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Medical Officer of Health.



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NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

30, SILVER STREET, HULL. May, 1942.

To the Chairman and Members of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

During the year, 229 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 2,715 by the Inspectorial Staff.

The Inspectors paid 6,063 visits to ships for the purpose of inspection, and on 565 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

2,893 rats were destroyed on ships, and 639 on docks, wharves, warehouses, &c.

In accordance with instructions from the Ministry of Health, the report has been prepared as indicated in Circular 1937, dated 11th January, 1940.

Iam,

Your obedient Servant,

NICHOLAS GEBBIE,

Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COASTWISE

Number	inspected by the Medical Off	ficers				229
Number	inspected by the Inspectors					2,715
Number	reported to be defective					565
Number	of vessels on which defects v	were r	emedied			160
Number	of vessels reported as having	ng or	having	had	during	
the v	oyage infectious disease on b	oard				61

II-Source of Water Supply

- (a) For the Port.
- (b) For Shipping.
- (c) No. of Water Boats and their Sanitary Condition.

Particulars in regard to the above remain as reported in detail in 1938.

During 1940, fifty-eight water samples from ships and water toats were chemically examined by the Port Analyst, six of which were found to be unsatisfactory. Samples of water from the same boats were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-typhoid group in 14 samples.

In all cases where the results of examinations proved to be unsatisfactory, the tanks were cleansed and cement-washed before being filled with fresh water.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

- (a) Arrangements for dealing with Declarations of Health.
- (b) Boarding of vessels on arrival.
- (c) Notifications to the Authority of Inward Vessels requiring special attention.
- (d) Mooring stations designated under Article 10.
- (e) Particulars of any standing exemptions from the provisions of Article 14.
- (f) Experience of working Article 16.
- (g) Particulars of arrangements made for :-
 - (i) Premises and waiting rooms for medical examinations.
 - (ii) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles.
 - (iii) Premises for the temporary accommodation of persons for whom such accommodation is required for the purposes of the Regulations.
 - (iv) Hospital accommodation available for Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Smallpox and other Infectious Diseases.
 - (v) Ambulance Transport.
 - (vi) Supervision of Contacts.
- (h) Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological examination of Rats for Plague.
- Arrangements made for other Bacteriological or Pathological Examinations.
- (j) Arrangements for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Venereal Disease among seamen.
- (k) Arrangements for the Interment of the Dead.

The procedure adopted under the headings (a) to (k) remain in principle the same as reported in detail in the report for 1938.

TABLE C

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS LANDED FROM VESSELS

			Number of cases during the year.		Number of vessels.
			Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
Malaria			 	30	19
Influenza			 _	1	1
Scarlet Fe	ver		 -	3	3
Rubella			 -	2	1
Mumps			 	1	1
Chicken-po	X		 _	1	1 .
Cerebro-sp	inal F	ever	 	1	1

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL.

			Number of cases during the year.		Number of vessels
			Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
			_	68	24
			- '-	3	2
			-	1	1
			_	4	1
s				4	4
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TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR

(1) On Vessels-

Number of rats destroyed.	Number of rats examined.	Number of rats found infected with plague.
2,983	266	Nil

TABLE F

(2) In Docks, Quays, Wharves and Warehouses-

Number of rats destroyed.	Number of rats examined.	Number of rats found infected with plague.
639	11	Nil.

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON PLAGUE "INFECTED"
OR "SUSPECTED" VESSELS OR VESSELS FROM PLAGUE
INFECTED PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF HULL DURING
THE YEAR

Number of vessels fumigated	by SO ²			12		
Number of rats killed				237		
Number of vessels fumigated	by HCN	·		30		
Number of rats killed				845	(305)	mice)
Number of vessels on which t	rapping	, poison	ning,		* ***	
&c., were employed				86		
Number of rats killed				531	(33	mice)
Number of vessels on which	measure	s of ra	t de-			
struction were not carried	out			143		

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships		370
Number of Deratisation Certificates issued :—		
After fumigation by HCN	46	
After fumigation by sulphur	43	
After fumigation by HCN and sulphur	_	
After trapping, poisoning, &c	3	
		92
Number of Deratisation Exemption Certificates	issued	278
Total Certificates issued		370

TABLE I

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS

		Ships.	Rats recovered.		
Number of vessels fumigated dioxide	phur 	43	891	(96 n	nice)
Number of vessels fumigated very cyanide	lrogen	46	981	(398 n	nice)
Number of vessels trapped	 		1,111		,
Totals	 	379	2,983		
		-	-		

IV—Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

TABLE J

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

British—		
Defects of Original Construction		188
Structural Defects through Wear and Tear		249
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudical	to	
health		614
Other Nations—		
Defects of Original Construction		418
Structural Defects through Wear and Tear		83
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		87

Two certificates were issued during the year in respect of vessels fumigated with hydrogen cyanide for the destruction of vermin. In each case the work was supervised by an officer of the Authority.

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under the above Regulations, 47 tons 8 cwts. 1 qtr. 17 lbs. of unsound food were destroyed during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES, &c. IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1939

Four samples were submitted for analysis, all of which were found to conform with the Regulations.

All the food inspected at Goole was sound.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930

In accordance with the above Regulations, 1 parrot, 6 budgerigars and 1 parakeet were dealt with during the year.

CERTIFICATES OF HEALTH

Three certificates were issued to a local firm in respect of the Health of the Port.

EXAMINATION OF SAMPLES OF DENATURED LINSEED OIL

During the year, three certificates were issued to local manufacturers to the effect that consignments of Raw and Boiled Denatured Linseed Oil were unfit for human consumption. Samples of these mixtures were examined by the Port Analyst, who reported on their unsuitability for edible purposes.

DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1920

Three applications were received during the year to procure drugs under the provisions of the above Act.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, PART X

During the year 791 Canal Boats were inspected, and 243 additional inspections made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions had been complied with.

Two hundred and twenty-eight boats were found to contravene the Regulations; on these, 528 defects were noted, 282 of which were remedied.

Twenty-two boats were registered with the Authority. Eight were new boats, five had previously been registered with other Authorities, and nine boats were registered in consequence of structural alterations having been carried out.

Hull & Goole Port Health Authority

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

FOR

1941

NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

30, SILVER STREET,
HULL.
June, 1942.

To the Chairman and Members of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1941.

During the year, 150 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 1,335 by the Inspectorial Staff.

The Inspectors paid 3,986 visits to ships for the purpose of inspection, and on 311 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

In addition, the Inspectors visited all vessels during their stay in port with reference to the collection of scrap metal, waste foodstuffs, and salvable materials of all kinds. A joint scheme is in operation between the Hull Corporation and this Authority whereby all such salvage is collected and suitably disposed of.

4,281 rats were destroyed on ships and 189 on quays, docks, warehouses, &c.

In accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health, the Report has been prepared in modified and abridged form.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

NICHOLAS GEBBIE,

Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COASTWISE

Number inspected by the Medical Office	eers			150
Number inspected by the Inspectors				4,335
Number reported to be defective				
Number of vessels on which defects w				118
Number of vessels reported as havin	g or	having	had	
during the voyage infectious disease	se or	board		36

II-Source of Water Supply

- (a) For the Port.
- (b) For shipping.
- (c) No. of Water Boats and their Sanitary Condition.

The particulars in regard to the above remain the same as reported in detail in 1938.

During 1941, eighteen samples of drinking water from ships and water boats were chemically examined by the Port Analyst, one of which was found to be unsatisfactory. In addition, seven samples were submitted to the Analyst for both chemical and bacteriological examination, two of which were found to be unsatisfactory.

Samples of water from eighteen ships were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-typhoid group in one sample.

In all cases, where the results of examinations proved to be unsatisfactory, the tanks were cleansed and cement-washed and filled with fresh water.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

- (a) Arrangements for dealing with Declarations of Health.
- (b) Boarding of vessels on arrival.
- (c) Notifications to the Authority of Inward Vessels requiring special attention.
- (d) Mooring stations designated under Article 10.
- (e) Particulars of any standing exemptions from the provision of Article 14.
- (f) Experience of working Article 16.
- (g) Particulars of arrangements made for :-
 - (i) Premises and waiting rooms for medical examinations.
 - (ii) Cleansing and disinfection of ships, persons, clothing and other articles.
 - (iii) Premises for the temporary accommodation of persons for whom such accommodation is required for the purposes of the Regulations.
 - (iv) Hospital accommodation available for Plague, Cholera, Yellow Fever, Smallpox and other Infectious Diseases.
 - (v) Ambulance Transport.
 - (vi) Supervisions of Contacts.
- (h) Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological examination of Rats for Plague.
- Arrangements made for other Bacteriological or Pathological examinations.
- (j) Arrangements for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Venereal Disease among seamen.
- (k) Arrangements for the Interment of the Dead.

All the above mentioned items (a) to (k) remain in principle the same as reported in detail in the report for 1938.

TABLE C

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS LANDED FROM VESSELS

				Number during the Passengers.	Number of vessels concerned.		
Malaria					26	14	
Diphtheria					1	1	
Tuberculosi	s				2	2	
Cerebro-spin	nal	Fever			1	1	

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

			Number of cases during the year.		Number of vessels.
			Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
Malaria		 	-	14	8
Influenza		 	-	1	1
Para-typho	oid	 		1	1
Blackwate	r Fever	 		1	1
Tuberculos	sis	 	-	1	1
Enteric Fe	ver	 	- \	2	2

TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR

(1) On Vessels-

Number of rats destroyed.	Number of rats examined.	Number of rats found infected with plague.
4,281	122	Nil

TABLE F

(2) On Docks, Quays, Wharves and Warehouses-

Number of rats destroyed.	Number of rats examined.	Number of rats found infected with plague.
189	5	Nil

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON PLAGUE "INFECTED"
OR "SUSPECTED" VESSELS, OR VESSELS FROM PLAGUE
INFECTED PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF HULL DURING
THE YEAR

Number of vessels fum	ivated	with SC)2			26
Number of rats killed	-					621
Number of vessels fum						31
Number of rats killed						884
Number of vessels on	which	trappin	g, poi	soning,	&c.,	
were employed						80
Number of rats killed						914
Number of vessels on v	vhich r	neasures	of rat	destrue	etion	
were not carried ou	t					65

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships				228
Number of Deratisation Certificates iss	sued :-	-		
After fumigation by HCN			55	
After fumigation by Sulphur			51	
After fumigation by HCN and	SO^2		1	
After trapping, poisoning, &c.			6	
				113
Number of Deratisation Exemption C	ertifica	ates i	ssued	115
Total Certificates issued				228

TABLE I

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS

	Ships.	Rats recovered.
Number of vessels fumigated with sulphur dioxide	51	1,099
Number of vessels fumigated with hydroger cyanide	55	1,575
Number of vessels trapped	265	1,607
Totals	371	4,281

IV-Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

TABLE J

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

British—		
Defects of Original Contruction		121
Structural Defects through Wear and Tear		281
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		729
Other Nations—		
Defects of Original Construction		123
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		79
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		184

During the year six Certificates were issued in respect of vessels fumigated with hydrogen cyanide for the destruction of vermin. The work in all instances was supervised by Officers of the Authority.

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under the above Regulations, 3 tons 15 cwts., 14 lbs. of unsound food were destroyed during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES, &c. IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1939

No samples were submitted for analysis. All the food inspected at Goole was sound.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930

In accordance with the above Regulations, 10 parrots, 13 budgerigars and 6 love-birds were dealt with during the year.

EXAMINATION OF SAMPLES OF DENATURED LINSEED OIL

In 1941, two certificates were issued to a local firm to the effect that consignments of Raw and Boiled Denatured Linseed Oil were unfit for human consumption.

Samples of the mixture were examined by the Port Analyst, who reported on their unsuitability for edible purposes.

DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1920

Two applications were received during the year for Certificates to procure drugs under the provisions of the above Act.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, (1936), PART X

During the year, 537 Canal Boats were inspected and 38 additional inspections made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions had been complied with.

Twenty-five boats were found to contravene the Regulations; on these 36 defects were noted, 29 of which were remedied.

Ten boats were registered with the Authority. Six were new boats, 2 had previously been registered with other Authorities and 2 were re-registered by reason of structural alterations which had taken place.

Hull & Goole Port Health Authority

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

FOR

1942

NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health,

30, Silver Street, Hull. June, 1943.

To the Chairman and Members of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1942.

During the year 114 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 1,551 by the Inspectorial Staff.

The Inspectors paid 4,100 visits to ships for the purpose of inspection, and on 336 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

Measures against rodents were applied vigorously during the year, and 4,400 rats were destroyed on board ships.

In accordance with the instructions of the Ministry of Health the Report is presented in modified and abridged form.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

NICOLAS GEBBIE,

Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COASTWISE

Number inspected by the Medical Officers				114
Number inspected by the Sanitary Inspectors	3			1,551
Number of vessels reported to be defective				336
Number of vessels on which defects were rem	edied			181
Number of vessels reported as having or ha	ving	had du	iring	
the voyage infectious disease on board				39
Number of additional inspections to vessels				2,435

II-WATER

The water supplied to ships is identical with that of the port and is delivered either by means of water boats or by hydrants situated on the dock-side.

Water Examinations

During the year 41 samples from vessels were examined. Nine of these were from vessels at Goole and the remaining 32 samples were taken from ships in the port of Hull. Of 39 samples submitted to the Port Analyst for chemical examination, 4 were found to be unsatisfactory. In addition, 2 samples submitted to the Port Analyst for chemical and bacteriological examination were unsatisfactory.

Samples of water from 39 vessels were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-aerogenes group in two samples.

In all cases where the results of examinations proved to be unsatisfactory, the tanks were cleansed and cement washed and filled with fresh water before the vessels left the port.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

During the year, 23 cases of infectious disease were found among members of crews on board vessels on arrival at the port.

The cases were as follows:—malaria, 20; diphtheria, 1; measles, 1, and dysentery, 1.

No cases or suspected cases of human plague, yellow fever, cholera, typhus, or small-pox occurred within the area of the Authority during the year.

TABLE C

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE LANDED FROM VESSELS

		Number during the Passengers.	of cases he year. Crews.	Number of vessels. concerned,
Malaria	 	 _	20	11
Diphtheria	 	 -	1	1
Measles	 	 	î	î
Dysentery	 	 -	1	î

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

		Number of during th Passengers.		Number of vessels concerned.
Malaria	 	 _	148	23
Pneumonia	 	 _	1	1
Small-pox	 	 -	3	1

TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR ON VESSELS

Number of rats destroyed.
4,400

Number of rats examined. Number of rats found infected with plague. Nil

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON VESSELS FROM PLAGUE INFECTED OR "SUSPECTED" PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF HULL DURING THE YEAR

Number	of vessels fum	igated	with SO2				6
Number	of rats killed						106
Number	of vessels fum	igated	with HCN	V			35
Number	of rats killed						1,052
Number	of vessels on	which	trapping,	po	isoning,	&c.,	
	employed						61
Number	of rats killed						570
Number	of vessels on v	vhich n	neasures c	f ra	t destru	ction	
were	not carried ou	t					3

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships		180
Number of Deratisation Certificates issued :-		
After fumigation by HCN	74	
After fumigation by SO ²	14	
After fumigation by HCN and SO ²	2	
After trapping, poisoning, &c	2	
		92
Number of Deratisation Exemption Certificates	issued	88
Total certificates issued		180

TABLE I

Number of vessels fum			Ships.	Rats recovered. 321
Number of vessels fum Number of vessels fum			74	2,360
SO ²		 N and	2	31
Number of vessels trap	ped	 	245	1,688
Totals		 	335	4,400
				-

IV-Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under the above Regulations, 46 tons 10 cwts. 2 qtrs. 10 lbs. of unsound foodstuffs were dealt with during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES, &c. IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1939

No samples were submitted for analysis.

All the food inspected at Goole was sound.

PARROTS (PROHIBITATION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930

During the year 12 parrots and 12 budgerigars were dealt with under the above Regulations. Five budgerigars and 1 parrot were destroyed at the request of the owners. Two of the parrots were illegally landed and were in consequence confiscated and destroyed.

EXAMINATION OF SAMPLES OF DENATURED LINSEED OIL

A certificate was issued during the year to a local firm in respect of a consignment of boiled denatured linseed oil, unfit for human consumption. Samples were examined by the Port Analyst, who reported on their unsuitability for edible purposes.

DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1920

Three applications were received during the year for Certificates to procure drugs under the provisions of the above Act.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 (PART X)

During the year 661 Canal Boats were inspected and 237 additional inspections were made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions given had been complied with.

One hundred and twenty-four boats were found to contravene the Regulations, and 177 defects were noted, 104 of which were remedied.

Twenty-seven boats were registered with the Authority, 9 of these were new registrations, 6 had previously been registered with other Authorities, and 12 were registered in consequence of structural alterations having been effected.

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FOR

1943

NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

30, SILVER STREET, HULL. March, 1944.

To the Chairman and Members of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1943.

During the year 120 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 2,069 by the Inspectors.

The Inspectors paid 4,663 visits to ships, and on 420 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

The application of measures against rodents has continued throughout the year, and 4,959 rats were destroyed on board ships.

The report has been prepared, as requested by the Ministry of Health, on the lines indicated in Circular 1937 of 11th Jaunary, 1940.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

Nicolas Gebbie, Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COASTWISE

Number of inspected by the Medical Officer				120
Number inspected by the Sanitary Inspecto	rs			2,069
Number of vessels reported to be defective				
Number of vessels on which defects were ren				238
Number of vessels reported as having or l	having	had	during	
the voyage infectious disease on board Number of additional inspections to vessels				
rumber of additional hispections to vessels				2414

II-WATER

Water supplied to ships is identical with that of the port and is delivered either by means of water boats or by hydrants situated on the dock-side.

Water Examinations

During the year 49 samples of drinking water from vessels were examined. Eight of these samples were taken from vessels at Goole and the remaining 41 samples from ships in the port of Hull.

All samples were submitted to the Port Analyst for chemical examination and in six instances the results were unsatisfactory.

Forty-seven samples were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-aerogenes group in 13 samples.

In all cases where the results of examinations proved to be unsatisfactory, the tanks were thoroughly cleansed and cement-washed and filled with fresh water before the vessels left the port.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

During the year 34 cases of infectious disease were found among members of crews on board vessels in the port.

The cases were as follows:—Malaria, 30; scarlet fever, 1; dysentery, 1; pneumonia, 1, and pulmonary tuberculosis, 1.

No cases or suspected cases of human plague, yellow fever, cholera, typhus, or small-pox occurred within the area of the Authority during the year.

TABLE C CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE LANDED FROM VESSELS

		Number of during the Passengers.		Number of vessels. concerned.
Malaria	 	_	30	13
Scarlet Fever	 	_	1	1
Dysentery	 	_	1	1
Pneumonia	 	_	1	1 -
Pulmonary T.B.	 	100	1	1

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

		Number during th	Number of vessels	
5		Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
Malaria	 	 _	121	16

TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR ON VESSELS

Number of rats destroyed. 4,959

Number of rats examined.

301

Number of rats found infected with plague. Nil

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON VESSELS FROM PLAGUE INFECTED OR "SUSPECTED" PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF HULL DURING THE YEAR

Number of vessels fu	migated	with SC)2			3
Number of rats killed	d					
Number of vessels fu	migated	with Ho	CN			100
Number of rats killed	d					1.626
Number of vessels of	n which	trappin	g, pois	soning.	&c	-,
were employed						54
Number of rats killed	i					1.672
Number of vessels on	which n	neasures	of rat	destrue	ction	2,012
were not carried						10

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships		177
Number of Deratisation Certificates issued :—		111
After fumigation by HCN	79	
After fumigation by SO ²	5	
After fumigation by HCN and SO ²	4	
After trapping, poisoning, &c	6	
William San Jahranasia	_	94
Number of Deratisation Exemption Certificates	issued	83
Total Certificates issued		177

TABLE I

		Ships.	Number of rats recovered.
Number of vessels fumigated	5	91	
Number of vessels fumigated	79	2,596	
Number of vessels fumigated			
and SO2		4	47
Number of vessels trapped	 	296	2225
Totals	 	384	4,959

IV—Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

British-

Defects of original construction		134	
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		285	
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to		
health		1,427	
Other Nations-			
Defects of original construction		224	
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		31	
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to		
health		441	

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under the above Regulations, 19 tons 6 cwts. 19 lbs. of unsound foodstuffs were dealt with during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES, &c. IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1939

No samples were submitted for analysis. All the food inspected at Goole was sound.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930

During the year 2 parrots and 1 budgerigar were dealt with under the above Regulations.

DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1920

One application was received for a certificate to procure drugs under the provisions of the above Act.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 (PART X)

During the year 474 Canal Boats were inspected and 98 additional inspections were made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions given had been complied with.

Forty-six boats were found to contravene the Regulations and 83 defects were noted. Thirty-nine defects were remedied.

Fifteen boats were registered with the Authority. Five of these were previously registered with other Authorities and 10 boats were registered in consequence of structural alterations having been effected.

No cases of infectious disease were notified during the year.

Hull & Goole Port Health Authority

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

FOR

1944

NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

30, SILVER STREET,
HULL.
February, 1945.

To the Chairman and Members of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1944.

During the year 172 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 2,326 by the Port Health Inspectors.

The Inspectors paid 5,152 visits to ships, and on 559 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

Measures against rodents were applied vigorously during the year, and 6,532 rats were destroyed on board ships.

The report has been prepared, as requested by the Ministry of Health, on the lines indicated in Circular 1937 of the 11th January, 1940.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

NICOLAS GEBBIE,

Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COATSWISE

Number inspected by the Medical Officers	s			172
Number inspected by the Sanitary Inspected	ors			2,326
Number of vessels reported to be defective				559
Number of vessels on which defects were re	medied			344
Number of vessels reported as having or	having	had	during	
the voyage infectious disease on board				31
Number of additional inspections to vessels				2,654

II-WATER

The water supply for shipping is identical with that of the port, and is delivered either by means of water boats or by hydrants situated on the dock-side.

Water Examinations

During the year 45 samples of drinking water from vessels in the Port of Hull were examined. All samples were submitted to the Port Analyst for chemical analysis and the results were satisfactory. Samples from the same vessels were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-aerogenes group in 9 samples. In each of these cases the tanks were thoroughly cleansed and cement-washed and filled with fresh water before the vessels left the port.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

During the year 21 cases of infectious sickness were found among members of crews on board vessels in the port.

The cases were as follows:—Malaria, 15; Rubella, 2; Chickenpox, 1; Diphtheria, 1; Vincent's Angina, 1; and Phthisis, 1.

No cases of human plague, small-pox, yellow fever, cholera or typhus occurred in the Authority's district during the year.

TABLE C

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS LANDED FROM VESSELS

			Number of		Number of vessels.
			Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
Malaria		 	11 22 0104	15	12
Rubella		 	-	2	2
Chicken-pox		 	_	1	1
Diphtheria		 		1	1
Vincent's A	ngina	 	_	1	1
Phthisis		 	-	1	1

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

				Number during to Passengers.	of cases he year. Crews.	Number of vessels concerned.
Malaria				_	66	12
Small-pox				1	_	1
Chicken-pox				3		î
D: 141 .					1	1
Phthisis				_	1	1

TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED ON VESSELS DURING THE YEAR

Number of rats destroyed. 6,532 Number of rats examined. 307 Number of rats found infected with plague. Nil

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON VESSELS FROM PLAGUE INFECTED OR "SUSPECTED" PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF HULL DURING THE YEAR

Number	of vessels fum	igated	with SO	2			5
	of rats killed						118
Number	of vessels fum	igated	with HO	N			00
Number	of rats killed						2,520
	of vessels on						
were	employed						137
Number							
Number	of vessels on v	vhich n	neasures	of rat	destruc	etion	
were	not carried ou	t					14

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships				221
After fumigation by HCN			99	
After fumigation by SO ²			5	
After fumigation by HCN and	SO^2		4	
After trapping, poisoning, &c.			5	
TORY , BROTT				113
Number of Deratisation Exemption C	ertific	eates is	sued	108
Total number of Certificates issued				221

TABLE I

				Ships.	Number of rats recovered.
Number of vessels fum	igated	with S	0^2	5	118
Number of vessels fumig				109	3,625
Number of vessels fumig	gated w	ith HC	N and		
SO ²				5	62
Number of vessels trap	ped			354	2,727
m . 1				150	
Totals				473	6,532

The above table includes all fumigations carried out under the provisions of the Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933, the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919, and the Public Health Act, 1936.

IV—Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

British-

Defects of original construction		155
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		274
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		2,785
Other Nations—		
Defects of original construction		286
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		56
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		615

During the year, 11 Certificates in special form were issued in respect of crews' quarters fumigated with hydrogen cyanide for the destruction of vermin, and 2 Certificates where an insecticide solution was used. These operations were supervised by officers of the Authority.

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under these Regulations 15 tons 18 cwts. 3 qtrs. 24½ lbs. of unsound foodstuffs were dealt with during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES IN FOOD) REGULATIONS 1925 to 1939

No samples were submitted for analysis.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1930

During the year 9 parrots and 5 budgerigars were dealt with under the above Regulations.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, PART X

During the year 426 Canal Boats were inspected and 46 additional inspections were made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions given had been complied with.

Eighty-five defects were noted on board 51 boats.

Forty-six defects were remedied.

Seventeen boats were registered with the Authority. Three of these were previously registered with other Authorities, and ten boats were registered in consequence of structural alterations having been carried out.

One case of pneumonia on board a canal boat was notified during the year. The patient was removed to Hospital, and the cabins disinfected.

Hull & Goole Port Health Authority

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Medical Officer of Health

FOR

1945

NICOLAS GEBBIE M.D., D.P.M., D.P.H.,

Medical Officer of Health.

30, SILVER STREET, HULL. April, 1946.

To the Chairman and Members of the .

Hull and Goole Port Health Authority.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Port Medical Officer of Health of the Hull and Goole Port Health Authority for the year ended 31st December, 1945.

During the year 211 ships were boarded by Medical Officers, and 3,368 by the Port Health Inspectors.

The Inspectors paid 5,668 visits to ships and on 650 vessels sanitary defects were discovered.

Measures against rodents were continued during the year and 4,840 rats were destroyed on board ships.

The report has been prepared, as far as present records allow, on the lines indicated in Circular 60/46 of the 20th March, 1946. In accordance with this Circular steps have been taken to re-institute normal records in 1946 and future years.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

NICOLAS GEBBIE, Port Medical Officer of Health.

REPORT

There has been no alteration in the definition of the limits of jurisdiction of the Port Health Authority.

I—Amount of Shipping Entering the Port during the Year

TABLE A

FOREIGN AND COASTWISE

Number inspected by the Medical Officers		211
Number of inspected by the Sanitary Inspectors		3,368
Number of vessels reported to be defective .:		650
Number of vessels on which defects were remedied		343
Number of vessels reported as having or having	had	
during the voyage infectious disease on board		21
Number of additional inspections to vessels		2,300

II-WATER

The water supply for shipping is identical with that of the port and is delivered either by means of water boats or by hydrants situated on the dock-side.

Water Examinations

During the year 43 samples of drinking water from vessels in the Port of Kingston upon Hull were examined. All the samples were submitted to the Port Analyst for chemical analysis and in one case the results were unsatisfactory. Samples from the same vessels were examined bacteriologically by the Assistant Medical Officer of Health, who reported the presence of organisms of the coli-aerogenes group in six samples. In all cases the tanks were thoroughly cleansed and cement-washed and re-filled with fresh water before the vessels left the port.

III-Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933

During the year 21 cases of infectious sickness were found among members of crews and passengers on board vessels in the port.

The cases were as follows:—Malaria, 10; rubella, 1; measles, 3; chicken-pox, 4; pneumonia, 1; amoebic dysentery, 1; and scarlet fever, 1.

TABLE C

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS LANDED FROM VESSELS

			Number during the Passengers.		Number of vessels. concerned.
Malaria			 _	10	6
Rubella			 _	1	1
Measles			 	3	3
Chicken-po	X		 3	1	2
Pneumonia	١		 _	1	1
Amoebic D	ysent	ery	 -	1	1
Scarlet Fey	ver		 _	1	1

TABLE D

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS OCCURRING ON VESSELS DURING THE VOYAGE, BUT DISPOSED OF PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

		Number of	Number of vessels	
		Passengers.	Crews.	concerned.
Malaria	 		5	4
Typhoid Fever	 	_	3	1
Chicken-pox	 		2	1

TABLE E

RATS DESTROYED ON VESSELS DURING THE YEAR

Number of rats destroyed, 4,850

Number of rats examined. 186 Number of rats found infected with plague. Nil

TABLE G

MEASURES OF RAT DESTRUCTION ON VESSELS FROM PLAGUE INFECTED OR "SUSPECTED" PORTS ARRIVING IN THE PORT OF KINGSTON UPON HULL DURING THE YEAR

Number of vessels fumi	gated	with SC)2			1
Number of rats killed						7
Number of vessels fumi	gated	with He	CN			61
Number of rats killed						1.898
Number of vessels on	which	trappir	ig, poi	soning,	&c.	-,
were employed						95
Number of rats killed						950
Number of vessels on w	hich n	neasures	of rat	destruc	tion	
were not carried out						23

TABLE H

DERATISATION CERTIFICATES AND DERATISATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of ships		375
Number of Deratisation Certificates issued :-		0.0
After fumigation by HCN	121	
After fumigation by SO ²	4	
After fumigation by HCN and SO ²	2	
After trapping, poisoning, &c	5	
N I CD CC D		132
Number of Deratisation Exemption Certificates	issued	243
Total number of certificates issued		375

TABLE I

				Ships.	Number of rats recovered.
Number of vessels fumigated with SO ²				4	59
Number of vessels fumigated with HCN				125	3,219
Number of vessels fumig	gated	with 1	HCN		
and SO ²				2	24
Number of vessels trapped				288	1,548
Total				419	4,850
				-	

The above table includes all fumigation carried out under the provisions of the Port Sanitary Regulations, 1933, the Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919, and the Public Health Act, 1936.

IV—Hygiene of Crews' Spaces

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES

British-		
Defects of original construction		212
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		201
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		
Other Nations—		
Defects of original construction		465
Structural defects through Wear and Tear		26
Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial	to	
health		485

During the year 2 Certificates in special form were issued in respect of crews' quarters fumigated with hydrogen cyanide, for the destruction of vermin. These operations were supervised by officers of the Authority.

V-Food Inspection

PUBLIC HEALTH (IMPORTED FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1937

Under these regulations, 6 tons 7 cwts. 1 qtr. 8 lbs. of unsound food-stuffs were dealt with during the year.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PRESERVATIVES IN FOOD) REGULATIONS, 1925 to 1940

No samples were submitted for analysis during the year.

PARROTS (PROHIBITION OF IMPORT) REGULATIONS, 1940

During the year 5 parrots, 1 parakeet and 1 budgerigar were dealt with under the above Regulations.

Canal Boats

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 (PART X)

During the year 297 Canal Boats were inspected and 13 additional inspections were made to ascertain if notices served and verbal cautions given had been complied with.

Sixty-five defects were noted on board 31 boats.

Twenty defects were remedied.

Fourteen boats were registered with the Authority. Two of these were previously registered with other Authorities and nine boats were registered in consequence of structural alterations having been carried out.

No notifications were received from medical practitioners of any case of infectious disease having occurred on any boat in the district during the year.



