

NATIVE OFFICIALS IN THE SERVICE ON 31ST MARCH, 1925.

	Upolu.	Savai'i.	Total.
1. Fautua	2	..	2
2. Faipule	18	14	32
3. Pule Faato'aga	10	7	17
4. Komisi	8	6	14
5. Fa'amasino	15	14	29
6. Pulenu'u	92	56	148
7. Failautusi	17	14	31
8. Leoleo	34	23	57
	196	134	330

CASES DEALT WITH BY THE HIGH COURT (NATIVE DEPARTMENT).

	Total Number of Cases.	Finally disposed of.	Referred to Land and Titles Commission.	Adjourned.
UPOLU.				
Land disputes	25	5	10	10
Title disputes	16	6	3	7
Enforcements of judgments	108	91	..	17
Civil claims	45	36	..	9
Insult	11	10	..	1
Contempt of Court	9	9	..	..
Appeal	1	1	..	..
Wandering pigs	15	13	..	2
Failure to pay poll-taxes	204	147	..	57
Failure to pay medical donations	187	150	..	37
Assault	4	4	..	..
Unpaid dog-taxes	69	52	..	17
Miscellaneous	101	84	..	17
Totals	795	608	13	174
SAVAI'I.				
Theft	3	2	..	1
Breach of section 29 of Police Offences Ordinance, 1922	2	2	..	..
Furiously riding on horses	1	1	..	..
Weighing undried copra	2	2	..	..
Trespass	3	2	..	1
False entry of beetle returns	1	1	..	..
Defamatory libel and provoking a breach of peace	1	..	..	1
Forgery	1	1	..	..
Civil cases (claims)	17	15	..	2
Totals	31	26	..	5

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL SURVEY OF THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

The arrangement made at the beginning of 1923 whereby, at the request of the Natives, a yearly medical charge of £1 per adult male was imposed, and free treatment of all Natives instituted, has proved a marked success. The Natives recognize the value of the new system, and make full use of the opportunities for treatment available. In addition it has enabled the Administration to carry out systematic campaigns against yaws and hookworm with satisfactory results.

The training of boys and girls at the hospital for work in dispensaries and outlying districts has so far proved a success, but it is at times difficult to obtain suitable ones for training. This difficulty will probably grow less as the effects of the present educational system manifest themselves. By arrangement with the Education Department, classes for the Native cadets and nurses are held at the hospital in order to improve their education and so make them better fit to absorb their medical training.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

The previous year was marred by an epidemic of bacillary dysentery, but this year has been the most satisfactory one experienced for many years. The Territory was singularly free from serious illness or even minor epidemics. The figures given in the table of attendances at the hospitals and dispensaries throughout the Territory do not indicate any increase in sickness. The Natives freely avail themselves of the facilities offered for treatment, and report for very minor complaints.