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Council Offices,

PORTLAND.

17th April, 1944.

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my annual report for the year 1943. This report is prepared in accordance with Ministry of Health circular No. 2067 of 19th July, 1940.

There was no change in the personnel of the Health Department during the year.

Scabies was made a notifiable disease in February, and treatment was continued at the centre. During the year 332 cases (including contacts) of scabies, and 79 verminous cases, were treated under the Scabies Order 1941.

Immunisation against whooping cough was continued, and 92 children between the ages of 3 months and 6 years completed the course of injections. Of the 25 cases of whooping cough notified during the year, 2 occurred among the immunised children. These were both reported as mild cases.

Infectious diseases notified during the year are shown in the subjoined table.

Disease.	Total cases notified.	Cases admitted to hospital	Total Deaths.
Smallpox	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	- 11	11	0
Diphtheria	1	1	0
Enteric Fever (inc- luding Paratyphoid)	0	0	0
Puerperal Pyrexia	0	0	0
Pneumonia	9	0	0
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	2	2	0
Erysipelas	7	0	0
Measles	314	0	0
Encephalitis lethargica.	1		1
Whooping Cough	25	- 0	0
Tuberculosis,	12	12	0
Tuberculosis non-pulmonary	7	6	0
Scabies	32	0	0

No essential or urgent matters affecting the public health have arisen during the year.

I have the honour to be Gentlemen, Your obedient Servant,

Medical Officer of Health.