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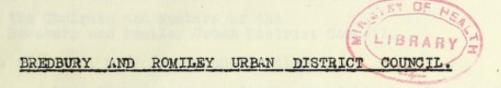
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INTERIM ANNUAL REPORT

for the

YE'R ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1940.

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BREDBURY AND ROMILEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

To the Chairman and Members of the Bredbury and Romiley Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Davies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the following Interim Report for the year 1940:-

1. (a) General Statistics -

Population (as estimated by the Registrat General 16,090 Area (in cares), 2801 Bredbury 1152 Romiley Compstall 800 4753 £96,737 £369 Rateable Value (31st December 1940) Estimated product of a penny rate 5423

No. of Inhabited Houses

(b) Births.

(1)	Live Births -	Male	Female	Total
	Legitimate	125	103	228
	Illegitimate	_3	_2	5
	Total	128	105	233

Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population = 14.48

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(2) Still Births Legitimate Total live and still births 109

> Rate per 1,000 live and still births = 33.12 or 0.53 per 1,000 population.

(c) Deaths.

- 184 (1) All causes 109 75 Death Rate per 1,000 estimated resident population = 11,43
- (2) Deaths from Puerperal Causes 2 Rate per 1,000 total births = 8.36
- (3) Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age Legitimate 8 12 Illegitimate 13 Total Death Rate, all infants per 1,000 live births = 54.39 legitimate infants " legitimate) live births) = 51.28 illegitimate illegitimate) live births)= 200.

Deaths from Diarrhoea under 2 years of age

(4) Deaths from Cancer all ages

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2. (a) Notifiable Diseases other than Tuberculosis during the year 1940.

Disease	Total Cases.	Admitted to Hospital.	Deaths
Diphtheria Scarlet Feyer	17	17	1
Whooping Cough	111	1 1	=
Pneumonia Puerperal Pyrexia	8	1 1	1
Totals	233	29	

Ages of Patients.

	0-5 yrs.	5-15 yrs.	15-30 yrs.	30-50 yrs.	50-70 yrs.	Over 70
Piphtheria Scarlet Fever	4 2	10	7 5	1 -	-	-
Whooping Cough Measles	8 62	114	2	1	=	-
Pneumonia Puerperal Pyrexia	-	=	1	6	1 -	1 -
Totals	76	132	15	8	1	1

During the first five months of the year a few cases of Measles confined almost entirely to the Lower Bredbury area were being notified almost every week. At the beginning of June 15 cases were notified in one week and it appeared likely that the District was to suffer a large epidemic. However, this proved to be the highest number notified in a week and though 149 further cases occurred they were spread over a period of seven months. The gradual extension of the disease to Romiley and on to Compstall was an interesting feature of the outbreak. The disease was of a mild type, affecting mainly children aged between 2 and 7 years, and there were no deaths.

Dirhtheria occurred in a disproportionately large number of cases in the age group 15-30 years, most of them being between 18-25 years of age. Two of the cases were 'carriers'.

The Council's Scheme for providing free material for diphtheria immunisation was used hardly at all during the year. Thirty one swabs were examined for diphtheria during the year, one being reported positive.

(b) Tuberculosis.

During the year there were 12 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis notified, four being transfers from other Authorities, and four cases of non-pulmonary tuberculosis, one being a transfer.

ll Deaths occurred, 9 of which were due to the Pulmonary form of the disease.

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Tuberculosis - New Cases and Mortality during 1940.

		New	Cases			De	eaths	
Age	Pulm	onary	Non-P	ulmonary	Pul	monary	Non-P	ulmonary
Periods	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female		Female
0-1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-5 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-15 "	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	1
15-25 "	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	1 -
25-35 "	3	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
35-45 "	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
+5-55 "	2	1	-	1	3	1	-	-
55-65 "	-	-	-	-	1	1 -	-	-
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rotals	7	5	2	2	6	3	1	1

The number of cases remaining in the Tuberculosis Register at the end of the year was :-

Pulmonary Non-Pulmonary	Males 29 10	Female 26 21	Totals 55 31
Totals	39	47	86

Of the 55 specimens of spitum submitted from this area to the County Laboratory, 12 were positive and 43 negative.

- 3. Centralised Slaughtering. Following the Livestock (Restriction of Slaughtering) Order 1940 of the Ministry of Food, the slaughter of meat for the Urban District was centralised at No. 3 Slaughterhouse, Stockport. The deficiencies of the permises were brought to the notice of the Ministries of Food and Health, and it is hoped that material improvements will be made as the scheme becomes established.
- 4. Refugees. In the early part of the year considerable preparatory work was done in conjunction with the County Council for the reception of refugees in the District. Though the scheme was never operated it is anticipated that good use will be made of the information collected, and that this will later be supplemented by a more complete survey of housing accommodation.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Davies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

H. R. DUGDALE,

Medical Officer of Health.

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