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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 8009.

In the matter of the estate of the late anammattu alias Sinsappillai wife of Vinsalambay of Tholpuram

Deceased.
Sinsappu Vinsalambay of Tholpuram
Petitioner.

Vs.

Minor. 1. Vinsalambay Thillaladesan and
2. Mathavar Kanagasundaram of do
Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 1st December, 1931, in the presence of Mr. E. Murugesampillai, Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated 1st December, 1931, having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd Respondent be appointed Guardian ad-litem over the minor 1st Respondent for the purpose of protecting his interest in this case and that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovesaid Deceased be granted to the Petitioner as the lawful husband of the Deceased unless the Respondents appear before this Court on the 29th January, 1932 and state objections to the contrary.

Bgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.

December 15, 1931.
O 820, A, 18 & 21.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 8018.

In the matter of the estate of the late Marugattu Vytillagam of Navaly

Deceased.
Vytillagam Mylvaganam of Navaly
Petitioner.

Vs.

Hivagamppillai widow of Vytillagam of do
Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 8th December 1931 in the presence of Mr. E. Murugesampillai, Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated 8th December 1931 having been read: It is ordered that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovesaid deceased be issued to the Petitioner as sole heir unless the abovesaid Respondent appear before this Court on the 29th day of January 1932 and state objections to the contrary.

Bgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.

December 17, 1931.
O 820, A, 18 & 21.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 7555.

In the matter of the estate of the late Naganammah wife of Kathiravelu Komarasamy of Subthumalai

Deceased.
Kathiravelu Komarasamy of Subthumalai, Jaffna
Petitioner

Vs.

- Minors. {
1. Thiruvilankam Marugesampillai
 2. Thiruvilankam Basiah
 3. Perialambay Kathiravelu all of Subthumalai.
 4. Naganathar Kanagasabai
 5. Naganathar Thambimuttu both of Manalpy
- The 1st and 2nd appearing by their guardian ad-litem the 3rd Respondent

This matter of the Petition of the abovesaid Petitioner praying that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovesaid deceased be granted to the Petitioner coming on for disposal before P. O. Villavarayan Esquire, Adml. District Judge, Jaffna, on the 24th day of June 1931, in the presence of Mr. K. Ponnusamy, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 18th day of March 1930 having been read: It is declared that the Petitioner as the widow of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondents or any other person shall, on or before the 16th day of October 1931 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Bgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge.
October 22, 1931.
Time to show cause is extended for 25th January 1932.
Bgd. D. H. Balfour,
D. J.
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O 818, 11 & 18.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 8019.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Kasippillai Pooniah of Udavil

Deceased.
Kasippillai Maruthappah of Udavil
Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Kasippillai Muttutambay
2. Kandiah Namasivayam
3. and wife Anammah of Ratnapura
4. D. R. Pooniah and wife
5. Sinsammah of Chilaw

This matter coming on for disposal before D. H. Balfour Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on 15th December, 1931 in the presence of Mr. E. Murugesampillai, Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated 15th December 1931, having been read:

It is ordered that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovesaid deceased be issued to the petitioner as one of the heirs unless the abovesaid Respondents appear before this Court on 8th February, 1932 and state objections to the contrary.

Bgd. D. H. Balfour,
District Judge,
January 5, 1932.
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6th January 1932

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THE INCOME TAX

THE FOUR CONSTITUENCIES IN JAFFNA which boycotted the State Council have, consistently with their avowed policy, refrained from expressing through their leaders their views on the Income Tax proposals. Numerous attempts were made to inveigle Jaffna into the fray. We have held our peace and maintained strict neutrality. The advance on the part of a fairly influential association in mid-Ceylon to wage war in neutral zone was promptly rejected. To say "yea" or "nay" to any proposal made by the Board of Ministers of the State Council would be the subtlest form of co-operation with an institution from which we have turned our faces in disgust and despair. The time is nigh for the conflict to cease and to count heads.

Least silence on our part be construed as consent by either of the interested parties, it is our duty to state frankly that our leaders never opposed the introduction of the Income Tax. That it is the most equitable and rational form of taxation was never doubted. The speeches of the Tamil members of the old Council would testify to the fact that they were fully alive to the advantages of direct taxation. The rub between the people and the Government then as now is whether the money needed cannot be found by judicious retrenchment. When the whole fiscal system of the Island is discussed with a view to repairing the present bungle and blunders it will be time to stand up for the Income tax.

The money necessary to balance the Budget of 1932-33 may be found by other means than by the imposition of a tax which is certain to strike another blow on the chief industries of the Island. The only sensible course which is open to any Government placed under circumstances such as ours is to explore avenues of retrenchment in the overhead charges of the administration. Our Government is loathe to adopt this course. It knows better than the people themselves what is good for them; moreover, there is prestige to maintain. If the elected members in Council grumble a little too audibly about inordinate expenditure in establishment charges, the Government disbands a number of labourers or suppresses a few clerkships. The men on the top cannot be touched. Their salaries must be paid as provided in the bond.

The Board of Ministers have given an undertaking to the Governor to steer through Council the Income Tax Bill. As a sort of "quid pro quo" the Government undertake to levy a cut in the salaries of all Government servants. The salary cut proposals have been prepared and will be put through. If the Ministers fail to pilot the Bill to the Statute Book what is to happen is the question we join our readers in asking the State Councillors. The Governor is almost certain to certify the bill; the failure of the Board of Ministers to keep faith with regard to their part of the undertaking would furnish ample provocation and excuse to move the Governor to exercise his paramount powers. What then? The next few days will show.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

The Grand-Bazaar Market.

Apparently there is something wrong in the collection of rents and the allocation of accommodation in the Grand-Bazaar Market. Otherwise, it is impossible to account for the widespread feeling of dissatisfaction on the part of the traders. It is the duty of the Urban Council to look into the matter closely and patiently and allay bitterness felt by the traders. Hitherto supervision over the dealings of the market-renter with the traders has been a little slack. The renter himself may be an honest and desirable man but he collects his rents through some paid collectors who might not be models of civility or impartiality. We have no doubt whatever that Mr. R. R. Nalliah J. P., the Chairman, will energetically address himself to the task of harmonising the interests of the renters and the traders, for such harmony is certain to result in the public being served better than now.

BY THE WAY.

It is one of the joys of life that we always continue to live in a period of transition. Our first hope and haven is in that nebulous calm where no flux is. While here and alive we are constantly called upon to recast our views and review our own settled ideas. We have unquestioningly given our assent to the proposition that genius consists in an infinite capacity for taking pains. Were this so, then the neighbour who betrayed his joy without betraying any trace of his agony dental and financial, when approached to help..... Building Fund is entitled to take rank with the mighty ones of the world. My friend did not have much liquid funds to fall back upon to steer his message clear of entanglements. His toothache was a dire visitation and had concentrated in itself the vengeance of the gods for the sins of his fathers. Still, my friend was as cool as a fruitarian before a plate of steaming mutton-steak. If my friend is not eligible to a place among the gifted ones referred to above, he is at least entitled

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to the distinction of an honour's mention, especially in these days when our hardy meets a friend that has not a tale of woe to inflict on you.

The specialty might have reference to work, in which case, the hospital nurse who is supposed to do about eight miles each day during waking hours carries the oak. The specialty obviously has relation to some quality of the mind. It is so difficult to seize hold of it and say this and no more is genius. We have all met them and were never deceived. We have recognised at a glance the genuine and likewise unmasked the spurious genius.

One such was at an Up Country station many years ago. He had his own ideas of service to his country and never indulged in any elaborate discussion of details with his friends. His capacity to size up a man, probe his potentialities and touch his point of

ON THE WATCH-TOWER.

By "The Watchman"

I have received a sheet of remonstrances from irate correspondents whose equanimity has been rudely shaken by a too sweeping generalisation which Mr. G. G. Ponnampalam, Advocate, is reported to have permitted himself to make. The statement complained of is as follows:

"That Tamils were experts in the fabrication of false evidence and that the more conclusive their evidence was on any point, the more false it was".

This certainly reacts like an unblushing indictment of a whole community in which Mr. Ponnampalam occupies not an insignificant position. I regretfully recalled the following lines from Goldsmith when my eyes glanced over the report in the "Times of Ceylon"

"The dog and man at first were friends,
But when a pig began,
The dog to gain his private ends,
Went mad and bit the man."

I trust that with the passage of time the victim will recover from the bite and Mr. G. G. Ponnampalam with thank better of his community. In the meanwhile, I hope correspondents with not scrupulous too closely the words spoken by the young advocate who had apparently a "conclusiva" care to break down and just need a bit of hyperbole as he was carried away by the stream of his own eloquence. The myth has been laid to rest by Mr. W. D. Subasinghe, the P. M. himself who heard the case. May I remind my readers that we betray a bad trait in our character if we indulge in waiving a dead horse?

Speaking at the Buddhist Congress, the Hon. Mr. O. Bandaranaike is reported to have bewailed the degeneracy which had come over the Buddhists. "We are a nation of talkers" indignantly exclaimed the speaker. If one dispassionately appraised the output of solid work to the credit of the various associations in the Island one will not have cause to disagree with Mr. Bandaranaike. Every community in the Island will frankly confess that the base of lip service to public causes is not confined to the great Buddhist community but that it is the common failing of every subject race. The reason for this state of affairs is to be found in our cultural and political bondage. There are and have been great souls who gave up their all for their religion, culture and country. We, who have not that divine gift of self sacrifice, are often too mean even to acknowledge the work of the great leaders in whose wake we fail would follow. We are too ready to applaud the demagogue who sells his country's heritage for a mess of Government kidge or a piece of ribbon. We withhold our veneration to the galaxy of noble souls who built up the great civilisation which we claim as our own to day. Is it any wonder that with the sort of training they receive at school—drab, soulless, cold, ego-centric, and the tin gods we present for their worship—the English educated young men of today are unable to rise to the full stature of their manhood? The most they could offer are speeches and when the time for action comes they fall us. The intellectual in every country is found to halt and hesitate when it is time to act.

The country's true servant is not to be found among the lads turned out by the Government patronised institutions. The Buddhists have already accomplished a good deal in the direction of the regeneration of their community. The Buddhist Girls' College at Kandy and the Mahaganda Vibara at Saranath are achievements of which they may be justly proud. Mr. Bandaranaike is not prepared to give the crew of Buddhist workers "shore" leave. It is the way with him. May we ask to be shown the Angerika in politics? Will Mr. Bandaranaike not raise his voice calling to *Tapas* (penance) the different communities in the Island to wipe out our national Karma and discover our long lost leader? In this task of self-purification Buddhist and Hindu, Christian and Muslim can join heart and hand.

Last week Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike delivered a stirring address at the Parameshwara College in the immediate presence of Mr. E. T. Dyson C.C.S. The occasion was a conference of the Village Committees and the public were invited on promise of "topics of current interest". The invites were not deceived in their own minds as to the purpose for which the conference had been "arranged." The G. A. presided and introduced the speakers who were to convince the audience on the futility of the boycott or how delightful it is to sit in the New Council chamber. The operation was successful but the patient died. A few pointed questions were put to the speakers, the answers to which could not have been reassuring in any degree to the audience. I am glad there were no exhibitions of heckling, booing, ostentatious demonstrations of ill-will or resentment. I trust that the absence of these hostile indications will not lead our friends and would-be mentors to conclude that the "hot-ness" of Jaffna have gone into cold storage. Mr. Bandaranaike was at one time strongly opposed to the present constitution. His political conscience felt sun shine somewhere and thawed. He entered Council just to give the scheme a trial. As President of the so-called National Congress Mr. Bandaranaike considers it unfair to ask for revision within three years yet. He will have three more years to work for the poor hand and glove with the Government. He cares a fig for Swaraj! More yarn for his Charkas; our experience,—it may not be worth much to Mr. Bandaranaike and that is why we safely state it—is that those who begin to work for the poor generally end in exploiting them. Mr. Bandaranaike would do well to carefully air his ideas and formulate a credo for himself. As present his views are neither fish nor flesh. We dare say that some of his ideas are as crystal or rubies unto him but they are as cabook to us; may be that the density is all on our side. Mr. Bandaranaike is not as daring as M. Drostovick or even our own Mr. Gunesinghe, but his knees seem touched with pity when he needed them most. Is it our belief that Mr. Bandaranaike would prove to be an asset—no mean asset,—if he combats out his views and decides upon the altar for his political worship. Divided loyalties tend to pieces the other day a speech otherwise unexceptionable.

sympathy was marvellous. In an incredibly short time a land was purchased and a Hindu school sprang up. The institution has had its vicissitudes of light and darkness and it has survived the swirl of active dissensions which at one time threatened to engulf it.

From some printed notices to hand I guess the gentleman has moved to a more healthy Station and his friends may rest assured that Madam and Temple at Polgahawala will not be long a coming.

At long last the Tamils of Ceylon have demonstrated their faith in the educative value of hero worship. It is a pity that it took a half century for our people to recognise and appreciate the value of the services of the Navalair the Great. Our people might have been persuaded earlier than now to celebrate the Navalair anniversary but the responses would have been a show without substance. The celebrations this year were marked with genuine homage to and cordial

appreciation of the life and services of this great patriot. The speakers at the public meeting took the opportunity to impress on the young men present the ideal of self sacrifice, of which the Navalair was a brilliant example. That the inauguration of a scheme of National education was the life purpose of the Navalair was testified to by the letters he wrote at a time when single handed he had to lay the foundation for the net work of schools which today the Hindu Board of Education is managing. It was difficult to keep out of mind the memory of the late Sir Ramanathan who was Navalair's successor in Hindu educational activities. Few readers now recall the fact that when the Navalair was hard pressed for money to set up a Salvi school he begged of his friends in vain for help. One night it appears he prayed to God in all humility and earnestness and found the following morning that his prayers had been heard and answered in the shape of a money order from the late

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