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FOR THE

LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

REPORT of the MEDICAL OFFICER of HEALTH for the Year 1896.



TO THE

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LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Report on the Health and Sanitary condition of the Limehouse District during the year 1896.

The Births registered during the year numbered 2,012, of which 1,205 were registered in Limehouse, 473 in Ratcliff, 274 in Shadwell, and 60 in Wapping. These figures indicate a birth rate of 34.6 per 1,000 of the population, or 0.5 per 1,000 in excess of the average of the last ten years.

The Marriages registered during the year numbered 419, the annual average number for the last ten years being 402.

The Registered Deaths, exclusive of those of non-residents which occurred in Public Institutions situated in the District, but inclusive of those of residents which occurred in Public Institutions beyond the limits of the District, numbered 1,385, which corresponds to a death rate of 23'7 per 1,000 population.

These deaths were distrib	uted or	ver the	Distric	ct as fo	ollows :-
Limehouse					554
Ratcliff					231
Shadwell and Wapping					169
East London Hospital fo	or Child	lren			262
					1,216
Deaths occurring outsid	de the	Dist	rict an	nong	
persons belonging th				_	379
					1,595
Deduct deaths occurring				strict	
among persons not b	pelongi	ng the	reto		210
					1,385
					-

This number is less by 190 than that registered in the previous year.

Compared with 1895 the causes of death were as follows:-

		1895	1896	Increase	Decrease
Small Pox		1	0	_	I
Scarlatina		17	14	_	3
Diptheria		36	35	_	I
Membranous Croup		5	2	_	3
Enteric Fever		10	2	_	8
Puerperal Fever		I	I		_
Erysipelas		4	I	_	3
Measles		81	49	_	32
Whooping Cough		42	52	10	
Diarrhœa & Dysen	try	49	40	-	. 9
Rheumatic Fever		2	3	1	_
Phthisis		170	167		3
Bronchitis, Pneumo	nia				
and Pleurisy		321	251	_	70
Heart Disease		110	IOI	-	9
Influenza		9	5		4
Injuries		83	96	13	_
All other Diseases		634	566	_	68
		1,575	1,385	24	214

SMALL Pox.—Seven cases were notified, all from Limehouse. Subjoined are certain particulars concerning them:—

Date of Notification.	Address.	Sex.	Age.	Vaccinated
May 20	Asiatic Home	M.	3.7	Unknown
June 12	91, Maroon-street	M.	25 ,,	In infancy
June 22	22, S. Anne-street	M.	50 ,,	In infancy
June 25	91, Maroon-street	M,	18 "	In infancy
June 25	91, Maroon-street	M.	20 ,,	In infancy
July 8	9, Gill-street	F.	18 "	Not vaccinated
July 8	9, Gill-street	F.	18 "	In infancy

The first case was that of a sailor staying at the Home for Asiatics in the West India Dock Road. He was probably not vaccinated. Of the remaining six, five had been vaccinated in infancy, and, as their ages show, had passed more or less beyond the limit of protection afforded by the primary vaccination. The remaining case was that of an unvaccinated person. The cases occurring at 91, Maroon Street on the 25th June were, no doubt, due to infection from the case that occurred in the same house on 12th June. The origin of the remaining cases I was unable to trace. All the patients were removed without delay to the Hospital Ship, the Vaccination Officer in each case communicated with, and the usual precautions taken against the spread of the disease.

SCARLATINA.—The corrected number of deaths was 14, the annual average number for the last ten years being 23.6. Three hundred and forty-five cases were notified, of which 229 were removed to Hospital. One hundred and ninety-seven occurred in Limehouse, 74 in Ratcliff, 68 in Shadwell and Wapping, and six in the East London Hospital for Children. The disease appears to have been of a mild type, the mortality being but 4 per cent. of the seizures.

DIPHTHERIA.—The corrected number of deaths was 35, the annual average for the last ten years being 29.4. Two hundred and sixty-five cases were notified, of which 157 were removed to Hospital. One hundred and sixty-four occurred in Limehouse, 51 in Ratcliff, 47 in Shadwell and Wapping, and three in the East London Hospital for Children. Of the seizures 13 per cent. terminated fatally. This is a low percentage, and is probably due to the improved treatment by serum.

MEMBRANOUS CROUP.—The corrected number of deaths was 2. Six cases were notified, 5 from Limehouse and 1 from Shadwell.

WHOOPING COUGH.—The corrected number of deaths was 52, the annual average number for the last ten years being 50.9.

TYPHUS.—No case was reported during the year.

ENTERIC FEVER.—The corrected number of deaths was 3, the annual average number for the last ten years being 10.4. Thirty cases were notified, of which 12 were removed to Hospital. Nineteen occurred in Limehouse, 8 in Ratcliff, and 3 in Shadwell and Wapping. Of the seizures 10 per cent. terminated fatally.

DIARRHŒA.—The corrected number of deaths was 40, the annual average for the last ten years being 47.6.

The deaths from Zymotic diseases numbered 201, and correspond to a death rate of 3'4 per 1,000 of the population. Such deaths include Small Pox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Membranous Croup, Whooping Cough, Typhus, Puerperal, Enteric, and simple continued Fevers and Diarrhœa.

The deaths from Pulmonary diseases numbered 251, and correspond to a death rate of 4'4 per 1,000 of the population.

The deaths from the principal Tubercular diseases numbered 167, and correspond to a death rate of 2.8 per 1,000 population.

During the year 764 notifications were received, of which 7 referred to Small Pox, 345 to Scarlatina, 265 to Diphtheria, 6 to Membranous Croup, 30 to Enteric Fever, 1 to Continued Fever, 4 to Puerperal Fever, and 106 to Erysipelas. Of these, all the persons suffering from Small Pox, 229 from Scarlatina, 157 from Diphtheria, 12 from Enteric Fever, 1 from Continued Fever, 1 from Puerperal Fever, and 15 from Erysipelas, were removed to Hospital.

For detailed information as regards ages, localities affected, etc., I beg to refer you to the Tables at the end of this Report.

MORTUARY.

Between 28th October and the end of the year 37 bodies were received at the New Mortuary. The causes of death were as follows: Convulsions 6, Suffocation 6, Marasmus I, Lung disease 4, Heart disease 3, Diphtheria 4, Peritonitis I, Ruptured blood vessel I, Collapse of lung I, Burns 3, Spasm of glottis I, Gastro Enteritis I, Whooping Cough 2, Abscess in brain I, Apoplexy I, and Drowning I. Thirty-two of the bodies were removed to the Mortuary by the Coroner's order, 4 by the order of the Medical Officer of Health, and I at the request of the Relieving Officer. Thirty-three inquests were held and 4 post mortem examinations were made.

GENERAL.

Early in the year your Board passed a Resolution that a letter be addressed to the Local Government Board calling attention to the memorial presented by this Board in favour of legislation for placing all shelters under the provisions of the Common Lodging House Acts, and asking whether it is proposed to take any steps with regard thereto. The Board was no doubt influenced in this matter by the existence of two shelters in their district, which from time to time have been sources of anxiety. My strong opinion is that all such places should be placed under the provisions of the above mentioned Acts.

The subject of the Registration of Houses let in lodgings came before your Board once or twice during the year in consequence of communications concerning the same from the London County Council. From these communications it appeared that registration was not progressing so quickly in some districts as the Council would like. In your district, however, a number of houses have been so registered, and others are being added from time to time. I am of opinion that we are proceeding in this matter with due regard to the Public Health and the extent of our Inspectorial Staff.

By section 48, sub-section 2 of the Public Health (London) Act it is enacted that all new buildings, and buildings taken down to or below the ground floor and rebuilt, shall not be inhabited unless they possess a water supply satisfactory to the Sanitary Authorities, and certified by the same. Several such buildings came under my observation during the year, and on my Report your Board granted your certificate to the same. It was decided to distribute notices calling attention to this section of the Act.

Several cases of Diphtheria having occurred in the northern portion of the district, a letter was addressed to the London County Council asking that steps might be taken for the more efficient ventilation of the sewers in that locality. To this the Council replied that, with a view to increasing the current of air, the ventilating furnace in Rhodeswell Road had been put to work. A special inspection of houses in Carr Street, Maroon Street, Repton Street, and the whole of the east and north of Limehouse Fields was at the same time directed and carried out.

The blocks of buildings in Dellow Street, Shadwell, erected by the London County Council on ground cleared some years ago under the Artizans and Labourers' Dwellings Acts, were opened last March, and were immediately tenanted. The rooms are a fair size, the sanitary arrangements quite abreast of the times, and the buildings substantially constructed.

A letter was received from the London County Council, with copies of Report on Hertford Sewage and the state of the Manifold Ditch which enters the River Lee above the intake of the East London Water Works Company. These reports revealed a most unsatisfactory state of things, and the Board ordered copies to be sent to the Local Government Board.

In consequence of a communication from the Islington Vestry, the subject of the sale of ice creams came before the Board, and I was desired to procure samples of the same for analysis. This was done, and analysis did not reveal, so far as ingredients went, anything of a deleterious nature. Evidence of the unsatisfactory surroundings under which these delicacies were prepared was, however, abundantly present, and led to an inspection of the ice cream shops in the district. A regular inspection of these premises will now be made.

The condition of the gully opposite No. 181, Salmon Lane, was before your Board on two or three occasions. This gully takes the water from a fishmonger's and a greengrocer's stall, situated a few feet north of it, and in hot weather especially an offensive effluvium had been observed in the locality. It was subsequently arranged that the proprietor of the fish stall should provide proper iron tanks for the reception of the fish offal and to contain the water in which the fish was washed, and a proper stand board.

King John's Court area was again before the Board. The scheme has been amended by the London County Council, and approved by your Board, and now only awaits the enquiry which will be made in due course.

The proposed acquisition of Mr. Ellis's brickfields, Spenlow Street, Limehouse, came before the Board, and was referred for consideration to a Joint Committee of the Works and Survey Committee. The proposal was to convert the site into a public playground, and, although the Joint Committee recommended such action, the proposal was negatived by the Board.

At the end of April last the Board, having regard to the prevalence of Small Pox in certain parts of the country, directed that a letter be addressed to the London Congregational Union (the occupiers of Medland Hall) requesting that special precautions might be taken with regard to the admission of men from infected localities. This was done, and no case of Small Pox was reported from Medland Hall during the year.

Complaints having been received of nuisances arising from the premises Nos. 7, 15 & 17, Rich Street, Limehouse, where the business of a gut scraper was carried on, I was requested to examine the premises and report upon the alleged nuisance. This was done and the Board while ordering some additional drainage resolved that the attention of the London County Council, the Authority for regulating offensive trades, be called to the premises.

In May the usual resolution directing the whitewashing of the Courts and Alleys in the District was passed and Messrs. Stuttle & Son were requested to do the work. By the instruction of the Board, I attended a Meeting at the St. Pancras Vestry Hall convened to discuss the question of the desirability of the transferrence of the administration of the vaccination acts from the Poor Law to the Sanitary Authorities. A resolution in favour of such transference was carried and it was decided that a deputation be appointed to wait on the Local Government Board in pursuance of such alteration, but a subsequent letter having been received from the Local Government Board, stating that no advantage would arise from the attendance of the deputation, no further steps were taken.

With the advent of warm weather came the usual complaint of nuisance arising from the barges laden with fish offal passing along and being detained in the Limehouse Cut. On June 24th I reported that I had received a letter from Mr. Jupp, of the Island Lead Mills complaining of the effluvium arising from such barges which had been lying in the Limehouse Cut near his premises. I stated that the nuisance in question injuriously affected the health of the inhabitants of the locality and required to be dealt with by the strongest repressive measures.

Proceedings were therefore ordered to be taken against Mr. Jonah Chambers, owner of the barges *Jonah* and *Baby* in respect of contravention of Bye-laws of London County Council as to the removal of offensive matter which took place on 17th and 19th June. Summonses were taken out against Mr. J. Chambers for using an improper receptacle for fish offal, and against his employé for removing fish offal within prohibited hours. That against Mr. Chambers was dismissed but his employé was fined 40/-

Towards the end of July the Board received a telegram from the Engineer of the East London Water Works Company stating that a supply of water could only be given for six hours daily and expressing a hope that road watering might be discontinued for the present. In response to this the Board passed a resolution requesting the Chairman, the Clerk, the Surveyor and the Medical Officer to wait upon the Water Company to urge requirements of the District and to obtain two periods of supply daily. The watering of the roads was as far as possible discontinued. Earthenware receptacles for storing water were distributed, and correspondence with the

Local Government Board, the London County Council and Hackney Vestry ensued. The Board also passed a resolution that the time had arrived when it was highly desirable that steps should be taken to place the entire control of the water supply of London under some central and representative body. Copies of the resolution were forwarded to the First Lord of the Treasury, the President of the Local Government Board, East End Members of Parliament, and the London County Council.

The Coroner's Court and other buildings were opened by the Chairman of the Board on October 28th, the Members of the Board and several other Gentlemen interested in local government and sanitary matters being present. The buildings were open for public inspection on the following day. They are, I believe, the best of the kind in London.

Regulations of the Local Government Board as to Cholera, Yellow Fever and Plague were received and referred to me.

The Cowhouses and Slaughterhouses were duly inspected and licenses to the same renewed by the London County Council.

The Bakehouses were inspected and reported upon.

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, Brewers Court and 10 & 12, New Gravel Lane were reported by me under the housing of the Working Classes Act, to be unfit for human habitation. They have since been closed by a Magistrate's order.

A list of Slaughterhouses, Cowsheds, and Bakehouses will be found at the end of the Report.

CANAL BOATS ACT.

I was not called upon to examine any Canal Boat during the year. The Inspector however inspected 85 of which four were found to have contravened the provisions of the Canal Boats Act. The necessary notices were served and complied with.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

One hundred and forty-four samples were examined during the year, viz.: 21 of Flour, 12 of Mustard, 18 of Pepper, 1 of Sweetmeats, 56 of Milk, 18 of Butter, 3 of Ice Cream, 2 of Whisky, 6 of Oatmeal, 1 of Cocoa, 3 of Porter, 2 of Coffee, and 1 of Cornflour.

Of these one sample of Mustard was found to be adulterated with a small quantity of Wheat Flour and coloured with Turmeric. Thirteen samples of Milk were adulterated with water varying in quantity from six to twenty-five per cent., the prosecution of the vendors resulting in fines of from five to fifty shillings; one sample was deficient in cream to the extent of thirty per cent. and the seller was fined forty shillings and costs. Of the Butters five were found to be adulterated with varying proportions of foreign fat, and the vendors were fined on prosecution in sums of from five shillings to ten pounds. The Ice Creams were found to consist of harmless ingredients but bore evidence of gross want of cleanliness in their preparation and storage. One Whisky was found to be adulterated with 1'48 per cent. of Water. The samples of Flour, Pepper, Sweetmeats, Oatmeal, Cocoa, Porter, Coffee and Cornflour were found to be unadulterated.

The Inspectors have performed their duties to my satisfaction and I have to express my thanks to them for the manner in which at all times they have assisted me in carrying out the duties of my office.

> I have the honour to remain, GENTLEMEN,

> > Your most obedient Servant,

G. A. ROGERS,

Medical Officer of Health and Public Analyst.

Board's Offices:—
White Horse Street.

April 12th, 1897.

TABLE I.

Table shewing the Population, Inhabited Houses, Marriages, Births, and Deaths for the Year 1896, and 10 years preceding.

ar.	ion.	f Houses.	ges.	sred s.	Corr	rected No Deaths.	of of	s in itutions.
The Year.	Estimated Population.	No. of Inhabited Houses.	Marriages	Registered Births.	Total All Ages.	Under One Year,	Under Five Years.	Deaths in Public Institutions.
1896	58,300	7,759	419	2,012	1,385	368	663	262
1895	57,600		378	2050	1575	456	736	255
1894			382	1911	1396	327	616	
1893			402	1954	1597	394	640	
1892			417	1940	1468	366	674	
1891			387	1998	1500	349	564	£
1890			411	1851	1609	387	785	
1889			411	2109	1363	336	582	
1888			420	2084	1441	431	712	
1887	***		420	2064	1450	363	626	
1886			400	2016	1470	360	650	
Avrge. of 10 yrs 1886-95			402	1997	1486	376	658	

TABLE II.

Table shewing the Annual Birth and Death Rates, Death Rates of Children, and Proportion of Deaths in Public Institutions in a Thousand Deaths for the Year 1896, and 10 Years preceding.

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In the Year.	Birth Rate per 1,000 of the Population.	Corrected Death Rate per 1,000 of the Population.	Deaths of Children under I year; per 1,000 of Registered Births.	Deaths of Children under I year; per 1,000 of Total Deaths.	Deaths of Children under 5 years; per 1,000 of Total Deaths.	Deaths in Public Institutions per 1,000 of Total Deaths.
1896	34.6	23.7	182	265	478	189
1895	35.5	27.3	222	289	466	161
1894	38.1	24.2	161	234	441	
1893	33.9	27.7	201	247	400	
1892	33.6	25.5	188	249	459	
1891	34.6	26.0	174	232	376	
1890	30.8	26.8	209	240	445	
1889	35.0	22.7	159	246	427	***
1888	35.5	24.6	207	299	494	
1887	35.0	24.7	176	250	431	
1886	34.4	25.0	178	244	442	
Average of 10 years 1886-95.	34·1	25.4	187	253	438	

TABLE III.

Shewing the Number of Deaths at all ages in 1896, from certain groups of Diseases, and proportions to 1000 of Population, and to 1000 Deaths from all causes; also the Number of Deaths of Infants under one year of age from other groups of Diseases, and proportions to 1000 Births and to 1000 Deaths from all causes under one year.

DIVISION I. (ADULTS).	Total Deaths.	per 1000 of	totaldeaths
 Principal Zymotic Diseases Pulmonary Diseases 	201 251	3·4 4 4	145 181
3. Principal Tubercular Diseases	167	2.8	120
DIVISION II. (Infants under One Year).	Total Deaths.	1000	Deaths per 1000oftotal deaths under one year.
4. Wasting Diseases	89	44	241
5. Convulsive Diseases	88	43	240

NOTICE.

- 1. Includes Small Pox, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, Membranous Croup, Whooping Cough, Influenza, Typhus, Puerperal, Enteric (or Typhoid), and Simple Continued Fevers, and Diarrhœa; 27 of the deaths occurred in Hospitals situated beyond the limits of the District.
- 3. Includes Phthisis, Scrofula, Tuberculosis, Rickets, and Tabes.
- 4. Includes Marasmus, Atrophy, Debility, Want of Breast Milk, and Premature Birth.
- 5. Includes Hydrocephalus, Infantile Meningitis, Convulsions, and Teething.

TABLE IV. Table shewing the Number of Deaths from the principal Zymotic Diseases, in the 10 years, 1886 to 1895, and in the year 1896.

Dise	ease.	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	Annual Average of 10 years, 1886—1895.	Proportion of Deaths to 1000 Deaths in 10 years, 1886—1895.	Total Deaths in 1896.	Prprtn. of Deaths to 1000 Deaths in 1896.
Small	Pox	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	7	1	1	•9	.0	_	•0
Measle	S	39	58	88	20	92	14	63	16	72	81	54.3	36.5	49	35.3
Scarlet	Fever	23	27	23	27	15	5	27	81	41	17	23.6	15.8	14	10.1
Diphth	neria	7	10	23	41	25	15	28	62	42	41	29.4	19.7	35	25.2
Membr	Croup	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	_	_	.0	.0	2	1.4
	Cough	56	65	58	23	70	59	59	49	28	42	50.9	34.2	52	37.5
Influer	ıza	_	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	.0	.0	5	3.6
	Typhus	-	-	-	1	_	-	-	1	-	-	.2	.0	-	.0
Fever	Enteric	18	6	9	13	14	6	-	16	6	10	10.4	6.9	3	2.1
20102	Simple contn'd	1	1	9	1	-	-	6	-	-	-	1.2	.8	-	.0
	Puerprl	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	_	.0	.0	1	.7
Diarrh	oea	80	67	27	47	52	49	27	56	22	49	47.6	32.0	40	28.8
Totals		224	239	228	173	268	148	210	238	212	241	218	146	201	144.7

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TABLE V.

TABLE OF DEATHS during the Year 1896, in the Metropolitan Sanitary District of Limchouse, classified according to DISEASES, AGES and LOCALITIES.

Names of Localities adopted for the purpose of these Statistics; public institutions being shewn				FROM /		USES,					1	fortal	ATY I	FROM SU	BJOINI	ED C	USES	, DIS	TING	ISHI	NG DE	ATUS OF	Сипь	BEN U	NDER F	IVE YE	ARS C	F Ac	E.	
as separate localities,				-					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
(Columns for Population and Births are in Table B.)	At all ages.		and under 5 (d)	and under 15 (e)	and under 25		65 and up- wards.	(i)	Small Pox.	Searlatina.	Diphtheria	Membra- nous Croup	Typhus.	Enteric or Typhoid, H	Continued	Belapsing	Puerperal	Cholera,	Erysipelas	Measles.	Whooping Cough.	Diarrhoea and Dysentery.	Rheumatic Fever.	Phthisis,	Bronchiue, Pheumonia and Plearisy	Heart Disease.	Influenza.	Injuries.	All other Diseases	TOTAL.
Limehouse	554	192	145	26	20	114	57	Under 5 5 upwds.	=	2	13	=	=	- 1	=	=	-1	=	=	31 1	34	17 2	- 2	14 32	59 35	1 31	-4	13 13	153 91	337 217
Ratcliff	231	70	52	15	13	58	23	Under 5 5 upwds.	=	2	4	1	=	_	=	_	=	_	_	8	10	8 1	-	4 23	33 20	13	=	6	46 43	122 109
Shadwell and Wapping	169	59	36	9	9	44	12	Under 5 5 upwds.	_	1	_	=	=		-	=	_	-	_	4	5	12	=	6 13	28 13	1 9	_	4 15	34 23	95 74
East London Children's Hospital	262	141	99	22	-	-	-	Under 5 5 upwds.	-	=	11	-	=	1	-	=	-	_	-	=	4	6	=	19 6	59	5 4	=	8	127 10	240 22
Totals	1216	462	332	72	42	216	92	Under 5 5 upwds.		5	28 3	1 1	=	1 3	=	Ξ	-	=	=	43 2	53 1	43	- 2	48 74	179 68	57	-4	31 35	360 167	794 422
				The	subjo	ined n	umber	s have also	to b	e tak	cen i	nto ac	coun	t in jud	lging	of t	he al	oove	recor	ds o	f mor	tality.								
Deaths occurring outside the dis- trict among persons belonging thereto	379	22	38	17	20	213	69	Under 5 5 upwds.	-	5 3	9 5	=	-		-	=		-	-	4	-	=	-1	3 65	11 44	3 39	-	3 32	22 128	60 319
Deaths occurring within the district among persons not belonging thereto	210	116	75	19	_	_	-	Under 5 5 upwds,	-	11	9	=		1 1	-	-	-	101	-	11	2	3 3		13 5	51	5	=	5	102	191

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TABLE VI.

TABLE of POPULATION, BIRTHS, and of NEW CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS, coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health, during the year 1896, in the Limehouse District; classified according to DISEASES, AGES AND LOCALITIES.

		tion at all	18.		Ne	w Case	s of Si	ckness the l	in each	Local Office:	ty, con	ing to alth.	the kn	owledg	e of	1	Number	of suc Local	h Cases lities for	Remo r Treat	ved fro ment is	m their n Isolat	Home ion Ho	s in the spital.	e severa	al .
NAMES OF LOCALITIES adopted for the purpose of these Statistics; Public			ed Births.	Aged	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Institutions being shewn as separate localities.		Estimated	6	under 5 or	.:	4	-	sn			Fevers				-	100	,	-	sn ns			Fevers				7
(a)	Census 1891.	middle of 1896.	a, Regist	over 5.	Small Pox.	Searlatina	Diphtheria	Membranous Croup.	Typhus.	Enteric or Typhoid	Continued	Relapsing.	Puerperal.	Cholera,	Erysipelas.	Smallpox	Soarlatina	Diphtheria.	Membrano Croup.	Typhus.	Enteric or Typhoid.	Continued.	Relapsing.	Puerperal.	Cholera.	Erysipelas
			-				-			т.	-				-	-			-	-	ш	-	- m			
Limehouse	32181	32917	1205	Under 5		71	71	5			***		***		9	***	87	35		****	***					2
				5 upwds.	7	126	93		***	19	1	***	4		47	7	75	56			8	1		1		8
Th. 4 - 12 05				Under 5	***	30	26								4		16	19				***		***		***
Ratcliff	14928	14954	473	5 upwds.		44	25	100		8					22		34	15			3					8
al 1 11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1				Under 5		26	21	1									24	12								
Shadwell and Wapping	10490	10434	334	5 upwds.		42	26			8					24		37	17			1					2
				Under 5													100									
East London Hospital	***	***		5 upwds.	***	6	3										6	8								
				Under 5		127	118	6							13		77	66								2
Totals	57599	58305	2012	5 upwds.	7	218	147			30	1		4		93	7	152	91			12	1		1		13

BOARD OF WORKS FOR THE LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT.

To Dr. G. A. Rogers,

Medical Officer of Health.

SIR,

We herewith submit our tabulated statement showing the amount of work performed by us during the past year, the details of which come under your notice and supervision.

Although an increase in the general work of the District has occurred we have been able to give attention to the inspection of Houses let in Lodgings, and to Workshops.

Diligent attention has been given throughout the year to the Meat, Fish, Fruit, and Vegetables exposed for sale in the shops and thoroughfares in the District.

The cases of Infectious Disease have had our immediate attention. They have caused us considerable anxiety, which necessitated our constant vigilance day and night and frequently on Sundays.

We are,

Yours obediently,

JOHN WILLIAM JOHNSON, GEORGE OSBORNE PAVITT, EDWIN THOMAS CROOK.

TABLE VII.

INSPECTORS' REPORT OF THE SANITARY WORK, &c., Completed in the year ending December 31st, 1896.

SANITARY WORK, &c.	No. 1 District	No. 2 District.	No. 3 District.	Total.
Houses, Premises &c., inspected	1372	1380	1243	*3995
Orders issued for amendments	3533	2756	2031	8320
Houses cleansed and whitewashed	134	175	163	472
Rooms disinfected, stripped and cleansed	169	182	99	450
Drains repaired, cleansed and trapped	825	357	432	1614
Drains new and reconstructed	154	41	130	325
Yards paved and paving repaired	379	420	301	1100
Water-closets, cleansed and repaired	476	520	315	1311
Closets and Urinals supplied with water	58	203	196	457
New closets supplied	9	17	14	40
Water supply laid on	68	55	40	163
Cisterns cleansed and covered and defective	00	00	40	100
water fittings	437	113	169	719
Waste and stack pipes disconnected from drains	132	39	54	225
Dust pails supplied	192	152	199	543
Dust removal complaints attended to	17	13	20	50
Removal of accumulations, &c	24	17	12	53
Dead bodies removed to Mortuary	1	10	5	16
Canal Boats inspected	85	-	_	85
Flooring, Stairs, Window Sashes and Eaves				
Gutters provided and Roofs repaired	621	387	309	1317
Overcrowding abated	3	2	3	8
Notices to Schools	320	422	108	850
Factory inspections	47	6	150	203
Factory nuisances abated	39	2	9	50
Bake houses inspected	40	32	22	94
Licensed cow sheds inspected	10	4	12	26
Licensed slaughter houses inspected	2	2	_	4
Legal proceedings, i.e., Summonses	11	17	7	35
Houses closed, unfit for habitation	4		6	10
Houses demolished	-	1	-	1
dangerous and dilapidated premises	9	40	45	94
Drain test used	604	709	324	1.637
Improved ventilation in houses	118	225	30	373
Basements discontinued to be used as dwellings	1	_	-	1
Drinking water supplies separate from the w.c.'s	30	1	_	31
Animals removed	1	1	3	5
Cesspools abolished	1	1	_	2
Free Shelters inspected		26	_	26
New Dung Pits provided	6	1	6	13
Water closets discharging into the River Thames	-	-	5	5
Notices to provide Crossings, Area gratings,	0	0.4	90	70
Flaps and Trap doors in Footways	8	24	38	70
Samples taken under Sale of Food and Drugs Act	48	51	45 4	144
Dust Bins defective	1	5	4	10

^{*} This does not include re-inspection to premises to ascertain works in progress or premises inspected where no nuisance was found to exist; such, if added would probable treble the number.

In addition to this, we have had destroyed as unfit for human food during the year the following articles, viz:—10 Boxes Kippers, 1 Trunk of Haddocks, 5 Trunks of Roker, 2 Parcels of Rabbits, a quantity of Tomatoes, 4 Boxes of Oranges, 2 Barrels of Herrings, 32 Cases of Oranges.

JOHN WILLIAM JOHNSON. GEORGE OSBORNE PAVITT. EDWIN THOMAS CROOK.

TABLE VIII.

Shewing the Localities in which certain Diseases of a Zymotic character occurred during the year 1896.

			-					
LOCALITY.	Small Pox.	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous Croup.	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever	Puer- peral Fever.	Contin- ued Fever.
A amon atmost					9			
Agnes-street Acland-street		1		1	2			
A abasah					5			
				1	2			
Albert-square Albert-street		1			2			
		1			Z			
Amoy-place		1		1			***	
Aston-street		8		1	4			
A bbotts-cottages	•••	2 5			1			
Anchor-street		9	***		1			
Barnes-street		3		1		2		
Belgrave-street		1		1	5			
Bromley-street		1		1	3	1		
Brenton-street		2		1	4			
Burdett-road		1			4			
Burgess-street		1		. 3	4	2		
Bower-street		1			1			
Brook-street		3		2	1			
Blount-street		12			3			
Beachcroft-bdgs		2			5	1		
Brunton-place		1						
Broad-street		1	***	4				
Ben Jonson-road		2		1	2			
Bere-street			***	1	2000			•••
Burn-street				1				
Balls-buildings		1		1				
Donat an and		1			1			
Bewley-buildings	***	2		1	1	***		•••
bewiey-buildings		2	***	1	1	***		***
Commercial-road					4			
Caroline-street		3		1	2			
Cable-street		2		2	3			
Clemence-street				1	3			
Coleman-street		1						

30 TABLE VIII. (Continued).

LOCALITY.	Small Pox.	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous Croup,	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever.	Puer- peral Fever.	Continued Fever.
Cosh's-buildings		1			1			
Conder-street		7		1	2			
Cayley-street					1			
Causeway-court		1		1				
Carr-street		6			5	1		
Copenhagen-plce					5	1		
Chivers-court						î		
Church-row		1		1	13			
Chambers-square					1			
Dungton place				1		1		
Dunstan-place Dod-street		1		1		1	•••	
Drews-buildings		1 3			1	***		
Dora-street	***	100			1 1	***		
Dixon-street		2	***	1	3	1	*-	
Durham-row	***	3			1			
Dalgleish-street					2	1	1	
Dalgleish-place				1	1			
Dellow-street		2		1	3			
East London								
Hospital		3			6			
Eastfield-street		7		6	6	1		
Endive-street			***		2			
Elsa-street		1		2	9			
Elbow-lane-bldgs					1			
Ebenezer-place		1						
Farrance-street				1		1		
Galt-street				1				
Gun-lane		2		1	2			
Giles-place		1				***		•••
Green-bank				1				
George-street		1						

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TABLE VIII. (Continued).

LOCALITY.	Small Pox	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous Croup.	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever.	Puer- peral Fever.	Contin- ued Fever.
Glamis-road		2		1	2			
Gill-street	2	2		4	6			
Gt. Hermitage-st.					2			
Grocers-court		1		•••				
High-st.,Stepney					1			
High-st.Shadwell		5	***	5	2			•••
Harding-street				1	4	*		
Havering-street		1						•••
Halley-street		1			3	1		•••
High-street,								
Wapping		1				1		
Hope-place					1			
Island-row				1				
Island-10W				•	***			
Juniper-street		5		3	5			
James-place				2	6			
James-street	***	1						.4.
Johnsons-bldgs.	***	1			1			
King David-lane		1		1	1			
Kirks-place					2			
Lufton-place		2						
Lee-street	•••			1	3			
London-street		5		1	3			
Locksley-street Limehouse	•••	6		1	4			•••
Causeway		2		1	1			
Love-lane-square					1			
Lance-street				1	1			
Love-lane					1			
Lockside		1		3	3			

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TABLE VIII. (Continued).

LOCALITY.	Small Pox.	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous Croup.	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever.	Puer- peral Fever.	Contin- ued Fever.
Lady Mico's								
Almshouses	***			1				
Lowell-street		1			***	•••		
Monza-street					2			
Maroon-street	3	6		5	8			
Mercer-street				2				
Manning-street		3			3			
Medland-street		•••		1	1			
Mays-cottages					1			
Market-street	•••	1						***
Market-bldgs					1			
Matlock-street				***	1			
Northey-street		2		1		1		
New-gravel-lane				2	7			
Narrow-street					1			
New-alley		3			1			
Phœbe-street					1			
Periwinkle-street		3		1				
Peabody-bldgs.		5		1	2	1		
Pigott-street		2	1		2			
Parnham-street		2			4			
Park-street		1			1			
Portland-street					3			
Pelling-street		1	1	1		443		
Peels-alley		1			2			
Rateliff		1						
Workhouse		4		1	3			
Rhodeswell-road		5		1	2	1	•••	
Ropemakers								***
Fields		3	1		4			
Red-lion street		1		2	1			

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TABLE VIII. (Continued).

LOCALITY.	Small Pox.	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever.	Puer- peral	Contin- ued
			Croup.	Posteri		201021	Fever.	Fever.
Repton-street		2		1	1		1	
Rich-street					1			
Railway-place					1			
Reform-place		1	1					
Robert-street		1						
St. Paul's-road					3			* 8
Salmon-lane		7	1		10	1		
Samuel-street		3		3	4		***	***
Spring Garden-							•••	
place		***			2			
Streatfield-street					2			
Selsey-street	***			1	7			
Stainsby-road				1	3	1		
Sarah-street					4			
Stepney Causeway		1		3	4	1		
Sage-street		1			1			
School-house-								
lane		1		4	2			
Spring-gardens					. 2			
St. Anne's-street	1	1		2	1			
Shadwell-green		1			2			
Short-street						1		
Thomas-street,			-					
Ratcliff			10000		2	10000		
Thirza-street	***			***	4		•••	
Tower-buildings		3			2		***	
Turners-road		3			2			
Three-colt-street		3		1	2	1		
Tomlin-terrace		3			3			
Twine-court		1		1				
Tile-yard					1			
The Cottages Northey-street		1						

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TABLE VIII. (Continued).

LOCALITY.	Small Pox.	Diph- theria.	Mem- branous Croup.	Erysi- pelas.	Scar- latina.	Enteric Fever.	Puer- peral Fever.	Continued Fever.
Tower-bldgs., old		3		1	6			
Taylors-place		1			1			
Thomas-street, Limehouse		3			2	1		
Tenbury-place		2					•-	
Haman Float								
Upper East Smithfield					1			
Union-terrace					2			
Upper-well-alley				***	2			
Warton-place		1						
White-horse-st.		8			4			
Walker-street West India Dock		5		1	3			
road	1	2		2	1	1		1
Walter-street		1	***					
Wapping-wall		1	1	1	1			
Wallwood-street West Garden		1						
Buildings	***				1			
Williams-place .		1						
	×					TY		
York-buildings		4			3			
York-street		1	***					

TABLE IX.

LIST OF ARTICLES DISINFECTED IN THE APPARATUS BELONGING TO THE LIMEHOUSE DISTRICT BOARD.

FROM JANUARY 1ST TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1896.

Articles	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Beds	 45	31	36	33	45	76	48	36	40	34	42	43	509
Sheets	 60	52	51	43	56	120	72	50	52	54	58	50	718
Blankets	 82	70	57	48	73	166	59	58	52	47	73	78	863
Bolsters	 23	26	27	22	23	16	26	26	25	23	32	31	300
Pillows	 85	72	63	69	82	105	89	73	61	89	87	64	939
Quilts	 41	46	36	35	51	48	47	26	28	34	45	52	489
Mattresses	 22	50	32	27	21	23	33	40	30	27	42	47	394
Sundries	 268	257	245	148	187	121	175	175	133	116	186	142	2,149
Total	 626	604	547	425	538	675	549	480	421	424	565	507	6,361

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BAKEHOUSES.

LIMEHOUSE.

Mr. H. Schmalzlen,

, C. Baldwin,

" Hammond (not used)

NAMES.

" J. Draude,

" M. Donaldson,

" Gooderson,

" J. Simpson, " W. Living,

" P. Fiehl,

". H. Fuchs,

" J. Few,

" J. Fearce,

" H. Bretz, " J. Faber,

", Miller,

" W. Wagner,

" P. Kuntz,

" M. Haust,

" J. A. Siebert,

" J. W. Domm,

W. H. Pearce,

(not used)

" T. Slawson,

" C. Smeith,

" H. Marks,

(not used)

ADDRESSES.

22, Gill-street

821, Commercial road

341, Burdett-road

31, Repton-street

3, Repton-street 137, Eastfield-street

21, Halley-street

12, Parnham-street

45, Thomas-street

84, Locksley-street

132, Rhodeswell-road

131, Salmon-lane

145, Salmon-lane

181, Salmon-lane

209, Salmon-lane

7, Limehouse-causeway

68, Limehouse-causeway

40, Limehouse-causeway

93, Three Colt-street

146, White-horse-street

77, Three Colt-street

51, Three Colt-street

87, Three Colt-street

71, Salmon-lane

36, Three Colt-street

56, Three Colt-street

RATCLIFF.

Mr. Prummer,

" A. S. Harding,

,, Bader, Mrs. Lee, 105, White-horse-street 42, White-horse-street

147, White-horse-street

631, Commercial-road

BAKEHOUSES .- Continued.

RATCLIFF.

NAMES.

Mr. Weimer,
,, Newman,
Mrs. E. Emptson,
Mr. T. Higgins,
,, Schwenk,

" J. Dafferle, " J. Willicombe, Co-operative Society, Mr. Hammond,

" A. Hantseb, " Cattung,

ADDRESSES.

119, Broad-street
27, Hardinge-street
415, Cable-street
59, Brook-street
91, Brook-street
139, Brook-street
28, White Horse-street
436, Commercial-road
508, Commercial-road
85, Brook-street
13, Devonport-street

SHADWELL.

Mr. A. Cooper, Mrs. Green, Mr. Ullius, ,, Menzler, ,, Pascoe, 84, High-street 161, High-street 47, High-street 5, King David-lane 278, Cable-street

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LICENSED COW HOUSES.

LIMEHOUSE.

NAMES.

Messrs. Abbott Bros. Mrs. Sarah Dudlyke, Mr. John Knight, ,, Mr. David Thomas, ADDRESSES.

Batson-street
15, Maroon-street
162, Rhodeswell-road
42 & 44, Ropemaker's-fields

LICENSED COW HOUSES .- Continued.

RATCLIFF.

NAMES.

Mr. Charles Warman,
,, Charles Toms,
,, James Alcock,
Messrs. John & William Morris,

ADDRESSES.

Railway Arch, James-street 63, Brook-street 12, Hilton-street

37, White horse-street

SHADWELL.

Mr. Thomas Williams, ,, Chas. Warman, Sage-street Lower Shadwell

SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

LIMEHOUSE.

Mr. W. H. Phillips, ,, Archibald Brown, 160, White-horse-street 26, Three Colt-street

