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The Sarawak Gagette.

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 1919.

NOTES.

(May.)

We regret to hear by the last mail that Her Highness the Ranee has been suffering from the prevailing epidemic influenza, and trust that by this time she has completely recovered.

Passengers by the s. s. Kuching on May 1st were Messrs. Hyatt and Gray.

The former, a member of Messrs. the Borneo Company is on a short visit to Sarawak, and the latter comes to join the staff of the wireless here.

The amount of dry rubber harvested at Sungei Tengah during April was approximately 59,000 lbs.

Dahan Estate produced 12,300 lbs. of dry rubber during April.

The rainfall on the Estate amounted to 9.48 inches.

THE p. s. Aieh arrived from the North on the 4th.

Mr. E. Parnell returned by her from Bintulu where he has been auditing and Messrs. J. Mills and D. S. Murray were passengersfrom Limbang.

The steamer brought a full cargo. She sustained slight damage to her paddles on the way down.

We hear that Mr. Harry de Windt, brother of Her Highness Margaret, Ranee of Sarawak, has been knocked down by a taxicab and is suffering from a broken thigh.

The s. s. Kuching left for Singapore on the 5th with a European mail. Passengers by her were Messrs. I. Shelton, Tseng Ho Tung,

and S. Johno, Mrs. C. Kee Hock, Mrs. C. Kee Tuan and Mrs. Nakamura, and she carried a full cargo of sago flour, jelutong, and illipe nuts. Vast quantities of these nuts are arriving by coasting steamers and schooners from the various outstations for shipment to Singapore.

It is almost typical of Oriental fashion and to English ears almost Indicrous to hear, states the Public Services Commission in its report, that a domestic servant will not accept from a leading official the same wage which he will without complaint take from one in a more humble post: and that attitude is maintained in many ways.—(Straits Times.)

The only passenger by the s.s. Rajah of Sarawak which arrived from Singapore on the 7th was Mr. G. B. Burnand who has come out to join the local staff of the Borneo Coy., Ltd.

Mr. Burnand, who is a brother of Mrs. J. S. W. Bean of Dahan, has been on active

service in France.

The Holt Line is making accommodation on five of its boats running out here, to enable them to carry sixty first-class passengers each. This should relieve the congestion outwards. We believe also that one of the vessels will bring out women and children, an unusual thing for the company in the past.—(Straits Times.)

Home letters all complain of the Arctic weather in March, and to make matters worse coal was practically unobtainable. England at present would appear to be no place for those homing from this part of the world—at any rate in winter.

The s.s. Gladys arrived from Sibu on the 8th with passengers Mrs. J. Baring-Gould and 2 children, the Rev. Mother Dorothea, Rev. Fathers Mulder and Oss, and Brother Simon.

The Honble. H. B. Crocker left for Singapore by the s.s. *Rajah of Sarawak* on the 11th on business connected with the food supply of the country.

Mr. Hyatt also left Sarawak by the same boat en route for Singapore and Batavia.

The twinscrew motor tug *Miri* was docked in Kuching for an overhaul on the 12th April and was undocked on the 11th of May. She left for Miri again on the 12th.

There is still such a demand for silver dollars and copper coin in the outstations for the purchase of illipe nuts that dollars are now at 8% premium in the bazaar and copper is difficult to obtain.

The greater part of the crop of illipse nuts is being collected by Sea Dyaks who refuse to accept notes in payment as they can neither carry them about nor hoard them underground

without the probability of their being rendered valueless.

Dyaks hoard quantities of silver and we fear that few of the silver dollars that find their way into their hands will return to circulation for some time to come; but when the new dollars are issued and the old ones demonitised the hoards of coin will be revealed as they were under similar circumstances some years ago.

Meanwhile the shortage of coin is causing a certain amount of inconvenience.

The out-put from the Bau Cyaniding Works for April was gold 2,466.4 ozs. and silver 840.5 ozs.

Matches.

There is now a very flourishing match manufacturing industry in Japan and matches from that country are rapidly ousting the Swedish article.

Have we in Sarawak jungles—which cover most

Have we in Sarawak jungles—which cover most of the country—no wood suitable for matches? The necessary machinery is said to be easily worked with little labour and the industry would seem to promise very large profits.

Passages Home.

P. and O. passage rates from Singapore to London are now:—

 Mail Service
 £80 & £74
 £54 & £50

 Intermediate
 £66
 £46

 Return tickets are issued at a fare and a half.
 £46

The Public Services Commissions.

We reprint the following extracts from the Report of the Commissions published in the *Straits Times* as many of the remarks are equally applicable to Sarawak.

Inadequate Pay.

On the question of the inadequacy of pay the Commissions say: There is no doubt in our minds as to the inadequacy of the pay throughout the entire service. The reason for this is due firstly to the high monetary unit of 2/4; secondly to the continued and rapid rise in the cost ofl ving for about 10 years prior to the war; and thirdly to the immense further advance since the outbreak of war and particularly during the last three years.

A salary expressed as £350 per annum may be read by eyes in England as something almost worth attention: transmuted into \$250 per month in Singapore it is what one would pay on en pension terms for a front bed sitting room at any of the better class hotels. We accordingly recommend that salaries should be expressed in dollars per month in the same way as they are paid.

Scientific Scheme of Salaries.

We have therefore thought it desirable to try and devise a new scheme of salaries and we shall put that forward presently: but before doing so we should like to reiterate a few observations which we are anxious should be once and for all clearly understood.

These observations are :-

 It is a complete fallacy to compare a salary of £1,000 when (a) paid in Great Britain; (b) expressed in sterling and paid in Straits dollars at a dollar value 2/4 as in Malaya; (c) expressed in sterling and largely or altogether paid in Hongkong dollars at a dollar value of 1/9 as in Hongkong; (d) expressed in sterling and paid in rupees at, say, a rupee value of 1/5 or 1/6 as in India or Ceylon.

2. A shilling in Great Britain and a rupee in India or Cevion have very much the same purchas-

ing value as a dollar in Malaya.

3. Malaya is, apart from its high monetary unit, a very expensive country for a European to live in, especially in the large towns: practically all European non-edible requirements are imported.

4. Malaya is not a suitable country for the "poor white"; unless a European can earn a wage on which he is able to live decently as a European should he merely brings discredit and contempt upon the British community: this position is greatly intensified in the case of Government officers.

5. Marriage necessarily entails in Malaya a very much greater proportionate increase of expenses than it does in Great Britain.

Now in approaching some suitable scheme of salary we naturally must assume several postulates. That Government wishes to obtain and retain a good and suitable type of European officer; that Government is willing to pay him enough to enable him to live, in whatever post he may be, at such a standard of comfort that he may support properly the status of his position and be free from financial temptation or worry; that he is not supposed to rely on any private means for his maintenance; that he can earn a reasonable pension; that he is not condemned to a life of celibacy but will, if he behaves himself and is efficient, be at reasonable ages in a position to marry, to maintain his wife and children and educate the latter after a certain age and up to a certain age in Europe; that he is given sufficient means to go on leave with his family at suitable intervals.

Effect of Proposals.

The Commissions discuss fully the salary question stating that the general effect of the proposals are: In the main our recommendations are based on an increase of 30 per cent on the 1918 salaries or if the temporary allowance of 10 per cent be included an increase of about 43 per cent. Besides this we have suggested additional high appointments or more rapid promotion in many cases and in some of the departments we have proposed increases exceeding 30 per cent. Taking all these facts into consideration we believe that we shall not be far wrong if we estimate the total amount as equivalent to a general increase of 50 per cent on the personal emoluments of Appendices A. and B. On the other hand the present war allowances would of course be abolished .- (Straits Times.

The cost of living.

During the past four years prices have steadily risen, to what an extent can be seen by a glance at the lists published below which give approximately the prices ruling in April 1915 and April of this year.

Prices of goods of home manufacture may possibly fall somewhat in the course of the next few years, but the high rates of wages now paid in England and America are not at all likely to be reduced and, though raw materials may cheapen somewhat, the increased cost of labour will tend to prevent any great fall in prices, while it is exceedingly doubtful, judging by past experience, whether any fall in home prices will be followed by a corresponding reduction in those out here, and until that is the case the European must expect the cost of living to remain at it's present high rate.

Add to this the fact that wages of domestic servants and coolies have advanced 50% in the last 1

ten years and the increased cost of a residence in the East to the European can be realised.

Kuching Market Price List.

			April 1915.	April 1919.	Increase-
Beaus Long	per catty		3	6	100
Do. French			12	12	
Do. Sprouts			2	4	100
Bamboo do.			6	10	66
Brinjals -			8	4	25
Beef (Cow)	**	STATE OF	28	28	
Do. (Buffalo) No. 1	11	To the let	20	25	25
Do. do. , 2		**	12	15	25
Capons	n	500	40	64	60
Celery	- "	24.	4	6	50
Chillies Fresh			12	32	166
Cucumbers	\ n.		3	3	-
Crabs (large)	each	12.5	6	8	33
Do. (medium)			4	5	25
Do. (small)		**	2	- 3	50
Ducks	per catty	**	36	48	33-
Do. Eggs fresh (lar		4.0	. 8	81	16
Do. do. do. (sm	all) "		21	3	20
Do. do. (Salted)	**	**	- 3	81	16
Hens do. (large)	11	The Marie	24	81	20
Do. , (small)		**	2	- 8	50
	per catty	1 1 1 1	24	32	40
Do. ,, 2	***		18	23	23
Do. ,, 3			8	11	.87
Fowls (Cocks)	100		24	40	66
Do. (Cockerels)	11.	**	34	50	47
Do. (Hens)	. 11		32	50	56
Do. (Pullets)	# 1		40	56	40
Do. (Cocks) (Dyal		1.11	22	89	77
Do. (Cockerels) Do.		**	28	48	60
Do. (Hens) Do.	Die n	1000			
Do. (Pullets) Do.	11	**	32	54	68-
Ginger				8	40
Geese	**		40	56	dec. 33
Gourd	3100		50	50	
Mutton	11	13. 15.	2	3	12.
Sweet Potatoes	* ** **		14	23	50 64
Fresh (Prawns)	** **		9		25
Pumpkins			38	48	26
Pork No. 1		1.0	28	38	35
Do. ,, 2 Do, 3			24	34	41
	"		50	55	10
Pigeons Young	per pair		4	.6	50
	per catty		2	8	50
Turnips		3 To	3	4	33
Tams	11		0		30-

3	F	Bazaar	Pric	es.		
		.5412/	200	ANTIN		
ĕ	Barley	per tin		35	1.20	272
	Beer Pilsener	" doz		2.40	1.40	83
П	Biscuits H. & P.	tin		1.30		
ij	Blachu	. yard		14	40	185
٩	Brandy (Ekshaw)	bottle		1.85	8.50	81
i	Butter (Aust.)	,, tb.		55	90	63
	Do. Cold Storage	" "	11/10		1.20	
ě	Cake	tin		65	1.00	58
	Cigarettes 555	,, ,,		60	1.25	108
	Do. Capstan			35	60	71
5	Coffee (Java)	" catty		28	38	35
ı	Do. (local)	m m ;		22	28	27
	Do. (small)	" reel		8	17	112.
	Do. (small)	** **		6	16	116
ú		., catty	1000	9	16	77
4	Do. No. 2	" "	**	8	8.00	87
3	Gin (Old Tom)	., bottle	**	80		275
d	Hams	" lb.		60	1.00	* 66
3	Jam	" tin			47	50
3	Lard	, catty		23 10	20	100
3	Matches 222	" pkt.			13	
ı	Do. Japan	" "		7.00	16.00	114
9	Milk (Bear Brand)	" case	**	22	44	100-
3	Do. (Condensed)	***		22	45	104
d	Needles	50	1	21	38	80
3	Oil (Coconut)	" bottle	**	1.80	3.55	100
3	Do. (Kerosine)		11111	8	13	62
ä	Onions		4.1	6	11	83
3	Potatoes Padi	gantang		15	36	140
3	Ouaker Oats		The last	35	1.15	228
3	Quaker Oats	picul		4.70	8.20	74
4	Rice (Rangoon) Do. (Siam)	" biens		5.25	18.75	257
1	Salmon	" tin		20	60	200
ı	Voor	" bar		30	50	66
1	Do. (Sunlight)	" box		40	80	100
ı	Shore (canyage	" pair		1.70	2.80	64
4	Shoes (canvas) Do. resoling	" "		25	90	260
4	Suits (white)	., suit		3.80	7.50	97
ij	Salt (coarse)			2	3	50
ď	Salt (coarse) Do. (fine)		1	- 3	6	100
1	Sugar white			7	20	185
В	Shoelaces	., pair		6	10	66
1	Sherry	" bottle	M	1.45	2.00	37
ı	Tea Assam	,, 1ъ.		60	80	88
ď	Tobacco (Java)	catty		65	1.20	84
d	Do. (Palembang)	" "		80	1.10	37
3	Do. Three Castles	tin	200	45	82	88
S	Vinegar	bottle		25	70	180
ı	Do. O. V. G.			14.00	29.00	107
H	Do. J. W. Red Seal		1000	16.00	35.00	118

Note.-Fractions % in the above list have been omitted.

The s. s. "Marama."

From various accounts published in the Straits papers the passengers on the hospital ship Marama which left Singapore on the 8th of April for London have experienced anything but a pleasant time. The ship was apparently dirty, sanitary arrangements of the crudest description, nor was she fitted for a voyage in tropical waters, and deaths occurred

amongst the children.

British women and children are sent home in this way after many years in the East in a trying climate, few of them in a condition to stand the hardships which they had to endure on such a ship, while German men, women and children from a cold climate in China are sent back to Germany in special British passenger vessels fitted with every convenience and supplied with every comfort to ensure their arriving in their own country in the best of health

We trust that those responsible for the arrangements will be brought to book, but none can recall the small lives that have been lost owing to some-

body's carelessness and want of foresight.

Sarawak passengers by the Marama were—Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Boult, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Grove, Messrs. K. H. Gillan and N. B. Levy and we shall be anxious to hear how they fared on the trip

THE PEACE TERMS.

The following is a very short outline of the terms handed to the German Delegates:-

Saar Basin.

Germany cedes to France, as compensation for the destruction of French coal mines, the full ownership of the coal mines of the Saar Basin with their subsidiaries, accessories and facilities.

Alsace Lorraine.

The territories ceded to Germany by the treaty of Frankfort are returned to France with their frontiers as before 1871.

German Austria and

Tehecho Slovakia.

Germany recognises their entire independence.

Poland.

Germany cedes to Poland greater part of Upper Lilesia, Posen and province of West Prussia on left bank of Vistula.

Danzig to be a free City under guarantee of League of Nations, and to be within Polish Customs and frontiers.

Alteration of Belgium's boundaries. All German colonies vielded to the Allies.

Military.

Demobilisation of German armies.

Abolition of compulsory service.

Effectives not to exceed 100,000 men and 4,000 Officers. No General staff.

Not more than 7 infantry and 3 cavalry divisions or more than 2 corps and staffs.

Two months from signing treaty not more than 6 battleships, 6 light cruisers, 12 destroyers and 12 torpedo boats allowed. Personnel not to exceed 15,000 including 1,500 officers and warrant officers. No submarines, naval or commercial, to be built

or owned.

All warships interned in neutral or Allied Ports to be surrendered.

All warships under construction to be broken up. Naval recruiting to be voluntary.

No forts guarding the Baltic, or North Sea-Baltic, allowed, existing ones to be demolished.

Stocks of ammunition limited to 1,500 rounds

each for small and 500 for large guns.

Crimes of the War.

Allies will publicly arraign ex-Kaiser for a supreme offence against international morality and sanctity of treaties.

Ex-Emperor to be surrendered by Dutch Government, to be tried by one judge from each Great Power.

Germans to hand over for trial by military tribu-nals all persons accused of acts of violation of laws and customs of wars.

Reparation and Restitution.

Germany shall (i) accept all responsibility for loss and damage caused to allied Govts. as consequence of the War.

- (ii) Pay 20,000,000,000 marks in golds, goods or ships, etc., in 2 years.
- (iii) Bond issues are required in acknowledgement of the debt as follows :--
 - 20,000,000,000 marks gold payable May 1, 1921. @ 21% int.
 - 40,000,000,000 marks between 1921--1926 @ 21% and thereafter @ 5% and 1% sinking Fund, and an undertaking to deliver a similar amount bearing 5% interest under terms to be fixed later.

Shipping.

1. Germany to replace ton for ton and class for class all merchant and fishing vessels lost or damaged during the war.

To cede to Allies all German merchant ships of 1,600 tons upwards, half of her ships between 1,600 and 1,000 tons, and one quarter of all her fishing and steam trawling fleet within

To build merchant ships for the Allies at a rate not exceeding 200,000 tons gross a year for 5 years.

Armies of Occupation.

Entire cost to be borne by Germany and to be a first charge on her resources.

Guarantees for execution of Treaty.

German territory W. of Rhine with bridge heads to be occupied by Allied troops for 15 years; should certain districts faithfully carry out terms they will be evacuated earlier

If all terms are carried out faithfully all territory will be evacuated after 15 years, but should all or part of terms not be carried out occupation will extend beyond 15 years.

Farm Colony for Soldiers and Sailors suffering from Tuberculosis.

34 QUEEN ANNE'S GATE, LONDON, S. W.

26th March, 1919.

The Editor,

Sarawak Gazette,

Kuching, Sarawak.

DEAR SIR,

We are appealing to men and women of British blood over the Seas to help us to establish a Farm Colony for Sailors and Soldiers, and, knowing the spirit in which you are standing shoulder to shoulder with us in the Old Country to destroy the

horrible menace of the War, we feel sure we shall not appeal in vain.

It is on behalf of those who, while fighting the Empire's battles, have contracted Tuberculosis that we are making this appeal to their Kith and Kin beyond the Seas.
We do so the more heartily because their case,

sad as it is, is not hopeless.

Left to themselves their path would be a sure and steady one to the grave. But with your help and ours the disease can be arrested, and they can again be self-supporting, and enjoy years of useful

Failure to cure Tubercular disease in its earlier stages can often be traced to the return of patients to unsuitable work and conditions of life, or their return at a stage when the disease has been only

The Farm Colony will undoubtedly save most of these failures and fit them for a life on the land, where they will continue to serve the Empire, which even now owes them an undying debt of

The Council are much encouraged by the generous support already received (£28,000), and have acquired property of 115 acres at Firmley, in Surrey. They are most anxious that not a moment should be lost in overtaking the extensive necessary operations, which were started some time ago, so that it may be opened at the earliest possible date.

Friends in the Old Country here are rallying to support the Farm Colony Scheme for our broken heroes. And now we are sending the appeal to Britons abroad,—the Enspire builders of Dominion Overseas.

Will you please read the outline of the plan of saving these men, and thereafter show your sympathy, for they deserve more than all we can do for them?

Yours faithfully,

BALFOUR OF BURLEIGH, Chairman.

GLENCONNER.

Honorary Treasurer.

We are in receipt of a pamphlet giving an outline of the plan, but regret being unable to reprint it owing to lack of space. We shall however be pleased to forward it on application, and also to receive any subscriptions on behalf of the Fund. Ed. Sar. Gaz.

A visit to unknown Borneo.

(Continued from page 108.)

The first long house we come to is that of Piok Serreh the chief of the Bawan who came out to meet us as we approached, a small, thin, and rather withered man dressed in a very dirty loin cloth of bark and his long hair tumbling over his forehead and ears in an untidy mass. He has a very pleasant face and kindly expression, but not for one moment would be have been taken for a chief of any kind. There was a great crowd in the house where a feast was evidently in progress, and Piok himself was very unsteady on his legs as he took my hand, more to support himself than from politeness, and led me up into his house. Jars of drink were quickly produced and the party settled itself down to drink, smoke, and chatter. I explained the object of my visit and Piok agreed to give me every help in endeavouring to get matters settled between the peoples, and arranged to send messengers down the valley to inform the others of our arrival and intention of

visiting them all the next day. Piok then suggested the slaughter of a buffalo and some of his men went out to catch one of the many that were wandering about in the long grass below the house, and they soon returned with a beast being led by its nose rope: a Bah Murut catches hold of the rope and leads him along in front of the house, gradually lifting his nose higher and higher until, just he is opposite where I am sitting, there is a flash in the sunlight as the man's long sword flew from its sheath and, bending slightly, he delivers a righthanded slash at the white mark on the beast's throat severing everything except the spinal cord: the buffalo falls on its back, kicks for a few seconds and, before one can be sure that the beast is really dead, a dozen men fall upon it with parangs severing legs and ribs anyhow, the wooden fence of a handy tobacco garden is appropriated and used as a floor on which the meat is chopped up in a few minutes, and inside of quarter of an hour that buffalo is in the Murut cooking pots and rapidly becoming food for the crowd.

All day I sit and discuss matters with the Bawan Muruts, and discover that the only differences between them and their neighbours of the Trusan Bah consist of the naurder of one of their people by Muruts of a house further down the valley, and another Bah man was shot at but missed by people of the same house. Having sat the whole day talking to these people I was only too glad to break away for a bathe in the evening in the cool waters of the stream that ran down the valley just below the house. But don't imagine that you can get away and enjoy a quiet bathe on your own; as I went away from the house I glanced back and saw a Dyak Ranger slip out of the door and, Suider in hand, settle himself down to smoke on a rise within 20 yards of and in full view of the bathing place; when told to clear off he refused saying that we were now out of Sarawal territory, that these people were strangers and reputed to be treacherous, and it was better to be on the safe side, so there was nothing more to be said, and the man sat there and watched me enjoying a roll in the cold water and after the bathe followed me back to the house at a respectful distance, but eyeing several of the Muruts who had come out to see me bathe with evident distrust, and on every future occasion when I went down to bathe I was followed by one or other of the Dyaks with a loaded carbine, a precaution which I may say was entirely unnecessary under the circumstances.

Next morning we were early astir as usual and trailed away down the valley along the ridges followed by several hundred of the Bawan Muruts, but when scarcely a mile from the house we met a long string of people coming up the valley to meet us, one leading a couple of bleating goats, another with a buffalo in tow by the nose, two or three others carrying jars on their shoulders, and these proved to be the offenders of whom the Bah Muruts had complained who were bringing compensation both to the relatives of the murdered man and to those of the one who had been shot at and missed, but hearing that we intended visiting their house in any case they turned back with us and joined on behind the long string of people. We arrived at their house at midday, but though the sun was very hot the air was so beautifully cool that the walk was quite pleasant, and we arrived cool and not in the least tired. Then, after the usual talk and smoke, matters were speedily settled and the offenders came up and squared matters, handing over the fines to the relatives, and the parties were very soon on friendly terms and drinking together though hitherto they had dared not meet one another. Here I made enquiries about the Muruts of the

Brian and Belawit, who also had feuds with those of the Trusan, and found that they lived in a valley just over the hill and barely an hour's walk from where we were sitting. So, after some trouble, I got messengers to go over and tell them that we proposed visiting their country with the Bah Muruts, and at 8 the next morning a long string of people came down from the hill opposite and stopped half way across the fields under one of the padi huts. Seeing them stop I went out to meet them; having the greatest difficulty in inducing the Dyaks to remain in the house as they said these chiefs were those who had the worst reputation of any in the interior and it would not be safe to go out alone; however I got away and sat with them under the padi hut spreading my few words of Murut about as best I could, and at last induced them to come along to the house: they were a curious collection of men, some short and others fine tall men well above the average height for Muruts, and all were in full war dress with goat skin war coats and feathers and armed with spears and long swords, but only one had a shield. However, when they reached the house wherein were their enemies of many years standing they refused to meet them. Finally after a lot of talk an old spear head and an old parang were sent up by them to the Bah men who made a great deal of fuss about receiving them, but eventually did so, and the Belawit chiefs filed up into the house and came and sat down on the other side of me, the parties glaring at one another for some minutes and refusing to speak. They explained that unless the custom of handing over old weapons is carried out the parties will be struck blind should they meet one another under such circumstances as these where they had been bitter enemies for years. The bost, Nibong Kesu, now produced a jar of native arrack, and I having drunk first both parties set to and finished the jar in a few minutes and their tongues then began to wag, but I stopped them by explaining the object of my visit, which puzzled them, as they were not capable of understanding that such feuds as existed between them could be settled in any way at all except by force, and so must go on indefinitely. I assured them that my small party had intentions none other than pacific and they ended by inviting us to their village next day.

So the next morning we set out, a watch being kept ahead by two of the men in case traps were set in the long grass at the edge of the track over the hill, as they all insisted that these Muruts were very treacherous. Just as coming from the Trusan to the Bawan valley we rose to the top of a ridge, and there obtained a magnificent view of the Brian valley irrigated in fields in just the same way as the others we had passed through but covering a very much larger area. The plain seemed to stretch away in the distance from below our feet, the long houses with their brown roofs standing surrounded by coconut palms and fruit trees along the lower slopes of the hills bordering the valley on either side. We reached the plain after a few minutes walking, so low was the dividing ridge, and, passing through groves of fruit trees finally reached the house of one of the head men of the district, a building such as I have already described about 120 yards long. Several head of fine cattle were feeding close to the house and two or three tame deer were also wandering about with them. As usual, native arrack and tobacco were produced before anything else and we all sat down to drink and smoke. The men here use a brass tube which they charge with tobacco to save the trouble of carrying about leaves in which to roll it. The long wall dividing the house longditudinally was covered with deers' antlers and I counted over 100 pairs of different sizes fastened to

it, and as the house filled up rapidly and the outer room was unable to hold any more, a dozen men laid hold of the antiers and in a minute demolished the whole of the walling, which was intended to be taken down on such occasions, turning the interior of the house into one vast hall. All that day and all night the chiefs of both tribes sat around the fires chattering and settling their differences, occasionally appealing to me on some point or other, and at about 3 a.m., everything having been amicably settled, they sat round in a circle and swore eternal friendship in the following way.—A small dish of arrack and a jar of the same spirit were placed in the middle of the circle and an old man, who appeared to be the master of the ceremonies, produced two pairs of the teeth of the tree leopard, which are often worn as ear ornaments, being put through a hole in the top of the ear pointing forward and held together by a string of beads which passes round the back of the head; the old fellow then sat down, selected one chief from each tribe, and presented one of them with the sharp teeth and the dish of arrack: sitting opposite one of them he took hold of the outstretched arm of the other and drew the collected points of the teeth slowly down the arm from shoulder to wrist, pressing hard until the blood started, and swearing that should he ever kill any of the other's people, disturb their peace in any way or interfere with them when they happened to be travelling through his country, might he be killed and eaten by the tiger (ballang), and as the teeth reached the wrist he dipped them in the dish of arrack and then drank it off. The other man then did the same to him and the whole party went through this ceremony in turn. A large jar of arrack was then brought out and by daylight it was finished: then presents were exchanged, one man giving a gun, a most valuable thing in the eyes of a Murut. and the weapon was promptly tested there and then by the new owner letting off a couple of shots through the roof. We were all very tired by the morning having had no sleep at all, but another swearing ceremony took place at daylight, half a coconut shell being filled with water into which a little clay and a bunch of dog's hairs were stirred; the shell was then placed on the ground the whole crowd of some 800 men standing round. All the head men came forward in turn and, pointing at the shell, swore by it's contents to behave themselves in the future and to cease killing their neighbours and making trouble, and to live in peace with those surrounding them. Should any man omit a sentence one of the crowd would chip in and t∈ll him what to say, or suggest his saying something else that would make the swearing more complete, they then each took a sip from the shell. After this was over I took leave of them all and started off down the valley followed by about three hundred of them with guns; they stopped when they got into line ready for marching and fired their guns into the air, the bullets dropping dangerously near some of themselves, and they then all filed down through the fields along the ridges, and after several hours' walk stopped at another long house at the far end of the valley built on a low hill, the chief inviting us to stay the night there. On arrival four men brought up a huge fat pig and dumped it in front of me, a similar porker being placed in front of the other members of the party; the pig was carried out on to the stage at the head of the step at the end of the house and, having been handed a spear, I pushed it through him behind his shoulder, death being practically instantaneous, but the beast was so fat that I do not think that he was capable of squealing when alive and he certainly made no effort to do so when expiring. Goats, fowls, eggs and rice were also laid before the party, much more than it was possible to eat, and baskets of tobacco were placed

at intervals along the house. Here we remained the night. The bathing was most enjoyable, much more so than in the icy streams of the upper Trusan as the streams all round here being utilised for irrigation the water is muddy and useless for either bathing or drinking, so it is brought from the hills sometimes nearly a mile away by means of bamboo pipes carried on trestles across the fields, and it consequently arrives at the bathing place with the chill off. We were warned off one of the tracks leaving up the hill the chief saying that it was covered with pig traps some little distance from the house.

(To be continued.)

Limit of Useful Age in Malaya.

It is a well known medical fact, report the Public Services Commissions, that after the age of fifty the mental and physical powers of the large majority of Europeans who have spent a number of years in these tropics decline markedly and rapidly: in Malaya men over the age of 50 have, as a rule, after 25 years' local work, spent their best powers of energy and initiative: and after this age often do not display any greater capacity than that of a conservative adherence to their past methods. To burden the ship of State with dead weight of this kind must be uneconcurical: and it could probably be with advantage jettisoned. (Straits Times.)

F. M. S. War Allowances.

At the Federal Council meeting the Chief Secretary moved that the Council approve the expenditure during the current year of a sum of \$336,269 for temporary war allowances to Government servants in addition to the amount provided in that behalf in the 1919 estimates. He said since the estimates were prepared and passed it was found necessary to increase the war allowance which the Government decided should be paid to Government employees. The scale now in force necessitated an addition to the estimates for the current year. Officers drawing less than \$25 per mensem, allowance at the rate of 35 per cent, (instead of 20 per cent); from \$300 up to and including £660 allowance at the rate of 25 per cent. (instead of 15 per cent.) but that the amount of the allowance pavable to an officer should not be less than \$105 nor more than £100 per annum.-The motion was carried.-(Straits Times.)

Wireless Telephony.

"Newfoundland has a splendid wireless telephone base. Its Government is co-operating. Wireless telephone communication has been established experimentally overland from Newcastle, New Brunswick, to New Jersey. The voices of operators at wireless stations thousands of miles away have been heard at the Marconi office here."—(Pinang Gasette.)

The Shipping Strike.

I wish I was a Skipper,
And drawing Skipper's pay;
With a nice big ship
On the Kuching trip,
And a stengah every day.—(Contributed.)

Sarawak Library.

The following books have been added to the Library:—

F 5199 Regiment of Women by Clemence Dane F 5545 The Secret Sympathy ,, Mary L. Pendered F 6981 The Wrong Box ,, Robert Louis

> W. H. JACQUES, Honorary Secretary.

Bowls.

The usual monthly Bowling Handicap took place at the Sarawak Club on the 1st May and resulted

	Λ	verage.	Score.		H'cap.		Total.	
D. L. Greene		187:7	418	+	ser.	-	418	
G. T. Bates		142.6	866	+	84.8	=	3903	
O. M. Peiniger		126.5	258	+	120.7	=	878:7	
C. E. A. Ermen		172.5	249	+	41.7	-	290.7	
J. C. Swavne		168						
A. E. Lawrence		151.2	Did no	ot e	ompete			
A. B. Ward		142.8			A 100			

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

To the Editor,

Sarawak Gazette.

ZID.

"VISITOR" in the last issue of the Gazette seems to me to be unnecessarily harsh in his criticism of the Government Rest House. Not every one will agree with his list of disparaging adjectives.

Rest Houses, as in other parts of the East, have been built by the Government for the use of Government servants and the modest prices charged preclude the luxuries of a modern hotel.

On the other band Kuching has now grown to a sufficient extent to require a building such as your correspondent demands. Why should not the new Sarawak Steamship Company (like many Transport Companies in other parts of the world) devote some of their capital to this, no doubt, profitable venture?

Yours faithfully.

HOPBFUL.

To the Editor.

Sarawak Gazette.

SIR.

In the Gazette report of the Public Meeting held on April 23rd to arrange for the celebration of Peace, I am quoted as advocating a national memorial to those who left this country to join the ranks of the Allies.

This is incorrect. I proposed that a memorial should be erected to those from Sarawak of all nationalities who had lost their lives in the cause of the Allies.

The resolution, carried unanimously, was as follows:-

"That a special fund be opened to collect subscriptions to erect a National War Memorial to those from Sarawak who had lost their lives in the Great War. That the names inscribed thereon be of those

who died in the cause of the Allies including (1) men who were born in Sarawak, (2) men who worked here at least three years, (3) men who were working here and left to offer themselves for service. That such a Memorial be erected in Kuching in a conspicuous position and serve some useful purpose."

So far I have collected the names of fourteen men

who were killed and I fear that the list is still in-

complete.

Yours faithfully. D. L. GREENE.

To the Editor,

The Sarawak Gazette.

DEAR SIR.

Peace Celebrations with all their accompaniments of band playing, torch bearing, flag wagging, etc., seem to be the order of the day; these of course naturally presuppose that peace is imminent, that in fact the Germans will take up their pens quickly and sign, and the zeal with which the various pro-grammes have been entered upon gives evidence of such optimism (much to be envied) on the matter that one feels very diffident as to saying anything that may look like trying to cast a shadow over the proceedings.

But it surely may be asked whether peace is so certain, are the delegates of the thing the Germans call a Government going to take the onus of signing the Treaty? and if they do, are the people going to abide by it? and therefore would not a little of the "wait and see" policy be advisable before undertaking ambitious programmes for Celebrations which may, I do not say will (and I sincerely hope not), have to be indefinitely postponed, causing disappointment and perhaps loss to many natives and others who have had their hopes raised—and further avoid getting into the stultified position of those who count their chickens before they are hatched, or rather in this case their doves with olive branches which as far as we know have not even left Germany. Surely there is nothing to be lost by waiting until the horizon is much clearer than it is to-day.

Further there may be two opinions as to whether we are justified in expending a lot of money for what seems at least a very problematical peace when there something like a certain famine in prospect in the near future; however this may be, the curious in-consistency of telling natives one day that they must all set to work and plant foodstuffs to save themselves from starvation, and then on another call for subscriptions for jaunts and jollities, is too obvious to

be passed over by them.

Now can anyone really say that the trend of events in Europe point to anything even approaching peace; if the Germans refuse to sign the treaty or the people to abide by it, by no means remote contingencies, all the States that composed the Central Powers will together adopt a policy of passive resistance and leave the entente to get out of the mess as best it

In these circumstances the blockade will doubtless be continued, and there is very serious danger that if pressed to desperation, the whole of these Central States will throw everything over to the Bolshevists, join Russia, then turn round to the entente and bid them do their worst. Hungary has already set the example, a most ominous sign-if such comes to pass the Allies will be faced with the delightful prospect of having to clean sweep the whole of Central and Eastern Europe of Bolshevists which will mean having to fight millions of desperate people -a task about as easy as trying to put out an eruption of Mr. Etna with a few dozen fire hoses, and compared to which the late war will have been an

Many people seem to imagine that the war is over, but do things look like it? In my humble opinion demobilization has been carried out too soon, too

much having been taken for granted, and it is devoutly to be hoped that it may not be found imperative to remobilize; but should it so be, how it is going to be done in the face of the storm of opposition certain to arise from Labourites, Socialists, and all that class of people who want to govern England to suit themselves only; or how we are going to get the Americans back again? I leave this to your readers to work out for themselves, as also what the result will be should the Bolshevists rise and find the entente demobilized and unprepared to meet them.

In any case even if peace is signed to-day we should be on firmer ground if the celebrations were postponed for at least six months to avoid the possibility of celebrating another "Scrap of Paper"to do so now with Europe a seething cauldron of every element opposed to peace is rather like following the example of Nero.

It is somewhat a dark picture that I have drawn and doubtless many will disagree with it, but if time proves the conclusions to be wrong no one will be better pleased than the writer, and whilst thanking you, Mr. Editor, for giving this letter space I.

cannot do better than sign myself

Yours faithfully. "WAIT AND SEE"

May 12th, 1919.

We would remind "Bizarre" that correspondent's letters cannot be accepted for publication unless accompanied by the name and address of the writer.

We would suggest that the letter be re-written before being again sent in, as we are sure the writer must be making a mistake in some of the hours mentioned therein. Ed. Sar. Gaz.

The Ga'at Expedition.

28th April, 1919.

RAJAH,-I have the honour to forward for Your Highness' information the following summary of operations during the recent Ga'at river expedition, which I accompanied; details will reach Your Highness through the usual channels.

The Government force left Kapit on the 5th April, with Mr. G. M. Gifford in charge, assisted by Messrs. H. D. Aplin, P. M. Adams and Lieut. Clark, S. R.

From information received it appeared that the rebels were determined to delay the force as long as possible during its progress up the Ga'at river, and had prepared a final place of refuge on Bukit Tunggal. Here they would offer resistance in the (to them) unlikely event of our penetrating thus far.

Mr. Gifford's object was to drive any parties of rebels who might be lurking on the banks, with the object of impeding the advance, towards Bukit Tunggal, instead of allowing them to escape to the flanks, in the hope that if cornered there they would be forced to fight or escape into N. I. territory, where the authorities would intern or otherwise deal with them.

In pursuance of this plan wing scouts accompanied the advance from the mouth of the Ga'at river, which was entered on the 7th, and likely places were "searched" by maxim fire. Every possible landing place was found to be thickly studded with bamboo calthrope, and deep barriers of freshly-felled trees delayed the boat in several places, but no attempt was made to harry the Government force.

Excepting tracks, no other signs of the rebels were visible until the 10th, when, towards evening, Mr. Gifford, who was then with the advance river scouts, prepared to halt the force at the next suitable camping place, caught sight of two small boats rounding the end of a long reach. It was subsequently ascertained that, later on, a wing scout fired at one of these boats, which capsized; the three occupants escaped into the jungle without waiting to retrieve the contents which included a

On the 12th, the force arrived and camped at Nanga Marang. Here was said to be a practicable overland route to Bukit Tunggal, which was likely to be held by the rebels; it seemed certain that they must also have a party operating along the river, since two tree-blockades up-river were reported, so a base for long-boats and sick was established at this camp in charge of Abang Hadji Metair.

In pursuance of plan, the Government force was divided into two sections; Mr. Gifford's and Mr. Adams' to pursue the river route in small boats : Mr. Aplin's and Lieut. Clark's to proceed overland.

The sections, of which I accompanied the latter, started almost simultaneously on the morning of the 13th. The rendezvous for a concerted attack upon the Bukit Tunggal position was to be Nga: Bulat, which the land section was expected to reach about midday on the 14th, and the river section the evening of that day. Owing to there being no definite track however, as was anticipated, the land section went astray, and after spending two nights in the jungle, made its way down the Bulat Kiba on the morning of the 15th, without having come across any signs of the rebels.

Here word was received from Mr. Gifford that he had arrived at Nga: Bulat the previous evening and was now on his way up the Ga'at to Pengkalan Babai, whence there was said to be a track leading to Bukit Tunggal; if this bore traces of recent usage, he proposed following it with his section the following morning (16th) in the absence of any further in-

formation of a definite nature.

About midday the land section arrived at the junction of the Bulat Kiba with the main Bulat stream; here a large number of boats belonging to the rebels were being collected, as well as household property and padi. These had been found at a landing-place on the left bank about twenty minutes up the main Bulat from the junction. This place was thickly sown with calthrope, and bore marks of recent usage by a large number of people.

Later in the day, scouts investigating the track from the pengkalan came into touch with a few rebels; shots were exchanged and a spear flung at our party; it was evident that this was the place we were looking for, so word was sent to Mr. Gifford that the land section would camp at the junction and start the following day at 7 a.m. to attack the

Bukit Tunggal position by this road.

On arrival at the pengkalan on the 16th, a halt was made to allow the wing-scouts to deploy. Here Mr. Gifford came up with Mr. Adams and the whole of his section. He had hastened back on receipt of the message of the previous afternoon, since the Pengkalan Babai track was found to bear no traces of recent usage, and might not even lead in the right direction; he therefore considered it sounder to throw the weight of the whole force on to the rebels by a road known to lead to their position, especially in view of the fact that there were "strong rumours" of a stockade and large reinforcements of malcontents from across the border, though the former conjecture, in any case, subsequently proved to be devoid of foundation.

Orders were issued that the force should halt at the rebel position, when captured, in order that an organised pursuit of fugitives might be arranged. After a climb of an hour and a half, those in advance emerged from the jungle into farm land, across which, about 800 yards distant, was a long building, the roof of which had just been set alight. The ground was covered by felled trees, any intervening

spaces being set with calthrope, but, there being no resistance, the house was reached in time to save the main structure, which turned out to be a long, floored frame-work on piles, lacking the usual walls and divisions of a Dyak house.

During the advance across the farm land a few shots had been heard. It subsequently transpired that a small party from the right wing had gone forward past the house, and had paid the penalty of their disobedience by losing the heads of two of

their number.

The house was situated on a crest of a steep ridge, leading to Bukit Tunggal. We had come up the north flank, so the opposite side was now "searched" by maxim fire from a platform on the house, and scouts were sent forward to see whether the rebels had split into small groups, or followed some main line of retreat that might be worth following up with the whole force.

The south side of the ridge is cleared and falls The south side of the ridge is cleared and falls away sharply for one half. of a mile ; beyond is broken country consisting of steep hills and high ridges covered with jungle. The scouts returned towards evening, and reported that a "large" river, held by some to be a tributary of the Meniong, by others the Kaniou (Kapuas), ran past the foot of the ridge in a south-west direction. Here they had found a large number of boats, and had shot and killed one of a small party of rebels.

As speed was evidently essential, Penghulu Merdan and Gani were ordered to select such men as they required, and to start in pursuit early the following morning, accompanied by forty men of the Sarawak Rangers, and carrying two days provisions. If the river they had reported should turn out to be the Kanion, they were to return forthwith, if not they were to proceed as far as their supplies would allow them to in hopes of overtaking some of the rebels. Meanwhile the headquarters of the force would be at the house until the 19th, when it would proceed slowly down-river to the base camp, with the object of unearthing as much rebel food and property as possible on the way.

This programme was adhered to, with satisfactory results, the Nga: Marang base being reached on the

22nd.

Here Penghulu Merdan and Gani, who had arrived overland the previous evening, reported that, although they had been unable to overtake the fugitives, they had never seen traces of such confusion

as must have prevailed during the flight. The rebels had evidently taken their women for safe-keeping to the house on the ridge, for these had abandoned their skirts upon the road. Mosquito curtains, Kayan mats, cooking utensils, baskets of provisions, valuable parangs, and even several guns were among the articles strewn along the route until all traces ceased, there being apparently nothing remaining to discard.

An unfortunate incident had taken place at the base camp during our absence. Penghulu Bana had allowed two Sut Dyaks to join his boat on the way up, without even reporting this incomprehensible piece of folly. These men remained at Nga: Marang when the force moved forward, inveigled a companion into the jungle under pretence of getting umbut, and made off with his head and gun. Whether this was done out of sympathy with the rebels or in a spirit of pure mischief has yet to be ascertained, but the names of the criminals are known, and the Sut tuais have been summoned to Kapit for the purpose of investigation.

On the return journey the corpse of a rebel was found near Nga: Aman. As it was near a place where "searching" had been carried out by Lient. Clark on the way up, it is conjectured that this is how he met his death, but the body and head were

too decomposed to invite close inspection.

The Government force arrived back at Kapit on the 25th.

The health of the force was satisfactory, there at Bukit Tunggal, and the cold damp fogs that clung round the slopes each night and a good portion of the day at that very considerable elevation gave everyone, Europeans included, bad coughs and colds, which in some cases turned to fever and in others affected the lungs, the worst case being a Javanese Ranger who developed a severe attack of pneumonia, and whose recovery is still doubtful.

The behaviour of the Raugers was excellent, although, so far as the Kuching contingent is concerned, only some half dozen had been on a previous expedition. When volunteers were called for for any special purpose, there was no failure in response.

That a large force of a somewhat unwieldly nature should have been enabled to start at the appointed time and return to Kapit after the estimated period of three weeks had elapsed, to the day, without the occurrence of any "hitch", I attribute to the careful forethought and preliminary preparation of the Houble, the Resident 3rd Division. Results proved the tactical soundness of Mr. Gifford's scheme of operations, and though the "round up" for which he had hoped did not eventuate, this was not due to any technical failure in execution, but to the rebels having preferred headlong flight to the resistance that they had announced themselves as being prepared to offer.

It is, however, satisfactory that such a severe lesson has been given with so small a loss of life. It would seem that the rebels having no property to return to in the Ga'at, must choose between unconditional surrender and moving into N. I. territory. It is locally considered unlikely that they will take the latter course.

I have the honour to be, Rajah,

Your Highness' obedient servant,

BERTRAM BROOKE, Tuan Muda.

His Highness The Rajah of Sarawak.

MONTHLY REPORTS.

UPPER SARAWAK.

April.

I arrived at Bau on the evening of the 29th and on the following day checked the cash and books, which were in accordance with a memorandum left by the Resident.

The tollowing report is taken from Mr. Owen's

Court.—Two Krokong Dyaks, Matut and Gonieng, were severely dealt with under the new Order prohibiting the felling of wild gutta trees. Other cases were of minor importance.

P. W. D.—The prisoners were engaged upon the widening and metalling of the Buan—Bau Road.

General.—On the 4th O. K. Krokong and P. C. Omar were sent to Pangkallan Ampat to try and obtain news of the Lingga murderers; they returned on the 18th without gaining any information.

The Resident was absent from the station from

The Resident was absent from the station from the 6th to 21st of the month on local leave. On his return a meeting was held in the Court House which was attended by Chinese and natives. The difficulty of procuring rice in the future was explained to them and they were urged to plant substitutes as quickly as possible. Land has been surveyed at Suba and permits granted to pepper-planters; the land, as far as possible, is divided into regular strips with jungle in front and behind. Patches of ground, scattered here and there, are being refused to cultivators.

The Bau Cyaniding Works supplied the following figures for the mouth, gold 2,466 4 ozs. and silver

The total rainfall for the month amounted to 11 01 inches.

J. C. SWAYNE, Resident 2nd Class.

SADONG COLLIERY.

April.

The gross out-put of coal produced by the mines during the mouth was 2,072.04 tons, 450 tons of this was consumed by our boilers and 1,622.04 tons delivered for export.

The shipments for the month were :-

To the Kuching Municipality ... 128.10 tons

Messrs. the Borneo Company ... 1,283.10 ...

British Malaysian Co. 52.00 ...

Soon Seng, Sibu ... 90.10 ...

Total Shipments 1,554.10 tous

The balance of stock on the wharf at the end of the month was 1,847.16 tons.

There was a further increase in the out-put from the new mines on the hill, No. 8 mine out-put also increased a little, but No. 9 mine produced below the average owing to the west-side panel striking old workings on the dip side.

The machinery and boilers were kept in good working order. The mouth's rainfall produced only 478 inches and for this reason we experienced a shortage of water for boiler consumption at No. 9.

The lower reservoir drains were further extended and there was a plentiful supply of water for the washery and boilers nearby.

Owing to the condition of the main reservoir and pipe line, a gang of men consisting of Colliery fitters, labourers, and prisoners, were engaged during the latter part of the month in repairing the water-dam, cleaning out the streams to their sources, and the water pipes for a distance of nearly 2.000 yards.

A large quantity of rubbish was dumped and levelled on the swamp behind the Malay kampong and the new road beside the railway line.

There was a great shortage of labour for loading vessels, etc. The men who usually do this class of work being away harvesting on their farms, working jelutong and gutta leaves, which are commanding record prices, and the mines had to be partially closed down on two occasions for this reason in order to obtain the necessary labour for loading the coasting steamers.

The usual repairs were carried out at the wharf and several tons of stone were dumped on the dam-

aged parts of the river-bank.

The use of the general store has been given to the Local Food Supplies Control Committee for storage purposes and large tracts of Colliery land are being measured up and divided out amongst the Colliery employees for planting rice substitutes and in order to impress on all concerned, in a practical way, that the situation will be serious before the end of the year as regards supplies of rice. The Colliery will, in a short time, have most of the new grazing land for the cattle planted up with early padi and rice-substitutes.

J. W. EVANS,

Manager.

LIMBANG.

March.

I arrived here from Lawas by the s.i. Datu on the 6th.

The s.l. Peter Duff arrived here from Brunei on the 8th to load planks for the Batu Apoi Rubber Estate. She left again for Tamburong the same morning. Mr. Bogosoff, the Manager of the Tamburong Rubber Estate, who was on board, came up and called.

The British Resident, Mr. G. E. Cator, arrived here from Brunei the same day to discuss the payment of death duties on His late Highness the Rajah's estate in Brunei. I also paid over to him the succession fee of \$4,000. He returned to Brunei during the afternoon.

Mr. K. Watson arrived here on the 22nd to spend the week end.

The Manager of the Brunei Branch of the Island Trading Company, Mr. Whyte, called on the 26th to discuss a few matters connected with the bark working at Awat Awat.

The p. s. Adeh made one trip only during the month arriving here on the 5th during my absence at Lawas.

The opium farmer's agent at Brooketon ran short of opium towards the end of the month, but fortunately he was able to borrow enough from the agent here to last bim for a few days.

Court.—Ujan, a Dyak from Lobai-came down on the 19th and reported that he had wounded, if not killed, a man by name Lenggang who he found in bed with his wife Jenu.

Other Dyaks from Ansa's house, where the above occurred, arrived later and reported that Lenggang was very seriously wounded but still alive.

They said that Lenggang was not in bed with Jenu when he was attacked by Ujan but was sleeping in the bachelor's quarters, and further investigation tends to corroborate this.

Lenggang has been sent to Labuan for medical treatment and Ujan detained in gaol, his sentence to depend on whether Lenggang recovers or not.

Basi, a Bisaya, was sentenced to three months H. L. for theft of cloth from a shop.

Badus, a Bisaya, was sentenced to nine months H. L. for being in possession of a stolen buffalo which he refused to account for, and two other Bisayas were fined for setting pig traps.

Fines and fees amounted to \$130.

P. W. D.—The coolies have been employed trimming the bamboo hedges, repairing the Court house wharf and on the up-keep of the kampong and Bengkita roads; and the prisoners on the Punga Puyan road, weeding the paths round the station, and cleaning out the ditches on the golf course.

The m. l. Damit has been fitted with a new propeller shaft, the old one, which was very thin, having got bent through striking something on the way to Brooketon at the end of last month.

The following are the trade returns :-

 $\begin{array}{c|cccc} Imports. & Exports. \\ Coasting & \$10,038 & \$7,350 \\ Foreign & 3,277 & 2,503 \end{array}$ The rainfall for the month was $14^{\circ}24$ inches.

H. S. B. JOHNSON, Resident 5th Division.

The Sarabah Gagette.

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We cannot undertake to return rejected communications, or to give reasons for not inserting them.

Residents at the Outstations will confer an obligation by forwarding to the Office early intelligence of all matters of general interest in their respective neighbourhoods.

NOTICE.

ASTANA FARM.

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NOTICE.

Gazette subscriptions and Printing Office bills,

For the convenience of residents at Outstations Sarawak stamps will be taken in payment of small sums but only the 1, 2 and 3 cent values will be accepted. It is requested, however, that Money Orders be sent if possible.

J. C. SWAYNE,

Manager, Govt. Printing Office.

NOTICE.

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of unredeemed pledges from Pawn Broking Farm YEW CHEE & Co., Chop Wo SANG and Chop Loon YEK of Bau at No. 18, China Street on Saturdays of the following dates-17th May 1919 and 21st June 1919, at 9 a.m.

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Per s. s. Kuching: -1st May-From Singapore-Messrs. Hyatt, H. G. Gray, S. Why Khu, S. Johno and Mrs. Nakamura.

PER p. s. Adeh: -4th May-From the North-Mr. E. Parnell from Bintulu-Messrs. J. Mills and D. S. Murray fron Limbang.

PER s. s. Rajah of Sarawak :- 7th May-From Singapore -Messrs. G. B. Burnand, Lau Chin Eng and Lee Mia Siah.

PER S. S. Gladys: -Sth May-From Sibu-Mother Dorothea, Revd. F. Oss, Revd. F. Mulder, Brother Simon and Mrs. J. Baring-Gould and 2 children.

DEPARTURES.

PER S. S. Kuching :- 5th May-For Singapore-Messrs. I. Shelton, Tseng Ho Tung and S. Johno, Mrs. C. Kee Hock, Mrs. C. Kee Tuan and Mrs. Nakamura.

Per s. s. Rajah of Sarawak:—11th May—For Singapore—Honble, H. B. Crocker, Messrs. Hyatt and Lee Mia Siah.



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NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that Share Certificate dated 25th August 1913, issued by The Kuching Steam Saw Mills Limited, for 330 shares of \$10 cach fully paid bearing Nos. 971 to 1300 inclusive, and registered in the name of J. H. Brodie, is alleged to have been lost or destroyed.

Any person holding the said Share Certificate is required to return it to the undersigned not later than 15th June 1919, otherwise the said Share Certificate will be cancelled and a new one issued.

TAN SUM GUAN, Secretary.

THE "SARAWAK GAZETTE" ALMINAC.

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Kuching, April, 1919.

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Rainfall, April, 1919.

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Arrivals.

DATE.		Name of Vessel.		Name of Captain.	WHERE FROM.			NATIVES OF INDIA. Male. Female		ASIATICS.		TOTAL.
1919. Mar. "	6 9 17 26 29	S. S. Kuching P. S. Adeh S. S. Kuching Bdg. Patahor Razak S. S. Kuching		W. R. Barton Awg. Rais W. R. Barton Ahmad W. R. Barton	Singapore Brooketon Singapore P'mangkat Singapore	75 2 112 1 71	13 17 11	11 5 3		9 7 36 5	.6 3 4 2	114 12 174 1 92
				Brought forward Total to Date		261 435 696	41 45 86	19 12 31	ï	57 100	15 19 34	39: 61:
					1918	466	58	15	-	211	45	798

Departures.

DATE.		Name of	YESSEL.		NAME OF CAPTAIN.	WHITHER BOUND.	CHINESE. Male. Female.		OF	INDIA.	OTHER ASIATICS. Male. Female		TOTAL.
1919:													
Mar.	*9	S. S. Gladys			Jeman	Singapore	3						8
,,	10	S. S. Kuching			W. R. Barton	do	93	35	3		28	11	170
"	21	S. S. Kuching			W. R. Barton	do .	70	16	3	3	5	3	100
"	29	P. S. Adeh			Awg. Rais	Brooketon	4	6	112		11	4	25
, n. 4	31	S. S. Kuching		•	W. R. Barton	Singapore	54	12	5		7	3	81
				14			224	69	11	3	51	21	379
					Brough	t forward	308	55	13	. 3	66	10	455
					Total	al to Date	532	124	24	6	117	31	834
						1918	406	59	27	1	106	34	633

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