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Thampiapillai Ramasamippillai and
• wife

Ponnachchi of Moolai

Defendants.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 3259.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Thangamutto wife of Kanayathipillai Suppiramaniam of Moolai late of Singapore

Kanapathipillai Suppiramaniam of Moolai Petitioner.

Theiyanaipillai daughter of Suppiramaniam of Moolai
 Perampalam Kanapathipillai of do. The lift Respondent is a minor by her Guardian ad litem the 2nd Respon-

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Respondents.

This matter of the petition of Kanapathipillal Suppiramaniam of Moolai, praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased, Thangamathu wife Kanapathipillai Suppiramaniam of Moolai, coming on for disposal before P. E. Pioris Esqr., District Judge, on July 18, 1916, in the presence of Mr. E. Murugesampillai, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner, and the affiliavit of the Petitioner dated June 27, 1916, 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 person shall, on or before August 8, 1916, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

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JAPPNA, THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1916

THE KATRAGAMA PILGRIMAGE.

The Hindu Shrine at Katragama is not only one of the most ancient Shrines in

Ceylon but also one highest veneration by the Hindus of India and Ceylon. There was a time when thousands of devotees from the Hymalya to the Dondrahead, without any restriction, attended the annual festivals and also went there at non-festival times to perform their vows. It was a time when cholera and other infectious and contageous diseases were prevalent in most parts of the Island in an endemic form. Sanitary laws were not then so well understood as they are now and the Government also did not enforce them as they are now doing. Owing to outbreak of cholera at Katragama, during almost every time of festival, our Government was obliged, about half a century ago to safeguard the sanitary condition of the inhabitants of Ceylon at large, to introduce legislation restricting the number of pilgims attending the Festivals and the period of their stay there. Though it was a measure unheard of in regard to Shrines, Temples, or Churches in India and Ceylon, yet the then circumstances and the sanitary condition of the Island justified that special legislation.

Times have changed since then. Owing to the strict enforcement of sanitary measures by our Government, cholera or smallpex, even when they are once introduced, has been for several years past promptly stamped out, without being allowed to assume an epidemic form. This is one of the great blessings of British rule over us. These diseases never failed to occur periodically in the Jaffaa District and carry off thousands of victims, as was the case in the forties, fifties and sixties of the last century, not to refer to a near a decidence of the stream of the last century, not to refer to a near of the stream of the stre

off thousands of victims, as was the case in the fortics, fifties and sixties of the last century, not to refer to anterior dates. For the last one third of a century or so, Jaffna, as is the case all over the Island,

Jaffna, as is the case all over the Island, has enjoyed an immunity from such outbreaks of cholera or small-pox as had occurred in the days above referred to, although ma'aria is now on the increase in several parts of the Island.

We state these facts to show that however reasonable and necessary the precautionary measures adopted in the seventies in regard to Katragama might have been they are utterly unnecessary now been, they are utterly unnecessary now and their continuance after that necessity has ceased is a source of grave dissatisfaction and annoyance to the Hindus. It has been for some years past a matter of complaint that hundreds of applicants for permits to proceed to Katragama on the occasion of annual Festivals have been included a proposed to the process of the pumber. the occasion of annual Festivals have been refused permission to do so, the number of tickets allowed by Government to be issued from the several Kachcheries being of a very limited number. One can imagine the disappointment and vexation caused to devotees when their ardent desire to perform their religious vows in the Shrine is thus frustrated. To an eminently religious people like the Hindus, the restriction imposed on pilgrimage to their most sacred Shrine in Ceylon, when all other religious persuasions are free to do whatever they like without any restriction or control in regard to pilgrimage to their Shrines, is indeed, a great injustice their Shrines, is indeed, a great injustice which should be remedied without further delay. We have no doubt that His Excellency Sir John Anderson will readily redress this grievance of the Hindus, if it is brought to his notice.

There are no cleaner people than the Hindus, especially so when they attend their Temples and go on pilgrimage. It is essentially their religious duty that when they attend Temples and are engaged in performing religious vows they should be absolutely clean by bathing themselves and wearing clean clothes unsoiled by previous use. Why should such people alone in Ceylon be subject to special and invideous treatment in regard to their pilgrimage to Katragama, when larger congregations of pilgrims are allow-There are no cleaner people than the such people alone in Ceylon be subject to special and invideous treatment in regard to their pilgrimage to Katragama, when larger congregations of pilgrims are allowed to attend Buddhist and Roman Catholic Shrines without detriment to public health? Not only are these pilgrimages free and unfettered but they are also encouraged by the authorities by affording railway facilities by means of cheap tickets. It is but just and proper that restrictions on Katragama pilgrimage should be removed and that the Government should on the occasion of the annual Festival adopt the same sanitary and precautionary measures as they do at Madu and other places of great religious gatherings, without having recourse to the drastic measures adopted in regard to this Hindu Shrine alone. The Government may on such occasions prevent persons from infected areas attending these gatherings, though to all other Shrines in Ceylon pilgrims are allowed to go even from infected areas. To Katragama, however, beyond the limited number, even persons from noninfected places cannot go. We earnestly hope that this anomaly and injustice will be soon removed.

We understand that the Vavekananda Society of Manipay are preparing a Me-

morial to His Excellency the Governor praying for the removal of the restriction imposed on pilgrimage to Katragama.

## THE RELIGION OF THE ANCIENT TAMILS.

💥 (By S. Sabaratna Mudaliyar) PART SECOND. Chapter IX. ANIMAL WORSHIP.

Animal worship is supposed to be one of the earlier stages in the evolution of Religion according to modern science; and this view is made use of by the critics of the Hindu Religion in attacking that Reli-

gious worship having evolved out of Animal worship, LL, 228 ML 10 L2

The idea of worship, I must say, emanated originally from Religion, and in course of time, it was misapplied to worldly objects as well, by a process of corruption. Worship is invariably associated with the idea that the object worshipped is fully sensitive of the worship, and that it is pleased with that worship, and that it is pleased with that worship with the object is not only sensitive of and pleased with the worship, but that it will, as a result, reward him therefor. Man is fully aware of the fact that animals are not at all capable of realizing the value of worship—and it cannot therefore be maintained that he worshipped animals in the belief that he will be benefited thereby. He always expects a reward for his worship, and when he knows perfectly well that the animals worshipped by him cannot reward him at all—cannot even appreciate his worship—and, what it worse, cannot even know that they are being worshipped—be cannot be said to have thought of worshipping them. It is therefore plain that by worshipping these objects. Worship was originally intended to God alone, and it was performed at objects where He was supposed to manifest His influence more perceptibly them elsewhere—and this worship, in course of time, devolved into the worship of the history of the devolution of Animal Worship from the worship was straight in the history of the devolution of Animal Worship from the worship was all manifest His influence more perceptibly and others imperceptibly—according to the needs and demands of the souls who are placed in the universe. They therefore worshipped this Grace wherever it was perceptible. The Hindus, even now, are more susceptible of the spiritual influence over this material plane than other nations, and they will not disning all material object, and when they find the least sign of the manifestation of Grace in any object, they rush forwards worship that object, and when they find the least sign of the manifestation of t

lands and alien nations, the truths they contained were still more forgotten, and when people degraded into savagery, the practices assumed their worst stage—and this is what modern science calls by the names of Animal Worship, Fetich Worship &c. &c. If the history of these practices is traced with the help of the Science of Religion, they may be found to be based on solid spiritual foundation—But people who have no idea of the intrinsic merits of these practices call them superstituous custom or savage usages, just as a man who does not know the value of a currency note will throw it into the waste paper basket. It will be a gross misrepresentation of fact to say that the ancient Tamils were a savage nation worshipping animals, because the critics are unable to see the foundation on which their worship was based. lands and alien nations, the truths they

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

It is with great pleasure we reproduce in another column the Fourteenth Report of the THE VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY, kananda So-Colombo. ciety, Co-

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at the annual meeting of the Society, held on the 29th ultimo. Our readers may be aware that this Society counts among its members and active workers many of the leading Hindu residents of the metropolis. Among the works of the Society, the most outsanding was the missionary tour of Swamy Sharvananda, audertaken under the auspices of the Society. This was productive of active religious revival among the Hindu community of Ceylon and we hope the Society will not fail to arrange for similar tours by renowed Hindu Sanyasins from India once at least every year. We are glad to note that the several institutions under the Society are in a flurishing condithe Society are in a flurishing condi-tion. May the Great God move the hearts of all Hindus to help the Society to expand its usefulness and to realize its wish to have a permanent home of its own

### LOCAL & GENERAL.

THE TAMIL SEAT IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—Besides Mr. H. A. P. Sandrasagra to whose candidature for this Seat we referred in our last issue three other gentlemen have allowed their names to be put forward as candidates for this Seat:—Messrs. J. H. Vanniasingham, W. Duraiswamy, and A. Sapapathy. There is also a move to secure the renomination of the Hen'ble Mr. A. Kanagasabai. We also understand that Mr. C. Namasivayem, J. P. of Colombo, and Mr. C. Muttyah J. P. of Batticaloa are candidates.

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The Anniversary of the Was—At a meeting of the Committee of the Saraswati Vilasa Sabha, Jafina, held on 27th July last it was resolved to have special Pujahs performed in all the important Temples of Jaffua on the evening of Friday the 4th inst.—the antiversary of the war—for the success of the British and the allies in the war. It is hoped that not only the Hindu members of the Sabha but all Hindus of Jaffaa will attend divine service on that day and unite in prayer for our vistory and for the safety of those who are fighting for us.

THE RACE WEEK IN COLOMBO — His Excellency the Governor will attend the first day's races on the 5th instant. There will be a large number of visitors in Colombo during the race week.

THE GOVERNMENT TRAINING COLLEGE ENG-LISH SCHOOL—The annual sports meeting in connection with this institution was held on Saturday last. Lady Anton Bertram distri-buted the prizes

Kantarday Hundu English School—Eighteen students, out of thirty-five presented, passed the Riementary School leaving Certificate Examination from this School held last March. Their names are as follows, Arumugam V. Ayadurai K. Kandiah N. Kandiah P. S. Kanapathipillai V. Cholliah A. Muttucumeru A. Saomukam A. Saomukam N. Sangarpillai N. Sinnappah P. Sinuathamby N. Seediappah V. Subramaniam N. Vaithlingam T. Velupillai K. Venacitamby A. Visuvalingam N.

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PERSONAL.—Mr T Ramasamy of P C M O's Office, Colombo, has gone on two weeks' leave to Point Pedro.

GERMAN CASUALTIES -London, July 10th Graman Casomeries—London, July 10th,
—The Press Bureau reports.—The Gormans
state that their casualties during June numbered 88 051, bringing the total for the war
up to 3,012,637, exclusive of naval and colonial losses.—Reuter.

END OF THE WAR—Rome, July 25th,—Mr. Lloyd George's predictions of a victory in a few moeths are much commented upon. It is pointed out that Mr. L'oyd George has precise knowle ige of the military power of the Allies and the conditions of the Central Powers.—Reuter.

The Price of a Rubber Estate — Kinross Estate in Yatiantota District, 235 acres in extent, 90 of which is planted with toa and rubber, the property of Mr F Liceobing, Solicitor, Kandy, has been purchased by Mr. O. H. Z F-rnando of the Metropolitan Bar for Re 90 000 for Rs. 90,000.

II. E. THE GOVERNOR VISTS THE LAW COURTS.—H. E. Sir John Anderson visited the Colombo Courts on the 31st ultimo on the invitation of the Judges and Lawyers. The Courts grounds were gaily decorated and His Excellency met with a warm reception. A memorial tree was planted in the Courts Lawn by the Governor. The plant selected was the Brazil nut, the fruit of which is so much relished and the flower cossidered highly ornamental.

The Ceylonese National Review.—This is a new monthly journal published in Colombo. The July rumber (Vol 1 No 2) of the journal contains several interesting articles and the writers display a close-study and masterly grasp of the subjects they deal with. The "Notes" at the beginning is written in a pithy, pointed style, and brings under review and criticism, almost every subject of interest that came before the public during the month. "Higher Education in Ceylon," "A Plea for a Ceylonese Bank, Part II," "Land in the Dry Zone," "Some Notable Utterances" 'The World's Thought:—The truth about the War, Political Education of the Masses," are other articles in the number. The journal is conducted in a truly national line and deserves wide support among the Ceylonese. THE CEYLONESE NATIONAL REVIEW -This

Young Mens' Literary Association, Athiaddy.—A special meeting of the above Association was hold at the New Hall at Athiady at 6 P M., on Sunday, the 30th ultimo with Mr. K. Valemuruku, President of the Association, in the chair. The chief item of the day was a lecture on "Good Morals" by Mr. V. Ramasamy, the well known Proctor of Anuradhapura. The lecturer dwelt on the subject in a practical manner and impressed the audience with numerous quotations and examples. The lecturer spoke for about an hour and a half. Then remarks were offered by Messrs. G. Sathasivam, M. A. Ponniah, N. Saravanamuttu and the chairman. Votes of thanks were proposed both to the lecturer and the chairman. The meeting came to a close at about 9 P. M. The meeting began and ended with the singing of Devaram. Young Mens' LITERARY Association, Athi-

and ended with the singing of Devaram.

SARASWATI LITERARY ASSOCIATION.—The usual weekly meeting of the above Association came off on Saturday the 22nd instant. Mr. V Thampi. Vice-President, occupied the chair. Dr. S. K. Chinniah delivered a lecture on "Female Education." Comments on the lacture were made by the following: Messrs. S. Vydialingam, S. Subramaniam, K. A. Veerabahu, N. Velupillai, K. Thambiah and the chairman. The meeting terminated with votes of thanks to the Lecturer and the Chairman. At the next meeting to be held on the 5th instant, Mr. S. Alalasundram B. A. will deliver a lecture on "The effect of Education or Society."

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Farewell to Mudaliyar C S Kandiah.—
An Extra-ordinary general meeting of the "Randy Tamils' Literary Association" and a "Social" was held on Friday the 28th instant, bo bid farewell to Mudaliyar C S Kandiah, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Association, who is leaving Kandy shortly on official transfer The meeting commenced at 6 30 P.M., with Mr. V M Saravanamuttu, Proctor, S. C., and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair. Mesars, V S G. and M. M. C., in the chair man member by Mesars. A Vallipuram, Saraff, N. B I, N N Thamotheram, V C M Ayadurai, P Tambirejuh, J S Rejaretnam, J N Vedavanam, Advocate, M Samanathapina, Proctor S C, V Kadiritamby and the chairman, Mudaliyar C S Kandiah bhauked the members for the kind references made of him The members also bade fare well to Mr S K Sivam, Assistant Sbroff of the Kandy Kachcheri, and a member of the Association, who is leaving for Colombo shortly. The chairman presented him with a suitable souvenir, as a those of rememberance. The audience was then served with light refreshments, and the proceedings terminated at about 8 30 r M

OBSTUARY—We regret to record the death of Mr. V. Kandish, fasher of Mr. K. A. Veerave, u. of. Record Branch, P. W. D. Head Odine, C. Jomno, which took place in Colomboon Monday evening last at the residence of bis sons. Our condolence to the bereaved.

#### THE MYSORE UNIVERSITY.

AN ENDOWMENT.

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A brilliant example of an official yet in harness spending his carnings for the advancement of education comes from Mysore. Mr. D. M. Narasinga Rao, Secretary to Government, General Department, has offered to the Mysore University two life policies of the aggregate value of Rs. 9,000 (with profits) to form a small endowment. The object is to institute a gold medal for the best student in Political Economy and a Scholarship to the best student among the candidates for the B. Sc. course. The Government of Mysore has passed orders accepting on behalf of the Mysore University the endowment and the assignment and thanking Mr. Narasinga Rao for 'the generous endowment.'' An other instance of a Mysore official spending a part of his carnings in this manner is the endowment created after retirement by the late Mr. Subbraroya Iyer, who was for many years a Deputy Commissioner. This was many years ago in the time Sir K. Seshadri Iyer and it was reserved for Mr. Narasinga Roa to the founder of a similar endowment in the Madras University and has instituted a number of prize essays in the State.

### MEDICAL COLLEGE EXAMINATION RESULTS.

The results of the July examination of this Colloge are as follows:-

FIRST PROFESSIONAL .- First and second classes. —None. Completed the examination:—E. L. Wickremaratne, Miss U. C. Van Rooyen, L. H. Abeyewardens, Y. M. E. R. Abeyesunders.

SECOND PROFESSIONAL -First class .- None: cond class (in order of merit) D. R. Peiris, G. D.D. Wijesekera. Completed the examination:—L. O. Abeyaratne.

THIRD PROFESSIONAL. - (Part I.) - First None. Second class (in order of merit) J. Pedris and J. O Perera (bracketed). W. H. Fernando. Completed the examination:—M. Rustomice, J. C. H. O. Seppe. Kannangara, J. S. Fernando, C. H. O. Sena-

THIRD PROFESSIONAL .- (Part II.) - First cla THIRD PROFESSIONAL.—(Part II.)—First class.— G. S. Sinnatamby. Second class (in order of merit) A. C. Fernando, C. J. S. Nichelas, B. S. Jaya-wardene, V. P. de Zoyea, Completed the exami-nation; A. D. de Pinto.

The Diploma Medal is awarded to Geo. S. Sinnatamby.

The above have satisfied requirements for the Licenses in Medicine, Surgery and Midwifery.

First Apothecaries.—First class (in order of merit)—M M Kariapper, Don F 8 Silva. Second class (ditto)—8 W Bopitiya, V Ponnish, P 8 Dissanayake, L F Fernando, B Arnelis, H Gunetilleke, M H Tennekoon, M C Fernando, N Eliyatanby.

SECOND APOTHECARIES.—First class (io order of merit)—Sammapillai, A H T de Silva, Second class (ditto)—P M Fernando, W P de Mcl, N Dhaumalingam, N H R Alvaris, G J de Silva, M de Saram, Miss Dona Lucy Mutuwady, C Rajah, The Second Apothecaries' Medal is awarded to No. 14, Kandappan Sangarapillai.

# THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY COLOMBO.

(Read at the Annual General Meeting held on to 29th July, 1916.

MEMBERSHIP.—The number of members on the roll on the 30-b June 1916 was 207 as against 176 at the end of last year. 55 new members joined the Society and 24 were street off the list for non-paymans of areaes. Out of the total number there are 10 life members 6, honorary members and 5 associate members.

CLASSES AND MEETINGS.—The weekly close on Saturdays for the study Sivagnana Siddhiar, commenced in Catober 1914, was continued till Döcember 1915 and was well attended by members and others interested in the study of Saiva Siddhiantam. Vidhvan Thamothersun Pillai who conducted this class delivered 6 lectures on Sivagnana Siddhiar. 40 ordinary meetings were held during the year, and the average attendance was about 11 Many useful and interesting lectures were delivered at these meetings. Some of the subjects were "Our religious needs", "The true basis of mealthy", "Kandapuranam", "Practice of religion", "Saiva Worship", "Vairagyam", "Non-killag", "Poetry", "What is man". At some of the meetings, portions of Perlyapuranam and Ramayamam were road and explained by Mossrs. Ganesa Aiyar and Thambiah Upadhyayar of Jaffna and by Pandit S. Mylvaganam of Baticaloa.

The Managing Committee.—Twenty commit-

Jaffin and by Paudit S. Mylvaganam of Baticalon.
This Managing Committee.—Twenty committee meetings were held at which the mouthly progress reports and cash accounts were considered and other important items of business transacted. Pandit S. Mylvaganam acted as assistant Scoretary from May 1916 in place of Mr. K. S. Kanagarayau who had left for Jaffina. We have to note with regret that one of our Vice-Presidents, Mudaliyar R. C. Kailasapillai who had been rendering very valuable services for the Society since its inception had to retire from active work owing to ill health.

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THE LIBRARY,—The number of volumes in the Library is 759. 82 were added during the year; of these 11 books were donated by members. 12

were magazines bound in volumes and the rect were ordered from India at a cost of Rs. 153-23. It is gratifying to note that about 130 members have made use of the Library during the year. It is not out of place here to mention that the Library contains a very good collection of books on religion, philosophy, and literature and all the members would do well to make good use of them.

Finances —The sum of Rs. 6657 17 shows as surplus assets of the Society in the balance sheet for the year 1914 15 has been transferred to the following accounts:—

Rs. 1.610 00 " 2,010 00 " 8,037 17

Rs. 6.657 17

The members' subscriptions realised, during the year under review amounted to Rs. 798.50 and as Rs. 150 50 in excess of the amount recovered during the previous year; this increase is chiefly due to the self sacrificing and strenuous efforts made by the Honorary Treaturer. The amount to the credit of the "Society on 30th June 1916 was Rs. 6312 08,

A sum of Rs. 349 34 was collected as special subscriptions to meet the expenses in connection with Swami Sharyananda's visit.

The accounts of the year duly audited are an-

DONATIONS—The committee express their grate-ful thanks to all those who have helped the So-ciety by their liberal contributions towards its work.

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Ewam Sharvanand's Visit — In response to our invitation Swam Sharvananda, President of the Ramakrisha Mission, Madrae, paid a visit to Ceylon in December last. He arrived by train at Maradana on the morning of the 13th December and was met and received by some of the prominent members. In the evening a formal received he mission of the late revered Swami Vivekananda, In Colombo he delivered Swami Vivekananda. In Colombo he delivered Swami Vivekananda. In Colombo he delivered five lectures. The subjects chosen were "Oradinal Principles of Hinduism," "Practical Vedanta," "Bhekti," "Dharma" and "Vedanta and National Ideals." On the 23cd he reached Jaffina and Madray and Addressed the Hindus there on Hinduism. On the 53cd he reached Jaffina and was received at the Hindu College Hall on "Sanatana Dharma." On the 25th and 27th the Swami presided at the All Ceylon Hindu Students Camp which was organised by the Society and was held at Keerimalai. The success of the Camp of our President, Mr. C. Namasivayam, J. P., as to his generosity, Besides the Swami, the Hon, Mr. Kanagasabai and Mudaliyar E. Subaretnam, J. P. addressed more than 300 Hindu students and large gethering of the general public. A free reading room and library under the name of Nakulesvara Vasika Salat fourded at Keerimalai by Mr. C. Namasivayam, J. P., was opened by the Swami visited the various Hindu educational institutions.

Between the 27th and 81st December the Swam visited the various Hindu educational institution in Jaffua addressed large and appreciative audiences and was presented with two illuminate addresses. The Swami spent four days in Kandy and delivered two lectures. On the 6th January 1916 a lecture on the "Ethics of Buddhism", was delivered by the Swami at the Y. M. B. A. head quarters, Colombo.

quarters, Colombo.

The 54th birthday of Swami Vivekananda celebrated on the 8th January 1916; over hundred poor persons were fed in the mor and in the evening Swami Sharvananda deliv a lecture on the life of Swami Vivekananda at Polytechnic Hall. The Swami concluded speech by such a strong and stirring appeadinds on behalf of a home fer the Society th sum of Rs. 8,600 was subscribed on the spot. Swami left for Ma'ras the following day. We deeply thankful to the Swami for the great gious awakening he created during his short in Colombo, Jaffna and elsewhere among Hindus.

Hindus.

The Guru Puja celebration of Tirugmana San bandamurthi Swamikal took place at the Societ rooms on the 20th May, 1916.

Conclusion.—This Society which was started i 1902 under happy auspices has done very useft work during the last fourteen years of its exitence. Its modest library of a few volumes with which it began has increased to such an extentiate may now be said to be fast out-growing its Society's temporary home. As regards: the number of its members it will not be too much to sa that there are very few educated Hindus is Colemba who have not, at one time or ether, be either connected with, or, come under the beneficent influence of the Society. The public latures delivered from time to time under the ampices of the Society have carried the living truth of Sanatana Dharma to the attentive ears of many.

Though the Society has thus done good we the past much more remains to be done. I more effective work the Society must wide scope of its activities so as to attract wor This will be possible only when the Society and the scope of the scope of the scope only when the Society and the scope of Ht

### TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

### The War.

SERBS IN ACTION.

Lordon, July 28.

Salonika (Official).—The Serbian troops have driven back the Bulgarians in Greek territory North of Vodena after a sharp engagement.

#### BELGIAN SUCCESS.

London, July 28.

Korogwes.—The Belgians have occupied Maria-hill, 100 miles South East of Muanza on Lake Victoria after successful progress West of the lake where they captured 1,000 porters of an enemy convoy with loads of rifles, munitions and sup-plies. They defeated an enemy force of six hun-dred and captured 4,000 natives altogether. The Belgians took prisoner 190 whites.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE COMMITTEE.

Melbourne.—Mr. Pearce said Australia in the future must be prepared for War. Its whole national life must be organised. Government proposed to establish a Council of Defence consisting of the Premier (President), the Ministers of Defence and Navy and Naval and Military representatives, which would be permanent, at the Secretariat to watch the industrial and commercial development of railway communications and to collect data.

#### THANKS TO MUNITIONERS.

Replying to a message of congratulation from the General Federation of Trade Unions General Fir D. Haig telegraphed his warmest thanks. "All ranks realise how much success is due to the patriotism, self-denial and whole-hearted co-operation of their brother workmen at home."

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THE TROOP TRAIN TRAGEDY.

London, July 27.

In the House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced that he had asked the Raj for a report on whether the loss of life on the troop train was due to the route or the lack of proper arrangements, or both, and whether it was urgently necessary to send drafts by that route immediately instead of sending them by the Decean till the monsoon broke in Northern India.

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Col. Yate:—Can arrangements be made to prevent vegetables for Indian troops in Arabia speiling en route from Bombay? Could not money compensation be givon British officers at Aden instead of bad rations?

Mr. Chamberlain:—I have telegraphed to India for information.

r information.

Mr. Markham:—Did the Raj take any steps in e troop train matter till mentioned in the Com-

mons?

Mr. Chamberlain said the Raj instituted an en-quiery as soon as he had knowledge of the facts. He informed me of the occurrence by telegram dated, I believe, June 15th. The Raj is swaiting the result of the enquiry before fixing responsibi-lity. The Klug and the Indian papers had drawn attention to the matter before June 18th.

GERMAN SHOOT BRITISH SEA CAPTAIN.

Amsterdam.—A Berlin official message says that Captain Fryatt of the Great Eastern Co. 5s steamer "Brussels" which was captured by the Germans, has been shot for attempting to ram submaring U33.

### GERMANS VIOLATE SWEDISH NEUTRALITY.

London, July 27.

Christiania.—Crowds on the Hill saw the German auxiliary, disguised in Swedish colours, attack the "Eskimo" in territoril waters.

AIP PAID ON

AIR RAID ON NOFOLK, LINCS AND YORKSHIRE.

Const early today. The number is as yetunknown.

Reports received from Yorkshire stated that boms were dropped. London, July 29.

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Three airships raided the East Coast between midnight and 1.30 A. M. and dropped thirty two bombs on Lincolnshire and Norfolk. There was no material damage nor were there any casualties. Many bombs fell mio the sea. The anti-aircraft guns in action at one place drove off the aircraft from their objective. The raiders appeared greatly hampered by fog.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN POZIERES

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London, July 30.

Paris.—The wounded comfirm the desperation of the fighting at Pozieres. Two hundreed machine guns defended it. All were destroyed or captured by the British. A German company, surrounded in the fort in the middle of the village, held out for twelve hours. When the fort was finally stormed, four defenders were living, the remainder being dead, and huddled behind an armoured ehelter. The destruction of the village was so complete that the very stones disappeared. The site was undistinguishable from the surrounding country. Everywhere were holes thirty feet deep, emitting a stench testifying to the presence of corpses. The final assault was carried out most gallantly by the Australians, covered Westward by the London Regiment, who joined thom North of the village near the cemetery. The Bayarian battalion, holding the North edge of the village, was decimated by Artillery when trying a dash of 300 yards to the cemetery. The survivors were taken prisoner.

### FRANCE APPEALS TO NEUTRALS,

Paris (Official).—As all protests to Germany agginst the deportation of 25 060 inhabitants from Northern France for forced labour, which is contrary to the Hague Conventions, have been without rosult. France now appeals to the sense of bornanity in reutrals, whose representatives have hitherto been excluded from the occupied territories and the inhabitants were thus deprived of ever the protection erjoyed by prisoners of war.

NAVAL PROMOTIONS FOR "JUTLAND."

London, July 29.

The Naval promotions, delayed after the Battle
Juliand, are unprecedentedly large, They inude twenty-six Commanders promoted to be

Captain and sixty six Lieutsnant Commanders to be Commanders.

RUSSIAN WAR MINISTER'S VIEWS.

The Russian War Minister, interviewed by the Russkee Slove, says the tide of War has turned, the exhaustion of men proceeding alongside the exhaustion of products, with the German initiative in fighting transferred to the Allies, the spirits of whose troops are of the highest. But there will be prolonged struggles before the German technique is finally broken.

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U. S. A. MEXICO SETTLEMENT.

Washington.—The Mexican Ambasador indi-cates that a satisfactory solution of the differences between Mexico and the United States has been reached. It is believed that Cdrranza has agreed to a Joint Commission.

#### GERMANY'S LATEST OUTRAGES.

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London, July 29.

Captain Fryatt fof the Great Eastern Co.'s S. S.
"Brussels" was court-martialled at Bruges for
attempting to ram the U33 on March 28th. The
charge is said to be founded on an inscription regarding the sinking of a submarine, on a gold
watch alledged to have been found on the Captain,
but hitherto there have been no details of the trial.

Eight English herring-drifters have been sunk
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The newspapers express the utmost horror and indignation at the execution of Captain Fryatt, surpassing the Cavell crime because it was in defiance of German Sea Law itself. The Manager of the Great Eastern Railway Co, says that Fryatt's only offence was escaping from a submarine three or four months ago. Fryatt leaves a widow and seven children at Dovercourt, where he was nicknamed the "Pirates" Terror" because of his skill to cluding submarines. The Germans hated him because he mocked at submarines.

### SPANISH CATHOLICS AND GERMAN ATROCITIES.

ATROCITIES.

London, July 29.

The Times Madrid correspondent says an address by Spanish Catholics to Belgium, with 400 distinguished signatories, has been published. It demands an International Commission of Enquiry into German atrocities, condemns the violation of Belgian neutrality and olaims that Belgium shall receive full reparation for its sufferings and recover its independence. When the Germans heard the address was being prepared they tried everything to secure its suppression. The Kaiser even intimated to certain Spanish aristocrats that unless they withdrew their signatures, their ancestral estates in Belgium would be devastated and the furniture of the mansions defiled and destroyed by the roughest soldiers of the German Army.

DARDANELLES COMMISSION.

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Melbourne.—Mr. Pearce states that the Commonwealth did not object to Sir A. Fisher's appointment on the Dardanelles Commission on the understanding that as the Commonwealth had not been consulted regarding the Commission, Sir A. Fisher could not be regarded as representing Australia.

### AUSTRALIA'S BIG FREIGHT OFFER.

Mr. Jansen, Minister of the Navy, announced that a British shipping firm had offered the Commonwealth six 11,000-tron teamers at a cost unofficially estimated at £2,000,000.

#### MESOPOTAMIA

London, July 30

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Mr. Forster states that for several months all the demands from India for supplies had been fulfilled. Large quantities had been and were being despatched from the reserves in the Mediterranean All demands for medical stores from Mesopotamla had been fulfilled. The War Office had now overtaken the supply of the latter and will promptly meet any further demands.

#### THE MURDER OF CAPTAIN FRYATT.

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London, July 80.

Sir E. Grey on July 29th drew the attention of the American Ambassador to Reuter's Amsterdam statement giving the German official account of the execution of Captain Fryatt. He says it is difficult to believe a master merchantman was deliberately shot in cold blood for an action which was the only chance of saving the vessel and all aboard after German submarine had adopted the practice of sinking merchantmon without warning and regardless of lives. If the German Government has perpettated such a crime against Britin prisoners, it constitutes a most serious condition of aftairs. Sir E. Grey, therefore, requests an urgent enquiry in Berlin with a view to securing a full and undoubted account of the facts.

Mr. Page replied to Sir E. Grey, enclosing the paraphrase of a telegram from the Ambassador in Berlin, saying he wrote to the German Foreign Office on July 20th and July 22nd regarding Captain Fryatt, requesting an opportunity to engage Counsel. He received a verbal reply on July 27th and the Foreign Office requested a postponement if possible. A written reply on July 27th stated that a po tponement was impossible as German submarine witnesses could not be further detained. The German authorities appointed a Major to defend Captain Fryatt.

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There is worldwide borror at the death of Captain Fryatt. The Dutch press is especially severe in denunciation of a "cowardly and wicked act of hatred and revenge." The crowd at Rotterdam on Saturday smashed the windows of the German consulate.

Prior to the trial Sir Edward Grey telegraphed to the American Ambassador in Berlin, asking him to secure the proper defence of Capt. Fryatt, adding that Government consider his action perfectly legitimate. It was essentially defensive and on the same footing as the use of armament defensively on an armed vessel to resit t capture, which both America and Great Britain hold to be an undoubted right.

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Amsterdato,—The murder of Capt. Fryatt has
canted intense indigmation in Holland and is compared with that of Sister Cavell. The Daily
Telegraph says it is a burning shame, calling for

THE KITCHENER FUND

The Kitchener Fund is £164,000.

PATROL AFFAIRS IN EGYPT.

London, July 31.

Egypt. (Official).—There were several patrol engagements on July 28th. The New Zeland Mounted Riflies infleted fifty casualties on the enemy. Ours were of the slightest.

### THE TROUBLES OF TURKEY.

Constanza.—Thousands of Moslem women demonstrated against the Wer in front of the Palace at Constantinople. The Police dispersed them. Cholera is rife in the city and at Samsun where 1,000 refugees are in the utmost misery. The authorities soized all males from 18 to 50 and sent them to Sivas the principal point of Military concentration. London, July 29.

Bukbarest.—All the Terco Roumanian conver-sations regarding the exchange of supplies have been broken off.

#### KING OF DENMARK IN THE SEA.

London, July 29

Copenhagen.—The King sailing alone is a small boat near Aarhuus was capsized. He clung to the bottom and was rescued none the worse for his long immersion.

#### "APPAM" TO BE RESTORED TO BRITISH.

Norfolk, Virginia.—The Federal Court orders the restoration of the "Appam" to its British owners, It decided that a prize cannot be brought into neutral waters uncouvoyed in the manner the "Appam" was brought in which was a violation of United States neutrality.

FOREST ELDER

London, July 31.

North Bay (Ontario).—The towns of Cochrane, Matheson, Mushka Station and Timmins have been destroyed by forest fires. Troquois Falls are burning. 100 are dead and many injured.

#### MUNITION FIRE IN NEW YORK BAY.

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London, July 30.

New York.—A fire started in a munitions warehouse on a small island in New York Bay and
spread to a lighter loaded with shrapnel bullets.

The exploded shells fired dynamite trucks on the
wharves. The whole country for miles round was
shaken. The island is a mass of wreckage.
Seventy-five people were sent to hospital.

London, July 31.

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There are a few fatalities in the explosion on the island but the property damage is the heaviest. It is estimated at five million sterling, including 40,000 tons of raw sugar of the value of implies a sugar of the value of including 40,000 tons of raw sugar of the value of including 40,000 tons of raw sugar of the value of including 40,000 tons of raw sugar of the value of including 40,000 tons of raw sugar warehouses and six piers were damaged. The Statue of Liberty is slightly damaged. The authorities are investigating the possibility of a German plot.

#### THE BRITISH FRONT.

Dondon, July 31.

General Haig, in a communique, says last night was spent in improving the positions we gained yesterday. There were no further developments in the situation. As the result of local encoun-ters we advanced our posts at some points on the plateau North of Bazentin le-Petit.

London, July 31.

The British are now attacking the third line which the Germans had previously strengthened, utilizing the forced labour of thousands of Belgians. Opinion in Paris, based on the slaughter of the German reinforcements and their weakness in reserves, is confident that the Germans will have to retire on the new positions.

London, July 31.

Karl Wiegand, the pro-German correspondent of the American Press, laments that there are no signs of the Allies wavering on the Somme where the fighting is like all the famous battle of the world rolled into one.

London, July 31.

It is stated in Amsterdam that there have been no German troop movements on any scale West-wards since the failure of their counter offensive, but their guns have greatly increased.

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Condon, August 1.

General Sir D. Haig reports that there was no Infantry fighting and nothing important today. Aviators made several raids and dropped seven tons of boms on enemy communications and billets. A train was blown up and an ammunition depot set after. A hostile aeroplane on the ground was destroyed. There were many air fights and several enemy machines were felled and damaged.

### Three British machines are missing THE RUSSIAN VICTORIES.

London, July 31.

The RUSSIAN VICTORIES.

London, July 81.

The Times correspondent at Russian Headquarters, describing the operations of the forces
under General Brussiloff, says that within an hour
of beginning the offensive on 28th July he had 38
German guos and 4,000 Germans. The retiring
enemy is concentrating about Kovel where the
battle is developing. It will be one of the fiercest
in the campaign as it threatons the entire German
positions. The Germans are fighting like demons,
preferring to be bayoneted to surrendering. The
correspondent describes General Kaledin as the
extraordinary Commander who first breke the
enemy front West of Lutek and took 10,000 prisoners and 47 guns in a single day, advanced 47
miles against most formidable obstacles and, assisted by General Lesh, crushed the German efforts to recover the lost ground. As regards General Sakaroff, the correspondent says he forestalled the great offensive prepared by Germans
to recapture Lutek by crushing them at Lipa River and ruined the grandoise plans of the enemy.
He captured enormous stores and shells in every
village. The correspondent adds that the Germans since General Sakharoff's victory have
shandoned the Austrians.

London, July 81.

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The Germans, in a communique, admit their withdrawal from the great salient formed behind the Stokhod River in the direction of Kovel.

London, July 81.

It is pointed out in Petrograd that General
Brussitof's line of 250 miles from Pripet to the
Carpathians is now sixty miles farther West than

seven weeks ago. It is estimated that he put three quarters of a million of the enemy out of action, including 400,000 prisoners. The progress of General Sakheroff has now brought the whole Russian front into line and General Brussloff has gained a point of departure for his next great push.

A Russian communique says:—Our troops have advanced in the fighting on the Stokhod. We captured in a bend of the river the whole slat Hungarian Regiment including the Commander and Regimental Staff and also elsewhere 21 officers and 914 men and four machine guns. Troops are pursuing the enemy in the direction of Brody and have reached the rivers Ikva and Seret.

Petrograd.—A communique says:—The Stokhod advance continues. The enemy's heavy guns bombarded Brody and the Fords at Buldurovka. There was desperate fighting on the greater part of the front, the enemy making every effort to retain his line of defence, calling up troops in every direction, even single Battalions.

#### DUTCH MAIL BOAT MINED.

London, July 31.
Flushing.—The mailboat "Wilhelmina" struck
a mine and is sicking. The weather is calm. London, July 31.

Amsterdam.—Only the "Wilhelmina's" hull lasible. The ship's boats are proceeding to Noor-

visible. dhinderdninger London, July 31.

Flushing.—The "Wilhelmina" has sunk. She carried 41 passengers and 60 crew who are now aboard the lightship tender. Some are injured.

AIR RAID ON EAST AND SOUTH EAST COASTS.

(Official).—A number of hostile airships before midnight crossed the Eastern and South Eastern coasts and dropped bombs off the Thames estuary. Their attack is proceeding.

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(Official).—Apparently there were a considerable number of airships in tonight's raid. They cruised for some time in Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridge, Essex, Kent and Huntingdon, and dropped bombs indiscriminately. The localities were military unimportant. Anti-aircraft guns at one spot came into action, with, it is believed good effect. Details are lacking.

#### ZEP PUT TO FLIGHT.

London, July 31.

The Admiralty announces that an aeroplane pursued a Zeppelin thirty miles off the East Coast at 6.15 today. The pilot fired two trays of ammunition into the Zeppelin when he was temporarily incapacitated by a portion of his machinegun off dying and stunning him. When he racovered consciousness the Zeppelin was nowhere to be seen and he therefore returned.

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### SUCCESS IN GERMAN EAST AFRICA

London, July 31. (Official).—In Fast Africa General Van der Ven-ter has occupied Dodoma on the Central Railway.

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Loudon, July 31.

Paris.—A communique says the enemy last night multiplied his counter-attacks against our positions at Bois-de-Hem and Monacu Farm, Fighting was particularly violent at Monacu Farm, where the enemy momentarily gained a footing but a brilliant counter-attack drove them out. All attacks at Bois-de-Hem were repulsed by our fire. During the attacks cur batteries on the left bank of the Somme enfladed the enemy, inflicting heavy losses. An enemy attack on the North-Eastern slopes of Hill 304 failed under our fire.

London, Aug. 1.

Paris.—A communique says:—The Germans North of the Somme continued to counter attack at Hem Wood and Monacu Farm. All the at-tempts were fruitless and we hold the ground won, There was a fierce Artillery duel East of the Meuse.

### THE MURDER OF CAPT. FRYATT.

In the House of Commons Mr. Asquith said that Government had learned with the utmost indignation of the atrocious murder of Captain Fryatt. The question of taking immediate action was engaging his attention.

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London, July 31.

Mr. Asquith continued that coming contemporaneously with the lawless cruelties in connection with the wholesale deportation from Lille and ether occupied parks of France, it shows that the German high command, under the stress of military defeat, had renewed its policy of terrorism. It was impossible to conjecture what further atrocities would occur, but Government must repeat emphatically their resolve that these crimes will not go unpunished (cheers). When the time arrivos, he was determined to bring the criminals, whoever they be and whatever their position, to In cases such as this the

Justice.

In cases such as this the man who authorised the system under which the crime was committed may well be the guiltiest of all.

Sir E. Carson suggested the introluction of a Bill, making it clear that we refuse to admit German people into the comity of nations until such orimes are explained.

Mr. Asquith said Government would consider the matter.

### THE IRISH QUESTION.

In the Commons Mr. Devlin said he never would agree to the permanent exclusion of Ulster, to the toped something would be done as a means to further negotiations with the Ulster members. Mr. McNeill had a similar hope.

In the Commons Mr. Bonar Law said it was true Home Rule was on the Statute Book, but he would do his utmost to prevent it coming into operation unless an amending act accompanied it. Unionist Cabinet Ministers' readiness to allow Home Rule to come into operation showed the Unionist goodwill.

### IRISH TRAGEDY ECHO.

In the Commons Mr. Asquith announced that Sir John Simon Mr. Asquith announced that death of Sheehy and Skeffington.

— The Ceylon Observer.

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