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Medical Department,

Seychelles, 30th April, 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit, for the information of His Excellency the Governor and for transmission to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State, the Medical Report on the health and sanitary condition of Seychelles for the Year 1923, together with the Returns, &c., appended thereto.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

JOHN THOS: BRADLEY,

Chief Medical Officer.

To the Clerk to Governor.

Victoria.

COLONY OF SEYCHELLES.

Annual Medical Report for the year ending 31st December, 1923.

SECTION I—ADMINISTRATIVE.

A.—Staff.

The establishment for 1923 as sanctioned in the Estimates was as follows:

European.

Chief Medical Officer.
1 Assistant Medical Officer.
1 Matron Maternity Home.
4 Hospital Nurses (Order of St Joseph de Cluny).

Asiatic.

1 Assistant Medical Officer.

Attendants and Nurses appointed from Colony.

Maternity Home.

1 Nurse, 2 Probationers, 10 District Nurses, 1 Ward Maid, 1 Servant, 1 Cook, 1 Washerwoman, 1 Night Attendant, 1 Resident Messenger.

Victoria Hospital.

1 Dispenser and Chief Clerk, 1 Assistant Dispenser and Second Clerk, 1 Male Attendant, 1 Night Attendant, 1 Assistant Male Attendant, 1 Female Attendant, 1 Night Female Attendant, 1 Cook, 1 Cook's mate, 1 Washerwoman, 1 Maid Servant, 1 Messenger.

Fiennes Institute.

Master of Fiennes Institute, 1 Nurse in Charge, 1 Cook, 1 Male Attendant, 1 Night Male Attendant, 1 Assistant Male Attendant, 1 Female Attendant, 1 Boy Messenger.

Leper Camp.

1 Guardian, 1 Dresser, (1 Cook, 1 Washerman—appointed from Lepers in Camp).

Anse Royale Lunatic Asylum.

1 Head Male Attendant, 2 Assistant Male Attendants, 1 Head Female Attendant, 2 Assistant Female Attendants, 1 Cook.

Quarantine and Public Health.

1 Sanitary Inspector, 2 Assistant Sanitary Inspectors, 1 Labourer and rat catcher, 1 Keeper Quarantine Station.

Shortage in Establishment.

1 Medical Officer.

During the year the Chief Medical Officer was promoted to Principal Medical Officer Hong-Kong and left to take his appointment on the 3rd February 1924, the Senior Assistant Medical Officer was promoted Chief Medical Officer of the Colony, this left two vacancies in the medical staff which will be filled up early in 1924.

B.—Financial.

Estimated expenditure for the Year 1923 was Rs 86,578 this amount comprises Personal Emoluments and Other Charges.

	Rs.
Maternity Home estimated cost in 1923	8,641
Fiennes Institute	15,949
Leper Camp	2,828
Anse Royale Lunatic Asylum	8,020
Quarantine and Public Health	4,410
The balance of expenditure was comprised under Personal Emoluments to Medical Officers, Upkeep and Salaries of Staff Victoria Hospital, Cost of Drugs and Instruments, Dieting, Uniform, &c., amounting to	46,730
	<hr/> 86,578 <hr/>

SECTION II.—PUBLIC HEALTH.

Vital Statistics.

The annexed table III gives the number of births and deaths during the year; the population is composed of whites of European descent, creoles, and liberated Africans; the estimated population of the Colony on 31st December was 25,700, and the birth rate was 30.62 per 1000 and the death rate 11.79 per 1000.

There were no infectious or contagious diseases treated during the year.

I would point out that the excellent work carried out by the Rockefeller Institution in combating the hookworm infection should not be allowed to lapse. Over 80 o/o of the population is heavily infected, with the increase of staff in 1924, as far as local means will permit the campaign will be continued. The same remark applies to Leprosy, when the campaign will be commenced on modern lines as soon as the necessary injections arrive from England. Compared with other tropical places the Colony compares favourably, the death rate is low, there is no malaria, at times sporadic chicken pox occurs, and with the exception of Leprosy, amebic dysentery and an odd case of Beri-beri from the outlying islands, most tropical diseases are unknown.

Syphilis is prevalent and Gonorrhœa is common, and these two diseases coupled with ankylostomiasis are responsible for most of the ills of the community. The usual parasites of the nematoda, such as *Ascaries*, *Tricocephalus Dispar*, *Filariasis Strongylus* and *Oxyuris* are quite common.

B.—General Remarks.

The total number of cases treated at the Victoria Hospital for the year 1923 was 592 as against 591 treated in 1922.

There are few European Officials in the Colony, except for a few of the higher administrative posts, all the Civil Service Officials are recruited locally.

There is a large staff of Europeans employed by the Eastern Telegraph Co., all these Europeans as well as the Government Officials enjoyed good health during the year.

There were no invalidings or Medical Boards held during the year, and no deaths occurred in the European Community.

Housing of Officials.—There is a shortage of decent houses for the European Government Officials, and this shortage will be accentuated in future, as the Eastern Telegraph Co., are increasing their married staff, and purchasing locally the better class of houses.

SECTION III.—SANITATION.

An active campaign is proceeding under Ord. 9 of 1917 by the Sanitary Inspectors to see that all houses are provided with latrines, and to prevent the depositing of excreta in any place except in the pit latrines provided.

House to house inspection is made and pits that are filled up to 18" of the surface must be redug. This Ordinance was passed in 1917 to prevent the spread of Ankylostomiasis.

In Victoria the Scavenging is carried out by the Public Works Department; buckets are removed nightly and the contents are buried in trenches.

The infection of hookworm in Victoria is much lighter than in the country district, this is due to the system of removal of excreta, so that there is little infection or contamination of latrines, all of which have concrete floors.

The general sanitary condition of the town was good during the year, the supply of pipe borne water was abundant, and water coming off granite from the hills was of excellent quality.

No new legislation was made during the year with reference to Sanitation, but the disposal of refuse and excreta in the town of Victoria is under review, as the present system of trenching same is open to objection, especially as the excreta has to be cart borne for several miles.

There is a Sanitary Board presided over by the Chief Medical Officer and a Town Board presided over by the Supt of Public Works—both these bodies are responsible for the sanitation and scavenging of the town.

Drainage.

The system employed is that of open drains for surface waters, with cement sides and bottom.

IV.—METEOROLOGY

(Statistics thereon see Table V attached.)

V.—HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARIES.

There is a Public Dispensary for pauper patients attached to the Victoria Hospital and 3,603 patients were seen during the year, there is a slight increase compared with 1922 when 3,588 were treated. In addition 254 free patients were treated at Anse Royale Dispensary, and 727 at Praslin Dispensary making a total for the colony of 4,584 pauper patients for the year.

Victoria Hospital:—The present building which is old and insanitary, is not suitable for a hospital. A new hospital is under construction and when finished will be a hospital with every modern requirement. There will be a small laboratory with culture room, a dental room, a modern operating theatre, and probably a small X-ray installation.

The wards will be large and airy, there will be one wing set apart for Maternity work. At present the Maternity Home is lodged in an old wooden building, eaten by white ants, and although it has done useful work, it requires a separate staff. Under the new scheme, all hospital work will be grouped under one building leading to efficiency, as with one central department there is better control and more efficient administration, in addition the upkeep of one central hospital will be much less as one staff can run the whole institution.

In table VII there is a return of patients treated at the Dispensary and hospital of Victoria.

Vaccination.

The lymph supplied was of good quality and the result were as follows:—

Successful 1st time	...	...	425
„ 2nd time	...	...	9
„ 3rd time	...	...	32
Unsuccessful	..	...	Nil
Total			436

Anse Royale Dispensaries.

Successful 1st time	...	...	146
„ 2nd time	...	...	4
Unsuccessful	...	...	Nil
Total			150

Praslin and Ladigue.

Successfully vaccinated	...	..	154
Unsuccessfully	...	...	12
Total			166

Maternity Home

The institution did good work during the year; 208 patients were admitted, there were 134 babies born of which there were 3 twin births. There was one case of eclampsia during the year and anaesthetics were only given twice. There were six deaths in the Home during the year.

Dispensary of Praslin and La Digue.

The Assistant Medical Officer in charge of these islands report that the health of the district was satisfactory, and no epidemic or infectious diseases were noted during the year.

The population of Praslin is estimated at 1,999
That of La Digue " " 1,303

Total population of these islands is 3,302, compared with 1922; there is an estimated increase of 242 people.

The death rate was low 10.15 per mille and the birth rate was 34.7 per mille.

In Praslin and La Digue there were 36 deaths during the year; there was one case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 2 of Pneumonia.

Dispensary of South Mahé (Anse Royale).

The health of the district was very good during the year, there were no infectious diseases, the birth rate was 31.97 per mille and the death rate was exceedingly low 6.74 per mille, the still-birth rate was 1.96 per mille, and the marriage rate 5.22 per mille.

There were only 31 deaths in the district during the year of which 17 were deaths of children under 5 years, and 7 deaths of people over 80 years. The principal cause of death during the year were Syphilis 3, debilitated children 11 and senile decay 5.

LUNATIC ASYLUM SOUTH MAHÉ.

Asylum expenditure in 1923.

				Rs	¢.
Maintenance	...	...	...	...	5,223.01
Upkeep	...	...	...	...	136.90
			Total Expenditure	...	5,359.91
Less amount paid by paying patients	...	...	...	...	567.60
					4,792.31
Salaries of Attendants and Cook	...	...	...	...	2,760.00
			Total cost of Asylum for 1923	...	7,552.31
The total amount voted for upkeep of Asylum was	...	...	...	...	8,554.00
Balance in favour 31st December 1923	...	...	...	...	1,001.69

TABLE SHOWING THE ADMISSIONS, RE-ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES
AND DEATHS DURING THE YEAR ENDING
31st DECEMBER 1923.

	Males	Females	Total.	Males	Females	Total.
In Asylum 1st January including those out on trial	13	11	24	...	...	...
<i>Cases admitted during 1923.</i>						
First admission	6	...	6	...	...	...
Not first admission	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total cases under care during the year	19	11	30	19	11	30
<i>Cases discharged during 1923.</i>						
Recovered	...	...	...	...	...	...
Relieved	3	...	3	...	...	...
Not improved	...	...	...	...	...	...
Died	1	1	2	...	...	...
Total cases discharged and died during the year	4	1	5	4	1	5
<i>Remaining in Asylum.</i>						
31st December 1923, including those out on trial	...	...	...	15	10	25

I have attached to this report under Appendix A. tables showing the admissions, discharges deaths for each year from the opening of the Asylum 13th March 1906.

Under Appendix B. tables showing condition as to Marriage, probable cause of Insanity, Mental Diseases and occupation of patients for the year 1923.

Under Appendix C. table showing the number of patients for each month in Asylum, their cost and amount contributed by paying patients towards maintenance for 1923.

Leper Camp, Round Island.

Formerly the Leper Camp was situated on a little island close to Praslin, but three years ago it was removed to Round Island situated in Victoria Harbour about two miles from the mainland. The lepers are each provided with a wooden hut, and they are better housed and fed than people of their condition in civil life. There are at present 14 lepers in the Camp all males, each provided with his own small house, there is a guardian in charge and a dresser is also attached to the Camp. The supply of rations is good, and a Medical Officer visits the Camp at least once a week, oftener if necessary.

I estimate that there are about 4 lepers in the Colony, there is no law for compulsory segregation except in case of convict vagrant and pauper lepers (Ord. 12 of 1896).

Lepers are prohibited from taking part in occupations that would directly or indirectly bring them into contact with food or drink intended for others. (Ord. 12 of 1922). The main Ordinance No. 1 of 1909 gives power to segregate pauper lepers and lepers of well-to-do families on a responsible person signing an agreement to look after them and see that they carry out the restrictions laid down by law. We have 25 lepers segregated and looked after by their next of kin, they are visited from time to time by the Sanitary Officers and if they do not comply with the regulations there is power to intern them in the Leper Camp.

The upkeep of the Leper Camp for 1923 was Rs 3,397.95.

Piennes Institute Pauper Camp.

This home for the old people is situated at Plaisance in the suburbs of the town of Victoria. The building is under the charge of the First Assistant Medical Officer who visits at least three times a week.

The daily average of these old people was about 82, there were 35 deaths during the year, the bulk of deaths were due to Senile decay. The upkeep of the institution for the year cost Rs 16,360.

I have attached a table showing the number of patients for each month of the year and deaths in each month.

Month.	No. of inmates.	deaths.
January	80	4
February	78	1
March	83	1
April	84	1
May	82	2
June	84	1
July	88	3
August	90	2
September	97	1
October	103	3
November	95	5
December	93	5

Victoria Prison.

The sanitary condition was good, no epidemic or contagious diseases were prevalent, 16 males and 2 females prisoners were admitted to Victoria hospital during the year.

No improvements were carried out in the prison during the year and the number of prisoners show a considerable decrease compared to former years.

JOHN THOS : BRADLEY,
Chief Medical Officer.

30th April, 1924.

TABLE I.

RETURN SHOWING THE MEDICAL STAFF AND THE PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OF THE SUBORDINATE STAFF.

Name and Qualifications.	Rank of Appointment.	Where stationed on 31st December, 1923.	Remarks.
J. B. Addison, M.B.E., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.	Chief Medical Officer.	Victoria	Promoted to P. M. O., Hong-Kong, June 1923.
J. T. Bradley, M.D. (Brx.) L.R.C.P. & L.R.C.S. (Edin.)	Assistant Medical Officer.	Victoria	Promoted to C. M. O., August 1923.
N. Phani, M.B. Calcutta ...	Assistant Medical Officer.	Praslin.	
J. E. Houareau ...	Dispenser.	Victoria.	
E. Mathiot ...	Assistant Dispenser.	Victoria	
Sister Lucy ...	Matron Victoria Hospital.	Victoria	
Sister Yvonne ...	Nurse do. ...	Victoria	
Sister Laure ...	do do. ...	Victoria	
Sister Herbert ...	do do. ...	Victoria	
L. J. Henson ...	Nursing Supt. Maternity Home.	Victoria	
F. Westergreen ..	Sanitary Inspector.	Victoria.	
T. Horner ..	Master Fiennes Institute.	Plaisance	
M. Savy ...	Nurse.	Plaisance	
L. Appasamy ...	Guardian Round Island.	Round Island, Mahé	
E. St Ange ...	Head Male Attendant, Lunatic Asylum.	Anse Royale, South Mahé.	
Mrs F. Hoarau ..	Head Female Attendant, Lunatic Asylum.	Anse Royale, South Mahé.	

TABLE II.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Estimated Population on 31st December 1922. ..	12,303	12,873	25,176
Births during 1923 ...	389	382	771
Arrival during 1923 ...	191	113	304
Decrease by deaths ..	147	150	297
Decrease by departures ...	165	89	254
Estimated population on 31st December 1923 ..	12,571	13,129	25,700
Net increase during 1923 ..	268	256	524

Births rate during 1923 per thousand 30.62
 Death rate " " " " 11.79

TABLE III.

AGES AT WHICH DEATH HAS OCCURRED.

Under 1 year		1 to 5 years		6 to 70 years		71 to 100 years		Over 100 years.		Total	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
18	18	18	23	78	64	40	45	...	...	149	150
36		36		142		85				299	

TABLE IV.

SUMMARY OF ROUTINE SANITARY WORK DONE
DURING THE YEAR IN THE TOWN.

Victoria.

	Approximate area	Number of proclaimed open spaces
1923	1 sq. mile.	3

Population.

	Number of Natives.		Number of Europeans		Total.
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
1923	2,114	2,508	177	214	5,013

Housing.

Number of houses	Number occupied by Europeans	Number occupied by Natives.
1923		
884	140	744

Number of Huts :—10.

Erection of new buildings during the year.

	1923
Number of houses built without sanction	Nil
Number of huts built without sanction	"

Action taken.

	Number of prosecution		
	Huts	Houses	
	1923	Nil	Nil

Latrines.

	1923	For males		For females	
		Number	Number of seats	Number	Number of seats.
Number of Public latrines..
7	...	6	13	1	4
Number of new Public latrines erected during the year
3	...	2	5	1	4

	1923
Number of private latrines	503
Average number of pails of night soil removed daily	150
Average number of soiled pails removed and clean pails substituted	150
Number of night soil men employed to clean latrines and remove excreta	11
Number of cesspools	Nil
Number of cesspools cleansed	do
Number of new cesspools constructed during the year	do
Number of old cesspools abolished	do

REMOVAL OF REFUSE.

	1923
Number of dustbins	44
Number of carts at work daily to remove refuse from streets ...	2
Amount of refuse removed daily (cart loads) ...	12
Number of carts at work daily to remove refuse from yards and premises ...	...
Amount of refuse removed daily from yards and premises ...	...
Number of men employed for removing refuse ...	...

MODE OF DISPOSAL OF EXCRETA, REFUSE AND OFFAL.

	Daily average number of pails of excreta.	Daily average number of cart loads of refuse.	Daily average number of cartloads of Slaughter House and Market offal.
	1923	1923	1923
Buried ..	60	12	..
Burnt ...	..	...	...
Thrown into sea ...	...	...	$\frac{1}{4}$

AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF CARTLOADS OF TIN CANS, BOTTLES BROKEN
CROCKERY AND OTHER INCOMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS REMOVED FROM
HOUSES, HUTS AND COMPOUNDS.

1923.

[NIL].

WATER SUPPLY.

Nature of Water Supply.	1923
Pipe-Borne water :—	
River :—	
Number of stand pipes along roads	12
Number of stand pipes in compounds and houses	232
Wells—Public :—	
Number ...	Nil
Number with pumps protected against surface water and mosquito-Protected	"
Private :—	
Number ...	2
Number protected against surface water and mosquito-protected	Nil
Tanks—Public :—	
Number mosquito-protected and served by pumps	"
Number above ground	2
Number mosquito-protected ...	1
Private :—	
Number mosquito-protected and served by pumps	Nil
Number above ground	"
Number mosquito-protected ...	"
Nature of tanks :—	
Wood ...	"
Iron ...	"
Concrete ...	2
Barrels :—	
Number	Nil
Number mosquito-protected ...	"

DRAINAGE.

Nature of drainage.	Public.	Private.
Masonry drains		
Lineal yards of masonry drains		
1923		
Lineal yards reconstructed during the year		
1923		
Lineal yards repaired during the year		
1923		
Lineal yards of new drains reconstructed during the year. 1923		
Earth drains or ditches.	Surface drainage in Victoria only drains cemented and open	
Number of lineal yards of ditches cleaned in		
1923		
Number of lineal yards of ditches dug and graded in 1923		
Average frequency of clearing ditches of grass in 1923		

TABLE V.
Meteorological Returns for 1923.

1923 Months	Temperature							Rainfall		Winds		Remarks
	Barometer	Solar Maximum	Minimum on grass	Shade Maximum	Shade Minimum	Range	Mean	Amount in Inches	Depth of Humidity	Directions of Wind	Average force	
January	30.090	98.		80.6	75.6	5.6	78.1	19.39		NW.	6.7	
February	30.067	104.		83.5	77.5	6.0	80.5	14.29		NW.	5.8	
March	30.102	116.		83.4	77.0	6.4	80.2	12.15		NW.	3.9	
April	30.060	105.		84.9	78.3	6.5	81.5	9.07		NW.	5.7	
May	30.062	87.		84.0	78.0	6.0	81.0	8.17		NW.	4.1	
June	30.146	85.		80.9	77.2	3.7	79.0	4.47		SE.	7.8	
July	30.136	81.		79.6	76.3	3.3	77.9	0.48		SE.	13.4	
August	30.146	81.		77.3	77.2	0.1	77.2	4.37		SE.	16.3	
September	30.118	81.		81.0	76.3	4.7	78.6	6.93		SE.	13.5	
October	30.110	91.		80.7	76.8	3.9	78.7	15.35		SE.	8.6	
November	30.118	86.		81.6	76.0	5.6	78.8	8.85		SE.	5.5	
December	30.034	83.		82.2	77.4	4.8	79.8	9.30		NW.	6.7	

TABLE VI.
(I)
Return of Diseases and Deaths in 1923 at the Victoria Hospital.

Diseases.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1922.	Yearly Total.		Total Cases Treated.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1923.	Remarks.
		Admissions	Deaths			
INFECTIVE DISEASES						
Beriberi	1	...	1	...	
Dysentery	13	...	13	...	
Influenza	26	...	26	...	
Malaria	3	...	3	...	
Septicæmia	1	1	1	...	
Tuberculosis	4	...	4	1	
Tetanus	2	2	2	...	
Venereal Diseases	33	...	33	...	
Chancere	1	1	...	2	...	
Erysipelas	1	...	1	...	
Gonorrhœa	2	...	3	...	
Pneumonia	1	...	1	...	
" Bronchial	3	2	3	..	
Phthisis	1	...	1	...	
Syphilis	3	13	..	16	1	
Rat bite	1	...	1	1	
GENERAL DISEASES.						
Anæmia	2	...	2	...	
Debility	6	...	6	...	
Diabetes	1	...	...	1	...	
Febricula	1	...	1	...	
Senile Decay	15	6	15	...	
DISEASE OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.						
Convulsions	1	...	1	...	
Epilepsy	3	...	3	...	
Headache	2	...	2	...	
Hæmiplegia	1	...	1	...	
Lunacy	1	...	1	...	
Mania	1	...	1	...	
Meningitis	2	2	2	...	
Neurosis	1	...	1	...	
Neurasthenia	1	...	1	...	
Paralysis	6	...	6	...	
Paraplegia	2	...	2	1	
DISEASE OF THE EYE.						
Conjunctivitis	4	...	4	...	
Iritis	1	...	1	...	
Eye bow suppurating	1	...	1	...	
Keratitis	1	...	1	...	
DISEASE OF THE EAR.						
Aural discharge	1	...	1	...	
Carried forward	5	159	13	164	4	

Return of Diseases and Deaths in 1923 at the Victoria Hospital.

Diseases.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1922.	Yearly Total.		Total Cases Treated	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1923.	Remarks.
		Admissions.	Deaths.			
Brought forward	5	159	13	164	4	
DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.						
Aneurysm Aortic	...	1	...	1	...	
„ Femoral	...	1	...	1	...	
Cerebral hæmorrhage	...	6	...	6	...	
Endocarditis	...	1	...	1	1	
Heart Disease	...	5	2	5	1	
Hæmoptysis	...	3	...	3	...	
Syncope	...	2	...	2	...	
DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.						
Asthma	...	24	...	24	1	
Abscess Lung	...	1	...	1	...	
Bronchitis	...	18	1	18	...	
Catarrh	...	2	...	2	...	
Pleurisy	...	3	1	3	...	
DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.						
Ascites	...	4	...	4	...	
Appendicitis	...	2	...	2	...	
Colic	...	2	...	2	...	
Colitis	...	1	...	1	...	
Constipation	...	8	...	8	...	
Diarrhoe	...	5	...	5	...	
Dyspepsia	...	7	...	7	...	
Gastritis	...	2	...	2	...	
Hepatitis	...	13	...	13	...	
Hernia	...	1	9	10	...	
„ Strangulated	...	3	...	3	...	
Hæmatemesis	...	1	...	1	...	
Hæmorrhoids	...	3	...	3	...	
Jaundice	...	1	...	1	...	
Obstruction intestinal	...	1	1	1	...	
Tumour Abdominal	...	6	...	6	...	
New Growth in abdomen	...	5	...	5	1	
DISEASES OF THE LYMPHATIC SYSTEM.						
Adenitis	...	1	...	1	...	
Bubo	...	1	18	19	1	
Glands Enlarged	...	1	...	1	...	
Lumbago	...	2	...	2	...	
Lymphangitis	...	1	...	1	...	
DISEASES OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.						
Bright's Disease	...	1	...	1	...	
Cystitis	...	1	...	1	...	
Hæmaturia	...	1	...	1	...	
Retention of Urine	...	2	6	8	...	
Nephritis	...	2	...	2	...	
Uræmia	...	1	1	1	...	
Carried forward	11	332	19	343	9	

(III).

Return of Diseases and Deaths in 1923 at the Victoria Hospital.

Diseases.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1922.	Yearly Total.		Total Cases Treated.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1923.	Remarks.
		Admissions	Deaths			
Brought forward	11	332	19	343	9	
DISEASES OF THE GENERATIVE SYSTEM						
MALE ORGANS.						
Circumcision	2	...	2	...	
Fistula	1	...	1	...	
Gumma Testicle	1	...	1	...	
Hydrocele	2	...	2	...	
Orchitis	2	...	2	...	
Paraphimosis	2	...	2	...	
Stricture of Urethra	6	...	6	...	
Urethral Caruncle	1	...	1	...	
FEMALE ORGANS.						
Fibroid	4	...	4	...	
Ovaritis	1	...	1	...	
Vaginitis	1	...	1	...	
Abscess of Breast	2	...	2	...	
Carcinoma of Breast	1	...	1	...	
New Growth in breast	1	...	1	...	
DISEASES OF THE JOINT AND LOCOMOTION.						
Rheumatism	19	...	21	1	
Arthritis	2	...	2	...	
Sciatica	2	...	2	...	
Gon. Rheumatism	1	...	1	...	
Osteitis	1	...	1	...	
Periostitis	1	...	1	...	
DISEASES OF THE CONNECTIVE TISSUE.						
Abscess	39	...	40	...	
" Abdominal	3	1	3	...	
" Lumbar	1	...	1	...	
" Mastoid	1	...	1	...	
" Perineal	1	...	1	...	
" Popliteal	1	...	1	1	
Carcinoma	6	1	6	...	
Gangrene	1	...	1	...	
" of Lung	1	1	1	...	
Septic Hand	6	...	6	...	
" Foot	12	...	12	...	
" Toe	2	...	2	...	
Ulcers	22	...	22	2	
VARIOUS INJURIES.						
Bite	1	...	1	...	
Burns	3	...	5	1	
Bruises	22	...	23	...	
Contusion	3	...	3	...	
Dislocation thumb	1	...	1	...	
" femur	1	...	1	...	
Injury to lip	1	...	1	...	
" to elbow	1	...	1	...	
Carried forward	18	513	22	531	14	

(IV).

Return of Diseases and Deaths in 1923 at the Victoria Hospital.

Diseases.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1922.	Yearly Total.		Total Cases Treated.	Remaining in Hospital at end of 1923.	Remarks.
		Admissions	Deaths			
Brought forward	... 18	513	22	531	14	
VARIOUS INJURIES.—(Contd).						
Injury to leg	1	..	1	...	
„ to knee	1	..	1	1	
„ to Sternum	...	1	..	1	...	
Sprain	3	..	3	...	
Wounds various	...	35	..	35	2	
FRACTURES.						
Clavicle	1	..	1	...	
Radius	2	..	2	...	
Double colles	2	..	2	...	
Spine	1	1	1	...	
Rib	2	..	2	...	
Tibia	1	..	1	...	
DISEASE OF THE SKIN.						
Carbuncle	1	..	1	...	
Epithelioma	1	..	1	...	
Eczema	4	..	4	...	
Scabies	1	..	1	...	
PARASITES.						
Jiggers	1	...	
MISCELLANEOUS.						
Nil	1	..	1	...	
Malingering	2	..	2	..	
Total	... 19	573	23	592	17	

RETURN OF PATIENTS TREATED AT THE DISPENSARIES.

Months.	Victoria Hospital.		Anse Royale.		Praslin.		Total.
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M. & F.
January	97	165	5	8	...	...	275
February	123	195	14	21	...	...	353
March	95	226	7	19	33	50	430
April	91	218	5	19	32	39	404
May	78	186	6	23	20	31	314
June	96	219	7	16	10	26	374
July	84	233	8	16	13	24	378
August	86	178	4	10	16	68	362
September	82	153	4	11	40	82	372
October	105	225	7	13	34	44	428
November	127	262	2	11	33	54	489
December	72	207	7	11	22	56	375
	1,136	2,467	76	178	253	474	4,584

RESULT OF CASES TREATED AT THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

Sexes.	Remaining in Hospital at the end of 1922.	Admitted during 1923.	Total treated.	Cured.	Relieved.	Unrelieved.	Died.	Remaining at the end of the year.	Total.
Males	17	418	435	391	9	9	13	13	435
Females	2	155	157	135	3	5	10	4	157
Total	19	573	592	526	12	14	23	17	592

APPENDIX A.—1923.

TABLES SHOWING THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, DEATHS FOR EACH YEAR
FROM THE OPENING OF THE ASYLUM 13th MARCH 1906.

Years	Admitted.			Discharged.									Died.			Remaining in Asylum includ- ing those out on trial 31st Dec. each year			Remarks
				Recovered.			Relieved.			Not improved.									
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	
1906	2	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	2	3	
1907	3	3	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	5	9	
1908	7	1	8	2	...	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	3	1	4	5	5	10	
1909	12	2	14	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	7	20	
1910	3	3	6	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	13	9	22	
1911	4	3	7	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	4	11	11	22	
1912	5	2	7	3	1	4	1	...	1	1	...	1	2	2	4	9	10	19	
1913	2	5	7	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	8	14	22	
1914	5	3	8	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	2	3	12	13	25	
1915	3	6	9	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	5	12	16	28	
1916	4	2	6	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	8	14	10	24	
1917	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	2	2	4	12	9	21	
1918	2	9	11	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	4	7	9	14	23	
1919	6	...	6	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	13	10	23	
1920	4	3	7	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	2	4	10	10	20	
1921	5	5	10	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	2	3	13	9	22	
1922	4	5	9	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	6	13	11	24	
1923	6	...	6	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	1	1	2	15	10	25	

TABLE SHOWING CONDITION AS TO MARRIAGE, PROBABLE CAUSES OF INSANITY, MENTAL DISEASE AND OCCUPATION
OF PATIENTS FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Condition in reference to Marriage	Males.	Females.	Total.	Probable Cause of Insanity.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Form of Mental Disease.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Occupation.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Married	3	5	8	<i>Moral.</i>				<i>Congenital or Infantile Mental.</i>	1	...	1	Clerk	1	...	1
Single	11	5	16	Domestic trouble	...	1	1	(a) with Epilepsy	...	...	...	Labourer	13	...	13
Widow	Adverse circumstances	...	1	1	(v) without Epilepsy	1	...	1	Planter	1	...	1
Widower	1	...	1	Mental anxiety and worry	...	...	...	Epilepsy acquired	...	...	...	Sailor	...	...	...
Unknown	Religious excitement	...	...	...	General paralysis of the Insane	...	...	...	Carpenter	...	...	...
	Love affairs	...	...	...	<i>Mania.</i>	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Fright and nervous shock	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	<i>Physical.</i>				Acute	...	3	3	Overseer	...	...	...
	Intemperance in drink	2	...	2	Chronic	9	5	14	Proprietor	...	...	...
	" sexual	...	...	...	Recurrent	1	...	1		...	...	...
	Veneral disease	...	...	...	A. potu	...	...	...	Merchant	...	...	...
	Self abusive sexual	5	4	9	Puerpural	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Over exertion	2	...	2	Senile	...	...	...	Mason	...	...	...
	Stroke	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	Accident or Injury	...	...	...	<i>Melancholia.</i>	...	...	...	Nurse	...	...	...
	Pregnancy	...	...	...	Acute	...	2	2	Cook	...	...	...
	Parturition and the puerpural state	...	...	...	Chronic	...	1	1	Seamstress	...	...	...
	Lactation	...	...	...	Recurrent	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Uterine and ovarian disorders	...	...	...	Puerpural	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Puberty	...	1	1	Senile	...	...	...	Washerwoman	...	3	3
	Change of life	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	Fever	...	...	...	<i>Dementia.</i>	...	...	...	Tailor	...	...	...
	Privation and starvation	...	...	...	Primary	1	...	1		...	...	...
	Old age	...	...	...	Secondary	...	...	...	Barber	...	...	...
	Other bodily disease and disorders	...	...	...	Senile	...	...	...	Unknown	...	7	7
	Previous attack	...	2	2	Organic (Coarse Brain, Disease etc.)	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Hereditary influences	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	Congenital defect	...	...	...	<i>Not insane.</i>	...	...	...		...	...	...
	Other ascertained causes	...	2	2		...	...	...		...	...	...
	Unknown	...	...	...		...	...	...		...	...	...
	15	10	25		15	10	25		15	10	25		15	10	25

APPENDIX C.—1923.

TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS FOR EACH MONTH IN THE ASYLUM, THEIR COST AND THE AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED BY PAYING PATIENTS TOWARDS MAINTENANCE FOR 1923.

Month	No. of patients			Cost						Cost of Washing per month for a patient		No. of Pay- ing patients			Total amount contributed by paying patients		Class of paying patients		Remarks
	Males	Females	Total	Total daily	Per Head		Patient per month		Rupees	cents	Males	Females	Total	Rupees	cents	1st Class	2nd Class		
Rs	c.	Rs	c.	Rs	c.	Rs	c.	Rupees	cents	Males	Females	Total	Rupees	cents					
January ...	13	11	24	12	33	..	44	13	66	...	65	2	1	3	51	...	3		
February ...	12	11	23	12	41	...	46	12	87	...	56	2	1	3	37	29	...	3	
March ...	12	11	23	12	39	...	46	14	23	...	56	1	1	2	34	50	...	2	
April ...	12	11	23	12	81	...	47	13	50	...	58	1	1	2	34	...	...	2
May ...	14	11	25	13	20	...	45	14	10	...	66	2	1	3	57	21	1	2	
June ...	13	11	24	13	34	...	48	14	28	...	56	2	1	3	65	...	1	2	
July ...	14	10	24	12	98	...	45	13	87	...	62	2	1	3	66	50	1	2	
August ...	15	10	25	13	20	...	46	14	11	...	50	2	1	3	66	50	1	2	
September ...	14	10	24	12	77	...	44	13	21	...	49	2	1	3	52	60	1	2	
October ...	14	10	24	12	15	...	43	13	45	...	65	1	1	2	34	50	...	2	
November ...	14	10	24	12	55	...	45	13	44	...	53	1	1	2	34	2	
December ...	15	10	25	12	46	...	46	13	31	...	50	1	1	2	34	50	...	2	



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