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Stradbroke Island Lazaret

25 November 1892 – 1907

Other Names:
- Dunwich Leper Lazaret
- Leper Lazaret

Details

The Stradbroke Island Lazaret, on North Stradbroke Island in Moreton Bay, was established for the reception and medical treatment of lepers. Run by the State government, it opened in 1892 and closed in 1907.

Stradbroke Island Lazaret was established over an area of approximately 17 acres, about a mile from Dunwich Jetty, on Stradbroke Island, Moreton Bay. It was situated beside the Dunwich Benevolent Asylum, a location that was next to a swamp and described as dark and miserable.The lazaret only housed male white patients.

In 1907, Stradbroke Island Lazaret was closed and all patients were transferred to Peel Island, where a new lazaret was established for both European and non-European patients. 11 year old Noel Agnew was among the patients transferred to Peel Island.

More info

Related Entries

Run by
- Colonial Secretary (10 December 1859 - 6 August 1896)
  Date: 1892 - 1896
- Home Secretary's Office (6 August 1896 - 5 December 1935)
  Date: 1892 - 1907

Related Organisations
- Peel Island Lazaret (31 May 1907 - 5 August 1959)
  Patients from Stradebroke Island Lazaret were moved to Peel Island Lazaret in 1907.

Related Legislation
- Leprosy Act 1892, Queensland (1892 - 1937)
  The Leprosy Act provided for the treatment of lepers as well as their detention and isolation. It also allowed for the government to appoint any place to be a lazaret for the reception and medical treatment of lepers.

Records

For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

Records held by other organisations

- Special Batches [Correspondence Files of the Colonial Secretary's Office and Health Departments] (1852 - 1975)
- Lazaret Patient Registers (2 March 1892 - 27 September 1984)

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