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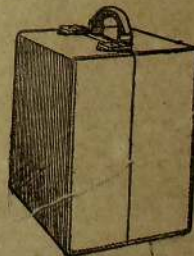
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EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THE EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION IS AN organisation which is mainly composed of European planters and merchants. They have come to the Island not from any philanthropic motive but with a view to make money with the minimum effort and time and then to go back to their native land with what they have acquired here.

Prior to the establishment of the present constitution the planter and the merchant were the masters of the situation. The executive officials being of the same race, they obtained all that they wanted at a dinner-table or tea party. Important decisions were arrived at behind the back of the Legislative Council which was summoned merely to approve the same.

The Councillors are criticized for bringing measures which are intended to benefit the permanent population. The Land Ordinance and the prohibition motion were both brought into Council to improve their economic and social welfare.

LOCAL & GENERAL.

MARUTHADY VYANAYAK MAHOTSAVAM:—The Annual Festival of this Temple will begin on Wednesday the 28th inst. and continue till the New Year Day on which date the Car Festival will take place.

KATANG BROADRIEK CLUB:—At the Annual General Meeting of the Broadriek Club, Kijang, Selangor, F. M. S. held on the 23rd ultimo the following were elected as President, Captain Crawford; Vice President, Raja Chohler; Hon. Secy, Mr. K. Ponudurai; Treasurer, Mr. A. Ponniah; Committee Members, Messrs S. S. Ambalavanan, Kanthian, B. S. Nalliah, R. J. Bazid, Oth Ahmad, and Ng Bow Poo.

DESCENDANTS OF THE LAST TAMIL KING:—The Committee appointed by Government to consider the petitions of the relatives of the last Tamil King of Kandy, Sri Wikrama R. J. Singh, who was now in Tanjore, South India, for financial relief from the Ceylon Government, have now decided that further relief could not be granted to those pensioners who are of the Unreserved and Dependent Classes in Sir John Douglas Report of 1871 but that the Government is prepared to consider petitions from the commuted pensioners of the Reserved Class or descendants of persons of this class.

JAFFNA POLICE COURT:—Mr. A. G. Rinasinghe, Police Magistrate, Jaffna is transferred as Police Magistrate, Kandy and Mr. J. Light is appointed to succeed the former.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS:—The value of the total imports of the Island for the month of February, 1928 amounted to Rs. 36,115,847 as compared with Rs. 26,061,314 in February, 1927. The exports amounted to Rs. 37,921,535 as compared with Rs. 26,144,964 in February, 1927.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:—From what the London Correspondent of the "Ceylon Daily News" anticipates it may take some time more before the Special Commission on Ceylon Reforms submit its Report. The Chairman, Lord Donoughmore is now acting as Lord Coadjutor in place of Lord Cava who has been advised a sea voyage owing to ill health. In addition to this duty he is the Chairman of other Committees. Consequently, it is said, he will find little time to attend to the work of the Ceylon Commission.

SANITARY LEARNERS' SUCCESS:—Among the successful candidates in the Sanitary Lecturers' final examination are the following:—C. Nadaraj, R. R. Jaserudam, S. Ratnasabapathy and O. Theagaraja.

DEATH OF A "FLY DRAFTER" INJURED:—Out of the serious by-injured patients in the Coast Line train disaster, a Sinhalese gentleman of Piyagala South died in the General Hospital, Colombo, on Sunday last.

AN INTER COLLEGIATE DEBATE:—Invitations are being issued by Executive Committee of the Senior Literary and Debating Society of Parameshwara College, Trincovelly, for the inter collegiate debate that will take place at their College hall on Monday the 26th inst. at 6 p.m. The subject of discussion will be:—"It is beneficial to Ceylon to Federate with India." Representatives of the above Society will lead the discussion whilst the representatives of the Senior Literary Association of the Jaffna Hindu College will oppose it.

PROMOTIONS IN THE CLERICAL SERVICE:—Mr. T. Saravaraman of the Harbour Engineer's Department, Colombo, is one among the several officers who are promoted from Class II. to Class I. of the General Clerical Service.

EXCURSION TICKETS ON THE C. G. R.—First, second and third class return tickets at single fare for double journey will be issued commencing from April 2 up to the 13th inclusive from all stations distant fifty miles and over. These tickets will be available for return up to and including April 18, but will not be available for break of journey.

INDO CEYLON ROUTE CHEAP TICKETS:—First, second and third class through return tickets available for the completion of the return journey up to midnight of April 23 will be issued from March 30 to April 9, both days inclusive at single fare over the Ceylon Government Railway and 1 1/3 fare for first and 2nd classes and double for the third over the South Indian Railway, from all stations distant fifty miles and over from Talaimannar Pier to Stations Mannadurai and beyond on the South Indian Railway.

KHADDAR EXHIBITION IN JAFFNA.—Mr. R. M. Kotak, representative, All-India Spinners' Association, who is now touring the Island on Khaddar propaganda will be in Jaffna on Friday, the 23rd instant and hold Khaddar exhibitions throughout the Peninsula. The first public exhibition will be held in the Vannarpannal Vidyashwara Vidyasayam hall on Saturday the 24th and Sunday the 25th instant. The exhibition will be formally opened by Lady Ramasathan on Saturday the 24th instant at 4 p.m. Mr. Kotak will remain in Jaffna for about a fortnight.

BEARING THE VOICE THAT IS HEARD:—The Broadcasting of photographs by radio and the reception of such pictures on a small ordinary radio receiver in the home, attached to a regular radio receiver is much the same manner as a loud speaker was publicly demonstrated as practical for the first time by the National Broadcasting Company. This visual radio, which means that the audience can see the artists who broadcast, was made possible by apparatus developed by Dr. E. F. W. Alexander, consulting engineer of the General Electric Company.

Telephone Rates Revision

MOVE TO ABOLISH TRUNK CHARGES

The Hon. Mr. S. Rajaratnam who had been agitating for the last two years for the reduction of the telephone rates brought the following motion in the Legislative Council on Thursday last. In view of the Colonial Secretary's sympathetic reply the motion was withdrawn.

This Council requests the Government to alter the telephone rates:—

- (1) By making the first 10 miles of trunk line free.
(2) By charging 5 cents per 10 miles as trunk charges beyond the first 10 miles of the trunk lines with a minimum charge of 10 cents.
(3) By reducing the disturbance fees of night calls from 50 cents to 25 cents and of day calls from 25 cents to 10 cents.
(4) By doubling the time for using trunk lines by night from 3 minutes to 6 minutes for the same charges.
(5) By recovering the rent quarterly.

To Popularize Telephones.

In support of his motion, Mr. Rajaratnam said that within the whole of the large area of the Colombo Municipality there were no trunk charges made—namely a circuit of six or seven miles. In several other parts of the Island, even beyond two or three miles there was what is known as trunk charges. He knew that so far as Jaffna was concerned, in the town there was an exchange and four miles out there was another so that anyone who used the telephone had to pay a minimum of 15 cents as trunk charges. The people of Kopyai, for instance, could have more telephone connections but for this charge. At present there were only one or two people who had. He felt that if the trunk charges for the first few miles were reduced the telephone could be made more popular and the country would be ultimately benefited.

Hon. Mr. Tambimuttu suggested an amendment "That this Council requests Government to consider the revision of the telephone rates."

The Vice President: Will you accept it?

Mr. Rajaratnam: I like to hear the Government.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary: "I must say that well over half a year ago the same suggestion was made by the Government to the Post Master General."

He also added that in October he would be considering the whole question of the commercialisation of the Post Office in all its various branches, a matter which was now occupying his attention. "I had myself asked when it would be ready and I was told that it would be ready in a few months. The delay was due to the difficulty of securing all the information possible as regards telephones and telegraphs. I will ask for the report and then the matter can come up again."

The Vice President: It is not necessary to pass the resolution.

This was agreed to.

Civil Service Examination.

TO BE HELD LOCALLY.

In the Legislative Council the Hon. Mr. S. Rajaratnam moved on Thursday last the following motion:—

"This Council requests the Government to hold the Civil Service Examination in Ceylon also whenever Ceylonese have to be admitted to the service."

The idea was, said Mr. Rajaratnam, really to give the Ceylon youth an opportunity to compete with others who were fortunate enough to go to England so that, if by chance these youths succeeded in the Examination, they could get into the service. Some time ago there was a Civil Service Examination held in Ceylon which was known as the Local Division. The Committee or Commission recommended that there should not be this distinction and that the Examination should be held in England and in Ceylon. In the Civil Service Minutes he found that there was an undertaking that as soon as the University College was ready to prepare boys for the Degree courses in Honour and the Civil Service Examination will be held in Ceylon.

MINIMUM NUMBERS OF MARKS

They knew fully well that in England according to the minimum marks rule according to which a certain proportion of the number of the post were to be given to Ceylonese, even candidates who were fairly low in the examination were selected in preference to others. That was why they thought a great injustice was done to such Ceylonese youth who were not fortunate enough to go to England. He thought that justice should be done to the best talents in Ceylon should get into the Civil Service (Hear, hear).

The Hon. Mr. T. B. Jayah seconded the motion and the Hon. Mr. A. Ganegaratnam supported it.

BEGINNING IN 1927.

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary: As I stated some time ago a proposal has been put before the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Certain difficulties had arisen. We have now got a definite answer from England to the effect that the Commissioners are willing to examine both in Ceylon and in England at the same time (Cheers). We have asked that a commencement may be made in 1929 as it is too late now to make the necessary arrangements.

Christians Embrace Hinduism.

3200 GOANESE RE CONVERTED.

The missionary activities of the Hindu Sabha are going on with feverish haste in Goa, where a large number of Christians have already been reconverted to Hinduism. Goa was the first place in India where the institution of the Inquisition was planted by the Portuguese Jesuits, and it was here that large numbers of Hindus were converted to Christianity.

Goa is divided into about four hundred villages; 150 of them consist of what is called Old Goa, and the other part is called New Goa where the Hindu predominates. There are about 15 to 20 thousand Christian masses in this part of Goa, who have remained Hindus to all purposes in spite of their outwardly professing Christianity. They used to attend their churches, and made use of the priests yet they observed many of the Hindu customs and traditions.

A few days ago Brammochari Anandmurti, together with some prominent people of Goa, went to the village of Ombul and there performed the Shudul ceremony in regard to about a thousand stone masses, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering. The same evening he went to another village, Kurik, and there again about 400 Christians were allowed to come into the Hindu fold. These two examples induced many more villagers to become Hindus and about 3,300 Christians have been made Hindus.

The Kesari in a 3-column leader approves of these missionary activities of the Hindus and says this is another Mahana. The paper says there are many more thousand Christians willing to become Hindus both in Goa and in British India, and says at Bassein in the neighbourhood of Bombay some years ago, there were thousands of Christians who were willing to come back into the Hindu fold, if only it could be done properly. These Bassein Christians are also anxious of the forcibly converted Hindus, and ready to embrace Hinduism any moment. The paper asks the Hindus vigorously to prosecute their missionary propaganda, in order that Hinduism may spread in all directions.

—"Indian National Herald."

SENSATION IN GOA.

The following was published in the Times of India of the 16th instant:—

The voluntary re-conversions of Gavada Christians to Hinduism, in Goa territories has roused the clergymen there to action. The latest advices from Goa to the Hindu Sabha here state that Messrs. Anandmurti and Sastri of the Masur Brammochari Ashram have been arrested. An appeal has been issued by the Hindu Sabha for funds and volunteers in this connection. On receiving a telegram from the Secretary of Brammochari Ashram of Masur (Dist. Salars) that Anandmurti and his two co-workers engaged in Shudhi work in Goa, were arrested on Monday by the local authorities of the Goa Government, the following letter has been addressed to His Excellency the Governor General of Goa by 35 members of the Bombay Legislative Council and a few members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation:—"We learn from a reliable source that Anandmurti and Ganapathos, workers of Masur Brammochari Ashram and residents of Salars District, have been arrested by the local authorities of the Goa Government for reasons not known. We, members of the Bombay Legislative Council, view these arrests with great concern and misgivings and request the Goa Government to inform us the reasons for these arrests and trust that the Goa Government will accordingly issue public statement detailing the facts of the case and that the arrested persons will be given the fullest opportunity to defend themselves through lawyers before properly constituted judicial authorities."

TO TAKE BEFORE HIGHER AUTHORITIES.

The "Indian Social Reformer" of Bombay comments on the above in its issue of the 17th inst:—

The signatories include all states of Hindus Brahmins, Marathas, Bhatias, Bamas and the depressed classes. Portugal is now a Republic and there is no state religion, and if the local authorities fail to give redress the matter should be taken up to Lisbon.

Mahatma Gandhi's Health.

MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

Mr. Manilal Rotheni has issued the following statement dated Sabarmathi, Mar. 16:—

There is no truth whatsoever in the report appearing in some Bombay and Delhi papers that Mahatma Gandhi is in a very serious state of health. Dr. M. A. Ansari came here from Delhi on the night of Thursday with Seth Jamsalal Biji in connection with some important public work. Next morning Dr. Ansari incidentally examined Mahatmaji, and found the state of his blood pressure and general health quite satisfactory.

Mahatma Gandhi is making good progress in health and there is no cause for anxiety whatever.—"Hindu."



INDIAN & FOREIGN

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Ceylon and India in Contrast

Uses of Buttermilk.

EX-MAHARAJAH OF INDOR'S THIRD MARRIAGE.—The wedding ceremonies of the Ex-Maharajah of Indore with Miss Miller of California were solemnized according to Hindu rites at Bawaha in Bombay on Saturday last.

INDIAN BUDGET CUT RESTORED.—The Governor General in Council has restored the four big cuts in the Budget carried by the Legislative Assembly, viz grants for the Simon Commission, the Secretary of State, the Army Department and the Executive Council.

WORLD SPEED TRIP RECORD WASH.—It is reported that February or March next year will see the most intense international speed war known on land, sea and in the air.

FIVE CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH.—Five children, aged four to five years, were burned to death owing to the breaking of fire at midnight in a nursery of a school called "Highways," at Salford, Surrey on the 18th inst.

PROHIBITION IN FINLAND.—The Diet has again strengthened the prohibition laws, because drunkenness and the consumption of alcohol had increased despite heavy penalties.

A TIMELY WINDFALL FOR A STRANDED PASSENGER.—Robert Currie, now on his way to Australia on the liner "Niagara" as a first class passenger, was stranded at Vancouver, in last December.

DESTINY OF HUMAN RACE.—The famous physicist, Professor R. A. Millikan, of the Institute of Technology, California, states that, contrary to the orthodox view that the Universe is slowly disintegrating, his experiments indicate that the creative process is continually going on through the action of the cosmic rays, and that matter is being formed in the shape of ordinary elements.

SWIM WITH SHARKS FOR SCIENCE.—Mr. Van Campes Heltner, a famous big game hunter, an authority on deep sea fishes, and one of the field representatives of the American Museum of Natural History, is among the passengers aboard the Museum liner "Manargo," which sailed from New York on February 17th for the Bahamas.

MADRAS LAW MEMBER RESIGNS.—Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, who was appointed Law Member in place of Sir O. P. Ramaswami Iyer resigning, has resigned his high office. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell has been appointed Law Member as a temporary measure vice Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, resigning.

WOMEN ELECTORATE ON THE ADVANCE.—The House of Commons passed the first reading of the representation of people Equal Franchise Bill, vulgarly known as the "E appears Vote Bill" to give women aged 21 vote on the same terms as men.

INDIAN EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS.—In the Commons, replying to Mr. Amour, Earl Winterton said that Lord Birkenhead was at present in correspondence with the Government of India with regard to the separation of Executive and Judicial functions.

WORK IN THE SINGAPORE BASE.—The expenditure on the Singapore Base is confined to continuation of the work involved in the installation of a floating Dock an investigating of the preliminary works connected with the new base.

NEW MADRAS MINISTERS.—Messrs. S. Muthiah Annadurai and M. K. Sathurathnam Iyer are to be the two new Madras Ministers.

A HURRICANE IN THE PACIFIC.—A hurricane on the Pacific Coast of Japan has wrecked 6 Japanese steamers. It is feared that the majority of the crew has been lost.

A LADY DIPLOMA HOLDER.—Srimathi Parvathi Amma, from Madras was the only Indian lady to receive a Diploma in Tropical Medicine at the meeting of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons.

9TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SCHOOL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The 9th Annual General Meeting of the Nawala piya Young Men's Hindu Association was held at the Kabbireen School hall on Sunday the 4th March, when the school was neatly decorated and there was a large and representative gathering, including visitors and casual members.

KHADDAR EXHIBITION.

About 3 p. m. there was an entertainment with Nagaswaram music and the meeting began with the singing of Thevaram, in which Mr. K. G. Sambanthan presided and introduced the Hon. Mr. Rajaratnam to the audience.

THE KATHIRKESAN SCHOOL.

At about 5.30 p. m. a group photograph was taken with Hon. Mr. S. Rajaratnam as the central figure, which was followed by the prize distribution of Kabbireen School, also of the Sunday classes, which consisted mostly of Khaddar cloths.

Y. M. H. A. AND ITS ACTIVITIES.

Mr. K. G. Sambanthan, read an account of the Kabbireen School. In addition to the weekly meetings they had 3 Kabbirassangams and 6 special lectures and one committee meeting during the year.

The School results were satisfactory both in Tamil and English and it was registered as an Anglo Vernacular school during this period. There were 108 students, and 3 teachers, and provision is now made for another teacher, and the attendance is improving.

MR. RAJARATNAM'S STIRRING SPEECH.

Mr. Rajaratnam rising amidst applause said that he expected to be amidst them on more than one occasion before this, but unavoidable circumstances kept him away. However he was glad to be among them that day and to participate in that function.

At the close of this, Pandit V. A. Sangararajayana Pillai of Colombo, delivered a very eloquent and impressive speech on Hinduism, and a short description of Tairnavukkarasu Nayanar's life and teachings, assisted by a Brahmin visitor from S. India who sang suitable Thevarams at intervals to the accompaniment of music.

With a vote of thanks to the Hon. Mr. S. Rajaratnam, and other visitors proposed by Mr. S. Sambanthan, and the singing of Thevaram, the meeting concluded at about 9 p. m.

EXPERIMENT OF RES' ON'SIBLE GOVT.

The following are excerpts from a letter appearing in the "Manchester Guardian" of February 23, referring to the Ceylon constitution:—

"In contrast with the bitter opposition which the Simon Commission is meeting in India stands the remarkable success of the Donoughmore Commission in Ceylon.

This contrast in the attitude of Indians and Ceylonese towards those deputed to report on their constitutional progress is by no means accidental. It is characteristic of the genius of the two peoples. There is a wide and striking difference in the symptoms of nationalism in India and Ceylon.

In a word Ceylon strictly fulfilled the prophecy of Sir Alexander Johnston, a former Chief Justice of the Colony, who was commissioned a hundred years ago by the Home Government to report on a Constitution for Ceylon, and who wrote that "Ceylon is the fittest spot in the East wherein to plant the seed of responsible government."

The chief objection was, that, though the present Constitution introduced the people to representative government, it did not admit them to any form of responsibility. There is no connecting link between the Legislature and the Executive. They are two separate entities functioning apart.

The problem before them (the Special Commissioners) can be stated almost in the form of a syllogism: As the Commissioners have stated there is no question of going back on the present position, which is manifestly unsatisfactory. Since, then, there is no going back or stalling still, there must be an advance.

Here the experience of India is useful. In India dyarchy was devised as a *via media* between representative and responsible government. Nobody, European or Ceylonese, wants to see the experiment repeated in Ceylon.

It may be a long step in advance, but considering the excellent spirit that has always prevailed in Ceylon politics, there would appear to be no place in our Eastern possessions where the experiment of responsible government may be tried with greater safety than in Ceylon."

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should be kept up if they wished to do still greater works which lay before them. If they were prepared to follow his plan of work, he had no doubt that they could achieve much, and that he would ungrudgingly give whatever help that he could possibly do. If they cared he was willing to come at a later date to discuss further on the matter.

ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS.

After Mr. Rajaratnam's speech was over, the office-bearers for the past year retired, and the following were elected for the ensuing year.

President: Mr. T. A. Periasamy Pillai, Secretary: Mr. C. Subramaniam, Asst. Secretary: Mr. P. Rangarajan, Treasurer: Mr. S. Sambanthan, Asst. Treasurer: Messrs. S. Seenithambay and R. Velupillai, Librarian: Mr. V. Somanabandi, Committee: Messrs. S. N. V. Vallappa Chettiar, M. K. M. A. Raman Chettiar, N. S. R. M. Sangaya Chettiar, N. Viswanathan, S. Sivanandoo, K. Ramaswandra, K. Selvadurai, Dayaasingam, and Muzikumara Serval; Auditor: Mr. C. Velaidem.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6460.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Thelvanappillai wive of Kanapattipillai Ampalavanar of Karaidiva West

Deceased. Sibantharappillai Arumgam of Karaidiva West

Petitioner. Vs. 1. Perapattipillai wive of Arumgam and 2. Kanapattipillai Ampalavanar of Do

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased, coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on May 31, 1927, in the presence of Mr. A. Arumgam, Executor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavits of the Petitioner dated May 26, 1927, having been read; it is declared that the Petitioner is the father and an heir 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 persons interested shall appear before this Court on March 6, 1928, and show sufficient cause to the contrary.

M. H. Kaniswala, District Judge. February 1, 1928. Time extended to April 8, 1928. O. 1481.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 9693.

In the matter of the estate of the late Sonthankam wive of Moothathambay Ponnampalam of Kondavil

Deceased. Moothathambay Ponnampalam of Kondavil

Petitioner. Vs. 1. Kartigan Saravanamuttu and 2. Saravanamuttu Ponnai, both of Kondavil

Respondents. This matter of the Petition of Moothathambay Ponnampalam of Kondavil the above-named Petitioner, praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased, Sonthankam wive of Moothathambay Ponnampalam (thankam wive of Moothathambay Ponnampalam) coming on for disposal before J. C. W. Rock, Esquire, District Judge, on February 22, 1928, in the presence of Mr. P. K. Somanandram, Executor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavits of the Petitioner dated February 21, 1928, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the lawful husband 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 persons shall, on or before April 8, 1928, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

J. C. W. Rock, District Judge. March 2, 1928. G. 1482.



Agricultural Conference 1928.

INTERESTING PROGRAM ARRANGED.

The annual Agricultural Conference takes place this year at Peradeniya on 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th H. E. The Governor will preside at all sessions. An attractive programme has been drawn up.

THE PROGRAM.

MONDAY, MAY 7TH, MORNING SESSION, 9.30 A. M. TO 12 NOON.

Opening address by His Excellency the Governor.

Paper.—Some problems for the Tea Research Institute, by Mr. T. P. F. C. B. A., B. Sc., Director, Tea Research Institute.

The following points submitted by various District Planters' Associations will be dealt with during the discussion of the above paper:

Kandy District Planters' Association.—Branch Cankor (Wood Rot) and its connection with season of pruning, style of pruning, and shot hole borer infestation.

Morawak korala Planters' Association.—(a) Shade trees suitable for elevations of 1500-3000 feet. (b) Fuel trees for elevations of 1500 feet. (c) The relationship, if any, between Boga medelca and prevalence of shot hole borer.

MONDAY, MAY 7TH, AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M. TO 4 P. M.

Discussion.—The Uda Hewaheta District Planters' Association. The relationship between manuring and callus formation in tea. This discussion will be led by Mr. F. A. Kelleher.

Papers.—Manurial investigations.—(a) The results of drainage and leaching trials at Peradeniya during 1927, by Mr. A. W. R. Joachim, B.Sc., A.I.C. Agricultural Chemist, Department of Agriculture. (b) Experiences in the use of creeping cover crops in tea cultivation, with special reference to Indigofera endecaphylla, by Mr. T. H. Holland, Dip. Agric. (Wye), Manager, Experiment Station, Peradeniya.

The following points have been submitted for discussion:—

Kandy District Planters' Association.—(a) Chemical manures and the amount a tea bush is able to absorb with beneficial results. (b) The effects of a sudden stoppage of chemical manures more especially those used as a top dressing.

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH, MORNING SESSION, 9.30 A. M. TO 12 NOON.

Paper.—Soil erosion with special reference to rubber, by Mr. C. E. A. Dias.

Discussion.—Cover crops and green manuring in rubber cultivation.

This discussion will be opened by Mr. J. Mitchell, A. R. C. S., Secretary, Rubber Research Scheme, and the following points submitted by various District Planters' Associations will be dealt with during the discussion:—

Kolani Valley Planters' Association.—(a) How is the maximum benefit from different green manures and cover crops to be secured? (b) What is the optimum period of retention without rooting out the cover crops and replanting? (c) The desirability or otherwise of burving leaf. (d) The best methods of applying artificial fertilizers to soils under cover crops.

Kandy District Planters' Association.—The use of artificial manures forked into the soil in the control of Oldium.

Paper.—Some notes on the budding of rubber and the transport of bal wood, by Mr. T. H. Holland, Dip. Agric. (Wye), Manager, Experiment Station Peradeniya.

TUESDAY, MAY 8TH, AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M. TO 4 P. M.

Some notes on factory procedure and efficiency, especially in reference to crepe manufacture by Mr. T. E. H. O'Brien, B.Sc., Chemist, Rubber Research Scheme.

Inspection of laboratories.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9TH, MORNING SESSION, 9.30 A. M. TO 12 NOON.

Paper.—Dairy Farming and Breeding of Stock in the Kurunegala District, by Mr. R. M. Fernando. Discussion on cattle breeding in Ceylon.

Paper.—Some of the limiting factors in the improvement of paddy cultivation in Ceylon, by Mr. L. Lord, M. A., Economic Botanist, Department of Agriculture. General discussion of means of improving conditions of tenure between landlord and tenant.

Paper.—Some aspects of food cultivation, by Mr. H. L. de Mel, C. B. E.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9TH, AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M. TO 4 P. M.

Inspection of Laboratories and Experiment Station, Peradeniya.

4.30 p.m.—Inspection of Farm School, Peradeniya.

5.15 p.m.—Prize-giving, Farm School, Peradeniya.

EVERING 9 P. M.

The use of the magic lantern for pest protection work by Mr. N. E. Jardine, F. E. S., Plant Pest Inspector, Central.

THURSDAY, MAY 10TH, MORNING SESSION, 9.30 A. M. TO 12 NOON.

Paper.—Investigation of root diseases of coconuts, by Mr. M. Park, A.R.C.S. Assistant Mycologist, Department of Agriculture.

Paper.—The Marketing of Produce, by Mr. G. Robert de Zoysa.

Paper.—Bee Culture, by Mr. A. P. Goonetilleke

THURSDAY, MAY 10TH, AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 P. M. TO 4 P. M.

Paper.—The Development of the Wanni from the point of view of the people of Jaffna, by Mr. W. P. A. Cookey, M. Sc., Divisional Agricultural Officer, Northern Division.

Paper.—The economic development of the Dry Zones of the Island with special reference to the work of the Department of Agriculture on the cultivation of crops, by the Director of Agriculture, Ceylon. Conference by H. E. the Governor.

The Motor Car Ordinance, 1927.

As a result of the conferences between the Government and the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce, the Automobile Club of Ceylon and the representatives of the motor traders and omnibus owners, the Government has decided upon the following arrangements, which will come into force on March 17, 1928, for the working of the Motor Car Ordinance during 1928 in relation to motor omnibuses:—

EMERGENCY PROVISIONS. 1. (a) Owners of motor omnibuses which were licensed in 1927, and which have not yet been licensed in 1928, may obtain licences for 1928 licensed for 1928, by obtaining licences for 1928 from the proper licensing authority by forwarding to him the fees for licensing and examination, in charge of police station, stating the measurement of the seating accommodation.

(b) No fee is payable for this certificate, which will also contain a statement of the number of passengers which the omnibus may be licensed to carry. This number will be reckoned on the basis of 15 inches seating accommodation for each passenger, plus 25 per cent. The driver's seat and any central seats in omnibuses where the seating is arranged lengthwise will not be included in the measurement.

(c) A fee of Rs. 20 for examination of the omnibus must be forwarded under registered cover to the licensing authority with the licence fee (Rs. 10 for each passenger allowed with a minimum of Rs. 160). These fees must be paid in uncancelled stamps attached to the certificate. The omnibus may be called up by the Registrar of Motor Cars or the licensing authority and examined as to fitness at any later date in the year.

(d) The necessary forms and instructions have been given to police stations, and application should be made without delay. The omnibus must be taken to the police station in every case, together with the licence for 1927.

(e) These arrangements will not apply after March 31, 1928.

SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS. 2. The following provisions of the Motor Car Ordinance, 1927, will be suspended until the end of 1928 only, so far as relates to motor omnibuses which were licensed in 1927:—

(a) Section 4, which contains restrictions as to weight and measurement, including overhang.

(b) Fourth Schedule:

\* Regulation 6, relating to the carriage of goods, baggage, &c. Regulation 8, relating to the provision of a conductor's seat. Regulations 10 and 11, relating to the space between the seats. Regulation 12, relating to obstruction by seats. Regulation 13, relating to entrance steps and emergency doors. Regulation 14, relating to construction of the driver's seat and the number of passengers that may sit on the front seat with the driver. Regulations 15 and 16, relating to the ventilation of omnibuses and the carriage of petrol and other fuel. Regulations 17 and 21, relating to the interior lighting and the provision of signalling devices. \* Regulation 23, relating to the provision of fire extinguishers.

\* It has also been decided that Regulations 6, 23, and 24 (in so far as relates to the number of passengers that may sit on the front seat with the driver) will not be enforced in the case of any motor omnibus.

PERMITS TO VARY ROUTES ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

3. (a) Paragraph (c) of Regulation 1 in the Fourth Schedule to the Ordinance (which gives the licensing authority power to refuse approval of a route on the ground that it is already so congested with traffic that additional omnibus traffic cannot safely be allowed) will not be interpreted so as to impose any restrictions on omnibuses proceeding to religious festivals or on other special occasions, and a margin of days on either side of the festival or the special occasion will be allowed.

(b) After April 1, 1928, permits to run omnibuses to religious festivals or for other special occasions on routes other than the routes for which they are licensed may be obtained free of charge at all police stations on application.

(c) After the permit has been obtained, the omnibus may at once run on the permitted route, but must carry a "Special" board over its usual destination indicator.

(d) The issue of a permit implies no guarantee that the route for which it is issued will be in good order, and does not affect the powers of the Director of Public Works or any other authority to close any road.

(e) April 1, 1928, has been fixed in order to permit the necessary police arrangements to be made.

4. Any further representations as to the permanent amendments of the Motor Car Ordinance should be made without delay in writing to the Attorney General as Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Government to make recommendations for any amendments considered necessary.—Press Communique.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA. Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6693. In the Matter of the Estate of the late Thathammata wife of Kandiah Duraisamy of Vannarponnal East

Deceased, Kandiah Duraisamy of Vannarponnal West, Petitioner.

Vs.

- 1. Kanagamah daughter of Duraisamy
2. Duraisamy Seenivasagam
3. Annaladehami daughter of Duraisamy
4. Seenivasagam Kandya all of Vannarponnal Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the above-named Petitioner, praying that the above-named 4th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the minors 1st, 2nd and 3rd Respondents and that Letters of Administration be granted to him to the estate of the above-named deceased coming on for disposal before J. C. W. Rock Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on February 13, 1928, in the presence of Mr. R. Sivagurunathar Peonior, for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated February 10, 1928 having been read:

It is ordered that the above-named 4th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the minors 1st, 2nd and 3rd Respondents and it is declared the Petitioner is the husband of the said deceased and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased issued to him accordingly unless the Respondents or any other shall on or before March 22, 1928 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

C. W. Rock, District Judge.

9th March 1928. O. 1429.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA. Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6691.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Eletchumeyppillai wife of Elyathamby Manikkam of Karaveddy North

- 1. Onmaswamy Ponniah and wife
2. Nachichippillai of Alway North Petitioners.

Vs.

- 1. Elyathamby Manikkam of Karaveddy North
2. Sivakumeyppillai daughter of Ponniah of Alway North Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the above-named Petitioners praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased Eletchumeyppillai wife of Elyathamby Manikkam coming on for disposal before J. C. W. Rock Esquire, District Judge, on February 21, 1928 in the presence of Messrs. Kandiah and Mallaganam Proctors on the part of the Petitioners and the affidavit of the Petitioners dated February 20, 1928 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioners are the parents of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to them unless the Respondents or any other person shall, on or before April 3, 1928 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

J. C. W. Rock, District Judge.

March 7, 1928. O. 1427.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA. Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6695.

In the matter of the estate of the late Sinnathamby Candiah of Moolay

Deceased, Naganmudipillai widow of Sinnathamby Candiah of Moolay Petitioner.

Vs.

- 1. Muttukumar Appachchi of Moolay presently of Kuala Lumpur in F.M.S.
2. and wife Vallinayagam of Moolay
3. Mutukumar Vallinayagam and wife
4. Theivannayagam of Moolay presently of Kuala Langkat, Selangore in F.M.S. Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the above-named Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased, coming on for disposal before J. C. W. Rock Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on February 23, 1928, in the presence of Mr. A. K. Navaratnam Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated February 20, 1928, having been read: It is ordered that the Petitioner, as the widow of the deceased, is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased issued to her accordingly unless the above-named Respondents or any others shall on or before March 27, 1928, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

7th March 1928. J. C. W. Rock, District Judge.

Notice.

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