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Abstract of Sanitary Reports received through the Department of State from foreign countries during the week ended July 13, 1888, 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 23 corresponded to an annual rate of 15.5 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 9,398,273. The lowest rate was recorded in Nottingham, viz., 9.9, and the highest in Preston, viz., 24.3 a thousand. Small-pox caused 5 deaths in Sheffield, 2 in Preston, 1 in Manchester, and 1 in Leeds. Diphtheria caused 2 deaths in Leicester, 2 in Salford, and 2 in Leeds.

London.—One thousand one hundred and ninety deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 18; scarlet fever, 10; diphtheria, 15; whooping-cough, 33; enteric fever, 15; diarrhoea and dysentery, 18. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 14.5 a thousand. Diseases of the respiratory organs caused 184 deaths; different forms of violence, 63, and 10 suicides were registered. In greater London 1,486 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 14.0 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" 11 deaths from whooping-cough and 9 from diphtheria were registered.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended June 23 in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland was 21.0 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Lisburn, viz., 0.0, and the highest in Sligo, viz., 38.5 a thousand. In Dublin 140 deaths were registered, including whooping-cough, 4; enteric fever, 1; scarlet fever, 2; and dysentery, 1.

Catania, Italy.—Two hundred and thirty-six deaths were registered during the month of April, including small-pox, 18, and enteric fever, 10.

Ceara, Brazil.—One hundred and forty-eight deaths were registered during the month of May, including 4 from yellow fever.

Ruatan, Honduras.—The following is the report of the United States consul, under date of June 30: "Hemorrhagic pernicious fever, dangerous to all persons not acclimated. Four deaths during this month."

Havana, Cuba.—Four hundred and ninety-eight deaths were registered during the month of June, 1888, including yellow fever, 38; enteric fever, 11; pernicious fever, 7; malarial fever, 6; small-pox, 13; diphtheria, 1; and croup, 2. The sanitary inspector states that "30 of the deaths from yellow fever occurred in the military hospital, and among persons belonging to the army, which is composed entirely of soldiers sent out from Spain. Small-pox continues to diminish. Up to the present time this season it is not known that any vessel of the merchant marine in this harbor has been invaded by yellow fever."

Santiago de Cuba.—Malarial fevers and diarrhœa are reported prevalent. The military hospital is free from yellow fever, and no small-pox has been reported.

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.
Calcutta.....	May 19.....	433,219	223	30						
Amsterdam.....	June 23.....	389,916	156					1		1
Rome.....	May 5.....	388,300	173			2		2		1
Munich.....	June 16.....	275,000	149					2	3	2
Genoa.....	June 23.....	179,448	68							1
Trieste.....	June 16.....	154,500	69			5				1
Toronto.....	June 30.....	130,000	27							1
Stuttgart.....	June 23.....	125,510	38							
Bremen.....	June 16.....	122,000	32							
Havre.....	June 16.....	112,074	60			2		5		
Pernambuco.....	June 12.....	110,000	82					3		
Barmen.....	June 16.....	109,000	34					3		1
Cienfuegos.....	June 25.....	40,573	20							
Curacao.....	June 23.....	25,000	6							
Vera Cruz.....	June 21.....	23,800	13							
Gibraltar.....	June 17.....	23,631	7							
Kingston, Can.....	June 29.....	16,216	3							
Antigua.....	June 17.....	15,847	18							
St. Thomas, W. I.....	June 22.....	15,000	7							
Matamoros.....	June 23.....	12,000	5							
Laguayra.....	June 23.....	7,428	5							
Livingston.....	June 30.....	2,500	4							

UNITED STATES.

San Francisco, Cal.—Eleven cases of small-pox were reported during the month of June, but no deaths. Two deaths were reported up to July 4.

Memphis, Tenn.—The medical officer in charge of the Marine-Hospital Service reports one case of small-pox sent to the city pest-house July 9. The patient came direct from St. Louis the day before.

Plant City, Fla.—*Yellow Fever.*—The following information was received under date of July 10: “Only about thirty persons in the place who have not had fever. Five new cases reported to-day. Total population, 200. Most of the unacclimated moved out. Guard around place to prevent communication.”

MORTALITY TABLE, CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Cities.	Week ended.	Estimated population.	Total deaths from all causes.	Deaths from—						
				Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Small-pox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.
Philadelphia, Pa.....	July 7	1,016,758	423	.....	.....	3	.....	9	4	4
Baltimore, Md.....	July 7	431,879	241	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
New Orleans, La.....	June 30	248,000	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....
Cleveland, Ohio.....	June 9	225,000	73	1	1	5
Cleveland, Ohio.....	June 16	225,000	67	3	5
Charleston, S. C.....	July 7	60,145	53

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