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re Natives from Victoria Desert

I was interested to read a statement, with regard to certain natives who had recently come out of the Victorian Desert, in this morning's press.

To the best of my knowledge the only natives who have come from this area and have disabilities recorded are a group of natives that I alone have examined medically.

I consider their disabilities to be congenital in origin and most likely of syphilitic origin, similar to charcot's joints and that they are in no way affected by any form of irradiation.

At my earliest convenience I will be examining these people fully and will, following their X-ray and blood tests, give you a further report on them.

I will accept no responsibility for any medical opinion which has been given on these people for publication.

