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Religion — What and How is It?

Outcome of Man's Inner Urge For Real Freedom of Happiness

(BY SRIMATH SWAMI PAVITRANANDA)

(Continued from our last issue)

IN the ultimate analysis what is it that is found to be the cause of man's sufferings? Happiness and unhappiness are the conditions of the mind. It is the mind that makes one feel happy or unhappy. Man identifies himself with his body and mind. As body and mind are both unstable factors, man suffers. The body is a right today, tomorrow it is out of joint. The condition of the mind varies every moment. It is fickle and restive like an unbroken horse. So long as one depends on the mind for one's happiness one is bound to suffer. This is as sure as anything. One must transcend the limitations of the mind, if one wants to get any lasting peace.

It sounds theoretical, if not fantastic, that one can go beyond mind. What is the state beyond mind?—it is hard to conceive even! It is not a state of annihilation—which a man finds beyond the state of body and mind consciousness? Whatever it may be there is such a state as beyond the reach of mind and body. In the whole history of mankind those who found real and permanent peace had attained to that state. Ordinary persons may find it hard to understand them, but nevertheless they experienced that super-conscious state. That their experiences were true and unchallengeable is proved by the fact that each of these persons wielded a tremendous influence on the life of mankind, and their influence is still continuing.

Rare Souls

Even those persons who have not reached the ultimate goal, but are fairly on the way to it, are found to have attained a certain amount of unalloyed peace. They radiate joy and blessedness, and those who come under their influence share their experiences. To a sceptical or critical mind this may sound problematical or even incredible, but persons who have come into direct contact with these rare souls will not question their experiences. For they have found direct evidences. The direct evidence gives you undeniable proofs. We can discuss and speculate about the existence or non-existence of a thing from a distance but when we see that thing directly all our doubts and questionings are set at rest.

Order from Chaos?

One may reasonably say, 'Why should we bother ourselves with superconscious, supernatural, or

other worldly things, when we have got so much to do in the living present? Why should we care for unalloyed peace or the 'peace of the grave' for ourselves, when there is so much suffering and misery all around? Let us fight to remove those sufferings, let us struggle with all our energy to bring heaven on earth, instead of flying from earth to reach heaven.' This sounds so logical, reasonable, and heroic! But this method has been tried so long, and the world usually follows it, and what has been the result? The present world is in a chaotic condition, and nobody knows how to bring order from this chaos.

Example to Humanity

Those who follow the path of religion do that not from any visionary plan, but from an inner urge, which they cannot resist, till some day they reach the final goal and become an example to humanity. Such persons have extremely sensitive minds, they are moved more by dreams and ideas than by the thoughts of any sordid material gains. They can deliberately sacrifice their earthly career at the altar of an ideal and vision. Willingly do they burn their boats, in order to get something which to the worldly-wise has no value. Such have been the poets and scientists, discoverers and explorers,—persons who have left their marks on the history of humanity and lighted up new paths for mankind to march through, but surpassing them all are the persons who hunger after the Infinite and are content with nothing short of that.

The greatest impulse in a man's life is his love for Freedom or the longing for the Infinite. At first he is only dimly conscious of it. Impelled by this innate, though unconscious, hankering he goes on and on till the Ideal takes a definite shape or the Goal becomes an object of conscious attempt.

Different Methods & Paths

It is interesting to note how this same hankering finds different channels of expression or takes to different paths to reach the ultimate destination. This difference in methods and paths depends on each individual's difference in temperament. Some one has got very active habits. He likes activity. He loves to serve others. The greatest joy of his life is to help others. Every moment he is ready to sacrifice his own

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Congress Hopeful

Const. Assembly Will Go On

Premier Attlee's latest statement on India formed the principal subject of informal discussions among Congress chiefs from the different Provinces who have assembled at Allahabad in connection with the Conference of Presidents and Secretaries of the Provincial Congress Committees.

From the trend of the discussions which are going on there, it appears that the Congress Working Committee, at its ensuing meeting commencing from March 5 at Delhi, is likely to register approval of three points which emerge from the White Paper, namely, fixing of the date-line for the British to quit India; the appointment of the new Viceroy in the place of Lord Wavell; and practical elimination of the difficult hurdle in the shape of grouping of Provinces which had so long threatened to impede the otherwise smooth work of the Constituent Assembly.

Two apparently unwelcome features in Mr. Attlee's statement, according to these Congress leaders, are the absence of any reference to the point raised in Pandit Nehru's letter to the Viceroy about the attitude of the Muslim League members in the Interim Government which is interpreted in political circles as tantamount to encouraging conflicts and disharmony inside the Cabinet, and the

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Indian Interim Govt.

What is Its Future?

Premier Attlee's statement on India has evoked a favourable reaction generally among the members of the Central Legislature at Delhi. Lobby reports emanating from persons supposed to have contact with authoritative Congress quarters indicate that although the British Premier has been altogether silent about the point raised in Pandit Nehru's letter to Lord Wavell regarding the attitude of the members of the Muslim League bloc in the Interim Government, this is likely to be cleared up through an authoritative pronouncement on behalf of H. M. G. on the occasion of assumption of office by the new Viceroy that the Interim Government would henceforth function on the basis of joint responsibility.

It is also believed that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, was consulted regarding the choice of Lord Wavell's successor to hold office till the British withdrawal from India is completed.

At the same time, the omission of any reference to the present position of the Interim Government and the contingency that in June 1948 power may be transferred to 'some of the existing Provincial Governments' it is stated, may have results exactly opposite of those expected, namely, of making the Muslim League to continue its intransigent attitude in the hope of winning a diluted 'Pakistan'.

INAZISM NOT DEAD?

Secret Organisation At Work

HITLER and his gang are dead: but Nazism and all that it stood for are even now existing in Germany threatening to disturb the world peace. It is reported that the British and American authorities in Germany have unearthed a secret Nazi Organisation one of whose aims was to lead the nations of Europe against Russia.

The organisation, which is stated to extend throughout all four occupation zones of Germany, was threatening to use a "devastating new weapon" against the Allies if they refused to accede to its demands, a British intelligence chief said.

The intelligence chief added that the operation was the biggest since the occupation of Germany and

was continuing.

Hundreds of people were connected with the organisation, which was under the leadership of former members of the S. S., who are alleged to have been planning the restoration of a totalitarian regime in Germany.

The "devastating new secret weapon" which they were threatening to use is believed to be connected with bacteriological warfare.

The operation was known by the code name of "Operation Selection Board". The Intelligence chief said many important leaders, including Hans Georg Eidmann, a former officer in the bacteriological department of the Wehrmacht High Command, have been arrested.



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AGRICULTURE IN JAFFNA

PITABLE IS THE PLIGHT OF the Jaffna farmer who woke up from bed on Thursday before last to find that his paddy fields, which were smiling with corn on the previous day, had all become inundated as a result of the heavy rains that fell on Wednesday. More than a week has elapsed, but the floods have not subsided; it is again raining today and the outlook continues to be gloomy. The paddy which was ripe for the sickle has now sprouted on account of it having been submerged under water and it is no longer fit for human consumption. A year's labour has gone to waste. Rarely has a catastrophe of this kind befallen the Jaffna farmer who has to contend against many difficulties. There are neither rivers nor tanks; nor are there irrigation schemes; labour is a difficult problem; the yield is poor and the cost of cultivation abnormally high. Under these circumstances it will not be surprising if the farmer gives up agriculture and turns to something more profitable. It is the duty of the state to make farming attractive and at the same time lucrative. Every assistance should be given to the farmer by way of advice, information, research, financial assistance and irrigation facilities as in other advanced countries like the United States of America.

Jaffna cannot be considered blessed according to the old saying of Auvaia as there are no rivers. The only thing that can be done is to convert the so called rivers which are portions of the sea or lagoon into fresh water lakes. Though the idea was originally mooted 70 years ago, it was not till 1945 that some definite scheme has been prepared. The Executive Committee of Agriculture has approved the scheme of converting the Vadamaradchy lagoon into a fresh water lake; the project is estimated to cost about Rs. 1,100,000, but it is proposed to spend only Rs. 150,000 during the present financial year. The work is to be spread over several years. It is stated that about 15,000 acres can be reclaimed out of which 8,500 acres can be cultivated with paddy. Another suggestion was made by one who sought election to the Legislative Council in 1924. It was to divert the Mahaweli Ganga to Jaffna. He was promptly returned to Council but nothing has been

ANOTHER HINDU UNIVERSITY

For the Consolidation of Hindu Society

UNDER the auspices of the Madras Hindu Provincial Conference, a meeting presided over by His Holiness Sri Jagadguru Sankarachariar Swamikal of Govardhan Mutt, Puri, was held last week at Madras to devise ways and means to implement the resolution passed at the Conference in regard to the establishment of a Hindu University in Madras.

Explaining the aims of the proposed University, His Holiness said that the time was very ripe now for promoting a system of education which, assimilating whatever was valuable in Western culture would be based on the traditional Hindu culture and civilisation. A university founded on the high ideals of Hindu Dharma was quite essential for the consolidation of Hindu society and for the preservation of Hindu culture and tradition. India would shortly achieve political independence; in consonance with this, the foundations of true educational advancement—spiritual and secular—should be laid. Steps should be taken to build up such an education. An association of all the Matadhipathis in the province should be formed to help the starting of such a university. As far as he was able to gather, the heads of all the Mutts have supported the scheme and were willing to aid with their resources the achievement of the object. He appealed to all sections of Hindu society, interested in promoting this movement to take suitable steps immediately for the establishment of such a university. A short discussion then ensued and various suggestions were made to work out the proposal. Pandit Govind Kale (Gwalior), Messrs V.V. Srinivasa Iyengar, R. V. Krishna Aiyar, N. Ramaswami Aiyar (Tiruchinopoly), M. Subbaraya Aiyar and Tandalam S. Ramaswami Aiyer, participated in the discussion, pointing out the necessity for forming an influential committee with the help of the Matadhipathis to draw up a detailed scheme for propaganda explaining the aims and objects of the University and the lines on which the education of youths from the primary standard upwards should be imparted. A request was also made to His Holiness, who would be shortly leaving for Delhi, to return to Madras at the end of March to push forward the proposal, which by that time would have taken a definite shape. Mr. V. V. Srinivasa Iyengar, the President of the Conference, was authorised to take necessary measures for the formation of the committee which was to prepare a scheme to be placed before the next meeting.

Notes and Comments

A Free India

The British Government by its statement of February 20 has declared its decision to withdraw for good from India at a date not later than June 1948. Let us hope that Premier Attlee, or for that matter, the British Government will not any more quibble on words or put any other interpretation to that statement as was their wont in recent times. The Britisher should quit bag and baggage, if the land of *Baratha Varsha* is to regain her pristine glory. The scare of civil war and anarchy held out by the British Imperialists and the so called minorities need not deter the Indians in their march towards their cherished goal. For all we know of Jinnah, it is useless attempting to placate him any more. Circumstances, we hope, will be created which will soon disillusion the League Fuehrer as to the utter futility of his wandering after the will of the wisp of Pakistan. Pakistan is a myth. India is one and indivisible; and to achieve it no sacrifice

will be too great for Indians."

A Worthy Cause

The decision of the Colombo Siva Mangaiyar Kalagam to establish a modern and up-to-date girls college in Colombo is not a day too soon; and we commend the appeal made by the Managing Committee of the Kalagam for funds, to the Hindu public in Ceylon and else, where. We understand that the Vidhyalayam now run by the Kalagam will form the nucleus of the proposed girls college. The Hindus form the second largest community in the island and it does not redound to their credit to find that there is no educational institution worth its name in the metropolis of the island, while smaller communities run a number of schools and colleges there, mostly with Hindu patronage. The desirability of imparting education to Hindu children on Hindu lines amidst Hindu environment need not be stressed. We are told that a substantial amount of funds has been already collected by the Kalagam. We hope that before long with the blessings of Lord Shiva the Hindu Ladies College at Colombo will be an accomplished fact. We once more endorse the appeal made by the Kalagam to all Hindus to contribute liberally, even at some sacrifice, towards this *Vidhya Dharma*.

Malaya And Indians

The proposals embodied in the British White Paper on political reforms for Malaya recently published by the Secretary of State for Colonies are a sad disappointment to the Chinese, the Indians and the Ceylonese in that they are deprived of the rights of citizenship which they are entitled to by virtue of their services to the country and by the oft repeated assurances of the British Government in the past. The Chinese and Indians—Ceylonese being classified as Indians—are numerically far bigger than the Malays; and they were given definite promise that in any measure of future reforms, their rights would be fully protected, provided they declared

Slipshod And Careless

Police Officer Criticised By Magistrate

Mr. O. L. Kretser (Jr) the Jaffna Magistrate after a protracted inquiry lasting nearly 6 months, without calling for a defence, acquitted on Wednesday last Dr. E. P. Canagasabai, Justice of Peace, Van-East on the charge of retaining 12 bottles of Panmelitus and 5 bottles of Thiosol, which were part of the property stolen from the custody of Dr. S. Subramaniam of Beach road on 9-11-45.

In the course of a lengthy order the Magistrate criticised the slipshod and careless manner in which investigations were carried out and prosecution launched by the Jaffna Police, in this case, The Magistrate observed:-

"Had those responsible for the launching of this prosecution approached the case from the correct point of view, this case should have never been launched.

"The prosecution to succeed, however, must show that the goods sold to Nadarajah and Thuraiyettam are the same as those stolen from Dr. Subramaniam. This it had miserably failed to do."

Commenting about Inspector, Rodrigo who investigated into this case, the Magistrate stated,

"Rodrigo's powers of expression are not very adequate, if he speaks in English.....the investigating officer had the opportunity of checking the receipt and the entry in the book, but was too slipshod to think of doing so or even of looking beyond the first entry re Panmelitus

"Rodriguez is a witness got all the way from Bombay, presumably at heavy Govt. expense, and the officer in charge, who had him summoned was too careless or too ignorant to direct him to produce any books."

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ERRATTA

The quotation from Thiruvacham which appeared in the last Editorial on Sivarathiri and World Peace has been wrongly punctuated. Readers are kindly requested to read the quotation which correctly punctuated will be as follows—
"முருகனும் படைப்போற் படைக்கும் பழையோன், படைத்தலை காப்போற் காக்கும் கடவுள்" and will mean that Lord Shiva is (1) the creator of Brahma who is the creator of the whole universe and (2) the protector and saviour of Vishnu who preserves and protects what Brahma has created

heard of this scheme since then. At first sight one may be inclined to think that it is mid-summer madness to think of such a project, but it is something which deserves careful consideration.

that they were not birds of passage and that they intended to be loyal citizens of the country accepting in full the obligations of citizenship. The British Government have gone back on their past assurances though they know very well that the contribution made by the Chinese, Indians and Ceylonese to the prosperity of the country was great indeed. Let it be noted, however, that the British Government in its unwarranted solicitude for the Malays have not forgotten its own nationals and have incorporated quite a number of safeguards and privileges to the white population, which as our Madras centemporary, "The Hindu" aptly observes, "dominated over the country or were contented to act as parasites on the common people". The White Paper proposals are a definite challenge to the Chinese, Indians and Ceylonese settled in Malaya. It should not be accepted lying down.

Spearhead of Imperialist Attack

Sama Samajists Attack U.N.P.

Dr. Colvin R. de Silva at Jaffna

"COMMUNALISM is one of the subtlest weapons of the ruling class, and hence it should not be encouraged" said Dr. Colvin R. de Silva who was the chief speaker at a largely attended public meeting held at Mallakam on Sunday last. The meeting was organised by the supporters of the Lanka Sama Samaj Party.

Dr. Colvin R. de Silva, who was the chief speaker, was met at the Chunnakam Junction and conducted in procession to the venue of the meeting.

Mr. C. Tharmakulasingham, Proctor, who presided, exhorted the gathering to support the Sama Samaja Party and its nominees at the forth-coming elections. He said the party represented the workers and peasants of the land, whose needs and claims had hitherto been neglected.

Mr. V. Somasundaram, Proctor and President, All-Ceylon Cigar Workers' Federation, speaking next, deplored the lack of coherent and consistent policies among the people who came forward as leaders of public opinion in Ceylon.

Mr. S. H. Perinbanayagam, Advocate, said that the people in Ceylon were faced with a grave responsibility in the matter of choosing their representatives to Parliament. This was a time when everybody professed solicitude for the underdog, the peasant and the worker. Such solicitude should not be taken at its face value. A person's political value at any given time should be assessed against the background of his whole political career.

Complete Independence Programme

Mr. P. Nagalingam, Proctor, who has been adopted as the Party

candidate for Kankasanturai speaking next, said that he stood for complete independence and for a programme of economic and industrial reconstruction.

Communalism Will Go

Dr. Colvin R. de Silva, who was ovated on rising to speak, referred to the birth of trade unions in Jaffna, and said that as those organisations grew, the working classes would not be tricked by communal slogans. Racism did not help them. Communalism or caste distinctions would not help them. Only the development of the class struggle would help the working class.

Trade Unions were not enough. A revolutionary political party was necessary—a proletarian revolutionary party.

U. N. P.—a farce

Referring to the United National Party the speaker said that in the first place it was not united. It dared not nominate its candidates. If candidates had been nominated, half of its members would have left the party. Secondly, it was not national, because it was brought into existence to sell this country to British Imperialism through the Sculbury Constitution.

The speaker proceeded to criticise Mr. D. S. Senanayake as the spear-head of the bourgeois imperialist attack on them, and said that today the cry was Ceylon for the Ceylonese. Tomorrow the cry would be "Ceylon for the Sinhalese. Down with the rest." He appealed to Jaffna not to support communal organisations like the Tamil Congress and thereby feed the flame of Sinhalese Communalism.

Gandhiji on the Statement

Parties should make or mar

Mr. Gandhi making a reference to Mr. Attlee's statement, said that the statement had put the burden on the various parties of doing what they thought best.

He added that the statement declared that British rule would end before or during the month of June, 1948. Mr. Gandhi thought that it was up to the parties to make or mar the situation. Nothing on earth could overturn their united wish.

He was emphatically of opinion that if Hindus and Muslims closed their ranks and came together, without external pressure, they would not only better their political condition, but they would affect the whole of India, and probably the world.

Mr. Gandhi made the above statement at prayer and he said that there were Congress and the Muslim League, not to mention the other associations which would express authoritative opinions.

Indian Legal Luminaries in Ceylon

Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastriar, former Advocate-General of Madras gave expert evidence on Hindu Law before Mr. N. Sinnetamby, Additional District Judge of Colombo, on Monday last in an estate duty case.

The case was an appeal under the Estate Duty Ordinance from assessment of estate duty on the estate of the late KM. N. SP. Natchiappa Chettiar. The appellant was Valliyammai Atchi, of 247, Sea Street, the executrix of the last will of the late Natchiappa Chettiar.

The respondent was the Attorney-General.

The appellant's case is that the deceased was a member of a Hindu undivided family and as such no estate duty was payable on his estate. Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastriar gave expert evidence for the appellant.

Mr. K. Raja Aiyar, the Advocate-General, of Madras was also present in Court, to give expert evidence for the Attorney-General.

22½ Million Scheme

For Buildings

Expert architectural advice from abroad is to be sought by the Government in the construction of the buildings of the new Parliament, Cabinet House, offices for the Prime Minister and other Ministers, the new Secretariat and other public buildings.

The Board of Ministers have approved this proposal and agreed to make the necessary financial provision for the purpose.

To Cost Rs. 22½ Million

These buildings are to be part of a post-war building program which will be carried out by the Public Works Department and provisionally estimated to cost about Rs. 22,500,000. The actual cost can only be estimated after the buildings have been designed and the sites on which they are to be erected chosen.

Mr. J. L. Kotelawela, Minister of Communications and Works, has, it is learned, pointed out that in view of the national importance of these buildings, it is desirable that the best available architects in the world should be consulted in connection with the designing of the sketch plans. Proposals have already

HIS WILL

I realise that we are instruments in the hand of the Almighty and His will is being realised through all our activities. He will create circumstances favourable for the spread of His message. Let us pray and say "Let Thy Will be done."

—SWAMI SATYANANDAJI.

HE WILL BE REBORN!

MR. SENANAYAKE HAS FAITH

If he did not win complete freedom for this country within his lifetime he would be reborn here to continue the freedom fight was the assertion made by Mr. D. S. Senanayake addressing a public meeting organised by the U. N. P. in Galle on Sunday last.

Mr. Senanayake said that he had been assured full responsible Government for this country within three years and it was his intention to retire from public life after that, leaving the younger generation of politicians to carry on the good work.

He was happy that he had been selected to lead the country at this stage and even though he was now over 60 years old, he could work as hard as any young man because he had the interests of his country at heart.

Mr. J. R. Jayawardene asked the Galle public not to support the Marxists. They were the enemies of the United National Party and the enemies of unity. They followed Karl Marx, a German Jew, who had no nationality or religion. Following in the footsteps of the

Mr. Coomaraswamy Entertained

The public of Jaffna entertained Mr. C. Coomaraswamy, the retiring Government Agent, and Mrs. Coomaraswamy at a Garden Party held at the Town Hall on Saturday last. Dr. S. Subramaniam, Chairman of the Reception Committee said that Mr. Coomaraswamy was a true product of Jaffna.

Mr. M. R. Karalasingham read and presented an address which was enclosed in a Silver Casket to Mr. Coomaraswamy. Mrs. S. Natesan presented Mrs. Coomaraswamy with a Map of Ceylon in Silver.

been submitted, it is learned, by a number of firms of architects.

University Procedure

The Consulting Architects are to prepare and hand over the sketch plans and the Public Works Department is to prepare the working designs from the sketch plan. The same procedure as was adopted in regard to the planning of the University, which is reported to be working satisfactorily, is to be followed in the planning of these national buildings.

The buildings that are proposed to be constructed, and their approximate cost, are as follows:—

	Rs.
New Parliament; Cabinet House	3,750,000
Offices for the Prime Minister; Offices for the Ministers	4,500,000
New Secretariat Offices	7,500,000
New Law Courts	3,000,000
New General Post Office	2,500,000
Broadcasting House	1,250,000
	22,500,000

It is hoped to engage specialists in the designing of each of these types of buildings to undertake the respective tasks, just as Sir Patrick Abercrombie's services were retained to design the University of Ceylon.

Jew, the local Marxists aimed at destroying their nation and their religion.

Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike Minister of Local Administration and Leader of the Sinhala Maha Sabha, paid a tribute to Mr. Senanayake and hoped that before he retired from public life he would obtain complete freedom for this country. He said that there was no leader more suited than Mr. Senanayake today to direct the affairs of this country. That was why he had accepted Mr. Senanayake's leadership.

He explained that if the U. N. P. formed the Government in the new Parliament the people of this country could expect justice and fair-play at its hands. He asked them to support the U. N. P. policy and the candidates put forward by the Party.

Mr. A. R. A. Razik said that his community gave 100 per cent support to the U. N. P. and that as Muslims they would never admit Marxism.

Messrs. George E. de Silva, A. Mahadeva, H. W. Amarasinghaya and E. M. Karunaratne also spoke.

VEDANTA MOOLA SARAM OR THE ESSENCE OF THE UPANISHADS

(By A Science Graduate)

(Continued from our issue of 14-2-47)

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XIII. THE CHANDOGYA UPANISHAD (Contd.)

The king's answer to the first question is as follows: Those (householders) who know this (secret underlying the philosophy of the five fires) and those (Vanaprasthas, &c) who meditate (on God) with faith and austerities in the forest go to Brahman (God) by the luminous path called Devayanam (or patha). There is another, a comparatively smoky (or cloudy or darksome) path called Pitryanam (way of the fathers). Those who perform sacrifices and works of utility and give alms go by this path to (the regions of) darkness, thence successively to (those of) the night, the Krishna Paksham (the dark fortnight), the Dakshinayanam or six months when the sun moves southwards (from the tropic of cancer), (the worlds of) the Pitrs (manes), the sky and the moon (Soma Raja), where they are welcomed and made by the Devas to eat (the fruits of their karmam). Those not eligible to pass by either of these paths, small creatures, they are whirled about in the rounds of births and deaths.—We should here mention by way of comment that the region of the moon mentioned in the Deva Yanam is not identical with the moon (Soma Raja) of the Pitryanam, but represents the world of the Devas presumably. We note that the description of these paths as given in the Brihat Aranyaka Upanishad (VI-2-15 & 16) is practically the same but the year and the moon do not occur there in the divine path and the world of the Devas appears instead.

As regards the other three questions (Nos: 2 to 4),—(2) Those who go by the Deva Yanam go to God and do not return to this mundane world; those who repair to the worlds of the fathers, after eating the fruits of their good deeds, return the way they went, from the moon to the sky, and thence through the clouds and rain, the earth and herbs, &c, as described in the answer to the fifth question, to wit: the doctrine of the five fires. (3) The two paths take parallel courses up to the Uttarayana and Dakshinayana periods and then bifurcate to the Deva and Pitri worlds. And (4), the world of the manes does not get full as, after remaining there till the fruits of their actions are consumed, the souls of the departed return to earth and are born here again. It is added that those whose conduct here was good, quickly attain some good birth, such as that of a brahmin, kshatriyan, &c, while those viciously inclined attain some inferior birth, as a dog, a Chandalan, &c.

Sections XI to XXIV contain the story of six brahmins who learnt from a king named Asvapati son of Kekayan what the Atman (Paramatman) called Vaisvanaran is. On being questioned by the king, one of them said that he meditated on heaven as the Atman (Paramatman), and the others replied similarly one by one saying that they meditated on the sun, vayu, akas, water and the earth, respectively. The king observed that they were all right, but only partially right and explained that what they meditated on represented the head, the eye, the breath, the trunk, the bladder and the feet, respectively, of the Vaisvanara Atman. He then addressed them collectively and said: All of you eat your food knowing the Vaisvanara Atman as if it were different. But he who meditates on It as pervading the heaven and the earth and as the Inner Atman of himself, he eats food in all worlds, in every form and in every faculty. Verily of that Vaisvanara Atman (the Lord of creation), the head is heaven (Sutejas, having good light), the eye the sun (Visvarupa, multiform), the breath Vayu (Prithagvartma, having various courses), the trunk Akas (Bahula, full), the bladder water (Rasi, wealth) and the feet the earth (Pratishta, firm). The altar is His chest, the sacrificial grass His hair, the household fire His heart, &c. (XVIII, 1 & 2).

Whatever food a man eats should therefore be considered as an offering to the Vaisvanara Atman, the first mouthful being treated as an offering to Pranan, the next mouthful to Vyana, and so on to Apanan, Samanan and Udanan, and when these are satisfied it is said that the eye, the sun and heaven,—the year, the moon and the quarters,—speech, fire and the earth,—mind, rain and lightning,—skin, vayu and akas,—all these and whatever is dependent on them are satisfied. And as a result the eater (sacrificer) himself is satisfied and blessed with children, cattle, splendour and Vedic glory, the feeding of one's own self being thus a form of Agnihotram (fire-sacrifice). The chapter concludes by saying that the performance of Agnihotram without understanding its significance is as useless as throwing oblations on dead ashes, while oblations made (or food eaten) with a full knowledge of its purport benefits all worlds, all beings and everybody, and all the sins of such a knower get burnt like the soft fibres of dried grass. The following memorial verse is finally quoted: "As here on earth hungry children sit (expectantly) round their mother (for food), so do all creatures look up to the Agnihotram, yea, they look up the Agnihotram." (XXIV, 5).—The idea that one should treat all food eaten by him as an offering to the Lord is reechoed in such lines as the following from the Tamil.

அண்டம் தூர் அணுவாய் பெருமைகொண்டு, அணுவாய்
அண்டமாய் சிறுமைகொண்டு, அடியேன்
உண்ட உண்ண உண்டாம், வணை உணது உண்டாம்.
உன்சுவை, எழுபாடுதோது ... (Tiru Isaipah)

Oh! Paramjati (Supreme Light), so immeasurably great that even the globular world is like an atom when compared to Thee, yet so minutely small that even an atom looks a huge world in comparison to Thee,—thus dost thou rise from within my heart

Sinhalese Standards

Enquiries were made in England regarding the Sinhalese Royal Standard taken from Kandy in 1815. It appears there are at present three Sinhalese Royal Standards in England. The one hung at Chelsea is in a poor state of preservation, and would probably fall to pieces if it were removed. Another standard went to the regiment that captured it at Kandy in 1815. The third is also at Chelsea hospital, and it is learned that the authorities are willing to return it to Ceylon.

Bhagavathar—Krishnan Appeal

The appeal of M. K. Thiagaraja Bhagavathar and N. S. Krishnan, the famous Cinema Stars of Tamil Nad, against the sentence of transportation for life imposed on them by the Madras High Court was taken up for enquiry by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on Monday last. Mr. D. N. Pritt K. C. appeared for the accused appellants. Inquiry is proceeding.

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S. K. Bunker,
Principal.

(M. 331. 28)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
(held at Point Pedro)

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 332 P T

In the matter of the intestate estate and effects of the late Kanagasabai Varnakulasingam, late Town Overseer Dandagamuwa of Valvettiturai. Deceased.

Kamadchiammah widow of K. Varnakulasingam of do Valvettiturai Vs.

1. Thavamany daughter of K. Varnakulasingam of do
2. Muttukumaru Balasubramaniam of do. Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before G. C. T. A. de Silva Esquire Additional District Judge on the 17th day of January 1947 in the presence of Mr. K. Ratnasingham Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the petition and affidavit of the Petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd Respondent be and he is hereby appointed Guardian-ad litem over the minor the 1st Respondent for the purpose of representing her and protecting her interest in the above testamentary proceedings unless the Respondents or any other person shall appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary on or before the 7th day of February 1947.

And it is further ordered that the Petitioner be declared entitled to take out letters of administration to the estate of the deceased and that letters of administration be issued to her accordingly unless the Respondents or any other person shall appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary on or before the 7th day of February 1947.

The 17th day of January 1947.

Sgd. G. C. T. A. de Silva,
Addl. District Judge.

Drawn by:
K. Ratnasingham,
Proctor for Petitioner.

7-2-47; Extended and reissued for 28-2-47.

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mixing therewith so that the food eaten by me, Thy slave, becomes an offering to Thee.

Incidentally we may observe that this Adhyayam, among others, clearly shows that the teaching of Brahma Vidya (or knowledge of God) was not confined to the brahmins only, but that the kshatriyas (kings) too had a hand in it. Not that the kings had the lion's share of it, as some people to whom their wish perhaps, is father to the thought, would have it; but that the brahmins did not have a sole monopoly of it.

[We have taken a little too long with the study of this Upanishad and done five Adhyayas only. We shall stop here and revert to the study of the remaining three Adhyayas later on after dealing with some of the other important Upanishads.]

SCANDALOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS

Malayan Ceylonese Stranded

"Nothing is being done by the Ceylon Government to assist Ceylonese who have come to this country on leave, to obtain passages to return to their posts in Malaya," said Mr. M. Saravanamuttu, Managing Editor, North Malayan Newspapers, Penang, who is himself on a holiday in Colombo at present, in an interview with a representative of the press.

"There are nearly 300 such persons awaiting return passages and the majority of them are Malayan Government Servants who came on leave to this country to see their relatives after the enforced separation during the 3½ years of the Japanese occupation of Malaya."

Referred To Travel Agency

According to Mr. Saravanamuttu, all that is being done is that these Ceylonese Malaysians are asked by the Chief Secretary's Office to register their names for return passages with a travel agency and it is left to the latter to secure the passages for them. The Chief Secretary, who acts as agent for the Malayan Government, seems to think that he fulfils his function when he sanctions the payment for the passages to be recovered in due course from the Malayan Government.

"It is a scandalous state of affairs," declared Mr. Saravanamuttu. "No one seems to be particularly interested in these unfortunate people, who are anxious to get back to duty once they have contacted their kith and kin and satisfied them that they have survived the trials and fortunes of life under Japanese rule." The Malayan Government granted them long leave and they came in the full expectation that the same facilities for their return would be available at this end as were made in Malaya by the Government

there for them to come to Ceylon. As it is, there are some still lingering here who should have reported back for duty in November and December, 1946!"

"What is worse," added Mr. Saravanamuttu, "is that these unfortunates, once their leave is overstayed, receive no pay."

What Ceylon Govt. Could Do

"The travel agency does its best but as a commercial travel agency its demands do not carry much weight with the Sea Transport authorities. There can be no doubt that there would be a more liberal allotment of passages if the request was made officially by the Chief Secretary's Office."

It was the efforts of Mr. A. I. Rajasingham, the Deputy Ceylon Representative in Malaya at the time, that resulted in the allocation of passages to Ceylonese from Malaya to Ceylon in troopships, revealed Mr. Saravanamuttu adding that he felt sure that similar official action on this side would have the same effect.

Mr. Rajasingham also negotiated a special concession for troop deck passengers from Singapore to Colombo at 51 Straits dollars (Rs. 76) each whereas all what Cook's can offer from Colombo to Malaya are cabin passages at Rs. 495 each. "Imagine a clerk in the Malayan service drawing from Rs. 150 to Rs. 250 a month having to pay Rs. 495 a passage for himself and each member of his family!" exclaimed Mr. Saravanamuttu.

'Callousness'

"The callousness of the Ceylon Government in this matter is incomprehensible. The people concerned may be Malayan Government employees but they are Ceylonese and, surely, it is the duty of their national Government to assist them."

Religion—What And How is It?

(Continued from page 1)

interest for the sake of others. He loves humanity as a whole. No one is high or low in his eyes; he is ever ready to serve any one he comes across. As he pursues this path, his tendency to serve others becomes stronger and stronger till his life becomes all sacrifice. He has no interest of his own, as such his ego-sense becomes nil. And the man who has no ego-sense has the whole world under his feet. We fear the world, we are afraid of unpropitious circumstances, because we have one self-interest to serve and protect. One who has no self-interest has nothing to be afraid of. He has attained Freedom. He has got Liberation-in-life. In the words of the Hindu scriptures he has reached perfection through Karma Yoga—the path of work. We may not have come across any such person who has reached the highest perfection, but in our daily life we come into contact with many persons whose extraordinary self-sacrifice compels us to respect and admiration. Now if we find a person whose life is an illustration of extraordinary sacrifice, we can imagine cases of higher and higher self-sacrifice till the ideal of complete self-effacement is embodied in some rare soul. So we cannot say that the idea of reaching perfection through work or self-sacrifice is theoretical or hypothetical.

Real Freedom—When?

There are some persons who are of a philosophical temperament. They think, brood, and contemplate so much that hardly do they find aptitude for action. They find that everything in the world is transitory and evanescent. Everything changes. Nothing earthly or of earth is permanent. And there is that great factor—death. Friends die, relations die. You are afraid to owe any one, for who knows when death will seize him, and then he will permanently disappear from the face of the earth! What is the fun of depending for your happiness on things which are not lasting? So the man with a philosophical temperament rejects everything that is impermanent. He follows the path of what Vedanta says, 'Neti, this, not this.' Through this process of rejection he finds out that which is permanent, eternal and changeless. When he has reached that, he has got Real Freedom. For he has found that which fire cannot burn, water cannot impair, or even time cannot destroy. Such a man is said to have reached the Goal through the path of knowledge or Jnana Yoga.

To be continued)

Order "Nisi" Declaring Will Proved &c.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Samaritry Jurisdiction No. 560.

Periatamby Saravanamuttu of Chali-puram. Vs. Petitioner.
1. Valliammi widow of Puthirar Murgesu, 2. Murgesan Thavayuthir, 3. Thanapakkiam daughter of Murgesu all of do. The 2nd and 3rd respondents are minors appearing by their guardian-at-litem the 1st respondent. Respondents.

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Puthirar Murgesu deceased, of Chali-puram. This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvaraj Esq.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The cost of the British Cabinet Mission to India cost Rs. 31,250.

A vote of Rs. 150,000 for the green Memorial Hospital, Manipal, was approved by the Executive Committee of Health.

Mr. Jack Savage famous as an expert on high dams construction will arrive in Ceylon by air on March 3.

Mr. Lo Chia Luen, the wellknown educator and writer has been appointed the first Chinese Ambassador to India.

54,100 tons of Indonesian rice have so far been shipped to India; 7000 tons of rice are now being stored at various ports in Indonesia for export to India.

Paul Robeson, the famous Negro singer has announced that he is to retire from concert stage permanently. He is to devote the rest of his life towards the bettering of race relations in the United States.

Mr. Rajah Hewawitarne, Minister of Labour, Industry and Commerce is expected to be chosen leader of the Ceylon Trade Mission which is to be appointed for a three months' world tour.

According to a statement made by a spokesman of the Local Government Services Commission, the Colombo Municipality will derive an estimated income of one and a half million rupees per year from the entertainment tax, which is to be 20 per cent. of value of tickets sold.

In the All-India Type-writing contest of 1946, conducted by the All-India Institute of Stenographers, Calcutta, Mr. S. V. Raman of Madras has stood first in typing at a net speed of 86.6 words per minute. Mr. M. S. Pai of Bombay who typed at 77 words per minute stood second.

District Judge, Jaffna on the 24th day of January 1947 in the presence of Mr. R. Kandiah Precior on the part of the petitioner, and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner and of the witnesses to the Last Will dated 23rd January 1947, having been read.

It is ordered that the Will of the above-named deceased, dated 7th December 1946 and numbered 15146 and attested by R. Kandiah Notary Public be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the Respondents or any other person or persons shall on or before the 10th day of March 1947, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said 1st respondent be appointed guardian-at-litem over the minors the 2nd and 3rd respondents and that the said Periatamby Saravanamuttu the petitioner, is the executor named in the said Will and that he is entitled to have Probate of the same issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or any other interested shall on or before the 10th day of March 1947, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 24th day of January 1947.

Sgd. R. R. Selvaraj,
District Judge.

Congress Hopeful

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indication in Paragraph 10 of the White Paper that power may not in the end be transferred as a whole to "some form of Central Govt. for British India." As regards the first of these two points, there seems to be a feeling among the Provincial Congress leaders that the new Viceroy will come with definite direction from His Majesty's Government to establish a convention for the Interim Government functioning on the basis of joint responsibility. On this matter, it is understood that the White Paper will be regarded by the Congress High Command as conceding Pandit Nehru's demand. As regards the second point referred to the opinion of the Provincial Congress leaders seems to be that the Constituent Assembly should go ahead with the task of framing a constitution for India on the lines indicated in the resolution on 'Objectives' which was adopted during its last session. If the constitution thus framed, these sources contend, fails to secure the approval of the Muslim League and if the Muslim majority Provinces choose to keep out of the Indian Union, the Congress would accept that position consistent with its declared policy.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
(held at Point Pedro)

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. P T 39
Peroragam widow of Maniccam of Puthy West. Petitioner
Vs.

1. Maniccam Karalasingam of do
2. Maniccam Pathmaray
3. Maniccam Kamalavathy
4. Maniccam Thamarasum
5. Maniccam Punithavathy
6. Maniccam Samurasingam
Vallipuram Murali all of Puthy West. Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before G. C. T. A. de Silva Esquire, Addl. District Judge on the 28th day of January, 1947 in the presence of Messrs. Rajaratnam and Nadarajasunderam Proctors on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 10th August 1946 having been read.

It is declared that the petitioner as the widow of the deceased is entitled to Letters of Administratrix and the respondents or any person shall on or before the 14th day of February, 1947 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

Sgd. G. C. T. A. de Silva
Addl. District Judge

Drawn by:
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