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SKELTON & BROTON
URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



REPORTS
for the Year 1957

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS
OF THE
SKELTON & BROTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit my eleventh and last Annual Report, that for the year 1957.

As I have had to do this before the Registrar-General's corrected figures for births, deaths, etc. are available, my figures are provisional only and are subject to alteration when the more exact figures are known.

I wish to thank the Public Health Inspector, Mr. J. J. Pattison, whose report, incidentally his last as well, follows mine, for his zeal and unstinted efforts throughout the year. His meat inspections are a model of thoroughness and accuracy: he has waged, as usual, an uphill and frustrating struggle: so many houses require so many repairs and to achieve anything involves usually delay, revisits, still more delay, and so ad infinitum.

Environmental hygiene is still I believe the backbone of public health. It is therefore with regret that I noted that the refuse tip at Boosbeck was the subject of bitter and justifiable complaints, because of its sorry state. I am aware that the building of new houses is more spectacular but the proper disposal of refuse is just as important for healthy living.

In conclusion I wish to thank the staff of the District Health Office, Mr. R. K. Nuttall and Miss P. Knaggs, for their willing efforts and help.

I am, ladies and gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. BUTCHER.

Medical Officer of Health.

12th March, 1958.

District Health Office,
Park Lane,
Guisborough.

TABLE 1**Public Health Officers**

Whole Time Officers	Guisborough Urban District	Skelton & Brotton Urban District	Loftus Urban District
Medical Officer of Health who is also Asst. County Medical Officer No. 4 Area N.R.C.C. and School Medical Officer, N.R.C.C.	Dr. W. H. Butcher		
Public Health Inspectors	Mr. A. T. Pallister*	Mr. J. J. Pattison	Mr. W. C. Ransom*
Additional Public Health Inspector	Mr. E. Ward		

*Also Surveyor of the district concerned

SECTION I**Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area****Population**

The Registrar-General's estimate of the population of the district in the mid-year 1957 is 12,810, as compared to an estimate of the population in the mid-year 1956 of 12,790.

General Statistics

I am indebted to the Financial Officer of the Council for the following figures:—

1. Area of the District in acres 15,419
2. No. of inhabited houses according to the rate books 4,182
3. Rateable Value £74,215
4. Sum represented by a penny rate at 31/3/57 £298

Social Conditions

There has been no material change in these during 1957.

TABLE 2
Vital Statistics

		MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Live Births	....	107	95	202
Legitimate	....	107	92	199
Illegitimate	....	—	3	3
Still Births	....	3	4	7
Legitimate	....	3	4	7
Illegitimate	....	—	—	—

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age

		MALE	FEMALE
Total	....	6	—
Legitimate	....	6	—
Illegitimate	....	—	—

The number of births registered being 202 gives a birth-rate of 15.7 per 1,000 of the population; compared to 16.1 for England and Wales. Six infants under the age of one year died giving an infant mortality rate of 29.7 per thousand live births compared to the rate for England and Wales of 23. Five of the infant deaths were under four weeks of age.

TABLE 3 — Vital Statistics

CAUSES OF DEATH

		MALE	FEMALE
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	....	—	1
Tuberculosis, other	....	—	—
Syphilitic Disease	....	—	—
Diphtheria	....	—	—
Whooping Cough	....	—	—
Meningo-coccal infections	....	—	—
Acute poliomyelitis	....	—	—
Measles	....	—	—
Other infective and parasitic diseases	....	—	—
Malignant neoplasm of stomach	....	4	7
Malignant neoplasm of lung, bronchus	....	5	1
Malignant neoplasm of breast	....	—	2
Malignant neoplasm of uterus	....	—	1
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	....	13	5
Leukaemia	....	—	2
Diabetes	....	—	1

TABLE 3 — Vital Statistics
CAUSES OF DEATH—continued.

		MALE	FEMALE
Vascular lesions of nervous system	....	15	12
Coronary disease, angina	....	19	11
Hypertension with heart disease	....	—	—
Other heart disease	....	13	13
Other circulatory diseases	....	10	5
Influenza	....	—	—
Pneumonia	....	3	4
Bronchitis	....	3	1
Other disease of respiratory system	....	1	—
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	....	—	—
Gastro-enteritis and diarrhoea	....	—	—
Nephritis and nephrosis	....	2	3
Hyperplasia of prostate	....	1	—
Pregnancy, child-birth, abortion	....	—	1
Congenital malformations	....	—	—
Other defined or ill-defined diseases	....	3	2
Motor Vehicle accidents	....	1	1
All other accidents	....	3	3
Suicide	....	1	—
Homicide and operations of war	....	—	—
ALL CAUSES	....	97	76

The deaths are classified under thirty-six headings based on the Abbreviated List of International Statistical Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 1948. 173 deaths of residents gave a death-rate of 13.5 per thousand of population; compared to 11.5 for England and Wales. Table 3 shows clearly what killed people in Skelton and Brotton in 1957.

TABLE 4
NOTIFIABLE DISEASES, 1957
(other than Tuberculosis)

	All Ages	Under 1 year	1 year	2	3	4	5—	10—	15—	25—	35—	45—	65—
Scarlet Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dysentery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	18	—	—	—	2	—	—	1	1	1	—	6	7
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Erysipelas	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
Measles	51	3	6	9	6	4	19	4	—	—	—	—	—
Whooping Cough	24	2	3	2	2	4	10	1	—	—	—	—	—
Meningococcal Infection	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Typhoid	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food Poisoning	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

SECTION II

Infectious Diseases

Table 4 shows the incidence of notifiable diseases except tuberculosis and Table 5 that of tuberculosis.

Nine new cases of respiratory tuberculosis were notified during the year and none of non-respiratory tuberculosis.

TABLE 5
Tuberculosis

AGE GROUPS			RESPIRATORY FORM		NON-RESPIRATORY FORM	
Years			Male	Female	Male	Female
0 to 4	....	....	—	—	—	—
5 to 9	....	....	—	—	—	—
10 to 14	....	....	—	—	—	—
15 to 19	....	....	—	—	—	—
20 to 24	....	....	—	—	—	—
25 to 34	....	....	1	—	—	—
35 to 44	....	....	1	—	—	—
45 to 64	....	....	4	2	—	—
65 and over	....	....	—	1	—	—
TOTAL	....	....	6	3	—	—

There was one death from the respiratory form.

TABLE 6
Immunizations against Diphtheria or Whooping Cough and Diphtheria

	AGE GROUPS			
	UNDER 1	1 TO 4	5 TO 14	TOTAL
Completed Immunizations	100	20	46	166
Reinforcing Doses		11	60	71

Immunization is available to children at the hands of the family doctor, or at the school clinics of the Education Authority at Carlin How, Lingdale and New Skelton, and at the infant welfare centres of the Local Health Authority at Carlin How, Lingdale, Brotton and Skelton. Reinforcing doses are given at the schools to children who have been immunized earlier in life.

Regarding protection against smallpox, 36 persons received primary vaccinations and 14 were revaccinated making a total of 50.

Regarding immunization against poliomyelitis 474 children received the two injections which at present is considered to be the complete course; except for a half dozen done by the family doctors, these were all done by myself at Lingdale and Brotton Clinics.

During the year the Mass Radiography Unit visited the North Eastern Trading Estate and examined 497 persons.

SECTION III

The General Provision of Health Services in the District

Laboratory Facilities

This work is now done at the Public Health Laboratory, Middlesbrough, only the biological test for tuberculous milk being carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Northallerton.

2. National Health Service Act, 1946

With certain exceptions the Guisborough Area Health Sub-Committee of the Health Committee of the County Council exercises the functions of the Local Health Authority in supervising the day to day administration of the services provided under this Act. The Committee meets once a month at Guisborough. It is composed of members of the County Council, of the three District Councils of Guisborough, Skelton and Brotton, and Loftus, and of certain co-opted members. Among the services administered are the following:—

Domestic Help Service.	Home Nursing.
Prevention of illness: Care and After Care.	Health Visiting.
Ambulance Service.	Midwifery.
Vaccination and Immunization.	Care of Mothers and Young Children.

3. Guisborough Area Voluntary Care Committee

I would like to record the work done by this Body for the welfare of persons suffering from tuberculosis and other illnesses. Whereas in connection with the welfare of the tuberculous the Committee has certain funds allocated to it, for the welfare of other sufferers it depends entirely on voluntary contributions. Enquiries and requests for assistance may be made to the Honorary Secretary, District Health Office, Park Lane, Guisborough (Telephone: Guisborough 321).

4. National Assistance Acts, 1948 and 1951 — Section 47.

Again I managed to avoid advising the Local Sanitary Authorities to have recourse to the procedure laid down in these Acts.

SECTION IV.

Water Supplies

During the year I took 3 samples of the supply of the Cleveland Water Company; they were all found to be of a satisfactory bacterial quality.

SECTION V.

Inspection and Supervision of Food

Section 20. Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

No action was necessary during the year under the above regulations.

Food Poisoning Outbreaks

None were notified to me during the year.

SKELTON & BROTTON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,

COUNCIL OFFICES,

SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND.

31st January, 1958.

*To the Chairman and Members of the
Skelton and Brotton Urban District Council.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in presenting my ninth Annual Report to the Council, for the year 1957.

I express my thanks to the Members of the Council for their help and courtesy during the year and I am indebted to my colleagues, especially to Dr. Butcher and to my clerk, Miss M. E. Snowdon, for the support and co-operation given to me at all times.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

J. J. PATTISON,

Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

Generally

During 1957 as much of my time as possible was spent on housing repair work but the demands made upon my services by the public and Councillors through complaints, daily meat inspection work and the attention which must be given to other duties made it impossible for me to deal systematically with the repair and improvement of dwelling-houses. A regular five-yearly inspection of all dwelling-houses must be regarded as an ideal, which time and allocation of duties do not now permit. Although some useful work has been done many houses need serious repair, a large number of dry closets still remain to be converted to water closets and water supplies require great improvement. These are all major defects needing much time to remedy.

Water Supply

In 20 dwellinghouses water taps and sinks were provided in sculleries in place of standpipes or other supplies. The position in regard to dwellinghouses can be summarised as follows:—

TABLE 7

1. Number of houses supplied by standpipes	....	214
2. Number of houses supplied by wells and springs		68
3. Number of houses having direct supply	....	3900
Total	....	4182

Sewerage and Drainage

With the exception of outlying houses and farms the district is served by public sewers discharging to the sea. A sewage disposal works owned by the council receives the sewage from the village of Moorsholm.

Some lengths of sewer, damaged by mining subsidence, need re-laying. Sewers laid and repaired during 1957 were:—

New sewers laid: 390 yards of 9 inch and 420 yards of 6 inch. In addition, 110 yards of 12 inch, 35 yards of 9 inch and 48 yards of 6 inch sewers were re-laid.

Most houses in the area have drains connected to the public sewers. 122 additional connections were made to the sewers for gully drains and closet conversions; 460 visits were made for the purpose of testing 169 drains totalling 631 yards of 4 inch pipe. In addition, 23 gullies, 28 chambers and 2 intercepting traps were provided. 1 small sewage disposal works was installed at a farm.

Closet Accommodation

With reference to water closets the water carriage system is not general in the area, over one-fourth of the sanitary accommodation consisting of pan or pail closets. 136 dry closets were converted to water closets during the year, 117 grants of £7/10/- being paid by the Council. During the past 9 years an average of 125 conversions per year have been done

The conversion of the 1,122 dry closets remaining in the district depends mainly upon the improvement of the water supply.

Twenty-one water-closets were added to existing premises and, including those associated with new houses, the number and description of sanitary conveniences at the end of the year was:—

TABLE 8

Water-closets	....	....	....	....	3244
Pan closets	....	....	....	....	1122
TOTAL	....	....	....	....	4366

Refuse Collection and Disposal

The system of refuse collection and disposal remained the same as outlined in the 1949 report. Very few complaints were received regarding irregular collections.

The time lost during the year in sickness amounted to 1348 man/hours. For the financial year ended 31st March, 1958, the cost of the service was estimated at £5,453. Other items relating to the department were:—

Total mileage of vehicles	....	....	....	12,358
Loads of refuse collected and tipped	....	....	....	3,289
Approximate weight of refuse	....	....	....	6,578 tons
Trade refuse collected— loads	....	....	....	10
bins	....	....	....	949
Visits of inspection to tips, etc.	....	....	....	106

The refuse tips were regularly treated for the destruction of rats, mice, flies, crickets, cockroaches, etc.

Factories

Eighty-two visits were made to factories and one defect was found and remedied, in respect of unsuitable sanitary accommodation.

TABLE 9
1. Inspections

Premises	No. on register	No. of Inspections	No. of written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
1. Factories in which Sections 1 to 6 are enforced	22	33	0	0
2. Factories in which Section 7 is enforced	33	39	1	0
3. Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced	5	10	0	0
TOTALS	60	82	1	0

Table 9—continued**2. Cases where defects were found**

Offence	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Insufficient Sanitary Accommodation	0	0	0	0
Unsuitable or defective Sanitary Accommodation	1	1	0	0
Other offences	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	1	1	0	0

Workplaces

Twenty-seven visits were paid to workplaces (being places other than factories where persons are employed except in domestic service). Four defects were found and remedied.

Schools

Eight visits were made to schools. A nuisance was remedied at one school.

Shops

One hundred and forty-nine visits to shops, dealing in all classes of goods, resulted in 8 defects being found which were remedied during the year.

Premises and Occupations which can be controlled by Bye-Laws or Regulations.

There is no Common Lodging House, House Let in Lodgings, or Offensive Trade in the district.

Three licences were issued by the Council for Moveable Dwellings and one licence was granted for a site at Brotton to accommodate 10 caravans.

The Knacker's Yard at Charltons was again licensed. Twelve visits were made.

There are nine slaughterhouses in the district but only six are licensed by the Council for regular slaughtering.

1,104 visits were made to these slaughterhouses for the supervision of improvements and meat inspection purposes.

Eradication of Bed Bugs, Cleansing, etc.

Eight visits were made for the disinfection of 3 houses of flies, fleas and bed bugs. Advice and assistance was also given in respect of infestations of "red spiders". Insecticides used were Gammexane and D.D.T. powders and smokes.

Rodent Control

The rodent operative, appointed jointly by the Loftus and the Skelton and Brotton Urban District Councils, continued his duties in the two areas. By the end of the year the Council's sewers had been treated twice, while seven business premises and thirty-three houses were treated at the request of the owners. Eight allotments were also treated and the Council's refuse tips received twelve treatments. Two rick surveys were done for Ministry statistical information. The bodies of 50 rats and 16 mice were found but these represent, of course, only a small percentage of the actual number killed. The poisons used so far have been "Antu," zinc phosphide, arsenious oxide and "Warfarin." The technique recommended by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food was employed.

Housing

Thirty-eight new houses were erected during the year, 20 by the Council.

Much of my time for the twelve months was again spent on housing repair work, no fewer than 1,101 houses being visited in connection with repairs and other works needed under the Housing or Public Health Acts, necessitating a total of 1,848 visits. Lingdale, Boosbeck and Margrove Park were the areas in which I tried to concentrate, but demands upon my time were made by other duties and other parts of the district, making it impossible to work systematically in any area. A great deal of work has been done but much more remains to be commenced.

Many complaints were received from tenants following the receipt of notices from owners of proposed increases in rent under the Rent Act, 1957. Much information relating to procedure under the Act was given to various applicants.

TABLE 10
Housing Appendix — Statistics

New houses erected in 1957

(a) By Private Owners	....	....	....	....	18
(b) By the Council	....	....	....	....	20

1. Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year

(1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	....	....	....	1,101
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	....	....	....	1,848
(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	....	....	....	60
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	....	....	....	60
(3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	....	....	....	1

Table 10—Housing Appendix — Statistics — continued

(4)	Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	24
2.	<i>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notices</i>	
(1)	Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit or repaired in consequence of informal action by the local authority or their officers	342
3.	<i>Action under Statutory Powers during the year</i>	
A.	Proceedings under Sections 9 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1957	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	12
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses rendered fit after service of formal notices	
(a)	By Owners	6
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	6
B.	Proceedings under Public Health Acts	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	0
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices	
(a)	By Owners	0
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	0
C.	Proceedings under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957.	
(1)	Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	1
(2)	Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	1
D.	Proceedings under Sections 16, 17, 18, 26 and 35, Housing Act, 1957.	
(1)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made	0
(2)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit	0
4.	<i>Housing Act, 1957, Part 4, Overcrowding</i>	
(1) (a)	Number of dwellings overcrowded at end of year	69
(b)	Number of families dwelling therein	83
(c)	Number of persons dwelling therein	526
(2)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during year	5

Table 10—Housing Appendix—Statistics—continued

(3)	(a)	Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	....	2
	(b)	Number of persons concerned in such cases	....	17
(4)		Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority has taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	....	Nil
(5)		Of the total number of houses surveyed and recorded since overcrowding provisions were introduced in the Housing Acts, <i>i.e.</i> 3,204, sixty-nine were overcrowded at the end of the year, giving a percentage of 2.15	....	
5.		<i>Housing Act, 1949, and Housing Repairs and Rents Acts, 1954 and 1957.</i>		
(1)	(a)	Number of Improvement Grants made	....	17
	(b)	Number of Improvement Grants refused	....	0
(2)	(a)	Number of Certificates of Disrepair granted	....	36
	(b)	Number of Certificates of Disrepair revoked	....	0

TABLE 11

Nuisances

Total number of inspections made for nuisances only	....	1540
Nuisances found	....	347
Nuisances in hand, end of previous year	....	137
Total needing abatement	....	484
Abated during the year	....	330
Outstanding at end of year	....	154
Notices served, informal	347	Complied with 330
Notices served, statutory	0	Complied with 0
Number of summonses or other legal proceedings	....	0

FOOD

The Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955-56. Every opportunity was again taken to emphasize the importance of food hygiene during visits to shops, etc., and while giving lectures to the Women's Institutes, Parent-Teacher Associations, Toc H., Grammar School Scouts, etc.

A total of 149 visits were made to various places where food is sold or handled, apart from slaughterhouses, and in 2 instances constant hot water supply apparatus and sinks

or wash-basins were installed where not previously available. At one food shop a drainage nuisance was abated. The food premises in the area may be classified as follows:—

Public Houses	....	....	....	20
Off-Licence Premises	....	....	....	7
Clubs (5 Workingmen's Clubs, 1 British Legion, 4 Institutes)				10
Fish & Chip Shops	....	....	....	17
Grocers, Confectioners, General Dealers	....	....	....	87
Bakehouses	....	....	....	6
Ice Cream Retailers	....	....	....	37
Ice Cream Storage and Distribution Depot	....	....	....	1
Butchers	....	....	....	14
Greengrocer	....	....	....	1
Snack Bars	....	....	....	2
Restaurants	....	....	....	1
Canteen	....	....	....	1
Dairies	....	....	....	9
Slaughterhouses	....	....	....	6

Milk

At the end of the year there were 9 dairies and 11 retailers on the register; 21 visits were made and no defect was found. Twenty-two visits were also made to cowsheds.

Meat and Other Foods

There are 23 licensed slaughtermen in the district.

Six of the nine private slaughterhouses in the district are licensed by the Council for regular slaughtering by local butchers. One of these slaughterhouses is also used by a Loftus butcher whilst two slaughterhouses are being used for the slaughter of animals for a wholesale trade outside the urban area in addition to the local trade.

A considerable amount of extra work, including much early morning work, has now to be done on meat inspection, resulting in other work having to be curtailed. 1,104 visits were made to slaughterhouses and 2 to other premises for meat and other foods inspection purposes and the following foods were condemned as being diseased or otherwise unfit for human consumption:—

TABLE 12

				lbs.
Beef	....	....	....	2,989
Mutton	....	....	....	86
Pork	....	....	....	266
Veal	....	....	....	44
			TOTAL	3,385

Other Foods condemned were:—

Canned Boneless Gammon	10 lbs.	5 ozs.
Canned Tongues	6 lbs.	
	16 lbs.	5 ozs.

All the food was surrendered voluntarily by the tradesmen concerned and, after being thoroughly coloured with Acid Green Dye, the food was mostly disposed of to the Knacker's Yard at Charltons. A small percentage was buried.

TABLE 13
Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle exclud- ing Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	797	132	8	1636	728	—
Number inspected	797	132	8	1636	728	—
All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci						
Whole carcasses condemned	—	—	—	1	—	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	66	21	2	24	9	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with dis- ease other than tubercu- losis and cysticerci	8.28%	15.91%	25%	1.53%	1.24%	—
Tuberculosis only :						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	—	—	—	—	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	56	28	—	—	16	—
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	7.15%	21.21%	—	—	2.20%	—
Cysticercosis						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	—	—	—	—	—	—
Generalised and totally con- demned	—	—	—	—	—	—

Bakehouses

There are 6 bakehouses on the register, all of which are considered non-domestic in type; 14 visits were made and one defect was found and remedied.

Fish and Chip Shops

Twenty visits were paid to fried fish and chip shops, of which there are 17 on the register. One defect was found and remedied.

Ice Cream Shops

The 38 registered ice cream premises received 48 visits. There is no manufacturer in the district.

Public Houses

Twenty-two inspections were made of the 20 public houses.

Summary supplied by the Public Health Inspector to the Medical Officer of Health, in pursuance of Article 27 (18) of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935.

TABLE 14

Public Health Inspector's Summary for the Year ended 31st December, 1957.

1. Housing Repair Work done during the year

Roofs renewed or repaired	 62	Water Closets provided	 21
Chimneys rebuilt or repaired	5	Water closets repaired	 13
Walls rebuilt or repaired	 31	Bathrooms provided	 21
Walls pointed or rendered	 1	Closet pans renewed	 175
Wall dampness remedied	 37	Pan closets repaired	 13
Eaves gutters renewed	 15	Pan closets converted to water closets	136
Rain-water pipes renewed	 9	Dust bins renewed	 88
Connections to sewers	 122	Dust bins provided	 136
Drains tested (number)	 169	Wash-houses repaired	 6
Drains tested (length, yards)	631	Wash-houses provided	 1
Drains renewed	 2	Wash-boilers renewed or repaired	5
Extra drains provided	 158	Coalhouses provided or repaired	11
Choked drains cleared	 14	Ceilings renewed or repaired	 33
New gullies	 23	Wall plaster renewed or repaired	41
New chambers	 28	Floors renewed or repaired	 36
New intercepting traps	 2	Windows renewed or repaired	 27
Waste pipes renewed or repaired	7	Windows re-corded	 8
Yards paved	 5	Ranges and ovens renewed or repaired	17
Yard paving renewed or repaired	7	Fireplaces renewed or repaired	13

TABLE 14—continued

Public Health Inspector's Summary for the Year ended 31st December, 1957.

1. Housing Repair Work done during the year

Sinks renewed or provided	17	Doors renewed or repaired	47
Sculleries provided or repaired	13	Pantries or food stores provided or repaired	12
Water supply installed in houses	20	Handrails provided or renewed	10
Water pipes renewed or repaired	8	Stairs renewed or repaired	2
Premises cleaned	4	Offensive accumulations removed	7

2. Visits, Notices, etc.

Total visits made during the year	....	....	....	3,409
Complaints received and investigated	....	....	....	466

(a) Nuisances

Houses inspected	....	....	857
Number of inspections	....	....	1540
Nuisances found	....	....	347
Nuisances in hand	....	....	137
Total needing abatement	....	....	484
Number abated	....	....	330
Outstanding	....	....	154

(b) Housing—

Houses inspected	244	Representations	1
Number of inspections	308	Closing Orders made	0
Houses unfit	1	Closing Orders determined	0
Houses with defects	24	Demolition Orders made	1
Houses made fit informally	12	Houses demolished	1
Houses made fit formally	12		

(c) Premises visited, etc.—

Water supply	94	Churches	6
Drainage	460	Closet Conversions	567
Stables and Piggeries	19	Overcrowding	60
Fish and Chip Shops	20	Verminous Premises	8
Moveable Dwellings	38	Infectious diseases	5
Factories, mechanical	39	Disinfections	0
Factories, non-mechanical	33	Slaughterhouses	1104
Building Sites	10	Shops & Stalls (Food Inspection)	2

TABLE 14—continued.

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2.—Visits, Notices etc.—continued

Workplaces		27	Butchers		30
Bakehouses		14	Fishmongers		10
Cinemas, etc.	....	4	Grocers	....	45
Refuse Collection	....	7	Fruiterers	....	39
Refuse Disposal	....	99	Cowsheds	....	22
Rodent Control	....	91	Dairies	....	21
Schools	....	8	Ice Cream Shops	....	48
Shops	....	149	Restaurants	....	8
Public Houses	....	22	Miscellaneous	....	30
(d) Notices served—					
Informal Housing Acts		24	Statutory Housing Acts		12
Informal Public Health Acts		347	Statutory Public Health Acts		0
(e) Notices complied with—					
Informal Housing Acts		12	Statutory Housing Acts		12
Informal Public Health Acts		330	Statutory Public Health Acts		0

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