#### **Report of the Chief Medical Officer / Barbados.**

#### **Contributors**

Barbados. Department of Medical Services.

#### **Publication/Creation**

Barbados: Government Printers, [1943]

#### **Persistent URL**

https://wellcomecollection.org/works/gtnww572

#### License and attribution

You have permission to make copies of this work under a Creative Commons, Attribution license.

This licence permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original author and source are credited. See the Legal Code for further information.

Image source should be attributed as specified in the full catalogue record. If no source is given the image should be attributed to Wellcome Collection.





# The Royal Sanitary Institute Library.

# 

# ANNUAL REPORT

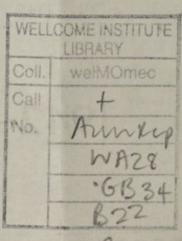
OF THE

# Chief Medical Officer

FOR THE YEAR

1942-43

Advocate Co., Ltd.-Printers to the Government of Barbados.





No. 1725.J.j.55/43.

Chief Medical Officer's Office, 35, Broad Street, Bridgetown, No. 1. 2nd October, 1943.

Sir.

I have the honour to submit for the information of His Excellency the Governor and the Legislature the Medical Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of Barbados for the year 1942—43, with the appendices attached thereto.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. N. GRANNUM, Acting Chief Medical Officer.

The Honourable, The Colonial Secretary, Barbados. I Maye, the honour to be,

# CONTENTS

PART I.	Introductory				Page.
PART II.	General and Comm Statistics	unicable Disea	ses and	Vital	6
PART III.	Institutions:— The Barbados General The Mental Hospital The Leper Hospital The Prison Hospital The Government Inc The Parochial Alms Infant Welfare Clini Venereal Diseases C The General Nursin	lustrial Schools houses c and Crèches linics			8 9 9 10 10 10 10 10 11
PART IV.	Hygiene and Sanitat  (a) Elementary Sch  (b) Health Education  (c) Housing  (d) Food in relation  (e) General Sanitat	ools on n to Health ion			11 13 13 13 14
PART V.	Training of Health	Personnel			14
	APPI	ENDICES			
<ol> <li>Cost of I</li> <li>Port He</li> <li>Summary</li> <li>Causes of</li> <li>Causes of</li> </ol>	Parochial Poor Law A alth Officer's Report of work done by In of Death in each Par of Death in each Age of main causes of	Administration specting Field ish group		   at the	15 16 17 20 21 22
	s General Hospital	i horbidity t	reaceu a	o one	23

# CONTENTS

Page.						
ä		****	****	****	introductory	PART I.
	[ Vital	ises und			Ceneral and C	
8						
					-:enoitutions:-	FART III
8				Lenens		
6						
6						
G.E						
0.1						
OI						
11						
61						
14						PART V.
			tol			1. Tarachini
0.3						A. Summur
88	****					

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# Chief Medical Officer

# FOR THE YEAR 1942—43

#### PART I. INTRODUCTORY

The Chief Medical Officer, Dr. B. N. V. Wase-Bailey, was granted 5 months, 7 days vacation leave from the 1st December, 1942.

2. Dr. F. N. Grannum, Sanitation Officer, was appointed to act as Chief Medical Officer in conjunction with his substantive office of Sanitation Officer.

3. Major A. deV. Chase, Clerk, General Board of Health, was granted sick leave from 1st to 28th December, 1942, and vacation leave from 29th December, 1942, to 31st January, 1943. Major Chase was also granted sick leave from 17th February to 8th May, 1943.

4. During these periods Miss E. I. Robinson, 2nd grade clerk. Chief Medical Officer's Department, acted as Clerk to the General Board of Health.

5. Mr. N. P. Rudder, 3rd grade clerk, Chief Medical Officer's Department, was transferred to the Customs on 1st August, 1942, and Mr. H. McE. Gibson was appointed to fill this vacancy.

6. The system of administration of Public Health, Sanitation and Poor Relief remains unaltered and reference should be made to previous reports for further information regarding such administration.

7. The expenditure in relation to medical and sanitary personnel will be found in the Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1942—43. Tables summarising the expenditure on sanitation and poor relief in the several parishes will be found in Appendices I and II.

8. The Barbados General Hospital and the Government Bacteriologist publish annual reports and reference should be made to these reports for information regarding the work and activities of these institutions.

9. The annual report of the Port Health Gaicer is included in

this report as Appendix III.

10. A brief report on the work of the Inspecting Field Force of the General Board of Health for the year is embodied in Appendix IV.

#### PART II.

#### General Diseases

11. Cancer and other Tumours were given as the cause of death of 162 persons representing 4.95% of total deaths. The death-rate for cancer and other malignant tumours per thousand of the population was 0.81.

12. Cerebral Haemorrhage, Embolism and Thrombosis were res-

ponsible for 236 or 7.20% of total deaths.

13. Diseases of the Circulatory System accounted for a total of

4.75% or 14.5% of total deaths.

14. Diseases of the Respiratory System:— 239 deaths were recorded from diseases of the respiratory system (tuberculosis excluded). Of these deaths 110 (or 46.0%) occurred in infants under one year of age.

15. Pneumonia was the cause of 162 deaths or 4.95% of total deaths. 71 deaths from pneumonia occurred in infants under one year of age but no distinction was made between lobar and broncho

pneumonia.

16. Diseases of the Digestive System:—Deaths under this head were 411 or 12.5% of total deaths. Diarrhoea and enteritis accounted for 257

deaths under the age of one year.

17. Diseases of the Genito-urinary System were responsible for 266 deaths or 8.1% of total deaths. Nephritis accounted for 225 or 84.6% of deaths under this head.

18. Pregrancy, Labour and Puerperal state:—A total of 35 deaths was recorded from these causes, representing a maternal morality

rate of 6.3.

19. Vitamin Deficiency Diseases:— (a) Pellagra accounted for 44 deaths. (b) Other Vitamin Deficiency Diseases accounted for 12 deaths. 11 of which occurred under the age of 3 years.

#### Communicable Diseases.

20. Enteric Fever:— Ninety-five (95) cases of enteric and allied fevers were notified during the year. This is a record low level notification. During recent years the incidence of enteric fever has shown a downward tendency and this may be taken as evidence of an improvement in sanitary conditions. There were 21 deaths from enteric fever, giving a case mortality of 22.1%. During the year the water supply has remained above suspicion and the conditions favouring enteric fever are to be found in the fly problem and inadequate and unsatisfactory latrine accommodation. Prophylactic inoculation was given to contacts.

21. Dysentery:— No differentiation as to the type of disease is made. Forty-three (43) deaths occurred from this cause as

against 92 last year.

22. Respiratory Tuberculosis:— This had the recorded total of 138 deaths with a notification of 102 cases; of these cases 63 occurred

in the parish of St. Michael. All forms of tuberculosis were responsible for 4.31% of all deaths. It is hoped that in the near future a survey of the prevalence of tuberculosis in the Island will be possible under the Colonial Development and Welfare Act. Meanwhile no facilities or opportunities exist in the island for the modern treatment of tuberculosis.

23. Diphtheria:— This disease accounted for 3 deaths out of a total of 34 cases notified. This is an increase of 9 cases over the number notified last year. This is probably attributed to the closer

inspection of contacts due to the new Diphtheria Regulations.

24. Syphilis was returned as the cause of death of 136 persons, 92 of these being under 5 years of age. Of these 92 deaths, 77 occurred in children under one year of age, representing 56.6% of all deaths from that disease. Apart from these figures it must be borne in mind that other diseases such as cerebral haemorrhage embelism and thrombosis, arterio-sclerosis and aneurysm often have a syphilitic origin.

25. Leprosy: Six (6) cases of this disease were notified

and there were 3 deaths therefrom.

26. Tetanus caused 43 deaths; of these 28 occurred in the first year of life. This high incidence of tetanus in infants points to the need for properly trained midwives working under the supervision of trained Health Visitors.

27. No case of any quarantinable disease was reported during

the year under review.

#### Vita! Statistics.

28. The following are the principal statistical data for the calendar year ending 31st December, 1942.

Estimated population				200,674
Births registered				5,586
Birth-rate per 1,000 living				27.84
Deaths registered		/E.M.		3,275
Death-rate per 1,000 living				16.32
Infantile mortality per 1,000	register	ed live birt	hs	175
Only 0.52% of the causes of	death v	was uncert	ified.	

29. Tables showing a summary of the causes of death in each parish and in age groups for the whole Island are given in Appendices V and VI.

#### COMMENTS ON THE VITAL STATISTICS.

# Population.

30. The estimated population, 200,674, shows an increase of 2,718 over that of 1941, representing a rise of 1.35 per cent. This high yearly increase in population is a serious problem and all possible avenues for emigration should be carefully explored.

#### Births and Birth-rates.

31. During 1942, the number of recorded births was 202 less than in the previous year and the birth-rate fell by 1.39 per thousand.

32. The percentage of illegitimate births for the year was 59.17. The parish of St. Michael has the highest percentage for 1942 (61.79%) while St. Joseph has the lowest (53.26%). This high illegitimacy rate may reflect some light on the high infantile mortality.

#### Deaths and Death-rate.

33. During 1942 there were 3,275 deaths, 627 less than in the previous year; and the death-rate fell from 19.71 in 1941 to 16.32 in 1942. This is one of the lowest death-rates on record.

#### Infant mortality.

34. In this Island there is a close relationship between the deathrate and the infantile mortality rate and it is very gratifying to note
that this year the latter rate is the lowest recorded, viz: 175. From
1937 to 1941 the infantile mortality rates have been 217, 222, 194,
180 and 224. Although the rate recorded this year (175) is an improvement, it is still far too high and more intensive efforts must be
made to bring about a still further and considerable reduction. Such
efforts may be briefly summed up as a maternity and child welfare
scheme and properly qualified midwives.

35. The diseases mainly responsible for the high infantile mortality were Congenital Debility (279), Diarrhoea and Enteritis (257), Premature births (101), Syphilis (77), Pneumonia (71) and Tetanus (28) These diseases are largely preventable and accounted for 83% of all

infant deaths (980).

36. In conclusion I am pleased to be able to record that despite the restrictions and deprivations of war, the health of the Island was above average.

# PART III. INSTITUTIONS.

# The Barbados General Hospital.

37. During the year under review the Hon. G. D. L. Pile, O.B.E., B.A., M.C.P., was Chairman of the Hospital Board. There were 21

meetings of the Board during the year.

38. Up to the end of the year the Hospital Board has found it impossible to fill the vacant post of House Surgeon and Dr. A. S. Cato continues to be employed as a part-time officer to assist the Resident Staff. This shortage will probably be more acute in the following year as on the 19th March, 1943, Dr. R. M. Lattey gave three months' notice of his resignation as House Surgeon.

39. During the year there were several changes in the nursing staff. Miss A. Gilgour, Miss N. Cotton and Miss R. Moosa resigned their posts as Assistant Matron, Pay Ward Sister and Tutor and

Home Sisters respectively. Miss. M. A. Fishlock, Night Sister, was appointed Assistant Matron and Miss M. C. Barnes appointed as Night Sister. Miss F. C. Williams was appointed to the post of Pay Ward Sister. Miss Moosa's resignation takes effect from 1st May, 1943.

- 40. During the year the Hospital Board decided to increase the number of posts for Staff Nurses from ten to fourteen with effect from 1st April, 1943.
- 41. For further details, as to staff, accommodation and expenditure, reference may be made to the Annual Report of the Barbados General Hospital.
- 42. A table showing a summary of the main causes of morbidity for which patients were treated at the Hospital is given in Appendix VII.

# The Mental Hospital

- 43. The medical staff consists of the Medical Superintendent, Dr. W. S. Birch, and an Assistant Medical Superintendent, Dr. A. L. Goddard. The administrative work of these officers is of a high standard.
- 44. On the 27th May, 1942, Miss K. Walker arrived to assume the duties of the newly created post of Matron. Miss Walker has made a good start and during the year published a booklet entitled "101 points for Probationers at the Mental Hospital". This booklet should prove useful to the nursing staff of the Mental Hospital.
- 45. There are 31 dormitories, 4 day rooms and 311 single rooms for the accommodation of patients.
- 46. At the end of March 1943 there were 732 patients in residence—302 males and 430 females.
- 47. The expenditure for the financial year 1942-43 was £21,716 excluding the sum of £927 for repairs to buildings.

# The Leper Hospital.

- 48. The senior staff remained unchanged during the year.
- 49. At the end of March 1943 there were 56 inmates, a decrease of one on the previous year.
- 50. During the year there were 3 new admissions and 7 re-admissions; 3 patients were discharged as cured and there were 8 deaths in the institution.
- 51. Expenditure for the financial year 1942-43 was £3,640. 18. 2. Provision is also made in the estimates of expenditure for the payment of small sums to assist patients who have undergone treatment and have been discharged as cured or non-infective. During the year the relief given to discharged patients amounted to £487. 7. 3.

#### The Prison Hospital

52. The Prison Hospital has been maintained at a satisfactory standard by the Governor of the Prison and the Prison Medical Officer, Dr. A. L. Stuart.

53. There is one ward for males and one for females. During the year the incidence of sickness was 2.42 among males and 0.07 among females.

#### The Government Industrial Schools.

54. The Government Industrial Schools (Boys' and Girls' Schools) have been efficiently supervised by Mr. A. G. Kinch. The discipline in the schools is good and the sanitary condition of the institution is good on the whole but pail privies should be replaced by water closets.

55. Dr. A. P. Muir continues to perform the duties of Medical

Officer with entire satisfaction.

56. During the year there was a small epidemic of Rubella. Thirty-four (34) boys were affected. The epidemic was confined to

the boys' school and all the cases recovered satisfactorily.

57. The new school room and recreation building was opened during the latter part of 1942. The school room is an improvement on the previous school building and the recreational hall should stimulate an interest in reading by the supply of topical current literature. Indoor games are also provided.

#### Parochial Almshouses.

58. The several parochial almshouses have been satisfactorily conducted and the Parochial Medical Officers have performed their duties efficiently. The almshouse in the parish of St. Peter is in need of extensive repairs and I understand that the Vestry have under consideration the erection of a new building.

# Infant Welfare Clinics and Crèches.

59. There is no Government Clinic but several ladies and gentlemen maintain clinics supported by public charity and in addition Government grants are made to the Baby Welfare League, the Children's Goodwill League and the Christ Church Baby Welfare League. As remarked in previous reports these Clinics perform a very useful work in the community and the extension of Maternity and Child Welfare clinics to the rural parishes would do much to reduce the high infantile mortality rate of this Colony.

# The Venereal Disease Clinics.

60. A venereal disease clinic is in operation in each parish and the following table shows the number of cases dealt with during the period under review. (No returns were received from the parish of St. Peter.)

Disease	New cases	Old cases	Attended regularly	The state of the s	Lost sight of	Discharged on comple- tion of treatment	Gross Attend- ance
Syphilis	1,009	1,404	313	2,030	863	58	14,256
Gonorrhæa	952	501	140	1,212	722	120	13,255
Other V. D	46	32	40	31	29	17	277
All V. D	2,007	1,937	493	3,276	1,614	195	27,788

# The General Nursing Council.

- 61. There were no changes in the personnel of the General Nursing Council. The Chairman, Dr. B. N. V. Wase-Bailey, was absent on vacation leave from 1st December, 1942, and Dr. F. N. Grannum acted as Chairman of the Council.
- 62. At the end of the year 383 women registered under the provisions of the Midwives and Nurses Registration Act; 163 as midwives, 78 as nurses and 142 as both midwives and nurses.

#### PART IV. HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

# (a) ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

### The School Medical and Dental Service.

63. The medical examination of elementary school children was considerably curtailed during the first term of the school year by the Sanitation Officer having to undertake additional duties in connection with the present emergency, while the work came to a standstill in the second and third terms owing to the Chief Medical Officer proceeding to England on sick leave and the Sanitation Officer having to act for him. This explains the small number of children medically examined during the school year April 1942 to May 1943.

#### MEDICAL SERVICE.

64. During the year a total of 415 children were examined—boys 214 and girls 201.

#### (a) Nutrition :-Girls Boys Total Good 14 18 32 136 133 Normal 269 52 Sub-normal 38 90 Poor 15 9 24 \*\*\*\* ....

#### (b) Visual Defects :-

Thirty-two (32) children were referred to the Ophthalmic Surgeon, Dr. C. H. St. John, for visual defects.

#### DENTAL SERVICE.

65. Dr. Charles Payne and Dr. F. M. O. Alleyne were appointed School Dentists for the year and performed their duties satisfactorily.

Table showing	summary	of	Dental	treatment.
---------------	---------	----	--------	------------

88128	I	Boys		1188	94	G	IRLS		COW
Extra	ctions	Fill	ings	Treat- ment of Gums	Extra	etions	Fill	ings	Treat- ment of Gums
No. of Boys	No. of Extrac- tions		No. of fillings	No, of Boys	No. of Girls	No. of Extrac- tions	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	No. of fillings	No. of Girls
3,895	7,625	38	61	67	3,404	6,328	65	102	74

66. Thus a total of 7,543 children received dental treatment; of these 7,299 had 13,953 teeth extracted; 103 had 163 teeth filled and 141 received treatment for conditions affecting the gums.

#### SCHOOL MEALS.

- 67. The staple school meal still consists of milk and biscuits. In some schools condensed milk is used while in other schools boiled and sweetened cow's milk is given to the children. A high percentage of children take the meal.
- 68. Towards the end of the school year a trial was made in two schools of substituting on alternate days a meal of fancy molasses and biscuits.
- 69. As the diet of these children is mainly carbohydrate and lacking in protein and fats and vitamins the introduction of a meal almostly entirely carbohydrate (with a little mineral salts) is decidedly

a retrograde step in the nutrition of these children. The adoption of such a meal will entail considerable supervision if the fly population is to be kept in check and careful steps will have to be taken to preserve the cleanliness of the class rooms.

#### SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

70. No new schools were built during the year. During the year the Public Health Act 1908-9 was amended so as to place the provision, maintenance and repair of school latrines on the Education Board; it however, still remains the duty of the Commissioners of Health of the parishes to see that these latrines are kept in a sanitary condition. It is hoped that now that the Government, through the Education Board, is responsible for the provision of latrines, the type and amount of accommodation provided will be greatly improved. New types of latrines and adequate accommodation are needed in nearly all the elementary schools and I hope that a programme, if necessary spread over several years, will be drawn up so as to provide these schools with modern types of closets and with adequate accommodation.

#### (b) HEALTH EDUCATION

- 71. The usual instruction to pupils on Hygiene and Sanitation has continued during the year.
- 72. Owing to war emergency no Health Week campaign was held during this year but it is hoped that it will be possible to hold such a campaign during 1943.

# (c) HOUSING.

- 73. The Housing Board continued to function during the year but the scarcity and high prices of building material curtailed the activities of the Board. The removal of buildings from congested areas was also suspended for the same reasons.
- 74. The construction of the roads at the Belfield site is not yet completed. The Deacon's Road scheme is operating satisfactorily.

# (d) FOOD IN RELATION TO HEALTH

75. I am glad to be able to state that in spite of the scarcity of certain articles of diet and the rising cost of living that no serious increase in malnutrition has been noticed. Fresh fish has been very scarce and the supply of citrus fruit has not been as plentiful as in pre-war days.

76. A committee has been appointed to consider plans for the erection of fish markets and considerable progress has been made and

it is hoped that modern markets may soon be available.

77. The Commissioners of Health, through their sanitary inspectors, have carried out the usual inspections of pickled meat and fish as well as other food-stuffs. The Commissioners of Health are also responsible for the inspection of cook shops, bakeries and aerated water factories.

#### (e) GENERAL SANITATION.

78. There has been no change in the sanitary organisation in the Island for the period under review. The usual mosquito work has been carried out during the year and again no Anopheline mosquitoes or larvae were discovered.

79. The lessened incidence of enteric fever is evidence of the better control of the fly nuisance. In several parishes there has been a gradual replacement of the unsatisfactory pit hole by pit latrines.

80. The Staff of Inspectors of the General Board of Health, six in number, continue to do useful work and their reports are of great assistance to several Boards of Commissioners of Health.

#### PART V. TRAINING OF HEALTH PERSONNEL.

81. During the year a course of lectures and demonstrations was held in terms of Section 8 (4) of the Poor Relief and Public Health (Amendment) Act 1928. The lectures were given by the Chief Medical Officer, the Sanitation Officer and Dr. A. P. Muir, Parochial Medical Officer of St. George. An examination was held at the end of the course and 20 candidates presented themselves for examination for the Local Certificate for Sanitary Inspectors and 11 were successful in obtaining the Certificate.

F. N. GRANNUM, Acting Chief Medical Officer.

#### APPENDIX I.

# PAROCHIAL EXPENDITURE ON SANITATION FOR 1942-43.

Pa	rish			1942	-43	3
	****			£ 14,828	9	7
****	****	****	****	2,277	8	1
****	****	****	****			$2\frac{1}{2}$
****	****	****				10
	****		****			41
****	****		'			5
			****			5
						8± 5±
****						21
****				603	5	5
		****		22,516	3	81
					£ 14,828 £ 14,828 798 594 533	£ 14,828 9 2,277 8 798 6 594 6 595 6 533 9 388 13 382 13

Of the above total £214. 1.  $10\frac{1}{2}$  was granted by the Government for the burial of decayed meat washed up by the sea.

APPENDIX II.

COST OF PAROCHIAL POOR LAW ADMINISTRATION, 1942-43.

BARBADOS.

Relief	80008008008 80103788008	1 114
Total cost of Relief	£29,251 5,605 3,199 5,543 18 2,940 8,250 1,850 1,790 1,666 9	£60,291 11
No. of persons buried at Parish expense	28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 2	445
No. of persons who received Medical Relief in Almshouse	1,341 92 304 292 221 209 263 146 204 168	3,335
No. of persons housed in Alms- house for non- Medical reasons (Destitute)	14 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	843
No. of persons who received Relief in Kind	23.7 23.3 23.3 23.3 20.0 20.0 20.0 20.0 20.0	1,201
No. of persons who received Cash Relief	2,656 522 522 351 164 164 136 144 325 150	5,536
No. of persons who received Medical Relief	4,713 2,277 648 648 1,360 2,126 537 923 1,127 392 1,082 253	15,438
No. of persons who received any kind of Poor Relief	7,481 2,667 1,252 2,060 2,218 1,018 1,245 762 1,168 427	21,319
Parish	St. Michael St. George St. George St. John St. John St. Thomas St. Peter St. Lucy St. Joseph St. Andrew	Total

#### APPENDIX III.

# The Annual Report of the Port Health Officer for the Year 1942.

There has been more than one change in the staff since the Staff. last Annual Report. Mr. W. G. Goddard was replaced in March by Mr. H. B. de C. Jordan. Dr. A. G. Bancroft was away on 10 days casual leave from 22nd-31st January and 9 days casual leave from 7th-15th July, Dr. A. L. Stuart acting as Assistant Port Health Officer. Dr. J. D. Alleyne, M.B.E. was away on 2 months and 21 days leave from July, 17th to October 6th, prior to resignation on October 7th. During this time Dr. A. G. Bancroft acted as Port Health Officer, and Dr. A. L. Stuart as Assistant Port Health Officer. Dr. A. G. Bancroft and Dr. A. L. Stuart continue to act as Port Health Officer and Assistant Port Health Officer respectively.

2. During the year 485 vessels arrived at Bridgetown and were Number of boarded by the Port Health Officer and Assistant Port Health Officer. Arrivals. (Please refer to Table 'A' re Rig of Vessels, of what Nationality they were etc.). This year's arrivals show a decrease of 296 as compared Decrease in with those of the previous year. The following is a statement of Arrivals. the arrivals for the past five years including the year under review.

Year			Arrivals
1938	 	 	1,134
1939	 	 	1,163
1940	 	 	936
1941	 	 	781
1942	 	 	485

3. This year saw the arrival of 557 B.W.I. Airways Planes. No. of planes 6,337 passengers arrived by air, and were inspected. 117 passengers and passengers. were placed under Surveillance.

4. There were 11 arrivals from ports infected or suspected of Arrivals from

being infected with Quarantinable diseases.

5. Medical inspection was carried out on passengers and crews Medical inspection of all ships that arrived from infected ports. There was also a routine carried out. inspection of all third class and deck passengers arriving at this port on steamships, and also on passengers and crews of sailing vessels.

6. The total number of crews of vessels, with the exception of Total number warships, that arrived at the port of Bridgetown during the year was of crews for

9,658. Of these 2,972 were medically inspected.

7. The number of passengers who arrived for Barbados during Number of pasthe year was 3,555. Of these 211 were 1st class, 16 were 2nd class, sengers for Barbados. 3.328 were 3rd class and deck.

infected ports.

the year.

sengers for

Intransit passengers.

Passengers and stowaway: inspected.

Passengers placed under Med. Surv.

Vessels boarded to seal wireless.

Fumigations.

Quarantine measures enforced.

Tonnage.

- 8. The passengers intransit totalled 1,002; of these 723 were 1st class, 141 were 2nd class, 138 were 3rd class and deck.
- 9. The total number of passengers medically inspected was 1,762. There was also one stowaway who was medically inspected.
- 10. During the year 14 persons were placed under medical surveillance. They were chiefly passengers and the majority were from Venezuela.
- 11. During the year 7 vessels were boarded by the Port Health Officer immediately on arrival in port at night to permit the Customs Authorities to seal the wireless.
- 12. Five vessels were fumigated under the Careenage Regulations, free of charge during the year. One dozen rats were destroyed as a result of these fumigations.
- 13. Quarantine measures were enforced throughout the year against Venezuela, Santo Domingo, Cuba, Haiti, Colombia, Brazil, and the Argentine Republic.
- 14. The total tonnage of vessels that arrived here for the year is 335,652 (Steamships being 315,648 and sailing vessels 20,004).

(Sgd.) A. G. BANCROFT, Acting Port Health Officer,

TABLE "A."

Total	383 44 28 7 9 6 6 6	485
Warships	1111111	8
Tankers	-	2
Yachts	111111111	
Sloops	22   1   1   1   1	18
4 mast Schooners	03	3
3 Mast Schooners	∞-11-1111	10
Schooners	277 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	295
so.	37 52 52 6 4 8 1 1 4	152
Nationality	British American Dutch Norwegian Belgian Venezuela Swedish Spanish	

# APPENDIX IV.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE BY THE INSPECTING FIELD FORCE FOR THE YEAR 1942—43.

(a) Inspection	s :					
Houses inspected					 	23,030
Water closets					 	1,970
Pit closets					 	10,934
Pail closets					 	2,605
Pails or buckets					 	1,490
Pit holes					 	5,386
Privy middens					 	341
Using in common					 	1,355
Premises keeping	anima				 	6,835
Urinals to stables					 	1,903.
Manure heaps					 	1,627
Water receptacles					 	5,297
Surface Wells					 	383
				****	 	
(b) Nuisances	:					
Full pit closets		1			 	201
Insanitary pit close						15
Full and/or insanita						339
Full and/or insanit					 	153
Insanitary privy mi					 	20
Premises with no					 	199
Structurally defecti			Bemen		 	728
Premises with disu			es etc		 	681
Manure heaps by				3	 	1,015
Water receptacles					 	809
Collections in yards					 	47
Surface wells bree					 	69
Premises keeping p						243
Tarana ara-bang b		, ,	0 0110	5502411	 ***	
Total number of	Nuisa	nces			 	4,519
1						-
Percentage of Nui	sances	1942	43			19.6
Percentage of Nui					 	21.2
			and the same	1	 ****	

# APPENDIX V.

AFFENDIA V.

BARBADOS.

CAUSES OF DEATHS REGISTERED DURING THE YEAR 1942.

23.33	St. Andrew Total	14	93 3,275
	St. Joseph	xxx xx 4   xxx xxx 1	95
	St. Lucy	20 4   SEL-12-     SEC	116
NI GI	St. Peter	2   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	139
NUMBER REGISTERED	St. Thomas	13 +    8012220      18   + +	142
IBER RE	St. James	4     88 180 0       4 1 0 0 0	179
No	St. John	88         54 8 8	149
	St. Phillip	25 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 3 1 1 1 2 3 2 3 1 1 1 2 3 3 1 1 1 2 3 3 1 1 1 1	182
	St. George	24 % 1 LES 243 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2	211
1 = 1	Christ Church	82 8 8 1 22 1 8 8 8 8 1 1 - 12 8 8 8 1	278
	St Michael		1,691
	Discuses	Infections and Parasitic Diseases  Cancer and other Tumours Rheumatic Diseases, Diseases of Nurrition and of Endocrine Glands and other General Diseases  Diseases of the Blood and Haematopoietic Organs of Special Sense Diseases of the Circulatory System Diseases of the Girculatory System Diseases of the Gento-Urinary System Diseases of the Gento-Urinary System Diseases of the Gento-Urinary System Congenical Malformations Locomotion  Congenital Malformations  Early Infancy Senility Violent or Accidental Deaths  Canses of Deaths not determined  Canses of Deaths not determined	Total, All Groups
200			

APPENDIX VI.

BARBADOS.

Causes of Death arranged in Age-Groups, registered in the Island during 1942

Total	451 162 162 162 162 162 162 163 416 416 35 35 35 35 35 35 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	
Not stated		1
1970 bas 00	1 1 1   800   1   1   1   2   1   4	The state of the s
.ote 08	22   1   1   88 8 9 4 8	1
70 etc.	357 1 1 2 38 138 14 24 15 35 1 1 1 2 35 1 1 1 2 35 1 1 1 2 3 1 1 2 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
.ote 00	24 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	-
50 etc.	25 11 1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 1 3 5 1 1 1 1 1 2 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	-
40 etc.	88 41 8 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 88 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	
.oto 08	26 11 11 12 16 11 19 1 16 1 16 1 16 1 16	-
.919 02	63 20 20 116 116 117 118 118	
10 to 20	23   1   1   29   11   1   1   29   29   2	
01 ot 2	01 2   1 1 1 2 2 2 2   1   1   4   4	
3 years and under 5 yrs.	0         0   0     0	
I year and under 3 yrs.	288   10   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	
Acar.	133 16 110 263 114 12 115 116 117 118 118 119 119 119 119 119 119 119 119	
Diseases	Infectious and Parasitic Diseases Cancer and other Tumours Rheumatic Diseases, Diseases of Nutri- tion and of Endocrine Glands and Other General Diseases Diseases of the Blood and Haemato- poietic Organs Ch onic Poisonings and intoxications Diseases of the nervous system and Organs of Special Sense Diseases of the Respiratory System Diseases of the Bespiratory System Diseases of the Bespiratory System Diseases of the Girc. latory System Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System Diseases of the Bones and Organs of Locomotion Congenital Malformations Senility Violent or accidental Deaths Causes of Death not determined  Total all Groups	
	HH HH AN	

### APPENDIX VII.

Table showing a summary of the main causes of morbidity for which patients were treated at the Barbados General Hospital.

Diseases	Cases	Diseases	Cases
Abortion	111	Gastro-Enteritis	109
Abrasions	34	Glaucoma	33
Abscesses	198	Haematoma	6
Adenitis	40	Hernia	244
Adenoids	54	Hydrocele	24
Anaemia	26	Jaundice	78
Aneurism	18	Marasmus	19
Appendicitis	281	Menorrhagia	31
Arthritis	52	Meningitis	15
Bronchitis	68	Nephritis	36
Broncho-Pneumonia	26	Neuritis	16
Burns	94	Oedema	4
Carbuncle	12	Orchitis	7
Cardiac Disease	105	Osteomyelitis	42
Carcinoma	34	Paraphimosis	16
Cataract	60	Pelvic Cellulitis	2
Cellulitis	. 137	Peritonitis	23
Colic	21	Phimosis	12
Colitis	20	Pleurisy	29
Conjunctivitis	19	Pneumonia	178
Constipation	26	Poisoning	74
Convulsions	11	Pyrexia	45
Cysts .	45	Salpingitis	18
Cystitis	29	Septicaemia	. 12
Diabetes	21	Stricture	19
Diarrhoea	90	Syphilis	73
Dysentery	24	Tetanus	48
Dysmenorrhoea	9	Tonsillitis	24
Endometritis	8	Toxaemia	83
Enteric Fever	81	Tuberculosis	18
Fibroid	186	Tumours	31
Fractures	183	Ulcers	127
Gangrene	28	Uraemia	10

