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## ORDER NISI.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF  
ANURADHAPURA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No 420/7957.

In the Matter of the estate of the late  
Vethavanam Sabapathipillal of Anuradha-  
Pura

Deceased.

Arambu Sinnamma of Anuradhapura

vs.

Sabapathipillal Vethanayagam by his guar-  
dian ad litem Sinnalamby Kandiah of Anu-  
radhapura

Respondent.

This matter of the petition of Arambu Sin-  
namma aforesaid praying for Letters of Adminis-  
tration to the estate of the above-named deceased  
Vethavanam Sabapathipillal, coming on for dis-  
posal before J. N. Vethavanam Esquire, District  
Judge, on the 2nd day of December 1931 in the  
presence of Mr V. Rama-wamy, Proctor on the  
part of the Petitioner and affidavit of the Peti-  
tioner dated the 27th day of August 1931, having  
been read, it is declared that the petitioner is the  
mother in law of the said intestate and is entitled  
to have Letters of Administration to the estate of  
the said intestate issued to her unless the Respon-  
dent or any other person shall on or before the  
21st day of December 1931, show sufficient cause  
to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

December 2, 1931.  
O. 809, 10 & 14.

J. N. Vethavanam,  
District Judge,

## Scholarships to Cease.

ABANDONMENT FOR FEW YEARS

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

GUARANTEE OF GOVT. EMPLOYMENT.

The report of the Government University  
Scholarship Committee, which was appointed  
to consider and report in what respects the  
present system of award of Government Uni-  
versity Scholarships other than scholarships  
in Arts, Science, Mathematics and Oriental  
Languages, is unsatisfactory and to submit  
recommendations as to the award of such  
scholarships in the future, has just been  
issued as a Seasonal Paper.

The University Scholarships refer to  
engineering, agriculture or forestry, and tele-  
graph engineering scholarships.

The Committee, after stating the position  
of the various departments of Government  
which would normally give employment to  
these scholars as to the capacity of each to  
offer such employment during the next few  
years, recommend that,

"in the circumstances and in view of the  
present financial situation and consequent  
reduction of staff and expenditure in the  
academic departments of Government in  
Ceylon, no more scholarships in Engineering,  
Agriculture or forestry—other than the four  
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## Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA  
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7850.

In the matter of the estate of the late  
Parupathipillal wife of Somasundaram  
of Vannarponnai East

Deceased.

Veeravagupillal Somasundaram of Vannar-  
ponnai East

Petitioner.

vs.

1. Arumugam Namasivayam of Vannarponnai  
West and

2. Ponniah Rajakopal of Vannarponnai West

Respondents

This matter coming for disposal before D. H.  
Balfour Esquire District Judge, Jaffna on the 12th  
day of March 1931 in the presence of Mr. S.  
Patanjali, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner  
and the affidavits of the Petitioner having been  
read; It is ordered that the 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 unless the Respon-  
dents shall appear before this Court on the 4th  
day of May 1931 and show cause to the contrary.

Sgd. D H Balfour,  
District Judge.

April 1, 1931.

Time extended to 2 11 31.

Again extended to 7-XII-1931.

Again extended to 14th December 1931.

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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA. Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7885. In the matter of the estate of the late Sandrasegaram Perampalam of Sandiruppay Deceased. Manonmayi widow of S Perampalam of Manipay Petitioner.

1. Sathasivam Velauthar of Sandiruppay 2. Perampalam Elanganayagam of do 3. Perampalam Sanunggam of do 4. Valliammal widow of Thambiah of do Respondents. This matter of the Petition of the Petitioner Manonmayi widow of S Perampalam praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Sandrasegaram Perampalam coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour, Esq., District Judge of Jaffna on the 28th day of September 1931, in the presence of Mr. S. V. Chinaiab, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavits of the Petitioner dated the 13th day of September 1931 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the widow of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to her unless the respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 9th day of November 1931 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

The returnable date is extended to 21.12.31. Sgd. D.H. Balfour, District Judge. October 7, 1931. O. 810, 14 & 17.

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JAFFNA, MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1931.

INCOME TAX.

THE SECOND READING OF THE INCOME Tax Bill, notwithstanding strenuous opposition of some members has been passed by a majority in the State Council. The reasons which were urged against the Bill last year still hold good. We are unable to commend the wisdom of those members of the State Council who supported this Bill.

There is sharp difference of opinion in the country as to the need for the introduction of this tax. One party maintains that it should be introduced without delay. Another section is tooth and nail opposed to it, while the third maintains that, though it is one of the fairest forms of taxation, the times are inopportune for its introduction and no resort should be made to fresh taxation until every avenue of retrenchment has been explored and a definite policy has been formulated for reducing the cost of administration.

Even the supporters of the Income Tax Bill will admit that nearly half the revenue is spent on personal emoluments and the revenue after meeting the establishment expenses is hardly sufficient for the promotion of those social services which are necessary for the welfare of the Island. Such services can be undertaken only when the salaries are paid on a national basis. Any further taxation will only help the Government to maintain the present salaries scheme and to oppose all efforts at retrenchment.

Further, the circumstances under which this Bill was introduced cast a serious reflection on the self-respect of the Board of Ministers. There was almost a unanimous demand in the State Council for a cut in the salaries of the public servants for bridging the gap between revenue and expenditure. The consideration of the Budget had to be postponed until the views of the Secretary of State have been ascertained regarding the salary cut. Permission to reduce salaries was granted subject to the condition that the Ministry will take immediate steps to raise revenue both by means of Income Tax and through the Customs. It is regrettable that the Ministers succumbed to the Secretary of State's dictation. It is obvious from the letter of the Governor which conveyed the decision of the Secretary of State to the Leader of the House that the taxes are intended to maintain

the salaries on the present basis which even some of the new protagonists of the Income Tax had maintained in the past as a great burden on the exchequer of the country.

The country is passing through a great depression. The income of land-owners and estate-owners has considerably diminished. The yield from the Income Tax will be hardly sufficient to balance the budget. An additional taxation through the Custom duties is also made condition precedent to the cut in the salaries. The rich and the poor are alike called upon to contribute from their dwindling income to maintain a costly establishment.

Ramanathan Day

PUBLIC CELEBRATION IN JAFFNA

The anniversary of the death of Sir Ponnampalam Ramanathan, K.C. C.M.G. was celebrated yesterday in Jaffna with great enthusiasm. A grand procession was formed at Parameshwara College from where the photo of the late leader was taken in a decorated "Kadakam" to the Vaideshwara Vidyalam, the venue of the public meeting. The photo was profusely garlanded and had as its background a silver Thiruvasi. The procession covered a long route of about two miles. It was headed by many bands of oriental musicians and incense-burners. The procession arrived at the School at 6.30 p.m.

The public meeting commenced rather late. The hall was full to overflowing. Mr W Duraiswamy, President of the North Ceylon National Association, which organised the celebration, occupied the chair. The proceedings commenced with the singing of national song. Messrs N. Sivadurai B.A., J. P. M.B.E., and S. Shivapadasudaram B.A. and Pandit K. C. N. were the speakers of the evening. Mr T. N. Subbiah, Joint Secretary of the North Ceylon National Association proposed a vote of thanks to the Chair and the speakers.

With the singing of Thevaram the proceedings terminated [Detailed proceedings will appear in the next issue].

U. D. C's and Nominated Officials.

GOVERNOR EXPECTS THEM TO TAKE ACTIVE PART.

The following circular about nominated official members of Urban District Councils has been sent by the Commissioner of the Local Government Board to the various Urban Councils and a copy of which was read on Saturday last at the meeting of the Jaffna Urban District Council:—

Circular.

Sir, I have the honour to inform you that nominated official members of Urban District Councils are being informed that His Excellency the Governor expects them to take an active part in the affairs of the Council and not to regard their membership as in any way less real than that of the elected members, and that he also expects them to record their votes in accordance with their own opinions when matters go to a division and not to decline to vote when matters of importance with which they are familiar are before the Council.

Revival of Paddy Commission.

WORK TO BE EXPEDITED.

The Paddy Commission, which was appointed early this year and which suspended its deliberations after a few meetings, is again to be reconstituted, says the "Daily News."

The Commission appointed three sub-Committees shortly after its appointment. Those sub-Committees were to report on (1) the possibilities of the improvement of irrigation facilities; (2) the marketing of locally grown rice and (3) the co-operative credit system in relation to the paddy industry and the promotion of Agricultural education in the rural areas.

Electrification of Jaffna Town.

FORMAL OPENING TODAY.

CHAIRMAN TO TURN THE LIGHTS ON.

Electrification of the Jaffna Town will commence today at 6 p.m.

After consultation with the Superintendent of the Power House the Urban Councilors at their last Saturday meeting decided to open the Power House formally today at 6 p.m. The Chairman, Mr. R. Sivagurusathar, will turn the lights on in the presence of the present and the new Councilors. It was also suggested that the town should be informed of it by beat of tom tom.

Houses which have been already connected and tested will also have the lights from today.

Ministers as Puppets

MOTION ON GOVERNOR'S CIRCULAR

A protest against the Governor's circular to Heads of Departments regarding petitions etc sent to Ministers is embodied in a motion, notice of which was given by Mr A. E. Gonesinghe at Thursday's meeting of the State Council.

The motion is as follows:— "This Council protests against the observations made by His Excellency the Governor as contained in his circular No. 1521/31 of 14th November 1931 which endeavours to reduce the Ministers elected by this Council to puppets and this House to a glorified debating society."

Making Education Cheaper.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Actual Recommendations of the Executive Committee for Education in connection with the proposals to reduce school fees and to prevent the frequent changes of text books, are now available says the "Times". Mr A. E. Gonesinghe's motion that the Minister of Education should take steps to forbid the frequent changes of text books etc, in schools was referred by the State Council to the Executive Committee for Education. The question was considered by the Committee who were satisfied with the policy hitherto adopted by the Education Department in prohibiting the frequent changes of text books. It was therefore agreed that no further steps should be taken in this matter.

The motion of Mr Gonesinghe relating to the reduction of school fees was discussed by the Committee and it was decided to refer the question to the Board of Education for favour of report. The board has also been requested to discuss the best form of relief that should be given in the matter of the fees of pupils of poorer parents.

Income Tax Bill.

SECOND READING PASSED

The Second Reading of the Income Tax Bill was passed on Thursday last in the State Council by 34 votes to 18.

It was then posted to Standing Committee "A" into which the Hon. Mr. Per. Sandarum, Mr. M. J. Cary and I. X. Perera were co-opted.

The voting on the Bill was as follows:—

- Aye: Messrs Jayanilaka, Batuwantudawa, Kannangara, Mogan Markar, Panabooke, Senanayake, Per. Sandarum, Abeyegonesekere, Anacandya, Anantham, Bandaranaike, Corea, Dassanaka, De Fonseka, Geo. E. de Silva, W. A. de Silva, De Zoysa, Freeman, Gonesinghe, Jayasuriya, Karaladda, J. L. Kistawala, Madawala, Mrs. Molamare, Messrs. Oonesekere, G. K. W. Perera, Rajapaksa, Ratnayake, Dr. R. Saravananathan, Messrs. Tinnakoon, Wangsekere, Wijaya ratna, Wickramasinghe and Wimalasundera—34. Noes: Mr. Ananthamudan, Mr. Cary, Mr. Henry de Mel, Mr. Fallowe Gordon, Mr. D. H. Kotawala, Mr. Nagawala, Major O'Field, Messrs. I. X. Perera, E. W. Perera, Rambukpota, Ratwanee, Saldin, Sir Stewart Somerville, Dr. Schekman, Messrs. Sudaramaniam, E. C. Vithers, T. L. Vithers and Vyasingam—18.

Sanmuganathan Calendar, 1932.

We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the Calendar kindly sent to us by Sri Sanmuganatha Press, Vannarponna. The Calendar has a neat finish and it contains English and Tamil dates, and also noted Hindu, Sinhalese, Moslem and Christian days. There is also a stanza from Thirukural under every date.

News & Notes.

A large party of Round Table delegates including Sir T. B. Sapru, Sir P. Pattani, Mr. Jayakar, Mr. Guzzaavi and Sr. Abdul Qayam left Victoria Station on last Thursday by the P and O boat train en route to Marseills.

A Communique has been issued to Government Departments by Mr. O. H. Hartwell, Assistant Chief Secretary, stating that it has been decided not to use the word "coolie" in official correspondence. They are requested to use the word "labourer" instead.

The United States Government has reiterated that it is opposed to the cancellation of war debts. The announcement followed a day's debate in Congress on the Hoover memorandum, which, if ratified within four days, will place all the European debtor Governments in technical default.

A Reuter's message states that the Nobel Peace Prize for 1931 has been divided between two Americans, Miss Jane Adams, President of the International League for Peace and Freedom for fifteen years, and Dr. Nicolas Murray Butler, President of the Columbia University.

The Calcutta University Syndicate has adopted a resolution voicing the strongest disapproval and concern at the growth of terrorist activities. They earnestly appeal to all responsible persons to exert most active influence to counteract the spread of terrorism among impressionable youths. The resolution has been circularised among the heads of all Colleges and schools urging them to take immediate steps to make it effective.

"Your Worship will kindly direct a police constable to accompany my client to the church where he goes for his wedding. My client would have liked to go there as a free man but under the present circumstances, he cannot hope to do so, as he is not in a position to furnish bail." This was the gist of a novel application made by an Advocate, before the Tanja Presidency Magistrate at the Bimsoy Police Court on behalf of his client Marian Waihs, a young Christian sailor from Bular, who is now in police custody, being arrested on a charge of kidnaping a sixteen-year-old Christian girl, named Lillian D'Souza. The Magistrate directed the accused to be enlarged on a bail of Rs. 50. The accused will be discharged the moment he marries the girl, as the mother has agreed to withdraw the charge against him.

The average man's body, weighing ten stones is composed of chemicals, which could be bought for five shillings said Doctor Thomas Lawson, lecturing at the Caxton Hall, Westminster. The following were the ingredients: 10 gallons of water, enough fat for 7 bars of soap, carbon for 9,000 lead pencils, phosphorus for 2,200 matches, magnesium for one dose of salts, iron for one nail, lime enough to whitewash Cuckooop and enough sulphur to rid dog fleas. Dr. Lawson added, "The medical profession was waking up to the fact that it must take greater interest in psychology. If we can learn to understand human nature, we shall no longer be cowards. Most people had a repressed sense of guilt, weakness and fear, due to their childhood environment. These caused inferiority feelings and a state of tension, for release from which many people turned to the cinema or alcohol. On the other hand there were men and women to whom life was like heaven because they were free from that sense of guilt."



Stock-Taking at Jaffna U D C.

ACTS OF OMISSION AND COMMISSION

STRONGER ADMINISTRATION ADVOCATED.

The last meeting of the present Urban District Council, Jaffna, was held on Saturday the 12th inst. at the Jaffna Katchoheri at 9 a.m. Mr. R. Sivagurusami, the Chairman presided. Officers present were: Messrs. J. A. J. Tissaarasasinghe, P. M. Jones, O. O. S. M. S. Segaram, V. Joseph, R. R. Nalliah, M. Asaipillai, K. Arampalam and A. H. Nathaniel, Provincial Engineer and D. S. O. Turalrajah, M. O. H.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

Pursuant to notice Mr. A. H. Nathaniel moved:

(i) That this Council authorises the Chairman to expend a sum not exceeding rupees two hundred for providing playground facilities on the Rulamallan Grounds and elsewhere if necessary for children of poorer classes of the Urban area.

(ii) That this Council authorises the Chairman to expend a sum not exceeding Rs. 2500/- to provide a portable electric pump salvage type to pump water lying in the swamps within the Urban Council area and for creating discharge channels in connection therewith.

The mover in commending the resolutions urged on the Council the necessity for providing playgrounds for children of poorer classes, especially in a badly congested place like Karayar.

As regards the drainage of the Town, the mover pictured its hopeless state and said there were many places where water stagnated and caused much inconvenience and hardship to the people. In fact Jaffna was suffering very much he said.

The Secretary informed the mover that Rs. 6000 was included in the budget for drainage.

The mover was satisfied that it was quite handy.

The second motion was therefore withdrawn and the first motion was passed.

Work For M. O. H.

Pursuant to notice D. S. O. Turalrajah moved:

I. That licensing of all trades premises be referred to the M. O. H. for his recommendations before licenses are issued.

II. That building applications be referred to the M. O. H. for his recommendation before the Chairman grants permission to start building operations.

III. That all matters relating to sanitation and public health be referred to the M. O. H. by the Chairman, U. D. C. for his advice. The opinion of acting on it resting entirely with the Chairman.

IV. That notices for latrine construction be issued and action taken on them at the expiry of two months. At present people are paying conservancy fees without getting the benefits of the fees.

In moving the resolutions the Doctor said that it was the custom in all Urban Councils in the Island to refer licenses of trade premises to the Medical Officer of Health. They had a M. O. H. in their Council and he did not see why they allowed him to see free. No Chairman would have the time to inspect the houses before licenses were issued. The standard of the houses outside Jaffna town was much better than that of those in Town.

As regards building applications the same was the procedure in all local bodies. Why should not their Council make the M. O. H. work a little harder. The town was congested and unless they took steps in time they could not make the town a fit place to live in. Building plans were generally passed on the recommendations of the Works Inspector and the buildings were later allowed to take their own form. They were not inspected subsequently. An elected Chairman could not do all that work. It would be an advantage to the Council if those applications and plans were referred to the M. O. H. who was there for that sort of work.

More Typhoid in Jaffna

Matters connected with water supply sanitation and public health could be referred to the M. O. H. continued the Doctor. It must be made routine that such matters passed through the M. O. H. He did not know what the respective officers were doing. Unless some sort of routine was followed it was difficult for them to manage matters efficiently. Finally, he would say that the Council was

adopting a selfish policy. They collected conservancy fee and did not get the people erect latrines. It was true that some of their people were dense and would not take to new methods easily. But latrines in these days were a necessity. A latrine would not cost much. A commode made of packing case would cost a rupee and a bucket would cost another rupee. With these two a latrine could be had, and the enclosure might be made as one liked. Such a latrine did not need flooring. He would therefore strongly urge on the Council to see that this form of dry earth latrine was had everywhere in town. Public health and sanitation very badly needed latrine system. They perhaps did not realise the amount of typhoid that was prevalent in Jaffna. It was because they had no latrine. It was much more than in the rest of Ceylon.

Mr. Asaipillai wished that the motions be brought forward before the new Council. He did not want to saddle the new Council with their decisions. The motions further seemed to restrict the Chairman's powers.

Truth is for Ever

The M. O. H. said "Truth is for ever". He did not see the reason why the new Council would not fall in the views of the present one in these matters.

The Chairman wanted the motion to be seconded before they discussed it.

Mr. Tissaarasasinghe seconded the motion and said that what Mr. Asaipillai raised was an important question. The powers of the Chairman should not be restricted. But he took it, that the motions embodied only suggestions and did not vest final authority with the M. O. H. Continuing he said that the method of conservancy was really bad. Buckets were washed and water was thrown in the compound. So even in regard to the form of latrines suggested by the M. O. H., flooring was necessary.

Mr. Asaipillai again wanted the motion to be deferred for the new Council.

Mr. Nalliah said that he did not see why the motions should be postponed for the new Council. The members of the old Council were the best people to advise on these matters. It was best they considered them now rather than allow for a future meeting.

Mr. Segaram wanted to make sure whether the recommendations of the M. O. H. were final.

Act according to Conviction

Mr. Nalliah said that it was distinctly worded in the motion as only recommendations. He said that if they had not consulted the M. O. H. in matters in which he could give his expert advice, it was an insult to the M. O. H. If in matters of engineering they did consult the speaker he also would take it as an insult. He wanted the motion to be discussed at this meeting itself for they did not know if they would not be in another kingdom as the other meeting. He was not sure if one of the official members would be present at the next meeting. It was very fortunate that the Doctor had brought forward those motions. He congratulated the Doctor, a Jaffna man himself, for having dared to bring that motion in the interests of his countrymen. Counting the speaker said that he visited India and the conditions in which the poor lived were a terrible indictment against the Indians themselves. The Council must by compulsion or kindness try to prevent cholera fever and epidemics spreading among the people. He knew that the introduction of modern things among those people was not in line with the standard of thought was very difficult. Opposition to any good measure by a majority of people, according to democracy, should be respected. But democracy was sometimes worse than oligarchy. A few people might correctly understand what was good for their country and they should not fear to act according to their convictions. The Council should insist on the observance of good measures. Let those who had the courage of their convictions suffer and not get elected next time.

Chairman Explains

The Chairman wanted to make a personal explanation. He said that his predecessor took advantage of the Provincial Engineer's advice whenever he deemed his advice necessary. The speaker had a good idea likewise. As regards the M. O. H. he became a member of the Council only two years ago. The speaker thought he would not burden the M. O. H. with additional duty.

As far as the resolution was concerned people were expected to take out latrines before March. But they took their own time. For purposes of revenue, he had to issue licenses even though they applied very late. As regards certificates of conformity for buildings, he had issued some after occupation.

Continued up

Students Greet Mahatmaji

AN INCIDENT

Villeneuve, Friday.

The students of Obillon College, an English institution greeting Mr. Gandhi by singing "God Save the King" was one of the incidents during the Mahatma's stay.

Another was an invitation by Villeneuve students to Mr. Gandhi who came to their college and listened to a discourse on his policy.

Mr. Gandhi on Wednesday was impressed by the weaving feat of an octogenarian woman, an old acquaintance of Miss Stade's in the village of Essey in the Rhone Valley. Mr. Gandhi was greatly interested in the demonstration of weaving mats from strips of rags. He himself took a hand at the loom. He expects to return to Bombay on December 28.

Villeneuve, Friday.

Travelling in a third class reserved compartment Mr. Gandhi left for Rome at 2.37 p.m. to-day en route to Briodisi. He was seen off by a crowd of inhabitants and friends.

Gandhiji visits Rome.

Rome, Dec. 12th.

Mr. Gandhi arrived here at 8.30 this morning.

He will stay until Sunday morning, as the guest of General Moris, formerly head of civil aviation in Italy.

Mr. Gandhi is not likely to meet the Pope in view of the shortness of his visit. Moreover, very short notice of his arrival was given, and the Pope gives audience only in the morning and never on Sunday—(Enter via Bombay.)

Official.

Mr. B. Chintamani, Chief Clerk, Jaffna Katchoheri, has been appointed, to act as Additional Extra Office Assistant to the Government Agent, Northern Province, from December 7 to 19, 1931.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased under the rules formed under section 327A of "The Criminal Procedure 1898" to renew the appointment of Mr. V. Obelliah, Manager of Panayac and Tanukkal, as a Probation Officer for the judicial divisions of Jaffna and Point Pedro.

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Mr. Joseph wanted to know why he did not make use of his authority and prosecute them.

The Chairman said that his predecessor wanted to enforce a bye-law regarding latrines. But protest meetings were held in which outside people also joined. So the Council was forced to include the conservancy tax with the assessment. The bye law was such that they could only make the people erect latrines and not force them to use them. It was therefore essential they made a bye law to compel people to use latrines.

Certificate of Conformity.

Regarding certificates of conformity for buildings, some people take a portion of their building and use it as a shop for certificates. Some applied for certificates after occupation.

Mr. Nalliah was surprised to know that the Chairman allowed people to occupy new houses without certificates of conformity. He was alarmed at that. In Obillon, without a certificate of conformity one could not occupy a house. In Jaffna if they allowed one man to break the law, they would have to do so in the case of many others.

The Chairman said that in the case of Hindus they had anxious days for occupation and at the last moment raised up for certificates.

Mr. Joseph said they should not allow people to override a public body.

The Chairman said that as far as possible he insisted on people taking certificates of conformity.

Mr. Joseph said that the town was in jeopardy. They should go to the courts and allow the law to take its course.

Mr. Nalliah said that it was all a confession of weakness. People were led to believe that they could override power. So long as he was in Council he would try his best to see that no one occupied a house without a certificate of conformity. He continued that he did not see why after 30 years of service he and his family should be in this part of the Island, a hot-bed of enteric, as the Doctor had said them, and die. He was ready to join the fray and fight in the front rank to stem all evils for the benefit of Jaffna.

The Council passed the resolutions nem con.

Farewell!

After going through some other items in the Agenda, the Chairman said that it was their last meeting and he was sorry some of them would not be in the new Council. He took the opportunity of thanking them for their co-operation.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 8002.

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Revd. Joseph Kingsbury Sinnathamby a Minister of the Ceylon American Mission of Obavakachoheri

Deceased.

Sooasan Thangammah widow of Sinnathamby of Obavakachoheri

Petitioner.

Vs.

- 1. Vallipuram Ponnusamy and wife
2. Thajalratnam and

Minor. 3. Sinnathamby Jayasingham of do

Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on the 18th day of November 1931, in the presence of Mr. V. Gansarabam, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner having been read: It is ordered that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minor the 3rd Respondent and the Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate be issued to the Petitioner unless the Respondents shall appear before this Court on the 11th day of January 1932 and state objection or show cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,

December 8, 1931.

District Judge.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7996.

In the matter of the estate of the late Nelsar Nigamath of Karanaval South

Deceased.

- 1. Valli Valathiar and
2. wife Thasvinal, both of Karanaval South

Petitioners.

Vs.

Nelsar Selampu of Karanaval South

Respondent.

This matter of the petition of the abovenamed Petitioners praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, on the 6th day of June 1931, in the presence of Mr. T. Arumalasingam, Proctor on the part of the Petitioners and the affidavit of the Petitioners dated the 29th day of April 1931, having been read, it is declared that the petitioners of whom the 2nd Petitioner is the daughter of the said intestate are entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to them unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before the 17th day of July 1931, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,

July 5, 1931.

District Judge.

Extended till 18th December 1931.

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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7965.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Param Aranasiam of Karative East

Deceased

Sannugam Velupillai of Karative East

Petitioner.

Vs.

Aranasiam Thiruvayukkareu of Karative East

Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of Sannugam Velupillai the abovenamed Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Param Aranasiam of Karative East coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, on the 28th day of September 1931 in the presence of Mr. T. Arumalasingam, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 1st day of September 1931, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner as son-in-law and executor of the said intestate is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before the 16th day of November 1931, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. D. H. Balfour,

October 9, 1931.

District Judge.

Order Nisi extended till 15th December 1931.

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NOTICE.

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Manager.



## Hindu Civilization of Malaya.

NOBLE STORY OF A GREAT CULTURE.

The Rev. C F Andrews writes in "The Indian" of Singapore:—

The following account does not claim to be the result of original research. It is a collection of material, already made available to the public, taken from many sources. It is a noble story of a great culture of world importance.

The early history of the Malay Peninsula is still very obscure; but one fact emerges from each fresh record and inscription that is discovered in modern times. The entire early civilization of the south-eastern portion of Malaya for many centuries came from India and represented the Hindu-Buddhist civilization. It is true that the original inhabitants probably reached Malaya from the island to the South, though even this is not yet proved. But we find that more than 2,000 years ago the Hindu immigrants were already entering into the country from the opposite coast of the Bay of Bengal and that the rulers were sprung from different Hindu races.

It would appear from the scanty data we have that for a very long time the centre of this Hindu rule in Malaya was a district called Palembang, at the southern extremity of the island of Sumatra. This kingdom was called Sri Vijaya, and it was ruled over by those who took the title of Maharajah. At the end of the seventh century, the Chinese Buddhist pilgrim, I Tsing, paid a visit to this part of the world and left a written record behind him about the country. This is the most valuable account which we as yet have in writing, in book form, but other Chinese records may yet be discovered. He states that during his time of residence in the country the Maharajah entered the "Malaya" country. Most probably this "Malaya" country was partitioned out among many Hindu rajahs, over whom this Maharajah exercised dominion as their overlord and chief.

With regard to this historical period we have besides one of the earliest known inscriptions written in a South Indian script, and dated A D 686. This gives the record of an attack on Java by the forces sent from Sri Vijaya to that island. It seems not unlikely therefore that a Hindu empire, on a small scale, was established, having Sri Vijaya as its central province which gave it its empire its title.

We learn further that in A D 778, the Buddhist temple of Kalasan in Central Java was built, by the order of the Maharajah of Sri Vijaya. Another inscription in Sanskrit, discovered in Lower Siam, records the erection there also of Buddhist buildings in A D 775 by the order of the Maharajah of Sri Vijaya who "belongs to the dynasty of the King of the Mountains."

This latter phrase may refer to a curious name in the "Malay Annals," for they state that the ruler of Palembang were of the dynasty of Mahameru. Mahameru is obviously an Indian word, signifying "Great Meru,"—referring to Mount Meru of the Hindu legends.

Later on, about A D 1,000, we have in Tamil and Sanskrit an inscription recording the grant of a village to the Buddhist temple at Negapatam in Southern India, which had been built by two rulers of Palembang. This appears to show an intimate relation between the Malayan rulers and South India on the west and also Java on the south east. The second of these two rulers is called in the inscription "King of Katsaha and Srivijaya."

The names of both these rulers are corroborated by two entries in the Chinese Annals of the Song dynasty, which mentions embassies from them to China in A D 1003 and A D 1008. The word "Katsaha" in the inscription is probably the same as Kedah. A little later on, an inscription in South India, at Tanjore, dated A.D. 1030 commemorates the capture of the King of Kedaram together with the conquest of Sri Vijaya and of Malaya. These conquests cannot have been permanent, for a few years later, according to the Chinese Annals, the Maharajah of Sri Vijaya reported to the Chinese Emperor that the king of Southern India was his vassal; and a later Chinese writer tells how the Maharajah of Sri Vijaya laid a claim to be overlord of the whole of the Malaya Peninsula, and also over Ceylon. It would seem as though conquests and reconquests went on, during the centuries, between these different countries.

Nearly the whole of this evidence given here is of quite recent date and thus makes a basis for a reliable historical picture. It has been gradually collected owing to the discovery of inscription on different ancient stones and monuments. Other finds of a similar character are almost certain to be made. When it is all pieced together, it seems likely that it will point to

## A Very Close Connection,

leading for many centuries, between early Hindu India and the Malay Archipelago. It also points to an independent kingdom, with definite Hindu religious traditions and language affinities, which had its capital in the south of the island of Sumatra, along with the spirit of early Buddhism teaching a great impetus seems to have been given to colonization and settlement from India. Through the Buddhist revival within ancient Hindustan this migratory expansion took place. This kingdom or empire which extended far and wide, appears at an early date to have accepted the Malayan form of Buddhism, which is usually associated with Northern India. It is not at all unlikely that from the kingdom of Sri Vijaya together unlikely that from the kingdom of Sri

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## Some Experiences.

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## The Correct Posture For Sleep

"Is there a correct posture for sleep and are there any special advantages according from it?" has been for very long a subject of much controversy. My experience for the past three years has taught me to choose the left side as the best side on which to go to sleep. This posture is one where there is a universal flexion of all the joints of the body to a degree of maximum comfort and relaxation to all the muscles and which somewhat resembles the attitude of universal flexion of a child in the womb. To lie down on the right side is also good but the former has a good many advantages over the latter which I shall not discuss here. The point that I have to stress very much upon is that this position aids a good deal in the relief of constipation by preventing faecal stagnation in the beginning of the large intestine which is on the right side. The law of gravity holds good here also as it helps the propulsion of the faecal matter along its natural course from a higher to lower level. I want my readers to test the truth of this for themselves.

## Remedy For Cold

The best way of remedying any ill health is to nip it in the bud and this is where most people fail and consequently suffer. Every body knows that blocking of the nostrils is the earliest symptom of a cold in the head. Then comes the paroxysm of sneezing and watery discharge. Now, my remedy which every young man can safely practice is some kind of vigorous exercise as fast cycling or brisk walking just when you begin to feel that you are going in for a cold. The profuse perspiration and the large intake of fresh warm air relieves the congestion of the nasal mucous membrane to a remarkable degree. Intake of large quantities of warm water and inhalation of warm air near about an oven are also beneficial in addition.

## To Keep the Teeth Clean

A piece of coconut kernel chewed well after supper takes away all the food debris between the teeth. The juice along with the discoloured fresh food debris can be swallowed and the chaff rolled over and between the teeth by means of the tip of the tongue. The chaff should be spat out after a time and the mouth rinsed well with water. No putrefaction process can occur at night and no tartar will form on the teeth if this is done every day.

## Sleep in the open.

Many of my friends tell me that they feel so weak and jaded when they get up in the morning in Madras. This they don't experience in their country homes. I tell them that it is because they sleep indoors and if they sleep in the open as I do they won't feel it. It is all due to want of oxygen for the innumerable active cells that make up our body.

## Drink Plenty of Water

The importance of water to the living body can hardly be overestimated taking into consideration the fact that three-fourths of your body weight is water. Many people drink less water than they ought to. Thirst appears as a symptom only when the body fluid has been drawn upon to a considerable extent and hence taking water just to quench one's thirst does not seem to be reasonable. The body fluid should be maintained at an even level. This can be done only by taking at least 50-60 ounces of water a day. This amount should be taken in the course of the day a cup at a time, now and then. It is my experience that a dry and scaly skin, occasional dull headaches, hardening of the stools, coated tongues and occasional smarting on passing urine are all indications of a water deficiency in the body. ("Health")

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Vijaya itself the Buddhist monks made their journeys into the interior of Java. If this is proved to be true, then it would follow that the great Hindu Buddhist civilization of Java, which produced such amazing monuments as Borobudur and Prambanan, most probably originated from this source.

Assuming this to be a true reading of ancient history, we may hope also in time to come to have still further light thrown upon the extended immigration from India into the Malay Archipelago and thence to Indo China. We may also learn more about the remarkable Hindu civilization of Cambodia which produced the Khmer dynasty and the great shrine, Angkor Wat, which is one of the wonders of the world.

Further records of lesser importance have already been found in Malaya itself by archaeological research. There is, for instance, an inscription written in a Southern Indian script which is dated as early as A.D. 400. This would be almost as early as anything we have yet found in Java or elsewhere. The inscription has not been fully deciphered and it does not help us with any historical information but it gives us hope that some further inscriptions may be discovered of definite historical value. A famous old fragment of stone, found in the bed of the river at Singapore, is now in the Raffles Museum. But this also does not help us to any great extent, because it is only a fragment.

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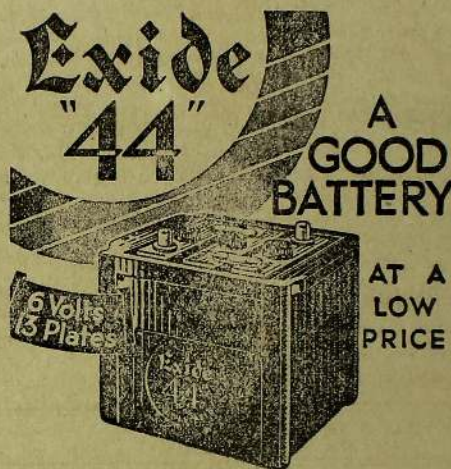
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## Scholarships to cease.

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scholarships in engineering which Government is pledged to award in 1931 and 1932—should be offered in the next few years and that the matter should thereafter be reconsidered."

As regards the four scholarships in engineering, to be awarded in 1931 and 1932, the Committee recommend that these should be awarded for telegraph engineering, as the Postmaster-General states that employment could be found for the scholars in his department on the successful completion of their training.

The Committee further recommends that these scholarships should be awarded under the present regulations, subject, however to the condition that these scholarships should be thrown open for competition by all students, and subject also to the following amendment "that the restriction now imposed on students of the University College in

respect of a second attempt for the scholarship is inequitable and should be removed as no such restriction is imposed on students of other Colleges"

The Committee, in proposing remedies for the defects in the present system, state that if the scholarship scheme is to be a success, every scholarship-holder should receive a guarantee that on the successful completion of his training he would be given employment in the Government Service.

The Committee was composed of Mr H B Lees (Chairman), Sir H Marcus Fernando, Messrs. T E Dutton, L Maarse, R Marre, W Brown, H A Burden and Dr. W Youngman.

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