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ALL-CEYLON TAMIL CONFERENCE.

WE PUBLISH ELSEWHERE THE PROceedings of the above Conference which
assembled at Colombo on the 25th and
26th inst. It will not be possible for it
to find utanimous support in the country
for some of the resolutions passed at its
meetings. The resolution on the extension of franchise to women is one of such
subjects. The Conference in this matter only expressed the opinion of
people who have forgotten the
traditions of their race by imbibing ideas
imported from foreign countries. If the
matter should be left to the decision of traditions of their race by imbibing ideas imported from foreign countries. If the matter should be left to the decision of the very women for whom the Conference has expressed so much solicitude they would have not only repudiated the authority of those who claim to speak on their behalf but also would have expressed their disapproval of the proposal itself. In contrast with the radical iconolasm of the Conference is the conservaitself. In contrast with the radical iconoclasm of the Conference is the conservative view which the Lanka Mahajama Sabha expressed on the subject. It is generally admitted that from the standpoint of Western civilisation the Sinhalese woman is more advanced than her Tamil compatriot. Yet it is noteworthy that a Sabha composed of responsible Sinhalese leaders insist that even the extension of franchise to women as proposed by the Commission should be subject to qualifications as regards property and literacy.

As regards the recommendation of the

As regards the recommendation of the Commission about the constitution of the Executive Government there is some difference of opinion in the country. Some publicists maintain that the scheme should be given a fair trial without any Some publicists maintain that the scheme should be given a fair trial without any med fication whatever, while some others whose opinion is entitled to great weight insist with equal emphasis that in prac-tice the scheme will be found unworkable. The Conference, in our opinion, has done right thing in extending its sup-to the latter view. But it inexplicable why it failed to port to the latter view. But it is inexplicable why it failed to put forward a constructive proposal as an alternative. The negative propositions will not be of any avail in shaping the scheme to meet the aspirations of the people. The Lanka Mahajana Sabha which met at another place on the first day of the Conference while it disapproved Government by committees put forward the preposal that the Ministers should be elected by the antire Council and that no committee anothe be asserted with the Ministers. History of democratic institutions testifies that such institutions can only he worked successnemorated resistances tearness that such institutions can only he worked successfully under the system of a party government with Ministers acting jointly and collectively responsible for all their acts. If the Sabha's resolution should be judged collectively responsible for all their acts. If the Sabha's resolution should be judged from this stand-point it should commend itself to all who are aspiring to obtain dominion status for the Island. By allowing the election of Ministers to the State Council we can have Ministers who enjoy the confidence of the majority and who are more likely to act together than in the scheme framed by the Commissioners. We are sure that the former will pave the way for formation of parties which owe their origin to economic or political difference in national policy rather than to racial or caste difference. We cannot agree with the Lauka Mahajana Sabha in its elimination of the committees altogether. They can serve a useful purpose in the constitution by giving the members who compose them opportunities to gain administrative knowledge and to understand and appreciate administrative difficulties. If the function of such committees is merely advisory there cannot be any fear that they will hamper the individual responsibility of the Minister or fetter his difference's scheme by which the seven Mioiaters will be elected by the entire Council with

bility of the Minister of tester his detection. The amendment of the Commissioners' scheme by which the seven Ministers will be elected by the entire Connoil with committees associated with each Minister and functioning in an advisory capacity deserves to be supported by the public.

The opinion of the Commissioners that under existing political and social conditions the formation of parties will follow he accepted It may be that at the beginning that these differences may count in the grouping of the Connoillors. But it can never become a permanent fecture in the political life. The attempt to form parties in South India on caste

has miserably failed. No doubt the Justice party based purely on it held its sway in Council for a time, but in every new election it came out with reduced numbers so much so that at the last election it was one of the weakest parties and the formation of ministry has gone into the hands of those whose bond of cohesion is common agreement on questions of national policy. We cannot subscribe to the opinion that either race or caste of national policy. We cannot subserve to the opinion that either race or caste will be the main factor in the formation of parties. The fear that one commun-ity will dominate over the others is groundless. It is our earnest hope that the different communities will give up suspecting one another and shoulder the new responsibilities with mutual good-will and confidence.

LOCAL & GENERAL.

FIVE INDIANS KILLED AT A LEVEL CROSSING.—Five Indians were killed at a level-crossing at Budge Budge, Calcutts, when a goods train collided with a motor car containing six persons, including an Assistant sub Inspector of the Bengal Police, a girl aged eight, and a womin aged 60. The only survivor is the wife of the sub Inspector, who is in a precarious condition. The party was on its way from Budge Budge Thana to Jalighat and Calcutta on a pilgrimage. CROSSING .- Five Indians were ki

COLONIAL SECRETARY OF STRAITS SET-COLONIAL SECRETARY OF STRATES SETTLEMENTS:—Mr. John Scott, C. M. G., for merly of the Ceylon Civil Service, having held different posts and ultimately risen to the post of Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary in April, 1917, and presently Chief Secretary of Tanganyika Territory, has been selected for the appointment of Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, in succession to Sir Hayes Marriott, who is about to retire.

Hidden Wealth the Old Age Pen-

is about to retire.

HIDDEN WEALTH OF OLD AGE PENSIONERS:—Two extra refinary finds ace reported to have been made in neighbouring house in a working class street in East Bristo, England, recently. In one case where a man and his wife, both old age pensioners, had just died, the man's brother, searching the house, found dirty oramp ed pound and ten shilling Treasury notes to the value of £260 hidden in boxes. War bouds worth £400 were also found with bank and Post Office savings books, insurance policies Post Office savings books, insurance policies and deeds of property to the total value of £1800. A neighbour aged 99 left £60 in loose cash among rags

Karainagah Hindu English School:—
Owing to the alteration of the Annual Inspection of the Annual Inspection of the Annual Inspection of the above school from February (1929) to December (1928) the prize giving function which was fixed for the third week of August bad to be postponed to the last week of cember, 1928 -- Oor.

TAPPING NEAR SCHOOLS AND TEMPLES:—
At a meeting of the Committee of Colombo
Total Abstitutes Central Union held at
Colombo last week it was resolved to ascertain from the Excise Commissioner the rule
by which tapping is prohibited near schools
and temples.

and temp'es.

Boycott of Governor's Receptions:—
Mr. A. E. Gioresinghe, at a reception accorded him in the Tower Hall, Maradane, advised Labour to use the weapon of manhood suffeage discreetly and referred to the formation of a Librar Party in Osylon, one of the chief objects of which, he said) would be to "boycott the Governor's receptions which were swallowing up a docsiderable portion of public revenue." How Mesers O. H. Z. F. roando and W. A. de Eliva were among those present at the meeting the former adirg.

TPa-Histing Dooton's Liber Action Dand:—Mr. Justice Schoelder gave judget against H.n. Mr. Abdul Cader, who is to the Supreme Court for a writibiling the Police Magistrate continuing a ustica filed against him by Dr. Parsore, Gov. The servant, for oriminal defamation by a utterance in the Ligitative Council Cader claimed absolute privilege, but the Ju. held that Members of Council were entitle, only to the 'qualified privilege' were entitle, only to the 'qualified privilege' or joyed by a year jest on certain occasions and, herefore, dismissed the application and swarded cests to the respondent. Action would lie if malice were abown. His Lordship contended that "shootots privilege" was not indispensable to Councillors in the performance of their duties.

'Varsity Lifes for Lew Students:—Sir Pa-HIBITING DOCTOR'S LIBEL ACTION

VARSITY LIPS FOR LAW STUDENTS:—Sir Walter Riddoil, Chairman of the University Commission has cublined a sebeme of residential university life for Law Students on the lines suggested by Sir Anton Bertram, late Chief Justice of Ceylon.

"MAHOUT's" FIGHT FOR LIPE:—An elephant is said to have suddenly attacked its "mahout" during a bath in a village near Polgabawala The man accidentally dropped a red handkerchief when he was attacked and this diverted the attention of the angry animal ving the "mahout" time to get on its back, he wan maintained his seat for several jours on its back despite attempts made by the animal to throw him down. It was utelmately secured with great difficulty and the "mahout" was saved.

Jaffna Urban District Council.

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SCHEME FOR ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

REERIMALAI TANK GRANT REFUSED.

A special meeting of the Jaffor Urban District Council was held on Saturday the 25th instant at the Jaffor Kachoheri, at 9-15 a m. It will be remembered that the monthly meeting could not have been held on the second Saturday of this month for want of a quorum—the only event of this nature in the whole history of the Jaffor U.D. O. It, therefore, necessitated in the calling of a special meeting on the 25th instant On this date also it was feared that the meeting could not be held, for at the appointed time there was no quorum, as there were only five members present at the time. A little later, however, the required number having come the Chairman, Mr. R. Sivagurunathar immediately began the meeting. Others present were Meerer & Somasundaram, R. R. Nallab, A. M. Abdul Oader, V. S. Kumaraswamy, K. Kanagasabai, R. Subramaniam, P. Moses, the Provincial Surgeon and the Provincial Engineer. The minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated previously, were taken us read and confirmed.

Vote of Condenance. REERIMALAI TANK GRANT REFUSED.

Vote of Condenses.

The Chairman then brought to the notice of the house of the death of the late Mr. Selvadurai, Sanitary Inspector, a faithful servant of the Council Mr. Selvadurai joined the Local Board in 1914 and had been doing good work till his death. His work had been appreciated by the successive Chairmen of the Local Board and then of the U D O He was one who acted up to his convictions. It was, therefore, their duty to p. 83 a vote of condelence and transmit same to the bereaved family. Mr. Somasundaram seconded. The motion was passed the whole house shanding.

Latence to Prevent Public Nuisance.

The next item was a resolution which stood VOTE OF CONDOLSNOE.

The next item was a resolution which stood in the name of Mr. T. H. Crossette who had given notice of the same. In the absence of Mr. Crossette, Mr. Somasundaram moved the

Mr. Grossette, in. Level or males and females appears to be very urgent near Muththiral-chanthai to prevent the commission of public nuisance by the side and stong the road leading to the St James Church, Nsliur, and that this Council do take immediate steps to provide one without any further delay."

In commending the motion to the house Mr. Somasundaram said that it was a special case which should engage their immediate case which should engage their immediate.

Mr. Somasundaram said that it was a special case which should engage their immediate attention. Most of the houses in that area abut ton that road. The insanitary condition of that road was a great nuisance. It must be attended to as early as possible. Hon. Mr. Canagaratnam, wheir late Chairman, was also of that opinion.

Mr. Moses in seconding the motion said that some residents of that locality had brought the undesirable condition of the place to his notice also.

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The Chairman said that they found if

The Chairman said that they found if The Chairman said that they found it difficult to produce a site for the latrine. If the divan temple authorities could give a small portion of their extensive land, the Coucell could easily suppy the need. He would therefore suggest that Mr. Somasundaram, along with himself (Quairman) to deputed to heavily the temple authorities and arrange. interview the temple authorities and arrange for a site on lease or to procure some other site

A Membee's fear of Confusion
Mr. Subramaniam:—Is in the same latrine
be used by males and females?
A Member:—One building with two com-

Mr Subramaniam:—Don't you think it

Mr Subramabian:—Don't you think it will lead to some confusion?

Chairman:—We may have two separate buildings. I don't think if females will avail of this latrine.

Mr. Subramaniam:—Some basket women

would use it. The resolution was then put to the house

The resolution was then put to the house and unanimously passed.

The Obairman then said that arising out of the tast resolution; and in regard so the suggestion he had made, he moved that Mr. Somasundaram in conjunction with the Ohairman be asked to find out a suitable site for the latrine and to furnish estimate for the latrine and to furnish estimate for the latrine.

for the latrine and to furnish estimate for same This was du'y seconded and carried. Item 3, the reports of the Sanitation Committee re (1) Fushing of draics, (2) Seaveoging and conservancy (3) Site for the Office of the Urban District Council (4) New site for the Infectious Diseases Hospital and item 4, the report of the Commissee re Re-clamation Grounds, Jaffins, were deferred to be considered last.

RELATIONSHIP IS NO DISQUALIFICATION.

RELATIONSHIP IS NO DISQUALIFICATION.

The next item was to consider tenders received for converting Alyanarkovitady—Kulankarai Lane into a metalled read and sanction a supplementary vote of Rs 350/for the work Also a letter from A. Soosapitial requesting that the work may be given to him.

The Chairman said that the lowest tender was from Mr. V Veruppillal whom the Inspector of Works had also recommended among others, and of whom he had also mentioned as a relative of his and therefore he (Inspector) would not take the responsibility of his recommendation to the work.

Some members objected to giving the con-

Some members objected to giving the contract to Mr. Veluppittal on the ground that the Laspester of Works being a relative, would not have a good supervision of the work.

Mr. Nalliah pooh poohed the objection and said that it was no disqualification for the tender. Such considerations should not shad in their way. Mr. Nalliah then moved that Mr. Veluppillai's tender be accepted. Mr. Somsaundaram seconded—carried.
The Chairman then asked for a supplementary vote of Rs. 350/- for the work. The vote was passed.

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Road to Open a Commencial Arra.

The report of the Committee re proposed road leading from Kankesantural Road to Chernlys Street parallel to and South of Hospita Road was considered.

The Committee did not think the construction of the road fessib e and desirable at present, as it would belp only a few of the land-owners. It was further of opinion that a road running from North to South and parallel to the Chernlys Street would be more desirable, if at all a road was to be constructed. Mr. Subramaniam took strong objection to the opinion expressed in the repors—that it would serve only a few. He said that it would not only help a sew land owners, but will also help in converting the area into a commercial one and would refere much of the conjection in the Grand B zear. He did not agree with the roport in that respect, but on the other hand he thought it would be very uteful.

Mr. Somesundaram moved the adoption of the report. Mr. About Cader seconded—

r Somasunderam moved the adoption of report. Mr. About Cader seconded—

Is was resolved to ask the Inspector of Works to furnish further estimates according

to the report.

No Compensation to Ex Rentes.

The Council then considered letter dated 17 in Ju, 1928, from the Hon'bis Mr. S. R. jatatnam re Grand Bazaar and connected

Pagers
The Chairman said that they would remember there had been some trouble in the market in 1926 and a walk out of the traders. Complaints were made to the Hon. Mr. Rejaratinam who intervened in the matter brought had a sattlement. He was responsible for about a settlement. He was responsible for the collection of some rent from the traders. The complaint made in the petition by the then renter was in connection with the loss be sustained during the troubious times and he sustained during the troublons times and he prayed for compensation. The Chairman wrote to the Hon Mr Rojarahnam and there was his reply to it before them, in which he said that he had paid back the money collected to the traders.

Mr. Somsaundaram inquired as to what the Council had to do in that matter. There was nothing for them to do in it.

The Chairman said that the readers nothing.

was nothing for them to do in it.

The Chairman said that the renter petitioned to them for compensation. He (the Chairman) wrote to Mr. Rajaratoam. So that he might give the Council the money he got collected, about Rs. 200. The Chairman had also sent a reply to the renter saying that the Council could not do anything in the

fore thom was whether the Council was pre-pared to give compensation or not. It was a matter, in which they had nothing to do. RENTER THREATENS ACTION AGAINST COUNCIL.

The Chairman said that there was a cheque with them of the Hon. Mr. R. jaratnam for Re 250/ but he had stopped payment on it, on the ground that he had gaid back the

on the ground that he had paid back the money to the traders.

Ar Moses:—Is the council inclined to give compensation?

Chairman:—He threatens to file action against the Council.

Mr. Micses said that they gave him the 1927 rent because he complained he had suffered loss on account of the trouble and also because they felt that he had a just grievance.

Mr. Somesundram then proposed that the Council could not see its way to give com-pensation. Mr. Moses seconded. Carried,

CONSSEVANCY RATES REVOKED The next teem was to consider letter No.
1121 of 27th July 1928 from the Presiden,
Local Government Board re revocation of
by law regarding recovery of conservancy

The Chairman said that now since they had increased their assessment tax by 2½ per cent, to meet the expenditure on con-

2½ per cent, to meet the expenditure of con-servancy, the Board wanted them to revoke the present conservancy rates with effect from the next ficancial year.

The Council unanimously resolved to revoke the conservancy rates; and the Local Board rates of Re. 1 & Rs. 150 per bucket of conservancy rate were also rescinded by of conservancy rate were also rescinded by the Council on the request of the Local Gov-erament Board.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING SCHEME.

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Letter No. O. S. 97 of 7th May 1928 from the Director of Electrical Undertakings re Paramasamy Obetty's application came up for consideration. The letter was to the effect that permission allow I not be granted to supply electric lighting by private owners to tenements other than their own, except in cases where sanction had been obtained from the Governor who also in future would not grant permission for lighting other's tenements. The Government was not going to give any grant for the Electric Lighting to give any grant for the Electric Lightin Scheme of the Council.

SNAIL'S PACE OF THE COUNCIL CRITICIZED.

Mr. Someoundaram said that in that one nection he wisned to draw the attention of the house to the Electric Lighting Scheme of the Council. They had been delaying in fer a long time. and going on ad infinitum.

Make any instantial Town.

Mr. Nalliah was strongly for an immediate action in the matter. He said that private people were beginning to have their electrical installations, and if the Council marked time, he doubted if their (Council's) Scheme could be worked successfully.

Council to GETLOAN FOR THE ENTIREAMOUNT

Council to getLoan for the entire Amount

Mr Somasundaram then proposed that a
loan for the entire amount required for the
Scheme be applied for by the Council.

Mr Natish in seconding the motion said
that smaller towns than Jaina were having
their electric installations and it was a matter
long overdue on their Council.

The motion was carried unanimously.
As regarde Ponnusamy. Chetty's application, he was allowed only to light his own
buildings and not others tenements nor
to carry osbies through others lands.

Mr. M. Kathiraveluppillai's application to
take electric oable over the road to bis
residence at Manipay Road was allowed on
the same conditions as for the last one.

Councils Powers and the Kerkhmalai Tark

Councils Powers and the Keerimalai Tank

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The next item taken up for consideration was a very important one affecting the powers of the Council; it was to consider letter No 265 of 25th July 1928 from the Chairman, Village Committee, Teilippalaire Keerimalai Tank.

Mr. Sivagurunathar said that they were all doubtful as to whether their Council could contribute anything to any project outside the Council's boundaries. The Local Government Board had said that they could not. The Chairman V. C. Teilippalai had asked for contributions for the improvement of the Keerimalai Tank. He was waiting for their reply, for their assistance and guidance. They must consider whether they could contribute anything towards it since it seemed to be a concern which affected the residents of the town.

CONTRIBUTION IN THE INTEREST OF SANITATION

Obstribution in the Interest of Sanitation

Mr. Subramaniam said that as the Local
Government Board had said they had no
power to contribute anything to the tank, it
seemed to him as if that all the facts might
not have been placed before the Board,
Many residents of the town went to Keerlmalsi for their bath and therefore, in the
interest of Sanitation they must contribute
towards the tank. If those considerations
were brought to the notice of the Board,
it would decide differently He would,
therefore, ask the Chairman to put those
matters before the Board or he would ask
the house to refer the matter to their Law
Committee.

Mr. Nalliab said these was no doubt that
people from town went to Keerimalai for
their bath; but that did not mean that the
Council must contribute.

Ocuacii must contribute.

Provincial Surgeon:—"What about Madhu,
Mr. Subramaniam". (laughter).

OBDINANCE SAYS NAY!

ORDINANOS SAYS NAY!

Mr. Kanagasabai referred to the ordinance and said "Is is very clear you cannot spend any money outside the U D O area."

The Chairman said that he found the opinion of the majority was that they had no power to make any contributions. That settled part one of the letter and part two of the letter requested them to consider the draft-rules for the control of the tank. It was decided that the Chairm n be asked to reply to that part of the letter. The house considered a petition from J. Mariampillai, the grazing grounds renter, for a rebate as he had suffered a great lose by gowers of cattle sending their cows for grazing to some outside pasture lands during the dry season of the year when there was no grass on the U D O. grazing grounds. A rebate of Rs 150 was allowed.

Applications for Sanitary Inspectors the

APPLICATIONS FOR SANITARY INSPECTOR HIP

On the motion of Mr. Subramanism the House west into Committee to consider arrangements to be made to fill the vacanoy caused by the death of Sacitary Inspector S. Selvadural and also applications so far received for the post.

received for the post.

Resuming, Mr Somasundaram moved that the Council do call for applications from qualified men for the post of the Sanitary Inspector, the scale of salary being Rs. 720 rising to Rs. 1200 a year by annual increments of Rs 80 and preference to be given to candidates not over 35 years; the last date for receiving applications to be 25th September 1928 Mr. Nailiah seconded. Carried

ber 1928 Mr. Nallah seconded. Carried.

The Council then coeldered a position from
Sangacrolliai Chellah of Chapel Street, re
drain opposite his house, which was in a
fifthy and ideanitary condition by the water
stagasting there at the terminus of a comman
drain. It was desided that as the extension
of the drain could not be taken in band for
another 4 or 5 months till the P W D vote
was given, the P. E. and P. S. in porjuncContinued up.

Continued up.

A Farewell Function.

RETIRING KACHCHERI CHIEF CLERK.

Mr. Sam F. Johnpulle, Chief Clerk of the Jaifea Kachcheri, who has been acting as Extra Office Assistant to the Government Agent, N. P., for the last four months just before his retirement was catertained at a farewell function at the Kachcheri premises on Thursday the 23rd Augus*, 1928 at 4 30 p.m., by the officers of the Kachcheri and its allied Departments. A group photo was taken at the O.d Park with Mr. Johnpuile as the central figure with the Government Agent, the Office Assistant, the Extra Office Assistant and other efficers sitting. The party then retired to the innervorandah of the Kachcheri, where light refreshments were served ad itis, whose light refreshments were served ad itis.

The Government Agent, N. P., who presided at the function spoke highly about Mr. Johnpulle's quantications and thacked him for having helped Government and himself at a time of pressure when he could have retired if he had elected. He remarked that he saw Mr. Johnpulle working hard till 6 p.m. at times doring the absence of the other Staff Officers. In conclusion he wished Mr. Johnpulle long life.

Mudallyar Razanayagam, Extra Office Assistant, spoke highly about Mr. Johnpulle

Mudaliyar Rasanayagam, Extra Office Assistant, spoke highly about Mr Johnpulle and said he was always wedded to his work. He thought that he (Mr. Johnpulle) would have a change of life after retirement as very many eminent men have done.

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Mr. K. Sivapragasam, who was acting as Chief Clerk when Mr. Johopulle was acting as Extra Office Asst, complimented Mr. Johopulle as a thorough gentleman and that he has assimilated a good deal of noble ideals—both oriental and Western. He hoped that Mr. Johopulle's name would be found in the next list of honours for his meritorious servings.

Mr. Johnpulle replied suitably and thanked all those present for having honoured him.

MATRIMONIAL.

KUMARASINGAM-GNANALAKSHMI

Invitations are issued by Mrs. S. K. Lawton of "Sirappar Walawu", Manipay, for the marriage of her daughter Miss Goanniakshmi, with Mr M. Kumarasingam, Olerk, Harbour Engineer's Office, Teuk Anson, on Saturday, 1st September, 1928 at 11 30 p.m.

Continued.

place and give temporary relief.

A sum of Rs 200 was voted, Rs 25 for the repair of the Passyoor weil and Rs 175 for repair of the Esplanade well.

A statement re tarring work for 1928 was tabled.

Mr. Nalliah said that tarring must be ex-tended. Whenever and wherever possible they ought to take up that work.

Is was decided to consider this item at the next monthly meeting.

APPROVAL FOR SALE OF LAND BY GOVT, Under the item, any other business the Chairman, brought to the notice of the house of a piece of land 21 isohams in extent at the junction of the Hospital Road and the Cherniya Etreet, which the Government wanted to seil to the owner of the adjoining land. The Government Agent wrote to him (Chairman) for his opinion, and he thought that piece of land could be used by the U D C for piling up metal for the roads. It was a very low lying land and the Government had it as a road reservation. The Government wanted their approval for selling it. The Council gave its approval.

Roads to be rid of Metal Filling Nuisance. APPROVAL FOR SALE OF LAND BY GOVE,

ROADS TO BE RID OF METAL PILING NUISANCE.

Incidentally some members referred to the practice of pilicg up metal on the road and condemned it. Mr. Kanagasabai said it was a great nuleance.

The Chairman said that he was making provisions in the next budget for leasing lands to pile up metal to rid the public of this inconvenience.

U. D. O. VACATES FOR P. R. O. U. D. C. Vacates for P. R. C.
The Chairman then brought to the notice of
the house that they had only 15 minutes to
consider the two most important items they
had deferred for consideration. At 11 a. m
they must vacate the half for a meeting of
the P. R. C. If they thought they could
finish those items within that time they
might take them up then or would they
like to meet in the afternoor?

No one was willing to meet in the after-

No one was willing to meet in the afternoon. Then on the motion of Mr. Nallah seconded by Mr. Semasundaram the Council acjourced for Saturday next When the two items will be considered.

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A. RATNAM, Uduvil East, Chunnakam. All-Ceylon Tamil Conference.

DONOUGHMORE REPORT DISCUSSED.

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The Second All-Ceylon Tamil Conference held on Saturday and Sunday last at the Palaza Cinema Hall, Wellawattee, discussed the Report of the Donoughmore Commission. The Hon. Mr. A. Canagaratnam presided on the first day while the Hon. Mr. E. R. Tambimuttu presided on the second day.

Governor & Ersery Fowers.

Mr. R. Sri Pashmanshan, opening the proceedings, said that as Chairman of the Organising Committee, it was his plassure and privilege to welcome shem to that conference. In pursuance of a mandate given to them by the All-Ceylon. Tamil Conference held last year, they led evidence before His Majesty's Commissioners putting forward the resolutions which were carried than.

The Commissioners had published their report and they were there to discuss how far that report satisfied their demands, and what their stitude should be towards that scheme. The decisions which they were called upon to arrive at now would be of such momentous importance that he would sak them to conduct their deliberations in a spirit that would be worshy of the Tamil name. (Applause.)

It was also his pleasant duty to call upon Mr. Canagaratnam to take the chair on that occasion. (Applause).

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It was the unanimous desire of the Organising Committee that he should again guide them that year. He had codeared himself to them by his charming personality, his moral rectifude, and the evenness of his temper under trying conditions. He had ped det would as the moral rectifude, and the evenness of his temper under trying conditions. He hoped they would accord him that respectual hearing which was his due, (Applause.)

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS,

Mr. A. Canagaratnam, retag amidet applause,

him that respective hearing which was his due, (Applause.)

CHARMAN'S ADDRESS,

Mr. A. Caragaratnam, rising amidst applause, said that he was very much obliged for the werm sentiments with which Mr. Patamanathan introduced him to them and also for the cordiality with which thay extended the invitation for him to preside on that occasion. He was sorry he could not do justice to the subject as he was indisposed and was unable to make a special preparation of the autject which was a very vast one. The report was not to the last word on reforms. In fact the Commissioner had foreseen that it would be discussed both in Ceylon and in England and possibly some modifications lutroduced. If they considered that modifications were necessary it was for them to suggest modifications and their views would be considered in responsible quarters both in Ceylon and in England.

At the end of next month there was going to be a discussion on the subject in the Legislative Council and he welcomed that opportunity of meeting them and acquainting himself, with their views.

An Open Mind.

At the end of next month there was going to be a discussion on the subject in the Legislative Council and he welcomed that opportunity of meeting them and acquainting himself, with their views.

At the same time he had told the Scoreiary that he would not be bound by any of their resolutions because he wished to have an open mind and not come to a decision till he had heard what others had to say.

This year they met under a totally different set of circumstances to those of last year. There was then no idea of communal representation being thrown overboard altegether. The Commiscioners had now taken the boid step of abolishing it altogether, although all communities approached them for strengthening its own respective claims. The recommendations caused a great deal of bewilderment but the vast majority have now accepted that communal representation must go and even those who were very strongly in favour of communal claims have accepted the Commissioner' propocals with some degree of respect. He did not know why, but those who were very strong in their demand for communal representation had made up their minds to accept the new scheme with some degree of respect.

Mr. Canagarathem said that one reason for this complete change in the mental outlook of local political thinkers was the grant of manhood suffage.

Mr. Canagarathem said that one reason why he was glad about the grant of the menhood suffage.

He then referred to the introduction of a Ceylonese standard of pay in the Civil Service with an overseas allowance for those who are recruited from England. He said there was no reason why they should pay their own men double the amount what Englishmen themselves were prepared to accept in their own country. But is the Legislative Counnil they had failed to effect that change. He was of opinion that that was a question or which overy man in the country should be useful in their own country, and he, therefore, well-comed manhood suffrage.

Only An Appenance.

Only An Appenance of the report was the it appeared to

tary of State's Advisory Councils.

Some people thought that the Commissioner's recommendations freed Ceylon from the Crown Colony system of administration. He reminded them of the reply recently given by the Prima Minister in the House of Commons to a fit than on Ceylon reforms that it depended on the relative of State for the Colonies adopting the reput (Applause.)

Another feature which had brought about the changed attitude in the local outlook was the geart of the female franchies. Last year public opinion on the subject was divided, but now it had undergone a complete change in favour of female franchies.

Revorting to the subject of command representation, Mr. Canagarations add their in 1910 there was a strong agitation in Jaffaa again-t communal representation. There was, however, a different turn in Colombo and they adjeated the different turn in Colombo and they add their as a tumporary measure that they asked for it was as a temporary measure they saked for it. Their demand or communal representation had no zneial past. They asked for greater representation to the northwest and the Eastern Provinces because the Northwest and the Capture of the Communal representation for the demand of the Mandicase and the Eastern Provinces because the Mandicase and the Eastern Provinces because the Mandicase and the Eastern Provinces because the Mandicase and the Capture of Reforms and University and the Capture of Reforms is loadequate and the Capture of Reforms is loadequate and the demand of this Conference and yet welcomes it as marking a definitie advance on the existing Constitution and resolves to work the Reforms as an intimediate Range towards responsible for him to proceed without first monosible for him to proceed with a dawn of a the monosible for him to proceed with a dawn of a first part of the Capture of the Capture

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The speaker went on to criticise the powers of the Governor which made him an absolute monach and the arrangements with regard to the public services. He disapproved of the arrangement by which the State Council was to sit in Executive Sersion. There was no constitution be that in any other part of the world.

As regards salaries he was of opinion that there used not be a very great difference between syloness and European officers.

The Committee system, he thought, should be londed to the departments of the three State O Scars.

An Amendment.

AN AMENDMENT.

Are G. G. Ponnambalam moved the following amendment:—

That this conference whilst acknowledging the spirit of liberalism which characterises in general the recommendations of the Commissioners, expresses its disappointment in that the toheme of reforms would be neworkable owing to the introduction of a system of Commistees and is inadequate in that the demands of the conference with regard to representation have been overlooked."

Mr. Ponnambalam said that they ought to know the proposals and to what extent they could go before they pronounced an or qualified benediction on the recommendations. They must remember that it was the All Ceylon Tamil Conference.

The condition of the Tamils as adumerated by the Character, he would sound a note of warning.

The amendition of the Tamils as adumerated by the Character, he does not seen their condition before. They produce basis about dock he couly basis to the allocation of seaks to the Northern and Continued the Produces. They deserved and extended meaning the first of the Tamils are the could be appreciated beginned. They deserved and extended meaning the first of the presentation. It was not that he appreciated beginning for the progenitation of seaks to the Northern and Continued deserved greater representation for teasons the Chairman had explained.

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THE CARINET FYSTEM

Dr. M. M. Kumaraswamy seconded the "meetd-ment. He said that all the bedies which went up before the Commissioners wanted responsible Government in some for mer another. What they permanded was the Cabinet system of Government in some for mer another. What they permanded was the Cabinet system of Government in golonies. It was unantimously admitted that they had had no administrative experience. They would, therefore, like to walk but a tredden path so that they could be certain of their goal. But the Commissioners attempted to threat down their threats a scheme evolved not out of their recommendations or that of anybody, mys on the example of what existed in any other caunary in the world but a scheres evolved not out of their recommendations or that of anybody, mys on the example of what existed in any other caunary in the world but a scheres evolved out of their own imagination. That was not the way is which constitutions were granted to Canada, Australis, South Africa and other parts of the Empire. They should give them a scheme that could be worked.

They did not demand communal representation. They were prepared to abandon it altogether, such as the Colombo Tamil seat. The difficulty was what the Chairman had explained to them. Not only Tamils were isolated in the Northern Province but also Muslims in the Esstern Province, Besides the dry areas were ones the most flourishing part of the Island. They should not be allowed to remain in their resent condition. He would suggest that when it came to the allocation of seats to these places, they should not be skrietly bound by the figure of 70,000 or 90,000.

"Rosramme Nonsense."

Mr. M. Balasunderam, representing the Hindu Jaffaa Student Mayement, said that he never thought that they would aget responsible Government, judging from the screaming nonsense they put before the Commissioners in England and he would suggest that when it came to the allocation of seats to these places, they should not be skrietly bound by

on-alituitons.

Mr. Gonnapragezam replied. He point out that they should read all the resolutions tegether.

The Chairman pointed out that although they do not sak for communal representation for the Northern Province, they could ask for increased representation no some other basis.

representation on some other basis.

AMNDMENT CARRIED.

The amendment was put to the House and carried by a large mejurity.

Mr. Ponnambalam (to the Chairman); An nonnee the result.

The Chairman: I think I'll put the main motion to the House.

Mr. Ponnambalam: That is lost.

The Chairman: I'll put the amendment again to the House on the distinct understanding that its acceptance rejects the substantive motion.

Mr. Ponnambalam: You have enough sense to understand tha! (Laughtar.)

The voting again confirmed the previous result.

The next resolution was postponed for the following day and the Conference adjourned.

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Mr. Tembimulua's Addice.

The Conference was conditioned yesterday in the aga Theatre with Mr. E. R. Tambimulia in the sir.

The Conference was cont. "ed yesterday in the Plaza Theatre with Mr. E. h. fambimutio in the chair.

Mr. Tambimutto, in thanking those present for the cordial welcome extended to him, said that in considering the Konoughmore Commission report there were some facts which they could not ignore. There was ondoubtedly more than one point of view. The Commissioners had two aim before them and their recommendations were intended to be accepted by the people of the country as well as by the Bditish Parliament. They had there are necessarily to add certain limitation to the powers granted which would induce the Bditish Government to give them there powers. They could not force or compet the Bditish Government to give them responsible givernment. It only to be obtained by goodwill and the of moral force. If they bore to mind that the Commissioners had to think of the Repert's acceptance by this people as well as the B litch Parliament they would find that the Commissioners had to there as well as the B litch Parliament they would find that the Commissioners had to been slogether unmindful of those defects themselves. It was pleaded at their mesting the day before, from what he could gather from the paper, that it would be placing hemselves in an anomalous position to declare that the recommendations were unworkable. They were attempting to work a constitution that was unworkable and taying to do what was impossible. While discossing some of the defects, they had given expression to the opinion that they would work or attempt to work it. It seemed to him that come of the recommendations. Questron or Parvickes.

Mr. A. Granapragasam next moved the following resolution with the permission of this Conference is of opinion that it should be expressly declared in the Order in Coupeil, which will incorporate the new Constitution for Ceylon that the axion of the "Council to all what he thought of the Parvickes.

Mr. A. Granapragasam next moved the following half absolutely be privileged and shall not form the baries of any civi

modely.

Extraordinary Fowers of the Governor.

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Ma. B. Sci Pathmanathan moved the following

'This Conference protests against the ex'ra ordin ry powers vested in the Governor as inconfinent with the growth of democratic Incit with an and sub-residue of the principles of Representative Governor with an oratic Powers which multify the advantages conceded in the Scheme."

When it was made known, said Mr. Sri Pa'limonshan, that the British Government was going to send out a Commiscent otake evidence with a view to altering the Constitution, he was very sceptical, but he was agreeably supprised at the manner in which they set to their took. One mistake was they had an imparfect knowledge of local conditions. Ruoning right through the report, which shower magnanimity and the true spirit of fundamental generosity, there was a tinge of the best traditions of English learning as taught by the old Universities. He which do discuss the subject matter purely from the point of view of constitutional theory and brushed aside all technicallies. There were, he self three forms of Government, self governing Colonies, Orown Colonies and Crown Protectorates. In the ordinary Grown Colony Government, the Governor's powers were absolute. An examination of the report of the Commissioners did not show any authoritative reason for making the act centrary to all precedent. In giving more power to the Council they increased the powers of the Gavernor. In his opinion the powers of the Gavernor. In his opinion the powers of the Gavernor With Commissioner's the Westernor in the Commissioner's report which would, in his opinion, nullify the advantages of the scheme.

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Dr. Nallama Satyswagiswara proposed the following resolution:

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Vote for Women of 21.

Dr. Nallama Barya-wagiawara proposed the following resolution:

'This Conference welcomes the extension of the franchise to manhood suffrage but deplores the restriction of age placed against women as it adversely affects a large number of intelligent, educated and otherwise qualified women and prays for the removal of the restriction to allow wemen to vote at the age of 21.

She made an extrest appeal to ber countrymen, the youth who were assemble in such numbers, that she would unbesitatingly call the Conference as the Ceylon Tamil youths Conference. She hoped the resculation would receive the warm support of the men. Just about the beginning of the year a few weeks after she had given evidence before the Special Commission, some of them were invited by the Y.M.C.A. Forum for dinear and in the after dinner specches made the young men promised they would afford the safeguard and protection which the great Tamil poet, Tinvelluvas, speke of namely, to help women towards their emancipation, and bring them up to the atsandard of an equal helpmest of man.

Mr. J. K. Chanmugam seconded.

An Amendment.

Mr. G. G. Pounambalam procosed an amend-

Mr. J. K. Chanmugam seconded.

AN AMENDMENT.

Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam proposed an amendment as follows: "That this Conference whiles welcoming the franchise granted to adult makes (and females) deplores the restricted qualification of continuous residence for six months in a particular electoral erea during the eighteen months preceding the election."

Mr. V. E. Charavanamuttu seconded.

The Chairman ruled that the amendment was in order as it referred to the franchise but hawarned his heartra not to be led away by the elequence of the proposer, his personality and his obstrue.

Dr. R. Saravanamuttu content in the content of the proposer, his personality and his obstrue.

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Dr. R. Saravanaciutiu opposed the amendment as he was of opinion that before a vote was registered some out of residential qualification was necessary. Supposing he said a thousand voters from Oslombo, went to Jaffina and registered their votes there or the same number from Jaffina registered themselves in Colombo how were they going to disortimate a certain residential qualification was necessary.

Mr. M. Balanundaram supported the amendment.

ment.
The amendment was put to the house and lost.
PROTEST AGAINST SAFEGUARDS.
Dr. B. Saravadamettu proposed the following

PROTEST AGAINST EXPROVADES.

Dr. R. Baravacamentu proposed the following resolution:

"This Conference protests against the removal of the Public Services from the control of the Ministers and repudiates the provision of sale-guards in the Commissioner's recommendations in Chapter VII in as much as they circumvent the "Ceytenization" of the Services (b) This Conference further protests against the Commissioner's recommendations for the appointment of an obtained an encreachment on the rights and privileges the State Council and as tending to undermice authority in relation to the Public Service. "In doing so he said he would give an illustration leb would explain the succession of the Minister of the server as a tod and paid by somebody else. You can or one to do what you want. If you ask your contract the commot punish him, you cannot dismissible, but you can only criticise him. That is all that could be done."

Mr. A. M Brodie seconded and Mr. B. Tilliyansthen supported and the resolution was carried, Assurance of Dominion Status Demander.

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Assurance of Dominion Status Demander.

Mr. V. E. Charavanamutu proposed the following resolution:—

"This Conference while deploying the omission in the Begord of a deficite statutory period for the revision of the Constitution, respectfully urges upon the Bearchary of State to scoure a declaration in the Order in Council that full Demicton Status shell be granted to this country at the end of four years"

Mr. V. Cumarasingam seconded — Carried.

Bus Committee was next appointed to dealt the memorandum to be forwarded to the Bearchary of State:—Mr. R. Sai Pathumanutan, Dr. M. M. Kumarassuny, Dr. R. Saravanamuther, Mr. A. Gnaugorskassun, Mr. A. M. K. Commarssany and Mr. A. Chella Rajah, the Secretary, with power to add to the unmber.

With a vote of thanks to the chair, the delegates from outstation, the Press and to the Managing Committee, and Mr. R. Sri Pathumanathan who was described as the driving power of the Conternam, the mesting terminated,—C.D.N.

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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA. Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6726.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Murugar Nagamuttu of Karaiyoor Deceased,

Annappillal widow of Murugar Nagamuttu of Vannarponnol East

Vs.
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Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Annappillai widow of Murogar Nagamutiu of Vannarponnai praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Murogar Nagamutiu of Karaiyoor coming on for di posal before J. C. W. Rock E quite, District Judge, on March 25, 1928 in the presence of Mr. K. V. Sinnathural Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated March 19, 1928, having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner is the widow of the sald intestate and is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the satate of the said intestate issued to her unless the Respondents or any other person shall, on or before september 6, 1928, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

March 26, 1928.

March 26, 1928.

District Judge.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No 6811.
In the Matter of the Estate of the late
R. M. S. P. S. Subba Naidu of Vannarponnat
West, Jaffica
Bubba Naidu Thiruvengadassmy Naidu of
Vannarponnat West
Vs
1. Subba Naidu Alagar amy Naidu of
Karsikudy now of Vannarponnat
West

Mintre.

2. Subba Naldu Bamesamy Naidu of Karsikudy
3. Subba Naidu Ladohumanen Naidu of do
4. Alamel Mangammal daughter of Bubba Naidu of do and
5. Aryammal widow of Bubba Naidu of do

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying that the abovenamed I at Respondent be appointed Guardian at Item over the minors 2nd 3rd and 4th Respondents and the Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be Issued to the Petitioner coming oner disposal before J. C. W. Rock Enquire, District Judge, Jeffna on June 19, 1928, in the presence of Mr. K. Kan-gasabai Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated June 19, 1928 baying been read: It is ordered that the abovenamed let Respondent be appointed Guardian at Item over the minors the 2nd, 2nd and 4th Respondents for the purpose of representing them in this case and that the Petitioner be declared entitled to take out Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased as one of the heirs notes the abovenamed Respondents shall appear before this Court on July 31, 1928 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

J. C. W. Rock, District Judge, Time to thow cause extended to 4th September 1992

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Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6846.
In the Matter of the Estate of the late
Kanapathier Sabapathy of Vaddukkoddai
West

Visalsdohlgillsi widow of Kanapathiar Baba-pathy of Vaddukkoddai West

Visaladohlrillai widow of Kanapathiar Sabapathy of Vaddukloddal West
Vs. Petitioner.

1. Sabapathy Subramaniam of do presently of Kusla Lumpur in F. M. S.

2. Sabapathy Subramaniam of do presently of Kusla Lumpur in F. M. S.

3. Sabapathy Kanagasundram of do dokkoddal West

4. Sabapathy Kanagasundram of do da ditem.

This matter of the Petition of the Petitioner praying that the 5th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the minors the 2nd, 3nd and 4th Respondents and that Letters of Administration be issued to the Petitioner, coming on for disposal before J C W. Rock E. quire, District Judge, J. fina on July 24, 1928, in the presence of Mesers. Nagalingam and Nagalingam, Proators, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dued July 12, 1927, having been read, It is ordered that the abovenanced 5th Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the said minors the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Respondents for the purpose of protecting their in this car ac that the Petitioner had of appresenting them in this car ac that the Petitioner had of appresenting them in this car ac that the Petitioner had of representing them in this car ac that the Petitioner had of representing them in this car ac that the Petitioner had of representing them in this car ac that the Petitioner had of representing them in this car ac that the Petitioner had one ruless the Respondents or any other person or persons interested shall appear before this Court on September 4, 1928, and shew cause to the contrary.

J. C. W. Rock, District Judge.

August 8, 1928. O. 1514.

J. C. W. Rock, District Judge,

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MANNAR.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 899.
In the Matter of the Estate of Sepamalal
Crops wife of Vothenayagam Feldano, late
of Peralai

James Vethanayagam Feldano of Perslai
Vs. Petitioner.

1. Varonical Thuram widow of Christogu
Croce
2. Ohristogu Autoni Crocs, both of Pecalai
Reproductors

2. Christogu Autoni Croos, beih of Pecalai
Respondente.
Yagam Feldano praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed decessed
Respandal Croos wite of Vethanayagam Feldano
coming on for disposal before L D. C. Hughes
E quire, District Judge, on August 17, 1928 in the
presence of Mr. S. Anantham, Protor, on the part
of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner
dated August 16, 1928 having been read, it is
duclared that the Petitioner is the 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 the Suptember
12, 1928 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction
of this Court to the contrary.
It is further decisered these the Respondent
he appointed Guardian ad litem of the 2nd Resrondent for the purpose of representing him in
those preceedings unless the Respondents abovenamed shall on or before the said date show
sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court
to the contrary.

August 17, 1928

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