

patients in sanatoria 47,685. The numbers of operations performed in general and maternity hospitals were respectively 8,617 and 28. The total government grants of \$75,753 to general and maternity hospitals comprised grants of \$42,330 by the province and \$33,423 by municipalities.

3.—New Brunswick.

The New Brunswick Department of Health includes in its activities general sanitation, water-supply and drainage, the abatement of communicable disease, medical inspection of schools, vital statistics, provincial pathological and public health laboratory, and the general supervision of the 16 health sub-districts into which the province is divided.

The Department is administered by the Minister of Health from a governmental standpoint and is under the immediate direction of a Chief Medical Officer. His staff, which with the Minister forms the Bureau of Health, consists of the chief of laboratories, 3 district medical health officers, 6 medical inspectors of schools, a director of nursing and a director of venereal clinics.

The Chief Medical Officer, in his seventh annual report, summarizes the chief activities of the Department during the year ending Oct. 31, 1924, under the headings already given.

During that year (provisional report) the births numbered 10,651, the marriages 2,964 and the deaths 4,902. The corresponding rates per 1,000 population would be 26.7, 7.4 and 12.3. The infantile mortality was 101.8 and the maternal mortality 4.6 per 1,000 living births. The death-rate from all causes fell gradually from 15.6 in 1920 to 12.3 in 1924. The infantile mortality decreased from 134.9 in 1920 to 101.8 in 1924.

The birth-rate (26.7) was the highest in the registration area of Canada, the mean for the whole of that area being 23.1.

In the school year 1923-24, 49,030 pupils were medically examined and 12,643 were successfully vaccinated (those entering school for first time). Of those examined, 318 were found unable to pursue their studies with ordinary success on account of mental deficiency. Six special schools for such deficient have already been established. Of the total number examined (49,030), 20,874 were reported in normal physical and mental condition.

Water and milk supply, drainage, communicable disease, etc., all showed improvement during the year.

4.—Hospitals, etc., in New Brunswick, 1924.

Items.	General, Maternity, Isolation and Private Hospitals.	Sanatoria for Consumptives.	Hospitals for the Insane.	Orphanages, Refuges, etc.
Number of institutions.....	16	2	1	3
Number of patients, beginning of year.....	121 ¹	~	667	183
Admissions and births.....	11,830	313	190	114
Discharges, etc.....	10,378	318	75	105
Number of patients, end of year.....	356	162	866	192
Staff—Doctors.....	144	5	2	7
Nurses.....	278	26	21	29
Receipts—Government and municipal grants.....\$	53,104	66,623	66,546	16,081
Fees.....\$	261,380	83,905	35,438	6,920
Total ²\$	373,139	153,931	101,984	46,690
Expenditures—Salaries, etc.....\$	177,514	75,167	46,260	11,925
Buildings and equipment.....\$	78,069	8,196	20,853	5,971
Total ³\$	551,201	198,942	186,565	53,192

¹Number patients beginning of year very incomplete. ²Includes other receipts. ³Includes other expenditure