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[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

A study of the vital statistics as regards the prevailing diseases and mortality, of the city of Panama for the year 1903.

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Referring to my report, "A study of the vital statistics of Colon," transmitted by my letter of the 7th instant, I have pursued the same line of investigation relative to the prevailing diseases and mortality from the same in the city of Panama for the period of one year. In order to have a basis for these deductions, and in order to ascertain if there is any marked variation in the amount of sickness or in the character of the prevailing diseases in Panama and Colon, such data of both places having a bearing on the canal zone between these two cities, I deemed the subject of sufficient importance to determine as far as possible, by an examination of all available records, the actual morbidity in a resident population—one more or less immune to two of the most important climatic diseases—as indicative of what might be the result in a fresh population for work on the canal, if the existing insanitary conditions are not remedied before such laborers are introduced.

An inspection of Panama would lead one to believe that the morbidity should be lower than that of Colon, but this does not seem to be the fact from an examination of the available records.

As a basis of this report a compilation of the cases treated in the San Tomas Hospital for a period from January, 1903, to February, 1904, inclusive, has been made, as well as mortality statistics from the official records for the year 1903. A transcript of these records was made and furnished this office by Assist. Surg. C. C. Pierce.

The statistics of the San Tomas Hospital are very incomplete, and are of little value except in showing the general morbidity and the frequency with which certain diseases prevail.

It may be pertinent in this connection to state that this institution is the city hospital of Panama, and while it is available for any pay patients, nearly all of those treated are either soldiers, police, or patients of charity. Probably at least three-fourths of the patients are paupers. These facts are mentioned in order to show that in computing the general morbidity the deductions drawn that a much greater number of sick are treated outside of this institution and at their homes are correct.

An examination of the table of the patients and diseases treated in this hospital shows that during the fourteen months embraced therein 2,966 cases were treated during this period, and that of this number

the diagnosis and other data were recorded in 665 instances. Now, deducting the cases that were admitted during January and February, 1904 (422), from the total given above, it will be seen that 2,544 patients were treated in this hospital during 1903. Taking into consideration that few of the better class of inhabitants were treated in this institution and that many mild cases of disease are not admitted to this hospital, but are treated at their homes, a conservative estimate that not more than one-fourth of the total number of the sick in Panama were admitted to the hospital would give an annual morbidity of 10,176 patients.

I consider the above approximately correct. Estimating the population of the city at 18,000 this gives an annual morbidity of 56.53 per cent. Some of the authorities in Panama claim that the population is 25,000. Even admitting this, it may be pertinent to ascertain on this basis if their claim that Panama is a healthy city is substantiated by facts. Such a calculation gives an annual morbidity of 40.70 per cent. Therefore it would seem that an estimate on the most favorable basis shows that approximately one-half of the population is sick during the year. That the above deductions regarding the general morbidity of Panama are not far wrong is shown by the mortality statistics for the past year. Of a total of 1,270 deaths, only 308 were recorded in the San Tomas Hospital.

Taking this fact into consideration, and if we assume that a greater number of mild types of disease are treated at the homes of the patients, it will be seen that the above morbidity rate is based on carefully drawn deductions. If this high morbidity occurs in a native population to a large extent immune to yellow fever and to a certain extent to malarial fevers, the question arises what may be expected in a population of new arrivals subject to the same sanitary conditions.

Having determined the morbidity, it now becomes important to ascertain the character of the diseases that prevail, and whether the most prevalent diseases are climatic and of a class that can be eliminated or diminished by improvement of the sanitary conditions. In this connection the following diseases should receive careful consideration:

(1) Malarial fevers, (2) yellow fever.

An examination of the hospital records shows that malarial fever is one of the most frequent diseases in Panama, being exceeded only by tuberculosis. It is, however, extremely probable that the milder cases of malarial fever are not sent to this hospital, and that those embraced in the data were severe types of the disease among the poorer portion of the population. Of the 665 diagnosed cases treated in the San Tomas Hospital, 118 were given as malarial. Of this number of cases 13 were diagnosed as pernicious malarial fever, 12 of which died, and 13 as malarial cachexia, with a mortality of 3. The remaining 92 cases were simply specified as malarial fever without distinction as to type, but, as there was a mortality of 18, it shows that many of the cases were of the æstivo-autumnal variety.

From the above it will be seen that of the 665 cases in which the diagnosis was given only 17.67 per cent were suffering from malarial diseases, but that 9.56 per cent of the total number of deaths in this institution were due to the same. Still, considering that no data were given in 2,301 cases, it is very probable that many mild cases of

malarial fever were included in this unclassified number.

An examination of the mortality statistics of the city for the year

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1903 shows a record of 213 deaths from fevers variously diagnosed as fever—malarial fever, malaria, bilious fever, and paludic fever—16.77 per cent of the total number of deaths. This is an exceptionally high death rate for malarial fever, and I doubt the correctness of the diagnosis of many of the cases. At the same time the percentage of malarial diseases treated in the San Tomas hospital is far below the average morbidity from this disease on the Isthmus, as it will be shown in another report that the average morbidity of the patients treated in the French Canal hospital, which only includes patients so ill as to require hospital treatment, has been from 25 to 42 per cent for the last five years of all patients treated in that institution.

Furthermore, considering that the majority of the mild cases of malarial fever are not treated in the hospital, I think that a very conservative estimate would be that 50 per cent of the total morbidity of

the city of Panama is due to malarial fever.

It is difficult to determine the frequency of the different types of malarial fever from the data at hand, and, as already mentioned in a previous report, statistics on this subject giving a true classification of the types of malarial fever and their relative frequency can be obtained only by a careful and systematic study of a large number of cases.

This work has already been commenced, but has not yet reached sufficient advancement to allow of deductions. A further examination of the tables submitted shows that 13 cases of the 118 treated in the hospital were diagnosed as pernicious, of which 12 died. The mortality statistics for the year show that of the 213 cases recorded as due to malarial fever, 21 were diagnosed as pernicious. There is no question that all types of malarial fever occur in Colon, Panama, and other portions of the Isthmus, and that the pernicious forms, principally the hemoglobinuric, occur; still it is impossible to determine the exact proportion of such cases from the incomplete records available, though the statistics just quoted would seem to indicate that this type of the disease is rather frequent in Panama.

From the foregoing I believe that malarial fever is less frequent in Panama than in Colon, but there is little difference in the types of the

disease and in their severity in the two places.

Relative to the immunity of the native population, Panamans, West Indian negroes, it may be stated that remarks made in the report for Colon, under this heading, hold equally true for Panama. A certain immunity to malarial diseases exists, but it is not so marked as would be expected from the literature on the subject.

Yellow fever.—The presence of yellow fever on the Isthmus with a suitable soil for the propagation of this disease is a matter of vital importance. It is the one infectious disease most to be dreaded on the Isthmus by persons of the white race and others not acclimated or

immune.

Every year it claims a number of victims in Panama out of the small nonimmune population that comes within its gates. Under the existing conditions the danger to a large influx of susceptible material can not be too strongly emphasized. Panama constitutes a fruitful soil for the propagation and spread of this disease. An examination of the mortality statistics shows that there were 55 deaths from yellow fever in Panama during the year 1903, and the records of the San Tomas Hospital show that 30 cases of this disease, 24 deaths, were

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treated in that institution during the same period. The infection is constantly present, and only needs susceptible material for the disease

to assume epidemic proportions.

In this connection I will quote from the report of Dr. P. Lacroisade, who has been in charge of the Canal Hospital in Panama for the past eighteen years. He says that from the commencement of March to December 15, 1899, there were in and near Panama 189 cases of yellow fever; that most of the cases were either sailors arriving at Panama or Colombian soldiers—nonimmune material. The town of Colon also suffered from an epidemic of this disease during that year.

In 1900 the disease reappeared in March, and from March 1 to September 10, 138 cases occurred in Panama, 128 of which were Colombian soldiers from the interior. The disease again commenced in January, 1901, but no record of the number of cases during that year is given. For the number of deaths from this disease during the years 1901 and 1902, reference is made to the mortality statistics compiled by Asst Surg. C. C. Pierce for those years. (See P. H. R., April 8, 1904.)

Other prevalent diseases.—A further examination of the tables reveals the interesting fact that the following diseases, dysentery, beriberi, and tuberculosis, that are to a large extent preventable by

proper sanitation, occur with great frequency.

Dysentery.—The mortality statistics for the year show that there were 70 deaths from dysentery, and the hospital records that 22 cases, with 19 deaths, were treated during the year. Furthermore, taking into consideration that 37 cases of diarrhea and enterocolitis, with a mortality of 23, were treated in the San Tomas hospital during the year, and that the mortality statistics show 36 deaths from these diseases, it is safe to assume that dysentery is even more frequent than the statistics would seem to indicate, and must be considered one of the prevalent preventable diseases.

Beriberi is also one of the most frequent diseases, and is much more prevalent than in Colon. The hospital records show that 51 cases, with a mortality of 33, were treated during the year, and the other

statistics for the same period give 72 deaths from this disease.

Tuberculosis.—This disease is extremely prevalent and occupies second place in frequency of all diseases. The hospital records show that 109 admissions out of 665 were tuberculosis. Of this number 95 died. The mortality statistics for the same period give 185 deaths from this disease. A further consideration of the data shows that during the year there were 118 deaths from pneumonia, and that in the hospital during the same period 29 cases of this disease, with 28 deaths, were treated. One hundred and eighteen deaths from pneumonia is certainly too high a mortality from this disease, and I believe that the majority of the cases were acute pneumonic tuberculosis, erroneously diagnosed as pneumonia.

A consideration of the most prevalent diseases, and for this purpose I have included malarial fevers, yellow fever, dysentery, beriberi, tuberculosis, pneumonia (because most of the cases are probably tuberculosis), enterocolitis, and diarrhea (these last two, no doubt, dysentery in the majority of cases), shows that out of the 1,270 deaths 749 were due to the diseases above specified, all of which are, to a large extent, preventable by proper sanitary measures. Therefore, with proper sanitary equipment and public health regulations, the morning the sanitary equipment and public health regulations, the morning the sanitary equipment and public health regulations.

tality of Panama should be reduced 50 per cent.

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Death rate.—That the city of Panama is decidedly unhealthy and suffers from a high annual mortality is shown by the mortality statistics of the year 1903, a period when the city was under normal conditions. During the year there were 1,270 deaths from all causes, giving an annual death rate in 18,000 of 70.5 per thousand. However, allowing the contention of a certain class that the population of Panama is 25,000, which, as in almost all instances of this kind, is certain to be high, it still gives Panama an annual death rate of 50.8 per thousand. Taking a mean between the two estimates given and accepting 21,000 as approximately correct, this will give an annual death rate of 60.48 per thousand.

Relative to the economic phase of this situation and the loss which accrues to Panama from its high rate of morbidity, it does not appear necessary to enter into detailed description of the financial losses incident to sickness. It need only be pointed out in a general way that in a town in which one-half of the population is sick during the year for periods of seven days, one month, or longer, this question is a serious

one.

Assuming as correct that malarial fever causes 50 per cent of the total morbidity, that yellow fever is of frequent occurrence, that tuberculosis, beriberi, and diarrheal diseases are extremely prevalent, Panama offers a fruitful field for the scientific work of the sanitarian. It seems safe to predict that the sanitary work in connection with the construction of the canal will teach a lesson to the world, by showing what can be accomplished in pest-ridden localities in the Tropics by modern preventive medicine.

Table I.—Classification of diseases treated in the San Tomas Hospital, Panama, January, 1903, to March, 1904.

Diseases.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Total.	Deaths.
Malarial fever Malarial fever, pernicious Malarial cachexia Yellow fever Smallpox Dysentery Erysipelas Syphilis Leprosy. Beriberi Tuberculosis Pneumonia Rheumatism Tetanus. Scurvy Anæmia Chlorosis. Addison's disease Cerebral congestion Cerebral hemorrhage Cephalalgia Meningitis Insanity Alcoholism Neuralgia. Neurast tenia Neurattiss Pericarditis	3 11 4 2  1  2 1	2	1 3 1 1	1	1 1	2 1	3 3 3 	11 2 1 3 9 3 2 2 1 5 5	3	5 11 1 1 1 2 1 1 4 4 2 4	6 2 1 2 1 11	6 2 4 5 4 1 1 1 1 1	3	1 1 9 2	92 13 13 33 2 22 22 23 3 7 0 61 109 29 16 2 3 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	188 122 3 3 266 1 1 199 1 1 5 0 0 333 955 28 2 2 3 1 1 1 2 9 9 1 2 2 9 1 1 1 1 2 2 9 1 1 1 1 2 2 9 1 1 1 1
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Total of all cases admitted		2,966

Table II.—Mortality statistics of the city of Panama for 1903, showing causes of death.

[Compiled from official seconds.]

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Total	1,270	84	119	112	93	111	97	89	87	60	114	118	190	10181

Table III.—Deaths by nationalities,	City of Panama, for the year 1903.
[Compiled from c	official records l

Month.	Foreign white.	West Indian and other negroes.	Central and South Americans.	Chinese.	Total.
January February March April May June July August September October November December	6 4 2 5 3 5 10 7	19 10 5 12 8 8 11 6 10 19 10	162 98 102 42 71 75 74 87 71 87 96 67	243433785556	190 118 114 60 87 89 97 111 93 112 115
Total	56	127	1,032	55	1,270

Table IV.—Deaths by ages, City of Panama, for 1903.

[Compiled from official records.]

Month.	Under 1 year.	Over 1 and under 5 years.	Over 5 and under 15 years.	Over 15 and under 20 years.	Over 20 and under 30 years.	Over 30 and under 40 years.	Over 40 and under 50 years.	Over 50 and under 60 years.	Over 60 years.	Total.
January February March April May June July August September October November December	15 8 20 26 14 7 12	7 2 9 3 5 9 10 15 11 7 8 5	7 4 6 2 3 4 6 4 3 4 2 3	20 5 12 2 5 2 4 5 2 3 3	53 27 14 13 14 10 19 28 14 21 29	47 14 22 12 19 14 20 21 27 28 27	28 27 24 7 10 10 14 15 16 16 15	10 15 9 5 7 5 4 7 4 10 7	4 6 3 8 4 9 6 9 4 9 7 6	190 118 114 60 87 89 97 111 93 112 115 84
Total	184	91	48	67	263	263	190	89	75	1,270

Colon, March 29, 1904.

Second annual conference of state boards of health convened.

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The following is addressed to secretaries of State boards of health:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Washington, April 9, 1904.

DEAR SIR: I have to inform you that the second annual conference of State boards of health with the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service will be held at the New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., on Friday, June 3, 1904, at 10.30 a. m.

In accordance with the terms of the act approved July 1, 1902, each board will be entitled to one representative at this conference.

You are requested to inform the Bureau as early as possible of the name of the delegate who will represent your board.

Respectfully,

Walter Wyman, Surgeon-General. 665 A pril 15, 1904

Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended April 9, 1904.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of April 11:

#### Week ended April 9.

Buildings reinspected.	263
Rooms	2,011
Persons inspected	
Sick	25
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary	
Dead examined	13
Necropsies	3
Rats examined bacteriologically	45
Number showing pest infection	0
Places inspected for sanitary improvements	116
Times streets swept	3
Sewers flushed	17
Notices served to abate plumbing nuisances	11
Number abated	13
Number undergoing abatement.	12
Total number plumbing inspections	73
Blocks baited with Danyz virus	10

Transactions on account of smallpox in northern Maine, Canadian border.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Boothby, at Lowelltown, reports April 1, through Surgeon Kalloch, at Portland quarantine, as follows:

During the week ended March 28 I inspected 95 persons passing through Lowelltown, vaccinated 28 persons, and disinfected the clothing of 18 persons.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hammond, at Van Buren, reports April 2,

through Surgeon Kalloch, as follows:

During the week ended April 2, I had under supervision 17 cases smallpox in the Madawaska region, 9 previously reported and 8 new. Seven cases have been discharged during the week. Of the remainder, 8 cases are in Grand Isle and 2 in St. David. Three houses are quarantined. During this time I have covered 74 miles of territory and vaccinated 10 persons.

Transactions on account of yellow fever at Laredo, Tex.

Daily house to house inspection of Laredo, Tex.—Objects to be attained and theory on which is based determination of the length of time it should be continued.

#### TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE,

Washington, April 11, 1904.

Sir: The Bureau has been in receipt of your daily telegrams announcing the number of premises inspected, water containers treated, etc., and it is understood that since March 24 there has been a daily house to house inspection of Laredo, the city having been divided into 30 districts and each district inspected every twenty-four hours. It becomes necessary to have an understanding with you as to the length of time this work is to be continued. For this reason the

objects to be attained and the theory involved may be reviewed as follows:

1. The detection of any case of yellow fever and the prevention of any such case becoming an infecting agent by screening the patients, fumigation, etc.

2. The discovery of fevers of any kind and screening the cases until

they are positively known not to be yellow fever.

3. The treating of water containers, etc., to prevent breeding of

mosquitoes.

4. The last case declared to be yellow fever, in Laredo, was noted March 14. Mosquitoes which may have bitten this case would have required 12 days to become infective and an individual bitten by them after the twelfth day would have required 5 days for development of the disease. Therefore, in 17 days the second infection might have developed.

Of course the mosquito remains infective after the twelfth day, and the second infection may develop, therefore, long after the 17 days, but each daily house to house inspection after the seventeenth day, which has developed no case of yellow fever, increases the probability

of safety.

In the event that the patient was bitten by a mosquito before March 14 the second infection should have been developed by the inspections before March 31.

If all fever cases had been screened since March 14 the probability of mosquitoes becoming infected after March 14 would be remote, and after 20 or 22 days from March 14 viz. April 3 to 5, a daily house to house inspection having shown no succeeding case of yellow fever, the probabilities of there being any case of yellow fever on April 5 would not have been great.

But although the city was under surveillance and partial inspection, there was not a daily house to house inspection until March 24. Therefore it would seem advisable to advance the date on which the house to house inspection is to be discontinued a corresponding num-

ber of days, namely, 10 days, or April 15.

When, however, the daily house to house inspection is discontinued, it would be well to have a select corps to make a more circumscribed inspection; and should occasion arise, the daily inspection of the whole thirty districts could be resumed. You will wire for instructions before discontinuing the daily inspection.

Some of the force which you have had in operation, being well trained, might be detailed for the work along the railroads in the carrying on of the mosquito warfare which has been the subject of communications between the Bureau, State Health Officer Tabor, and

yourself.

Respectfully,

Walter Wyman, Surgeon-General.

Asst. Surg. T. F. Richardson, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, Laredo, Tex. 667April 15, 1904

Conference of city and county health officers of Texas—Resolutions relative to yellow-fever precautions.

Laredo, Tex., April 2, 1904.

SIR: I have the honor to report that, in compliance with instructions contained in Bureau telegram dated March 29, 1904, I attended the meeting of city and county health officers in Austin, on March 31, leaving Laredo on the morning of March 30 and returning on April 1. I was accompanied by Acting Asst. Surg. E. H. Sauvignet.

The meeting was called to order, in the house of representatives at

Austin, at 10.30 a.m., by Doctor Tabor.

Over one hundred city and county health officials were in attendance, as were Doctors Souchon and Egan, of the Louisiana State board of

Governor S. W. T. Lanham delivered an address of welcome. tor Tabor made an address, advocating an antimosquito campaign throughout the State, and laying down certain rules for the work. He also read the governor's annual proclamation of quarantine, a copy of which is inclosed herewith.

The address of Doctor Tabor was unanimously adopted by the meeting, and its publication in pamphlet form, in the Texas Medical Journal,

and in the daily press, recommended.

Doctors Berrey and Burg, of San Antonio, stated to the meeting what had been done in San Antonio in the way of disinfection and antimosquito work during the winter.

The work done during the winter in Laredo and vicinity, and the system recently inaugurated here, were described by myself and Doctors Sauvignet and Wilcox.

Doctor Souchon delivered an address on the desirability of uniformity in quarantine procedures.

The following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to notify the State health officer of the first suspicious case of yellow fever that may occur in our midst, and use our best efforts to carry out his instructions in the premises."
"Whereas in the past our State health officer has been hampered for want of

funds to combat and carry on a strict quarantine; be it

"Resolved, That we, as a representative body of health officers of Texas, request that our governor recommend, in his message to the next legislature, that there be a fund set aside, to be known as an emergency fund, sufficient to combat any contagious disease that may invade our State; be it further

"Resolved, That we use our influence with our legislators and senators to vote for

said bill."

The meeting then adjourned. Respectfully,

T. F. RICHARDSON, Assistant Surgeon.

The Surgeon-General, Washington.

Reports of inspection and instructions to officers.

[Laredo.]

LAREDO, TEX., April 7, 1904.

Replying telegram 7th will send an acting assistant to inspect Minera and Cannel every few days. Request hundred vacine points. RICHARDSON.

LAREDO, TEX., April 7, 1904.

Inspected to-day 2,273 premises and treated 1,514 water containers. Three sick investigated.

RICHARDSON.

LAREDO, TEX., April 8, 1904.

Inspected to-day 2,439 premises and treated 1,282 water containers. Seven sick investigated.

RICHARDSON.

LAREDO, TEX., April 9, 1904.

Inspected to-day 2,415 premises and treated 1,233 water containers. Two sick investigated.

RICHARDSON.

Laredo, Tex., April 10, 1904.

Inspected to-day 2,418 premises and treated 1,086 water containers. Two sick investigated.

RICHARDSON.

LAREDO, TEX., April 11, 1904.

During week ended April 9 fumigated, Laredo, 17 houses containing 61 rooms; inspected to-day 2,421 premises and treated 1,066 water containers. One sick investigated.

RICHARDSON.

[Eagle Pass.]

Eagle Pass, Tex., April 7, 1904.

Eight American tramps four days from Vera Cruz crossed footbridge last night. Sheriff found 1 to be sick and turned him over to me this morning. Seven others now at large, but will be apprehended. Sick man very suspicious yellow fever. Advise appointment 5 extra guards at once. Will keep all 8 men under observation.

HUME.

Eagle Pass, Tex., April 7, 1904.

Apprehended 5 suspects, same party. Let rest go as safe. All 5 were with individual now sick.

HUME.

Washington, April 7, 1904.

Hume, Eagle Pass, Tex.

Your telegram reporting 8 American tramps four days from Vera Cruz, received. It would appear that all should be detained under observation to complete five days from that suspected point.

WYMAN.

EAGLE PASS, Tex., April 7, 1904.

Telegram received. Impossible to guard bridges without men. All suspects are in camp now and all guards on duty. Should have at least 5 additional men appointed immediately.

HUME.

Washington, April 9, 1904.

Hume, Eagle Pass, Tex.

Authorized to nominate and place on duty two guards at bridges.

WYMAN.

Eagle Pass, Tex., April~8, 1904. Nature grave, though slight improvement

Case at camp is typhoid. Nature grave, though slight improvement to-day.

Hume.

[San Antonio.]

San Antonio, Tex., April 8, 1904.

Arrived this morning. Called on health officer. \* \* \* Stopping Bexar Hotel.

Purnell.

APRIL 9, 1904.

Purnell, Bexar Hotel, San Antonio, Tex.

Mail full report as to methods adopted to detect suspicious cases of fever, covering with mosquito bars, and measures enforced to prevent recrudescence, including detailed account of work in San Antonio during past winter.

WYMAN.

#### INSPECTION SERVICE, MEXICAN BORDER.

Inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports, April 2, as follows:

	Week ended April 2.
Persons inspected Persons held Pullman cars fumigated	184 0 7

## Inspection at El Paso, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Alexander reports, April 2, as follows:

Week ended April 2, 1904.

Mexican Central passengers inspected, 250; private Pullman passengers inspected, 35; Mexican immigrants inspected, 61; disinfection soiled linen, imported for laundry work, 412 pieces; disinfection of blankets, clothing, etc., of passengers, from Aguas Calientes, Mexico, 39 pieces; detention of man and wife from Torreon, Mexico, for five days, not being vaccinated, until symptoms of successful vaccination took place, 2; fumigation of special Pullman cars, 3; vaccination of immigrant children, 8.

## Inspection at Laredo, Tex.—Suspect smallpox case.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hamilton reports, through Assistant Surgeon Richardson, April 4, as follows, week ended April 2, 1904:

Passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 14; persons on trains from Mexico inspected, 545; immigrants inspected, 50; persons vaccinated, 20; Pullman coaches disinfected, 14.

Third-class coach on local train running between Saltillo, Mexico, and Laredo, Tex., contained, on April 1, one Mexican immigrant child with suspicious eruption, nonimmune to smallpox and not vaccinated; child's mother immune to smallpox. Coach contained only four other persons (immunes). Coach, with passengers and baggage therein, returned to Mexico and Mexican authorities notified. Person with eruption originated at Bustamente, Mexico. Railroad company notified not to return coach until properly disinfected.

Statistical reports of States and cities of the United States—yearly and monthly.

Georgia—Augusta.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 43,441. Total number of deaths, 60, including whooping cough 1, and 7 from tuberculosis.

Kentucky—Louisville.—Month of March, 1904. Census population, 204,731. Total number of deaths, 522, including diphtheria 2, enteric fever 10, smallpox 2, and 48 from tuberculosis.

Massachusetts—Newton.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 39,310. Total number of deaths, 37, including scarlet fever 1, and 1 from tuberculosis.

MICHIGAN.—Reports to the State board of health, Lansing, for the week ended April 2, 1904, from 70 observers, indicate that rheumatism, gonorrhea, diarrhea, inflammation of kidney, syphilis, cancer, measles, enteric fever, erysipelas, whooping cough, dysentery, intermittent fever, diphtheria, and inflammation of brain were more prevalent, and cholera morbus, remittent fever, meningitis, puerperal fever, and cholera infantum were less prevalent than during the preceding week.

Meningitis was reported present at 5, whooping cough at 13, diphtheria at 32, enteric fever at 35, pneumonia at 57, scarlet fever at 58, smallpox at 76, measles at 77, and phthisis pulmonalis at 224 places.

Montana—Helena.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 13,000. Total number of deaths not reported. One death from measles reported.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Concord.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 20,000. Total number of deaths, 47, including diphtheria 2 and 4 from tuberculosis.

New Jersey—Passaic.—Six weeks ended April 2, 1904. Census population, 27,777. Total number of deaths 80, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 1, and 5 from tuberculosis.

NEW YORK.—Reports to the State board of health, Albany, for the month of February, 1904, from 156 cities, towns, and villages, having

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an aggregate population of 7,735,000, show a total of 12,749 deaths, including diphtheria 305, enteric fever 145, measles 94, scarlet fever 149, whooping cough 37, smallpox 1, and 1,179 from phthisis pulmonalis.

#### The Monthly Bulletin says:

The most notable fact connected with the mortality of the month is the large number of deaths that have been reported, there having been an average of about 440 deaths a day. For the year 1903 there was an average of but 350 deaths per day. We have no February mortality which equals this, and it exceeds by almost 2,000 the average of the past five years. It likewise exceeds the mortality of January, which was itself a month of excessive death rate, by 500, or to place them on the same basis, by a daily rate of 440 deaths against 400. At the present rate there would be 160,800 deaths in a year, or 44,000 more than occurred in 1903; and taking the two months of January and February the rate for the year would exceed that of last year by 26,000.

Compared with last month the urban death rate for the entire State is 22 per thousand population, annually, against 20, and the rural death rate is 20 against 16; the total rate being 20.7 against 18.7. The deaths of early life, both under the age of 1 year and between 1 and 5 years, are relatively the same in both months; but at age of 70 and over there were relatively fewer deaths.

From epidemic diseases there were about the same number of deaths in both months, both as a whole and in detail, which indicates a little increase in February, the only material increase has been in deaths from typhoid fever. The percentage of deaths from epidemic diseases is, however, less this month, showing a relative increase in deaths from other causes.

Pneumonia is the cause of the chief increase in mortality. There were 1,820 deaths against 1,500 in January, or 14.3 per cent of the total deaths against 12.3 per cent. With the exception of the Hudson Valley district, which shows no increase over last month, there has been a large increase in deaths from pneumonia in all parts of the State. (It may be of interest to note in this connection the meteorological data which shows for the eastern part of the State uniform cold weather with an unusual number of clear, sunshiny days and high range of barometer.) In none of the sanitary districts were less than 10 per cent of the deaths from pneumonia, New York City having 16 per cent of its deaths from this cause, an increase from 14 in January. In the year 1903 pneumonia caused 8 per cent of the deaths.

Consumption does not show an increase, but is rather diminished, relatively, as but 9.2 per cent of all deaths were from it, against 9.7. All of the sanitary districts show this relative decrease, which is very marked in the Hudson Valley district.

Acute respiratory diseases other than pneumonia (for the most part bronchitis and broncho-pneumonia) have a decreased mortality from January in the maritime district, but elsewhere show little variation, and the total for the State is relatively the same in both months.

The mortality from other local diseases, of the digestive, urinary, circulatory, and nervous systems, shows no material variation. There was an increase in the number of deaths from general diseases other than those specified, and also in the unclassified causes of death.

Grippe has been epidemic during these two months, and is still in progress through March. How far it has entered into the mortality of the month is a matter of estimate. In 5,000 deaths returned direct to this office there were only 250 certificates on which this was given as in any way contributory to the mortality, or but half of 1 per cent. Without doubt it contributed to the unusual mortality of these months to a much greater degree than this, an analysis of which will be made later in the present epidemical prevalence.

An epidemic of typhoid fever developed in Watertown in January and has continued to the present time, through March, about 600 cases having occurred, with 48 deaths to the present time, contributing largely to the increase in the mortality of this month from this cause. It was traced readily to the water supply, which is an untreated sewage-bearing stream and has for years past placed this city in the list of places of high typhoid fever mortality. A public water supply of this sort is always an exceedingly costly one at the best, and especially so when a great outbreak, to which it constantly exposes the place which employs it, comes into existence.

Health officers are requested to keep a closer report of cases of typhoid fever than is called for by our monthly contagious disease card. It is desired that reports be made as they occur from time to time in their municipalities. A card for this purpose, similar to our smallpox, diphtheria, and scarlet fever card, is being prepared for this purpose, together with a typhoid fever leaflet of instructions.

Smallpox exists in 47 municipalities in this State (at the end of March), in the counties of Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Cayuga, Chemung, Cortland, Delaware, Erie, Essex, Genesee, Herkimer, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Otsego, Rockland, Saratoga, Steuben, Tioga, Tompkins, Washington, Wayne, and Westchester. The widest distribution is in Cattaraugus County, where 6 towns are still having it; 4 in Chautauqua; 3 in Cayuga; 3 in Niagara; 3 in Steuben; 4 in Tioga; 3 in Washington County. The rest have but one affected town, some of which have but one or two cases. The first two counties named have had smallpox a long time and in them it is abating. The disease is generally less active than a month ago. There is no question of the nature of the disease, but it has been so mild that not a few cases escaped detection. There was but one death from this cause during the month of February, in Brooklyn.

Saratoga.—Month of March 1904. Census population, 12,119. Total number of deaths, 33, including enteric fever 1, and 3 from tuberculosis.

Ohio—East Liverpool.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 20,000. Total number of deaths, 24, including 1 from enteric fever.

Pennsylvania—Columbia.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 13,500. Total number of deaths, 33, including enteric fever 4, and 1 from tuberculosis.

Dunmore.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 15,000. Total number of deaths, 21, including 2 from tuberculosis.

Pottsville.—Month of February, 1904. Estimated population, 17,210. Total number of deaths, 24, including diphtheria 1, and 1 from scarlet fever.

## Report of immigration at Baltimore for the week ended April 9, 1904.

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#### Office of the Commissioner of Immigration, Baltimore, Md., April 9, 1904.

Number of alien immigrants who arrived at this port during the week ended April 9, 1904; also name of vessel and port from which it came.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of aliens.	
Apr. 3	Chemnitz	Bremen	1,783	

Louis T. Weis, Commissioner.

### Report of immigration at Boston.

Office of the Commissioner of Immigration, Boston, Mass., April 4, 1904.

Number of alien immigrants who arrived at this port during the week ended April 2, 1904; also names of vessels and ports from which they came.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Mar. 27 27 28 30 30 31 31 31 Apr. 1 2	Cretic St. John City Boston Queen Eleanor Bohemian Brewster Boston Halifax Sarmatian Oxonian Total	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia Calcutta, India Liverpool, England. Port Antonio, Jamaica Yarmouth, Nova Scotia Halifax, Nova Scotia	125 1 3 4 197 86 65

GEORGE B. BILLINGS, Commissioner.

## Report of immigration at Key West, Fla.

Office of the Commissioner of Immigration, Key West, Fla., April 4, 1904.

Arrival of alien steerage passengers at Key West during the week ended April 2, 1904.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Mar. 28 29 30 31 Apr. 2	Equator	Habana, Cuba Nassau, N. P Habana, Cuba.	23

## Report of immigration at New York.

#### Office of the Commissioner of Immigration, New York, April 4, 1904.

Number of alien immigrants who arrived at this port during the week ended April 2 1904; also names of vessels and ports from which they came.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
1904. Mar. 27 27 27 27 27 27 28 28	Pennsylvania Città di Milano Regina Elena Piemonte British Princess La Gascogne Moltke	do Barbados Antwerp Havre Hamburg	2,528 1,477 912 5 1 1,066 1,088
28 28 28 29 29 29 29 29 30 30 30 31	Patria Attività St. Louis Etruria Columbia Morro Castle Auguste Victoria Excelsior Pocahontas Palatia Finland Trinidad Prinzess Irene Potsdam	Naples do	1 1 1,247 832 1
31 31 Apr. 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Oceanic Armenian Deutschland Città di Napoli Patricia United States Prinzess Alice Lucania Esperanza Casilda Total	Liverpool do do do do do do do Hamburg Naples Hamburg Copenhagen Bremen Liverpool Habana Buenos Ayres	1, 949 2 292 1, 460 1, 138 1, 056 890 781 9 1

Joseph Murray, Commissioner.

## Report of immigration at Philadelphia.

Office of U. S. Commissioner of Immigration, Port of Philadelphia, April 6, 1904.

Number of alien immigrants who arrived at this port during the week ended April 2, 1904; also names of vessels and ports from which they came.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Mar. 30	Switzerland	Antwerp	96

J. L. Hughes, Acting Commissioner.

# Inspection of immigrants.

#### MONTHLY.

Place.	Month.	Number of immi- grants passed.	Number of immi- grants rejected.
Baltimore, Md	1903. December. 1904. January	3, 959 820	115
Charleston, S. C.	February March	1, 104 1	21 0
Columbia River, Oreg Galveston, Tex. Honolulu, Hawaii	February	63 757	1 0
New Orleans, La New York, N. Y. Philadelphia, Pa.	March	71, 199	3 390 28
Ponce, P R Portland, Oreg . Port Townsend, Wash	do	17 61 a 158	0 0 05
Richford, Vt. San Diego, Cal	do	1 49	0

a Alien crews.

b One held for observation and later deported.

### Reports from national quarantine

Number.	Name of station.	Week ended—	Name of vessel.	Date of arrival.	Port of departure.
1 2 3	UNITED STATES: Alexandria, Va Beaufort, N. C Biscayne Bay, Fla	Apr. 2			
4 5 6	Bocagrande, Fla.— Punta Gorda Puntarasa Brunswick, Ga	do			
7 8	Cape Charles, Va	Apr. 9 Apr. 2			
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	Cedar Keys, Fla. Columbia River, Oreg. Cumberland Sound, Fla. Delaware Break water quarantine, Lewes, Del. Dutch Harbor, Alaska Eastport, Me Eureka, Cal Grays Harbor, Wash Gulf quarantine, Ship Island, Miss.	Apr. 2 Mar. 19 Apr. 7	Br. ship J. D. Everett.		
18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	Island, Miss.  Key West, Fla.  Los Angeles, Cal  Newbern, N. C  Nome, Alaska.  Pascagoula, Miss.  Port Angeles, Wash  Portland, Me  Port Townsend, Wash	do Apr. 9			
26	Reedy Island, Del	do			
27 28 29	St. Georges Sound, Fla.— East Pass. West Pass St. Johns River, Fla.				
30 31 32 33 34	San Diego, Cal San Francisco, Cal San Pedro, Cal Santa Barbara, Cal Santa Barbara, Cal	do do do do Apr. 1	Rus. bk. Hera.  Swed. bk. Elsa. Ger. ss. Portonia Br. ss. Canada. Br. ss. August Belmont	Mar. 30 do Apr. 1	Lourenço Mar- quez. East London Veracruz Greenock. Tampico
35	Savannah, Ga	Apr. 2	Br. schr. Bessie Parkera Am. schr. Quinebaug a		Habana New York
36 <b>37</b>	Sitka, AlaskaSouth Atlantic quarantine, Blackbeard Island, Ga.				
38 39 40	Southbend, Wash	do Apr. 9			
41 42 43 44 45 46 47	Hilo Honolulu Kahului Kihei Koloa Lahaina	do			

### and inspection stations.

Number.	Destination.	Treatment of vessel, passengers, and cargo.	Date of departure.	Remarks.	Vessels inspected and passed.
1				No transactions	
$\frac{1}{2}$				No report	
3					5
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				5
4				No report	
5				do	
6 7	Brunswick	Discharging ballast. Held to disinfect.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1 vessel boarded and passed.	2
8	•••••		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	From Natal. Glandular	4
9				examination. No report	1
10				<b>.</b> <del>.</del>	1
11				No report	
12				No transactions	
13				No report	
14 15					19 1
16				No transactions	
17	Mobile	Disinfected and held		Remanded from Mobile; 1 case, diagnosis unde- cided. b	
18					5
19 20				No report	1
21				do	
22					2
23 24				No transactions	4
25	Port Townsend	Ballast discharged. Par- tial disinfection. Crew bathed and dunnage dis- infected.	Apr. 1	Glandular examination	3
26				Suspect case plague on Br. S. S. Queen Olga from Calcutta, removed at Suez, not confirmed bacteriologically. Beriberi on Ger. bk. Willy Rickmers, Rangoon to Bremerhaven.	23
27		 		No report	
28				No transactions	6
29				1 steamship passed with- out inspection.	2
30				No report	<u>²</u>
32				No trânsactions	
33	Pensacola	Held to discharge ballast		No transactions 2 vessels boarded and	5
1		Held to discharge ballast and fumigate.	35 0-	passed.	
1	do	Fumigated to kill rats	Mar. 31 do		
	do	Held to complete, 5 days Held to discharge ballast			
	do	Held to fumigate and com- plete 5 days.			
35	Savannah	Fumigated	Mar. 27 Mar. 29	1 case intermittent me	2
1	Brunswick	neid	маг. 29	1 case intermittent ma- larial fever.	
36				No report	
37					i
38		l		No report	
39					2
40				No report	
41				No transactions	
42					7
43				No transactions	
44 45				No report	
46				do	
47		1	1	No report	1

## Reports from national quarantine

Number.	Name of station.	Week ended—	Name of vessel.	Date of arrival.	Port of departure.
48	PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: Cebu				
49	Iloilo	do Feb. 27	Am. schr. Esperanza	Feb. 22	Cadiz
50 51	Jolo	Feb. 13 Feb. 20	Am. ss. Cantabria a	Feb. 1	Legaspi
			Am. ss. Romulus	Feb. 17	Shanghai
	Manila	Feb. 27			
52	Porto Rico: Ponce	Mar. 26	Sp. ss. Montserrat	Mar. 21	Habana
53	San Juan	do	U. S. s. Topeka	do	Santo Domingo
			U.S.s.Don Juan de Austria Sp. ss. Montserrat ss. Caracas	do	Cavite Habana Puerto Cabello
54	Subports— Aguadilla	Mar. 26			
55					
56 57 58 59	Fajardo Humacao	do			

#### a Previously reported.

## Reports from State and

Number.	Name of station.	Week ending—	Name of vessel.	Date of arrival.	Port of departure.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	Baltimore, Md Bangor, Me Boston, Mass Charleston, S. C Elizabeth River, Va. Galveston, Tex Gardiner, Oreg Marcushook, Pa Mobile Bay, Ala New Bedford, Mass New Orleans, La. Newport News, Va. Newport R. I New York, N. Y Pass Cavallo, Tex Port Royal, S. C Providence, R. I Quintana, Tex Sabine Pass, Tex St. Helena Entrance, S. C	do Apr. 2 Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9do Apr. 2 Apr. 9do do	Br. ss. Buffon Br. ss. Teviotdale	Mar. 3 Apr. 1	Brazilian ports Cuban ports
1					

### and inspection stations—Continued.

Number.	Destination.	Treatment of vessel, passengers, and cargo.	Date of depar- ture.	Remarks.	Vessels inspected and passed.
				80 bancas inspected and passed. 69 bancas inspected and passed. 3 steerage pas- sengers on Br. ss. Wu- chang from Hongkong vaccinated.	36 37
49	Iloilo	Held for mechanical clean- ing.	Feb. 21	3 vessels fumigated to destroy vermin.	43 55
50 51	Manila	Disinfected and redisin- fected. Personnel held from previous week.	Feb. 15	Smallpox	10 69
	do	Disinfected	Feb. 17	From dry dock at Shanghai. Crew bathed and effects and baggage disinfected. Officers and crew vaccinated. Glandular examination. All inspected. 2 vessels fumigated to destroy vermin. Crew or members of crew of 50 vessels fumigated. Temperature of crew and passengers on Am. ss. Alfred from Sorsogon taken.  4 vessels fumigated to destroy vermin. Crew or crew control of the control	99
52	Genoa	Held in quarantine	Mar. 21	members of crew of 55 vessels vaccinated. 1 passenger for Ponce, immune. allowed to	1
53	Santo Domingo	Passed on medical officer's certificate.	do	land.	4
	Barcelona		do		
54				No transactions	
55					1
56 57 58 59				No transactions	

## municipal quarantine stations.

Number.	Destination.	Treatment of vessel, passengers, and cargo.	Date of departure.	Remarks.	Vessels inspected and passed.
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3 4 5				No report	2
6 7 8				No report	
9 10 11	New Orleans	Disinfected	Mar. 31	do	
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14 15 16	••••••			dododo.	
17 18 19				dodododo	
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Smallpox in the United States as reported to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, December 26, 1903, to April 15, 1904.

For reports received from June 27, 1903, to December 25, 1903, see Public Health Reports for December 25, 1903.

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Arkansas:				
Fort Smith	Dec. 13-Feb. 20	6		
Total for State		6		
Total for State, same period,				
1903.				
California: Berkeley	Jan. 1-Feb. 29	2		
Escondido	Feb. 23	l ī		
Fresno	Dec. 1-31	1		
Los Angeles	Dec. 27-Apr. 2 Jan. 1-31	3		
Oakland San Francisco	Jan. 1-31 Dec. 7-Mar. 13	49	$\begin{array}{c c} 1 \\ 4 \end{array}$	
Total for State		56	5	
Total for State, same period, 1903.		261	3	
Colorado:		ì		•
Bent County	Feb. 1–29	4		
Boulder County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	22		
Conejos County	Feb. 1-29 Jan. 1-Feb. 29	37		
Denver County (Denver)	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	36	1	
El Paso County (Colorado	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	37		
Springs included). Huerfano County	Dec. 1-31	. 1		
Kit Carson County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	19		
Lake County Larimer County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	3		,
Larimer County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29 Dec. 1-Jan. 31	66		
Las Animas County Mesa County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31 Dec. 1-31	. 1		
Otero County	Jan. 1-Feb. 29	38		
Pitkin County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31	2		
Otero County Pitkin County Pueblo County	Feb. 1-29	. 1		
Rio Grande County	Dec. 1-31 Jan. 1-Feb. 29	11 14		
Routt County	Jan. 1-Feb. 29 Dec. 1-Jan. 31	3		
Weld County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	73		
Yuma County	Dec. 1-31	. 1		
Total for State		376	1	
Total for State, same period,		520		
1903.				
Delaware: Wilmington	Feb. 21-Mar. 19		2	
Total for State			2	
			1	
Total for State, same period, 1903.				
District of Columbia:	Jan. 10-Mar. 19	30		
Washington	Jan. 10-Mar. 19			
Total for District		30		
Total for District, same		. 12	1	
period, 1903. Florida:				
Escambia County (Pensacola).	Nov. 1-Jan. 16	11		
Dade County (Fort Lauderdale)	Nov. 1-Dec. 31	1		
Duval County (Jacksonville) Leon County (Tallahassee)	Nov. 1-Apr. 2	26		
Polk County (Bartow)	Nov. 1-Dec. 31 Nov. 1-Dec. 31	1		
Walton County	Jan. 2-16	. 88		
Total for State		129		
		040		
Total for State, same period, 1903.		242		
Georgia:		1		
Darien Liberty County	Jan. 14	. 2	<u>.</u> .	
Liberty County	Feb. 12		7	
Total for State	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. 2	7	
Total for State, same period,		. 115	8	
		. 110		

## ${\it Small pox in the \ United \ States, \ etc.} - {\it Continued.}$

	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Ilinois:				
Belleville	Dec. 13-Mar. 12	20	2	
Cairo	Jan. 1-Feb. 5	13		
Chicago	Dec. 20-Apr. 8	50	1	
Danville	Dec. 13-Apr. 9	32		
Evanston	Jan.1-Dec.31, 1903	3		
Fairport	Jan. 10-16	1		
Galesburg		7		
Peoria	Mar. 1-31 Feb. 26-Mar. 3	10 3		
Springfield	Feb. 20-Mar. 5			
Total for State		139	3	
Total for State, same period,		194	8	
1903. ndiana:				
Evansville	Dec. 13-Jan. 20	22		
South Bend		1		
Double Bond	1241. 27 11p1. 2			
Total for State		23	<u></u>	
Total for State, same period, 1903.		2,225	113	
owa:				
Des Moines	Jan. 23-29	1		
Dubuque	Dec. 27-Jan. 2	1		
	1		<u> </u>	
Total for State		2		
Total for State, same period,		69	<u></u>	
1903. Kentucky:	1			
Burlington	Mar. 1-28	16		
Covington	Mar. 13-Apr. 2	6		
Louisville		57	16	
Springfield		6		
• •	1			
Total for State		86	16	
m / 3.4 %/		450		
Total for State, same period,		476	4	
1903.	1			
ouisiana: New Orleans	Dec. 13-Apr. 2	43	5	Twenty-four imported
New Offeans	Dec. 15-Apr. 2			1 wenty-tout imported
Total for State		43	5	
Total for State, same period,		23		
1903.				
Maine: Athens	Dec. 31			Present.
Biddeford	Dec. 13-19	i		Tresent.
Bradley	Mar. 18	$\frac{1}{2}$		
Brewer	Dec. 19	1		
Brighton				Do.
Calais	Feb. 7-18	10		
Madawaska region	Dec. 1-Apr. 9	67		
Madison	Jan. 28	1		
Milford		2		
Oldtown	To Dec. 24 Dec. 19-Jan. 22	9		
	1 Dec. 19-Jan. 22			
Orono				the state of the s
Smithfield	Jan. 21	1		
Smithfield Stacyville	Jan. 21 Jan. 21			
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Smithfield Stacyville	Jan. 21 Jan. 21	1 11		·
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Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren Total for State Total for State, same period,	Jan. 21 Jan. 21 Jan. 1–31	1 11 7	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.	Jan. 21	111 7 115	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren Total for State Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore.	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren Total for State Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland:	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore Cumberland	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15 1		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren Total for State Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore.	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903, faryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15 1 16		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  Maryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period,	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15 1		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. Maryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15 1 16		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. fassachusetts:	Jan. 21	111 7 115 306 15 1 16		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. fassachusetts: Brockton	Jan. 21	11 17 115 306 15 1 16 36		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  faryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  fassachusetts: Brockton Fall River Haverhill	Jan. 21	1117 1115 306 151 16 36		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore Comberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. fassachusetts: Brockton Fall River Haverhill Lawrence	Jan. 21	1 117 7 115 306 15 1 1 16 36 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  faryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  fassachusetts: Brockton Fall River Haverhill	Jan. 21. Jan. 21. Jan. 1-31.  Jan. 1-31.  Jan: 17-Apr. 2 Feb. 1-29  Dec. 20-26. Dec. 20-Mar. 19 Dec. 20-26. Jan. 10-16.	1117 1115 306 151 16 36		
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  faryland: Baltimore. Cumberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903.  fassachusetts: Brockton Fall River Haverhill Lawrence Lowell	Jan. 21	1 117 306 15 1 16 36 11 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 2	1	
Smithfield Stacyville Van Buren  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. faryland: Baltimore Comberland  Total for State  Total for State  Total for State, same period, 1903. fassachusetts: Brockton Fall River Haverhill Lawrence	Jan. 21	1 117 7 115 306 15 1 1 16 36 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1	

Place.		Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
fichigan:					
Detroit	Dec.	13-Mar. 26	20	1	
Flint	Dec.	13-Feb. 6	5	<del>.</del> .	
Grand Rapids	Jan.	2-Apr. 9	10		
Port Huron	Dec.	16-23	4		
Bay County	Feb.	1-29		1	
Lapeer County	Feb.	1-29		1	
Total for State			39	3	
Total for State, same period,			485	14	
1903.					
Innesota:					
Aitkin County	Feb.	9-29	6		*
Becker County	Mar.	1-28	15		
Beltrami County	Jan.	5-Mar. 7	47	1	
Cass County	Jan.	26-Feb. 1	13		
Chippewa County	Feb.	9-Mar. 28	14		
Chisago County		12-Feb. 29	12	l l	
Clay County	Dec.		22		
Clay County Cottonwood County	Feb.		2	<u> </u>	
Crow Wing County	Jan.	5-Feb. 8	5		
Dakota County	Feb.	2-8	2	i	
Dodge County	Mar.	15-21	3		
Dodge County Douglas County	Jan.		17		
Fillmore County	Mar.	1-7	2		
Grant County		22-28	1		
Goodhue County	Jan.	5-11	1		
Hennepin County	Dec.		49	1	
Hubbard County	Jan.	19-Mar. 28	11		
Isanti County	Dec.	22-Feb. 29	34		
Itasca County	Dec	15-Mar. 28	9		
Jackson County	Jan.	5-11	i		
Kandiyohi County	Dec.		84		
Meeker County	Feb.	16-Mar. 21	4		
Millelacs County	Feb.	16-Mar. 28	4		
Morrison County	Dec	15-Mar. 28	28		
Mower County	Feb.	2-8	1		
Norman County	Feb.	2-29	3		
Norman CountyOttertail County	Dec.	15-Mar. 28	87		
Pine County	Feb.		4		
Pipestone County	Mar.		6		
Polk County	Jan.	5-Feb. 29	3		
Polk County	Mar.	15-21	4		
Ramsey County	Dec.	29-Mar. 28	22		•
Removed County	Jan.	19-25	2		
Renville County	Jan.		$\tilde{6}$		
Rice County	Jan.	19-Mar. 28	6		•
Roseau County	Jan.		10		
St Louis County	Jan.		3		
St. Louis County Scott County	Mar.		ľ		
Sibley County	Feb.	9-15	ĺ		
Steame County		15-Mar. 28	201	1	
Sibley County Stearns County Steele County Stevens County	Jan.	5-18	2		
Stavene County	Mar.		2		
Swift County	Jan.		20		
Todd County	Dec	15-Mar 28	130	1	
Wabasha County	Ian	15-Mar. 28 26-Mar. 28	26		
Wadena County	Jan.	12-18	20		
Washington County	Dec	22-Mar. 21	19	1	
Wilkin County	Jan.	5-Mar. 14	16	-	
Wright County	Mar.		ľ		
Wright County Cases not previously reported	mai.	1-1	11		
in Hennepin County.					
Cases not previously reported			13	1	
in Kandiyohi County.		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	10		
Old cases not reported pre-			11	1	
riously in Steams County			11		
viously in Stearns County.					
Total for State	1		999	5	
Total for State			999	3	
Total for Ctata come manical			9 666	6	
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dissouri:	Das	00 1	177	-	
St. Louis	pec.	20-Apr. 2	111	1	
mad 1 for Guarda			111		
Total for State	• • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	111	1	
Total for State, same period,			219	5	

Total for State, same period, 1903.   14   1903.   Nebraska: Omaha   Dec. 20-26   1   Total for State		orted. Do.
Helena	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
Total for State, same period, 1903.   Nebraska: Omaha.   Dec. 20-26.   1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
Total for State, same period, 1903.   14	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
1908.	1	
Omaha         Dec. 20-26         1           Total for State         1           Total for State, same period, 1903.         72           New Hampshire:         Manchester         Dec. 13-Mar. 12         49           Nashua         Jan. 3-23         3           Total for State         52           Total for State, same period, 1903.         1903.           New Jersey:         Camden         Dec. 27-Apr. 9         22           Jersey City         Mar. 21-27         1           Newark         Feb. 1-6         1         1           Plainfield         Jan. 17-23         1         1           Trenton         Dec. 27-Apr. 9         38         1         1           Total for State         63         63         63         63           Total for State, same period, 1903.         99         99         1	1	
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Total for State, same period, 1903.	5 Imp	
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Total for State   63   99   1903.	9	
Total for State, same period, 1903.   Sew York:   Buffalo		
1908.	5	•
Buffalo		•
Elmira		
Niagara Falls	4	
Total for State	4	
Total for State, same period, 1903.  North Carolina:  Alamance County Jan 1-31 122  Anson County Jan 1-31 1 1  Bladen County Jan 1-31 1 1  Buncombe County Jan 1-31 1 1  Chowan County Jan 1-31 1 1  Chowan County Jan 1-31 1 1  Cleveland County Jan 1-31 1 1  Cleveland County Jan 1-31 1 1  Cumberland County Jan 1-31 1 3  Davidson County Jan 1-31 3 72  Davie County Jan 1-31 72  Davie County Jan 1-31 2 1  Davie County Jan 1-31 72  Davie County Jan 1-31 72  Davie County Jan 1-31 72  Forsyth County Jan 1-31 10  Edgecombe County Jan 1-31 10  Edgecombe County Jan 1-31 17		
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North Carolina:         Jan.         1-31.         122           Alamance County         Jan.         1-31.         1.22           Anson County         Jan.         1-31.         1.31.           Bladen County         Jan.         1-31.         1.31.           Buncombe County         Jan.         1-31.         1.31.           Cabarrus County         Jan.         1-31.         1.31.           Cheveland County         Jan.         1-31.         4.31.           Cumberland County         Jan.         1-31.         3.3           Davidson County         Jan.         1-31.         72.           Davie County         Jan.         1-31.         2.2           Durham County         Jan.         1-31.         2.2           Durham County         Jan.         1-31.         10.           Edgecombe County         Jan.         1-31.         8.           Forsyth County         Jan.         1-31.         17.	4	
Anson County         Jan. 1-31           Bladen County         Jan. 1-31         1           Buncombe County         Jan. 1-31         8           Cabarrus County         Jan. 1-31         1           Chowan County         Jan. 1-31         1           Cleveland County         Jan. 1-31         4           Cumberland County         Jan. 1-31         3           Davidson County         Jan. 1-31         72           Davie County         Jan. 1-31         2           Durham County         Jan. 1-31         2           Durham County         Jan. 1-31         10           Edgecombe County         Jan. 1-31         8           Forsyth County         Jan. 1-31         17		
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Durham County       Jan       1-31       10         Edgecombe County       Jan       1-31       8         Forsyth County       Jan       1-31       17		
Edgecombe County		
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Gaston County       Jan. 1-31       17         Guilford County       Jan. 1-31       8		
Harnett County Jan. 1-31 3		
Iredell County       Jan. 1-31       8         Jackson County       Jan. 1-31       25	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Macon County Jan. 1-31 Jan. 1-31		Do.
Madison County Jan. 1-31		Do.
Mecklenburg County		
New Hanover County (Willigh, 1-Mar. 8 11 mington included).		
Orange County		
Perquimans County Jan. 1-31 32		
Pitt County       Jan. 1-31       13         Richmond County       Jan. 1-31       7		
Richmond County		
Rockingham County Jan. 1-31 4		Do
Scotland County Jan. 1-31 20		Do.
Stanly County Jan. 1-31 2		Do.
Union County Jan. 1-31 6		Do.
Vance County         Jan. 1-31         12            Wake County         Jan. 1-31         1		Do.

Place.		Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Joseph Compliance Compliance					
North Carolina—Continued. Wayne County	Jan.	1-31	10		
Wilkes County	Jan.	1-31	20		
Wilson County	Jan.	1-31	4		
Wilson County Yancey County	Jan.	1-31	6		
Total for State			481	2	
Total for State, same period,			2,270	23	
1903.					
North Dakota: Barnes County	Dec	1-Feb. 29	13		
Cass County	Nov.	1-Feb. 29	12		
Cavalier County	Dec.	1-Feb. 29	16		
Eddy County	Dec.	1-31	1		
Emmons County	Feb.	1-29	2		
Grand Forks County	Nov.	1-Dec. 31 1-31	12 1		
Griggs County	Feb.	1-29	6		
McHenry County McLean County	Jan.	1-Feb. 29	3		
Ransom County	Nov.	1-Feb. 29	64		
Richland County	Feb.	1–29	2		
Rolette County	Nov.	1-30	1		
Stark County	Feb.	1-29	3		
Stutsman County	Nov	1-31 1-Feb. 29	$\frac{1}{9}$		
Towner County	Dec.	1-31	1 1		
Walsh County	Dec.	1-Feb. 29	13		
Ward County	Dec.	1-31	7		
Wells County	Nov.	1-Feb. 29	20		
Traill County Walsh County Ward County Wells County Williams County	Dec.	1–31	20		
Total for State			207		
Total for State, same period,					
1903. Ohio:	i				
Allen County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	1		
Ashtabula County	Aug.	8-Jan. 4	] 3		
Athens County	A 112.	8-Dec. 26	1	1	
Auglaize County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	11	1	
Belmont County Butler County Carroll County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	24	8	
Cornell County	Aug.	8-Feb. 6 8-Dec. 26	$\frac{22}{6}$		
Champaign County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	14		
Champaign County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	34		
Coshocton County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	13		
Crawford County	Aug.	8-Feb. 27	44		
Cuyahoga County	Aug.	8-Apr. 8	39	4	
Darke County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26 8-Dec. 26	13		
Delaware County Erie County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	14		
Fairfield County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	i		
Franklin CountyGallia County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	96	4	
Gallia County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	56	5	
Guernsey County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26 8-Mar. 18	104	1 6	
Hamilton County	Aug.	8-Mar. 18 8-Dec. 26	123 12	6	
Harrison County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	14	2	
Jackson County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	14		
Jefferson County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	32		
Knox County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	1		
Lake CountyLawrence County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26 8-Dec. 26	1 148	7	
Licking County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	9	1 '1	
Lorain County	Aug.	8-Mar. 27	4		
Lucas County	Aug.	8-Mar. 12	4		
Mahoning County	Aug.	8–Jan. 26	126	3	
Marion County		8-Dec. 26	161	1 1	
Miami County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26 8-Apr. 9	105	$\begin{bmatrix} 2\\9 \end{bmatrix}$	
Morrow County	Aug.		103	9	
Muskingum County	Aug.		16		
Ottawa County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	14		
Paulding County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	2		
Perry County	Aug.		52		
Portage County	Aug.		23		
i amam county	Aug.		9		
Richland County					
Richland County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	8		•
Richland County Scioto County Seneca County Stark County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26			•

Place.		Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Ohio—Continued.					-
Trumbull County	Aug.	8-Mar. 26	8		
Tuscarawas County	Aug.		5	1	
Union County Vinton County	Aug.		26 10		
Washington County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	66	1	
Wayne County	Aug.	8-Dec. 26	: 1		
Wood County Wyandot County	Aug.		31		
	Aug.	8-Dec. 20			
Total for State		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,669	56	
Total for State, same period, 1903.	·····		. 529	48	
Pennsylvania: Allegheny County	Dec.	13-Apr. 2	153	31	Ten cases imported at Pittsburg.
Beaver County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31	5	1	Titusburg.
Berks County	Dec.	1-Mar. 4	41		
Blair County	Dec.	1-Mar. 12		3	One case imported.
Bradford County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31 1-Jan. 31			
Bucks County Butler County	Feb.		2		
Cambria County	Dec.	1-Apr. 9		4	
Clearfield County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Columbia County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31 1-Jan. 31			
Center County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Cumberland County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31	2		
Dauphin County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Delaware County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Erie County Fayette County	Dec.	1-Apr. 2 1-Jan. 31		1 1	•
Greene County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31		1	
Greene County Indiana County Jefferson County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Jefferson County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31 1-Mar. 31		3	
Lackawanna County Lancaster County	Dec.	1-Mar. 31			
Lebanon County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31	11	1	
Lehigh County Luzerne County	Dec.	1-Mar. 19			
Luzerne County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31 3-Mar. 19		<del>-</del>	
Lycoming County	Jan. Dec.	1-Jan. 31		3	
Montgomery County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31	.   8	1	
Northampton County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Northumberland County Perry County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31 1-Jan. 31			
Philadelphia County	Dec.			183	
Schuylkill County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Somerset County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Susquehanna County Warren County	Dec. Jan.	1-Jan. 31 1-Jan. 31		3	
Washington County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31			
Wayne County	Dec.				
Westmoreland County	Dec.	1-Jan. 31	43		
Total for State			1,898	235	
Total for State, same period, 1903.			1,603	133	
South Carolina: Charleston	Dog	20-Apr. 2	31	3	Three imported.
Georgetown	Mar	27			Tiffee imported.
Greenville	Feb.	21-Mar. 26			
Total for State			49	3	
Total for State, same period, 1903.			. 215	7	
Tennessee: Memphis Nashville		13-Mar. 26 27-Apr. 9	312 94	7	
Total for State		_, mpr, ;	406	7	
Total for State, same period,		•••••	104	1	
1903. Texas:	Dag	1 Ech of	40		
San Antonio	Dec.	1-Feb. 25	43		
		•••••			
Total for State, same period, 1903.		•••••	. 11		

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Utah: Ogden	Jan. 1-31	1		
Salt Lake City		14		
Total for State		15		
Total for State, same period, 1903.		294	2	
Virginia:				
Danville Pocahontas	Feb. 7-13 Jan. 1-Mar. 31	$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 21 \end{array}$	5	
Total for State		23	5	
Total for State, same period, 1903.		9	1	
Washington:				
Adams County Chehalis County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31 Dec. 1-31	2 3		
Clarke County	Feb. 1-31	1		
Columbia County	Jan. 1-31	î		
King County (Seattle included)		26		
Kittitas County	Dec. 1-31	1		
Klickitat County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31	18		
Lewis County	Feb. 1-29	1		
Lincoln County	Dec. 1-31	2		
Pacific County	Jan. 1-Feb. 29 Feb. 1-29	2 6		
Pierce County (Tacoma in- cluded).	Feb. 1-29	ь		
Skagit County	Feb. 1-29	1		
Spokane County (Spokane in-	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	17	3	
cluded).	200. 1100. 20	1,	"	•
Thurston County	Feb. 1-29	2		
Wallawalla County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31	9		
Whatcom County	Dec. 1-Feb. 29	18		
Whitman County	Dec. 1-Jan. 31	3		
Yakima County	Jan. 1-31	8		
Total for State		121	3	
Total for State, same period, 1903.		71		
Wisconsin:				
Milwaukee	Dec. 13-Apr. 9	122		
Total for State		122		
Total for State, same period, 1903.		1,280	6	
Grand total	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	7,415	378	
Grand total, same period, 1903.		15,099	426	

Plague in the United States, as reported to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, December 26, 1903, to April 15, 1904.

Place.	Num- ber since March, 1900.	Num- ber since January 1, 1904.	Re- ported.	Died.	Bacterio- logically con- firmed.		
California:	111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 a 119	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	Jan. 10 Jan. 12 Jan. 13 Feb. 7 Feb. 9 Feb. 12 Feb. 15 Feb. 17 Mar. 1	Jan. 10 Jan. 11 Jan. 13 Feb. 8 Feb. 12 Feb. 14 Feb. 19 Feb. 29	Jan. 25 Jan. 27 Jan. 22 Feb. 17 Feb. 27 Feb. 24 do Mar. 8 Mar. 12	Recovered.	

 $<sup>\</sup>alpha$  Cases 119 and 120 not having been bacteriologically confirmed, case 121 has been numbered 119.

Summary: Calendar year, 1900, 22 cases, 22 deaths; 1901, 30 cases, 25 deaths; 1902, 41 cases, 41 deaths; 1903, 17 cases, 17 deaths.

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Yellow fever in the United States, as reported to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, December 26, 1908, to April 15, 1904.

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Texas: Laredo	Dec. 26-Mar. 18	6	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	One case imported from Minera.

 $<sup>\</sup>begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Note.--In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.] \end{tabular}$ 

Weekly mortality tuble, cities of the United States.

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Cities.	Weck ended-	Population, United States census of 1900.	Total deaths from all causes.	Tuberculosis.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Varioloid.	Cholera.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
Allentown, Pa	Apr. 9	35, 416	14	<b></b> .						<b></b> .		1		<b></b>
Altoona, Pa	do	38, 973 12, 949	15 6							1				
Baltimore, Md Binghamton, N. Y	do	508, 957 38, 647	229 19	36						2	3	1	• • • •	
Roston Mass	do l	560, 892	223	29	l				١	1	i	4	1	
Brockton, Mass Bueyrus, Ohio	Apr. 2	40,063 6,560	13	3					• • • •			••••	3	
Butler, Pa	do	10,853	5											
Cambridge, Mass Camden, N. J	Apr. 9 do	91, 886 75, 935	28 28	5										
Carbondale, Pa	Mar. 31	13,536	9	1										
Do Charleston, S. C	Apr. 2	13, 536 55, 807	4 26	1 3			1							
Chicago, Ill	Apr. 9	1,698,575	562 12	65		1				5	2 1	4	1	1
Cleveland, Ohio	Apr. 8	19, 167 381, 766	151	24						11			1	
Clinton, Mass Covington, Ky	Apr. 9 Apr. 2	13,667 $42,938$	$\begin{array}{c} 8 \\ 23 \end{array}$	5				ļ					····	i
Danville, III	ao	16,354	11					İ		i				ļ <del>.</del>
Do	oh"	16, <b>3</b> 54 85, 333	8 29		• • • •	1					i			
Detroit, Mich Dunkirk, N. Y	Apr. 2	285,704	107								î 			
Elmira, N. Y	do	$11,616 \\ 35,672$	10 11	1							• • • •			
Erie, Pa	do	52,733	17	1 3										1
Evansville, Ind Everett, Mass	do	59,007 24,336	20 14	3	l		1		ļ			1		
Fall River, Mass Fitchburg, Mass	Apr. 9 Apr. 2	104,863 $31,581$	36	4				• • • •						
Fort Smith, Ark	do	11,587	8 2							1				
Galesburg, Ill	do Apr. 9	18,607 87,565	3 28	4						·-;-				
Hamilton, Ohio	Mar. 5	23,914	9	1					l					
Do Do	Mar. 12 Mar. 19	28, 914 23, 914	9 11	1				ł	i				• • • •	
Do	Mar. 26	23,914		2	١	١			l					
Hydepark, Mass Jacksonville, Fla	Apr. 2	13, 244 28, 429	8 14	1 2						1				
Jersey City, N.J Johnstown, Pa	Apr. 3	206, 433 35, 936	85 8	15						1	2			
Kokomo, Ind	Apr. 2	10,609	2											
Do Lawrence, Mass	Apr. 9 Apr. 2	10,609 $62,559$	9 22	3							••••		• • • •	
Lexington Kv	_ do	26,369	19	3	l								i	
Los Angeles, Cal Lowell, Mass	Apr. 9	102, 479 94, 969	51 33	9						1		3	• • • •	
McKeesport, Pa	Apr. 2	34, 227	7							i				
Manchester, N. H Marlboro, Mass	do	56, 987 13, 609	24 2	2							····	1		
Marlboro, Mass	Apr. 9	18, 244	12		<b> </b>	<b> </b>								
Milwaukee, Wis Mount Vernon, N. Y	Apr. 2 Apr. 9	285, 315 21, 228	103 15	14										
Nashua, N. H Nashville, Tenn	do	23, 898	7 33	9								1	••••	
New Bedford, Mass	do	80, 865 62, 442	32	3										
Newburyport, Mass New Orleans, La	Apr. 2	14,478 287,104	7 132	19	····			····				••••		1
nen Olicans, La	·····uo	201, 104	102	. 13									. 4	

Weekly mortality table, cities of the United States—Continued.

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Cities.	Week ended—	Population, United States census of 1900.	Total deaths from all causes.	Tuberculosis.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Varioloid.	Cholera.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
Newport, Ky. Newport, R. I Newton, Mass New York, N. Y Do Niagara Falls, N. Y Norristown, Pa. Do North Adams, Mass Omaha, Nebr Oneonta, N. Y Do Palmer, Mass Philadelphia, Pa Pittsburg, Pa Plainfield, N. J Portland, Me. Providence, R. I. Quincy, Mass Rochester, N. Y Do Santa Barbara, Cal Shreveport, La South Bend, Ind Steelton, Pa Taunton, Mass Titusville, Pa Toledo, Ohio Trenton, N. J Do Waltham, Mass Warren, Ohio Washington, D. C Weymouth, Mass Williamsport, Pa Do Wilmington, Del Winona, Minn Worcester, Mass	Apr. 2 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9do Apr. 9do Apr. 9do Apr. 2 Apr. 9do Apr. 2 Apr. 9do Apr. 2 Apr. 2 Apr. 2 Apr. 2 Apr. 2 Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 6do Apr. 6do Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9 Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9 Apr. 2do Apr. 9 o	28, 307 22, 034 33, 587 3, 437, 202 19, 457 22, 265 24, 200 102, 555 7, 147 7, 147 7, 801 1, 928, 697 321, 616 15, 369 162, 608 162, 608 162, 608 163, 699 162, 608 21, 036 22, 036 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 23, 037 24, 036 25, 036 27, 036 28, 757 76, 508 29, 714 28, 757 76, 508 29, 714 21, 041 21	8 4 4 6 1, 668 8 1, 895 12 7 6 6 34 4 4 3 3 1 597 135 5 12 2 20 64 40 0 877 588 1 1 6 12 5 5 11 1 0 4 40 . 125 5 6 6 9 33 3 5 5 46							30 6 6	30 30 1 1  4 1 1 1 2  1 1	12 5  1 39 70 1 1  3 2  1	28 49	1 2

#### FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

#### AFRICA.

Report from Cape Colony—Plague—Examination for plague and plague-infected rats.

> COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Cape Town, Cape of Good Hope, March 14, 1904.

The following report by the medical officer of health for the colony on the state of the outbreak of bubonic plague in the Cape Colony for the week ended March 12, 1904, is published for general information.

> NOEL JANISCH, Under Colonial Secretary.

Report of the medical officer of health on the state of plague in Cape Colony during week ended March 12, 1904.

Port Elizabeth.—Three cases of plague were discovered during the week, namely: On the 6th instant, 1 colored male, discovered after death; on the 7th instant, 1 native female, discovered after death, and on the 12th instant, 1 native male. At the plague hospital 1 colored male died during the week. Six cases remain under treatment. Plague-infected rodents continued to be found in the town.

Uitenhage.—Three cases of plague were discovered in a hut at the Cabah location on the 10th instant, namely: One native female, who died before removal; 1 native male and 1 native female, who were removed to the plague hospital at Port Elizabeth for treatment. The source of infection is traced to a native male who died in the same hut after working in a plague rat-infected store at Port Elizabeth.

East London.—No case of plague was discovered during the week. Plague-infected

rodents continued to be found in the town

Other places.—At Queenstown, King William's Town, and Knysna no case of plague was discovered in man or animal during the week.

Cape Town and harbor board area.—One hundred and seventy-six rats were examined during the week. None were found affected with plague.

> A. John Gregory, Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.

#### BRAZIL.

Dysentery at Pernambuco.

[Cablegram.]

Rio, April 8, 1904.

It is reported that there have been 323 deaths from dysentery at Pernambuco, in March. The local conditions all favor the rapid spread of the disease.

STEWART.

#### CHILE.

Epidemic bubonic plague at Antofogasta.

Santiago, Chile, April 12, 1904.

Extensive epidemic bubonic plague at Antofogasta.

Wilson, Minister.

#### CHINA.

 $Reports\ from\ II ongkong-Inspection\ of\ vessels-Plague-infected\ rats-Smallpox.$ 

Passed Assistant Surgeon White reports February 21 and 28, as follows:

During the week ended February 20, 1904, 4 vessels left this port for ports of the United States; 473 persons were examined for the quarantinable and the nonquarantinable but communicable diseases; 377 crew and 17 steerage passengers were bathed and their clothing was disinfected. The shipment of cargo, small animals, and live stock, as well as ships' supplies, was supervised. There was 1 plague death on February 19 (Chinese). The rat return showed that 135 rats had been captured and 5 were infected with plague. During 1903, in Hongkong, 54,738 rats were caught, 3,026 being plague infected, and in Kowloon, 46,309 were caught, 716 being infected. The two lines of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the one to Seattle, the other to Australia via Manila, and the Toyo Rishen Kaisha line to Manila direct, and the line to San Francisco have, together with the Eastern and Australian line and the China Navigation line, both to Australia via Manila, been temporarily discontinued, but it is reported that other vessels will be chartered and put on the runs.

During the week ended February 28, 9 vessels sailed for United States ports; 1,066 persons were examined for the quarantinable and communicable infectious diseases; 652 crew and 276 steerage passengers were bathed and their clothing was disinfected; 21 aliens were further medically examined and 6 were rejected. Shipment of all cargo and ship supplies was supervised. During the week 5 cases of enteric fever, with no mortality; 2 fatal cases of smallpox were reported, and no cases of plague. The last case of cholera was reported during the week ended October 31, 1903; the last case of plague February 19, 1904.

## Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Coptic* recommended February 23 for rejection: For Honolulu, 1; for San Francisco, 4.

One emigrant per steamship *Tacoma* for Tacoma, recommended February 26 for rejection.

Reports from Shanghai—Smallpox—Increase in mortality from tuberculosis.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, March 2 and 9, as follows:

During the week ended February 27, 1904, 1 original and 2 supplemental bills of health were issued. One vessel, 40 crew, 24 cabin, and

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39 steerage passengers, all of the latter being bound for Japan, were inspected and passed. Three immigration inspections were made, with no rejections. Manifests were viséed for 8,147 pieces of freight and 6 pieces were rejected. There were also inspected 81 pieces of freight and 91 pieces of passengers' baggage.

The weekly report of the municipal health officer shows smallpox, 14 deaths; enteric fever, 2 cases; diphtheria, 1 case and 5 deaths; tuberculosis, 33 deaths. The total mortality was 2 foreigners and 135

natives.

There seems to have been, during the months of January and February, an excessive mortality from tuberculosis, the percentage of deaths from this disease to the total reported mortality being on an average 28 per cent, as compared with 20 per cent and 16 per cent for 1901 and 1902, respectively. The exact reason for this is not apparent, as the meteorological conditions are much the same as during 1901

and 1902, the winter season being, if anything, milder.

The great prevalence of tuberculosis among the Chinese can, it is believed, be accounted for in a great measure by the extreme insanitary conditions under which the poorer classes live, and the filthy habit of expectorating anywhere in the houses and on the streets. Sputum thus deposited indoors is allowed to have full sway for about a year as the majority of the Chinese assay to "clean up" only at Chinese New Year, and there is present at all times in the domiciles of the lower classes every condition demanded for luxuriant microbic growth—filth, heat, moisture, darkness. Sputum deposited on the streets is dried, pulverized by traffic, and then doubtless wafted about and inhaled with the dust with which the air is always laden.

The powers of resistance are with the Chinese at lowest ebb, due probably in a great measure to the fact that the average native subsists on a poor quality of food, that he is poorly clothed and still more poorly housed. It is nothing unusual to find five or more adults with perhaps two or three children living, with all that the term implies (sleeping, cooking, and eating), beneath the deck of a sampan in a space 8 feet long, 6 feet wide, and less than 3 feet deep. They are literally packed in, and if the weather happens to be a little damp or cold, every crevice for the access or egress of air is carefully closed. These living quarters are practically entirely below the water line. On shore the overcrowding is not quite so bad, but it is only a shade better.

The Chinese eat chiefly rice, a little meat or fish being added for the sake of flavor, when there is sufficient money on hand to purchase such luxuries. The fish is often far from fresh, and the meat is generally that which has been condemned as unfit for the consumption of the foreigners, and is allowed, in the foreign settlements, to be sold to Chinese.

In the matter of clothing, more attention is paid to providing thick covering for the body, especially about the chest, while the legs are frequently covered, even in the coldest weather, by but one thickness of very thin cotton trousers. The coolies are generally entirely barefooted. With rickshaw and barrow coolies it is the custom, after having worked themselves into a violent perspiration, to throw their clothing entirely open down to the naked skin and thus cool off in the bleak wind.

It can hardly be wondered at then that tuberculosis gains such a

foothold in soil that is thus probably exceedingly well prepared, and that Chinese as a race succumb so readily to almost any disease which attacks them.

During the week ended March 5, 1904, no vessels left this port for ports under the jurisdiction of the United States, hence no bills of health were issued. This condition of affairs can be accounted for only by the general disarrangement of shipping schedules on account of the war now existing between Japan and Russia, which has resulted in the withdrawal of a great many ships from service and others being diverted to other than their usual destinations.

The vessels which remain in service seem, however, to be taking up a portion of the passenger and freight business which was heretofore carried by the steamers now withdrawn. It is expected that before very long schedules will be restored to nearly if not quite normal

very long schedules will be restored to nearly if not quite normal.

The municipal health officer reports that during the week there occurred 1 case and 6 deaths from smallpox, 1 case of enteric fever, 1 case of diphtheria and 6 deaths, and 34 deaths from tuberculosis. Total mortality, 129 natives and 2 foreigners.

No quarantinable diseases were reported from outports.

#### CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, weekly and monthly—Precautionary fumigation of steamship Capri from Para.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, April 5, as follows: Week ended April 2, 1904.

Ships inspected and bills of health issued	4
Crews inspected.	131
Passengers inspected	4

On March 30 the steamship *Capri* arrived at this port from Para and was fumigated as a precautionary measure against plague.

No quarantinable disease has arrived at this port during this week.

#### Report for the month of March, 1904.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued.	26
Crews inspected	
Passengers inspected.	32

#### Mortuary report for Cienfuegos, month of March, 1904.

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Tuberculosis		10
Malaria		8
Enteric fever		1
Tetanus, infantile		5
Enteritis.		
Entero-colitis		2
Disease of the kidneys.		$\bar{2}$
Disease of the heart and blood vessels.		
Pneumonia		
Meningitis		3
Other causes		
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m - 4 - 1		70

The sanitary condition of the city remains fairly good, and the local health authorities are to be commended for maintaining the excellent conditions with the funds at their disposal.

# Report from Habana.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Echemendia reports, April 6, as follows: Week ended April 2, 1904:

Vessels inspected and issued bills of health	23
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected	1, 120
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected	799
Pieces of freight passed	904

## Mortuary report of Habana for week ended April 2, 1904.

Disease.	Number of deaths.
Meningitis.	
Pneumonia	
Tuberculosis	
Enteritis	
Cancer	
Bronchitis	
Enteric feyer	
retanus	
Diphtheria	
Pernicious fever	
Nephritis	
Arterio-sclerosis	

Total deaths from all causes, 103.

# Report from Matanzas—Enteric fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, April 6, as follows: During the week ended April 2, 1904, 8 bills of health were issued

During the week ended April 2, 1904, 8 bills of health were issued to vessels bound for ports in the United States. One case of enteric fever has been the only contagious disease reported in this city during the same period.

### Mortuary statistics of Matanzas, March 20 to 31, 1904.

	Number of deaths.	Bertillon number.
Tuberculosis Disease of the heart (unclassified) Grippe Congestion, pulmonary Apoplexy, cerebral Burns Meningitis Infection, urinary Arterio-sclerosis Enteritis  Total	î	22 99 11 96 16' 66 77' 12( 81 106

Estimated population, 48,000; annual rate of mortality per 1,000, 10.64.

# Report from Santiago.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, April 5, as follows:
During the week ended April 2, 1904, bill of health was issued to 1
vessel bound for the United States. No quarantinable disease has been
reported.

### Mortality report for the week ended April 2, 1904.

Causes of death.	Number of deaths.	
Measles Tubercle of lungs Anæmia Cerebral congestion Tetanus, traumatic Organic heart disease Emphysema of lungs Athrepsia Cirrhosis of the liver Hepatitis, acute Congenital debility Contused wound of head	1 1 2 1 1 1 1	6 27 54 64 72 79 98 105a 112 114 151
Total	14	

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 16 per 1,000. Estimated population, 45,500.

#### ECUADOR.

Report from Guayaquil—Inspection of vessels—Yellow fever—Mosquito-proof hospital building.

Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports, March 14, 21, and 26, as follows: During the week ended March 12, 1904, two vessels cleared from this port bound for Panama. I examined the vessels, passengers, and crew before signing the bills of health and found all satisfactory.

During the week there were 55 deaths from all causes, of which 9 were from yellow fever and 5 from tuberculosis. Estimated population 60,000. The board of health is working very energetically to prevent the spread of yellow fever and has prepared a mosquito-proof building, to which all patients are removed as soon as detected. Sulphur is being liberally burned to destroy such mosquitoes as are found in houses from which a case is taken. I believe much good will result.

During the week ended March 19, 1904, two vessels cleared from this port for Panama, as follows: March 19, steamship *Ecuador*, with a personnel of 6 officers and 49 crew; 15 cabin and 39 steerage passengers; all told, 109.

This is a coasting steamer whose terminal ports are Panama and Guayaquil and which stops at all the intermediate ports for passengers and cargo. These vessels take ten days to make the trip to Panama, and by the terms of an agreement with the regular mail steamers, which do not stop at ports between Panama and Guayaquil, are not allowed to take passengers from the terminal ports.

Week ended March 19. Steamship *Guatemala*, bound from Valparaiso to Panama, was in port about ten hours. She applied for a supplemental bill of health and carried 11 cabin and 7 steerage passengers.

I examined the ship's passengers and crew before signing bill of health. All was satisfactory.

During the above period there were 72 deaths from all causes reported in this city. Of these, 4 were from yellow fever and 10 from tuberculosis.

# Epizootic disease in Peru.

The foot-and-mouth disease is reported to exist to an alarming extent in Peru.

#### GERMANY.

Report from Berlin—Plague and cholera in various countries.

Consul-General Mason reports, March 25, as follows:

## Plague.

Egypt.—Since the beginning of March cases of plague have occurred in Alexandria and in two other places in Egypt.

On March 18 a case of plague was registered in Port Said.

British India.—During the week ended February 27 there were registered in the Bombay Presidency 9,854 cases of plague (with 7,594 deaths), of which 869 cases (772 deaths) occurred in the city of Bombay, 103 cases (96 deaths) in Karachi, 21 cases (14 deaths) in Jamnagar and 2 cases (2 deaths) in Broach.

Mauritius.—During the period from January 8 to February 4 there were registered on the Island 105 cases of plague (with 69 deaths).

### Plague and cholera.

British India.—In Calcutta, during the week ended February 13, 19 persons died of cholera and 45 persons died of plague.

### Cholera.

Turkey.—According to Bulletin No. 7 of March 8, there were registered in Basra during the first five days of March 5 fresh cases of cholera and 7 deaths.

#### INDIA.

Report from Bombay—Plague and smallpox.

Acting Asst. Surg. Edward H. Hume reports, March 19, as follows:

Mortality in Bombay city for the week ended March 15, 1904.

	Week of Mar. 15, 1904.	Same week last year.
Deaths from plague Death rate—plague Deaths from smallpox Deaths from cholera Total deaths Death rate of city	60. 57 27 0 1. 491	1,036 69.42 69 0 1,775 118.94

Sanitary certificates (consular) Nos. 47 and 48 were issued on March 16, 1904, for 2 shipments of onions of 3,000 and 2,000 baskets, respectively, consigned to Manila to Fazal Rahim. These were grown in a district free from cholera.

Reports from Calcutta—Inspection of vessel—Death from cholera on steamship Sagami—Treatment of vessel.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Sprague reports, March 17, as follows: During the week ended March 12, 1904, bill of health was issued to the steamship *Tioga* bound for Philadelphia. When the ship was April 15, 1904 696

empty the cargo compartments were filled with straw under pressure, and later whitewashed. Rat guards were maintained on the wharf lines. Of the total crew of 58, 45 were Lascars, and their effects were disinfected. A supplemental bill of health was issued to the steamship Sagami bound for New York. On the morning of March 11, the day before sailing, the wife of the captain died from cholera, after an illness of five days. The body was at once removed, and under my personal observation all bedding, carpet, and articles in the cabin suspected of contamination were burned in the furnace.

The cabin was then washed down with mercuric chloride solution by the local authorities. The disinfection was completed by the liberal use of formalin in drawers and closets and on cloths suspended in the cabin. There was no evidence of infection of the ship except in this one cabin. There was a history of exposure to a sudden rain, followed by eating of ice cream and drinking of lemonade, with subsequent chill, followed by the fatal illness. A note was appended to the bill of health

setting forth the above facts.

There was a total crew of 48, of which 38 were Lascars, whose effects were disinfected, together with those of 12 steerage passengers bound for St. Louis. These latter showed good vaccination scars and in two instances evidence of having had smallpox.

Rat guards were kept on the wharf lines during the ship's stay at dock, but the hold was not fumigated, owing to the presence of cargo

on her arrival.

## Plaque rate—Infected rats.

Plague still continues about parallel with the rate of last year. Infection has recently been found among the dead rats in the infected districts.

#### ITALY.

Reports from Naples-Inspection of vessels-Plague in Mauritius.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Eager reports, March 21 and 26, as follows: During the week ended March 19, 1904, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

#### NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of large baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disin- fected.	Number of steerage passengers recom- mended for rejection.
Mar. 14 16 17 18 18	Palatia Algeria Gallia Citta di Napoli Prinzess Irene	do	1,017	100 50 50 150 170	1, 523 1, 338 1, 110 1, 225 1, 830	17 7 12 10 10

Playue in Mauritius and at Johannesburg and Port Said—Tropical hygiene.

## Week ended March 26, 1904.

#### NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of large baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disin- fected.	Number of steerage passengers recom- mended for rejection.
Mar. 21 23 23 23 25 25 25 25 26	Marco Minghetti Romanic. Sicilia. Montevideo. Victoria. Prinz Oskar Ballila Roma.	Boston  New York  do  do  do  do  do  do	893 845 704 1,008	30 150 70 55 40 75 90 200	810 1, 833 1, 215 1, 220 910 1, 115 1, 333 1, 640	5 16 10 21 18 13 9
		PALERMO	).			
Mar. 22 26	Marco Minghetti Victoria	New Yorkdo	246 246	60 100	350 360	14 26

### Bubonic plague in Mauritius.

A telegram from the governor of Mauritius states that during the week ended March 10, 1904, there were 3 fresh cases of bubonic plague in the island, with 2 deaths, and that during the week ended March 17, 1904, there were no deaths or new cases of bubonic plague at Mauritius.

### Bubonic plague at Johannesburg.

A telegraphic report from Johannesburg, dated March 20, 1904, states that bubonic plague has broken out in the coolie quarter. Eight deaths were reported.

### Bubonic plague at Port Said.

It is announced under date of March 18, 1904, that there is a case of bubonic plague at Port Said.

## The disease problem in the West Indies.

At a meeting of the West India Committee at London March 8, 1904, Sir Patrick Manson, M. D., read a paper on "The disease problem in the West Indies." He suggested the establishment of a laboratory, with an experienced director, at some central point in the West Indies. Dr. Manson said that in every school in the West Indies children should be given instruction in tropical hygiene.

#### JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels—Smallpox imported from Vladivostok—Outbreak of smallpox in Nagasaki—Plague in Formosa.

Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, March 11, as follows: During the week ended March 5, 1904, three vessels having an aggregate personnel of 337 crew and 808 passengers were inspected, 389 steerage passengers were bathed, and 532 pieces of baggage were disinfected.

During the above period infectious diseases were reported in Yokohama as follows: Enteric fever, 4 cases, 0 deaths; diphtheria, 2 cases,

1 death; dysentery, 0 cases, 1 death.

Isolated cases of smallpox have recently been reported from several

localities in Japan, among them the port of Moji.

In Nagasaki prefecture (which includes the city of Nagasaki), a rather threatening outbreak of the disease has occurred, reports of March 8 putting the total number of cases in the above-named prefecture at 27. Most of these cases seem to be attributed to infection conveyed from Vladivostok by refugees returning to this country as the result of the outbreak of hostilities between Japan and Russia.

The plague situation in Formosa seems recently to have assumed a more threatening aspect. Thus, in the island during the week ended March 6, 96 cases of plague with 49 deaths were reported, making the total number of cases and deaths since the beginning of this year 225 and 145, respectively.

#### MEXICO.

Report from Tampico—Funigation of vessel—Smallpox at Torreon— Memorandum relative to funigation of vessels.

Assistant Surgeon Goldberger reports, April 4, as follows:

No yellow fever has been reported since November, 1903. As, however, communication with Vera Cruz is practically untramelled and as there seems a fairly general and not unreasonable belief that there will be a recrudescence of the fever this summer, I consider it advisable to regard this as an infected port, and to treat departing vessels accordingly.

At the request of her agents, the steamer *Pensacola*, bound for Pensacola, Fla., was sulphured under my supervision, and a certificate to that effect issued. In this connection I have the honor to inclose a copy of a memorandum which I have this day communicated to several agents. The anchorage off La Barra referred to in the memorandum is to windward of the settlement of the same name, and is practically quite safe as regards the *S. fasciata* mosquitoes, there being no habitations of any kind on the river bank to windward of the anchorage.

It will be noted that the memorandum advises 3 pounds of sulphur per 1,000 cubic feet, a pound in excess of Bureau requirements, and that the number of pots required is calculated on a basis of not to exceed 10 pounds of sulphur to the pot. The reasons for this are, first, to allow for loss of gas through imperfections in closing doors and ventilators; and, second, the distribution of the sulphur in a large number of pots permits of more rapid combustion of the sulphur and evolution of the gas, practically essential requirements where the exposure is for only two hours.

The northeastern section of the Mexican Republic seems fairly generally infected with smallpox, and in the cities of Aguas Calientes and Torreon the disease seems to have assumed an epidemic character. One new case and one death from this disease were reported in this city last week. The new case, in all probability, contracted the infection in Torreon.

#### [Inclosure.]

Memorandum for the information of those interested in the fumigation of vessels sailing direct to ports in the United States, its possessions or dependencies, or to ports in the Republic of Panama.

1. Vessels should anchor off La Barra.

2. Each vessel should be supplied with powdered sulphur in the proportion of 3 pounds per 1,000 cubic feet of space. In this is included all space, excepting only the engine room.

3. A sufficient number of iron pots should be on hand, each pot being of a size readily holding 10 pounds of sulphur, and the number of pots needed should be cal-

culated on this basis.

4. To avoid accidental fires, it is advised that a container, the bottom of which is

to be covered with about 1 inch of water, should be supplied for each pot.

- 5. To avoid guessing in portioning out the sulphur, scales will be required and should be on hand.
- 6. A sufficient supply of alcohol will be needed to facilitate the ignition of the sulphur.

7. A supply of paper and paste will be required for sealing up doors, ventilators, or other openings.

8. Certificates of fumigation will be given only after strict compliance with the

9. The vessel must proceed to sea immediately after the fumigation is completed. Failure to do so invalidates the certificate of fumigation.

Report from Veracruz—Circular relative to inspection of vessels.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Lumsden, under date of April 2:

#### CIRCULAR.

UNITED STATES CONSULATE,
U. S. Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service,

Veracruz, Mexico, March 31, 1904.

To masters, agents, and owners of vessels:

You are hereby advised that vessels clearing from this port for ports in the United States or its possessions or other dependencies and for ports in the Republic of Panama will be inspected immediately prior to sailing and before receiving the bill of health.

Such inspection will be made at any time during the hours of daylight, and, in order to obviate delay in the sailing of vessels, it is requested that this office be notified between the hours of 9 and 11 a. m. and 2 and 5 p. m. of the expected hour of departure of vessel.

Respectfully,

L. L. Lumsden, Passed Assistant Surgeon.

Note.—This circular has been posted at the consulate and copies have been delivered to the principal steamship officers.

### PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Inspection of vessels.

Surgeon Perry reports, March 26, as follows:

During the week ended March 26, 1904, the following vessels cleared for United States ports: British steamship *Floridian* for New Orleans, March 21, with 44 crew and 1 passenger; Norwegian steamship *Preston* for New Orleans, March 22, with 40 crew and 39 passengers; U.S. collier

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Lebanon for United States ports, March 22, with 32 crew and 5 passengers; American steamship Yucatan for New York, March 22, with 65 crew and 56 passengers; American schooner Mary Sanford for Apalachicola, Fla., March 26, with 9 crew.

During the week bills of health were issued to 6 vessels of the United

States Navy in addition to those specified.

Report from city of Panama—Inspection of vessels—Beginning of rainy season.

Assistant Surgeon Pierce reports, March 28, as follows:

During the week ended March 27, 1904, one vessel, the steamship San Jose of the Pacific Mail Company, cleared for San Francisco March 22, with a crew of 60 and officers, 9 cabin passengers and 6 steerage; all well.

During the week there were from all causes 17 deaths; none from

quarantinable diseases.

The rainy season has again set in, although natives say it is unusual for the rains to begin so early.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Report from Manila—One death from smallpox—Quarantine transactions, January, 1904.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, February 25, as follows:

One death from smallpox was the only quarantinable disease re-

ported in Manila during the week ended February 20, 1904.

The United States Army transport *Thomas* cleared for San Francisco, Cal., via Nagasaki, Japan, and Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, February 15, 1904; 1,390 steerage passengers were bathed and their effects, 2,744 pieces, were disinfected; 33 pieces of cargo were disinfected; remainder inspected and passed.

February 15, 1904, the American schooner Gamble cleared for Port Townsend, Wash. The vessel was fumigated with sulphur, and the

crew was inspected on board prior to sailing.

No report of cholera in the provinces, weeks ended February 20 and 27, 1904. Last case occurred February 12.

Quarantine transactions in the Philippine Islands during the month of January, 1904.

#### PORT OF MANILA. Bills of health issued: To steamers for-United States ports..... Foreign ports 43 167 Domestic ports..... To sailing vessels for— United States ports..... 0 Foreign ports 79 Domestic ports..... 295 Total ..... Number of vessels inspected: Steamers from-United States ports..... 8 Foreign ports ..... 37 163

Number of vessels inspected—Continued.	
Sailing vessels from—	0
United States ports	0
Foreign ports	93
bomosto ports	
Total	301
Number of passengers on arriving boats inspected:	
On steamers—	
Cabin	1,325
Steerage	4,529
On sailing vessels—	-
Cabin	407
Steerage	467
Total	6. 326
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Number of persons vaccinated: On steamers—	
Crew	. 824
Passengers	
On sailing vessels—	
Crew	543
Passengers	0
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Total	1,367
Crew on arriving steamers inspected	9 148
Crew on arriving sailing vessels inspected	881
Persons quarantined for observation, suspects and contacts.	0
Persons quarantined for observation, suspects and contacts	747
Steamers disinfected	3
Sailing vessels disinfected	0
Steamers fumigated to exterminate vermin	27
Sailing vessels fumigated to exterminate vermin	25
Cases of quarantinable diseases detected on steamers	0
Vessels detained in quarantine	858
Pieces of baggage disinfected on sailing vessels	000
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed on steamers	122
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed on sailing vessels	0
[Outgoing.]	
Vessels remaining in quarantine from December	0
Vessels sailing without quarantine, inspected and passed	5
Sailing vessels sailing without quarantine, inspected and passed	ĭ
Steamers disinfected	4
Sailing vessels disinfected	0
Crew of steamers inspected.	372
Crew of sailing vessels inspected.	11
Passengers of steamers inspected	
Passengers of sailing vessels inspected	1 262
Pieces of baggage disinfected	$\frac{1,200}{2,726}$
Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	2, 467
PORT OF CEBU.	
Bills of health issued:	
To steamers for—	0
United States ports	0
Domestic ports	112
To sailing vessels for—	
United States ports	0
Foreign ports	0
Domestic ports	20
m . 1	100
Total	132

Number of vessels inspected:	
Steamers from—	,
United States ports	2
Foreign ports	119
Sailing vessels from— .	
United States ports	(
Foreign ports	(
Domestic ports	387
Total	508
Number of passengers on arriving boats inspected:	
On steamers—	
Cabin	282
Steerage	1,621
On sailing assessed	_
Cabin	1 105
Steerage	1, 10
Total	3 010
10.21	5, 010
Crew on arriving steamers inspected	3, 465
Crew on arriving sailing vessels inspected.	2, 227
Persons bathed and effects disinfected	(
Persons vaccinated	403
Vessels fumigated to exterminate vermin	
Vessels detained in quarantine	•
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PORT OF ILOILO.  Bills of health issued:	
To steamers for—	
United States ports	(
Foreign ports	4
Domestic ports	70
To sailing vessels for—	,
United States ports	(
Foreign ports	227
Domestic ports	
Total	301
=	
Number of vessels inspected:	
Steamers from—	
United States ports	(
Foreign ports	70
Sailing vessels from—	• `
United States ports	(
Foreign ports	(
Domestic ports	136
<b>.</b>	21:
Total	21.
Number of passengers on arriving boats inspected:	
On steamers—	
Cabin	422
Steerage	847
On sailing vessels—	,
Cabin	. (71
Steerage	717
Total	1,986
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Crew on arriving steamers inspected	2,55
Crew on arriving sailing vessels inspected	1,209
Persons vaccinated	490

Persons detained in quarantine.  Cases of quarantinable diseases detected on arriving vessels, cholera  Vessels disinfected  Vessels detained in quarantine  Vessels remaining in quarantine January 31	1 1
PORT OF JOLO. Bills of health issued:	
To steamers for—	
United States ports	0
Foreign ports	1
Domestic ports	12
To sailing vessels for—	0
United States ports	0
Domestic ports	
Total	14
Number of vessels inspected:	
Steamers from—	0
United States ports.	0
Foreign ports	23
Sailing vessels from—	20
United States ports	0
Foreign ports Domestic ports.	0
Domestic ports	0
Total	27
Number of passengers on arriving boats inspected:	
On steamers— Cabin	177
Steerage	306
On sailing vessels—	
Cabin Steerage	0
Steerage	0
Total	483
Paragra vaccinated	<u> </u>
Persons vaccinated	1 080
Crew on arriving sailing vessels inspected.	1,000
Vessels in quarantine	ŏ
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### PORTO RICO.

Report from San Juan-Immigration.

# Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, April 5, as follows:

Report of alien passengers arriving at San Juan during the week ended April 2, 1904.

Date of arrival.	Vessel.	Where from.	Number of immi- grants.
Mar. 28	Sp. S. S. Leon XIII	Barcelona, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Pal- mas, Tenerife, La Palma, and	11
Apr. 2	Sp. S. S. Miguel M. Pinillos	Genoa, Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, Valencia, Malaga, Cadiz, Tenerife, and Las Palmas.	4

Ponce, Aguadilla, Arecibo, Fajardo, Humacao, and Mayaguez no transactions.

#### SPAIN.

# Report from Madrid-Typhus fever.

Vice-Consul Danziger reports, April 5, the existence of typhus fever in Madrid.

#### TURKEY.

# Return of the pilgrimage of 1904.

[Translated in this Bureau from the Bulletin Quarantenaire, Alexandria, March 24, 1904.]

Pilgrim vessels from Djeddah at Tor.

March 17—Kamil Pacha: 50 soldiers and 400 Ottoman pilgrims. March 21—Garcia: 493 Russian pilgrims: 1 case of ordinary sickness.

March 22—Konia: 491 pilgrims, mixed nationalities: 2 deaths during the voyage.

March 22—Lesbos: 346 Tripolitan pilgrims: 1 death.

#### VESSELS LEAVING TOR.

Date.	Name.	Number of pil- grims.	Nativity.
Mar. 17	Marmara Odessa. Assouan Minieh Abdul Moneim Tzarita Bassorah Kamil Pacha	739	Ottoman.
17		1,007	Russian.
18		942	Ottoman.
20		1,124	Egyptian.
20		668	Ottoman.
20		900	Russian.
21		709	Do.
21		567	Ottoman.

Foreign and insular statistical reports of countries and cities—Yearly and monthly.

Africa—Lourenço Marques.—Month of January, 1904. Estimated population, 7,000. Total number of deaths, 87. No contagious diseases.

Austria-Hungary—Fiume.—Month of January, 1904. Estimated population, 38,996. Total number of deaths, 80. No deaths from contagious diseases reported.

British Guiana—Demerara.—Month of February, 1904. Estimated population, 36,567. Total number of deaths, 231, including 32 from tuberculosis.

Canada—Ontario, Hamilton.—Month of March, 1904. Estimated population, 55,000. Total number of deaths, 87, including diphtheria, 1, and 8 from tuberculosis.

Germany—Hanover.—Month of January, 1904. Estimated population, 250,837. Total number of deaths 319, including 7 from infectious diseases.

GREAT BRITAIN—England and Wales.—The deaths registered in 76 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended March 19, 1904, correspond to an annual rate of 19.7 per 1,000 of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 15,271,425.

London.—One thousand six hundred and eighty deaths were registered during the week, including measles 69, scarlet fever 2, diphtheria 17, whooping cough 51, enteric fever 2, smallpox 1, and diarrhea 19. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 18.8 per 1,000. In Greater London 2,281 deaths were registered. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 2 from diphtheria, 10 from measles, 1 from scarlet fever, and 10 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended March 19, 1904, in the 21 principal town districts of Ireland was 27.3 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,093,289. The lowest rate was recorded in Dundalk, viz, 8.0, and the highest in Galway, viz, 66.0 per 1,000. In Dublin and suburbs 213 deaths were registered, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 1, measles 4, whooping cough 13, and 37 from tuberculosis.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended March 19, 1904, correspond to an annual rate of 23.0 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,726,236. The lowest rates of mortality was recorded in Edinburgh and Leith, viz, 18.05 and 20.1, and the highest in Dundee and Greenock, viz, 28.1 and 26.9 per 1,000. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 762, including diphtheria 3, measles 23, scarlet fever 2, smallpox 7, and 24 from whooping cough.

Jamaica—Parish of Portland.—Two weeks ended March 19, 1904. Estimated population, 40,000. Total number of deaths, 18. No contagious diseases reported.

Port Antonio.—Two weeks ended March 19, 1904. Estimated population not reported. Number of deaths not reported. Whooping cough present.

Java—Batavia.—Three weeks ended February 27, 1904. Estimated population, 160,000. Number of deaths not reported. Twenty-one deaths from smallpox reported.

St. Helena.—Four weeks ended March 5, 1904. Estimated population, 4,000. Total number of deaths 4, including 1 from tuberculosis.

Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, December 26, 1903, to April 15, 1904.

[Reports received by the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, from United States consuls through the Department of State and from other sources.]

[For reports received from June 27, 1903, to December 25, 1903, see Public Health Reports for December 25, 1903.]

#### CHOLERA.

Place.		Date.		Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Afghanistan:	Dog	12				Present.
China:	Dec.	12	• • • •			Present.
Shanghai		18		1		On Br. ss. Olivebank.
Bombay	Dec.	9-Mar. 15-Mar. 22-Feb.	8		2	
Calcutta	Feb.	15-Mar. 22-Feb	28	2	345	•
Madras	Nov.	14-Mar.	4		21	
Japan: Nagasaki	Nov.	21-30			1	
Philippine Islands: Manila Provinces	Oct.	31-Feb. 31-Feb.	6 13	50 1,623	46 1,325	
Straits Settlements:				1,020		
Singapore	Nov.	8-Dec.	19		12	
Turkey: Bagdad—	1					
Hitt	Dec.	13-15		8	4	
Kerbela	Dec.	12-Jan.			463	
Mossul Musseieb	Dec.	21–Jan. 17–Jan.	4	1 48	1 35	
Bassorah—	Dec.	II-Jan.	-	10	3.5	
Basra Beirut—		6-Mar.	5	48	42	
Latakieh Diarbekir—		21-Jan.	4	11	7	
Diarbekir Syria		12–Jan. 29–Dec.	9 5	64	44	Present.
Africa:						
Ivory Coast, Grand Bassam	Dec.	12				Present.
Brazil: Rio de Janeiro	Nov.	23-Mar.	6	48	14	
Colombia: Cartagena		23-Mar.			2	
Cuba: Vicinity of Niquero	Feb.	6–13			6	From the Nor. bk. Eugen fron
	reb.	0-10				Cardiff and La Guaira, wrecked on south coast of Cuba.
Ecuador: Guayaquil	Dec.	6-Mar.	10		8	
Jamaica:	Dec.	o-mar.	10			
Kingston	Dec.	27-Jan.	9	2	2	
Mexico: Ciudad Victoria Merida	Dec.			4 20	2 9	
Tehuantepec	Dec.	lo		7	5	
Vera Cruz Panama:	Dec.	13–Mar.	26	17	6	
Panama Venezuela:	Jan.	4-Jan.		4	1	
La Guaira	Jan. Oct.	2-9 25-Feb.	14	3	1 3	
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Australia:	ı	APPEAR OF THE ANAMASA ABOVE				
Australia: Brisbane	Feb.	12-17		5		
Brisbane Sydney	Feb. Mar.	12–17 10		5. 1		
Brisbane	Mar.	10	••••	1		
Brisbane Sydney Brazil: Para	Mar. Nov.	10 1-Feb.	 22	5. 1. 29	15	
Brisbane	Mar. Nov. Nov. Jan.	1-Feb. 16-Jan. 15	22 15	1		Several cases. Present.

## Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, etc.—Continued.

## PLAGUE—Continued.

Place.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
British South Africa:	Nov. 15-Mar. 12		17	Three new cases.
Cape Colony (East London, King Williams Town, Port Elizabeth).				Timee new cases.
Natal (Pietermaritzburg) Transvaal (Johannesburg)	Nov. 29-Dec. 5 Mar. 20	3	8	
Chile: Antofogasta China:	Apr. 12			Epidemic.
Hongkong	Nov. 8-Dec. 12 Nov. 29-Dec. 5	6	$\begin{matrix} 6 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$	
Egypt: Alexandria Minieh district	do	3 3	1 1	
Port Said Formosa	Mar. 18 To Dec. 15, 1903 Jan. 1-Mar. 6	869	702 145	
Hawaii: Hilo	Mar. 4		143	
HonoluluIndia: Bombay Presidency and	Jan. 10 Nov. 15-Feb. 27	1	97,909	
Sind. Madras Presidency	do	13, 030	10,083	
Bengal United Provinces	do	28, 210 59, 119	25, 295 54, 259	
Punjab	do	49,218	36, 644	
Central Provinces (includ-	do	35, 755	29,874	T
Burma Coorg. Mysore State Hyderabad State Central India. Rajputana Kashmir	Feb. 14-20 Nov. 15-Feb. 27	15	1 6	Imported.
Mysore State	do	11,972	9, 174 13, 062	
Hyderabad State	ģo	15,847 17,341	13,062	
Central India	do	4, 184	15,559 3,555	
Kashmir	do	1,941	1,430	
Kashmir N. W. F. Provinces Baluchistan	Nov. 21-Feb. 27 Nov. 29-Feb. 27	46 1	46	One case imported.
Grand total		389, 884	296, 897	,
Japan:				
Yokohama	Nov. 22-Dec. 5 Nov. 13-Mar. 10	529	312	
Callao	Feb. 24	4		
Lima	Mar. 25-31	28 10	7	
Philippine Islands: Cebu	Jan. 1-31 Nov. 15-Feb. 12	2 16	2 10	
Russia: Cronstadt	Jan. 14-20		1	At plague laboratory.
Turkey: Smyrna	Dec. 1-6		1	
	SMA	LLPOX.		
Africa:				
Cape Town Green and Sea Point Argentina:	Dec. 1–Feb. 13 Nov. 29–Dec. 5	5		
Buenos Ayres	1		187	
Prague Trieste Belgium:	Nov. 22-Mar. 5	127 8	1	
Antwerp	Jan. 11-Mar. 19	52	20	
Brussels	Jan. 11-Mar. 19 Jan. 31-Mar. 5 Jan. 10-16	1	4 1	
Drogil:		1	i .	1
Brazil:	Feb. 13-20		1	
Brazil: Bahia Goyaz	Feb. 16-22	4		
Brazil: Bahia	Nov. 1-Feb. 15	798	1 180 460	

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# Cholera, yellow fever, plague, and smallpox, etc.—Continued.

## SMALLPOX—Continued.

Place.		Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Canada, British Columbia:					
(Tower Hill and Vancouver.)	Dec.		1		
Manitoba, Winnipeg New Brunswick, McAdam, Newcastle.	Mar. Jan.				
Ontario	Dec. Feb.		116 14		
Chile: Antofogasta	Nov.			13	
Santiago	Feb.				Epidemic.
HongkongShanghai	Dec.	27-Feb. 28 15-Mar. 5	6	2 83	One new case.
Tientsin		31-Feb. 6	1		one new case.
Barranquilla	Dec. Jan.			9	
France: Lyon	Feb.			3	
Marseille	Dec.			83	
Paris	Nov.	29-Mar. 26 8-14	356	31	
Germany: Strasburg	_	i-Dec. 31	1	2	
Great Britain: Birmingham	Doo	e Man 10		1	
Bradford	Nov.	22-Dec. 5	1 1		
DundeeEdinburgh		lo	. 4	11	
Glasgow Hull Leeds		5-Apr. 1 17-Mar. 19	674	39	
	Dec.	27-Mar. 26	5	2	
LeithLiverpool	Dec.	10-Mar. 26 13-Jan. 23 29-Mar. 26	21 3	1	
London Manchester	d	lo	. 38		
Newcastle-on-Tyne Nottingham	Nov.	29-Mar. 26	156	5	
Sheffield. Southampton	Dec.	27-Mar. 19 27-Jan. 2	6	1	
South Shields Sunderland	Jan. Jan.	3-Mar. 19 3-Feb. 6		1 2	
Hawaii: Honolulu	Feb.	4	. 1		From U.S.a.t. Logan.
India: Bombay	Nov.	25-Mar. 8		100	
Calcutta	Dec.	27-Mar. 5 21-Mar. 13	54	10 11	
Italy: Catania	Dec.	4-Jan. 7		5	
Messina Palermo	Jan.	12–18 10–Feb. 27	2	1	
Japan: Amakusa	Feb.	23	. 15		From Ger. ss. Batavia from Vla
Matsu Island		15 11-Mar. 10	i	4	ivostock. One case from Br. ss Kwang Pir
Yokohama		1-Mai. 10	1	*	from Tsin-hwan-tao.
Java:		1-27			
Batavia		15-Mar. 27 6-Mar. 5		39 5	
Mexico: La Cananea		9			Present.
Magdalena Mexico	Mar.	9 28-Mar. 27	. 8	40	Troscint.
Porfirio Diaz Tampico.	Jan.	9 11-21	. i	12	
Tampico Torreon Vera Cruz	Feb.	24		12	Epidemic. One case ss. Prince August Wi
Netherlands:	J/CU.	10-piai. 20	9		helm from Havre.
Amsterdam	Dec.	20-Mar. 26		8	
RotterdamPanama, Panama	Jan.	11-17		3	

# $Cholera,\ yellow\ fever,\ plague,\ and\ smallpox,\ etc.{\bf --Continued}.$

## SMALLPOX—Continued.

Place.		Date.		Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks
Philippine Islands:						
Cebu	Jan.	1-31		. 5	1	1
Manila	Nov.	15-Feb.	20	4	4	
Porto Rico:				1		i
San Juan	Dec.	1-Mar.	8	9		8 1
Russia:				f		
Moscow		22-Mar.		87	23	
Odessa				15	1	
St. Petersburg	Nov.	29-Mar.	19	298	41	i
Warsaw	Nov.	8-Feb.	6		24	
Spain:						i
Barcelona		10-Mar.			58	
Madrid		ec. 15				Estimated.
Santander	Dec.	9–Mar.	14	48	7	
Straits Settlements:						
_ Singapore	Feb.	21-27			1	
Turkey:						
Alexandretta		6-12				
Constantinople		18-Mar.			56	
Smyrna	Nov.	23–Feb.	28		47	
Uruguay:					_	
Montevideo	Sept.	6-Dec.	31	12	1	

## Weekly mortality table, foreign and insular cities.

			<b>13</b>				D	eatl	s fro	m—				
Cities.		Estimated population.	Total deaths from causes.	Tuberculosis.	Plague.	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles	Whooping cough.
Aix la Chapelle	Mar. 5	144, 491	49	6								1	:-	
Do	Mar. 12	144, 491	43	4								2	2	
Alexandretta	Mar. 19	9,000	5				• • • •	• • • •					.::-	
Amsterdam	Mar. 26	548, 244	203	27			• • • • •	••;•		2	1	4	17	4
Antwerp	Mar. 19	294, 669	76				• • • •	4	;-	• • • • •	1		1	1
Athens	do	200,000	40	34					1					2
Barmen	Mar. 12 Mar. 19	150, 212	40	6					,			1 2	1	1 2
Do	Mar. 19 Mar. 20	150, 212	23	2			• • • • •		• • • •	• • • •	• • • •	2	. 1	
	Mar. 19	40,000 80,000	17		• • • • • •			2			• • • •			• • • •
Beirut	Mar. 19 Mar. 31		5								• • • •		• • • •	
BelizeBergen	Mar. 17	9,000 73,000	29	8					• • • •			2		
Berlin	Mar. 5	1,965,109	578	106			• • • • •		• • • •		5	10		
Do	Mar. 12	1, 965, 109	614	89	• • • • • •						5	5	7 14	
Birmingham	Mar. 26	537, 965	228	09	• • • • • •						1	1	2	20
Bombay	Mar. 8		1,574	64	968	i	• • • •	19	• • • • •	3	1		11	20
Bremen	Mar. 19	182,000	66	6	200	- 1	• • • •	15		٥			4	
Bristol	Mar. 24	343, 204	99	. 0	• • • • • •		••••		• • • • •	2	2	4	1	••••
Brunswick	Mar. 19	131, 422	- 55				••••		••••	- 1		1 *		••••
Brussels	do	575, 896	179	20							• • • •	i		3
Budapest	Mar. 12	732, 322			••••		••••			1	1	$\hat{3}$	6	,
Do	Mar. 19	732, 322					••••			-	2	5	8	
Calcutta	Feb. 27	847, 896	581	29	120	34							4	
Do	Mar. 5	847, 896	631	33	174	43		2					3	
Callao	Mar. 6	30,000	23		a1									
Cardiff	Mar. 26	176, 313	57						1	!		2		5
Cartagena	Mar. 20	17,000	14				i							
Christiania	Mar. 19	224,000	52	1										
Coatzacoalcos	Mar. 26	3,000	3	1										
Coburg	Mar. 12	22, 884	7											
Do	Mar. 19	22,884	6											
Cologne	Mar. 12	407, 382	154	37								3	3	2
Do	Mar. 19	407, 382	138	33							2		4	7
Colombo	Feb. 27	155, 869	96				!		1	2				
Colon	Mar. 27	8,000	7											
Constantinople	Mar. 20	800,000	249	23				5		6		1		
Copenhagen	Mar. 12	500,000	139	19		1								. 0

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			all				D	eath	s fro	m—				
Cities.	Week ended—	Estimated population.	ns from ses.	Tuberculosis.	Plague.	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
Corunna	Mar. 19	50, <b>0</b> 90	27	3							1			
Crefeld	Mar. 5 Mar. 12	110, 389 110, 389	37 14											• • • •
Do	Mar. 19	110, 389	22.								i			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Curação	Mar. 26	31,600	12											• • • •
Dublin Dundee	Mar. 19 do	378, 994 161, 173	213	37								1	4	1
Edinburgh	do	331, 977	118										2	
Flume		38,996												
Flushing Frankfort-on-the-Main	Mar. 16 Mar. 12	19, 105 312, 000	82									3		•
Do	Mar. 19	312,000	78								1	2		
Geneva	Mar. 12 Mar. 5	110, 954 25, 069	36 16											
Do	Mar. 12	25,069	18											
Do	Mar. 19	25,069	16	1							• • • •	;-	.;;.	
Glasgow	Mar. 25 Apr. 2	798, 357 40, 787	373 14									1	15	
Hamburg	Mar. 19	751, 842	210								3	i		- :
Hamilton, Bermuda Havre	Mar. 29 Mar. 12	17,535 130,196	57										• • • •	
Do	Mar. 19	130, 196	72	21						1				
Hull	do	253, 865	81						:			1	2	:
IquiqueDo	Mar. 5 Mar. 12	30,000	19 17					• • • •			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
Karachi	Mar. 6	108, 644	173					2					1	
Kingston, Canada	Apr. 1 Mar. 12	19,374	11 28								• • • •	• • • •		
Las Palmas Lausanne	Mar. 19	49, 500 50, 800	20											
Leeds	Mar. 26	450, 142	172	11						1	2	2	13	1
Leghorn	Feb. 7 Feb. 14	99, 357 99, 357	49 46	3							• • • •		• • • •	
Do	Feb. 21	99, 357	54	4		l	[							
Do	Feb. 28 Mar. 12	99, 357	41	1									····2	
Do	Mar. 19	496, 370 496, 370	166 143	19 19							4	3	1	
Leith	do	80,508	31	7			1							2
Licata	Mar. 5 Mar. 12	25,000 25,000	10							1				
Do	Mar. 19	25,000	7							i		1		
Liverpool	Mar. 26	723, 430	279						1		2	3	1	14
Livingston, Guatemala. London	Mar. 28 Mar. 19	3,500 6,907,619	$\frac{1}{2,281}$		- <b></b>			1		4	6	22	93	6
Madras	Mar. 4	509, 346	474		i	6							4	
Manchester	Feb. 27 Mar. 19	235, 027 558, 335	76 290	10 25							4	i	12	
Mannheim	do	150, 425	38	20							i			
Mazatlan	Mar. 12	20,000	9											
Messina	Mar. 19 Mar. 12	107,000 1,173,427	26 597	$\frac{3}{23}$				1			ii	5	10	
Newcastle-on-Tyne	Mar. 19	219,021	88	i .					! .			1		:
Nottingham	do Mar. 5	239, 753 275, 000	95 133									1	3	
Do	Mar. 12	275,000	122							1		2	4	
Odessa	Mar. 19	492,000	186	35							3	3	2	
Palermo	Mar. 5 Mar. 12	330,000 330,000	141 137	7 5								••••	• • • •	
Do	Mar. 19	330,000	129	4										
PanamaParis	Mar. 27 Mar. 19	18,000 2,660,559	17 1, 159	3				···i		15	 1	···8	15	
Plymouth	Mar. 26	112,000	53							1	î			
Prague	Mar. 12	226, 951	128	29										
Puerto Cortes		2, 125 70, 000	0											
Rio de Janeiro	Mar. 6	800,000		34				31		5				
Rotterdam	Mar. 26	362, 799 21, 342	129 7							1		3		
St. Georges, Ber	Feb. 13	2,189												
		2,189	1											
Do	Dob OF	0 100												
Do	Feb. 27	2, 189 2, 189	1 0									••••		

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			Total deaths from all causes.				D	eath	s fro	m—				
Cities.	Week ended—			Tuberculosis.	Plague.	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
St. John, N. B St. Petersburg	Apr. 2 Mar. 12	40,711 1,450,000	20 768	4 161				<u>.</u> .		13		15	19	5
St. Stephen, N. B	Apr. 2	2,840	1								]			
San Feliu de Guixols	Mar. 19 Mar. 20	228, 983 11, 333	97 5	14						i	···i	1	6	6
Santa Cruz de Teneriffe.	Mar. 19	40,000	10	3							1			
Santander	Mar. 21	53, 574	28								l	4		
Sheffield	Mar. 12	430,000	148	20							3	3	2	5
Do	Mar. 19	430,000	132 163	21							1		3	3
Singapore	Feb. 20 Feb. 27	97, 111 97, 111	173	28				i				••••		
Solingen	Mar. 12	15, 142	111	91										
Do	Mar. 19	15, 142	15										1	i
Southampton	Mar. 26	112,500	40	4									•	1
South Shields	Mar. 19	107, 334	39								1	1		
Stettin	Mar. 12 Mar. 19	228, 095 228, 095	91 85		· · · · · ·						1	3	1	
Do Stockholm	Mar. 5	305, 115	92	21		i		• • • • •			1	• • • • •	• • • •	
Do	Mar. 12	305, 115	91	16							î			
Stuttgart	Mar. 17	194, 049	71									1	1	
Do	Mar. 24	194, 049	73				ļ						2	
Tangier	Mar. 19	40,000		• • • •		• • • •		• • • •						
Trapani	Mar. 8 Mar. 12	61,477 61,477	13					• • • •		• • • •	• • • •			
Do	Mar. 19	61, 477	17				,				••••			
Trieste	Mar. 12	187, 251	125				,			1	2			
Do	Mar. 19	187, 251	119							2	1			
Tuxpam	Mar. 22	7,000	3											
Venice	Mar. 12	166, 288	64	5		!		• • • •				1		1
Vienna	Mar. 19	166, 288 1, 779, 869	79 734	11 119						1	2	1 8	44	1 5
West Hartlepool	do	63,000	104	119						1			1.1	l
Winnipeg	Mar. 26	70,000								2				
Yokohama	Mar. 5	313, 695								ļ		1		
Zurich	Mar. 12	158, 433	68								1	4	1	
Do	Mar. 19	158, 433	58								1	1		1

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