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ANNUAL REFORT

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of the MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH and SANITARY INSPECTOR for the year ending 31st.December 1923.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF

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Nurse Sheppard, Health Visitor.

REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER

To the Town Council of the Borough of Loughborough.

I have the honour to present to you my annual report for the year 1923.

Area (acres) Population (1923)		8045 86,480
No.of inhabited houses. No.of families or separate	-	5,952
occupiers.		7,107
Rateable value Sum represented by ld.rate		£118,773 £484

Water Supply.

The water supply of the district is derived from the uplands of Charnwood Forest, a sparsely populated district, most of which is grass land. The water has no plumbo-solvent action and is collected from the sources of supply of the Blackbrook and Woodbrook, each stream having a separate reservoir in which the water is stored. The Blackbrook watershed is the larger as also is the reservoir, and stands on a higher altitude, so that the water gravitates therefrom to the Woodbrook reservoir at Nanpanton where ample means of filtration of the most recent type are available to render the water free from all risks of pollution. The supply is ample and continuous.

Sewerage and Drainage.

Sewage is disposed of at the Sewage Farm by (1) Dortmund Tanks, by which a large amount of heavy sludge is extracted; (2) by irrigation in furrows over a cultivated farm with specially drained subsoil, (3) by bacteria beds, and (4) by broad irrigation.

The sewer has now been extended to Knightthorpe Road, Derby Road, and Swingbridge Road, and the houses with a few exceptions have been connected up.

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Excrement Disposal.

This is accomplished by (1) The Water carriage system, (2) Pail closets, (3) Common middens and Privy arrangements. This last system is being gradually abolished, no such arrangement being permitted for new houses.

Method of dealing with Infectious Diseases.

The Council have joined with the County Joint Hospital Committee which provides Isolation Hospital treatment for all cases of infectious disease. In hospital 1st.January 1923 6 Admitted during 1923. 19 Died 0 Discharged cured. 24 Remaining in Hospital. Decomber 31st.1923. 1

Disinfection is accomplished by (1) The Steam Disinfector at the Sewage Farm (2) Fumigation with sulphur and Formic Aldehyde, and (3) Spraying with Izob, Formalin, and Perchloride of Mercury.

Tuberculosis. Public Health (Tuberculosis)Regulations 1912.

This Council has arranged to join the County scheme for Sanatoria and Hospital treatment. Health Visitors have been appointed to visit and advise all cases of tuberculosis. The rooms occupied by the patients are periodically disinfected by the Sanitary Inspector with Formalin, and when a death occurs, or a removal takes place, the rooms are fumigated and the paper stripped off the walls and the rooms washed with a solution of disinfectant and limewashed, and the beds put through the steam disinfector.

Infectious diseases notified.

127 cases of infectious disease were notified during the year. viz. Enteric Fever 4, Scarlet Fever 18, Diphtheria 12, Chicken Pox 32, Erysipelas 7, Pneumonia 2, Whthalmia Neonatorum 3, Pulmonary Tuberculosis 44, other kinds of Tuberculosis 5.

Scarlet Fover.

18 cases of this disease were notified; 11 cases were removed to the Isolation Hospital.

Diphthoria.

12 cases of this disease were notified; 7 cases were removed to the Isolation Hospital.

Moasles.

One case of this disease was removed to the Isolation Hospital.

Midwives Act 1902.

The County Council carry out this Act.



Births.

The total number of births registered in the Borough was 507, which is 11 less than last year and is 7 above the average of the last 5 years, and is an annual birth rate of 19.1 per 1,000. Of these births 258 were boys and 249 girls. 22 of these births were illegitimate.

Vital statistics of the year.

Births. Legitimate Illegitimate	Total. 485 22	™. 250 8))Birth	rate	19.1	
Total.	507	258	249				
Deaths	291	144	147	Death	rate	10.9	

Number of women dying in, or in consequence of, child birth, 1.

Mortality.

The total number of deaths registered in the Borough was 310. From this must be deducted 28 of persons not belonging to the Borough and 9 added of Loughborough residents which were registered outside the Borough, which gives the correct number of Loughborough residents as 291, which is 21 less than last year, and 37 below the avorage of the last five years, and is an annual death rate of 10.9.

Infant Mortality.

Deaths of infants under one year of age per 1,000 births. Legitimate. 86.5, Illegitimate 50. Total 84.8. 7

Deaths from measles (all ages) 11

17

whooping cough (all ages) 5 11

Diarrhoea(under 2 yrs.of age) 7

The total number of deaths under one year of age is 43 which is 1 less than last year and 2 below the average of the last 5 years, and is an Infant Mortality of 84.8 per 1,000 births registered.

Zymotic Diseases.

The total number of deaths from Zymotic diseases including Influenza and Diarrhoea is 82, which is 16 less than last year.

Prevention of disease.

In order to prevent Infantile Diarrhoea during the summer months manure pits and 92 house rooms were sprayed with a solution to kill flics. This proved very .successful.

Bacteriological examinations

During the year 152 specimens were examined at the County Laboratory by Dr.Fairer, Asst. County Medical Officer. I have found these examinations very helpful and wish gratefully to

thank Dr.Fairer for the assistance. Sputa for T. B.100; Sowage & water analys: Urine General 10; Blood for Vidal's Test 9; Throat swabs for diphtheria 6; Blood counts 5; Sewage & water analysis 13; Fasces for Bacillus Typhosus 4; Pus for organisms 3; C.S.Fluid for Meningococci 1: Pleuritic Fluid 1; Total 152.

The large number of examinations of sputa for T.B. is largely



due to the fact that a number of them are sent by the Tuber-culosis Medical Officer from the Tuberculosis Dispensary. These figures do not include specimens collected at the V.D. These were as follows :- Films Clinic, Loughborough. for Gonococci 45; Blood for Wasserman reaction 46.

The amount of work accomplished at the V.D.Clinic will be seen from the table attached hereto.

Milk and Dairies Amendment Act.

A large amount of work has been carried out under the Act. Nine new Dairies have been erected and many others improved by better lighting and ventilation. On the new register there are 31 retailers and 15 wholesale traders and producers. These receive the constant attention of your Inspector and myself . 309 inspections have been made during the year.

Housing.

Housing.

30 new houses have been erected during the year by private owners, none with state assistance.

Housing & Town Planning Act.

The total number of houses inspected under this Act was 175. Nuisances were found at all of these, viz 80 dirty; 19 defective floors: 18 defective doors and windows. On notices being sent those defects were remedied.

Factory & Workshops Act.

The total number of inspections of factories and workshops was 183, 9 factories and 174 workshops. Twelve nuisances were found existing, viz. Insufficient closet accommodation, drains not ventilated and disconnected, closets not screened, dirty workshops and defective roofs. On notices being sent these nuisances were remedied. 6 new drains were laid, 6 new W.Cs.provided, drains ventilated and disconnected, 2 screens enlarged, 1 new one fixed, 1 defective roof repaired and 2 workshops cleansed.

Notification of Births Act 1907.

This Act is carried out by the Local Authority. A Nurse has been appointed to visit and instruct parents in all cases. The amount of work accomplished during the year will be seen from the Nurse's report attached hereto.

Infant Welfare.

Attached is the report of the Health Visitor from which will be seen the amount of work carried out. The Infantile Death rate is 84.8 as compared with an average for the last five years of 89.8 per thousand.

Appended is the Sanitary Inspector's Report, Report of School Medical Officer to the Loughborough Education Committee on Schools in the Borough. Tabulated statistics as to population , birth and mortality for the past five years, also of infectious diseases notified, and of deaths of infants under one year of age.

Copies of this report will, when printed, be sent to the Ministry of Health, the Home Office, and the Leicestershire County Council., I am, Ladies and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

N.B.M. BLACKHAM.

- 4 -Medical Officer of Health.



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ing		At all ages	Rate.			12.6	12.08	12.3	11.8	10.9
belong	ict.	At al	. o M			312	310	323	312	162
Nett deaths belonging	the distr	Under 1 yr. of age.	Rate per 1000 nett births.			96.8	0.66	88.6	84.9	84.8
Net	to	Und of	No.			40	61	49	44	43
le deaths.	Of resi-	e c	and a set of the set o			10	17	20	15	б
Transferable deaths.		residents register-				31	55	16	27	83
eaths	red in trict.	Rate		A. I.	1	13.4	12.3	12.1	12.3	11.7
Total deaths	registered in the district.	Number				333	32.7	319	325	310
		Rate				16.0	24.0	21.08	19.6	19.1
Births	Nett.	Number				413	616	553	518	507
B	Uncor-	rected number.				413	616	553	518	507
Population	estimated to middle	of year.		Pop.for Death Rate	24675. Division	25705	25659	26230	26400	26480
	Year.				.6161		1920	1361	1922	1923

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(Provisional figures. The rates for England and Wales have been calculated on a population estimated to the middle of 1923, while those for the towns have been calculated on popula-tions estimated to the middle of 1922. The mortality rates refer to the whole population as regards England and Wales, but only to civilians as regards London and the groups of towns.) TABLE X. Birth-rate. Death-rate, and Analysis of Mortality during the year 1923.

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Percentage total deat	daseb io sesuco certitico bered Mediosl Prendificosre.	92.0		92.2	92.6	90.8
per 1,000 s.	rebau sdiseb lejor .rsev l	69		72	69	60
Rate po births	Diarrhoea & Enter- Diarrhoea & Enter-) 212	7.7		6.6	6.4	10.2
	.eoneloiV	0.44		0.40	0.38	0.45
	.szneulini	0.22		0.22	0.21	0.17
population.	.ธiรคก≁กgiQ	0.07		60.0	0.06	0.13
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Annual Death-rate	.sesumó IIA	11.6	-	11.6	10.6	11.2
0	Birth-rate per 1,00. Total population.	19.7		20.4	19.6	20.2
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Civilians only. 37.02 M.13

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Causes of death in Loughborough. M.B.1923.

All Causes.	M. 144	
1. Enteric Fever		7
2. Small-pox	-	-
	4	-3
3. Measles		
4. Scarlet fever	ī.	-4
5. Whooping cough	τ.	
6. Diphtheria	1	-
7. Influenza		-
8. Encephalitis lethargica		-
9. Meningococcal meningitis	-	-
10. Tuberculosis of respiratory	10	7
system.	12	
11. Other tuberculous diseases.	-	1
12. Cancer, malignant disease	11	16
13. Rheumatic fever	1	2
14. Diabetes	2.	2
15. Cerebral haemorrhage etc. 16. Heart disease	6	9
16. Heart disease	22	22
17. Arterio-sclerosis	2	1
18. Bronchitis	8	15
19. Pneumonia (all forms)	11	3 3 1 4
20. Other respiratory diseases	-	3
21. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	3	1
22. Diarrhosa etc (under 2 yrs)	3	
23. Appendicitis and typhlitis	2	-
24. Cirrhosis of liver	-	ī
25. Acute and chronic nephritis	4	1
26. Puerperal sepsis		
27. Other accidents and diseases		
of pregnancy & parturition	1 -	1
28. Congenital debility and mal-	10	13
formation, premature birth.		
29. Suicide	5	4
30 Other deaths from violence	6	ī
31. Other defined diseases	29	31
32. Causes ill-defined or unknown	.1	1
Special Causes (included above) Poliomylitis Polioencephalitis	-	-
Deaths of Infants under	~~	
One yr. Total	21	21
Illegitimate	-	1
Total births	258	249
Legitimate	250	235
Illegitimate	8	14
Population.	2	6,480

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LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (V DEPARTMENT).

Return relating to persons residing in the County of Leicestershire who were treated at the Treatment Centre at Loughborough during the year ending 31st.December 1923.

Number of persons dealt with at or in with the out-patient Clinic for the f and found to be :-		
Suffering from syphilis		6 9
" soft chancre		
" gonorrhoea		11 4
Not suffering from venereal disease		3 3
	Total	20 16
Number of persons discharged from the Clinic after completion of treatment		it
Syphilis	101	1 0
Gonorrhoea		
0010111000	Total	8 2 2 9 2
	TODEL	
Number of persons who ceased to atter	nd the	
out-patient Clinic without completing		
and who were suffering from :-	•	
Syphilis		7 5
Gonorrhoea		1 2 7
	Total	11 7
Total attendances of all persons at t	the out-	
patient clinic who were :-		204 270
Suffering from syphilis		186 178
" gonorrhoea	n7 digeogo	133 27 14 21
Not found to be suffering from venere	Total	$\frac{14}{353}$ 226
	TOUGHT	
		000 000
Number of doses of Salvarsan substit		No.of doses
given :-		No.of doses
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J.A.Fairer M.D. D.P.H. Medical Officer of the Treatment Centre.



Report of SCHOOL MEDICAL OFFICER

To the Chairman and Members of the Loughborough Education Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the Medical inspection of school children for the year ending December 31st.1923.

The result of the inspections shows the usual number of minor defects - defective vision, enlarged tonsils and adenoids etc., but I am pleased to report an all round improvement, excepting cases of ringworm. In spite of the time spent and care taken on these cases by the School Nurse, the numbers and length of treatment have been far from satisfactory. Most of the cases become worse during holiday time, and I would suggest that they be looked after at the Children's Welfare during this period.

The Clinics have been of undoubted service which the parents seem to appreciate. There have been practically no refusals by parents for treatment to their children during the year. The treatment of mentally deficient children is still very much in its infancy and seems to be a very difficult problem to solve, while much more ought to be done as regards dull and backward children - special classes, special teachers etc. Nothing has been done with regard to open air schools or even open air class rooms.

895 children have been examined during the year. The general health and all round cleanliness show a marked improvement on former years. Clothing, boots etc.improved.

Children examined :-Infants. Boys. 139. Girls 163. Intermediates. Boys 84, Girls 129. Leavers. Boys 213, Girls 167. Children re-examined. 97.

By increasing the numbers of these re-examinations one is kept in touch with the patients and can also see .if the parents have kept up the treatment suggested.

38 Cured; 54 Improved: 5 No change.

The School Clinic is open each morning from 9 to 11 for treatment of minor ailments, dressings, medicines etc. and for medical advice on Tuesday and Friday mornings; Tuesday afternoons for dentistry; Friday afternoons for Eye Refractions.

Times opened :-				
For minor ailments. 208				
No. of cases treated 1049				
No. of attendances. 7280				
Eye Refractions.				
Cases tested at Clinic	76			
Requiring glasses	73			
Other forms of treatment	3			
Glasses changed	6			
Cases taken to Specialist	8			
Dontistry	1			
Children inspected. 6 yrs.		321		
7 "		279		
8 "		249		
g n'		258	1107	
Special cases			110	1217
Requiring treatment				619
Actually troated				405
Second visits				13
Half-days for inspection			8	10
" treatmont			29	37
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Permanent	teeth	filled	218	
"		extracted	42	
Temporary	teeth	filled	0	
		extracted	856	
Dressings			6	
	Total	filled		218
	Total	extracted		898

Nose & Throat

9 Tonsil cases treated at Hospital 7 Home

1 Adenoid case treated at Home 11 cases not referred for treatment 4 31 Slight Tonsil cases re-examined (improved on re-

examination).

Gargles etc.are provided at the Clinic and parents instructed as to their constant use. A large number of cases have been cured in this way, thus obviating the necessity for operation which a few parents object to. Ringworm.

37 Head cases.

Victoria St.,

Loughborough.

23 Body cases. This has been a constant worry during the whole year. Numbers far too large and treatment too long. Various treatments have been tried, and the School Nurses have been most diligent in looking after the cases. It would be helpful if School Medical Officers in other areas, when a treatment has been found satisfactory and cheap, could add same to their annual reports.

Scabies.

Only two cases during the year. This reflects great credit on the constant supervision by the School Nurses and the cleanliness of the parents and children themselves. Cleanliness.

9 cases only have been excluded from School during the year with verminous heads.

5 head cases cleaned at Clinic.

7 cases reported to N.S.P.C.C. in respect of 20 children. Condition of Girls' hair.

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Church Gate Girls.	98%	clean.
Cobden St.Girls.	96%	11
Cobden St. Infants	97%	11
Shakespeare St.Girls	97% 92%	11
Shakespeare St. Infants	97%	11
Rosebery St.Girls	95%	
Rosebery St. Infants	99%	11
Rendell St.Girls	96%	11
Emmanuel Girls & Infants	96%	17
St.Marys Girls & Infants	94%	11
Warnor Girls & Infants	99%	11
		and the second

The Head Teachers still continue the Boot Fund, which is a great help.

These returns are very satisfactory, which I think is due to the Clinic and work done there, co-operation of parents, co-operation of Teachers , and the now general opinion that School inspections are beneficial to the health of the children.

> I have the honour to be, Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant, N.B.M.Blackham. School Medical Officer. April 1924. - 10 -



REPORT OF THE HEALTH VISITOR for the year ending Sist. December 1923.

RITISH

Births registered.	Boys 258	Girls. 249	Total. 507.			
Notifications. Still-born	254 12	228 13 '	507			
Births not notified			28			
Illegitimate Notifications not	10	14	24			
necessary to visit.			32			
Visits by Health Visitor			1800			
Children constantly visi under supervision.	ted and	kept	80			
Children's Act in respec	t of fo	ur children.				
War Pension children. (Committee have now						
appointed their own vi Times Welfare Centre has		pened.	" 16 95			
Attendances made.			5756			
New admissions.	nees et	Olinia	254 46			
Ante Natal cases.Attenda do Visited		OTTHIC	40			
Ophthalmia cases.			- 3			

The centre is opened two afternoons each week. Monday and Wednesday, from 1.30 till 4.30. (Girls'Club, Biggin St.) The Medical Officer attends on Wednesdays at 2.30, and other times by appointment when necessary.

Dried Milks, Virol, Virolax, Crystalax, Medical Paraffin, Ovaltine, Emulsion, Ferri Phos, Dusting Powder, Feeding Bottles, Ointments, are sold at cost price and given free where necessary on the recommendation of the Medical Officer.

The wool and pattern stall is still very useful. Instructions and patterns are given in knitting and making up garments, many being cut out ready for the mothers to make. The clothing stall is still doing good work; many useful garments have been made by outside people and sent to the Centre. A good supply of children's left-off clothing has also been sent this winter and sold at a small charge or in many cases given.

Literature relating to hygiene, feeding, clothing etc.is sold at a small charge, and sometimes given.

Talks to mothers are given by the Hoalth Visitor when informal discussions follow very freely, great interest being shown by the questions asked and answered.

During the winter Lectures and a Cookery Demonstration were arranged the third Monday in each month. These were given by two Lady Doctors of the town and other good speakers; Cookery by a late Domestic Science Teacher, very excellent attendances being made on these days.

Baby week was celebrated by a Health Talk on the Monday by a special speaker at which there was a good attendance. On the Wednesday the Annual Outing was held when about one hundred mothers were taken by special train to Grace Dieu, a large luggage van being attached for the prams. A walk through



the Park , fruit being given to the mothers, tea provided at five o'clock, followed by games and sports in the grounds for which prizes were given, made up the programme.

entitled "Motherhood" During Health Week in October a film/was shown on the Monday at one of the Picture Houses which was kindly lent free and thrown open to all mothers who were admitted by ticket, about 800 being present.

On the Wednesday a very good speaker from the Central Council gave a Lecture in the Town Hall.

In January, sixty Lantern slides were shown at the Town Hall to the Mothers from the Contre. Toa was afterwards handed round, the Mayor and Mayoress being present. The slides were kindly lent by the Medical Officer of the County Council.

A Rummage Sale was held in November, from which the proceeds £14.0.0 were found very useful for many needs to Mothers and children.

The work is carried on by the Medical Officer of Health, the Health Visitor, and Voluntary Workers, the latter being most kind and helpful to the Mothers, and very regular in attending. Tea and cake is provided at a charge of one penny each time the Centre is opened.

The admissions have not increased but more attendances have been made. The Mothers still show great interest, especially with the older children after they have ceased to attend when advice is needed.

Four Maternity bags have been made up and lent for a period of six to eight weeks. They are constantly in use which shows they must be much appreciated by the mothers.



REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR.

Sanitary Inspector's Office,

Town Hall,

Loughborough.

May 28th 1924.

To His Worship The Mayor and Members of the Town Council.

I have pleasure in submitting for your consideration my Fifteenth Annual Report on the operations of the Sanitary Department, for the year ending 31st December 1923.

Scavenging.

The removal of household refuse has been carried out satisfactorily throughout the year. It is very rarely indeed that we get a request at the Office now to remove household refuse, this being systematically and regularly called for. I should like to appeal to the householders of the Borough to burn as much rubbish as possible because collection and disposal is a costly business. For a period of five years we have had an increase of 600 loads per year.

Conversions.

The Borough is now clear of any privies, with the exception of a few in scheduled areas and in the isolated parts of the district where neither water supply nor sewers are available. Twenty-one pail closets have been converted to water closets during the year.

Food Supply.

A large amount of food has been destroyed during the year as being unfit for the food of man. In the majority of cases the owners have requested me to examine the food, and I am pleased to encourage this as far as possible. No alteration in the number of slaughterhouses has taken place, being the same as last year - 17 total:ll registered and 6 Licensed ones.

Milk Supply.

With the Milk and Dairies Amendment Act in force, I am pleased to say that a large amount of work has been carried out under this Act. Nine new dairies have been erected and many others improved by better lighting, ventilation etc. There are several cowsheds where the work is in hand but not yet completed.



Housing.

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The demand for houses is still larger than the supply, and until the latter somewhat overtakes the former, I am afraid that we cannot deal with some of the houses which ought to be closed up.

Notices served.

The number of notices served is 462. A large amount of work has been carried out without my having to serve any notice at all.

In conclusion, I wish to take this opportunity of thanking my Committee for their unfailing support throughout the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

HAROLD BINTCLIFFE.

Sanitary Inspector.

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Summary of Work done.

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" Houses reinspected			163	
" Infected houses vis:	ited		164	
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" Communications re D			43	
" Complaints received			52	
" Common Lodging Hous " Eactory Workshop &			48	
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" Disinfected			2	
Animals improperly kept	200 03		14	
Accumulations of Manure			4	
			69	
			3	
Beef destroyed			1,582 1	
Brawn "			4	"
Sausage "			4	"
Pork Pies "			4	"
Pork "		. 1 care	ase & offe	
Figs "			1.1	
Oranges "				ases.
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Bacon "	••• •	•• •••		tins.
Pineapple "		••••		arcase.
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LIGNUS		• • • •		Dags.
Yeast " Plums "			120.1	
Apricots "				tins.
Gooseberries "			90 1	
Cherries "				baskets.
Mixed Fruits "				tins.
Oats "				packets.
Liver "	0'0 0		16 1	lbs
Blackberries "				chips.
Salmon "				tins.
No.of privies emptied	iania e		163	
" dry ashpits "	·• • •		8,816	
Total Number of loads	e : : : •		9,760.	

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No. of loads of dry ashes	8,480
" " taken to Destructor	5,218
" " " " Thorpe Lane & Park Road.	3,262
" " of Nightsoil	1,280
Drains taken out	8
New drains laid	33
Drains stopped and cleaned	60
Drains defective	12
Gullies affixed	13
Sink drains disconnected	3
Sink wastes repaired	26
	2
	4
rubbish	5
Yard surface repaired	17
Water Conductors repaired	168
Water Cisterns cleansed	5
Water Closets repaired	30
Dirty Closets cleansed	4
Closet doors repaired	2
Ashpit doors repaired	2
Dilapidated doors and windows repaired	26
Floors repaired	22
Dirty Yards	2
Animals improperly kept	4
Urinals repaired	2
Dirty urinals	3
Rabbits and fowls kept	12
Overcrowded houses	4
Dirty houses cleansed	107
	6
	64
Roofs repaired	2
Ventilators repaired	
Ceilings repaired	9
Damp walls	4
Dilapidations repaired	20
Drains ventilated and disconnected	19
W.Cs in lieu of pails	21
Ashpits dispensed with	8
Dustbins provided	87
Houses supplied with Towns water	43
Wells closed	1
Rooms washed and stripped after cases of Infect	cious
Diseas	
Closet pails provided	21
Plaster off walls	10
Soil pipes affixed	
Vans removed	5
Cesspools dispensed with	255
Additional W.Cs provided	6
W.Cs screened and ventilated	3
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LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.

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SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Year 1923. Borough of Loughborough District. Total number of complaints received during the year 52 11 " inspections made for all purposes 5879 11 " notices served 462. Informal 396. Statutory 66. 11 ir. 11 " summonses issued 3. ... 11 " convictions obtained 3. Insanitary houses (No.inspected) 203. No.cleansed 107. (Public Health Act 1875.) Smoke nuisances: No.of observations 12. Nuisances abated 3. Overcrowding: No.of houses inspected 4. Nuisances abated 4. Offensive accumulations: No.inspected 9. Nuisances abated 9. Closet accommodation: Total No.in district: (1) Privies 32. (2) Pail closets 774. (3) W.Cs. 6282. Privies (middens) No.of new provided.None. No.repaired.None. No.converted to (a) pails.None. (b) W.Cs.None. Pails or earth closets - No.of new provided 21. No.converted to W.Cs. 21. Water Closets - No.of new provided 51. Drainage and sewerage: Drains, drain traps etc., -- No.inspected 4261. Nuisances abated Cesspools - No repaired, cleansed etc. None. No.abolished and drains connected to sewer 5. 634. Scavenging: How is refuse disposed of ? Destructor. Is refuse destructor available ? Yes. Ashpits - No. of new provided None. No. converted to ashbins 8. Ashbins - No.of new provided 87. Water Supply: No.of samples taken for analysis 11. No.condemned 5. Wells - No. closed 1. No. cleansed, repaired etc. 4. No. of instances where public supply was instituted for the well 1. Infectious Diseases: Houses - No.inspected 50. No.of inspections 164. No.disinfected (a) Houses 50. (b) Schoolrooms 2. What are the arrangements for disinfection of (a) Bedding etc. Steam Disinfector. (b) Premises. Sulphur, Formalin & Izal. Regulated No.in No. No.of No.of Buildings, District. regis- inspec- contra-General conditions. tered, tions ventions Trades etc. made. found. Common Lodg-3. ing houses. 3. Canal Boats 22. 48 None. Good. 28 2. Good. 22. Offensive trades: Marine Stores. Fish Frying. (specify each)

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Tripe Boiling.



Food Supply: Diseases: No.of seizures 3. No.of summonses issued 3. No.of convictions obtained 3. No.of parcels surrendered 301. No.of carcases or parts of carcases condemned for tuberculosis 9. Slaughter houses: - No, in District Rural -No.registered (Urban) 11. No.Licensed (Urban) 6. General Condition of Slaughterhouses. Fair. No. of inspections of premises. 348. No.of contraventions of byelaws (Urban) 4. Has public abattoir been established ? No. If not, what are the existing arrange- Visits are paid ments for inspection of meat at time when thought necessof slaughter ? ary at any time and periodically. Total No. of inspections of places where food is kept or prepared for sale. 75. No.of contraventions found. None. Milk Supply: (Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order 1885 -(1889 etc. Milk and Dairies (Amendment) Act 1922. Have regulations been adopted ? Yes. Has Veterinary Inspector been appointed ? Yes. (a) Register - No.on Retail Purveyors: 31. (b) Premises - Total No.of inspections made 206. No.of contraventions found 17. No.found to require -(a) Cloansing 3. (b) Structural or sanitary 14. improvements Wholesale Traders and Producers: 15. (a) Register - No.on (b) Premises - No.of inspections made 103. (1) Total (2) During milking time 23. No.of contraventions found 4. No.found to require - (1) Cleansing 2. (2) Structural or sanitary 2. improvements 192. Total No. of Milch cows in district Legal Proceedings - No.of summonses issued None. No.of convictions obtained None. Factory and Workshop Act, 1901. Workshops - No.on register (to include bakehouses) 166. No.of nuisances abated 12. Bakehouses - No.on register 24. 2. No. of nuisances abated 74. Homework - No.of Outworkers Legal Proceedings - No.of summonses issued None. No.of convictions obtained None. Adoptive Acts: Byelaws and Regulations: None. Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act 1919: If appointed to act as Officer. No. Special investigations atc. Please state if there have been any special investigations or reports made during the year: None. Diseases of Animals Acts 1894 - 1909 If appointed to act as Officer. No.

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EOUSING.

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Year ending 31st December, 1923.

Year ending 31st December, 1923.	
No.of new houses erected during year:	
(a) Total 30.	
(b) With State assistance under the Housing Acts]	1919
ur 192	
(1) By the Local Authority None.	
(11) By other bodies or persons None.	
Well's Design lands	
1. Inspection. Unfit Dwellinghouses:	
1. Total number of dwelling houses inspected for	
housing defects (under Public Health or Housing	
	425.
2. No.of dwelling houses which were inspected and	
recorded under the Housing (Inspection of	
	174.
3. No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so	
dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	2
4. No.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
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11. Remedy of defects without Service of formal Notice. No.of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in	
consequence of informal action by the Local	
Authority or their officers	32
111. Action under Statutory Powers.	
A. Proceedings under Section 28 of the Housing, To	nwo
Planning etc., Act, 1919.	
(1) No.of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs No	one.
(2) No, of dwelling houses which were rendered fit	
	one.
(b) by Local Authority in default of owners.	None.
(3) No.of dwelling houses in respect of which	
Closing Orders became operative in pursu-	
ance of declarations by owners of	None.
intention to close B. Proceedings under Public Health Acts.	Mone.
(1) No.of dwelling houses in respect of which	
notices were served requiring defects to	
be remedied	127.
(2) No.of dwelling houses in which defects	
were remedied -	127.
(a) by owners(b) by Local Authority in default of owners.	
C. Proceedings under Sections 17 & 18 of the Housi	ing.
Town Planning etc. Act, 1909.	0,
(1) No.of representations made with a view to the	3
making of Closing Orders	2.
(2) No.of dwellinghouses in respect of which Clos	
Orders were made	2.
(3) No.of dwellinghouses in respect of which Close Orders were determined, the dwellinghouses have	aving
been rendered fit	1.
(4) No.of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demo	olition
Orders were made	None.
(5) No. of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance	01 None
Demolition Orders N.B.M.Blackham. Harold Binteliffe.	None.
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