

(3.) The particulars set forth in the certificate required under subclause 1 of this regulation shall be entered, together with the name of the certifying medical practitioner, in the Register of Deaths kept by the Secretary for Native Affairs.

GENERAL.

8. (1.) Every Pulenu'u shall forward at once to the Fa'amasino the duplicate sheets of all registrations of the births and deaths of Samoans effected by him.

(2.) Every Fa'amasino shall forward, by the first available Government messenger, the duplicate sheets of all registrations of the births and deaths of Samoans effected by him and by the Pulenu'u of his district, to the official mentioned below:—

Savai'i—The Resident Commissioner, Fagamalo;

Aleipata—The Resident Commissioner, Aleipata;

Upolu (other than Aleipata)—The Secretary for Native Affairs, Apia;

who will forward such duplicate sheets to the Secretary for Native Affairs at monthly intervals.

9. The registers kept in pursuance of these regulations by the Secretary for Native Affairs shall at all reasonable times be open to the public on payment of the search fee set forth in the Second Schedule hereto, and the Secretary for Native Affairs shall, on application by any person, and on payment of the fees set forth in the said schedule, issue certificates of any entries in the said registers.

10. Every person required by these regulations to furnish particulars in respect of any matter who, without sufficient cause, fails to furnish such particulars, and every Pulenu'u and Fa'amasino who fails to comply with the requirements of these regulations, shall be liable for a first offence to a fine not exceeding two pounds (£2), and for a second offence to a fine not exceeding five pounds (£5); and any person who knowingly furnishes false particulars shall be liable to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds (£20).

11. The fees set out in the Second Schedule hereto shall be payable to the Secretary for Native Affairs in respect of the matters therein specified, and shall be accounted for by him to the Treasury in Apia.

X. LAND TENURE.

Last year's answers apply.

XI. MORAL, SOCIAL, AND MATERIAL WELFARE.

Last year's answers apply.

XII. PUBLIC FINANCES.

See particulars of revenue and expenditure for year ended 31st March, 1923, on pages 14 to 16 of the report: otherwise last year's answers apply.

XIII. DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS.

Births, Deaths, Marriages, Immigration, and Emigration.

RETURN SHOWING THE BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES, IMMIGRATION, AND EMIGRATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1923.

	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Immigration.	Emigration.
Native Samoans	1,602	1,000	128	807	1,194
Europeans and half-castes	90	19	23	517	414
Chinese indentured labourers	6	..	18	261
Melanesian and Polynesian indentured labourers	2	2	4
Totals	1,694	1,027	151	1,342	1,873

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