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NOTICE.

No special Licenses will be issued in 1898 unless the applicant has taken out licenses for both surveying and Levelling under Ordinance No 15 of 1889 or undertakes to do so before the 30th June next. All special licenses issued for 1897 must be returned to me by the 31st December next with applications for renewal.

R. VAM

Surveyor General's Office, Asst. Sur. General Colombo 22nd Oct. 1897. } for Sur. General.

NOTICE.

A public meeting will be held in the hall of Victoria College Chulipnam on Tuesday the 9th November at 4 P.M. for the purpose of suggesting to H. E. the Governor, the name of a proper candidate to represent the Tamils in the Legislative of Ceylon.

C. M. Nishingar	E. A. Kingsbury
C. M. Raja Sundaram	B. H. Rice
V. Ampalavama Mudr.	J. P. Cooke
A. L. Irakunatha Mudr.	A. Edward

NOTICE.

A public meeting of the Tamils of Jaffna will be held at the Jaffna District Court House on Saturday the 6th November 1897 at 4 P.M. for the purpose of suggesting to His Excellency the Governor the name of a fit and proper person for appointment as the representative of the Tamils in the Legislative Council when the term of office of the present member expires in February next.

A. Kanagasabai	S. T. Arnold
T. C. Changarapillai	S. Bastiampille
A. Mailvaganam	S. F. G. Carpenter
B. Santiagopulla	Mr. Tampapillai Mudr.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary } No. 889.
Jurisdiction
In the matter of the estate of the late Yathavara Marudachari of Batticotta Deceased.
Veloopillai of Batticotta east Petitioner.

1. Velopillai Chalapathi of Batticotta east
2. Velopillai Chinnabai of do
3. Thangum widow of Velopillai of do Respondents.

This matter of the petition of Velopillai Chinnabai of Batticotta east praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above named deceased Yathavara Marudachari of Batticotta coming on for disposal before Samuel Haughton Esq. District Judge, on the 18th day of October 1897 in the presence of Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 14th day of October 1897 having been read it is declared that the Petitioner is the nephew and 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 25th day of November 1897 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Signed this 18th day of Oct. 1897 SAMUEL HAUGHTON, District Judge

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary } No. 870.
Jurisdiction
In the matter of the estate of the late Kathiraman Raman of Thavalai Iyalalai Deceased.
Letchumy widow of Raman of Thavalai Iyalalai Petr.

1. Raman Kuthan and wife
2. Pary of Thavalai Iyalalai
3. Kasy Kathiraman of Kandavalai Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Letchumy widow of Raman of Thavalai Iyalalai praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above named deceased Kathiraman Raman of Thavalai Iyalalai coming on for disposal before Samuel Haughton Esq. District Judge, on the 18th day of October 1897 in the presence of Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 14th day of October 1897 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the widow of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of

the said intestate issued to her unless the respondents or any other person shall on or before the 25th day of November 1897 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.
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Local & General.

Weather. October has been a strange month. A slight shower here and there was all the rain we had up to yesterday while the wind blew steadily though lightly from the south-west. Some days there has been a slight dew in the evenings. The paddy plants have suffered in many localities and the bright prospects of a "fourth crop" we hear, will not be realized. We generally have heavy rains in October, and its absence this year does not look well for the future. Yesterday we had quite a smart shower and the wind is now from the north east. The monsoon has really set in at last.

Life of Mr. J. E. Arnold. We have received a copy of "the life of the late Mr. J. E. Arnold" by his son Proctor S. T. Arnold which we have glanced over with interest and which will be reviewed more at length in our Tamil columns. An excellent likeness of Mr. Arnold is given as a frontispiece and a Prefatory sketch in English provides the main body of the work in Tamil. At the close of this little work are published several eulogistic poems by different persons of learning of his death. The book will be read with interest by all the friends of the late Mr. Arnold and will we believe do good.

Personal. Mr. S. K. Ratnam arrived in Jaffna on Saturday the 18th inst. and was warmly welcomed by his friends. We learn that he has just left for India to take up a position there in one of the Government Colleges where we wish him all success.

Five cents lyric book. A new edition of this popular little lyric book will be published in a few weeks, and those wishing to purchase are requested to send in their orders as early as possible.

Women's meeting at Chavagachchri. A meeting for the Christian women of Chavagachchri, and adjoining villages was held in the church on the 19th inst. Mr. and Mrs. Smith had invited several from outside to be present and to make brief remarks. The meeting was one of much interest and we trust the stirring words offered on the occasion will be productive of an increased interest in the Lord's work in that portion of the Master's vineyard.

Scholastic. On reading the prize list of St. Thomas College, Colombo, for the current year, we find the name of Master A. Tampoe against five prize items—the Cambridge Junior Local scholarship of Rs. 120 per annum, tenable for three years, classical prize of Rs. 20, Dr. Ebel's prize, probably for science, distinction in Mathematics and sixth form prize. The winner of prizes in classics, sciences and Mathematics is the fourth son of our Magistrate Mr. Tampoe. We congratulate the promising young man on his bright College career, and we wish him well for the future both in and out of the College.

Disturbances. Riots and disturbances have been reported during the past fortnight from Kandy, Batticaloa and Colombo. They were due to various causes but fortunately none of them proved very serious.

Salt Rent. The next year's salt rent for Jaffna will be put up for sale at the Bachechery on the 5th proximo.

The Govt. Agent. Mr. Fisher left for Vavonia on the 19th inst. but was not able to complete his tour to the South owing to the sudden illness of his children. He returned to Jaffna on the 22nd after proceeding as far as Elephant Pass.

Legislative council. The session for 1897-1898 of the Legislative Council was to have been opened yesterday, but has been postponed to a later date. The Governor's opening address will no doubt embrace several matters of interest, of which the final decision concerning the "Jaffna railway" will be one.

Obituary. We regret to record the death of Miss Rosalind Alagappa a daughter of Advocate Alagappa of typhoid fever, on the 15th inst. The burial was in St. John's burial ground Chundipalle. The funeral services being conducted by Rev. H. Horsely.

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 Manipay, 23. Oct. 1897.

JAFFNA FRIEND-IN-NEED SOCIETY.

The 22nd annual report of this Society has come to hand, and we rejoice to find such evidences of its continued prosperity. The number of new admissions for last year was 1988. With the 65 cases remaining at the close of the previous year, it made a total of 2053 in-patients treated during the year. Nearly three fifths of these were paupers. Of the numbers treated 1304 were discharged. In the out-door dispensary the total number of new admissions was 11382 and the amount collected in fees Rs. 1139.45. The amount realized by the sale of medicines was Rs. 4100 81. Dr. Grenier, the visiting Surgeon, reports the erection of two permanent bath rooms and the introduction of other sanitary measures which were greatly needed. He calls for newer and better beds, and suggests that one or two trained nurses might be employed when the lying-in ward becomes open to the public. Of the diseases treated, there were nearly 600 cases of fever in the hospital and over 3000 in the out-door dispensary. Itch seems to be next in importance with 106 cases in the hospital and 645 in the dispensary. Thus over a third of the cases treated both in-doors and out-doors was for these two diseases.

A Report of the Committee of management is also appended. This Committee was appointed for 5 years, but owing to various causes a meeting was not called at the expiration of the time in January last. The report, therefore is for 5 years and 7 months. During this period the number admitted into the Hospital was 10,753 and the number admitted at the Dispensary 67,895. This is certainly a very good showing, and indicates confidence on the part of the masses in the conduct of the hospital. The financial report is no less encouraging. The total amount received from Government has been Rs. 43,666.66 and the total amount from other sources Rs. 43,337.88. The total expenditures for this period have been Rs. 90,611.69 which is well within the income. There is no way of ascertaining how much of this was collected from fees and how much from the sales of medicines. Of course a large proportion was from subscriptions. "The Committee in thankfully acknowledging this help and encouragement they have received from the Government, and from their friends and supporters, trust that the same may be extended still more liberally to their successors, so as to admit of the sphere of the Society's operations being extended more especially in the direction of the Lying-in-Hospital in connection with which it is hoped it may be found possible to engage the services of a Lady Doctor."

R. W. Levers Esq. Govt. Agent was elected President and Sir W. C. Twynan Esq. K. C. M. G. Honorary Secretary and Treasurer. The same Committee was re-elected, the name of T. C. Changarapillai Esq. and S. F. Toussaint Esq. being substituted for Mr. A. Chinnatambi resigned and Mr. M. Vyttilingam deceased.

THE JUBILEE OF THE UDUPPIDI CHURCH.

The first churches organized in the territory of the American mission were at the stations of Batticoata, Panditrippe, Manippay, Oodoville and Tellipalay. This was in 1831 and three years later Chavagabherri was organized. Thirteen years passed before Uduppidi became the seventh church of the group, on Oct. 24th of the year 1847, or about 31 years after the American mission commenced operations in north Ceylon. For the first 25 years of the life of this church a missionary was its head; during the second 25 years it was under the charge of a native pastor, and for some time past now has been wholly self-supporting. Last Sunday it celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with appropriate services. The morning session consisted of appropriate opening exercises, a very interesting historical sketch by the pastor Rev. D. Stickney and a sermon for the occasion by Rev. I. S. Smith whose father collected funds and put up the edifice in which the congregation now worships. Twelve new members were admitted to the church, five of them on profession of their faith in Christ. The Lord's supper followed. Revs. S. Elyatamby and J. Sanders distributing the elements. Though it was a very long session it was greatly enjoyed by all.

At 3 in the afternoon there was a service for the Christian children conducted in the school room of the Girls Boarding school by Mrs. Smith and Miss S. R. Howland. At 4 came another long service in the church in which Rev. D. Valupillai of Panditrippe, and Proctor Carpenter of

Oodoville made stirring speeches which will long be remembered. The church was well filled at all the services of the day. Nearly all the resident Christians of the Uduppidi and Atehuvaly parishes were on hand, and about 25 visitors from other churches.

The room was tastefully decorated. On the walls were Bible verses, and pictures suggestive of the past and pointing to the future. Around the pulpit and platform were arranged crotons and flowers, while the leaves of the date palm significant of victory, and the beautiful November lilies twined around the pillars, added much to the general effect. It was a very enjoyable day, and many, felt that they had been specially blessed. It is hoped that a deep and lasting impression has been made.

The church needs very extensive repairs and it is proposed to start a subscription paper before long especially among those who have been connected with the church in one capacity or another during the past fifty years, and to collect funds for enlarging the edifice and putting it into thorough repair.

COLLEGE CUB.

In our last issue there crept in a curious typographical error, which at least gives us a handle for saying a few words concerning an evil which is prevalent in certain quarters in Jaffna. Of course the right word was *cub*, but prefixed by the word College it expresses a state of things that ought not so to be.

Webster defines a cub as (1) a young animal (2) an awkward, rude, ill-mannered boy. In some of our High schools and Colleges there seems to be a good deal of the rude, ill-mannered element. When the sessions are over for the day, the pupils scatter to their homes and on the way if by chance they meet a horse and carriage the occupants are greeted with a rude "Good morning" at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, and too often a cheer of derision follows. This is simple rudeness, and there is no excuse for it. It may be said it is animal spirits bubbling over, or that the poor boys know no better. As to the former a boy can be a boy all over, even very noisy, and yet be a little gentleman. As to the latter if it is true, it is high time they were taught better. They are supposed to be learning civilized habits. Then let them be taught to be gentlemanly. One should say "Good morning" or "Good evening", as the case may be, but in a polite and pleasant manner. Again, when a gentleman or lady visitor enters the school or class room every pupil should rise and stand erect in a respectful attitude. There should be no rude staring or whispering or untimely laughter. The visitor should feel that he is in the presence of boys and young men who have been taught to be gentlemanly.

Once more, a true gentleman is never loud and boisterous in his conversation. He is quiet and dignified and yet approachable. He does not sneer at or ridicule a person unless there be just cause. He keeps himself under control, is always on the look out to render any assistance to others, is ever courteous in manner and word.

Surely when a boy gets to College it is time that he left his *cub* nature behind him, and showed himself a true gentleman. What the boy is, so may we expect to find the man, and it is therefore very necessary that special attention be paid to these little things which go so far towards determining whether a man is entitled to the name of "gentleman" or not.

Y. M. C. A.

TOPICS PROPOSED

by the Central International Committee of the Y. M. C. A. Generals for the observance of a Week of Prayer for young men of the world.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14.

Sermons on behalf of Y. M. C. A.'s and their work.

The Association and the young man; the Association and the family; the Association and the Church. The beauty and power of the young Christian entirely devoted to the service of Jesus Christ. "They first gave their own selves to the Lord." (2 Cor. 8, 5.)

MONDAY NOVEMBER 15.

Give thanks always for all things unto God. (Ep. 5, 20; Luke 17, 12-19; 1 Tim. 1, 2; 10; 2 Cor. 2, 14-17.)

Thanksgivings: for the development of the work of the Association; for the greater number of young men brought to the faith and employed in the service of God in this work.

Prayer: for the development of brotherhood between the different Associations in the world; for the feeble Associations;—for those which fall;—for those which are stronger, but risk other dangers.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16.

Peace be unto you.

(John 20, 19)

Jesus the Prince of peace (Isaiah 9, 6) He made it, He announces it, He is it (Eph. 2, 14-17).

Peace is the foundation of the life of the Association; peace with God in the heart of each member by reconciliation with God and justification. (Rom. 6, 1.)

Peace is not consistent with sin. Are there no forbidden things in our individual or collective lives? The 'Achans' bring defeats (Josh. 7.)

Humiliations, confessions, necessary reparations. Prayer for the churches, the missions, the clergymen, the missionaries, various Christian works.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17.

Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?

(Acts 19, 2-7; 2, 38-47)

Do we realise this condition, without which there is no Christian life, and consequently no Christian works, for these are only the fruits of this life.

"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3, 3.)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

I will; be thou clean.

(Matt. 8, 3)

May God perform a work of purification in the midst of the young men; purity of the body, purity of conversation, of reading, of thought (1 Thess. 4, 3-8; Col. 3, 5; Eph. 4, 14-24; 2 Cor. 13, 4-7, 11)

The struggle against drink, dissoluteness, impurity, gambling, worldly-mindedness. The duty of praying for the work of promotion of social purity in all its forms

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19.

Walk worthy of your vocation,

(Eph. 4, 1)

Interior development of the Association (Eph. 4, 1-16) Does our Association advance? Advancement is the sign of life. Does it go from strength to strength (1 Thess. 4, 1)? Does our faith and love increase more and more? (2 Thess. 1, 3)

Progress in the inner life of the Association, in the frequenting the Bible Classes, of prayer meetings; progress in good organization.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20.

As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you (John 20, 21)

The necessity of missionary work amongst young men. Prayer for the next universal Conference; prayer for the Central International Committee and for all its work.

None of us liveth to himself (Rom. 14, 7.)

THE LANDING OF AUGUSTINE IN ENGLAND.

The Roman Catholics in England have lately been celebrating the landing of Augustine on the shores of England. The following is part of a letter addressed by the Pope to Cardinal Vaughan which will be read with interest, although we cannot agree with the Pope in calling the era of the Reformation "Evil days."

The letter you sent us at the beginning of this month filled us with joy. For we saw with what ardour and grateful remembrance you were preparing to celebrate in England the thirteenth centenary of St. Augustine's coming, and to honour the memory of that Apostle man whose labours amongst you were so notably advantageous to religion and civilization. We have already approved the intended celebration; but now our heart desires in your gladness, and we wish to join with you in commemorating an event as deserving as any of being marked by solemn festival and thanksgiving. Not only is such a festival most appropriate in itself, but it also seasonably invites us to send our warmest felicitations to you, Beloved Son, to other Bishops, and to all the Catholics of England. For you have shown how truly you esteem the legacy received from above, and how deeply grateful you are towards this Roman See to which, under all, you ascribe all that has been done for you. And truly may it be said that the sole cause of Augustine's Advent was the foresight and charity of our predecessor, Gregory the Great. That Pontiff had himself wished, in his tender love for you, to be your Apostle; and when this wish had been frustrated by his elevation to the Pontificate he sent Augustine in his stead, and together with Augustine a chosen band of monks trained in perfect piety by himself. Thus England received back the sacred treasures of Christianity—those treasures which the providence of the Roman Pontiffs had before supplied to the British race but which had been lost through the invasion of barbarian tribes. Grateful thanks are now the less due to Augustine, for he brought to completeness and perfection what Gregory had inaugurated. Therefore, like Gregory himself, he is rightly and justly called the Apostle of your nation.

The evil days that came upon England three centuries ago almost obliterated Augustine's work. England then broke away from the centre of unity, and thereupon lapsed from the holiness of faith itself. But this mournful defection from the Mother Church was not universal. Some there were in whose hearts the Catholic faith still remained intact; yet although they have again and again been joined by others during the long space of time that has since elapsed, they are far from equalling in number those who continue in dissent. Come, our most Beloved Father in heaven, it should also awaken within you a sense of responsibility and duty; the responsibility and the duty of carefully safeguarding the deposit of faith, and of transmitting it as a rich inheritance to your sons with the same perfect fulness in which you have yourselves received it from your fathers.

But while that privilege gives you true cause for joy and for being grateful to God, our most Beneficent Father in heaven, it should also awaken within you a sense of responsibility and duty; the responsibility and the duty of carefully safeguarding the deposit of faith, and of transmitting it as a rich inheritance to your sons with the same perfect fulness in which you have yourselves received it from your fathers.

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