

Inspector of Contagious Diseases, and by him referred to the various District Medical Inspectors for inspection and supervision.

During three months, (65 school days) in which this system has been in operation, there have been examined 63,812 children, who had been set aside by the teachers as not appearing entirely well, of which number 4,183 were excluded for the following reasons:

Measles.....	88
Diphtheria.....	167
Scarlet fever.....	32
Croup.....	11
Whooping cough.....	26
Mumps.....	117
Contagious eye diseases.....	702
Parasitic diseases of head.....	2,627
Parasitic diseases of body.....	108
Chickenpox.....	130
Skin diseases.....	175
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The children excluded because they were thought to be suffering from Measles, Scarlet fever, Diphtheria and Chickenpox, were afterwards seen by the Medical Inspectors and in the majority of cases the original diagnosis was confirmed.

The educational work of the Health Department is, I believe, of great importance. It has been the custom of the Department for some years past to issue from time to time circulars of information on various topics, and especially with relation to the infectious diseases, their diagnosis, treatment or management. Some of these circulars are popular in character, very large editions being published, 50,000 or more at a time, and are designed for general distribution, particularly among the tenement house population.

Examples of this class are the following: "Information for Consumptives and their Families," "Infant Feeding," "Methods of Transmission of Contagious Diseases," and numerous others on similar topics. Circulars of information are also issued which are designed for distribution among the medical profession. These relate to the work of the Health Department in connection with infectious diseases, or to the bacteriological products of the laboratories. Many such circulars have been issued on various topics connected with diphtheria, such as "Bacteriological Examinations for the Diagnosis of Diphtheria," "Relation of Membraneous Croup to Diphtheria," "Diphtheria Antitoxin," "Persistence of Diphtheria Bacilli in the Throat during Convalescence from Diphtheria," "Occurrence of Diphtheria