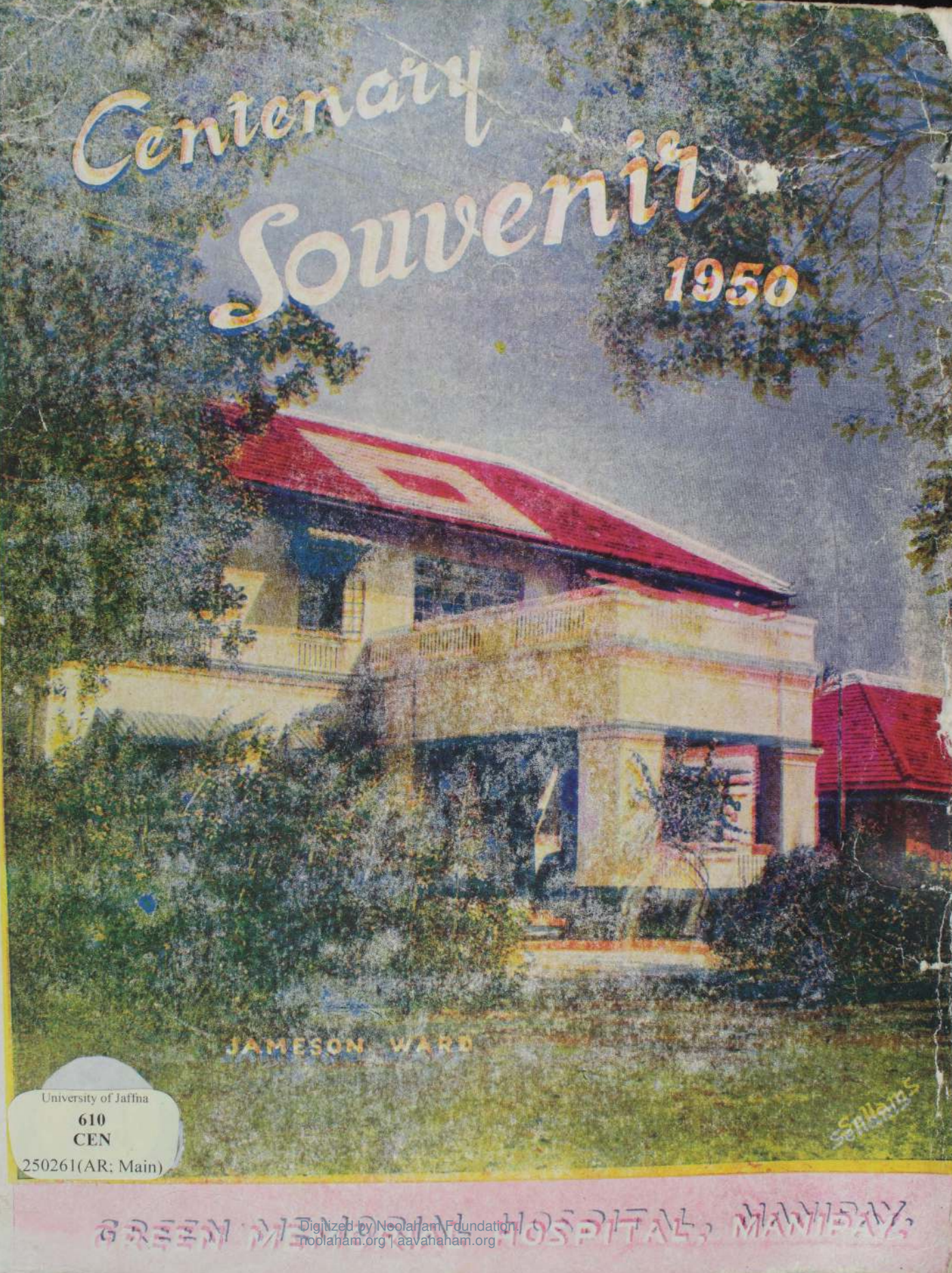


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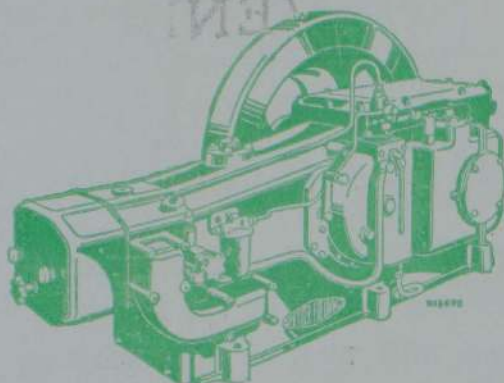
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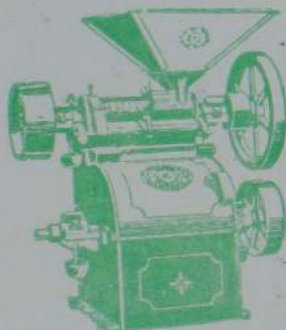
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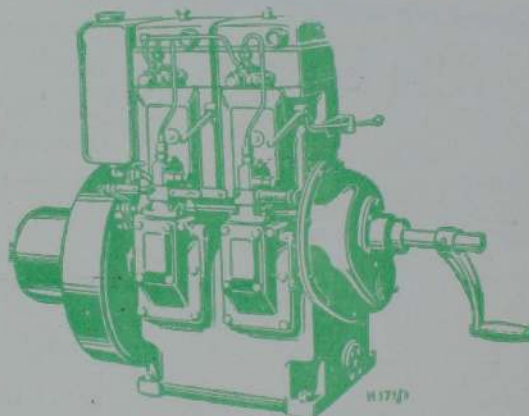
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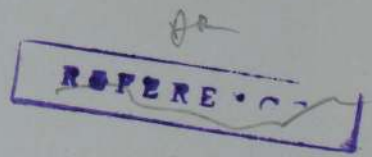
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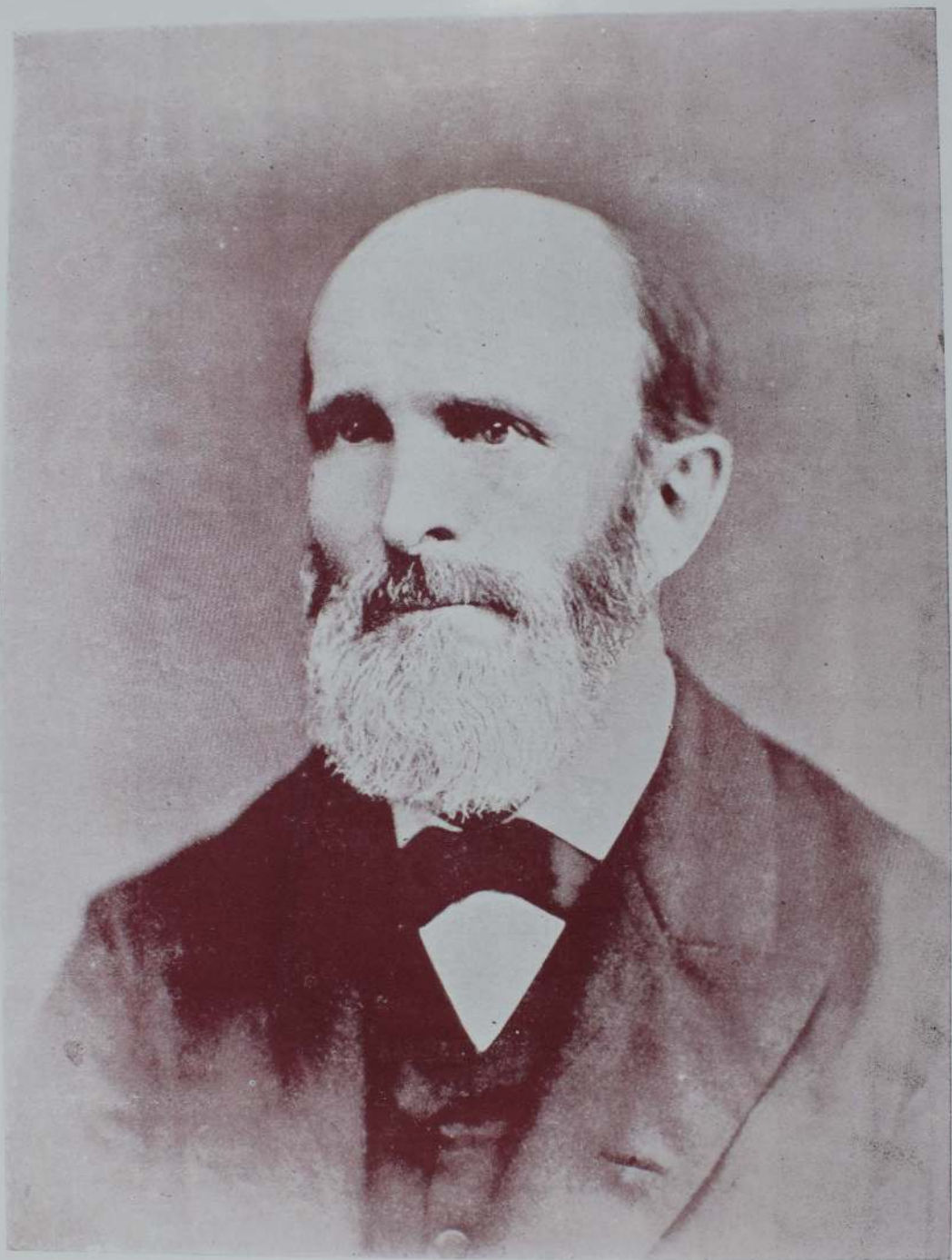
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February 15, 1950.

Dr. Edward T. Buell,
Green Memorial Hospital,
Manipay, Ceylon.

Dear Dr. Buell:

Your letter of January 27, addressed to Mr. Dudley, saying that the Centenary Celebration of the Green Memorial Hospital is to be held on April 11th and 12th, 1950 prompted us to bring this occasion to the attention of the Prudential Committee at its Plenary Session held in Cleveland, Ohio, February 13—16; and it is now our privilege to convey to you their greetings as embodied in the following resolution:

Voted, that the Prudential Committee record its gratitude to God for the service that has been rendered for a century by the Green Memorial Hospital, Manipay, Ceylon, founded in 1848 by Dr. Samuel Fiske Green, developed through the years by a succession of devoted doctors and nurses, and in recent years carried on almost entirely by resources of money and personnel from Ceylon; further, at the time of the Centenary festivities in April, 1950, to extend to the Jaffna Diocese of the Church of South India and to the staff of the Hospital, the cordial greeting of the American Board which cherishes the hope that the service of the Hospital rendered in Christ's name to the people of Ceylon may be richer and fuller as the years go by.

In due time we shall hope to hear in some detail of the services which are held at the time of the Centenary, and we shall follow the on-going work of the Hospital with warm interest in the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Russell Henry Stafford
President

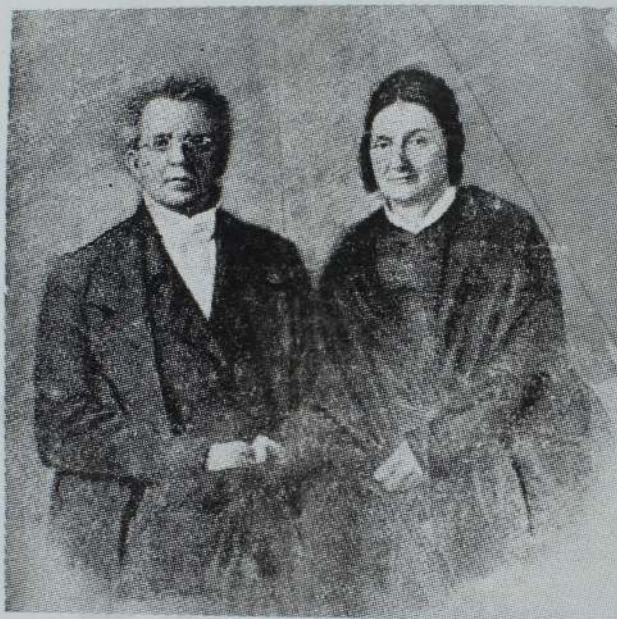
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Secretary for India and Ceylon

Dr. Scudder and the Beginnings of the Medical Mission

IT all happened many, many years ago. Napoleon had been defeated and the victorious powers were meeting at the Congress of Vienna to discuss the terms of peace and the boundaries of the States of Europe. In the same year—1816—a group of pioneer missionaries including James Richards of haystack fame sailed into a Ceylon harbour to start a war for spiritual victories.



Dr. & Mrs. John Scudder

Everywhere in the Old World there was a spirit of revolution. The New World was not altogether free. A stormy revolution was raging in the breast of John Scudder, a brilliant young doctor of New York—son of a wealthy lawyer. A tract entitled “The Conversion of the World or the Claims of Six Hundred Millions”, which he had seen in the home of a patient, entered into his very soul. He decided to follow in the steps of the Great Physician. His young wife agreed. His ambitious father was dismayed.

Dr. Scudder arrived at Tellippalai on December 17, 1819 and Jaffna became unique as the field of the world's first medical missionary. After a few months stay with Dr. Poor, Dr. Scudder was sent to Pandaterruppu on June 8, 1820.

Hitherto the missionaries established churches and schools but the pattern of the American Board's work did not fully emerge until Dr. Scudder started his

first dispensary at Pandaterruppu. The third of the three recurring facets of missionary work the world over began to make its appearance. Dr. Scudder taught medicine to a few local men.

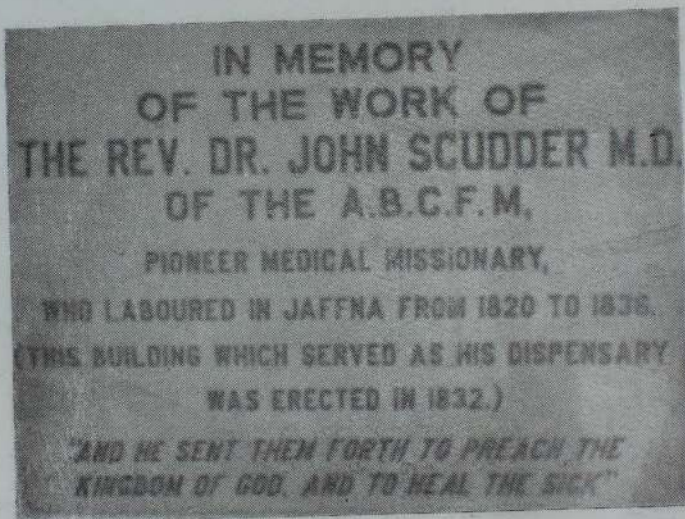


Dr. Scudder's Dispensary at Pandaterruppu

He undertook arduous evangelistic tours. He worked for long hours attending on patients with diverse diseases. More and more were attracted by his love and compassion. He and his wife had many trials. They lost three children in eighteen months. Neither work nor calamity overwhelmed them. Dr. Scud-

der's motto was "Prayer and pains, through faith in Jesus Christ, will do anything."

Dr. Scudder left Jaffna for Madras in 1836. Dr. Nathan Ward who had already arrived in 1833 succeeded him. He taught medicine at the Batticota Seminary. Some of his students later did medical work under the mission. Dr. Ward returned to America in 1847 and Dr. Samuel Fiske Green arrived the same year.



The Tablet placed by a Grateful Mission

Dr. Green and the Spread of Medical Knowledge

“**I**wandered late beneath the moon, whose pensive light seemed in friendly sympathy with my spirit. I saw her rise from the hazy East, and, awake but dreaming, pictured all those scenes, unknown to me save by description, where my destiny with unwavering finger points my path, and the future is speedily beckoning me away. I looked upon the fair orb of night, and felt myself towards her growing in attachment; for she will surely hereafter, as now, shed beams of softest influence on my soul when lonely I may stray to think of kindred far away, and feed, as I must, on memory's shades of scenes too dear, too sacred, it would seem, to leave—I hear the tones of millions call; I may not stay.”

Dr. Green sailed from Boston on April 20, 1847, arrived in Madras on September 4 and in Jaffna on October 6. On October 20, one Mr. Muttuthamby, a Tamil and Sanskrit Pundit became seriously ill. The native physicians who had been treating him gave up his case as hopeless. After much hesitation and long consultation the relatives decided to call in Dr. Green. Dr. Green diagnosed the case as abscess in the abdomen and advised immediate operation. The people and the patient agreed. Dr. Green cut open the abscess and cured him. The doctor's fame spread throughout the peninsula. “The Doctor had removed the bowels out, adjusted them and refixed them.” Ignorance and prejudice were overcome. Five days later Dr. Green had “a dozen patients, then a few, then enough, then a swarm and then a rush.”

In February 1848, Dr. Green shifted from Vaddukoddai to Manipay which to this day remains the centre of mission medical work. Training national leaders was a concern of the missionaries even in those early days. Dr. Green's dream was “to stud the province with well educated physicians.”

If there was no building, he erected one modest though it was:



Dr. Green's First Dispensary

If he didn't know Tamil, he learnt it and added to his linguistic list of Latin, Greek, German and French.

If there were no medical books in Tamil, he either wrote them or translated standard works, the translations running into 4000 printed pages :-

Cutter's Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene.
Mannsell's Obstetrics.
Druitt's Surgery.
Gray's Anatomy.
Hooper's Physician's Vade Mecum.
Wells' Chemistry.
Dalton's Physiology.
Waring's Indian Pharmacopoeia.

If there were no doctors in the country he started a medical school to train them:



Dr. Green's First Medical Class

Va'loopilly,
alias S. Miller.

Adonarsalam,
alias N. Parker.

Poopaladasingam,
alias J. H. Town.

Kanapathy,
alias C. Mead.

Padeatamby,
alias J. Danforth.

Koomadoo,
alias A. C. Hall.

No obstacle was too great. Human raw material was plentiful in Jaffna. Dr. Green added prayer and pains to these. Wonderful finished products were the result :



Dr. C. T. Mills



Dr. Wm. Paul

They adorned the Government medical service in Ceylon and were in demand even in India and Malaya. On the recommendation of Dr. Green, one of his students — Danforth Periyathamby — received the M. D. degree from America. At a time when there was no Medical College, the Government appreciated this service and offered to give an annual grant of Rs. 1000 to Dr. Green's school. In three years they doubled it.

Dr. Green collaborated with that other benefactor of Jaffna, Government Agent Dyke, in establishing the Jaffna Friend-in-Need Society Hospital (now the Civil Hospital) in 1850. He acted as its Visiting Surgeon for many years.

Two severe epidemics of cholera occurred in Jaffna during Dr. Green's period. During the first one in 1855 Dr. Green went about ministering to the sick as did Dr. Poor. Both caught the disease. Dr. Green survived while Dr. Poor succumbed. Dr. Green thereupon gave himself to the cure and prevention of cholera in Jaffna. When a second epidemic broke out in 1866, the Government distributed Dr. Green's tracts by the thousands and adopted his methods to combat the dreadful disease.

Dr. Green left Jaffna in 1873 but did not return. It was not until after the Government ascertained that Dr. Green was not coming that it took steps to establish a medical school of its own in Colombo. Dr. Green was a great Christian physician, Healing the bodies, enlightening the minds and winning the souls were his consuming passion. Miss Julia E. Green of Hartford, Connecticut — a daughter of Dr. Green — takes the same lively interest in every aspect of Christian work in Jaffna. Many an institution has been the object of her silent benefaction. To meet her is to feel an angelic presence.

Military heroes are often impersonated in bronze and stone, missionary heroes seldom. However, the Green Hospital commemorates the life of one who did battle under circumstances more trying than which it is difficult to imagine.

DR. & MRS. GREEN



AND

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Top: Dr. Green & Mrs. Green.

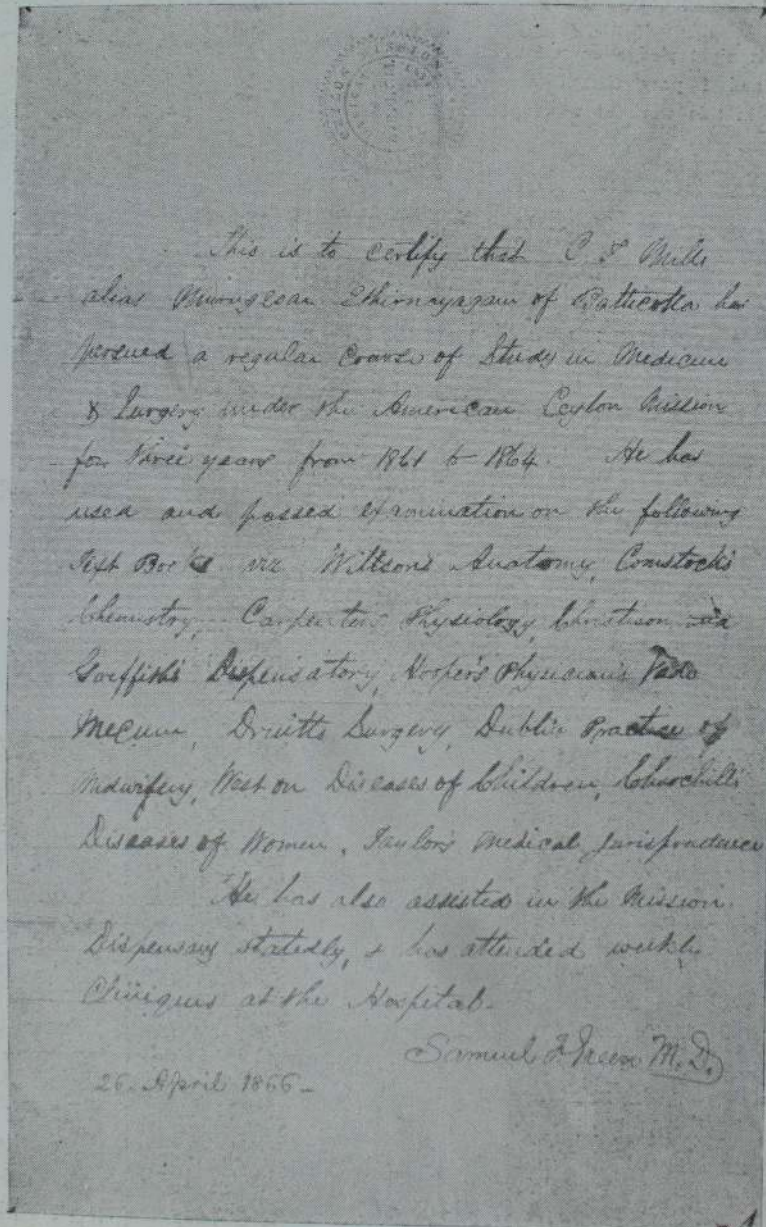
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Bottom: Mrs. D. M. Owen, Dr. Nathan W. Green.

Dr. C. T. Mills and the Inter-regnum



O medical missionary was sent from America from 1873 to 1893. The responsibility of running the hospital and teaching the medical class fell for the first time on a national, Dr. C. T. Mills — a distinguished student of Dr. Green. The Government recognized the medical school and its graduates. The following is the certificate that entitled Dr. Mills to practise and to teach medicine:



Dr. & Mrs. T. B. Scott and Nursing Education

DR. Maston from Scotland arrived in 1893 and was in charge of the hospital for a few months until the arrival of Dr. & Mrs. T. B. Scott in the same year. Dr. Scott was considered the pick of the University. He had qualifications in Arts, Theology and Medicine. His biggest qualification, however, was his wife, Mary Macallum, who at the age of 14 had signed a pledge:

"Before God I this night pledge myself to the missionary work and I pray that I may be guided and helped in this work of winning souls to Christ"

MARY MACALLUM
Aug. 24, 1879.



Dr. & Mrs. T. B. Scott

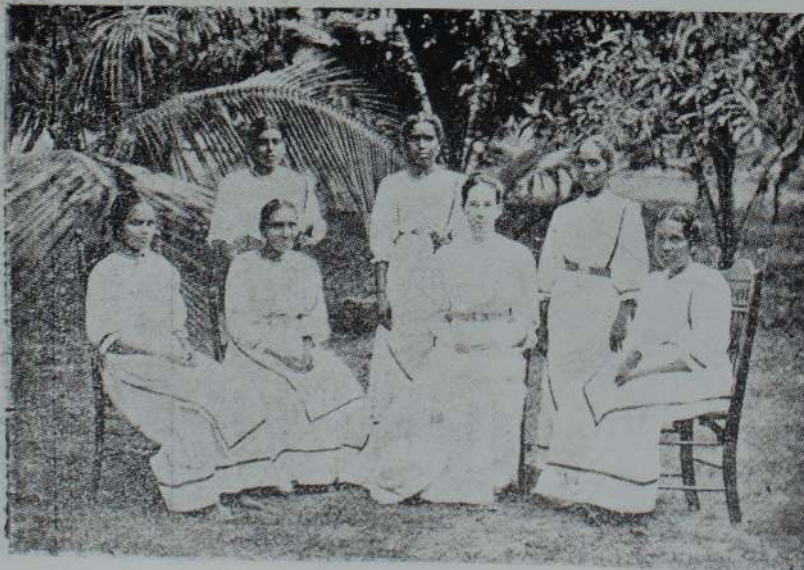
Six years later as a medical student she renewed the pledge in the following words:

"Almost six years ago the enclosed (above) was written
..... No mortal knows of its existence, and yet
in this strange city, away from home and friends. I
today repeat it"

MARY MACALLUM
Feb. 1, 1885.

Mrs. Scott was the first lady doctor to this part of the world. She quickly saw the needs and the opportunities. Doctors had come and gone

Much work had been done and yet much remained. There was no facility for training nurses — those ministering angels without whose tender care illness is so difficult to bear and so difficult to overcome. Mrs. Scott started a nursing school, another pioneering effort at Manipay:



During these years there lived in Jaffna two missionary ladies, the Misses Leitch, whose benefactions to



Green Hospital Staff, 1905.

medical work as also to educational cannot be overestimated. They saw the suffering of the people. They became possessed by the vision of an enlarged and well-equipped Manipay and a new and up-to-date Inuvil. They raised funds in America and England. They discovered Isabella Curr in Scotland. Dr. Scott erected a big building—big for those days—which was later named after him.

He also equipped the hospital and Manipay entered into a period of great advance only to be followed by a period of major recession with the departure of the Scotts on March 18, 1913.

Picture: *Left to right*

1. Rachael Sellacutty who later married Rev. Asirvatham of the Methodist Mission.
2. Eliza Dwight who later married Rev. J. K. Sinnathamby of the American Mission.
3. Mary Sinnammah who later married Rev. D. T. Sathianathan of the Church of Ceylon.



Another Batch of Nurses

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES



Blind Bible Reader at Work (1909)



Bible Women holding a Meeting (1909)

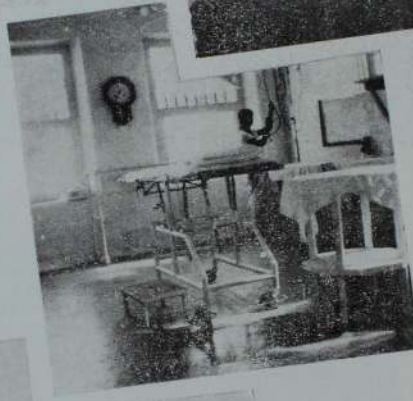
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BUILDINGS DEMOLISHED TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE CENTENARY BLOCK.

Scott Ward
(Interior)



Old Operating
Theatre



The Poor Ward



Scott Ward
(Exterior)

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Above: Doctor's Residence



Centre: Director's Bungalow

Below: Nursing School



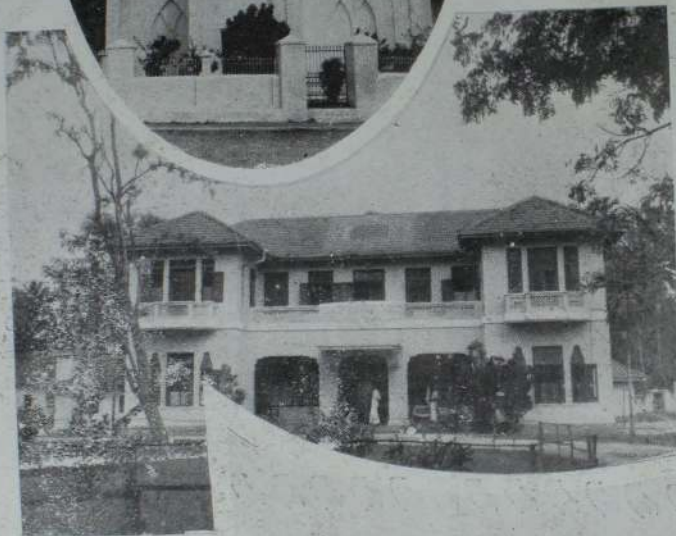
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Below: Rogers Nursing Home



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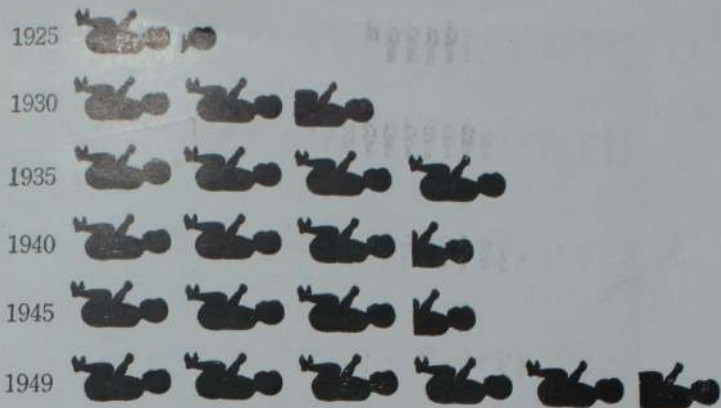
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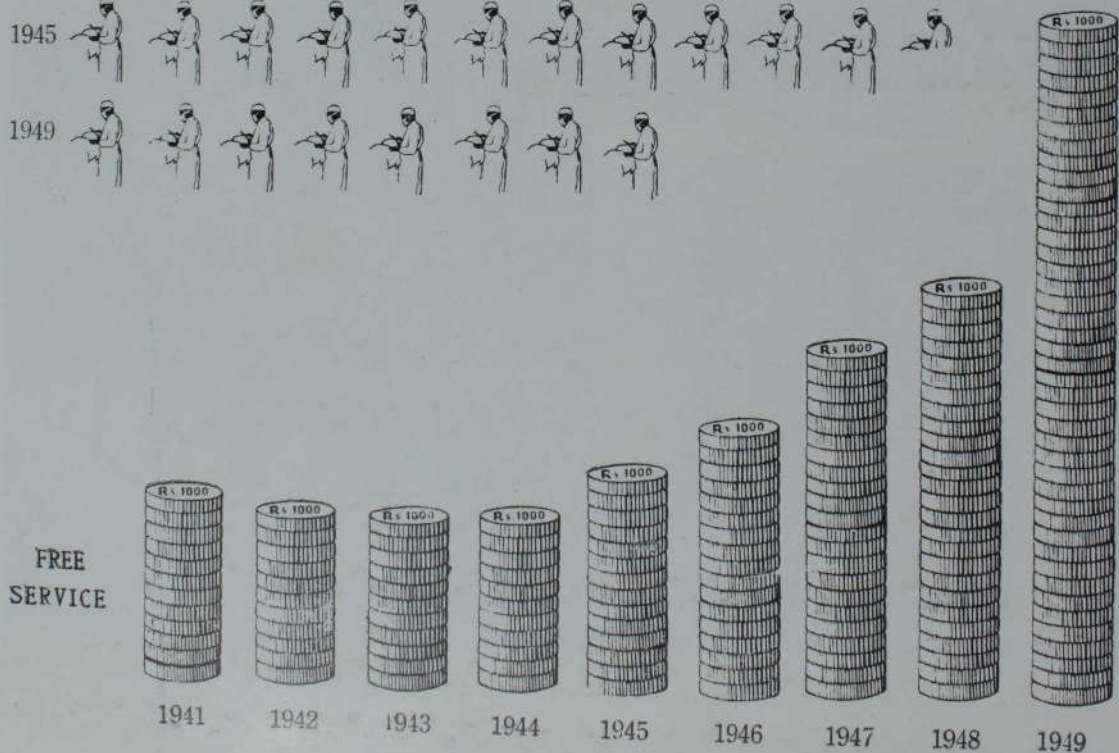
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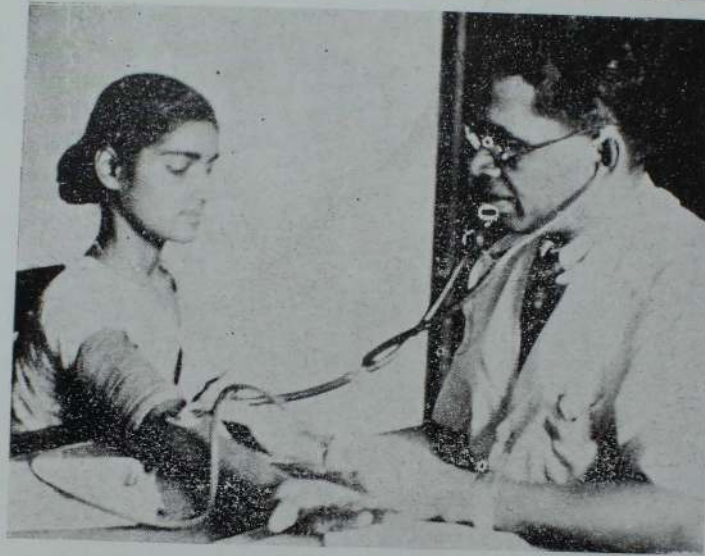
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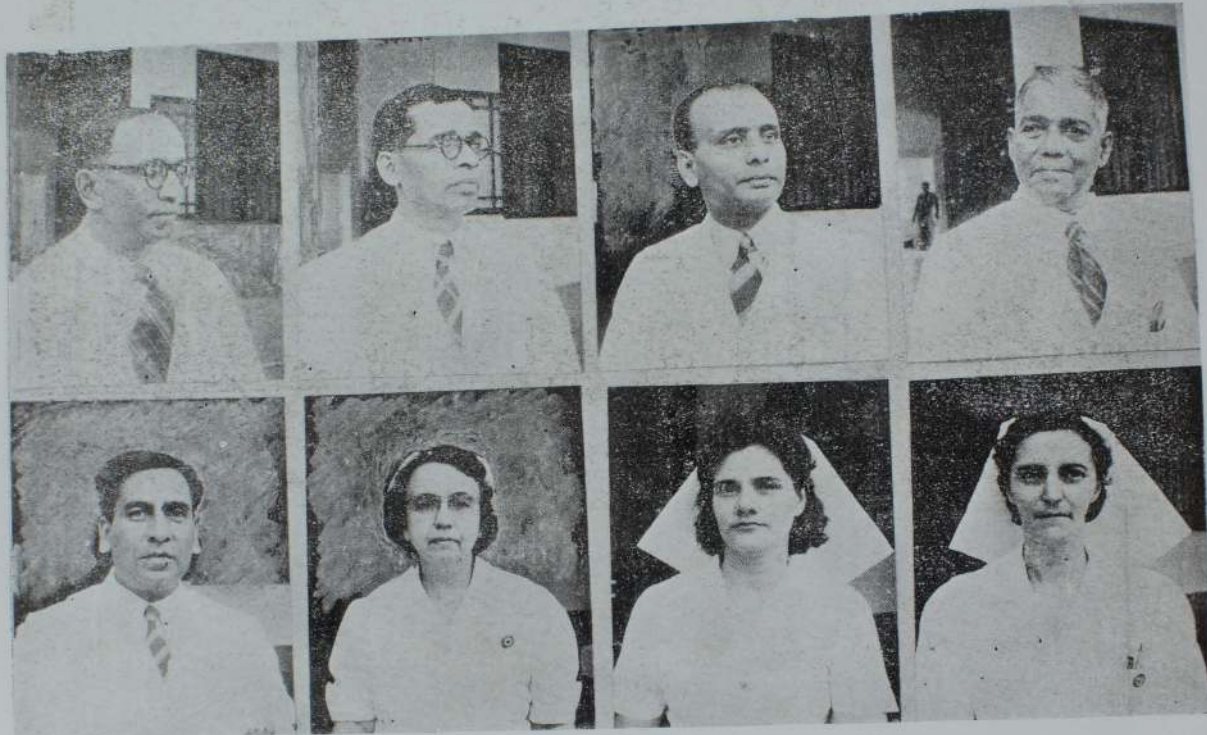
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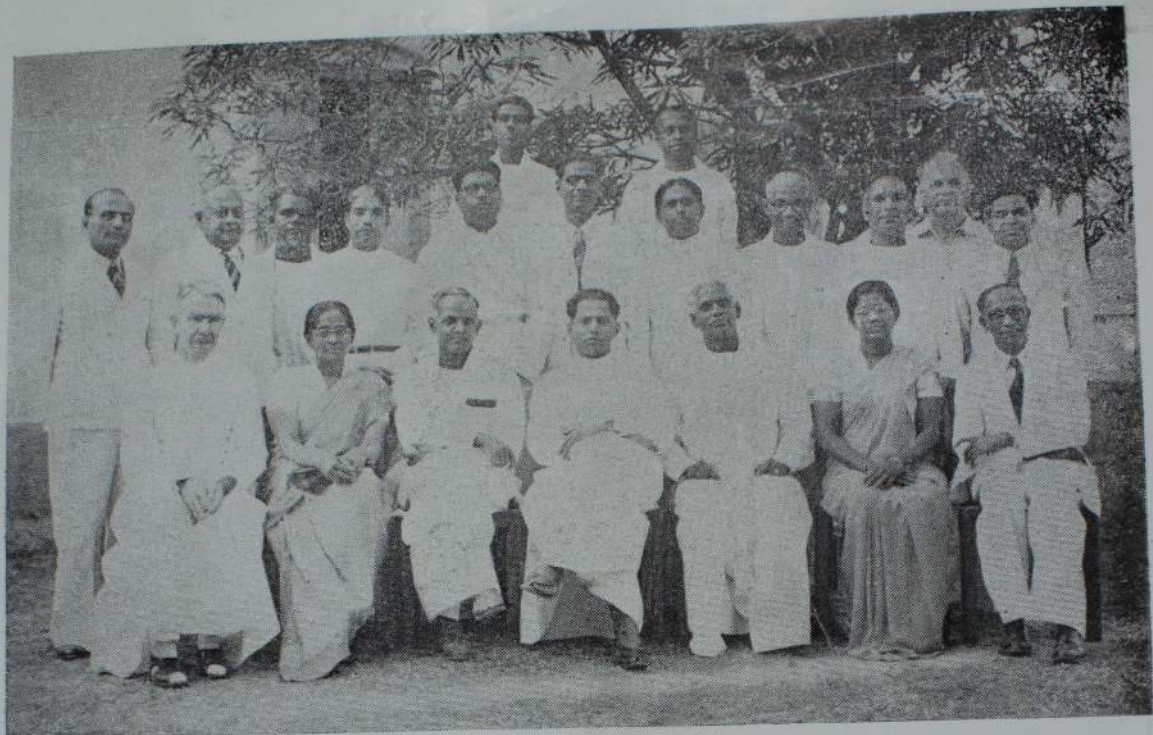
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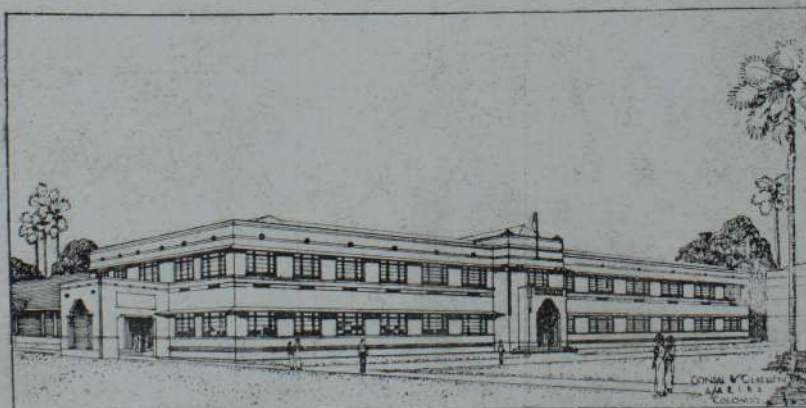
J. D. C. Executive Committee (1950)
which governs all the work in the Diocese.



Green Hospital Staff, 1950.



Sir Henry Monck - Mason Moore,
who headed the appeal for the Centenary Fund.



The Centenary Building

Another Inter-regnum

Dr. Curtis Suppiah, who was assisting Dr. Scott, succeeded to the responsibilities and things looked bright when he was unfortunately cut off by death in November 1913. Dr. W. A. Chinniah, a Government pensioner, acted for two years. No missionary doctor was sent from America and no qualified man was in charge. From 1915 to 1921 the Hospital passed through its gloomiest days. The credit for keeping the light burning even though dimly goes to Dr. S. G. C. Mills, a son of Dr. C. T. Mills, who it might be recalled had stepped into the breach during a similar crisis at an earlier period. In 1921 the services of Dr. M. O. Chacko of Travancore were secured and once again the Hospital started on the up-grade.



Dr. Curtis Suppiah



Dr. S. G. C. Mills



Dr. M. O. Chacko

Dr. Jameson and the Making of Modern Manipay

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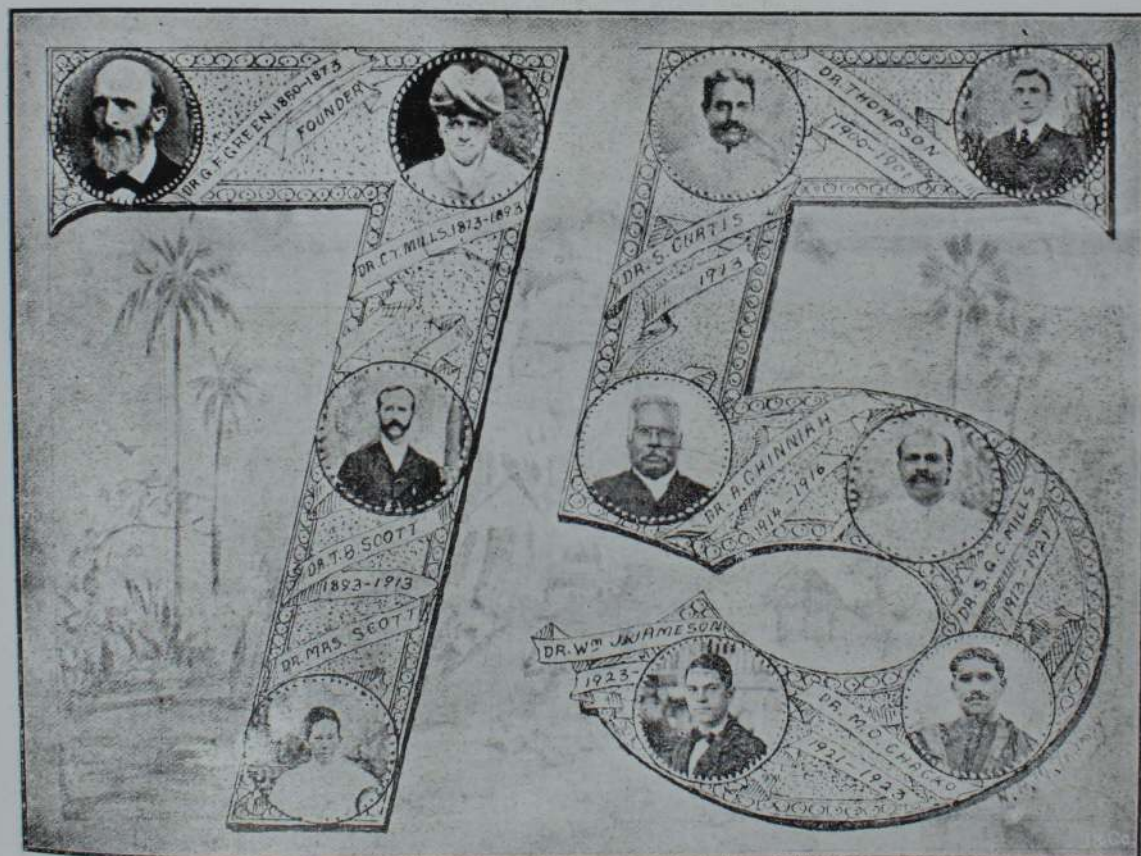
R. Wm. J. Jameson arrived on the scene on July 19, 1923 to dominate it for the next 15 years and to transform it completely. He knew that a knowledge of Tamil was indispensable for success. He soon acquired a degree of proficiency in it that put many a Tamil man to shame.

He gained direct access to the people and the people direct access to him. His energy and ability impressed them. His vision and courage electrified them. Christians and Catholics, Hindus and Muslims began to regard Manipay as their own. Dr. Jameson was convinced of the place of Manipay in the life of the people. He began to think of the development and extension of the Hospital and its greater usefulness to the country.

The 75th Anniversary Celebrations of the Hospital, held on February 17, 1926 in the presence of the American Board Deputation consisting of Dr. R. H. Potter, Dr. W. E. Strong



Dr. Wm. J. Jameson



and Miss A. E. Welcher, amply demonstrated the confidence people had in Dr. Jameson and the hospital. Dr. Jameson rode on a wave of popularity. The Hospital entered into an era of unprecedented progress. The following appeared in the *Catholic Guardian*:-

"So great is the popularity of the hospital that the influx of patients is not only from the Northern Province but also from beyond its limits. The expert treatment of all kinds of ailments, combined with fatherly kindness and solicitude, prompt attention and careful nursing of the staff, draws people in such large numbers that seldom accommodation is found for all and temporary sheds have to be put up to house the patients, notwithstanding the new wards opened in recent years. It is to be hoped that our paternal Government will come to the assistance of the Hospital authorities who are in urgent need of funds for the enlargement of the Hospital. If there is an institution which deserves a substantial building grant more than others, it is the Green Hospital at Manipay which none acquainted with the enormous humanitarian work done daily in it will gainsay."

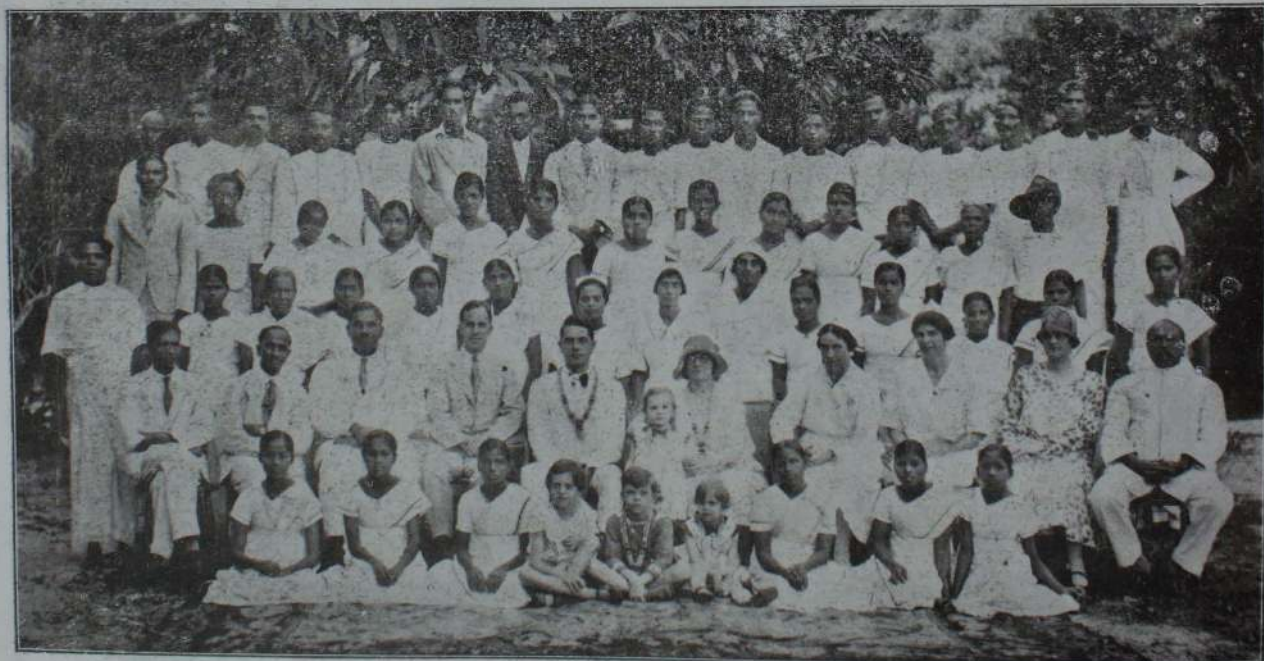
Dr. Jameson secured grants from the government and gifts from the people. He erected buildings and built up endowments. He provided equipment and raised the professional standard of his assistants. Dr. Chacko was sent to Europe in Sept. 1927, Dr. Buell in December 1932 and Dr. Mathew in May 1934.

On July 30, 1928 His Excellency the Governor, Sir Herbert Stanley, declared open the new Outpatients Department gifted by that philanthropist and friend of the Hospital, Mr. A. Sellamuttu. On the same day Sir Herbert laid the foundation stone for the Jameson Ward. On Nov. 3, 1930 he returned to open the building. He said:

"It is always a pleasure to see good work well done and I know of no other institution in the Island where this pleasure is more readily obtainable."

His wife spoke of:

"The spirit of love, selfless devotion, practical facing of difficulties and absorption in the daily task" that characterized the Hospital.



Dr. & Mrs. Jameson going on Furlough in 1930.

On Nov. 15, 1930 Dr. & Mrs. Jameson went home on furlough with the prayers of the people asking for their return. On Jan. 18, 1932 Dr. Jameson returned with an X-Ray machine costing Rs. 28,000 and some new diagnostic instruments. In 1936 the Chaoul apparatus for the treatment of cancer was added with the help of contributions from the public. On Nov. 24, 1937 Mrs E. T. Dyson declared open the Willis F. Pierce School of Nursing.



Nurses studying the Theory



These and other accomplishments, too numerous to mention, brought to a close the service to Jaffna of one who threw himself whole - heartedly not only into the work of the hospital but also into every aspect of Christian work. Dr. Jameson can truly be acclaimed as the maker of modern Manipay. Throughout this period Dr. Chacko remained a strong and faithful lieutenant Dr & Mrs. Jameson and children left for home on March 5, 1938 with the people hoping and praying that they would come back. This was not to be but their work will live on for ever.



Farewell to Dr. & Mrs. Jameson in 1938

Dr. Kennedy and the Unification of Medical Work



Dr. Robert M. Kennedy

INUVIL and Manipay had grown round two personalities — Dr. Isabell H. Curr and Dr. William J. Jameson. With the departure of these two from the scene at about the same time, the Mission felt that circumstances required a co-ordination of the work of the two hospitals. Dr. Robert M. Kennedy arrived on June 22, 1939 and was appointed Director of the two hospitals under a Union Medical Board. On his young shoulders descended the responsibility of reconciling different traditions and co-ordinating different practices. He was just getting a grip on affairs when he had to leave for home on May 20, 1942 during the war emergency. He was immediately drafted to the Navy and within a short time Jaffna received the shocking news of his death at sea when he went down with a destroyer caught in an Atlantic hurricane. He was given a chance to save himself but he preferred to stay by the bedside of his patients. He died as he lived — selfless, courageous and sacrificing to the end.

Dr. Buell and the Threshold of a New Century

DR. E. T. Buell, who had been on the staff since 1927 and gained much experience, was appointed Director on March 14, 1945 and once again the mantle fell on a national. Exceptional skill and hard work characterised him. Unusual success attended him. The Centenary was drawing near. There were still many needs to be met. An up-to-date and well-equipped Operating Theatre was an imperative need. A Pathological Laboratory was an indispensable requisite. A deep X-Ray plant would be a valuable asset. Nothing but the best was good enough for a hospital rendering service in the name of the Great Physician.



Dr. E. T. Buell



Thrilled at the arrival of new equipment from America, the Doctors anxiously read the literature concerning them.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

VISITORS TO THE PENINSULA DO NOT
FAIL TO SEE THE HOSPITAL.



Top: The Rt. Rev. A. R. Graham-Campbell, Bishop of Colombo.

Bottom left: Lord Soulbury, Governor General of Ceylon.

Bottom right: The Hcn. Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, Minister of Health & Local Government.



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A patient is being brought in.



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It occurred to Dr. Buell to appeal to an appreciative government and a grateful public on the occasion of the Centenary. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Henry Monck-Mason Moore and the Hon. Mr. George E. de Silva, Minister of Health, headed the appeal. The campaign was launched at a meeting in the Central Y. M. C. A., Colombo, on Oct. 11, 1946. It met with immediate response. The progressive Minister was also generous. He secured a grant of Rs. 150,000 from Government on the condition that a like sum was provided by the Hospital towards the building and equipment. Through the untiring efforts of Dr. Buell the money was collected. The building is nearing completion. Another dream is coming true.



The Hon. Mr. George E. de Silva

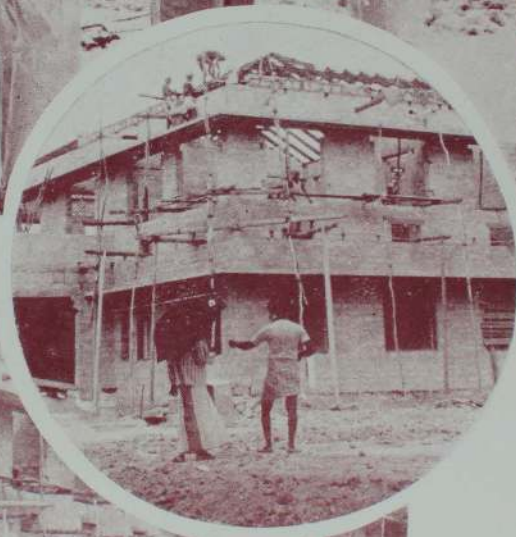
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In the forenoon of April 11, 1950 the Bishop, Rt. Rev. S. Kulandran, will conduct a Service of Thanksgiving to God for all His guidance throughout the century and for the selfless services of the great band of consecrated men and women who have toiled at the hospital that His name might be glorified. He also will dedicate the new building. In the afternoon, fittingly enough, the Rt. Hon. D. S. Senanayake, Prime Minister of Ceylon, will declare the building open in the presence of a large gathering of friends and well-wishers and amidst much rejoicing and festivity. The stage is well set for the opening of a new century.



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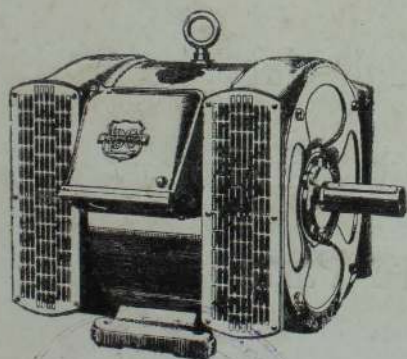
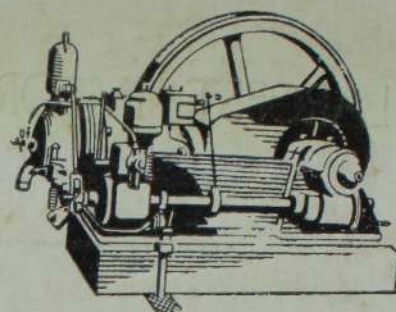
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