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" "	24th	"	"	
" "	10th	Aug.	"	
" "	24th	"	"	

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" "	21st	"	"	
" "	4th	Aug.	"	
" "	18th	"	"	

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P. W. D. Matara.

Local and General.

Weather. The wind has been light during the past fortnight and we have had some hot days. Showers fell during the closing days of the week which lowered the temperature slightly and laid the dust. We have had rain in every month of the year so far, which is unusual.

J. A. B. S. We would call the attention of the friends of this Society to the fact that half the year is over and if the Rs 3000 Jaffna has set out to raise as a centenary memorial to be obtained before the close of 1903, active efforts must be put forth at once to secure this sum. We earnestly hope that the full amount may be subscribed and paid in before Christmas. And don't wait until the day before Christmas, but subscribe now.

Mr J. J. Ferguson C.M.G. The Star offers its sincere congratulations to the Editor of the "Ceylon Observer" on his receiving the honor of C.M.G. from the King. Mr. Ferguson has spent many years of active, efficient service as a journalist in Ceylon and no one is more deserving of this recognition. He has made the "Observer" the leading newspaper of the Island and secured the reputation of his able Mr. A. M. Ferguson &c. We wish him still many years of service to enjoy the honor so worthily bestowed.

Jaffna College. Mr. Wade R. A. of Yale University has been appointed an Instructor in Jaffna College and will probably be here at the beginning of next term.

Railways. A batch of coolies, men and women, exceeding 300 in number were landed at Jaffna last week, from Central India. They are specially commissioned to work on the construction of the line this side of Anuradhapura. A special train conveyed them from the Jaffna Customs to the scene of work.

New Interpreter. The vacancy created by the death of Mr. B. K. Kanagaratnam, M.D., Govt. No. 1 Chief Interpreter has been filled by the appointment of Mr. C. Kayalappallai of Nallore.

A Cart Accident. A cart laden with straw, owned by a man of Koonville, knocked a boy in his attempt to drive to the front of another cart, which was going ahead. The unfortunate boy was run over by the cart and seriously injured. The cart was taken into custody by the Police and the boy was taken to the Hospital. This accident occurred in front of the Sivan temple.

Supreme Court Sessions. The second sitting for this year commenced on the 1st inst. Mr. Thomas de Sampany was the Judge who presided at the session. The other members of the Supreme Court party were Mr. Joseph, Registrar and Mr. Brown, Crown Counsel and Mr. Kadrigamer, Interpreter. Two cases were tried of which one was for robbery and assault on a Brahman. The accused two in number were convicted of assault and each sentenced to undergo 6 months rigorous imprisonment. The other case was one of murder from Delhi. The deceased was the step mother of the accused and the cause of the murder originated in the jealousy of some palm-tree roots. The accused was acquitted and the sessions closed on the third day. There was a case of abduction cited for trial and it was transferred for the next sitting with a view to withdraw the charge as the man and woman have since the commission of the case to the Supreme Court married each other. Mr. Sampany left on Saturday by land. The remaining members of the Supreme Court party left by steamer on the 7th inst. for the sessions at Batticaloa.

Marriage. Mr. A. Kanagaratnam, Proctor was married on the 3rd inst. and the festivities of the marriage were celebrated on a grand scale. We wish the married parties all happiness.

Bioscope. In the Central College Hall, an entertainment has been given, every night for the past few days, and is expected to continue for some days more. Moving photos or "living pictures" representing the coronation of the king and the funeral of the late Queen and several comic pictures are exhibited by this instrument called the "Bioscope." The business is managed by a company formed for the purpose at Vannarponnai, which hired the machine and its owner, an American, for service at Jaffna for a period of three months.

Missionaries. Mr. Trimmer will leave on the 8th inst. for Mannar to visit the churches at Mannar and Karikal. He will be absent about ten days.

Medical. Dr. Kretzer will be transferred to Galle and Dr. Santiago will take his place in Jaffna as Sub. Asst. Colonial Surgeon.

Wesleyan Mission Festival on the 29th ultmo the Wesleyan Mission Church at Jaffna celebrated the event of the landing in Ceylon of the first Wesleyan missionaries. It was commemorated by a praise and testimony service early morning and a public meeting in the forenoon. In the afternoon there were Gynkana sports in the esplanade and at 6 p.m. a social entertainment in the Central College Hall.

Hindu Festival. Large festivals at important Hindu temples have begun from this week, commencing their round at the temple at Nainativu. Last year the "Koonville murder" came immediately after the close of the Kandasamy festival at Nellore. We trust that the authorities will be more wide awake in watching these festivals whose only effect seems always to be the promotion of disgraceful brawls that not infrequently end in crime.

Water supply. At about the 3 mile post in the Urumperai road, a well has been found which will supply all the water needed in Turva. A steam engine has been taken to the spot and men are working on the well in order to deepen it, and to test its capacity to supply the the required water.

OBITUARY. It is with feelings of deep regret that we record the death of Mr. Harriet T. Payson, which took place in the 4th inst. in her residence at Sandurupai at the age of nearly eighty-two. The whole village and especially the neighbours have lost in her a great benefactress. Her loss is sadly felt by all classes in the neighbourhood. She was always cheerful, remarkably active and very forward to help the poor. Above all her faith in Christ was very conspicuous on her sick bed.

She was married in 1836 to Mr. Payson retired Officer of Sandurupai and was the mother of three sons and three daughters. The eldest son was the late Mr. T. Tambiah, father of Mr. T. Ratnasamy. A. and the youngest son is Mr. T. Payson, late Road Clerk, Railway, Jaffna and now of Messrs. Hyton & Co., Colombo. Of the daughters the eldest married Sheriff Saravanamuttu, the second, Mr. Sanford and the third Mr. Samuel Niles. Mr. S. Subramaniam Head Clerk, Walker Sons & Co. is a grandson of the deceased lady. We offer our deepest sympathy to the bereaved husband, children and relations.

NOTES.

—Study and Smoking. The physical director at Yale College has measured all students entering in the last nine years. The non-smokers average fifteen months younger than the smokers, are taller, and during the four years in school gain 24 per cent more in height and 27 per cent more in chest growth than do habitual users of tobacco.

—In Norway drunkenness is punished by imprisonment. As soon as a man is incarcerated he has a loaf of bread and wine morning and evening. The bread is served in a wooden bowl full of wine, in which it has been soaking for an hour. The first day the drunkard swallows his allowance willingly enough. The second day it seems less pleasing. At the end of eight or ten days prisoners have been known to abstain altogether from the food thus presented. This course of treatment finished the drunkard, except in rare instances, is radically cured.

—The Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis was formally dedicated April 30th on the One hundredth anniversary of the signing of the treaty by which the Government of France ceded the vast territory west of the Mississippi to the United States. President Roosevelt delivered the dedicatory address and ex-President Cleveland an oration.

—A surgeon in California has drawn a map of steel from a wounded arm by means of a magnet capable of lifting five hundred pounds.

—The famous Excelsior diamond which was discovered by captain E. Jorgensen in S. Africa is now at Amsterdam, where it will be cut and polished. It weighs 971 carats, and is the largest in the world. Its value is £1,000,000.

—The amount of gold coin in actual circulation in the world is estimated by the Bank of England officials to be about 865 tons.

—Rice is estimated to be the stable food of nearly one half of the human race.

—In a square inch of the human scalp the hairs number about 1000, and the whole number on an adult scalp averages 120,000.

—A human being requires at least 600 cubic feet of air space at night, and the usual allowance for a patient in hospital is double this amount. A horse requires nearly twice what a man needs.

—England possesses 15,000 convicts. Their maintenance costs about £1,000,000 a year.

—Australia is the only Empire in the world which has never had colonies, or even transmarine possessions, in any quarter of the globe.

—The catching of snakes and the collecting of their venom, which fetches £1 per grain, is a new industry in Australia.

—About 1,000 Chinese converts were baptized during 1902 at fifty eight stations of the China Inland Mission.

—During the year 1901 no less than 3,166,255 Bibles, Testaments and Scripture pictures were—not given away, but sold in China, by the two great Bible Societies, the British and Foreign and the American.

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