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Urban District Council of Filey.

Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Year ended 31st December, 1918.

February 4, 1919.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS,—In presenting my

REPORT for the Year, 1918,

I beg to inform you that sixty births were registered in Filey during the Year. Thirty-seven males and twenty-three females. This gives a Birth-rate for the Year of 21·2 per 1000. twenty-one decimal two per thousand.

Sixty deaths were registered in Filey during 1918: fifty-two deaths occurred in our residential population; one death being a visitor. Seven deaths among the military quartered in the district.

Thirty-two males and twenty-one females died during the year 1918 in the residential population. This gives for the Year 1918 a Death-rate of eighteen decimal six per 1000. per thousand.

Two deaths occurred in persons over 90.

Four deaths occurred in persons over 80.

Seven deaths took place in the military during the year.

Six deaths occurred in children under 1 year of age.

Three deaths required Coroner's Inquests.

There has been very little notifiable disease during the year.

During the last quarter Influenza was very prevalent in the town and this accounts for the increased death-rate—our average death-rate for the last six years being only ten decimal eight per thousand.

Fourteen deaths were notified as due to influenza in our civil population. Six soldiers died from influenza. Seven deaths notified as bronchitis were most likely due to the influenza microbe. The three last months in the year seem in all the epidemics to have had the greatest number of victims.

The pamphlet sent round the town by the Council giving a warning to the people about the danger of influenza which begins usually as a slight cold, and the necessity of laying up at once, did much good and no doubt saved many lives.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

I have extracted the following from the Report of the County Medical Office for the Year ended 31st December, 1917:—

“The highest rates occurred in the Urban Districts of Pocklington, 204 per 1000; Withernsea, 160; and Norton, 150. The lowest rate was recorded in the Urban District of Filey, 15; and in next lowest in the Rural District of Beverley, 40. The rate for England and Wales was 97 per 1000 registered births.”

Our water supply for the year has been satisfactory considering the unusual strain which it underwent from the presence of the military.

The Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops have been regularly visited during the year and found quite satisfactory.

The drainage and sewerage of the town has been quite good during the year. I have had no complaints.

During the year we have had billeted with us a large number of soldiers, and in conjunction with their medical officers I have looked after the sanitation of their billets.

The Schools in our district have been regularly inspected and found in a good sanitary condition.

I have visited the Factories and Workshops in the town during the year and found no overcrowding or insanitation.

The Bakeries and Slaughter-houses have been regularly visited and generally found in a well kept and sanitary condition.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Councillors,
Your obedient Servant

J. THOS. HAWORTH,
Medical Officer of Health.

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February 4, 1919.

THE MEMBERS AND COUNCILLORS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT for the Year, 1918.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the above subject, and in reply to inform you that the report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1918 is now being prepared, and will be submitted to the Council at its next meeting. The report will contain a full and complete statement of the health of the district during the year, and will also contain a statement of the progress made in the various branches of public health work during the year. The report will also contain a statement of the results of the various public health measures which have been taken during the year, and will also contain a statement of the results of the various public health measures which have been taken during the year. The report will also contain a statement of the results of the various public health measures which have been taken during the year, and will also contain a statement of the results of the various public health measures which have been taken during the year.

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Yours faithfully,
J. H. H. H. H.
Medical Officer of Health



