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THE SANITARY COMMITTEE
1925 - 1926.

-: RURAL DISTRICT OF DORCHESTER :-

Chairman - Mr. T. G. Duke, J. P. -

Vice-Chairman - Mr. Fred Mounsell -

ANNUAL REPORT :-

by Mr. W. W. Lovelace

C. D. DAY, M.A., D.P.H., etc.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the Year - O. H. Stephens

1925. Mr. J. I. Studley

Mr. J. Trevett

Mr. King

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:- RURAL DISTRICT OF BONGHATTA :-

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For the Year

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REPORT FOR 1925.

TO :- THE SANITARY COMMITTEE :-
The Chairman and Members of the DORCHESTER
1925 -- 1926.
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Chairman - Mr. T. C. Duke, J. P. -
Vice-Chairman - Mr. Fred Hounsell -

Mrs. M. E. Balfour ... ^{Dorchester.} Mr. H. H. Lawford

Mr. A. J. Burch ... Mr. W. W. Lovelace

The Annual Report for this year is a SURVEY
Mr. W. J. Chick ... Mr. M. J. V. Mearns
REPORT as defined in the instructions issued by the

Mr. J. E. Cox Health in ... Mrs. R. H. Simonds

Mr. F. Guppy ... Mr. G. H. Stephens

Rev. W. Hewitson ... Mr. J. I. Studley

Population (census 1921) ... 8,809
Mr. J. W. Hull ... Mr. J. Trevett
(estimated 1925) ... 8,208

Mr. R. King ... Houses (1925) ... 2,010

* Families of separate
cottages (no returns)

Rateable Value (1st April, 1924) £20,483.

Sum represented by a penny rate - £335. 5. 3.

1935

THE ASSISTANT COMMITTEE

1935

Chairman - Mr. T. C. Duke, J. P.
Vice-Chairman - Mr. Fred Howselli

Mrs. M. E. Balfour ... Mr. H. H. Lawford

Mr. A. J. Bush ... Mr. W. W. Lovelace

Mr. W. J. Chick ... Mr. N. J. V. Meznar

Mr. L. E. Cox ... Mrs. H. H. Shamba

Mr. F. Guppy ... Mr. G. H. Stephens

Rev. W. Hewison ... Mr. J. I. Studley

Mr. J. W. Hill ... Mr. J. Trevett

Mr. R. King

2. - VITAL STATISTICS.
 REPORT FOR 1925.

	Total.	Males.	Females.
<u>BIRTHS.</u> Legitimate	131	58	73
TO :- The Chairman and Members of the DORCHESTER			
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.			
<u>DEATHS.</u>	90	45	45

Number of Women dying in, or in consequence
 "The Laurels"
 of Childbirth:- from sepsis - Nil
 Dorchester.
 * other causes 1

Ladies and Gentlemen, under One Year of Age -

The Annual Report for this year is a SURVEY
 REPORT as defined in the instructions issued by the
 Minister of Health in Decr., 1921. - Nil

Diarrhoea (under 5 yrs.
 1. - GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area - (acres)	15.8 ..	69,081
Population (census 1921)	10.2 ..	8,809
" (estimated 1925)	..	8,808
Number of Inhabited Houses (1921)		2,010

CAUSES OF " " Families or separate
 occupiers (no returns) -
 Scarlet Fever
 Rateable Value (on 1st April, 1924) £80,463.
 Influenza
 Sum represented by a penny rate - £335. 5. 3.

REPORT FOR 1928

The Chairman and Members of the DORCHESTER

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

"The Labourer"

Dorchester.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Annual Report for this year is a SURVEY REPORT as defined in the instructions issued by the

Minister of Health in Decr., 1921.

1. - GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area - (acres)	8,081
Population (census 1921)	8,308
" (estimated 1925)	8,308
Number of inhabited houses (1921)	2,010
" " Families or separate occupiers (no returns)	-
Rateable Value (on 1st April, 1924)	£20,422
Sum represented by a penny rate - 1925	£22,500

2. - VITAL STATISTICS.

		<u>Total.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
<u>BIRTHS.</u>	Legitimate ..	131	58	73
	Illegitimate ..	9	6	3
<u>DEATHS.</u>	90	45	45

Number of Women dying in, or in consequence
of Childbirth:- from sepsis - Nil
" other causes 1

Deaths of Infants under One Year of Age -
per 1,000 births .. 57.1

Deaths from Measles (all Ages) - Nil

" " Whooping Cough .. - Nil

" " Diarrhoea (under 2 yrs.
of Age) - Nil

Birth-rate - 15.8

Death-rate - 10.2

ALL CAUSES - 45 - 45

CAUSES of DEATH in the DORCHESTER RURAL DISTRICT.

			M.	F.
Scarlet Fever	5..	..	-	1
Influenza	1	-
	4.	(contd.)		

	M.	F.
Tuberculosis of respiratory system	5	3
Other tuberculous diseases ..	2	-
Cancer, malignant disease ..	3	6
Cerebral haemorrhage ..	5	7
Heart Disease ..	10	8
Arterio-Sclerosis ..	-	2
Bronchitis ..	2	2
Pneumonia (all forms) ..	1	3
Appendicitis ..	2	-
Accidents of pregnancy -)		
other than puerperal sepsis) ..	-	1
Congenital debility, malfor-)		
mation, etc. ..) ..	3	3
Suicide ..	1	-
Other Deaths from Violence ..	1	1
" defined Diseases ..	9	8
ALL CAUSES - 45 - 45		

No.	Year	Causes
3	2	Tuberculosis of respiratory system
-	2	Other tuberculous diseases
6	2	Cancer, malignant disease
7	2	Cerebral hemorrhage
8	10	Heart Disease
2	-	Arterio-Sclerosis
2	2	Bronchitis
2	1	Pneumonia (all forms)
-	2	Appendicitis
		Accidents of pregnancy
1	-	Other than purpural sepsis
		Genital debility, major-
2	2	Intoxication, etc.
-	1	Strains
1	1	Other Deaths from Violence
8	8	" defined diseases

ALL CAUSES - 45 - 42

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The amount of Poor Law Relief expended in this rural district during 1925 was £2540.

The extent to which the Dorset County Hospital is utilised may be seen from the following figures:-

	<u>In-patients.</u>	<u>Out-patients.</u>
Cases admitted during 1925	600	632

(2) MATERNITY. - The Committee of the Dorset County Hospital have agreed to take in 15 Maternity cases per annum A detailed summary is given under this head in the Annual Report for the Borough of Dorchester.

No conditions of occupation or environment appear to have been specially prejudicial to health.

In January Chicken-pox was prevalent among children at Charminster & Bradford Peverell: Measles at Winterborne Abbas: and Whooping Cough at West Knighton.

Mumps was prevalent in April at Bockhampton and in July at Charminster & Tolpuddle.

There was Whooping Cough at Monkton in October.

It is hoped that in the near future arrangements will be completed whereby cases from this district will be admitted to the Borough Isolation Hospital at Dorchester. Cases are moved there in a motor ambulance.

The amount of Poor Law Relief expended in this rural district during 1925 was £2540.

The extent to which the Dorset County Hospital is utilized may be seen from the following figures:-

<u>In-patients.</u>	<u>Out-patients.</u>	Gases admitted during 1925
800	833	

A detailed summary is given under this head in the Annual Report for the Borough of Dorchester.

No conditions of occupation or environment appear to have been especially prejudicial to health.

In January Grippe-pox was prevalent among children at Charminster & Bradford Peverell; Measles at Winterborne Abbas; and Whooping Cough at West Knighton. Rubra was prevalent in April at Bockhampton and in July at Charminster & Polpuddis. There was Whooping Cough at Monkton in October.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED or SUBSIDISED by the LOCAL

AUTHORITY or by the COUNTY COUNCIL.

(1) TUBERCULOSIS. - The Nirvana Home, Parkstone, with 21 beds and Beckford Lodge, Warminster, with 25 beds take cases from this district. They are both provided by the Dorset County Council.

(2) MATERNITY. - The Committee of the Dorset County Hospital have agreed to take in 12 Maternity cases per annum commencing 1st Jan., 1922, for the sum of £112. 10. 0. - The cases are sent in on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer of Health.

(3) CHILDREN. - None - except the children's ward at the Dorset County Hospital.

(4) FEVER. - In May, 1921, arrangements were made with the Weymouth Corporation for admission and treatment of cases of Infectious Disease (other than Small-pox) in their Isolation Hospital at Radipole, near Weymouth. It is hoped that in the near future arrangements will be completed whereby cases from this district will be admitted to the Borough Isolation Hospital at Dorchester. Cases are moved there in a motor ambulance.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED or SUBSIDIZED by the LOCAL

AUTHORITY or by the COUNTY COUNCIL.

(1) TUBERCULOSIS. - The Hivana Home, Parkstone, with 21 beds and Bickford Lodge, Warrington, with 22 beds take cases from this district. They are both provided by the Dorset County Council.

(2) MATERNITY. - The Committee of the Dorset County Hospital have agreed to take in 12 Maternity cases per annum commencing 1st Jan., 1922, for the sum of £12,10.0. - The cases are sent in on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer of Health.

(3) CHILDREN. - None - except the children's ward at the Dorset County Hospital.

(4) FEVER. - In May, 1921, arrangements were made with the Weymouth Corporation for admission and treatment of cases of Infectious Disease (other than small-pox) in their Isolation Hospital at Babbacombe, near Weymouth. It is hoped that in the near future arrangements will be completed whereby cases from this district will be admitted to the Borough Isolation Hospital at Dorchester. Cases are moved there in a motor ambulance.

(5) SMALL-POX. - Arrangements have been concluded for the use of the Baiter Hospital, Poole, for the reception of Small-pox cases in this district.

Centre. No Day Nursery or School Clinic is provided.

OTHER (a) The Dorset County Hospital with 60 beds (supported by voluntary contributions and small fees from the patients) admits cases from this district.

(b) The Poor Law Institution Infirmary admits cases of poor people who are unable to be properly nursed at their homes. Both are situated within the borough of Dorchester.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION FOR UNMARRIED MOTHERS, etc.

(a) None other than the Poor Law Infirmary or the Dorset County Hospital (under the above-named arrangements).

AMBULANCE FACILITIES:-

(a) For Infectious cases. The Weymouth Corporation provide a Motor Ambulance for removal of Infectious disease cases.

(b) For non-infectious and accident cases, the Dorset County Hospital provides a motor ambulance at the Hospital. There is also a motor ambulance provided by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Dorchester Division that can be hired for a small fee.

(3) SMALL-POX. - Arrangements have been considered for the use of the Baiter Hospital, Poole, for the reception of small-pox cases in this district.

OTHER (a) The Dorset County Hospital with 60 beds (supported by voluntary contributions and small fees from the patients) admits cases from this district. (b) The Poor Law Institution in Dorchester admits cases of poor people who are unable to be properly nursed at their homes. Both are situated within the borough of Dorchester.

INSTITUTIONAL PROVISION FOR UNMARRIED WOMEN, etc.

None other than the Poor Law Infirmary or the Dorset County Hospital (under the above-named arrangements).

AMBULANCE FACILITIES:-

(a) For infectious cases. The Weymouth Corporation provides a Motor Ambulance for removal of infectious disease cases. (b) For non-infectious and accident cases, the Dorset County Hospital provides a motor ambulance at the Hospital. There is also a motor ambulance provided by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Dorchester Division that can be hired for a small fee.

CLINICS and TREATMENT CENTRES:- There is no Maternity and Child Welfare Centre in this District. The Public Children are taken in some cases to the Dorchester Centre. No Day Nursery or School Clinic is provided. Cases for treatment of all forms of Tuberculosis attend the Dispensary at Weymouth. NOV:- No nurses are provided. A Venereal Diseases' Clinic (for Males and Females) is held twice weekly at the Dorset County Hospital and is provided by the Dorset County Council. This is within easy reach of this district.

MIDWIVES:- There is no employment of, or subsidy to,

Pract PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS of the LOCAL AUTHORITY.

There are 2 midwives practising in the district:-

(a) Whole-time Officers - None.

Miss Edwards, Constance, "Fernside", Broadmayne, Dorset.
Mrs. Lane, Winnie Maria, Winterborne Abbas, Dorchester.

(b) Part-time Officers:- "The Firs", Bessish, Dorchester.

Mr. Stopp, Frances W., Kingston Park, Dorchester.

Miss Jones, C. D. Day, M.A., D.P.H., etc. Medical Officer.

Mrs. Mann, Annie Jane, Bradford Peverell, Dorset.

Miss Gandy, Officer of Health - M.O.H. Borough of Dorchester.

Miss Porch, Frances A., Nurses' Cottage, Maiden Newton.

CHEMICAL WORK: M.O. Fordington District and P.O.

The Sale of Food and Drugs Act. - Salary contribution is made under the the Police, and Sanitary Acts. - the County Analyst.

F. T. Maltby, Member Royal San. Inst.,

Sanitary Inspector. -

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CLINICS and TREATMENT CENTRES:- There is no maternity and

Child Welfare Centre in this District.
Children are taken in some cases to the Worcester
Centre. No Day Nursery or School Clinic is provided.
Cases for treatment of all forms of Tuberculosis attend
the Dispensary at Weymouth.
A Venereal Diseases' Clinic (for Males and Females) is
held twice weekly at the Dorset County Hospital and
provided by the Dorset County Council. This is within
easy reach of this district.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS of the LOCAL AUTHORITY.

- (a) Whole-time Officers - None.
- (b) Part-time Officers:-
 - G. D. Day, M.A., D.P.H., etc. Medical Officer of Health - M.O.H. Borough of Dorchester -
 - M.O. Dorchester District and P.O.
 - Salary contribution is made under the Public Health Act.
 - F. T. Malby, Member Royal San. Inst., Sanitary Inspector. -

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The following No other Public appointment. is taken in
THIS DISTRICT Salary contribution under the Public
 Health Act.

<u>SAMPLE.</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>IF ADULTERATED.</u>
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Butter	1	-
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Comphorated Oil	1	-
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Exr Substitu.	2	-
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PROFESSIONAL NURSING in the HOME:- No nurses are provided by the County Council or Local Authority for this district. There are 5 district nurses who attend the poor in their homes.

MIDWIVES:- There is no employment of, or subsidy to, practising midwives, by the Public health authority.

There are 8 midwives practising in the district:-

Miss Edwards, Constance,	"Fernside", Broadmayne, Dorset.
Mrs. Lane, Minnie Maria,	Winterborne Abbas, Dorchester.
Miss Surrige, Emma,	"The Firs", Dewlish, Dorchester.
Mrs. Stemp, Frances E.,	Kingston Park, Dorchester.
Miss Jones, E.A.,	Wrackleford, Dorchester.
Mrs. Dunn, Amelia Jane,	Bradford Peverell, Dorset.
Miss Carnell, Elsie,	Post Office, Puddletown.
Miss Porch, Frances A.,	Nurses' Cottage, Maiden Newton.

CHEMICAL WORK:-

The Sale of Food and Drugs' Acts are administered by the Police, and samples are analysed by the County Analyst.

The following Acts have been adopted:-

Infectious Disease (Notification) Act, 1889 - 10.

No other Public appointment.
 Salary contribution under the Public
 Health Act.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME:- No nurses are pro-

vided by the County Council or local Authority for this
 district. There are 3 district nurses who attend the
 poor in their homes.

MIDWIVES:- There is no employment of, or subsidy to,

practising midwives, by the Public Health Authority.

There are 8 midwives practising in the district:-

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Miss Barbara, Constance, | "Ternside", Broadway, Dorset |
| Mrs. Lane, Annie Maria, | Winterborne Abbas, Dorchester |
| Miss Swbridge, Emma, | "The Elm", Bawlish, Dorchester |
| Mrs. Stamp, Frances H., | Kingsford Park, Dorchester. |
| Miss Jones, E.A., | Wickford, Dorchester. |
| Mrs. Dunn, Annie Jane, | Bradford Peverell, Dorset. |
| Miss Gurnell, Mabel, | Post Office, Puddletown. |
| Miss Ford, Frances A., | Nurses' Cottages, Nelson Newton |

CHEMICAL WORK:-

The Sale of Food and Drugs' Acts are administered by the
 Police, and samples are analysed by the County Analyst.

The following is a Statement of the SAMPLES taken in THIS DISTRICT during the Year:-

<u>SAMPLE.</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>IF ADULTERATED.</u>
Butter ..	1	-
Camphorated Oil	1	-
Egg Substitute..	2	-
Plain Flour ..	1	-
Jam ..	2	(1) Yes.
Lard ..	2	-
Margarine ..	1	-
Marmalade ..	1	-
Milk ..	1	-
Mince meat ..	1	-
Mustard ..	1	-

ADULTERATED SAMPLE.. ACTION TAKEN.

MILK - (MOTHERS' and CHILDREN) Order, 1918. -
Jam -- Vendor Cautioned.

WATER The following villages are supplied by piped water:- Little Toller, Steepston, Maiden

LIST of ADOPTIVE ACTS, BYE-LAWS, and LOCAL REGULATIONS

REFERRING to the PUBLIC HEALTH, IN FORCE in THIS DISTRICT:-

The remaining districts are supplied by shallow-wells. The water is sufficient and good. only to ventilation of, and space around, buildings) were sanctioned by the L.G.B. in 1899. -

The following Acts have been adopted:-
Infectious Disease (Notification) Act, 1889 -

The following is a Statement of the SAMPLES taken in

THIS DISTRICT during the Year:-

<u>SAMPLE</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>IF ANALYZED</u>
Butter	1	-
Compound Oil	1	-
Egg Substitute	2	-
Plain Flour	1	-
Jam	2	(1) Yes.
Lard	2	-
Margarine	1	-
Marmalade	1	-
Milk	1	-
Mince	1	-
Mustard	1	-

ANALYZED SAMPLES.. ACTION TAKEN.

Jam -- Vendor cautioned.

LIST OF ADAPTIVE ACTS, BY-LAWS, and LOCAL REGULATIONS

REFERRING to the PUBLIC HEALTH, IN FORCE in THIS DISTRICT:-

By-laws as to new buildings (with reference

only to ventilation of, and access around, buildings)

were enacted by the L.O.C. in 1882.

The following Acts have been adopted:-

Infectious Disease (Notification) Act, 1882 -

RIVERS
STERILISATION.
Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act, 1890 -
lution of rivers.

Public Health Acts, Amendment Act, 1890 -

DRAINAGE
SEWERAGE.
Part III - and the following parts of the district

Public Health Acts, Amendment Act of 1907, -

viz:-
leading to cesspools: the smaller houses

Part III. - sections 34, 35 (modified), 36, 37,

SCAVENING
45, 46, 49, and 50 - and the Local Authority.

Part IV. - sections 52 to 58, 59 (modified), -

60 to 66 and 68. -

CLOSET
CONSERVANCY.

MILK - (MOTHERS' and CHILDREN) Order, 1918. - 332
1502

WATER The following villages are supplied by piped
water:- Little Toller, Steepleton, Maiden
Newton, Frome Vauchurch, Wynford Eagle and
Longbredy. -

The remaining districts are supplied by shallow-
type wells. The water is sufficient and good.
The water from two wells was analysed and found
unfit for consumption and the wells closed, pure
water being obtained from another well. None of
the water is liable to plumbo-solvent action.

Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act, 1930

Public Health Act, Amendment Act, 1930 -

Part III - and the following parts of the
Public Health Act, Amendment Act of 1937,

viz:-

Part III. - sections 24, 25 (modified), 26, 27,

28, 29, 30, and 31 - and

Part IV. - sections 32 to 38, 39 (modified), -

39 to 42 and 43. -

MILK - (MOTHERS' and CHILDREN) Order, 1918. -

WATER

The following villages are supplied by piped

water:- Little Toller, Steepleton, Halden

Newton, Frome Vauxhall, Wyford Hall and

Longhroby.

The remaining districts are supplied by shallow-

type wells. The water is sufficient and good.

The water from two wells was analysed and found

suited for consumption and the wells closed, pure

water being obtained from another well. None of

the water is liable to pump-solvent action.

RIVERS and STREAMS.

No action has been taken with regard to pollution of rivers.

DRAINAGE and SEWERAGE.

There are no drainage schemes in this district. The larger houses have a water carriage system leading to cesspools: the smaller houses have earth closets.

SCAVENGING

is not undertaken by the Local Authority.

There is no destructor for refuse. Prosecutions Notices.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

No. of Water-Closets	.. 352	.. nil	352	nil
	(earth closets		1502	
" " conservancy system closets	(privies	.. 88	88	
No. converted during the year from privies to earth closets)	..		nil
)			
)			
)	..	nil	

WORK of SANITARY INSPECTOR under Article XX. of the SANITARY INSPECTOR'S (OUTSIDE LONDON) ORDER, 1910 -

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S STATEMENT:-

The general housing conditions remain almost stationary -

No. of Inspections	.. 70	though there
" " Informal Notices	.. 19	
" " complied with in the	.. 17	of new houses
" of Statutory Notices	.. nil	
" complied with	.. nil	

RIVERS AND STRAMS.

No action has been taken with regard to pollution of rivers.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

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SEWERING

is not undertaken by the local authority. There is no destructor for refuse.

CLOSED AC-
COMMODATION.

No. of Water-Closets	553
" " conservancy system	1503
earth closets	
privies	88
No. converted during the year from privies to earth closets	nil

WORK OF SANITARY INSPECTOR UNDER ARTICLES XI. of the SANITARY INSPECTOR'S (GEN-ERAL) ORDER, 1910 -

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S STATEMENT:-

No. of Inspections	70
" " Informal Notices	19
" " complied with	17
" " of Statutory Notices	nil
" " complied with	nil

SCHOOLS. Most of the schools are provided with sufficient bucket closets - a few have water closets connected with cesspools. Very few of the schools have a drinking water supply.

FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS and WORKPLACES.

1. - INSPECTION of FACTORIES, etc. -

	<u>Inspections.</u>	<u>Written Notices.</u>	<u>Prosecutions.</u>
Factories ..	nil	nil	nil
Workshops &) Work-places) ..	26	nil	nil

2. DEFECTS found in FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, and WORK-PLACES :-

.. nil

OUTWORKERS:- None registered.

:- H O U S I N G :-

The general Housing Conditions remain almost stationary - there is still a shortage of cottages, although there has been a slight increase in the number of new houses

SCHOOLS.

Most of the schools are provided with sufficient bucket cisterns - a few have water cisterns connected with gasboilers. Very few of the schools have a drinking water supply.

FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS and WORKPLACES.

1. - INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, etc.

<u>Inspections.</u>	<u>Written Notices.</u>	<u>Prosecutions.</u>
Factories	Nil	Nil
Workshops & Work-places	Nil	Nil

2. DEFECTS found in FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS

and WORK-PLACES :- Nil

OUTWORKERS:- None registered.

CONCLUSION :-

The general housing conditions remain almost stationary - there is still a shortage of cottages, although there has been a slight increase in the number of new houses

erected during the year.

OVERCROWDING:- is not so marked as in the urban district, although in many districts families are crowded owing to the shortage of houses.

The chief difficulty in dealing with unfit houses is that the rent paid is not sufficient for the owner to meet the expenses of the repairs, he would therefore prefer to close the houses rather than repair them, and usually there is not another house available for the tenant.

The main defects found in unfit houses are defective roofs, floors, and plaster to walls & ceilings; damp walls and general decay.

No representations have been made with regard to unhealthy areas. There are no bye-laws relating to houses let in lodgings, tents, vans or sheds.

HOUSING STATISTICS for the YEAR 1925.

Number of New Houses erected during the year:-

(a) Total 17

(b) With State assistance under
the Housing Acts -

(1) by the local authority 6

(11) " other bodies or persons -

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The main defects found in unfit houses are defective roofs, floors, and plaster to walls & ceilings; damp walls and general decay.

No representations have been made with regard to unwholesome areas. There are no bye-laws relating to houses let in lodgings, tenements, vans or sheds.

HOUSING STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1925.

Number of New Houses erected during the year:-

- (a) Total 17
- (b) With State assistance under the Housing Acts -
 - (i) by the local authority 6
 - (ii) " other bodies or persons -

1. Unfit Dwelling-houses -

Inspection - (1) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)) 70

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Inspection of District) Regulations, 1910, or the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925) 132

(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation) Nil

(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation) Nil

2. REMEDY of DEFECTS WITHOUT SERVICE of FORMAL NOTICES:-

Number of dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers) 20

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS:-

A. Proceedings under Section 28, of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1919 - and under Sec. 3, of the Housing Act, 1925 -

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring repairs)

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit :-)

(contd.)

1. Unfit Dwelling-Houses

- (1) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects under Public Health or Housing Acts 70
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Inspection of Houses) Regulations, 1910, of the Housing Control Act, 1925 122
- (3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 111
- (4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation 111

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-

Number of dwelling-houses remedied in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers 20

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS:-

A. Proceedings under Section 88, of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1925 - and under Sec. 2, of the Housing Act, 1925 -

- (1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs
- (2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit :- (contd.)

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B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts. -

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 (b) by local authority in)
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C. Proceedings under Section 17 & 18 of the
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 (5) Number of dwelling-houses demolished)
 in pursuance of demolition orders)

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There is no "certified" or "Grade A" Milk produced in this district.

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<u>Slaughter-houses</u>	<u>In 1920:</u>	<u>In Jan. 1925:</u>	<u>In Dec. 1925:</u>
Registered	4	4	7
Licensed	—	—	—
TOTAL -	4	4	7

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COMPARATIVE TABLE of INFECTIOUS DISEASES, notified during the PAST FIVE YEARS:-

	<u>1921.</u>	<u>1922.</u>	<u>1923.</u>	<u>1924.</u>	<u>1925.</u>
Diphtheria	4	7	7	1	1
Enteric Fever	4	8	3	1	1
Erysipelas	-	1	1	1	2
Malaria - (non-indigenous)	-	-	1	1	2
Pneumonia - (acute primary)	-	3	-	4	6
Pneumonia - (Influenzal)	-	-	-	5	-
Scarlet Fever	8	5	7	21	14
Tuberculosis - (Respiratory)	17	14	17	16	15
Tuberculosis - (Other forms)	4	3	1	3	5

Sluaghter-houses	In 1930:	In Jan. 1935:	In Dec. 1935:
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Erysipelas	-	1	1	1	2
Diphtheria	4	8	2	1	1
Whooping Cough	4	7	7	1	1
Measles	-	-	-	4	8
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid	-	-	-	5	-
Paratyphoid	-	-	-	-	-
Salmonella (Typhoid)	-	-	-	-	-
Salmonella (Non-typhoid)	-	-	-	-	-
Shigellosis	17	14	17	18	12
Amoebiasis	4	2	1	2	2

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	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	20-	25-	35-	45-	65-
Diphtheria	1			1								
Scarlet Fever	14	11	1			6	3	1	3	1		
Enteric Fever	1	1								1		
Malaria - (non-indigenous)	-	-	-	-	-							
Erysipelas	3										1	1
Pneumonia - Influenzal	-	-	-	-								
Pneumonia - acute - primary	6		1			1			1	1	2	1

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Primary septic - meningitis -	0	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	1
Influenza meningitis -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysenteria	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Typhoid (non-typhoid- striae - fever)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric fever	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Enteric fever series	14	11	1	-	8	2	1	2	1	-
Typhoid	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

1- 2- 3- 4- 5- 6- 7- 8- 9- 10- 11- 12- 13- 14- 15- 16- 17- 18- 19- 20- 21- 22- 23- 24- 25-

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Total Deaths.
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Total Births	Broadmayne	151 ..	148 1	138	140
" Deaths	Came	101 ..	93 2	114	50
Birth-rate	Charminster	17.2 ..	16.2 1	14.9	15.8
Death-rate	Chilfrome ..	10.7 ..	11.1 1	13.0	10.3
	Dewlish ..				
	Frome Vauchurch		2		
Infantile Mortality	Little Bredy	66.2 ..	77.4 2	45.4	37.1
Women dying in childbirth	Maiden Newton		1	1	1
Deaths from Measles	Martinstown		1		
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 5 yrs of Age)	Piddlehinton		3		
Deaths from Whooping Cough	Puddletown..		11	1	
No. of New Houses	Stinsford ..		1		
	Stratton ..	1 ..	2 2		
	West Knighton		2	5	17
	West Stafford		1		

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	Pulmonary.		Non-pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
5-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
10-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
20-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
25-	2	2	1	-	2	2	-	-
35-	2	2	-	-	2	1	1	-
45-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 &) upwards)	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	9.	6.	4.	1.	5.	3.	2.	-

Broadmayne .. 1
 Gens .. 1
 Gharminster .. 2
 Galfrose .. 1
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 Proms Vennunsh .. 2
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1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
25	2	-	-	2	-	-	-
35	2	-	-	2	1	1	-
45	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
95	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	1921.	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.
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Death-rate	10.7	11.5	11.1	13.0	10.2
Infantile Mortality	50.3	66.2	77.4	45.4	57.1
Women dying in Childbirth	-	-	-	1	1
Deaths from Measles	-	-	1	-	-
Deaths from Diar- rhoea (under 2 yrs. of Age).	-	-	-	1	-
Deaths from Whoop- ing Cough	2	1	2	-	-
No. of New Houses ..	6.	11	6	5	17

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140	122	142	151	159	Total Births
90	112	98	101	84	" Deaths
15.8	14.9	18.3	17.8	18.1	Birth-rate
19.2	12.0	11.1	11.8	10.7	Death-rate
27.1	42.4	77.4	68.2	50.2	Infantile Mortality
1	1	-	-	-	Women dying in childbirth
-	-	1	-	-	Deaths from measles
-	1	-	-	-	Deaths from diarrhoea (under 2 yrs. of age)
-	-	2	1	2	Deaths from whooping cough
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