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PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT enough Ceylon has progressed considerably in the matter of elementary and secondary education, yet the number of public libraries in the whole Island cannot be more than half a dozen at the most.

There are here a few decent private libraries, but these are which are maintained by members who subscribe towards their upkeep. A few perhaps there are which receive some sort of Grant from Government. But libraries which are free and open to the public and rate-supported as in England are not in existence.

The history of the growth of the rate-supported public library movement in England is rather interesting and there is no reason why Ceylon, as in most other modern things, should not copy England in this respect.

We see no reason why local bodies would not adopt this system in Ceylon on a modified scale. A beginning might be made in the larger towns and then extended to smaller towns and rural areas.

LOCAL & GENERAL

OFFICIAL:—Mr. K. Vaithianathan is to act in addition to his other duties, as Addl. Police Magistrate and Addl. Commissioner of Requests, Hambantota, from December 18, 1928 to January 2, 1929.

DEATH OF A MILITARY OFFICER:—Colonel A. E. Andrews, O.B.E., Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force, died in England on December 14, 1928.

SCHOOL CODE OF REGULATIONS:—Last Friday's Gazette publishes certain amendments to the Code of Regulations for Government, Assisted English, and Assisted Vernacular and Anglo-Vernacular Schools.

GOV. CLERICAL EXAMINATION:—An examination for candidates wishing to enter Class II. of the Clerical Branch of the Public Service will be held on April 16, 1929 and the following days.

LAND SALES IN THE NORTH:—The Asst. Govt. Agent, Mannar will put to auction etc. at 10 a.m. on Friday, and Saturday, February 22nd and 23rd, 1929 at the Marunkan Resthouse 24 and 29 allotments of land situated in the Nanaddan East division on the respective days.

PERSONAL:—Mr. N. Subramaniam of the Revenue Survey Office, Seremban, has been transferred to Revenue Survey Office, Singapore, on promotion, being raised to the 2nd Grade.

PUISNE JUDGESHIP TO MR. AKBAR:—It is officially announced that Mr. M. T. Akbar, K.C., B.A., LL.B., the Solicitor-General, has been appointed to succeed Sir Justice Schneider. The following communique was issued on Tuesday last.

ADVOCATE GENERAL OF BENGAL:—Mr. N. N. S. Rao, Barrister-at-Law, has been appointed Advocate General of Bengal in the place of Sir B. J. Mitter who was recently appointed Law Member of the Government of India.

Ceylon's Vital Statistics.

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1928. REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL.

The following is culled from the report of the Registrar General dealing with the Vital Statistics of the 35 principal towns in the Island for the month of October, 1928.

MARRIAGES.

The marriages of residents in proclaimed towns numbered 546 (464 General, 2 Kandyas, and 80 Muslim), as against 419 in the preceding month and 404 in the corresponding month of last year.

BIRTHS.

The births registered numbered 1,999 (1,037 males and 962 females), and were equivalent to an annual rate of 36.52 per 1,000 of the population, as against 36.60 in the preceding month, 35.23 in the corresponding month of last year.

DEATHS.

The total deaths registered during the month numbered 1,847 (977 males and 870 females). The number was equivalent to an annual rate of 33.74, as against 34.75 in the preceding month and 29.24 in the corresponding month of last year.

The still births registered during the month numbered 163 (86 males and 77 females), as against 143 in the preceding month and 162 in the corresponding month of last year.

INFANT MORTALITY.

The deaths of children under one year amounted to 385, and corresponded to a rate of 195 per 1,000 births registered during the twelve months ended October, 1928. Reckoned on the births registered during the month only, the rate was 193, as against 203 in the preceding month, 172 in the corresponding month of last year.

CAUSES OF DEATHS.

The highest mortality was from Pneumonia, to which 13 per cent. of the total deaths were due.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Three deaths from Plague (2 males in Jaffna and 1 female in Colombo), were registered, as against 1 in the previous month, and 8 in the corresponding month of last year.

RAINFALL.

Newspapitya recorded the highest rainfall (46.97 in.)

The Tamil Literature.

ITS PRESENT DEPLOABLE STATE

In the course of reviewing Mr. T. N. Seshachala Aiyar's Kampa Hanu Yanam (Dala-Kandam) and Mr. O. Sivaram Pillai's, Kampa Hanu Yanam, (A Kanda Tiruvayuk karasu and Periya Puranam, T.C. make the following general remarks, in 'Savanai', a journal of the Indian Renaissance published in Madras, on the deplorable state of the Tamil Literature at the present day.

This is a period of creative inactivity in Tamil. Never was Tamil literature at so low an ebb. Not that there is a dearth of printed matter; printing presses in the Tamil country are more active than almost in any other part of South India. News-papers, hand bills about dramatic entertainments, catalogues of post-business adventures, magazines which are magazines merely because the postal rules allow concession rates for advertisement matter relieved by an occasional inter-larding of 'literature', novels which are blatant adaptations from English,—these are what the generality of Tamil printing presses produce.

The outlook for Tamil literature has not been so murky for about half a century. The humanity of Vedanayagam Pillai who practically brought the novel into Tamil, the inspiring touch of Sundaram Pillai, the indefatigable zeal of Suryanarayana Sastri, the delicate charm of Rajam Iyer, the finished fret-work of Obelviskavaraya Mudaliyar, the inspiration, the vision, and the force of the prose and the poetry of Boarath, the satiric vein of Madhavayya,—these are the qualities for which Tamil acquired a reputation in the hands of the masters of the past two generations.

Among finished historians the palm must be divided between the two Raghvan Aiyars, but they are historians, scholars and critics: neither of them can be considered to be creative artists, for their published work of that kind is meagre.

None of the younger man has any promise in him. Even so early in its history, modern Tamil has become completely commercialized. There is no scope for any one who will not write down to the intellectual level of the Tamilian labourer who seeks his living in the Malay States, or humble himself before the petty publisher who runs a precarious publishing department as a sideline to an even more precarious grocery business.

The people of the Tamil country are now paying the penalty for too rapid and too thorough an anglicisation. The literature of the present day is deplorable in quality and negligible in quantity. A few more years of this cultural inaction must lead inevitably to an atrophy of the creative instinct among the Tamils.

Deplorable State of Jaffna Roads

U. D. C.'s APATHY.

P. W. D. IN SEMI-PATHY

Thus writes the Jaffna correspondent to the "Ceylon Daily News" under date December 17:—

The roads in Jaffna have always been a source of annoyance and considerable discontent both to pedestrians and vehicular traffic and the Urban Council has made no progress in this direction since it came into being. The metal used in the making of the road surface is a species of quartz which gets crushed by the wheels of the bullock carts into a white dust, which shows Jaffna roads on moonlight nights radiating like white ribbons of interminable length.

Certain road surfaces are now being tarred, but in the North the portion of road that is tarred is about the width of the two wheel tracks, while the margin is left untreated. The result is that the edges get broken up by cart wheels and become a rack of broken metal. When the rains come down as they do in Jaffna after a prolonged drought in copious showers pools of water stud the road for considerable distances adding to the trials of pedestrians and vehicles.

Martyr's Day in Calcutta

ACTIVITIES OF THE HINDU MISSION.

Yesterday, 23rd December, 1928, was the day fixed for the ceremonial and devotional observance of the Martyr's Day at Calcutta, being the anniversary date of the death of Swami Saradhabandhu, the foremost and ardent Hindu Sanjayin of North India, who was shot dead by a Mussalman. This revered Sanjayin spent practically the whole of his life in battling for the unfortunate Hindus who had been converted to alien faiths and bringing them back into the Hindu fold.

Suthumalai Students' Union.

SESSIONS OF ANNUAL CONGRESS.

The annual congress of the above Union will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the 28th, 29th and 30th inst. at the Suthumalai Sivanaya Parathy Vihara at Enn, Ponnai.

Friday 28th 6.30 p.m. Presidential address by Mr. V. Veerasingham B. A. (Usud) Prinjotai, Manipay Hindu College.

Sy. comes by Messrs. M. S. Raja Ratnam, B.A. Advocate, and Editor, "Hindu Organ," on "உள்ளுயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர்" and Pandit V. T. Sambandham, Editor, "Inbu Sathabam" on "உள்ளுயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர்"

Saturday 29th 6.30 p.m. Lectures by Messrs. S. Subramaniam B. A. (Lond) on "The Rights of Citizenship" and T. Ramalingam B. A. on "Education as a Fine Art" President: Mr. Venkateswaram A. A. Principal, Jaffna Hindu College.

Sunday 30th 6.30 p.m. Sangeetha Kathappittasangam by Brahma Sri Sangara Subramania Sathobithanatha Rajayogikar on "உள்ளுயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர் உயிர்"

Importance of the Vernaculars.

MEDIA OF INSTRUCTION.

MYSORE COUNCIL VOTES FOR KANNADA.

At the meeting of the Council of Mysore held on December 20, the following motion was passed:—

"That this Council recommends to the Government that Kannada be the medium of instruction in all the high school classes in the State." Mr. V. Venkatasappa (Member from Assembly) moved the motion and in doing so said that on the merits of the motion there could be no two opinions as regards the introduction of the Kannada as medium for instruction in schools. Well-known educationists throughout India has already given their support wholeheartedly in favour of the movement.

After the resolution was seconded by Mr. Basave Gowda, Mr. N. S. Subba Rao, Director of Public Instruction, replied that the matter was already engaging the attention of Government but it was a question of practicability. Schemes were being worked out in this connection for the adequate supply of text books. The motion was then put to vote and passed.

His Majesty's Illness.

SURVEY OF THE KING'S PROGRESS.

London, Dec. 20. Following a consultation, at which five physicians made a comprehensive survey of the King's present progress, a long bulletin was issued yesterday afternoon.

In the opinion of the physicians, the condition of the right side of His Majesty's chest has improved, but the healing of two empyema must, necessarily, be a lengthy process. The heart is slowly gathering power, and although the King is still greatly exhausted, a slight access of general strength is noted.

The conclusion reached by the doctors is as follows:— "The future course of the illness must, from the nature, be slow and not without difficulty, but we are happy to state that the King's progress is now established on a firm basis."

Light ray therapy treatment will be continued.

KING'S DOCTORS SATISFIED.

London, Dec. 21st. Yesterday's satisfactory bulletin, in which the Physicians were happy to state that "the King's progress is now established on a firm basis," is followed by further reassuring news.

His Majesty had a restful night and, as last noted, it was not found necessary to issue a bulletin in the afternoon. The evening bulletin stated that the King had a quiet day and that local and general conditions are still taking a very slowly though favourable course.

Prince George, the King's youngest son, arrived at Southampton yesterday and proceeded to Nottingham Palace in the evening.

PASSED A FAIR NIGHT.

London, Dec. 22nd. A bulletin issued at 11.30 this morning stated that the King passed a fair night and his general condition remains unchanged.

also which has gone through a...
polling stations is that out of...

The death took place at Parakkal...
The funeral took place on the 13th...

HEARTY RECEPTION AT CALCUTTA.

Calcutta was very busy, when Pandit...
Moolai, President, and the Indian Central...

The Simon Commission and the Central...
Committee arrived two hours later. Every...

The Commission and the members of the...
Central Committee were profusely...

Members of the Simon Commission and...
the Central Committee were profusely...

As the Commission's train had to arrive...
at the same platform as that at which...

The order of the Divisional Court of three...
Judges was delivered on Tuesday last in...

An Advocate not to be reinstated.

The order of the Divisional Court of three...
Judges was delivered on Tuesday last in...

The present application was made by Mr...
Seneviratne in October, 1926 before Mr...

It was regarded after argument as pre-...
mature. On a reference to the English Bar...

The application was refused by the Court.

Coffee's Role of Deception.

The relief from the sensation of fatigue...
follows the taking of coffee is highly deceptive...

Excise Demand.

Sir Lalubhai Bhamidasa writing to the Rev. J. F. Edwards...
the Memorandum correctly represents the Country's demand...

AN ALL-CEYLON THAMIL LITERARY CONGRESS.

Sir, This is to inform you that the...
Congress was held on the 1st of August...

Let it be understood, dear readers, that...
if this sweeping wind of denationalisation...

More amusing it is to find these men...
busy discussing with their consanguine...

One's blood boils to hear such...
teacherous statements made by men who...

[We shall deal with the subject...
editorially in a subsequent issue.]

RE-OPENING OF TODDY TAVERNS.

Sir, It is a matter of common knowledge...
that the toddy taverns in Jaffna were...

It is anyhow a consolation that in...
the vast majority of the localities...

ELUCIDATION SOLICITED.

Sir, Please be good enough to enlighten...
me on the following points through the...

Invariably minor headmen have...
copy inter related duties to perform...

The Ordinance does not provide...
any role of procedure to be adopted...

[There is nothing in the Ordinance...
to prevent the minor headmen to be...

A TAMIL FLAG.

Sir, I shall be much obliged if you...
will kindly let me know if there is a...

[According to Tamil History there was...
no distinctive flag common to all...

ORIENTAL MUSIC IN SCHOOLS.

Sir, Now that Music has been added...
to the curriculum of studies in our...

For Sale. A new tiled house with...
kitchen in 8 Iochikens of land near...

"Change of Name". I, Kanapathipillai...
Sinnathambay Karanavai South in...

NOTICE. An auction sale of timber...
comprising 5 Ebony, Margosa, Salwood...

Order Nisi. In the District Court of Jaffna...
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 6900...

Sir, I am ordered that the...
above named respondents be appointed...

J. C. V. Rook. District Judge.
Dated 14/12/28.

