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## THY PRESENCE

*When I am full of doubt and fear,  
And things are dim that should be clear,  
God, grant Thy presence near me;  
When I am sad with worldly care,  
The future shrouded with despair,  
Oh, let Thy Presence cheer me;  
When I express my joy in song,  
With voice unfaltering and strong,  
God, in Thy Presence hear me;  
And when-my earthly journey done—  
I sail into the setting sun,  
Then, by Thy Presence steer me:*

H. FORSYTHE.



## EDITORIALLY

The Cricket season has once again returned and the inter-collegiate matches are in full swing. We have so far met only one school, and if the result of the first match could be considered as a token of that which is to come, our team this year should have every reason to cherish bright hopes. The Marylebone Cricket Club's tour in India and Ceylon has given a fresh impetus to the king of games in our schools. Our cricket XI this year has had the remarkable privilege of being sent to witness the all-Ceylon-India match with the M. C. C., at the expense of the College. The spectacle of that great struggle at the C. C. S. grounds has, we have no doubt, impressed upon the minds of the team some of the finer points of Cricket, and the resource, the grit and the courage required in a dour and critical situation.

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The death of Miss G. Hensman in January has removed from our midst a great teacher, a devoted Christian worker and a woman of outstanding ability and talents. The loss to the Girls' College which was the scene of her successful labours for more than twenty five years is indeed irreparable. But her loss is equally keenly felt by St. John's and the public of Jaffna, as she was one who had made her personality felt in the social and religious life of a very much wider sphere than the school with which she was so long associated. She belonged to one of the most distinguished and honoured Christian families in Jaffna, and spent her entire life in the cause of the upliftment of the women of the North. Very

few who came in contact with her left her without being ennobled or inspired by her high purpose and ideals. Her life, short though it was, was fully lived in the cause of Christian ideals, and the educational and social welfare of the womanhood of her country. We have no doubt that she will find an honoured and illustrious place among the benefactors of the Girls' College, and that her memory shall be enshrined not only in the hearts of hundreds of her grateful pupils but also in the hearts of all true Johnians and those who have faith in the noble efforts of large hearted and gifted women of the type of Miss Hensman.

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The news of the transfer of Mr. W. R. Watson, Divisional Inspector of Schools, will be received with regret by the teaching profession in Jaffna and the members of the public who have watched the progress of educational activities in the North. Mr. Watson has made notable efforts to popularise the study of Psychology and to bring together parents and teachers on a common platform, so to speak, to solve the peculiar problems connected with the mental and physical development of the child. We congratulate him on his promotion as Chief Inspector, and wish him every success in his work. Our warmest greetings to Mr. Arulnandy, M. Sc., who succeeds him.



*It is not fair to judge an apple tree by the worst apple on it, nor a man by his meanest deed or speech.*

## RETIREMENT OF MISS LEEMBRUGGEN

Dear Mr. Editor,

It has been brought to my notice that the College Notes at the end of last year made no reference to the retirement of our esteemed Colleague and friend Miss Irene Leembruggen. The omission was due to the fact that Miss Leembruggen retired soon after one issue of the Magazine had appeared and a good while before the next set of notes came to be written. This is not urged as an extenuating circumstance, for I want to plead a peccavi without any reservation whatsoever. Miss Leembruggen herself needs no explanation, for she knows how sorry we were to lose her valuable services and how much to this day we miss her gentle and benign influence. Miss Leembruggen also knows that there is no visitor to our School who brings a greater measure of cheer to our atmosphere than she brings every time she comes again to her erstwhile sphere. Miss Leembruggen was so thorough and devoted to her work and to her "boys" that boys and masters alike loved her as a warm friend. Our friendliest good wishes to Miss Leembruggen in her retirement, and in wishing her "good luck in the name of the Lord", I know the whole School joins me in wishing her health and happiness *ad multos annos*

A. M. K. CUMARASWAMY

Acting Principal: 1933.



## COLLEGE NOTES

(BY THE PRINCIPAL.)

The beginning of this term had a heavy shadow cast over it by the death of the Vice-Principal of our adjoining Girls' College. Miss Hensman was a very good friend of St. John's and was always gladly ready to give us help or advice. Her experience in music always made her a much appreciated and very successful trainer of our choir. Perhaps no one since the Girls' College began has made so great a contribution to the building up of the College she loved so well. As a girl and mistress she was utterly devoted to her School. We would extend to our Sister College our sincerest sympathy in their irreparable loss, but join them in thanking God for a life so unreservedly and beautifully dedicated to its life-work. We feel that the Old Girls' Association has taken a most fitting step in resolving that the College Hall of the new Girls' College should be erected as a Memorial to Miss Hensman. It will be a privilege for us of St. John's to join in such a permanent tribute to one who has meant so much to us as individuals and to our School community life.

On March the 2nd, the Governing Body of our C. M. S. Educational Institutions rescinded its former resolution that the Girls' College should move to Nallore. This has been rendered possible by the kind consideration of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Arudpragasam in exchanging their property in Chundikuli adjoining the proposed new site for

the Girls' College for another strip of land which we have been able to give them. The exchange gives the new site the entrance and road frontage which we wished for the new site and brings the total acreage of the new site to nearly double the present Girls' College compound. We rejoice that our Girls' College is thus to remain in Chundikuli and that we can continue our common life together, which has meant so much to us both. It remains for our Old Boys and the College to raise as soon as possible the remaining funds which we as a College are due to give to the Girls' College development scheme in compensation for their compound and buildings.

St. John's College has in February sustained another heavy loss in the death of Dr. H. B. Mailvaganam, one of our most distinguished Old Boys of recent times. He was one always genuinely interested in the School and ready to support it in any way he could. The fuller account of his life and medical service appears elsewhere in this number. We offer his family and friends our sincere sympathy.

December saw the retirement of our veteran teacher, Mr. G. K. Chellappah. 36 years is no mean teaching record and it is enhanced by its having been marked by work of the high standard which Mr. Chellappah always set himself. 22 out of these 36 years were given to St. John's and her branch schools. A painstaking, persevering and extremely conscientious teacher, Mr. Chellappah was at the same time one who took a full part in all sides of our College life. We



would thank him for his devoted life-work and wish him many years of happiness in his well-earned retirement.

We have been glad to welcome Mr. A. N. Ratnathicam to the Office Staff for this term. His imperturbable good nature is not the least of his qualifications for his exacting task.

I should like to congratulate the Old Boys' Association of Colombo on their particularly successful Annual Meeting on March the 2nd, at the time of the Annual Junior Cadets' Competitions in Colombo. It was a very well attended meeting but I could wish that still more had heard Dr. Kandiah's able words on the meaning of "True Education". We are sorry that Mr. D. R. Gunasegaram's term of service as Secretary has been so short but we would thank him for his enthusiastic service and we welcome his successor, Mr. Manunayagam, who now takes up the secretarial duties. Our Junior Cadets enjoyed their visit to Colombo but will have to learn that real success depends on a much longer period of regular training.

Our Cambridge results have given us this year, at least in the number of passes, the first place amongst the boys' schools of Jaffna. Hearty congratulations to the 13 Seniors who passed, and especially to Ramalingham and Thevanesam on their Honours Certificates, and also to the 24 Juniors and amongst them especially to Parirajah and Jebanesam who obtained Honours, the latter with Distinction in Latin and Mathematics. Our congratulations are also due to the four candidates

who passed the Ceylon Junior School Certificate Examination last November. May we also take this opportunity of congratulating our Girls' College on their really brilliant Cambridge results!

We were glad to be able to send as a College the sum of Rs. 50.66 to the Viceroy's Indian Earthquake Relief Fund. Our Chapel collections, in which the Girls' College of course joined, amounted to a further Rs. 28.15. The Private Secretary to the Viceroy has sent us a most kind expression of thanks from His Excellency.

I am sorry that I omitted in my last College Notes to thank Mr. P. Thiagarajah (O. J.) for the Cup for Volley-ball which he so kindly presented to the College for competition last year. We much appreciate such generosity. This term we have completed the installation of electric lighting in every part of the College where it could be considered necessary. The no small task of planning and supervising the installation has been undertaken and carried through as a gift to the College by another Old Boy, Mr. E. R. Rajanayagam. We are most grateful to him. Such gifts of advice and practical service are being given time and again by our Old Boys and bring us much cheer.

The block of open class rooms which Old Boys will remember as the Lower School, has been this term transformed into closed class rooms. Next term we hope to have them suitably hung with pictures and we invite the inspection of Old Boys and other friends. These class rooms in future will house the Middle School.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE O. B. A., COLOMBO BRANCH

The annual general meeting of the Old Boys' Association of St. John's College, Jaffna, (Colombo Branch) was held at the Y. M. C. A., on the 2nd of March. The Rev. H. Peto, Principal of the College, presided.

A suggestion was made that the present subscriptions should be reduced with a view to helping more Old Boys to join.

The Chairman said the Committee could consider the question and arrive at some decision.

After the election of office-bearers, Dr. A. Kandiah addressed the meeting. He said that from experience he found that the best educational work in Jaffna was being done at St. John's College. He referred to the self-sacrificing work of those who laboured there, and the fact that the College had weathered the storm showed it would go far.

At the head of the institution they had one who was best fitted to guide the destinies of the College.

### DIFFICULT TIMES

In the matter of education they were passing through difficult times, financially, and it required very great courage to face all the difficulties. There was also the cry as to whether they were giving the right type of education to the youth of the country.

He thought that their whole outlook was wrong. There was a lack of discipline owing to the fac

that young people today thought they should have some freedom. He thought there should be the strictest discipline enforced.

The absence in this country of men of original thinking, he felt, was due to the kind of education they imparted to their boys. They had merely been preparing boys for examinations.

If they wanted to progress they must set about things in the proper way. Quantity should give place to quality, and their educational system must be so altered that in the years to come they should be able to produce men with originality of ideas.

The education of the youth of the country in a foreign language put on them at least a fifty per cent handicap. If it was done in the vernacular it could doubtless be done in half the time. They had to see that even after students left the colleges they should be made to understand that they had not finished with education, and that there was still a great deal more for them to learn. They had to inculcate into the minds of the youth that they must pull together, and discipline must be well taught.

In conclusion he said that as far as St. John's College was concerned he felt all was well, and the right spirit prevailed there among the boys.

The Chairman in the course of his address said he was glad to see them all and it was a great encouragement to them at the College to have the support of the Old Boys.

He endorsed what Dr. Kandiah had said with regard to the self-sacrificing work of the Staff at the College.

## A TIME OF TRANSITION

The last few years he thought were a time of transition and he felt that they were gradually reaching the standard Dr. Kandiah had referred to. The methods of teaching were being altered to bring about that effect, but the methods of thinking among students had not yet improved. If they got hold of a book they did not know how to set about studying it without help. They were now trying to teach students to think for themselves and do things for themselves, and also to interest them in some kind of hobby.

He thought that parents should join them in trying to inculcate into their children correct public opinion which would teach them to appreciate the really great things of life and not pay so much attention to the trifles.

In conclusion he referred to the various activities of the School, their success in the field of sport and some of the improvements and alterations introduced into the School recently.

Referring to the Girls' School he said it had been decided that morning, at a meeting of the Board of Governors, that the Girls' School was not to be moved from Churdicully, an object they had in view for many years, but should move to a site opposite their present one, and Old Boys would soon be called upon to contribute towards the funds that would be necessary. He suggested that a month's salary spread over a period of one year should be a reasonable contribution to make.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair and to Dr. Kandiah.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS

The following were the office-bearers elected:—

Vice-Presidents :— Prof. C. Suntheralingham, Messrs. A. J. R. Vethavanam, V. M. Saravannamuttu, A. P. Kandasamy, S. J. V. Chelvanayagam and Dr. Kandiah,

Hon. Secretary :—Mr. S. Manunayagam.

Asst. Sec. and Treasurer : Mr. I. R. Nathaniel.

Committee :— Messrs. A. M. Selvaratnam, A. F. Williams, D. S. Abraham, E. J. Rajaratnam, G. H. R. Hubert, J. T. R. Perimpanayagam, J. H. P. Thuraisingham, A. A. Chellappah, E. T. Araskone, and T. Visuappah.

Auditor Mr. M. M. Kulasekeram.



*So runs my dream ; but what am I  
An infant crying in the night ;  
An infant crying for the light  
An with no language but a cry.*

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*One who is intent on breaking roadways for his  
fellows will always have a good pathway for his  
pilgrimage.*

## OLD BOYS' COLUMN

BY

J. T. S.

GENERAL

*Mr. M. Kanagasabai*, who was selected by the Government to proceed to London for a course of training on the English Railways, has returned to the Island after  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years, stay in England, having passed the Associate Membership Examination of the Institute of Transport. He has also passed the Examination in Railway Operating Economics held by the School of Economics, London University, and the Examination in Railway Economics. He is attached to the General Manager's Office, Colombo.

*Mr. S. Ramanathan*, B. Sc. (Lond) has joined the Coconut Research Scheme, Lunuwila, Negombo.

*Dr. G. Jeremiah*, D. M. A. Matale, has been transferred to Mandapam Camp.

*Dr. A. R. Arudpragasam* has proceeded to England for further qualifications

*Mr. C. W. Chellappah* has been appointed Editor "Malacca Guardian" and Malayan Correspondent to "The People", London.

*Messrs. A. M. Brodie, R. A. Rajadurai and Clough Balasingham* have been appointed Unofficial Excise Officers.

*Mr. N. S. Sanders*, has been transferred as the Superintendent of Excise, Jaffna.

*Mr. G. K. Chellappah* has retired from the Teaching Profession after 36 years of meritorious service.

*Mr. J. T. Solomons'* book "A Guide to School Art" has been sanctioned by the Director of Education, for use in Ceylon Schools. (Editor S. J. C. M.)

*Mr. L. Vethanayagam* has been appointed Irrigation Sub-Inspector, Anuradhapura.

*Mr. Barr Kumarakulasinghe* has passed the Advocates' Final Examination and *Mr. D. R. Gunasegaram* the Second Examination.

*Mr. C. Kanagasabai* has passed the Final Examination of the Ceylon Medical College.

#### MARRIAGE.

Our congratulations and best wishes to the following on their recent marriages:—

*Mr. E. S. Rajaratnam* of the Postal Department with Miss Krishnapillai.

*Mr. A. Ramanathan* of Stanley School with Miss Regina Pakiamalar Navaratnam.



## IN MEMORIAM

### Dr. H. B. MAILVAGANAM,

Formerly of the Ceylon Medical Service and late P. C. M. O. Mysore. After a very distinguished career, he retired a few years ago and was living in Bangalore.



**IN MEMORIAM****S. C. THEVATHASAN**

Teacher, St. John's College, Jaffna  
and Kingswood College, Kandy.

**Died September, 1933.**

**VALETE**

**JOHNSTONE HOUSE**

*K. Sabaratnam*

Joined College	1919 (Nov.)
Camb. Junior	1929
Football XI	1928—'31
„ Colours	1930
Cricket XI	1931—'3
„ Colours	1932
Wolf-Cub	1921—'22
Scout	1923—'27
Rover	1928—'32
College Monitor	1931
Prefect	1932—'33
Cub-Instructor	1933
Matric. Form	1933
Left	1933 (Dec.)

*C. Josiah*

Joined College	1925
Scout	1929—'21
Rover	1930—'32
College Monitor	1933
Left	1933 (Dec.)

*P. Thiagarajah*

J. S. C.	1933
Left	1933

## THOMPSON HOUSE

*K. Kanagaratnam*

Joined College	1919
Football XI	1930
Rover	1930—'32
E. S. L. C.	1932
Cadet Corps	1932
Monitor	1933
Senior Form	1933
Left	1933

*E. K. Thevanesan*

Joined College	1930
Camb. Junior (Hons.)	1931
„ Senior (Hons.)	1932
„ „ „	1933
College Monitor	1933
Kumarakulasinghe Scrip. Prize (Seniors)	1933
Eng. Essay Prize (Seniors)	1933
Left	1933

*N. S. Sabaratnasingam*

Joined College	1923
Junior Cadet	1926—'28
Junior Champion—Athletics	1926
Intermediate Champion	1928
“ “ “	1929
Junior Camb.	1929
E. S. L. C.	1930
Senior Cadet	1928—'32
2nd Sergt.	1930—'32
Senior Form	1933
Left	1933

## HANDY HOUSE

*C. R. A. Chinniah*

Joined College	1925
Camb. Junior (Hons.)	1931
Camb. Senior	1933
Left	1933

*M. K. Vijayasundaram*

Joined College	1928
Camb. Junior	1930
E. S. L. C.	1930
Tamil Essay Prize	1931
Tamil Editor S. J. C. L. A.	1931
“ “ S. J. C. B. U.	1931
Tamil Oratorical Medal	1931
Sec. Tamil Union	1931
Tamil Essay Prize	1932
College Monitor	1932
Prefect	1932
Camb. Senior	1932
Left	1933

*A. W. Thangarajah*

Joined College	1929
Cambridge Junior	1930
College Monitor	1932
Asst. Sec., S. J. C. L. A.	1933
College Prefect	1933
Sec., Prefects' Guild	1933
Asst. Sec., S. J. C. B. U.	1934
Camb. Senior	1933
Left	1934 (March)

*T. Dhanapala*

Joined College	1933 (June)
Cadet Corps	1933
Cpl. Cadet Corps	1933
Matric Form]	1933
Left	1933

*V. Poopal*

Joined College	1933
Sec., S. J. C. L. A.	1933
Left	1933



**CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION  
RESULTS, 1933**

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, JAFFNA

*Seniors.*

HONS: Ramalingam T.  
Thevanesam E. R.

*Juniors.*

HONS: Parirajah P.  
Jebanesam C.

Dist. (Latin & Maths.)

PASS: Jesudason E. S.	PASS: Balasingham T.
Pathmanathan C.	Cumaraswamy W. T.
Kandiah A. J. S.	Sivanarayanamoorthy T.
Sinniah C. R. A.	Dharmalingham C.
Vethanayagam A. V. A.	Tissanayagam C. R.
Charavanamuttu K.	Arulvasakam V.
Nadesu S.	Balasingham F. M.
Rasyah C. S.	Chellappah W. T.
Sellathurai S.	Daniel R. V. G.
Chelliah J. T.	Dharmaratnam J. K.
Thankarasā A. W.	Sirisena Y. L.
	Ekanayake T. B. M.
	Kumarasingham P. M.
	Allegakoen K.
	Nadanasigamany M.
	Balasingham S.
	Rajathuraisingham J. A.
	Rasiah R. R.
	Senanayake A. M.
	Somasunderam H. C. T.
	Thambiratnam T.
	Vanden Driessen G. A. T.

J. S. L. C. Nov., 1933

Nathanielz A. J.  
 Rasaratnam N.  
 Saravanamuttu S.  
 Theagarajah P.

## FAREWELL TO MR. G. K. CHELLAPPAH

Mr. G. K. Chellappah, who retired at the age of 60 last year, had been a teacher for 36 years. Wherever he taught, whether it was in Jaffna, Colombo or Singapore, he had earned the good will of his superiors and the love and affection of his pupils. He spent 22 years of his teaching career at St. John's and her branch schools. At the farewell dinner given to him by the Masters' Guild, the Principal, Rev. H. Peto, Messrs. A. G. Charles and S. J. Gunasegaram spoke.

Mr. Peto, in a short speech, expressed his sincere appreciation of Mr. Chellappah's devoted service to St. John's and the branch schools. He had found Mr. Chellappah never afraid of hard work. He had recognised him as a regular, reliable and conscientious teacher, accurate and thorough in every thing he did. "Mr. Chellappah," he said, "has throughout proved himself loyal to his Principal and Managers, and a popular figure among his colleagues. He is a man of principles and ideals and I am extremely sorry his term of service amongst us has now come to an end. I wish him every happiness and good health in his period of retirement."

Mr. S. J. Gunasegaram said :

"Strange we never prize the music,  
Till the sweet voiced bird has flown;  
Strange that we should slight the violets,  
Till the lovely flowers are gone."

"Such were the thoughts that passed through my mind when I heard that you were no more to return to us, and to the scene of your long

and well spent labours. When you left us for Kaithady, last year, you made us understand that you would return to us at the end of the year, and it was that which made me give expression to, in our College Magazine, the hope of seeing you in our midst for another period of work.

I, as an Old Boy of St. John's and a fellow worker of yours, who had always cherished your friendship and your advice—and my colleagues here have felt somewhat guilty that so long we have not been able to express our gratitude and love for a life that meant so much to us and to our School. I thank those concerned for this great privilege given to me to share in this day's proceedings.

The greatest compliment that the College had ever paid to you was the last, when they chose you in the last year of your teaching career as the fittest person to re-stabilise a tottering school. It was, I believe, a recognition of your powers of organisation, tact and energy. The incident reminds me of the story of that great old Roman, Fabius Maximus, who was chosen in his old age as the fittest general to save the battered Republic.

What has appealed to me most in you is the charming manner in which you have succeeded in making the enthusiasm of youth invade the hoary citadel of old age. It is an art worthy of imitation. Old age, as Cicero says in his *De Senectute*, is a period to which all wish to attain and at which all grumble when attained. If it is no trouble to you, allow us to see the nature of the bourne which you have reached at the end of the long journey—upon which we too are

bound to embark. The greatness and success of the last act of the play depends no doubt on the nature of the rest of the play, and Providence which has been so gracious to you in the first few acts, we have no doubt, has written with equal skill and felicity your last.

"The supports best adopted to old age are certainly culture and the active exercise of the virtues. For if they have been maintained at every period—if one has lived much as well as long—the harvest they produce is wonderful, not only because they never fail us in our last days, but also because the consciousness of a life well spent and the recollections of many virtuous actions are exceedingly delightful." In this the ancients as well as the moderns agree.

That God will grant you a long period of happy and useful retirement is the sincere desire of all of us present here."

Mr. A. G. Charles seconding the toast of the chief guest said, "I have known Mr. G. K. Chellappah for quite a long time. From the time he left the Feter's School, Vannarponnai, now called Kilner College under the W. M. S., he has been either at St. John's or at the branch school at Kopy except for a couple of years spent in F. M. S. There too he was teaching; so all along he has been a teacher till he retired. I was taken by surprise at his retirement because he was young in spirit and carried his years so well that I thought that I was older than he.

There are a few tips he has left behind for younger men to follow. In his class-room he was always up-to-date in preparing notes of les-



sons, making up in legible handwriting his Attendance Register, mark book and record book and keeping everything "tip-top". Outside the class-room he was a good sport. In the field of sports he was second to none in his enthusiasm. You could always count upon him to fill in a place either in cricket or football. His reminiscences of both these games are very interesting. He was a builder too. The Eastern wing of the C. M. S. English School at Kopay stands as a memorial of his capabilities as a builder.

I wish him long life and health."

J. T. SOLOMONS,  
Hony. Secretary,  
S. J. C. Masters' Guild.



*With the ancient is wisdom; and in length of  
days understanding. Job.*

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*As newer comers crowd the fore,  
We drop behind—  
We who have laboured long and sore  
Times out of mind,  
And keen are yet, must not regret  
To drop behind Hardy.*

## ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SENIOR LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

DATE	SUBJECT	PROFOSERS	OPPOSERS	OTHER SPEAKERS	RESULT
24th Jan.	(Lecture) How the Emden was sunk.	S J. Gunasegaram	—	—	—
31st Jan	Prepared Speeches :— 1. Boarding Life. 2. திருவிடைமீதல் 3. The Coming Conflict	1. M. Jayaratnam 2. P. Pathmanathan 3. R. Y. Fitch	—	—	—
7th Feb.	Extempore debates :— 1. Franchise should not be extended to women. 2. 'Sweet are the uses of Adversity' 3. 'Cinemas do more harm than good.'	{ (1) S. Nadesu (2) N. R. Sabaratnasingam (1) S. Gunanayagam (2) A. Vethanayagam (1) C. Vijayaratham (2) C. Tharumalingam	{ (1) T. C. Selvarajah (2) W S. Hensman (1) V. J. J. Newton (2) J. T. Chelliah	P. B. Maddukande S. C. Jesudason	1. won 2. won 3. won

## ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SENIOR LITERARY ASSOCIATION

DATE	SUBJECT	PROPOSERS	OPPOSERS	OTHER SPEAKERS	RESULT
14th Feb.	(Lecture) Co-operation	Mr. S. B. Yatawara (Speaker)		R. Y. Fitch C. Vijayaratnam	—
21st Feb	Debate:— 'சலுகை வேண்டாம்' அரசியல் துறையில் சட்டக் கல்வியை?	1. K. T. Muttiah 2. S. Nadesu 3. T. C. Thirunavakarasu	1. K. Iyadurai 2. S. Ponnuthurai 3. S. Sivasothy	A. Aiyampillai T. Kamalingam M. S. Rajasingam V. Iyathurai K. Subramaniam	won
28th. Feb.	Debate:— 'The world owes more to poets than to politicians.'	1. A. T. S. Kandiah 2. A. V. R. Vethanayagam 3. T. Vanden Driesen	1. C. Vijayaratnam 2. S. C. Jesudason 3. G. J. Thambapillai	J. V. C. Nathaniel	lost.

J. V. C. Nathaniel,  
Hony. Secy.

**ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE. BOARDERS' UNION.**  
**SYNOPSIS OF WORK DONE. (JANUARY—FEBRUARY 1934)**

Date.	Chief Business	Chief Speakers.	Other Speakers	Result.
20th Jan.	Election of Office Bearers.	—	—	—
27th Jan.	Debate "Science has done more good than literature."	Proposers: P. B. Madukande T. C. Arasoo Opposers: K. T. Muttiah A. B. Kapuwatte.	—	Proposition carried the day
10th Feb.	Prepared Speeches	1. K. Gnanasundaram 2. G. R. Canagasabai 3. D. B. Tennakoon 4. A. Coomaraswamy 5. K. T. Muttiah 6. S. D. Horshington 7. A. B. Kapuwatte	T. C. Arasoo C. Vijaratnam	
	1. Cardinal Wolsey 2. Ceylon fifty years hence 3. Rums of Anuradhapura 4. The part that Science plays in the detection of Criminals 5. The lawyer's profession 6. Charity 7. The discovery of Ceylon by the Portuguese"			

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**SYNOPSIS OF WORK DONE. (JANUARY—FEBRUARY 1934)**

DATE	Chief Business Election of Office Bearers.	Chief Speakers	Other Speakers	Result
10th Feb.	Tamil Debate. "பிற்பலாசரீகம் மதுவா; சாஸ்திரமுக்கு நன்மை யா க்கிறது?"	Proposers: S. Sivasothy S. Sakthivelu T. Kugathasan Opposers: K. Subramaniam S. Balasingam T. S. Sivagharayana morthy	1. T. C. Arasoo 2. T. B. M. Ekanayake 3. A. Nalliah 4. A. B. Kapuwatte 5. M. Navarajasingham. 6. M. Samuel 7. K. Subramaniam 8. G. I. Ratnanayagam	Proposition carried the day.
17th Feb.				
24th. Feb	Debate: "Women should not take part in politics"	Proposers: 1. A. J. Nathaniels 2. A. M. Senanayake 3. T. B. M. Ekanayake Opposers: 1. M. Thiyagarajah 2. B. Karunaratne 3. J. Augustine	1. S. Sathasivam 2. S. Sivasothy 3. Sakthivelu 4. J. F. N. Daniel 5. K. Subramaniam 6. P. B. Madukande 7. A. Nalliah 8. S. Balasingham	Opposition carried

A. B. Kapuwatte,  
Hony. Secy.

## PREFECTS' GUILD

I deem it a great pleasure to present to our readers an account of our work this term. Our sincere thanks are due to A. W. Thangarajah for the yeoman service he has rendered to the guild as secretary. K. Sabaratnam, M. M. Vijayasundram, C. Josiah, K. Kanagaratnam and E. R. Thevanesan left us this term, and we thank them for their co-operation and untiring help in upholding the high ideals of the guild. We wish them the best of luck in life.

We heartily welcome G. R. Canagasabai, J. V. C. Nathaniel, P. B. Madukande, T. G. Daniel, A. V. Vethanayagam and G. J. Thambapillai to our midst, and we earnestly hope to give a good account of ourselves.

K. AIYADURAL,  
Hony, Secretary.



## S. J. C. MASTERS' GUILD

The Annual General Meeting of the Guild was held on December 13, 1933, with Mr. P. T. Mathai in the chair. The Balance sheet was presented by the Treasurer and was accepted.

The occasion was availed of to bid good-bye to Mr. A. W. Rajasegaram who was going on leave. Speeches in appreciation of his work were made by Messrs. A. M. K. Cumaraswamy and J. C. Handy. Mr. Rajasegaram in a short speech expressed his thanks.

The election of office-bearers for the year 1934 resulted as follows :

PRESIDENT: Mr. V. C. CanagaRetnam.

SECRETARY: Mr. J. T. Solomons.

TREASURER : Mr. E. M. Ponnudurai.

COMMITTEE : The above office-bearers and Messrs. T. M. Mathai and J. C. Handy.

Mr. K. Nesiiah thanked the retiring Office bearers on behalf of the Guild.

Another meeting of the Guild was held on 1st February 1934, with Mr. V. C. CanagaRetnam in the chair.

A vote of condolence was passed on the death of Miss G. G. Hensman, the Vice-Principal of the C. M. S. Girls' College, Chundikuli.

Miss M. E. Vanden Driesen was welcomed to the Guild after an absence of two years at the Government Training College, Colombo. Miss Vanden Driesen thanked the members for the hearty welcome accorded to her.

The chief item on the agenda was a lecture by Mr. W. R. Watson, Divisional Inspector of Schools, N. D. Jaffna on "The Problem Parent."

The Guild entertained Mr. G. K. Chellappah who retired from the Teaching Profession after thirty six years of meritorious service, at a farewell Dinner.

The following is the Toast List :—

1. Loyal Toasts.

2. The Chief Guest :

Rev. H. Peto, Mr. A. G. Charles.

Mr. S. J. Gunasegaram

Reply : Mr. G. K. Chellappah.

3. The Guild : Mr. G. K. Chellappah.  
Reply : The Secretary.

4. The Chairman :  
Mr. J. C. Handy.  
Reply : The Chairman.

J. T. SOLOMONS,  
Hony Secretary.



## THE LATE DR. H. B MYLVAGANAM

We give below an account which appeared in the Daily Post describing Dr. Mylvaganam's life and work. No further comment or tribute from us seems to be necessary. Dr. Mylvaganam was a devoted Old Boy of St. John's College and was for many years one of the Vice-Presidents of the O. B. A. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to his wife and son and to Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Cumarasamy.

Editor S. J. C. M.

THE DAILY POST SATURDAY EVENING FEB. 10th 1934

**Death of Dr. H. B. Mailvaganam,**  
*Late Senior Surgeon in Mysore*  
*Great loss to Medical Profession*

We regret to record the death, at his residence in Infantry Road, yesterday afternoon, of Dr. Henry Bailly Mylvaganam, F.R. C. S. (Eng.) at the age of 64.



Dr. Mylvaganam had been unwell for the past eleven days suffering from pneumonia. Sir Mirza M. Ismail, Dewan of Mysore, eminent doctors of Mysore State, and members of the Council, often visited him and the news of his death yesterday came as a shock to all medical circles in the State. The deceased had the best possible medical attention. Dr. S. Subba Rao, Dr. K. Srinivasa-chari, Dr. B. Nanjappa and Dr. Varadaiyengar being in close attendance throughout his illness. Despite their untiring efforts, he passed away peacefully yesterday afternoon.

Sir Mirza Ismail and prominent citizens of the City and C. M. Station visited the bungalow yesterday to offer their condolence to Mrs. Mailvaganam.

In the death of Dr. Mailvaganam the Mysore State has suffered an irreparable loss, for the deceased had contributed much to promote and raise the standard of the medical profession. His medical advice and aid was sought by people not only in the State but in different parts of India and highly valued.

#### EARLY LIFE

He was born on 11-2-1870. He received his early education at St. John's and in St. Thomas College, Colombo, and later went to England and Vienna for further study. While in England he sat for his F. R. C. S., and passed with flying colours. Dr. Mylvaganam showed great promise as a surgeon and eventually specialized in ear, nose and throat diseases.

After an extensive tour in the continent, during which he gathered considerable experience

and knowledge of up-to-date surgery he returned to the Medical School, Colombo, and was a lecturer there for some time.

### SERVICES TO MYSORE

In Feb. 1908 Dr. Mylvaganam joined the Mysore Medical Service and worked for several years as specialist in ear, nose, and throat, and as a surgeon in Victoria Hospital. Later he became the Medical Officer-in-charge of the Victoria Hospital and eventually became Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner to Mysore Government in 1920 and continued in that post for five years during which time he improved the scientific treatment of patients in not only the main hospitals but also in dispensaries of the State. He was one of the chief men in starting the Medical School, and so may be called one of the originators of medical education in Mysore. He was a fellow of the Mysore University since the beginning of the University, and a member of the University Council for a long number of years and was a member till now. He was instrumental in the establishment of the Medical College and the starting of the medical degree courses in Mysore University. He visited Europe several times and brought his experiences of various centres of Medical Education into practical use in our institution. He always took very keen interest in medical education, clinical study, and the welfare of students. His name was almost a household word in the State, and crowds used to flock to him for assistance and medical aid during their illness. He also performed several wonderful, at times astounding, operations

which were commented upon in eulogistic terms by the Press, and which were of considerable value to the medical world. In fact the results of several of his operations may be seen in the Medical College Laboratory.

#### SINCERE FRIEND

He was a sincere friend, and enthusiastic educationist, a straight forward and clean fighter for causes that he considered right, and very sociable with all. He inspired confidence, loyalty, love, and respect among all he came in contact with.

He was the Principal of the Medical College from 1924 to 1926 and served on all the bodies of the University where his presence was always very valuable.

He was a member of the Mysore Legislative Council as an ex-officio member during office, and later was a non-official elected member till his death.

Dr Mylvaganam also took a very keen interest in masonry and was the Worshipful Master of the Lodge 1043 E. C.

#### AFTER RETIREMENT

After his retirement from service he opened out his own clinic in Infantry Road and had it equipped with modern devices. Just recently he returned from one of his many tours in the continent and imparted his valuable knowledge to others of the medical profession.

The funeral took place this evening at the Oosoor Road Wesleyan Cemetery. Many eminent doctors of Mysore arrived this morning to attend

the funeral and pay their last respects to the departed soul. He leaves a son and a daughter and a large circle of friends and admirers to bemoan his loss.

As a mark of respect, the University Medical School, Bangalore City, was closed today.



## SCOUTS

The activities of the Scout Troop have been unchronicled for some time, and I consider it a privilege to give an account of the work we have done this term.

The policy of allowing boys to be both scouts and cadets at the same time has not worked well during the last two years. This year, only boys who were not cadets were invited to join the Scout Troop. Consequently we have now a troop mainly consisting of fresh recruits from the ordinarily drill squads. There are at present 28 boys divided into four patrols.

The new recruits have all passed their tender-foot tests and many of them have nearly completed all the second class tests. At the Northern Province Boy Scout Exhibition held in the 'Old Park' on Feb. 28th, we built a monkey bridge across the swimming bath and it was very much appreciated by the spectators especially because of the speed with which it was built in such a picturesquemanner. The midterm holidays were utilised by holding a three day camp

at Point Pedro. To many of the new recruits, living under canvas was a new experience; and I must say that they enjoyed the camp thoroughly. In addition to the ordinary camp programme consisting of tent inspection, instruction and games, we had an opportunity of playing a football match with the Hartley College Scouts, which we won by four goals to two. The Hartley troop visited us in camp and dined with us one night, and we were their guests at tea the next morning. Sea bath was an important item on our programme and many used the opportunity to learn swimming.

The following have been appointed patrol leaders.—

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| (1) <i>J. N. Simon Rasiah</i> | — Elephants |
| (2) <i>M. Weerasingam</i>     | — Tigers    |
| (3) <i>S. Ponnudurai</i>      | — Peacocks  |
| (4) <i>D. V. Sadasivam</i>    | — Hounds    |

A. CUMARASWAMY  
(Scout Instructor)



## A CYCLING TOUR

Mr. Chellappah was explaining to the J. S. C. class a very important section in Tamil grammar and the whole class was listening attentively to his teaching except one who suddenly interrupted the teacher only to suggest that he (Mr. Chellappah) should join a few members of the class in a cycling tour. Mr. Chellappah not only gave his

consent but also helped us to fix the tour for Saturday the 24th of February. All were asked to meet at 4 A. M. punctually in the College premises and were advised to be ready with their cycles.

The appointed day had come and before 4 o'clock five sturdy boys met Mr. Chellappah under the olive tree, and decided to go to Keerimalai first. It was still very dark and dew drops were dripping from the leaves of trees when we were on our cycles pedalling away as fast as possible. Two other boys joined us on our way, one at Chunnakam and the other at Tellippalai thus increasing the number of the tourists to eight. We were not able to see anything interesting on our way and all that we could hear were the songs of birds and the cawing of the crows.

We reached Keerimalai at six o'clock and hastened to have a dip in the sparkling waters of that mineral spring. The unnoticeable ripple on the surface of this spring broke into sparkling jewels, the water being transparent and radiant. Before long one of our company jumped into the water from a wall thus disturbing the silence that reigned over the placid water. The rest followed him in quick succession, and after swimming and diving a little while, we were out again and hurriedly did a change. We then had our breakfast and before eight we were again on our way to Point-Pedro.

We passed through Kankesanturai where there were things of little interest to us save perhaps the lighthouse and the beautiful Bay of Bengal. We did not waste much time here and passed

quickly on to those arid 'Saharan deserts' of Valvettiturai. The sun was already above us and the atmosphere was very warm so that we were very keen on reaching Point Pedro with the least possible delay.

By half—past eleven we were at Point Pedro. We decided to refresh ourselves by a dip in the ocean. No sooner had I stepped into the sea than I felt that I was in a strange place, a place such as I had never dreamt of before. I stood on sand, which was silk to the touch, milk to the sight, and it seemed as though the whole ocean was full of tiny pearls of inestimable beauty—nay it was the home of Beauty herself. Here and there through the translucent sea I could perceive shells of exquisite elegance, now and then a shoal of fish bravely wended its way by my side. Surely, the ocean is a home of Beauty embellished and decorated by Nature, her governess.

It was already half-past twelve when we stepped out of the sea. We wanted to hurry through our lunch to resume the tour. After cycling a distance of nearly thirty miles we could not listen to that bold voice of the stern daughter of depression, economy. We ate till the manager of the hotel was unable to supply any more.

Fortunately an old man bade us to follow him and took us by the Point Pedro—Valvettiturai road to a certain spot on the sea-shore where there were two mineral springs. We tasted the water and found it really good. It is wonderful that side by side should lie water exquisitely invigorating and painfully un-palatable.

At half past two we resumed our tour and were on our way to Kodigamam. We were passing through fields abounding in rich crops of paddy and in some, people were reaping with broad smiles and joyful faces. A thing that struck me in this part of the journey was the sight of women marching in a military fashion with baskets on their heads, swinging their rugged arms like the Amazons of old and singing songs of war, which would have thrilled even the Scottish Highlanders of old or the French Revolutionaries.

By 3.45 P. M. we were at Kodigamam where we quenched our thirst with adam's ale. We reached Chavakachcheri at 4.15 P. M. where we entered a "Tea Kiosk" and had our afternoon tea.

At 5. P. M. we started cycling back to Jaffna. Thoughts of home made us the more eager to return soon and we pedalled fast. Near Chemmany we saw a funeral procession marching to the crematorium, which had a meloncholy effect on us. Soon we passed through Arialai, Chiviatheru and finally we ended our journey where we began at College, after covering 63 miles.

A tour of this type is of great use especially to students and clerks, who spend most of their time in rooms exercising their brains. It refreshes and revivifies the drooping spirits of a school boy. One might not be able to tour in the twentieth century luxury cars, but one might start on a tour with a donkey like Stevenson or may rely on Shanks' mare like Plato or one of the Greek Philosophers of old.

"I travel not to go somewhere but any where—the whole business is to move" says Stevenson.



No passage in the English language summarises the purpose and pleasures of travel better than that exquisite verse of Byron:

"There is nothing gives a man much spirits,  
Leavening his blood as cayenne doth a curry,  
As going at full speed—no matter where its  
Direction be, so 'tis but in a hurry.  
And merely for the sake of its own merits,  
For the less cause there is for all this flurry  
The greater is the pleasure of arriving,  
At the great end of travel—which is driving."

S. CHELLIAH,  
J. S. C.



நம் பண்டைத் தமிழரின் வீரவாழ்க்கை

ORATORICAL CONTEST (TAMIL)

K. T. Muthiah, Winner.

யான் இன்று உங்கள் முன்னிலையில் பேசுவதற்கெடுத்தக்கொண்ட பொருள் நம் பண்டைத் தமிழரின் வீரவாழ்க்கை என்பதாம்.

தமிழ்மொழியின் சுமழ் புகழும் நம் நாடு, முன்னிருந்த நிலைமையையும் உயர்வுறு சிறப்பையும் பண்டைக் காலமென்னும் திரையை நீக்கி, அக்காலக் காவியங்களை நன்கு ஆராய்பவருக்கே இனிது புலப்படும். அது படிப்பார் உள்ளத்தை ஞாடிப்பில் ஈர்த்துத் தம்வசமிழந்து பாவசமாகச் செய்கின்றன.

“வேதம் நிறைந்த தமிழ்நாடு உயர் வீரஞ் செறிந்த தமிழ்நாடு” என்றும் நம் பாரதமாதா பரிந்தளித்த பாரதியாரின் வீரமொழிகள் எமது பண்டைய தமிழ் நாட்டின் சிறப்பைச் செவ்வனே கூறுகின்றன.

நம் பண்டைத் தமிழரின் போர்த் திறனும், பேர்பெறு வீரமும், யக்கட்பாப்புள்ள நாட்டின் வளமும், இன்பத்தைக் கொடுக்கும் வீட்டின் ஒழுங்கும், மேன்மை தக்கிய நடையும், தண்ணளி பொருந்திய குணமும், சூடித்தன முறையும், இணையற்ற அழகும், கல்வியின் உயர்வும், எல்லையிலா அன்பும் இன்னன பிற மேன்மைகளும் நன்கு போற்றத் தக்கனவன்றோ?

ஒரு நாட்டில் கிரி மேலிட்ட தீபமென நின்று பிரகாசிப்பதென்ன? அந்நாட்டின் வீரமேயாகும். அத்தகைய வீரம் நம்பண்டை மக்களின் வாழ்க்கையில் இல்லையா? “சிங்களம் புட்பகம், சாவகம், ஆதிப தீவு பலவினும் சென்றேறி அங்கு தங்கள் புலிக்கொடி, மீன்கொடியும் நின்று சால்புறக் கண்டவர் தாய்நாடு” எனப் பாரதியார் கூறுவது பகற்பொழுதாய் மிளர்கின்றதே.

சோன், செங்குட்டுவன் கங்கைக் கரையடைந்து கண்ணகியின் கல்லுருச் செய்பவேண்டுமென்றன்னி இமையாசரோடு போர் பொருதி அவரைத் தோர்க்கடித்த அவ்வல்லரசார்களின் பெருமைதானென்னே! இனிப் பொன்றாப் புகழ்படைத்த பாண்டிய மன்னரில் “வேற்றி வேற்கை வீரராமன் கொற்கையாளி குலசேகான்,” என்று தன்னையே கூறுபவரும் பதினாரும் நூற்றாண்டில் சென்காசிப் பாண்டியனாக முடிசூடியவரும், புலவர்க் கௌடத மென்னும் “கைடதம்” பாடிய தொகையாளருமான அதிவீரராமபாண்டியனின் செயல்கள் நம் மனதைக் கவருகின்றன. போரென்ன வீங்கும் பொருப்பன்ன திண்புபத்துக் கரிகால் பெருவளத்தான் என்னுஞ் சோழன் தமிழ்நாட்டில் தன்னோடு எதிர்த்துப் போரியற்றும் மன்னரின்மையால் வடநிசை சென்ற கடும்போர் விளைக்கலாமென்னுங் கருத்துடன் நன்னு

ழில் வாழும் குடையும் முாசமும் வெளியேற்றி, வழி படு தெய்வமும் வணக்கஞ்செய்து, வாட்படையோடு நாற்படையும் புடைசூழ, வடநாடேகித் தன் மணிக் கொடி கிறவிய மன்னரின் கீர்த்தி என்றுதானழியும்!

சிலப்பதிகாரம் திருக்குறள் முதலிய சங்க நூல்களிலிருந்து நாம் அறியக்கிடக்கின்றன எவை? ஓர் அரசனுக்கு இன்றியமையாத இன்சொல், தண்ணளி, கொடை, பொறை, வாழ்வித்தை, வில்வித்தை, மாற்றானை வெல்லும் வழி, அறப்போர் நடத்தல், மீம்பெரும் சூழ, எண்பேராயம், நால்வகைப் படை முதலிய அங்கங்கள் எமது பண்டைக்கால மன்னர்களிடமிருந்தன வென்பது உண்மை. அதுவுமன்றி அவர்கள் பேரமைச்சர்களையும், காலச் சணிகர்களையும், சேனாபதியர்களையும், தூதவர்களையும், ஒற்றர்களையும் தங்களின்கீழமைத்துத் தம்மாசிபலை நடத்தினார்களென்பதும் எமக்கு நன்குபுலப்படுகின்றன அல்லவா?

வஞ்சகக்கொல்லனின் கொடிய செயலால் கோவலனை உயிர்வதைசெய்வித்தேனென மனந்தாங்கொணாது “மயிரீப்பின்வாழாக் கவரிமான் போன்று” தன்மானம் அழித்ததேயென நினைந்து “பொன்செய்கொல்லன் தன் சொற்கேட்டயானே அரசன் யானேகள்வன்— மன்பதைகாக்கும் தென்புலங்காவல் என் முதல்பிறைத்தது கெடுக வென்னுயள்” எனச்சொல்லித் தன்னுயிரை விடுத்த நெடுஞ்செழியனின் மனச்சான்றை ஒருங்கள்.

நேயர்களே, இதுகாரும் நமது தொன்மை அரசரின் மதிக்கொணா வீரத்தையிட்டிச் சொன்னேன். இனி அக்காலப் பெண்மணிகளையும், அவர்களின் வீரச்செயல்களையும் பற்றி யான் சொல்லப்புகுவேணாகல்,

பழந்தமிழ்நூல்களுட் பண்புவாய்க்த புறநானூறு நமக்குக் கற்பிப்பதென்னை? பூதப்பாண்டியன் மனைவி கோப்பெண்டு தனது கொழுநன் பொய்கையில் நீராடுகையில் மூழ்கி இறந்தபோது தனது மானத்தைக்காக்கும்பொருட்டு “கணவன் இறந்துபட்டபின் கைம்மை வீரத்தைக் கைப்பிடித்தொழுகும் பெண்ணில் நானுமொரு

வளல்லன்” எனச்சொல்லித் தீப்பாய்ந்த உயிர் நீத்தா  
ளென்றல்லவா?

பின்னரும் தன்மகன் பகைவருக்குப் பயந்து பேடி  
போலப் புறங்கொடுத்து ஓடி முதுகில் காயப்பட்டு இறந்  
தானென்னும் டொய்மொழி கேட்ட மாத்கிரத்தே கோபம்  
பொங்கி “புறங்கொடுத்து முதுகில் காயமுற்று இறந்  
தானா? இந்தவசை எனக்கு எய்தலாமா? அங்ஙன  
மாயின் அவன் பாலுண்ட உறுப்புக்களை இருகூறுக்கு  
வேன” எனவஞ்சினம் கூறி வாள்கையேந்தி யுத்தகளைத்  
திற்குப்போய்த் தன்மாணைத் தேடிப்பார்த்து அவன்  
மார்பில்காயமுற்று இறந்தானெனக்கண்டதும் தான்  
அவனைப்பெற்றபொழுது ஏற்பட்ட மகிழ்ச்சியினும் பன்  
மடங்கு மகிழ்ச்சியுற்றீவார் அன்னைபின் வீரத்தை  
என்னென்று எனநவால் நயிலவேன்?

ஓக்கர் மாசாத்திபார் கூறுவதென்ன? தம்தாய்த்கேசத்  
திற்காய் எழுந்தபோரில்தனை சகோதரனும் உயிர்க்கு  
யிர்போன்ற கொழுநனும் இறந்து, “செருப்பறைவிருப்பு  
ற்றுமபங்கிவேல்கைக்கொடுத்துவெளிது விரித்துஉஇபாறு  
மயிர்க்குமி எண்ணெய் நீளினுமகனல்ல திலலோள்.  
செருமுகம் கோக்கி மகனே! நீயுத்த களத்திற்குச்  
செல்லக்கடவாய், அங்குபகைவர்களோடு யுத்தஞ் செய்  
வாய், சுற்றில் வெற்றியோடு திரும்புவாய்” என்று  
தன் செல்வத்துட் செல்வமாகிய ஓரையைந்தனை யுத்த  
களத்தற்கு அனுப்பிப் வீரத்தாயைப்பற்றிவன்றோ?  
“சுடந்த ஞானியும் கடப்பரோ மக்கட்மேற்காதல்” என்  
னும் அரியவாக்கினையும் மறந்த தனது தாய் நாட்  
யற்காய்த் தன் மகனைத் தியாகம் செய்த இப்பெண்  
மணியின் தியாகத்திலும் வீரத்தினும் மேலான செய்கை  
வேறென்றே !

தமிழ்காட்டுத் தணையர்களே! நெறிதவறியுண்மை  
யழிந்து நம்தொன்மை உலகம் இருக்கா? இல்லை.  
விகவாமித்திரனுக்கு நாட்டைத் தருவேனென வாக்க  
ளித்ததின் காரணம்பற்றிவன்றோ அரிச்சந்திரன் மயா

னங்கார்த்தான்? மேலும் முனிவர் இவ்வாசனைக்கொண்டு பொய்கூறிவிற்பதற்கெத்துணை முயன்றும் அரசன் இடங்கொடுத்தானா? இல்லை. இல்லை. தன்கற்பிற்கினியாளாகிய சந்திரமதியையும், தனது ஒரேமைந்தனாகிய தேவதாசனையும் கொடியவார் பிராமணனுக்கு அடிமையாக்கியல்லவா தன் உண்மை நெறியை உலகினிற்கு நிலைநாட்டியவைத்தான்.

பண்டைமக்கள் கொடையினிற் குறைந்தாரல்லரே! பேரவாக்கொண்ட இளங்குமணன் தமைபனாகிய குமணனை நாடகத்திக் காட்டிற்கனுப்பியு, குமணனது சிரசினைக்கொண்டு வருபவருக்கு வேகுமதி கொடுப்பெனென்றும் கூறினானல்லவா? பஞ்சத்தாற் பீடிக்கப்பட்ட பெருந்தலைச் சாத்தனார் காட்டினில் இருக்கும் குமணனிடம் போய்ப் பணம் கொடுப்பதற்கு வேண்டுகிறீர், குமணன் மனம் நொந்து,

“அந்தரள் வந்தீர் அருந்தமிழ்ப்புலவீர்  
இந்தரள் வந்து நீர் நொந்தனீரடைத்தீர்  
தலைதனைக்கொடுபோய்த் தம்பிகைக்கொடுத்ததன்  
விலைதனைபெற்று உம்வழமை கோய்கனைமின்”

எனத்தன்சிரசினைக்கொடுப்பதற்காய்த் தலைகுனிந்த வள்ளலாகிய குமணனது வீரத்தை என்னென்று விரித்துணரப்பேன்.

பண்புவாய்ந்தபெரியோர்களை! பண்டைச்சீர்சிறப்பை ஊன்றுகோலாகக் கொண்டுவாழ்வு நடாத்துபவர்கள் எத்தனைபேர்! அவர்களின் வீரவாழ்வைப்பின் பற்றுவோர் எத்தனைபேர்? இன்றுகம்பண்டைப்பெருமை எங்கே? ஓர் பொழுது மணிமுடிதரித்துச் செக்கோலோச்சிய நம் தமிழ் நாட்டின் வீரமெங்கே? இவைபெல்லாமிழந்து தன்னந்தனியே தலைநிரிகோலமாய் அடிமைப்படுகுழியில் வீழ்ந்துகிடக்கின்றனவே.

ஆகையால் நாம் உண்மைத் தமிழரெனின் தமிழ் நாட்டின் வீரத்தைப்போற்றுவதுடன் நின்றவிடாது, அக்காலத்துள்ள வாழ்வீனைப்போல் நாமும் நடாத்துவதற்கு முயல்வோமாக.

## வானம்

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1. நீலநிறமடைத் தானணியுந்  
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2. கையெலென்றுமிதை யாக்கவில்லை  
கல்லாலுமாக்கவில்லை—எங்கும்  
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வானக்குளமிதுகாண்.
3. பண்ணீ முடித்தவர் பல்லோரன்று  
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4. பாரெங்கும் கண்ணீரதை யளிக்கும்  
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மகியெனும் மங்கை யொருத்தி யாண்டு  
மதுரமாய் வாழ்வானென்றாய்.
5. தாயிரையன்ன முகமுடையான்  
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மேனியொ பொன்னனைத்தும்.
6. மண்மீது காசலிவன்கொண்டே  
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தக்காது தான் நகைப்பான்.
7. நல்லார்க்கும் பொல்லார்க்குத் தன்னொளியை  
நல்குவாளே நயத்து—எங்கும்  
காட்டுக்கும் வீட்டுக்கும் தண்கதிரைக்  
காதலுடனளிப்பான்.

8. காதலர் கெஞ்சையோ கொள்ளை கொள்ளும்  
காதலுக்கின்னமுதான்—எங்கும்  
கண்ணாரக்கண்டு கொள்வாரிவரைக்  
காதலிப்பாரலவே.
9. பாரிலுன்னோர்க்கிவன் பாட்டரளி  
பல்லோரொடு நடிப்பான்—எங்கும்  
படிமேனடிப்போர்க்கொளிகொடுத்தது  
பாங்கியர் பல்லாரொடு.
10. பாசமதுதனைத்தானசைத்துப்  
புடைகுழுவே வருவான்—எங்கும்  
நீணிருள்லத்தளத்தனிலே  
நீராடத்தானேகுவான்.
11. ஆயிரம் ஆயிரம் பாங்கியர்கள்  
ஆனந்தித்தே நடப்பார்—எங்கும்  
பொற்புகழைத்தவதனங்களைப்  
பார்மிசை விசுவர்கள்.
12. பக்கங்கள் நாலிலும் பாடிநின்று  
பாங்கானதாதியர்கள்—எங்கும்  
புன்னகைசெய்யும் தப்ராணியுடன்  
பன்னேரம் நீராடுவார்.
13. இந்நேரம் பாரொலாம் சித்திரையில்  
நட்பட்டேயிடுக்கும்—எங்கும்  
கரைந்துதளிகின்ற காக்கையினம்  
காகாவெனகுதினனேரம்.
14. கார்நிறக்கோகிலக் கூட்டமெலாம்  
குவாதுதனுழைறயும்—எங்கும்  
பஞ்சவாணமுள்ள கிசிரையினம்  
பாடாது நானே தூங்கும்.
15. நீனேரம் நீலக்குணத்தனிலே சின்று  
நீராடித்தான் முடித்து—எங்கும்  
மேற்குக்கரைதனைகொக்கியவள்  
மெல்லவே தாண்டடந்து.

16. அக்கரைக்கண்ணை யிவளுக்கண்டு  
அன்புமிகவே கூர்வான்—எங்கும்  
காக்கைகுருவியெலாமெழுந்து  
காகா இவளை யெனும்.
17. மாமாம் பூமரம் ரோசமரம்  
மகிழெய்தான் மலரும்—எங்கும்  
ஆனந்தமானந்த மானந்தமே  
ஆனந்த மானந்தமே.
18. ஆனந்தமெங்குமே பொங்கிவழிய  
அன்போடு செல்லுகையில்—எங்கும்  
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ஆசையிவன்மேற்கொண்டான்.
19. கடல்மீது சுதிரகளை வீசுகின்ற  
சுதிரவன் தானேயிவன்—எங்கும்  
பாவலர் நாவலரெல்லோருக்கும்  
பொண்ணிற மேனியனை.
20. சாமர் நிறைந்த கண்ணாட்டியீதில்  
காதல்மிகவே கொண்டான்—எங்கும்  
கண்ணாரயாருமே காணும்படிசன்  
காதலைச் சொல்லச் செல்வான்.
21. மதியக்கை காணம் மிகவே பொங்க  
மனைக்குளேதான் புகுந்தான்—எங்கும்  
எல்லோரெலியிவன் கோபங்கொண்டு  
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CENTRAL COLLEGE VS. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.  
1ST & 2ND INNINGS OF ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

BATSMEN	HOW OUT	BOWLERS	RUNS	HOW OUT	BOWLERS	RUNS				
Weerasingham	Bowled	Selvanayagam	3							
Ratnagopal	do	Rajasingham	0							
Kumarasingham	do	Selvanayagam	1							
Kanagasabai	Ct: Arumanayagam	Rajasingham	17							
Devasagayam	Ct: Percy	Selvanayagam	0	To, bat:						
Perumal. (Capt)	Ct: Sathunam	Sathunam	77							
Thuraswamy	St: Aru: Nayagam	Rajasingham	86							
Ramanathan	Run	out	33	St. John's	Wins by					
Vethavanam	L. B. W.	Rajasingham	21							
Rasiah	St: Aru: Nayagam	do	0							
Peiris	Not	out	3	One inning	and 24	Runs				
Extras		Total	10							
			251							
BOWLERS	OVERS	MAIDEN	RUNS	WICKETS	AVER.	OVERS	MAIDEN	RUNS	WICKETS	AVER.
Rajasingham	25	1	101	5	20.2					
Selvanayagam	13	1	52	3	17.4					
Hooole:	1	-	12	-	-					
Sathunam	12	-	58	1	58					
Percy	2	-	12	-	-					
Rajasuriar	5	1	16	-	-					

# CENTRAL COLLEGE VS. ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

MATCH PLAYED AT HOME:—1ST & 2ND INNINGS OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

BATSMEN	HOW OUT	BOWLERS	RUNS	HOW OUT	BOWLERS	RUNS
Hoole A. G.	Ct: Vethavanam	Perumal	9	Ct: Weerasingham	Rasihah	40
Rajasingham, S. D.	Ct: Rasiah	do	3	St: Ramanaathen	Perumal	3
Rajasuriar L.	Ct: Rasiah	Devasagayam	7	Ct: K. Singham	Devsagayam	40
Kiribaratnam	St: Petris	Vethavanam	21	L. B. W.	do	8
Selvadurai (Capt)	Bowled	Perumal	7	Ct: Canagasabai	Perumal	20
Selvanayagam.	Ct: K. Singham	do	28	do	Vethavanam	11
Jayarathnam.	Bowled	Rasihah	7	Bowled	do	2
Percy Joseph.	Ct: Canagasabai	do	2	Run	out	8
Satkunam	Ct: Duraisamy	do	0	L. B. W.	Perumal	0
Nalliah R.	Not	out	0	Ct: Rasiah	Devsagayam	2
Arumugam.	Hit wicket	Perumal	0	not	out	0
Extras:			5			14
		Total	89		Total	148
BOWLERS	OVERS: MAIDEN	RUNS: WICKETS	AVER.	OVERS: MAIDEN	RUNS: WICKETS	ARER
Perumal	13	22	4.4	23	46	15.3
Devasagayam	7	24	2.4	14	47	15.6
Canagasabai	6	24		5	13	
Vethavanam	3	9	9	6	15	7.5
Rasihah	3	5	1.4	6	20	2.0

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- NOV. 19th Rev. S. S. Somasundram preaches at Evensong.  
 26th N. C. S. C. U. Fellowship Meeting at Central College.  
 27th House Foot-ball match Juniors—Par-giter vs. Handy.  
 Handy wins—Junior Champions 1933.  
 28th Triennial Inspection.
- DEC. 5th Cambridge Examination begins.  
 7th Term Examination begins.  
 10th College Carol Service.  
 15th School closed for Christmas.

1934.

- JAN. 10th School reopens.  
 13th Miss G. G. Hensman passes away.  
 15th School closed as a mark of respect to the late Miss G. G. Hensman.  
 16th Holiday—Rain.  
 21st Memorial Service to the late Miss G. G. Hensman.

- FEB. 11th Rev. L. J. Gaster preaches at Evensong.  
 12th Rev. L. J. Gaster addresses us at morning prayers.  
 14th Mr. S. B. Yatawara, Registrar, Co-operative Society speaks to the L. A.  
 16 & 17 Cricket match—St. John's vs. Jaffna Central. We win by an innings and 26 runs.  
 18th N. C. S. C. U Fellowship meeting at our College.  
 21st Our cricket eleven entrains for Colombo to see the M. C. C. match.  
 25th The Ven. Archdeacon F. L. Beven at Evensong.  
 27th Mrs. Raju of Uduppiddy addresses the College Christian Union.
- Mar. 1—3 Junior Cadets competition in Colombo.  
 1—4 Scout Camp at Point Pedro.  
 2nd Mid-Term Holiday.  
 3rd Cambridge results received by cable.

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