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Abstract of Sanitary Reports received through the Department of State from foreign countries during the week ended July 20, 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 30 corresponded to an annual rate of 15.9 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 9,398,273. The lowest rate was recorded in Huddersfield, viz., 12.6, and the highest in Preston, viz., 27.8 a thousand. Small-pox caused 3 deaths in Sheffield, 11 in Preston, and 1 in Hull. Diphtheria caused 3 deaths in Leeds.

London.—One thousand two hundred and thirty-eight deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 20; scarlet fever, 19; diphtheria, 28; whooping-cough, 27; enteric fever, 10; diarrhœa and dysentery, 36; cholera and choleraic diarrhœa, 2. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 15.1 a thousand. Diseases of the respiratory organs caused 156 deaths; different forms of violence, 64; and 9 suicides were registered. In greater London 1,530 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 14.4 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" 4 deaths from whooping-cough, 3 from diphtheria, and 4 from scarlet fever were registered.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended June 30 in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland was 23.0 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Lisburn, viz., 4.8, and the highest in Limerick, viz., 49.9 a thousand. In Dublin 168 deaths were registered, including measles, 1; typhus, 1; whooping-cough, 4; enteric fever, 2; scarlet fever, 2; diarrhœa, 2; and dysentery, 1.

Marseilles, France.—Eight hundred and thirty-one deaths were registered during the month of June, including small-pox, 8; enteric fever, 19; scarlet fever, 2; diphtheria and croup, 36; and measles, 43.

Preston, England.—The United States consul at Liverpool, in a dispatch dated June 23, states that “the number of cases of small-pox reported at Preston since the 10th is 72, and the number of deaths 10, making a total of 255 cases, 17 of which were fatal.”

Martinique.—The United States consul, in his dispatch dated June 23, states that “in the last fortnight there have been no cases and no deaths from small-pox at Port de France, and in the previous week there has been only 1 case of small-pox in St. Pierre. During the past week there have been no cases and no deaths at either of the above-mentioned ports, and in the whole island there have been in the past week only 282 cases and 33 deaths. The indications are that the epidemic that has prevailed here since last October will speedily die out for lack of fuel to feed on, since almost all the cases now reported are from small hamlets in the interior of the island, which are just being visited by the scourge.”

Havana, Cuba.—Seventeen deaths from yellow fever are reported for the week ended July 7, 1888.

Hong-Kong, China.—The health officer at San Francisco, Cal., telegraphed under date of July 18: “Cholera reported epidemic at Hong-Kong.” The State Department has cabled the consul at Hong-Kong to report the facts.

MORTALITY TABLE, FOREIGN CITIES.

Cities.	Week ended.	Estimated popula- tion.	Total deaths from all causes.	Deaths from—						
				Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Small-pox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.
Paris.....	June 30.....	2,260,945	841			1		8	4	24
Glasgow.....	June 30.....	545,678	219					2	3	1
Warsaw.....	June 23.....	444,814	223			8			3	3
Calcutta.....	June 2.....	433,219	188	37						
Copenhagen.....	June 19.....	300,000	122					3	5	4
Palermo.....	June 30.....	250,000	88					1	1	5
Genoa.....	June 30.....	179,519	63			1				2
Toronto.....	July 7.....	130,000	27					2		1
Stuttgart.....	June 30.....	125,510	46							
Bremen.....	June 23.....	122,000	40							
Havre.....	June 30.....	112,074	56			1		3	1	1
Barmen.....	June 23.....	109,000	47							2
Leghorn.....	June 24.....	101,718	49						1	
Mayence.....	June 16.....	65,802	31						1	
Cadiz.....	June 30.....	65,028	47							
Santiago de Cuba.....	June 30.....	40,000	27							
Guayaquil.....	May 12.....	35,000	61		2	3		31		
Guayaquil.....	May 19.....	35,000	67		6	1		30		
Guayaquil.....	May 26.....	35,000	54		1	1		24		
Callao.....	June 16.....	34,000								
Vera Cruz.....	July 5.....	23,800	18							
Sagua la Grande.....	June 30.....	15,615	10			1				
Bermuda.....	July 10.....	15,262								
Matamoras.....	June 30.....	12,000	5							

UNITED STATES.

Ship Island Quarantine Station, Miss.—The medical officer in charge of the Marine-Hospital Service reports that the captain and 4 men died of yellow fever on the Norwegian bark “Magnolia,” on the voyage from Rio Janeiro. The vessel was bound for Pensacola, Fla., and is now undergoing quarantine at Ship Island, having been sent to that station by the Pensacola health authorities.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 17.—The medical officer in charge of the Marine-Hospital Service reports that “small-pox has made its appearance in the Polish quarter of this city. In all, 8 cases are reported. They have been removed to the city pest-house, and measures have been taken by the health officers to prevent a spread of the disease.”

Tampa, Fla., July 16.—Two cases of yellow fever are reported, one convalescent and the other probably fatal. There are several cases at Manatee. On July 19 the governor of Florida made application to the Secretary of the Treasury for aid to the local health authorities in suppressing the disease, and the Secretary informed the governor that aid would be furnished through the Marine-Hospital Bureau. A house inspection at the villages named will be immediately commenced.

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 14	1,016,758	449	.....	.....	7	.....	13	1	6
Baltimore, Md.....	July 14	431,879	246	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1
San Francisco, Cal.....	July 6	300,000	127	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....	3
New Orleans, La.....	July 7	248,000	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	July 14	230,000	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1
Cleveland, Ohio.....	June 23	225,000	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
Cleveland, Ohio.....	June 30	225,000	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Washington, D. C.....	July 14	218,000	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1
Richmond, Va.....	July 14	63,600	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charleston, S. C.....	July 14	60,145	50	1	1
Mobile, Ala.....	July 7.....	29,132	22
Mobile, Ala.....	July 14	29,132	24

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