

The salaries range from £150 a year to £250 for men; for women from £80 to £150 a year. Lady sanitary inspectors are increasing in numbers. They are under the immediate supervision of the medical officer of health, and their special work is in connection with the reduction of the high rate of infantile mortality, the inspection of laundries and workshops, the inspection of midwives, house to house inspection, the supervision of houses let in lodgings and certain duties connected with notifiable and non-notifiable infectious disease.

Just a word is necessary about "health visiting" which is extremely difficult and trying in respect of its duties. The Health Visitor has no legal status and no right of entry unless she be at the same time a sanitary inspector. Many Health Visitors have been nurses who feel drawn to this special kind of work; other things being equal, sanitary authorities show a tendency to appoint candidates with nursing qualifications. Since infant mortality plays so large a part in the work of a health visitor, it is a good thing for a candidate to have training in a children's hospital. If inspection under the Midwives Act is a part of the duties of a health visitor it is clear that she must be a certified midwife. The salaries range from a £100 to £120, and are quite inadequate considering the valuable nature of the work that is performed. A health visitor must have considerable tact, especially in dealing with mothers in connection with the Notification of Births Act, and the reduction of infant mortality. Apart from the certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute the diploma of the National Health Society is valuable.

Coming to some of the more important positions outside the three main services, we have such officials as the Chief Librarian and his assistants, the electrical engineer, the school doctor under the Educational Committee, the superintendent of the public baths, the Manager of the Tramways Department, and many other posts, the number of which tends to increase almost every year. Anyone who wishes to be a librarian must either enter as a junior at £25 to £30 a year and work his way up, or he must be qualified by virtue of some experience in other non-municipal libraries, together with educational certificates, and possibly a university degree. Assistant librarians are paid anything from £80 a year without

rooms to £300 a year with a house, while a chief librarian, of course, may receive double this amount. The service is, however, not well paid. The Library Association, Whitcombe Street, Pall Mall, gives lectures to candidates for library work and awards certificates. The subjects of study are history, bibliography, cataloguing, classification of books, and practical library administration. Women are often employed in subordinate positions in libraries, with salaries ranging from £30 to £80 a year.

The electrical engineer is, of course, only to be found in boroughs of a fairly large size. The position is an important one, and until recently, owing to the dearth of able candidates was extremely well paid. It is needless to say that all applicants for these positions must be fully qualified by examination, and must possess certificates. To obtain the highest position it is necessary, as a rule, to accept a post in a small town and acquire there the practical knowledge which is almost indispensable in dealing with very large work. Many men get their appointments from the big electrical engineering firms. The salary ranges from £250 to £800 a year.

The school doctor is usually under the control of the Medical Officer of Health, although in some cases he has been appointed definitely by the Education Committee and is independent of the Public Health Department. In most towns the school doctor does not at present give his whole time to the work of medical inspection, and, therefore, his salary is proportionately small; but where whole time is given he will commence with about £350 to £400 a year. As medical treatment and the school clinic become more common the work of the school doctor will tend to increase in proportion and whole time appointments will be common.

The superintendent of public baths and wash-houses must be a good organizer and competent to take charge of building and machinery, with a sound practical knowledge of hydraulic and heating apparatus. The salary varies according to the town, but, is usually from £200 to £300 a year. Assistants receive about £120 a year.

Generally speaking, it may be said that the opportunities for municipal service are increasing rapidly year by year, and that as time goes on the number of candidates for these positions will tend to increase, not merely by reason of the permanent charac-