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Report of the Medical Officer of health.

To The Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Camberwell.

GENTLEMEN,

The population of London according to the estimate of the Registrar-General amounted at the middle of the year 1909 to 4,833,938 persons, compared with 4,795,757 at the corresponding period of 1908. During the fifty-two weeks which are officially reckoned as this year there were 116,559 births, compared with 122,898 registered during the fifty-three weeks of 1908, so that there is a decline in the actual number with a co-existent lowering of the birth rate to 24.2, which is stated to be the lowest on record.

The number of deaths registered within the limits of the County of London was 68,266, but it is necessary to revise these figures by the exclusion of the deaths of 3,162 persons, who, although dying within its boundaries, cannot be truly reckoned as Londoners, while there must be the inclusion of 2,528 deaths of inhabitants of the County who happened to die in institutions outside. When this readjustment has been made it appears that there is a total of 67,632 deaths belonging to the County of London which have to be reckoned with in the calculation of the death-rate. In 1908 the corresponding number, but which included the deaths for an extra week, amounted to 67,352, so that there is a slight increase in the number of deaths over last year.

The need, however, for caution in accepting the estimated population, on which depends the reliable calculation of the birth and death-rates, is even greater than last year. The Registrar-General states "That estimates of population referring to a date over eight years subsequent to that of the last census are necessarily unreliable."

It is now nine years since the enumeration of the population took place, and it is probable that many surprises are in store for us when the next census comes to be taken. One thing, however, is tolerably certain, viz., that the rate of increase which obtained in 1891–1901 has not continued. Estimation in the intercensal period becomes increasingly unreliable according to the distance from the enumeration, and now, as we are so far removed from a reliable datum, the estimate, together with the birth-rate and the death-rate, must not be accepted as anything more than reasoned guesses. We have, as before, estimated the population by the assessment method rather than that based on the assumption that the rate of increase has been the same as in 1891–1901, for the actual recorded number of births would lead us to reject this theory, and the first method we have found by the experience of previous years to be the more accurate. As previously explained, it consists in multiplying

the number of assessments in 1910 by the same factor that we found actually existed in 1901, the factor being the number of persons found actually to exist per assessment.

TABLE A.—POPULATION OF CAMBERWELL AND SUB-DISTRICTS.

	Borough.	Dulwieh.	South Camber- well.	North Camber- well.	South Peck- ham.	North Peck- ham.	St. George's.
As enumerated at			-		_		Ī
census 1896	253,076	7,519	9(),286	88,	242	67,029
As enumerated at							
census 1901	259,339	10,247	90),465	93,	,038	65,589
As calculated for							
middle of 1903	262,968	11,214	92	2,079	94,	286	65,283
As calculated for	005 300	******					
middle of 1904	265,139	14,259	108	3,028	94,	323	47,449
As calculated for	007 704	14 000	***				
middle of 1905	267,594	14,677	110	,648	94,	856	47,420
As calculated for	970 159	15 190	15 105	00 500	12 505	10.000	40.000
middle of 1906 As calculated for	270,153	15,130	45,125	66,598	45,585	49,682	48,033
middle of 1907	272,479	15,600	45,915	67,195	45 991	10.070	10.000
As calculated for	212,410	10,000	10,010	07,100	45,831	49,872	48,066
middle of 1908	273,856	16,170	46,400	67,440	45,943	49,769	10 101
As calculated for	210,000	10,110	10,100	07,110	10,010	40,700	48,134
middle of 1909	275,275	16,447	47,309	67,516	46,025	49,827	48,151
2000	210,210	10,111	1,,500	01,010	10,020	10,021	40,101

The number of births registered in the Borough was 6,547 to which must be added 142, representing the children of Camberwell mothers who were born in institutions outside its boundaries. For the purposes of allocation these births, as a rule, have had to be considered as a class apart, since it has usually been impossible to ascertain the wards in which they resided previous to their departure for the lying-in hospitals, &c., where their infants were born; the various wards have therefore been credited with these births in the same way as the unclassified deaths have been distributed among them.

TABLE B.—BIRTHS IN CAMBERWELL AND ITS SUB-DISTRICTS.

Year.	Borough.	Dulwich.	South Camber- well.	North Camber- well.	South Peck- ham.	North Peck- ham.	St. George's.	Un- attached.
1908	6,885	217	1,064	1,646	1,080	1,370	1,352	156
1909	6,689	230	1,014	1,557	986	1,411	1,349	142
Difference	- 196	+ 13	— 50	— 89	— 94	+ 41	-3	-14

Altogether there have been 196 fewer births in Camberwell than the previous year, there being a decrease in all the registration subdistricts with the exception of North Peckham and Dulwich.

The last is easy to understand, as there are a number of new houses of a class adapted to young married people, which leads to corresponding increase of resident women of a child-bearing age.

North Peckham's slight increase is not quite so easy of explanation, as there have been forty-one more births recorded with the returns for one week less than last year and with no extra amount of housing accommodation provided; in fact, any change would be in the way of demolition rather than the building of new houses.

Table C.—Birth-rates of Camberwell and its Sub-Districts.

Year.	Borough.	Dulwich.	South Camber- well.	North Camber- well.	South Peck- ham.	North Peck- ham.	St. George's.
1908	25.1	13.7	23.4	26.7	24.0	28.1	28.7
1909	24.3	13.9	21.4	23.0	21.4	28.2	28.0

With the decrease in numbers of births, the birth-rate has proportionately diminished from 25.1 to 24.3. This is the lowest that has been recorded in Camberwell for at least ten years past, but as it depends for its correctness on the population, the figures must

be accepted with some reserve.

The total number of deaths that could be properly allocated to the Borough was 3,778, being 176 more than last year. It will be seen that the number registered is 4,098, but this includes the deaths of inhabitants of Southwark who died in the Southwark Infirmary and who were only sent there when fatal sickness had already laid hold of them. It also includes those who were properly never residents of Camberwell, and only come into our records because they have died in one or other of the lunatic asylums situated in the Borough. These it is of course necessary to exclude from the deaths of inhabitants of Camberwell, for they should be assigned to the respective localities whence they came to this district.

In the same way the deaths of those inhabitants who have died in institutions for the sick or elsewhere outside London must be included. Among these are included those who have died in any one of the long list of such institutions which is given in the tables, and also includes a few who have died a natural death in private homes, as well as a few persons who have committed suicide outside the Borough boundary.

In most of the latter cases it has been possible to assign the deaths to the respective divisions of the Borough from which the person was admitted to the hospital or institution where death took place; with a certain number of cases all the available information has been that the deceased was of Camberwell. The only way to deal with these has been to distribute them amongst the registration districts in proportion to their known recorded deaths.

TABLE D.—RE-DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS AMONG THE SUB-DISTRICTS OF CAMBERWELL.

District.	Deaths returned classified according to sub-districts.	Deaths of persons removed from unknown addresses in the Borough re-distributed.	Estimates of total deaths due to sub- districts.
Dulwich	 156	6	162
South Camberwell	 480	17	497
North Camberwell	 945	25	9,70
South Peckham	 577	17	594
North Peckham	 814	18	832
St. George's	 . 705	18	723
Total	 3,677	101	3,778

As this class usually consists of persons who have been many years away from Camberwell, their being allotted in a somewhat mechanical way will have practically no effect in vitiating results. The death-rate, therefore, for Camberwell, as in the County of London, is slightly higher than the phenomenally low one for 1908, and its position on the list of Metropolitan Boroughs is tenth, being between Paddington with a rate of 13.78, and Battersea with one of 13.97.

Table E.—Death-rates in Camberwell and its Sub-Districts for the Past 10 years.

Year.	Borough.	Dulwieh.	South Camber- well.	North Camber- well.	South Peck- ham.	North Peck- ham.	St. George's,
1900	16:54	10.14	14	-24	17	7.96	18:59
1901	16:49	7.51	7.51 13.91		18.41		18:81
1902	16.34	8.07	14	-53	37	.01	19.13
1903	13.80	7.57	13.04		14	1.10	15:39
1904	15.16	6.66	12.07		16:11		22:97
1905	13.8	9.87	18	13.40		14.18	
1906	14.8	9.5	11:7	15.5	12.7	16.5	15.6
1907	14.0	9.0	11.2	14.9	12.6	16.1	16.1
1908	13.1	8.4	11.1	14.2	12.1	15.6	13.4
1909	13.7	9.8	10.5	14.3	12.9	16.6	15.0

The result, although not so good as in 1908, when Camberwell was ninth on the list, is still satisfactory, bearing in mind the character and circumstances of the population of the Borough, and it compares by no means unfavourably with other towns with a reputation as health resorts, and to live in which persons are content to spend much money and to put up with considerable loss of time in travel.

Coming now to the individual districts, there is an increase of 1.4 in Dulwich, of 0.1 in North Camberwell, of 0.8 in South Peckham, of 0.4 in North Peckham, and 1.6 in St. George's. It thus appears that only in South Camberwell has there been a

reduction of from 11.1 to 10.5.

The infantile mortality has again shown a decrease from the preceding years, there being 53 fewer deaths of children under one year, contrasted with a reduction of 65 in 1908 from the numbers for 1907. This Council, after discussion, decided to take no action in the way of appointing health visitors, whose duties it would be to go round to the houses wherein births had been notified and who would instruct the mothers in the proper way to feed and look after the infants. The Local Government Board having intimated that the intention to make such appointments would be a consideration with them in the case of an application being made to apply the Notification of Births Act, it was not anticipated that the Act would be here set in force, but in November an Order was made to bring it compulsorily into action in Camberwell, and since then its statutory provisions have been carried out but no health visitors have been appointed.

It is therefore of interest to continue the comparison of the death-rate per 1,000 births, instituted in previous years between Camberwell and the following Boroughs who have appointed health

visitors.

Borough.		1906	1907	1908	1909
Camberwell		 130	115	104	100
Hammersmith		 138	117	120	120
Hampstead	***	 77	69	69	75
Kensington	***	 132	128	119	113
Woolwich	***	 109	112	94	82
Bethnal Green		 155	138	132	129

These Boroughs have been selected as they have rather the earlier record of appointments, and, having been quoted in previous reports, a longer term of years is available for comparison. From these figures it is difficult to find any convincing evidence; as to the beneficent influence of health visitors in reducing the mortality, and it does not tend to chang; my opinion that advice is not of much account unless supplemented by material help which would no doubt assist some of the more weakly children to weather the

s'orms and stress of the first year of life. The deaths from diarrhœa of the epidemic form amounted to 59, as compared with 90 last year, a decrease which was shown not only in Camberwell but also in other parts of London, while other forms of diarrhœal diseases showed a slight increase in the former place.

There were 13 more deaths through the premature birth of the infant, but 11 fewer of the division which includes injury at birth.

In the atrophy, debility, &c., division there were 116 deaths, being 15 more than last year; of these, 52 took place among infants of less than one month, against 40 for the corresponding period of last year. The deaths from pneumonia and bronchitis both showed a reduction, probably due to climatic conditions.

The decrease in this year is no doubt greatly dependent on the weather conditions, for however disastrous the summer of 1909 may have been for pleasure-seekers, it was pre-eminently one unfavourable to the prevalence of infantile diarrhoa, one of the most

important factors in causing a high rate of infantile mortality.

If any benefit is to come from health visitors it will show itself especially in the reduction in the diarrhoa deaths and also in the atrophy class, i.e, those which are in some measures dependent on the quality and quantity of food taken. The deaths classified under this heading have increased from 101 to 115, but on looking more closely into the table it is seen that there were 52 deaths in the first month compared with 40 in the corresponding period of the previous year, and that in the age period of the first two weeks there were seven more deaths than in 1908.

The date of the visit paid by the health visitors in those boroughs where they have been appointed does not appear to be uniform, but practically none are made before the end of the first

fortnight.

Granting even that the health visitors by their advice alone are able to check infantile mortality, it would appear that the increase in this class of deaths in Camberwell can hardly be ascribed to the lack of instruction, for even had the visitors been at work the deaths would have occurred before the visits were paid.

There were 97 deaths from measles, being 48 more than in the previous year, but two less than in 1907. The two Peckham districts seem to have been most severely attacked, for the excess in these two divisions amounted to 48 over the preceding year, the other registration areas remaining somewhere about the same.

The infants' department of several of the elementary schools in the Borough have been closed on account of outbreaks of this disease, and where it has been asked for by the Educational Authority they have been disinfected. In other instances, when that body did not think it necessary to close the school, they gave instructions to their officials to exclude from attendance from school children who had not suffered from a previous attack, but to allow the older ones who were so protected to continue their attendance. No disinfection beyond that mentioned above has been practised, the practice which existed in this Borough up to 1907 now having been

discontinued. The mortality from this disease seems to be quite independent of the disinfection and other preventive measures, for last year, when we adopted the same negative procedure as now, we showed a considerable decrease in mortality, instead of the recurrent increase which has apparently been postponed to the present year. As usual, all the fatal cases, with the exception of five, occurred in persons under the age of five years.

The deaths from hooping cough, another fatal disease of child-hood, amounted to one more than last year; a few more occurred in South Camberwell, and some less in North Peckham and St. George's, and all these except three were of those under five years of

age.

The deaths from diphtheria were exactly the same as last year, with comparatively little change in the incidence on the respective districts excepting in St. George's, where there were nine more deaths than last year. Early in February of this year a considerable number of cases were notified among children attending Goodrich Road School, and five of which notifications were received from one of the Medical Officers of the London County Council. For the most part these referred to children who had been attending school and who presumably were well enough to do so, but whose throats when examined bacteriologically were found to contain diphtheria bacilli. I immediately visited the houses and found that the children were for the most part quite well, but were under the observation of their own medical attendants, and that an examination of a swab taken from their throats afforded no bacteriological evidence of the disease. So far as four of these were concerned I took no action in the way of disinfection. No further cases occurred in these houses.

It will be seen that out of 375 notifications 333 were removed to hospital; and in all those cases which were not so removed, they were satisfactorily isolated at home, except in one instance of a mild attack, which was reported to the Public Health Committee, when it was decided to caution the parents. On enquiry, the usual excuse was made that as the child did not seem very ill it

could not have diphtheria.

A case of small-pox was notified to us in a man who, on a voyage from Alexandria to Marseilles, had been in contact with a fellow-traveller who had some spots on his face and hands. Measures were at once taken for his removal to hospital, and the vaccination of all who were willing to undergo the operation, and the disinfection of the house. No other persons were attacked. We were able to obtain the names of some who had been in contact with him during the voyage, and these names were forwarded to the Medical Officers of Health for the districts concerned.

Apart from these, the only other fact worth recording in the past year about this disease was an intimation I had of chicken-pox in an adult. As this is a somewhat rare occurrence, I visited the patient, who had been employed in the East End, and who had returned home ill to his lodgings in Peckham, but found there was no reason to suppose his illness to be anything else than chicken-pox.

Complaint was received from a house in Peckham in respect of a child suffering from scarlet fever who had been returned as cured from one of the Asylums Board's Hospitals; and two other children were taken away shortly after suffering from the same disease. The Asylums Board wrote and said that one of the suspected cases was ultimately considered to be tonsilitis; and that the other two were

of a mild, anomalous character, but probably scarlet fever.

The number of deaths from scarlet fever continued the downward progress and again exhibited a remarkable lowering of the case mortality. In the year there were 27 fewer notifications of this disease, but the deaths were only 16 compared with the low number of 24 in 1908. As there were over a thousand cases reported it means that the case mortality for the past year shows an extraordinary reduction from the figures of ten or twelve years ago. The notifications were 1,029, compared with 1,032 in 1908 and 1,532 in 1907. It is quite possible that the actual case mortality is even lower, for owing to the mild type of the disease it is probable that many cases escape notification altogether.

There has been no special treatment introduced which could account for the lowering of the mortality, and it would seem either that we have a resistent population growing up or else that the

infecting agent of this disease is losing its virulence.

There were 13 notifications of puerperal fever, being three more than in 1908, and of these four terminated fatally. Every nurse who has attended any one suffering from this disease has been required, directly we hear, to come to see me at the Town Hall so that it is certain that her hands have been properly disinfected and that all

the other necessary precautions have been taken.

There were no notifications of cholera, and the only work carried out in respect of this disease was the visiting by the Sanitary Inspectors of persons coming from infected ports and who gave their destinations to the Port Medical Officer as being some address in Camberwell. It was found not infrequently, however, that they did not arrive at the house given. One person who had been described as unwell by the Port Medical Officer I visited myself, but found he was suffering from nothing more than a temporary

indisposition.

Two outbreaks of enteric fever which occurred in two distinct localities in Dulwich, and apparently unconnected one with the other, are remarkable in the way of showing how this disease, while not, to use a popular term, catching, may under certain conditions be passed on from one person to another. In the first outbreak, a child was attacked by some obscure form of illness, and was nursed by her mother, who, a few weeks later, started to be ill. When she became incapable of looking after the first patient, a daughter returned from service to take charge of affairs, and she too was attacked, and down to February of this year cases kept on cropping up at this house. With the gradual disablement of the members of the household, a married daughter came to the rescue, her husband meanwhile staying at home. The daughter escaped the disease, but the husband was

attacked, and that fatally. Careful questioning brought out the fact that he had occasionally taken his meals at the infected house, so that there was little doubt about the origin of infection.

The food, milk and water supply were all reviewed, but nothing could be found in any way likely to suggest that they were at

fault.

The second set of cases occurred only a short distance away from the first, but were apparently unconnected with it. The cases occurred in two adjoining houses occupied by two sisters, each of them married and having a family. Here again no question of food arose; but the policy of exclusion led to the same conclusion as in the first series: for there was a lengthy and undiagnosed illness of one man followed by attack of other members of the same family.

The subject of continuing the supervision of those who had been suffering from enteric fever, but who had apparently recovered

from the disease, has been already mentioned.

During 1909 there were 12 specimens of urine and fæces taken from those who at the time of leaving hospital were still passing typhoid bacilli in their dejecta although quite well in all other respects. The investigation is now amplified to include all persons discharged from the Metropolitan Asylums Board Hospitals.

There are some of these who apparently try in every way, even at some personal inconvenience, to co-operate with this investigation, but with the majority it seems impossible to arouse them into a sense of the duty they owe to themselves and their neighbours in aiding anything which may throw a light on the disease, and this among those where deaths had occurred.

Perhaps if one tried to collect the specimens garbed as a policeman fear and ignorance might achieve what an appeal to

reason cannot.

In each notification of enteric fever careful enquiries were made, not only as regards suspected articles of food, but also as to whether the persons attacked had been in association with any one who had suffered from this disease. There were 12 more notifications than in 1908 and 3 fewer deaths, only 4 having been recorded. In the words of Osler, it is "everywhere an index of the sanitary intelligence of a community."

There were 1,038 notifications received under the new Order which came into force on June 1st, 1909, which renders it obligatory for Poor Law Medical Officers to notify to the local Medical Officer of Health all cases of consumption which they are called on to treat, and the Relieving Officers have also to report cases of which they may become acquainted with, and any subsequent removal of

such person.

It must not, however, be assumed that the notifications received represent actual cases, for by careful sifting we have come down to 509 persons concerned; even now it is quite possible that some duplicate notifications have slipped through. Duplicate notifications occurred in 164 instances, triplicate in 228, and more than this in regard to 56 patients.

The largest number of notifications of one single individual

was nine, and this figure was reached by two persons.

In October, 1909, an attempt was started to visit the notified cases at regular intervals, first with the idea of keeping the houses in the best possible condition for the patient, and, secondly, in hopes of getting information as to other early cases in the same household.

The number of notifications dealt with by each Inspector is less than the total number received on account of some cases having been notified from the Infirmary, Gordon Road, and even

some place beyond the Borough boundary.

At the first visit the Inspector fills up a card showing the condition of the house as regards overcrowding, cleanliness, dryness, lighting and ventilation, and at the second visit he supplements this by mentioning the state of health of other inhabitants of the same

house, especially as regards coughs, wasting, &c.

The result of this inspection showed that the homes were unsatisfactory in these respects in 159 instances, and that the defect most generally met with was a dirty condition of the premises. There were 74 reports of overcrowding, some of them being due to the fact that with the gradual dwindling of earnings the amount available for rent had so far diminished that it was necessary to curtail the number of rooms occupied.

Visits are then paid at about two-monthly intervals for a year after the notification, and if any person in the house is found suffering from cough, wasting, or general ill-health, he is advised to seek proper advice, and, if necessary, assistance would be forthcoming to

get hospital letters.

During the year 26 intimations have been received from Brompton Hospital of patients attending there who live in Camberwell. Visits have been paid to these houses and enquiries made as to the existence of anyone else whose illness might be supposed to be tuberculous in origin. Similar action has also been taken in the cases that have been notified to us from other hospitals and the School Medical Officers. In the case of the notifications from Brompton the information has been supplemented by the offer which the authorities of that institution empower us to make of a medical examination of any suspicious case in the house. This offer has, however, not been made use of to my knowledge even in instances where there were possibly other cases at the house in question.

As heretofore, we have always offered disinfection of all houses where a death has occurred, and this has been supplemented by a personal visit from myself to make enquiries about the possible

origin of the disease.

Up to the present there has been no difficulty in securing beds for the notified cases who were ready to go into the Infirmary, but it has not infrequently happened that there have been persons whose circumstances and condition rendered it practically impossible for them to receive the proper food and attention at home, and yet who have persistently refused to yield to persuasion and enter one of the Poor-law institutions. In some of these instances it was

due to the fact that although the patient's earnings were small they did keep the home together, and prevented the inevitable break-up which would follow the removal. This course no doubt delayed but

usually did not prevent the final catastrophe.

It is early in the day to speculate on the effect, whether valuable or no, of the new Order, but the result of enquiries does warrant the opinion that the bulk of the people, even of the very poorest, believe in the infectivity of the disease, and do indeed take the precautions which are recommended according to their lights and capabilities. One should therefore, if the prevailing trend of thought in favour of the person to person infectivity being an important factor in the prevalence of the disease be the correct one, be seeing a decrease much more pronounced than the gradual decline which has been proceeding for so many years and which has been going side by side with the gradual improvement that has taken place in the circumstances of housing and food. In making my enquiries the influence of want was very strongly brought home to me, and it leads one to the opinion that unless the practical removal of poverty can be ensured, that those who prophesy the disappearance of phthisis within a generation will not justify their power of foresight to those who are to follow in the public health service.

Among male occupations, apart from the general labourer, which comprises anything, the one on which the incidence was heaviest was that of carman, probably due to exposure, irregular

food, with its usual accompaniment of regular drink.

Among women, dressmakers seem to have been frequently attacked, but not a few of those notified are married women who are occupied solely in looking after their homes and in whose cases exist none of the generally ascribed causes of this disease.

FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACT.

In accordance with the provisions of the above Act, I have to submit a report of the work carried out under its enactments. There were 3,806 inspections of factories, workplaces and workshops, and as a consequence there were 137 written notices served; these for the most part related to the lack of cleanliness, unsuitable or defective sanitary accommodation. In most cases the works ordered were carried out under the notice, but in two instances it was necessary to prosecute.

1.—Inspection.

Including Inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors or Inspectors of Nuisances.

as a sufficient to a constant to the constant	Tally floor	Number of	
Premises.	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Prosecu-
Factories (including Factory Laundries)	252	25	-
Workshops (including Workshop Laun- dries) Workplaces (other than Outworkers'	2,717	79	os y Top or
Premises included in Part 3 of this Report)	837	33	
Total	3,806	137	-

2.—Defects Found.

	Nu	imber of Def	ects.	
Particulars.	Found.	Remedied.	Referred to H.M. Inspector.	Number of Prosecu- tions.
Nuisances under the Public Health Acts:—*	I to the			
Want of Cleanliness	47	47		_
Want of Ventilation	1	1	_	
Overcrowding	4	4		_
Want of Drainage of Floors	11	11	-	
Other Nuisances	45	45		2
Sanitary Accommodation—				
Insufficient	7	7		_
Unsuitable or Defective	47	47		-
Not separate for Sexes	5	5	-	-
Offences under the Factory and Workshop Act:—				
Illegal Occupation of Underground				
Bakehouse (s. 101)		-	_	-
Breach of Special Sanitary Require-		1000		
ments for Bakehouses (ss. 97 to 100)	-	-	_	-
Other Offences (excluding Offences relating to Outwork which are in-				
cluded in Part 3 of this Report)	_		_	_
Total	167	167	_	2

^{*} Including those specified in Sections 2, 3, 7, and 8 of the Factory and Workshop Act as remediable under the Public Health Acts.

3.-Home Work.

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(1) making, &c	144		1,397	22	9	190	20	400					-	-	-		-
(2) cleaning and washing			_			_		_		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lace, lace curtains and nets	_			_	_	_	2	-			2	-	-	-	-	-	
Artificial Flowers Nets, other than Wire Nets	_		_	_	_	-	_	_	-		-	-	-	-	-		-
Tents		_	_	_	_	_	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sacks	_	_		-		-	4	-	-	-	2		-				_
Furniture and Upholstery	_	-	-	-	-		_	-	-	-	-						
Fur pulling	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-		_						_
Feather sorting	-	-		-	-	-		-			3	1			_		
Umbrellas, &c	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	_	-		_"			-	-		-
Carding, &c., of Buttons, &c.	-	-	-	-	-		51	16			40	5	-	_	-		-
Paper Bags and Boxes	4		56	-	-	-		10		_		_	-	-	-	-	-
Basket making	-		40		-	-	9	26	_	_	10		-		-	-	-
Brush making	2	-	40	_		_	1		_	-	1	-	-		-	-	-
Racquet and Tennis Balls	_	_	_		_		_	_	_	-		-	-	-	-		-
Stuffed Toys		_					_	_	-		-		10100	-		-	-
File making Electro plate	_	_	_			-	_	_		-		-	-	-	-	-	-
Cables and Chains	_	_	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-
Anchors and Grapnels	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-		-	-	-		-
Cart Gear	-	-	-	_	-	-		-		-	-	-	-	-			_
Locks, Latches and Keys	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	****	-	-				1	
Pea picking	-	-	-	-	-			-	-	-	-	_			-		_
Total	150	72	1,493	22	9	190	1,576	451	-	_	1,098	37	14	-	-	-	-

No instances occurred of any outwork going on in infected premises. In the majority of the 31 instances where it was going on in unwholesome premises the condition was due to carelessness or inattention to cleanliness on the part of the occupier, and therefore remediable immediately, and in only 16 instances was it necessary to serve a formal notice.

4.—REGISTERED WORKSHOPS.

Clothing (wholesale and private) State Clothing (wholesale and private) State Clothing (wholesale and private) State Sta	See a	ops and Workplaces on						Numbe
Building trades								 81
Building trades	su ling	Clothing (wholesale	and priv	vate)			***	
Bakehouses	Led By							
TEST Miscellaneous	ho ho	Building trades	***	***	***	***		 7:
Miscellaneous 98	ks n				***			 159
	won hou	Miscellaneous		****		***		 989

During the year a careful examination was made of the rate books of the Council with a view of finding out any workshops which had escaped observation. Partly from this cause, and partly from a natural increase of workplaces in the Borough, the number on the register has gone up from 1,355 to 1,878.

5. - OTHER MATTERS.

Class.										
Matters notified to H.M. Inspector of Factories:	V									
Failure to affix Abstract of the Factory and Workshop Act (s. 133)	38									
Action taken in matters referred by H.M. (Notified by H.M. Inspec Inspector as remediable under the Public	tor 10									
Health Acts, but not under the Factory Reports (of action take										
and Workshop Act (s. 5) sent to H.M. Inspecto	or 6									
Other	-									
Certificates granted during the year										
In use at the end of the year	63									

A resolution was moved in the Committee in respect to a certain factory, but it was really intended to call attention to the fact that there are now three Inspectors concerned in the details of the work carried out there, viz., the Factory Inspector from the Home Office. for the sanitary condition of the workshop; the Sanitary Inspector of the Borough Council, with regard to the provision of water-closets for the workers; and an Inspector of the County Council, concerning the means of escape in the case of fire. It certainly does seem as if some re-arrangement of this and other matters where there is dual and even trinal control could be managed; it would do away with the complaint, which is not unjustifiable, that the people are over-inspected. Judging from

by one Inspector would be so annoying to a master as six visits divided up among three, but if one Inspector were the only one

concerned, all questions could be decided at one visit.

During the year there were several cases of overcrowding reported in the Hollington Street Area, where there was a comparatively small deficiency of cubic capacity as measured in accordance with the requirements of the by-laws regulating houses let in lodgings. I recommended that in these cases the Committee should take no action, because in each case the cause of the overcrowding was poverty, and I thought it would be better not to interfere with the overcrowding, rather than have the people turned out to suffer greater ills in other ways.

In the spring of the year I carried out with the Inspector a visitation of the Hollington Street area, in respect both of the Council's houses and those belonging to private owners. A copy of

my report is given below.

HOLLINGTON STREET AREA.

In the course of my inspection of the Hollington Street area I have visited 205 houses; 100 of these belonging to the Borough Council, and 105 being the

property of private owners.

The number of houses inspected in each street is as follows: Hollington Street, 50; Sultan Street, 45; Crown Street, 35; Bowyer Street, 29; Toulon Street, 12: Pitman Street, 15; Gange Street, 8; Thompson's Avenue, 4; Sultan Terrace, 4; Brown's Terrace, 3. Total, 205.

The defects observed at each are subdivided under the headings of overcrowding, condition and sanitary defects, chiefly defective roofs, guttering and yard paving.

OVERCROWDING.

		Number of Houses Inspected.	Occupied Rooms.	Empty Rooms.	Overcrowded Rooms.
Property belonging Borough Council	to	100	531	62	38
Property belonging Private Owners	to	105	520	11	30
Totals		205	1,051	73	68

SANITARY DEFECTS, &c. (INCLUDING A, B AND C).

		Number of Houses requiring Cleansing only.	Number of Houses with Sanitary Defects only.	Number of Houses requiring Cleans- ing and Sanitary Defects also.
Property belonging Borough Council	to	35	11	10
Property belonging Private Owners	to	25	15	49
Totals		60	26	59

A.—Drainage Defects.

and who be a man and a second		Waterclosets. Defective pans or traps.	Obstructed.	Defective water supply.		ons.
Property belonging Borough Council	to	New Years	3	8		1
Property belonging Private Owners	to	4	1	12	4	1
Totals		4	4	20	4	2

B.—Sinks.

and an equality of Mi		Defective.	Obstructed Waste pipes.
Borough Conneil	to	1	1
Private Owners	to	1	1
Totals		2	2

C .- Defective Dust-bins.

(Included in Sanitary	Defects.)		
Property belonging to Borough Council	14	 	1
Property belonging to Private Owners		 	14
	Total	 	15

It may appear that the proportion of notices to inspections is high, but it should be noticed that the inspection took place in many cases before the annual cleansing, when the property is in a worse condition than at any other time. As an instance of how soon signs of wear show themselves, I find that some of the staircases which had been cleaned in April were now (at the beginning of June) showing considerable traces of use; and I do not see how this is to be avoided, except by matchboarding the walls about 3 feet up, viz., to such a height as will prevent the smaller children from rubbing against the walls as they go up and down.

Speaking generally, Hollington Street, Sultan Street, and Bowyer (formerly Beckett) Street are the best in this area, in past times poetically but inaccurately described as the "Black Spot of Camberwell."

In my opinion they have never been so bad, especially in the two former streets, as it has been the fashion to paint them for the past fifteen years, and now that some of the older houses in Bowyer Street have been removed the appearance of this street is considerably improved; and from a sanitary point of view the widening of the road is most beneficial. Whether so much good will accrue from the substitution of two-family dwellings for the single cottages, I am not so confident; but most of the old cottages, particularly at the west end, were beyond repair, and of those that remain few are beyond reproach.

There are other badly designed blocks in Crown Street between Nos. 21 and 31 and 41 to 49, where, from the design of the houses, the interior ventilation and lighting must of recessity be defective. It will be remembered that mention was made with

regard to providing an extra closet, but this was avoided by reducing the numbers in the house. Much the same remarks apply to Sultan Terrace. Overcrowding, as will be seen from the tables, is not of a very serious nature, and its existence has occasionally only been discovered by night visits. Judging from the number of empty rooms, it is not owing to lack of accommodation in the area, but due entirely to reasons of poverty. Three inspections by night were made, on May 29th, July 3rd, and September 11th respectively, resulting in finding eight cases of overcrowding.

The dust-bins are usually too small, especially in the Borough Council's property, where they are ordinarily in a better condition than in those of the private

owners; accumulations of dust were found to be frequent.

The keeping of live stock in the yards, apart from pigeons, has almost disappeared, and in the case of the last I have usually turned a blind eye, unless serious blockage of light and air or other nuisance should arise, on account of the advisability of leaving the inhabitants some hobby.

Many of the cases of overcrowding have been remedied by a re-arrangement of the inhabitants, while others have been reported to the Public Health Committee.

The following houses should be registered so as to bring them under the

regulations which have been productive of so much good in this area:-

Crown Street, Nos. 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 17, and 2, 4, 6, 10 and 12; Hollington Street, No. 62; Sultan Street, No. 3; Bowyer Street, Nos. 6 and 56; Gange Street,

Nos. 5, 6 and 11; Pitman Street, Nos. 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 27, 29.

In conclusion I should express my indebtedness to Inspector Malins, who is responsible for this district, and also point out that an excellent object lesson may be learned from this district of the advantages of asphalte roadways, frequent scavenging, and the planting of trees.

(Signed) FRANCIS STEVENS, Medical Officer of Health.

The registered houses as let in lodgings are for the most part situated in this area, but several fresh registrations have been made during the year in Peckham with opposition comparatively little to that which we formerly experienced when landlords were informed of the intention of the Council to register their property. Every house on the register in April, 1909, was visited and dealt with according to the by-laws, and subsequent inspections were made

where insanitary conditions were likely to occur.

The Housing Committee asked for a revision of the procedure adopted by the Public Health Committee with regard to the service of sanitary intimations concerning the Council's property, and urged that instead of serving notices in the ordinary way, a counterfoil book should be provided and written notice be left with the Council's Housing Manager. They considered that if this were done, urgent matters could at once be attended to. During the time of the late Inspector Perry, it was his custom to leave a memorandum at the Council's Estate Office stating the nuisances he discovered, but it did not work well; in fact, not mincing words, it was a great failure. So far as the question of delay is concerned, all urgent matters are at once notified at the office of the Housing Manager, and all intimations sent on the next day. But it must be pointed out that the majority of the notices sent to the Council's Housing Manager relate to matters which are not so pressing, such as cleansing, &c.

At the conference of the two Committees it was moved: "That in the opinion of this conference the practice with regard to the service of intimations in respect of the Council's property in the Hollington Street Area which was in force in the time of the late Inspector Perry should be reverted to, and an interleaved carbon

book provided for the purpose"

This, however, was not carried, and although the proposed alteration was not a very great one, there would have been no saving of labour, but rather additional trouble must arise in keeping two distinct records of intimations served—one for ordinary owners, and one for the Borough Council; and further, if any other large owner of property should wish to be treated in the same way, the Council could hardly consistently refuse, for it has been frequently stated on behalf of the Housing Committee that they do not desire preferential treatment. The question of principle, however, seems to me to be very much larger, and I am bound to say that I look with suspicion and distrust on any action which even in the slightest degree makes a distinction in the procedure adopted towards the private owner on the one hand and the Borough Council on the other. With the present Housing Committee such a thing is of course unthinkable; but by some future Committee not over-scrupulous in their methods it might well be made use of as the thin end of the wedge to secure different and preferential treatment.

Draft by-laws were submitted by the London County Council in respect of fried-fish vendors, fish curers, and rag and bone dealers. The frequency of removal was set out in the draft as twice a week from May to October; but from experience of these businesses, I did not think this to be sufficiently frequent, and I recommended, which recommendation was adopted by the Committee, that it

should be three times a week during those months.

The proceedings in connection with the reconstruction of the urinal belonging to a beerhouse in the Old Kent Road involved a good deal of discussion. The brewers wished to rebuild the urinal, which was not then even good of its kind; but the proposal met the most strenuous opposition from some of the neighbours, who wished it closed up altogether. The Committee eventually adopted the view, which I am convinced was the right one, that to close the urinal would inevitably lead to a worse condition of things, and they therefore decided that reconstruction should be allowed provided the design and entrance were of such a nature as to minimise any nuisance.

Complaints are still received from the grain-drying works referred to in my previous reports, and the premises have been kept under strict observation. There can be little doubt that under some weather conditions, or when the grains are no longer fresh, the means adopted for the avoidance of the smell fail in their action and give a cause of grievance to the neighbours. In justice, however, to the owners of the works, I ought to mention that complaints of smell have been made by persons on the west side of the factory when the wind has been blowing from that quarter, that is, towards the supposed source of smell.

The complaints of delay or of difficulty in getting the dust removed have not been so frequent. They are at once referred to the Borough Engineer's Department, and it is usually found that the delay has been due to no one being at home when the dustmen called. No complaints have been received of nuisance caused at the

wharves when the contents of the dust carts are discharged into

the barges.

The return of articles of food that have been destroyed includes not only those in respect of compulsory proceedings having been taken, but also those which have been voluntarily surrendered; among the latter class is included practically the whole of the fish which is specified as having been dealt with in the destructor.

The slaughter-houses have been visited at intervals, and also once by myself prior to the annual licensing. It was not found

necessary to oppose any applications for these places.

The meat that was seized was taken on account of its unwholesome condition, none having been condemned during the year on account of tubercle or any other disease. Following the usual custom, inspection was made of the meat in the various restaurants in the Borough on a given day, notice being only given to the Inspectors in the morning. The result was satisfactory, for the examinations showed that the intended food was of wholesome

Twenty-seven samples of milk were taken for examination bacteriologically and the tubercle bacillus was not discovered in any

There were the usual inspections of the cowhouses, &c., which amounted to 217, excluding those which I made myself before the meeting of the Licensing Committee of the London County Council. They were usually found in such good condition that it was only necessary to serve notices in respect of them in 2 instances. The inspections of shops where milk is sold amounted to 413, and in regard to 45 of them the report was unsatisfactory, one of the most frequent defects being carelessness in leaving the milk uncovered and exposed to contamination from the dust blown in from the street, as well as that arising in the shop. It was found that the small general shops that sold milk, taken as a class, did not compare unfavourably with the dairies.

The special appointment of a Meat Inspector was recommended by me and discussed by the Committee, and the late Inspector Kerslake, one of your officers who had obtained the special meat certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, was considered to have strong claims for the post, but it was eventually decided to make no such appointment, but that all the Inspectors would have formal authority given to them to seize food in any part of the Borough instead of their powers as heretofore being confined to their own

particular districts.

The number of complaints shows a slight diminution, but the inspections they gave rise to were a few more than last year. The house-to-house inspections also show a falling off, due to the illness of Inspectors Kerslake and Homer. The other items in the tables of Inspectors' work, while revealing much activity, do not call for any detailed notice, except that item of light and ventilation to staircases, when it will be seen that these were provided in 98 instances through our persuading the owners. Since the Council lost a case it was felt that, although opinions of your officials have not changed, that before a summons was issued it should be specially reported to the Committee. Only in respect of one house was it necessary to have a survey for this purpose, when the Committee unanimously decided to issue a summons. The work, however, was proceeded with when the owner was informed of the decision of the Committee.

The death of Inspector Kerslake was a loss alike to the Council and the ratepayers, for his zeal in the interests of the former did not mean his overlooking the fact that the latter had also opinions and rights which could not be overlooked, and during the whole of his fifteen years' service I can safely say he always enjoyed the entire

confidence of both parties.

In conclusion, I have to express my sincere thanks to the Committee for their unfailing consideration and to the officials for the help they have always been so ready to give.

I am, Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,
FRANCIS STEVENS.

TABLE I,
VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1909 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

		Bir	гнѕ.	DEATHS ONE YEA			AT ALL TOTAL.				DEATHS AGES.	
YEAR.	Population estimated to Middle of each Year.	Number.	Rate.*	Number.	Rate per 1,000 Births regis- tered.	Number.	Rate.*	DEATHS IN PUBLIC INSTITU- TIONS.	Deaths of Non- residents regis- tered in District.	Deaths of Resi- dents re- gistered beyond District.	Number,	Rate.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1899 1900 1901 1902	265,385 269,276 259,660 261,309	7,443 7,211 7,260 7,333	28·0 26·7 27·9 28·06	1,181 1,107 1,033 1,035	158.6 153.5 142.2 141.1	4,941 4,748 4,576 5,474	18.6 17.6 17.6 17.5	2,200 2,188 2,224 2,304	732 767 802 818	484 474 509 516	4,693 4,455 4,283 4,272	17:6 16:5 16:4 16:3
1903 1904 1905 1906	262,968 265,139 267,601 270,153	7,286 7,242 6,939 7,020	27·7 27·3 25·9 25·9	893 1,084 865 942	122·5 148·3 124·7 134·1	4,004 4,352 4,067 4,312	15·2 16·4 15·2 15·9	1,768 1,475 1,468 1,524	741 776 849 808	366 445 495 495	3,629 4,021 3,713 3,999	13·8 15·1 13·8 14·8
1907 1908	272,479 273,836	6,733 6,885	24·7 25·1	805 740	119·5 107·4	4,217 3,922	15·4 14·3	1,508 1,553	873 839	479 519	3,823 3,602	14.0
Averages for years 1899 to 1908	266,782	7,135	26.7	968	135:1	4,461	16.3	1,821	800	478	4,049	15:1
1909	275,275	6,689	24.3	687	102.7	4,098	14.8	1,669	814	494	3,778	13.7

^{*} Rates in Columns 4, 8, and 13 calculated per 1,000 of estimated population.

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TABLE 11.

VITAL STATISTICS OF SEPARATE LOCALITIES IN 1909 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

NAMES OF LOCALITIES.	1	. Bor	OUGH.		2.	Dul	WICH.		3. Sc	UTH C	AMBERW	ELL.	4. No	ORTH C	AMBERV	VELL.
YEAR.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births Registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.
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906 907 908	270,153 272,479 273,856	7,020 6,733 6,885	3,999 3,823 3,602	942 805 740	15,130 15,600 16,170	232 212 222	144 141 136	17 12 17	45,125 45,915 46,400	b 1,036 991 1,089	531 516 518	d 138 82 79	a 66,598 67,195 67,440	b 1,703 1,607 1,684	$c \\ 1,034 \\ 1,002 \\ 964$	d 194 209 221
Averages of Years 1899 to 1908	266,782	7,135	4,049	969	12,480	164	107	15	WE THE		102,611	2,541	1,398	309	THE !	
909	275,275	6,689	3,778	687	16,447	235	162	19	47,309	1,036	497	81	67,516	1,591	970	165

7. St. George's.

1,493 1,409 1,383

1,785

1,378

48,033

48,066

48,134

57,543

48,151

751 778 647

1,016

723

211

167

156

273

152

224 217

150

177

824

804

778

832

YEAR,	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.	Population estimated to middle of each Year.	Births Registered.	Deaths at all Ages.	Deaths under 1 year.
				PECK	HAM.							
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			91,476		1,735	429			69,520	2,230	1,394	372
			92,495		1,664	430			70,305	2,041	1,307	354
***			93,038	2,742	1,713	398			65,589	2,098	1,234	336
			94,548	2,753	1,609	380			65,640	2,062	1,256	333
			94,286	2,764	1,330	329			65,283	2,041	1,005	284
			94,323		1,474	439			47,449	1,713	1,056	326
			94,849		1,345	323			47,420	1,386	740	198

1,492

1,463

1,402

1,442

TABLE II.—Continued.

6. NORTH PECKHAM.

NAMES OF

LOCALITIES.

1906

1907

1908

1909

Averages of Years 1899 to 1908 $\frac{a}{45,585}$

45,831

45,943

46,025

6

1,064

1,051

1,105

1,007

715 582

559

594

94,169

158

118

117

93

49,682

49,872 49,769

49,827

2,643 1,513

5. SOUTH PECKHAM.

It has not been possible to correctly allot the deaths of persons removed to Public Institutions and of whose previous address we were unaware. See also report respecting the alteration in boundaries of the sub-districts.

A pro rata distribution has been made in respect to the "unattached" births.

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TABLE III.—CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1909.

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Notifiable Disease.			Α	t Ages	-Years	8.		i.	rell.	rell.	i i	- i	e's.	j.	rell.	rell.	i.	- i	se's.	Cases red to oital.	
	At all Ages.	Under 1.	1 to 5.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 65.	65 and up- wards.	E C	South Camberwell.	North Camberwell.	South Peckham.	North Peckham.	St. George's	Dulwich.	South Camberwell.	North Camberwell	South Peckham	North Peckham.	St. George's	Total Cas removed Hospita	
Small-pox Cholera Diphtheria including	1					1				1						1				1	T
Membranous Croup) Erysipelas Scarlet Fever		9 3 9	146 12 262	188 22 637	19 28 89	13 140 32	29	23 7 36	44 32 187	73 58 305	67 27 155	95 67 143	73 43 203	15 1 21	32 3 146	69 14 277	60 15 136	89 13 135	68 7 192	333 53 907	24
Typhus Fever Enteric Fever	47			13	9	24		3	 5	7	16	10	- 6	2	3	5	16	10	4	40	
Relapsing Fever Continued Fever Puerperal Fever					4	9		1	2	3	2	3	2		2	2	2	3	1		
Plague Epidemie Cerebro- spinal Meningitis	4			1							2						2	1		3	
spinar meningitis	-1	-			1													-			
Totals	1,703	22	421	861	150	220	29	70	270	448	269	319	327	39	186	368	231	251	272	1,347	

TABLE IV .- CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATH DURING YEAR 1909.

CABLE IV.		DO 1	or,			Tab T		71221		CILL					
					AT S	GING						AT A			
Causes of Death.	All Ages.	Under 1.	land under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 65.	65 and upwards.	Dulwich.	South Camberwell.	North Camberwell.	South Peckham.	North Peckham.	St. George's.	Locality unknown.	Deaths in Public Institutions.
. 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis Small-pox	1	**								1					
Measles	97	24	68	5			***	1	7	14	29		15		3
Scarlet Fever	16		6	9	1				10	7	2	1	5		***
Hooping-cough	51	24	24	3				. 1	10	9	8	9	13	1	9
Diphtheria (including Membranous Croup)	41	4	28	9			***		3	4	11	10	13		
Croup		***				***			***				***	***	**
(Typhus	***			***											
Fever Enteric	4			1		3	***	***	1	1		1	1	***	1
Other continued						33	21	9	14	13	 5		11		***
Epidemic Influenza Cholera	60	***	1	1	4				14	1.0				1	6
Plague		***													
Diarrhœa	83	59	18	1	1	3]		6	27	11	20	19		1
Enteritis	37	27	5	2			3	3	1	10	5		6	2	9
Gastritis	7	7							1	2	2		2		
Puerperal Fever	4					4			1	2		1			2
Erysipelas	4	3				1		***	2		1	1			2
Phthisis (Pulmonary	004		~	-		017	10	10	40	~.			0.0		****
Tuberculosis) Other Tubercular	324	1	7	7	44	247	18	10	40	74	43	77	66	14	136
Diseases	130	33	36	27	17	17		5	12	38	14	28	33		23
Cancer, Malignant	1.00	90	90	21					1.44	00	1.7	20	09		2.9
Disease	254		1	3	2	142	106	18	36	62	49	40	44	5	75
Bronchitis	381	50			4	110								7	77
Pneumonia	321	71			10										39
Pleurisy	6	***	***	***		4	2	***	2	1	2	1	***	***	1
Other Diseases of Res-	1	1 22		E 30						7/2	125				
piratory Organs	24	4	2	1	***	7	10	1	3	9	- 4	4	3		4
Alcoholism Cirrhosis of Liver \	44		***		***	29	15		9	11	7	10	7		,14
Vanoncal Diagrams		12				2			1	5		5			
Premature Birth		127					***	3		19			28		5 7
Diseases and Accidents	1	121				***	***		20		.,	01	20		
of Parturition	16	2		***	2	12		1	3	5	3	1	3		2
Heart Diseases	302			17	13		112		50						
Accidents	100		14	5	4	43	15	2	8	35	12		19	5	
Suicides	12				1	10	1	1	1	2			1	1	2
Convulsions	65		11					1	6	19			14		1
Defective Vitality	109	107	2	***				4	17	18	16	30	21	3	1.5
Interstitial Nephritis &	100			,		20	43		0	0.0	61	0.0		4	
Granular Kidney Mental Diseases	122		***	1	4	76 18	41	1	9 3				22		66
Old Am	327			***	***	2								18	3
All other causes	672	59	36	36							85			26	93
A 11	-	-			-	-			-		-		-	-	-
* This number of face	3778	08/	0/3	148	132	1291	114/	156	480	946	576	814	705	101	849*

^{*} This number refers to the deaths of parishioners, and excludes the deaths of non-residents who were inmates of Southwark Infirmary.

TABLE V.—INFANTILE MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1909. DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES IN WEEKS AND MONTHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

Cause of Death.	Under 1 week.	1 to 2 weeks.	2 to 3 weeks.	3 to 4 weeks.	Total under 1 month.	1 to 2 months.	2 to 3 months.	3 to 4 months.	4 to 5 months.	5 to 6 months.	6 to 7 months.	7 to 8 months.	8 to 9 months.	9 to 10 months.	10 to 11 months.	II to 12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.
ommon Infectious Diseases :—	1					i										1	
Small-pox																	
Chieken-pox															***		***
Maggles					200000						2	3	4	4	1	10	24
Scarlet Fever							***						4	*			
Diphtheria (including Membranous Croup)							***	***	***	2	***						4
Hooping Cough			1		1	2	***	2		2	2	2	2	2	1	7	24
iarrhœal Diseases :—		***	1	***		-	***	44	1	4	4	4	4	4	1	'	24
Diarrhœa, all forms				3	3	7	8	8	5	4	4	2	4	4	3	7	59
Enteritis, Muco-enteritis, Gastro-enteritis		1	1		2	4	4	5	4	2			1	1	4	'	27
Gastritis, Gastro-intestinal Catarrh			1		1	4	7/4	1				***	1	1			7
Vasting Diseases :—		***			1	1					1				***		
Promoture Right	80	19	14	1	117	7	2	1									127
Congenital Defects	10	2	2	1	15	3	-	1	***	1	***		***	***	***		20
Injury of Birth	1				1		***	144	***		***	***	***	***	***	1	20
Want of Proact mills Stangation			***	***	100	2	***	***	***			***	***	***			2
Atrophy, Debility, Marasmus	25	10	9	8	52	22	11	7	"	4	3	3	5	9			116
uberculous Diseases:—	20	10	0	0	02	22	11	,	4	4	.)	.0	9	- 4	***	3	110
Tuberculous Meningitis									2	2	1		2	1	1	2	11
Do. Peritonitis : Tabes Mesenterica			***	1	1		3	1			1	1		1	1		7
Other Tuberoulous Diseases							2	4		1	2	2	1	2	***		16
rysinalas	1000					2	-270	-	***	10.00					***	2	3
mhilis		2	1		3	4	4	1	***	***	***	***	***			1	12
ickets									***	***					***	***	- 73
eningitie (not Tuberoulous)	***			***			1		1	***		***	***				5
onvulsions	3	6	6	1	16	10	6		6	2	1	2	3	2	0		54
ronchitis		1	2		3	8	6	1	3	5	7	3	3	2	3 2	3 7	50
arvnoitie	107000		1000					-				- 1		-	2		-
nemnonia			1	3	4	6	5	4	3	6	2	6	10	6	10		71
officeation overlying	4	2	1	2	9	2	1	2	1				10	-		9	15
ther Causes	6			1	7	5	3	2	2	3	***	2	**	3	2	2	32
		***	***	1			0	2	2	0	1	2		9	2	2	02
	129	43	39	24	235	88	56	40	32	34	27	27	35	30	28	55	687

RETURN OF WORK CARRIED OUT AT THE DISINFECTING STATION DURING THE YEAR 1909.

Articles Disinfected.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September	October.	November	December.	Total.
Beds	46 89 41 9 17 1 1 9 31 106 63 65 877 8	$\begin{array}{c} 94\\ 168\\ 69\\ 31\\\\ 62\\ 4\\ 17\\ 56\\ 2\\ 208\\ 109\\ 170\\ 2.591\\ 69\\ \end{array}$	92 153 73 11 — 24 2 9 65 2 180 115 114 2.712 8	88 116 81 14 — 31 — 17 51 2 179 106 106 1,831 37 2,659	93 164 69 22 —————————————————————————————————	40 54 47 15 — 11 3 22 37 6 106 61 55 1,178 11 1,646	74 123 50 5 — 31 3 16 56 2 175 81 102 1,182 2	80 106 62 13 — 34 3 16 61 61 72 88 111 343 34 1,129	109 129 83 11 — 36 3 21 56 2 213 109 146 1,464 9	164 198 97 49 — 66 5 55 72 9 328 153 188 4,166 35	122 179 67 14 — 35 — 32 64 2 233 137 136 1,174 23	113 149 63 36 7 47 53 176 88 107 1,176 30	1,115 1,628 802 230 — 409 33 270 651 51 2,246 1,212 1,407 20,478 282 30,814
Mattresses Retabbed Palliasses do Cushions do	30 - 17	56 2 62	65 - 24	51 - 31	49 - 26	37 6 11	56 2 30	61 32	56 	72 3 66	64 	52 3 24	649 16 404
Total	47	120	89	82	75	54	88	93	92	141	109	79	1,069

RETURN OF WORK CARRIED OUT AT THE DISINFECTING STATION BURING THE YEAR 1909 (continued).

Articles Disinfected.		January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Verminous Cases — Persons Cleansed Rooms Disinfected Bedding do Total	 	89 1 —	309	319	204	196 — — 196	142	112 — — —	8 8	145	448	107	246 — 246	2,325 1 —
Articles Destroyed— Palliasses and Mattresses Miscellaneous	 	22	31 9	87	99 84	159	192	79	154 8	107	133	62	57 100	1,182 213
Total	 	22	40	87	183	159	201	79	162	110	133	62	157	1,395
Houses Visited Rooms Disinfected	 	164 72	296 130	317 126	299 146	295 136	190 89	235 127	270 125	321 152	513 206	391 145	319 133	3,610 1,587
Total	 	236	426	443	445	431	279	362	395	473	719	536	452	5,197

UNSOUND FOOD, &c., DESTROYED AT DEPOT.

Fish.	Meat.	Rabbits.	Tinned Food.	Vegetables.	Chocolate Powder.
ewt. qrs. lbs. 3 3 14	ewt. qr. lb. 3 0 1	qr. lbs. 1 2	78 Tins of Sardines.	ewt. qr. lbs. 3 1 17	cwt. qr. 1bs. 7 0 7

SUMMARY OF SANITARY WORK FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1909.

Description of Work.	Pointon.	Eagle.	Scudamore.	Collins.	Heath.	Kerslake.	Morley.	Homer.	Farmer.	Dewey.	Malins.	TOTALS.
Cleanse and limewash	121 99 15 6 	192 94 150 11 17 29 83 15 66 9 	133 60 37 18 4 3 60 1 1 49 1 19 1 	38 26 14 3 49 14 57 1 32 12 17 95 103	127 78 6 1 4 5 55 2 28 1 7 2 5 26 35	46 13 28 - 4 16 7 22 1 - 1 18 14 22	37 53 60 4 2 16 38 18 38 2 4 2 22 66 41	116 60 75 14 6 3 37 11 93 5 14 3 5 5 2 44	268 88 118 2 7 14 97 15 95 — 3 18 17 101 82	223 176 59 23 15 8 59 26 55 4 2 1 12 68 44	427 151 25 95 14 11 97 20 103 — 1 14 16 21 93	1,728 898 587 177 69 98 670 165 684 27 67 147 705 688
Ventilate and remove to outside soil pipes, cleanse, repair, and trap drains or sinks	114 2 — 11 119 3 — — —	114 45 	105 35 1 24 8 6 1 4 2 2 2 3	53 84 2 14 98 2 — 6 — 27	38 5 	21 4 2 2 5 2 - 1 - 4	44 21 	$\begin{array}{c} 47 \\ 20 \\ 1 \\ 6 \\ 35 \\ 5 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 16 \\ 22 \end{array}$	75 53 — 21 2 — 4 — 1	59 3 	86 27 9 48 12 1 10 — 158	756 299 6 179 433 40 6 33. 22 38

RETURN OF WORK PERFORMED IN THE SANITARY DEPARTMENT DURING THE 52 WEEKS ENDING DECEMBER, 1909.

PROCEEDINGS DURING 1909

(as asked for by the London County Council).

	NUM	BER O	F PL	ACES.	ions,	69	tions,
REMISES.	On Register at end of 1908.	Added in 1909.	Removed in 1909.	On Register at end of 1909.	Number of Inspections 1909.	Number of Notices, 1909,	Number of Prosecutions 1.09.
Milk Premises Cowsheds Slaughterhouses Other Offensive	616 17 15	43	55 3 1	604 14 14	1,341 217 129	34 2 2	1
Trade Premises Ice Cream Premises	6 216	27		6 219	423	11	1
Registered Houses Let in Lodgings	217	37	-	254	804	(a)* 100 (b) 356	(a) Nil (b) Nil
Number of dwelli Number remedied Number of prosec		us over	erowd				. 177 . 177 . 1
	utions						1
Illegal occupation Number of rooms		with du	ring	year 			. Nil
Number closed un Number closed un Number of Verm the L.C.C. (6	inous	Housi Premise	ng of	the Wo	orking (Classes Act. ection 20	Nil
Shelters provided und Act, 1891:— Number of person							i) Nil
Revenue Acts:— Number of house							
year Number of tenem Number of tenem	ents co	mprise	d the	rein			40
(a) Granted	circs 101	***	cerei				13 Nil
(b) Refused				***			2711

Number of Prosecutions under By-laws under Public Health Act, 1891:—	
(a) For prevention of nuisance arising from snow, ice, salt, filth, &c	Nil
(b) For prevention of nuisance arising from offensive matter	
running out of any manufactory, &c (c) For the prevention of keeping of animals in such a manner	Nil
as to be injurious to health (d) As to paving of yards, &c., of dwelling houses	Nil 4
 (e) In connection with the removal of offensive matter, &c (f) As to cesspools and privies, removal and disposal of 	3
refuse, &c	17 Nil
(h) With respect to water closets, earth closets, etc	Nil
(i) With respect to sufficiency of water supply to water closets (j) With respect to drainage, &c. (Metropolis Management	
Act, Section 202) (k) With respect to deposit of plans as to drainage, &c. (Metro-	19
polis Management Acts Amendment (By-laws) Act, 1899)	Nil
Mortuaries:—	
Total number of bodies removed	321 8

PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS. PARTICULARS OF NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1909.

						AGE I	ISTRI	BUTIO	v.				
District No.	Sanitary Inspect	tor.	Number of Persons Notified,	Number of Notifications received.	1 year to 5.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 65.	65 and upwards.	Inspections and Re-visits made by Sanitary Inspector,	Patients left Address since Notification for other Addresses in the Borough.	Patients who have left Borough since Notification,	
1	M. Malins		57	89		5	5	43	4	58	13	10	-
2	G. Dewey		54	80	1	2	11	40		56	9	6	000
3	Malins and) Dewey		34	57			4	27	3	34	10	10	3
4 .	H. Green		110	172	3	10	19	76	2	124	10	26	
5	H. Heath		67	99		2	10	53	2	79	2	39	
6	G. Scudamore		89	142		8	4	73	4	96	15	24	
7	W. Eagle		26	44		4	5	15	2	34	4	3	
8	J. Pointon		72	121	14	14	5	39		82	11	14	
9	W. Farmer		17	24		3	7	6	1	26	4	5	
10	G. Morley		20	38		1	2	17		28	1	. 4	
11	E Collins		5	10		1		4		4		4	

I. Institutions within the District receiving sick and infirm persons from outside the District.	Institutions outside the District from the	Other Institutions, the deaths in which have been distributed among the several localities in the District		
Southwark Infirmary. Camberwell House Lunatic Asylum. Peckham House Lunatic Asylum. Camberwell Infirmary.	St. George's Infirmary. Brompton Hospital. Holborn Infirmary. St. Bartholomew's Hospital. South-Eastern Fever Hospital. Friedenheim Hospital. St. Thomas's Hospital. Lambeth Infirmary. Charing Cross Hospital. Cancer Hospital. Darenth Asylum. Lewisham Workhouse. Tooting Bee Asylum. Guy's Hospital. Long Grove Asylum. Horton Asylum. City of London Lunatic Asylum. Banstead Asylum. Evelina Hospital. Bethnal House, Bethnal Green. Caterham Asylum. Metropolitan Hospital. Royal Hospital, Victoria Park. Belgrave Hospital, Victoria Park. Belgrave Hospital. Salvation Army Maternity Hospital. Bethnal Green Infirmary. London Hospital. St. Luke's House Kensington. St. Giles's Workhouse. Hanwell Asylum. Park Fever Hospital. Cane Hill Asylum. South-Western Fever Hospital.	Central London Sick Asylum. Westminster Hospital. Miller Hospital. Manor Asylum. Leavesden Asylum. Claybury Asylum. Royal Free Hospital. Throat Hospital, Golden Square. Children's Hospital, Great Ormonde Street. Dartford Heath Asylum. King's College Hospital. Newington Workhouse. Battersea Infirmary. London Throat Hospital. Heart Hospital, Soho. St. Joseph's Hospital, Mare Street. Middlesex Hospital. General Lying-in Hospital, York Rd. St. Olave's Workhouse. St. Mary's Hospital. Marylebone Infirmary. St. George's Hospital. Epileptic Colony, Espom. Gordon Hospital. Bermondsey Infirmary. Gore Farm Fever Hospital. Greenwich Workhouse. National Hospital, Queen Square. Royal Chest Hospital, City Road. St. Peter's House, Kennington. Greenwich Infirmary, Carshalton. Woolwich Infirmary, Carshalton.	Camberwell Infirmary. Constance Road Workhouse and Infirmary. Gordon Road Workhouse. Camberwell House Lunatic Asylum. Peckham House Lunatic Asylum.	1-34

Borough of Camberwell Distress Committee.

(UNEMPLOYED WORKMEN ACT, 1905.)

COUNCILLORS.

EPHRAIM AYERS. G. H. BALL. THOS. F. BANNER. ALEX. JARDINE. REV. H. E. JENNINGS, M.A. WM. McCarthy.

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Persons Experienced in Relief of Distress.

ADJUTANT W. CARROLL, S.A. REV. CANON W. MURNANE. MR. WM. Jos. GRAY. MR. TOM E. LLOYD.

MISS E. DE BURGHO-HODGE.

Representatives on the Central (Unemployed) Body for London.

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REPORT.

July 1st, 1909, to June 30th, 1910.

In accordance with instructions received from the Central (Unemployed) Body for London, the following are the replies to the schedule of information required, for the period from July 1st, 1909, to June 30th, 1910:—

Rota Committees formed to do the work of classification met at the Central Office every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

For the purpose of receiving applications from men, three District Offices were opened on September 20th, and one of the Enquiry Officers was in attendance each morning (except Saturday) from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Women were registered at the Central Office each day from 2 to 4 p.m. Enquiries were then made of the Relieving Officer, and the homes visited. Employers within the Borough were personally visited where possible, but some of them preferred to have the enquiries made through the post. Employers outside the Borough were written to, and a stamped, addressed envelope enclosed for their reply.

The selection of those applicants who were recommended for work was carried out by the Rota Committee, whose recommendations were made in accordance with the instructions issued

by the Central (Unemployed) Body.

With regard to Emigration cases, care was taken to select men (and families) of good physique and with promise of making good colonists, the restrictions now imposed by the Colonial Government agents being more stringent than ever, especially to Canada, assisted emigration to that colony being almost an impossibility.

Wages were paid on Saturdays at the Central Office, and Farm Colony allowances at the homes of the men by an Officer of the

Committee.

The Committee met on ten occasions at intervals from July 1st, 1909, to June 30th, 1910. The attendances at the General and Rota Committees were as follows:—

Names.		Gene		Rota Committee.	
		Possible.	Actual.	Actual.	
Alwin, W. R Ayers, Ephraim Ball, G. H Banner, T. F Bracey-Wright, Mrs. C. Buckland, James		3 8 7 7 7 8 10	1 1 6 1 3 8	1 Elected — Elected — Elected 8 Elected 43	Nov. 9th, 1909. Sept. 29th, 1909. Nov. 9th, 1909. Nov. 9th, 1909. Sept. 29th, 1909. Nov. 9th, 1909.
Buncher, L. E Carroll, Adjt. W Conybeare, Rev. W. J. de Burgho-Hodge, Miss	 E.	3 7 3 —	3 -	32 Elected — Retired	Nov. 9th, 1909. Nov. 9th, 1909. June 8th, 1910.

Names.	Gen Comm		Rota Committee.	
	Possible.	Actual.	Actual.	
Edmonds, H	10	4	31	
Elliott, Rev. W. H. H	10	5	38	
Forrest, J	3	1		ov. 9th, 1909.
Gray, W. J	10	6		01. 001, 1000.
Gunning, James	7	3	11 Resigned N	far. 15th, 1910.
Jardine, Alex	7	4	— Elected N	ov. 9th, 1909.
Jennings, Rev. H. E	10	4		ov. oth, 1505.
Lloyd, Tom E	7	2	18 Elected No	ov. 9th, 1909.
MacCarthy, W	10	_		ov. 5011, 1505.
Mawbey, Mrs. E. C	1	1	- Elected Ma	ay 11th, 1910.
Morris, Mrs. E	10	9		*y 11th, 1310.
Murnane, Canon W. (Rev.)	10	1	1	
O'Bolger, Wm	7	5	2 Elected No	ov. 9th, 1909.
Pexton, F. T	8	8	3 Retired Ar	oril 15th, 1910.
Phillips, Mrs. S. L	10	7	9	nii 15th, 1510.
Pitman, Rev. T. W	1			y 11th, 1910.
Rayment, T. R	3	3	4 Retired No	ov. 9th, 1909.
Rogers, W. P	4	1	— Elected De	c. 22nd, 1909.
Sayer, S	1	_	- Elected Se	pt. 29th, 1909.
			Retired No	v. 9th, 1909.
Shrimpton, John	10	7	23	v. 5th, 1909.
Terrace, Ensign P	3	2		ov. 9th, 1909.
Veazey, Rev. H. G	10	1	- recoigned re	ov. 5th, 1909.
Wenham, A. E	7	2	— Elected No	v 9th 1000
Whitehead, F	10	9	10	v. 5011, 1309.
Wilson, Rev. R. H	8	4		ril 15th, 1910.

Applications were received from the following:-

Men (skilled).	Men	(unskilled	l).	Women.	Total.
1,442		1,983		215	 3,640

The greatest number were received during the months of September and October, but a marked difference was found in the class of applicants, those applying as soon as the register was open being more or less of the usual class of casual workers, whereas later on a large number of artisans and the better class of labourers were attracted.

AGES OF APPLICANTS.

	15-19.	20-24.	25-34.	35-44.	45-54.	55-64.	65.74.	Total.
Men	 63	325	975	955	696	328	83	3,425
Women	 2	2	24	57	75	49	6	215

OCCUPATIONS OF APPLICANTS REGISTERED.

Men.

	MICI	i.
Building Trades		Wood-workers—contd.
	102	French Polishers 7
Bricklayers	10	Wood Machinists and Turners 19
Dischange	***	Picture Frame Makers —
	0.1	Packing Case Makers 13
Carpenters Painters	409	Sawyers 10
DI1	00	Wheelwrights 6
C - 0-1.1	23	Carriage Painters 12
D	159	Other Undefined Artizans 2
O41 II- 1-C1 A-+!	16	Labourers 25
Other Undernied Artizans	10	
T-1	914	Sundry Manufactures. 97
Labourers:—	-	Leather Dressers 19
Bricklayers' and Builders'		Leather Cutters 2
Other Undefined Labourers	152	Trunk and Bag Makers —
		Harness Makers 7
	624	Glass Bevellers
Produced and Madin Makin		Glass Cutters —
Engineering and Machine Makin	g	Other Glass Workers 2
and Metals.		Brush Makers 1
Blacksmiths	15	Piano Makers
Hammermen	7	Other Undefined Workers 29
Erectors, Fitters and Turners	39	
Drillers	7	Food and Drink. 60
Boiler Makers	-	
Brass Finishers	8	Bakers and Confectioners 20 Milk Carriers 15
Undefined Engine and Machine		
Makers	14	Fishmongers' Assistants 6
Shipwrights	-	Butchers, Greengrocers, &c 11
Tinsmiths and Tinplate Worker	s 10	Potmen, Cellarmen, &c 28
Miscellaneous Metal Workers	6	Grocers 7
Electrical Fitters	3	Mineral Water Workers 20
Electrical Wiremen	7	107
Other Undefined Artizans	1	Dealers and Clerks. 107
Labourers	63	Shop Assistants 39
		Clerks 21
Printing.	180	Costermongers, Hawkers and
		Street Sellers 40
Bookbinders	3	The state of the s
Compositors	11	100
Machine Minders	5	Townstion Townsont and other
Machine Operatives	1	Labour.
Litho Printers	8	
Other Undefined Artizans	2	C4-1 95
Labourers	30	Omnibus Drivers & Conductors 10
Dress.	_60	Carmen 319 Horse-keepers and Stablemen 76
Boot and Shoe Operatives	15	8
Tailors' Cutters	1	A
Tailors	3	D : 00
Hat and Cap Makers	4	Packers and Warehousemen 67
Other Workers in Dress	25	Candon 90
		Dock and Waterside Labourers 58
	48	0 17 1 140
Washama	_	77
Wood-workers.		011 77 1 0 1 117 1 00
Cabinet Makers	2	Other Undefined Workers 20
Upholsterers	1	1,166
Chair Makers	-	1,100

Civil and Municipal.		5	Service.			
Sanitary Service	. 2		Domestic	Coachm	en & Groe	oms 3
Scavengers			71 1			10
Paviours			Liftmen.			16
Others	. 4		Night W	atchmen		12
	20		Others .	Cleaners	***	3
			Others .		***	5
						49
	1	Vomen.				
D						
		g, Tailo	ring, de.			
Dressmaking			Nurses (various)		7
Machinists	0			Shoe Tra	ade	
Needlework (unclassified)	00		Laundry Factory	Hands		16
Domestic or General Servants	24		Clerks .			1
Housekeepers			Unclassif			3
Charing, Office Cleaning, &c.	64		No Oceuj	pations		
Waitresses	1 19					
Cooks (various)	. 19					215
						-
	Su	MMARY	7.			
				Previo	us Years.	
		1909-1	0. 1905-6.	1906-7.	1907-8.	1908-9.
Building Trade Artizans		914	1	(372	440	1,047
Do. Labourers		624	200	206	248	
Engineering and Macl	hine		1	(200	, ~20	556
Making and Metals		180	62	61	700	000
Duinting		60	17	64	100	206
Dress	•••	48		22	28	61
Wood Workers			30	18	15	63
Sundry Manufactures		97	30	35	80	123
Hood and Dwinle	***	60	24	55	31	83
Dealors and Claules		107	77	37	44	115
T		100	23	7	22	78
Locomotion, Transport	and					
other Labour		1,166	973	920	953	1,437
Civil and Municipal		20	-	2	4	14
Service		49	5	27	32	29
		_				
		3,425	2,040	1,765	1,997	9 910
Women		215	45	191		3,812
whole dissentants and a		210	20	191	260	226
Total		2010				-
Total		3,640	2,085	1,956	2,257	4,038
	8	_	_	_	-	-
CONDIT	IONS A	S TO M	ARRIAGE.			
Married.						
	Sing		Widowers	. Wid		tal.
Woman	56		130			125
Women 38	1			16	3 2	215
2,772	57	5	130	16	3 24	10
-	2000	-	_	10	-,-	340

SIZE OF FAMILY.

Number of children living at home	8,559 av. 2.8
under 14 living at home	6,580 ,, 2.15
,, ,, ,, under 14 fiving at finite	
7	766 or 25.00 %
Families with no children under 14 living at home	564 ,, 18.40 ,,
,, ,, 1 ,, ,, ,, ,,	710 10.01
,, ,, 2 ,, ,, ,, ,,	
,, ,, 3 ,, ,, ,, ,,	485 ,, 15.82 ,,
,, ,, 4 ,, ,, ,,	361 ,, 11.78 ,,
5 ,, ,,	217 ,, 7'08 ,,
, 6 or more children under 14 living at 1	nome 162 ,, 5.28 ,,
NUMBER OF ROOMS OCCUPIED AND NUMBER	OF OCCUPANTS.
1,372 Tenements of 1 room were occupied by	
1,372 Tenements of 1 footh were occupied by	
938 ,, 2 ,, ,,	4.054
752 ,, 3 ,, ,,	
390 ,, 4 ,, ,,	2,354 ,,
155 ,, over 4 ,, ,,	1,150 ,,
3,607	14,626 ,,
RENTS PAID.	
	0.0
Under 2s. 6d	88
2s. 6d. and under 4s	1,201
48. ,, 78	1,647
7s. ,, 10s	575
190	. 81
	15
13s. and over	
	3,607
	5,007
(No information in 33 cases.)	Alabara Kila marka Maria
Men.	. Women. Total.
Number of applications investigated 3,36	0 210 3,570
MILLION OF WEDDITCH FIGURE AND	
Number of applications partly investigated 6.	
9.40	5 215 3,640
3,42	0,010
The second was a second was	re marked as under
In the work of classification the cases we	re marked as dider.—
n 4 1	141
	1,882
Engloic ;;	1 547
Inchigable 44	e.
Disqualified on technical grounds	0

in accordance with the regulations of the Local Government Board, the general instructions issued by the Central (Unemployed) Body on September 18th, 1909, and the Local Government Board order of November 17th, 1908.

3,570

Cases marked as INELIGIBLE were those which, upon enquiry, were found

To be at work.

To have insufficient residential qualification.

To be those of bad character.

To have moved away after registering.

To be those where employers' references could not be obtained.

		II-	-7					
From July 1st, 1 the following:—	909, to	June	30th,	1910			four	nd for
	Mer	1.			Wome	n.		
*By Central Body ,, Borough Council—			. 9 wk	s. each.		aver. 1	3 wks	. each.
Painting, &c	63	3 ,,	4 ,,	.,,				
Wood Paving			5 ,,	33	_			
Tree Lopping		,,	5 ,,		-			
Sandwich Boards	65		1 ,,					
,, Other Agencies thro		",	- "	27	'4	perma	nent.	
Distress Committee		aver.	day	e	5	tempo		
Distress Committee	(- 16101.	ciay	٥.		compo	nary.	
	76	R			70			
	10	_			-10			
		-						
* Including 7 mer	and 16 v	vomen	already	at wor	k July	1st, 19	09.	
Number who refu	used wo	rk off	ered :-	_				
Obtained Work since		aceable h Chan	nen nen	used	Oth		Tot	al.
Registration		ldress.	ge Wo	ork.	Reas	ons.		
Men. Wome			Men. V	Comen.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.
On Colony			*****				-	*** *********
Work. 30 —	9	_	19	_	9	-	67	
On Non-Colony								
Work. 70 6	5	3	3	2	33	1	111	12
Total 100 6	14	3	22	2	42	1	178	12
EMIGRATION.								

Number of cases registered	***				378
Investigated and sent to Central Body				98	
Investigated but since withdrawn or d	isqual	ified :-			
Could not find security			88		
Wife refused to emigrate			10		
Found work			73		
Moved away			51		
Not recommended by Committee			31		
		25570		253	
Partly investigated				27	
The state of the s					378
Number of cases forwarded to Central Bod	y as al	ove			98
Cases emigrated by Central Body				24	
,, refused by Central Body				12	
,, rejected by Canadian Government				1	
,, not yet dealt with by Central Body				58	
,, emigrated through other agencies				3	
,,					98
	_				-
Emigrated to Canada			= 30 per	sons.	
	18	,, =	= 32	"	
,, ,, New Zealand	2	,, =	= 2	,,	
Total	. 27	cases =	= 64 per	Sons	
1000		-	or Per	ouro.	

(Including 17 single men.)

Of the above :—2 married men had been employed on Colony work,
,, ,, man ,, non-Colony work,
,, ,, 2 single men had been sent to the Colony for a period of training.

MIGRATION.

Father and 2 children were sent to Bournemouth to join mother who had obtained work, and gone there previously.

Man had been employed on Colony work.

Of the 3,425	men and	215	women reg	gistered i	n 1909-10:—
. 963	,,	37	,, had	applied	once before.
439	"	10	,,	11	twice ,,
291	"	2	,,	"	three times before.
157	,,	2	,,	"	four ,,

Of the 766 men and 70 women given work in 1909-10:-

145 men and 1 woman were given work once previously (Central Body).
40 ,, — ,, ,, (Borough Council).
51 ,, 1 ,, twice ,,
(Of these, 18 men had Borough Council Work once.)

19 men were given work three times previously.
(Of these 12 men had Borough Council Work once.)

2 men were given work four times previously.
(Of these 2 men had Borough Council work once.)

Number of applicants who had received Poor Law Relief during the 12 months preceding the date of application:—

Men	***				 654
Women			•••		 65
					719
Of the above wo	rk wa	s give	n to		
Men					 209
Women			***	***	 24
					233

WOMEN'S WORK.

Number of	women	registered	 	215
		sent to workroom	 	45

The Women's Workroom at the Young People's Hall, George Street, now called the South London Workroom, is still being continued, and has proved a great boon to the widows whom the Committee have been able to send there. The Central Body have experienced some difficulty in disposing of the garments made by these women, and, in consequence, sales of work have been held in various parts and good sums realized. The result not only proves the usefulness of these sales as a means of disposing of the garments made by these women, but also brings before the notice of the public this branch of the Committee's work.

The room is under the immediate control of a Local Advisory Committee who interest themselves in finding openings for the women on leaving at the end of the 16 weeks, by placing them in touch with various organisations, and foremost amongst these, the Association of Trained Charwomen has been of very great assistance.

It is difficult to say that the work provided has made any permanent improvement in the position of the applicants, but it certainly has assisted them temporarily and kept things in perhaps a normal condition during a time when work is always slack, keeping them out of debt and the rent paid.

Colony work is certainly more advantageous to the men, owing to the discipline and regular living, and to the families in consequence of the regular allowance which is paid to them every week. The disadvantage is in the want of some further provision to follow the sixteen weeks' training.

Non-colony work is more attractive, as it does not take the men away from home. They receive their own wages, and the better class of them are able to keep in touch with their old employers.

The great difficulty with which the Committee have again to contend is the small amount of work provided as compared with the large number of men recommended, and the non-provision of suitable employment for those who are physically weak and unable to do the heavy laborious work out of doors, after perhaps spending all their life in shops or factories.

Visiting the homes of men on Colony work has many advantages. The Committee keep in touch with the family, and the visitor is frequently able to give advice and suggest remedies for all sorts of troubles.

In respect to voluntary assistance, this has only been available in one part of the Borough, and the best thanks of this Committee are due to the ladies and gentlemen of Talbot House and Cambridge House Settlements, for their valuable help, without which it would have been quite impossible to deal with the cases in anything like an expeditious manner, and would have been necessary to obtain the services of at least one additional officer.

As regards investigation, it was found necessary to inquire into all the cases in order to have a sufficient number of preferred cases ready in view of the supply of work, and much valuable information was thereby gained. 3,570 cases were dealt with by Rota Committee, and 916 of these were copied out and referred to the Central Body, who have found occasion to appreciate the promptness with which the Committee, materially assisted by the system of Reserve Lists, have been able to fill vacancies offered.

The proposal to deal with the children as they leave school will, if adopted, undoubtedly tend to decrease the number of men and women with no trade in their hands and practically no aim in life, and, as time goes on, should very materially reduce the number of those that are almost, if not quite, unemployable.

Banquet to Little Londoners—At the invitation of Sir Wm. Treloar, 41 children of men and women registered as unemployed were entertained at the Guildhall on January 3rd, and accompanied by the Worshipful the Mayor (Alderman John Somerville) and the Mayoress.

The Committee are again indebted to the Borough Council for their kindly provision of work, both direct and with the co-operation of the Central Body. It was much appreciated, and greatly helped to relieve the distress in the Borough during the winter months.

They also feel that they are deeply indebted and desire to place on record their best thanks to the Rev. W. H. H. Elliott, the Rev. F. James and his Deacons, and to the Salvation Army for the use of their halls for the purpose of receiving applications, and to all the other ladies and gentlemen who have assisted in the work generally: also to Dr. W. Ellis Morgan, of 56, Peckham Road, who has very kindly examined, free of charge, all men proceeding to the Farm Colony and other works.

Appended is a copy of observations addressed to the Local Government Board in reply to their circular letter of April 1st, 1910.

To the Local Government Board, April 15th, 1910.

Question:—The conditions of industry and employment within the area of the Distress Committee during the year ending March 31st, 1910.

Answer:—The conditions of industry in this Borough appear to have improved somewhat, except in the two principal occupations, as out of 3,406 men registered as unemployed, 1,532 were described as belonging to the building trade. The mineral water trade also, which is a large factor in this Borough, again had a bad season, and this affected both men and women.

The distress was quite as keenly felt, but was perhaps not so apparent as in the winter of 1908-9, when the weather was so much

It is interesting to note that of the

3,406 men and 184 women registering in 10,1909—
963 ,, 34 ,, registered once previously,
439 ,, 8 ,, twice ,,
291 ,, 2 ,, three times ,,
157 ,, 1 ,, four ,, ,,

since the Act came into force.

It is also satisfactory to find, however, that from a recent canvass of a number of cases a large percentage of the men have now got back to their usual work.

Question: —Generally, as to the operation of the Act during the year within the area of the Distress Committee.

Answer:—The Act has again been beneficial, enabling a large number of families to keep going who would otherwise have had recourse to the Poor Law Authorities, and perhaps then have to seek

the shelter of the Workhouse. This alone should induce H.M. Government to continue the Act until such time as the question of unemployment is permanently dealt with. It is now impossible to realize the condition of things that would be created in London if no organised system of registration of this class of labour existed. The inadequacy of the amount of work provided has again been the drawback, notwithstanding the fact that the Council of this Borough provided work for 291 men, in addition to that obtained through the agency of the Central Body, and my Committee are of opinion that some inducement should be held out to the Borough Councils to put up schemes of work.

The necessity for the provision of work of a useful nature during the slack time of the year is shown in the willingness of the men to accept almost any conditions and rates of pay sooner than be

walking about idle.

London Work in Parks, &c. The provision of this, inadequate though it has been, is more attractive to the men as they do not have to leave their homes, and the casual workers in the building and mineral water trades are able to keep in touch with their employers, and when there is work about they soon get to hear of it and are able to leave the work which has been provided for them. This is shown by the large number that have left and are reported as "Found Work," viz., about 10 per cent. of these put to work.

FARM COLONY WORK. This is attractive to a better class of men, although the pay is small. They appreciate the discipline, regular food, and general surroundings of a country life. The drawback is the want of something to follow the sixteen weeks' training. A number of men would only be too glad of the chance to settle in the country, and until a greater effort is made in this direction, all the good that accrues, morally and physically, will be wasted. The sixteen weeks allowed is, at the same time, quite insufficient to train a man for country work. At least two years would be required to fit a man to become an efficient farm labourer.

EMIGRATION. Opinions differ very considerably on this point, and there is no doubt but that the best men are well able to hold their own in this country. If they wish to emigrate they do so at their own expense. The class that require assistance are those that have got left behind in the struggle for existence, but feel that with a fresh start and under different conditions, they may yet come out on top or somewhere near. As regards single men, with no trade in their hands, this is undoubtedly the best thing for them.

Women's Work. This is a boon to widows who have been left with young children, and would be more so, if openings could only be found for them after their sixteen weeks' training. To come in closer touch with the Labour Exchange would perhaps be an advantage.

In conclusion the Camberwell Distress Committee desire most strongly to urge upon His Majesty's Government the great and urgent importance of continuing in force some legal enactment, requiring registration, that will prevent the renewal of the periods of disorder which existed prior to the passing of the Unemployed Workmen Act.

Though the Central (Unemployed) Body may not have felt satisfied with the amount of work they have been able to provide, it is more by reason of the financial restrictions imposed, requiring such a large proportion of the cost to be contributed by the Local Authorities providing the work, than the number of deserving cases that require help: these always having been largely in excess of those assisted.

W. H. H. ELLIOTT, Chairman.

JAMES BUCKLAND, Vice-Chairman.

C. WILLIAM TAGG, Town Clerk.
GEORGE SISMAN, Clerk to the Committee.

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DISTRESS COMMITTEE.

RETURNS MADE TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

Comparative Statement for Years ending March 31st, 1908, 1909 and 1910.

	1908.		1909.		1910.	
	M.	W.	M.	W.	м. *	W.
Number of persons from whom applications	1 : 1					
were received	1,985	238	3,814	231	3,406	184
Number of applications entertained	926	149	1,824	126	1,687	133
Number of applications rejected Number of applications not investigated	110	8	180	915	1,109 610	47
Age under 20	5	_	8		7	
,, 20 and under 30	191	9	363	8	323	1
,, 30 ,, 40	261	23	514	32	565	30
,, 40 ,, 50	241	49	510	45	460	45
,, 50 ,, 60	177 51	50 18	318	33	250 82	38
" oo and upwards	926	149	1,824	126	1,687	133
		110	1,021	120	1,007	100
Occupations :			200		200	
General or Casual Labour Building Trades Engineering, Ship-building and Metal	411 351	=	378 852	_	396 779	
Trades	61	-	121		97	
Tailoring and Clothing	3	8	10	64	3	- :
Boot and Shoe Trades	16	-	25	-	8	-
Furnishing and Woodworking	27	1	45	1	33	-
Food, Drink and Tobacco Printing, Bookbinding and Paper	31 15		47 26	1	19	
Textile	1.0		20		3	
Domestic Service Transport and Conveyance of Men,	2	71	7	45	11	- 83
Goods and Messages	-		265	-	200	
Other Occupations	9	69	48	15	96	43
	926	149	1,824	126	1,687	133
Number of Applicants to whom work was offered	768		1,057		991	
Number of Applicants who refused work						
offered	3	35 234		150		
At Farm Colony and Workroom	78	28	93	42	66	46
" L.C.C. Parks	142	-	349	-	189	
,, Royal ,,	40	-	11	-	102	-
,, Alexandra Palace	64		80	-	8	
,, Camberwell B.C. Schemes	72	-	_	-	120	-
,, Wandsworth ,, ,, Number for whom work was provided and	_			-	15	
paid for by Borough Council	292	-	236	-	291	-
Number for whom work was found by other						

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure,

FROM JULY 1st, 1909, TO JUNE 30TH, 1910.

£ s. d.

To Balance at Bank and in hand	£ s. d. 72 3 10½ 3,416 7 11 862 17 0 26 10 0	By Wages paid to men at Parks, &c. , Wages paid to men Tree Planting, &c. , Allowances to families of men at Labour Colonies , Men's Fares , Salaries of Clerk and Enquiry Officers , Stationery, Printing, &c. , Postages and Sundry Expenses , Rent, Coals, and Gas , Travelling Expenses , Clothing supplied to Emigrants and Pledges Redeemed , Medical Fees, Examining Emigrants , Accident Pay , Women's Work , Balance at Bank and in hand	862 17 0 611 10 6 70 11 10 582 18 6 10 6 10 56 17 11 42 1 2 5 9 61
	£4,377 18 9½	,, see at bank and in hand	£4 377 18 01
			31.3/7 18 01

DIRECT PAYMENTS, &c.

Allowances to women paid by Central Body at the Workrooms Wages to men at Royal Parks paid by H.M. Office of Works Wages to men Tree Lopping, Wood Paving, &c., paid by Borough Council	£ 427 518 1,748	8 17	0
	£2,694	7	7

These accounts are passed by the Central (Unemployed) Body, and audited as a part of their accounts by the Official Audito of the Local Government Board.