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# Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the Year 1921.

TO THE

# MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COUNCILLORS OF THE

### LYDD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

#### MR. MAYOR AND GENTLEMEN,

I herewith present my Annual Report upon the General Health Statistics, Preventive Work, etc., of the Urban District of Lydd for the year ending 31st December, 1921.

#### GENERAL STATISTICS.

The area of the Borough is 12,082 acres, having a population of 2,232 according to the estimate based upon the Census taken in 1921. The number of inhabited houses is 602, occupied by 592 families.

The Rateable Value of the Borough is £8,438; the sum represented by by a Penny Rate (4d. on Land) being £30.

#### VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS .- The number of Births during the year was as follows :-

	Males	Females	I otal
Legitimate	 11	21	33
Illegitimate	 1	0	ı
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	12	2 I	34

The Birth Rate, therefore, is 15'23 per 1,000 population, as compared with 22'4 for England and Wales, and 22'7 for Towns of from twenty thousand to fifty thousand population.

DEATHS.—The total number of Deaths was 16, which gives a Death Rate of 7'17 per 1,000 population. The Death Rate for England and Wales was 12'1 per 1,000, and 11'3 per 1,000 for Towns of from twenty thousand to fifty thousand population.

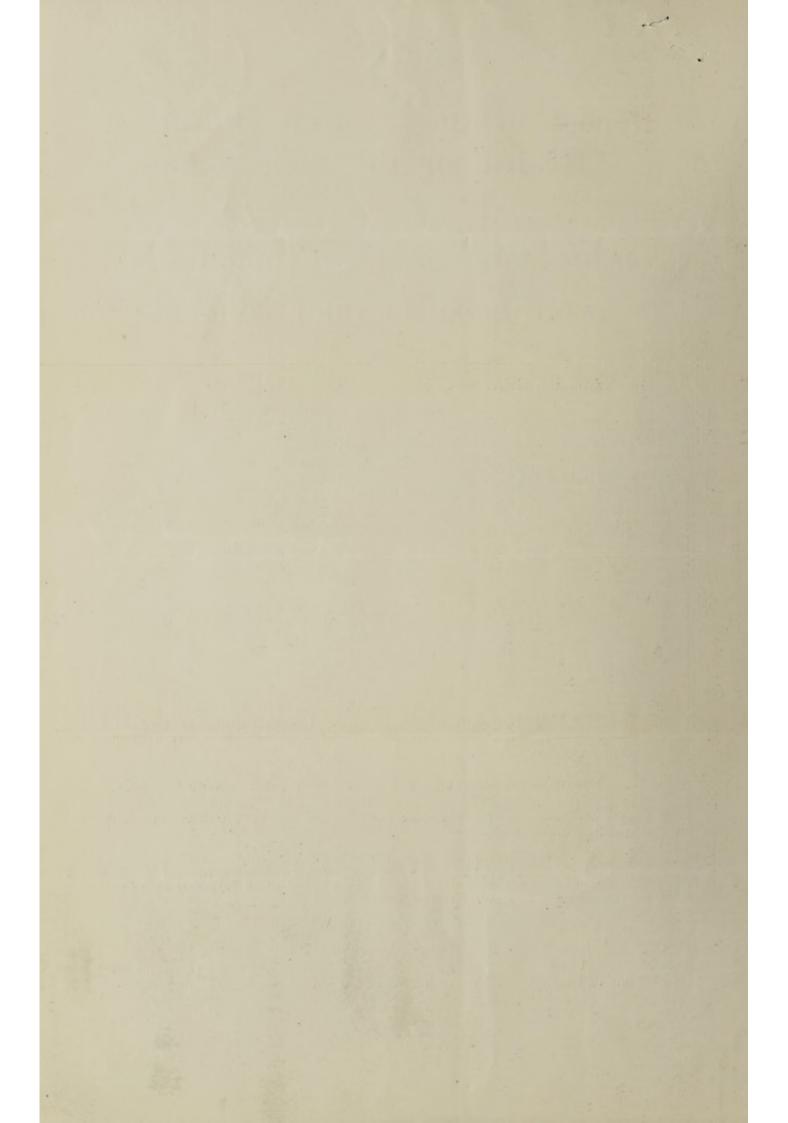
No women died during, or as the result of, childbirth.

One child died as the result of premature birth, and one child under two years of age died as the result of diarrhœa.

There were no deaths from Measles or Whooping Cough.

An analysis of age groups of the deaths gives the following result.

Under 1 2 3 4 5 10 15 20 35 45 65 years and over No. of Deaths 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 12



#### CAUSES OF DEATH (not previously mentioned).

Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 1; Tubercular Disease, 1; Cancer, 1; Heart Disease, 2; Arterio-Sclerosis, 1; Bronchitis, 1; Appendicitis, 1; Nephritis, 1; Suicide, 1; other Diseases, 4.

#### INFECTIOUS FEVERS.

There has again been a remarkable freedom during the year.

Seven cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis, one Diphtheria, one Scarlet Fever, and one Erysipelas were notified.

#### WATER.

I append an analysis of the local water, which is as excellent as heretofore. No circumstances worthy of note have arisen in connection with the supply.

			Parts p	er 100,000
Total Solid Resid	ue			17.7
Chlorine				2'4
Free Ammonia				0.0
Albuminoid Amn	nonia			0.0
Nitrogen as Nitra			0.1	
Oxygen aborbed		0'007		
Oxygen absorbed 4 hours at 80 F.				0.018
Nitrites				Absent

#### NURSING.

Nursing arrangements are made by the Local Nursing Association for provision of a District Nurse and Midwife. No other Midwives practice in the District.

#### INFECTIOUS ACCOMMODATION.

The accommodation provided for Infectious Fevers is as before.

#### FOOD.

The Milk Supply continues very short owing to the fewness of cowkeepers in the district.

#### MEAT.

The Slaughter Houses and Butchers' Premises have been inspected and found satisfactory.

I append Report of Sanitary Inspector on Sanitary Work during the year.

I am glad again to acknowledge the help of the Sanitary Inspector-Mr. Laslett-in my work.

I have the honour to be, Mr. Mayor and Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

#### MARTIN BUTTON,

Medical Officer of Health for the Borough of Lydd.

UNDERCLIFF.

Rye, Sussex, 21st April, 1922.

## URBAN DISTRICT OF LYDD.

# Sanitary Inspector's Report.

Number of Inspectors of Nuisances-One (part time).

Total number of visits paid by Inspector during the year 1921.

	No. in District	No. of Visits in 1921	s No. of Defects found	No. of Defects remedied
Bake-Houses	2	2	0	0
Dairies, Cow-Sheds and				
Milk Shops	3	3	0	0
Slaughter Houses	3	4	0	0
Common Lodging Houses	0	0	. 0	0
Houses Let in Lodgings Factories, Workshops and	0	0	0	0
Workplaces	0	0	0	0

Nuisances Found or Reported during the Year (other than those enumerated in the above tabulation)

Re Drainage ... No. investigated, 6 No. abated, 6

Number of premises containing each type of Sanitary Convenience in district (approximate)

W.C.s into Drainage System-Nil

W.C.s into Cesspools—about 275 Earth Closets or Privy Middens—about 140

Pail Closets-about 140

No of Premises not connected to Public Water Supplies-Nil

Notices Served: Statutory, Nil Informal, Nil

Number of Houses, etc., Disinfected-Two

Number of Articles of Clothing, &c., Disinfected-One

Housing :-

(a) Number of Houses inspected during the year (i.) under H.T.P. Act (Housing Regulations); (ii.) under P.H. or Housing Acts

(b) Number found Unfit for Human Habitation ... One
(c) Number of representations for Closing Orders ... One
(d) Closing Orders made ... ... One

The Housing shortage is less acute as the Camp is closed.

#### THOS. W. C. LASLETT,

Inspector of Nuisances.