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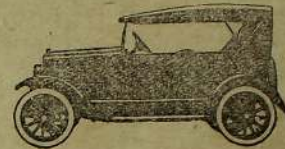
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NOTICE.

THE CEYLON (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL) ORDER IN COUNCIL 1923.

CONSTITUENCY OF THE EUR PEAN ELECTORATE. (RURAL).

Notice is hereby given that the Register of Voters in the Electoral District of Mullaitivu for the above constituency has been completed and that it is open for inspection at all reasonable hours at this Kacheheri.

2. Any person claiming to have his name inserted in the Register or, if entitled to do so, objecting to the name of any person appearing therein should make his application to me.

3. Such application must be made within four weeks from the date of the publication of this notice, set out the grounds of application, and give an address for the receipt of notices.

M. K. T. SANDYS

Assistant Government Agent, Mullaitivu Registering Officer for the Mullaitivu Electoral District of the constituency of the European Electorate (Rural).

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NOTICE.

THE CEYLON (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL) ORDER IN COUNCIL 1923.

CONSTITUENCY OF THE NORTHERN PROVINCE EASTERN DIVISION.

Notice is hereby given that the Register of Voters in the Electoral District of Mullaitivu for the above constituency has been completed, and that it is open for inspection at all reasonable hours at this Kacheheri.

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M. K. T. SANDYS.

Assistant Government Agent, Mullaitivu Registering Officer for the Mullaitivu Electoral District of the Constituency of the Northern Province Eastern Division.

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NOTICE.

THE CEYLON (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL) ORDER IN COUNCIL 1923.

CONSTITUENCY OF THE MUHAMMEDAN ELECTORATE.

Notice is hereby given that the Register of Voters in the Electoral District of Mullaitivu for the above constituency has been completed and that it is open for inspection at all reasonable hours at this Kacheheri.

2. Any person claiming to have his name inserted in the Register or, if entitled to do so, objecting to the name of any person appearing therein should make his application to me.

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M. K. T. SANDY.

Assistant Government Agent, Mullaitivu Registering Officer for the Mullaitivu Electoral District of the constituency of the Muhammedan Electorate.

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NOTICE.

THE CEYLON (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL) ORDER IN COUNCIL 1923.

Constituencies of the Northern Province, Northern, Southern, Eastern, Western, and Central Divisions, European (Rural) Muhammedan, and Indian Electorates within the Revenue District of Jaffna.

Notice is hereby given that the registers of voters for the following constituencies comprised in the Revenue District of Jaffna have been completed and that such registers are open for inspection at all reasonable hours at the Jaffna Kacheheri:

- (1) Northern Province Northern Division Electorate
(2) Northern Province Southern Division Electorate
(3) Northern Province Eastern Division Electorate
(4) Northern Province Western Division Electorate
(5) Northern Province Central Division Electorate
(6) European (Rural) Electorate of the Jaffna District.
(7) Muhammedan Electorate of the Jaffna District.
(8) Indian Electorate of the Jaffna District.

Any person claiming to have his name inserted in such register, or, if entitled to do so, objecting to the name of any person appearing therein, should make application to the Registering Officer hereinafter mentioned.

Such application must be made within four weeks from the date of publication of this notice, set out the grounds of application, and give an address for the receipt of notices.

L. W. C. SCHRAEDER.

Government Agent of the Northern Province, Registering Officer Revenue District of Jaffna.

Jaffna Kacheheri, March 29 1924 G 384

NOTICE.

THE CEYLON (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL) ORDER IN COUNCIL 1923.

CONSTITUENCY OF THE INDIAN ELECTORATE.

Notice is hereby given that the Register of Voters in the Electoral District of Mullaitivu for the above constituency has been completed and that it is open for inspection at all reasonable hours at this Kacheheri.

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M. K. T. SANDYS.

Assistant Government Agent, Mullaitivu Registering Officer for the Mullaitivu Electoral District of the constituency of the Indian Electorate.

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AUCTION SALE OF

Materials of the undermentioned buildings and fence-stakes at Chiviteru Salt Pans will be held at the spot on the 9th April 1924 at 4 p. m.:-

- 3 Temporary Stores
1 Store Room
1 Office Room
6 Porchies
6 Watchers' Sheds
1 Fence-stakes.

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(1) The highest bidder to become the purchaser on deposit of 25% of the purchase amount, immediately the lot is knocked down to him.

(2) The balance purchase amount to be paid at the Kacheheri before removal, which must take place within 1 week of the date of sale.

(3) A removal permit will be issued by the Government Agent, N. P., at the Kacheheri to rambars who have paid their amounts in full. The permit must be shown to the watcher in charge of the Stores before removal of the materials.

(4) The cost of dismantling the buildings and fences to be borne by the purchaser.

R. Y. DANIEL,

for Government Agent, N.P.

Jaffna Kacheheri,

27th March 1924.

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The Hindu Organ.

JAFFNA, MONDAY, MARCH 31, 1924

THE VILLAGE COMMITTEES.

There is a general feeling of great satisfaction among the people at the victory gained by the Unofficials at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 20th instant in regard to the election of the Chairmen of the Village Committees. The Unofficials have done their part manfully and nobly. They have secured for the people a great right, on the proper exercise of which depends the success of the Village Committees as bodies which have been established for the promotion of self-government among the people. But the question is whether the right will be duly and wisely exercised by the people, or allowed to remain a dead letter among the laws of the land. We are of opinion that in the first place a great reform is needed in the manner in which the members of the Village Committees are elected. We think that in order to do this satisfactorily, each division in which a village committee works should be divided into areas for each of which a competent man of proved honour and willingness to serve the country should be elected to be a member in the Committee. We are aware that hitherto grave dissatisfaction has prevailed among the people in regard to the manner in which the members of the Village Committees have been elected. It is a matter of common knowledge that only a select few who were likely to support the Chief Headman without asserting their rights and showing due independence in arriving at decisions in matters dealt with by the Committees were elected. The meetings at which the elections of members took place were not sufficiently well advertised, and consequently a general impression has gained ground in the minds of the people that the elections to memberships in the Committees are not done in a fair and square manner, and that they are so engineered as to secure membership in the Committees to a coterie of men who are more ready to support the Chief Headman in what he thinks to be right and what he wishes to be done, than to guide the deliberations

and decisions of the Committees by the exercise of their own individual opinions and judgment. We need hardly say that the success of a Village Committee as a self-governing institution depends altogether on the careful manner in which its members are elected. It, therefore, is the great duty of the leading and patriotic men of every division in which a Village Committee works to see that proper men are elected to serve on the Committee. In order to do this in an effective manner, the educated men of every division should enlighten the people about the objects with which the Village Committees have been established and the manner in which the elections of members should be carried out. If the members of the Committees are elected in the proper way, the election of fit and satisfactory men as their Chairmen will be a comparatively easy matter.

We are of opinion that the assistance of the Government will be necessary for some time to come in the great work of making the Village Committees fulfil duty the objects for which they have been instituted. If the Government is earnest in helping the people to free themselves from the serfdom to which they have been accustomed by long, blind subjection to the will of those in power, it should do more towards the accomplishment of the object than the mere granting of privileges, which, owing to the prejudicial influence of those in Government authority, are likely to be not properly availed of by those for whose good they have been granted. After more than a century of British rule, the Government has begun to grant to the people the elementary rights pertaining to self-government. Is it not right that when the Government puts the people on the road to self-government, it should help to remove all impediments and influences which stand in the way of the progress of the people towards the much-desired goal? We, therefore, think it not too much to expect every Government Agent to do his utmost in the matter of the election of the right men to serve as members and chairmen of the Village Committees by being personally present at such elections and seeing that they are done in a fair and just manner.

NOTES & COMMENTS

The accounts of the cordial and royal receptions given to the Hon. Sir P. Ramaniathan by all communities in Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States show in a unmistakable manner how much his visit is appreciated and in what high veneration and esteem the Grand Old Man of Ceylon is held by the people in the Malayan Peninsula. We are sure that this visit of the great Tamil Knight paid at great personal inconvenience and self sacrifice will be productive of much good to the people of the countries visited, especially to the Ceylonese in those parts, who are labouring under disadvantages of a serious nature, for which the Straits Government is responsible. We think that our readers are aware that that Government forgetting the very important part men from Ceylon have played in the successful administration of those countries by the English have begun to turn its back on Ceylonese by making it practically impossible for them to enter Government service there. We do not know the exact situation of the matter just now, but we feel confident that the distinguished Knight will have availed himself of the opportunity the tour has afforded him to place before the Straits Government the claims of our compatriots in Malaya for just and equitable treatment at its hands. The excellence of the lectures delivered during the tour and the keen appreciation with which they were received by those who had the rare privilege of listening to them show to what admirable use the Grand Old Man is capable of putting the remarkable gifts, wide culture and profound learning he possesses of. The tour has proved altogether happy and successful and has had the highly desirable effect of uniting the various communities in the places visited in bonds of common brotherhood and love. We feel it our duty to give expression to our warm appreciation of the disposition of our brethren in Malaya to honour our great man as they deserve, which we think is a good proof of the noble pride they feel in them and which, we are sure, is highly conducive to our national solidarity.

LOCAL & GENERAL

THE GOVERNMENT AGENT.—The Government Agent, accompanied by the Assistant Government Agent and the Sanitary Commissioner went to Marichchokkaddi last week in connection with the pearl fishery which is to take place soon.

INTERFERENCE WITH GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.—Two men of Chavakachcheri were fined Rs. 50, each for having cut down a valuable satin tree which belonged to the Government.

MR. H. A. P. SANDRASAGARA IN JAFFNA.—The Jaffna Bar entertained Mr. H. A. P. Sandrasagara, K. C., to a dinner at St. Mary's Grand Hotel on Saturday the 22nd instant. Mr. W. D. Niles, Advocate, presided on the occasion. Mr. Sandrasagara said in the course of his speech that he had given up the idea of contesting the Colombo Tamil Seat owing to the inconvenience and trouble the contest involves.

PERCHAL.—Mr. V. M. Go-marasamy of the Land Registry has proceeded to Vavunia on inspection duty and will stay there for three days at the expiration of which period he will proceed to Trincomalee where his duty will extend till the 23rd of April. —Mullaitivu Car.

DISABLED CEYLON MEN'S FUND.—We learn from the "Morning Leader" that a denotation of gentlemen interested in the Disabled Ceylon Men's Fund will meet His Excellency the Governor at Queen's Cottage, Nuwara Eliya on the 2nd proximo. The object of the denotation is to request the Government to take over the fund and work it.

THE ELECTIONS.—The total number of voters in Jaffna is estimated to be over 23000. Voters' lists are still sent in by the Headman, and in spite of the work done overtime by the Kacheheri clerks, the full figures are not yet ready.

JAPANESE STEAMER SUNK.—A Japanese steamer named "Tofofuku Maru", was sunk on the 26th inst. on its way to Japan from Bremen as the result of a collision with a German steamer in a fog off Dungeness. 23 crew from the Japanese steamer are missing, and 15 were landed at Dover from the German steamer.

MANIPAL HINDU COLLEGE.—The 12th annual general meeting of the Board of Directors of this College was held at the "Laets", Richmond Place on the 22nd instant at 5 p. m. G. M. M. Karapillai presided on the occasion. The principal's report and accounts for 1923 were first submitted, and office bearers for the ensuing year were then elected. It was decided at the meeting to add Commercial classes and establish a vernacular school.

DEATH BY ACCIDENT.—We learn that a man of Atchcheli died last week by falling into a well by accident.

OVERLOADING OF MOTORBUS.—Overloading of motorbuses has become very common in Jaffna, and this is largely due to the eagerness of the owners to earn money unreasonably. Owners under this head will do well to take note of the fine the owner and driver of a motorbus were sentenced to pay recently at Kays Police Court, for over-loading.

NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE SEAT.—Mr. E. N. Waratnara, Advocate, who stood as one of the candidates for the N. C. P. seat, has announced his withdrawal in favour of Mr. H. R. Freeman.

SCHOOL BOYS CHARGED.—A number of school boys travelled in second class compartments with third class tickets with the excuse of lack of room in the third class compartments due to overcrowding. These were charged last week at the Police Court, Jaffna, for having travelled as they did without the permission of the railway officers in charge.

COLOMBO SOUTH DIVISION SEAT.—A largely attended public meeting was held in the Colombo Public Hall on Wednesday the 27th instant to support the candidature of the Hon. Mr. James Peiris for Colombo South Division. Mr. F. R. Dias, retired Judge, presided, and Mr. Peiris addressed the gathering, which was composed of Europeans, Burghers, Indians, Tamils, and Muhammedans, besides Sinhalese. Several other speeches were made and a resolution was passed that the meeting gave its whole-hearted support to the candidature of Mr. Peiris.

THE CLERICAL SERVICE.—The Police Court of Kays has been very fortunate in securing as its Chief Clerk in place of Mr. P. Francis who died on 17th March 1924 the services of Mr. J. B. Ariyaratnam, who has had the rare distinction of earning several Bonuses and Merit Promotions and is recognized as one of the best men in the Clerical Service. What the Audit Office loses will be the Kays Police Court's gain. —O.C.

Two or Examined—A Vernacular teacher of Madhavil South was charged in the Police Court of Chavakachcheri with having caused the death of a dhoty girl pupil by severe caning. The girl seems to have died after suffering from pneumonia. A petition was sent to the Magistrate that the girl died as a result of caning, and the body was exhumed and the J. M. O. of the place declared that the girl died of pneumonia. The Police, however, were not satisfied, and the body was again exhumed, and the J. M. O. of Jaffna had another post mortem examination; and confirmed the previous opinion. This accused was discharged.—"M. S."

Discovery of Lost Money—M. N. Velupillai, Kachcheri Madaliyar of Mullaitivu, lost a sum of Rs. 450/ some time back at Kodikamam on his way home to Polat Pedro. A Police Sergeant, who had been informed of this, found out during his search three persons who were in possession of the lost sum. These were charged by the Police before the Police Magistrate of Chavakachcheri, who caused the money to be restored to the Madaliyar, and fined each of the accused Rs. 75/

A Case of Suicide.—The servant of a moorman, living in Jaffna, was found to have committed suicide, and the J. M. O., who examined the case, declared it to be one of suicide. In consequence of the information given to the Police by three people of Varnarponne to the effect that the death of the servant was due to foul play, the body was exhumed, and a post mortem examination was held by the D. M. O. The three persons are on bail of Rs. 500 each, having been charged with giving false information.

LONDON COMMERCIAL EXAMINATIONS.—The following candidates from Jaffna have come out successful in different branches of the London Commercial Examination held in Jaffna on the 25th and 26th of January last: Messrs J. P. Chrysostom, S. Ponniah, F. N. Andrea, Mr. Sagrapillai, V. Kanagasabai, S. S. Navarathnam, Gao Chelliah, K. Ponniah, A. Chelliah, W. M. Alagaratham, S. Subramaniam and G. Alexander Rasiah. Our congratulations on their success.

A STUDENTS' CONFERENCE.—An Imperial Students' Conference is being organised by the National Students' Union in connection with the British Empire Exhibition. It is proposed to invite one student from each University of the Empire to meet in London on July 7th in order to discuss Imperial problems. Leading members of Parliament are expected to address the Conference.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MR. E. T. DE SILVA'S CANDIDATURE

I understand some busy bodies are adopting certain invidious and disreputable tactics to harm Mr. de Silva's cause. These busy bodies for selfish reasons go about preaching the gospel of hate against one who has championed our cause not in secrecy nor in the dark, but on the platform of the Congress and in the press. No one knows better or more of this than Mr. Sabapathy, the Editor of the Hindu Organ, and one of the foremost leaders of the Tamils, who was himself present at the meetings of the Congress and who has paid glowing tributes to the sincerity, public spirit and broad-minded sympathy of Mr. de Silva in the "Hindu Organ". The unscrupulous men are reported to have said in certain quarters that Mr. de Silva is a Congress man and consequently the Tamils should support the other Candidate. These hirings ought to know that they cannot deceive the Jaffnans. Our political action is such that we can easily find out the patriots. We are aware that Mr. E. W. Jayawardena who is himself a man of the Congress Executive Committee voted with the other reactionaries and enemies of the Tamils against the reserved seat, while Mr. de Silva with the Hon. Mr. C. E. Corea was the only two Sinhalese who voted with the Tamil members for a reserved seat in the W. P. Mr. E. W. Jayawardena was asked, and he consented to deliver the preliminary address at the last Congress; but he changed his mind subsequently. Among the Sinhalese comprising of all ages, Mr. E. T. de Silva was the only person who had the moral courage to invite the late, lamented Sir P. Arundathun to contest a seat at the last elections against Mr. Peiris, one of his own kinsmen. "Lead and we shall follow" were the thrilling words Mr. de Silva used on the memorable occasion when the late Tamil leader, Sir P. Arundathun was invited by the friends of the Tamils to contest Mr. Peiris. We are also aware who plotted and conspired and were responsible for removing the Hon'ble Sir P. Arundathun from the directorate of the Ceylonese Union Company which conducted the new district paper "THE CEYLONER" and who subsequently conducted the affairs of the company. Had it not been for this

conspiracy "the Ceylonese would not have closed its useful career and would to-day be fighting for the rights of the Tamils.

Yours etc. A Jaffna Tamil. Colombo, 21 3 '21

II.

Certain Tamil gentlemen in Colombo are for reasons best known to themselves canvassing among the Tamils on behalf of Mr. E. T. de Silva's rival for the Colombo North Seat on the ground that Mr. de Silva is an active Congress man, while Mr. Jayawardena is not. We Tamils owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. de Silva for his broad views and impartial attitude and sympathy towards us. It pains us that there should be among us men ready to do such work. Nobody knows better than Mr. A. Sabapathy the great work done in the Congress for us by Mr. E. T. de Silva. He has carried unpopularly among the Sinhalese by championing our cause. Ought you not to expose those men and their misrepresentation? Yours Truly, A Colombo Tamil. Colombo, 23 3 '21.

DUTY TOWARDS TEACHERS

(By Pandit S. Rinasamy Aiyar)

Teachers are no insignificant factors in the formation of a man's character. At school they occupy the same position as our parents do at home. And as they arrive their best for our welfare in life, it is proper that they should be treated with the highest regard. The authority of a teacher is vested by the rules of society, and is directly derived from the parents. His duty is to command, educate, and teach, and our duty is to obey him ardently for the many blessings we receive at his hands. We should listen to him with humility and deep devotion. As a time when our minds are influenced either for good or for evil, when we are being trained in the ocean of life, when we are liable to err at every step, our teachers act as beacon lights in the midst of a treacherous sea. Such men are certainly fit objects of our love and are entitled to our obedience and reverence. There are some young men, who do not understand a high idea of the obligations they owe to their teachers. This is perhaps owing to the fact that they were rather severely dealt with by their teachers. But they must always bear in mind that the reprimands and punishments of their teachers in their school days, have had a very healthy effect upon their raw and uncontrollable natures. And when age takes away the stubbornness of youth, and when there is nothing but stern realities to face, these young men come to understand that the admonitions of their teachers in their young days had always been for their good. Thus while taking a review of their past lives, they are always filled with feelings of sincere love, profound respect, and true gratitude towards their teachers.

SIR RAMANATHAN'S EASTERN TOUR.

WARM WELCOME IN SINGAPORE AND SINGAPORE, March 15

Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan, Lady Ramanathan and Mrs. Ramanathan had a rousing reception accorded to them on their visit to the Straits.

Sir Ponnambalam recovered from his illness very quickly and gave his first lecture on "Education" at the Victoria Theatre, Singapore on Monday the 10th instant at 5 p.m. The Hon. D. R. O. Winstedt, M. A., D. Litt. (Oxon), acting Director of Education, Straits Settlements, was in the Chair, and introduced the lecturer. In spite of his recent indisposition, Sir Ponnambalam made a great speech which was listened to with rapt attention by a large audience.

INTERVIEW WITH THE GOVERNOR.

On the morning of Tuesday the 11th instant he called on His Excellency the Governor, Sir Lawrence Guillemard, and had a long interview with him. It is understood that he discussed with him many matters of importance relating to the position of the Ceylonese in Malaya.

RECEPTION BY BUDDHISTS

In the evening Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan were "At Home" to the Ceylonese of Singapore and Johore, and a very good gathering assembled. The members of the Singapore Sinhalese Buddhist Association presented him with an address, the text of which is reproduced below.

Mr. W. Jayewardena, the spokesman of the Sinhalese community in Singapore, in calling upon Mr. P. D. Ghahles to read the address said that, through the members of the Sinhalese Buddhist Association were one with the other Sections of the local Ceylonese community in offering a hearty welcome to Sir P. Ramanathan, they felt it was their duty to express their sense of deep gratitude to him in terms of their own.

The address, having been read, Sir Ponnambalam made an interesting reply in the course of which he said that he was a sincere friend of the Buddhists for very many years, and that he was still so. He gave a history of the riots of 1915 and the part he took in defending the Sinhalese people who, he said, were the gentlest race on earth.

BY THE INDIAN COMMUNITY.

On Wednesday the 12th instant at 6.30 p.m. Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan were the recipients of a beautiful address at a reception held in their honor by the Indian community of Singapore at the Y.M.C.A. hall. This function was attended by all sections of the Indian people, and Sir Ponnambalam replied suitably.

At 8.30 p.m. on the same day he gave his second lecture at the Victoria Theatre on "The growth of the soul to a very crowded and large gathering under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. J. E. Tassan-Charbonnet. Sir Ponnambalam was in his best element for this lecture. The public of Singapore which rarely has the chance of listening to the good speakers was very much delighted with his splendid address.

BY THE CHURCH COMMUNITY.

On the morning of Thursday, the 13th instant, the Church community of Singapore held a reception at their temple in honor of Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan. Address of welcome was read by one of the leading clergymen and Sir Ponnambalam thanked them for their best wishes.

After this he delivered a lecture in Tamil on "St. Manickavasagar."

In the noon he and Lady Ramanathan were the guests of Their Excellencies Sir Lawrence and Lady Guillemard at a luncheon.

GARDEN PARTY.

In the afternoon at about 4.30 p.m. the postponed garden party by the Ceylonese community of Singapore and Johore was held on a big scale in honor of Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan. The function took place in the Gules Garden Club, Rajah, by the sea and amidst picturesque surroundings. The Alambika Orchestra was in attendance and rendered a fine selection of music. All Communities in Singapore and Johore were represented. Her Excellency Lady Guillemard, some members of the Legislative Council and high officials were also present. In the history of the Ceylonese community of Singapore there was never a similar function held. It was a memorable occasion. Mr. M. V. Pillai read the address of welcome to which Sir Ponnambalam replied. The text of the address appears below. Although the evening party proved a brilliant success, and it reflected credit on the members of the Reception Committee who were in charge of the arrangements.

THE MEDICAL STUDENTS.

The garden party being over, Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan met the Ceylonese students of the King Edward VII College of Medicine, Singapore, and Mr. A. W. Rasiah, on behalf of the students expressed the gratitude of the students to Sir Ponnambalam for the privilege they had in having him for at least a short hour all to themselves. In the course of his speech he also paid a tribute to Lady Ramanathan for the noble manner in which she worked in the interests of the education of girls in North Ceylon.

Sir Ponnambalam in reply expressed how happy he felt to be with the students. He entertained the students to a brilliant and harmonious dinner punctuated with effective words of advice. The singing of "The Vandan" by Mr. S. Sasagalingam of the Medical College and cheers lustily given to Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan and Lady Ramanathan brought the pleasant function to a close.

IN KUALA LUMPUR.

On the 14th evening Sir Ponnambalam accompanied by his wife and daughter left this by the Karamal for Port Swettenham en route to Kuala Lumpur where big functions awaited them. Kuala Lumpur is the place where the most number of Ceylonese in Malaya reside. The reception accorded to Sir Ponnambalam and Lady Ramanathan was a grand one, and Sir Ponnambalam made a masterly reply in the course of which he pleaded for unity of all races hailing from Ceylon.

From Kuala Lumpur the party will go on for Penang, return to Singapore about the 24th, and take steamer to Colombo.

Sir Ramanathan has regained his normal health and looked quite fit when he left Singapore. His stay at the sea side residence of Mr. M. A. Namasigama seems to have benefited him a great deal. Several people belonging to the various communities of Singapore interviewed him during his stay here.

ADDRESS BY THE BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION.

The following is the text of the Address presented by the Singapore Buddhist Association:— To Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan, Kt., K. C., C. M. G., of the Island of Ceylon.

We the members of the Singapore Buddhist Association, beg most respectfully to welcome you to our midst as a distinguished and illustrious son of our motherland. While we are one with the other sections of his local Ceylonese community, we beg to express in terms of our own feelings of love, esteem and gratitude towards you for all the multifarious services you have rendered to the Buddhist community in particular during your long and unbroken public career.

You have ever been a champion of the Buddhist cause, and though the instances are too many to enumerate where you have even gone out of your way to redress our grievances and vindicate our honour and our right, still we cannot but refer here to what you did in connection with the Riots of 1915, your espousal of our cause while all others stood by staring and hopeless, your mission to England at your own expense regardless of the personal risk attendant on the voyage in those days, your single handed fight there against odds and the splendid victory you won on our behalf.

Grand, indeed, as the reception was that was accorded to you on your return to Ceylon, it has always been our regret that we were not able to participate in that function. We beg to avail ourselves, therefore, of this opportunity to record our hearts felt gratitude to you for the unique service you have rendered us on that occasion.

In conclusion, we thank you for giving us this opportunity to welcome you and hope that this short sojourn in our midst will be pleasant to you and Lady Ramanathan.

We beg to remain, Sir, Your most loving compatriots, The Members of the Singapore Buddhist Association.

ADDRESS BY CEYLONESE COMMUNITY.

The following is the text of the address by the Ceylonese community of Singapore and Johore read by Mr. M. V. Pillai at the Garden Party:—

Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan, K. T., K. C., C. M. G. Member of the Legislative Council of Ceylon.

Sir, In welcoming you and Lady Ramanathan on this your first visit to Malaya, we find it difficult adequately to express our feelings of joy and pride in being permitted to honour you both in the presence of such a large and representative gathering.

The hearty response to the invitations issued to the members of the various communities resident in this Island, will give you an idea of the cordial relations which exist between us and the other communities for which we are always very grateful.

The history of the work of the Ceylonese in Malaya from the arrival of a few enterprising pioneers at the invitation of the Straits Government to a large and progressive community to be found scattered throughout the length and breadth of the Peninsula engaged in almost every sphere of public life and services in an outstanding manner both to the wisdom and foresight of the British Ruler, and to the inherent possibilities that this land presents to the development of our national life.

We have not been slow to learn and assimilate the fine traditions and virtues of British citizenship during the last fifty years and having been afforded every assistance and encouragement by the Local Government to identify ourselves with the public activities of the Colony, we are proud to own that we have never been wanting in our devotion and sincere loyalty to the British Throne.

Much as we are thankful for all the benefits we have received in this our land of adoption, we are not unmindful of the able and illustrious ties that bind us to the life and problems of our Homeland and we are particularly glad that you have in spite of your varied activities, and, as we know, great inconveniences found the opportunity to visit up and enable us to strengthen that link which we feel can never be severed.

We are very much touched by the thought that this visit contemplated by you many months ago has, in the Providence of God, been saddened by the loss of so distinguished a public servant, a your brother, the late Sir Arundathun. His life, his high sense of duty, his disinterested and passionate love for public service are to us the heritage of a noble trust worthy to be emulated.

In the field of Education, Philosophy, Religion, Law and Politics, only to mention a few, your name is a household word in Ceylon, and you can claim to have endeared yourself to Ceylonese in general in a manner that perhaps few other Ceylonese have ever done before and it is all the more credit that you have been successful in doing so in the face of severe opposition and often enmity guided as we know always by your determination to say and to do what you thought was right.

That you and your family may enjoy your holiday and benefit by your travel and return home in good health, and with a keen desire to revisit these lands and that the Almighty may spare you for many more years to assist in the many schemes which are dear to your heart, is the earnest prayer of your fellow countrymen.

The Ceylonese resident in Singapore and Johore.

ADDRESS PRESENTED AT KUALA LUMPUR.

The following is the text of the address presented to Sir Ponnambalam at Kuala Lumpur:— To the Hon'ble

Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan, Kt., K. C., C. M. G., Member, Legislative Council, Ceylon.

Sir, We, the Ceylonese residents of Selangor, offer to you and Lady Ramanathan a most sincere and hearty welcome to Malaya.

We consider it a great privilege to be able to receive and do honour to one distinguished a patriot as yourself whom the King and country have honoured. Although so far away from the Homeland, we have welcomed, with justifiable pride, your achievements as the leader of the Unionists in the Legislative Council, as one of the highest officials of the Judiciary in Ceylon, and of your public career in general, which commenced about half a century ago.

The battles you have fought and won in the field of politics, the ready manner in which you have sacrificed your well earned rest to answer the call of the united Ceylonese to represent them in the reformed Council of 1911, thus and many other valuable services rendered by you, both in the Ceylon and out of it, will ever be remembered by the sons of Ceylon with deep gratitude.

Your pre-eminence in the political, judicial and public life of Ceylon is well known and undeniable. But we admire you, Sir, more for the great and noble work you have done and are doing in the cause of education and the generous concern in which you spend your wealth for the benefit and welfare of future generations will always remain a source of gratitude in the hearts of your countrymen.

The Colleger you have established will indeed be a permanent memorial to your wise philanthropy, and children from generation to generation will bless your name, and also that of Lady Ramanathan, whose valuable co-operation and aid to us we are all so glad to be able to avail ourselves of this opportunity of expressing our heart felt admiration and thanks.

Your literary attainments and the zeal with which you have expounded the study of comparative religions have endeared your name not only to the people of Ceylon and India but also to those in far off America and Europe.

In conclusion, we would ask you to convey a message to our people in Ceylon and all those that we wish, with keen interest the march of events in the mother country and wait with anxious yearning for the day when a United Ceylon will attain responsible Government.

Trusting that Lady Ramanathan and yourself will carry back with you to Ceylon happy memories of your visit to Malaya.

We remain, Your sincere and grateful aid are, The Ceylonese Community resident in Selangor, F. M. S.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5386.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Annamath wife of Narasingam Ellathumby of Tellippalai East

Narasingar Eliyathumby of Tellippalai East

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Poolthathumby Thandikal of Tellippalai East

2. Elaiyathumby Vinayagamoorthy of do.

3. Thangammab daughter of Elaiyathumby of do.

4. Elaiyathumby Thailalayagam of do.

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors 2nd, 3rd and the 4th Respondents abovenamed and also praying that the Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the Estate of the deceased abovenamed coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, on January 25, 1924, in the presence of Mr. A. Appathurai, Proctor for Petitioner and on reading the affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner.

It is ordered that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the minors 2nd, 3rd and the 4th Respondents as the purpose of this action and the Petitioner as the lawful husband of the deceased be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the Estate of the deceased intestate issued to him unless the Respondents abovenamed appear before this Court on April 8 1924, and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

G. W. Woodhouse,
District Judge.

March 4 1924.

O. 550.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5421.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Ponnammah wife of Chellappah Senathirajah late of Navaly

Murgesu Kanapathippillai of Navaly

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

Chellappah Senathirajah, Brown & Co.,
Halter

Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of Murgesu Kanapathippillai of Navaly, the Petitioner abovenamed, praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Ponnammah, wife of Chellappah Senathirajah, coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse, Esquire, District Judge, on March 18, 1924, in the presence of Mr. P. K. Somasundaram, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated March 17, 1924, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the sole heir and father of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before April 18, 1924 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

G. W. Woodhouse,
District Judge.

March 25. 1924.

O. 652.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5414.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Kanavathippillai Ponnampalam of Thalayiddy late of Malacca

Kanavathippillai Vaidhilingam of Myliddy

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Kanavathippillai Kandiah of Myliddy

2. Chellammun widow of Kanavathippillai of Vaddukkodai

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased, Kanavathippillai Ponnampalam of Thalayiddy, coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, on March 6, 1924, in the presence of Mr. M. Subramaniam, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated February 27 1924, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the brother of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him, unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before April 3 1924, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

G. W. Woodhouse,
District Judge.

March 12, 1924.

O. 647.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5294.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Minayar Nagamany of Chunnakam

Nagamany Sinnathambay of Chunnakam

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Parupatham widow of Nagamany of Chunnakam

2. Magamany Valupillai of Chunnakam presently of Serapah Estate, Point, Jaffna.

3. Nagamany Kathirippillai of Chunnakam

4. Nagamany Arumugam of do.

5. Nagamany Sinnappah of do.

6. Nagamany daughter of Nagamany of do

7. Nagamany Elaiyappah of do.

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Respondents abovenamed and also praying that the Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the Estate of the deceased abovenamed coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, on November 2, 1923, in the presence of Mr. A. Appathurai, Proctor for Petitioner and on reading the affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner.

It is ordered that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th Respondents for the purpose of this action and the Petitioner as the son of the deceased intestate be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased intestate issued to him unless the Respondents abovenamed appear before the Court on January 10, 1924, and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

G. W. Woodhouse,

District Judge.

Extended and reissued for 17 4 24.

G. W. Woodhouse,

O. 651.

D. J.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5365.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Methawa Chinivasakam of Kankasantural

Benjamin Rajaratnam Methwas Chinivasakam of Kankasantural

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

Emily Chinnivasakam widow of Benjamin Methwas Chinnivasakam of Kankasantural

Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Benjamin Methwas Chinivasakam coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, on January 25, 1924, in the presence of Mr. A. Appathurai, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated January 24, 1924, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the son of the said intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before February 21, 1924, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

January 21, 1924. G. W. Woodhouse,
District Judge.

This Order Nisi is extended to April 8, 1924.

G. W. W.

O. 649. D. J.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 5418.

In the Matter of the estate of the late Kathiravelu Vaidhilingam of Vaddukkodai West

Vialadaby widow of Kathiravelu Vaidhilingam of Vaddukkodai West

Deceased.

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Sinnathambay Nagamany and

2. wife Rasmah of Vaddukkodai west

3. Thevanpillai daughter of Kathiravelu Vaidhilingam of do.

4. Vaidhilingam Nadaswamy of do.

5. Vaidhilingam Sthammarajapillai of do.

6. Sivakumaran daughter of Kathiravelu Vaidhilingam of do.

7. Sivapachiam daughter of Kathiravelu Vaidhilingam of do.

8. Vaidhilingam Nallathambay of do.

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Respondents and that Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased, coming on for disposal before G. W. Woodhouse Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on March 11, 1924, in the presence of Mr. P. Canapathippillai, Proctor, for Petitioner and the affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner having been read, it is ordered that the 1st Respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Respondents and that Letters of Administration to the said intestate be granted to the Petitioner as the lawful heir of the deceased unless the Respondents or any other person shall, on or before April 1, 1924, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

G. W. Woodhouse,

District Judge.

March 15, 1923.

O. 618.

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