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NEW ZEALAND

COOK AND OTHER ISLANDS.

MAKOGAI LEPER ASYLUM.

PAPERS DEALING WITH THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CENTRALIZING AT MAKOGAI LEPER ASYLUM
(FIJI) LEPERS FROM NEW ZEALAND AND PACIFIC TERRITORIES.

Presented to both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency.

SIR,—

Government House, Suva, Fiji, 9th February, 1928.

I have the honour to forward twelve copies of the report of the Committee which was appointed to investigate the financial position of the Makogai Leper Asylum and to submit recommendations for a revision of the arrangements that exist with other Administrations for the admission of lepers.

2. The report will be laid before the Legislative Council for its consideration on the 21st instant. I shall be glad to learn in due course whether the recommendations made by the Committee, in so far as the Dominion and the Administrations of Western Samoa and the Cook Islands are concerned, have been approved by Your Excellency's Government.

I have, &c.,

A. W. SEYMOUR, Acting-Governor.

His Excellency the Governor-General of New Zealand, Wellington, New Zealand.

SIR,—

Government House, Wellington, 14th May, 1928.

With reference to Your Excellency's despatch, No. 11, of the 9th February, enclosing copies of the report of the Committee which investigated the affairs of the Makogai Leper Asylum in January last, I have the honour to inform you that His Majesty's Government in New Zealand concur in the recommendations contained in the report.

2. The Prime Minister states, however, that, while the Government are unable to make any special additional contribution towards capital fund beyond the *pro rata* contribution decided upon by the Committee, they undertake to participate in the scheme for a period of at least twenty years, as suggested in paragraph 7 of the summary of the Committee's recommendations.

I have, &c.,

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

His Excellency the Governor of Fiji, Suva.

MAKOGAI LEPER ASYLUM.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE THE FINANCES OF THE INSTITUTION AND TO
SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A REVISION OF THE ARRANGEMENTS THAT EXIST WITH OTHER
ADMINISTRATIONS FOR THE ADMISSION OF LEPERS.

From the COMMITTEE to the ACTING-GOVERNOR.

SIR,—

Suva, 26th January, 1928.

During the session of the Legislative Council held in October last, His Excellency the Governor, Sir Eyre Hutson, K.C.M.G., gave to the Council an undertaking that before any further expenditure other than the ordinary maintenance expenditure was incurred at Makogai he would appoint a Committee to go fully into the whole question of the finances of the institution, and particularly in regard to the arrangements existing with other Administrations for the admission of lepers to Makogai.

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