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DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 TO 1937, AND AGRICULTURE ACT, 1937 (PART IV.).

GREAT BRITAIN.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

RETURN No. 12/1944. OUTBREAKS OF SCHEDULED (NOTIFIABLE) DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE MINISTRY during the period 16th to 30th JUNE 1944.

Summary of Returns of outbreaks of certain scheduled (notifiable) diseases which have been confirmed by the Ministry during the period 16th to 30th June 1944.

Period.	Anthrax.		Foot-and-Mouth Disease.		Parasitic Mange.*		Sheep Scab.	Swine Fever.	
	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals slaughtered as diseased or exposed to infection.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Animals attacked.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Outbreaks confirmed.	Swine slaughtered.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Period 16th to 30th June 1944	4	4	5	433	—	—	2	59	51
Corresponding period in { 1943	11	14	—	—	—	—	1	24	18
{ 1942	15	15	23	2,124	—	—	1	17	27
{ 1941	9	12	—	—	2	7	3	34	20
Total 1st January to 30th June 1944	111	118	27	3 031	6	18	61	418	312
Corresponding period in { 1943	164	184	10	1,956	6	11	100	258	193
{ 1942	172	183	45	5 763	26	65	117	232	142
{ 1941	274	317	255	26,527	10	32	134	795	390

NOTE.—The figures for the current year are approximate only.

* Excluding outbreaks in Army Horses.

NOTE.—The following diseases were eradicated from Great Britain in the years indicated :—Cattle plague, or rinder-pest (*pestis bovina*) 1877 ; pleuro-pneumonia (*peripneumonia contagiosa bovum*) 1898 ; sheep pox (*variola ovium*) 1850 ; rabies 1922 ; epizootic lymphangitis (*lymphangitis epizootica*) 1906 ; and glanders (including farcy) (*malleus*) 1928. Dourine (*exanthema coitale paralyticum*) has never existed in Great Britain.

No case of Fowl Pest (*pestis avium*) has been confirmed in Great Britain since the 11th January 1937, the date as from which the disease was first notifiable. So far as is known, however, Fowl Pest has not existed in Great Britain since 1933.

TUBERCULOSIS (ATTESTED HERDS) SCHEMES.

The number of Attested Herds, i.e. herds officially certified as free from Tuberculosis, as at 30th June 1944 was as follows :—

ENGLAND.	WALES.	SCOTLAND.	TOTAL (GREAT BRITAIN).
4,128	8,555	3,690	16,373

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,
11th July 1944.