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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Alderman E. SNOWDON, J.P., Mayor of Bermondsey, 1949-50.

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

D. M. Connan, M.D., B.S. (Lond.), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

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F. L. Richardson, Sanitary and Drainage Inspector and
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H. E. Butcher, Wharves and Food Inspector.
W. C. Tapsfield, Wharves and Food Inspector.
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A. W. Hancock, Inspector for Rodent Control.

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L. T. Knott	J. L. Springett
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W. A. Pilson	

FAIRBY GRANGE CONVALESCENT HOME.

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Staff Nurse—Theresa O'Meara (*Commenced Aug., 1949*).

PUBLIC ANALYST.

A. Prideaux Davson, A.R.C.Sc., F.R.I.C., F.C.S.

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C. W. Whye.

PROPAGANDA SECTION.

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C. G. Flatt (*Commenced Nov., 1949*).

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DISINFECTING AND CLEANSING STATION.

A. Manning, Supervisor.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,

MUNICIPAL OFFICES,

SPA ROAD, S.E.16.

Borough of Bermondsey.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

*To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of
Bermondsey.*

Sir, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report for the year 1949. In accordance with the prevailing need for economy it takes the form of a statistical summary. The changes consequent upon the National Health Service Act have now been in force eighteen months or so, but in my opinion it is still too early to make any useful comment. The outstanding need in the borough at the present time is the need for proper housing accommodation, and improvement in this direction is painfully slow.

I would like once again to thank both the Council and the staff for their kindness and consideration during the past year.

I am, Sir, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

D. M. CONNAN.

I.—VITAL STATISTICS.

AREA.

The area of the borough (exclusive of area covered by water) is 1,336 acres.

POPULATION.

Census		Estimate of Registrar-General	
1921	1931	to 30th June, 1948	to 30th June, 1949
119,452	111,542	60,410	60,440

BIRTHS.

The total number of births belonging to the borough registered during 1949 was 1,140 consisting of 579 males and 561 females. The number for 1948 was 1,218. The birth-rate for 1949 was 18·9 per thousand persons living, compared with 20·2 for 1948.

DEATHS.

The total number of deaths belonging to the borough registered during 1949 was 726, consisting of 391 males and 335 females. The number for 1948 was 710. The death-rate for 1949 was 12·0 per thousand persons living, compared with 11·8 for 1948.

MARRIAGES.

The total number of marriages in the borough in 1949 was 609, being 14 above the number for 1948, and 125 below the average for the last 10 years.

The figures have been supplied by the Superintendent Registrar.

Year					No.	Rate
1939	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,258	26·35
1940	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,186	33·13
1941	.....	.....	.....	.....	725	32·79
1942	.....	.....	.....	.....	666	29·97
1943	.....	.....	.....	.....	458	20·16
1944	.....	.....	.....	.....	370	16·52
1945	.....	.....	.....	.....	737	31·34
1946	.....	.....	.....	.....	665	23·62
1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	684	23·17
1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	595	19·70
Average for years 1939—1948.....					734	25·68
1949					609	20·15

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

Year	Whole Borough		London	
	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Births	No. of Deaths	Rate per 1,000 Births
1939	45	37	2,409	47
1940	40	35	2,062	48
1941	32	61	1,543	57
1942	38	47	2,035	50
1943	49	53	2,284	51
1944	56	66	2,250	51
1945	44	52	2,011	44
1946	53	39	2,527	38
1947	50	33	2,454	34
1948	20	16	1,869	31
Average for years 1939-1948	43	44	2,144	45
1949	33	29	1,517	27

TUBERCULOSIS OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.

In the following Table will be found particulars of deaths from Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System since the year 1939.

Sub-District	Bermondsey	Rotherhithe	St. Olave	Whole Borough		London	
Year	No.	No.	No.	No.	Rate	No.	Rate
1939.. ..	38	21	6	65	0·72	2650	0·70
1940.. ..	43	21	4	68	0·95	2687	0·87
1941.. ..	34	17	1	52	1·18	2552	1·10
1942.. ..	34	13	1	48	0·93	2164	0·90
1943.. ..	30	15	4	49	1·08	2204	0·88
1944.. ..	30	16	1	47	1·05	2073	0·84
1945.. ..	28	15	2	45	0·96	2033	0·78
1946.. ..	23	8	1	32	0·57	1940	0·62
1947.. ..	26	21	5	52	0·88	2044	0·62
1948.. ..	26	12	7	45	0·74	1900	0·57
Averages for years 1939-1948 ..	31	16	3	50	0·91	2225	0·79
1949.. ..	32	8	1	41	0·68	1585	0·47

VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1949 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

Year	Population estimated to Middle of each Year	Births		Total Deaths registered in the District				Total Deaths in Public Institutions in the District	Deaths of Non-Residents registered in Public Institutions, etc., in the District	Deaths of Residents registered in Public Institutions etc. beyond the District	Net Deaths at all Ages belonging to the District	
		No.	Rate	Under 1 Year of Age		At all Ages					No.	Rate
				No.	Rate per 1,000 Births registered	No.	Rate					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1939	*95,500	1,275	13.4	40	31	968	10.7	445	201	243	1,010	11.2
1940	†90,210	1,232	17.2	35	28	1,483	20.7	829	304	373	1,551	21.7
1941	71,590	756	17.1	23	44	874	19.8	569	259	432	1,047	23.7
1942	44,220	814	18.3	36	44	673	15.1	520	285	285	673	15.1
1943	44,440	925	20.6	31	34	713	15.7	517	228	276	761	16.7
1944	45,440	846	18.9	28	33	722	16.1	453	209	296	809	18.1
1945	44,800	848	18.0	13	15	582	12.4	357	147	251	686	14.6
1946	47,040	1,353	24.0	18	13	728	12.9	424	191	242	779	13.8
1947	56,320	1,531	25.9	22	14	766	13.0	421	198	209	777	13.2
1948	59,040	1,218	20.2	16	13	676	11.0	332	166	200	710	11.8
Averages for years 1939-1948	56,880	1,080	19.4	26	27	818	14.7	487	219	281	880	16.0
1949	60,440	1,140	18.9	16	14	664	11.0	301	108	170	726	12.0

* For calculation of Birth Rate.

† For calculation of Death Rate.

CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATHS DURING THE YEAR 1949.

Causes of Death					Deaths at the subjoined ages of "Residents" whether occurring in or beyond the District.								
					All Ages	Under 1	1 and under 2	2 and under 5	5 and under 15	15 and under 25	25 and under 45	45 and under 65	65 and up- wards
All Causes	{ Certified .. .. .	..	..	..	726	33	1	7	4	10	44	188	439
	{ Uncertified .. .. .	..	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever					1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria					5	—	—	2	3	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System					41	—	—	—	—	6	10	21	4
Tuberculosis—other forms					1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Syphilitic Disease					3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Influenza					3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Measles					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Acute Infectious Encephalitis					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cancer of Buccal Cavity and Oesophagus					—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(Males only)					8	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	7
Cancer of Uterus					6	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4
Cancer of Stomach and Duodenum					13	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	8
Cancer of Breast					9	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	6
Cancer of all other sites					85	—	—	1	—	—	5	30	49
Diabetes					3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Intra-cranial Vascular Lesions					70	—	—	—	—	—	2	12	56

CAUSES OF, AND AGES AT, DEATHS DURING THE YEAR 1949—continued.

Causes of Death	Deaths at the subjoined ages of " Residents " whether occurring in or beyond the district.								
	All Ages	Under 1	1 and under 2	2 and under 5	5 and under 15	15 and under 25	25 and under 45	45 and under 65	65 and up-wards
Heart Disease	185	—	—	—	—	2	3	41	139
Other Diseases of the Circulatory System ..	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	21
Bronchitis	61	2	—	—	—	—	3	17	39
Pneumonia	73	6	—	—	—	1	4	20	42
Other Respiratory Diseases	13	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	7
Ulceration of the Stomach or Duodenum ..	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8
Diarrhœa (under 2 years of age)	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Appendicitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Digestive Diseases	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	10
Nephritis	12	—	—	—	—	1	1	7	3
Puerperal and Post-abortive Sepsis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Maternal Causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Premature Births	10	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Congenital Malformations, Birth Injury, Infantile Diseases	15	11	1	1	1	—	1	—	—
Suicide	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1
Road Traffic Accidents	5	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	2
Other Violent Causes	13	2	—	—	—	—	1	5	5
All Other Causes	40	—	—	1	—	—	8	10	21
TOTALS	726	33	1	7	4	10	44	188	439

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

Deaths from Stated Causes at Various Ages under One Year of Age, 1949.

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1—2 weeks	2—3 weeks	3—4 weeks	Total under 1 month	1—3 months	3—6 months	6—9 months	9—12 months	Total under 1 year
Measles	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Influenza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculous Meningitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Forms of Meningitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Tuberculous Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Syphilis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
Pneumonia (all forms)	1	—	—	—	1	2	1	1	1	6
Other Respiratory Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Diarrhoea and Enteritis	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2
Congenital Debility and Malformation, Premature Birth	13	—	—	—	13	1	1	—	—	15
Injury at Birth	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Other Causes	6	—	—	—	6	—	1	—	—	7
Totals	21	—	—	—	21	6	3	2	1	33

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS, 1949.

Births.

Registered—				Total	Males	Females
Live Births	{	Legitimate .. ..	..	1,092	558	534
		Illegitimate .. ..	..	48	21	27
				Total	Males	Females
Stillbirths	{	Legitimate .. ..	..	19	10	9
		Illegitimate .. ..	..	1	—	1
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births						17

Notified within 36 hours of birth—

(1) Live Births, 1,163 (2) Stillbirths, 21 (3) Total, 1,184

						Total	Males	Females
Deaths	..	..	..	..	..	726	391	335

Maternal Deaths.

Deaths from puerperal causes :—						Deaths.	Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	
Puerperal Sepsis	—	—	—
Other puerperal causes	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age.

All Infants per 1,000 live births	..	..	..	..	..	29
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	27
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	..	..	..	..	..	93

Convalescent Home for Mothers and Children under 5.

Fairby Grange Convalescent Home, Hartley, Dartford, Kent :—

Number of Beds for Mothers	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Number of Beds for Children	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Number of Women admitted during 1949	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	258
Number of Babies admitted during 1949	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145
Number of Toddlers admitted during 1949	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157

Day Nurseries.

Number of day nurseries 4.

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	..	..	..	..	121
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	..	..	..	..	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	..	..	..	..	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	..	..	..	..	2

II.—INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following diseases are notifiable :—

Disease.	Authority for Notification.
Acute Encephalitis	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulation (No. 2259) made by the Minister of Health, 1949 (1.1.50)
Acute Influenzal Pneumonia	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulation (No. 1207) made by the Minister of Health, 1927 (1.1.28).
Acute Primary Pneumonia	do.
Acute Poliomyelitis	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulation (No. 2259) made by the Minister of Health, 1949 (1.1.50)
Anthrax	L.C.C. Order—Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 305)
Cholera	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).
Continued Fever	do.
Diphtheria	do.
Dysentery	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulation (No. 1207) made by the Minister of Health, 1927 (1.1.28).
Enteric Fever (includes Typhoid and Paratyphoid).	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304). Regulation (No. 1207) made by the Minister of Health, 1927 (1.1.28).
Erysipelas	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).
Food Poisoning	Food and Drugs Act, 1938 (Section 17).
Glanders	L.C.C. Order—Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 305).
Hydrophobia in Man	do.
Malaria	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulation (No. 1207) made by the Minister of Health, 1927 (1.1.28).
Measles	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulations made by the Minister of Health, 1938 and 1940.
Membranous Croup	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).

Disease.	Authority for Notification.
Meningococcal Infection	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143) Regulation (No. 2259) made by the Minister of Health, 1949 (1.1.50)
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	L.C.C. Order—Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 305).
Plague	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulations of Local Government Board, 1900.
Puerperal Pyrexia	Public Health (London) Act, 1936, as amended by the L.C.C. (General Powers) Act, 1948.
Relapsing Fever	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).
*Scabies	County of London (Scabies) Regulations, 1943.
Scarlatina or Scarlet Fever	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).
Small-pox	do.
Tuberculosis	Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1930.
Typhus Fever	Public Health (London) Act, 1936 (Section 304).
Whooping Cough	Public Health Act, 1936 (Section 143). Regulations made by the Minister of Health, 1938 and 1940.

* A notification is not required where to the knowledge of the medical practitioner, a case of scabies has occurred in the house and has been notified within the four weeks immediately preceding the date on which he first became aware of the disease in the case he is attending.

DIPHThERIA

There was a somewhat distressing epidemic of Diphtheria in the first half of the year. On the 29th April an infant aged 2 years was admitted to hospital suffering from Diphtheria; she had not been immunised and she died in hospital on the 10th May. A child living in the same house attended the neighbouring school and 10 children from this school were subsequently removed to hospital, and later "contacts" of some of these children also contracted the disease. In all 51 patients were removed to hospital; 31 were found to be suffering from Diphtheria and 7 were considered to be "carriers". I regret to say that there were 5 deaths. There was some considerable local alarm and the school was closed for a few days and disinfected. As none of the children who died had been immunised, special clinics were at once arranged and several hundred children were immunised.

DISINFECTION.

The figures showing the work done in the disinfecting station are set out below.

Beds	.....	127	Pillows	.....	5,075
Blankets	.....	1,237	Pillows (cases)	.....	303
Bolsters	.....	120	Quilts	.....	201
„ (cases)	.....	33	Sheets	.....	346
Books	.....	651	Miscellaneous	.....	5,062
Cushions	52	Verminous Clothing	1,298
Overlays	4,567			

Number of rooms disinfected	1,089
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Number of mattresses and other articles destroyed	267
Furniture, Floorcloth, etc., destroyed	54 Loads

CLEANSING STATION.

Verminous persons cleansed	.....	Adult Females	.....	28
		Adult Males	.....	183
		Children	.....	1,335

Persons treated for Scabies :—	Number treated	Number of baths given
Adult Females	17	46
Adult Males	10	33
Children, Females (School Age)	25	140
Children, Males („ „)	15	54
Children, Females (Under School Age)	3	6
Children, Males („ „ „)	5	14

BACTERIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

Examined for	Total Examina- tions		Results of Examination			
			Positive		Negative	
	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949
Diphtheria (specimens taken by Medical Officer of Health ..	84	180	—	5	84	175
Ditto (taken by general prac- titioners)	301	755	1	26	300	729
Diphtheria (total specimens taken)	385	935	1	31	384	904
Phthisis	6	3	—	—	6	3
Various	4	2	—	—	4	2
Total specimens taken	395	940	1	31	394	909

FOOD POISONING.

Ten cases of food poisoning were notified to me during the year under The Food and Drugs Act, 1938, Section 17. None of these cases could be classified as an "outbreak," and there were no deaths.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1949.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE	NUMBER OF CASES NOTIFIED												BERMONDSEY							ROTHERHITHE				ST. OLAVE				Total Cases removed to Hospital
	At all Ages	At Ages—Year											1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	1	2	3	Total	St. John	St. Olave	St. Thomas	Total	
		0 to 1	1 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 25	25 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 55	55 to 65	65 & upwards																
Diphtheria (including Membranous Croup)	65	1	15	23	9	3	4	5	4	—	—	1	10	10	30	5	2	—	57	1	1	4	6	2	—	—	2	64
Erysipelas ..	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	3	2	1	1	4	—	—	—	3	
Scarlet Fever ..	85	—	37	36	7	2	1	2	—	—	—	—	13	11	16	8	7	—	55	7	15	5	27	1	2	—	3	
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	36	
Dysentery ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	
Acute Polio-Myelitis	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	1	
Acute Polio Encephalitis	2	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	
Malaria ..	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	
Puerperal Pyrexia ..	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	2	1	—	1	2	—	—	1	3	
Pneumonia (Acute Primary and Acute Influenzal)	43	1	9	5	1	2	6	2	2	6	3	6	1	9	14	4	3	3	34	2	3	2	7	1	1	—	1	
Whooping Cough ..	40	8	26	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	1	7	7	7	1	27	3	2	3	8	2	3	—	3	
Measles ..	771	37	492	226	9	1	1	5	—	—	—	—	61	77	99	127	73	45	482	73	87	90	250	25	13	1	24	
Scabies ..	7	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	3	—	2	—	5	—	2	—	2	—	—	—	—	
Tuberculosis—Respiratory System	120	—	4	4	5	14	28	28	13	9	8	7	11	12	28	10	16	4	81	14	15	6	35	4	—	4	—	
Other forms of Tuberculosis	12	—	3	3	3	—	1	1	1	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	—	4	3	1	2	6	2	—	2	—	
Totals ..	1164	51	588	304	36	23	43	47	24	17	14	17	103	122	200	166	110	55	756	107	129	114	350	37	19	2	139	

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEARS 1940-1949.

Notifiable Disease.	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
Small Pox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
Diphtheria (including Membranous Croup)	56	89	72	74	30	31	22	34	37	65
Erysipelas	43	48	39	21	17	14	15	12	13	7
Scarlet Fever	243	75	128	197	108	95	82	152	199	85
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	29	18	2	7	7	—	5	3	1	—
Acute Polio-Myelitis and Acute Polio-Encephalitis	—	3	—	2	1	2	4	27	7	4
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	2	—	1	7	3	4	10	2	5	3
Anthrax	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	1	—
Enteric Fever	2	1	2	3	—	2	—	1	—	—
Puerperal Fever	2	1	—	3	—	2	—	4	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	11	3	—	10	6	7	8	4	5	5
Dysentery	6	11	7	15	23	32	12	4	2	1
Malaria	—	2	—	1	1	1	4	—	1	1
Malaria (Induced)	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia (Acute Primary and Acute Influenzal)	104	99	55	112	99	66	54	52	57	43
Whooping Cough	25	274	93	208	224	42	233	297	237	40
Measles	229	381	600	345	345	544	521	334	899	771
Scabies	—	—	—	283	489	366	253	81	42	7
Tuberculosis—										
Respiratory System	97	106	100	109	111	126	129	100	105	120
Other forms of Tuberculosis	6	9	19	14	18	14	14	16	27	12
Totals	855	1,120	1,120	1,411	1,482	1,349	1,366	1,125	1,638	1,164

III.—TUBERCULOSIS.

In Table I are set out particulars of new cases and deaths during the year, and Table II shows the period elapsing between notification and death.

TABLE I.
TUBERCULOSIS, 1949—NEW CASES AND DEATHS.

AGE PERIODS			NEW CASES				DEATHS			
			Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	..	..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	..	..	3	1	2	1	—	—	—	—
5	..	..	2	2	1	2	—	—	—	—
10	..	..	3	2	3	1	—	—	—	—
15	..	..	9	7	—	—	—	1	—	—
20	..	..	15	15	1	—	3	2	—	—
25	..	..	19	12	1	—	3	2	—	—
35	..	..	8	5	1	1	2	3	—	—
45	..	..	11	—	1	—	8	1	1	—
55	..	..	9	1	—	—	10	2	—	—
65 and upwards			7	2	—	—	4	—	—	—
			86	47	10	5	30	11	1	—

TABLE II.
TUBERCULOSIS, 1949—PERIOD BETWEEN NOTIFICATION AND DEATH.

Period Between Notification and Death	Respiratory System				Other Forms			
	Males	Females	Total	Percentage of Total Deaths	Males	Females	Total	Percentage of Total Deaths
Not notified	7	—	7	17.07	1	—	1	100.00
0-1 month	3	1	4	9.76	—	—	—	—
1-3 months	—	1	1	2.44	—	—	—	—
3-6 months	2	1	3	7.32	—	—	—	—
6-12 months	3	2	5	12.19	—	—	—	—
1-2 years ..	3	—	3	7.32	—	—	—	—
2-5 years ..	4	3	7	17.07	—	—	—	—
Over 5 years	8	3	11	26.83	—	—	—	—
Totals ..	30	11	41	100.00	1	—	1	100.00

PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS, 1930.

Summary of Notifications during the period from the 1st January, 1949, to the 31st December, 1949.

Age Periods			Formal Notifications												Total Notifi- cations
			Number of Primary Notifications of New Cases of Tuberculosis												
			0 to 1	1 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 25	25 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 55	55 to 65	65 and up- wards	Total (all ages)	
Pulmonary, Males	—	3	2	3	9	15	17	7	8	8	5	77	77
„ Females	—	1	2	2	6	13	11	5	—	1	2	43	43
Non-Pulmonary Males	—	2	1	3	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	8	8
„ Females	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	4

New cases of Tuberculosis coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health during the above-mentioned period, otherwise than by formal notification :—

Age Periods				0 to 1	1 to 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 25	25 to 35	35 to 45	45 to 55	55 to 65	65 and upwards	Total
Pulmonary Males	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	1	2	9
„ Females	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	4
Non-Pulmonary Males	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
„ Females	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1

**Returns rendered under the PUBLIC HEALTH (TUBERCULOSIS)
REGULATIONS, 1930.**

1st QUARTER, 1949.

	Respiratory System		Other Forms	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of Cases on Register at commencement of Quarter	311	294	58	47
Number of Cases notified during Quarter ..	22	13	3	2
Inward Transfers, Un-notified Deaths, etc.	3	1	—	1
Number of Cases removed from the Register	24	22	5	2
Number of Cases remaining on the Register at end of Quarter	312	286	56	48

2nd QUARTER, 1949.

	Respiratory System		Other Forms	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of Cases on Register at commencement of Quarter	312	286	56	48
Number of Cases notified during Quarter ..	15	3	4	—
Inward Transfers, Un-notified Deaths, etc.	2	1	—	—
Number of Cases removed from the Register	12	19	1	1
Number of Cases remaining on the Register at end of Quarter	317	271	59	47

3rd QUARTER, 1949.

	Respiratory System		Other Forms	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of Cases on Register at commencement of Quarter	317	271	59	47
Number of Cases notified during Quarter ..	13	16	—	2
Inward Transfers, Un-notified Deaths, etc.	4	2	1	—
Number of Cases removed from the Register	26	16	4	1
Number of Cases remaining on the Register at end of Quarter	308	273	56	48

4th QUARTER, 1949.

	Respiratory System		Other Forms	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Number of Cases on Register at commencement of Quarter	308	273	56	48
Number of Cases notified during Quarter ..	27	11	1	—
Inward Transfers, Un-notified Deaths, etc.	—	—	1	—
Number of Cases removed from the Register	5	13	—	—
Number of Cases remaining on the Register at end of Quarter	330	271	58	48

IV.—PROPAGANDA.

HEALTH AND EDUCATION FILM DISPLAYS

During the year, film displays have been given as follows —

Schools	26	attended by	5,320
Youth Organisations	12	„	420
Women's Meetings	50	„	3,230
Veteran's Clubs.....	32	„	1,565
Others	15	„	1,095
	135		11,630

CITIZENSHIP

Head teachers of the schools in the borough have continued to apply for assistance in teaching senior children good citizenship and the work of local government. As in past years, visits to Council departments, lectures, and film displays, were arranged.

21 groups of girls and boys from 3 schools made visits to Council departments.

15 lectures on local government, and
11 film displays were given.

ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Assistance has again been given to the Road Safety Sub-Committee. Films have been shown, lantern slides made, photographs taken, and short films produced. A film display service was provided for the “ Code of the Road ” Exhibition held at the Central Baths, when films were shown several times daily for a week.

V.—SANITARY ADMINISTRATION

HOUSING.

During the year 1949 no insanitary areas have been represented or declared by the Council, but the District Sanitary Inspectors have surveyed small areas with numbers of unfit houses and records have been compiled for future use.

Demolition Orders under Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936, have been made on 8 unfit houses, and Closing Orders under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936, have been made on 6 parts of houses involving altogether the displacement of 42 persons.

A block of 27 flats was completed at St. Olave's Estate, 12 flats and 2 cottages at Henley Close, and 13 flats at St. John's Estate.

Accommodation for 175 families was provided during 1949 in properties controlled by this Council; 212 exchanges or transfers of tenancies were arranged, providing improved accommodation, and a further 278 Bermondsey families were accommodated by the London County Council, 128 of whom were specially recommended by this Council: 138 families were recommended to the London County Council on grounds of overcrowding.

HOUSING ACT, 1936—OVERCROWDING.

The following new cases of overcrowding have been encountered during the year :—

In private dwellings	85
In Bermondsey Borough Council dwellings	24
In London County Council dwellings	21
Total	<u>130</u>

Total number of cases of overcrowding at present on the Register	693
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ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

The following table shows the fumigations carried out during 1949 :—

	Infested	Disinfested
Council houses or flats	143	143
Other houses or flats	256	256

INSPECTIONS, PROCEEDINGS, ETC.

Hereunder will be found particulars of Inspections, Proceedings, etc., for the year 1949 :—

INSPECTION OF DWELLING-HOUSES DURING THE YEAR :—

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) 4,469
- (b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose 25,383
- (2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932 659
- (b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose 659
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 8
- (4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding subhead) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation Nil

REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES :—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers 2,448

ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR :—

(A) Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs Nil

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—

(a) By owners	Nil
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil

(B) Proceedings under Public Health Acts :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 4,125

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—

(a) By owners	1,677
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil

(C) Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made 8

(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders 3

(D) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made 6

(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit..... Nil

REGISTERED PREMISES—

Premises	Number on Register at end of 1949	Number of Inspections	Number of Prosecutions
Common Lodging Houses ..	2	49	—
Seamen's Lodging Houses ..	1	1	—
Milkshops.. ..	104	266	—
Houses let in lodgings	419	521	—
Ice Cream Premises	93	138	—
Offensive Trades (including Poultry Slaughter-houses)	11	61	—

SMOKE NUISANCES—

Number of observations	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	244
Number of notices	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Nil
Number of complaints	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Nil
Number of summonses	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Nil

WATER SUPPLY TO TENEMENT HOUSES—

Premises supplied	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Prosecutions	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Nil

SALE OF FOOD—

Number of premises used other than ice-cream premises, milk-shops and cowsheds	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	358
Number of inspections	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	705

**RAG FLOCK ACT, 1911, and PUBLIC HEALTH (LONDON) ACT,
1936 :—**

There are no factories in the District where rag flock is used.

WORK OF DISTRICT INSPECTORS, 1949.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
	House-to-House	Special Inspections	Complaints	Infectious Diseases	Factories and Work-shops Specially Inspected	Rats	Outworkers' Bi-Annual Inspection	Underground Conveniences	Drains Tested	Other Calls and Visits	Chimneys watched	Bakehouses	Common and Seamans Lodging Houses	Butchers	Fishmongers, Friers and Curers	Food Stores	Fruiters and Green-grocers	Ice Cream	Markets	Restaurants and Eating Houses	Destruction of Food	Various	Visits	Ints.
District No. 1	64	409	1050	197	2	56	5	—	73	3192	—	5	40	33	4	40	6	1	1	40	46	1	5265	688
„ No. 2	284	614	738	142	—	27	9	—	15	5301	1	5	6	45	48	67	17	6	42	59	28	5	7459	929
„ No. 3	50	485	738	137	1	34	9	—	43	3214	—	7	1	29	24	49	14	14	13	105	30	1	4998	419
„ No. 4	—	275	632	27	—	14	4	—	5	2524	—	7	—	1	3	28	1	1	—	43	38	—	3603	550
„ No. 5	161	466	919	145	—	25	4	—	20	3086	1	6	—	40	3	46	7	5	—	64	30	2	5030	768
„ No. 6	91	609	725	220	—	93	19	—	47	3121	—	18	—	51	14	70	3	10	27	67	86	2	5273	629
„ No. 7	9	67	128	17	—	—	—	—	—	476	—	1	3	2	—	1	—	—	114	1	—	—	819	142
Total ..	659	2925	4930	885	3	249	50	—	203	20914	2	49	50	201	96	301	48	37	197	379	258	11	32447	4125

FACTORIES AND OTHER PREMISES.

HOMEWORK.

NATURE OF WORK	Section 110			Section 111		
	Number of out-workers in August list required by Section 110 (1) (c)	Number of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	Number of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	Number of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel—						
Making	50	—	—	—	—	—
Cotton Bags	10	—	—	—	—	—
Sacks	3	—	—	—	—	—
Paper Bags	12	—	—	—	—	—
The making of Boxes or other Receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper	8	—	—	—	—	—
Brush making	1	—	—	—	—	—
Publishers	7	—	—	—	—	—
Artificial Flowers	5	—	—	—	—	—
Carding of Buttons, etc.	11	—	—	—	—	—
Christmas Crackers	3	—	—	—	—	—
Fancy Goods	12	—	—	—	—	—
Total	122	—	—	—	—	—

**FACTORIES AND OTHER PREMISES.
INSPECTION.**

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	261	438	10	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	443	1,459	14	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	4	2	—	—
Total	708	1,899	24	—

DEFECTS FOUND.

Particulars	Number of Cases in which Defects were found				Number of defects in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1.)	5	5	—	5	—
Overcrowding (S.2.)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3.)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4.)	3	3	—	—	—
Ineffective Drainage of Floors (S.6.)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)—					
Insufficient	4	4	—	2	—
Unsuitable or Defective	12	12	—	5	—
Not separate for Sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other Offences	—	—	—	—	—
(Not including offences relating to Home Work)					
Total	24	24	—	12	—

BAKEHOUSES.

In Use		Not in Use	
Underground	Above ground	Above ground	Underground
1	28	—	—

29 of these are Factory Bakehouses

HOUSE, TRADE AND MARKET REFUSE.

The following table shows the amount of house, trade and market refuse disposed of during 1949 :—

Disposal	Loads	tons	cwts.	qrs.
House Refuse to Barge	8,843	14,131	2	2
Trade Refuse to Barge	3,044	3,183	11	3
Street Markets Refuse to Barge	469	569	11	—
Totals	12,356	17,884	5	1

OFFENSIVE TRADES.

The offensive trades on the Register are as follows :—

Fellmongers	3	Fatmelters	1
Glue and size makers	3	Dresser of Fur Skins	4

MORTUARY.

The Public Health (London) Act, 1936, Section 234, requires the Borough Council to provide a proper place for the reception of dead bodies before interment. The Regional Hospital Board acts as agent for the Borough Council in this matter and receives into the mortuary at St. Olave's Hospital those bodies for which it is the duty of the Borough Council to provide. A fee of one guinea per body is paid by the Borough Council for this service.

Number of infectious bodies removed	Nil
Total number of bodies removed	5

BURIAL OF THE DEAD

It is the duty of the Borough Council under Section 50 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, to cause to be buried or cremated the body of any person who has died or been found dead in the Borough in any case where no suitable arrangements for the disposal of the body have been or are being made.

The number of burials of such bodies arranged during the year was 13.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.**SECTION 47.**

Section 47 provides for the removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention. One such case was dealt with during the year, that of a woman aged 78, and I append a brief history of the case.

The case first came to notice of the District Sanitary Inspector on the 25th May, 1948. The woman was then living at home with her husband; she was feeble, mentally weak, and in far too poor a condition to look after herself. On the 22nd December, 1948, her husband having been admitted to hospital, her son, who had a four-room flat in the district and whose family consisted of seven adults, took her to live with him. The extra burden of looking after her caused considerable family tension, and she returned to her own home on the 8th April, 1949, to live alone, her husband having died in hospital. During all this time she had been regularly visited by the District Sanitary Inspector, who had made repeated, but unsuccessful attempts to persuade her voluntarily to enter an Old People's Home. On the 3rd May, 1949, in company with the District Sanitary Inspector, I visited her and found that her condition had deteriorated to such an extent as to warrant application to a magistrate for a Dentention Order. This was made at Tower Bridge Magistrates' Court on the 12th May, 1949, when the Magistrate made an Order for a period of three months. She was removed to Newington Lodge, Southwark, and at the time of going to press is still there and stated to be happy and comfortable.

STREET AND OPEN MARKETS

On the 2nd May, 1949, the open markets in Bermondsey Square and Southwark Park Road were officially opened by His Worship the Mayor of Bermondsey (Councillor H. A. Beal, J.P.), on which date the street traders removed from the streets on to the market sites provided by the Council. On the 26th May, 1949, however, the street traders of Tower Bridge Road and Bermondsey Street moved back to their original positions in the roadway, having lodged an appeal with the Secretary of State against the action of the Council.

A public inquiry was held before E. Daly Lewis, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, on the 22nd and 27th September, 1949, with the result that the Secretary of State decided that the parts of the streets which should be designated for the purpose of street trading under the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1947, were to be —

- (i) Tower Bridge Road (North side from 93 Tower Bridge Road to Bermondsey Street).
- (ii) Bermondsey Street (Tower Bridge Road to a point 30 feet south of the junction of Bermondsey Street with Abbey Street and Long Lane).

The Council, at the meeting of the 21st December, 1949, passed a designating resolution to this effect, and the licensed street traders were transferred to their new positions on the 2nd January, 1950. The effect of the ruling was that the congested portion of Tower Bridge Road, taking heavy vehicular traffic, could not be used for street trading.

On 27th September, 1949, the Southwark Park Road street traders moved from the open market sites provided for them, back into the roadway, and their appeal to the Secretary of State is under consideration.

Number of licences in operation during 1949.....	232
Income for 1949	£3,434 11s 6d.

During the year 130 summonses were taken out under the London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1947, against unlicensed traders—these were all “barrow boys” trading in the London Bridge area. All these prosecutions were successful and fines totalling £102 5s. 0d. were imposed with costs amounting to £40 10s. 6d.

DRAINAGE WORK.

Particulars of work carried out by the Drainage Inspector during 1949 :—

Drains Tested	387
Other Visits	1,769
Total visits	<u>2,156</u>

WORK OF THE FACTORIES AND SHOPS INSPECTOR.**Shops.**

Visits	147
Notices served under Shops Act, 1934.....	Nil
Notices served under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	7

Factories (with mechanical power).

Visits	610
Notices under Factories Act, 1937	14
Notices under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	6

Factories (without mechanical power).

Visits	167
Notices under Factories Act, 1937	10
Notices under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	Nil

Workplaces.

Visits	210
Notices under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	8

Visits to Offensive Trade premises	61
Smoke observations	244
Visits to Conveniences and Urinals	448
Other calls and visits	805

RODENT CONTROL.**Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919.****Infestation Order, 1943.**

Particulars of work carried out during the year are as follows :—

Dwelling Houses and Shops (including work of the District Sanitary Inspectors).

Complaints investigated	410
Re-visits	1,979
Rats destroyed	212
Drains found defective and repaired or sealed off	102
Infestations cleared	367
Notices served under Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919	—
Notices served under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	6

Wharves and Warehouses.

Inspections	103
Re-visits	498
Major infestations found	22
Minor infestations found	9
Rats destroyed	4,319
Infestations cleared	19
Notices served under Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919	7
Notices served under Public Health (London) Act, 1936	5

Factories and Workplaces.

Inspections	324
Re-visits	550
Major infestations found	21
Minor infestations found	65
Rats destroyed	3,126
Infestations cleared	70
Notices served under Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919	2
Notices served under Public Health (London), Act, 1936	10

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Particulars and results of prosecutions during the year under the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, are shown hereunder :—

Case No.	Date of Hearing	Offence and address of property concerned	Result
42	23.5.49	Distributing toys in exchange for old rags in Suffolk Grove on 15.3.49.	Fined £1 with £1.1.0 costs.
43	25.4.49	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—18 (Right Hand), Collett Road.	Order made to remedy nuisance within 28 days and pay £5.5.0 costs.
47	25.5.49	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—54 Paradise Street.	Order made to remedy nuisance within 28 days and pay £2.2.0 costs.
49	25.5.49	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—63 Paradise Street.	Order made to remedy nuisance within 28 days and pay £2.2.0 costs.
52 and 53	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—9 Delaford Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £3.3.0 costs.
54	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—31 Parfitt Road.	Work completed—summons withdrawn on payment of £1.1.0 costs.
55 and 56	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—69 Delaford Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £4.4.0 costs.
94	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—29 St. Helena Road.	Work completed, summons withdrawn on payment of £2.2.0 costs.
137	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—311 Jamaica Road.	Work completed, summons withdrawn on payment of £2.2.0 costs.
138 and 139	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—15 Delaford Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £3.3.0 costs.
140	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—12 Parfitt Road.	Work completed, summons withdrawn on payment of £2.2.0 costs.
141	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—28 Parfitt Road.	Work completed, summons withdrawn on payment of £2.2.0 costs.

Case No.	Date of Hearing	Offence and address of property concerned	Result
142	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—40 Parfitt Road.	Work completed, summons withdrawn on payment of £2.2.0 costs.
143 and 144	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—3 Barkworth Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £3.3.0 costs.
172	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—272 Lynton Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £4.12.6 costs.
173	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—278 Lynton Road.	
174	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—280 Lynton Road.	
188	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—12 (Left Hand), Collett Road.	Work completed, summonses withdrawn on payment of £5.5.0 costs.
189	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—14 (Right Hand), Collett Road.	
190	—	Non-compliance with Sanitary Notice—14 (Left Hand), Collett Road.	

VI.—FOOD CONTROL.

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

One hundred and twenty-eight samples were taken during the year by the Chief Sanitary Inspector and Wharves Inspectors.

Article Examined	No. of Samples	Purpose of Examination	Result	Action
Almond Kernels	1	To ascertain cause of offensive odour	Smell rendered sample unfit for human consumption	Detained until ozonised
„ „	1	To ascertain whether treatment had removed offensive odour	Satisfactory	Consignment released
Barracouta Fish, Cutlets	2	For metallic contamination	„	
Bread Preservative	1	To ascertain condition	Flour 80%, Wax 20%. Unfit for human food	Destroyed
Brislings	1	„ „	Satisfactory	
Butter Beans	1	To ascertain nature of white powder present in sample	Talc like substance easily removed by rinsing in water	Released for cleaning
Cheese	1	To ascertain condition	Satisfactory	
Cherry Juice	1	For presence of preservative	„	

Article Examined	No. of Samples	Purpose of Examination	Result	Action
Cherry Syrup	2	For presence of preservative	Satisfactory	
„ „	1	To ascertain composition of white solid substance present	Solid Benzoic Acid in excess of permitted figure	Released on understanding that all solid Benzoic acid would be strained off and syrup processed to reduce excess
Chinchards	12	To ascertain condition	In all samples the metallic contamination was below the permitted figure. In some samples particles of the inner coating of the container adhered to the fish	Released. Merchant warned. It was decided that although this fish may appear unpalatable there was no danger to the consumer
Chutney	1	For presence of preservative	Satisfactory	
Confectionery „ Bon Bon „	1	To ascertain condition	„	
Crab paste	2	For presence of preservative	„	
Creaming Compound	1	To ascertain composition	„	
Currant Sugar Extract	1	„ „	„	
Custard Powder	1	„ „	„	
Dough Improver	1	To ascertain condition	Flour 57% Mineral Matter 43% Unfit for human food	Destroyed
Figs, Crystallised	1	For presence of preservative	Sulphur Dioxide 150 parts per million	Released. Importer warned
Fruit, Crystallised	3	„ „	Excessive Sulphur Dioxide	„ „
Fruit, Glace	1	„ „	Sulphur Dioxide 840 parts per million	„ „

Article Examined	No. of Samples	Purpose of Examination	Result	Action
Gelatine, powdered	3	To ascertain composition	Excessive Zinc. Un-suitable for human consumption	Released for technical purposes
Ice Cream Dry Mixture	1	" "	Satisfactory	
Lacto Albumen	1	" "	"	
Lactose	1	To ascertain condition	"	
Lemon Butter	1	To ascertain composition	"	
Lemon Juice	1	For presence of preservative	Sulphur Dioxide 500 parts per million	Released on the understanding that this juice was to be diluted before consumption
Luncheon Meat	1	To ascertain condition	Satisfactory	
Mayonnaise	1	To ascertain composition	Deficient in egg yolk solids	Released with warning
"	1	To ascertain composition	Satisfactory	
Meat Paste	1	" "	"	
Milk, Condensed	3	" "	"	
Mushrooms, Button	1	To ascertain condition	"	
Mushrooms, Dried	1	" "	"	
Onion Powder, Dehydrated	1	" "	"	
Pastry mixture	1	" "	Slightly infested with Beetles	Released after fumigation
Peas, canned	8	For metallic contamination	Satisfactory	
Peel, cut	9	For presence of preservative	"	
Pie crust mixture	1	To ascertain composition	"	
Pineapple juice	1	For presence of preservative	"	

Article Examined	No. of Samples	Purpose of Examination	Result	Action
Pork Brawn, French	1	To ascertain condition	Satisfactory	
Raspberry Pulp	1	For presence of preservative	Sulphur Dioxide 2,400 parts per million	Released with warning
Salad Cream	10	To ascertain composition	Satisfactory	
Sardines	11	For metallic contamination	"	
Shrimps, peeled	1	To ascertain condition	"	
Sweetened Fat	5	To ascertain composition	"	
Syrup, citrus flavoured	1	For presence of preservative	"	
Tea, cleaned	1	To ascertain condition	"	
Tomato Ketchup	2	For presence of preservative and for metallic contamination	"	
Tomato Ketchup	1	For presence of preservative and for metallic contamination	Benzoic Acid 460 parts per million Copper 26 parts per million	Re-exported
Tomato Powder	2	" "	Slightly excessive copper content	Released with warning
" " reconstituted	1	For metallic contamination	Satisfactory	
Tomato Puree	5	For presence of preservative and for metallic contamination	"	
" "	4	" "	Slightly excessive copper content	" "
Tomato Soup	1	To ascertain condition	Satisfactory	
Vermicelli and Chicken Soup dry extract	1	To ascertain composition	"	

Article Examined	No. of Samples	Purpose of Examination	Result	Action
Bacteriological Examination :				
Barley Flour	1	To ascertain condition	Satisfactory	
Farina	1	" "	"	
Pudding Powder	1	" "	"	
Rice Flour	1	" "	"	
Semolina	1	" "	"	

I append details of three consignments which are of special interest —

Argentine Mutton.—Towards the end of 1947 a consignment consisting of approximately 24,000 carcasses of Argentine Sheep and Lambs arrived and were put into cold store.

It was observed that in nearly every carcase lymphatic glands had been deliberately removed, and in the case of a portion of the consignment the Mutton was described in the papers as "Caseous Meat."

Inquiries were made and it was learned that this meat was intended for human consumption. Under the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937, any meat from which a lymphatic gland has been removed (except a gland necessarily removed in the preparation of the meat) is prohibited meat which shall not be imported for human consumption.

The whole consignment was detained and I gave instructions that it was not to be allowed to go for human consumption nor allowed to be transferred to another borough without permission. The matter was reported to the Public Health Committee, and I finally received a note from the Ministry of Food to say that the Ministers of Food and Health had amended the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations so as to permit the importation of mutton and lamb from which a lymphatic gland had been removed and had drawn up a revised code to guide food inspectors in dealing with carcasses which showed evidence of having been infected with caseous lymphadenitis. The amending regulations had been published and copies of them and of the memorandum containing the revised criteria of inspection were being sent to all Port Health Authorities and Port Medical Officers.

I therefore gave the necessary instructions for the release of the meat.

Portuguese Chinchards.—A consignment of 7,789 cases of Chinchards comprising ten different marks was landed at Chambers Wharf ex the S.S. "Omlandia."

Two samples were submitted for analysis, and the Public Analyst reported that —

"upon emptying the cans it would seem that small metallic particles came away with the scale of the fish skin."

The metallic contamination in each sample was well below the limit.

The consignment was detained and the importer notified. Some deliveries had already been made and therefore the Medical Officer of Health of the district to which they had gone was notified of the condition of the Chinchards, the name and address of the merchant, and the quantity sent to that district.

Eight more samples, one from each of the remaining marks, were submitted to the Analyst, and as a result of his reports it was decided to release 3,147 cases of Chinchards.

On December 7th I met the importer, who suggested that the condition was due to the tins being overpacked and the contents scorched during the processing. This contention was borne out by the reports of the Public Analyst and in no case was the metallic contamination excessive.

The importer stated that the goods had already been paid for and were worth approximately £20,000, and they would probably lose this sum if the goods were destroyed.

I came to the conclusion that as the metallic contamination was so low, no possible harm from metal poisoning could come to a person consuming the fish, and I therefore agreed to release these goods for sale. It was considered that although the fish might be unsaleable, it was not unfit for food. I pointed out to the importer, however, that he might experience some trouble from other Local Authorities who might not consider the goods suitable for sale. Subsequently quite a considerable proportion of these Chinchards were returned to the importer as unsaleable.

French Pork.—On April 7th a consignment of about 10 tons of French Pork Sides came into the Bricklayers Arms Depot addressed to the Ministry of Food. This importation appeared to be contrary to the provisions of the Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) Order, 1926 (S.R. & O. 1926, No. 574 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries), and the meat was not accompanied by any recognised Official Certificate as required by the Public Health (Imported Food) Regulations, 1937/48 (Circular No. 1690, 30th March, 1938).

I therefore wrote to the Ministry of Food pointing out that I naturally did not wish to take any action which would prevent sound food from coming into the country at the present time, and asking for information on the matter. In reply I was informed that an

agreement had been reached between the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Food that the provisions for the Importation of Carcases (Prohibition) Order of 1926 should not apply to meat and meat products imported from France by the Ministry of Food. This agreement was reached after discussion between United Kingdom and French veterinary authorities during which certain safeguards were worked out against the risk of introducing foot and mouth disease. It was stated that the consignment referred to was a sample, and had originally been prepared, frozen, and stored, without any intention of exporting it to the United Kingdom and therefore no official certificates had been attached.

The meat was accordingly released.

UN SOUND FOOD.

The general inspection of food in shops and on stalls forms part of the duty of the District Sanitary Inspectors. Food, in the quantities stated, came under the notice of the Inspectors during the year, and being found unfit for human consumption was destroyed or disposed of for animal feeding purposes.

Description of Food	Weight			
	tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
Fish	—	7	2	22
Meat	1	14	3	26
Fruit	—	2	1	9
Milk	—	4	1	17
Poultry	—	—	1	22
Preserves	—	—	—	17
Vegetables	—	3	1	16
Various	—	5	1	1
Total	2	18	2	18

PHARMACY AND POISONS ACT, 1933 AND PHARMACY AND MEDICINES ACT, 1941.

Sixty-one premises were entered on the Council's list for the year under report.

As a result of samples being purchased, it was found that nine contraventions of the Act occurred, poisons being sold wrongly by unlisted vendors. Warnings were given in all cases.

MILK PREMISES.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

MILK AND DAIRIES ORDER, 1926.

Seven milk sellers were registered under the above Acts during 1949, and 5 were removed from the Register. There were 104 milk sellers on the Register at the end of the year.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (RAW MILK) REGULATIONS, 1949.
MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) (PASTEURISED AND STERILISED)
REGULATIONS, 1949.

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) REGULATIONS, 1936—1946.

During the year under report the following licences were granted :—

Dealers' Licences.

To sell Tuberculin Tested Milk	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
To sell Pasteurised Milk.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39
To sell Sterilised Milk .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85

Supplementary Licences.

To sell Pasteurised Milk.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
To sell Tuberculin Tested Milk	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
To sell Sterilised Milk .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12

All premises used for the sale of milk are regularly inspected to ensure that the standard of cleanliness laid down is maintained.

MILK SAMPLING.

Samples of milk, both for bacteriological and chemical examination, are taken from milksellers, and special arrangements are made for the sampling of the milk supplied to all schools in the borough. The total number of samples submitted for analysis during 1949 was 561, of which number 67 were taken from schools.

For Chemical (i.e., Fat and non-Fatty Solids) Analysis.

Liquid Milk, undesignated	.....	.....	.....	.....	154
Sterilized Milk .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	128
Pasteurised Milk	.....	.....	.....	.....	66
Condensed Milk	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
Tuberculin Tested	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Evaporated Milk	4
Channel Islands Milk	17
Skimmed Milk	6
South Devon Milk	3
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For Bacteriological Examination.

For tubercle bacilli	4
For brucella abortus	2
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For Chemical Examination under Milk (Special Designations) Regulations.

Pasteurised Milk (from schools)	.....	.....	.....	.....	67
Pasteurised Milk (other than from schools)	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
Tuberculin Tested	2
Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)	22
Heat Treated	1
Sterilised Milk	6
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ICE CREAM.

Fifty-eight samples of ice cream have been examined, with the following results :—

1. Bacterial Count.

Up to 500 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Over 500 to 1,000 per c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Over 1,000 to 5,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Over 5,000 to 10,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Over 10,000 to 50,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22
Over 50,000 to 100,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Over 100,000 to 200,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Over 200,000 to 400,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Over 400,000 to 600,000 per 1 c.c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	—
Over 600,000 to 1,000,000 per 1 c.c.	2
Over 1,000,000 per 1 c.c.	—
Over 2,000,000 per 1 c.c.	1
Over 4,000,000 per 1 c.c.	1
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2. Presence of B. Coll.

B. Coli present in 1 c.c., 1 10th c.c. and 1 100th c.c.	2
B. Coli present in 1 c.c. and 1 10th c.c.	2
B. Coli present in 1 c.c.	2
B. Coli absent in 1 c.c., 1 10th c.c., and 1 100th c.c.	52
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3. Methylene Blue Grading.

Grade 1	43
2	1
3	—
4	14
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4. CHEMICAL ANALYSIS.

Ice Cream :

Under $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ Fat	1
Over $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ to 5% Fat	9
Over 5% to $7\frac{1}{2}\%$ Fat	15
Over $7\frac{1}{2}\%$ to 10% Fat	6
Over 10% Fat	2
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Choc-Ices :

Fat	12.76%
„	14.20%
„	17.22%
„	18.35%
„	20.12%

BREAD.

General Report by the Public Analyst on the analysis of twelve samples of Breads received from the Food and Drugs Inspector during October and November, 1949.

All the samples were "White" bread; the colours and textures were satisfactory and there was little deviation from a standard product.

Crude Fibre.—The greater the proportion of the grain milled as flour, i.e., the higher the extraction, the more crude fibre is to be expected. However, the crude fibre content of these samples (presumably made from 85 per cent extraction National Flour) is low for bread made from such high extraction flour, and compares favourably with pre-war white bread. This may be due to improved methods of milling. The crude fibre in present-day wholemeal bread is about 0.73 per cent.

Added Chalk.—The calcium content of National flour is fortified by the addition of chalk to the extent of 14 ounces "creta preparata" per sack of 280 pounds. The natural calcium of the flour amounts to about 0.025 per cent and fortification increases this to a total of about 0.144 per cent. For bread prepared from such flour the figures are approximately 0.015 per cent and 0.105 per cent (depending on the moisture content of the loaf).

The calcium content of these samples has been calculated back to show approximately the amount of added chalk present in the flour used in making the bread. This necessitated the natural calcium content of the flour itself being assumed. From the accompanying table it can be seen that there is a variation from $11\frac{1}{2}$ to 23 ounces per sack, although the majority came within a range of 12 to 16 ounces per sack which might be taken as reasonable limits of variation in view of the uncertainty of the results.

It is understood that millers have some difficulty in evenly mixing the chalk in the flour and that there is a tendency afterwards for the chalk to separate out. This may account for the higher figures in the cases of samples Nos. 242, 335, 336 and 431.

All analyses were carried out on the crumb of the loaves.

ANALYSIS OF TWELVE SAMPLES OF BREAD.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

Date received :	18.10.49			25.10.49.		8.11.49				25.11.49		
No. of Sample	242	243	244	276	277	335	336	337	338	429	430	431
Moisture (per cent)	36.59	42.78	41.95	44.07	43.28	42.77	43.82	43.35	43.17	44.57	43.65	43.70
Salt (per cent)	1.06	1.11	0.98	1.12	1.01	1.01	1.03	0.89	0.96	0.91	0.93	0.88
Other Mineral Matter (per cent)	1.02	0.92	0.82	0.80	0.94	0.79	0.91	0.78	0.82	0.82	0.80	0.31
Crude Fibre (per cent)	0.21	0.15	0.23	0.15	0.10	0.15	0.21	0.26	0.26	0.18	0.23	0.28
Calcium (in Bread) (per cent)	0.138	0.100	0.096	0.082	0.110	0.151	0.136	0.103	0.091	0.109	0.087	0.137
Equivalent to Added Chalk (in ounces per sack of Flour)	18	14½	13	11½	15¼	23	20	14	13¼	15¾	12	20

FOOD AND DRUGS.

During the year 1,360 samples were submitted by the Food and Drugs Inspector. In fifteen cases the analysis disclosed an infringement of the law.

No.	Date purchased	Sample	Infringement	Remarks
160	25.2.49	Liver Sausage	Total meat 35.2% instead of 45%	Re-sampled and found to be satisfactory
197	8.3.49	Beef Sausage	Total meat 35.1% instead of 50%	Warning letter to retailer
312	1.4.49	Channel Islands Milk	Milk Fat 3.94% instead of 4%	Ministry of Food Milk Division notified
326	6.4.49	Chocolate colouring	Dyed Food a red-brown colour, not chocolate-brown	No action
353	20.4.49	Jellied Pork	Made from offal	Retailer interviewed & warned by letter. Intended for sale as jellied chitterlings
382	26.4.49	Channel Islands Milk	Milk Fat 3.74% instead of 4%	Ministry of Food Milk Division notified
393	27.4.49	Shredded Suet	Fat 79.5% instead of 83%	Deficiency not sufficient to take any action in view of the difficulty of obtaining an average sample
549	19.5.49	Children's cough syrup	Label did not give all details as required by Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941	Retailer interviewed and warned verbally
685	27.6.49	Tomato Ketchup	Contained 20 parts per million of copper	Supplier interviewed and warned verbally
914	8.8.49	Tomato Sauce (New Zealand)	Benzoic Acid 560 parts per million	Attention of importer drawn to this excess
186	7.10.49	Vapour Rub Ointment	Label did not give all details as required by Pharmacy and Medicines Act, 1941	Attention of manufacturer drawn to this omission
222	13.10.49	Pearl Barley	Contained living and dead mites	Retailer warned. Surrendered balance for destruction
251	20.10.49	Pork Sausages	Total meat 33.5% instead of 50%	Prosecution. Fine £3. Costs £3.3.0
263	21.10.49	Potato Crisps	Nature and weight of contents not stated on label	Manufacturer warned verbally
458	2.12.49	Beef Sausages	Total meat 40.5% instead of 50%	Promised to rectify omission by overprinting
				Re-sampled and found to be satisfactory

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937.

Commodity	Disposed of for purposes other than human food				Destroyed				Removed for sorting under Sanitary Authority				Re-exported			
	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.
Bacon	—	15	1	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bean and Pea Pickings	685	14	3	19	—	2	1	19	58	14	2	18	—	—	—	—
Biscuits	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Butter	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	1	4	—	—	—	—
Cake	1	17	1	3	—	—	—	—	13	1	1	21	—	—	—	—
Cereals	15	4	—	9	—	12	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cheese	7	17	—	10	5	16	—	27	—	—	3	12	—	—	—	—
Chillies	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chocolate	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Chutney	—	—	—	—	—	4	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cinnamon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cocoa Beans	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	7	2	17	—	—	—	—
Coffee Beans	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Confectionery	—	13	3	—	—	5	2	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cornflower	4	12	1	12	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
Dates	—	15	—	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Eggs, in shell	—	—	—	—	70	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Farinoca	—	2	1	12	—	—	—	—	13	13	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fat	—	4	1	4	—	—	2	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fish :																
Canned	1	1	3	14	65	—	1	23	16	18	1	12	2	14	—	—
Wet	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Flour	519	17	—	21	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fruit :																
Canned	—	—	—	—	24	7	—	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dried	1	10	2	1	—	1	2	19	18	10	3	16	—	—	—	—
Fresh	4	10	—	—	7	11	—	20	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—
Juice	—	—	—	—	6	12	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pulp	—	—	—	—	14	13	2	24	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gelatine	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ginger	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Glucose	—	9	2	25	—	—	—	—	—	14	3	2	—	—	—	—
Lard	12	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Meat :																
Canned	21	11	2	16	1	19	3	6	5	18	1	6	19	—	—	—
Carcase	14	—	3	—	—	6	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Milk Canned	—	—	3	13	1	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mint, dried	—	—	—	—	—	6	3	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nuts	4	16	3	22	1	17	—	21	5	9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Onions	—	—	—	—	39	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pastry																
Mixture	8	13	1	4	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Peel	—	—	2	14	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Potatoes	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Poultry	—	—	—	—	—	4	2	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

PUBLIC HEALTH IMPORTED FOOD REGULATIONS, 1937—continued.

Commodity	Disposed of for purposes other than human food				Destroyed				Removed for sorting under Sanitary Authority				Re-exported			
	Weight				Weight				Weight				Weight			
	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.	T.	C.	Q.	L.
Preserves :																
Honey	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jam	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Marmalade	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	14	3	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rice	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Salad Cream	—	—	—	—	4	4	1	20	—	—	—	—	19	—	—	—
Sago and Tapioca	11	10	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sauce	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sausages	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Semolina	—	4	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shallots	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Soup	—	—	—	—	1	10	1	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Spices	—	12	3	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sugar	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	16	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tea	8	16	—	24	—	—	1	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Thyme	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tomato Products	—	—	—	—	48	5	—	25	7	1	2	18	—	—	—	—
Various	73	19	—	—	2	10	1	—	—	—	2	6	—	—	—	—
Vegetables, Canned	—	—	2	5	4	4	3	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1402	7	1	5	319	2	3	7	174	9	1	24	40	14	—	—

WORK OF THE WHARF AND FOOD INSPECTORS, 1949.

Visits	1			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11								
	Food Factories			Food Stores	Food Wharves and Depots	Ice Cream Premises	Milk sellers	Pharmacy and Poisons	Condemnation of Food	Nuisances Found	Intimations Served	Various	Number of Samples taken for Analysis								
	Jam	Butter and Margarine	Other										Chemical			Bacteriological					
													Food and Drugs	Imported Food Regulations	Pharmacy & Poisons	Milk (Special Designation) Regulations	Milk for Tubercle Bacilli	Milk for Bacillus Abortus	Ice Cream	Other Foods	
Mr. Toll	—	—	273	455	1303	—	—	—	255	5	1	211	—	64	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mr. Butcher ..	10	15	196	530	1779	—	—	—	366	4	4	218	1	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Mr. Tapsfield ..	43	—	320	444	1213	—	—	—	287	4	4	90	57	32	—	—	—	—	—	5	
Mr. Bailey	—	—	2	123	229	101	266	47	14	1	2	229	1269	4	1	138	4	2	58	—	
Mr. Knott	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Totals	53	15	791	1552	4524	101	266	47	922	14	11	748	1360	123	1	138	4	2	58	5	

