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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1943.

To:-

The Mayor, Alderman and Councillors of the Borough of Basingstoke.

June 1944.

Madam and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my report for the year 1943 which has been made as brief as possible in accordance with the Ministry of Health instructions.

Yours faithfully,

M. AVENT.

Medical Officer of Health.

	Total	Male	Female.	
Live Births	287	139	148	Birth Rate 17.9
Legitimate -				
Illegitimate -	20	11	9	Eng. & Wales 16.5
Still Births.....	6	3	3	Rate per 1,000
Deaths.....	174	82	92	total births-19.
				Death rate-10.5
				Eng. & Wales-12.1

Death rate of infants under 1 year per 1,000 live births - 42.
England and Wales - 49.


Deaths from Measles..... Nil.
Whooping cough..... Nil.
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)..... 1.
Cancer..... 19.
Heart and arterial diseases..... 50.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

2.	Notified.	Admitted to Hospital.
Diphtheria.....	5	5
Scarlet fever.....	46	27
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	3	2
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	1	-
Cerebro Spinal Fever.....	3	3
Pneumonia.....	4	-
Whooping Cough.....	99	-
Measles.....	96	-
Tuberculosis	Pulmonary - 22	Non-Pulmonary - 2
" Deaths	" - 7	" - Nil.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.Admissions.

	Scarlet Fever.	Diphtheria.	Total.
Borough	24	5	29
Basingstoke R.D.	13	2	15
Kingsclere & Whitchurch R.D.	15	3	18
Andover	3	-	3



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ADDENDUM

WATER SUPPLY.

The water supply of the Town has been analysed regularly and frequently and the Analyst's reports show that chemically and bacteriologically it is a very satisfactory supply.

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DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

No. of children who have completed treatment = 626.
 Under 5 years..... = 310.
 5 years & under 15 years = 316.

The amount of Infectious Disease was rather more than in 1942 but less than the average of recent years.
 The Scabies Clinic continued to function and 213 cases were treated during the year.

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INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

8 samples of milk have been taken during the year. All samples were of Pasteurised milk, and proved to be highly satisfactory.

Meat and Other Foods.

517 visits have been made to the slaughterhouses and other food premises during the year, and 4,682 carcasses have been inspected. The detailed inspection of carcasses in the slaughterhouse proved somewhat difficult during the hours of 'blackout'.
 In all 4 tons, 12 cwt. 2 qts. 1 stone & 9 lb. of food have been condemned as unfit for human consumption. This weight does not include canned and packeted foods not usually sold by weight.

Condemned.

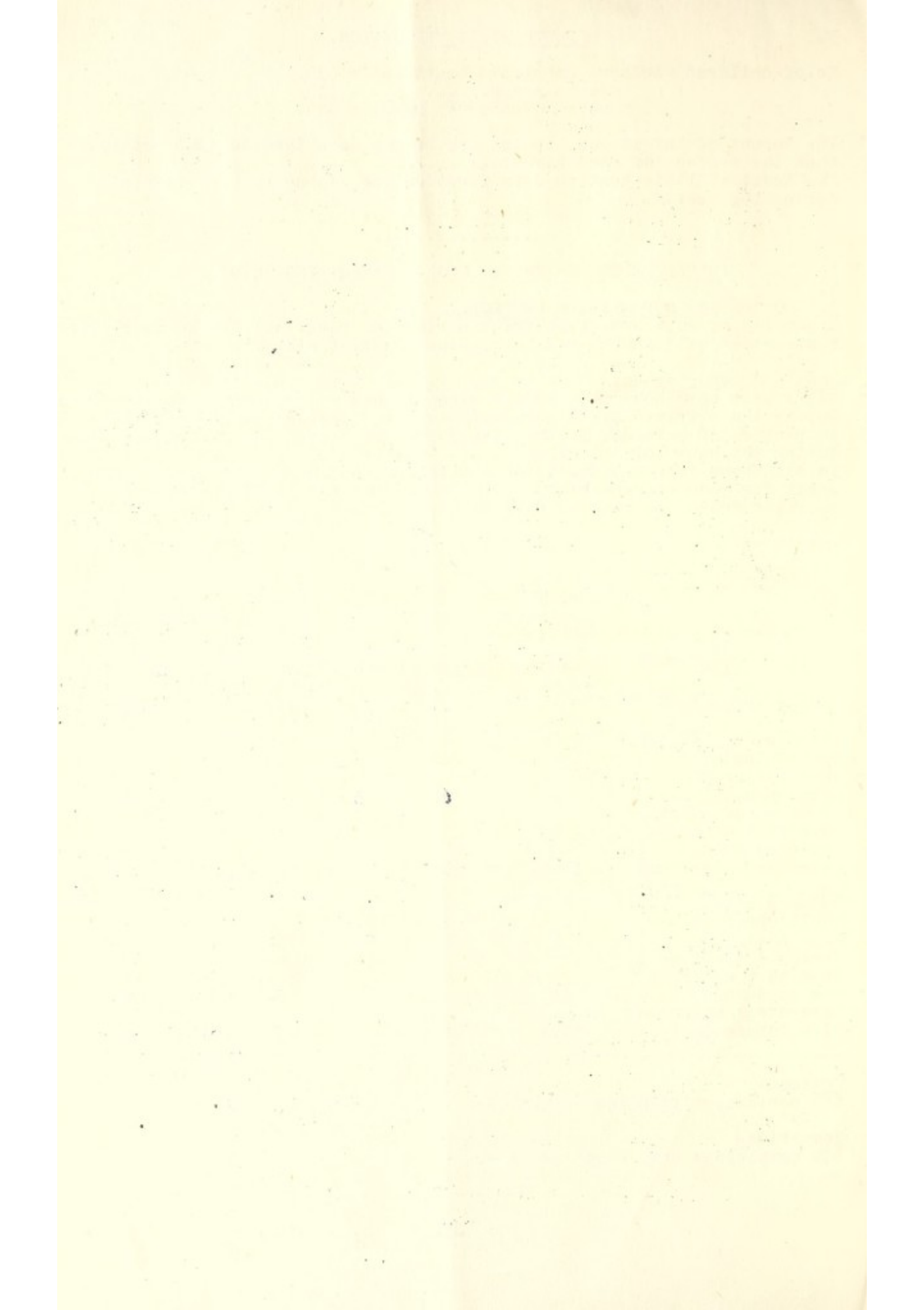
	Cattle excluding cows.	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs	Total.
Number killed.	18	57	946	3287	374	4,682.
Number inspected	18	57	946	3287	374	4,682.
All diseases except Tuberculosis.						
Whole carcasses condemned.	4	6	3	9	8	30.
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	5	14	6	20	2	49.
Percentage diseased	50.0.	35.0.	1.16.	0.88	2.67	1.68
Tuberculosis.						
Whole carcasses condemned.	1	6	-	-	3	10.
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	1	11	-	-	11	23.
Percentage affected with Tuberculosis.	11.1	29.8	-	-	3.74	0.70.

Notices.

156 notices, written and verbal were served during the year.

Complaints

104 complaints have been received.



SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

Table 1.

Classified statement of Premises inspected.

Inspections under the Housing and Public Health Act.....	295.
Works in progress.....	87.
Reinspections.....	272.
Visits to slaughterhouses.....	232.
Knackers Yard.....	3.
Visits to food premises.....	312.
In connection with infectious diseases.....	65.
Public conveniences.....	38.
Shops Acts.....	13.
Rats and Mice Destruction Act.....	54.
Watercourses.....	45.
Petroleum Act.....	13.
Factories Act.....	43.
Cow sheds and Dairies.....	17.
Stable premises.....	2.
Offensive trades.....	2.
Common Lodging House.....	4.
Marine Stores.....	1.
Tents vans and sheds.....	2.
Places of amusement.....	4.
Interviews.....	145.
Miscellaneous visits.....	319.
Schools.....	2.
Total	<u>1,970</u>

DRAINAGE.

Water tests applied....3.

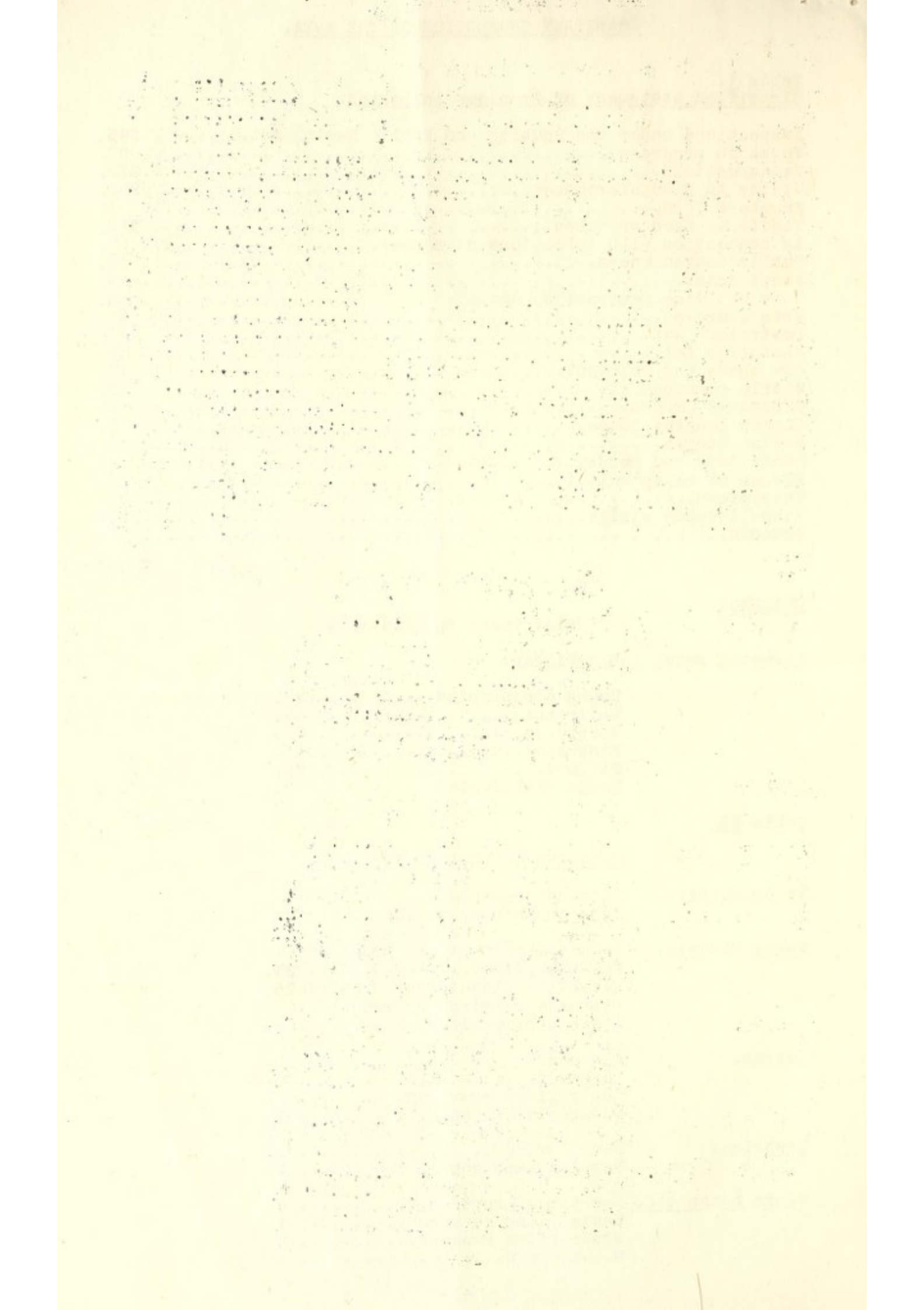
Infected rooms and articles.

Rooms disinfected.....	47.
Mattresses.....	56.
Sheets.....	13.
Blankets.....	41.
Pillows.....	16.
Books disinfected.....	99.

Table II

DEFECTIVE CONDITIONS REMEDIED.

<u>Water supply.</u>	Fittings repaired..... 1.
	Taps on main provided..... 1.
<u>Water Closets.</u>	Reconstructed or new provided 1.
	New pans fixed..... 24.
	Defective flush pipes repaired 25.
	Cisterns repaired or renewed..17.
	Walls etc.repaired.....22.
<u>Drains.</u>	Cleansed.....33.
	Repaired..... 6.
	New gullies provided..... 4.
	Cesspools cleansed..... 2.
<u>Manholes.</u>	New provided..... 2.
	Repaired and covers renewed... 1.
<u>Sinks baths etc.</u>	New sinks provided..... 4.
	Waste pipes repaired..... 1.
	Waste pipes renewed..... 4.
	W.P.trapped..... 6.



<u>Dampness.</u>	Roofs repaired.....	16.
	Gutters and pipes repaired....	8.
	External walls repaired.....	1.
	Windows and door repaired....	1.
<u>Ash bins.</u>	New bins provided.....	21.
<u>General.</u>	Walls and ceilings repaired...	21.
	Rooms cleansed.....	14.
	Verminous rooms cleansed.....	14.
	Windows and Doors repaired....	6.
	Windows made to open.....	1.
	Floors repaired.....	10.
	Stoves repaired or renewed....	3.
	Defective chimneys repaired...	2.
	Coppers repaired.....	2.
	Coal stores repaired.....	4.
	Accumulations removed.....	10.
	Lat nuisance abated.....	14.
<u>Urinals..</u>	New provided.....	1.
<u>Factory and Workshop Act.</u>		
	Cleansed and Lime washed.....	7.
	Ventilation provided.....	1.
	Insufficient C.s.....	2.
	Unsuitable	2.
<u>Other Matters.</u>	Cow sheds reconstructed.....	1.
	Animals improperly kept.....	1.
	Yards cleansed.....	5.
	Watercourses cleansed.....	2.

