

railway transport. The 11 miles route from Avissawella to Yatiyantota was removed from CGR route length table towards the end of 1941. The last passenger service was on December 31, 1941 and the line was closed from the next day, i.e. 01<sup>st</sup> January 1942. The ruins of KV line from Avissawella to Yatiyantota are still existing. Former stations at Dehiowita, Karawanella, Yatiyantota and huge iron bridges which supported the railway line, old telephone posts and stone arched-culverts remain as ruins. Those stand as unique symbols of KV line. These unique symbols depict the hard work of British Engineers and the contribution of local skillful personnel for construction of KV line.

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