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Senior Medical Officer's Office,
King Edward Memorial Hospital,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.
13th May, 1935.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the information of His Excellency the Governor, and for transmission to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Medical Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Colony of the Falkland Islands for the year 1934, together with returns, etc., appended thereto.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
R. L. CHEVERTON,
Senior Medical Officer.

The Honourable,
The Colonial Secretary.
Stanley.

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FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1934.

I. ADMINISTRATION.

(A) Establishment, vacancies and acting appointments.

MEDICAL STAFF.

- 1 Senior Medical Officer.
- 2 Medical Officers.
- 1 Dental Surgeon.

NURSING STAFF.

- 1 Matron.
- 1 Nursing Sister.
- 2 Junior Nurses.
- 2 Nurse Probationers.

SUBORDINATE MEDICAL AND SANITARY STAFF.

- 1 Sanitary Inspector.
- 1 Clerk.
- 1 Dental Mechanic.
- 1 Dental Mechanic's Assistant.
- Attendant Gardener and Domestic Staff.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC.

Dr. J. Innes Moir, Senior Medical Officer, transferred as Senior Medical Officer to British Honduras. Left Stanley, Falkland Islands on 24th November, 1934.

Dr. R. L. Cheverton, District Medical Officer, Cyprus, promoted to Senior Medical Officer on 10th February, 1935.

Dr. H. Glyn Edmunds, Medical Officer, on vacation and study leave from 26th May, 1934 until 8th December, 1934. Acting Senior Medical Officer from 8th December, 1934, until 10th February, 1935.

Dr. J. M. Paterson, Medical Officer to the Falkland Islands Company acted as Government Medical Officer from 24th November, 1934, until 8th December, 1934.

Miss G. Rieve, Junior Nurse, still training at St. Mary's, Paddington, London.

B. N. Biggs, Clerk, appointed full-time clerk to the Medical Department on 1st May, 1934.

R. Lellman, Dental Mechanic's Assistant, appointed on 3rd May, 1934.

(B) Legislation.

The following legislation affecting the Public Health was enacted during the year:

- I. Public Health (Amendment) Ordinance, 1934.
- II. Venereal Disease (Amendment) Ordinance, 1934.
- III. Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Ordinance, 1934.

(C) Financial.

The following table shows the Revenue and Expenditure during the year 1934, in respect of the Medical services of the Colony:—

REVENUE.				£	s.	d.
Hospital Fees, sale of Medicines etc.	...	...	...	334	11	0.
Medical Staff fees	...	...	...	94	6	6.
Dental Surgeon's fees	...	...	...	467	14	6.
West Falkland Farmers' Medical Association	...	...	...	400	0	0.
East	"	"	"	225	0	0.
Total				£1,521	12	0.
EXPENDITURE.						
Personal Emoluments	...	...	...	3,875	3	10.
Other Charges	...	...	...	1,081	11	4.
Total				£4,956	15	2.

A new system of Book-keeping was instituted in the February of the year under review.

II. PUBLIC HEALTH.

(A) General Remarks.

(1) GENERAL DISEASES.

The general health of the Islanders has been good. Several small epidemics occurred, viz: Scarlet Fever, Ringworm, Measles, Chicken Pox, Influenza and Impetigo.

Appendicitis. 25 cases were operated upon.

Dental. The Dental Surgeon was kept very busy throughout the year. A short report is appended.

General. The Medical Officer made one tour of the East Falkland Island during the year; health conditions found to be satisfactory.

Tuberculosis. Shows definite signs of being on the increase.

Government Officials. No invaliding home, but several cases developed a form of Melancholia, partly due to the climate, which compels people to remain indoors, and partly due to the fact that Junior Officials, amongst whom this melancholia is most manifest, live in lodgings.

Venereal Disease. No cases reported.

A separate report relating to the West Falkland Islands will be seen in Appendix I.

(2) COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

Tuberculosis. 17 cases were observed during the year; of these, seven were pulmonary, four Osseous cases, four Abdominal lesions, and two cases of Cervical Adenitis. This is an increase over 1933, when seven cases were reported. Seven deaths resulted. This disease is on the increase. No cases reported on the West Falklands.

Bronchial Catarrh. The incidence of coughs and severe colds during the month of August was high.

Influenza. There was an outbreak of Influenza during the months of July and August; this spread to the West Falklands.

Chicken Pox. Only four cases were seen; these occurred in Stanley during July and August.

Scarlet Fever. Three cases of Scarlet Fever occurred during February in the West Falkland; no deaths resulted.

Impetigo. Four cases in the last quarter of the year. On the increase at the end of the year.

Ringworm. A few cases from last year's outbreak appeared for treatment during January and February of the year under review.

Measles. An outbreak of measles occurred in May and June limited to one family in Stanley; outbreak traced from Magallanes.

(B) Vital Statistics.

1. General Population. The Islanders as well as Government Officials are European or of European descent.

The estimated population of the Falkland Islands on the 1st of January, 1934, was 1,362 males, 1,065 females or a total population of 2,427. The population on the 31st December, 1934, was 2,437, as shewn below :-

Estimated population	Males.	Females.	Total.
on 31st December, 1933 ...	1,362	1,065	2,427.
Add arrivals during year ...	65	40	105.
	1,427	1,105	2,532.
Deduct departures during the year	70	51	121.
	1,357	1,054	2,411.
Add births during year ...	23	31	54.
	1,380	1,085	2,465.
Deduct deaths during the year ...	14	14	28.
Totals ...	1,366	1,071	2,437.
Birth rate per 1,000 ...	...	...	22.16
Death rate per 1,000 ...	...	...	11.49
Population per sq. mile	...	...	.52

DEPENDENCIES.

Marriages registered during the year ...	...	...	Nil.
Births registered during the year ...	...	...	1.
Deaths registered during the year ...	...	...	1.

The resident population of South Georgia was estimated at 670.

III. HYGIENE AND SANITATION.

(1) PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

(a) *Insect borne diseases.* These are unknown.

(b) *Epidemic diseases.* A small outbreak of Scarlet Fever occurred at Hill Cove in the West Falklands, three cases in all. The station was put in quarantine for six weeks.

Small Pox and Vaccination. Vaccination is compulsory under the Vaccination Ordinance of 1868. The majority of children born in Stanley are vaccinated before they are a year old. The camp Medical Officers also vaccinate as many children as possible under existing circumstances.

(c) *Water borne diseases.* An enteritis occurred in the West Falklands, probably water borne.

(d) *Tuberculosis.* 17 cases were notified during the year. There were no deaths from Tuberculosis in the Camp. No further sanitary measures with regard to housing etc. are required in combating this disease. Members of known tuberculous families continue to marry, and no doubt, the disease will be handed on from generation to generation, as heretofore.

(e) *Helminthic diseases.* None are present, with the single exception of oxyuris vermicularis which is always with the people of the Islands, and has a wide distribution. Various drugs, in various combinations, have been tried with but doubtful success.

(f) *Venereal diseases.* So far the Islanders continue free from these scourges. All ships arriving at the port are warned against permitting affected members of their crews to land. The legislation necessary for suppressing these diseases is provided for by Ordinance No. 11 of 1931, and by Venereal Disease (Amendment) Ordinance, 1934.

(2) GENERAL SANITATION.

(a) *Sewage disposal.* Sewage is disposed of partly by water carriage system, and partly by E.C. method. The night soil is removed by tumbler carts under supervision of the Public Works Department. The system of disposal is very efficient, because, though all the sewage is deposited in the harbour, none is ever in evidence on the foreshore.

(b) *Scavenging.* In accordance with the Public Health Bye-laws, all ashes, and household refuse are stored in ash bins, and emptied once a month, at least. This system is reasonably adequate, and in such a cold climate, does not give rise to any appreciable nuisance.

(c) *Roads and Drainage.* The roads and drainage of Stanley are adequate to present needs, and except to mention their excellence in proportion to the size of the town, call for no further comment.

(d) *Water Supply.* The water supply is wholesome and satisfactory, but will have to be increased to meet future requirements.

(e) *Slaughter-houses and Meat Inspection.* The three licensed slaughterhouses were inspected with reasonable frequency and were found to comply with the Board of Health Bye-laws on all occasions. The meat to be sold for human consumption was also inspected on these occasions.

(f) *Dairies.* The dairies were inspected from time to time and found to be fairly satisfactory. The testing of milk samples carried out showed that the standard of cleanliness had been maintained. No sample was found to contain the bacilli of tuberculosis.

(3) SCHOOL HYGIENE.

There are two schools in Stanley, the Government School and St. Mary's School attached to the Catholic Church. The former has 201 pupils on the roll, and the latter 62. The Medical Officers and Dental Surgeon inspected the schools at intervals. At these inspections particular attention is paid to dental and eye conditions and importance is attached to the recorded weights of every child.

It is considered that the high standard at which the hygienic state of the schools is maintained reflects great credit on those responsible.

(4) HOUSING.

Many new houses of a highly improved type have been built during the past few years, and the rate of building is adequate to present needs. There is no housing problem in Stanley.

(5) DIET IN HEALTH AND DISEASE.

The quality and quantity of the diet are satisfactory. The defects are monotony, lack of balance and variety. Mutton, Tea and Bread are the chief constituents of the staple diet. Herein, probably, lies the answer to the problem of the high incidence of dental caries, appendicitis, and constipation. A certain quantity of fruit is imported, but supplies are irregular and the cost is high. The doctrine of eat more green vegetables is being inculcated when possible.

(6) ANTI-RAT CAMPAIGN.

The bi-annual rat weeks have been continued. Red squills and Ratox have been used to poison the rats in the rubbish dumps along the foreshore. There are periods when rats appear to be scarce, but generally they are numerous enough to warrant a bi-annual poison baiting of the dumps.

(7) RECOMMENDATION FOR FUTURE WORK.

1. Continuance of supervision of slaughter-houses and meat inspection.
2. Continuance of supervision of milk supply.
3. Continuance of bi-annual rat week.
4. Continuance of Medical inspection, and free dental treatment of school children.

IV. PORT HEALTH ADMINISTRATION.

In accordance with the usual practice vessels calling at the port were given pratique by the Medical Officers. Also all passengers for the port were seen by the Medical Officers before landing. The great necessity for preventing, if possible, the incursion of infectious disease is fully realized; nevertheless it must be stated that it is possible for persons incubating disease, and showing no signs thereof, to land and cause a serious epidemic.

Vessels registered during 1934 :

		Nos.	Tons nett.	Crews.
Stanley	...	17	40,265	788
Fox Bay	...	5	1,249	101
		22	41,514	889

V. MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

The out-patient department of the hospital provides ante and post-natal services, the majority of confinements take place in hospital.

Confinements in :-	Hospital.	Town.	Camp.	Total.
	20	5	5	30.

During 1933 there were 28 confinements.

Nursing services to the Town and Camp were supplied by the Hospital and were for maternity cases with one exception. Details of the Camp visits are as follows : three cases at North Arm, one at Darwin, one at Fitzroy and one case of Pneumonia at Port Howard. Average stay of the nurses in the Camp was 26 days.

VI. HOSPITAL.

The King Edward VII Memorial Hospital comprises 12 beds, operating theatre, quarters for nurses, stores and out-patient department. In addition there is a Dental Surgery and workshop, also a drug store and laboratory apart from the Hospital. Slight alterations were made in the Medical Officer's Office.

As mentioned in the 1933 report, there is a real need for the following alterations in the Hospital :—

1. Quarters apart from the Hospital for the Nursing Staff.
2. New out-patient Department.

3. Extra bed accommodation.
4. Anaesthetic room adjoining the Operating Theatre.
5. Labour Ward.
6. Drug store, present store being damp.
7. Proper X-ray room, and dark room.

These alterations are being considered by the Administration.

A new X-ray has been sent out to replace the apparatus which broke down.

The Out-Patients showed an increase in numbers over that of the previous year.

The Medico-electrical section of the Out-Patient Department has carried out successful work during the year, with Radiant Heat, Vapour and Turkish Baths, especially valuable in skin diseases and muscular rheumatism.

Artificial Sunlight treatment has been carried out in cases of adenitis and anaemia in children, also in cases of Tubercular bone and joint diseases.

Lectures were given to the nurses throughout the year by the Medical Officer and demonstrations were given by the Matron.

A full time clerk has been appointed to deal with the extra office and new book-keeping system.

A motor cycle has been purchased by the department for the use of the Medical Officers while working in the town.

VII. PRISONS AND ASYLUMS.

There are no asylums in the Colony. No lunatics were under observation during the year.

The prison was inspected at intervals and found to be in a satisfactory hygienic condition.

VIII. METEOROLOGICAL.

The Falkland Islands are situated about 300 miles East of South America in latitude 51 degrees 41 minutes South, and longitude 57 degrees 51 minutes West (Stanley).

The climatic conditions during the year 1934 were not up to the usual standard, there being 228 days on which rain fell. There were only eight calm days in the whole year and the average sunshine was about four hours a day.

B. DEPENDENCIES.

No health reports are available. All the whaling factories have their own medical organizations.

The whaling personnel recruited from the Falkland Islands have maintained uniform health during their stay in the ice and in South Georgia.

R. L. CHEVERTON,

Senior Medical Officer.

TABLE I.
MEDICAL AND SUBORDINATE STAFF.

OFFICE.			NAME AND QUALIFICATIONS.	REMARKS.
A. MEDICAL STAFF.				
Senior Medical Officer	...		J. Innes Moir, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.	Left Colony on transfer to British Honduras.
Medical Officers	...	...	H. Glyn Edmunds, M.S.A. T. P. Binns, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.	Medical Officer, Fox Bay.
B. NURSING STAFF.				
Matron	...	...	Miss C. Wells, S.R.N., R.F.N.	On study leave.
Nursing Sister	...	...	Miss M. E. Hill, S.R.N.	
Junior Nurses	...	...	Miss G. Reive Miss R. Harvey	
Nurse Probationers	...	...	Miss M. S. J. Miller Miss E. H. Fuhlendorff	
C. DENTAL STAFF.				
Dental Surgeon	...	...	S. W. Harding, L.D.S., (R.C.S.I.)	Appointed 3/5/34.
Dental Mechanic	...	...	J. Turner	
Dental Mechanic's Assistant	...		R. Lellman	
D. SANITARY STAFF.				
Sanitary Inspector	...	...	S. H. Hooley	Chief Constable.
E. CLERICAL STAFF.				
Clerk	...	...	B. N. Biggs	Full time appointed 1/5/34.

TABLE II.

K. E. M. Hospital, Stanley.

LIST OF OPERATIONS, 1934.

	No. of cases.
Amputation of fingers	2
Amputation of Breast	1
Removal of Toe-nail	1
" " Warts	3
" " Uvula	1
" " Cysts	1
" " Tonsils and Adenoids	5
Incision of Frenum Linguae	1
Tendon Lengthening	2
Setting of Greenstick Fracture	1
" " Fractures	2
Mobilization of joints	2
Cellulitis incised	8
Abscess incised	11
Wounds sutured	24
Appendicectomies	25
Herniotomies	2
Dilatation of Cervix Uteri and Curettage	1
Total	93

These cases include various minor operations done in the Out-Patients' Department and Operating Theatre.

TABLE III.
RETURN OF DISEASES AND DEATHS (IN-PATIENTS) 1934.

Disease.	Patients remaining in Hospital 1933-1934.	Yearly Total.		Deaths.	Patients remaining in Hospital 1934-1935.
		Total Admissions.	Total Cases.		
I. INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES.					
23. Tuberculosis Respiratory System.					
Pulmonary Tuberculosis		1	1		
Pleurisy		2	2		
25. Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum ...		1	1		
26. Tuberculosis of Vertebral Column		2	2		
27. Tuberculosis of other bones and joints.					
Periostitis		1	1		
Arthritis		2	2		
32. Disseminated Tuberculosis		2	2	2	
II. CANCER AND OTHER TUMOURS.					
50. Cancer of Breast		1	1		
54a. Non-malignant tumours of Female Generative organs.					
Fibromyoma		1	1		
III. RHEUMATISM, DISEASES OF NUTRITION AND OF ENDOCRINE ORGANS AND GENERAL DISEASES.					
Osteo Arthritis		1	1		
Diabetes mellitus		3	1		
VI. DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM.					
82. Cerebral haemorrhage Fractured skull		2	2		1
84. Other form of Insanity.					
Melancholia		2	1		
87c. Other diseases of Nervous System.					
Neurasthenia		2	2		
88. Diseases of the Eye and annexa.					
Ulcer of cornea		1	1		
Injury to Eye-ball		1	1		
VII. DISEASES OF CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.					
102. Abnormalities of blood pressure.					
Hyperpiesia		2	1		
VIII. DISEASES OF RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.					
108. Lobar pneumonia		1	1		
IX. DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.					
117. Ulcer of Stomach or duodenum.					
(a) Stomach		1	1		
(b) Duodenum		1	1		
118. Other diseases of Stomach.					
Gastritis		1	1		
121. Appendicitis		27	26	1	2
122. Hernia		2	2		

TABLE III. (Continued).

Disease.	Patients remaining in Hospital 1933-1934.	Yearly Total.		Deaths.	Patients remaining in Hospital 1934-1935.
		Total Admissions.	Total Cases.		
X. NON-VENEREAL DISEASES OF GENITO - URINARY SYSTEM.					
132. Nephritis not stated to be acute or chronic ...		1	1		
Ruptured Kidney		1	1		
139. Diseases of the Female genital organs.					
(b) Endometritis		1	1		
Metritis		1	1		
XI. DISEASES OF PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND PUERPERAL STATE.					
141. Abortion not returned as septic.					
Incomplete abortion		1	1		
Missed abortion		2	1		
147. Toxaemia of Pregnancy		1	1		
150:3 Parturition	2	20	22	1	1
XII. DISEASES OF SKIN AND CELLULAR TISSUE.					
151. Carbuncle, Boil		1	1		
152. Cellulitis		1	1		
153. Other diseases of Skin and Annexa.					
Herpes zoster		1	1		
XIII. DISEASES OF BONES, JOINTS AND OTHER ORGANS OF LOCOMOTION.					
155. Necrosis of Skull		1	1	1	
156. Joints.					
(a) Acute Arthritis		1	1		
Synovitis.		1	1		
(b) Bursitis		1	1		
Talipes Equino varus		1	1		
XVII. FROM VIOLENCE.					
194. Accidental Violence.					
Concussion		1	1		
:2 Accidental Fractures	1	3	4		
Traumatic		1	1		
200:3. Shock		1	1		
Total ...	3	102	99	5	4

- (I) Extra cases under admissions, indicate that the same case has been admitted on more than one occasion in the same year, with the same disease, *e.g.* Diabetis Mellitus.
- (II) Classification based on Manual of the International list of causes of Death, 1931.
- (III) Total deaths on Table IV. include those deaths shewn in Table III.

TABLE IV.
CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS
AND DEPENDENCIES.

Diseases.	Num- ber.	Male.	Fe- Male.	Remarks.
I. INFECTIOUS DISEASES.				
11b: Influenza, Cerebral	1		1	Stanley.
23. Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	4	1	3	Stanley, 4.
25. Abdominal Tuberculosis	1	1		Stanley.
32. Generalised miliary Tuberculosis ...	2		2	Stanley.
II. CANCER AND OTHER TUMOURS.				
46. Cancer, Pancreas	1		1	Stanley.
III. RHEUMATISM, DISEASES OF NUTRITION.				
56. Acute Rheumatism	1	1		Fox Bay.
VI. DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.				
82. Cerebral Haemorrhage	2	1	1	Stanley, 2.
VII. DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.				
95b:2 Morbus Cordis	2	2		San Carlos.
102. Hyperpiesis	1	1		Stanley.
VIII. DISEASES OF RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.				
106. Bronchitis	2	1	1	Stanley.
107. Broncho Pneumonia	3	1	2	Goose Green, Stanley, Darwin.
IX. DISEASES OF DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.				
121. Appendicitis	1		1	Stanley.
XIII. DISEASES OF THE BONES (NECROSIS)				
155. Osteitis	1	1		Stanley.
XIV. CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS				
157. Congenital Heart Disease	1		1	Stanley.
XVI. OLD AGE.				
162b. Cardiac Senility	3	3		Walker Creek, Stanley, 2.
XVIII. ILL-DEFINED DISEASES.				
200:1 Paralysis Cordis	1	1		South Georgia.
Heart Failure	1		1	Stanley.
200:3 Febricula	1	1		Stanley.
	29	15	14	

TABLE V.

Meteorological Returns for the year 1934.

STANLEY.

Latitude 51° 41' 45" S. Longitude 57° 51' 25" W.

MONTH.	TEMPERATURE.			RAINFALL.	WINDS.	
	Maximum.	Minimum.	Mean.		General Direction.	Mean Force.
January	74°F.	37°F.	44°F.	2.21	S.W.	4.5
February	58	30	39	4.43	S.	4.4
March	64	33	40	3.64	W.	5.0
April	54	32	36	.86	W.N.W.	4.2
May	51	26	34	1.98	W.	3.9
June	43	17	30	2.10	W.	3.1
July	46	21	30	2.69	W.	4.4
August	46	23	32	1.75	W.	4.6
September	55	28	34	1.07	W.	3.9
October	64	28	36	.96	W.	4.9
November	62	32	39	2.80	S.W.	4.2
December	62	33	40	3.12	S.W.	5.0
	56.7	28.3	36.1	2.30	—	4.3

APPENDIX I.

SUMMARY OF A REPORT
FROM MEDICAL OFFICER AT FOX BAY, WEST FALKLANDS.

Report of certain cases and diseases seen by the Medical Officer at Fox Bay since September, 1933 :—

1. *Influenza*. First occurred in Pebble Island after the M.V. "Gentoo" had returned from Stanley, it spread over the whole Island.

2. *Scarlet Fever*. Three cases at Hill Cove; station put in quarantine for six weeks. Two cases were mild, desquamation seen in one case, the third case occurred in a woman three days after labour. She was very ill, but recovered.

3. *Scurvy*. Occurred in spring 1934, two children, treated on raw vegetables only, both recovered.

4. *Gastric Enteritis*. Known locally as the "Sickness", comes on suddenly and patient ill for 4 days.

Disease occurs in the Summer, it would appear to be due to contaminated water supply in places where the drinking water is drawn from streams passing through grazing pastures and does not occur where spring water is drunk.

The disease in one case proved to be infectious.

5. *Anaemia*. A large number of people appear to be anaemic and respond readily to the exhibition of Iron. Probably a deficiency disease, the condition does not occur in Stations where vegetables are abundant.

For Return of Cases see attached Table VI.

TABLE VI.
RETURN OF CASES REPORTED
BY THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE WEST FALKLANDS.

Disease.	Number of cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
I. INFECTIOUS AND PARASITIC DISEASES.			
8. Scarlet Fever	3	—	Hill Cove. Brought from Stanley.
11. Influenza	(Spread over the W. Is.)	—	
II. TUMOURS.			
54. Angioma	1	—	
III. RHEUMATISM, DISEASES OF NUTRITION AND OTHER GENERAL DISEASES.			
56. Rheumatic Fever	2	1	Children.
10. Scurvy	2	—	
IV. DISEASES OF THE BLOOD.			
71. Anaemia	many cases.	—	Due to lack of vegetables.
VI. DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.			
87b. Alcoholic Neuritis	1	—	
Polyneuritis	2	—	
Sciatica	4	—	
VII. DISEASES OF CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.			
100. Varicose Veins	1	—	
VIII. DISEASES OF RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.			
107. Broncho Pneumonia	1	—	
IX. DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.			
115:3 Tonsillitis	4	—	One developed acute nephritis.
117. Gastric Ulcer	1	—	
118. Gastritis	many cases.	—	
119. Gastro-enteritis	do.	—	Probably water borne.
X. NON-VENEREAL DISEASE OF GENITO URINARY SYSTEM.			
138. Paraphimosis	1	—	
XI. DISEASES OF PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH.			
150:3 Parturition	10	—	
XII. DISEASES OF THE SKIN AND CELLULAR TISSUE.			
151. Boil	1	—	
152. Abscess	2	—	
153. Ulcer	1	—	
Erythema Nodosum	1	—	
XVII. FROM VIOLENCE.			
194:2 Fractures	8	—	

N.B. This return includes cases seen since September, 1933.

APPENDIX II.

REPORT ON THE DENTAL DEPARTMENT.

54 Operations under general anaesthesia were carried out in hospital as against 38 of the previous year.

The camp in the East Falklands was visited by the Colonial Dental Surgeon on 21st March and he returned to Stanley on the 12th April.

The camp in the West Island was visited on 3rd August and the Dental Surgeon returned on the 11th August.

That these visits to the camp are essential, and appreciated, is proved by the attendance of the people from various districts. The Camp Managers kindly afforded every facility for the performance of this work.

In company with the Medical Officers, the Dental Surgeon inspected the dental condition of all children in both the Government and St. Mary's Catholic Schools. The School children attend regularly the special clinic for school children held on Saturday mornings.

The general oral hygiene of the people is improving in proportion to their greater attention to their dental condition. Pyorrhoea is abating.



