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Bridgwater Port Sanitary Authority.

ANNUAL REPORT for the Year 1919.

I have the honour to submit my Report on the work of the Bridgwater Port Sanitary Authority for the year ending December 31st, 1919. The Health conditions continue to be quite satisfactory, no cases of illness having been reported, and no deaths.

There have been no arrivals from infected Ports and no special warnings issued.

Appended to this Report is that received from the Sanitary Inspector of the Authority, on which I have no comment to make.

At the request of the "Somerset Rats Committee," I had the printed notices referring to the Rat Week from the 20th to the 27th October last, issued by the County Council, posted round the Docks and also on the several vessels in same, with the result that one vessel on which Rats were found to exist was stoved and two were killed.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

I have to report that during the year ending December 31st, 1919, the usual inspection of vessels arriving within the jurisdiction of the Authority has been fully maintained, and I herewith submit the usual tables showing the number of vessels entering the Port and particulars of Defects found.

I am able to report that the whole of the Defects were abated previous to the vessels leaving Port.

TABLE No. 1.

Shewing number of Vessels entering Port, number of Inspections made, and number of Sanitary Defects discovered.

Month.	Ships.		Inspections		Defects.		Total
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	made.	British.	Foreign.	
January	74	...	74	28	2	...	2
February	69	...	69	25	3	...	3
March	68	...	68	30	4	...	4
April	77	...	77	28	4	...	4
May	95	1	96	32	2	1	3
June	90	...	90	30	4	...	4
July	84	...	84	36	4	...	4
August	69	...	69	33	3	...	3
September	83	...	83	32	2	...	2
October	75	1	76	30	3	2	5
November	64	...	64	33	3	...	3
December	60	...	60	28	2	...	2
Totals	908	2	910	365	36	3	39

TABLE No. 2.
Particulars of Defects found to exist.

Nature of Defect.	Ships.		Total.
	British.	Foreign.	
Forecastle in Dirty Condition ...	13		13
„ Goods & Cargo stored therein	1		1
„ Gear „ „ „ „	5		5
„ Ventilator blocked ...	3		3
„ Damp through leaky decks...	4		4
„ Verminous ...	1		1
„ Rat Infested ...	1		1
Latrines, Dirty Condition ...	2	1	3
„ Defective ...	1		1
„ Gear stored therein ...	1		1
Bilges, Dirty ...	1		1
Water, Bad Quality ...	1	1	2
„ Dirty Condition of Tanks ...	2	1	3
Totals	36	3	39

G. W. HARVEY BIRD,
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28th January, 1920.