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IMPURE MIND BRINGS DISEASE DECAY AND DEMORALIZATION

BUILD BODY BY VIRTUOUS THOUGHTS

YOUR mind is a garden to you where in you may intelligently cultivate or which you may aimlessly allow to lie fallow. If no useful seeds are put into it, useless weeds will therein and produce their kind. You may make the garden of your mind a paradise by growing flowers and fruits of right and pure thoughts, conducive to the life of Truth, or a hell by allowing wrong and impure thoughts to grow more and more, a short cut to perdition. You are yourself the master-gardener of your soul and the director of your life.

Choose Your Thoughts

Do not imagine even for a moment that any of your thoughts can be kept ineffectual. No, it cannot be. It rapidly crystallizes into habit, and habit solidifies into circumstance. Good thoughts bear good fruits and bad thoughts bad fruits. You simply choose your thoughts; and though indirectly, yet surely, you shape your circumstance.

Beautify Your Mind

Disease and health are rooted in thought. Unlawful thoughts sink the body in disease and decay. Right and beautiful thoughts clothe it with youthfulness and beauty. Live in fear of disease and you surely get it. Anxiety demoralises the whole body and the impure thoughts shatter the nervous system and also poison the blood. Thought is the fount of action, life and manifestation. So guard your thoughts to protect your body. Beautify your mind to renew your body. Then build up the body with vigour and grace by virtuous thoughts.

Prevent Fear

Fear, doubt and worry are not big things in their beginnings. They are just little seeds in a corner of your mind. Just drop a burning match in a forest. It is after all a small thing. Yet it burns for a thousand miles, the whole forest, before the flames it starts die down. The way to prevent the forest fire is to put out the match in the beginning. So also to combat fear, doubt and worry, the way is not to fight them, but to prevent them. That is why prevention is spoken of as better than cure.

Shed Despondency

Fear, doubt and worry are all focussed on future occurrences. They are the mental diseases. They stretch out their restless fingers for the brushes to paint their terrible pictures on the mental canvas. Just stop them then and there. Take hold of the brushes and paint a constructive picture where they would paint a destructive one. Let them be divested of tools to work with

and canvas to paint upon. You will thus find in the place of the troubles-to-morrow, the joys of today. And life becomes bright and happy instead of dark and despondent.

Character-Sum Total of Thoughts

A man is literally what he thinks. His character is the complete sum of all his thoughts. His every act springs from a hidden seed of his thought. His act is the blossom of that thought. Joy or suffering is its fruit. Man's life is a growth by law and not a creation by artifice. A noble and God-like character is not of accident or chance, but is the natural result of continued effort in right thinking. A thought oft repeated becomes an act, an act oft repeated becomes a habit, a habit oft repeated, a character, and a character moulds the very destiny of man.

The Spiritual Ideal

Allow not the barque of thought to drift upon the ocean of life. Be of firm aim and steer clear of catastrophe and destruction. Make your purpose the spiritual ideal; the centralising point of all your thoughts. Let not your thoughts wander away into ephemeral fancies, longings and imaginings. Do not be a mere bundle of wavering thoughts and fluctuating sensations. Exclude doubts and fears that distract the straight line of effort, rendering it crooked, inefficient and useless.

Radiate Peace and Joy

A star never talks, but is ever calm. A flower never sings songs but is ever sweet in beauty and gentle in fragrance. Be like a star in your brightness, radiating peace and joy from you, as the steady beam shoots down continuously out of the sky from the star. Be like a flower in your pure beauty, radiating a life of blessing and benediction unto the whole world.

Life An Oasis

Make your life an OASIS in this desert of the world, with cool shade around, and giving drink to the thirsty, shelter and refreshment to the weary and thus save the parched up souls from the scorching heat of tamasa. Make your life a spring that gives and gives for ever sweet waters to one and all, being utterly unmindful of anything else. As it would be quite impossible for the sun to think of darkness, be it so with you to think of evil.

Realise Your Immortality

Become aware of the drama played on the stage of the world. Do not be a mere ignorant spectator of it. Know your part and

Sanitary Assistant Feted

A farewell was accorded to Mr. V. Subramaniam Sanitary Inspector of Uduvil Parish last Friday at 5 p.m. at the Village Committee Hall Uduvil on the eve of his transfer to Kurunegala. The function took the form of a garden party which was followed by a public meeting presided over by Mr. N. Kandiah the V.C. Chairman of the Parish. Messrs T.C. Rajaratnam J.P. O.B.E., K.A. Coomaraswamy, S. Ramalingam, V. Kandiah and S. Sethukavalar addressed the meeting and referred to the high qualities of Mr. Subramaniam and to the keen interest taken by the Officer in looking after the health of the people entrusted to his charge. The speakers also referred to the successful health exhibitions organised by him in the parish.

TB Patients Society Kankesanturai

The inaugural meeting of the above Society was held on Sunday 2nd January 1949 under the distinguished patronage of Dr. J.T. Amerasingam (D.M.O., K.K.S.). The election of Office Bearers took place after a brief speech by Dr. Amerasingam.

Dr. J. T. Amerasingam and Dr. A. M. D. Richards were elected Patron and Vice Patron respectively.

consciously act it to the best of your abilities. It is then you live your life nobly and ideally set as it were. Never be so foolish as to think that you are a real prince or a page, though you might seem to be so acting your part. The worldly ecstasies of sensual shows will surely cease to tempt, touch and taint you if you but consciously realise your birthright, your inner nature of immortality and infinity.

Wear A Smile of Joy

It is better to take birth with a heavenly smile on the face than a silver spoon in the mouth. To wear a smile of joy on the face is to fill the mind with divine thoughts. Face is the index of the mind. Eyes are the windows of the soul. Heart is the entrance to the seat of God. Head is the exit. Fill all these with joy and let them express godly smile in action.

Work under the Divine Eye

Your face ought to shine. Your spirit ought to be tranquil. Your eyes ought to be clear. Your nerves are to be steady. With these, press through the task of your common most day. Live just as purely and beautifully in private as in the open glare of the world's noon. Train yourself to work under the divine eye and stand the divine inspection. Let the life begin to stir from the innermost depths and richly yield its true measure of joyfulness.

No Language Can Ever Die

Says Sarojini Naidu

In the course of her speech inaugurating the 15th Annual meeting of the Allahabad Central Advisory Board of Education, Her Excellency Mrs. Sarojini Naidu made a clear and emphatic declaration that the national language, whatever it might have been should be of the masses and not of the scholars.

Proceeding Mrs Naidu referred to the question of National Language and said that undoubtedly the country would adopt a national language. The language which was most commonly understood in this country should be the National Language of India. She had often been told that some provinces were insisting upon adopting that language as the National Language, through which education could be given to children at the primary stage. She thought that it was a wrong policy. She said that the province should have a common language but not before the children had got the real foundation in their mother tongue.

Continuing she said that the question still remained as to whether the language should be of the masses or of the scholars. Her view was that the language, whatever it might be, should be understood by the man in the street. The National Languages must be understood by the masses of the people so that every man and woman could realise that in free India they also counted.

Language is Life

Proceeding Mrs. Naidu said, "No national language dare kill the provincial language. No language can ever die. Languages have a message to give and receive through interchange on equal terms. Every language has its value and every literature enriches the world. Language is the life and no one can crush a language without crushing the life. It will be the duty of every man and woman to see that every language in India is preserved."

F. R. C. S. Examination

Dr. C. Sivaganam and Dr. V. Ramanayagam are among the nine candidates who have passed the Preliminary F.R.C.S. examination held in Colombo by the Special Board of Examiners appointed by the Royal College of Surgeons, England.

JAFFNA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Council to Purchase New Engine For Power Station

"THE Jaffna Urban Council was not supplying electricity to its consumers but electric flashes. There are four engines at present at the power station of which two are more than 20 years old and the other two about 12 years old. The engines have outlived their usefulness and unless a new high powered engine is bought the present Municipal Council also can only supply electric flashes" said Mr. T. S. Durairajah Member for Vannarponnai Ward when he moved a motion in his name "that as there is a great demand from the public for the supply of electric current and since the present engines are incapable of producing the required power early steps be taken to purchase a new engine for the power station" at the second meeting of the Jaffna Municipal Council held on Saturday last.

He further stated that the additional second hand plant which was bought in July 1948 for about Rs. 26,000 has also not helped to solve the problem, as within a month of its purchase it was found that 2 of its cylinders were broken.

He suggested the purchase of a new high powered engine and to sell the present 2 engines after repairing them. "The Kankesanturai electric bulk supply scheme to Jaffna will not materialize before 1951 and there is no use waiting for it to solve our difficulties. As a business concern, the Jaffna Municipal Council will accrue much profit and it need not raise the property taxes if it installs a new engine and supply electricity to consumers regularly. The Council also must bear in mind" he said "that there are more than 1000 applicants in the waiting list."

Mr. E. T. Hitchcock seconded the motion.

When the matter was discussed the Mayor Mr. Sam A. Sabapathy said that a complete set of engines would be installed at Kankesanturai only by the end of May this year and it would take a period of another 6 months to lay the lines for which tenders have not been called for as yet. He was confident

that the bulk supply of electricity to Jaffna from Kankesanturai would not be available before 1951.

The Council accepted the motion of Mr. Durairajah and it was decided to apply for a loan from the Local Loans and Development Board to purchase a new engine.

The following Members were elected for the respective standing committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Mayor, Mr. Sam A. Sabapathy, Messrs. R. R. Nalliah, C. Ponnampalam, P. Casipillai, S. Visuvalingam and T. S. Tautairajah.

WORKS COMMITTEE

Messrs. S. M. Abu Baker, E. T. Hitchcock, T. S. Thuraiarajah, P. M. John, D. James and A. M. Brodie.

SANITATION

Messrs. S. S. Navaretnam, S. R. Thalayasingham, J. Sebastianpillai, S. M. Abdul Qader, P. M. John and D. James.

The Bank of Ceylon was selected as the bank into which the Municipal funds should be deposited. When the item of deciding measures for the adoption of a common seal for the Council was discussed it was unanimously decided to adopt the symbol of Yal (lute).

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Treasure These Thoughts

Bravery is not a quality of the body, it is of the soul. I have seen cowards encased in tough muscles, and rare courage in the frailest body.

—MAHATMA GANDHI

SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY

THE JAFFNA URBAN COUNCIL during the last year of its existence failed in its duty to the taxpayers in the matter of supply of electricity. Some members formed themselves into an opposition party against the Chairman who was himself supported by other members and passed a resolution that the Chairman who was the chief executive officer of the Council should not make orders for the supply of electricity to new applicants without the previous sanction of the Council; consumers of electricity whose supply had been discontinued were classified as new applicants; those who were comparatively more fortunate in having installed electric connection before 1948 had to spend certain hours of the day without electricity. The hardship caused to taxpayers by the vagaries of the Council and by the condition of the plants in the Power House was great. Mr. T. S. Durairajah, Member for Vannarpounai Ward in the newly constituted Municipal Council, has pointed out at the last meeting of the Council the real state of affairs pertaining to the supply of electricity in Jaffna Town. We have referred in these columns once before to the plant which was acquired by the Urban Council about a year ago for the purpose of improving the supply of electricity. Mr. Durairajah has made mention of this plant and its unsatisfactory condition. We cannot but state that it is the duty of the City Fathers to devote their attention wholeheartedly to this matter and do all that is necessary for improving the situation. Electricity cannot be considered a luxury; it is one of the necessities of city life. The dark streets in the town help the burglar and is a source of inspiration to the rowdy. All public thoroughfares including lanes must be provided with proper lights and the poorest taxpayer should be given the facilities of having electric lights in his habitation should he so desire. No time should be wasted. The Council should take the necessary action without any further delay. The existing plants which could be repaired may be repaired and others not worth the cost of the repairs must be sold for what they are worth and new plants

should be installed. The fond dream that the Cement Factory at Kankesanthurai will be able to supply electricity to the entire peninsula is far from realisation. The recent statement of the Minister of Industries explains the position. An additional plant is expected to be installed for the supply of electricity to Jaffna town. Those who have been to the Power House at the Cement factory and found for themselves the real state of affairs would not have failed to form their own impressions about the tall talk or claim that one additional plant could meet the demands of the town not to speak of the peninsula. It is to be hoped that the Jaffna Municipality will not fail in its duty to the taxpayers who are taxed but not given the amenities of city life. If the Cement factory at Kankesanthurai or Mandapam Camp which are Government sponsored concerns could have unlimited supply of electricity, water and flush-out lavatories it cannot be understood why the Jaffna Municipality should not be able to do the same without asking the tax-payers to wait indefinitely for these amenities.

OUR INDIAN

LETTER

BY LANKA

Times Trick

By deciding to impose an excise duty of 25 per cent *ad valorem* on Indian-produced superfine cloth (48 counts and above in the warp) as from this month a step has been taken to divert the demand of the public from finer fabrics to coarse, and defect inflation. How far this will enable foreign fine fabrics to flood the market remains to be seen, as also how the Indian mills take to increased production of coarser varieties. The charge may be made by some people that this step is a sop to foreign textile interests, and it is recalled that many years ago when a similar duty was sought to be imposed by the then (British) Indian Government such stalwarts as Gokhale and Dinshaw Wacha, Congress politicians-economists had to wage an opposition against what was stated to be a help to the Lancashire textile industry. Times have changed!

Sweet Toddy for Sugar

Sweet toddy from the palmyrah has been tested at the Indian Institute of Science at Bangalore and found to contain vitamins of B complex and many advantages as a source of sugar. Contrary to popular notions that production of sugar from sweet toddy was more costly than from sugar cane, the Science Institute's recommendation is that the perennial nature of the palm and the direct tapability of the palm are factors which cheapen the cost of sugar production from sweet toddy, as compared with cane-sugar. Here is an idea for our temperance advocates, and tree-tax opponents in Ceylon.

The Weight of Sabotage

The magnitude of the loss caused by the recent fire in the Calcutta Telephone Exchange may be seen from the fact that damage to equipment is estimated at over 14 crores of rupees, and dislocation of re-equipment

Co-operation of G. As and A. G. As Sought

To inquire into complaints against Police Officers

The co-operation of Government Agents and Assistant Government Agents is being sought by the Inspector-General of Police in regard to the formation of panels to inquire into complaints made by members of the public against Police officers, in terms of the recommendations of the Police Commission.

Prominent residents or leading members of the public, would, with the Superintendent of Police of the Province or Division and the Assistant Superintendent of Police of the District in which the officer complained against is stationed, constitute the Board of Inquiry.

Instructions have already gone to Superintendents of Police and Assistant Superintendents to compile for their respective areas lists of prominent or leading residents, giving preference to Justices of the Peace and or Unofficial Magistrates, retired Magistrates, District Judges, Government Servants.

work extends to the diversion of machinery intended for other important exchanges like Madras and Bombay, and consequent delay in all major telephone development. The saboteur can claim credit for this job.

This India

Bombay schools have the innovation of pupils greeting teachers in "national manner." All schools not teaching English or Urdu, will have the pupils say "Gurugi" to male teachers and Bai, Behu, Awa, or Akka to female teachers according as they are Marathi, Gujarati, Kannada or Tamil.

"I feel this business of eating requires a great deal of investigation in India. We eat wrong things and eat too much of them," said Prime Minister Nehru in opening the Central Food Technological Research Institute in Mysore, the other day. All the same food is rationed and rare.

The recent presidential address at the Congress was the longest in its course of sixty three years. Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya is a prolific writer and delights in verbiage. For a number of years it used to be the practice to have the presidential carriage drawn by the number of bulls, corresponding to the number of years the Congress has been in existence. Then they introduced the carrying of the Torch from the last venue to the present. Perhaps in view of all this Pandit Nehru was prompted to remark at the close that he was sad about the *Mela* (Festival) spirit of the Congress session. Many years ago Gandhiji pulled it out of its pomp by selecting obscure and far-away villages for the annual meeting, but the old pomp and show seem to have come back by the back door.

This Talaimannar Business

(BY LANKA)

THE more forward we are to provide quicker communications the more stringent become the rules and formalities attendant on the older and slower modes of communications. Air travel today is sought to be made popular and common, and in a way it tends to become so. But a consideration of the established communications like rail and sea travel makes one feel that obstacles and hardships are being thrown in the path of the latter. One has only to try to cross over from Ceylon to India, by the Tuticorin or the Talaimannar routes to experience the tediousness and worry and humiliation of it all. If the Ceylon government wanted to divert the traffic to the Air-Ceylon line they could not perhaps have done more to compel travellers to give up the land and sea routes than what they have, somehow or other, contrived to do now to make these routes as thorny as possible.

Where Time is Nothing

Take the time involved in a journey, in negotiating the customs and Police barriers at Talaimannar. In the early days of this route and quite a long time afterwards between the arrival of the train at Talaimannar Pier and the berthing of the ferry steamer at Dhanushkodi Pier it was about three hours at the most, given fair weather. Today it takes more than three hours before the steamer can leave. Formerly some of the Customs examination either way used to take place on board the steamer, and the steamer took about an hour and a half for the crossing. Now, between arrival of train at one end and departure of train at the other the time is six hours or more. Between Colombo and Madras the air journey, including examination at either end take only six hours. Customs and police examination take place on each route. It will be said that air-travel being comparatively for the few the work involved is proportionately less. Quite right. But why is it nobody has seemed to think of the increasing worry and harassment for the person who chooses or is compelled to travel by the land and sea route?

Make It Hard for the

Traveller

Customs examination by a squad of conscientious officials at the Talaimannar pier seems to be a very lengthy process in which the convenience and feelings of the traveller receive scant consideration. In this century of the common man one can perhaps not claim any distinction by status or position. Sheep and goat go together. Travellers are prevented from taking so many things, and those who try to take them either have to return such prohibited articles to their friends or relations or dispose of them to bazaars or boutiques near the pier, of course at distress prices. Not a very wholesome practice. Picture a person with an extra umbrella, a tin of milk food, some biscuits etc. having to leave his belongings on the pier and run up to a bazaar man to sell the superfluous things. The bazaar man knows his business. The rest is, well, you know. Yes, but why do such people travel with such impediments, you may ask. That's silly, I mean your question. People who travel will and take sundry things with them. A government that seeks to take advantage of this human weakness or failing is callous indeed.

Overtime Money?

Having observed the ways of the persons in authority more than once I have formed the impression that there is something more behind them than mere routine. The procedure of customs examination at Talaimannar, even before one has commenced one's continental journey, is now "Compartmental" one bogey of the train at a time, on which are turned the energies of the whole preventive squad, what time the passengers in the other bogeys may crane their necks for their turn to come. If a bogey of "Singapore" passengers happens to be in the train then you may take a brief holiday if you please. Could it be that the overtimes pay of the staff has anything to do with this affair? I am not joking. Somebody might investigate the amount of overtime drawings of the Talaimannar crew and see what difference they make with last year, and a few months back. It is worth trying.

Exchange Control Levy

There is another purple patch of the Talaimannar landscape, sea-escape if you like, B passenger has cash on him for, say, a hundred and sixty rupees and he declares it correctly. Twenty rupees is taken by the Customs and a receipt given, because one is allowed only Rs. 140 to take across. The receipt shows Rs. 160 declared, Rs. 140 permitted, Rs. 20 surrendered. He is told he could apply to the Controller of Exchange at Colombo and get the surrendered amount. Here comes a little loot. The Controller of Exchange deducts 25% and gives the passenger only Rs. 15, when he applies for it. The deduction is penalty for what? For declaring correctly his cash! In a case I noticed the passenger carried the extra money for purchasing a ticket for his further journey from Dhanushkodi onward because at Colombo Fort he could not get a ticket for any other place but Dhanushkodi in India unless he booked a sleeping berth also, and provided it was available at 5 p. m. on the day of the journey (starting at 7-50 p. m.) look at the inter-twined obstacles.

Now how much are we getting monthly by this untidy levy on passengers? That's worth looking into too, both for the amount and, more, for the start injustice of it.

Barbed-Wire Obstacles!

I was struck by the very living connection between Ceylon and India, especially North Ceylon, visible in a hundred ways but these mounting obstacles look so devilish, and silly. People do not cross over for the mere fun of it, you can be sure. It is business, it is life, but you are up against barbed wire. The pricks are many. Passengers of whatever status they may be are to unpack their belongings on the sleepered Jetty in the open, which on rainy days is as dirty as can be. And instances are not rare where having thrown everything from a passenger's carefully packed trunk pell mell in a heap the guardians of prevention prod the poor passenger to hurry up with the repacking which in the nature of the circumstances must take some time. Things like these are a perpetual nuisance. Should a journey across this narrow strait have so many silly obstacles?

The late Mr. N. Nadarajah,

Alaveddy Sathanantha Vidhyalayam

Annual Prize Giving And Founder's Day

The above celebrations took place on 15-1-49 in the School Hall with S. U. Somasegaram Esqr. M. A. Dip-in Ed. E. O. N. P. in the chair.

The Principal in his report dealt with the various activities of the school both academic and extra curricular and the good results in the Public Examinations especially the J. S. C. (English) Exam in which 6 out of 9 passed in 1948 and the number of First and Second Prizes the school won during the year. Stress was also laid on the importance and necessity of the Education Department to make provisions to appoint Sinhalese and Graduate teachers to such progressive big schools.

He also pointed out the benefits that pupils stand to gain by such schools where they could get through their G. S. S. C. (Tamil medium) Exam with English as one of the subjects (either compulsory or optional) very easily and at a very much earlier age—a fact to be seriously thought of by pupils and parents alike owing to the introduction of age limit in schools and the recognition by the Government of its equality to the G. S. S. C. (English medium).

The chairman during the course of his speech stressed the importance of Industrial Education in Schools and pointed out that schools like Sathanantha are the proper type of schools best suited for the future Education of Ceylon. He congratulated the manager, the principal and the staff for their good work in the school.

Prizes were distributed by Mrs. S. U. Somasegaram to the winners in the various activities of the school both academic and Extra curricular.

After songs were sung in memory of the Founder the late Mr. Chellappah Nagalingam by the girls of the school, Messrs. K. Shanmugam and R. N. Sivapragasam spoke very highly of the Founder for his noble thoughts and deeds and emphasized that music and Religious Education should be given priority in schools and requested the chairman to give all possible help to achieve these objects.

Mr. S. Ramalingam Inspector of schools, commended on the good work of the school and Mr. S. Mylvaganam proposed a vote of thanks to all those present. The celebrations came to an end with the singing of Thevaram at about 9 p. m.

K. C. made a scathing exposure after his journey via this disgraceful place, sometime before his death, which showed that ordinary grooves are real.

Your high officials may not find these when they pass this way, they will be waited across as it is a magic carpet with everything as pleasant as can be. I make a challenge. Let them, from time to time, Ministers down wards, travel not merely incognito, but in disguise, in third class, and quietly and unobtrusively watch things as they are. If they don't somebody should force them to undergo the ordered will all the barbs pricking, and all obstacles sticking. This disgraceful things has gone on for long and as it goes it gathers as much dirt as possible. Should we let it go on? We speak of encouraging tourism. Fiddlessticks!

News in Brief

KANDY MAYOR

Senator W. A. B. Soysa was elected Mayor of Kandy by eight votes to seven. Mr. A. C. L. Ratwatte was the losing candidate.

DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

Mr. H. S. Ismail M. P. Puttalam was elected Deputy Chairman of Committees by sixty votes to thirty. His contestant was Mr. K. Herat M. P. Nikaweratiya.

TOSS OF COIN FOR MAYORALTY

Mr. G. G. Kanagaratnam was elected Nuwara Eliya's First Mayor. He polled five votes as against an equal number polled by his opponent Mr. N. G. C. Meelellan. The toss of coin decided in Mr. Kanagaratnam's favour.

GALLE MAYOR

Mr. W. T. Wijekulasuriya was elected unanimously Mayor of Galle at a meeting of the Galle Municipal Council. This is Mr. Wijekulasuriya's fourth term as Mayor. Mr. A. D. H. Weerasingha was elected Deputy Mayor.

Thiruketheswaram Temple Restoration Society

At a meeting of the working Committee of the Thiruketheswaram Temple Restoration Society held recently at the Old Kathiresan Temple Bambalapitiya presided over by Mr. K. Kanagaratnam M. P. Chairman of the Committee it was decided that the Madam that is being constructed at Thiruketheswaram for the convenience of pilgrims to the shrine should be named "Thiruganasambanthamurthi Nayanar Madam". A portion of the Madam was expected to be completed before 28th January. It was decided to celebrate Thai Amavasai Day at Thiruketheswaram on 28th January. Devotees from all parts of Ceylon are expected to be present there on that day. The celebrations would commence with Theertham at the sacred Palavi river, special pujah at the temple, devotional songs and addresses would follow. The Thiruketheswaram Temple Restoration Society and the Ithathu Sivanadiyar Thirukkoodam are jointly making the necessary arrangements.

It was stated that contributions were being received for the construction of the Madam.

Fifteen new members were co-opted to the Working Committee of the Society.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the Shareholders of the Jaffna Co-operative Stores Ltd., 150 Hospital Street, Jaffna, that the final call on the newly issued shares of the Company is payable on or before the 15th February 1949. The amount payable on each share is Rs. 50/- and it should be paid direct to the Company.

A. Arulambalam
Secretary
The Jaffna Co-op. Stores Ltd
10-1-49.
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The Lion Flag

Report of His Speech Incorrect Says Finance Minister

During question time at the meeting of the House of Representatives held on January 11, Mr. C. Suntharalingam raised the question of the national flag.

He said that although it was nearly a year since a committee had been appointed to devise a national flag, nothing material had happened. Of the six members appointed to that committee five were of Cabinet rank.

According to a newspaper report of December 20, Mr. J. R. Jayewardene, the Minister of Finance and a member of the flag committee, had made certain public utterances at a meeting in Kandy which were particularly disturbing.

Mr. Suntharalingam asked the Speaker whether such public utterances were proper and why if it had been an inaccurate report, the Minister had not contradicted it.

On the last occasion when the flag question was discussed, there had been trouble in the South and in the East. They did not want such things repeated again. Democracy could not function if it sought to ride rough-shod over the minority.

Report 'Incorrect'

Mr. J. R. Jayewardene, Minister of Finance, said that he could not quite understand what the question was. If the question was whether that newspaper report was correct, his reply was that it was incorrect. To the other question why he had not then contradicted the report, he said that he had sent a contradiction but the paper had not published it.

ORDER NISI

In the District Court of Point Pedro
Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 372/Pf.

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Eledchumippillai wife of Vythilingam Visuvalingam of Thanakkarakurichy Deceased.

Vythilingam Visuvalingam of Thanakkarakurichy Petitioner,
Vs.

1. Rasammah daughter of Visuvalingam
2. Sivaselvam son of Visuvalingam
3. Gnanasunderam son of Visuvalingam
4. Monakuru son of Visuvalingam
5. Annalechchumy daughter of Visuvalingam
6. Velupillai Mailvaganam all of Thanakkarakurichy Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before S. R. Wijeyatilleke Esquire District Judge on the 30th day of November 1948 in the presence of Mr. K. Sinnathamby Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the Petition and affidavit of the Petitioner filed on 31.3.48 and 5.6.48 having been read.

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and is hereby declared entitled to obtain Probate unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 15th day of December 1948 appear before this court and show sufficient cause to the contrary to the satisfaction of this court.

The 25th day of November 1948
Sgd. S. R. Wijeyatilleke District Judge.

15.12.48
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Sgd. S. R. Wijeyatilleke District Judge.

Drawn by
K. Sinnathamby
Proctor for Petitioner.
(O 121 11 & 18)

New Chief Justice takes his Oaths

"It is to me a very solemn occasion on which I dedicate myself to the discharge of the duties of the office of Chief Justice of Ceylon", said Mr. Justice Wijeyewardene, replying on Monday to the felicitations of the Bar, after taking his oaths of office as Chief Justice.

He took his oaths of office in the Chief Assize Court at Hultsdorp in the presence of a very large gathering of lawyers and members of the public, which included several ladies.

His Lordship arrived at Hultsdorp, accompanied by his son Mr. L. A. Wijeyewardene, in his car, which was flying the Lion Flag.

His Lordship came on the Bench with Mr. Justice Jayetilleke, Mr. Justice Nagalingam, Mr. Justice Windham, Mr. Justice Basanayake, Mr. Justice Gratian and Mr. R. Crossette-Thambiah and Mr. V. L. St. Clair Swan, Commissioners of Assize.

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Testy, D. C. J. 584.

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Letter to the Editor

Thirukketheswaram Temple

Sr.

A resolution has been passed at the Saiva Maha Nadu held at Jaffna calling upon all Hindus to support financially the move to restore the Thirukketheswaram Temple which is now an archaeological preserve. Laudable as this project seems, it is necessary to consider to what extent the Restoration Society will be able to 'restore' and not merely 'rebuild' this ancient Temple which is now almost covered up by earth. Saints Sampanthar and Suntharar have sung in praise of this shrine and from other available references in Tamil literature it will not be incorrect to state that this shrine belongs to a much earlier period than our dagobas. The architecture of this period will be a revealing study of the progress of man in this island while the structure itself will be a valuable heritage comparable to, or perhaps better than, contemporary structures now preserved in India. Dr. Charkravarti who was here last week said that the policy of the Department of Archaeology in India was to 'Preserve' and that the work of 'restoration' was undertaken only when the experts knew exactly how the structure looked in the days of old. Otherwise, it is needless to say, any meddling with the structure even with the best of intentions or religious enthusiasm would be a great sacrilege and a disservice to our country depriving the people of a possible way of measuring the achievements of their forefathers.

It is therefore that I suggest that the present movers in the matter give up, at least for the present, any idea of 'restoring' or 'rebuilding' and pool their resources to see that the shrine is 'preserved'. In any case it is important that the site should be dug up only after expert assistance has been obtained from India or elsewhere to assist our Archaeologist Dr. Paranavitane in the excavation. Progress may be hindered but the fruit will ripen in due time.

May I hope that neither religious fervour nor reluctance to change a course of action which one has already taken will stand in the way of the movers in considering the above suggestion.

Yours etc
R. NAVARATNAM

Point Pedro
10-1-49.

Change of Name

I, Murugesar Sabaratnam singhe, do hereby inform Government and the public that I will henceforth be known as **Murugesar Sabaratnam singham** and shall hereafter sign all documents as **M. Sabaratnasingham**.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
No. 976/ Testamentary

In the matter of the Intestate estate and effects of Velauther Kandiahpillai of Nallore, Jaffna.
Deceased.

Marimuttu widow of Kandiahpillai of Nallore, Jaffna.
Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Kandiahpillai Kanagasabapathy and
2. Kandiahpillai Satguru both of Nallore, Jaffna. Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Salvadurai Esq., District Judge, Jaffna, on the 15th day of December 1948 in the presence of R. Sivasupramaniam, Proctor on the part of the petitioner abovenamed and the affidavit of the said petitioner dated the 12th day of December 1948 having been read.

It is ordered that the said petitioner be and she is hereby declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased issued to her as his widow unless the respondents or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 21st day of January 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Sgd. R. R. Salvadurai,
District Judge.

(O 122 11 & 18)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHAVAKACHCHERI
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 10

In the matter of the estate of the late Sinniah Sabapathy of Thanamkallappu Deceased.
Sabapathy Sinniah of Thanamkallappu Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Thambu Appakuddy and wife
2. Thangamuttu of Thanamkallappu Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying for Letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased coming on for disposal before S. R. Wijeyatilleke Esq., District Judge on the 29th day of June 1948 in the presence of Mr. V. Kanagasabai Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner having been read.

It is ordered that the Petitioner abovenamed be declared entitled to have Letters of administration issued to him in respect of the estate of the abovenamed deceased unless the said Respondents or any others interested in this estate show sufficient cause of the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary

The 5 day of July 1948.

Sgd. S. R. Wijeyatilleke,
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Sgd. S. R. Wijeyatilleke,
District Judge.
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XXII. THE KAIVALYA UPANISHAD (contd)

Verse 13 refers to what are known as கிழவனத்தே, the descending avasthas (states of being) of the soul, the degree of consciousness varying, decreasing gradually from cognizance of objective sensations in the waking state (in the gross body) when the soul is described as seated in the region of the forehead 'between the eyebrows'. When the soul descends to the neck (dreaming state with subtle body), the external senses cease to function but sensations persist in a subtle form; here the subtle body takes wings, as it were, and takes the soul even to the upper and lower worlds where it sports with its subtle senses. When the soul descends further to the heart (sleeping state with causal body), even these subtle sensations cease and there is sound sleep and the soul gets refreshed shaking off all the fatigue and weariness engendered by its unceasing activities when awake or dreaming. This is why it is then said to be happy enveloped in Tamas. Verse 14 refers to the same avasthas in the reverse order, ascending from sleep to dream and hence to wakefulness. Verse 15 mentions the source from which these (gross, subtle and causal) bodies together with the worlds, inner and outer senses and the elements (Bhutas) commencing from akas down to earth originate, and in which they get merged in the end. This source is God, the Oduki (ஓடுகி, place of absorption), of the Siva Gnana Bodham. The apparent inconsistency as to how this statement that God is the source of the world, &c, is reconciled with the teaching in the Siddhiyar verse just quoted that Maya is the seed of the world, &c, has been explained so often that it seems unnecessary to go into the subject in detail here again. Let our readers forget, we would refer them to our Lord Meykandan's memorable words மன துறந்தது வித்துண்டபு மலம் முனைந்தவா தாகமாம் அந்தந்தான் நிற்றல்...வித்தகமாம். When the earth gets wet and there is seed buried in it there sprouts forth the plant; even so (is it with the world). (There is Maya) with the Lord, His feet (or grace), as its support and it has the wonderful capacity to grow forth. Cf. also, among others, the mundaka sruti "As the spider casts out and draws in (its web), as on the earth the annual herbs are produced, as from living man* the hairs of the head and body spring forth, so is produced the universe from the Indestructible" (mund: Up: I 1, 7,) and our comments thereon. The whole problem is succinctly solved by the svetasvatara sruti "Know that maya is the material cause (of the world) and that the possessor of maya is Maheswaran (Svet: Up: I, 10).

The next verse proceeds to describe yet another important characteristic of (God), to wit: God's advaita relationship with the world, and on it bases the Tattvam asi Bavana: Brahman (God) which is different from and (at the same time) the (inner) soul of all, the grand support of everything, subtler than the subtle and eternal.—That is you also. (Similarly) you are that (verse 6) —most translators translate the word *para* (பா) in the original text of this verse by the English word 'supreme' disregarding the content. The word here means foreign to or intrinsically different from, as in the words பரமயுக்தன் (foreign religions), பரமகீகம் (an opposite side), பரமம் (subject to others), பரமயப்பிரவேசம் (entering a body different from one's own), &c, and corresponds to the word வேறுய (different from) in the Siddhiyar definition of advaitam உலகெல்லா மயே, வேறுய, உருமாய் (God is all the world, He is different from it, He is in association with it). The concluding words of the verse "That is you also, similarly you are that" are re-echoed in the Siva Gnana Bodha lines அவனே நானே ஆகிய அந்தேறி எகனாகி... நிற், in the same way that He (God) identifies himself with the soul (in its worldly state), let the soul identify itself with Him. We have written so often on this theme of the Tattvam or soham or Aham Brahman Bavana that we should refrain from repeating the same here. We would just quote one opposite verse from Siddhiyar in this connection and proceed.

கண்ட இவை அல்லென் தான் என்று, காணுக
கழிபழம் தான் அல்லென் எனக்கருத்தி, கசித்த
நோய்மெனென உளந்து அவன்தான் நிற்றலப்பாலே
சோகம் என்பவர்க்கித், தோய்நயவன் வேறு இன்றி,
வினாவு அல்லென் மலம்கள் எல்லாம், கருட தியானத்தால்
விடம் ஒழியும் அதுபேரல், விமலத்தையுள் அடைபுயம்
பன்னடை மறைத்து அதுநான் ஆனென் என்று
பாவிக்கச்செல்லுவது இப்பாவகத்தைக் கரணே,

Dissociating himself from the seen world as being not himself, and pondering over the fact that he is not the unseen God, if the loving and faithful devotee meditates on Him losing himself in Him and identifying himself with Him in all humility and pure love, the Lord who is ever present with him being in Advaita relation reveals Himself and removes the bonds and make him pure; just as the snake-charmer contemplates on Garudan and removes the poison of snake-bite. This Sadana it is which the Vedas teach in the words 'Aham Brahman Asmi' (I am Brahman), etc.

The next sruti states the result of the practice of the Sadana just described: Whoso knows (contemplates) himself to be that Brahman which illumines the universe associated with the waking, dreaming and sleeping states, etc.—he is freed from all bondage (verse 17)—The fruition that follows as a result of the practice of the sohamavastha herein described, the emancipation of the soul its liberation from all bondage, makes all the more clear, as clear indeed as daylight, that the Tattvam Asi teaching contained in the previous verse is a sadana only and nothing else. Verse 16 then contains the precept imparted by the Guru to the disciple and verse 17 refers to the disciple's putting the precept into practice and the result achieved by him thereby.

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8-1-49
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