

Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand Archives

List of files relating to leprosy

For Vanuatu (New Hebrides)

C/ Missions Committee Papers 1935 to 1948

GA0015 : Missions Committee 1935 - 1948; Series 2: Mission Superintendents/ Assistant Director of Missions/ Director of Missions Papers; 5. Outwards Correspondence – General 1942-1948 (Date(s): Jan 1942 to Dec 1948)

Item Description: This file contains General Foreign Missions correspondence sent by the Director of Missions. Topics of interest: discussion on leper work in the New Hebrides and correspondence with NZ Leper Trust Board (1944-1945); discussion of extension of educational and medical work in New Hebrides (1945); ... proposed leprosy survey in New Hebrides (1946); correspondence to New Hebrides Mission Synod Clerk; taking up of leper work in the New Hebrides by the Melanesian Mission (1946); ... difficulties of special mission appeals (1946).

Series Four: Subject Files; 9. New Hebrides Leper Survey & Lepers' Trust Board; Series Title: New Hebrides Leper Survey & NZ Lepers' Trust Board (Date(s): 1944 to 1948)

Item Description: This file contains correspondence relating to leprosy in the New Hebrides including work sponsored by the NZ Lepers' Trust Board. Included in this file are: Précis of correspondence relating to gift of £1,250 pounds by the NZ Lepers' Trust Board to the Missions Committee for leper work in the New Hebrides (1944); copy of script of Leper Board Secretary Mr P J Twomey's national radio broadcast on visit to the South Solomon Islands (c.1945); correspondence from the Resident New Hebrides British Commissioner, Mr R D Blandy; Leprosy survey of New Hebrides; leprosy survey progress reports prepared by Dr Jean Davies from South Santo, West Santo Coast, East Santo & Big Bay, Tanna, Futuna, Aneityum, Malekula, North Ambrym, Banks Island, Aoba, & Pentecost (1948-49)

D/ Overseas Missions Committee Papers 1949 to 1975

[Note from Archivist : The Overseas Missions Committee material has now been fully described to 1975. The headings on this page generally only cover material from 1949 up until c.1958-59 when a new filing system was begun. Apart from links to publications and Leper's Trust Board material, we shall not be adding additional information to this section, mainly due to protecting personal confidentiality. This manuscript material may be available for bona fide research purposes but under very stringent controls. General public perusal of this material will not be permitted under any circumstances. We will be happy to answer any queries regarding this material. NB - The Overseas Missions Committee Jan 1949 – Oct 1971 became The Committee on Mission Overseas Nov 1971 – Feb 1975]

Series Four: Subject Files ; New Hebrides Condominium – Anglo French Administration; Mission work in the New Hebrides (Addresses) ; New Hebrides Leper Survey & Lepers' Trust

Board; Provenance: Overseas Missions Committee; Group Title: Subject File; Series Title: New Hebrides Leper Survey & NZ Lepers' Trust Board (Date(s): 1949 to 1956)

Item Description: This file contains correspondence relating to leprosy in the New Hebrides including work sponsored by the NZ Lepers' Trust Board. Included in this file are:- Leprosy survey progress reports prepared by Dr Jean Davies from South Santo, West Santo Coast, East Santo & Big Bay, Tanna, Futuna, Aneityum, Aniwa, Malekula, North Ambrym, Banks Island, Aoba & Pentecost (1948-49); correspondence with the "Pacific Coral Sea Leper Medical Relief Fund" and Overseas Missions Committee desire to only support established leper trusts (1950); correspondence re the NZ Lepers' Trust Board supporting a hospital on Epi and inability of New Hebrides Condominium Government to assist financially (1956)

E./ Mission Related Published Material (1869 to 1901)

Personal Manuscript Papers; WALLS, Sr Mary Yvonne (Mrs G. Johnston) b 15.2.1930

Undertook Nursing training graduated in General Nursing, Maternity, Plunket and Tuberculosis patient care. Especially interested in leprosy. District Nurse. Missionary New Hebrides (Vanuatu); Appointed as Senior Sister (1st Matron) of Vaemali Hospital, Epi 1.8.1958 Left for New Hebrides via Sydney 21.11.1958 Resigned Sept. 1964 and returned to NZ 10.10.1964, after 6 years pioneering work, to marry Graeme Johnston, Radio Technician in the New Hebrides. Off Mission staff from 10.2.1965

Missions Committee: Director of Missions Papers; Inwards Correspondence - General (Rev DN MacDiarmid) (Jan 1947 to Dec 1948)

Description: This file contains general Foreign Missions correspondence received by the Director of Missions (Rev. DN MacDiarmid). Topics Include: ... leper survey of Melanesia (1947);

India

The Story of The Punjab Indian Mission 1907 to 1969

In 1913 the Mission took over leprosy work in the isolated district of Subathu. This required the attendance of one of our missionaries which contributed to stretching of staff resources to the limit during the First World War ... In 1922 this area was handed over to an adjoining Mission enabling the NZ Presbyterian Mission to consolidate its existing area.

McCOLL, Rev Duncan b 16.2.1873; Acting Supt Leper Asylum Sabathu India 1922, terminated 31.3.1924.

RIDDLE, Rev Douglas Milne, O.B.E., B.A. b. Jagadhri, India 27.1.1922; Miss in India 1949-69; President of the Leprosy Mission 1969-1979

HAMILTON, Miss Florence O'seas Worker - Nepal, Leprosy Control 1981-4

FINLAY, Miss K.M. Overseas Worker, Purulia Leprosy Hosp India 1982-4

Foreign Missions Committee: Meeting Papers & Reports; General Reports - Punjab Mission 1913 to 1917

This file contains annual departmental reports for the Punjab Mission. Topics Include: Subathu and Nahan Reports; Subathu Leprosy Asylum; itineration work; Jagadhri Hospital report and statistics; staffing work among women and girls; plague (1915); effect of war on mission work; ... official printed report, history and subscription list for the Subathu Leprosy Asylum (1916); ... public health and hygiene.

Punjab Indian Mission: Minutes & Agendas; Minute Books: Dec 1910 to Oct 1929

Description: contains handwritten minutes of meetings of the Punjab Mission Council. Topics Include : site for hospital (1910); staffing; ... income and expenditure; mission policy; correspondence; mission hospital plans; mission staff housing; taking over of Sabathu Station and Leprosy Asylum (1913); use of a "Cinematograph" on India (1914); opening of Jagadhri Hospital (1914); ... budgets; native workers and preachers salaries; bursaries and scholarships; withdrawal from Subathu (1923); ... offer from American Presbyterian Mission of Ambala and Saharanpur Districts (1923); approval of Kharar field (1923); ... dissent over medical work (1928).

Foreign Missions Committee: Mission Council Minutes; Punjab Mission Council Minutes Jan 1919 to Dec 1921

Description: This file contains the unbound copies of the minutes of Punjab Mission Council meetings together with occasional covering letters from the Council secretary to the Foreign Missions Secretary. Topics Include: finance estimates... proposal to quit Subathu Station and Leprosy Asylum (1919); ... staff and worker salaries (1919); staff and building requirements (1919); ... staff area allocations and responsibilities

Foreign Missions Committee: Meeting Papers & Reports; General Reports - Punjab Mission 1918 to 1921

Description: This file contains annual departmental reports for the Punjab Mission. Topics Include: ... reports of Nahan, Solan and Dagshai stations; Subathu Leprosy Asylum; ... medical statistics.

Foreign Missions Committee: Subject File; Punjab Mission - Journalistic Pieces 1911 to 1934

Description: This file contains numerous journalistic pieces, essays and published articles relating to the Punjab Mission. Articles Include: ... "Beginnings in India" (by AE Evans); ... "The Indian Punjab Hospital" (1911); "Opening of Mission Hospital" (1915); "The War and The Work" (1915); ... "Leprosy" (1919); .. "General Beginnings and Medical Beginnings" (1919); "Itineration" (1919); ... "Notes on Medical Nursing" (1921).

Foreign Missions Committee: Mission Council Minutes; Punjab Mission Council Minutes, Dec 1910 to Dec 1914

Description: This file contains unbound copies of the minutes of Punjab Mission Council meetings. Topics Include: site for hospital (1910); staffing; ... income and expenditure;

mission policy; correspondence; mission hospital plans; mission staff housing; taking over Subathu Station and Leprosy Asylum (1913); opening of Jagadhri hospital (1914)

Provenance: Punjab Indian Mission; Group Title: Mission Council Treasurer's Papers; Series Title: Outwards Correspondence (Dr WJ Porteous), Aug 1922

Description: This file contains one letter written by the Punjab Mission Council Treasurer, Dr. WJ Porteous. Topic concerns: dissatisfaction with lack of financial returns from Subathu Leprosy Asylum.

Punjab Indian Mission: Mission Council Secretary's Papers; Outwards Correspondence (Miss AE Henderson) : May 1911 to Aug 1913

Description: This bound letter book contains copies of correspondence sent by the Punjab Mission Council Secretary (Miss AE Henderson). Topics Include: enquiries for mission work at Shahabad and Patiala (1911); approval for mission work to commence in Jagadhri District (1911); purchase of land at Jagadhri (1911); building plans and estimates (1911); staffing;... correspondence with American Presbyterian Mission re purchase of property (1911, 1912); taking over of Subathu Leprosy Asylum (1913).

Foreign Missions Committee: Meeting Papers & Reports; Annual Reports - Punjab Mission

Date(s): 1909-1911, 1913-1914, 1914-1915, 1916-1917, 1917-1918, 1819-1919, 1919-1920, 1920-1921, 1921-1922, 1922-1923, 1923-1924, 1924-1925, 1925-1926, 1926-1927, c.1927-1928, 1928-1929, 1931-32, 1932-1933, 1933-1934, 1934-1935.

Description: This file contains typed and handwritten annual reports for the Punjab Mission. Topics Include: commencement of Mission and Hospital at Shahabad (1910); move to Jagadhri (1910); ... buildings; mission expansion at Subathu (1913); medical work; .. effect of world war on mission work (1915); ... work at Shahabad, Nahan, Subathu, Solon, Dagshai and Jagadhri; statistics; ... health and plague (1915); ... work among lepers (1917); ... failure of Alliance Bank of Simla and effect on all missions working in area (1923); ... closure of work at Subathu (1924....

Punjab Indian Mission: Staff Correspondence; Inwards Correspondence (Rev TE Riddle), Nov 1923 to Oct 1924

Description: This file contains inwards correspondence received by Rev. TE Riddle who was the senior Minister/Evangelist working on the Punjab Field. Topics Include: Correspondence with American Presbyterian Mission re Kharar Field? (1923); ... minute of appreciation from Mission to Lepers for past supervision of leper work at Subathu (1924).

Foreign Missions Committee: Minutes & Agendas; Minute Books, 10 Feb 1914 to 17 Dec 1919

Description: This book contains typed and handwritten minutes of mission committee meetings along with written submissions, an alphabetical index is at the front of the book. Topics Include: reports and minutes from overseas missions, correspondence re missionaries working in China, New Hebrides and Chinese in NZ; ... taking over of Subathu Leper Station, India (1914); ... plans for hospital at Kong T'suen (1914); Union Medical College

Scheme, Canton (1914); ... Annual Foreign Missions Committee recommendations and resolutions;... work with "Mission to Lepers" at Subathu (1916); ...; discussion on union of Panjab Mission with the Presbyterian Church in India (1919).

Punjab Indian Mission: Staff; Staff Files - Rev TE Riddle, 1911 to 1948

Rev Thomas E. Riddle joined the Punjab Mission in 1911 after having served the New Hebrides Mission (refer separate file). He married Miss Isobel Milne in 1917 and they both served until 1947. Included in this file are copies of personal and official letters and correspondence; ... correspondence concerning Subathu and leper asylum....

Foreign Missions Committee: Mission Convenor's & Mission Secretary's Papers; Inwards Correspondence (Rev W Hewitson & Rev A Don), 1 Jan 1916 to 31 Dec 1916

Description: This file contains copies of inwards correspondence received by the Foreign Missions Convenor (Rev. W. Hewitson) and the Foreign Missions Secretary (Rev. A. Don), arranged in subject order. Topics Include : ... correspondence from secretary for Mission to Lepers in India; ... descriptions of work in the mission fields.

Punjab Indian Mission: Mission Council Secretary's Papers; Outwards Correspondence (Miss AE Henderson Nov 1913 to Feb 1917)

Description: This bound letter book contains copies of correspondence sent by the Punjab Mission Council Secretary (Miss AE Henderson). Topics Include: commencement of building of hospital (1913); leper asylum (1913); field staffing requirements (1914); opening of Jagadhri hospital (1914); war medical services (1914).

Foreign Missions Committee: Minutes & Agendas; Minute Books, 6 Feb 1920 to 18 Mar 1924

Description: This book contains typed and handwritten minutes of mission committee meetings, reports and minutes from Canton Villages Mission, Punjab and New Hebrides Mission and written submissions to the committee. A handwritten alphabetical index is at the front of the book. Topics Include correspondence on missionaries; ...taking over mission work in Ts'ung Fa area of Kwantung Province from London Mission (1920); opening of hospital at Kong T'suen (1920); Panjab Mission facing financial crisis (1920); ... ending of work at Subathu (1921); ... report on Punjab Mission (1922); ... end of work at Subathu Leper Asylum (1923).

Foreign Missions Committee: Meeting Papers & Reports; Reports & Memoranda - Punjab Mission, 1908 to 1932

Description: This file contains copies of reports and memoranda relating to the Punjab Mission. Topics Include: description of Jagadhri field (1909); recommendation for commencing medical work at Shahabad (1910); report on visit to India and possible new mission areas written by Dr WJ Porteous (1919); "Hospital Work in India" by Dr WS Robertson (1919); "Jagadhri Women's Work" (n.d.); ... report on visit to Kharar district (Oct 1923); report of Mission Council meeting to discuss taking over of Kharar field (1923); ... "Coming of Age Report" - the History of NZ Presbyterian Mission Work in the Punjab" (1928); report of the Landour Community Hospital (c. 1931-1932); ... Report on medical

needs of the Mission (1923); Memo on various aspects of the Mission (1922); report on transfer of leper work at Subathu from APM to NZ Presbyterian Mission (c. 1913-1914).

The Story of The Madras Indian Mission 1892 to 1908

‘From as early as 1892, the Presbyterian Church in New Zealand and primarily the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union financially supported a number of Women Missionaries working for the United Free Church of Scotland and Church of Scotland Missions in or around Madras and Nagpur in Southern India.

Mission work at this time concentrated on Village evangelism and preaching, children's education and the running of boarding schools (for both Christian and non-Christian Hindu girls), care of orphans, Industrial training for girls, zenana work (house to house visiting), as well as leper asylum and hospital visiting.’ *Donald Cochrane, PCANZ Archives, May 2001*

Photos

Presbyterian Church Photographic Collection Subject Listings (1952 - 1985):

Mission to Lepers

496/54 Foreign Missions Committee. Lepers. A Large Group Of Lepers, Taken At Subathu Leprosy Asylum. (From "The Rev. Frank Oldrieve, Secretary For India, The Mission To Lepers." (1919 P-A7.4-9)

O/S Foreign Missions Committee: European Lepers In Sabathu Asylum: A European Boy Standing Outside A Building At Sabathu Leprosy Asylum, Along With Two Indian Men And A Child. "The Boy Is Untainted, Though Both Parents Are Lepers. He Has Been Sent To A Home For Such Children" Dated: Feb 1915 (1915 P-A13.60-192)

O/S Foreign Missions Committee: The Lepers - Sabathu Asylum. Group Photo Of The Lepers At Sabathu Asylum; Some With Evidence Of Deformity Due To The Disease. Dated: Feb 1915 (1915 P-A13.61-194)

497/190 Communication Dept: Lepers At Subathu. Outdoor Group Photo Of Some Of The Lepers At The Subathu Leprosy Asylum. (Possibly Mrs J.Ryburn At Back On The Left.). (c.1919 P-A29.10-27)

496/54 Foreign Missions Committee: Lepers At Subathu. A Group Of Lepers From The Leper Asylum At Subathu.(1919 P-A7.3-5(a))

496/54 Foreign Missions Committee. Servants & Lepers At Subathu. A Group Of Lepers & Servants From The Leper Asylum At Subathu (1919 P-A7.3-5(b))

496/54 Foreign Missions Committee: Lepers At Subathu. A Group Of Male Lepers From Subathu.(1919 P-A7.3-6)

496/54 Foreign Missions Committee. Untainted Children Of Lepers. A Group Of Untainted Children Of Lepers At Subathu (1919 P-A7.3-7)

O/S Foreign Missions Committee. Rev.J.A.Ryburn. Rev Josiah A Ryburn, Taken When He Was Superintendent Of The Subathu Leper Asylum Dated: 29/9/1917 (1917 P-A13.20-61)

Canton Villages Mission and the South China Mission Papers

Foreign Missions Committee: Mission Convenor's Papers; Inwards Correspondence (Rev W Hewitson) (1 Jan 1913 to 31 Dec 1913)

Description: This file contains copies of inwards correspondence received by the Foreign Missions Convenor (Rev W Hewitson) arranged in subject order. Topics Include: outcast lepers in China.

Photo Archives

88/7/12 Foreign Missions Committee Kong Chuen Hospital Staff & Others. Outdoor Group Photo Of Kong Chuen Hospital Staff (& Families?), In Front Of Hospital Building (people named) (1935 P-A5.28-88)

88/7/12 Foreign Missions Committee: Dr A Howie Giving Injection For Leprosy; Dr Alfred Tennyson Howie, Giving An Injection For Leprosy, A Nurse Attending. (c.1935 P-A5.29-90)

88/7/12 Foreign Missions Committee 'Kam Fa' - The Leper Girl From Ko Tong. Outdoors Photo Of Kam Fa, The Leper Girl From Ko Tong. Photographer: W L Winter (?) (1920-40 P-A3.11-23)

496/8 Foreign Missions Committee Tsing Yuen Leper Station; View Of Tsing Yuen Leper Station. "The Building In Front Is The Infection Room. The Church Is At The Back Of It And They Live In Those Other Buildings" (c.1920-35 P-A4.18-23)

Sound Archive

GA/90 Dept. of Communication #4 Assembly 1973; Leprosy Mission. Council of Ass. 0/T Salary Exec. Sec.1973

GA/90 Dept. of Communication #15 Assembly 1983; A.P.W. Leprosy Mission. Public Questions