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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PORT MEDICAL OFFICER

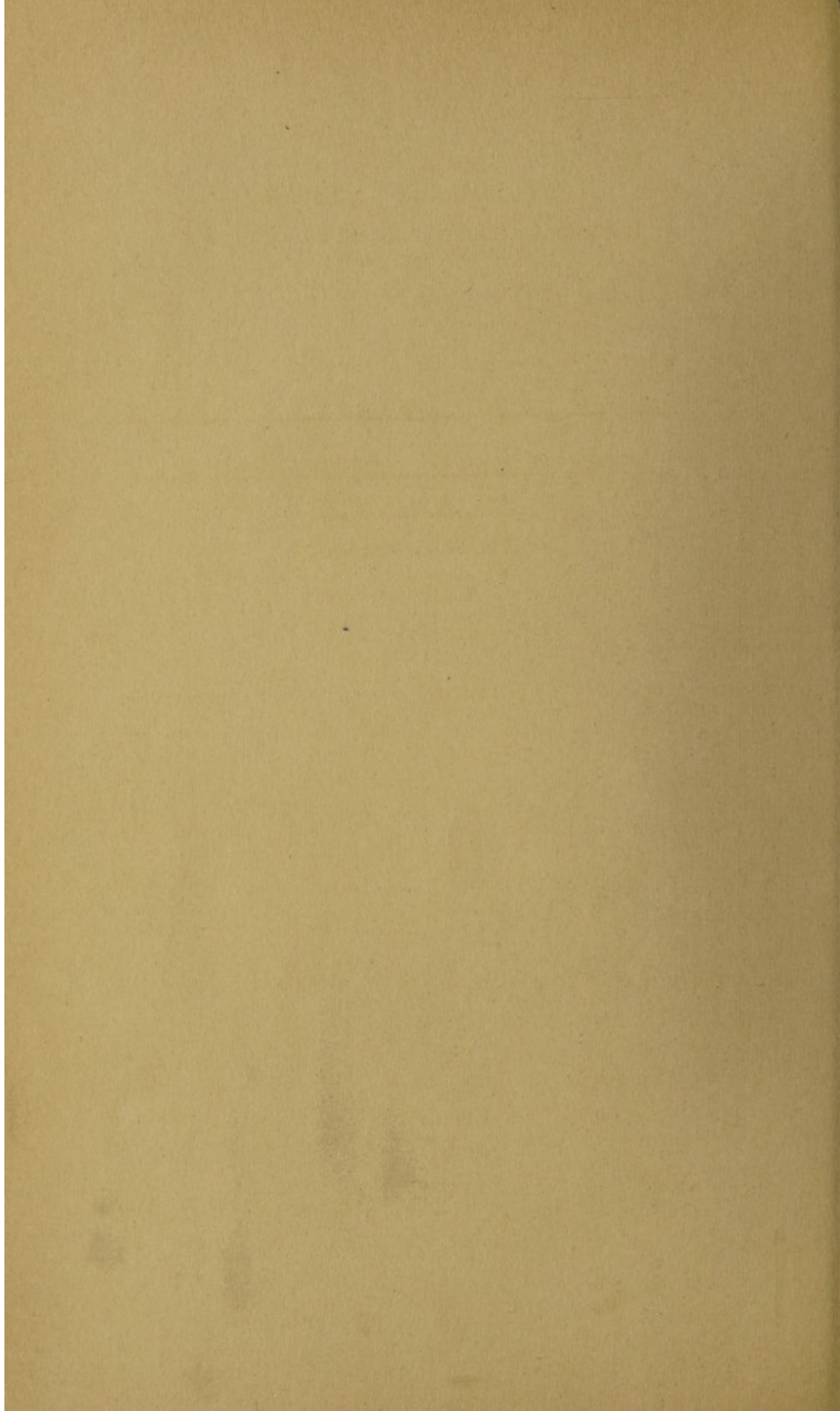
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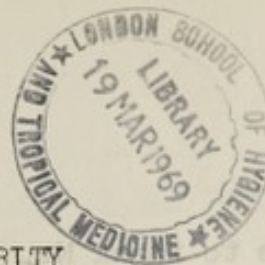


Public Health Department,  
The Grange,  
Southover,  
LEWES, Sussex.

February, 1967.







NEWHAVEN PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
31st December, 1966

To the Members of the Newhaven Port Health Authority

Mr. Chairman, Madam, and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Port Health Report for Newhaven for the year 1966.

The system for the medical inspection of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants followed the same pattern as adopted the previous year. This ensures that a Medical Inspector attends all arrivals during the period 0900 hours - 1800 hours and that the duty doctor in Newhaven is available if required for any arrival between 1800 hours and 0900 hours. A lady attendant meets every boat and calls out the duty doctor if required.

Passenger traffic between Newhaven and Dieppe extended from 1st January to 31st December. During the year the total number of inward passengers (Alien, Commonwealth Immigrants, and British) which arrived at the port was 239,861 (218,136 in 1965) whilst outward passengers numbered 248,450 (223,831 in 1965).

A total of 63,569 Aliens arrived during 1966 compared with 59,404 in 1965 and of these 90 were refused permission to land by the Immigration Officer, and 370 were subjected to detailed medical inspection. None were refused permission to land on medical grounds.

Of the 5738 Commonwealth Immigrants who arrived at the Port in 1966, 19 were refused permission to land by the Immigration Officer, and seven were subjected to a detailed medical inspection. None were refused permission to land on medical grounds.

The total tonnage entering Newhaven Port in 1966 was 1,195,166 compared with 1,204,958 tons in 1965. In 1966 the numbers of ships entering the Port were 1,202 from foreign ports and 493 coastwise.

Imports in 1966 amounted to 361,554 tons (366,595 tons in 1965) and were comprised chiefly of vehicles, loaded lorries, coal, building and roadmaking material, coke and patent fuel, fruit, vegetables and other foodstuffs, timber, iron and steel.

Exports in 1966 amounted to 92,666 tons (82,205 tons in 1965) of which vehicles was the chief item.

No cases of infectious disease involving ships were notified during the year.

I have to thank Mr. Harrison, the Port Health Inspector, and all the doctors who helped in the medical inspection of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants for their valuable assistance throughout the year. My thanks are also due to H. M. Customs and H. M. Immigration Service for their continued assistance and co-operation. I am also most grateful for the help given by the staff of British Rail and by all other departments and individuals associated with the work of the Port Health Service.

Finally, I want to tender my thanks to you for your help and encouragement during the year.

Yours obediently,

J. L. COTTON,

M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Port Medical Officer  
and Medical Inspector of Aliens



SECTION I

STAFF

TABLE A

NAME OF OFFICER	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	QUALIFICATIONS	ANY OTHER APPOINTMENT HELD
r. J.L.Cotton	Port Medical Officer and Medical Inspector of Aliens	1.11.1960	M.B., Ch.B. M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	M.O.H. E.Sussex United Districts
r.R.Alexander	Deputy Port Medical Officer Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens	27.1.1957	M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.	-
r.C.S.Barton	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens	25.8.1959	M.A., B.Sc. L.M.S.S.A. D.R.C.O.G.	-
r.M.H.Draisey	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens	19.3.1964	M.B., B.S.Lond.	-
r.D.J.S.Pendlebury	Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens	1.5.1964	M.A., M.B., B.Chir.	-
r.G.M.Lewis	Temporary Assistant Medical Inspector of Aliens	27.5.1966 to 26.9.1966	M.B., B.Chir. F.R.C.S.	-
r.W.P.Harrison	Port Health Inspector and Food Inspector	5.3.1945	Cert.R.S.I. & S.I.J.B. Cert.R.S.I. Meat and Foods M.R.S.H., B.O.T.Cert. Master Mariner	Public Health Inspector Newhaven U.D.C.
rs.L.V.J.Harris	Part-time Clerk in Port Health Department	12.10.1964	-	-

NAME OF OFFICER	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT	DATE APPOINTMENT	QUALIFICATIONS	ANY OTHER APPOINTMENT
Mrs. A. E. Brown	Lady Attendant to Medical Inspector of Aliens	9.7.1960	-	-
Mrs. E. Lelliott	Lady Attendant to Medical Inspector of Aliens	1.6.1964	-	-
Mrs. F. D. Melia	Lady Attendant to Medical Inspector of Aliens	31.5.1965	-	-
Mrs. S. Szymuda	Lady Attendant to Medical Inspector of Aliens	31.5.1965	-	-
Address and Telephone Number of the Medical Officer of Health.		Lewes 4282	The Grange, Southover, LEWES, Sussex.	



## SECTION II

### AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B

Ships from:-	Number	Tonnage	Number Inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage infectious disease on board
			By the M.O.H.	By the P.H.I.	
Foreign Ports	1,202	1,061,341	5	36	Nil
Coastwise	493	133,825	2	66	Nil
Total	1,695	1,195,166	7	102	Nil

## SECTION III

### CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

TABLE C

Number of Passengers INWARD	239,861)	supplied by
Number of Passengers OUTWARD	248,450)	Immigration
TOTAL	488,311	Authority
Passenger Vessel Arrivals	867	
Passenger Vessel Sailings	868	

#### IMPORTS OTHER THAN DIEPPE

#### Tons

Coal	92,737
Sand Ballast	183,604
Roadstone	7,916
Timber	6,844
Fertiliser	100

#### IMPORTS ex DIEPPE

Fruit and Vegetable	901
Butter	460
Cheese	1,396
Wines and Spirits	83
Chemicals	453
Earthenware	598
Timber	36
Machinery	1,707
Motor Vehicle parts	239
Shoes	751
Textiles	1,432
Furniture	1,537
Other Vehicles	37,925
Loaded Lorries	10,649
Empty Container (BR)	7,719
Other Commodities	4,467
	<u>361,554</u>



## EXPORTS OTHER THAN DIEPPE

Cement	532
Scrap Iron	8,080
Tiles	1,204
Barley	3,546

## EXPORTS DIEPPE

Wool	29
Furniture	4,195
Fish	1,386
Provisions	147
Meat	224
Earthenware	1,560
Chemicals	756
Tractor Parts	125
Machinery	1,482
Empty Cases	75
Tractors	83
Vehicle Parts	3,147
Paper Products	1,800
Rubber Goods	1,413
Plastics	1,241
Trade Vehicles	6,431
Other Vehicles	37,116
Empty Containers (BR)	9,003
Loaded Lorries	6,241
Other Commodities	2,850
	<u>92,666</u>

## Principal ports from which ships arrive

The main trade of the Port is with Dieppe and near Continental Ports, but there are also arrivals from German, Baltic and Scandinavian ports with general cargo and timber.

## SECTION IV

### INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

The port is not used by Inland Barge Traffic.

## SECTION V

### WATER SUPPLY

1. No change

2. Eleven samples from the well at Poverty Bottom after chlorination were found to be satisfactory.

Fifty-three samples from British Railways well at Denton before chlorination and fifty-two samples from the main piped supply to the East Side of the Harbour after chlorination were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory by British Transport Commission. All the samples were bacteriologically satisfactory.

3. No change

4. No change

## SECTION VI

### PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1952

No change

## SECTION VII

### SMALLPOX

1. Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the District

No change

2. Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hospital by ambulance, giving the name of the authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

No change

3. Names of Smallpox Consultants available

Dr. H. S. Banks, "Ranmore", Fir Tree Road, Leatherhead, Surrey.

Dr. W. S. Parker, Royal York Buildings, Brighton.

Dr. J. C. P. Grey, Hop Gardens, Mannings Heath, Near Horsham.

4. Facilities for Laboratory Diagnosis of Smallpox

No change

## SECTION VIII

### VENEREAL DISEASES

Information as to the location, days and hours of the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease among Merchant Seamen under International arrangements, including in-patient treatment and the steps taken to make these facilities known to seamen.

The following details relate to the available facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal diseases among merchant seamen, in common with the local population.

#### Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton

##### Male

Mondays .. .. .	4.30 p.m.
Wednesdays .. .. .	10.00 a.m.
Thursdays .. .. .	2.00 p.m.
Fridays .. .. .	11 a.m. to 12 Noon
	(by appointment only)

##### Female

Tuesdays.. .. .	4.00 p.m.
Thursdays .. .. .	10.00 a.m.

In-patient treatment is also arranged, if necessary, by the aforementioned hospital.

This information is made available by the Port Health Inspector on boarding ships.



# SECTION IX

## CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

TABLE D

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ships	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

Short account of measures taken on arrival by ships of (a) any cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever excluded in Table D (b) any suspected case of such disease.

(a) No cases of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus or relapsing fever occurred on ships arriving during the year.

(b) No suspected cases of such disease occurred on ships arriving during the year.

# SECTION X

## OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURANCE OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

No case of malaria arrived at the port, nor did any vessel report a case of malaria during the voyage.

# SECTION XI

## MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED OF PLAGUE

No measures were taken as there were no ships infected with or suspected of plague.



## SECTION XII

### MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

#### 1. Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

Where possible the Port Health Inspector or the Rodent Operator examines vessels for the presence of rats. A regular inspection is made in the case of the Cross-Channel vessels and an attempt is made to inspect thoroughly all foreign going ships.

#### 2. Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological examination of rodents with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year.

Arrangements exist for the examination of rodents from ships when necessary at the Public Health Laboratory, Brighton.

No specimens were sent during 1966.

#### 3. Arrangements in the district for Deratting ships, the methods used and if done by a Commercial Contractor, the name of the Contractor.

The Port is a designated approved port for this purpose.

Trapping, poisoning and gassing are available. The Contractors carrying out this work are Associated Fumigators Limited and Ratsouris Limited.

#### 4. Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.

Ships using the port are mainly Cross-Channel passenger and cargo vessels with a high degree of rat-proofing and little harbourage. Colliers entering the port have been found to be almost devoid of harbourage, while in the modern vessels rat-proofing is good.

If any excessive temporary harbourage is discovered the Master is required to abate same.

TABLE E

#### RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Category	Number
Black rats	Nil
Brown rats	Nil
Species not known	Nil
Sent for examination	Nil
Infected with plague	Nil



TABLE F

DERATTING CERTIFICATES AND DERATTING EXEMPTION  
CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR FOR SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

H.C.N.	Other fumigant (State method)	After Trapping	After Poisoning	TOTAL	Number of Deratting Exemption Certs. issued	Total Certs. issued
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	4	4

SECTION XIII

TABLE G

INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

INSPECTION & NOTICES

Nature and number of Inspections.	Notices Served		Result of serving notice.
	Statutory	Others	
Foreign going 36	Nil	1	1 complied
Coastwise 66	Nil	Nil	
TOTAL 102	Nil	1	1 complied

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELL FISH)

No Change.

## SECTION XV

### MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS AND COMMONWEALTH IMMIGRANTS

#### 1. List of Medical Inspectors holding Warrants of Appointment (at 31.12.66)

- (a) Dr. J. L. Cotton, Port Medical Officer of Health.
- (b) Dr. R. Alexander, Deputy Port Medical Officer of Health.
- (c) Dr. C. S. Barton.
- (d) Dr. M. H. Draisey.
- (e) Dr. D. J. S. Pendlebury.

#### 2. List of other staff engaged on this work

Mrs. A. E. Brown - Attendant  
Mrs. E. Lelliott - Attendant  
Mrs. F. D. Melia - Attendant  
Mrs. S. Szymuda - Attendant

#### 3. Organisation of work

The organisation of the work is such that the requirements of the Aliens Order, 1953, and Commonwealth Immigrants Act, 1962, are met.



## MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS AND COMMONWEALTH IMMIGRANTS

4. (a) Nature and Amount of Aliens Traffic.

Transmigrants.	Suffering from acute infectious disease.	Physically incapacitated.	Undesirable for medical reasons.	Lunatic, idiot or mentally deficient.	Number subjected to detailed examination by the Medical Inspector	Number inspected by the Medical Inspector.	TOTAL
-	-	-	-	-	370	63,109	63,479
-	-	-	-	-	-	90	90
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	370	63,199	63,569

4. (b) Nature and Amount of Commonwealth Immigrants Traffic

Transmigrants	Suffering from acute infectious disease	Physically incapacitated	Undesirable for medical reasons	Lunatic, idiot or mentally deficient	Number subjected to detailed examination by the Medical Inspector	Number inspected by the Medical Inspector	TOTAL
-	-	-	-	-	7	5,712	5,719
-	-	-	-	-	-	19	19
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	7	5,731	5,738



Total number of vessels carrying alien and Commonwealth  
Immigrant passengers .... 876

Total number of such vessels dealt with by the Medical  
Inspectors ..... 876

The annual numbers of inward aliens arriving at Newhaven from  
1945 to 1966 are given in the following table:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Inward Aliens</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Inward Aliens</u>
1945	17,911	1956	49,934
1946	26,376	1957	43,330
1947	31,551	1958	41,030
1948	41,412	1959	39,146
1949	48,127	1960	40,440
1950	49,521	1961	44,610
1951	51,918	1962	46,558
1952	52,104	1963	68,207
1953	51,084	1964	75,684
1954	54,652	1965	59,404
1955	58,410	1966	63,569

The annual numbers of Commonwealth immigrants arriving at Newhaven  
from July, 1962, when the provisions of the Commonwealth Immigrants Act,  
1962, came into force, are given in the following table:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Commonwealth Immigrants</u>
1962	4,004
1963	5,390
1964	5,070
1965	5,081
1966	5,738

#### 5. Accommodation for Medical Inspection and Examination

The long awaited improvements to the medical examination rooms are  
almost completed. However, during the year, an increasing number of  
examinations have been carried out on board the car-ferries and this  
arrangement has worked very well on the Falaise but there are certain  
difficulties in carrying out this work on the Villandry and Valencay.

#### SECTION XVI

##### ARRANGEMENTS FOR BURIAL ON SHORE OF PERSONS WHO HAVE DIED ON BOARD SHIP FROM INFECTIOUS DISEASE

No Change.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC, 1966

INCOMING

Month	Alien	British	Commonwealth	Total
JANUARY	906	1,063	76	1,969
FEBRUARY	510	1,772	75	2,282
MARCH	3,070	1,822	101	4,892
APRIL	2,969	18,193	698	21,162
MAY	4,443	5,292	331	9,735
JUNE	5,391	16,338	428	21,729
JULY	20,517	29,966	781	50,483
AUGUST	14,152	52,980	1,560	67,132
SEPTEMBER	7,330	38,657	1,112	45,987
OCTOBER	1,978	7,454	393	9,432
NOVEMBER	731	1,383	94	2,114
DECEMBER	1,572	1,372	89	2,944
TOTAL	63,569	176,292	5,738	239,861

OUTGOING

JANUARY	870	1,029	55	1,899
FEBRUARY	522	1,881	66	2,403
MARCH	880	4,329	197	5,209
APRIL	5,581	16,695	664	22,276
MAY	4,956	11,599	533	16,555
JUNE	4,671	18,173	654	22,844
JULY	16,716	51,677	1,324	68,393
AUGUST	20,501	46,526	1,319	67,027
SEPTEMBER	9,821	21,688	900	31,509
OCTOBER	1,741	3,634	232	5,375
NOVEMBER	978	944	58	1,922
DECEMBER	1,517	1,521	77	3,038
TOTAL	68,754	179,696	6,079	248,450



## PASSENGER TRAFFIC, 1966

## INCOMING

Month	Alton	British Commonwealth	Total
JANUARY	1,063	1,063	2,126
FEBRUARY	1,775	1,775	3,550
MARCH	1,823	1,823	3,646
APRIL	18,193	18,193	36,386
MAY	2,525	2,525	5,050
JUNE	16,138	16,138	32,276
JULY	22,966	22,966	45,932
AUGUST	14,122	14,122	28,244
SEPTEMBER	7,330	7,330	14,660
OCTOBER	2,474	2,474	4,948
NOVEMBER	1,363	1,363	2,726
DECEMBER	1,375	1,375	2,750
TOTAL	126,225	126,225	252,450

## OUTGOING

JANUARY	1,063	1,063	2,126
FEBRUARY	1,681	1,681	3,362
MARCH	4,392	4,392	8,784
APRIL	16,692	16,692	33,384
MAY	11,599	11,599	23,198
JUNE	18,123	18,123	36,246
JULY	21,672	21,672	43,344
AUGUST	46,256	46,256	92,512
SEPTEMBER	21,688	21,688	43,376
OCTOBER	3,634	3,634	7,268
NOVEMBER	944	944	1,888
DECEMBER	1,251	1,251	2,502
TOTAL	179,686	179,686	359,372