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Abstract of Sanitary Reports received through the Department of State from foreign countries during the week ended November 25, 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 November 5 corresponded to an annual rate of 21.4 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 9,244,099. The lowest rate was recorded in Hull, viz., 12.7, and the highest in Halifax, viz., 31.0 a thousand. Small-pox caused 21 deaths in Sheffield.

London.—One thousand seven hundred and thirty-five deaths were registered during the week ended November 5, including 30 from measles, 60 from scarlet fever, 19 from diphtheria, 44 from whooping-cough, 25 from enteric fever, and 20 from diarrhœa and dysentery. There were 506 deaths from diseases of the respiratory organs. Different forms of violence caused 49 deaths, and 5 suicides were registered. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 21.5 a thousand. In greater London 2,096 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 20.2 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" 12 deaths from diphtheria and 13 from measles were registered.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended November 5 in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland was 26.7 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Kilkenny, viz., 4.2, and the highest in Waterford, viz., 39.4 a thousand.

Dublin.—Two hundred and ten deaths were registered during the week ended November 5, including 6 from measles, 2 from whooping-cough, 19 from scarlet fever, 7 from enteric fever, 5 from diarrhœa, and 1 from diphtheria. Diseases of the respiratory organs caused 42 deaths. Three accidental deaths were registered, and in 32 instances the causes of death were uncertified. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 31.0 a thousand.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended November 5 corresponded to an annual rate of 20.6 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,299,000. The lowest mortality was recorded in Leith, viz., 15.1, and the highest in Paisley, viz., 29.1 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 515, including 6 from measles, 14 from scarlet fever, 6 from diphtheria, 26 from whooping-cough, 6 from fever, and 8 from diarrhoea.

Malta and Gozo.—During the month ended October 15, there were 295 deaths from cholera.

Gibraltar.—The secretary of the board of health, under date of October 25, states that, "with reference to the orders of the board of health of the 10th, 15th, and 19th August and 8th September, it has been decided that the quarantine against Sardinia, Civita Vecchia, and Southern Italy be raised, with the exception of Calabria, from Amantia to Cotrone, round Cape Spartivento."

Havana.—Three deaths from yellow fever and 48 from small-pox are reported for the week ended November 12.

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. | Diphtheria. |
| Paris..... | November 5... | 2,260,045 | 929 | | | 5 | | 16 | 5 | 14 |
| Warsaw..... | October 29..... | 439,174 | 258 | | | 11 | | | | 9 |
| Calcutta..... | October 8..... | 433,219 | 204 | 15 | | | | | | |
| Amsterdam..... | November 5.... | 378,686 | 137 | | | | | 3 | | 1 |
| Rome..... | September 17.. | 372,779 | 171 | | | 7 | | 8 | | 2 |
| Munich..... | October 29..... | 269,000 | 114 | | | | | | 1 | 8 |
| Edinburgh..... | November 5.... | 258,629 | 80 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Palermo..... | November 6.... | 250,000 | 111 | | | | | 2 | | 1 |
| Belfast..... | November 5.... | 224,422 | 117 | | | | | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| Leipsic..... | November 5.... | 170,000 | 49 | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| Trieste..... | October 22..... | 150,157 | 87 | | | | | | | 3 |
| Toronto..... | November 12.. | 130,000 | 25 | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Stuttgart..... | November 5.... | 125,510 | 34 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Havre..... | November 5.... | 112,074 | 68 | | | | | 8 | 1 | 1 |
| Bremen..... | October 29..... | 119,000 | 36 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Rheims..... | November 5.... | 97,903 | 44 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Leith..... | November 5.... | 72,297 | 21 | | | | | | 1 | |
| Mayence..... | October 29..... | 65,701 | | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Merida..... | November 8.... | 48,832 | 46 | | | | | | | |
| Cienfuegos..... | October 31..... | 35,464 | 16 | | | 3 | | | | |
| Cienfuegos..... | November 7.... | 35,464 | 14 | | | 1 | | 1 | | |

UNITED STATES.

Tampa, Fla.—*Yellow fever.*—The sanitary inspector reports as follows:

"For week ending November 23, eight cases, 4 deaths—making, approximately, 380 cases and 71 deaths.

“November 23.—For two days, 5 new cases, 1 death. Among sick to-day, two refugees who returned last week. Please warn, through press, all persons away from here not to return yet, as it is not safe. Although there has been a freeze, there are yet cases, and the infection is still here.

“November 24.—No new cases and no deaths to-day. All Savannah nurses have been discharged and sent home, and three Key West nurses to-night.”

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