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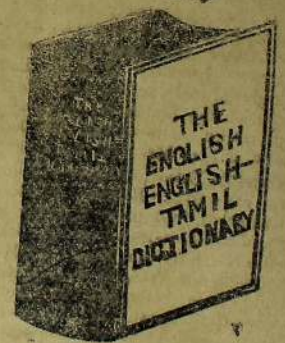
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NOTICE.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 3349.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Ponnampalam Suppiah of Chivitharu

Deceased.

Suppiah Maittavanam of Chivitharu

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Suppiah widow of Ponnampalam Suppiah of Chivitharu
2. Suppiah Navaratnam of Colombo
3. Suppiah Rajaratnam of Chivitharu
4. Sakanyammah daughter of Suppiah of do
5. Sornammah daughter of do
6. Suppiah Vijayaratham of do. Of whom the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th Respondents are minors by their Guardian *ad litem* the 1st Respondent

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Suppiah Maittavanam of Chivitharu, coming on for disposal before P. E. Pieris, Esqr., District Judge, on March 14, 1917, in the presence of Mr. C. L. Sarvaratnam, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner; and the affidavit of the said Petitioner, dated November 7, 1916, having been read: It is ordered the Petitioners be and he is hereby declared entitled, as an heir of the said deceased, and that Letters of Administration do issue to him accordingly, unless the Respondents abovenamed or any other person shall, on or before April 17, 1917, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

P. E. Pieris,
District Judge.

March 14, 1917.

Order Nisi.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 3382.

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Achchimuttu wife of Kandappillai of Kockuvil

Deceased.

1. Sinnathamby Nannithamby and wife
2. Sellamuttu of Kockuvil

Petitioners.

Vs.

Thampoor Kandappillai of Kockuvil now of Ipoh in Federated Malay States

Respondent.

This matter of the Petition of Sinnathamby Nannithamby and wife Sellamuttu of Kockuvil, praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased, Achchimuttu wife Kandappillai of Kockuvil, coming on for disposal before J. Honer Vanniasinkam, Esqr., District Judge, on February 19, 1917, in the presence of Mr. K. Sivapirakasam, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner; and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated February 19, 1917, having been read: It is declared that the Petitioners as heirs of the said intestate, and are entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to them, unless the Respondent or any other person shall, on or before April 17, 1917, show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

P. E. Pieris,
District Judge.

February 27, 1917.

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1. A house and compound situated at the 3rd Cross Street, Pettah, Jaffna, about 4 Lachams V. C., with share of well, bounded on the East by property belonging to the heirs of the late Sophia, wife of Thomas Peter Ollagasagaram, on the North by the property of J. G. Poovimansinghe Mudaliyar, on the West by Road, and on the South by property belonging to the heirs of the late Emily Rasamma, wife of Mr. S. P. Spenser.

2. Naraville Estate, situated at Eluthumattal, close to the Railway Station, in extent 21 acres, fully planted, 1,500 trees young and nearly half in bearing, bounded on the North by the Estate of Mr. J. P. Thuraisingam, West by new metalled Road and estate belonging to Chetty, East by the Estate of Sabaratnam Mudaliyar, South by Estate belonging to the heirs of the late Mr. M. B. Swampillai.

(At present a lane leads to the estate from the Railway Stoppage at Eluthumattal, and the D. C. R. has already sanctioned the conversion of this lane into a metalled road.)

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education. The establishment of a College where higher education in Tamil and Sanskrit with instruction in the meaning, purport, and esoteric significance of the different branches of the Saiva Kriya Kanda, could be imparted, will supply the best means for the elevation of the priesthood. The few existing Sanskrit Schools may take the place of feeder Schools to the central College. A substantial Government subsidy may also be obtained for these institutions as in the case of the Vidyodaya College of Colombo, the Vidyalankara College of Peliyagoda and a few other institutions conducted by the Buddhist Priests where education in Sanskrit, Pali, and Sinhalese is imparted. The management of the College may be in the hands of a layman or a Council of laymen, but the direction and supervision of the educational course should be entrusted to a syndicate or Council of leading Saiva Priests who should institute examinations and grant diplomas or certificates. This Council may also admit to its examinations private candidates who have undergone a course of instruction under a competent Gurukul. The courses of study may be graded according to the order of Priesthood. Gurukkals who conduct Saiva religious initiation, marriage, temple festivals and similar important ceremonies may take the first rank. Temple Archakas and Purohitis may rank next. All Saiva Hindus should pay higher honours and emoluments to those who have gone through the examinations and hold certificates from this Saiva Council. The according of such preference by the Saiva public to these authorised Priests would be a great incentive to them to educate themselves and pass the prescribed examinations and submit themselves to the control and discipline of the central Council of Saiva Priests.

We have given above only a rough outline of the scheme and we would welcome constructive criticisms on it from our Hindu correspondents. The present position of our priesthood is so unsatisfactory that the need of improvement has become very urgent. Action in this direction cannot be long delayed. The Saiva Hindu community of Ceylon is second to none in point of intelligence or wealth and it is right and proper that their priesthood too should hold an honourable position in society, respected alike by ourselves and by other communities. High education alone will engender in them self-respect and a right conception of their duties and responsibilities to the laity. To allow the question to remain as it is would be to confess our incapacity to take concerted action on questions of vital importance to our religious life. Religions has always been the mainspring of our activities. When their religious interests were in danger, our ancestors held back nothing, but sacrificed everything they valued on earth, to defend them.

The question of finance is another important point in the success of the scheme. If we could create in the community in general a really earnest and intense desire for the success of the scheme, and if one or two leaders of organizing capacity would pioneer the undertaking, the institution can be successfully launched. The leading temple authorities may be induced by the force of public opinion, to make liberal contributions. There are also wealthy men in our community one of whom can finance the whole undertaking single handed and earn the gratitude of his co-religionists as well as immortal glory to himself and his posterity. But, more than all, we would very much desire that the scheme for the improvement of our priesthood is taken in hand by a central body with a network of branch organizations in every village. According to the last census there are 254 villages in the Jaffna District with an average population of 1,131 persons to the village. If the Saivites in every one of these villages would organize a committee of the leading earnest Saivites among them for the purpose of looking after their religious educational interest in general, and if all these Committees are affiliated to a central body entrusted with the duty of co-ordinating and directing the educational work of these village committees, not only the educational needs of all Saivite Priests but the educational needs of all Saivite children too, the large majority of whom have now to subject themselves to be educated in institutions established by foreign proselytising agencies, will soon be supplied. The day when Jaffna Hindus will regain their Swaraj in Religious Education, when they will emancipate their children from the thraldom of foreign proselytising influences, will be the proudest day in their annals. May we all hope, the day will not be distant.

Closely connected with the education of the Hindu Priesthood is the religious

education of Hindu children. The one without the other will be incomplete and ineffective. No programme for the religious education of Hindu children will be complete which does not also provide for their education in Sanskrit. The subject is a comprehensive one and will be dealt with in another issue.

"OUR POLITICAL NEEDS."

Sir P. Arunachalam has done a distinct service to the Ceylonese by reading a paper on the above subject before the Ceylon National Association on the occasion of its annual general meeting held on the 2nd instant. It is sure to rouse the permanent population of this Island to a sense of their present position and to adopt prompt measures for the amelioration of their political condition, to keep pace with the advance of the times and not to be left behind in the race of progress in all parts of the British Empire. This paper, which we understand, is published in pamphlet form and is for sale, should be read and re-read by every Ceylonese who can read and understand it. We think the Ceylon National Association should have it translated into Sinhalese and Tamil for the information and edification of those who cannot read and understand English.

Sir Ponnambalam was an official for the best part of his life and is of the type of some retired Indian officials the fire of whose patriotism and public spirit was not quenched by prolonged connection with Government service. Having retired from the public service about three years ago, he has been devoting the evening of his life to elevate his country to the level of British Colonies enjoying representative Government. We do not think that his patriotic, sober and wise words will fall on deaf ears.

We cannot, beyond introducing this paper to the notice of our readers and commending it to their serious attention, undertake to review it in detail, as it is impossible to do justice to it in a newspaper article. We agree with those who say that British subjects here as well as in every other part of the Empire should do nothing to embarrass the Government when their whole attention is directed to the prosecution of the most terrible war in history which is now devastating Europe and other parts of the world. But in all other countries, specially in the self-governing Colonies and India, the people, while they are actively helping the Imperial Government in men and money and are making great sacrifices on account of the war, are on the alert to make the Imperial authorities feel that at the end of the war they should be granted additional political privileges. Ceylon also has done her part well, according to her means, to help the British Government in the prosecution of the war and is willing and ready to render further help, if required. If she, however, remains quiet and shows herself satisfied with her present condition and status, Ceylon is sure to be left in the lurch, when India and other parts of the Empire will considerably gain politically at the end of the war. No Government has ever granted political concessions, unasked by the people interested in them. If India had remained quiet, the very valued privilege of her interests being represented by Indians in the Imperial War Cabinet would not have been granted to her.

LOCAL & GENERAL.

JAFFNA No IV (HINDU) TROOP—will have a Magic Lantern show at the Katterodai English Institute, commencing at 7 P. M. on Tuesday the 11th inst. Admission to public by tickets. Proceeds to go towards Hindu Scouts' Fund.

OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION, JAFFNA HINDU COLLEGE.—At the last meeting of the Managing Committee of this Association at which the Principal presided, it was unanimously resolved to stage three plays at the College Hall, in aid of the College Laboratory Fund. The three plays selected by the Committee are "Hariobhadr Mayanakandam," "Meedchikandam," and "Markandeya Nadakam." The plays will be staged on the 21st April, 25th April, and 23rd April, 1917 respectively. The actors are mostly Old Boys of the College. Messrs. V. Ramanathar, K. Ramalin-

gam, V. T. Sambanthan, S. Navaratham, M. Krishnasamy and T. Ponniah whose proved talents as amateur actors need no words of commendation from us, will take part in the performances. It is hoped that Old Boys and the present Boys of the College in particular, and the Hindu public in general, will avail themselves of this unique opportunity and render a signal service to this the National Institution of the Hindus of Ceylon.

PERSONAL.—Mr. S. Sivagurunather, Asst. Editor, "Hindu Organ", who was away at Keerimalai for the last five months to re-cure his health, has returned and resumed duties.

—Dr. C. Muttulumar, the well known Ayurvedic Physician who went to Colombo to collect funds for the construction of the Subumalai Amman Temple returned here on Sunday morning on an urgent professional call and intends to return shortly to Colombo on his mission.

—Mr. E. M. Tampoe Philips, B. A., L. L. B., Barrister-at Law, Inner Temple, London, who arrived in the Island about a month ago, has decided to practise at the Madras High Court and left on the 3rd instant by the Talaivan train. Mr. Philips is a nephew of Mr. A. C. M. G. Tampoe, I. C. S., Acting Collector of Chittoor District.

—Mr. C. M. Chellappa, Foreman, Colombo Lake Development Scheme is spending his holidays among his friends and relations at Jaffna.

—Mr. S. Swaminathan, of the Audit Office, Colombo, has come to Jaffna for the holidays and is staying at his residence at Aiyankovilady.

—Mr. C. Speldewinde is appointed to act as Assistant Superintendent of Surveys, in the Jaffna Survey Office, in the absence of Mr. C. W. F. Mavel, Assistant Superintendent of Surveys, from the 23rd ultimo.

—Mr. Sampander Natta Raja who passed the recent Proctors' Final examination taking second place in the order of merit, is the eldest son of the late Mr. S. Sampander who was the Crown Proctor and J. P., U. P. M. of Anuradhapura and a brother-in-law of Mr. V. S. Kanaispillai, merchant, Jaffna. Mr. Natta Raja had a distinguished school career having been educated at St. Thomas' College and Jaffna Hindu College and from the latter institution he passed the Senior Local Examination creditably, obtaining exemption from the London Matriculation Examination. He intends practising his profession at Anuradhapura where his late father commanded a very extensive and lucrative practice as a Proctor. Mr. Natta Raja has the hearty congratulations of his many friends, in Jaffna and Colombo.

RESULTS OF THE LONDON COLLEGE OF PRECEPTORS EXAMINATION.—Mr. S. G. Lee, M. A., the Senior Local Secretary of the London College of Preceptors in Ceylon received the results of the L. C. P. Examination held at the National Academy in December, 1916. The successful candidates are:—Senior: N. Ramanachandra, T. Nagalingam. Junior: K. Arunasalem, G. M. Lee, V. Arunugam, S. Somasekarampillai, S. Vadiyevu, T. Subramaniam, S. Vivakaoandaraaja, A. Rasiab, T. Sivagurunathar, A. Ramanathar, V. Kandiah, T. Appadurai, P. Vithalingam, K. Karalingam, H. T. Lyman, K. Devadurai, D. K. John. Preliminary: V. Tambiah, J. Sinnappah, A. Vallipparam, V. Amirthalingam, C. P. Tambiah, V. Nadarajah, K. Sinnadurai, V. Kandiah, N. Rajaratnam, K. Selladurai, M. E. Ratnasinghe, M. Kailasapillai, S. Ramalingam, S. S. Sinna-cuddy.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR, 1915.—Mr. M. Saravananthu, the winner of the Inter-Science Scholarship of 1915 from S. Thomas' College, will be leaving Ceylon early in June. Mr. Saravananthu intends joining the Ministry.

MATRIMONIAL.—The marriage of Mr. S. Ambikapaker, son of the late Mr. S. Sappathipillai and grand-son of the late Mr. A. Sinnathambiy, Crown Proctor, of Vannarpinnai, with Miss Kandalya, daughter of Mr. V. Kandalya, Landed Proprietor of Ududipilly and a niece of Mrs. Basisingam, wife of the Hon. Mr. K. Basisingam, took place on Friday night last, at the bride's residence. Owing to a recent bereavement in the family the function was not attended by any pompous demonstrations. Only the near friends and relations of the parties attended the function and were very hospitably entertained. We wish the newly married couple long life, happiness and prosperity.

—Another marriage in the same family was solemnised according to Hindu rites at the same Subumattur, the contracting parties being Mr. S. Supramaniam, Clerk, Medical Department, Colombo, a grand-son of the late Mr. A. Sinnathambiy, Crown Proctor, with Miss Karthikesu, daughter of Mr. A. Karthikesu, Landed Proprietor, Kockuvil, and a niece of Mr. C. Basanyaka Mudaliyar, Secretary, District Court, Jaffna. A large number of friends and relations of the parties were present at the function and were sumptuously entertained. We offer our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Supramaniam and wish them a long and prosperous life.

—The marriage of Mr. P. Sinnathambiy, brother of Mr. P. Nagalingam, Clerk, Supreme Court, Kuala Lumpur, and of Mr. P. Vairavanather,



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JAFFNA, MONDAY, APRIL 9, 1917.

THE EDUCATION OF THE HINDU PRIESTHOOD.

It was pointed out in our last issue that the best means to effect the improvement of the Hindu Priesthood in Jaffna was

The War.

THE BRITISH FRONT.

London, April 2. The British are now within sight of the spires of St. Quentin...

NEARER ST. QUENTIN. F. M. Sir D. Haig says:—We substantially progressed at numerous points...

GERMANS ADMIT DEFEAT.

A wireless German official despatch says:—Fighting has developed on the roads from Bapaume to Croisilles and Cambrai...

MORE VILLAGES TAKEN.

London, April 3. F. M. Sir D. Haig says:—In the course of yesterday's attack South East of Arras we carried the village of Honin sur-Ogival...

THE FRENCH FRONT.

London, April 2. A French communique says:—Our patrols pushed on North-East of Dallon and North of Castle in the region of St. Quentin Fars...

London, April 3. A French communique says:—Between the Boinne and the Use Arillery fire was especially violent on the sector of Casieres Contescourt...

London, April 3. A French communique reports intermittent artillery work from the Somme to the Aisne. There were patrol encounters North and South of Ailette...

FRENCH MACEDONIAN HOSPITALS BOMBARDED.

London, April 2. A French Macedonian communique says:—Enemy aviators shelled the hospital at Elkoun. This is the fifth time within a month...

THE RUSSIAN FRONTS.

London, April 2. A wireless Russian official despatch says:—We repulsed a Turkish offensive in the direction of Reshidven. We occupied Misatque, Poitahn and Buzkahn...

AVIATORS' ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY. London, April 3. A wireless Russian official despatch says:—We took back at the bayonet point enemy attacks which penetrated the trenches in the regions Northwest of Ilnka and South Eastward of Vladimirsk...

THE NEW RUSSIA.

London, April 2. Petrograd.—The Premier, M. Lvov, receiving notification, repeated the Government's determination unswervingly to fulfil their treaties and agreements with the Allies...

IMPORTANT ARRESTS. Petrograd.—Government has ordered the removal to Petrograd of all persons detained with the exception of those at Tarskoyeselo...

"CURSED HOHENZOLLERN" DENOUNCED.

Petrograd.—Military demonstrations in favour of the Republic continue. A Reserve Cavalry regiment with all its officers rode to the Duma...

London, April 3. The Times' correspondent at Russian Headquarters says it has been decided to form a War Cabinet of seven on the English and French models...

BULGARIAN DELIGHT. Amsterdam.—M. Radolovich, in the Sobranje, like Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg and Czerin (?) showed affected and ostentatious delight at the Russian revolution...

DEPARTURE FROM THE TROOPS. Petrograd.—All the members of the Dynasty asked leave of General Headquarters to come to Petrograd. The troops at Headquarters are sending a deputation to greet the Duma.

GENERAL ALEXIEFF AS C.I.-C. General AlexiEFF has been confirmed as Commander in Chief.

General Brusiloff, Commander of the Southern Army, has telegraphed M. Gutchoff that the Army is ready.

IN EGYPT.

London, April 2. Egypt (Official).—A further description of the Gaza operation shows that Wadi was occupied without resistance. In order to compel the enemy to fight General Dobell decided to attempt to capture Gaza by a coup de main...

PEACE TALK.

London, April 1. Amsterdam.—The German Press with one inspired accord flatters new Russia, and hints at the conclusion of a separate Peace. It denies the rumours of impending German offensives against Petrograd and Beasutah...

GERMAN WAR BABIES' SERIOUS PROBLEM.

London, April 2. War babies are becoming a serious problem in Germany, 360,000 are already supported by the State.

NEW GERMAN GUNS.

London, April 2. The Germans are using a new field gun, outranging its predecessors by two thousand yards. They are also employing light guns drawn by a pair of horses.

THE U. S. A. AND GERMANY.

London, April 3. Washington.—President Wilson asked Congress to declare that a state of War exists between the United States and Germany. He said that War involves practical co-operation with the Allies...

AID FOR THE ALLIES.

London, April 4. President Wilson, referring to the United States' intentions in regard to co-operation with the Allies, said it was necessary to organize and mobilize all material resources to supply War materials...

POPULAR EXCITEMENT.

London, April 2. Washington.—Congress has met to face the most serious international crisis since the Civil War. The House of Representatives forthwith proclaimed its democratic fervour by re-electing Mr. Clark as Speaker...

necessitate the issuing of Neutrality Proclamations. Mr. Flood, Chairman of Foreign Affairs in the House of Representatives has prepared a resolution...

SUPPORT FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Washington.—The Chaplain, in opening the House of Representatives, addressed the House on the diplomacy of appeal when reason failed. We abhor War, but it forced upon us every American would applaud the President in safeguarding American interests...

TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION.

Washington.—The text of Mr. Flood's resolution was:—Whereas the recent course of the Imperial German Government is in fact nothing less than War against the Government and people of the United States...

TERMS OF THE SPEECH.

Washington.—President Wilson began his speech to Congress with a review of the development of German autocracy, and dealt lengthily with the ruthlessness of recent measures. The war against mankind, the challenge is to all nations...

SYMPATHY WITH THE GERMANS.

"We had no selfish ends to serve and did not desire territorial aggrandisement and indemnities, but were making sacrifices freely as the champion of the rights of mankind and would be satisfied only when these were secured."

WELCOME TO RUSSIA.

Mr. Wilson sarcastically said that self-governed nations would not fill neighbour States with spies or souch intrigue to bring about a critical posture of affairs which gave an opportunity to strike and make a conquest.

HOW TO HELP THE ALLIES.

The following is the text of the passage of Dr. Wilson's speech regarding co-operation with the Allies:—"This will involve the utmost practicable co-operation in Council with the Governments warring with Germany...

material and resources in the country to the incidental needs of War materials to serve the incidental needs of the most abundant and economical...

ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE COMMONS.

In the Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Ambassador at Washington had telegraphed that he expected Congress to give President Wilson authority to declare War (cheers).

GERMAN CONSPIRACIES IN U. S. A.

New York.—A number of Germans including Von Kleist, retired German Naval Captain and Superintendent of the chemical factory at Hoboken, have been convicted of conspiracy to destroy steamers with incendiary bombs.

THE EGYPTIAN OPERATIONS.

London, April 2. In the Commons Mr. Bonar Law said that in the recent battle at Ghada the total British killed were under 400. The enemy casualties were 8,000.

Flying CORPS CASUALTIES.

London, April 3. The official week-end casualty lists include the names of 44 officers of the Flying Corps.

ALLIED AERIAL LOSSES.

London, April 3. The Times states that last month's aeroplane losses on the Western Front are:—British 68, French according to German reports, 71, and German 135.

THE KAISER OUT OF IT.

London, April 3. Paris.—The French Press is increasingly urging that the best method to strengthen anti-Hohenzollernism and to assist the German Peace movement is for the Allies to declare they will not negotiate with the Kaiser.

EMPLOYING CIVILIAN WAR PRISONERS IN BRITAIN.

London, April 3. The Press Bureau reported that arrangements have been made to license on parole selected civilian War prisoners for employment in essential industries...

MUNITION WORKERS TO BE RELEASED.

London, April 3. The Press Bureau states that Mr. Henderson, presiding at the Conference of the Trade Card Scheme, stated that in view of the Army's need it would be necessary to release a large number of munition workers...

—The Ceylon Observer.

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