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RAWDON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER

(WALTER W. CHAMBERLAIN, M.B.)

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RAWDON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1897.

The Medical Officer begs to present his Annual Report of the Sanitary condition of the District, for the year 1897.

Considerable progress has been made with the Sewerage, and about 60 houses have been connected. As yet the Private Streets have not been commenced, but a temporary arrangement has been made whereby the sewage is conveyed by the old drains to the main sewer.

The condition of the Privies and Ashpits was on the whole satisfactory. In October the attention of the Council was called to two which were in a deplorable state. In the National Schools the Trough Closet System has been adopted, and in a block of three Cottages in another quarter of the District, a waste Water Closet has been introduced. As this method is vastly superior to the old fashioned privy system, it is very desirable to extend it both in replacing existing privies which are faulty and in the building of New Cottages.

A systematic inspection of the Slaughter-Houses was made by the Medical Officer and Sanitary Inspector—with one exception they were found in good condition.

The Cowsheds were also visited, a few of them were satisfactory but the majority are greatly in need of light, ventilation, more room, and better drainage.

The Graveyards were in good order.

The Water Supply was very good.

Under the Notification Act, eight cases of Infectious Disease were reported. These comprised : Scarlet Fever, 3 ; Erysipelas, 2 ; Puerperal Fever, 1 ; and Diphtheria, 2. Of the Scarlet Fever cases, one was contracted in Leeds and the other two from this one. Both cases of Diphtheria and one of Erysipelas occurred at Woodhouse Grove School, where, during the last quarter, there was an extensive epidemic of sore throats. The cause of this was, apparently, inadequate trapping and ventilation in the system of drainage adopted ; these defects have since been rectified and the system generally put into much better condition. An epidemic of Whooping Cough commenced early in September and by the end of the year had assumed considerable proportions—there were no deaths traceable to it.

No cases of Measles have come to my knowledge during the year and there have been but few of Influenza and these mostly of a mild type.

The Deaths numbered 34, a mortality ratio of 10·3 per 1000 per annum.

Analysis of Deaths :

At all ages	34
Under one year	10
One and under five	3
Fifteen and under twenty-five ...	2
Twenty-five and under sixty-five	7
Sixty-five and upwards ...	12

Causes of Death :

Diarrhœa	2
Heart Disease	5
Phthisis	4
Injuries	1
Bronchitis and Pneumonia ...	4
All other Diseases	18

The Births numbered 67, a Birthrate of 20·3 per 1000 per annum.

WALTER W. CHAMBERLAIN.



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(A) TABLE OF DEATHS during the year 1897, in the RAWDON URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT, classified according to DISEASES, AGES and LOCALITIES.

NAMES OF LOCALITIES adopted for the purpose of these Statistics; Public Institutions being shown as separate localities. <i>Columns for Population and Births are in Table B.</i>	Mortality from all Causes, at Subjoined Ages.								Mortality from subjoined causes, distinguishing Deaths of Children under Five Years of Age.																																					
	At all ages.	Under 1 year.	1 and under 5.	5 and under 15.	15 and under 25.	25 and under 65.	65 and upwards.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22																
									Smallpox.	Scarlatina.	Diphtheria.	Membranous Croup.	FEVERS.							Cholera.	Erysipelas.	Measles.	Whooping Cough.	Dysentery.	Rheumatic Fever.	Phthisis.	Pneumonia, Pleurisy, and Perity.	Heart Disease.	Influenza.	Injuries.	All Other Diseases.	TOTAL.														
													Typhus.	Enteric Typhoid.	Cerebral.	Relapsing.	Purpura.																													
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)																																						
RAWDON	34	10	3		2	7	12	Under 5 upwards.																																						

The subjoined numbers have also been taken into account in judging of the above records of mortality.
Deaths occurring outside the district among persons belonging thereto. 1. Deaths occurring within the district among persons not belonging thereto. 2.
Area and Population of the District or Division to which this Return relates. Area in Acres, 1559. Population (Last Census), 3077. Population (1897), 3300.

8th February, 1898.

WALTER W. CHAMBERLAIN, Medical Officer of Health.

(B) TABLE OF POPULATION, BIRTHS, AND OF NEW CASES OF INFECTIOUS SICKNESS, coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health, during the year 1897, in the RAWDON URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT: classified according to DISEASES, AGES and LOCALITIES.

NAMES OF LOCALITIES adopted for the purpose of these Statistics; Public Institutions being shown as separate localities.	Population at all ages.		Registered Births.	Aged under 5 or over 5.	New Cases of Sickness in each Locality, coming to the knowledge of the Medical Officer of Health.													Number of such Cases Removed from their Homes in the Several Localities for treatment in Isolation Hospital.													
	Last Census.	Estimated middle of 1897.			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
					Smallpox.	Scarlatina.	Diphtheria.	Membranous Croup.	FEVERS.							Cholera.	Erysipelas.	Measles.	Smallpox.	Scarlatina.	Diphtheria.	Membranous Croup.	FEVERS.							Cholera.	Erysipelas.
									Typhus.	Enteric or Typhoid.	Cont'd.	Relapsing.	Purpura.	Typhus.	Enteric Typhoid.								Cont'd.	Relapsing.	Purpura.						
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)																											
RAWDON	3077	3300	67	Under 5 5 upwds.		3	2						1		2																

State here whether "Notification of Infectious Disease" is compulsory in the District Yes. Since when? May 1st, 1891. Besides the above-mentioned Diseases, insert in the columns with blank headings the names of any that are notifiable in the District, and fill the columns accordingly. State here the name of the Isolation Hospital used by the sick of the District. Mark (H) the Locality in which such Hospital is situated; and if not within the District, state where it is situated. None used.

RAWDON URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH: WALTER W. CHAMBERLAIN, M.D.

SANITARY INSPECTOR: JOSEPH CLARK.

Water Supply.—No. of Houses having constant Public Supply: 1. Obtained from **Romald's Moor** (in addition there are two smaller private supplies—the quality in each being good). Gathering Grounds. Extent, **700** acres. Any inadequacy in any part? **No.** Quality, **Good.** Action on Land, **slight.** Any extensions or change during 1897? **No.**

Sewerage—Extensive improvements during 1897. About 60 houses connected to New System and remainder temporarily connected through the medium of the old drains.

Sewage Disposal—Treatment now in operation Precipitation and Land Filtration.

(If a Rural District please enumerate Parishes having Schemes)

Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1890 : Parts Adopted, 3rd Part. Date of Adoption, Nov. 3rd, 1891.	Adoptive Acts—Infectious Disease (Prevention) Act, 1890 : Parts Adopted, whole. Date of Adoption, June 9th, 1891.
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Bye-Laws and Regulations in Force.—

STREET.	Date of Adoption.	Inspection.	General Condition.
Savannah	Nov. 3d, 1891.	Constant by Surgeon.	Satisfactory
Nutances	"	"	"
Common Lodging Houses	"	"	"
New Streets and Buildings...	Nov. 3d, 1891.	"	"
Cowbald	"	"	"
Milkshops	"	"	"
Shops—Houses	"	"	"
Canal Boats	"	"	"
Public Baths and Washhouses	"	"	"
Houses Let in Lodgings	Nov. 3d, 1891.	"	Good
Smelters	"	"	"
Mechanics	"	"	"
Offensive Trades	"	"	"
Workshops	"	"	"
Open Streets	"	"	"
Vegetable Markets	"	"	"
Fruit Pickers	"	"	"
Periodic Removal of Manure	"	"	"
Other matters	"	"	"

Local Government Board—Scheme before L.G.B., Subject and Locality, connecting Sowers in Private Streets
L.G.B. Inquiries, Subject and Locality, O.

Special Reports by M.O.H. during 1897, O.

Isolation Hospital.—Any action during 1897. The Scheme for a Hospital for the adjacent townships of KAWATOYDON, GUISELEY and HORSFORTH, has been rejected and the whole Wharfedale Union formed into one District.

Miscellaneous.—Number of Houses built during 1897, 6. General Character, Good. Is House-to-House Inspection essentially made? No. Total No. of Nuisances in hand at close of 1896, 2. At close of 1897, 5. Reported during

Year	Slack wastes trapped during	Total No. of Summonses or other Legal Proceedings, O.	No. of Sink wastes disconnected during
1897, 2	55	0	55
1897, 52	9	13	1

What action has been taken in regard to the following matters?

Houses unfit for habitation,	0.	Overcrowding,	0
Samples under Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, 0		Preventions, 0	
Seizure of Unsound Food, 0		Prosecutions, 0	
Preventions, 0		Prosecutions, 0	
Schools, No in District, 8		No closed or re-opened schools, No children sentenced to reformatories, No children sentenced to prisons, 0	

River Pollution.—**O.** Smoke Abatement.—**O.** No. of violations taken.—**O.** Section.—**NO.** In Year.—**O.** No. of cases.—**O.** Account of outbreaks of disease.—**O.** Total duration of closure from this cause.—**O.** Barial Grounds.—**No.** In District.—**2** Any need for extension? **No.** Vaccination—General efficiency.—

*Births-Males, 30. Females, 37, total 67. Number illegitimate, included in the above, ? Any information as to Still Births, No.

* The figures entered here should be the numbers *actually registered* in the district, without any correction.

TABLE VALUE as stated in Valuation List.	Value upon which the General District Rate Assessed.				Rate in the £ 1897.
	Full Rateable Value (duty, &c.)	One-fourth Rateable Value (duty, &c.)	Three-fourths Rateable Value (duty, &c.)	Value before owner in possession.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
£18,872 0s. 0d.	£9,410 0s. 0d.	£646 0s. 0d.	£1,741 0s. 0d.	5/-.	

Cols. 9, 3, and 4 only apply to Urban Districts

Sanitary Requirements of District, and Suggestions of Medical Officer of Health:—

It is very desirable that those at any rate of the Privies which are faulty, should be repaired by Waseo Water Closets and that the system be introduced into all new Cottages where possible.

Please oblige by appending Report of Sanitary Inspector.