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13 bacteriological analyses of the water were made, 8 of the raw water, and 5 of the water going into supply after chlorination. The results were good, but one sample of raw water and one of the water in supply contained one "presumptive B. Coli" per 100 ml.. Repeat samples in both cases were good and gave no confirmation of this slight suspicion of pollution.

Though every house in the Town has piped water within reach some of the older dwellings have no internal supply and depend on standpipes..About 210 houses have the latter arrangement and about 860 have an internal supply..The actual number of people supplied in these two ways is about 630 and 2970 respectively..

The Town has a good modern sewerage system installed about nineteen years ago..

There is one slaughter house in the Town. The inspection of meat there is now carried out by a firm of veterinary surgeons and the Sanitary Inspector has been relieved of this duty. The Minister asks for the following information in tabular form. The figures are those supplied by the veterinary inspectors.

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The Ice Cream Regulations are being satisfactorily applied and the vendors and purveyors of this popular article are cooperating well in equipping themselves with the outfit necessary to turn out and to sell a safe and clean product..

No outbreak occurred during the year, nor was a single notification of food poisoning received from the Medical Practitioners..

There was a general impression that stomach and bowel disorders,

causing short but inconvenient³ illnesses, were unduly prevalent, but no indication of this was to be found in the figures of notified diseases. There were no notifications of dysentery or infantile diarrhoea or any of the enteric fevers..

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