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BOROUGH OF LISKEARDMEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE
YEAR 1942.

To the Mayor & Members of the Corporation of the
Borough of Liskeard.

On the Directions of the Ministry of Health this Report is confined to essential and urgent matters concerning the general public health for the year 1942. The health of the Public has been very good on the whole throughout the year and there is nothing special to report.

A Scheme for the Admission and Treatment of Infectious Diseases at the County Isolation Hospital at Truro was proposed by the County Medical Officer and in the Autumn of this year the Liskeard Town Council decided to become members of this scheme.

I am sure that this will be of great assistance in the treatment of Infectious Diseases, which have always been a problem in the past.

Good progress has been made with the Immunisation of all children from one year to fifteen years old against Diphtheria and this is largely due to the whole hearted co-operation of all the school teachers in this Borough. I feel sure that during the early months of the coming year most of these children will be immunised against the dread disease.

Many cases of scabies have been found and efficiently dealt with.

Statistics and Social Conditions.

Area of the Borough	2704 acres.
Registrar General's estimate of the resident population in 1942	4942
No. of Inhabited houses	1215
Rateable Value of the Borough	£30,313
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£118. 16. 4.

Vital Statistics

<u>Live Births.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Legitimate	33	20
Illegitimate	1	2
Total Live Births	34	22

There was one legitimate still birth.

Birth Rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population 11.5

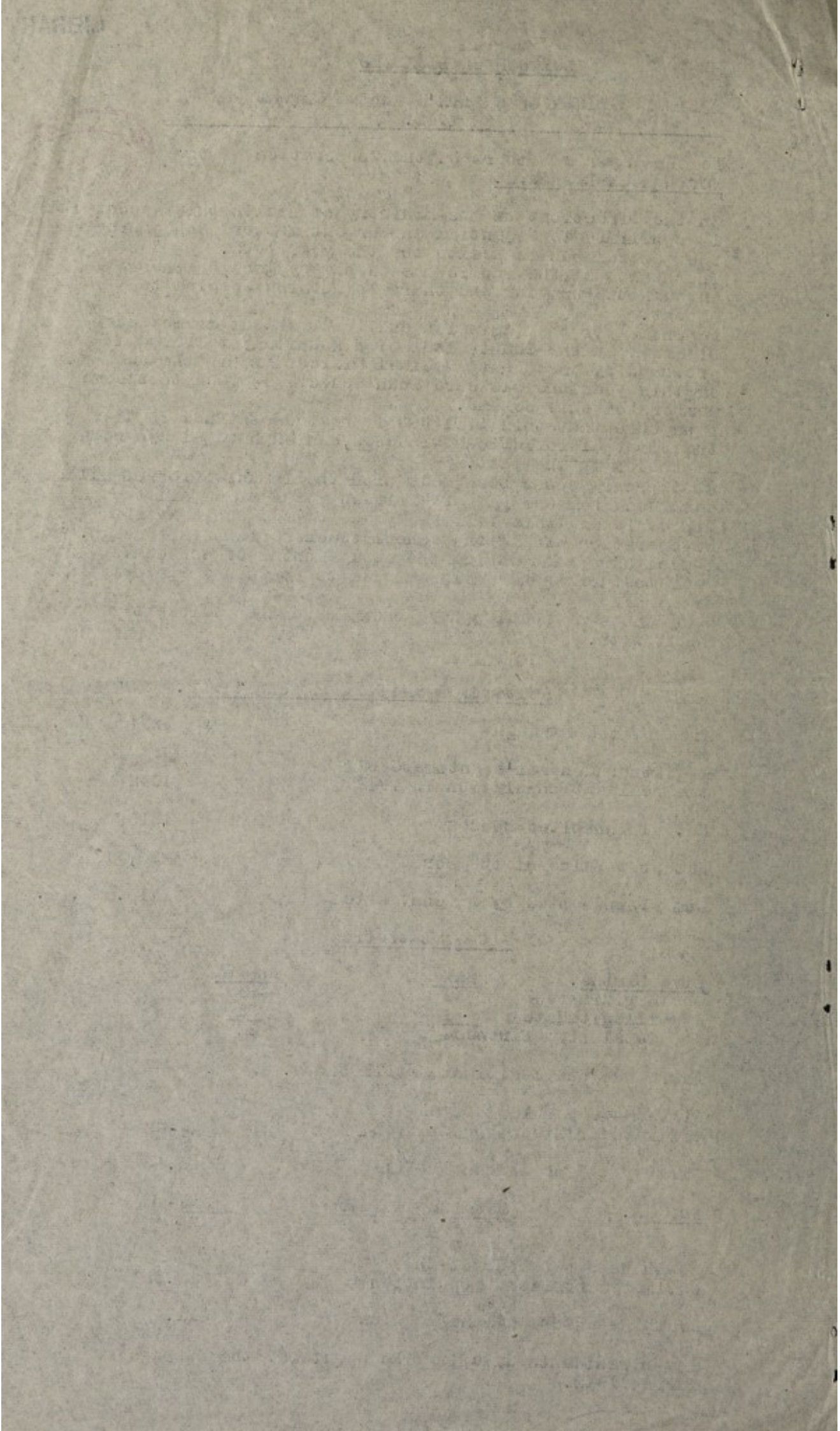
Birth rate for England & Wales 15.8

<u>Deaths.</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	66	29	37

Death Rate per 1000 of the estimated resident population 13.35

Death Rate for England & Wales 11.6

Seven residents died in places outside the Borough during 1942.



Deaths from Puerperal Causes

- (a) Puerperal Sepsis Nil.
(b) Other Puerperal Causes Nil.

Death Rate of Infants under one year.

- (a) All Infants per 1000 Live Births 45.4
(b) Legitimate Infants per 1000 Births 45.4
(c) Illegitimate " " " Nil.

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	13
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	Nil.
Deaths from Whooping Cough	Nil.
Deaths from Diarrhoea under 2 years of age.	Nil.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA:-

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE BOROUGH

(a) Medical.

The post of MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH is a part-time appointment and is held by;

J.G. MORGAN, M.R.C.S.(Eng)., L.R.C.P.(Lnd).

Dr. Day, the County Tuberculosis Officer, attends a Clinic at the Public Assistance Institution, Lamellion House, once a month for the examination of any Tuberculous Cases, and also for Consultations with any Medical Practitioners when necessary.

Dr. E. Wordley, of Plymouth, carries out any Bacteriological or Pathological investigations which may be necessary.

Dr. Rentoul, the County Orthopaedic Officer, attends once a month at the Orthopaedic Clinic, the Welfare Centre, Fair Park, Liskeard, and one or two County Orthopaedic Sisters attend once a week for the treatment of approved cases.

Dr. B.B. Metcalfe is the Medical Officer to the Public Assistance Institution and is also the Public Vaccinator.

(b) Other Officers.

The Borough Surveyor, Mr. E.J. Hoar, acts as the Sanitary Inspector. He is an Association of the Royal Sanitary Institute, a qualified Sanitary Inspector, and also a qualified Meat and Food Inspector.

There have not been any changes in the following:-

- (1) Laboratory Facilities.
- (2) Ambulance Facilities.
- (3) Home Nursing.
- (4) Treatment Centres and Clinics.
- (5) Hospital Facilities.

Notifiable Diseases

(other than Tuberculosis)
during the year 1942.

Disease	Total cases Notified	Cases admitted in Hospital	Total Deaths.
Smallpox	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	2	2	-
Diphtheria	3	3	-
Enteric Fever	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	-x	-
Whooping Cough	6	-	-
Erysipelas	7	2	-
Pneumonia	3	1	-
Cerbro-Spinal Fever.	1	1	-

No new cases of Tuberculosis were notified.

The General Health of the Borough throughout this year has been very satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN G. MORGAN.

Medical Officer of Health.
Borough of Liskeard.

