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RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTETH A NATION, BUT SIN IS A REPROACH TO ANY PEOPLE

ENGLAND'S STAR.

England! in this hour of unholy gloom,
When Europe's hard won liberties expire
Beneath the Nazi heels of steel and fire;
When Freedom's voices trembling o'er their doom,
In agonising shrieks appeal for room
And shelter sure to every town and shire
Thy bosom holds.—My God thy soul inspire
To seal, as oft before, the Tyrant's doom!

The world and all that's brave and free and bright
Thy courage praise; their hopes on thee are stayed.
And Hitler soon shall know that England's star
Will still a thousand years unfailing light
The hearts that Freedom lures:
White undismayed
We hail thee the world's Delver from afar.

S. J. GUNASEGARAM.

War Purposes Fund.

The eighth list of contribution to the Government of Ceylon War Purposes Fund up to August 21 brings the total to Rs. 341,43,84. Enthusiasm is again reflected in the generous contributions from individuals, Societies and Clubs. Noteworthy contributions are the second donation of Rs. 10,000 from the Colombo Club, Rs. 5,000 from the members of the Victoria Golf Club in addition to Rs. 1000 from the Club itself, Rs. 1030 from the Ceylon Kennel Club and Rs. 1,000 from the Ceylon Plasters Society One-Days' Pay Fund. The following is the 8th list:—

Rs. cts.

Previously acknowledged:—
Rs. 67,877.89
From the general public
From social and Sports clubs 195,964.53
From the Public Services and Govt. Pensions Rs. 48247.91
Total Rs. 312,059.83

What the British Navy Does for Ceylon

Ceylon is an Island, and so, everything that goes out of it and everything that comes into it must be brought in ships. The tea, rubber, coconuts which we grow and export must be taken out of the Island in ships, and the rice, fish, sugar, curries, and clothing which we need for our food and comfort must be brought to us in ships in exchange for our exports. Now, it is a fact that, since the war broke out, the export and import trade of Ceylon has continued without delay or hindrance. Our ships have moved over the surface of the Indian Ocean with the same security as they have in peace time. Why? It is not because the Germans have no raiders which they would like to send into these waters, nor is it because the prize is not high enough. The amount of British Shipping in the Indian Ocean one day is enough to make the most modest Germans Naval Captain's mouth water.

It is because the Indian Ocean, like every other sea upon which the British Flag flies, is constantly patrolled and "policed" by the ships of the East Indies Squadron which is based on Ceylon and administered from Colombo.

New Police Stations

The Government Agent N. P. will open two new Police Stations at Kopay and Atuvikkodai on the 2nd September, 1940 at 7.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. respectively.

Weddings

— The marriage of Miss Lizzie Thangaratnam daughter of the late Mr. S. A. Edward, Principal, Kinner College Vannarponnai with Mr. J. S. Alagartnam was solemnised at Wesley Chapel Vannarponnai last week in the presence of a large gathering of relations and friends. Rev. K. S. Marngesu, officiated and was assisted by Rev. James S. Mather and Rev. G. D. Thomas. A reception was held at the bride's residence at Kokuvil, when the health of the newly married couple was proposed by the Rev. James S. Mather, and the bridegroom replied.

— The marriage of Rev. S. J. Jegasothy with Miss Ruby Ratna Devi, daughter of Mr. J. R. Thambapillai of H. M. Customs, Colombo, was solemnised at Methodist Memorial Church Moor Road, Wellawatta on Wednesday 21st instant. Rev. N. N. Nalliah conducted the service and was assisted by Rev. J. V. Spencer and Rev. E. E. Gunaratnam. Hon. Mr. G. C. Cora proposed the toast of the couple.

— The marriage of Miss Dora Gnannamal John of the Staff of Uduvil Girls' School with Dr. Chinniah, was solemnised by Rev. S. T. Aseervatham at Uduvil Church on Thursday 22nd inst. Mr. J. V. Chelliah proposed the toast of the couple.

— The marriage took place on the 22nd inst. at Karainagar, according to Hindu rites between Miss Maunamai Kulasingam, eldest daughter of Advocate A. V. Kulasingam and Mrs. Kulasingam and Mr. V. Kandian Landed Proprietor, son of Mr. Velupillai of Karainagar.

— The marriage of S. Siambaty, son of Mr. S. Sabaratnam Retired Town Overseer, P. W. D. Kandy, and a nephew of advocate and Mrs. Kanagabasai with Miss Asanthavally daughter of Mr. & Mrs. V. Thambypillai of Sandilipai, and a niece of Proctor M. Vaithilingam, and Dr. & Mrs. J. M. Somasundaram was solemnised according to Hindu rites on the 22nd inst. at Sandilipai.

Notaries

As a result of the examination of deeds and the inspection of the non-proctor notaries, offices apart from the discovery of other irregularities, more than Rs. 24,000 was recovered as deficiency of stamp duty, penalties, fines, and affidavits, states Mr. C. F. de Pinto Registrar-General in his 1939 Administration report issued recently.

Fifty-two prosecutions (of which 43 were in respect of failure to deliver duplicates by due date) were entered against notaries during the year. Four warrants had to be obtained for non-appearance in cases filed against them, 1240 notaries (1024 proctors and 216 non-proctors) were practising at the end of 1939. Twenty-five notaries ceased to hold office during the year, and 54 were newly appointed.

The number of proctor notaries shows an increase of 33 over the number of the previous year, and the number of non-proctor notaries a decrease of four.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Daniel John M.D. from Buldana India, one of the sons of the late Rev. S. John of Uduvil is among us. He has done research into the ancient History of Jaffna and has shown that Jaffna and its islands are mentioned in the Kandapuram, Ramayana, etc.

haparam, Mahavansa and so forth. He is concerned chiefly with the interpretation of the actual references in these works. These references were hitherto not fully understood. He proposes to visit various places and deliver lectures on the results of his researches.

— Mr. M. Vaithilingam, Proctor, S. C. Sandilipai, has been appointed Additional Magistrate Mallakam on the 31st August to hear M. C. Case Mallakam No. 21,222.

— Rao Babadur Dr. R. R. Williams, has been appointed Manager of C Central College, Colombo in place of Mr. J. C. V. Rustum,

— Mr. C. Suntharalingam Professor of Mathematics Ceylon University College, has sent in his papers for retirement under the Donoughmore scheme.

PUBLIC LECTURES AT VANNARPOONAI

Sadhu De will deliver four public lectures at Kinner College Hall, Vannarponnai as follows:—

5.15 p. m. Saturday, 31st Aug.
Subject: "My Call and Travelling round the Globe twentyfive years as Sadhu".

5.15 p. m. Sunday 1st Sept.
Subject: "The War-Torn World".

5.15 p. m. Monday, 2nd Sept.
Subject: "My Special Research in Palestine and Tibet".

5.15 p. m. Tuesday, 3rd Sept.
Subject: "Life after death".

All are welcome.

CO-OPERATIVE UNION HOSPITAL

The Opening of the Hospital for in-patients, under the Co-operative Union Hospital Society Ltd. Tholparam will take place tomorrow at 4 p. m. by Mr. M. Prasad Esq. C. S. S., Government Agent, N. P.

Mr. K. Supramaniam, the President of the Society will be At Home at the Hospital premises after the opening function.

PUBLIC LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Uduvil Y. M. C. A. Manipur Christian Association and Naval Y. M. C. A. A public lecture will be delivered by Rev. D. T. Niles, B. A. B. D., on "The Romance of the Gospels" at Manipay Church on Saturday the 31st inst. at 6 p. m.

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WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

With each passing day bringing its huge toll of startling major events such as wars, assassinations, world conference failures, murders, suicides of eminent persons, flights into voluntary exile of the heads of gigantic syndicates, kidnappings, for ransom, farm strikes, mob-outbreaks and financial difficulties everywhere, it becomes apparent that this poor world is reeling to and fro like a drunkard. It is with strange misgivings that one surveys the news of the day. The question which springs spontaneously to mind is:

"WHAT NEXT?"

Without wishing to be sensational, we wish to state on unfailing authority that an event is yet to occur which will give to the world its greatest shock. The shock will consist in the sudden and complete disappearance of millions of its choicest inhabitants. The disappearance will be of such a mysterious nature that it will seem as though the earth has opened its mouth and swallowed them. However, the very reverse will be the case; Heaven will have opened its door to receive them!

The unparalleled mystery will be deepened by the discovery that myriads of bodies which were at rest in mother earth will be missing at the same moment.

Doubtless, all manner of explanations of this mystery will be offered by the great ones of the earth. To be sure, it will be regarded as "natural phenomena;" for the world's experts will not tolerate any thought or expression of a supernatural event. However, there will be those on earth who, having previously heard and read of such a possibility, will be able to show from that lightly esteemed Book, the Holy Bible, exactly what happened.

They may be regarded as "old fogyes," but they will be able to produce the following.

"Behold I show you a mystery; we (living believers) shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed" (1 Cor. 15: 51, 52).

"The Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (1 Thes. 4: 16, 17.)

A POWERFUL DICTATOR COMING

Shortly after this exciting incident, a most powerful dictator will dictate peace to the nations then at war, and being a genius, he will also cause business to prosper. The world will again not only forget God and its soul, but also its troubles. It will become infatuated with the fulness of its prosperity and will cry: "Peace and Safety." Then shall sudden destruction come upon it.

The Lord Himself said: "Then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time" (Matt. 24: 21). Wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes, signs in the heavens, on earth and in the seas shall characterize that period.

And is that the grand finale of earth's history? By no means! "Immediately after the tribulation of those days... shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in Heaven" (Matt. 24: 29, 30). He will return with a rod of

iron to put down "all rule and all authority and power" (1 Cor. 15:24). He will deal summarily with His enemies. He will rule in peace, righteousness and joy for one thousand years (Rev. 20: 4). At the close of that reign, there will be "a little season" of Satanic deception (Rev. 20:7, 8), another great conflict, judgment conflagration, and then a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness! (2 Pet. 3:7)

DO YOU WANT TO ESCAPE THE TRIBULATION?

Does the reader wish to participate in the Rapture already mentioned? Does he wish to be among those who shall be taken bodily from this scene by the Lord Jesus before the Great Tribulation is ushered in? If so, there must be an acceptance on his part of the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. He died for our sins according to the Scriptures and He was buried and He rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures (1 Cor. 15: 3, 4). Those who "believe on His name" (John 1: 12) become sons of God and to such He says: "I will come again and receive you unto Myself that where I am, there ye may be also." (John 14: 3.)

Receive the Lord Jesus Christ by faith, and rejoice in His great salvation, and be ready for His return. He has said: "Surely I come quickly" (or suddenly) (Rev. 22: 7, 12, 20.)

Tom M. Olson

NOTES OF AN ADDRESS AT KINGSWOOD COLLEGE, KANDY.

BY
REV. E. M. WEAVER
(Continued)

Now may I turn to address the pupils of this college and ask them to consider what I have been saying about the importance of religion from the standpoint of their own personality. For when you try to explain that word 'I', you find within yourself at least five wonders. First, there are the natural powers which fit you for action and for some vocation in life. Then there are the social affections, the powers which bind individuals together in families and groups. Next there is the intellectual principle the power which thinks, reasons, judges. Again, there is a principle which is opposed to appetite and passion and which lays you under obligations which must be discharged the idea of duty. Last and most important, there are powers which seek the infinite, capacities for reverence, awe and worship. What wonderful beings we are when we come to think of it made only a little lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honour.

Now all these powers of our personality must be trained if we are ever to become cultivated men. Physical powers, social instincts, mental capacities, moral intuitions, religious faculties—all must come within the scope of a wisely planned all round education. And amongst these inward powers is one, the development of which determines the value of all the rest. It is the religious faculty. If that is neglected the life will go wrong; however carefully it may be educated in other departments. But if a student has his spiritual capacities developed and trained, if he learns to worship, to obey and to love God, then every other faculty will be in its right place and the whole life will be under the control of reason, of conscience and of the Spirit of God. Let me give you an illustration of what I mean. It is said that one day Susannah Wesley (the mother of John and Charles) went to visit her son Charles at Westminster school. Being unable to find him in the School House she went out into the playground and there discovered him in the midst of a fight with another boy. It was a political battle. Wesley was a Tory. The other boy was a Whig. They had been having an argument, and being unable to settle it with logic were trying to do so with their fists. Not wish-

ing to interfere, Mrs. Wesley stood back in the shade of some trees and watched. An old gentleman who was also watching stood near her. It was the third round and young Wesley who had been rather badly punished was stepping out with a keen light in his hazel eyes and a honeyed smile on his face. "Ah," said the old gentleman rubbing his hands, "now his danger's up, now we shall see something." "Yes" said Mrs. Wesley, "I've seen that light before Sir, though never on his face, and I hope one day to see him wear it in a better cause." A better cause madam exclaimed the old gentleman, "you don't mean to tell me that you are a Whig." "Indeed no, Sir," answered Mrs. Wesley with a smile, but I was thinking Sir of the cause of Christ." Years passed. Young Wesley went to Oxford and there dedicated his life to God and the service of his fellows. That old gentleman who was a relative and a titled aristocrat had taken a great fancy to Charles. He offered to take him to his estate in Ireland and make him his heir. Charles refused the tempting offer. His mother's hope had been fulfilled. He was going to put all the powers of body mind and soul into a higher service.

Now don't mistake me. I don't mean that you should cultivate the powers of your bodies in the way Charles Wesley was doing in the playground at Westminster. Neither do I mean that when you are kicking a football you should whisper to yourself "I am only kicking this in order that I may learn how to kick the devil". That would be priggish and altogether unnatural for a boy. No, when you are playing football think only of the game and its rules. Give it your whole attention. That will help fit you physically for the game of life. But if you are to be fully fit for that game, you will need the training of your moral and spiritual powers as well as your muscles.

So I want to appeal to you to mobilize all your forces during these school days so that you may quit yourselves like men when you get out into the real battle. There are giants to be slain—the giant evil of bribery and corruption in public life. There is an ideal to be achieved—the ideal of honour and selfless public service in politics. There is a civic conscience and a disciplined national spirit to be created. There is a reconciliation between communities to be secured by the spirit of fair play and far sighted accommodation. All this and much more remains to be done that you may serve your country and bring honour to your school. And you are the boys to do it.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE GOVERNMENT AGENT

M. Prasad Esqr.

History of the Year

His Majesty King George VI's Birthday was celebrated on June 8, with a parade and march past, followed by sports for school children, organized by the King's Birthday Celebration Committee.

On the occasion of the celebration of His Majesty's birthday, Mr. A. Viswanathan, Extra Office Assistant of the Jaffna Kacheri, was a recipient of the Imperial Service Order; Mr. R. Chintamany, retired Office Assistant of the Jaffna Kacheri, was made a Justice of the Peace *honoris causa*; Muhandiram Ponaihipillai Rajagopal of Vannarpoondi was promoted to the rank of Mudaliyar; and Mr. P. Narayanan was awarded the rank of Muhandiram.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, paid an unofficial visit to Jaffna on March 7, 1939, arriving by train in the morning. In the morning His Excellency performed the launching ceremony of the M/L "Camal Nagapoohany No. 2" belonging to the Jaffna Islands Motor Boat Service Society, Ltd. In the afternoon His Excellency attended the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the

Ramanathan College at Chunnakam and returned to Colombo by night train entraining at Chunnakam Railway Station.

The Hon. the Minister for Agriculture and Lands, Mr. D. S. Senanayake, paid a visit to Jaffna from February 16 to 20, 1939 and made a tour of the district.

The Hon. the Minister for Home Affairs, Sir D. B. Jayatilaka arrived in Jaffna on the morning of February 18, 1939, in connection with the selection of the candidates to be appointed Probationary Divisional Revenue Officers and left for Colombo the same evening.

The Hon. the Minister for Communications and Works, Mr. J. L. Kotawala, visited Jaffna on August 19, and made a tour of the District.

The Hon. the Minister for Local Administration, Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranayake, and members of his Executive Committee paid a visit to Jaffna on October 21, 1939.

Three criminal sessions of the Supreme Court were held in Jaffna during the year under review. The first which lasted from February 13 till April 21, 1939 was presided over by Mr. Justice Nihill. The second which lasted from July 3 till September 1, 1939 was presided over by the Acting Chief Justice Mr. F. J. Soeratz and Mr. Justice Nihill. The third, which lasted from November 6 till November 28, was presided over by Mr. Justice Nihill.

(To be continued.)

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At the request of the Government of Ceylon, the Government of India have agreed to an informal conference between Ministers from Ceylon and representatives from the Government of India. The meeting is expected to take place in India early in November.

Addressing a public meeting at Benares, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru said he was thinking of India's freedom, but, at the same time he was thinking of a world Federation of Nations.

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THE INDIAN REVIEW

The objects and principles of the Excess Profits Tax Act are examined by Dr. Bimala Churn Ray in the Indian Review (Madras). The Monroe Doctrine is the subject of a short article by S. M. Arangat. V. G. Mahakrishnan writes on the reform of secondary education in Madras. Besides other interesting articles such as "Freedom and determinism" by M. G. Barley and "Military reconstruction in India" by N. D. Varadachariar, the magazine contains useful notes on Indian and foreign affairs.

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NEWS IN BRIEF,

Indian.

The next open session of the Indian National Congress will be held in the Punjab.

Some 1800 Indians applied for 350 vacancies of airmen in connection with the proposed expansion of the Indian Air Force. Of these about 4,000 had qualifications justifying an interview, and recruitment from among these is in progress.

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