulatgama ; in other divisions the yala paddy fields are in various stages between transplanting and reaping. Crop or prospect of crop : fair.

Dry grain, maha : in Udunuwara and Yatinuwara maha kurakkan is ripening, in Tumpane hill paddy being sown, in Harispattu hill paddy chenas are being cleared, and in Uda Bulatgama kurakkan and hill paddy are being sown. Crop or prospect of crop : in Udunuwara and Yatinuwara prospects fair ; in other divisions too early to form an opinion.

Dry grain, yala : in Tumpane, Harispattu, and Pata Dumbara kurakkan in ear. Crop or prospect of crop : good.

Rainfall : generally sufficient.

Prices : paddy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan, Rs. 1.25 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 4 per hundred.

A few cases of cattle murrain in Yatinuwara ; hoof disease in a mild form in Pata Dumbura.

MATALE DISTRICT.

Matale South.—The cultivation for the yala harvest is very satisfactory. The weather is most favourable for the standing crops. Prospects are very promising. There is an outbreak of hoof-and-mouth disease amongst cattle, but it does not do much harm, as infected cattle do not die from it.

Matale North.—The cultivation under tanks is satisfactory, and the prospects seem to be promising. The return of menderi, tala, and mun, now being gathered, is good, but the extent of land sown with the same is very limited. The weather is favourable for kekulan sowing, which system seems to be well adapted for some villages of the district where fields entirely depend on rain. Chenas are being cleared for the maha sowing.

Matale East.—The yala cultivation is extensive and fine. The fields under rivers are doing extremely well. The weather is very satisfactory, and the recent rains seem to have been well distributed. The people look unusually healthy this year, which, I believe, is due to the good weather. The absence of parangi shows a marked improvement in the condition of the people, which is the result of the good work done at the several dispensaries and by the itinerating medical officers.

NUWARA ELIYA DISTRICT.

Paddy : Kotmale—sowing and ploughing continued for maha ; Walapane—fields being ploughed for yala ; Uda Hewaheta—sowing and ploughing continued for yala.

Dry grain : Kotmale—chenas were sown with kurakkan ; Walapane and Uda Hewaheta—no work on chenas.

Rain : there was sufficient rain during the month.

Prices of staple articles : paddy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan and Indian corn, Re. 1 to Re. 1.37 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 6 to Rs. 7 a hundred.

Fruits and vegetables : there was a fair supply of fruits and vegetables.

Health : a few cases of chickenpox in Uda Hewaheta.

Health of cattle : a few cases of hoof-and-mouth disease in Uda Hewaheta.

NORTHERN PROVINCE.

JAFFNA DISTRICT.

Weather : with the exception of slight drizzles on the 3rd, 13th, 14th, and 20th in portions of the district there was no rain during the month. The quantity of rainfall registered by the rain gauge at Jaffna is .30 in. The blowing of the south-west monsoon has been unusually strong during the month.

Crops : paddy lands are being ploughed and manured.

Dry grain crops : kurakkan, tinai, and chami crops are in ear, and are being harvested ; prospects are not bad considering the want of rain and the blowing of the south-west monsoon.

Onions and chillies are being raised in some parts.

Tobacco : harvesting is over ; sale is going on ; prices low.

Prices of grain : paddy, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; varaku, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; chami, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; payaru, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; ulunthu, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; ellu, Rs. 4 per bushel.

VAVUNIYA DISTRICT.

There was some slight drizzling here and there during the month. Rainfall registered at Vavuniya is .40 in. The blowing has been very strong towards the end of the month.

Kalapokam crop is being threshed, idaipokam is being reaped, and sirupokam is in ear.

Prices : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3 per bushel ; kurakkan, 75 cents per bushel.

The health of the people is, on the whole, satisfactory.

Cattle disease : the district is now healthy.

MANNAR DISTRICT.

Rainfall : no rain during the month. Very strong blowing of the south-west wind.

State of crops : threshing of old paddy stacks going on ; sirupokam crop in Musali and Nanaddan pattus being reaped, and the outturn is good.

Prices of grain : paddy, Re. 1.25 to Re. 1.50 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1 to Re. 1.12½ per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3.50 per bushel.

MULLAITTIVU DISTRICT.

Crops : paddy is being threshed all over the district. Ploughing of fields for kalapokam in maritime pattus and reaping of sirupokam harvest in Karunavel pattu and Tunukkai are going on. Crops, average.

Prices of articles : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1 per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3 per bushel ; varaku, 62½ cents per bushel ; ellu, Rs. 4 per bushel ; peas, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; uluntu, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; kollu, Re. 1.50 per bushel ; manioc, 5 cents per lb.

Weather : there was a good shower of rain in the middle of last month. South-west monsoon blowing hard. Dysentery, pneumonia, and sore-eyes prevailed to some extent.

SOUTHERN PROVINCE.

GALLE DISTRICT.

Paddy : the crop is being reaped in Talpe pattu, Four Gravets, and Wellaboda pattu ; that of Bentota-Walalla-witi korale, Gangaboda pattu, and Hinidum pattu is ripe and ready for harvest. The crop is reported to be middling in all the pattus, except in Hinidum pattu, where it is reported to be poor owing to the unseasonable weather.

Dry grain : crops fair, and have been reaped.

Miscellaneous : jak scarce ; breadfruit abundant and cheap ; plantain and other vegetables are plentiful ; cocoanut crop is poor, price per thousand nuts Rs. 30 to Rs. 35

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

Rainfall : 2.54 in.

Health : satisfactory. Influenza broke out in the Four Gravets during the early part of the month, but has since disappeared. A few cases of fever and dysentery from Wellaboda pattu and of dysentery from Talpe pattu are reported to have sprung up during the month.

Cattle disease : Hoof-and-throat disease prevail in several of the villages of Four Gravets ; steps have been taken to arrest the spread of the disease. A few cases of hoof disease have been reported from Wellaboda pattu.

HAMBANTŌTA DISTRICT.

Rainfall : very slight, 0.73 in. registered in Hambantota.

Crops : second maha on irrigated land in West Giruwa pattu promises to be fair ; second maha has been reaped in Giruwa pattu east from a few lands under Walawe works. Poor crops. Paddy is in blade and blossom under Tissa, and a fair crop is expected. The fields cultivated by damming the mouth of the Walawe have suffered somewhat from delay in the work of damming, due to a flood in the river. Indian corn has failed from drought in some divisions of Giruwa pattu west.

Vegetables : plentiful in Giruwa pattu west.

Prices : rice, Rs. 3.50 to Rs. 4 per bushel ; paddy, Re. 1 to Re. 1.25 per bushel ; kurakkan, Re. 1.25 to Re. 1.50 per bushel ; Indian corn, 25 cents to 50 cents per 100 cobs ; coconuts, Rs. 3 to Rs. 6 per 100 ; breadfruits, Rs. 3 per 100 ; jak fruits, Rs. 15 per 100 ; sweet potatoes, 62½ cents per cwt.

MATARA DISTRICT.

Paddy : good.

Dry grain : good.

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

EASTERN PROVINCE.

BATTICALOA DISTRICT.

Paddy : pinmari paddy crops being harvested. Sowing of ettala paddy in progress. Owing to heavy rains and flood in the early part of the year there is much surplus water in some tanks, and upon order of Village Council about 2,000 acres of later munmari lands have been sown a second time.

Other grain : nil.

Price of paddy : Re. 1.12½ a bushel.

Rainfall : 4.75 in.

Health of people and cattle : good.

TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT.

Rainfall : 1.84 in.

Paddy : the cultivators in the Tanglegam division have just commenced to reap their pinmari harvest, which is a good one. Paddy in the Koddigar pattu is in ear, and is thriving. The munmari crops of the Kaddukkulam pattu have been reaped. Pinmari plants in irrigated lands are in a good condition.

Tobacco : the stock in hand is nearly exhausted, having been purchased by Jaffna merchants at good prices.

Dry grain : none.

Manioc : none.

Fisheries : good.

Prices of staple articles : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; rice, Rs. 3 per bushel ; dry grain, Re. 1.75 per bushel ; cassava, 3 cents per lb.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCE.

KURUNĒGALA DISTRICT.

Hiriyala Hatpattu.—The crops both on mud and high lands are good.

Weudawili Hatpattu.—About 1,000 acres of paddy were sown for the maha harvest. Crops show fair prospects. Crops on chena lands are partly matured and partly earing.

Wanni Hatpattu.—The young paddy crops are thriving well. For want of sufficient rain only a limited area has been cultivated. The crops on the limited area of chena lands cultivated have been successful.

Dewamedi Hatpattu.—Yala paddy crops are ripening. About 350 acres were sown for the maha harvest. The young crop is good. Fine grain crops have been reaped. Chenas are being prepared for the maha harvest.

Katugampola Hatpattu.—Only a small area of paddy lands sown. The yala crop is earing. Fields are being sown for the maha harvest. Prospects on the whole are favourable. Part of the yala fine grain crop has been gathered.

Dambadeni Hatpattu.—Yala paddy crop is blossoming ; fields are partly sown and partly being ploughed for the maha harvest. Fine grain crops are being gathered in. Crops both on mud and high lands seem good.

The health of the people in general has been good. Wannu and Dewamedi are free from any cattle disease. Hoof-and-mouth disease, prevails in some parts of Hiriyala and Weudawili hatpattus. Cattle murrain, which was reported last month in Katugampola, is now on the decrease. It still prevails in Dambadeni hatpattu.

PUTTALAM DISTRICT.

Paddy, yala : in Puttalam pattu nothing has been done for want of rain in time. Paddy plants in Akkarai pattu south are thriving well. In Rajakumarawanni pattu there are young plants in some villages, and no cultivation has been done in the other villages for want of rain in time.

In Demala hatpattu the plants are in ear, and prospects fair. No fields have been cultivated in Kalpitiya division for the present harvest, owing to insufficient rain.

Fine grain : there are grown-up plants in the Puttalam, Akkarai pattu south, and Rajakumarawanni pattu divisions. In Demala hatpattu the crop is being gathered, but in some villages the plants have died for want of rain. Staple products : rice, from Rs. 3.50 to Rs. 4 per bushel ; cocoanuts, Rs. 3.50 to Rs. 4.50 per hundred.

Rainfall : the greater part of the month was dry and boisterous. It rained since the 25th, and the quantity registered to date is 1.26 in. This will be beneficial to cultivation.

CHILAW DISTRICT.

Northern Division.—Some villagers are engaged in ploughing their fields for ma-wi cultivation, whilst the fine grain crop is being reaped.

Central Division.—Dewareddiri and bala-wi cultivation are maturing and thriving well ; about 166 bushels of ma-wi have been sown for maha cultivation. Extensive fields have been ploughed, and are being prepared for sowing. The weather being favourable a large crop throughout the division is expected. Fine grain mentioned in last report is being reaped. The rainfall of the 23rd, 24th, and 25th is very favourable for paddy cultivation, but damage is anticipated to the fine grain crop.

Southern Division.—About 528 bushels of paddy and 39 of fine grain were sown during the month. The fine grain crops are good, but those of paddy suffer from want of rain, and many field owners have abandoned their fields.

NORTH-CENTRAL PROVINCE.

NUWARAKALAWIYA DISTRICT.

Weather : most part dry ; rainfall at Anuradhapura 1.48 in.

Paddy : yala crops are being reaped in Tamankaduwa ; in other palatas they are at various stages. Tavalu cultivation just commenced in Kalagampalata.

Fine grain : gingelly crops in Nuwaragampalata and Hurulupalata are being reaped. A few kurakkan chenas are being cleared for maha.

Tanks : most of the tanks are one-third full. A few in Hurulupalata have dried up.

Health of cattle : murrain is decreasing. Hoof-and-mouth disease has broken out.

Health of people : good. Fever and colds prevail to some extent.

PROVINCE OF UVA.

BADULLA DISTRICT.

Yatikinda.—Harvesting of maha crop going on ; yield middling. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Weather dry, with a few showers at distant intervals. Measles and dysentery prevalent. Hoof-and-mouth disease amongst cattle.

Udukinda.—Paddy crop ripe, and harvesting commenced ; crop prospects good. Harvesting of kollu crop going on, and the yield so far good. Weather, dry. Fruit and vegetables scarce. A few cases of dysentery and chickenpox have been reported. Health of cattle good.

Wellassa.—Harvesting of paddy crop going on, and the yield so far middling. Weather, dry. Fever, colds, and sore-eyes prevalent. Hoof-and-mouth disease amongst cattle. Fruit plentiful and vegetables scarce.

Buttala.—Harvesting of paddy crop going on, and the yield so far middling. Fruit plentiful and vegetables scarce. Weather dry, with occasional showers. Fever and colds prevalent. Health of cattle good.

Wiyaluwa.—Harvesting of maha crop going on, and the yield so far good. Weather, dry. Fruit and vegetables plentiful. Fever and sore-eyes prevalent. Hoof-and-mouth disease amongst cattle.

Bintenna.—Harvesting of maha crop going on, and yield so far middling. Ploughing of fields for yala commenced. Weather, dry. Chena clearing commenced. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Health of people and cattle good.

Wellawaya : harvesting of paddy crop going on, and yield good. Weather dry, with occasional showers. Fruit and vegetables scarce. Health of people and cattle good.

PROVINCE OF SABARAGAMUWA.

RATNAPURA DISTRICT.

Paddy : the yala fields are half-grown, and in some parts the crops are ripening ; prospects are favourable. Maha fields are being prepared for sowing ; weather favourable.

Dry grain : yala chenas and owitas have been sown, and some are in blossom. Tana crop is ripe, and the cultivation of chenas for maha has commenced.

Cattle : hoof-and-mouth disease which prevailed among cattle in parts of Kuruwiti, Kadawatu, and Meda korales is now disappearing.

Health : the health of the people is good.

KEGALLA DISTRICT.

Paddy, yala : prospects are good. Ploughing operations for maha cultivation are in progress.

Dry grain : hill paddy and iringu sowing is in progress. Kurakkan already sown is thriving well. Mun and tana have been sown in parts of Four Korales.

Present weather is favourable for all crops.

Prices : paddy, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; hill paddy, Re. 1 per bushel ; kurakkan, 75 cents to 87 cents per bushel ; mun, Rs. 3 to Rs. 3.25 per bushel ; iringu, Re. 1.50 to Rs. 2 per bushel ; meneri, 87 cents per bushel ; gingelly, Rs. 3.50 per bushel ; tana, Re. 1.25 per bushel ; amu, 62 cents to 75 cents per bushel.

Rainfall : registered at Ambanpitiya, 4.76 in. up to 28th ; registered at Ruwanwella, 4.89 in. up to 28th.

Cattle disease : foot-and-mouth disease is prevailing in the district ; it is on the decrease.

Health of the people has been generally good, except in Galboda and Kinigoda korales and Three Korales, where fever and measles are prevalent.

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Observations will be received not later than August 29, 1896.

J. B. CULL,
Director.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

Return of Immigrants and Emigrants at the Port of Colombo during the Week ended August 12, 1896.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Infants.	Total.
Immigrants (coolies) ...	734	225	175	78	1,212
Emigrants (all classes) ...	1,292	293	112	29	1,726

J. DONNAN,
Master Attendant.

Return of Immigrants in the Port of Colombo, showing their Destinations, Trades, and Occupations, for the half-year ended June 30, 1896.

TRADES AND OCCUPATIONS.	COLOMBO.						KANDY.						RATNAPURA, KALUTARA, AND GALLE.						Total Immigrants to Colombo, Kandy, Ratnapura, Kalutara, and Galle.						
	Men.	Women.	Total Adults.	Children.	Infants.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total Adults.	Children.	Infants.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total Adults.	Children.	Infants.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Total Adults.	Children.	Infants.	Total.	
Boatmen and families	123	30	153	26	8	187	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	123	30	153	26	8	187	
Butlers and families	18	5	23	2	—	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18	5	23	2	—	25	
Barbers and families	10	3	13	1	1	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	3	13	1	—	15	
Cooks and families	15	1	16	1	—	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	1	16	1	—	17	
Constables and families	5	1	6	1	—	7	2	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	1	8	1	—	9	
Clerks and families	68	7	75	7	3	85	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	68	7	75	7	3	85	
Catechists and families	24	20	44	12	4	60	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	20	44	12	4	60	
Crew and families	5	—	5	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	5	—	—	5	
Conductors and families	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	5	22	6	2	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	5	22	6	2	30	
Coolies (estate) and families	—	—	—	—	—	—	16214	5081	21295	4267	1371	26933	2274	773	3047	455	228	3730	18488	5854	24342	4722	1599	30663	
Coolies (miscellaneous) and families	5366	709	6075	623	208	6906	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5366	709	6075	623	208	6906	
Dhobies and families	2	3	5	1	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	3	5	1	—	6	
Domestic servants and families	—	2	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	2
Fishermen and families	179	7	186	5	—	191	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	179	7	186	5	—	191	
Fortune-tellers and families	21	1	22	—	—	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	1	22	—	—	22	
Farriers and families	2	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	
Goldsmiths and families	36	6	42	1	3	46	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	36	6	42	1	3	46	
Gun Lascars and families	14	4	18	—	1	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	4	18	—	1	19	
Horsekeepers and families	15	8	23	2	1	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	8	23	2	1	26	
Inspectors and families	2	2	4	1	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	4	1	—	5	
Masons and families	7	—	7	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	7	—	—	7	
Overseers and families	3	2	5	2	1	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	5	2	1	8	
Priests and families	8	—	8	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	8	—	—	8	
Pilgrims and families	41	8	49	2	2	53	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	8	49	2	2	53	
Shoemakers and families	13	2	15	2	2	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	2	15	2	2	19	
Schoolmasters and families	7	2	9	4	2	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	2	9	4	2	15	
Sailors and families	1	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	1	
Stevedore and families	50	—	50	8	—	58	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50	—	50	8	—	58	
Toddy-drawers and families	41	6	47	2	—	49	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	41	6	47	2	—	49	
Tailors and families	19	6	25	4	4	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	6	25	4	4	33	
Tanners and families	5	5	10	5	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	5	10	5	—	15	
Traders (miscellaneous) and families	9662	875	10537	995	152	11684	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9662	875	10537	995	152	11684	
Weavers and families	4	1	5	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	5	—	—	5	
Total for the half-year ended June 30, 1896	15766	1716	17482	1707	392	19581	16233	5086	21319	4273	1373	26965	2274	773	3047	455	228	3730	34273	7575	41848	6435	1993	50276	
Total No. of emigrants of all classes for half-year ended June 30, 1896	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38036

Master Attendant's Office,
Colombo, July 20, 1896.

J. DONNAN,
Superintendent of Immigration.

NOTICES CALLING FOR TENDERS.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for supply of Building Materials, &c., in the Eastern Province," will be received up to noon on Monday, September 21, 1896, from persons willing to contract to supply the under-mentioned materials for the use of the Public Works Department at the different places specified, during 1897:—

Batticaloa District.

1. Batticaloa Public Works Department yard.
2. Any station on the Coast road.
3. Do. Badulla-Batticaloa road.
4. Do. Kalkuda road.

Kalmunai District.

1. Kalmunai Public Works Department yard.
2. Any station on the Coast road.
3. Do. Arasadi-Malkampuddi road.
4. Do. Akkaraippattu-Sagamam road.
5. Do. Potuwil-Mupane road.
6. Do. Chavalaikkadai-Chadayantalawa road.
7. Do. Karativu-Samanturai road.

Trincomalee District.

1. Trincomalee Public Works Department yard.
2. Any station on the Coast road.
3. Do. Trincomalee-Kandy road.
4. Do. Trincomalee-Anuradhapura road.

Tenderers may tender for all or any of the articles in the following list:—

- * Baskets, nar, not under 12 in. by 12 in. by 8 in.
- * Baskets, rattan, strong, 15 in. diam top, 4 in. diam. bottom, 8½ in. deep, each.
- * Bricks, slop, 9 in. by 4½ in. by 3 in., per 1,000.
- * Bricks, paving, per 1,000.
- * Brooms, coir, each.
- * Bengal line, per lb.
- * Brushes, whitewashing, country, each.
- Charcoal, per bushel.
- Coir string, per cwt.
- Coir rope, per cwt.
- Cadjans, not less than 7 ft. long by 1 ft. broad, per 100 (double).
- Coral, per bushel.
- Ceiling cloth, per yard (gray shirting).
- Dammar, per lb.
- Fish oil, clean, per gallon.
- Gunny bags (old and new) each.
- Gum Arabic, per lb.
- Glass, per square ft.
- Indigo, per ball.
- Lime, boiled, per bushel.
- Lime, slaked, per bushel.
- * Mats, ola 2½ ft. by 4 ft. each.
- Ochre, yellow, per lb.
- Oil, cocconut, per gallon.
- Oil, kerosine, per gallon.
- Ekel, per bundle.
- Sheep skins, each.
- Buffalo hides, each.
- Sandpaper, per sheet.
- Salt, per lb.
- Tape, cotton, white, per skein.
- Thread, white, per reel.
- Tallow, country, per lb.
- * Tiles, 10 in., half round, per 1,000.
- * Tiles, ridge, per 1,000.
- Vinegar, country, per gallon.
- Verdigris, per lb.
- Wax, bees', per lb.
- Tats, each.
- Needles, per dozen.
- Bluestone, per lb.
- Sugar, per lb.

1. Tenders are to be made in duplicate on forms which will be supplied upon application at the office of the

Director of Public Works or the Government Agent Batticaloa, or the Assistant Government Agent, Trincomalee, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form. The originals should be forwarded by the tenderers direct to the Director of Public Works, and the duplicates direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General; both to be forwarded at the same time.

2. A deposit of Rs. 50 should be made either at the Treasury or the Kachcheri, and the receipt of the Treasurer or the Government Agent or the Assistant Government Agent produced when applying for forms. 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 signing the contract.

3. Sufficient sureties will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount of the bond and all necessary information in respect of the contract can be ascertained upon application at the Office of the Provincial Engineer, Batticaloa.

4. 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.

5. Samples of articles marked thus (*) to be deposited with the Provincial Engineer, Batticaloa, in sealed packets or bottles, labelled with the name of the tenderer, on or before September 21, 1896.

6. 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.

7. 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.

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

H. WARD,
for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for transport of Stores and Materials," will be received up to noon on Monday, September 21, 1896, from persons willing to transport stores and materials to and from the under-mentioned stations in the Eastern Province during the year 1897:—

- To and from Batticaloa.
- Do. Customs.
- Do. Badulla road.
- Do. Trincomalee road.
- Do. Kalkuda.
- Do. Kalmunai and all intermediate stations.
- Do. Kalmunai.
- Do. Potuwil.
- Do. Sagamam.
- Do. Malkampuddi.
- Do. Sammanturai.
- Do. Chadayantalawa and all intermediate stations.
- Do. Trincomalee.
- Do. Kituluttu.
- Do. Ratmalie.
- Do. Kinyai.
- Do. Vergal.
- Do. Mutur and all intermediate stations.

2. Tenders are to be made in duplicate on forms which will be supplied upon application at the office of the Director of Public Works or the Government Agent, Batticaloa, or the Assistant Government Agent, Trincomalee, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form. The originals should

be forwarded by the tenderers direct to the Director of Public Works, and the duplicates direct to the Hon. the Auditor-General, both to be forwarded at the same time; and the tenderers should state in their tenders at what rate they will transport by cart or boat per cwt. of stores and materials per mile.

3. A deposit of Rs. 50 should be made either at the Treasury or the Kachcheri, and the receipt of the Treasurer or the Government Agent or Assistant Government Agent produced when applying for forms. 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 signing the contract.

4. Cash security will be required to join in a bond for the due fulfilment of the contract. The amount of the bond and all other necessary information can be ascertained at the Office of the Provincial Engineer, Batticaloa.

5. 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.

6. The person whose tender has been accepted by Government will be required to bear the expenses of having security bonds prepared for the due performance of his contract, which bonds will be subject to the approval of the Attorney-General, but may be drawn by the tenderer's own lawyer, in which case the name or stamp of the proctor who drafted the bond should be affixed to the document.

But if a contractor submits a security bond which does not bear the name or stamp of the lawyer who drafted it, he will be required to pay a fee of Rs. 10.50 to the Attorney General for approving each bond.

7. All alterations should bear the initials of the tenderer, add all tenders containing alterations not bearing the tenderer's initials will be treated as informal and rejected.

H. WARD,
for Director of Public Works.

Public Works Department,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

SEALED Tenders, marked on the envelopes "Tender for the conveyance of Mails," will be received at the Postmaster-General's Office up to 12 o'clock noon on Monday, September 14, 1896, for a period of four years from January 1, 1897, to December 31, 1900.

For the conveyance of Mails by steamer or other boat between Batticaloa and Kiddanki and by runner service between Kiddanki and Kalmunai, once daily each way.

The tenders must be made in duplicate, the original is to

be forwarded by the tenderers direct to the Postmaster-General, while the duplicate shall be sent on the same day to the Hon. the Auditor-General.

The tenders must be made upon forms which will be supplied on application to the Postmaster-General, and no tender will be considered unless it is furnished on the recognized form.

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

A deposit of Rs. 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.

Security to the amount of Rs. 2,000 will be required. From this sum the Postmaster-General will meet the cost of carrying on the service when he may deem it to be necessary to incur expenditure on account of the contractors' failure to comply with the conditions of the contract.

Security must be completed by December 15, 1896, by the deposit of the above amount in cash.

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

The contractor will be liable to a fine not exceeding Rs. 10 a day for using or allowing to be used for the service under this contract a boat which has been condemned by the Postmaster-General or any of his Assistants, or by any other competent officer.

The hours of arrival and departure of the boats to be fixed from time to time by the Postmaster-General.

A penalty not exceeding Rs. 50 will be imposed by the Postmaster-General or by any of his Assistants on the contractor for carrying in his boat more passengers than are allowed by the terms of the license.

Extra boats must be supplied at all times when required, without any charge.

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

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

In case of repeated delays or irregularities the contract will be cancelled.

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

F. W. VANE,
Acting Postmaster General.

Postmaster-General's Office,
Colombo, August 12, 1896.

SALES OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned unserviceable articles belonging to the Public Works Department will be sold at the Public Works Department Store at Avisawella on September 1, 1896, at 8 A.M. :-

3 adzes of sorts	1 brush, tar
2 augers of sorts	1 brush, paint
6 barrels, tar, empty	1 brush, whitewashing
3 billhooks and coytas	1 chisel
10 buckets, water (wooden)	2 files of sorts
10 buckets, water (galvanized iron)	75 hammers, hand
	17 hammers, sledge, iron

10 hammers, sledge, half
13 hammers, miners'
212 mamoties
1 mason's spirit level
65 pickaxes or mattocks
3 powder canisters, tin
4 rakes

15 rammers, copper-tipped
2 tongs, smiths'
5 tubs, water
5 trowels, masons'
2 handcarts
1 roller

T. S. EDGE,
for Director of Public Works

Public Works Department,
Colombo, August 8, 1896.