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BOROUGH OF ILKESTON.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL MEDICAL OFFICER
FOR YEAR 1916.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report for 1916, on the Medical Inspection and Treatment of school children.

The Total number of routine medical inspections done during the year, 1664

Examined at Inspection Clinics. 1071
2735

Table 1.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN INSPECTED, 1st JANUARY TO 31st DECEMBER 1916.

ENTRANTS.						
	Age 3.	4.	5.	6.	Other ages.	Total.
Boys.	2	37	163	51	3	256
Girls.	1	30	213	62	4	<u>310</u> <u>566</u>

INTERMEDIATES.				
	Age 7.	8.	Other ages.	Total.
Boys.	1	271	13	285
Girls.	4	232	9	<u>245</u> <u>530</u>

LEAVERS.		
	Age 12.	13.
Boys.	275	8
Girls.	258	27
		<u>285</u> <u>566</u>

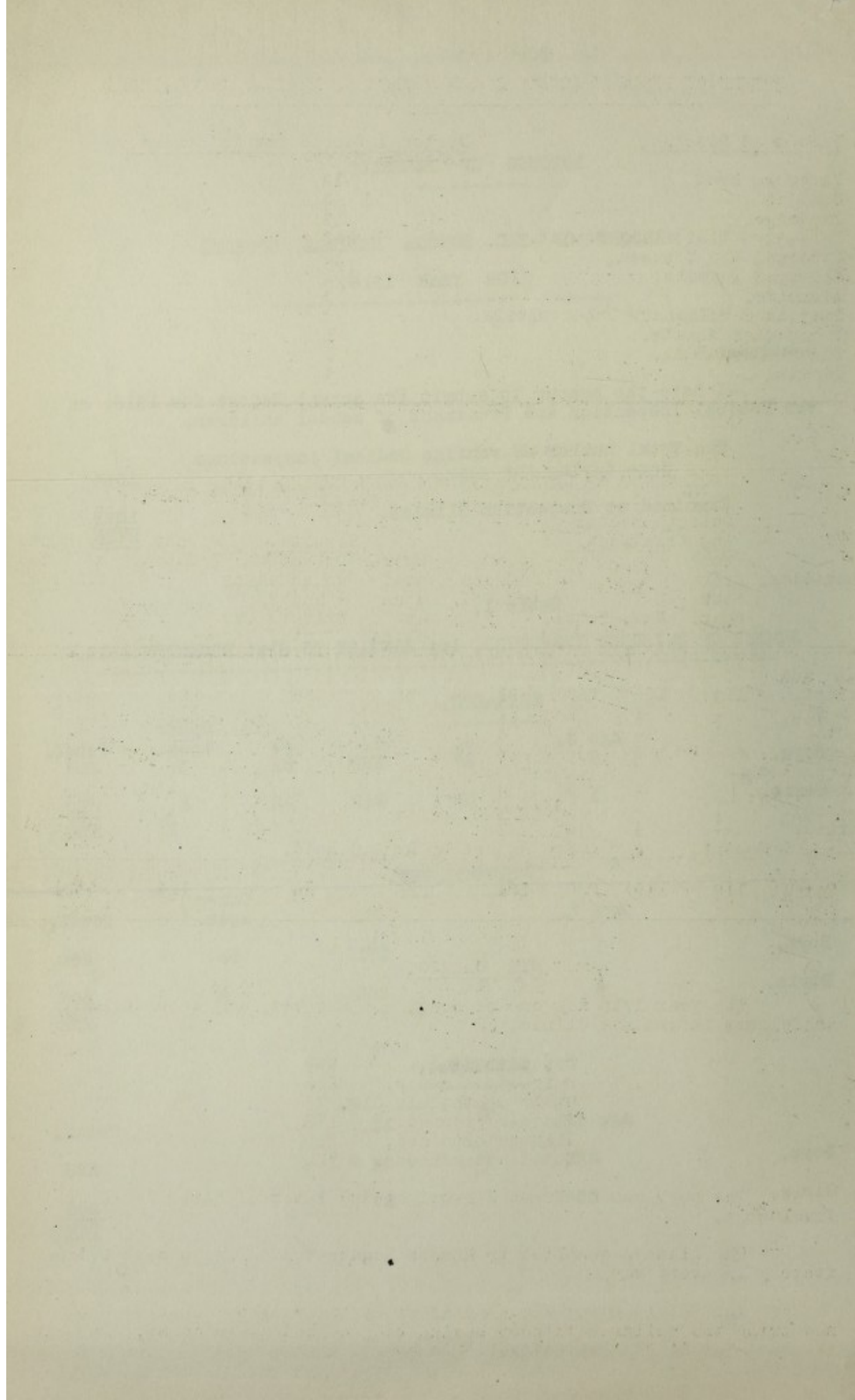


Table 11.

RETURN OF DEFECTS FOUND IN THE COURSE OF MEDICAL INSPECTION.

<u>Defect of Disease.</u>	<u>Number referred for treatment.</u>
Ringworm head.	18
Scabies.	3
Impetigo.	17
Defective Vision and Squint.	243
External Eye Disease.	10
Enlarged Tonsils.	101
Adenoids.	3
Suspected Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	6
Tubercular Glands.	1
Tuberculous Bone.	1
Hernia.	4

Table LV.

TREATMENT OF DEFECTS OF CHILDREN DURING 1916.

Condition.	<u>Defects requiring treatment.</u>			No. of defects treated.	Operated upon at Clinic.	<u>Results.</u>		No. not treated.	Percentage of defects treated.
	<u>From previous year.</u>	<u>New.</u>	<u>Total.</u>			<u>Operation unnecessary & under Private Dr. etc.</u>			
Nose and Throat.	114	106	220	91	35	56		129	41.3
Ear Dis.	-	1	1	1	1	-		1	100.0
Teeth.	4	-	4	4	-	-		-	100.0
Lungs.	-	6	6	3	-	-		3	50.0
Tuberculosis non-pulmon.	-	2	2	2	-	-		-	100.0
Hearing.	1	-	1	-	-	-		1	-
Hernia.	-	4	4	3	-	-		1	75.0
Vision & Squint.	See Report by Dr A.C.Reid.								
Total.	119	119	238	104	36	56		134	43.3

EYE CLINIC.

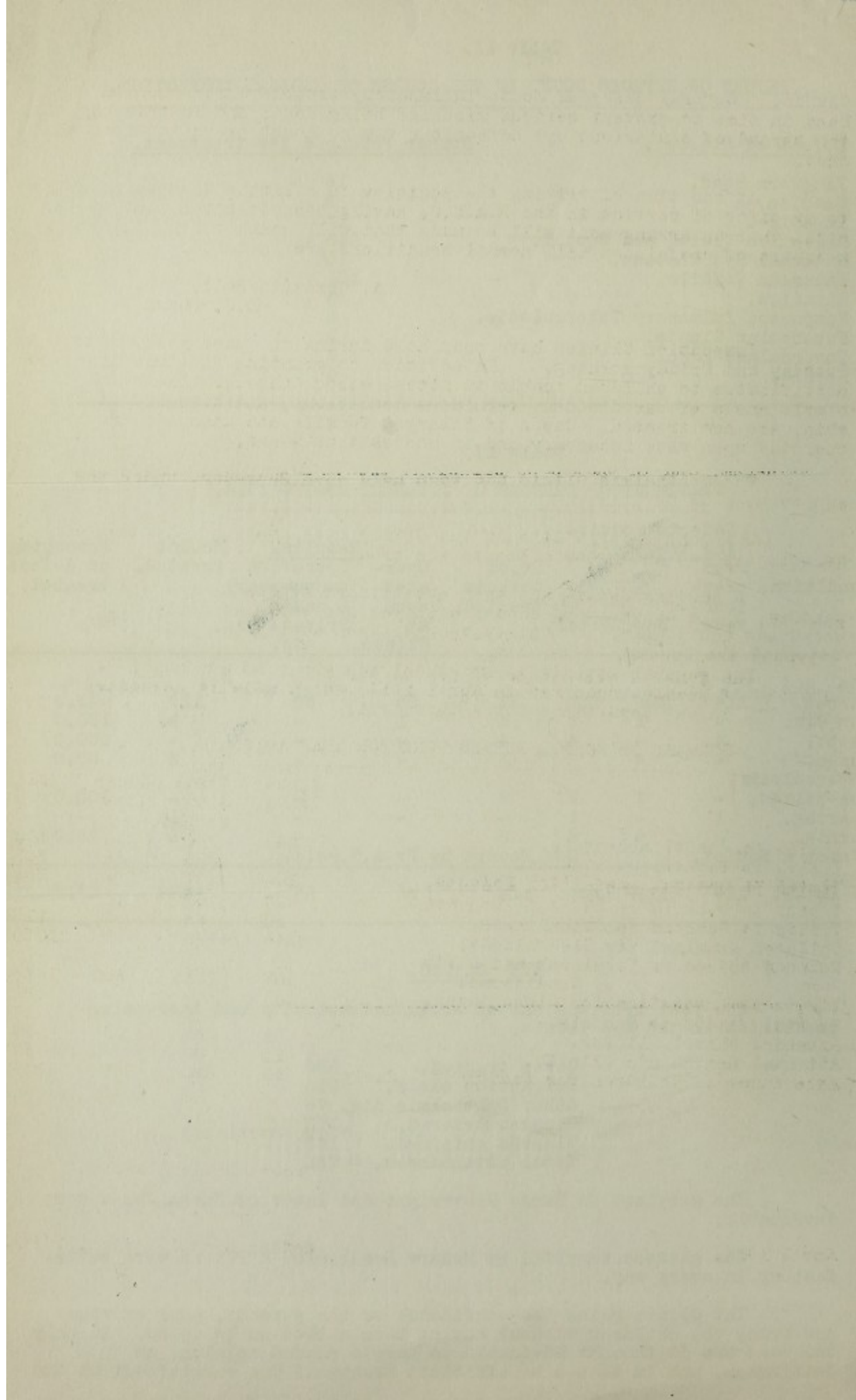
The year 1916 was one of continued activity and increasing usefulness in the Eye Clinic.

Cases treated.	293
Refraction cases.	215
Other Ophthalmic dis.	78
Glasses ordered.	173
Glasses obtained.	140
Total attendances.	722

The services of Nurse Sievwright and later of Nurse Jones were invaluable.

The glasses supplied by Messrs Leadbeater & Peters were satisfactory in every way.

The Clinic gains the confidence of the parents, many of whom now bring the children without having been called on to do so. In only one case was it thought advisable to have a second opinion, at Nottingham, and in that case efficient treatment was carried out at the



Clinic. Several cases of acute inflammatory trouble were taken in hand in time to prevent serious mischief being done; and in this way too, the spread of contagious eye affections was no doubt prevented more than once.

At the time of writing the position is a little uncertain, owing to my offer of service in the R.A.M.C. having been accepted, but it is hoped that an arrangement will be made that will conserve the Clinic as a centre of usefulness till normal conditions are restored.

A. Christie Reid, M.D.
D.O. (Oxon.)

Inspection Clinics have been held during the past year, every Tuesday and Friday morning. In addition to granting of exclusion certificates to children unable to attend school through ill-health, simple cases of ear disease, verminous conditions, and diseases of the skin, are now treated. Cases of Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids are now operated upon when necessary, and in necessitous cases.

The Ophthalmic Clinic has been held each Thursday, under the supervision of Dr Reid.

The School Nurse attends the Clinic each morning, where cases of skin disease and minor ailments are treated.

A Feeding Centre has been established at one of the elementary schools, where necessitous school children are provided daily with breakfast and dinner. Sixty-two children during the year 1916, attended the Centre.

The general attendance at school was about 90 per cent. An outbreak of Measles occurred in April 1916, which made it necessary to close one infant department for a fortnight.

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL NURSES WORK FOR YEAR 1916.

	Nurse Jones.	Nurse Siev- wright.	Nurse Gleadell.	Total.
Visits re School Absentees.	545	734	134	1413
Visits re Infectious Disease.	33	326	34	393
Visits re Medical Inspection Defects.	100	75	-	175
Visits to Schools re Medical Inspection.	27	40	14	81
Visits to Schools re Cleanliness.	50	63	4	117
Children examined for Cleanliness.	8244	12799	357	21400
Notices issued re Verminous and Dirty Conditions.	492	751	120	1363
Visits re Inspection for Cleanliness.	135	-	-	135
Special Visits to Schools.	3	5	-	13
Attended School Clinics.	5	64	13	84
Attended Ophthalmic Clinics.	11	32	-	43
Attendance of Children for treatment - daily.	90	820	351	1261

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN J. ROBIN, M.D.

April 1917.

Acting School Medical Officer

