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## Report Of Health Officer

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The town enjoyed very good health during the past year outside the usual amount of diphtheria, epidemics were conspicuous by their absence. A step in advance was made in appointing a plumbing inspector. His services will be especially valuable in view of the reconstruction taking place during the coming year. The lack of water on high services has caused a lot of trouble to plumbing causing stoppage in closets due to lack of flushing. This no doubt will be righted by enlarging of mains.

I would like again to call attention to some form of collecting of ashes, garbage, etc. The clearing up of backyards is prolonged into summer through lack of facilities of transportation. The opening of the relief hospital at the Parker house for contagious diseases contributed to stamping out of epidemic resulting from housing conditions since the explosion, this house lends itself very readily to hospital purposes. It would be a step in advance if this property could be acquired in some way for treatment of infection diseases as well as general hospital purposes as the town is now responsible for the payment of charges at the Victoria General hospital in Halifax.

Yours truly

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