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E. HUMAN,
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Land situated at Vannarponnai East called 'Kampanpalam, Pavaddamzadu or Kompiddipulam' in extent 46 Lachams V. C. of this an extent of 42 Lachams V. C. with share of well, houses and plantations and bounded on the East by the property of Veyaladchippillai daughter of Ampalavanar Ponniah, North by Sandy road West by road and on the South by the property of Vairavanatar Sanmukanatar the whole of this land.

J. P. BASTIAN
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10th May 1899

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
 ORDER NISI.

Testamentary } No. 976
 Jurisdiction }

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Parupathippillai wife of Ampalavanar of Karadive West

Deceased.
 Petitioner.

Arumukam Ampalavanar of Karadivu West

Vs

1. Kanther Ampalam and
2. Kanthar Murukar both of Karadivu East

Respondents.

This matter of the Petition of Arumukam Ampalavanar, the abovenamed Petitioner, praying for Letters of Administration to the Estate of the abovenamed deceased Parupathippillai wife of Ampalavanar of Karadive West coming on for disposal before C. Eardley Wilmot Esquire, District Judge, on the 6th day of April 1899 in the presence of Mr. S. Kandayah Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 5th day of April 1899 having been read it is declared 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 30th day of May 1899 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 6th day of April 1899

Sd./ C. E. WILMOT
 District Judge.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
 ORDER NISI.

Testamentary } No. 853
 Jurisdiction }

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Annappillai daughter of Sinnatampy Kartikesu of Tanakkarakurichy

Deceased.

Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Sinnatampy Kartikesu
2. Kartikesu Sarawanamuttu
3. Vinayaker Sinniah, wife
4. Alice Sinnappillai
5. Eliatampi Vallipuram and
6. wife Eladchumippilly all of Tanakkarakurichy

Respondents

This matter of the Petition of Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Annappillai daughter of Sinnatampy Kartikesu coming on for disposal before C. Eardley Wilmot Esquire, District Judge, on the 22nd day of April 1899 in the presence of Messrs Casippillai and Cathiravelu Proctors on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of Sinnatampy Kartikesu of Tanak-

karurichy dated the 9th day of July 1899 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner as Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna 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 29th day of May 1899 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Signed this 22nd day of April 1899

Signed/ C. EARDLEY WILMOT
 District Judge

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
 ORDER NISI.

Testamentary } No. 849
 Jurisdiction }

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Nellinachchan wife of Chankarapillai Murukar of Mantuvil

Deceased
 Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna

Petitioner

Vs

1. Chankarapillai Murukar
2. Chitamparanatar Chuppiramanian and
3. wife Taywanipillai of Mantuvil and
4. Kathirecher Chitamparanatar of Madduvil

Respondents

This matter of the Petition of Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Nellinachchan wife of Chankarapillai Murukar of Mantuvil coming on for disposal before C. Eardley Wilmot Esquire, District Judge, on the 22nd day of April 1899 in the presence of Messrs Casippillai & Cathiravelu Proctors on the part of the Petitioner and affidavit of Chankarapillai Murukar dated the 16th day of June 1897 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner as Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna 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 29th day of May 1899 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Signed this 22nd day of April 1899

Signed/ C. EARDLEY WILMOT
 District Judge.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA.
 ORDER NISI.

Testamentary } No. 913
 Jurisdiction }

In the Matter of the Estate of the late Sultan Mnkiedeen Nachchia wife of Meeralebbe Marakayer Mukamadulebbe Marakayer of Vannarponnai

Deceased
 Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna

Petitioner

Vs

1. Mukaiyatheekundu Segu Abdulcader
2. Meeralebbe Marakayer Mukamadulebbe Marakayer of Vannarponnai West

Respondents

This matter of the Petition of Ramanader Kantaiyah Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Sultan Mukayadeen Nachchia wife of Meeralebbe Marakayer Mukamadulebbe Marakayer of Vannarponnai West coming on for disposal before C. Eardley Wilmot Esquire, District Judge, on the 22nd day of April 1899 in the presence of Messrs Casippillai & Cathiravelu Proctors on the part of the Petitioner and affidavit of Mukaiyatheekundu Segu Abdulcader dated the 30th day of June 1893 having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner as the Secretary of the District Court of Jaffna 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 29th day of May 1899 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

Signed this 22nd day of April 1899

Signed/ C. EARDLEY WILMOT
 District Judge.

THE HINDU ORGAN.

JAFFNA, WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1899

KATARAGAMA PILGRIMAGE.

We invite the attention of our readers to the correspondence relating to pilgrimage to Kataragama published elsewhere. The Hindus of India and Ceylon will be glad to learn from the letter of the Government Agent of the Province of Uva in reply to Mr. Coomara Swamy's letter that there will not be any limitation, until the necessity is shown, in the number of pilgrims that may attend the festivals at this famous Shrine. As our readers are aware the pilgrimage to Kataragama had been the subject of a special Ordinance, restricting the number of persons attending the festivals and regulating their procedure on their way to and from the Temple and during their stay in the Temple. This had been felt as a grievance by the Hindu community, as this invidious distinction was shown in regard to this most noted Hindu Shrine in Ceylon alone, while pilgrimage to the sacred places of all other religious persuasions were not in any way fettered. It was left to His Excellency Sir J. West Ridgeway to redress this grievance, by repealing the special Ordinance relating to pilgrimage to Kataragama and to pass a law empowering the Governor, to restrict and regulate pilgrimage to all Shrines, Christian, Buddhist, Hindu or Muhammadan, whenever necessary in the interest of public health and safety. This new Ordinance was, at the time of its passing into law, bitterly opposed by our Roman Catholic friends who even sent a protest against this Ordinance to the Secretary of State. But to no purpose. It has become law with very slight modifications, in deference to the clamour of the Roman Catholics.

Although the special Ordinance relating to Kataragama Pilgrimage was repealed, yet the Government has hitherto, by virtue of powers vested in them by the new Ordinance, restricted the number of pilgrims to Kataragama during festival time, while they have not interfered with the pilgrimage to any other Shrines in Ceylon. This has again been an anomaly and injustice. The Saiva Paripalana Sabai of Colombo has, therefore, done well in agitating this question, through Mr. Coomara Swamy and securing for the first time, after many years, equal and just treatment for the Hindu Pilgrims. We congratulate the Sabai on the successful termination of its labours in this respect, and thank Mr. Coomara Swamy, on behalf of the Hindu community, for the signal services he has thus rendered to them. The thanks of the Hindus are also due to the Government for this act of justice, tardy though it may be.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Weather—The big Monsoon has not yet set in. There being a lull in the blowing of the wind the heat is oppressive.

Changes in the Medical Department—Dr. Gratien becomes Colonial Surgeon of the Western Province in succession to Dr. J. L. Vanderstraeten, retired. As he is now on leave Dr. Geo. Schokman performs duties as Colonial Surgeon, Western Province. Dr. Moran has been appointed Colonial Surgeon of the North Western and Sabaragamuwa Provinces in succession to Dr. Gratien. Dr. Hilliard, who recently arrived from England, has assumed duties as Office Assistant to the P. C. M. G. and Principal of the Medical College. Dr. T. F. Garvin has been appointed as Chief Surgeon of the Civil Hospital, Colombo, in succession to Dr. Rockwood and Dr. Geo. Thomas as second Surgeon. Dr. H. M. Fernando has been appointed Chief Physician with Dr. M. Sinnatambay from Balangoda as Second Physician and Dr. Allan de Saram Third Physician. Dr. O. Johnson has assumed duties as Judicial Medical Officer, Colombo replacing Dr. F. Orloff ordered to Kandy. Dr. Jeremiah Sub-Assistant Colonial Surgeon, in charge of the Hospital at Kalmunai in the Batticaloa District is under orders to proceed to Kaitis where the Plague Quarantine Regulations are to be enforced by a special Medical Officer of the status of a Sub-Assistant Colonial Surgeon, instead of by a Health Officer as has been done hitherto. Dr. Nicholas now stationed at Chavakachcheri proceeds to Kalmunai while Dr. Kailasapillai is transferred to Chavakachcheri. No successor has as yet been appointed to the late Dr. Thornhill, Senior Medical Officer, Northern Province. Dr. Santiago continues to act in that capacity in addition to his own duties.

Mr. J. J. Casie Chitty—We are sorry to learn that this gentleman formerly Police Magistrate of Point Pedro and Chavakachcheri and now of Panadura is in bad health. There is no truth, however, in the report that he will shortly retire on pension owing to ill-health. We hope he will be soon restored to his wonted health and resume his duties as Police Magistrate of Panadura. The Colony can now ill-afford to lose the services of so conscientious a Magistrate as Mr. Casie Chitty.

The late Mr Alfred Hensman—We deeply regret to have to record the death of this gentleman which took place at his residence in Chavakachcheri on the 2nd Instant. Mr. Hensman had been suffering from fever which brought on pulmonary affection. He was a Proctor of the District Court of Jaffna, but chiefly practised his profession in the Minor Court of Chavakachcheri. He was noted for his sterling independence, and professional and personal honesty. He leaves behind a widow and several children to whom we offer our heartfelt condolence.

Birthday Honors in the Eastern Province—We are glad to learn that Mr. Murray, the Government Agent E.P., has recommended Mr. M. Sithamparanather, President Village Tribunal, Batticaloa South, and Mr. C. Ponniah Salt Storekeeper and Assistant Land Clerk, Batticaloa, for the title of Mudaliyar. The former is a long and faithful servant of Government who had been recommended for this honor by several of Mr Murray's predecessors. The latter is the scion of a well-known and ancient family at Vathiri in the Vadamarachi division of Jaffna and has rendered meritorious service to Government in the Land Department.

The District Mudaliyarship of Vavuniya North—We understand that Mr. Muttuvelupillai who went to Vavuniya to assume duties as District Mudaliyar of Vavuniya North has declined to accept the appointment. We also learn that no permanent appointment has yet been made for the Maniagarship of Karachi.

The Jaffna Headmen—The Maniagars of Jaffna who have accepted the invitation for the State Ball to be held at Queen's Pavillion, Kandy, will leave here for the Mountain Capital on the 18th Instant.

Rowdyism—That rowdyism and lawlessness are on the increase in Jaffna admits of no doubt. There are men who earn their living solely by terrorizing the respectable portion of the community and by oppressing the poor and helpless people. Their services are always at the disposal of any wicked persons who could hire them to serve their wicked purposes. This state of affairs should no longer be tolerated by the authorities. Now that Mr. Rudd is once more among us, it is to be hoped that he will take energetic measures to put down rowdyism and lawlessness in Jaffna.

A Sixth Daily—Mr. Advocate C. Brito intends issuing another daily news paper in the English, Sinhalese and Tamil languages. Prospectus has been printed and is being privately circulated. Colombo will then have six dailies.

Personal—Mr. A. Tillayambala Mudaliyar, of the P. W. D. Colombo, is now in Jaffna, having come on a visit to his native place on leave of absence. He is expected to leave for Colombo on the 16th Instant.

The Equitable Loan Company—An annual general meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held on the 29th ultimo at its registered office in Chatham Street, Colombo, under the presidency of Mr. Advocate E. S. W. Senathi Raja, the Managing Director and chief promoter of the Company. There was again no dividend declared, and the shareholders had to be content with hearing the oratory of the learned president. Mr. Joseph Silva Mudaliyar made a very sensible proposal to wind up the affairs of the company. But a motion was carried authorizing the company to make printing and publishing as part of the business of the company with a view gradually to close the loan business. It remains to be seen whether the company would retain its present name even after closing the loan business. A number of gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year. But two of them, Messrs H. A. Jayawardene, Advocate, and Daniel Joseph, the Matale Planter and Merchant, have written to the papers to say that they had not authorized any one to make them Directors of the Company. This reminds us of similar repudiations and withdrawals from Committees said to have been appointed at Mr. Senathiraja's election meetings held in Jaffna.

Subordinate Civil Service Examination—Mr. George Prins, Private Secretary to Mr. Justice Browne and Mr. E. Weiman, Head Clerk of

the Deeds Department of the Secretariat have passed the Civil Service Examination for law under the Minute of the 12th December 1898.

Death by Snakebite—A man at Chvateru has died of snakebite. Another man of Achuvai also died last week of snakebite.

Princess Henry of Prussia—The Imperial German Mail Steamer "Prinz Heinrich" was expected in Colombo on Sunday last with Her Royal Highness Princess Henry of Prussia, on her way homeward from a visit to her husband, the only brother of the German Emperor, who is now in China. She is a grand daughter of our Queen, being a daughter of the late Princess Alice.

KATARAGAMA PILGRIMAGE.

From the Government Agent Uva
To P. Coomaraswamy Esqr Colombo
Dated 7th March, 1899.

Referring to your letter of the 31st August 1898, I have the honor to inform you of the decision of Government that the same precautions should be taken during the festival in November as in July except that for the present and until the necessity is shown, there need not be any limitation of numbers in November, and to request you to be good enough to make this known among the people who frequently resort to Kataragama.

I am Sir,
Your obedient Servant
L. W. C. Schrader,
For Government Agent

Colombo 31st August 1898.
The Government Agent
Badulla

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that on behalf of Saiva Paripalana Sabha of Colombo, an Association for the protection of the religions and other interests of the Hindus of Ceylon I have been in communication with the Government with a view to the removal of the restrictions now imposed on the pilgrimage to Kataragama, restrictions felt by the Hindus to be not only invidious and humiliating as being applied to them alone of the various religious communities of Ceylon, but harassing and impeding them in the discharge of their religious duties.

I am instructed by the Honourable the Colonial Secretary that the Sabha should place itself in communication with you and arrange with you as to the nature and extent of the co-operation which will be required of the Sabha in order to dispense with the restrictions.

I shall therefore be much obliged if you will inform me whether and in what way the Sabha can help. The Sabha is anxious that the ticket system should be abolished and that only such measures as may be deemed absolutely necessary for sanitary or police purposes should be enforced.

I understand that in your Province there are annual Buddhist Pilgrimages of considerable importance, in regard to which, no doubt, sanitary and police precaution are taken by you, and we desire that the Kataragama Pilgrimage should be put on the same footing.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
P. Coomaraswamy.

MR DUTT'S MAHABARATA

Lord George Hamilton, Secretary of State for India thus acknowledges the receipt of Mr Dutt's latest work, Mahabaratata, which was presented to him by the author:—

My dear Mr. Dutt,—I have to thank you for the handsomely bound volume of your work, "Epic of Ancient India," which you so kindly sent me. I will read it with interest and pleasure. Your labour and trouble in translating such a classical poem will well be repaid, for it will bring home to many, who before were wholly ignorant of the fact, what Indian Civilization and Literature were when we were comparative savages and it will shew the high ideal and aspirations to which so many of India's best subjects still attempt to rise.

OUR Calcutta correspondent telegraphs to say that Swami Vivekananda and his disciples have directed their attention to the sanitary question. We are glad to hear this. It is a most practical question. In view of the fact that the plague is slowly spreading in the city, it is of the highest importance that every educated man in Calcutta should devote his attention to sanitation. Swami Vivekananda is undoubtedly the most powerful religious leader and the most effective religious teacher in India; and we are sure his example, even on questions of sanitation, will not be lost on his followers.

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