

103 (Plate IV), 'Mrs. Seddon and the Queen of Niue' page 225, and 'Miss Seddon and Miss Hennah' (her cousin), page 331. There seems no immediate explanation for these excisions since photographs including these three appear elsewhere in the censored version.

Finally there are three miscellaneous photographs that have been excluded — 'King George returning from opening of Parliament' page 83, 'Domestic Pleasures: Rarotonga' page 255, and 'Miss Large's School, Rarotonga' page 341. All three seem quite unexceptional, and elsewhere there is a photograph of the Tongan King going to the Parliament, and of Miss Large's school.

Seddon's censorship created not just a bibliographic curio, but one which in microcosm gives some inkling as to his ego, his public prudery, the social perceptions of his family, and to his imperial politics.

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- 3 Extract from a letter by Johannes C. Andersen to an unspecified person, 19 February 1936. Typescript, slipped inside censored version of Tregear's book, accession number 115,707, Alexander Turnbull Library. I am grateful to Diane Woods of the Library for drawing my attention to this letter.
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- 6 Typescript extract from Andersen's letter, 19 February 1936. The subsequent bibliographic history of the original version of the book is also slightly less than satisfactory. Bagnall's *New Zealand National Bibliography*, Volume IV (Wellington, 1975), p. 317, lists both versions of the book under Tregear's authorship and correctly notes the recall of the original version, the deletion of Tregear's name as author, and the removal of the photographs. Yet Bagnall adds the curious comment that the original version was 'Allegedly written by Eugene McCarthy'. No record of the reason for his statement has been found. Perhaps confusion arose because McCarthy was the official reporter on the Parliamentary trip to the Cook Islands in 1903 (*Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives*, 1903, A-3B, p. 2). He was not a member of Seddon's party in 1900. I am grateful to Diane Woods for this information on McCarthy.
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