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March.—பங்குனி.

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RECEIPTS FOR THE MORNING STAR.

Ranawella	Mr. E. Venayagam	2.00
Maskellia	Mr. Obadiah	2.00
Dickoya	Messrs. C. Mungas & N. Nalliatamby	4.00
Colombo	Mr. P. Munitor	2.00
Strait Settlements	Mr. S. Arinooty	2.25
Dickoya	Mr. N. Nalliatamby	2.00
Vandy	The Principal Girls' Institution	1.50
Maduar	Dr. M. P. Shaw	4.00

Gentlemen.

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WM. MATHER,
Managing Director

SPECIAL LICENSE.

I, M. Nalliah of Jaffna Received Special License from the Surveyor General to make Surveys on behalf of the Crown. During 1898.

M. NALLIAH.

OODOOVILL GIRLS BOARDING SCHOOL.

The Examination of candidates for admission to Oodoo vill Girls Boarding School, in the forthcoming term, will be held at Oodoo vill on March 10th. at 10 A. M.

T. B. SCOTT.
(Manager.)

THE CEYLON STEAMSHIP CO. Ltd.

The Company's Steamer "Lady Gordon" is expected to arrive at Jaffna on the night of Sunday the 20th February 1898 will sail for Colombo Via Point Pedro after the close of the Supreme Court Sessions at Jaffna.

W. MATHER & SON.

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The annual sale of these hardy and useful ponies will be held at the Jaffna Kachecheri on the 16th April at 2 P. M. or by private sale previously. An exceptionally good lot of fillies is available. For terms apply to

P. W. LEVERS,
Govt. Agent.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary No. 887.
In the matter of the estate and property of the late Venay Venkay of Chandampokkatty Deceased.
Venay Venkay of Chandampokkatty Petitioner.

1 Venay Mather of Chandampokkatty Respondents.
2 Venay Ginnatambay of do
This matter of the Petition of Venay Venkay of Chandampokkatty praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased Venay Venkay of Chandampokkatty, came on for disposal before Samuel Haughton Esq., District Judge, on the 7th day of February 1898 in the presence of Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 1st day of February 1898 having been read it is declared that the Petitioner is the son of the deceased and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate or any other person named to him unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 18th day of March 1898 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.
Signed this day of February 1898 SAMUEL HAUGHTON, District Judge

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary No. 878.
In the matter of the Estate of the late Velayutur Chinnamman of Araly South. Deceased.
Parappattillai widow of Chinnamman Velayutur of Araly South Petitioner

1 Manabekkar Nannaschivayam Respondents.
2 his wife Tevanappattillai of Araly South
3 Arannam Vayilgamm and his
4 wife Chinnamman of do
This matter of the Petition of Parappattillai widow of Chinnamman Velayutur of Araly South praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased Velayutur Chinnamman of Araly South came on for disposal before Samuel Haughton Esq., District Judge, on the 9th day of December 1897 in the presence of Mr. T. C. Chinnamman Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 6th day of December 1897 having been read it is declared that the Petitioner is the mother 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 14th day of February 1898 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.
Signed this 9th day of December 1897. SAMUEL HAUGHTON, District Judge.

Local & General.

Weather. The sun is very hot in the middle of the day and the dew is heavy at night. The wind still keeps up, and there have been one or two slight showers.

Harvest. The farmers are harvesting the crops. In some places at least half a crop will be realized, but in others there is little or nothing. The cultivation of tobacco, chillies, brinjals and onions is in full swing, and the prospect for good results seems good.

Correction. We regret exceedingly the mistake made in our last issue concerning the death of Mr. Sundarapillai, late Sheriff of the Kachecheri. It seems that he is still alive though very ill. Our correspondent had been misinformed and apologies are hereby tendered.

Marriage. Rev. A. Bryant's youngest son, William was married to the daughter of Rev. E. Adams on Thursday the 3rd inst. Owing to the illness of the father of the groom, the wedding was strictly private. We wish the newly married couple all happiness.

Ceylon Medical College. From a circular from the head of the Ceylon Medical College, we learn that, "in accordance with a recent resolution of the General Medical Council on and after the first day of January 1899, no certificate of lower standard than that of the Matriculation or Entrance and the Junior Local Examinations of the Universities of the United Kingdom will be accepted for registration. The College of Physicians Second Class Certificate will not be recognized."

Colombo Y. M. C. A. The Young Men's Christian Association of Colombo have had their annual meeting. The report of the Secretary, Mr. Hieb, is full of interest. A marked feature is the frankness with which failures are stated, and suggestions made for the future. The successes have so far exceeded the failures however that the Association enters upon the new year with joy and confidence. The Ceylon Overseas says—Mr. L. Hieb is emphatically the right man in the right place, and the means of great benefit and blessing to the young men of the metropolis. May the number largely increase that come under his influence and share in the benefits of the Association.

Provincial Synod. The Provincial Synod of the Wesleyans was held in Colombo last week. Revs. G. J. Trimmer and A. E. Resterick from the Northern Province, and Revs. J. West and E. Weaver from the Eastern Province, were in attendance.

Sir John Dribbington. A banquet was tendered to Sir John Dribbington on the eve of his departure to England where he retires from public life. He has served the Colony in one capacity or another for 40 years, and it was eminently fitting that there should have been some recognition of our appreciation of his services to the Island.

Looting. A promiscuous crowd of cigar boys, apparently bent upon doing mischief, alarmed the public on the 1st inst. "The crowd marched towards the Bank Shall street, through the esplanade, to loot the paddy godowns. The police dispersed the crowd without any difficulty. The high price for which paddy and rice are sold gave the boys the pretext to create the alarm, with a view to force the traders to reduce the prices. It has had however, no effect upon the traders. Paddy is not now procurable from any of the godowns and inferior *Kattandai* rice alone is in the market, selling Rs. 12 a bag. The public demand some sort of interference by the Govt. by which the traders, shall be prevented from carrying on too far their speculation at the expense of suffering for want of food.

The Central Road Mail. Since the 1st inst. Mr. Kankarattam, a sub-contractor under Mr. Pate has taken charge of the conveyance of the Jaffna mail to Anuradhapura. He has established his office at the northern end of the 1st Cross Street, Jaffna, Town. The retiring Contractor, Mr. Asappillai has transferred over his establishment to the new contractor which has simplified the labor of the latter and removed all anxiety of competition for passengers.

A European Marriage. On Wednesday the 9th inst. the marriage of Mr. Trauchell, Deputy Fiscal, with Miss Geddes, third daughter of the late Mr. Geddes, Planter took place. The marriage ceremonies were conducted by Rev. J. Carter of the C. M. S. in the Christ Church, Jaffna. The same day the bride and bridegroom left for their last home at Elephant Pass. The officers of the Fiscal's Office received them on their way to Elephant Pass at their office which was decorated to suit the occasion. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Trauchell a long and happy life.

The Supreme Court. Mr. Justice Withers is expected to preside at the ensuing Sessions at Jaffna. Mr. Cooke will be the prosecuting Counsel. There are four cases for trial, of which one is for rape, and another for culpable homicide amounting to murder and a third for abduction.

German Prince. His Royal Highness, Prince Henry of Prussia has been visiting Ceylon on his way, with a war ship, to China. He was royally entertained at Kandy, Colombo and Newera Eliya, and made a favorable impression on the minds of all who met him.

Concert. In aid of the restoration fund of St. John's church at Chundien, a concert has been arranged to be given in the College Hall at Chundien at 7 P. M. of the 22nd inst. Admission is by tickets.

The Jaffna F. N. S. Hospital. Dr. Chelliah Paul is acting in the Dispensary for his father, Dr. Wm. Paul. It is rumored on good authority that Dr. Grenier will exchange duties with Dr. A. Rajasingham Medical officer at Maskellia.

A Case of Murder. On Thursday the 10th inst. the Assistant Col. Surgeon, Dr. Solomon had a post-mortem at Allappity, on the body of a man who died by violence. The Doctor pronounced the case to be one of murder.

Cholera. This dire disease is still lurking at Chunnamm. Last week on Friday there was a case of death by cholera, and as usual all the inmates of the infected house were removed to the House of Observation at Kankarattam.

Rain. On Friday there was a heavy fall of rain in the Town and its suburbs. It was considered to be untimely. It would have done much harm if it had extended to the parts of Jaffna, where the tobacco plants are just coming on, and the paddy crop is being harvested.

Personal. Rev. E. P. Holton of the American Mission is on a visit to Jaffna. He is specially interested in Industrial work, and is hoped he may be persuaded to stay in Jaffna during the absence of Rev. T. S. Smith, and supervise the industrial work at Telipally in addition to his other duties.

சீர்த் தரப் போகின்றனவாயினாலும், அவைகள் மத்தியப் பேரரசுப் பதவிகளை வகிப்பவர்களாகவும், அங்கு ஆட்சிப்பதிவிடும் தோன்றலும், பண்டிதர் பலர் சமூகச் சுவாமியும், சேம்பர்ஸ் போர்டிலும், பாராடென்ஸ் ஹாஸ்பெண்டில் தேர்தல் பரிசீலனாவில் பித்தாக்களும், எழுத்து செவிலித்துவார்த்தினிலும், உயரதர விசனங்களுள்ளும், இடையநிலைத் தொழிலாளர்களில், சமூகநிலைத்தரத்தில் இருக்கும் தரங்களில், பட்டாளம் வாகிச் செலும்.

H. S. P.

T. S. P.

ARTHUR SCOTT.

The only son of the Doctors Scott was taken to the heavenly home yesterday, the 16th inst. With the beginning of this year the little boy was attacked by that dread disease diphtheria, his life being saved for the time by a surgical operation. He seemed to be recovering, and as soon as he was well enough to be moved was brought over to Urikardu by the sea side, in order to get the benefit of the sea air. For the first fortnight or so, he seemed to make rapid progress towards health and strength, though one or two slight symptoms caused the parents no little anxiety. On Sunday he had slight fever, and on Tuesday partial paralysis of the respiratory organs set in which terminated fatally the next day at about 2 P. M. A short service was held at Urikardu the next morning, and then his body was removed to Oodonnell where another service was held in the church and then it was laid in flowers and ferns in its last resting place.

Dr. and Mrs. Scott will have the sympathy of a host of friends. May God of all comfort bind and heal their bleeding hearts.

THE TWO MASTERS.

Notwithstanding the authoritative utterance of Divine Wit of the impossibility of serving both God and Mammon at one and the same time, there are hundreds and thousands of persons the world over who believe that it lies quite within the range of possibility to render service to God, and at the same time to retain a strong affection for the world. This feeling is quite strong we fear among the followers of Christ here in Jaffna. To be a Christian is no longer considered a disgrace. With many leading citizens of our peninsula-converted Christians, who by their profession and attainments have won the esteem and respect of the whole community, it is small wonder that Christianity has taken a prominent place in Jaffna. In the opinion of the people Christianity is respectable. Moreover the promise of our Divine Lord that if one seeks first the Kingdom of God, all other things will be granted to him has been literally fulfilled in so many cases that there is danger of seeking the Kingdom in order to obtain some worldly advantage. There is the feeling among some (thank God it is only among a certain class of Christ's followers) that it is quite sufficient to be a nominal Christian. This is a great mistake. One cannot lay claim to the privileges of Christianity, or experience its joys who is not an out-and-out Christian. To have received baptism, and to have his name enrolled on the church Register is not enough if one wishes to live the happy successful Christian life.

Serving Mammon not only detracts one from many Christian privileges but also positively injures the life of the soul. To cling to the world when one has given himself up to the service of Christ makes a man to become like the world. Gradually the image of God is entirely effaced from his heart and the sordid, pleasure-loving characteristics predominate. The Devil likes nothing better than to have a Christian man or woman inclined to worldliness. Once let the affections be turned ever so slightly though it may be, from God to the World and the Great Adversary is perfectly satisfied. He knows full well what the result will be. The Christian who finds that he has not time to attend the prayer meeting because of some secular work that must be done, will soon give up his private reading and prayer as well because time is so precious. And so it goes until Christ is not in his thoughts except for an hour or two on the Sabbath. Is it any wonder that he does not enjoy his Christian life? The world is king, and his thoughts are all on worldly pursuits. "Ye cannot serve God and Mammon."

By this is not meant of course that one is not to look after any business matter whatever. Nor does it mean that one may be careless and indifferent as to business affairs. Carelessness may be criminal, and the Christian man who excuses himself for his carelessness in business matters on the ground that all business and pleasure should be relegated to the back ground, is making a very serious blunder, and displeasing his Lord and Master. "Not slothful in business" is as much of a Divine command as "fervent in spirit." But God must have the first place. Body, soul, and spirit—we are wholly God's. Our business and our pleasures

should be subordinated to His Divine will. Then only will the Christian life be happy and soul-satisfying.

THE NORTHERN RAILWAY.

His Excellency the Governor gave utterance to the following words on the 4th inst. in the Legislative Council.

"The Secretary of State sanctions the construction of the line from Kurunegalla to Anuradhapura as a light broad gauge railway but he makes this condition—He says that evidently from the first, the railway will not pay, and he is very reluctant in the case of railways, which will not pay at the very commencement, to allow the entire cost to be raised by loans, and therefore he makes the condition that a third of the cost—the whole of the cost is 4½ millions, and a third would be 1½ millions—that 1½ millions should be met from revenue and that we should not commence the work until we had got half a million rupees in hand. I think, gentlemen, that is a very reasonable condition and one which we shall have no difficulty in complying with. As regards the rest of the line, I fear that the Secretary of State's decision will not be so acceptable to a large section of this community. He considers the whole line from Anuradhapura to Jaffna to be a main line, and therefore thinks the whole of this line should be constructed as a light broad gauge railway. The Secretary of State gives us sanction to proceed at once with the Kankesanur and Elephant Pass section if we can satisfy him and expert advisers that it will pay *ab initio* and in that case we shall be allowed to raise the funds required by the loan. Gentlemen, I propose to appoint one or two officers to inquire into this matter and report whether a light broad gauge railway from Elephant Pass to Kankesanur would pay."

We give extracts of the despatch of the Hon. J. Chamberlain so that our readers may see for themselves just what the prospects are for a railway to the north. We fear that it will be some years before there will be a continuous railway from Jaffna to Colombo, but we feel sure that His Excellency will do all in his power to bring about the desired result. The Secretary of State says:—

It would have been impossible for me not to have been to some extent influenced by the apparent unanimity of those on the spot best qualified to express an opinion in favour of a main line of railway to the north, and this consideration coupled with a careful study of the views expressed in your despatch and of the report of the Consulting Engineers, a copy of which is enclosed, have led me to the conclusion, as I intimated to you in my telegram of the 29th ultimo, that a northern extension is desirable, and that it may be initiated by the construction of a light line on the normal or 5 ft. 6 in. gauge between Kurunegalla and Anuradhapura.

To this decision, however, I attach the conditions (1) that one-third at least of the cost of the section, say a sum of £1,500,000, and if possible a larger proportion, shall be defrayed from current revenue; and (2) that an initial sum shall be taken until you have at least 500,000 rupees in hand for the purpose. This is, for practical purposes, my immediate decision, and I therefore state it in the forefront of this despatch, but I will now take up the various points raised and discuss them at some length for the general guidance of your Government.

That a direct railway to the North, designed to run through the remote districts of Ceylon and eventually to connect the Jaffna Port with Colombo and the centre of the Island, is in itself desirable, need not be argued. When made it will facilitate administration, and it will, there is every reason to think, open up districts at present sparsely inhabited and little cultivated.

I have therefore adopted generally what appears to be your own view as regards the line of country to be traversed by the proposed railway. I sanction the construction of a line from Kurunegalla to Anuradhapura, connecting the present system with the centre of a district in which large irrigation works have been carried out, which has great attractions for the tourist, and which is obviously a point to be made for on the northern route and I do not discuss as an alternative route a sea coast line *via* Puttalam, although there may be much to be said for constructing such a line on its own merits.

While however conceding that the general scheme of a Northern Railway is desirable, and directly approving the construction of a light 5 ft. 6 in. line from Kurunegalla to Anuradhapura, I have already impressed upon you that the line is one which in my opinion should be made to a great extent out of revenue and not out of borrowed money. Although it will be a main line it will at the same time be a pioneer line, and does not promise to be remunerative at the outset. On the contrary, there will probably be for some time to come a considerable loss on its working and on the cost of construction.

It will be borne in mind that the Colony is one of those which depend largely on a single product, and which so far contain an element of instability. I wish you therefore to understand, that I should only wish with great caution sanction the construction by means of loans of railways which cannot be expected to be immediately remunerative; and that I expect you to find as large as possible a proportion of the cost of such undertakings to be defrayed out of the ordinary revenue. This can surely be done without incurring ordinary expenditure; and in no case must the work of irrigation, to which I attach as much importance as to railway construction, and the progress of which has of late years been disappointing, be crippled for want of funds.

I cannot sanction any break of gauge between Anuradhapura and the north of the Island: the whole must in my opinion be regarded as main line, and when made must be constructed on the 5 ft. 6 in. gauge, light or heavy as the case may be. To a word, I cannot unreservedly in the conclusion at which you have arrived that the main lines of Ceylon must be on the 5 ft. 6 in. gauge, but I differ as to the application of this rule to the particular case.

It appears to me impossible to regard the whole railway from Colombo to the northern extremity of the Island as other than a main line. A glance at the map shows how completely this line forms the backbone of the Northern Provinces, and it would, I am satisfied, be a fatal mistake to introduce in the middle of such a line a break of gauge, the evils of which will be all the more strongly felt because the northern section of the extension is precisely that from which the heaviest traffic is expected.

Under these circumstances you may consider that the commencement of the section from Kankesanur to Elephant Pass should be postponed for a time; but I do not refuse to sanction, if on consideration you can satisfy me and my expert advisers that on the light 5 ft. 6 in. gauge it can be made to pay *ab initio*.

The construction of the intermediate line between Elephant Pass and Anuradhapura must wait for the present. When made, it must be made on the existing 5 ft. 6 in. gauge.

His Excellency has appointed Sir F. R. Saunders K. C. M. G., the Govt. Agent Northern Province, and the General Manager of the Railway, a Committee to report on the Jaffna railway.

QUARANTINE.

Jaffna, Ceylon,
8th February 1898.

The Editor "Morning Star"

Sir,

I would suggest the desirability of your warning all owners of native vessels coming from ports of Southern India, and also all passengers intending to travel by them that they should warn the masters of such vessels, whether carrying passengers or not, to obtain Bills of Health from the Indian port officers, and to see that such Bills are made out *exactly in every detail*, in accordance with the orders and instructions of the Madras Government, for if no Bill of Health, or a Bill not so made out *in every detail*, is brought, pratique may, and will probably be refused or quarantine on arrival at any port imposed in this Province, involving delay, inconvenience and expense to owners of cargo or live-stock and to passengers.

Many Indian Bills of Health now omit to say whether cholera is or is not prevalent in or about the port. Masters of vessels should see that this information is duly given.

I give below an epitome of the chief requirements of the Madras Govt. Orders; but would here say that, should Cholera or Plague prevail at Pamban, clean Bills of Health for the adjacent port of Mandapam will not be accepted here, and that any vessel passing through the Pamban Straits that communicates with the shore there, i. e. by landing any one there who subsequently returns to the vessel, or by there taking on board any passenger or persons to serve as members of the crew, will be quarantined on arrival at any port in this Province.

Yours faithfully,

LAYMAN THORSHILL,
Senior Medical Officer.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE MADRAS GOVT. ORDERS.

1 No one, who within the preceding 10 days has resided in a part of India believed to be infected with plague is to be permitted to embark.

2 The Indian Port Medical Officer is to certify that he has examined every passenger and each member of the crew.

3 Every soul on board is to be enumerated in the Bill of Health and classed as 'crew' or 'passenger,' and passengers as adults, children, or infants and also as males or females.

4 Vessels not leaving the Indian port before 6 A. M. of the day following the Medical inspection may not leave without reinspection and the grant of fresh Bill of Health.

5 After a Bill of Health has been obtained no person or crew or goods of any kind shall be embarked or disembarked before the vessel leaves the port, unless such vessel is again inspected by the Port Health Officer and another Bill of Health obtained.

FOREIGN NEWS.

India. The trial of Chapekar for the murder of Mr. Avest has been concluded. The jury returned a verdict of guilty and the unfortunate man was sentenced to death. The telegrams continue to show very heavy mortality. Feb. 5th there were 155 deaths; on the 4th there were 154 deaths; on the 5th 160; on the 6th 165 and so on. This heavy mortality is truly alarming, and one may well ask when is it all to end?

Turkey. An earthquake took place at the close of January when 20 persons were killed, 50 injured, and a large amount of property destroyed.

Russia from insisting upon the appointment of Prince George of Greece as the Governor of Crete, has backed down and withdrawn his name but repudiates any further responsibility in Crete except that it will not permit any increase of Turkish troops there, nor the coercion of Cretans.

The United States minister, Mr. Angell, is demanding reparation for the losses sustained by the American mission during the Armenian massacres of 1896 and 1897.

China. It looks as if Germany, France and Russia had decided to break up the Chinese Empire, or rather to obtain such colossal portions along the sea coast, as to rob China of its natural sea ports, and control its vast commerce. England and Japan are alive to the situation and will not sit by tamely and see their interests in the Celestial Empire interfered with.

Spain and the United States. The Spanish Ambassador at Washington wrote a private letter in which he spoke very disrespectfully of the President of the United States. This letter was intercepted and published with the result that the United States government demanded the recall of the Ambassador. The Spanish Government has accepted his resignation.