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NEW SHOREHAM PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

CHANTRY HOUSE,
SHOREHAM-BY-SEA,

13th February, 1940.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report as Acting Medical Officer of Health for the year 1939 prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health.

INSPECTIONS OF SHIPS DURING THE YEAR.

TABLE A.

Number Inspected		Number reported to be defective	Number of Vessels on which defects were remedied	Number of vessels reported as having, or having had, during the voyage, infectious disease on board
By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Sanitary Inspector			
6	192	5	4	0

TABLE C.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS LANDED FROM VESSELS.

Disease.	No. of cases during the year.	No. of vessels concerned.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

TABLE D.

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

Disease.	No. of cases during the year.	No. of vessels concerned.
Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS

No action for the destruction of rats has been required and no "infected" or "suspected" vessels, or vessels from plague infected ports have arrived during the year.

HYGIENE OF CREWS SPACES

TABLE J.

CLASSIFICATION OF NUISANCES.

Nationality of vessel.	Number inspected during the year.	Defect of original construction.	Structural defects through wear and tear.	Dirt, Vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health.
British	137	1	5	2
Other Nations ...	55	0	0	0

FOOD INSPECTION.

Food cargoes have been inspected and have all been found in good condition.

Public Notices have been posted forbidding the removal or taking for sale for human consumption of any shell-fish from the Harbour and the waters of the river Adur between the entrance to the Harbour and the town of Shoreham-by-Sea. No instance of selling shell-fish taken from the prohibited area has been observed.

STAFF.

The Staff of the Authority are part-time officers. Being the official Deputy Medical Officer of Health, I have continued to act as Medical Officer of Health since the retirement of the late Dr. W. J. Butcher. The Sanitary Inspector, Mr. J. W. Thurman, is also Sanitary Inspector for the Shoreham-by-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. A. H. Holt, Chief Sanitary Inspector of the County Borough of Brighton, acts as Assistant Sanitary Inspector for the Port Health Authority for all duties in connection with passenger steamers travelling to and from Brighton Pier, and Mr. A. Trevethick, Sanitary Inspector to the Southwick Urban District Council, is official Deputy Sanitary Inspector.

I wish to express my appreciation of the assistance given throughout the year by the Officer in charge of Customs.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

A. G. K. LEDGER,

Acting Medical Officer of Health.

To the Chairman and Members of the
New Shoreham Port Health Authority.



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