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Dr. G. W. Harvey Bird,  
Medical Officer of Health,  
Bridgwater Port Sanitary Authority.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Bridgwater Port Sanitary Authority.

I have to report that during the year ending 31st  
Gentlemen, 1939, the vital inspection of vessels arriving  
at the Port has been fully maintained, and the results  
I have the honour to submit my Report for the  
year ending December 31st, 1939.

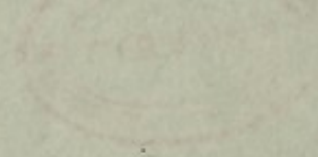
All defects discovered were put right previous to the  
The health of the Port has been satisfactory  
throughout the year, no case of infectious disease having  
been reported.

The Declarations of Health forms have been supplied to  
The Sanitary Inspector's Report is appended.  
boarding, and now (Signed) G. W. HARVEY BIRD

Medical Officer of Health.  
during the year.

(Signed) JAMES SMITH

Sanitary Inspector.



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**IMPERIAL**  
**CENTURY**

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BRIDGWATER.

January, 1940.

Dr. G. W. Harvey Bird,  
 Medical Officer of Health,  
 Bridgwater Port Sanitary Authority.

Sir,

I have to report that during the year ending 31st December, 1939, the usual inspection of vessels arriving at the Port has been fully maintained, and the results are set out in the Report submitted.

All defects enumerated were put right previous to the vessels leaving Port, without the issuing of any Statutory Notices.

The Declaration of Health forms have been supplied to Masters of vessels from foreign port by Pilots when boarding, and received, duly completed, on arrival.

No Rats have been found to exist on board any vessel during the year.

(Signed) JAMES SMART

Sanitary Inspector.

MEMORANDUM

January, 1940.

Dr. E. W. Harvey, Chief  
Medical Officer of Health,  
Subsistence Force, Army.

Sir,

I have to report that during the year ending 31st  
December, 1939, the usual inspection of vessels arriving  
at the port has been fully maintained, and the results  
are set out in the report submitted.

All defects noted were not right previous to the  
vessels leaving without the taking of any  
Statutory Notices.

The regulations of health laws have been applied to  
kitchens of vessels from foreign ports by visits when  
boarding, and received, duly completed, on arrival.

No rats have been found to exist on board any vessel  
during the year.

(Signed) JAMES GRANT

Sanitary Inspector.



I. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR 1939.

T A B L E A.

	NUMBER	TONNAGE	NUMBER INSPECTED		NUMBER reported to be defective.	NUMBER of vessels on which defects were remedied
			By the Medical Officer of Health.	By the Sanitary Inspector.		
Foreign						
( Steamers	11	6,882	6	11	1	1
* Motor	5	1,181	2	5	-	-
Sailing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fishing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Foreign -	16	8,063	8	16	1	1
Coastwise						
( Steamers	661	55,364	-	146	5	5
* Motor	115	9,399	-	54	3	3
Sailing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fishing	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Coastwise -	776	64,763	-	200	8	8
Total Foreign and Coastwise -	792	72,826	8	216	9	9

\* Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than Steamers.

1. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING RECEIVED FROM PORT DURING THE YEAR 1932.

T A B L E A

NUMBER OF VESSELS ON WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND	NUMBER REPORTED TO BE DEFECTIVE	AMOUNT INVESTED		NUMBER TONNAGE	NUMBER	
		BY THE PORT AUTHORITY	BY THE DEFECTIVE			
1	1	11	6,823	11	11	Foreign Steamers Motor Sailing Tugs
-	-	0	1,181	0	0	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
1	1	10	2,042	10	10	Total Foreign -
0	0	140	20,244	140	140	Coastwise Steamers Motor Sailing Tugs
0	0	25	2,300	25	25	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	
0	0	200	44,763	200	200	Total Coastwise -
0	0	215	72,829	215	215	Total Foreign and Coastwise -

\* Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than steamers.



## II. CHARACTER OF TRADE OF PORT.

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### (a) Passenger Traffic during the year.

Table B. not submitted, as there is no passenger traffic in the Port of Bridgwater.

### (b) Cargo Traffic.

PRINCIPAL IMPORTS - Timber, Basic Slag, Apples, Generals, Salt, Flour, Coal, Sand, Stones, and Cement.

PRINCIPAL EXPORTS - Bath Bricks, Bricks, Tiles, Cement, wheat, and English Timber.

### (c) Foreign Ports from which vessels arrive.

Belgium - Antwerp. Finland - Kaskoe, Kotka, Makielahti, Torneau, and Trangund.

France - St. Vaast. Russia - Archangel.

Sweden - Gruven, Hudikevall, Pitea, Skoghall, Stugsund, and Sundsvall.

## III. WATER SUPPLY.

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Arrangements fully described in Annual Report for 1936.

## IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1933.

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Arrangements fully described in Annual Report for 1936.

Table C. - Not submitted, as no cases of infectious sickness have been landed from vessels during 1939, nor during the previous 5 years.

Table D. - No cases, therefore not submitted.

## V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

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### Items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

No trouble has been experienced and no Rats discovered during the year 1939, therefore Tables E, F, G, and H, are not submitted.



(a) Passenger Traffic during the year

Table A, not submitted, as there is no passenger traffic in the Port of Bridgetown.

(b) Trade Traffic

PRINCIPAL EXPORTS - Timber, Trade Wine, Apples, Bananas, Raisins, Wheat, Coal, Sand, Stones, and Cement.

PRINCIPAL IMPORTS - Bath Soap, Kerosene, Flour, Cement, Tea, and Medical Supplies.

(c) Foreign Trade from which vessels arrive

Antigua - Antigua, Barbuda, St. Kitts, Nevis, and St. Vincent.

St. Vincent - St. Vincent, Barbuda, and Antigua.

St. Vincent - St. Vincent, Barbuda, Antigua, and Nevis.

III. SALES SUPPLY

Arrangements fully described in Annual Report for 1932.

IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1932

Arrangements fully described in Annual Report for 1932.

Table C - Not submitted, as no cases of infectious diseases have been landed from vessels during 1932, nor during the previous 5 years.

Table D - No cases, therefore not submitted.

V. REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO PORT

Table E, F, G, and H

No traffic has been experienced and no data discovered during the year 1932, therefore Tables E, F, G, and H, are not submitted.

VI. HYGIENE OF CREWS' SPACES.  
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Table J.

Classification of Nuisances.

Nationality of Vessel.	No. inspected during 1939.	Defects of original construction.	Structural defects through wear and tear.	Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health.
BRITISH	200	1	1	6
OTHER NATIONS }	16	-	-	1

VII. FOOD INSPECTION.  
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- (1) No Foods have been imported coming under any of the Regulations referred to.
- (2) No Shell-fish beds or layings within the jurisdiction of the P. S. A., therefore no action taken under the Regulations referred to.
- (3) No samples of food examined.

VI. RESULTS OF CHEMICAL ANALYSES

Table 1.

Classification of Materials

Locality of Sample	No. Analyzed during 1959	Number of samples analyzed	Defects through work and test	Defects through and other conditions not mentioned
1	100	1	1	0
2	10	1	1	0

VII. CONCLUSIONS

- 1) No defects have been reported during any of the inspections referred to.
- 2) No shell-like defects or layers within the jurisdiction of the U. S. A. defects are noted under the regulations referred to.
- 3) No samples of test material.