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PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF PULMONARY
TUBERCULOSIS IN NEW ZEALAND.REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY APPOINTED BY THE HON. MR. YOUNG, MINISTER OF
HEALTH.*Laid on the Table of the House by Leave.*

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REPORT.

The Hon. the Minister of Health.

SIR,—

The Committee of Inquiry into the Prevention and Treatment of Pulmonary Tuberculosis appointed by you to inquire into and report upon the matters set out in the order of reference hereunder, have the honour to submit herewith their report.

ORIGIN AND SCOPE OF INQUIRY.

On account of the insistent demands made for increased accommodation for sufferers from pulmonary tuberculosis the Minister of Health duly considered the representations made and decided to set up a Committee to inquire into the whole question of the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis in New Zealand, more especially with regard to the class of consumptives admitted to the sanatoria of the Dominion; the inquiry to have particular reference to the length of stay of the patients at the sanatoria, and whether all the patients so admitted are suffering from tuberculosis in such a form as to render their prolonged stay necessary or desirable.

The Hon. the Minister communicated with the British Medical Association (New Zealand Branch) asking for recommendations as to the names of physicians whom the British Medical Association considered competent in every way to examine, inquire, and report upon generally the present facilities with respect to the care and treatment of patients suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis in New Zealand.