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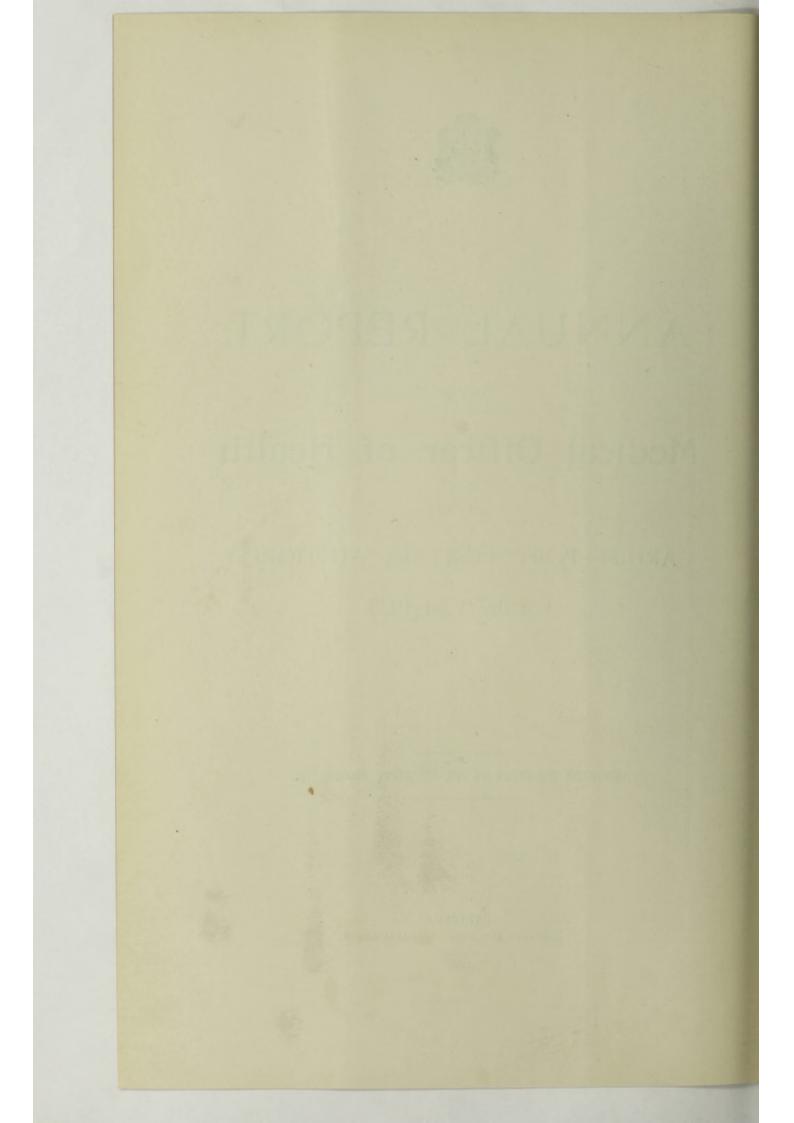
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#### PREFACE.

The work of the port sanitary section of the Health Department is directly, and in the most strict sense of the word, preventive. This section exists primarily to prevent the introduction of epidemic diseases from foreign countries. As a secondary consideration it deals with the environment of the seafaring men and with the quality of food brought into the country for human consumption. It treats every arriving vessel as a potential source of danger, and its vigilance cannot be allowed to relax even though years may pass without its having to deal with any cases of the epidemic diseases which are most to be feared; for a long period of immunity carries no guarantee of its continuance.

Plague. The world-wide prevalence of plague is a constant cause of anxiety. Evidence was given in the introduction to last year's Report that this disease may easily be missed as the result of its occurrence in the rat population without human manifestation. During 1925 re-arrangements of the staff were made with the object of devoting more time to inspection of vessels for rat infestation. The results are reflected in the increase in the number of rats caught and submitted to bacteriological examination, and also in the number of vessels disinfected by the only radical method, viz.:—fumigation.

For the fourth year in succession a report by Dr. Jas. J. Simpson on rats and their parasitic fleas is included. The Committee are under a debt of gratitude to Dr. Simpson, and the National Museum of Wales for these valuable records.

Smallpox. Although the port sanitary staff had to exercise close supervision over a number of foreign seamen in connection with a case of smallpox imported from Barry on June 10th, 1925, no case of this disease arrived directly by sea. The prevalence of smallpox in Portuguese, Spanish and North African ports continues and entails special scrutiny of vessels arriving from these parts.

Food inspection. As the importance of this branch of port hygiene depends on the increase or decrease of food imports, and especially of certain articles of diet, a table (No. 17, p. 32) has been introduced with the object of recording from year to year the quantities of various foods arriving. It is not intended to be a complete measure of the work of food inspection as it does not include wheat or fish or any food arriving coastwise. The imports of foreign meat are well maintained. Some alarm was caused toward the end of the year by the presence of arsenic in American apples, and one large consignment had to be dealt with appropriately. It is probable that representations by the importers and the government will have the effect of stopping the contamination of next years' crop. In this connection the work of the Public Analyst, Mr. Hughes, has been of the greatest value to the Authority.

Dangerous Drugs Act, 1920. Only one certificate in terms of this Act was issued during the year, as follows:—

Nationality of Vessel.

Greek
Laudanum,
Tinct. Chlor. & Morph.
Pil. Opii.

Quantity.
2 ozs.
2 ozs.
3 dozen.

Staff. Chief Inspector David Jenkins retired on 17th June, after 36 years of splendid service under the Authority. As his successor, Mr. S. J. Holbourn, formerly senior assistant, has received well earned promotion, while Inspector A. J. E. Scott now combines the position of senior assistant and food inspector.

General. Cordial relations continue with all the docks departments with whom the Authority's staff come into contact in the pursuance of their functions.

RALPH M. F. PICKEN,

Loudoun Square,
 Cardiff, 18th March, 1926.

## Section 1.

#### TRAFFIC AT THE PORT.

The following tables give particulars of vessels and tonnage, foreign and coastwise, entering the Cardiff Port Sanitary District, compiled partly from the records of the Department and partly from information kindly supplied to me by H.M. Collector of Customs, and show the number of those inspected, the number found defective, their nationality, etc.

TABLE I.

Number of vessels and tonnage (Including Penarth).

YEARS	NUMBER	OF VESSELS	Total number of vessels	Tons	Total tonnage foreign	
	Foreign	Coastwise	foreign and coastwise	Foreign	Coastwise	and coastwise inwards
Average						
1901-10	2,741	8,982	11,723	3,206,425	3,072,287	6,278,712
1911-20	3,433	6,823	10 256	3,674,015	3,272,709	6,946,724
1921	1,656	5,042	6,698	2.066,973	1,689,474	3,756,447
1922	2,818	5,356	8,174	3,437,294	2,342,461	5,779,755
1923	3,282	5.026	8,308	3:961.631	2,343,827	6,305,458
1924	3,424	5,145	8,569	3,689,057	2,352,124	6,041,181
1925	3,405	4,686	8,091	3,399,249	1,920,546	5,319,795

TABLE II.

Details of vessels inspected.

					inspected by	Number reported defective	Number of orders issued
		No. of arrivals	Tonnage	Medical officer	Sanitary inspector		
	(Steamers	_	_	85	2,628	585	585
From	Sailing	-		22	291	30	30
foreign	Motor	_		14	76	8	8
	Fishing	-	-	-	406	9	9
Total from Foreig		3,405	3,399,249	121	3,401	632	632
	/Steamers	_	_	58	2,581	230	230
	Sailing	_		25	227	10	10
Coastwise	Motor	-	-		135	3	3
	Fishing		-	5 5	16	-	-
	Total coastwise	4,686	1,920,546	93	2,959	243	243
Total foreign	and coastwise	8,091	5,319,795	214	6.360	875	875

TABLE III.

Monthly arrivals of vessels from foreign and coastwise dealt with by the department during the year:

Month		From Foreign	Coastwise
January		287	301
February	.0	263	235
March		320	271
April		291	214
May		334	234
June		312	218
July		340	273
August		236	215
September		235	224
October		254	223
November		286	292
December		243	259
TOTALS		3,401	2,959

TABLE IV.

Nationality of vessels inspected during the year.

NATIONALITIES		STEAM	SAIL	MOTOR	TOTAL
American		24	_	_	24
Argentine		1	_	_	1
Belgian		35	-	-	35
Brazilian		2		-	2
British		4,056	278	182	4,516
Chilian		_	1	_	1
Danish		122	1	5	128
Dantzic		2	-	_	2
Dutch		44	-	4	48
Esthonian		2	-		2 6
Finnish		5	-	1	
French		445	235	8	688
German		87		3	90
Greek		100	-	-	100
Hungarian	**	7	-	-	7
Italian		42	-	_	42
Japanese		9	-		9
Jugo Slav		10	-	-	10
Latvian		4	1	-	5
Norwegian		266	2	2	270
Panama		1	_	-	1
Peruvian		3	-	-	3
Portuguese		70	_	6	76
Roumanian		8	_	-	8
Soviet		3	-	-	3
Spanish		191	_	_	191
Swedish		92	_		92
TOTAL		5,631	518	211	6,360

Tables V. and VI. which follow, show the quantity and nature of goods imported and exported during the year. The position of the coal trade is reflected in a further decline in the exports by about a million and a half tons.

TABLE V.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

Years.	Imports (tons and loads)	Exports (tons)	Total imports & exports (tons)
Average			
1911-20	1,879,138	12,372,330	14,251,468
1921	1,043,000	5,912,485	6,955,485
1922	1,561,622	10 659,227	12,220,849
1923	2,183,601	12,610,305	14.793,906
1924	2,141,486	11,367,604	13,509,090
1925	1,940,836	9,798,810	11,739,646

TABLE VI.

PRINCIPAL PORTS AND PLACES TRADING WITH CARDIFF, AND NATURE OF TRADE.

Port or p	place	Imports.	Port or p	olace.	Exports.		
Spain		Iron ore, pitwood, wine, onions and fruit.	All countries ports.	and local	Coal. Coke. Patent fuel.		
France	*	Pitwood, potatoes, wine, apples, onions and canned goods.			Flour.  Iron and steel rails and ironwork.		
Canada		Grain, flour, fruit, dairy pro- duce, canned goods, sugar, timber and cattle.			General merchandise.		
U.S. Amer	rica	Grain, flour, fruit, dairy produce and canned goods.					
Australia		Grain, frozen meat, canned goods and dairy produce.	-				
Ireland		Grain, pitwood, potatoes, canned goods, stout, dairy produce and burnt ore.	in his				
Local por	ts	Grain, flour, canned goods, dairy produce, burnt ore and pitch.					
North Afr	rica	Iron ore.					
Baltic por	rts	Timber.					
Portugal		Pitwood, fruit and wine.	100				
River Pla	te	Frozen meat and grain.					

### Section 2.

PREVENTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The tables in this section show, in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health, the occurrence of cases of sickness of all kinds on board ships, arriving or otherwise, dealt with by the port sanitary staff, as well as those which definitely fall in the category of infections.

These cases are reported to the inspectors who board every vessel arriving. Warning messages are sometimes received from Lloyd's signal stations at Barry Island and Penarth, but there is no arrangement for receiving wireless intimations of approaching infectious disease. The nearest receiving station for wireless messages is Milford Haven, over one hundred miles distant.

Enquiries have been made as to the number of vessels carrying wireless installations, and these are shown in the following table:—

#### TABLE VII.

From foreign with wi	reless inst	allations-	From foreign without wireless installations-
December, 1925		159	December, 1925 108
January, 1926		172	January, 1926 126
February, 1926		155	February, 1926 112
Coastwise with wirele	ss installa	tions—	Coastwise without wireless installations—
December, 1925		3	December, 1925 53
January, 1926		8	January, 1926 60
February, 1926		6	February, 1926 65

NOTE.-These figures do not include vessels under 500 tons N.R.T.

TABLE VIII.

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES SINCE 1916.

	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925
Chicken pox	_	_	_	_	_		_	_	1	_
Continued fever	-	-		-	2	2	-	-	_	-
Diphtheria	2	7	_	7	4	-	2	3	3	-
Dysentery	_			1	2	4	6	3	1	2
Erysipelas	3	8	-	3	5	1	3	5	_	3
Malaria	_	_	_	8	14	21	26	10	25	12
Measles	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-		-
Pneumonia,										
Influenzal	-	-	-	14	5	3	5	-	_	Name .
" Primary	-	-	-	6	21	8	4	8	11	7
Relapsing fever	_	-	-	_	1	-	_	-	-	-
Scarlet fever	1	1	-	4	_	_	_	1	-	1
Smallpox	-	-			1	-	1	1	-	****
Tuberculosis	22	27	12	15	14	22	15	13	5	4
Typhoid fever	7	10	26	19	8	3	9	8	3	6
Totals	39	56	40	78	77	64	71	52	49	35

Two cases of measles and two cases of chicken pox were dealt with, bringing the total of strictly port cases for the year to 39.

In addition to the 39 cases recorded above, a number of seafaring men suffering from infectious diseases were dealt with by the port sanitary staff, who were ascertained after enquiry to fall properly within the province of urban administration. The following cases were referred for this reason to their respective districts.

TABLE IX.

CARDIF	F CITY.		BARI	tY		SWANSEA (PORT TALBOT).		
Diphtheria Dysentery Erysipelas Malaria Pneumonia Smallpox. Tuberculosis	::	1 1 1 5 3 1 6	Malaria Pneumonia Tuberculosis Typhoid Fever	::	1 1 1 1	Tuberculosis	••	1
	TOTAL	18		TOTAL	4		TOTAL	1

TABLE X. (a)

DETAILS OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars
Jan. 15	s s. "Nuddea" (British)	Australia via Dunkirk and Hull (Paratyphoid fever)	A member of crew (native) suffering from paratyphoid fever and sent to hospital at Dunkirk. Vessel fumigated at Hull.
., 23	s.s. "Grelwen" (British)	Durban via River Plate and Antwerp (Dysentery)	A sailor sent to hospital at Durban, suffering from dysentery.
., 27	s.s. "Dromore Castle" (British)	Karachi via Suez and Dunkirk (Dysentery)	An assistant steward sent to hospital at Suez, suffering from dysentery.
Feb. 2	s.s. "Corstream" (British)	Portsmouth (Pneumonia)	A sailor removed to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival
4	s.s. "Betwa" (British)	Pensacola via Ham- burg (Pneumonia)	A sailor medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.
,, 23	s.f. "Mikasa" (British)	Fishing Grounds (Pneumonia)	A sailor admitted to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival
,, 26	s s. "Notanda" (British)	Odessa via Hamburg (Malaria)	A sailor medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.
,, 29	s.s "Srebreno" (Jugo Slav)	Hornillo (Erysipelas)	A sailor medically attended and removed to the Isolation Hospital.
April 14	s.s. "Pengreep" (British)	Rotterdam via Dart- mouth (Pneumonia)	The 3rd engineer sent to hospital at Dartmouth.
,, 15	s.s. "Rochdale" (British)	Alexandria (Dysentery)	The wireless operator medically attended on arrival and removed to Seamen's Hospital.
., 23	s.s. " Pakipaki " (British)	Bordeaux (Tuberculosis)	An apprentice medically attended on arrival and allowed to proceed to his home at Neath. Medical Officer of Health notified
., 24	s.s. " Maid of Syra" (British)	Salonica (Tuberculosis)	A fireman medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival.
28	s.s. " Moorby" (British)	Sfax via Paimboeuf (Tuberculosis)	A fireman sent to hospital on arrival at Paimboeuf,
., 28	s s. " Danefelt" (Danish)	Rufisque via Bordeaux (Malaria)	The second officer medically attended on arrival and allowed to proceed home to Denmark.
., 29	s s. "Penhale" (British)	Rosario via Gibraltar and Trieste (Dysentery)	A sailor medically attended at Gibraltar. Apparently well upon being medically examined on arrival.
May 8	s.s. "Maid of Psara" (British)	Fiume via Algiers (Tuberculosis)	A fireman sent to hospital at Fiume,
., 9	s.s."Madge Llewellyn" (British)	Seville via Manchester (Paratyphoid fever)	
,, 22	s.s. "Romney" (British)	Buenos Aires, St. Vincent, C.V. and London (Paratyphoid fever)	A sailor sent to hospital at St. Vincent. Fumigation carried out at London.

TABLE X. (a)-continued.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars			
Мау 30	s.s. "Rivafric" (French)	Havre (Erysipelas)	A sailor admitted to the Seaman's Hospital and transferred to Isolation Hospital.			
June 3	s.s. " Rajput " (British)	Greenock (Malaria)	A sailor (native) medically treated on board and sailed in the ship			
,, 20	s.s. "Aldersgate" (British)	Bangkok via Antwerp and London	A sailor sent to hospital at Bangkok where he died.			
,, 21	s.s. "Millgate" (British)	Valencia via Gibraltar and Manchester (Malaria and pneumonia)	The 2nd engineer removed to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival, subsequently developing pneumonia; died.			
July 2	s.s. "Treneglos" (British)	Delagoa Bay <i>via</i> Dunkirk (Paratyphoid fever)	An apprentice sent to hospital at Delagoa Bay.			
5	s.s. "Capitaine Augustin" (French)	Bizerta via Oran (Typhoid fever)	A steward medically attended on arrival and removed to the Isolation Hospital. Berth and effects disinfected.			
., 9	s s. " Polcevera " (British)	Antwerp (Pneumonia)	A sailor sent to the Seamen's Hospital.			
Aug. 13	s.s. "Arraiz" (Spanish)	Hornillo via Newport (Typhoid fever)	The second officer medically attended on arrival and removed to the Isolation Hospital. Berth and effects disinfected.			
,, 20	s.s. "Arraiz" (Spanish)	Hornillo via Newport (Typhoid fever)	A fireman medically attended and removed to the Isolation Hospital.			
,, 23	s.s, "Ryvarden" (Norwegian)	Bordeaux (Pneumonia)	A sailor medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital,			
Sept. 4	s.s. "New Georgia" (British)	Dartmouth (Tuberculosis)	The third officer medically attended on arrival and removed to Glan Ely Tuberculosis Hospital.			
. 4	s.s. "Alf " (Norwegian)	Gambia, Las Palmas and Marseilles <i>via</i> Falmouth (Malaria)	Several members of crew suffered during voyage and one man left in hospital at Las Palmas.			
,, 6	s.f "Asama" (British)	Fishing Grounds (Erysipelas)	The wireless operator medically attended at the Seamen's Hospital on arrival and removed to the Isolation Hospital.			
., 17	s.s. "Willesden" (British)	Norfolk Va., via Alex- andria & Hamburg (Tuberculosis)	A fireman sent to hospital at Norfolk Va.			
,, 20	s s. "Indian Transport" (British)	Rosario via Las Palmas and Rotterdam (Malaria)	The cook medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.			
Oct. 1	s.s "Canadian Leader" (British)	Montreal via Quebec (Scarlet fever)	A fireman medically attended on arrival and removed to the Isolation Hospital, Berth and effects disinfected.			
. 5	s.s. "Treneglos" (British)	Port Said, Novorossisk via Oran and Hamburg (Pneumonia)	A fireman sent to hospital at Port Said.			

#### TABLE X (a)-continued.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars				
Oct. 5	s.s. "City ot Alexandria" (British)	Durban via Avon- mouth (Pneumonia)	A fireman sent to hospital at Avonmouth.				
,,* 16	s.s. " Penmount" (British)	Lagos via Las Palmas and Bremen (Malaria)	Three sailors treated on board on passage, and one left in hospital at Bremen.				
., 17	s.s. " Valdura" (British)	Sourabaya via Port Said & Boulogne (Smallpox)	A fireman sent to hospital at Sourabaya. All members of crew vaccinated at that Port and quarters and effects disinfected.				
Nov. 10	s.s. "Kristin " (Norwegian)	Trangsund via Antwerp (Paratyphoid fever)	A sailor had been medically attended at Antwerp.  Medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital. He subsequently developed paratyphoid fever.				
,, 10	"Albatross" (French)	Brest (Typhoid fever)	The master came on shore from Cardiff Roads, after the vessel had sailed, and went to the Seamen's Hospital. He subsequently developed typhoid fever				
, 10	s.s. " Egham " (British)	Berdiansk via South- hampton and Avonmouth (Malaria)	A sailor sent to the Seamen's Hospital.				
,, 11	s s. " Electrician " (British)	Liverpool (Malaria)	A sailor who joined ship at Liverpool, being medically treated on board.				
Dec. 2	s.s. "Wooburn" (British)	Constantinople via Gibraltar and Avonmouth (Pneumonia)	The donkeyman sent to hospital at Constantinople.				
" 2	s.s. " Heathside" (British)	Alexandria via Avonmouth (Dysentery)	The 2nd officer medically attended at Avonmouth.  Convalescent on arrival here and allowed to proceed to his home at Sunderland. Medical Officer of Health notified.				
3	s.s. " Trident " (British)	Durban, Bombay via Avonmouth and Dunkirk (Tuberculosis and Malaria)	A sailor sent to hospital at Durban (Tuberculosis).  Several members of the crew suffered from malaria after leaving Bombay. The donkeyman and one fireman sent to hospital at Avonmouth. Medically inspected on arrival at this port, and two firemen sent to the Seamen's Hospital suffering from malaria.				
,, 5	s.s, "Snefond" (Norwegian)	Rufisque via Rotter- dam (Malaria)	Four members of crew sent to hospital at Rotterdam.				
., 7	s.s. "Bertha" (Norwegian)	Rufisque via Vigo and Liverpool (Malaria)	The cook and one fireman medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
,, 10	s s. "Vega" (Danish)	Dakar via Bordeaux (Malaria)	A sailor left in hospital at Dakar.				
,, 12	s.s. "Trident" (British)	Durban, Bombay via Avonmouth and Dunkirk (Malaria)	A sailor being medically treated on board.				
,, 14	s.s. "P.L.M. 22" (French)	Port Said (Tuberculosis)	The cook medically treated on board. He was subsequently allowed to proceed to his home in France.				

TABLE X (a)-continued.

Date 1925		Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars			
Dec	17	s.s. " Waziristan " (British)	Portland, Oregon via Belfast (Typhoid fever)	The officers' boy sent to hospital at Belfast. Berth and effects disinfected there.			
"	23	s.s. "Foyle" (British)	Antwerp (Pneumonia)	A fireman medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital,			
**	26	s.s. " Rita Sister " (Spanish)	Almeria via Bristol (Pneumonia)	A fireman sent to hospital at Bristol.			

TABLE X. (b), Details of cases of non-notifiable diseases.

Da 195		Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars				
Jan.	6	s.s. "Knaresbro" (British)	Antwerp (Gastritis)	The second officer medically attended suffering from slight gastritis.				
	7	s.s. "Christel Salling" (German)	Santander (Rheumatism)	A sailor medically attended on arrival and sent to his home in Germany.				
,,	11	s.s. "Southborough" (British)	Hull (Bronchitis)	A sailor medically treated whilst at Hull.				
,,	11	s.s. "Maid of Andros" (British)	Brake (Rheumatism)	A messroom boy under medical treatment at Brake. Sent to the Seamen's Hospital at Cardiff.				
,,	11	s.s. "Suncliff" (British)	Port Sudan via Suez Port Said and Hamburg (Beri beri and venereal disease)	A sailor sent to hospital at Port Said (veneredisease) and an assistant steward sent to the Seamen's Hospital for treatment (venereal disease).				
	12	s s. "Westmoreland" (British)	Liverpool (Heart disease)	The donkeyman sent to the Seamen's Hospital at this port.				
	12	s.s. "Wheatplain" (British)	Boulogne (Hernia)	A fireman medically treated on arrival and sent to his home.				
"	12	s.s. "Sheridan" (Portuguese)	Lisbon (Gonorrhœa)	A fireman medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital.				
	14	s.s. "Hillglen" (British)	— — — (Gastritis)	A fireman admitted to the Seamen's Hospital from a boarding house having left ship at Newport.				
**	14	s.s. "Dagrun" (Norwegian)	Bristol (Influenza)	The master medically treated on board.				
	15	s.s. "Birgit" (Danish)	Copenhagen (Rheumatism)	The master medically treated on board.				
**	16	s.s. "Odin" (German)	Plymouth (Gastritis)	A fireman medically treated on board suffering from slight gastritis.				
	17	s.s. " Esles" (Spanish)	Troon (Tonsilitis)	A sailor medically attended on arrival here.				

TABLE X. (b)-continued.

Da 192		Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars				
Jan.	17	s.s. " Hannington (British) Court"	Hull (Rheumatism)	A deck boy sent to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival at this port.				
,,	21	s.s. " Mourao " (Portuguese)	Oporto (Bronchitis)	The master medically treated on board.				
	23	s.s. "Gibel Haman" (British)	Bristol (Quinsy)	The master under medical treatment at Bristol also on arrival at this port.				
"	25	s.s. "Domingo de Larrinaga" (Spanish)	Liverpool (Orchitis)	A fireman sent to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival.				
**	31	s.s. "Blenda" (Norwegian)	Manchester (Lung trouble)	The second engineer removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
"	31	s.s. "Poleric" (British)	Rotterdam (Colds)	The master and several members of crew medically attended on arrival.				
Feb.	2	s.s. "Greta" (Norwegian)	Rouen (Cold)	A sailor medically attended on board.				
,,	2	s s, "Student" (British)	Glasgow (Phlebitis)	The master medically attended on board and sent to his home at Liverpool.				
,,,	3	s s. "Atlanticos" (Greek)	London (Colds)	Two sailors medically attended on board.				
"	4	s.s. "Sheafwater" (British)	Antwerp (Bronchitis)	The boatswain medically treated on board and sent to his home.				
.,,	4	s.s. "Cheshire Coast" (British)	Bristol (Rheumatism)	A sailor medically treated on board on arrival.				
••	4	s.s. "Greta" (Norwegian)	Rouen (Appendicitis)	A sailor removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
"	4	s.s. "Berta" (Italian)	Havre (Hernia)	The chief engineer medically treated on board.				
,,	5	s.s. "Freden" (Norwegian)	Bayonne (Influenza)	The master medically attended and treated on board.				
.,	5	s.s. "P.L M, 20" (French)	Marseilles (Bronchitis and appendicitis)	A fireman (bronchitis) and a fireman (appendicitis) removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
	6	s.s. " Elva Seed " (British)	Maryport (Venereal disease)	A sailor suffering from venereal disease. Hospital treatment recommended.				
**	8	s.s, "Calluna" (Belgian)	Dieppe (Hernia)	A sailor medically treated on board.				
"	10	s.s. "Fellside" (British)	Oslo (Influenza)	The steward medically attended at Oslo, also on arrival at this port.				
**	10	s.s. " Berta" (Italian)	Havre (Appendicitis)	The donkeyman removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
.,	12	s.s. " Elwy " (British)	Killough (Influenza)	A sailor medically attended on arrival.				
,,	12	s.s. " Randwijk " (Dutch)	Rotterdam (Venercal disease)	A sailor and the donkeyman suffering from venereal disease. Hospital treatment recommended,				

### TABLE X. (b)-continued.

Dat 192		Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars				
Feb.	14	s.s. "Thornbury" (British)	Casablanca (Thrombosis)	The master medically treated on board.				
"	14	s.s. "Henry Tegner" (Danish)	Dartmouth (Cold)	A sailor medically treated on board.				
,,	16	s.s. "Karamea" (British)	Barrow-in-Furness (Cold)	A fireman medically attended and treated on board.				
,,	17	s.s. " Esles" (Spanish)	Bilbao (Cold)	A fireman medically attended and treated on board.				
,.	22	s.s. "Figaro" (Norwegian)	Bordeaux (Bronchitis)	A fireman medically attended at Bordeaux also on arrival at this port.				
"	23	s.s. "Cape Cross" (British)	Dunkirk (Rheumatism)	A quartermaster medically attended at Dunkirk also on arrival at this port.				
	27	s.s. " Braa " (Norwegian)	Newport (Influenza)	Five members of crew medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
Mar.	1	s.s. " Ryburn " (British)	Marseilles (Cold)	A sailor under medical treatment whilst at Marseilles,				
	2	s.s. " Matronna " (Greek)	London (Influenza)	The second officer medically attended on arrival.				
,,	2	s.s. "Indra" (German)	Bordeaux (Appendicitis)	A fireman medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital,				
"	6	s.s. "Depute Pierre Goujon" (French)	Bordeaux (Pleurisy)	A fireman medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
**	9	s.s. " Perdita" (British)	Liverpool (Varicose Veins)	The master medically treated whilst in port.				
,,	11	s.s. "Assimacos" (Greek)	Antwerp (Measles)	The wireless operator taken sick on passage from Antwerp and removed to the Isolation Hospital on arrival. Berth disinfected.				
	16	s.s. " Ferngarth " (British)	Rotterdam (Rheumatism and lumbago)	Two firemen left in hospital at Rotterdam suffering from rheumatism and lumbago respectively.				
"	20	s.s. " Carcavellos" (Portuguese)	Lisbon (Influenza)	The steward medically attended on arrival.				
**	21	"Maria Regina" (French)	La Trinite (Rheumatism)	The master medically treated on board.				
.,	21	s.s. " Portgwarra " (British)	Dunkirk (Hernia)	A fireman left in hospital at Dunkirk.				
	27	s.s. " Roseden" (British)	Newcastle (Cold)	A fireman medically treated on board.				
April	4	s.s. "Faust" (German)	Bristol (Influenza)	The master medically attended at Bristol and on arrival here.				
"	7	s.s. "Convallaria " (Swedish)	Manchester (Cold)	The wireless operator medically attended on arrival.				

### TABLE X (b)-continued.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars		
April 7	s.s. " J. Duncan " (British)	Lisbon (Influenza)	A sailor under medical treatment whilst at Lisbon.		
,, 11	s.s. "Orbe" (Spanish)	Garston (Bronchitis)	A fireman sent to hospital at Garston.		
,, 14	s.s. " Macon" (French)	Caen (Syncope)	An engineer collapsed and died just after arrival Inquest held.		
., 17	s.s. " P.L.M. 22" (French)	Marseilles (Cold)	The steward medically attended on arrival.		
,, 18	s.s. "Indianola" (British)	Passages (Venereal disease)	A fireman suffering from venereal disease. Hospita treatment recommended.		
,, 19	" John Morrison" (British)	Wicklow (Lumbago)	The mate medically attended on board and sent to the Seamen's Hospital.		
,, 22	s.s. "Citta Di Elena" (Italian)	Newport (Influenza)	The cook medically attended on arrival.		
,, 23	s.s. "Bergsdalen" (Norwegian)	Passages via Brest (Heart disease)	On passage to Cardiff a sailor was landed and sent to hospital at Brest where he died.		
,, 24	s,s. "Estoril" (Portuguese)	Lisbon (Adenitis)	The master removed to a nursing home for treatment.		
,, 25	s.s. "Zurriola" (Spanish)	Bilbao (Pleurisy)	A sailor medically treated on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.		
,, 29	s.s. "Foresthill" (British)	Dantzic (Inflammation of throat)	A fireman medically attended and removed to hospital at Dantzic.		
., 29	s.s. " Felicia " (Swedish)	Valencia via Liverpool	The cook medically treated whilst at Valencia. Nov convalescent.		
fay :	s.s. " Mourao " (Portuguese)	Oporto (Tonsilitis)	A sailor medically treated on board.		
,, 2	s.s. " Gibel Haman" (British)	Valencia and Bristol (Influenza)	An apprentice sent to hospital at Valencia,		
,, 2	s.s, " Tregenna " (British)	Antwerp (Venereal disease)	A fireman suffering from venereal disease. Hospitatreatment recommended.		
. 4	s.s. " Bryntawe" (British)	Algiers (Hernia)	A fireman sent to hospital at Algiers.		
,, 5	s.s. " Min " (British)	Eastern Ports via Hamburg (Apoplexy)	A fireman taken ill and buried at sea on passage t Hamburg.		
,, 20	s.s. " Daphne " (Greek)	Piraeus via Algiers (Hernia)	The second engineer sent to hospital at Piraeus.		
,, 20	s.s. "Reinunga" (Norwegian)	Dublin (Influenza)	The first officer medically attended at Dublin also o arrival at this port.		
., 21	s.s. " Tohkoh Maru" (Japanese)	Liverpool (Orchitis)	A fireman sent to the Seamen's Hospital.		

#### TABLE X. (b)-continued.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars		
May 21	s.s. " Munin " (Norwegian)	Bordeaux (Chicken pox)	A fireman sent to the Seamen's Hospital, subsequently removed to Isolation Hospital.		
,. 21	21 s.s. "Sardinero" Maryport (Spanish) (Mental trouble)		A sailor medically attended on arrival and subsequently sent home to Spain.		
., 26	s.s "Jalarashmi" (British)	Dunkirk (Colds)	Two members of crew treated on board by ship's doctor.		
,, 26	s s. "Sabina" (Spanish)	Newport (Rheumatism)	The cook medically attended on arrival.		
31	s,s, " Rotenfels" (British)	Aden via Antwerp (Chicken pox)	A sailor sent to hospital at Aden. Disinfection at that port.		
une 3	s.s "Rajput" (British)	Greenock (Mumps)	Five members of crew (native) medically attended and treated on board.		
4	s.s. " Tioga " (British)	Avonmouth (Neuritis)	The master medically attended and treated on board,		
., 6	mtr. "Meirion Lass" (British)	— — (Heart failure)	Whilst vessel lying in dock the master taken suddenly ill and died. Inquest held.		
, 13	s.s. " Nykaar " (Norwegian)	Manchester (Rheumatism)	A fireman sent to hospital at Manchester.		
., 15	s.s. "Kapolna" (Norwegian)	Bordeaux (Alcoholic poisoning)	The master medically attended on arrival.		
., 19	s.s. "Pinhel" (Portuguese)	Lisbon (Rheumatism)	The steward sent to Seamen's Hospital,		
uly 1	s.s. "Sado" (Portuguese)	Oporto (Rheumatism)	The master medically attended and treated on board.		
3	s.s. "Canadian Mariner" (British)	Quebec (Kidney disease)	The third engineer medically attended on arrival and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.		
,, 13	Sabang via Port Said, Marseilles and Antwerp (Kidney trouble, dengue fever, scabies and venereal disease)		trouble. One fireman and the donkeyman suffere from dengue fever and on arrival at Port Said th		
,. 29	s.s. "Wooburn" (British)	Bilbao (Pyelitis)	An apprentice sent to Seamen's Hospital.		
30	s.s. "Arsa" (Italian)	Teneriffe via Falmouth (Bronchitis)	A fireman medically attended and treated on board.		
ug. 2	s.s. "Jerseydene" (British)	Lochtudy (Bronchitis)	A fireman sent to the Seamen's Hospital.		
,, 20	s.s. "Campus" (British)	Huelva (Venereal disease)	A sailor suffering from venereal disease, Hospital treatment recommended.		
24	s.f. "Chiyo" (British)	Fishing Grounds (Syncope)	A deck hand died suddenly at sea. Removed to mortuary on arrival. Inquest held.		

### TABLE X (b)-continued.

Date 1925	Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars				
Aug. 29	g. 29 s.s. " Maria M. Manchester (Orchitis) .		The boatswain medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital,				
Sept. 7	s.s. " Letty " · (British)	Roscoff (Diarrhœa)	The master medically attended on arrival.				
,, 10	s.s "Jerseymoor" (British)	Antwerp (Cancer in tongue)	A fireman medically attended and proceeded to his home at Tyne Dock.				
Oct. 4	s,s. " Graslin " (French)	Bordeaux (Appendicitis)	The 3rd engineer medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
. 5.	s.s. "Polmina" . (British)	Arcachon (Pleurisy)	A sailor medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital.				
9	s,s. "Tempo" (British)	Havre (Cold)	A fireman medically attended on arrival.				
., 17	s.s. " Valdura" (British)	Madras, Calcutta, Sourabaya via Port Said and Boulogne (Diabetes, dengue fever and cerebral thrombosis)	e fever). The master also sent to hospital (cerebra thrombosis). All well on arrival at this port.				
,, 23	s.s. "Ungheria" (Italian)	Antwerp (Cold)	A fireman medically treated on board.				
Nov. 2	s.s. "Hop" (Norwegian)	Havre (Gastritis)	A fireman medically attended and removed to the Seamen's Hospital,				
,. 2	s s. " Fidicula" (Italian)	Southampton (Heart failure)	The second engineer died suddenly whilst at South- ampton.				
4	s.s. " Evviva" (Norwegian)	Onega via Preston (Chicken pox)	The second officer isolated and medically treated on board,				
4	s s. " Stratis " (Greek)	Leghorn (Orchitis)	The boatswain medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital.				
, 10	s.s. "Christel Salling" (German)	Archangel (Rheumatism)	A sailor medically treated on board.				
., 12	s.s. " Uromi " (British)	Antwerp (Anaemia)	A fireman medically treated on board.				
,. 16	s s. " Breconián " (British)	Hull (Influenza)	The second engineer medically attended on arrival and proceeded to his home.				
21	s.s "Guernica" (Spanish)	Bilbao (Cold)	A fireman medically attended on arrival.				
., 26	s.s. " Dalegarth " (British)	Bilbao (Diarrhœa)	A sailor sent to Seamen's Hospital.				
,. 27	s s. "Nerbudda" (British)	Avonmouth (Jaundice)	A serang (native) suffering from jaundice and being medically attended by ship's doctor.				
., 30	s.s. "Asborg" (Norwegian)	Bristol (Rheumatism)	A sailor sent to hospital at Bristol.				

TABLE X. (b)-continued.

Da 190		Name of ship and nationality	Where from and nature of sickness	General particulars			
Nov.	30	s.s. " Lady Charlotte" (British)	Hull (Cerebral hæmorrhage)	The master died suddenly on passage from Hull. Inquest held.			
Dec.	3	s s. " Lady Rhondda" (British)	Lisbon (Cold)	The first engineer medically attended at Lisbon.			
**	7	s.s. "General Milne" (British)	Constantinople via Antwerp (Jaundice)	The second engineer sent to hospital at Constantinople			
	10	s.s. "Silverbrook" (British)	Ghent (Bronchitis)	A sailor medically attended on arrival,			
	13	s.s, "Penrose" (British)	Hamburg (Gonorrhœa)	The second officer, third engineer and carpenter suffer- ing from gonorrhœa. Hospital treatment recom- mended.			
**	14	s.s. "P.L M. 22" (French)	Port Said (Hepatitis)	A sailor medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital,			
**	17	s.s. "Trumf" (Swedish)	Sandvik via Sharpness (Venereal disease)	A fireman sent to the Seamen's Hospital on arrival at this port.			
	22	s.s. "Freya" (Danish)	Windau (Orchitis)	A sailor medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital.			
**	29	s,s. "Emilie Delmas" (French)	Havre (Gonorrhœa)	A sailor medically attended and sent to the Seamen's Hospital.			

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST CHOLERA, PLAGUE AND YELLOW FEVER.—No vessel required to be dealt with in accordance with the regulations of the Local Government Board of the 9th September, 1907.

At the suggestion of the Ministry of Health an important conference was held at Bristol on October 6th, 1925, with the port sanitary authorities of that city, Newport, Barry, Gloucester and Cardiff, at which the advisability of forming a single authority for the upper channel ports and the measures which might have to be taken against plague were under consideration. It was unanimously decided that a common authority would be unworkable, uneconomical and confusing, but the conference served a useful purpose in bringing to the front certain grave difficulties which might arise in the unloading of plague-infected vessels. These difficulties are receiving the serious attenion of the Department.

Hospital accommodation.—The hospital at Flat Holm Island, where accommodation is provided for sixteen patients suffering from cholera, yellow fever or plague, and for staff, administration, cremation, etc., has not been in use during the year. It has, however, been kept in good order and readiness for use in any emergency.

RATS AND MICE (DESTRUCTION) ACT, 1919.—Continuous inspection was made and measures taken on and round the docks, premises, lands, etc., during the year under the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919, and as the result of baiting with poisons, 7,141 rats and 1,772 mice were found dead. During the year the rat-catcher was engaged on 45 vessels and on 52 occasions in warehouses on the docks and the total number of rats caught and subsequently destroyed amounted to 3,106 and mice 13. Twenty-six vessels were fumigated and six vessels treated with poison baits (not included above).

Thirteen notices were served and 31 letters were sent to masters of vessels under the above Act.

The bacteriologist (Dr. Parry Morgan) examined 262 rats caught on vessels or in warehouses for evidence of plague, the result being negative in each case; while 283 rats were examined for classification and for the purpose of identification of the fleas infesting them, by Dr. Jas. J. Simpson, Keeper of Zoology, Welsh National Museum, whose report is included in this Section.

Enquiries are made on board every vessel arriving as to the presence of rats or as to abnormal infestation or unusual mortality among them. The following tables show in detail the results of the measures taken and of the examinations made.

#### REPORT ON RATS AND THEIR PARASITIC FLEAS.

Found (1) On ships in Cardiff Docks.

- (2) IN WAREHOUSES ON CARDIFF DOCKS.
- (3) IN OTHER PREMISES ON THE CARDIFF DOCKS.

By Dr. Jas. J. Simpson, M.A., Keeper of Zoology, National Museum of Wales.

Seventy-two samples of rats were received from 18th March, 1925, to 31st December, 1925. Fifty-five of these were from ships, fifteen from warehouses, and three from other spaces on the docks. The identifications of these have been tabulated below separately.

TABLE I.—SHIPS

Origin  Name of ship and where from	Rattus rattus rattus	Rattus rattus alexan- drinus	Rattus rattus frugi- vorus	Rattus norvegicus	Fleas	Date
s.s. "Rhodesian Transport." Beunos Aires via Flushing	2 1 6	Ξ	2 2 -	=	Xenopsylla cheopis do. Nil	18-3-25 20-3-25 24-3-25
s.s. "Treloske" Bahia Blanca via Genoa & Oran	2	=	3 _	=	Xenopsylla cheopis Nil	20-3-25 24-3-25
s.s. " Port Gwarra" Bahia Blanca <i>via</i> Las Palmas and Dunkirk	-	2	2	-	Nil	2-4-25
s.s. "Jiul" Porto Empedocle (Sicily) via Hull	-	-	-	1	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	7-5-25
s.s. "Engelstan" Vladivostock via Port Said and London	13	1	-	-	Nil	9-5-25
s.s. "Michael" Rosario via Las Palmas and Genoa	8 5	_2	=		Ceratophyllus fasciatus Xenopsylla cheopis & Ceratophyllus fasciatus	8-5-25 9-5-25
s.s. "Dunslaw"  Lorenzo Marques via Tenerifte, Oran and Trieste	1	-	-	-	Nil	14-5-25
s.s. "Norburn" Bordeaux	_1	=	6 2	2	Ceratophyllus fasciatus do.	26-5-25 28-5-25
" Flora " Antofagasta via Hamburg }	1 2	=	2	=	Ceratophyllus fasciatus Nil	3-6-25 6-6-25
s.s. " Calluna " Antwerp	1	-	-	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	6-6-25
s.s. "Trewellard" Sydney (Aus.) via Lisbon	1	-	1	-	Xenopsylla cheopis	3-7-25
s.s. "Clevedon" Oran via Brest	-	-	2	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	17-7-25
s.s. "North Pacific" Alexandria	2	2	-	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus & Xenopsylla cheopis	18-7-25
s.s. "Harpon" South Georgia via Oslo		2 4 —	7 =	=	Xenopsylla cheopis Nil Nil	21-7-25 22-7-25 23-7-25
s.s. "Malakuta"  Fremantle via Colombo and Port Said	8	-	4	-	Nil	28-7-25

TABLE I. SHIPS-(continued).

Origin	n	Rattus	Rattus			
Name of ship and where from	Rattus rattus rattus	rattus alexan- drinus	frugi- vorus	Rattus norveg- icus	Fleas	Date
s.s. "Cristina " Bilbao via Newport	1	-	1	-	Nil	10-8-25
s.s. "Albany" Rio de Janeiro via Las Palmas	1	-	-	-	Nil	17-9-25
s.s. "Silversand" Braila via Haukipudas	-	2	-	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	23-9-25
s.s. "Indian Transport" Buenos Aires via Rotterdam	5 6 2	=	7 11 2	Ξ	Xenopsylla cheopis Xenopsylla cheopis & Ceratophyllus fasciatus	
s.s. "Blink" New Mills, New Brunswick	5 4 1	=	12 3 2	Ξ	Xenopsylla cheopis & Ceratophyllus fasciatus Ceratophyllus fasciatus do.	26-9-25
s.s. "Breaksea Light" Buenos Aires, Las Palmas and Limerick	2 2 1	=	- 2 - 2	=	Nil Nil Xenopsylla cheopis	10-10-25 12-10-25 14 19 25
s.s. "Michael" San Nicholas via St. Vincent and Fenit (Ire.)	7 4 2	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	=	Xenopsylla cheopis do. Nil	7-10-25 8-10-25 12-10-25
s.s. "Ocean Monarch" Buenos Aires via St. Vincent and Antwerp	5	=	_1	=	Nil Xenopsylla cheopis & Ceratophyllus fasciatus	21-10-25 23-10-25
s.s. "Canadian Transport"  Buenos Aires via St. Vincent and Dunkirk	8 2 1	=	<u>-1</u>	=	Xenopsylla cheopis do. do.	21 10-25 24-10-25 29-10-25
s.s. " Maindy Grange" Makatea via Landskrona	1	-	-	-	Nil	30 10-25
s.s. "Eleftherios M. Tricoglu" Sfax via Oran and Dublin	-	-	2 ,	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	4-11-25
s.s. "Rita Sister" Almeria via Liverpool	2	-	6	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	11-11-25
s.s. "Canadian Leader" Montreal via Quebec	3	-	1	-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	30 11-25
s.s. "Lady Charlotte" East London vio Las Palmas and Harwich	2	-	-		Xenopsylla cheopis	2-12-25
s.s. "Llangollen" Mariupol via Naples & Genoa	2 1	=	=	=	Nil Xenopsylla cheopis	9-12-25 11-12-25
s.s. "General Milne" Costanza via Rotterdam and Antwerp	Ξ	3 3 4	=	=	Nil Ceratophyllus fasciatus do.	12-12-25 15-12-25 16-12-25
s.s. "Canadian Commander" Montreal via Glasgow	-	-	5	-	Nil	14-12-25
s.s. "Northborough" San Nicholas via Las Palmas and Bilbao	1	1	1	-	Xenopsylla cheopis	18-12-25
TOTALS	125	27	93	5		

#### TABLE II.-WAREHOUSES.

#### QUEEN ALEXANDRA DOCK.

			1000					
Origin			Rattus rattus rattus	Rattus rattus alexan- drinus	Rattus rattus frugi- vorus	Rattus norveg- icus	Fleas	Date
"F" Warehouse			_	_	4	_	Nil	6-5-25
do.			-	-	6	-	Nil	8-5-25
do.			-	-	-	3	Nil	9-5-25
do.			-	-	-	4	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	11-5-25
"Cold Stores" War	rehouse		-	1	-	-	Nil	10-8-25
"G" Warehouse			-	1	1	1	Nil	10-8-25
do.			-	-	3	-	Ceratopyllus fasciatus	7-11-25
"B" Warehouse			2	-	-	-	Ceratopyllus fasciatus	17-11-25
				ROATH	Dock.			
"Cold Stores" War	rehouse			-	-	1	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	1-4-25
No. 2 Warehouse			1	-	_	-	Nil	17-6-25
No. 1 do.			-	1	1	-	Nil	10-9-25
No. 2 do.			1	-		-	Ceratophyllus fasciatus and Leptopsylla musculi	17-9-25
No. 2 do.			1		-	-	Nil	8-12-25
"Cold Stores" War	rehouse		1		-	-	Nil	21-12-25
	TOTAL	S	6	3	15	9		
			VARIOUS	PREMISE	S ON THE	DOCKS.		
Pattern shop, But Bute Dock	te Yard, E	ast	-	-	-	1	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	21-5-25
Engine shed, G	lamorganshi	ire		-	-	1	Ceratophyllus fasciatus	28-9-25
Pitwood wharf, Qu Dock	een Alexand	dra	-	-	-	1	Nil	9-12-25
	TOTAL	s	-	-	-	3		

TABLE II —continued.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF EACH VARIETY OF RAT IS AS FOLLOWS:—

Ori	gin	Rattus rattus rattus	Rattus rattus alexan- drinus	Rattus rattus frugi- vorus	Rattus norveg- icus	Totals
Ships		 125	27	93	5	250
Warehouses		 6	3	15	9	33
Other premises		 -	-	-	3	3
	TOTALS	 131	30	108	17	286

#### COMPARISON OF FIGURES FOR YEARS 1922 TO 1925.

Year	Rattus rattus rattus	Rattus rattus alexan- drinus	Rattus rattus frugi- vorus	Rattus norvegi- cus.	Totals
1922	53	45	72	3	173
1923	26	14	42	1	83
1924	86	64	61	3	214
1925	131	30	108 -	17	286

FLEAS.—Three species of fleas were obtained, viz.:—

Xenopsylla cheopis
Leptopsylla musculi
Ceratophyllus fasciatus

#### THE NUMBER OF SAMPLES IS AS FOLLOWS:-

	Origin			Xenopsylla cheopis	Leptopsylla musculi	Ceratophyllus fasciatus
Ships				 69	_	61
Warehouses				 -	2	19
Other premises				 _	_	3
		3	Totals	 69	2	83

TABLE XI. (a). (Form C.)

Particulars relating to vessels "infected" or "suspected" or from infected ports.

	REMARKS.	6	No evidence of rat infestation	-Ģ	- op	- Go	do.	- do
Whether a	certificate of deratisation was issued.	œ	1	1	1	ı	ı	1
	Number of Rats killed.	7	1	1 .	1	1	1	1
MPLOYED,	Trapping, poison, etc.	9	1	1	1	T	1	1
METHODS OF RAT DESTRUCTION EMPLOYED.	Fumigation by Hydrocyanic Acid.	ıo	1	1	1	1 .	1	1
METHODS OF	Fumigation by Sulphur Dioxide.	4	1	1,	I	1	1	1
Whether	infected, suspected or from an infected port.	8	Infected port, Rosario via St. Vincent, C.V.	Infected port, Karachi via Port Said and Manchester	Infected port, Karachi via Port Said and Birkenhead	Infected port, Karachi via Port Said and Algiers	Infected port, Rosario via Las Palmas, Fal- mouth & New- castle	Infected port, Karachi via Alexandria and Gibraltar
	DATE OF ARRIVAL	61	Feb. 4	" 15	Mar. 4	. 17		April 2
	NAME OF VESSEL	1	s.s. "Roker"	s.s. "Alistruther"	s.s. "Treverbyn"	s.s. "Lord Guilford"	s.s. " Benwood "	s.s. "Saxilby"

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1	1		1	1	1	1	1
1	1		1	1	1	1	1
Infected port, Karachi via Alexandria and Algiers	Infected port, Santa Fe via	Las Palmas & Falmouth	Infected port, Fremantle via Colombo and Port Said	Infected port, Alexandria via Bilbao	Infected port, Marseilles via Algiers & Oran	Infected port, Alexandria	19 Infected port, Alexandria
April 6	80 :		July 15	Aug. 11 1	Sept. 2	Nov. 19	., 19 1
s.s. "Overstone"	s.s. "Berk"		s.s. " Malakuta "	s.s. " Amersham"	s.s. "P.L.M. 12"	s.s. " Daksa "	s.s. " Grelcaldy "

TABLE XI. (b). Form D.

Vessels subjected to measures of rat destruction.

REMARKS.	
Number of other certificates issued.	12
Number of fumigation certificates issued on Form "Port 10"	22
Number of rats killed.	2298
Number of vessels on which trapping, poisoning, etc. were employed.	45°
Number of rats killed.	1
Number of vessels fumigated by H.C.N.	1
Number of rats killed.	389
Number of vessels fumigated by S.O.2	26

\* Including one already referred to in Form C.

TABLE XII.

RATS CAUGHT BY RATCATCHER AND DESTROYED.

#### (a) ON VESSELS.

Number of		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl,	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total for Year.
Black rats		279	1	315	125	214	141	395	3	347	330	310	220	2680
Brown rats		-	-	-	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Rats examined		25	1	19	5	7	10	26	-	41	34	19	23	210
Rats infected with plague	e	_	_	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Rats not infected		25	1	19	5	7	10	26	_	41	34	19	23	210

#### (b) IN WAREHOUSES.

Number of		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total for Year.
Black rats		20	74	45	21	8	22	25	27	32	22	36	17	349
Brown rats		-	-	1	11	51	-	-	5	1	-	-	1	70
Rats examined		6	5	8	5	4	-	7	-	6	2	6	3	52
Rats infected with plagu	e	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rats not infected		6	5	8	5	4	-	7	-	6	2	6	3	52

METHOD OF RAT DESTRUCTION IN THE CITY OF CARDIFF (as distinct from the port):—The method mainly employed in the city is baiting. Baits are regularly laid by sewermen in sewers and on canal banks, while large quantities of poison are used on private premises; all this work being done under the supervision of the Department.

#### PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASE.

The work of the venereal diseases clinic at the Royal Hamadryad Seamen's Hospital is recorded here, although it ranks for grant under the venereal diseases scheme and not as a part of port sanitary administration.

The clinic is strictly confined to bona fide seafaring men, and naturally falls within the province of port administration.

TABLE XIII.

Number of cases dealt with at the Seamen's Clinic since commencement,

April 16th, 1917.

Years.	Number of persons attending for the first time.	Total attendances.	Aggregate No. of in-patient days.		
April, 1917	572	7,191	2,692		
1918	790	4,361	5,297		
1919	972	17,040	6,281		
1920	1,234	12,872	4,679		
1921	868	12,242	3,352		
1922	786	12,856	3,775		
1923	821	13,704	3,722		
1924	615	16,212	2,697		
1925	616	16,008	3,104		
	7,274	112,486	35,599		

Nineteen cases of venereal disease were reported to inspectors and recommended for hospital treatment. Leaflets relating to the treatment centres (in different languages) are also distributed by the inspectors on arrival.

SCABIES.—During the year 27 cases of scabies amongst seamen were treated at the corporation cleansing and disinfecting station.

VERMINOUS PERSONS.—No cases came to the knowledge of the Department during the year in which it was necessary to carry out disinfection and cleansing for eradication of vermin.

BUGS.—Vigorous action has been taken for the eradication of bugs which are a constant source of irritation and discomfort in crew's quarters. This problem was dealt with in an address given to the Port Sanitary Section of the Congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute at Edinburgh, in July, 1925, copies of which have been circulated among port medical officers.

## Section 3.

#### MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS-PORT SANITARY DISTRICT OF CARDIFF.

ANNUAL RETURN BY THE MEDICAL INSPECTOR OF ALIENS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1925.

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Aliens arriving	at the port*		y in th		y will not		pe	rmanent	liens who i ly or remai ore than th	in in t	his cou	
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### Section 4.

#### INSPECTION OF SHIPPING FOR DEFECTS OF SANITATION.

During the year 6,425 vessels with a total tonnage of 5,082,627 were inspected on arrival. The crews carried by these vessels numbered 107,372 hands. In addition, 4,163 re-inspections were made of ships in dock, making a total of 10,588. Sixty four written notices were served and 812 verbal orders given to masters in connection with nuisances and sanitary defects on board ships.

Articles of clothing belonging to seamen to the number of 111 were disinfected by the Port Sanitary Authority, and 1,900 dirty or infected beds were destroyed. The lighters carrying grain, patent fuel, etc., in the docks have been periodically examined, cleansed, disinfected and repaired during the year. The fishing boats and fish wharves have been regularly visited, cleansed and disinfected.

TABLE XIV.

NUMBER AND NATIONALTY OF VESSELS ON WHICH STRUCTURAL DEFECTS AND OTHER NUISANCES WERE DETECTED.

100	_		_								_				-		_									
NATIONALITY.	Number of ships	Defective side ports and prisms in forecastles and berths.	Defective water closets	Defective bulkheads and floors in forecastles and berths	Defective and leaky hawas pipes and cable casings in crew spaces	Defective or unfined iron decks over banks in forecastles and herths	Defective stowes, funnels and flanges in crew spaces	Defective ventilation to forecastles and betths	Defective ventilation to water closers	Dirty water casks and tanks	Defective water casks and tanks	Defective lamps in crew spaces	Defective lighting to forecastles and berths	Defective cowls and westlistors to forecastles and berths	Defective distinge to crew spaces	Leaky decks over forecastles and berths	Foul bilges and peaks	Ship's stores kept in crew spaces	Foul accumulations	Water closers and paint leckers adjoining and ventilating into crew spaces	Want of wooden foors in crew spaces	Dirty forecastles and bertha	Dirty water closets	Verminous forecastles and berths	CASES	REMEDIED
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TOTALS -	875	429	42	18	22	13	138	24	28	18	-	2	9	10	83	52	20	8	40	-	-7	716	164	155	1991	1939

The foregoing tables afford evidence of useful work performed by the officers of the Port Sanitary Authority, and show that the inspection of shipping in the port has resulted in a great improvement in the sanitary condition of the floating population. The chief defects found on board ships were: — Defective side ports and prisims, bulkheads, floors, hawse pipes and cable casings, defective stoves, funnels and flanges, ventilator cowls and ventilation, lighting and drainage, leaky decks, defective or unlined iron decks over bunks, causing damp beds, etc., defective lamps, water tanks and casks, also defective water closets.

Very little difficulty has been experienced in obtaining compliance with the requirements of the inspectors.

#### INSPECTION AND BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLIES.

During the year 231 samples of drinking water from vessels were submitted to the bacteriologist and analyst (Mr. Sugden), the results of the examinations of which are summarised in the following table.

TABLE XV.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION OF WATER SUPPLIES.

Number of Samples	Satisfactory	Moderate Purity	Doubtful Purity	Contaminated
231	146	35	24	26

Fifty notices were served on masters of vessels having doubtful or contaminated water on board for drinking and domestic purposes as the result of these examinations. All tanks containing impure water were emptied and cleansed, and a fresh supply taken on board.

## Section 5.

#### FOOD INSPECTION.

The following table shows the kinds and quantities of food withheld from human consumption during the year.

TABLE XVI.

NATURE AND QUANTITIES OF UNSOUND FOOD.

		Total			235	12	16}
Wheat					43	7	31
Turnips					-	-	18
Tripe (c	anned)				-	-	12
	(canned)				-	-	6
Comatoe	s (canned)				15	9	881
ugar					1	_	20
Rice		**	***		_	12	104
Potatoes				4.0	41	9	-
Pomegra					1	_	-
Pineappi	e (canned)				_		1011
Pears (ca	anned)				-	1	43
	(canned)					_	103
Parsnips					-	-	2
Dranges					106	11	56
nions					2	-	-
Melons					-	2	88
facaroni					-	1	8
oganber	rries (canne	ed)	1		-	_	19
emons					11	11	-
ard		**			-	10	41
amb				1.4	-	_	27
rapes					7	17	45
arrots					-	3	62
abbage	(canned)				-	-	2
Cabbage			***		2	3	_
	(canned)				-	-	2
Beef (car			**	**	_	5	100%
Apricots	(canned)				-	5 5	841
Apples					_	16	73
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The above table includes articles of food arriving both by coastwise vessels and from foreign. It would be useful to be able to place the figures contained therein against the total imports of food but there is great difficulty in obtaining some of the desired information. The following table shows the quantities of all food, except wheat and fish, arriving from foreign only:—

## TABLE SHOWING FOODSTUFFS IMPORTED FROM FOREIGN DURING THE YEAR. TABLE XVII.

	-			DEE AVII.				
Articles		Tons	Barrels	Bags	Boxes	Bales	Cases	Skips
Almonds				110	540		_	_
Anchovies (canned)		-	-	_	_		6	
Apples	-	-	55,163	-	35,655	-	-	
Apples (canned)		-	-	-	-		250	-
Bacon Baking powder	- ::	-	-	-	2,374	570		-
Barley, Pearl		-		-244		_	160	-
Beef, Pickled		_	1,331	244				-
Beer		_	1,001		_	_	125	
Biscuits						_	3,120	338
Bread, Fancy		_	-	_		_	20	_
Butter		_			23,948	-	_	
Butter (canned)		-	-	-	_		11	-
Carraway seeds			-	5	-	-	-	_
Carrots (canned)		-	-	-	-	-	24	
Catsup Cheese			-	-		-	1,835	-
Cider		_	1	_	53,140	_	-	-
Confectionery			175	_			17	-
Cream (canned)			1/3	_		_	675	=
Eggs		_					33	
Fat, edible		_	277	_	6,308	_	_	_
Fish, fresh			-	-	165	-	-	_
Fish (canned)		-	-	-	-	-	1,252	
Flour		-	-	21.220	2,054	-	-	-
Fruit (canned) Fruit, Dried		2100	-	-	10.550	-	3,751	-
Fruit pulp		-	252	_	12,553		-	
Fruit salad (canned)		_	253		_	_	15	_
Glucose			1.200				-13	
Grapes			33,996			_	11,108	_
Hams		_			219	-	_	
Herbs		-	-	10	_	-	_	-
Herrings, Salt			24	-	_	-	-	-
Lard	**	-	-		87,163	-	-	-
Lemons		-	-	-	-	-	12,948	
Lobster (canned) Macaroni		-	-	-	_	_	20	-
Malt	::		_	419	_		894	
Margarine			_	419	9,509			
Meat (canned)				_	5,505	_	12,434	
Melons				_	-	-	673	-
Milk (canned)		6-8 cwts.	_				117,815	-
Milk powder		_	-	-	-	_	22	_
Molasses		-	50		-	-	-	-
Nuts			-	20	-		10.000	-
Oats Rolled Olive Oil		-	100	1,100		-	12,765	
Onions		142	_	15,030	_	=	92 79,876	
Oranges	::	142		13,050		_	274,888	
Peaches (canned)				_	_	_	350	
Pears (canned)		<u> </u>	_	-		-	1,050	_
Peas		_		1,638	-	_	_	-
Pomegranates		-	-	-	-	-	5,442	-
Pork, Pickled		-	1,695	-	-	-		-
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Potatoes Rice		50,436	-	2 562	-			-
Salt	**		And the second	2,562 3,328		_		
Sugar	**	6,530		289,672	_		15,175	
Syrup (canned)				209,072		_	180	
Tomatoes (canned)		_	_	_		-	35,661	_
Tomatoes, Raw		-	-	-	7,772	-	_	-
		96	-	14,808	365	-	-	-
Vegetables, fresh (mix	-			100000	1001	_	687	-
Vegetables (canned)							100000	
Vegetables (canned) Vegetables, Pickled			296	-	-	-	-	-
Vegetables (canned) Vegetables, Pickled Walnuts		_	296 12	_	=	-	=	=
Vegetables (canned) Vegetables, Pickled				-	=	=	-	Ξ

#### FROZEN MEAT LANDED AT THE PORT.

#### TABLE XVIII.

1925	NAME OF SHIP.	Where from	PORK	MUTTON	LAMB	BE	BEEF		
			(Boxes)	(Carcases)	(Carcases)	(Quarters)	(Bags)		
Feb. 19	s.s. " Canadian Leader"	Halifax, N.S.	500	-	-	-	-		
June 10	s.s. "Cornwall"	New Zealand. via Glasgow, Liverpool and Manchester.	-	3750	20765	1942	-		
July 4	s.s. "Port Caroline"	Australia, via Hull, Southampton, London and Dunkirk	-		-	5239	200		
., 31	s.s. "Suffolk"	New Zealand, via Panama and Avon- mouth.	-	2196	8003	1013	105		
Aug. 9	s.s. "Piako"	New Zealand, via Glasgow and Liver- pool.	-	5665	5006	2000	_		
Oct 15	s.s. " Ruapehu"	New Zealand, via Glasgow, Liverpool and Manchester.	-	15130	-	-	-		
		TOTALS	500	26741	33734	10194	305		

## Section 6.

#### INSPECTIONS UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 to 1924.

(a) The Canine Animals Order, 1909, and the Importation of Dogs Orders, 1914-18.—During the year ended December 31st, 1925, 782 dogs were imported from foreign countries by ships, either directly or indirectly.

These ships were visited regularly during their stay in port to see that the requirements of the orders were carried out.

(b) Foreign Animals Orders, 1910-24.—During the year, sixteen vessels arrived at the port with the following animals on board from scheduled countries, either directly or indirectly, viz.:—Cattle 8, Sheep 24, Goats 1, and Swine 27.—Total 60. These ships were visited regularly to see that the regulations were carried out. When any of the ships left for other ports in Great Britain, the authorities at those ports were notified.

Proceedings against masters for infringements of the orders were taken in nine instances, and fines amounting to £5 18s. 0d., were imposed.

The following table shows the number of cattle landed at the port during the year :-

TABLE XIX.

Date	Name of Ship	Where from	No. of Cattl
March 27	s.s. " Canadian Victor"	 St. John, N.B. via Halifax, N.S.	265
April 27	s.s. " Canadian Commander "	do.	258
May 8	s.s. " Canadian Mariner"	 do.	273
22	s.s. " Canadian Victor "	Montreal via Quebec	231
June 4	s.s. " Canadian Leader "	do.	235
17	s.s. "Canadian Commander"	 do.	232
April 27 May 8 ,, 22 June 4 ,, 17 July 3 ,, 17	s,s, "Canadian Mariner"	do.	233
,, 17	s.s. " Canadian Victor "	do.	233
August 1	s.s. " Canadian Leader "	 do.	233
13	s s. "Canadian Commander"	do.	233
., 28	s.s. "Canadian Mariner"	do	243
Sept. 10	s.s. "Canadian Victor"	 do.	266
., 24	s.s, "Canadian Leader" .	 do.	233
October 8	s.s. " Canadian Commander "	 do.	270
24	s.s. "Canadian Mariner"	 do.	233
Nov. 5	s.s. "Canadian Victor"	 do.	257
,, 21	s,s. "Canadian Leader"	 do.	233
		TOTAL	4,161

### Section 7.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF S. J. HOLBOURN, CANAL BOAT INSPECTOR, FOR THE YEAR 1925.

Section 3 of the Canal Boats Act of 1884, provides that it shall be the duty of every registration or sanitary authority within whose district any canal or part of a canal is situate, to enforce within such district the provisions of the principal act, and this act, and any regulations made thereunder by the Ministry of Health, and every such authority shall, within twenty-one days after the 31st day of December in every year, make a report to the Ministry of Health, as to the execution of the principal act, and this act, and of the regulations made thereunder, as aforesaid, and as to the steps taken by such authority during the year to give effect to the provisions of the said acts and regulations.

1.	Canal boats inspected	1925	 	62		
	Condition of boats, go	ood			 	58
	Infringements				 	4
	Occupants of boats				 	All males
	Women and children s	leeping	in Canal	boats	 	Nil

#### 2. Infringements . -

(a)	Registration					Nil	(4) Any other steps taken to secure com-	
(b)	Notification change	e of ma	ster			Nil	pliance with the acts and regulations?	
(c)	Certificates					Nil	Yes, verbal notices.	
(d)	Marking					2	(5) Detention of boats for cleansing and disinfecting	Nil
200	0 11					Nil		13
2.5	Separation of sexe	9				Nil	(4)	10
-	at 11					Nil	(7) Number of boats registered during the vear 1925:—	
101						200	(a) Motor propelled boats	Nil
(h)	Painting					Nil		1411
(i)	Ventilation					Nil	(b) Other boats, rendered necessary by	N1:1
(i)	Water vessels					Nil	alterations and change of owners	Nil
75.0	Removal of bilge v					2	(8) Removal from register	Nil
							(9) Number of boats believed to be in use or	
3	Notification of infe			ses		Nil	serviceable :	
(111)	Admittance of Ins	pector				Nil	(a) Motor propelled boats	Nil
(11)	Defective stoves					Nil	(b) Not propelled by motor	13
(0)	Roofs leaking					Nil	(10) Number of boats that cannot be traced	Nil
(p)	Boats leaking					Nil	(11) Boats with accommodation for two males	13
76.0	Legal proceedings		in i	respect	of		(12) Boats with accommodation for three	
(0)	infringements			··		Nil		Nil

The sanitary condition of the boats is on the whole satisfactory.



