

TABLE IV.

WARD VI.

Houses showing 3 or more cases each of tuberculosis.

No. of houses in which 3 or more cases occurred.....	45
“ cases in 1894.....	72
“ “ 1895.....	56
“ “ 1896-97.....	78
Total cases in these houses in 3 years.....	206
Average number of cases per house.....	4.5
Comparing these with the figures obtained for the whole ward :	
Total number of infected houses.....	239
Number of houses in which 3 or more cases occurred..	45
Percentage of total infected houses.....	18.9
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Total number of cases in ward.....	465
Cases occurring in 18.9 p.c. of the houses infected....	206
Percentage of cases in same.....	44.3
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Total number of inhabited houses.....	630
Number of houses in which 44.3 p.c. of cases occurred.	45
Percentage in total houses.....	7.1

Thus, 44.3 p.c. of the cases occurred in 18.9 p.c. of the infected houses, and these constituted only 7.1 p.c. of all the houses in Ward VI.

I desire to now refer briefly, to the system of medical school inspection, instituted by the Health Department during the last year, which has given thus far most satisfactory results, and which promises greater good in the future.

Early in 1897, under the authority of a special resolution of the Board of Estimate, 150 Medical School Inspectors were appointed by the Health Board, after Civil Service examination. The duties of these inspectors consist in the examination daily, at the opening of the primary and grammar departments of each of the public schools and of the parochial and industrial schools, of all the children who are set apart by the respective class room teachers as not appearing to be entirely well. These children are examined in each school by the Inspector detailed to the school, and are either excluded from the school room, or returned to the class depending on the result of the examination. Every pupil found to be suffering from any form of general contagious disease, or any contagious disease of the eye or parasitic disease of the skin, is sent home, with a written statement to the parents of the cause for the action, and in case of the eruptive diseases and diphtheria, reports are immediately forwarded to the Chief