## The performers

**Sivapragāsa Thēsigar (Civapirakāca Tēcikar)**, 27 years old, student at the Dravidian Research Institute of the University of Madras. Vellala caste. Until October 1928 resident in Chidambaram, now living in Madras [Cennai]. Born in Chidambaram (Citamparam), Madras Province; father from Chidambaram, mother from Tiruttarupundi (Tanjore District).

Ph 3277–3279 [CD1: 29,1,2]

Muttutāṇḍavarāya Piḷḷai (Muttuttāṇṭavarāya Piḷḷai), 61 years old, teacher of Tamil at a higher vocational school [höhere Bürgerschule]. Vellala caste. Until 1914 resident in Tranquebar [Taraṅkampāṭi, Tharangambadi], now living in Shiyali, Tanjore District. Born in Porto Novo [Paraṅkippēṭṭai, Parangipettai], South Arcot district, Madras Province; father and mother from Porto Novo.

Ph 3280–3283, 3286–3288, 3299–3301 [CD 1: 3,4,5,8; CD 1: 9,10,11; CD 1: 21,22,23]

**Kuñcithapātha Thēsigar (Kuñcitapāta Tēcikar)**, 25 years old, student at the Dravidian Research Institute of the University of Madras. Vellala caste. Until October 1928 resident in Chidambaram, now living in Madras [Ceṇṇai, Chennai]. Born in Chidambaram, Madras Province; father from Chidambaram, mother from Nagapattanam [Nākappaṭṭiṇam].

Ph 3284-3285 [CD 1: 6,7]

**Salomon Āsirvātham (Ācirvātam)**, 29 years old, teacher at a higher vocational school [höhere Bürgerschule]. Tamil-Indian Christian. Until June 1927 resident in Madurai, now living in Madras [Ceṇṇai, Chennai]. Born in Kallukurichi, Ramnād District, Madras Province; father from Nadukōddai, mother from Saptur [Cāpṭūr].

Ph 3289–3290, 3297–3298, 3302–3307 [CD 1: 12,13; CD 1: 19,20; CD 1: 24,25,26,30,27,28]

**Umāpathi Muthaliār (Umāpati Mutaliyār)**, 19 years old, scribe. Tamil Vellala caste. Born and resident in Madras [Cennai, Chennai]; father and mother from Madras.

Ph 3291–3293, 3295–3296 [CD1: 14,15,16; CD 1: 17,18]