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Report in the Practical Work of Public Health Students

Miss Baggallay's Report. Oct - Jan 1931

During last term the Public Health Students spent Thursdays doing practical work.

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The work was mainly planned in connection with the Mothercraft and Tuberculosis Departments at St. Thomas's Hospital; but Miss Derbyshire very kindly arranged for two of the English Students - Miss Crothers and Miss Merry - to attend Professor Browne's Ante natal Clinics and Teaching round at University College Hospital. This proved very successful and was a valuable experience for both Students.

During part of the Christmas vacation Miss Parker had three weeks in the Tuberculosis Department at St. Thomas's, and Miss Merry finished her work in Islington with the C.O.S.

During the first week in January I took three Students to Birmingham where Dr. Newsholme and Miss Baxter, the Superintendent Health Visitor, had planned a very interesting programme for us. We saw the general scheme of work in the Maternity and Infant Welfare Department, the organization of the Health Visitors' work and the supervision of Midwives.

We met the Tutor to the Health Visitor Students in the Department and heard about the course given there for the training of Health Visitors.

We attended various Infant Welfare and Maternity Centres in action and the Students were able to sit beside the Health

Visitors and Doctor during infant consultations and to hear the Health Talks given to groups at the Centre.

We were also shown over some of the Housing Schemes of the Birmingham Corporation and over Cadbury's Factory and the Bournville Village.

We are very grateful to Dr. Newsholmes for allowing us this privilege and think that the Students can gain very useful experience by such a visit.

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