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# REPORT

OF THE

## CHIEF PROTECTOR OF ABORIGINALS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1913.



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# REPORT.

Aboriginals Department, Adelaide, September 18th, 1913.

Sir—I have the honor to submit my report on the working of the Aboriginals Department for the financial year ended June 30th, 1913.

During the year a few more neglected half-caste children have been removed from the blacks' camps and placed under the care of the State Children Department. They, and those previously taken, are doing well and rapidly learning civilised habits and manners.

The aborigines who used to infest the city and suburbs have all been removed and placed on Point McLeay, where they are kept and provided for under the Act. They are quite happy there and behave themselves well.

## POPULATION.

On June 30th, 1912, the estimated aboriginal population was—

Blacks.....	4,000
Half-castes .....	836
Total.....	<u>4,836</u>

*The Births and Deaths for Year ended June 30th, 1913.*

Reported—

Births .....	Full-bloods, 20 ; half-castes, 30 ; total, 50.
Deaths .....	Full-bloods, 48 ; half-castes, 11 ; total, 59.

## MISSION STATIONS.

Name of Station.	Number of Blacks in District.	Number of Half-castes in District.	Total.	Number of Children.	Births.	Deaths.	Cost of Station to the Department (including Grants-in-aid).
Point McLeay .....	67	301	368	136	9	6	£ 2,158 0 0
Point Pierce .....	17	165	182	83	4	1	15 0 0
Killalpaninna .....	115	14	129	23	3	3	160 0 0
Koonibba .....	81	47	128	43	2	1	231 0 0
Total .....	280	527	807	285	18	11	£2,564 0 0

The financial returns from these stations show—

	£	s.	d.
Voluntary subscriptions .....	1,539	11	11
Proceeds of produce sold (including stores) ....	8,579	17	8
Wages paid to aborigines.....	3,376	11	8

#### CRIME RECORD FOR YEAR.

The number of aborigines convicted for the year was—

For Drunkenness .....	20
“ Vagrancy .....	4
“ Riotous and indecent behaviour .....	3
“ Assaults, common .....	2
“ Lunacy .....	2
“ Larceny .....	2
Total .....	<u>33</u>

The number of persons convicted for supplying liquor to aborigines was six.

The amount voted by Parliament for the year was £7,750, and the amount expended was—

	£	s.	d.
Rations, blankets, clothing, &c.....	2,667	15	7
Grant-in-aid to Aborigines Friends Association....	1,000	0	0
Repairs buildings, Aborigines Friends Association	35	0	0
Salaries.....	400	5	7
Medical attendance and medicines.....	172	9	6
Burials of aborigines.....	34	19	6
Transport and agency charges .....	598	8	0
Telephone charges .....	5	3	7
Postage stamps and telegrams .....	13	0	0
Printing and stationery.....	19	16	8
Donation to Adelaide Hospital.....	10	10	0
Clerical services in Protector's Office, Port Augusta	12	0	0
Cost of boats and guns for aboriginals, and repairs	70	2	6
Firewood for old, sick, and infirm aboriginals ....	12	2	0
Sundries and travelling expenses .....	55	0	0
Rent paid for land for Point McLeay Mission.....	43	12	0
Law costs .....	0	10	0
Meals and beds supplied to sick and destitute aborigines and neglected half-caste and quadroon children.....	47	7	6
Loans to aboriginals (secured by bill of sale).....	35	0	0
Balance to revenue.....	2,516	17	7
	<u>£7,750</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

The amount of recoup to revenue was £477 18s. 1d.

**ABORIGINAL POPULATION OF THE AUSTRALIAN STATES AND  
EXPENDITURE.**

Name of State.	Full-blooded Aborigines.	Half-caste Aborigines.	Total.	Expenditure per head, 1912.
				£ s. d.
New South Wales . . . . .	1,917	5,117	7,034	3 7 8
Queensland . . . . .	20,000	2,000	22,000	1 0 0
South Australia . . . . .	4,000	820	4,820	1 3 10½
Victoria . . . . .	133	136	269	14 18 10½
Western Australia . . . . .	32,000	1,475	33,475	1 1 4

**QUANTITIES OF STORES SUPPLIED TO POINT MCLEAY MISSION FOR  
YEARS 1912-13**

Year.	Flour.	Sugar.	Tea.	Rice.	Tobacco.	Soap.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1912 . . . . .	36,450	3,760	1,128	1,792	190	1,232
1913 . . . . .	52,350	7,420	1,856	2,128	293	3,024

Year.	Sago.	Blankets.	Shirts.	Dress Stuff.	Toma- hawks.	Netting Twine.
	lbs.	No.	No.	Yards.	No.	lbs.
1912 . . . . .	420	340	60	400	12	40
1913 . . . . .	784	340	48	240	12	71

The above shows a very large increase in consumption of stores at the Point McLeay Mission Station. This is probably owing to the fact that so little is now produced there, consequently the Superintendent has to depend much more largely on Government stores.

**NORTHERN TERRITORY.**

The usual supplies of stores have been sent by me to depots south of Powell's Creek, costing the Commonwealth Government over £1,000.

I have, &c.,

W. G. SOUTH, Chief Protector of Aborigines.

The Hon. Commissioner of Public Works, Adelaide.