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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7929.
In the Matter of the estate of the late
Thevasi Komaru of Chiviataru West
Deceased.

Sinnakutty widow of Komaru of Chiviataru
West.
Vs. Petitioner.

- 1 Peropathy widow of Nagan of Chiviataru.
- 2 Sinnathambu Thambo and wife
- 3 Vallippillai of do.
- 4 Komaru Arumugam of do.
- 5 Vyravi Arumugattan and Wife
- 6 Sathavan of do.

Minors. { 7. Ponnammah daughter of Komaru of do and
8. Komaru Veluppillai of do.

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the above-named Petitioner praying that the 4th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the 7th and 8th Respondents and that Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased be granted to the Petitioner as his widow coming on for disposal of the estate of the deceased before D. H. Balfour, Esq., District Judge, Jaffna, on July 16, 1931, in the presence of Mr. R. Subramaniam, Proctor, for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated July 8, 1931 having been read, It is ordered that the 4th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the 7th and 8th Respondents and the Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased shall be granted to the Petitioner unless the respondents appear before this Court on September 14, 1931 show cause to the satisfaction of his Court to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7910.

In the matter of the estate of the late
Arumugam Arunasiam of Neerveli Jaffna
Deceased.

Achob'mattu alias Achobipillai widow of
Subramaniam of do
Vs. Petitioner.

1. Arunasiam Ponnampalam and
2. Arunasiam Kanapathipillai of Neerveli
Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour, Esq., District Judge, Jaffna on June 11, 1931, in the presence of Mr. S. Patarjali, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner having been read: It is ordered that the above-named 2nd Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minor the 1st Respondent and that the Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate as one of the brothers unless the Respondents shall appear before this Court on July 23, 1931 and state objection or show cause to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.

June 16, 1931.

Extended till 16 9 31.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,
D. J.

O 270 10 & 14.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7907.

In the matter of the estate of the late
Ponnammah alias Nagammah wife of
Kansagaratnam Somasundaram of
Thavady
Deceased.

Kansagaratnam Somasundaram of Thavady
Vs. Petitioner.

1. Ponnampalam Thambu and wife
2. Bellachchi both of Thavady
Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, J. P., on June 9, 1931, in the presence of Mr. S. Patarjali Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner having been read: It is ordered that the Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate as her husband unless the Respondents shall appear before this Court on July 23, 1931 and state objection or show cause to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.

June 15, 1931.

Extended till 16 h Sept 1931

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,
D. J.

O. 268. 10. & 14.

The Hindu Organ.

JAFFNA, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1931

INCREASE YOUR STRENGTH.

"INCREASE YOUR STRENGTH" WAS THE key-note of the speeches delivered by the members of the Working Committee of the Indian National Congress at a public meeting held at Ahmedabad on Wednesday last. Nowhere is the need to bring home to the people the truth of the above statement so strongly felt as in Jaffna where the evils of national weakness are seen in their worst. The vagaries of the Police are borne with an impotent sigh. The insolence of an officer is pocketed with tame submission. Public opinion is not strong enough to assert itself and to make its influence felt in the affairs of this district. Mere holding of public meetings and passing of pious resolutions will not achieve any tangible result. Time has come to organise the country and to develop the dormant strength of the people.

National weakness is the main cause of national degradation. It is so in every country. In the seventies of the last century Japan was a weak country. By showing power it was intimidated into submission to foreign dictation. It soon discovered that national weakness was a great reproach. In the course of two decades it developed her strength in such a manner as to be respected even by the very nations which at one time despised her. Forty years ago India was in the same plight. The late Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji drew up a strong indictment against the British rule in India in his famous book, "Indian Poverty and the British Rule in India." Neither he nor the Indian National Congress of which he was the President on more than one occasion was able to get any redress from the rulers. The National Congress passed resolutions, presented memorials and petitions and sent deputations. Nothing came out of them. They were only treated with contempt. The late Mr. B. G. Tilak preached the cult of strength but he failed to organise the country for direct action and therefore his work did not produce any tangible result in the country. Until Mahatma Gandhi took up the reins of the Indian National Congress its voice was that of one crying in the wilderness. It is he, who by his teachings, life and example infused new life, vigour and strength to the Indian masses from the Himalayas to Cape Comorin. The movement to organise the Indian people was set on foot by him. Provincial, district, taluk and village organisations came into existence. Volunteers and members were enrolled throughout India. Funds were collected. In short the Indian National Congress became truly representative of every section of the people. Today its power is recognised by the very rulers who in the past flouted its opinion and despised its resolutions.

What Jaffna wants today is strength and not public meetings to pass sonorous resolutions. Strength can be acquired through organisation. There are thirty-two parishes in the district and more than two hundred villages and every parish and every village should be so organised as to make the people self-reliant. They should be taught the value of unity and co-operation. And these organisations should work under a federal organization with a common executive representing and acting for the entire district. A community however small it may be, if well organised can make its influence felt in the affairs of the country. The fault is not in our stars but in ourselves that we are underlings. The reproach of weakness should be removed. We appeal to the leaders of the people to concentrate their efforts on organising them and develop the dormant strength that is in them.

The Police or U. D. C. WHO IS THE HIGHER AUTHORITY?

DIVERSION OF TRAFFIC AT KANDASWAMY TEMPLE

The recent trouble in regard to traffic control at the Nallur Kandaswamy Temple was the subject of a discussion at the last meeting of the Urban District Council held last Saturday.

Under the item "business if any" Mr O O Somasegaram called upon the Chairman to make a statement as to all that had transpired in connection with the diversion of traffic at the Nallur Kandaswamy Temple. Particularly, he wanted to know whether the Police authorities should carry out the orders of the local authorities or that the latter should submit to the authority of the former.

Mr Nalliah was of opinion that as the road in question was a P W D road, they had to consider the matter more fully and carefully than it was possible for them to do at that meeting, and arrive at a correct decision.

Mr Somasegaram wanted to know whether the U. D. C. was there only for the purpose of collecting tax and doing the conservancy and scavenging of the town.

Mr K Somasundaram who had interviewed the Government Agent in connection with the traffic control at the Kandaswamy Temple, said that the Chairman was treated like a school-boy by the Government Agent. He also remarked that when they asked the Government Agent for bread, he gave them a stone.

The Chairman said that, if he were to make a statement it would be a long one, and therefore he would make it at the next meeting.

Are Lands worth Anything?

CREDITOR BUYS LAND FOR RS 310

A land mortgaged for Rs. 5000 was brought by the creditor, in the absence of bidders at the auction sale, for the fabulously low price of Rs. 310.

The land in question is a planted one, 16 acres in extent, with residential quarters, situated at Warriapola in the Matale District. It belonged to one Sana Mohamed who had mortgaged the land for Rs. 5000 to Mr. K. Somasundaram, a medical practitioner at Mardanawela.

National Fair.

NATIONAL DRESS EXHIBITION

The Dress Reform and Thrift Committee has recommended to the Executive Council to hold a National Fair early in December, with the idea of popularising and finding a market for local commodities and to encourage local customs.

One of the items in the Fair would be a National Dress Exhibition with prizes to be awarded to the best dresses.

Special Corps of European Police

MOTION FOR DISBANDING IT

The gradual disbanding of the special corps of European Police forms the text of a motion notice of which has been given by Mr. F. A. Obeyesekere at the last meeting of the State Council. The following is the notice:—

"That in the interests of the Ceylon Police Force and of economy, this council is of opinion that the continuance of the Special Corps of European Police is unnecessary and desires the gradual disbanding of the same."

Continued.

who has the child's confidence and this is won only by sympathy and love. With the progress of civilization man has realised that humane methods are much more effective and with children too kindness and love and a confidence that is begotten of a true understanding of the child are only effective factors that could influence a child.

A study of children who go wrong all over the world shows that the various factors that cause a child to grow wrong may be classified under various heads. Some of them are environmental conditions in the home and in the school, physical defects, mental deficiency or dullness, intellectual and temperamental conditions. Though it is not possible to deal with all these conditions in detail I will discuss some of them with practical applications in our country in further articles.

(By S. U. Somasegaram, B. A. Hon., D. P. Educ., Vice Principal, Victoria College)

Psychology has captured Education and also the methods of dealing with delinquent children and juvenile crime. In the past people had considered that the causes that operated in their own adult minds operated in the same fashion among their children and therefore considered that the code of laws and punishments suitable for themselves would be suitable to the children too. All thinking people now realise that the child is not an adult in miniature but is a growing, changing, constantly evolving organism, whose nature is so difficult to analyse, or whose course of development it is so difficult to prophesy with any degree of accuracy.

I have yet to meet the boy who has never gone wrong is the common complaint of our wiseacres. The older these Jeremiahs grow the more woeful seem to be their complaints and so persistent are they that some begin to wonder whether a state of delinquency may not be the natural state of every boy. The truth is that all boys belong to the same kind but the differences are only differences in degree. In a few articles I propose to discuss the various factors that contribute to make the darling of his parents and the rising hope of the family become the hooligan of the street and the never do well. The incidence of delinquency is so great and the future is so gloomy that it becomes the duty of every parent or guardian to study this question very carefully for securing himself a happy family as well as for the national welfare.

The rough and ready methods by which children were treated in the past are found to be no longer satisfactory. "Spare the rod and spoil the child" was a maxim held to be of universal application. This maxim seems to be 100 per cent true in the case of animals, but children are not animals and they should be treated differently. Further, it is not possible to treat all children with the same regimen as no two children ever react identically to the same stimulus. Every child has therefore to be studied individually and their complaints diagnosed even as the experienced doctor treats his patient. Patent remedies are never always successful and so too are patent methods of treating children.

In dealing with delinquent children the parent or teacher has always to remember three things. First, the boy is a living, fast developing organism reacting very sensitively to every stimulus in his environment and as with all living organisms evolving into something better and more adapted to the environment in which it comes into existence. Children are not standardised dolls, or clay in the hands of the potter or a blank wall for the painter to produce his picture. Gods, teachers, parents, friends and the environment may attempt their best to mould this organism according to their desires but not all their efforts could avail anything as against the will, the self-determination of the organism itself. You can lead the cow to the water but it is the cows that must drink and must will to drink. So also the organism faced with all these conditions adapts itself to meet the various exigencies. It is in this process of adaptation, in this period of conflict that the organism develops its nature or character.

Second, the child and the school boy is not a miniature adult. He has a code of his own. He has not grown old enough to understand the value of property or the various conventions with which civilised man has hedged himself. As Wordsworth puts it "the shades of the prison house close fast around the boy" but it has not entirely closed up as in the case of the adult. As a result the boy does not see eye to eye with the adult and if we could place ourselves in the situation of the boy we could see how ridiculous would be most of our notions, the boy seeing no sense in them rides roughshod over our adult conventions and we retaliate by calling him a delinquent. To judge whether a boy has gone wrong or not we must judge him by his own standard and if we do so we will realise how often we have called a sincere boy a scoundrel and persuaded him to become such.

Third we must remember that in all our dealings with children we must adopt a sympathetic attitude. Methods of brute force serve no purpose at all. On the other hand force alienates the sympathies and love of the children and render our methods less effective, if not disastrous. The only person who can have any influence on a child is the person

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Mr Vithalbai Patel who underwent an operation in Vienna left for London on Friday last for the Round Table Conference.

It is learned, says the "Daily News" that Mrs A F Molamure, wife of the Speaker and daughter the late Meedeniya Adiger has been invited to stand for election for the Ruwanwella seat rendered vacant by the death of her father.

The Principal's Office room at Sri Sumangala College, Panadura, was broken into by thieves. A big breach had been made in the wall, and the almirahs and drawers had been ransacked but the thieves found nothing as the money collected in fees had previously been utilised to pay the teachers.

It is stated that Mr C Rajagopalachariar will be in charge of the management of "Yug India" during Mahatma Gandhi's absence. There will be no editorial change, as Mahatmaji will continue to edit and write articles as before. Mr. Rajagopalachariar will manage affairs and write articles for the paper.

Successful experiments have been made in Sheffield, the Steel City, in manufacturing artificial gold. The new gold is an alloy of aluminium and copper which imitates the appearance of the various carats of gold. It is stainless. Although production is still on a small scale, experts forecast that there will soon be a boom in popularity of the new metal. Already a full dinner set has been made. The metal will be sold at the price of nickel silver.

Four hundred persons have been killed and half the population has been rendered homeless at Belze in British Honduras after a violent 150-miles-an-hour hurricane accompanied by a tidal wave. Puerto Rico and other parts of the West Indies suffered less serious damage. President Hoover has ordered naval boats and aeroplanes to leave the canal zone and Managua for Belze to relieve distress.

Asked if he had anything to "declare" by the Customs authorities at Marseilles, Mahatmaji said, "I am a poor mendicant. My earthly possessions consist of six spinning wheels, prison dishes, a can of goats' milk, six home spun loin cloths, towels, and my reputation which cannot be worth much". This encounter with the customs was carried out with the utmost good humour and the Inspector passed him on.

The Karayur Menace.

DEPUTATION TO WAIT ON MINISTERS.

That the Chairman and another member of the Jaffra U D C should interview the Minister for Local Administration and the Minister for Communications and Works with a view to getting the vote for the Karayur Reclamation Scheme included in the next Budget was the decision of the Council at its last meeting. Pursuant to notice Mr P Moses moved:

"That this Council do immediately take the necessary steps for securing the vote from the State Council for the layout of the portion of the Karayur Reclamation Grounds allotted for the transfer of the congested population of Karayur, a scheme barging fire for over half a century in spite of the successive Governors, Directors of Medical and Sanitary Services and the Government Agents recommending the urgent necessity for transferring the congested population to the reclaimed land, to save the Town of J.ffa from the menace of epidemics which often times had sprung up in the congested area."

Mr R R Nalliah seconded and also suggested that a deputation consisting of the Chairman and Mr Moses do interview the Minister for Local Administration and the Minister for Communications and Works and members of the two Committees to impress upon them the urgent necessity of giving relief to the congested population of Karayur and to get the vote included in the next Budget.

This suggestion was accepted by the house

Mahatmajji Arrives in London
ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME

Folkestone, Saturday.
Mr. Gandhi landed here at 2 p.m. to-day. The vicinity of the harbour was thronged.

Though raining heavily the crowd of spectators was so large and the crush so great that Police precautions were necessary.

Entrance to the Harbour station was allowed only after the production of a special permit.

Mr. Gandhi arrived at Euston Road at 4.10 p.m. to-day.

UNOFFICIAL RECEPTION
London, Saturday
Mr. Gandhi was met at Folkestone by Mr F M Vincent, on behalf of the Secretary of the State and the Government, and by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, and driven off in a motor car. He was given a welcoming cheer by the people gathered on the dock gates.

Alleged Breach of Trust.
JAFFNA COMMERCIAL CORPORATION
MANAGER CHARGED

At the Jaffna Police Court, before Mr. M F de S Jayaratne, Police Magistrate a plaint was filed charging Mr. Edward Mather, Manager and Director of the Jaffna Commercial Corporation Ltd., charging him with breach of trust in respect of a jewel box which had been deposited with the Corporation.

Deposited 15 Years Ago.
The complainant Mr. Selvarayan, giving evidence, stated that he was the executor of the last will of his father, Mr. R. Manabhar, who died in 1923. In 1916 Mr. R. Manabhar deposited a valuable box of jewels and papers with the Jaffna Commercial Corporation, Ltd. In 1924 after his father's death, he (witness) applied for the deposits. The account denied the deposit of the jewel box, but returned to him a packet of loose papers, stating that the box had been taken away. Last August he applied again for the deposits, which the account denied in three letters.

Search Warrant for Box?
After the closing of the transactions for winding up the business, he (witness) received a message that the officers of the Corporation had unearthed the box claimed by him. He (Mr. Selvarayan) inspected the box in Mr. Mather's office in the presence of his witnesses and found that it was not the box his father had deposited and that the seals had been tampered with. He refused to take charge of it. He charged the accused with breach of trust. He wanted the box produced in court.

Mr. T N Subbiah, who appeared for the complainant, moved for a search warrant for the box.

The Contents.
Mr. V Ramalingam, appearing for Mr. Mather stated that the complainant wanted the production of that box without declaring its contents. Mr. Mather insisted that the declaration should be made by the complainant before he opened the box. Otherwise he ran the risk of being falsely charged by the complainant with misappropriation of jewellery that was not there at all. He further stated that he would produce the box, provided the Court obtained from the complainant a list of the contents of the box.

Magistrate (to complainant):—Can you give me a list?
Complainant:—I don't know all the articles in the box. I know some of the articles. I can guess.

How he Knew.
Magistrate: How can you identify the box? I carried the box for my father when he deposited the box in the Bank.
The Magistrate inquired who was made the official liquidator of the Company.
Mr. Ramalingam: On the 24th of this month there is going to be held a meeting of the shareholders. At that meeting a liquidator will be appointed.
Mr. K V Sinnadurai stated that Mr. R. Manabhar was not the only claimant to the box, but that there were others.
The Magistrate issued notice that the box should be produced to-morrow.

Letters To The Editor.
URUMPARAI O. M. S. SCHOOL TO BE
CLOSED

Dear Sir,
It is now known definitely from the letter published below sent by Mr. H. Peto, dated 29.8.31 to the parents of the children reading in the O.M.S. English School, Urumpurai, that the school will be closed for good as from the 30th of this month. As there is already one efficient Hindu English School in the village under the management of the Board of Directors of the Hindu College, this Mission School is not at all a necessity in a place consisting mostly of Hindus. It may be stated in this connection that the Mission School would have been closed about 2 or 3 years ago, if some of the Hindus had not lent their support to the management.

The Hindu English School has on roll about 300 children, while the two Hindu Tamil schools in the village have about 500 children on the roll. The strength of the O.M.S. schools began to decrease, as everyone knows, as soon as the present headmaster of the English school took charge. The establishment of the Tamil school—Chandrodaya Vidya-salai in 1928 near the O.M.S. schools began to affect the O.M.S. English school very much (as the Hindu children in the neighbourhood got admission into 'Chandrodaya Vidya-salai'—to join the Hindu English school after passing the third standard).

The large number of children who left the O.M.S. English school and joined the Hindu school and the rapid increase in the number of children on roll in the Hindu schools, within the past four years are in themselves a sufficient proof to show that the parents are convinced of the fact that better and more efficient work is being done in the Hindu schools.

It will be interesting to know that, though the Hindu school was established earlier than the O.M.S. English School the latter owing to the influences of the than Missionary Manager, was registered earlier and that all kinds of obstacles were thrown to prevent the registration of the Hindu school for some years. It is a matter of regret to know that some Hindus have been active supporters of the O.M.S. schools for reasons best known only to themselves.

It is hoped that those Hindu gentlemen whose interest was divided between the O.M.S. and the Hindu English schools and gave their support in all possible ways to the gentlemen who undertook the management of the O.M.S. English school for a few years, (though to the outside world they posed themselves as the champions of the Hindu schools) will now give their entire support to the Hindu schools and help them in all possible ways in their further progress.

I remain,
Yours in Service
A HINDU.

THE LETTER.
The following is the text of the letter sent by Mr. Peto to parents of children reading in the O.M.S. School:—
O. M. S. English School,
Urumpurai,
28th, Aug. 1931.

Dear Sir/Madam,
I regret to have to give you notice that this School will be closed as from the 30th of September, 1931. As you are probably aware, the annual inspection of the school is to be held on September the 7th and 8th. Leaving Certificates will be issued after the inspection on the 8th, or on the morning of the 9th, to all pupils who have paid all the school dues to the end of September 1931.

Kindly note that no pupil will be presented at the inspection unless he or she has paid all fees to the end of September.

In order to give your child the benefit of the continuance of the education already given in our school, I have decided to admit pupils from this school to St. John's College and to the Kopy O.M.S. English School at half fees for the twelve months succeeding the closing of the school, i.e., from October 1st 1931.

We shall be glad to welcome your son to either of these schools. St. John's College begins its new term on the 15th of September and Kopy its new term early in October.

I remain,
Yours very truly
H. Peto,
Manager.

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Law Examination Results

6 ADVOCATE & 14 PROCTORS
The following have been declared to have passed the Advocate and Proctor's second and third examinations held in July 1931

Advocates Second:—(1) M. Balasubramaniam, (2) K. S. Perera, (3) T. Nadasaraj, (4) A. O. Gooraratne, (5) M. Kesavaiah, (6) D. J. R. Gunawardena, (7) J. D. R. Phelan.

Scholarship:—M. Balasubramaniam is awarded the scholarship of Rs. 480 tenable for one year.

New Advocates.
ADVOCATES' THIRD:—1. V. Manivasagam, 2. P. Srikanthadas, 3. J. R. Jayawardena, 4. G. W. E. Kiriwira, 5. A. B. Ponnambalam, M. M. I. Karapper, 6. W. W. Muttu Rajah.

Proctors:—V. Manivasagam is awarded the Cash prize of Rs. 250.

V. Manivasagam and P. Srikanthadas are each awarded a prize to the value of Rs. 50 in books for the best papers on the Law of Insolvency under Rule 56 (whole examination): 1. P. C. Janz.

Proctors'
PROCTORS' SECOND: 1. S. Kandasamy, 2. Ben Samarasinge, 3. H. S. de Silva, 4. J. P. E. Gregory, 5. A. Homer Vanniasingam, 6. L. D. S. Gunasekera, 7. M. Sanga, 8. V. Elijatombi, 9. M. A. Azeez, 10. H. S. Wijetunga, Z. D. Muisafer, 11. W. D. Dasintha, D. O. Boultjins, 12. O. V. Samarasinge, 13. G. P. Veltingada, 14. C. M. A. Rajakarier, 15. P. S. Sathasnam, 16. S. O. S. Corea, 17. A. O. M. Hussain, 18. F. N. Dias Abeyasinghe, S. Ratanasingam.

Scholarship: S. Kandasamy is awarded the scholarship of Rs. 360 tenable for one year.

Ben Samarasinge is awarded the scholarship of Rs. 240 tenable for one year.

The New Proctors
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RETIREMENT OF THE FOUNDER
A meeting of the Old Boys was held on the 3rd inst. to consider what steps should be taken to celebrate the retirement of Mr. Siampu, the founder, manager and teacher of the school, from service by the end of this month.

A resolution was passed that a purse be presented to him. The following were elected to form a committee:—

President: Mr. K. S. Rajaratnam
Secretary: Mr. M. Nagalingam.
Treasurer: Mr. V. Subramaniam. (H. E. S.)

Assst. Treasurers: Messrs. R. Kandiah; M. Subramaniam; and S. Sanmugam.

Committee Members:—Messrs. (1) V. Thuraiappah, (2) A. Nagalingam (3) S. Obelliah, (4) K. Somasundaram (5) V. Murguesu, (6) V. Ramalingam, (7) S. Velupillai, (8) K. Namastavayam (9) V. Vanniasingam, (10) S. Ampalavanar, (11) P. Nagalingam.—Cor.

An Appeal.
Mr. V. Subramaniam Secretary of the committee writes:—
On behalf of the Farewell Function Committee of Mr. Siampu, I appeal to the old Students of the Institution who are in other parts of Ceylon and Malaya to send their donations to the Treasurer. It is our bounden duty to show our gratitude to our old veteran master. If not for him many of the old boys would not have come up in their different walks of life. The Institution has produced lawyers, judges, doctors and others who are doing well in their sphere of life. Once more I appeal and tender my heartfelt thanks to all the Old Students to send their donations.

Continued
AGRICULTURE AND
CLOTH-MANUFACTURE

Sir,
My attention was just now directed to your learned editorial of September 3, in which you make this statement: "Time was when our people were dependent on India and other countries for only their clothing and dried curry stuffs." Please allow me the liberty of demurring to this statement. I, the *Fullappattu* poem of *Pattinappalai*; we are told (191) that the harbour *Puhar* (*Kaveripattinam*)—capital of the Chola Kings was filled with foodstuffs from Ceylon.

செய்ததனையெல்லாம் தந்தாங்குமாம்,
says the poet, i.e., the food of Iam (Ceylon) and the luxuries of K. zhabam (B. m.)

There is also plenty of evidence in the *Mahavamsa* that cotton was cultivated in Ceylon, was spun into yarn and woven into cloth.

Thus it is clear that, in the matter of food and clothing, Ceylon was entirely independent of other countries. Unless this independence is won back as early as possible, the future of Ceylon will be altogether gloomy. Tea and rubber killed in Ceylon the two occupations of agriculture and cloth manufacture, and lent, for a time an appearance of prosperity to the land. They are now gone; their place must be forth with taken up by the ancient dislodged industries. This can never be emphasized too strongly.

Yours truly,
N. Narayanan.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
TRINCOMALEE,
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 202.
In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Thaysirakkapillai Oppiamany of Division No. 6, Trincomalee.

Deceased,
1. Appachchippillai Osnaganayagam
2. Oppiamany Rudramoorthy of Div. No. 6 Trincomalee
Vs
Petitioners
1. Yokomphal wife of Osnaganayagam of Div. No. 6, Trincomalee, personally and as Guardian ad litem of her minor son Savandabalan.
2. Vallippillai widow of T. Oppiamany of Div. No. 6, Trincomalee

Respondents.
This matter coming on for disposal before A. R. Supramaniam Esquire District Judge of Trincomalee, on May 19, 1931 in the presence of Mr. P. Viswalingam, Proctor on the part of the Petitioners Appachchippillai Osnaganayagam and Oppiamany Rudramoorthy of Trincomalee, and the affidavit of the said Petitioners dated 12th May, 1931, having been read;

It is ordered that the Will of the abovesaid deceased dated 11th August, 1928, and now deposited in this Court and the same is hereby declared proved, unless the respondents or any other person or persons interested shall on or before 30th June, 1931, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the said Appachchippillai Osnaganayagam and Oppiamany Rudramoorthy of Trincomalee, are the executors named in the said Will and that they are entitled to have probate of the same issued to them accordingly, unless the respondents or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the said date show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. A. R. Supramaniam,
District Judge,
30th June, 1931
Order Nisi extended to 2d July, 1931
Sgd. A. R. Supramaniam,
District Judge,
2nd July, 1931
Order Nisi extended to 27th July, 1931
Sgd. A. R. Supramaniam,
District Judge,
27th July, 1931
Order Nisi extended to 11th August, 1931
Sgd. A. R. Supramaniam,
District Judge,
11th August, 1931
Order Nisi extended to 8th September, 1931
Sgd. M. Sinnathillai,
Asst. District Judge,
8th September, 1931
Order Nisi extended to 24th September, 1931
Sgd. A. R. Supramaniam,
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