

LEADERSHIP IS NOT BY RIGHT

It Is The Culmination of
Conscientious Service

[At a time when the choice of a leader is engaging the full attention of the people of Sri Lanka, the following general observations on the subject of 'Leadership' will be of interest to our readers.]

Here is a passage quoted by Sri C. Rajagopalachari in the course of his inaugural address to the World Power Conference.

"The qualifications for achieving success are intellectual and moral honesty, courage, independence of thought, fairness, good sense, sound judgment, perseverance, resourcefulness, ingenuity, orderliness, application, accuracy, and endurance.

'Dealing with men, he should have the ability to co-operate, to organize, to analyse situations and conditions, to formulate problems, and to direct the effort of others. He should know how to inform, convince, and win confidence by skilful and right use of facts. He should be alert, ready to learn, open-minded but not credulous. He must be able to assemble facts, to investigate thoroughly, to discriminate clearly between assumption and proven knowledge.

'He should be a man of faith, one who perceives both difficulties and ways to surmount them. He must be a student through out his career and keep abreast of human progress.

Sri Alladi Krishna Swami Iyer's observations.

'With the introduction of universal suffrage, leadership cannot be claimed as a matter of right by them. The present age requires a new type of leadership different from what we have been accustomed to all along. As it is trenchantly put by Sir Walter Moberly in an address which he recently delivered in the University of St. Andrews: "The

modern university is neither a training ground for a leisured class nor for the training of an elite of gifted individuals'.

'Leadership in a democratic society must necessarily take a new form. It cannot be claimed as of right, but education for social responsibilities is still a task of our universities'

If you study the lives of great men, you will realise that it is not so much

Eternal Ecstasy

Be totally His
Let His grace transmute you.
What happens then?
You ever feel His presence;
His love wells up from within and without
And there is no end to your ecstasy.
—Swami Ramdas.

dazzling brilliance that counts ultimately, but it is a certain steadfastness, doggedness, and determination of purpose, a downright integrity and a reliability in daily dealings that marked their career.

Swami Vivekananda said

'One must be *dasayah*—a servant of servants—and must accommodate a thousand minds. There must not be a shade of jealousy or selfishness, then you are a leader.

New Social Order Based on Equality

No Half Way Leanings

(This is the text of a message sent to the 5th Session of the All Guzerat Students' Congress by the President of the All Indian Spinners' Association.)

SOCIAL exploitation is the root cause of the grave discontent in the world. Its characteristic form is class-inequality. Because of the division of society into masters and labourers, the master-class is ceaselessly exploiting the poor. This exploitation is not new. It is difficult to ascertain when the system of exploitation of the poor man's labour by the 'master' class came into being. But today the system has assumed such proportions that this fire of inequality threatens to reduce the whole society to ashes.

Class-less Society Demand

Humanity all the world over is clamouring to extricate itself from the disaster. That is why there is the demand for a class-less society in every country of the world. The whole student-world also believes in it. But you must also ponder over an aspect of the problem which the world, including the students, has hitherto ignored. They accept the proposition that either the rich should cease becoming a burden upon the poor or the poor should throw them off their backs. Hence they raise the slogan "Down with capitalists." But they should know the real cause of social inequality.

Middle Class Must Make Way

The method of exploitation is so planned that a very large body of toilers is exploited by a *Babu* class of petty exploiters of middle-class men in the shape of managers or administrators under various names such as clerks, contractors, brokers, agents, foremen etc. These in their turn are lorded over exploited by a very small

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Places Of Interest In Tamil Nad

THE SEAPORT TOWN OF TUTICORIN

Nearest Stepping Stone To
South India

(BY E. P. RASIAH)

TUTICORIN is a Sea-port Town on the South-

Eastern extremity of South India. This is the only Port in India that is nearest both to Jaffna and Colombo. It may be treated as the "Jaffna" of South India by reason of the many striking similarities that exist. As the sea is shallow, steamers anchor out on the high seas about 1½ miles from the shores of Tuticorin but close to an islet; so do Steamers calling here anchor in proximity to Mandaitivu. It possesses many cross-roads—narrow, straight and concrete surfaced—found in our Town. While business centres round Tuticorin itself, TUTI-MELUR (Tuticorin-West) resembles Chundiculi and Vannarponnai as a popular residential area of the Well-to-do and the Middle-classes. Similar to the Church at Karaiyur, there stands a newly completed, magnificent Roman Catholic Church dominating the Town. The Statue on its Dome, standing high above all other buildings, is visible far out in the sea, and it acts both as a land-mark and a guide to all sea-going vessels. The Town is without shade trees and the Temperature is almost the same as in Jaffna. The country-side however can boast of an abundant growth of Palmyrah trees. Thus a visitor from Jaffna, feels not that he is in a strange land.

But although it is a Municipal Town, with seemingly sanitary roads, yet small-pox and similar diseases appear to be lurking here and there. These do not scare away the indigent population, who take things easy. The dearth of decent Hotels acts as a great handicap to visitors. The only neat place for temporary lodging there, is the Railway Retiring Rooms on the top floor of the Railway Station. Here one room is invariably monopolised by Railway Officials, the other room alone is available to the Travelling Public. When I went down from Dindigul to Tuticorin, had not Mr. Paramsothy (a Jaffna friend of mine employed at Trivandrum) who was occupying a room, vacated it a day earlier than he intended to, we

may have been hard put to it.

Duty and Contentment

The stay in this Retiring Room becomes doubly pleasant, by reason of the blowing from the Sea and the courteous and unceasing attention of the Room Attendant, who is an Institution by himself. His one object is to please his patrons and his hobby is to keep the place spic and span. When we rest, he tip-toes about the place without causing us the slightest disturbance. When we are doing nothing and time seems to be hanging on us, he is there to entertain us with his pedigree, past performances and his enviable record of service. Though he works as a Room Attendant, yet he is a member of a respectable Hindu family. If a visitor fails to meet him, his visit to Tuticorin is incomplete by 50%.

A neat white turban crowns a plumpy yet active, jovial, middle-aged, fatherly individual in Attendant's uniform—and that is Kalladian Veera Konar, who claims credit for four generations' loyal services to the South Indian Railway Company.

(a) Mr. Arunasala Konar (grand-father of Kalladian) spent his life-time as Shunter at Tuticorin Railway Stn at Rs. 5/- per mensem.

(b) Mr. Appavu Konar (Father of Kalladian) had put in 35 years' service as Porter at Tuticorin Station on a salary of Rs. 7.50 per month.

(c) Mr. Kalladian (our hero) started service as a humble Cholera peon and today fills the post of attendant at Rs. 25/- per mensem with much acceptance both to his employers and the members of the Travelling Public.

(d) Mr. K. Sanagaralingam (Kalladian's son) is working as Relief Clerk at the Tuticorin Railway Station on Rs. 60/- per mensem.

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Hindu Organ

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 1952

Treasure These Thoughts

"Be spiritual and realize
Truth for yourself".

A HAPPY DECISION

PUT to the test at the most crucial hour in her destiny, Sri Lanka has proved worthy of her glorious past. The death of Mr. D. S. Senanayake filled the nation with deep-seated grief and dismay at once. Dismay because there might arise a disconcerting situation in finding a successor to the departed leader who could command full support of the Government Party. But fortunately for the people of this Island the corner has been turned and a choice has been made. The selection was obvious, for even during the life time of the dead Premier, the suggestion had been made that Mr. Dudley Senanayake would be the only member of the Cabinet who could become the Prime Minister without bringing a hornets' nest about his ears.

Elsewhere in this issue scholarly observations on the subject of leadership in a democratic set-up are published. Mr. Dudley Senanayake may not now be the perfect ideal of a leader. But it cannot be gainsaid that the second Premier of Sri Lanka has given ample promise of his perseverance to live up to that great ideal. It is gratifying to note that the new Premier's first acts after assuming the great national responsibility were to invoke the Blessings of the Supreme Power, to receive the benediction of Bhikkus and to kneel down before his mother for a tenderly pat of encouragement. Here is evidence of a spiritually and ethically disciplined disposition of one who has readily recognised the fact that service to the nation means surrender of the self.

Mr. Dudley Senanayake cannot however ignore the fact that the political atmosphere of any country in this revolutionary age is liable to be charged with explosive possibilities without a warning and that even the most tactful and talented statesman

MR. DUDLEY SENANAYAKE BECOMES PREMIER

FITTING HOMAGE TO 'FATHER OF THE NATION'

ALL-ISLAND SATISFACTION AT NEW CHOICE

SHORTLY after his return to the Island cancelling his three month holiday, Lord Soulbury, announced the appointment of Mr. Dudley Senanayake as Prime Minister of Sri Lanka.

Mr. Dudley Senanayake, a Bar at-Law was the Minister of Agriculture and Lands in the Cabinet headed by his father.

41 year old bachelor, Mr. Dudley Senanayake has the largest support of the Government party and the backing of the people

The New Cabinet

But for three portfolios, the Ministers in the last Cabinet have been re-appointed. Sir John Kotelawala has now consented to accept office as Minister of Transport and

will have his nerves laid prostrate when suddenly confronted with such a perilous situation. The Red movement is there hanging like the Sword of Damocles over the heads of democratic statesmen and unless all the anti-disruptionist elements are marshalled together in aggressive defence it would not be an easy task to ward off the impending danger.

The New Premier who has been known for his broad outlook has in unmistakable manner reiterated his political philosophy of above race—above religion' in his first broadcast to the nation. The words are pregnant with sincere intention and honest ambition. Every religion, every race and every language that have individually and collectively embellished the glorious culture of this ancient Isle shall exist unhampered and unstrained—that is a satisfaction only a gifted statesman can give a country heterogeneous in population.

May the Lord Ishwara guide the young Premier in his arduous task.

Works and to be the Leader of the House.

The other two posts will be filled immediately.

Encouraging Sign

Sir John Kotelawala in a statement has assured the New Premier of his support and has appealed to the people to rally round Mr. Dudley Senanayake

THE SEAT OF SRI VAISHNO MATHA

Place Of Pilgrimage In Kashmir

AT a distance of twenty-nine miles north of Jammu in Kashmir State stands the Trikuta hill towering high up into the sky about 7000 feet from sea level. Its structure is mostly of limestone, and geologists hold that it was formed by volcanic eruption millions of years ago. Its name Trikuta is derived from three peaks which rise trident-like and are seen from all sides from a great distance even outside the State in clear weather, standing like sentinels. It is clothed in dense forests of coniferous and other valuable trees, and dancing streamlets of sweet crystal clear waters come down its sides with murmuring music. It abounds in exquisite scenery.

The Trikuta hill is no doubt richly endowed with natural gifts. But it is as a place of pilgrimage that it is known all over India. It attracts lakhs of pilgrims every year.

Abode of Goddess

As Shastras have it, this hill has been the abode of Mother Vaishno, the goddess of wealth, health and art. Here she lives in a dark cave, about 100 ft long, in the bosom of the hill about seven miles from Katra, a small town at the foot of the hill. Katra is at a distance

Prayers For The Dead Leader at Gintupitiya Hindu Temple

At the Congregational Prayer Meeting held at 6 p.m. on Sunday the 23rd instant, at Sri Sivasubramania Swami Kovil, Gintupitiya Street, Colombo, a glowing tribute was paid by the President Mr. K. V. S. Sundaram to the dead leader.

The Right Honourable D. S. Senanayake for the noble services rendered by him to this country. At the President's request, the audience observed silence for a short time and prayed for the attainment of Eternal Bliss by the departed leader.

Mayor Declares Open New Dispensary

On Saturday the 22nd instant, Mr. Sam A. Saba-pathy, Mayor of Jaffna performed the opening ceremony and declared the Modern Dispensary at New Road, Jaffna, open

Dr. N. Gopalapillai, retired Malayan Medical Officer is in charge of the new dispensary.

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young, old and infirm, men, women and children, threading their extremely perilous climb, planting, struggling and breathlessly shouting slogans of Jai Mata but with a faith that moves fountains. Two particularly dangerous points on the hill are the precipitous Hathi Matha (Elephant's forehead) and the bow-like Kaman Gosha. Here a single false step would mean sure death.

The pilgrimage to Shri Vaishno Devi largely contributes to the economic well-being of the people of Jammu. On a conservative estimate, even if average expenditure per pilgrim be taken at Rs 20 in the State territory and the number of pilgrims about two lakhs, the total amount they have in the State comes to Rs 40 lakhs apart from several lakhs more in the form of offerings. The chief beneficiaries are the two towns of Jammu and Katra. During the period of pilgrimage Katra, a small town at the foot of the Trikuta hill, hums with life and develops into a big trading centre where pilgrims buy minor forest products in large quantities.

Immediately after the partition, the pilgrimage received a set-back. But with the present Government's keen interest in the development of tourism it has been steadily on the increase and it is to be hoped that Shri Vaishno Devi will soon recover her old popularity.

Three Month Pilgrimage

The pilgrimage to Shri Vaishno Mata begins in the month of Assuj and lasts for three months. Lakhs of people from all parts of India in general and from the Punjab in particular visit this holy place. It is an inspiring sight to see long rows of pilgrims,

HINDU MISSIONARY ASKED TO LEAVE CANADA

Swami Sivananda a Hindu Vedantist who is on a lecture tour of Canada, has been asked by the Immigration authorities to leave Canada before the expiry of his permit.

This is revealed in a letter written by Mr. H. E. Mills, President, Vedanta Cultural Society, to the Indian High Commissioner in Canada, requesting his intervention.

A copy of the letter forwarded by Mr Mills to the *Press Trust of India* says: In November 1951, Swami Sivananda was given an eight month visitor's permit to travel across Canada teaching Hindu philosophy. The Immigration authorities have now written to him asking him to leave the country as soon as possible and discontinue his teachings. The authorities have given no reasonable explanation as to why or on what grounds they are asking him to leave. In our society all the members are Canadians of European descent."

It adds: "Swami Sivananda has been staying with us for the last four months and we are fully satisfied with his private and public life and his sincerity and integrity in

teaching Hindu philosophy. His teachings are most practical and have helped hundreds of people in their physical, mental, and spiritual growth. It is our conviction that if his stay is prolonged, a better understanding between the peoples of the two countries would develop."

The letter says: "We consider it an absolute injustice to both the Swami and the people of India to ask him to leave and discontinue teaching Hindu philosophy while many Canadian missionaries are continuously granted the opportunity of converting Hindus in India to Christianity."

The letter states that the Vedanta Cultural Society is making plans to establish a permanent centre for the promotion of Hindu philosophy in Canada.

Mr. Mills says that the Society is also writing to members of the Indian Parliament, Canadian Cabinet Ministers and the leaders of the Opposition in the Federal Parliament, the Indian delegation to the United Nations General Assembly and the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission of the U.N.

—From the *Madras Hindu*

Prohibition Program

The North Ceylon Prohibition League meets today at the Vaideshwara Vidyalayam to adopt its constitution. On Sunday the 30th instant at 5-30 p.m. a propaganda meeting will be held at the Mallakam English School with Mr. M. Selvadurai, J P, President of the Mallakam Rural Development Union in the chair.

AUCTION SALE

Ford V. 8 Lorry

A Ford V. 8 Lorry bearing Distinctive Number Z. 1469 without Route Rights will be sold by Public Auction on Saturday 5th April 1952 at 11 a.m. at the Municipal Garage Jaffna. The Purchaser should pay the full amount and remove the Lorry immediately after the sale. The Lorry could be inspected at the Municipal Garage during working hours.

K. SHANMUGAM
Commissioner

Municipal Office,
Jaffna. 19-3-52.

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Letter to the Editor

Governor - General's Salary

Sir,—Apropos the matter of the examination of the salaries of members of the public service, inter alia, it strikes some of us that the question of the remuneration attached to the office of the Governor-General requires revision. The present salary could well be reduced so as to bear some relation to the work involved, the salary paid to other high officials like the Prime Minister and the Chief Justice, the necessity for increase of salary in some of the lower rungs of Government service and the finances of the country. There does not appear to be any need to pay to the Governor-General a salary higher than that of the Prime Minister or of the Chief Justice. In view of certain allowances attached to the office, and other connected circumstances, the salary could even be less than that of the Prime Minister or of the Chief Justice.

Another matter which requires attention is an increase in the salary attached to the offices of the Prime Minister, the Presidents of the two Houses of Parliament, and Cabinet Ministers. Similarly an increase is called for in the case of the salaries attached to the offices of Chief Justice, Judges of the Supreme Court, and Judicial officers. There is also the need for an increase in salary in the case of members of the Government Medical Service, provided suitable adjustments are made with regard to private practice which should always be of a consulting nature and also subject to limitations of time etc.

An increase in the salary of the members of the public service in the lowest rungs including peons is also essential in view of the greatly increased cost of living.

S. SIVASUBRAMANIAM,

Ceylon Government Railway Level Crossing Repairs

The following Level Crossings will be closed to vehicular traffic during the periods stated below for effecting repairs:—

(1) The Level Crossing at 31 miles 01 chains M. L. on the Negombo Mirigama Road between Mirigama and Ambebussa Stations.

Partially from 7.0 a.m. to 8.45 a.m. and 12.15 p.m. to 4.0 p.m. on Sunday, 6-4-52.

Totally from 8.45 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. on Sunday, 6-4-52.

During the period of total closure traffic from Negombo to Mirigama and vice versa may proceed via Giritolia, Divulpitiya or Pallewella.

(2) The Level Crossing at 84 miles 41½ chains on the Ahangama-Imaduwa Road between Talpe & Ahangama Stations, Coast Line

Total closure from 10.0 p.m. on Wednesday, 9-4-52

During this period the traffic will be diverted through the turn offs to Welhengoda and Ahangankanda roads respectively.

'What Opens One Out Is Culture'

Speaking at the Cultural Conference organised by the Reception Committee for the AICC session of the All Indian Congress Committee in Calcutta Mr. Nehru said that with the modern methods of communication, each national culture transcended beyond national boundaries and fringed on others. Nobody knew what the ultimate result would be, he observed.

Culture, Mr. Nehru added, was partly influenced by geography, but we have got to remember the history of the development of the human mind and how it functioned. The Industrial Revolution that took place 150 years ago had also influenced the culture of the world. The best examples in this connection were the United States of America and Soviet Russia. Their industrial development represented their culture although both the countries were opposed to each other.

Culture did not mean art, painting or music alone. At best, these could be elements of culture for school and college students. In the wider sense, it indicated the human behaviour. A truly cultured man was one whose vision was not limited. "Culture is a thing which opens you out. Anything that limits or restricts one is not culture" he explained.

Hartley College O. B. A.

(Colombo Branch)

An air of gloom spread over the entire assembly and further proceedings of the Annual General Meeting were brought to an abrupt close and the "Social" and the "Variety Entertainment" which were to follow were cancelled. That was how the Hartley College (Point Pedro) Old Boys' Association (Colombo Branch) which had met together at the Central Y. M. C. A., Fort in the afternoon of Saturday, the 22nd inst. reacted to the sad news of the sudden death of the Right Hon'ble D. S. Senanayake, the Father of the Nation.

The Chairman, Mr. K. Pooranampillai, Principal of the College who appeared too moved for words very feelingly moving a Vote of Condolence said that Ceylon had suffered an irreparable loss in the untimely death of the Father of the Nation who gave Mother Lanka a stable Government.

Dr. A. Sunderalingam, the Rubber Technologist and the President of the Association speaking in support of the Vote of Condolence referred to the late Leader as the "Grand Old Man" who deserved to be called the "Father of the Nation".

Our Astrological Feature

WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRI PATY"

FROM 30-3-52 TO 5-4-52

ARIES Aswini, Barani, Kartikai 1st part [Medha Rasi]

You will have to work hard this week. But you are bound to succeed. A change for the better is promised after Tuesday. Financial gains and triumph over competitors promised.

TAURUS Kartikai 2, 3, 4, Rohini, Mirugasirisha 1, 2 [Idapa Rasi]

Take particular care in what you invest this week. A difficult time for partnerships and dealings with relatives. Avoid argumentative dispositions.

GEMINI Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Punarpusam 1, 2, 3 [Mithuna Rasi]

An excellent time after Tuesday. You will be able to achieve your ambitions. Fame and success through friends promised. Go ahead with your ventures.

CANCER Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

Take good care of your health. Mental worries also shown. You will find it difficult to make both ends meet. You will have to work hard for your success.

LEO Maha, Pooru, Uttira 1, [Singha Rasi]

Domestic difficulties will root themselves out this week. You will find it easy to deal with your opponents. Success in new ventures and ruin to enemies also shown. You will achieve something substantial very soon.

VIRGO Uttira 2, 3, 4, Atta, Chittirai 1, 2 [Kanni Rasi]

You may encounter some opposition in your affairs this week. Don't make any important change and stick to routine. Your enemies may try to harm you but they will not succeed much.

LIBRA Chittirai 3, 4, Swati, Visaka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Except for the first two days you will have a good time financially. Friends of the opposite sex may prove of much use to you. If unmarried some arrangements or settlement of marriage possible in the near future. Go ahead with your plans.

SCORPION Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

This week will be full of minor irritations. Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday morning the worst of the lot. You may have to adopt yourself to new situations if you want to succeed.

SAGITTARIUS Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1. [Thanu Rasi]

This is likely to be a progressive week. But the beginning and the last 3 days of the week may prove a bit irksome. You can launch any new scheme middle part of week.

CAPRICORNUS Uttiradam 2, 3, 4, Thiruvonam, Avittam 1, 2. [Makara Rasi]

Foreigners or strangers will help you a good deal this week. Improvement in your finances and domestic conditions also shown. Go ahead with your new ventures.

AQUARIUS Avittam 3, 4, Satayam, Pooraddati 1, 2, 3 [Kumbha Rasi]

You will have to spend a lot this week. Friends likely to betray you unless you are very careful. New ventures need careful handling for some time.

PISCES Pooraddati 4, Uttiraddati, Revati. [Meena Rasi]

This week is likely to be the beginning of a good time. You will receive much encouragement in your ventures. If employed a promotion or a favourable transfer likely soon.

New Social order Based on Equality

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class of rich owners. Now, while the middle-class struggles to relieve itself of the rich man's burden, it does not wish to get itself down from the back of the poor. But this plan will not work. There can be only one law in the world, namely either riding over another's back or not riding at all. There is no half-way between. If the Babu class desires to earn its own living by exploiting the labouring class, the rich or the capitalists in turn will exploit it. And if it wants that the rich should get down from its back, it should also cease to exploit the poor, and take to personal labour.

Most of you, students, belong to the Babu class. If you wish to bring about the new social order based on equality and justice you will have to change your class and become labourers yourselves.

I hope you will decide your course in the light of this truth.

Your Mind—Your Library

'All knowledge that the world has ever received comes from the mind; the infinite library of the universe is in your own mind. The external world is simply the suggestion, the occasion, which sets you to study your own mind, but the object of your study is always your own mind. The falling of an apple gave the suggestion to Newton, and he studied his own mind; he rearranged all the previous links of thought in his mind and discovered a new link among them, which we call the gravitation. It was not in the apple nor in anything in the centre of the earth.'

—Swami Vivekananda

Jaffna College Alumni Reception

TO

Senator P. Nagalingam

The Executive Committee of the Alumni Association has decided that our Association entertains Senator P. Nagalingam to tea on Thursday the 3rd of April, 1952 at 5 p. m. in the Jaffna College Premises in honour of his being elected to the Senate.

You are cordially invited to participate in the Social to wards which may we request you to contribute Rs. 2/- I shall be glad if you will be good enough to indicate your joining us by sending a Postal Order for Rs. 2/- before the 31st inst. Thank you very much.

Yours Cordially,

R. C. S. COOKE
Hony. Secretary
Jaffna College Alumni
Association.

Vaddukoddai,
12-3-52 (M 252, 25 & 28)

The Seaport Town of Tuticorin

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satisfaction at duty done, regardless of the amount of pay or perquisites, have been the obvious secret of the success of the lives of Kalladian and his ancestors. What a grand conception of Duty and what supreme contentment! He appeared to me to be a personification of "the dignity of labour." Long live this Kalladian to remind the present generation and posterity of the virtue of performing one's duty to perfection, in whatever walk of life one may bell. His satisfaction in life seemed infectious and I too felt that, instead of this restless, mad, meaningless endeavour to make money and more money, we should remain contented, like Kalladian and his ancestors with what we get now, by leading a simple life and practising the precepts of "plain living and high thinking."

Tamara-Parani

The sub-urbs of Tuticorin extending up to Tirunelveli and thence to the vicinity of Tiruchendur would have been a barren tract like the sandy waste awarded to Yalpadi, had not God in His unbounded mercy blessed this area with a river which flows by placidly, her banks studded with giant trees as old as time, and making all adjacent lands to smile with agricultural plenty. That river is TAMARAPARANI of ancient fame, the Artery of Agriculture, which makes the soil surpassingly fertile and rich in agrarian produce. The peasant drinks it and feeds his plants with it, bathes in it and lives on it—it is his Elixir Vitae. Its clear limpid, unused water in serpentine curves, wends its slow, silent course north-easterly for a distance of about 75 miles and empties itself into the Gulf of Mannar, north of Tiruchendur.

This river has its source in the 6800 ft. high Pothiyama-malai, the highest in the Tinnevely Range of Ghats—the hill where Agastya Munivar had remained in meditation—and in its course drains an area of 1750 sq. miles encircling little hamlets here and there and converting endless plains into veritable green glory and wild luxuriance. This Tamaraparani rich in historical lore, is referred to in the Ramayana and again in Mahabharata. Sugriva addressing his corps of Hanumans had said "By the leave of the high-souled Agastya, ye will cross the great river, Tamaraparani abounding in alligators, like a maid with her lover, she with her waters and islets concealed beneath beautiful sandal trees, bathes in the sea. Proceeding thence ye shall see the grand golden gates on the walls of the capital of the Pandyas." Again the great Buddhist Emperor Asoka records on his inscriptions at Girnar that he

planted the pillar of victory in (the) Tambapanni. Hindu Temples of importance, such as Sri Vaikuntam, Alvar Thirunagari are situated on its shores and Kantheeswaram on an islet encircled by this river, each with its antiquity and historical importance.

Search for Sita

This revered river flows unceasingly even now, unaffected by rain, drought or the passage of time. En route Tiruchendur, we happened to be motorring in a latest model 6 Cylinder Chev. De Luxe. In the course of a delightful journey, past Sri Vaikuntam we came up to a set of modern irrigation anicuts cum culverts—serving both as a Dam to control the water and as a bridge—across this river. I was amazed, when I was told that we were on a historic spot. Almost at that identical place, during the second Yuga, about the dawn of civilisation, Sugriva's corps of monkeys had crossed the river by means of improvised, frail boats to assist Rama and Luxumana in their search for lost Sita. How thrilling!

If only Jaffna had once such river!!

Television As Teaching Aid

'Perfect Disaster' Says Archbishop

The Archbishop of Canterbury, at one time headmaster of Repton, one of the leading public schools, thinks that television as an aid to teaching in schools is a "perfect disaster."

In a speech in London, he said he was 'heartbroken' to hear that the B.B.C. planned to lay on television for schools.

He added: "I cannot see any need for it whatsoever. To my mind, it merely drives another wedge between the teacher and the pupil. I am an old schoolmaster, and the right business for the teacher is to teach his class that which he has got within him."

"However much enrichment may come from school broadcasts or television, I think it is at the expense of the personal contribution of the teacher. Equally I think it is bad for the children, for they ought to be looking to the personal contribution of the teacher for their own personal growth. It is a dangerous thing when they think they can be educated by mechanisms from outside."

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 1427

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Arunasalam Thirunavukkarasu of Vaddukoddai East

Deceased
Theivanaippillai widow of
Arunasalam

Thirunavukkarasu of Vaddukoddai East Petitioner

Vs

1. Thirunavukkarasu Nadesapillai of Vaddukoddai East presently of the Estate duty Office, Colombo
- Minor 2. Parameswari daughter of Thirunavukkarasu
3. Ratneswari daughter of Thirunavukkarasu
4. Thirunavukkarasu Nadesalingam
5. Puvaneswari daughter of Thirunavukkarasu and
6. Thirunavukkarasu Nadeswaran all of Vaddukoddai East Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before K. de Silva Esquire District Judge, Jaffna on the 6th day of March 1952 in the presence of Messrs Subramaniam and Somasundram Proctors on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 4th day of March 1952 having been read:

It is ordered that the 1st respondent be appointed guardian ad-litem over the minors 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th respondents for the purpose of representing them in this proceedings and that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be granted to the petitioner as the lawful widow of the deceased be granted to the petitioner as the lawful widow of the deceased unless the respondents or any other person or persons interested in the above estate shall appear before this Court on or before the 4th day of April 1952 and show sufficient cause to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the 1st respondent do produce the

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
POINT PEDRO
Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 468

In the matter of the intestate estate and effects of the late Muthukumar Arulampalam of Point Pedro.

Deceased,
Muttukumaru Thirunavukkarasu of Point Pedro and presently of Manner.

Petitioner.

Vs.
Thangaratnam widow of Arulampalam of Rajapathy House, Point Pedro.

Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before A. W. Nadarajah Esquire District Judge, Point Pedro on the 12th day of March 1952 in the presence of Mr. P. Kanapadhipillai Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the Petition and affidavit of the Petitioner having been read,

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and is hereby declared entitled to Letters of Administration and that Letters of Administration be issued to the Petitioner unless the Respondent or any other person or persons shall on or before the 24th day of April 1952 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 12th day of March 1952

Sgd. A. W. NADARAJAH
District Judge.
(O 153, 25 & 28)

minors 2nd to 6th respondents in Court on the 4th day of April 1952 at 10 a. m.

The 6th day of March 1952.

Sgd. Wm G. Spencer
Acting District Judge
(O 155, 25 & 28)



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