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Abstract of Sanitary Reports received through the Department of State from foreign countries during the week ended July 7, 1887, and information received through other channels.

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England and Wales.—The deaths registered in 28 great towns of England and Wales during the week ended June 18 corresponded to an annual rate of 18.4 per thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 9,245,099. The lowest rate was recorded in Derby, viz., 12.2, and the highest in Manchester, viz., 28.5 per thousand.

London.—One thousand three hundred and ninety deaths were registered during the week ended June 18, including 113 from measles, 8 from scarlet fever, 16 from diphtheria, 66 from whooping-cough, 1 from typhus fever, 7 from enteric fever, and 20 from diarrhœa and dysentery. There were 213 deaths from diseases of the respiratory organs. Different forms of violence caused 51 deaths, and 5 suicides were registered. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 17.2 per thousand. In greater London 1,764 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 17.0 per thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" 17 deaths from measles and 11 from whooping-cough were registered.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended June 18 in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland was 23.8 per thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Lurgan, viz., 5.1, and the highest in Kilkenny, viz., 33.3 per thousand.

Dublin.—One hundred and eighty-one deaths were registered during the week ended June 18, including 18 from measles, 3 from whooping-cough, 5 from enteric fever, and 6 from scarlet fever. Diseases of the

respiratory organs caused 28 deaths. Two accidental deaths were registered, and in 24 instances the causes of death were uncertified. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 26.7 per thousand.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended June 18 corresponded to an annual rate of 19.3 per thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,299,000. The lowest mortality was recorded in Perth, viz., 9.7, and the highest in Dundee, viz., 23.0 per thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 483, including 13 from measles, 10 from scarlet fever, 4 from diphtheria, 48 from whooping-cough, and 10 from diarrhoea.

Germany.—The deaths registered in 52 cities of Germany, having an aggregate population of 6,821,222, during the week ended June 11 corresponded to an annual rate of 23.2. The lowest rate was recorded in Weisbaden, viz., 10.0, and the highest in Chemnitz, viz., 44.9.

MORTALITY TABLE, FOREIGN CITIES.

Cities.	Week ended.	Estimated population.	Total deaths from all causes.	Deaths from—					
				Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Small-pox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.
Mayence.....	June 11.....	65,701	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Bremen.....	June 11.....	118,000	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Toronto.....	June 25.....	120,000	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Stuttgart.....	June 18.....	125,510	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Leipsic.....	June 18.....	170,000	68	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Munich.....	June 4.....	269,000	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	8

UNITED STATES.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The health officer has issued the following proclamation under date of June 22, 1887:

“By resolution of the Board of Health of the city of Philadelphia, and by authority of law, masters and pilots will take notice: That all incoming vessels bound for the port of Philadelphia from ports infected, or which may hereafter become infected, including at present Key West, and also all vessels which have or have had sickness on board since leaving the port of departure, shall be required to report at the U. S. Quarantine Station at the Delaware Breakwater; and that all pilots in charge of such vessels be, and are hereby, required to obey this order, under penalty of law, before bringing such vessels into the Philadelphia Quarantine Station on the Delaware River. Vessels from non-infected ports, and having no sickness on board, will hoist their private signal under the national flag before passing the U. S. Quarantine Station.”

A similar proclamation has been issued by the health officer at Camden, N. J.

Key West.—Yellow fever is slowly increasing. A temporary refuge station is being established by the Marine-Hospital Service at Egmont Key, where ten days' detention will be required; also disinfection of baggage.

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