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## ANNUAL REPORT

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## Port Medical Officer of Health

for YEAR 1959

WATERLOO HOUSE,  
WATERLOO ROAD,  
BLYTH.  
January, 1960.

To the Chairman and Members of the River Blyth Port Health Authority.

Gentlemen,

Once again it is my privilege to place before you the Annual Report on the work of the Port Health Administration for the Port of Blyth, for the year 1959.

As in preceding years this report is presented in accordance with the instructions issued by the Minister of Health—Form Port 20, and Circular 33/52. Detailed information will be found in the Sections I to XVI.

The total number of vessels which arrived during the year was 3,048, including Fishing Vessels. This is a slight decrease on the previous year. Foreign Vessels (Foreign and Coastwise) numbered 659 including Fishing Vessels. The number of arrivals direct from Foreign Ports was a slight increase on the previous year.

The amount of Coal and Coke shipped from the Port during the year was 5,083,729 tons, this also includes Bunker Coal, a slight increase on the previous twelve months. Imports discharged at the Port were: Timber 8,158 loads, Cement 36,420 tons, Roofing Tiles and Sundries 7,214 tons.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1952**

The above Regulations became operative from the 1st October, 1952, and deal with the Infectious Diseases, now to be known as Quarantinable Diseases, sanitary control of ships and persons, Deratting Certificates, etc. Certificates issued will be found in the appropriate Tables.

### **INSPECTION OF VESSELS**

The work of dealing with nuisances and defects (structural and otherwise) will be found in the appropriate tables included in the report.

I again record with pleasure the kind assistance received from time to time from the Blyth Harbour Commission, River Pilots, H.M. Customs Officers, Immigration Officer, also the Ministry of Transport Surveyors for their help and co-operation with the staff of the Port Health Authority.

R. J. P. R. CAMPBELL, M.B., Ch.B.,  
Medical Officer of Health.



RIVER BLYTH PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

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MEMBERS OF AUTHORITY AT 31st DECEMBER, 1959

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Chairman : ALDERMAN A. WALTON, J.P.

VICE-CHAIRMAN : COUNCILLOR F. RAFFERTY.

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COUNCILLOR MRS. M. PURVES.

COUNCILLOR E. PURVIS.

COUNCILLOR A. H. PAYNE.

COUNCILLOR M. K. ROACH.

COUNCILLOR A. RUTHERFORD.

## SECTION I—STAFF

Table A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment	Qualifications	Any other Appointments held
MR. W. T. HARRISON	Clerk to the Authority	1st September, 1944		Deputy Town Clerk, Borough of Blyth.
MISS L. OWEN ...	Deputy Clerk to the Authority	1st October, 1947	A.C.I.S.	Town Clerk's Staff, Borough of Blyth.
DR. R. J. P. R. CAMPBELL	Medical Officer of Health	1st October, 1949	M.B., Ch.B.	General Practice.
DR. R. CRAIG ...	Deputy Medical Officer of Health	1st April, 1957	M.B., Ch.B.	General Practice.
MR. NORMAN F. GODFREY	Public Health Inspector	1st February, 1957	Public Health Inspectors Certificate R.S.I. Meat and Food Cert. R.S.I.	None.
MR. ROBERT H. CRAMP	Rodent Officer	11th January, 1952		None.
MISS E. BLAIR ...	Office Clerk	22nd December, 1958		None.
MISS K. IRELAND ...	Office Clerk	7th December, 1959		None.

Dr. R. J. P. R. Campbell's address :

WATERLOO HOUSE, WATERLOO ROAD, BLYTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

Telephone No. : BLYTH 3226.

## 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 Diseases on board
			By the M.O.H.	By the Public Health Inspector	
Foreign Ports ...	113	81,380	46	67	—
Coastwise Ports ...	2,606	2,190,489	43	2,563	—
TOTALS ...	2,719	2,271,869	89	2,630	—

FISHING VESSELS—				No.	Tonnage
Foreign	...	...	...	321	14,093
Coastwise	...	...	...	8	1,140

**Crews**

Foreign	Coastwise	Fishing	Total
3,390	35,435	4,101	42,926

**SECTION III**  
**Character of Shipping and Trade during the year 1959**

**Table C**

Passenger Traffic	...	{	No. of Passengers INWARDS	...	...	...	...	...	9	
			No. of Passengers OUTWARDS	...	...	...	...	48		
			Passengers on Temporary Shore Leave	...	...	...	66			
There is no regular passenger traffic at this Port (See table for Aliens).										
Cargo Traffic	...	{	Principal Imports	...	...	{	Sand	...	...	3,813 tons
							Mining Timber	...	4,345	„
							Other Timber...	...	36,420	„
							Cement	...	2,243	„
							Roofing Tiles	...	4,971	„
			Principal Exports	...	...	{	Coal & Coke (Cargo)	5,083,729	„	
							(including Bunkers)	60,105	„	
							Fuel Oil (Bunkers)	...	5,182	„
							Sundry	...	754	„

Fish landed was valued at £18,679.

Principal Ports from which Ships arrive :—

**FOREIGN PORTS—**

BELGIUM	...	Antwerp, Brussels, Dunkirk, Ghent, Granville, Ostend, Zeebrugge.
DENMARK	...	Aalborg, Aarhus, Arendahl, Copenhagen, Karlskrona, Kolding, Marstal, Nore-Sundby, Odense, Svenborg, Thure.
FAEROES	...	Klaksvik, Sorvag.
FINLAND	...	Lovisa, Mantyluoto, Mariehamn, Helsingfors, Helsinki, Turku.
FRANCE	...	Bayonne, Calais, Rouen.
GERMANY	...	Arnis, Bremen, Bremerhaven, Emden, Flensburg, Gluckstadt, Hamburg, Haren-Ems, Itzehoe, Keil, Leer, Oberbuchen, Stade, Vetersen.
ICELAND	...	Reykjavik.
HOLLAND	...	Amsterdam, Appingdam, Brake, Breskens, Delfzijl, Dordrecht, Flushing Groningen, Harlingen, Kampen, Katwijk, Rotterdam, Schveningen, Terneuzen, Zaandam, Zaanward.
LIBERIA	...	Monrovia.
NORWAY	...	Bergen, Stavanger.
PANAMA	...	Panama.
POLAND	...	Gdynia, Stettin, Swinouisce, Wladyslawawa.
SWEDEN	...	Christinchamn, Gefle, Halmstad, Karlsham, Karlstad, Lidkoping, Namsos, Stockholm, Thorshaven, Trelleborg, Visby.



## **SECTION IV**

### **Inland Barge Traffic**

There is no barge traffic at the Port.

## **SECTION V**

### **Water Supply**

Samples have been taken regularly from points on the West Staithes, North and South Side, South Harbour and B.H.C. Waterboat. 94 were submitted for bacteriological examination and of these 15 were found to be unsatisfactory. Most of the latter occurred on the North Side Staithes. As a result of this, arrangements were made with the Blyth Harbour Commission for additional cleansing of the supply tank on the North Side and for lengths of dead line to be flushed out periodically.

In past years the B.H.C. Waterboat has been supplied with Newcastle & Gateshead water from a hydrant adjoining the Pilot Jetty, but during the year a supply point has been provided at the West Staithes, which will supply Tynemouth Water and cut out the necessity for the long return trip when empty.

## **SECTION VI**

### **Public Health (Ships) Regulations, 1952**

No change.

## **SECTION VII**

### **Smallpox**

1.—The Northern Regional Hospitals Board have made arrangements for the admission of Smallpox cases to the Langley Park Isolation Hospital, Co. Durham (Telephone No. : Chester-le-Street 3207). The Doctor in Charge of this hospital will be Dr. Gavin Miller, of Sacriston, Co. Durham. His Telephone No. is Sacriston 232.

2.—The Northumberland County Council are responsible for the ambulance service. Dr. A. Donaldson, the Medical Officer for the Blyth and Bedlington Local Authorities, is responsible for the vaccinal state of the ambulance crews.

#### **3.—NAME OF SMALLPOX CONSULTANT AVAILABLE :—**

DR. WILSON MINNS, 16, Rectory Drive, Gosforth, 3, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Telephone No. : Gosforth 5-4282.

4.—FACILITIES FOR LABORATORY DIAGNOSIS OF SMALLPOX. Laboratory facilities are provided at the General Hospital, Westgate Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, 4.

## **SECTION VIII**

### **Veneral Disease**

No change.



## 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

No other infectious diseases occurred in the Port.

## SECTION X

### Observation on the occurrence of Malaria in ships

No cases of Malaria have been reported during the year.

## SECTION XI

### Measures taken against Ships infected with or suspected of Plague

Inquiries as to the prevalence of rats are made on all ships in Port (whether in possession of Deratting Certificates or Deratting Exemption Certificates or not) and a systematic inspection is carried out on all ships arriving directly or otherwise from foreign ports.

A systematic search for evidence of infestation is carried out on all vessels.

## SECTION XII

### Measures against Rodents in Ships from Foreign Ports

1.—On arrival at the Port vessels are examined and if there is any evidence of rats notice is at once served on the Master. The Port Health Authority have their own official Rodent Operator. Particular attention is given to vessels arriving directly or indirectly from infected areas.

2.—Rats caught were examined, and all specimens appeared healthy. None showed any abnormal lesions, and none was therefore sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Newcastle upon Tyne.

3.—When a vessel is found to be infested with rats notice is served on the Master requesting fumigation. He, through his Agent, gets in touch with an authorised firm of fumigators to carry out the work. The chief and most popular method is by Hydrogen Cyanide. The standard required for International purposes is strictly adhered to. Sulphur Dioxide is now rarely used.

When vessels are undergoing fumigation every precaution is taken, such as posting of notices on the ships, also the fencing off of the gangways to render the process as free as possible from accidents. The minimum period for exposure for this gas is two hours, generally four to six in practice, and this effects a considerable saving of time compared with the older method of Sulphur Dioxide.

Contractors who carry out fumigations HCN at this port are :—

Messrs. A. MILBURN & CO. LTD.,  
Mill Dam,  
South Shields.

Messrs. BARBER & HERRON,  
Templetown,  
Tyne Dock,  
South Shields.

4.—In the Construction of modern vessels considerable progress has been made in the provision of rat-proof compartments. Bulkheads and partitions are usually steel, and with a minimum of timber, it is difficult for rodents to find harbourage. Modern Naval Architecture is coping with the problem satisfactorily.

**Table E**

**Rodents destroyed during the year in Ships from Foreign Ports**

Category					Number
Black Rats	...	...	...	...	—
Brown Rats	...	...	...	...	—
Species not known	...	...	...	...	—
Sent for examination	...	...	...	...	—
Infected with Plague	...	...	...	...	—

All specimens have been examined macroscopically.

The total number of brown rats recovered from the Quayside after poison baits have been put down was 779.



Table F

**Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year 1959  
for Ships from Foreign Ports**

No. of Deratting Certificates issued					Number of Deratting Exemption Certificates issued	Total Certificates issued
After Fumigation with		Aft Trapping	After Poisoning	Total		
HCN 1	Other Fumigant (state method) 2				3	4
—	—	—	—	—	101	101

**Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates  
issued during the year 1959**

Net Tonnage	No. of Ships	No. of Deratting Certificates issued				No. of Deratting Exemption Certificates issued	Total Certificates issued
		After Fumigation with			After Trapping Poisoning, &c.		
		HCN	Sulphur	HCN and Sulphur			
Ships up to 300 tons ...	22	—	—	—	—	22	22
Ships from 301 tons to 1,000 tons ...	32	—	—	—	—	32	32
Ships from 1,001 tons to 3,000 tons ...	42	—	—	—	—	42	42
Ships from 3,001 tons to 10,000 tons ...	5	—	—	—	—	5	5
Ships over 10,000 tons	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ...	101	—	—	—	—	101	101

### SECTION XIII

#### Inspection of Ships for Nuisances

Table G

#### Inspection and Notices

Nature and Number of Inspections	Notices Served		Result of Serving Notices
	Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
Routine Inspections ... S/S 1,500	Nil	118	Defects remedied
Do. ... M/V 1,219	Do.	48	Do.
Do. ... F/V 329	Do.	—	—
TOTAL ... 3,048	Do.	166	Do.

### SECTION XIV

#### Public Health (Shell-fish Regulations) 1934 and 1948

No change.

### SECTION XV

#### Medical Inspection of Aliens

This is not an approved Port for the landing or inspection of Aliens.

The number of Aliens who arrived at the Port was 1 (See Table C, Section III).

### SECTION XVI

#### Miscellaneous

Mortuary—No change.

Food Inspection—No change.

#### NATIONALITIES OF SHIPS

British	...	...	...	...	...	2,380
German	...	...	...	...	...	175
Dutch	...	...	...	...	...	100
Swedish	...	...	...	...	...	38
Danish	...	...	...	...	...	4
Norwegian	...	...	...	...	...	5
Finn	...	...	...	...	...	8
Faeroes	...	...	...	...	...	6
Icelandic	...	...	...	...	...	2
Lebonese	...	...	...	...	...	1
						<u>2,719</u>



### FISHING VESSELS

British	...	...	...	...	...	5
Dutch	...	...	...	...	...	61
Faeroes	...	...	...	...	...	1
Icelandic	...	...	...	...	...	1
Polish	...	...	...	...	...	261

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GRAND TOTAL FOR THE YEAR ... 3,048

### VESSELS BOARDED

The following table gives a list of vessels boarded during the year by the Medical Officer of Health or Public Health Inspector on account of disease on board during the voyage or whilst in Port.

All cases set out below received attention and treatment.

Date	Name of Vessel and Nationality	Where from	Rating	Sickness
27. 1.59	Thrift (British)	Aberdeen	Seaman	Burns
6. 2.59	Serenity (British)	Tyne	Seaman	Abscess on Jaw
12. 2.59	Corferry (British)	London	Mate	Influenza
12. 2.59	Crescence (British)	Northfleet	Seaman	Influenza
12. 2.59	Corfen (British)	London	Mate	Influenza
14. 2.59	Camroux III (British)	London	Mate	Nephritis
14. 2.59	Daniel M. (British)	Blyth	Engineer	Died—Heart Disease
15. 2.59	Hudson River (British)	London	2 Seamen	Influenza
22. 2.59	Portwood (British)	London	Master	Died on Voyage
27. 2.59	Mytongate (British)	Colchester	Seaman	Influenza
3. 3.59	Saxon Queen (British)	Sea	Mate	Accident to leg
17. 3.59	Corsound (British)	London	Mate	Nephritis
18. 3.59	The Earl (British)	Tyne	Mate	Influenza
19. 3.59	Julianka (German)	Tyne	Seaman	Influenza
23. 3.59	Ernst Friesecke (German)	Tyne	Seaman	Dental treatment
5. 4.59	Sir Johnstone Wright (British)	London	Mate	Stomach Ulcer
18. 5.59	Venus (Dutch)	Falmouth	Seaman	Accident to eye
25. 5.59	Cliff Quay (British)	Ipswich	Seaman	Accident to legs
28. 5.59	Sir William Walker (British)	Shoreham	Seaman	Pneumonia
30. 5.59	Bodmin Moor (British)	Portsmouth	Engineer	Dysentery
31. 5.59	Southport (British)	London	Boy	Sprained Wrist
5. 6.59	Severity (British)	Bowness	Seaman	Polio Injection
13. 6.59	Mangen (Swede)	London	Cabin Boy	Accident to hand
17. 6.59	Venus (Dutch)	London	Mate	Accident to hand
10. 7.59	Sir Johnstone Wright (British)	London	Mate	Stomach Ulcer
29. 7.59	F.V. Jaskolka (Polish)	Deep Sea		
		Fishing Grounds	Seaman	Appendicitis
30. 7.59	F.V. Jarzabek (Polish)	"	Seaman	Treated for Burns
30. 8.59	F.V. Jarzabek (Polish)	"	Seaman	Appendicitis
12. 8.59	F.V. Rokietniczka (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to leg
5. 8.59	F.V. Willem (Dutch)	"	Seaman	Fractured Skull
5. 8.59	F.V. Willem (Dutch)	"	Seaman	Meningitis
14. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 249 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Contusion of finger
14. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 224 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Infection of hand
14. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 224 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Boil on face



**VESSELS BOARDED**—continued

Date	Name of Vessel and Nationality	Where from	Rating	Sickness
14. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 225 (Polish)	Deep Sea		
		Fishing Grounds	Seaman	Accident to leg
14. 8.59	F.V. Bak (Polish)	"	Seaman	Appendicitis
14. 8.59	F.V. Bak (Polish)	"	Seaman	Rheumatism
14. 8.59	F.V. Drozd (Polish)	"	Seaman	Gastric Ulcer
14. 8.59	F.V. Kaszuby (Polish)	"	Seaman	Foreign Body in finger
17. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 15 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to arm
18. 8.59	F.V. Perkoz (Polish)	"	Seaman	Suspected fractured skull
24. 8.59	F.V. Sowa (Polish)	"	Seaman	Gastro Enteritis
25. 8.59	F.V. S.Z.N. 35 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Gastro Enteritis
26. 8.59	F.V. Raszka (Polish)	"	Seaman	Accident to eye
26. 8.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 195 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Appendicitis
6. 9.59	F.V. Northern Dawn (British)	"	Seaman	Accident to foot
14. 9.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 229 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to hand
14. 9.59	H.S. De Hoop (Dutch)	"	Seaman	Injury to hand
20. 9.59	Southport (British)	London	Ch. Eng'eer	(Accident)
23. 9.59	F.V. G.D.Y. 236 (Polish)	Deep Sea		
		Fishing Grounds	Seaman	Damaged thumb
26. 9.59	F.V. W.L.A. 118 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to hand
29. 9.59	F.V. S.Z.N. 137 (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to finger
30. 9.59	F.V. Brynicka (Polish)	"	Seaman	Face injuries
30. 9.59	F.V. Rudawa (Polish)	"	Seaman	Injury to hand
3.10.59	M.V. Daniel M. (British)	Norwich	Cook	Influenza
6.10.59	S.S. Corfoss (British)	London	Seaman	Injured back
8.10.59	S.S. Barford (British)	Ipswich	Mate	Gastric Ulcer
12.10.59	F.V. Skowronek (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Accident
19.10.59	F.V. Jaskolka (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Injury to eye
19.10.59	F.V. Rybolow (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Throat infection
19.10.59	F.V. Bak (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	V.D.
19.10.59	F.V. Jemiolucha (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Head injuries
19.10.59	F.V. Pelikan (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Appendicitis
			Seaman	Boils
			Seaman	Gastritis
19.10.59	F.V. Zuraw (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Injury to leg
21.10.59	S.S. Hawkwood (British)	Middlesbrough	Seaman	Bronchitis
26.10.59	F.V. Zuraw (Polish)	Sea	Seaman	Injury to hand
27.10.59	M.V. Hoogesand (Dutch)	Hull	Master	Accident to leg
10.11.59	M.V. Austerity (British)	Tyne	Seaman	Abscess on jaw
21.11.59	S.S. Sir Johnstone Wright (British)	London	Mate	Duodenal Ulcer
22.11.59	M.V. Sagacity (British)	London	Engineer	Accident to leg
22.12.59	M.V. Richmond Queen (British)	Jersey	Master	Thrombosis (Died)
24.12.59	M.V. Osborne Queen (British)	Antwerp	Engineer	Accident to ribs

**Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949**

**Prevention of Damage by Pests (Application to Shipping) Order, 1951**

No Rodent Control Certificates were issued during the year.



### NOTES ON SOME CASES REPORTED

28th May, 1959. S.S. Sir William Walker (British). On arrival at the Port a seaman seriously ill was found to be suffering from Pneumonia. He was admitted to hospital where he eventually made a good recovery.

30th May, 1959. S.S. Bodmin Moor (British). The Second Engineer had been reported from Portsmouth as a suspected Dysentery Case. There had been no outbreaks during the voyage and reports on faeces specimens taken at Portsmouth were negative.

17th June, 1959. M.V. Venus (Dutch). Whilst operating the windlass the Chief Officer caught his hand in a loop of wire. After freeing him the Medical Officer applied treatment before admitting him to the Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle. Further amputation was carried out at the Infirmary and the patient made a good recovery.

### VESSELS FOUND HAVING STRUCTURAL OR SANITARY DEFECTS

	Structural Defects		Sanitary Defects		TOTAL
	Foreign	Coastwise	Foreign	Coastwise	
British Steam ... ..	3	33	2	80	118
British Motor ... ..	1	17	—	30	48
British Sail ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign Steam ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign Motor ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
Foreign Sail ... ..	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS ... ..	4	50	2	110	166

Only one vessel was required to be fumigated for vermin during the year. This was carried out by the officers of the authority.

A quantity of foodstuff was found to be unfit for human consumption and certified as such. Arrangements for the disposal and destruction of the same were carried out.

# DEFECTS

	Work in hand	Work completed	TOTAL
Crews Accommodation painted out ... ..	—	26	26
Ports overhauled ... ..	—	2	2
Port Lights renewed and repaired ... ..	—	11	11
Sanitary Accommodation repaired ... ..	—	2	2
Sanitary Tanks renewed and repaired ... ..	—	7	7
New fresh water tank ... ..	—	1	1
Salt water piper repaired ... ..	—	1	1
Fresh Water Pipes renewed and repaired ... ..	—	6	6
Fresh Water Tanks cleaned and cement washed ... ..	—	23	23
Wash Basins renewed ... ..	—	1	1
Showers repaired ... ..	—	5	5
Galley Stoves renewed and repaired ... ..	—	8	8
Galley Funnels renewed ... ..	—	1	1
Galleys cleaned and painted ... ..	—	10	10
Central Heating repaired ... ..	—	13	13
Bogie Stoves repaired ... ..	—	2	2
Scuppers cleaned and repaired ... ..	—	7	7
Refrigerators repaired ... ..	—	4	4
Floor renewed ... ..	—	1	1
Locks to Officers' accommodation ... ..	—	1	1
W.C's repaired ... ..	—	14	14
W.C. Flushed on to Quay ... ..	—	14	14
W.C. Pipes cleared ... ..	—	1	1
Provision Stores cleaned out ... ..	—	2	2
Refuse discharged on Quay ... ..	—	1	1
Cabin sprayed for vermin ... ..	—	1	1
Provision Stores and Galley sprayed for vermin ... ..	—	1	1
	—	166	166



### VESSELS ARRIVING FROM INFECTED OR SUSPECTED PORTS

The following table gives the number of vessels boarded in Blyth by the Officers of the Port Health Authority, on account of them coming directly or indirectly from Foreign Ports, infected or suspected of being infected with Cholera, Plague, Yellow Fever, Smallpox, Typhus Fever, or Relapsing Fever.

1959	From Infected Ports to Blyth		From Suspected Ports to Blyth		TOTAL
	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect	
January ...	—	1	—	3	4
February ...	—	—	—	—	—
March ...	—	—	—	1	1
April ...	—	—	—	—	—
May ...	—	—	—	—	—
June ...	—	—	—	—	—
July ...	—	—	—	—	—
August ...	—	—	—	—	—
September ...	—	—	—	—	—
October ...	—	—	—	—	—
November...	—	—	—	—	—
December ...	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL ...	—	1	—	4	5

The four out-of-date dilapidated sanitary conveniences previously existing on the North, South and West Staiths have now been replaced by modern accommodation with water closets, wash basins and hot and cold water.











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