

ஆண்டா னடியவர் ஆர்க்கும் விரோதிகள்
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ஆண்டா னடியாரை வேண்டாது பேசினேர்
தாம் தாம் விழுஷது தாழ்வாம் நரகமே.

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Political Weather — Pernicious ?

REPORTS of wayside whispers and wild rumours together indicate that the Battle of the Ballot, this year, in our country, will be both pitched and pernicious. Even allowing for the inherent incredibility of gossips, it cannot be denied that the political weather has been perturbed by alternating high and low pressure, depressions and sun-spots caused by political parties that have suddenly increased in number.

The common man who in the modern world commands attention because of the need for his co-operation and assistance in political affairs, feels that there is great confusion of circumstances that affects his capacity to decide controversial issues by himself. He becomes puzzled with the chess-moves of prospective candidates and the consequent line-up of parties coupled with suggested alignment of aspirations. In effect, the ordinary man foresees the Battle of the Ballot becoming a blizzard in outlook and performance.

The problem of the Tamil speaking people in the context of the circumstances enumerated above is fraught with imminent danger of disintegration at a time when the highest consensus of opinion is absolutely necessary for the reclaiming of rights. In these circumstances it is our duty to place before the voters suggestions that may help to resolve the difficulties which threaten to disrupt the unity that is so very essential at this hour of trial.

How far parliamentary representation will be helpful to the Tamil speaking people in their resolve to achieve their rights is still a debating point as disclosed by the spokesmen of the different political parties. We who place religion above everything else and believe in the need for a spiritual outlook in our quest for realization of temporal benefits that cannot be dispensed with, would wish that the selection of candidates is best done if lots are drawn for that purpose in which the first and second line of party workers must keep out confining the choice to those of the rank and file. The need of the Tamil speaking people is the training of patriots; this can be effected only with those who have been for years involved in political campaigns. Thus the elementary and non-essential purpose of parliamentary representation may be set for the ordinary members who by faith in the Act of Providence must remain satisfied with the Lucky Dip. Such candidates having the backing of the United Front can rout any intruders from outside.

Exhibition of Paintings of Saiva Icons and Books on Indian Art

A Garland of Tributes on a Veteran

BY V. SIVASAMY

Significance of Marriage Rituals

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An exhibition of paintings portraying 25 manifestations of the Lord Siva and some important publications on India was held at the library of the Jaffna Campus, Thiruvanveliy from the 16th—18th March. This was organized by the department of Hindu civilization and the library.

Editor d Pattirikai Vithakar (expert in the publication of Newspaper) was released by the Saiva Paripalana Sabha on the second of April as a Souvenir to felicitate Mr. R. N. Sivapirskasam Editor of the Hindu Organ and its Tamil version 'Inthusathanam', who has completed 25 years as the editor-in-chief of both

These paintings were recently drawn by Mr Jegannatha Sarma for teaching aids in the department of Hindn Civ li zation. Some of the manifestations of the Lord Siva like the Ekapada Trimurti are rare in the temples of Sri Lanka. Of the publications on Indian Art, Mr. C. Sivaramurti's recent magnum opus on Nataraja is noteworthy.

While speaking at the opening of the exhibition, the president of the Campus Professor K. Kailasapatty welcomed the idea of the exhibition and commended the organizers. He also referred to the educational value of such an exhibition. Prof. K. Kurukkal Dean of the Faculty of Humanities said that he felt very happy about the exhibition. As the professor of Hindu Civilization, he said that a fully equipped museum would be estab-

Museum would be established in the new buildings to be set up soon. Mr. Braille the first secretary to the Australian Embassy office in Sri Lanka was a guest of honour on that occasion.

Several undergraduates, members of the academic and non-academic staff, Jaffna Campus and leading educationists and well-wishers of the Campus appreciated the exhibition.

A Grand Maha-Kumbhabhishekam

A grand Mahakumbhabhisekam involving 33 homakundas was successfully performed at the Meenaksi Somasundaresvarar temple at Pungudutivu, on the third April. The rituals and the other consecration ceremonies were performed under the expert supervision of Brahma Sri I. Kailasanathakkurukkal. This was a Punara Varttana Maha-kumbhabhisekam and was performed simultaneously on the Vimanas and Mularmurtis of Siva (as Somasundara) and Meenaksi Amman as well as the

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The Souvenir contains 46 pages of greetings and tributes to the editor-in-chief from many leading Saiva scholars, professors, teachers, editors and some other prominent figures from Sri Lanka, India and Malaysia. These in a way indicate the popularity of the editor in the Saivite world.

The souvenir carries articles both in Tamil and English in keeping with the ideals of the editor who could wield his pen so powerfully in both these languages, as his editorials testify. Some of the tributes are rendered in beautiful Tamil verses. All the tributes reflect the noble qualities, the deep religious conviction, the versatile talents and the very useful contributions of Mr. R. N Sivapirakasam as an editor of a Hindu Weekly.

divine blessings. For instance, the mantram uttered at the time of placing a yoke on the bride's head is a prayer to Indra to cure the bride of the afflictions she may be suffering from. Again, the Vedic incantations that go with the "Sapthapathi" (the practice of the bridegroom leading the bride to take seven steps) seek the benediction of Lord Vishnu not only for the material influence, sound health, happiness and harmonious

To be a successful editor in two languages for a quarter of a century is a great achievement by itself. Besides Mr. R N Sivapirakasam has been a very successful lawyer and social worker.

The Souvenir is well published and it is a befitting compliment to the editor for his yeoman service. The omission of the pages in the Souvenir could have been avoided. Further at least two good editorials of the editor could have been included.

On the whole, it is a welcome publication in honour of a veteran editor Mr R. N. Sivapirakasam who has devoted himself for the advancement of Hindu Religion and Culture.

வான்முகில் வழாது பெய்க ஸ்விவளஞ் சரசிக மன்னன்
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