APOPLEXY.

The average number of deaths from this cause during the past five years was 329, and the rate per 1,000, 3.48. Last year the number of deaths was 389, and the rate 3.92 per 10,000.

PNEUMONIA.

There were 448 deaths in 1910, against 458 in 1909. Excepting occasional fluctuations due to exceptional climatic conditions, the rate per 10,000 remains fairly constant at about 4.9.

GASTRITIS AND ENTERITIS AND DIARRHOEAL DISEASES.

Although shown separately in the table, it may be advisable to consider these causes together. The number of deaths recorded in 1910 was 621, a rate of 6.25 per 10,000, as compared with an average of 605 and 6.43 respectively for the past five years.

CIRRHOSIS OF LIVER.

There were 38 deaths in 1910, as compared with an average of 45 for the five years 1906-10.

APPENDICITIS.

There were 98 deaths ascribed to this cause in 1910, the average number for five years being 80.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE AND NEPHRITIS

Of the 256 deaths last year 206 were certified as Bright's disease and 50 as acute nephritis. The rate per 10,000 living for 1910 was 2.58, against an average of 2.73 for the last five years.

PUERPERAL DISEASES.

In 1910 the deaths certified to these causes number 117. Included in the number were: Accidents of pregnancy, 35; puerperal septicæmia, 35; other accidents of childbirth, 47. The number of deaths to every 1,000 confinements for each of ten years is shown.

Year.	`	Deaths of Mothers to every 1,000 Confinements.	Year.		Deaths of Mothers to every 1,000 Confinements.		
1900	 	3.84	1906			3.91	
1901	 	4·39	1907			4.62	
1902	 	5.33	1908			4.64	
1903	 	5.86	1909			5.14	
1904	 	4.66	1910			4.55	
1905		4.22					

VIOLENCE.

The deaths from external violence, apart from suicide, numbered 567 in 1910—males 466, females 101. The rate per 10,000 living was 6.42 in 1906, 6.65 in 1907, 6.03 in 1908, 6.79 in 1909, and 5.71 in 1910. Drowning caused 28 per cent. of the total, and 29 per cent. of the male deaths by accident. The various forms of accidental deaths in 1910 are shown in the following table:—

Accidental Deaths, 1910.

	Cause	of Death.			Males.	Females.	Total
Fractures			 		33	9	42
Shooting			 		14	1	15
Other accidental injur	ies		 •		167	10	177
Burns, scalds			 		23	27	50
Insolation			 		2		2
Electric shock			 		1	1	2
Accidental drowning			 •		135	25	160
inhalation of noxious	gases		 		10	4	14
Other accidental poiso			 		12	5 .	17
Other external violence			 		69	19	88
Total deaths			 • •		466	101	567

SUICIDE.

The suicidal deaths in 1910 were 100—males 86, and females 14. The rate per 10,000 living was 1.01 in 1910, against an average of 1.07 for the past five years.