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SPECIAL REPORTS.

Gulf quarantine station—Yellow fever.

Under date of June 22, 1891, Passed Assistant Surgeon Carter writes as follows:

I must report the occurrence of one case of yellow fever at this station in the person of Assistant Surgeon J. F. Groenevelt, of this service, developing the 18th instant.

Delaware Breakwater quarantine station.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Orr reports the arrival at the quarantine station of the American barkentine St. Lucie, June 12, from Cienfuegos, and the British bark Ralph B. Peake, from Trinidad, June 13, 1891. Both vessels had stopped at Rio, where they had several cases of yellow fever. No sickness en route or on arrival, but they were detained for disinfection.

South Atlantic quarantine station.

Passed Assistant Surgeon White reports British steamship Stuart Prince arrived at quarantine station June 5 from New York, bound for Fernandina. No sickness on board since she left Rio in April, where she had two cases supposed to have been yellow fever.

Case of lupus under treatment with tuberculin.

The following has been received from Surgeon W. H. Long, dated Cincinnati, June 18, 1891:

I have the honor to report that the case of lupus recently under treatment at Providence Hospital by officers of the United States Marine-Hospital Service, and transferred to my care at this station, is undergoing marked benefit under the administration of tuberculin. The right side of nose is entirely healed and skinned over, the left side showing decided signs of improvement.

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Report upon smallpox epidemic and vaccination in Houston, Tex., 1890 and 1891—Contributed for the Royal Commission on Vaccination.

HOUSTON, TEX., June 18, 1891.

DEAR SIR: At your request, I beg leave to make the following re-

port of smallpox occurring in Houston, Tex.:

On the 4th of December, 1890, a circus arrived in our city with a case of smallpox; was not known to any one until after they had left several days. On December 21 smallpox made its appearance in several parts of the city simultaneously—in hotels, boarding houses, etc. In less than five days I had 41 cases, mostly white. How many persons had been exposed at this time I could not estimate. At my suggestion, the city council made vaccination compulsory. The house-to-house plan was adopted. Of the 21,000 persons vaccinated there was no bad effect—no amputations or deaths. Some suffered several weeks with sore arms. In forty days I succeeded in getting disease under control. Of the 349 cases, no one contracted the disease that had been vaccinated under eleven years. Some vaccinated forty-nine years ago had varioloid, but of such a mild type it was not necessary to go to bed.

I wish to state I had a large number in the quarantine hospital that had been vaccinated and were exposed who did not take the disease. This number was 120. I used the bovine virus from the New England farm, Massachusetts, and Lancaster vaccine farm, Pennsylvania.

Yours, etc.,

J. M. BOYLES, M. D.,

City Health Officer.

Reports of States, and yearly and monthly reports of cities.

CALIFORNIA.—Month of May, 1891. Reports to the State board of health from 66 cities, towns, and villages, having an aggregate population of 608,945, show a mortality of 945 from all causes, including phthisis pulmonalis, 140; enteric fever, 20; scarlet fever, 2; diphtheria, 33; croup, 13; measles, 3; and whooping cough, 8.

'COLORADO—Denver.—Month of May, 1891. Population, 106,713. Total deaths, 156, including phthisis pulmonalis, 25; enteric fever, 2; influenza, 2; diphtheria, 12; measles, 2; and whooping cough, 1.

CONNECTICUT.—Month of May, 1891. Reports to the State board of health from 166 cities and towns, having an estimated population of 745,136, show a total of 1,171 deaths, including phthisis pulmonalis, 134; influenza, 26; enteric fever, 10; scarlet fever, 19; diphtheria and croup, 56; measles, 11; and whooping cough, 5.

MASSACHUSETTS—Worcester.—Month of May, 1891. Population, 84,655. Total deaths, 143, including phthisis pulmonalis, 23; scarlet fever, 1; measles, 2; and whooping cough, 2.

MICHIGAN.—Week ended June 13, 1891. Reports to the State board of health, Lansing, from 54 observers, indicate that membranous croup, cholera infantum, puerperal fever, scarlet fever, cerebro-spinal meningitis, typhoid fever, whooping cough, dysentery, and intermittent fever increased, and that inflammation of brain, typho-malarial fever,

diphtheria, consumption of lungs, and pneumonia decreased in area of prevalence.

Diphtheria was reported present during the week at 19 places, scarlet fever at 31 places, enteric fever at 12 places, and measles at 35 places.

Detroit.—Month of May, 1891. Population, 205,876. Total deaths, 347, including phthisis pulmonalis, 33; enteric fever, 2; scarlet fever, 3; diphtheria, 26; measles, 5; and whooping cough, 3.

MISSOURI—Kansas City.—Month of May, 1891. Population, 132,716. Total deaths, 131, including phthisis pulmonalis, 16; scarlet fever, 1; diphtheria, 2; and croup, 2.

NEW JERSEY—Hudson County—Month of May, 1891. Population, 283,850. Total deaths, 622, including phthisis, 72; enteric fever, 7; diphtheria, 20; scarlet fever, 20; and measles, 12.

Publications received.

Report of the health of Liverpool during the year 1890, published by J. Stopford Taylor, M. D., health officer.

MORTALITY TABLE, CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES.

		U. S. 890.	from				L	eat!	hs fr	om-	_			
Citien.	Week ended.	Population, U. Census of 1890	Total deaths from	Phthisis pul- monalis.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Varioloid.	Varicella.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Mearles.	Whooping
New York, N. Y Chicago, Ill Philadelphia, Pa Brooklyn, N. Y	June 20 June 20 June 13 June 20	1,515,301 1,099,850 1,046,964 806,343	952 448 436	85 41 44						2 45 11	33 5 4 12	27 12 8 15	16 6 5	
St. Louis, Mo Boston, Mass Baltimore, Md San Francisco, Cal	June 20 June 20 June 20 June 13	451, 770 448, 477 434, 439 298, 997	210 137 115	27 11 10						2 2 3 2	4	2 4 4 9	1	
Cincinnati, Ohio Washington, D. C Detroit, Mich Milwaukee, Wis Milwaukee, Wis	June 19 June 20 June 13 June 20	296, 908 230, 392 205, 876 204, 468 204, 468	117 140 65 89 86	10 6 3 7 9					· · · · · · ·	7 1	 	3 3 3 5	1 3	
ouisville, Ky	June 5 June 13 June 20 June 20	161, 129 161, 129 161, 129 133, 896	52 63 41	3 2						3	1 1 3	2 1 4 3	1	
rovidence, R. I ndianapolis, Ind oledo, Ohio cichmond, Va	June 20 June 20 June 19 June 13	132, 146 105, 436 81, 434 81, 388	49 55 37	7						2		4 1 1		
dichmond, Va	June 20 June 20 June 13 June 20	81, 388 76, 168 55, 727 55, 727	64 40 21 17									1 2		
ortland, Meinghamton, N. Y onkers, N. Yalveston, Tex	June 20 June 20 June 20 May 29	36, 425 35, 005 32, 033 29, 084	16 8 14 15	1 1 2									1	
alveston, Texan Diego, Cal	June 5 June 20 June 13 June 13	29, 084 25, 858 16, 159 11, 750	20 12 2 12	2 4 3					 2			1	•••••• •••••	

Table of temperature and rainfall, week ended June 19, 1891.

[Received from War Department, Signal Office.]

Locality.	Mean ten	nperature Fahrenhe	in degrees it.	Rainfall	in inches dredths	ches and hun- dths.			
Docality.	Normal.	Excess	Deficiency.	Normal.	Excess.	Deficiency.			
New England States:			· ·						
Eastport, Me	56	28		. 84	Í	.76			
Portland Ma	63	. 27		.81		.45			
Boston, Mass	66	14		.77	. 11	• •			
Block Island R I	62	14		.70		. 48			
Middle Atlantic States:		i							
Albany N V	68	28	l	.91	1.02				
New York N V	69	14	,		·	. 27			
		14		. 77	. 19	•			
Atlantic City, N. J.	67		14	.77	.09				
Baltimore, Md	73			.98	1.17				
Washington, D. C	72	21		.98	. 46				
Atlantic City, N. J	74			.84		. 44			
Norfolk, Va	$7\hat{4}$	28		.98		.34			
South Atlantic States:				1, 11		1.07			
Charlotte, N. C	77			1.43		.88			
Charleston, S. C	79			1.43		1.10			
Augusta, Ga	79			.98		.70			
Savannah Go	78	1.2		1.75		1.04			
Savannah, Ga Jacksonville, Fla	80			1.73		.17			
Key West, Fla	83			.98		.42			
Gulf States:	60		14	. 30		. 44			
Atlanta, Ga	76	14		1.05		1.09			
Pensacola Fla	80			1.47	. 90				
Pensacola, Fla	80			1.41	2.79				
Montgomery, Ala	80			1.19		.48			
Vicksburg, Miss					. 99				
New Orleans La	81			1.61	1.69				
Shreveport, La	81			. 84	2.00	. 40			
Fort Smith Ark	77		17	1.05	1.27				
Little Rock Ark	78	}		1.05	.75				
Palestine, Tex	79	14		.84		. 82			
Galveston, Tex	82			1.19		1,12			
San Antonio, Tex				. 63		.39			
Cornus Christi Tex	81			. 65					
Brownsville Tex	82	14		.77					
Brownsville, Tex	85	14		.51		i			
Oswego, N. Y	63	28		. 82		. 49			
Rochester, N. Y	65	28		.77					
Buffalo, N. Y	64	28		. 84					
Erie, PaCleveland, Ohio	66	14		1.02					
Cleveland, Ohio	67	28		. 98		. 72			
Sandusky, Ohio	69	14		. 98		. 35			
Sandusky, OhioToledo, Ohio	68	28		.84	. 44				
Detroit, Mich	67	28		.84		. 26			
Port Huron, Mich	63	28		. 86	. 02				
Alpena Mich	60	28		.84 :91	.80				
Marquette, Mich	58	28		:91		. 33			
Grand Haven, Mich	63	42		. 98		. 02			
Marquette, Mich Grand Haven, Mich Milwaukee, Wis	63	14		. 98	. 24				
Chicago, Ill	67	.14		. 84		. 20			
Duluth, Minn	58	14		1.17		. 51			
Ahio Valley and Tannagge.	1					1			
Memphis, Tenn	78	1	I	1.23	. 80				
Nashville, Tenn	76	14		1.05		. 52			
		14		1.05	2.80				
Knox#ille, Tenn	. 74	28		. 98	. 20				
Knox+ille, Tenn Louisville, Ky Indianapolis, Ind	74	28		1.10		.98			
Indianapolis, Ind	. 72	42	·	1.25		. 65			
Cincinnati, Ohio	73	28		1.13		. 83			
Columbus, Ohio	. 70	42		. 83		. 25			
Pittsburgh, Pa	. 71	42		. 82	.20				
Upper Mississippi Valley: St. Paul, Minn		1							
St. Paul, Minn	. 68	14		1.14	. 49				
La Crosse, Wis Dubuque, Iowa	68	19			1.45	ļ			
Dubuque, Iowa	69	28	1			. 3			
Davenport, Iowa	. 70	28	į	1.05	.09				
Des Moines Iowa	71	9		1.42	1.14				
Keokuk, Iowa	. 71	28		1.19		.7			
Springfield, Ill	. 71	28				1.2			
Cairo. Ill	75			1.08		. 4			
St. Louis, Mo	75	14		1.21	Δ1				

Table of temperature and rainfall, week ended June 19, 1891—Continued.

Missouri Valley: Springfield, Mo	73 74 73 72 68	Excess.			Excess.	Deficiency
Springfield, Mo Kansas City, Mo Concordia, Kans Omaha, Nebr Valentine, Nebr Huron, S. D Sully, Fort, S. D Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn	74 73 72 68					
Springfield, Mo Kansas City, Mo Concordia, Kans Omaha, Nebr Valentine, Nebr Huron, S. D Sully, Fort, S. D Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn	74 73 72 68				1	
Kansas City, Mo Concordia, Kans Omaha, Nebr Valentine, Nebr Huron, S. D Sully, Fort, S. D Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn	74 73 72 68			1.31		. 2
Concordia, Kans. Omaha, Nebr Valentine, Nebr Huron, S. D Sully, Fort, S. D Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn	73 72 68		14	1.25	1.01	
Omaha, Nebr	72 68			.91	2.91	
Valentine, Nebr	68		14	1.39		.8
Huron, S. D				.73	1.31	. 0.
Sully, Fort, S. D Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn						
Extreme Northwest: Moorhead, Minn	67			.84	3.79	
Moorhead, Minn	69		28	.87		.66
					l	1
	65			. 98]	.35
Bismarck, N. D	65		28	. 93	1.08	
Buford, Fort, N. D	65		42	.88		.0
Rocky Mountain Slope:						
Assinniboine, Fort, Mont	63		28	.77	1.75	
Helena, Mont	61		28	. 56	1.22	
Custer, Fort, Mont	65		42	. 69	. 83	
Salt Lake City, Utah	68		56	.17	.84	
Cheyenne, Wyo	62			.35	1.01	
North Platte, Nebr	69		1 77	.77	2.65	
Denver, Colo	67			.28	.81	
Montrose, Colo	67			.07	.01	.0
Pueblo, Colo	72			.35	.21	
	73					
Dodge City, Kans				.77	1.93	
Sill, Fort, Ind. T	78			1.05		
Santa Fé, N. Mex	66		28	. 21		.0
Pacific Coast:		l				
Olympia, Wash	60			. 35	1.76	
Portland, Oreg	63		14	. 45	1.16	
Roseburg, Oreg	• 62		14	.28	.13	
Red Bluff, Cal	73		28	.14	.10	
Sacramento, Cal	69		28	. 07		.0
San Francisco, Cal	60			.07		.ŏ
Los Angeles, Cal	68			.ŏi		i ŏ.
San Diego, Cal	65			.00	.00	i ŏ
Yuma, Ariz	85		28	.00	.00	:00

FOREIGN.

(Reports received through the Department of State and other channels.)

Sanitary commission at Constantinople—Report of United States commissioner—Cholera at Camaran.

REPORT No. 24.

In a postscript of my last report, under date of the 18th instant, I gave notice of the outbreak of cholera at Camaran among the pilgrims on the English steamship *Sculptor*.

Further reports state that all new cases have been registered among the pilgrims of the same band, and the sanitary guardian fell ill from

the same sickness.

The total number of cases of cholera registered from the 15th to the 19th instant is 15, of which 14 were pilgrims and 1 a sanitary guar-

dian. Of these, 4 died.

The pilgrims among whom cholera broke out declared their wish to turn back home. It is understood that their wish was immediately granted, in order to get rid of the epidemic. In fact, a telegram, under date of the 24th instant, arrived here at the General Sanitary Administration Station stating that the steamship *Sculptor* started from Camaran bound for Bombay with her cargo of pilgrims.

No new cholera cases have been registered since, and the guards and the soldiers who were watching, forming a part of the sanitary cordon,

have been put under quarantine.

The areeshes are disinfected with the vapors of sulphur and the tents are immersed in the sea, where they will remain for twenty days.

We were quiet on account of the sanitary condition of the province of Aleppo, and I hope that we will continue to be so, though under date of the 23d instant, the sanitary physician of that town reports, by wire, that a woman about fifty years old, in consequence of debauchery, died, presenting all the classical symptoms of cholera. All sanitary measures have been taken for the disinfection of the place. Thanks to God, no new case has been registered, and it is stated that in the vilayet the health is good.

S. C. ZAVITZIANO.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 26, 1891.

AFRICA—Sierra Leone.—The quarantine against Bonny and St. Pau de Loando was removed April 30, 1891.

BRAZIL—Ceara.—Month of April, 1891. Population, 35,065. Total deaths, 142, including smallpox 1 and beri-beri 1.

CUBA—Havana.—The United States sanitary inspector sends the following report, dated June 13, 1891:

There were 137 deaths in this city during the week ended June 12. Nine of those deaths were from yellow fever, with approximately 20 new cases. Three were caused by so-called pernicious fever, 2 by paludal fever, 1 by enteric fever, and 8 by smallpox.

The weather has been very warm for the last ten days, with occa-

sional showers.

Yellow fever is markedly increasing, particularly among the recently arrived soldiers in the fortifications, 7 out of the 9 deaths from yellow fever during the last week having occurred in the military hospital.

EGYPT.—Week ended May 14, 1891. The towns in upper and lower Egypt, including Gizeh and the Suez Canal, show a total of 1,215 deaths, including phthisis pulmonalis, 63; enteric fever, 67; smallpox, 4; diphtheria and croup, 3; measles, 49; and whooping cough, 5.

Week ended May 21, 1891. Total deaths, 1,257, including phthisis pulmonalis, 66; enteric fever, 69; diphtheria and croup, 1; measles, 67; and whooping cough, 4.

FRANCE—Marseilles.—Month of May, 1891. Population, 406,919. Total deaths, 860, including smallpox, 32; enteric fever, 16; scarlet fever, 1; diphtheria and croup, 65; measles, 34; and whooping cough, 3.

GREAT BRITAIN—England and Wales.—The deaths registered in 28 great towns of England and Wales during the week ended June 6 corresponded to an annual rate of 28.3 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at £,715,559. The lowest rate was recorded in Norwich, viz, 16.5, and the highest in Blackburn, viz, 48.5 a thousand.

London.—Two thousand one hundred and eighty nine deaths were registered during the week, including smallpox, 1; measles, 42; scarlet fever, 7; diphtheria, 24; whooping cough, 64; enteric fever, 6; typhus fever, 1; and diarrhea and dysentery, 14. The deaths from all causes corresponded to an annual rate of 27.0 a thousand. Diseases of the respiratory organs caused 547 deaths. In greater London 2,739 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 25.2 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" the deaths included measles, 5; whooping cough, 13; and diphtheria, 5.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate, represented by the deaths registered during the week ended June 6, in the 16 principal town districts of Ireland, was 19.2 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Newry, viz, 0.0, and the highest in Dundalk, viz, 30.6 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 136 deaths were registered, including enteric fever 1 and whooping cough 2.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in eight principal towns during the week ended June 6 corresponded to an annual rate of 25.3 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,345,563. The lowest mortality was recorded in Leith, viz, 17.1, and the highest in Paisley, viz, 30.4 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 651, including measles, 27; scarlet fever, 3; diphtheria, 4; whooping cough, 25; fever, 3; and diarrhea, 10.

INDIA—Calcutta—Cholera.—Under date of May 20, 1891, the United

States vice consul-general reports 50 deaths from cholera during the two weeks ended April 25, 1891.

Jamaica.—Week ended May 30, 1891. The United States consul reports the health of the island as "good." No contagious or infectious diseases excepting a few cases of measles at Falmouth and one case of smallpox at Kelly Pen, near Old Harbour Bay.

SWITZERLAND.—Week ended May 16, 1891. Reports from 15 cities of Switzerland, having an aggregate population of 503,503, show a total of 223 deaths, including phthisis pulmonalis, 45; enteric fever, 3; scarlet fever, 2; diphtheria and croup, 6; measles, 3; and whooping cough, 2.

Week ended May 23, 1891. Total deaths, 227, including phthisis pulmonalis, 39; enteric fever, 2; smallpox, 1; diphtheria and croup, 11; and whooping cough, 3.

MORTALITY TABLE, FOREIGN CITIES.

		ri la	from]	Deat	hs fr	om-								
• Cities.	Weck ended.	Estimated popula- tion.	Total deaths f	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping					
London	May 30	5, 636, 909	2,813			1		7	11	33	56						
Vienna	May 16	1,378,530	761			13		3	5	20	28	,					
Vienna	May 23	1,378,530	697					i	6	21	30						
Liverpool		620, 443	384					î			-						
Brussels	May 30	469, 459	195							1							
Warsaw	May 16	465, 272	172			î				10							
Calcutta		433, 219	191	10		ī				ĭ							
Calcutta		433, 219	228	26						_							
Calcutta		433, 219	214														
		430,000	148							5							
Lyons		417, 542	192							3							
Amsterdam	May 30		170							10							
Rome	May 16	417, 392	185						3	6	10	•••••					
Munich	May 30	349,000	158							8							
Copenhagen	May 30	320,000	116							3							
Cologne	May 30	283, 866	87							1 3		•					
Dresden	May 30	276, 085							1			•••••					
Edinburgh		275, 436	101							8							
Barcelona	June 5	272,000	149						•••••		·····	•••••					
Palermo		250,000	76							1							
Bristol		235, 171	111								•••••	••••					
Bristol		235, 171	94									•••••					
Bristol		235, 171	96				••••				•••••	• • • • • •					
Belfast		234, 822	122		-				1		•••••	•••••					
Rotterdam	May 30	209, 134	71						•••••		•••••	•••••					
Rotterdam	June 6	209, 134	55								•••••						
Prague	May 30	182,530	133					4	1	1	•••••	••••					
Frankfort-on-the-Main		179,850	59	1						2		••••					
Konigsberg	May 31	161, 200	61						2	2		••••					
Ghent	May 23	152, 395	96				ļ	1			15						
Christiania	May 16	150, 444	84						2	2							
Christiania	May 23	150, 444	68	j				2									
Christiania	May 31	150, 444	67				ļ			2		••••					
Nuremberg	May 23	142, 523	77							1							
Stuttgart	June 6	139,659	48					ļ		2							
Hiogo	May 16	136, 012	69						3								
Hiogo		136,012	67		ļ		2		4								
Funchal	May 30	133, 250	15	1													
Colombo	May 16	128,000				2											
Bremen		125,000	55	·			ļ			5							
Cardiff		121, 477	61							1							
Cardiff		121,477	55		1	İ	1	1		1	!						

MORTALITY TABLE, FOREIGN CITIES—CONTINUED.

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Cities.	Week ended.	Estimated popula- tion.	Total deaths fall causes.	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Enteric fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
Cardiff Cardiff Cardiff Stettin. Havre Catania. Crefeld Crefeld Gothenburg Rheims. Aix-la-Chapelle. Zurich Leith Mayence Jerez de la Frontera Jerez de la Frontera Cadiz. Cadiz. Cadiz. Trapani Marsala. Gibraltar Schiedam Schiedam Schiedam Schiedam Vera Cruz Girgenti	May 23 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 June 6 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 30 May 16 May 23 May 30	121, 477 121, 477 121, 477 121, 477 116, 000 112, 070 1108, 000 108, 000 106, 246 104, 638 91, 323 80, 736 61, 708 61, 708 61, 708 61, 708 61, 708 57, 157	644 766 499 488 488 488 552 551 335 266 422 411 117 12 12 166		9	2 1	5	1 1 1 2		1 2		1
Flushing Flushing Flushing St. Thomas, W. I. St. Thomas, W. I. Tuxpan Chatham	May 30 June 6 May 15 May 22 May 30 June 13	13, 200 13, 200 12, 019 12, 019 9, 000 8, 730	2 6 40 44 4 1			1						1

OFFICIAL:

WALTER WYMAN,

Supervising Surgeon-General, Marine-Hospital Service.

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