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Righteousness Exalteth a Nation but Sin is a Reproach to any People.

RECEIPT FOR THE MORNING STAR.

Batticotta.	Messrs K. Gnanapraksem I. Vysamutto, M. Arulanantham S. Vethaparanam, A. Katigau, R. Ramalingam	7-50
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"	22nd "	"
"	5th August	"
	Via Point Pedro.	
Lady Gordon	14th July	"
"	28th "	"

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Jaffna 23rd June 1902.

ORDER NISI.

In the District Court of Jaffna.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1277.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Kathrikamer

Tampiyah of Chandilipai. Deceased.

Mallikannam Perampalam of Chandilipai. Petitioner.

Valliammaipillai widow of Kathrikamer Tampiyah of

Chandilipai. Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of Mallikannam Peram-

alam of Chandilipai praying for Letters of Administra-

tion to the estate of the above named deceased Kathrikamer

Tampiyah of Chandilipai coming on for disposal before

W. R. B. Sanders Esquire, District Judge, on the 20th

day of June 1902 in the presence of Mr. Tambiah S.

Cooke, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and affidavit

of the Petitioner dated the 16th day of July 1902 having

been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the father-

in-law and next of kin of the said intestate and is entitled

to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the

said intestate issued to him unless the Respondent or any

other person shall on or before the 31st day of July 1902

show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to

the contrary.

Signed this 20th day

of June 1902

W. R. B. Sanders
District Judge.

Local and General.

Weather. Two weeks ago this evening a heavy
thunder storm passed over the peninsula giving us consi-
derable of a rainfall. At Batticotta over 2 inches was
registered. The temperature fell and it seemed as if the
monsoon had finally burst, but the wind though
blowing steadily has not been up to the average monsoon
wind in strength, and we are forced to conclude that our
South West monsoon has been more or less of a failure
this year.

Coronation Honours. Three were given the
title of C. M. G. last week in Ceylon viz. Captain Don-
nan the Ex-Master Attendant, the Maba Mudaliar, and our
own Govt. Agent Mr. R. W. Ievers M. A. These gentlemen

are worthy to receive this honour and are to be congratulated.
Especially sincere are our congratulations to the
Government Agent of the N. P. now Acting Colonial Sec-
retary. Long may he live to enjoy this well deserved
honour.

Coronation. Jaffna shared the common fate with the
remaining vast British empire, of the sad incident of the
Coronation of King Edward VII. It is indeed very un-
fortunate, that at the point of carrying out the festivities
of the Coronation long in preparation with enormous ex-
penditure of money and time, the empire should suffer a
disappointment. We should not, however, forget the ap-
horism, that there is misery a slip between the cup and the
lip. The Ruler of the Universe will set matters aright,
and we shall soon see brighter days.

Boer Prisoners. The Boer prisoners who are
quartered at Urugasmanhandiya, about 400 in number
will return to South Africa, on the 5th inst. by the steam
ship "Templemore."

Feeding the Poor. This item of the coronation
programme was fully and satisfactorily carried out. So far
as we are aware, the poor was well treated at Jaffna Fort,
on the 26th inst. with unboiled rice, cloth and 5 cts. each.
At Pt. Pedro on the 23th inst. with boiled rice and at Mal-
lagam on the 28th inst. with unboiled rice and cloth.

Scholastic. Although a little after the event, we
should omit to notice the success of Mr. M. A. Tampoo
the fourth son of our Magistrate Mr. Tampoo, as the second
Senior Optime, Cambridge University. No other Ceylon
student in England we are told, has hitherto reached this
standard of scholarship. We congratulate young Mr.
Tampoo and wish him further success in life.

Obituary. We regret to record the death of Miss
Stephenson in England, who was for about 10 years the
lady principal of the Vempadi Girls Boarding school,
Jaffna. The news of her death was received here last
week by letter from Mrs. Trimmer. In the Wesleyan
church, Jaffna, a special sermon was preached in memory
of the deceased. The large and beautiful organ of the
church, it is said, was bought by money raised by the late
Miss Stephenson when she was in England on furlough
about five years ago.

Personal. Mr. V. Waitilagam, Foreman Plate-layer
of the Perak State railway, is on a visit to his relatives
and friends after hearing of the death of his beloved wife
which took place 3 months ago at his residence at
Sandilway.

Obituary. We have received a long obituary notice
(for which we have not space) of an old student of the
Batticotta Seminary named S. Gnanaprasadam otherwise
known as Canapattipillai Thamotharampillai. He died
at Araly on the 22nd inst. He was a man highly con-
nected and greatly respected. The surviving members of
the old Batticotta Seminary cannot be many.

Communications. We have been obliged to post-
pone the publishing of one or two communications to the
next issue, owing to want of space.

CORONATION FUND.

Total already acknowledged	-	Rs, 659
C. Marugaspillai	-	10
Dr. Arumugam	-	5
J. Dor Manuel	-	10
Proctor Stenmetberg	-	5
Sister Faith Hunter	-	5
Sister Gertrude Nettleship	-	5
S. Eliatamby	-	5
Rev. R. G. Butterfield	-	10
C. Bryne	-	10
S. Toosaint	-	10
F. W. Robertson	-	10
T. M. Tampu	-	20
A. M. Few	-	5
- Lane	-	5
E. A. Lebbe	-	5
Isaac Tambyah	-	10
M. Asaipillai	-	5
V. Asaipillai	-	10
H. Santanapillai	-	5
S. Tambiahpillai	-	5
S. Kandiah	-	5
M. Poverayasingham	-	5
M. P. Kanagasabai	-	5
R. Kandiah	-	5
A. Sivakeludu	-	5
Small sums through Secretary of District Court	10	
S. A. Edward, B.A.	-	5
J. A. Behar	-	10
Ellis Kuck	-	10
M. Cumaraseooriar	-	10
R. H. Phillips	-	5
S. P. Lawton	-	5
P. Mdr. Isakanayagan Mdr.	-	5
Levi Spencer	-	5
T. R. Ward	-	10
H. Vaniasingham	-	10
S. K. Lawton	-	5
J. K. Chennugam, B.A.	-	5

Total to June 19th Rs. 829 00

W. T. Garrett,
Hon. Treas.
Coronation Fund.

[We understand that the full amount needed to meet all
expenses connected with the Coronation festivities, was
raised before the 26th. This is what we expected and
speaks well for the loyalty of Jaffna. Ed. M. Star.]

ஒன்று? வேறு? தருவன் இடம்பலிட்டுமறும் என இந்நியரின் சாத்திரங்களில் எங்காவது கூறியிருப்பிற்றனவா? தற்காலம் (North Polestar) வடதருவநக்சுத்திரமாயிருக்கும் நக்சுத்திரத்தக்கு இந்நியர் அழைக்கும் நாமம் யாத? இங்ஙனம், ஆம். பொன், அம்பலவன், 7-6-02.

The King.

Extensive preparations had been made in Great Britain and her Colonies for the crowning of Edward VII as King when like a thunder-bolt from a clear sky came the news on Wednesday the 25th, of the King's serious illness. It seems that His Majesty had been suffering more or less for twelve days from a malady connected with the intestines (perityphilitis). He hoped that he would be able to go through with the function without breaking down, but two days before the coronation, his physicians warned him that unless an operation was performed at once, he would in all probability live but a few hours. Chloroform was administered and the surgeons operated and the bulletin of the following day reported that the operation had been quite successful and the King had been relieved. The pulse and temperature were normal. On the 27th it was officially reported that the Royal patient was maintaining his strength though there was some return of pain in the wound. He was also showing desire for food.

On the 28th the bulletin said, "The condition of the King is in all respects satisfactory. He passed a comfortable day. There is a substantial improvement."

Such in brief is the record up to Monday of this week, and we can only pray that no recurrence of this trouble may occur and that he may soon gain health and strength. For how long the coronation ceremonies will be postponed cannot be determined just at present. No doubt information will be given as soon as it is possible to do so. It is hoped that a day may be set in the early autumn. In the meantime we unite with all his loyal subjects the world over in the prayer

GOD SAVE THE KING.

Agri-Horticultural Show and Industrial Exhibition

The sudden and unexpected news of the illness of King Edward VII received only the day before that fixed for the Coronation, put a stop to all the festivities planned for Thursday, Friday and Saturday with the exception of feeding the poor and holding the Agri-Horticultural Show. Exhibits for the latter had already been received and allotted place in the District Court House, so it was thought best to carry it through. The uncertainty, however, attending the sad news undoubtedly deterred some from sending in exhibits, thus making the show less successful than it otherwise would have been. As it was, the exhibition was a genuine surprise to many who had been skeptical as to its success. There is every reason to think that once every two or three years, such an exhibit of the natural products of Jaffna would prove of great value to the country at large. It is to be hoped that this display of Jaffna's products will awaken enthusiasm, and result in some action looking to the holding of another exhibition next year or the year after.

The Agricultural exhibits were very satisfactory as to grains and tobacco, but most unsatisfactory in vegetables, fruits and live stock. There was a fine display of the various kinds of paddy grown in different parts of the Northern Province and also a fairly good exhibit of the dry grains. This display alone was well worth going to see. Tobacco was shown in the form of the dried leaf and also as cigars. There was no exhibit of Indian corn, nor of the palmirah oedals and their preparations.

Of vegetables we had only two varieties of purple yams and sweet potatoes, all excellent specimens. But where were the various vegetables of the country? Not even the brinjal put in an appearance and there are two or three distinct varieties. As to fruits there were a few fine oranges and pine-apples. Only one variety of mango was on show and the fruit was small and imperfect. The few limes were small. Not a plantain was to be seen, and as for grapes, jak custardapples, pomegranates, and other fruits, one would naturally conclude that they were not found in the Province. Not a plant or flower was on exhibition but this was not so surprising as the absence of fruit and vegetables. We mention these, not so much to find fault that they were not represented as to prove that if every one had taken pains to bring in what he could, a much larger and more various exhibit would have been the result. There was a bottle of remarkably clear honey from the jungles and some fine speci-

mens of palmirah fibre and ropes. An especially curious specimen of the latter was made from deer's hide. It looked very strong and durable. Only one exhibit of copperah, and two others of cocoanuts were made. The plate of finely cut arecanut was interesting to see as long as it lasted, but it melted away rapidly before the string of sight-seers.

The display of industrial exhibits was very good. The finest exhibits were sent in from the Roman Catholic Institutions and they received a number of prizes. A handsome inlaid table was very much admired. The lace and the embroidery showed what could be done along these lines in Jaffna. The drawn work from Udavil and Vempadi Boarding Schools elicited admiration from the ladies present. The little children's garments sent in from the Chundikuly Girls English School were very pretty and well made. A very curious exhibit was the display of two hats and a cap looking for all the world like the straw hats of Europe but really made from the tender leaves of the cocoanut palm. Surely here is an opportunity for developing a new industry in Jaffna.

Messrs. Nalliah and Son presented a good display of turbans which were much admired, and this enterprising firm had other exhibits also such as specimens of binding, rubber stamp outfits &c. &c. The Catholic Press was the only one exhibiting lithographic and printing specimens. As was to be expected Messrs. S. K. Lawton and Co. made a fine display of photographs though many of the pictures must have been ruined by the careless handling of the visitors.

The show of jewelry was meagre owing possibly to lack of proper accommodation for such valuables.

There was a fair collection of old baskets though not including many kinds in ordinary use in the peninsula. The pieces of pottery were not numerous, and here it seems to us that great improvement could be made not only in the quality of the pots but also in the variety. In models there were several of great interest to the crowd. The models of tools made by a Batticotta carpenter were much admired. A curious ruler made by winding tightly around a rod strips of palm leaf was a novelty. We wonder if it would stand wear. Of marine products we had several specimens of the Beche de mer, or sea-slug, prepared for export. It is said that this is getting to be quite a delicacy in France and that China does not by any means monopolize the trade. The specimen of sponge shown was large, but coarse and of poor quality. It would be worth experimenting to see if sponges would grow in our lagoons.

The display of bread and cakes was disappointing. One naturally expected to see a fine lot of native cakes and specimens of the different kinds of hoppers, but not one appeared to tempt the Epicure. There was one good loaf of wheat bread, and a highly decorated (frosted) English cake made by one of the servants of a missionary, but this was about all. Of pickles and chutnies there were none and yet Jaffna can produce excellent Lime and Mango pickles, to say nothing of other varieties.

In conclusion, mention should be made of certain curious things grouped under *Miscellaneous*. There was an elephant's foot for example, painted and polished and made into a box by putting on a cover with lock on top. This was a very fine specimen as well as a great curiosity. Some pipes with carving on them by the Boers, attracted considerable attention. A fine specimen of the "sea cocoanut" as it is called, painted and polished, was also an object of curiosity. A chain consisting of several links carved out entire from a single stick of ebony, showed skill on the part of the carver. A fine specimen of wood was a palmirah log which, standing on end, was 3 to 4 feet high, and beautifully polished.

Permission had been granted for a display of aluminium vessels manufactured in Madras. It seems that an agency for this ware has been established in Jaffna. The prices of the different articles are too high as yet to make them popular among the masses.

All things considered the show must be pronounced a success. It was Sir William Tynnam who first proposed some 12 years or so ago that such an exhibition be held; and extensive preparations were made for holding one, even to the striking off of a number of silver medals. But owing to unforeseen circumstances, the func-

tion was postponed, and no other opportunity presented itself for holding such an exhibition until last week. The medals prepared twelve years ago, were given as prizes and were greatly admired as specimens of Jaffna work. To Sir William and to the Treasurer, Rev. W. T. Garret who was indefatigable in his efforts to make the show what it should be, Jaffna owes the success of this first Agri-horticultural, and industrial exhibition.

Medals Awarded.

The Roman Catholic Industrial school obtained medals in cabinet work, and fresh work; the St. Joseph's Press in Printing, Lithography and Book-binding; St. Patrick's College for croton leaves, and the Convent for Needle-work; Mr. Sivathamparam Modr. won medals for polished wood specimens, and pottery. The Karachei and Ponnarri Maniagars obtained medals for paddy, kurakkan, varaku, erlu, ghee, jungle ropes, fibres, and marine products. Others that won medals were as follows:—

Mr. de Niese for plan and map drawing, and picture; Mr. Nalliah for rubber stamps, and turbans; Mr. Kanaasapali for yams; Rev. T. P. Hunt for pineapples; Mr. Sabapathy for oranges; the Tenmarachi Maniagar for sweet potatoes; Mr. Mather for palmirah fibre; Mr. Pichai Kani for cocoanuts and copperah; Mr. Palausundram for straw hats; the Maniagar of Vallegunnam East for fancy dresses; Mr. Kandasamy for parchment illumination; Mr. Swampillai for cigars and Mr. Manipallil for tobacco; Mr. Pedrapillai for cake and Mr. Valupillai for bread; Mr. Appah for walking sticks and Mr. Swaminathan for model implements; Mr. Sirthamparanathan and Mr. Chellam for gold and silver work; Mr. Duraiswamy for models in clay and also for bullock cart; Mr. S. K. Lawton for photographs; Jaffna A. Water Factory for Aerated water; Miss case for preserved fruits; and Miss Hopfinger for painting on flat shell. And even the Boer prisoners received a medal for their carving. Altogether there were 60 medals given.

THE CORONATION PANDAL.

The most beautiful pandal ever erected in Jaffna for a public function was the one put up on the esplanade near the Fort in honor of King Edward VII. The work was all finished except putting up the many flags representing almost every nation on the earth, and these, owing to the sad news, were on display within.

The pandal was greatly admired by the crowds of people who naturally took a deeper interest in it than they did in the Agri-horticultural show. The whole northern side facing the esplanade was built in facades decorated with cocoanut leaves and various products of the palm. Bunches of plantains and other fruits were used in the decoration and the whole presented a very oriental aspect. We were told it was after the style of Sinhalese dandals, and was largely the work of the Head clerk of the Jaffna Kachecheri.

Within, there were pictures round the three walls representing the different colonies of the Empire, and back of the dais was a large likeness of the King and Queen. There was the usual canopy of cloth overhead, and decorations made from colored paper &c. The whole gave a very pleasing effect, and we congratulate all who had a hand in its erection on their success in putting up a pandal which excelled all its predecessors in real beauty.

MISS A. E. STEPHENSON.

The news of the death of this missionary lady at her mother's home in England was not at all unexpected. She broke down in health about a year ago and left Jaffna with very little hope of ever returning to mission work. She was a member of the Wesleyan Mission and the daughter of missionary parents formerly labouring in South India. While in Jaffna Miss Stephenson was connected with the Vempadi Girls Boarding School, and by her bright winning ways and her loving devotion to her pupils, won their hearts. So greatly had she endeared herself to her pupils that the news of her death caused genuine sorrow in many families, and the expressions of grief were very touching. While we mourn the loss of another earnest consecrated worker, we cannot but rejoice at her release from pain and sickness and her reunion with loved ones in "the many mansions."

A memorial service was held last Sunday in the Wesleyan Chapel, Jaffna, Rev. E. M. Weaver preaching the sermon. We extend our sympathies to the bereaved mother, and to the many friends in the home land and elsewhere.