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QUEEN SALOTE VISITS LIBRARY

LIBRARY:

The Mitchell Library, Sydney ... in whose archives lies much of the history of Australia ... has a distinguished visitor — Queen Salote of Tonga. She's here to study old manuscripts and volumes which contain some of the early story of the Friendly Islands. With her is Doctor Collocott, an author and authority on Tonga, and Mr. Richardson, chief librarian.

CU QUEEN:

Queen Salote discovered some of the early journals of the London Missionary Society while in England, and believes the Mitchell Library contains the remainder of them. Some of these journals tell the story of the first missionary ship to Tonga ... the Duff ... in seventeen ninety. Tonga was discovered by Abel Tasman on the voyage in which he also found Tasmania. Now Queen Salote seeks another link between Australia and her island realm in the South Pacific.