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INVESTIGATION OF TYPHOID FEVER AT TEXARKANA, ARK.-TEX. (MILK OUTBREAK.)

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This investigation was undertaken upon the request of the representative to Congress from the first district of Texas, to the Surgeon General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, and with the approval of the State boards of health of Arkansas and Texas.

Occasion is taken to express appreciation for the help and courtesies extended by the mayors, health officers, and other city officials, and by the physicians and citizens of the two cities.

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION.

This has included a careful study of 36 cases, a sanitary survey of the cities, inspection of dairies, inspection of the public water system, bacteriological examination of water and milk; the making of Widal blood tests as an aid in diagnosis; and the examination of blood and stools from the attendants of one dairy. A blank form was used for each patient and filled out with any information having a bearing upon the possible source of infection.

POSSIBLE CAUSES.

The prevalence of typhoid fever in any community depends directly upon the chances which are offered for the contamination of food and drink with the typhoid bacillus.

The typhoid bacilli are discharged in the excreta of patients with typhoid fever during a part of the incubation period, during the period of fever and convalescence, and occasionally for years after the attack. In a small percentage of cases typhoid bacilli are found in the excreta of people who have had no apparent symptoms of the disease.

Infection may be brought into a community by means of water, milk, milk products, ice, green vegetables, raw shellfish, and other food products.

Its further spread in the community may be by direct contact to persons in intimate association with the patient, and by insects, especially flies having access to the dejecta of patients and to the food of those living in the same or neighboring houses.

Milk is a favorable culture medium for the typhoid bacillus, and when once introduced it multiplies rapidly under ordinary conditions.

There are numerous ways in which it may gain entrance in milk. At the dairy farm a person in the early stages of typhoid fever or convalescing, or suffering from an unrecognized case of the disease, may convey infection directly to the milk in handling it. Or a person nursing a patient may convey the infection to the milk. Again, infection may be carried by flies from excreta not disinfected, directly to the milk or the milk utensils. If the milk utensils are washed in water taken from a well or stream, which is contaminated by infected dejecta, the disease is thus further spread.

Milk bottles left at the home of a patient with typhoid fever may easily become infected, and if carried back to the dairy and filled before being thoroughly sterilized, may carry the infection to a different home.

The essential aim in all preventive measures against typhoid is the keeping of the dejecta of typhoid patients from the food and drink of other people. This can be accomplished in recognized cases, but a few mild cases and either temporary or chronic bacillus carriers are more than apt to escape detection.

PREVALENCE OF DISEASE.

From September 1 to November 15, 1911, there occurred in Texarkana 36 cases of typhoid fever. These cases were reported by the attending physicians at the special request of the health officers, as typhoid at present is not among the list of infectious diseases required to be reported.

Two of these cases are regarded as being imported, the disease developing within 9 days after their arrival in the city.

The remaining 34 were distributed as follows, according to the date of definite onset:

From Sept. 1-15, inclusive.....	2
From Sept. 16-30, inclusive.....	1
From Oct. 1-15, inclusive.....	3
From Oct. 16-31, inclusive.....	9
From Nov. 1-15, inclusive.....	19

34

Estimating the population at 15,000 people, this gives an incidence of disease of 1 case to every 441 people.

There is no data for an accurate comparison of the number of cases occurring this year with previous years. But it would seem that there has been an unusual prevalence of the disease, at least during the period from October 15 to November 15.

The cases occurred for the most part in the better residential part of the city. Twenty-eight of the cases occurred in 28 separate homes. The remaining 6 occurred in 3 separate homes, 2 in each. In 2 of these homes both patients were taken sick within a week of each other, which suggests some common outside source of infection. In the third home the second case developed 15 days after the first case, which suggests contact with the previous case as the cause.

In general they were of mild or moderate severity, and only 1 death was reported. This gives a case fatality of 2.9 per 100, which is very low. For the most part the cases were characterized by a sudden onset.

DIAGNOSIS.

As an aid in diagnosis, 8 Widal blood tests were made, of which 5 were positive for typhoid and 3 negative. Of the 3 negative ones, 2 were not clinically typhoid, and the third was made during the first week of sickness.

Of the 5 positive ones, 2 were of a mild type, and a third had not been confined to bed at all.

In the 34 cases it is extremely improbable that any mistake in diagnosis was made; but on the other hand it is very probable that there really were more cases of typhoid or paratyphoid which were not classed as such on account of their mildness.

ANALYSIS OF CASES.

The 34 cases were distributed according to age as follows:

0-4 years, inclusive.....	3
5-9 years, inclusive.....	10
10-14 years, inclusive.....	9
15-19 years, inclusive.....	5
20-24 years, inclusive.....	2
25-29 years, inclusive.....	2
30-34 years, inclusive.....	1
35-39 years, inclusive.....	2

34

Twenty-two, or 61 per cent, of the 34 cases were under 15 years of age. This is a high percentage and very suggestive of milk infection.

SEX.

The cases were evenly divided as to sex, 17 occurring in males and 17 in females.

CONTACT.

One case occurred in the same house as a previous case, the onset being 15 days later. This case may have been due to infection by contact.

SANITARY CONDITIONS.

In 29 of the 34 cases the house was connected with the city sewerage system and in 5 an open privy was in use. In only 2 cases could the sanitary conditions be classed as extremely bad.

DISPOSAL OF EXCRETA.

The disinfection of excreta was as follows: Efficient in 21 cases, fairly efficient in 10 cases, not efficient in 3 cases.

MILK.

Of the 34 cases, 33 gave a history of using milk as a beverage, or on cereals, or in both ways, within 30 days before the onset of sickness. One patient claimed to have used no milk at all.

Of the 33 cases using milk, 25, or 75 per cent, obtained the whole or a part of the milk from one dairy farm. Of the remaining 8 cases, 7 used milk from a second dairy and 1 from his own cows. Of these 7 cases, 3 took part of their meals at various restaurants, and while known to have used milk from the second dairy, may possibly have had some from the first also.

In 1 other of the 7 cases infection was most probably acquired by contact.

When divided into 15-day periods, we have the following:

	Number cases using milk.	Number cases using milk from dairy No. 1.
Sept. 1-15, inclusive.....	2	1
Sept. 16-30, inclusive.....	1	1
Oct. 1-15, inclusive.....	3	0
Oct. 16-31, inclusive.....	8	6
Nov. 1-15, inclusive.....	19	17
	33	25

Comparisons between different dairies, to be of value, must of necessity take into account the amount of milk sold in proportion to the number of cases of sickness.

From information furnished by the dairymen, it is reckoned that the daily output of milk furnished by the 10 dairies is 1,800 quarts, and for the period of 76 days from September 1, to November 15, would be 136,800 quarts.

Taking this figure as a basis, and computing the amount of milk sold by each dairy, and the number of cases of typhoid for each 100,000 quarts of milk sold, a very good idea is gained of the distribution of cases among the different dairies.

No. of dairy.	Number of cases.	Number quarts milk sold in 76 days.	Ratio of cases per 100,000 quarts of milk.
1.....	25	18,240	137
2.....	7	53,200	13
3.....	0	21,280	0
4.....	0	4,560	0
5.....	0	4,560	0
6.....	0	7,600	0
7.....	0	9,220	0
8.....	0	7,600	0
9.....	0	4,560	0
10.....	0	6,080	0

Of these 7 cases attributed to dairy No. 2 for the purpose of illustration, as already mentioned, one was probably due to infection by contact, and from the evidence obtained it would not be fair to attribute any of them to infection caused by using this milk.

On the other hand, the 25 cases credited to dairy No. 1 had no other common source of supply for either food or drink, and their infection may be justly attributed to this milk.

It is evident that the number of cases occurring among the customers of dairy No. 1 is out of all proportion to the amount of milk sold. This dairy sold 60 gallons of milk daily, or 13 per cent of the total, and had among its customers 75 per cent of all those patients giving a history of using milk. It would be impossible to explain this upon the ground of mere coincidence.

Further evidence in regard to the milk from dairy No. 1 as being the source of infection is brought out by a comparison between the number of cases occurring among users of this milk and the number of cases occurring among the remainder of the population during the period from October 16 to November 15.

During this period, 27 cases occurred; 23 of these cases were among customers of dairy No. 1, and 4 were not.

Allowing the liberal estimate that each quart of milk of the daily 240 quarts supplied by this dairy was divided among 8 people, we have 23 cases among 1,920 people, or 1 case to every 83, as against 4 cases among 13,000 people (the remainder of the population), or 1 to every 3,250.

Some of the general features of milk-borne typhoid epidemics, as observed in various places by different investigators, are described as follows: There is a special incidence of disease upon the track of the suspected milk supply; better class houses suffer most; milk drinkers are chiefly affected; women and children suffer most; there is a sudden onset, with short incubation period; several cases may occur in the same house about the same time; the attacks are often mild; contact cases are lessened, and the mortality rate is lower than usual.

It would seem that these general features have been quite closely followed out in the series of cases here.

A careful inspection of the suspected dairy was made and measures were recommended for the proper handling of the milk. There was no history of any case of typhoid fever occurring on the place, and no history of any person on the place being associated with a typhoid patient.

To detect a possible bacillus carrier, a Widal test was made of 4 persons on the farm who were employed in handling the milk or utensils. These were all negative for typhoid or paratyphoid. An examination of the stools of 3 people engaged in handling the milk was made, which were also negative for the *Bacillus typhosus*.

Water used for washing the milk bottles and utensils was taken from an open well near the milk house. The water from this well was found to be badly contaminated, the colon bacillus being found in 0.1 of a cubic centimeter at two examinations. Within 4 or 5 feet of this well there ran an underground pipe carrying the discharge from a bathtub in the house, and waste water used in washing the milk utensils.

Again, the method of washing and sterilizing dirty milk bottles was not sufficient to kill the typhoid bacillus, had any been present. It is very possible that dirty bottles returned from the home of a typhoid patient may have been contaminated, and these being washed in the same water with other bottles, and all being filled again without thorough sterilizing, may have served to spread the infection.

Also this contaminated waste water may have found its way into the well from the drain pipe, and the infection further spread from this source.

Whatever the exact source of the infection, it apparently ceased to be operative before or about November 1, for the date of definite onset of the last case of typhoid fever reported was November 12.

No typhoid bacilli were found in the well water or milk, but this is very natural, as the first examination was made about 20 days after the date of onset of the last case of typhoid reported, and about a month from the time we may judge the source of infection to have disappeared.

ICE CREAM.

The occasional use of ice cream was quite general among the 34 cases, the cream being obtained from various sources. No case could be definitely attributed to its use, but there is possibility that this was the source of infection in a few cases not otherwise accounted for.

ICE.

The use of ice can be quite definitely eliminated as a cause of infection, since this product is satisfactorily made from distilled water.

WATER.

The public water supply is obtained from two groups of wells numbering about 46, and from about 30 to 70 feet deep. That portion coming from the Arkansas station is subjected to mechanical filtration, and at this station a reserve supply is kept in a storage reservoir for fire purposes. The daily consumption is about 850,000 to 1,000,000 gallons. This supply is used quite generally in the city as the sole or occasional supply. Besides this, many families have shallow wells, either dug or driven to a depth between 20 to 40 feet.

Among the 34 cases investigated the water supply was as follows:

City water:	
Solely.....	18
Principally.....	3
Occasionally.....	11
Shallow-well water:	
Solely.....	1
Principally.....	11
Occasionally.....	1
Spring water:	
Solely.....	1
Principally.....	0
Occasionally.....	2

In order to judge what part, if any, water has played as a cause of typhoid, 22 bacteriological examinations have been made of samples of the city water and 7 from private sources. Five of these 22 samples were taken at the pumping stations and 17 from centrally located taps.

Fermentation tests were made in lactose bouillon incubated at room temperature for 48 hours. Plates of standard agar, kept at room temperature for 48 hours, were used in making the counts. Endo's plating medium was used for the detection of the colon bacillus from fermentation tubes showing the presence of gas. From these plates typical red colonies of *Bacillus coli* were fished and later fully identified at the Hygienic Laboratory.

Numerous fermentation tubes showed the presence of a small amount of gas, but when plated on Endo's medium no colon-like colonies were found. Many of these colonies which were formed on Endo's medium were later replanted in fermentation tubes but in no instance was gas formed.

This leads to the conclusion that the formation of gas in the original tubes was due to anaerobic bacteria which failed to grow on the plates. On the other hand in 3 instances the colon bacillus was found on plates made from fermentation tubes showing the presence of only a small amount of gas, estimated at less than 10 per cent. This emphasizes the necessity of careful plating out from fermentation tubes showing the presence of only a small amount of gas, to detect the colon bacillus, and shows the error that may arise when relying only upon the presumptive test.

Results of examination of water supply.

Source and date.	Number of bacteria per cc.	Fermentation in lactose bouillon.			B. coli in—		
		10 cc.	1 cc.	0.1 cc.	10 cc.	1 cc.	0.1 cc.
Texas station, before passing pump:							
Dec. 4, 1911.....	200						
Dec. 16, 1911.....	350			1X			
Average.....	275						
Texas station, after passing pump, Dec. 4, 1911.							
Arkansas station, after passing pump:							
Dec. 4, 1911.....	1,500						
Dec. 16, 1911.....	800	1X	1X				
Average.....	1,150						
Central tap on State Line Avenue:							
Dec. 4, 1911.....	500						
Dec. 9, 1911.....	585	2X	1X				
Dec. 11, 1911.....	295	X	X		X	X	
Dec. 12, 1911.....	2,100	X	X		X	X	
Dec. 16, 1911.....	545	1X	1X	2X			
Average.....	805						
Central tap on Pine Street:							
Dec. 9, 1911.....	215	X	1X	1X	X		
Dec. 11, 1911.....	600	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dec. 12, 1911.....	2,385	2X	1X				
Dec. 13, 1911.....	1,300	1X	2X				
Dec. 15, 1911.....	130	X	2X		X		
Dec. 16, 1911.....	230	X	2X	2X	X		
Average.....	810						
Tap corner Broad and Pine Streets:							
Dec. 9, 1911.....	2,185	2X	2X	1X			
Dec. 11, 1911.....	280	1X	2X	2X			
Dec. 12, 1911.....	1,450	X	2X		X		
Dec. 13, 1911.....	3,300	X	2X	1X	X		
Dec. 15, 1911.....	660	1X	2X				
Dec. 16, 1911.....	765	1X	2X	2X			
Average.....	1,440						
Water samples, miscellaneous:							
Well open B—							
Dec. 2.....	1,933	X	X	X	X	X	X
Dec. 5.....	1,066	X	X	X	X	X	X
Well closed B, Dec. 5.....							
	366	2X	1X				
Well closed C, Dec. 6.....							
	300	1X	X				
Well open W, Dec. 9.....							
	416	X	1X				
Spring B, Dec. 8.....							
	1,110	X	X		X	X	
Spring G, Dec. 18.....							
	833	X	X		X	X	

1X—Small amount of gas. Plated on Endo's medium. No colonlike colonies formed.

2X—Gas bubble. Not plated.

X—Present.

From the above tables it is seen that the colon bacillus was found in 8 of these samples of city water, or 36 per cent, but for the most part in such large amounts of water (10 c. c.) as not to indicate a very dangerous pollution. Water showing only this degree of pollution could not be considered as the probable cause of a typhoid epidemic.

During the time covered by these examinations the filter was under repair, and the quality of the water may be fairly assumed not to have been up to the usual standard, or equal to that supplied during the month of October and before the unusual prevalence of this disease.

To fairly estimate the quality of the water, it is necessary to take into account the source of the water in connection with the bacteriological examination. Water coming from closed wells at a depth of 30 feet or more should be practically free from contamination with intestinal bacteria unless under very unfavorable surroundings.

Before a water supply can be considered as the prime factor in the causation of a typhoid epidemic it is first necessary to eliminate other possible factors as causes, which can not be done in this case with the milk supply. Thus the assertion is warranted that evidence is lacking that the public water supply has played any appreciable part in the causation of typhoid.

No case could be definitely attributed to the use of water from shallow wells, but this remains the possible source of infection in a few cases not otherwise accounted for. From the few examinations made it would seem that the water obtained from the shallow wells, especially of the open type, was of an inferior quality to that of the public supply.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS.

To sum up the foregoing, 25 of the 34 cases arising in the city or 73.5 per cent, are attributed to the use of milk from one dairy; one case may be attributed to contact, leaving 8 cases, or 23.5 per cent unaccounted for. The most probable source in these cases is milk, ice cream, or well water.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Milk and food supplies.—The sale of milk and ice cream should be under the supervision of the city authorities. Those desiring to sell milk and ice cream should be required to take out a license and be subject to inspection. All infectious diseases at the dairy farm should be reported, and the sale of milk should be prohibited when coming from insanitary premises or from places where there are patients suffering from typhoid or other infectious disease if there is the least possibility of contamination.

This requires the attention of a milk inspector whose duty it should be to make inspections of the dairies and instruct the dairymen as to the proper way to secure clean milk.

Pasteurization of milk is urged as the most efficient means of preventing the spread of typhoid from this source. If done in an efficient manner it will kill the germs which may get into the milk from undetected sources.

The practice of keeping foodstuffs exposed for sale, where subject to contamination by flies and street dust, should be prohibited.

Sewerage.—The city sewerage system should be extended as soon as possible, to include those portions of the city not already supplied, and, when available, connections to the sewer should be enforced.

Where sewerage connection is not possible, soil pollution should be limited by replacing the common open privy with one of a sanitary type, so constructed that flies can have no access to it, and its contents can be properly disinfected and disposed of.

Disposal of stable and household refuse.—To limit the prevalence of flies and the spread of disease by this means, careful attention should be given to the removal of their breeding places, which are chiefly in stable and household refuse. The disposal of this refuse should be under the control of city authorities, and frequent removal, at least once a week, is suggested as the most practicable method.

The health department in its relation to typhoid.—Probably the most important factor in the prevention of typhoid fever and other infectious diseases is the vigilance of the health department. The importance of the health department in the welfare of the city should be fully appreciated and adequate provision made for it in the way of equipment.

Typhoid fever should be reported to the health officers as other infectious diseases are, so that they can make investigation as to the cause of the disease and the measures necessary for its control. Instructions should be given as to the proper disinfection of excreta, and where necessary the disinfectant should be distributed free of charge.

Included in the health organization there should be a bacteriologist, with the equipment necessary to make examinations of milk, water, and blood. Blood examinations are most important in the early diagnosis of typhoid fever, especially so in a country where malaria occurs. By this means, also, more accurate information is secured as to the prevalence of the disease and its control made more efficient.

UNITED STATES.

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HYGIENE.

[Adopted since July 1, 1911.]

BROOKLINE, MASS.

MILK—PRODUCTION, CARE, AND SALE.

ARTICLE V. Milk.—**SEC. 1.** All animals kept in the town of Brookline for the production of milk shall, at all times, be kept in a clean condition; the udders shall be washed or wiped with a clean, damp cloth before milking; the milker's hands shall be clean, and the animals shall not be fed upon swill or fermented brewery grains.

SEC. 2. Any person having any infectious disease (the board considers tuberculosis to come within the meaning of the statutes in regard to infectious diseases), or having recently been in contact with any such person, shall not be allowed to milk cows or handle cans, measures, or other vessels used for milk intended for sale, or in any way take part or assist in the sale of the same, until the board of health is satisfied that all danger of communicating such disease is passed.

SEC. 3. Milk cans or jars of milk dealers shall not be left at any house in which there is a case of diphtheria, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, or smallpox, but the milk shall be poured into receptacles furnished by the customer.

SEC. 4. No person, by himself or by his servant or agent, or as the servant or agent of any other person, firm, or corporation, shall in the town of Brookline sell, exchange, or deliver, or have in his custody or possession with intent to sell, exchange, or deliver, any milk, skimmed milk, or cream which contains more than 300,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter, or which has a temperature higher than 50° F.

SEC. 5. All milk sold in the town of Brookline other than from wagons shall be delivered to the purchaser in original sealed jars, or from a milk cooler which has been approved by the board of health.

SEC. 6. All premises, vehicles, compartments, or rooms used for the storage and sale of milk in the town of Brookline shall be kept cleansed in a manner satisfactory to the board of health.

SEC. 7. No person by himself or by his servant or agent, or as the servant or agent of any other person, firm, or corporation, shall in the town of Brookline sell, exchange, or deliver milk, skimmed milk, or cream produced upon premises where there is a case of contagious disease without the written consent of the board of health.

SEC. 8. All utensils used in the handling and selling of milk shall be washed and sterilized with steam or boiling water each day before being used, and all milk vessels (bottles and cans) which are to be returned, shall be cleansed as soon as emptied by the person who pours out the milk.

SEC. 9. Premises, compartments, rooms, receptacles, or ice chests used for the storage or sale of milk shall be kept cleansed in a manner satisfactory to the board of health. [Ordinance, board of health, adopted Nov. 6, 1911.]

PIQUA, OHIO.

MILK—PRODUCTION, CARE, AND SALE.

Permits.—No one shall engage in the sale of milk or cream in the city of Piqua, Ohio, ship the same into the city for sale, or supply to others for use in the city, unless he shall first obtain a permit from the board of health so to do.

A fee of 50 cents will be charged for each permit, and the same shall be credited to the sanitary fund. Permits shall be renewed every six months.

On or before the 1st day of January and the 1st day of July of each year hereafter, permits will be issued by the board of health for the ensuing half year, to all applicants who comply with the provisions of these rules and regulations, regulating the sale of milk or cream in the city of Piqua, but before the issuance of any permit every vendor or shipper of milk or cream shall make application therefor upon a printed form provided by the board for the purpose, on which shall be stated:

1. The name, residence, postoffice address, and location of the business place or places of the applicant.
2. The number of cows from which milk is obtained for sale, and the kind of food which the cows are given.
3. If the applicant buys part or all his milk supply, the names and addresses of all persons from whom he obtains milk or cream.
4. If the applicant be a shipper of milk or cream into the city he shall, in addition to the above, state the route of his shipments.

If any person engage in the sale of milk or cream after the said 1st day of January or July in any year, he shall forthwith make application for a permit for the remainder of the half year, complying with the above regulations.

The board will not issue any permit unless it is satisfied, after inspection, with the cleanly and sanitary condition of the stables, cows, wagons, store, or place of business of the applicant therefor, and with all the utensils used by him from which his milk or cream is obtained; and that the food given the cows is pure and wholesome, and that all persons engaged in the care and handling of the milk are free from any contagious diseases, and that said persons use due cleanliness in their work.

All applications for permits shall be signed by the applicant, and when received by the milk and dairy inspector shall be placed on file and the name of such applicant shall be entered in a book of registration kept for such purpose. The filing of such application shall authorize such applicant to continue the prosecution of his business until the board of health takes official action thereon, and either issues a permit to such applicant for the sale of milk or cream or refuses to do so. The permit fee shall accompany the application.

As soon as possible after an application is received at the health office for a permit to sell milk, the milk and dairy inspector shall visit the dairy or place of business of such applicant and make such observation and gather such information as will enable the board to properly consider such application.

If, after issuing a permit to sell milk or cream, the board of health shall become satisfied that the provisions of this subdivision of the sanitary code are being violated, it will at once revoke the permit issued to such person or persons, and no new permit will be issued until all insanitary conditions have been rectified, and all other provisions of this subdivision of the sanitary code are complied with.

Quality of milk.—No person shall bring into the city for sale, or shall sell or offer for sale any milk—

- a. Containing more than 88 per cent of water or fluids.
- b. Containing less than 12 per cent of milk solids.
- c. Containing less than 3 per cent of milk fats.
- d. From which any part of the cream has been removed.
- e. Having a specific gravity of less than 1.029.
- f. Containing any dirt, foreign matter, or sediment.
- g. Containing any boracic or salicylic acid, formaldehyde, or other foreign chemicals.
- h. Containing any pathogenic bacteria.
- i. Containing bacteria of any kind, more than 500,000 per cubic centimeter.
- j. Drawn from any cow having a communicable disease or showing clinical symptoms of tuberculosis, or from a herd which contains any diseased cattle or are afflicted with or exposed to any communicable disease.
- k. Drawn from any cow which has been fed on garbage, refuse, swill, moist distillery waste, or other improper food.
- l. Which has existed or has been kept under conditions contrary to the provisions of this code.
- m. No milk shall be kept, sold, offered for sale, or drawn from cows suffering with sore and inflamed udders and teats, or from cows diseased.
- n. Drawn from any cow within fifteen days before or twelve days after parturition.
- o. No milk in partially filled bottles shall be sold or offered for sale, and no bottles shall be filled, capped, or recapped outside of the dairy building regularly used for this purpose.

Provided that the subdivisions a, b, c, and d shall not apply to milk sold under the title of "skimmed milk."

Retailers.—All grocers, bakers, or other persons having or offering for sale milk or cream shall at all times keep the names and addresses of the dairymen from whom

the milk on sale was obtained posted up in a conspicuous place wherever such milk may be sold or offered for sale. If skimmed milk is kept or offered for sale, each and every container of such milk shall be plainly marked with the words "skimmed milk."

No person shall bring into the city for sale or sell or offer for sale milk from which the cream has been removed, either in part or in whole, unless plainly marked on the container "skimmed milk."

Milk tickets.—If dairymen or other persons offering milk for sale use tickets as representatives of value, these tickets must be in coupon form and must be destroyed after once using.

The stable and surroundings.—The stable shall be so constructed that the cows have plenty of air space and light, and should be painted in some light color or white-washed twice a year.

The stables must be kept free from dirt, dust, cobwebs, and odor.

The urine and manure shall be twice daily removed from the stable, and must be moved at least 30 feet from the stable and placed where cows can not get into it. Manure must not be thrown out of stable windows. The bedding shall be kept sweet and clean; the food and water ample and well chosen. No dairyman shall feed his cows on swill, garbage, or other like substances. If malt is used, it must not be fed when sour. The surroundings to the stable must be kept in a sanitary condition. Cows must not be allowed to stand in manure and filth. Cows must be kept clean. Manure, litter, etc., must not be allowed to become caked or dried on them.

The milkers.—The milkers must thoroughly wash and wipe their hands and the cows' udders before they begin milking. Their outer garments must be clean. They must not use pails, cans, strainers, etc., unless they have been thoroughly washed in hot water and soap, or hot water and soda, and afterwards sterilized with boiling water or steam. Care must be taken that the seams of the vessels are thoroughly cleaned with a brush. They must refrain from milking or handling milk in any way when in themselves or their families there is even a suspicion of any contagious or infectious disease, such as smallpox, scarlet fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever, tuberculosis, or the like.

Handling the milk.—Immediately after milking the milk shall be removed from the stable into a milk room screened from flies and other insects, aerated and cooled to at least 60° temperature, and put into perfectly clean bottles or cans. The milk house or milk room must be located at least 20 feet from any other building. Dairymen who use both bottles and cans in delivering milk shall not fill bottles while on their delivery route. All milk and cream sold in the city shall be delivered with a temperature not to exceed 65° F.

Care of cans or bottles.—All cans or bottles used in the distribution of milk must be thoroughly cleaned, either by hot water and soap or hot water and soda, or other alkalies, rinsed and sterilized by boiling water or steam before they are again used as receptacles for milk. Extreme care must be exercised in cleaning the faucets to cans by use of a brush. No person shall use a milk bottle for other than milk purposes.

Contagious diseases.—Should scarlet fever, smallpox, diphtheria, typhoid fever, tuberculosis, or other dangerous or infectious diseases occur in the family of any dairyman or among any of his employees, or in any house in which milk is kept for sale, or in the family or among the employees of any person who ships milk into the city for sale, such dairyman, venders, or shippers of milk shall immediately notify the health officer of the facts of the case, and the health officer shall at once investigate and order the sale of such milk stopped, or sold under such regulations as he thinks proper.

Should dairymen, venders, or shippers of milk fail to notify the health officer when contagious diseases exist in their families or in the families of their employees, or who, after such information is given the health officer, fail to obey his directions, the milk and dairy inspector shall seize and destroy all milk sent into the city by such persons, and he shall, when acting in good faith, be held harmless in damages therefor in any suit or demands made.

In delivering milk to families in which there exists any of the above-named contagious or infectious diseases, the dairyman shall not enter, neither shall he permit any of his milk bottles or vessels to be taken into such houses, but shall pour such milk as each family wishes into vessels furnished by such family.

Adulterations.—No person shall offer for sale any milk that is impure, adulterated, or unwholesome.

Milk delivery wagons.—No one shall use any vehicle for the delivery of milk in the city of Piqua which has not painted thereon in legible roman letters not less than 3 inches in height, and on both sides of the vehicle in a conspicuous place, the name and location of his dairy and the number of his permit, and if such vender sells

skimmed milk, each and every container of skimmed milk shall have the words "Skimmed milk" thereon in plain letters not less than 1 inch in height.

The milk delivery wagons shall be kept at all times in a cleanly condition and free from any substance liable to contaminate or injure the purity of the milk.

Certificate of veterinarian.—The board may require a certificate from a licensed veterinarian, showing the cows furnishing milk brought for sale within its jurisdiction are free from tuberculosis or other dangerous disease.

Milk inspectors.—The milk or dairy inspector, the health officer, or any other person authorized by the board of health may examine all dairy herds, utensils for handling milk of all dairymen or other persons engaged in selling or shipping for sale milk or cream to the city of Piqua. These inspectors shall have power to open any can, vessel, or package containing milk or cream, whether sealed (locked) or otherwise, or whether in transit or otherwise, and take samples of the milk or cream for testing or analysis; and if, upon inspection, the milk or cream is found to be filthy, or the cans or other containers are in an unclean condition, the said inspector may then and there condemn the milk or cream as deemed by him to be filthy and pour the contents of such bottles, vessels, or packages upon the ground forthwith, and he shall, if done in good faith, be held harmless in damages therefor in any suit or demand made.

Penalty for violation.—Whoever violates any provision of this subdivision of the sanitary code of the city of Piqua shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$100, or imprisoned for any time not exceeding 90 days, or both; but no person shall be imprisoned under this section for the first offense, and the prosecution shall always be and for such first offense, unless the affidavit upon which the prosecution is instituted contains the allegation that the offense is a second or repeated offense. (Sec. 2119. O. L., V. 85, p. 424.)

[Regulations, board of health, adopted July 31, 1911.]

PLAINFIELD, N. J.

NUISANCES—GARBAGE, REFUSE, MANURE, STAGNANT WATER, CESSPOOLS, PRIVIES, BODIES OF DEAD ANIMALS, RAGS, BONES, SCRAPS, KEEPING OF ANIMALS, OFFENSIVE TRADES, CARE OF PREMISES, OVERCROWDING OF BUILDINGS, CLEANING AND FUMIGATION OF RAILWAY CARS.

SECTION. 1. Whatever is dangerous to human life or to health and whatever renders the ground, air, food, or water unwholesome and an injury to human health is hereby declared to be a nuisance and is prohibited.

SEC. 2. The casting, draining, throwing or discharging, or causing to be cast, drained, thrown, or discharged into any public street or highway, gutter, alley, or other public or private grounds within said city, any slops, kitchen water, laundry water, sewage, waste water, swill, or filth, shall be deemed and hereby is declared to be a nuisance; and all ponds, pools, or collections of still and stagnant water, all heaps and quantities of manure (stable manure used as a fertilizer or kept in manure pit built as hereinafter directed excepted) or filth of any kind, all cow yards and hog pens, any accumulation or deposit of offal or of decaying animal or vegetable matter, in or upon any lot of land near any inhabited dwelling house or any public street or highway, alley, or other public or private place within said city is declared to be a nuisance.

SEC. 3. Other nuisances within the city are hereby defined and declared to be, and they shall include and embrace: Placing or depositing in or upon any street or alley, or in or upon any public or private property, any dead animal not killed for consumption as food, or any part of same, or filth from privies or cesspools or catch basins, or garbage; also any foul or offensive or noxious matter or substance whatever; also throwing or allowing to drop into any sewer, receiving basin, or in or upon the bed of Green Brook or of Cedar Brook, any dead animal or decomposing animal or vegetable matter whatever; also any full or overflowing privy vault, cesspool, or other receptacle for filth; also permitting any liquid or solid matter taken from cesspools or privy vaults to be deposited in or upon any lawn, lot, or place within the city; also allowing any night soil, garbage, swill, or other offensive or decomposing solid or fluid matter or substance to leak or ooze from cart or wagon or vessel in which the same may be conveyed or carried; also the conveying or carrying through any street of any substance which has been removed from any privy vault or cesspool, unless the same shall be inclosed in air-tight barrels or tanks.

SEC. 4. No rags, bones, scraps, or refuse matter shall be brought into or be stored or kept within the limits of the city of Plainfield, except on permit of this board, said board to reserve the right of revocation at any and all times.

SEC. 5. No dwelling or any part thereof, within the city of Plainfield, shall be used for the sale, storage, sorting, or handling of rags, without a written permit of the board of health.

SEC. 6. The construction, maintenance, use, or continuance of any privy vault or other receptacle for human excrement in or upon the ground in such manner that the filthy contents thereof shall be accessible to flies shall constitute and is hereby declared a nuisance, and the construction, maintenance, use, or continuance thereof is hereby prohibited.

SEC. 7. No person shall have or keep upon any premises or in any building, lot, or place within the city any swine without the permission of the board of health, and the pens and places in which any swine may be permitted by the board of health to be kept shall at all times be kept clean and in such condition as to be free from any noxious or unhealthful odors.

SEC. 8. No person shall keep or allow to be kept in any dwelling house or any part thereof any horse, cattle, swine, goats, or fowls, nor shall any such animals or fowls be allowed to run at large in the city.

SEC. 9. No animal or vegetable substance, or swill or garbage, street sweepings or muck, or dirt gathered in cleaning yards, buildings, sewers, waste of mills and factories, or any offensive material, either separately or mixed with ashes or rubbish, shall be deposited on or used to fill in or raise the surface or level of any ground, lot, or street nor shall any person maintain any sunken land from which there shall arise offensive gases deleterious to health.

SEC. 10. No person or persons shall carry on any trade or business within the city in such a manner as to be obnoxious and offensive to the inhabitants of the city of Plainfield or any part thereof or which may be attended by noisome or unhealthful odors, or which may be attended by such noise or noises as may be detrimental to life of health.

SEC. 11. No person owning, occupying, or having charge of any house, stable, or other buildings or premises, shall keep or allow therein or thereon any dog or other animal which shall by noise disturb the quiet and repose of any person therein or in the vicinity to the detriment of life or health.

SEC. 12. Any imperfect trap, sink, or water-closet within any house, or any other drainage appliance or fixture within any house, from which there shall arise any foul or noxious gas or odor detrimental to human health, is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

SEC. 13. The keeping of any house or building or part thereof in such a state of uncleanness, or the crowding of persons in any house or building in such a manner as to endanger the health of the persons dwelling therein, is hereby declared to be a nuisance and is prohibited.

SEC. 14. No owner, agent, or lessee of any building or any part thereof shall occupy nor let, lease, or hire out the same or any portion thereof, to be occupied either for domestic or business purposes by any person, or allow the same to be occupied as a place for anyone to dwell or lodge or conduct business, where such building or parts thereof are not provided with adequate means of ingress and egress, or not sufficiently supported, lighted, ventilated, drained, cleaned, or provided with proper water-closets.

SEC. 15. No building or premises shall be rented, let, leased, or occupied, either for domestic or business purposes, which shall not have a plentiful supply of pure water suitable for domestic purposes furnished at one or more places in such building or yard thereof, so that the same may be adequate and reasonably convenient for the use of the occupants of said building or premises.

SEC. 16. Whenever it shall be decided by this board that any building or part thereof is unfit for human habitation by reason of the number of occupants, want of cleanliness or by reason of its being in a condition dangerous to health or life or likely to be the cause of sickness among the occupants, and notice of such decision shall have been affixed conspicuously on the building or any part thereof, and personally served upon the owner, agent, or lessee, if the same can be found in the State, requiring all persons therein to vacate such building or part thereof for the reasons stated therein, such buildings or part thereof shall within ten days thereafter be vacated, or in case of special emergency, within such shorter time as may be specified in said notice.

SEC. 17. It shall be the duty of all owners, lessees, tenants, or occupants of any and all buildings in the city of Plainfield to keep the gutters and sidewalks and alleys surrounding said buildings free from any offensive substance, liquid or solid, or any dirt, rubbish, water, bottles, broken glass, crockery ware, iron, tin, wire, or stones, or any other thing dangerous to health, life or limb of man or beast.

SEC. 18. Each and every railway car running through or upon the streets of, or elsewhere in the city of Plainfield, and engaged in carrying passengers in said city, or to other places, shall be kept carefully and thoroughly washed and cleaned, and when so directed by this board, fumigated so that all dirt and filth, or causes of disease, are removed from the inside, steps, and platform of said cars.

SEC. 19. No person shall burn within the city of Plainfield any matter or substance (other than coal, charcoal, wood, gas, or oils) which shall emit into the air or cause or produce or cast off any foul or obnoxious or offensive or hurtful or annoying or repulsive gas, smoke, or odors of any kind whatever.

SEC. 20. It shall be the duty of any owner, tenant, lessee, or occupant of any lot, ground, building, house, or stable in the city, on notice from this board, to forthwith remove therefrom any rubbish, waste paper, garbage, offal, or any offensive matter or thing; and it shall be the duty of any person, on notice from this board to abate any nuisance existing on any premises of which he may be the owner, tenant, lessee, or occupant. If any person shall refuse or neglect to remove any foul or noxious or hurtful matter or thing, or if any person shall refuse or neglect to abate any nuisance, then this board may proceed under the provisions of "An act to establish in this State boards of health and a bureau of vital statistics and to define their respective powers and duties," approved March 31, 1887, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and remove said nuisance, source of foulness, or cause of sickness, and shall recover by action of debt the expense incurred by said board by such removal.

SEC. 21. *Penalty.*—Every nuisance herein defined is prohibited and forbidden within the city, and any person or association of persons making, causing, permitting, or maintaining any of the said nuisances shall forfeit and pay a penalty of not less than \$2, nor greater than \$50, for every such offense, and in the case of a continuing offense shall be liable to a further penalty of \$10 for each and every day after written notice of the offense from his board. [An amendment adopted July 7, 1911, to Article I of an ordinance adopted Dec. 18, 1902.]

CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS IN TEXAS.

According to the last information received, cerebrospinal meningitis is still present in Dallas, Fort Worth, Galveston, Waco, and many small towns in Texas. At Dallas the average number of new cases was at the time of the last report about 7 daily, at Fort Worth about 3, and at Waco 1 or 2 daily. The sanitary campaign includes the house quarantine of direct contacts until they are shown not to be carriers.

Surge. Guiteras at Galveston reports the occurrence of 3 new cases of cerebrospinal meningitis at Galveston on February 3, 1 new case February 5, 1 new case February 6, and 1 new case each February 8 and 9.

CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS IN OKLAHOMA.

With cerebrospinal meningitis present in Texas, it was to be expected that the disease would be found occurring in the neighboring States. Information for the State of Oklahoma is available, showing that from December 1, 1911, to January 25, 1912, a total of 72 positive and 2 suspected cases had been reported from 14 counties, as follows:

County.	Cases.	Deaths.
Garvin.....	3	13
Carter.....	5	4
Bryan.....	14	9
Love.....	17	7
Marshall.....	4	.....
McClain.....	23	2
Pittsburg.....	21	.....
Comanche.....	37	2
Johnson.....	1	11
McCurtain.....	1	11
Murray.....	1	11
Osage.....	10	4
Choctaw.....	2	.....
Pontotoc.....	2	12
Pawnee.....	3	.....
Total.....	74	36

¹ Free of disease Jan. 25.

² One suspect.

³ Three in one family.

Considering that the disease is perhaps always present to some extent, this is not a large number of cases. The State department of health seems to have taken every possible means of keeping itself informed of the situation by the cooperation of the local authorities and the prompt reporting of cases and to have materially controlled the spread of the disease by the distribution of bulletins and circulars relative to its prevention and treatment, by the detail of trained men to the infected localities, and by the prompt examination by the State bacteriologist of specimens forwarded for diagnosis.

PLAGUE-PREVENTION WORK.

DISTRIBUTION OF POISON.

In connection with the making and maintenance of a squirrel-free zone around the cities of California on San Francisco Bay, 1,050 acres of land in Alameda County were covered with poison during the week ended January 27, 1912.

During the same period 6,100 acres of land in San Joaquin County and 7,040 acres in Stanislaus County were covered with poison for the purpose of eradicating plague foci.

RECORD OF PLAGUE INFECTION.

Places.	Date of last case of human plague.	Date of last case of rat plague.	Date of last case of squirrel plague.	Total number of rodents found infected since May, 1907.
California:				
Cities—				
San Francisco.....	Jan. 30, 1908.....	Oct. 23, 1908.....	None.....	398 rats.
Oakland.....	Aug. 9, 1911.....	Dec. 1, 1908.....	do.....	126 rats.
Berkeley.....	Aug. 27, 1907.....	None.....	do.....	None.
Los Angeles.....	Aug. 11, 1908.....	do.....	Aug. 21, 1908.....	1 squirrel.
Counties—				
Alameda (exclusive of Oakland and Berkeley).	Sept. 26, 1909.....	Wood rat, Oct. 17, 1909.	Oct. 9, 1911.....	114 squirrels and 1 wood rat.
Contra Costa.....	July 21, 1911.....	None.....	Sept. 23, 1911.....	364 squirrels.
Fresno.....	None.....	do.....	Oct. 27, 1911.....	1 squirrel.
Merced.....	do.....	do.....	July 13, 1911.....	5 squirrels.
Monterey.....	do.....	do.....	Aug. 6, 1911.....	Do.
San Benito.....	June 5, 1910.....	do.....	June 8, 1911.....	22 squirrels.
San Joaquin.....	Sept. 18, 1911.....	do.....	Aug. 26, 1911.....	18 squirrels.
San Luis Obispo.....	None.....	do.....	Jan. 29, 1910.....	1 squirrel.
Santa Clara.....	Aug. 23, 1910.....	do.....	Oct. 5, 1910.....	23 squirrels.
Santa Cruz.....	None.....	do.....	May 17, 1910.....	3 squirrels.
Stanislaus.....	do.....	do.....	June 2, 1911.....	13 squirrels.
Washington:				
City—				
Seattle.....	Oct. 30, 1907.....	Sept. 21, 1911.....	None.....	25 rats.

RATS COLLECTED AND EXAMINED FOR PLAGUE INFECTION.

Places.	Week ended—	Found dead.	Total collected.	Examined.	Found infected.
California:					
Cities—					
Berkeley.....	Jan. 27, 1912	3	1 129	65	.....
Fresno.....	do.....		1 64	64	.....
Oakland.....	do.....	6	1 553	460	.....
San Francisco.....	do.....	3	1 1,499	1,167	.....
Counties—					
San Joaquin.....	do.....		1 125	125	.....
Santa Clara.....	do.....		1 31	31	.....
Washington:					
City—					
Seattle.....	do.....		938	901	.....

¹ Identified: *Mus norvegicus*, 71; *Mus musculus*, 58.

² Identified: *Mus alexandrinus*, 54; *Mus musculus*, 10.

³ Identified: *Mus norvegicus*, 472; *Mus musculus*, 81.

⁴ Identified: *Mus norvegicus*, 765; *Mus rattus*, 198; *Mus alexandrinus*, 205; *Mus musculus*, 301.

⁵ Identified: *Mus norvegicus*, 121; *Mus alexandrinus*, 2. *Mus musculus*, 2.

⁶ Identified: *Mus norvegicus*, 31.

SMALLPOX IN THE UNITED STATES.

In the following table the States indicated by an asterisk are those from which reports of smallpox are received only from certain city, and in some cases county, boards of health. In these States, therefore, the recorded cases and deaths should not be taken as showing the general prevalence of the disease. In the States not marked by an asterisk the reports are received monthly from the State boards of health, and include all cases reported to the State authorities.

REPORTS RECEIVED DURING WEEK ENDED FEB. 16, 1912.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Connecticut.....	Jan. 1-31.....			No case.
Iowa:				
Counties—				
Butler.....	Jan. 1-31.....	3		
Carroll.....	do.....	1		
Cerro Gordo.....	do.....	4		
Fayette.....	do.....	1		
Guthrie.....	do.....	1		
Linn.....	do.....	3		
Marshall.....	do.....	5		
Page.....	do.....	1		
Pottawattamie.....	do.....	3		
Sac.....	do.....	7		
Van Buren.....	do.....	2		
Webster.....	do.....	2		
Woodbury.....	do.....	3		
Worth.....	do.....	2		
Total for State.....		38		
*Kentucky:				
Newport.....	Jan. 28-Feb. 3.....	1		
Maryland.....	Jan. 1-31.....			No case.
Michigan:				
Counties—				
Allegan.....	Jan. 1-31.....	1		
Bay.....	do.....	1		
Butler.....	do.....	2		
Calhoun.....	do.....	13		
Eaton.....	do.....	7		
Genesee.....	do.....	4		
Hillsdale.....	do.....	3		
Ingham.....	do.....	1		
Ionia.....	do.....	17		
Jackson.....	do.....	101		
Kent.....	do.....	7		
Lenawee.....	do.....	58		
Macomb.....	do.....	1		
Monroe.....	do.....	11		
Montcalm.....	do.....	14		
St. Clair.....	do.....	1		
Washtenaw.....	do.....	2		
Wayne.....	do.....	18		
Wexford.....	do.....	4		
Total for State.....		266		
*Missouri:				
St. Louis.....	Jan. 28-Feb. 3.....	5		
New Jersey.....	Jan. 1-31.....			No case.
Pennsylvania.....	Dec. 1-31.....	20		
Tennessee:				
Counties—				
Knox—				
Knoxville.....	Jan. 28-Feb. 3.....	15		
Shelby.....	Jan. 1-31.....	4		
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SMALLPOX IN THE UNITED STATES—Continued.

Reports Received during Week ended Feb. 16, 1912.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Wisconsin:				
Counties—				
Adams.....	Jan. 1-31.....	2		
Dane.....	do.....	6		
Dodge.....	do.....	1		
Douglas.....	do.....	11		
Fond du Lac.....	do.....	1		
Iowa.....	do.....	6		
La Crosse.....	do.....	1		
Marathon.....	do.....	11	1	
Outagamie.....	do.....	2		
Polk.....	do.....	1		
Portage.....	do.....	4		
Trempealeau.....	do.....	1		
Waushara.....	do.....	4		
Wood.....	do.....	13		
Total for State.....		64	1	
Wyoming:				
Counties—				
Albany.....	Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1911.....	1		
Converse.....	do.....	4		
Fremont.....	do.....	17		
Laramie.....	do.....	63		
Natrona.....	do.....	1		
Sweetwater.....	do.....	18		
Total for State.....		104		
Grand total for the United States.....		517	1	

For reports received from July 1 to December 29, see Public Health Reports for December 29, 1911. The cumulative table of reported cases of smallpox, heretofore published each week, has been discontinued, and in its place summaries will be published periodically.

MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY.

MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY TABLE, CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR WEEK ENDED JAN. 27, 1912.

Cities.	Popula- tion, United States census 1910.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diph- theria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Small- pox.		Tuber- culosis.		Ty- phoid lever.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
<i>Cities having over 500,000 inhabitants.</i>														
Baltimore, Md.....	558,485	232	22	1	4		19	1			44	27	11	3
Boston, Mass.....	670,585	233	36	8	102	1	32		1		43	21	7	1
Chicago, Ill.....	2,185,283	758	139	16	54	4	153	8			163	70	15	4
Cleveland, Ohio.....	560,663	182	23	3	24	1	41	2			34	12	4	
New York, N. Y.....	4,766,883	1,564	264	26	608	10	267	8	4	1	506	195	38	10
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,549,008	580	56	16	13	1	25	3			97	64	30	4
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	533,905	173	28	5	3		22	1			34	15	8	
St. Louis, Mo.....	687,029	235	41	4	7		20		20		53	18	4	1
<i>Cities having from 300,000 to 500,000 inhabitants.</i>														
Buffalo, N. Y.....	423,715	152	29		11		18		1		15	9	7	1
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	364,463	141	12	1	7		21	2	1		30	17	1	1
Detroit, Mich.....	465,766	172	13	4			29	2	2					

MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY—Continued.

Morbidity and mortality table, cities of the United States, for week ended Jan. 27, 1912—Continued.

Cities.	Popula- tion, United States census 1910.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diph- theria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Small- pox.		Tuber- culosis.		Ty- phoid fever.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
<i>Cities having from 25,000 to 50,000 inhabitants.</i>														
Atlantic City, N. J.	46,150	12	5											
Auburn, N. Y.	34,668	15									1	3		1
Aurora, Ill.	29,807	13	1				1						1	
Berkeley, Cal.	40,434	8			5									
Binghamton, N. Y.	48,443	26	1		1						5	3	1	
Brookline, Mass.	27,792	6	1		3									
Chelsea, Mass.	32,452	10	2		16		2	1	1			1		
Chicopee, Mass.	25,401	3	1	1	1								2	
Danville, Ill.	27,871	18	5				3					4		
Dubuque, Iowa.	38,494	10										1		
East Orange, N. J.	34,371	9	2		1		4	1			2		1	
Elmira, N. Y.	37,176	11	1		1							1		
El Paso, Tex.	39,279	22					4		1			5		
Everett, Mass.	33,484	8	2		2		1				1	1	1	
Fitchburg, Mass.	37,826	16	2								2	1		
Haverhill, Mass.	44,115	2			17		2					3		
Kalamazoo, Mich.	39,437	13	1		1		1				4	3	1	
Knoxville, Tenn.	36,346	17	1		1				3			5		
La Crosse, Wis.	30,417	19	7				1					2		
Lancaster, Pa.	47,227						1				1		1	
Lexington, Ky.	35,099	16	3		4		1				2	2		
Lynchburg, Va.	29,494	8	2		13		3				1		1	
Malden, Mass.	44,404	11	1		1		5				1	1		
Montgomery, Ala.	38,136	12			3				1		2	3		
Newcastle, Pa.	36,280		3				1						12	
Newport, Ky.	30,309	13	1								1	1		
Newton, Mass.	39,806	8			2							1		
Niagara Falls, N. Y.	30,445	15	3		1		1						4	1
Norristown, Pa.	27,875	14			29	1	2					1		
Orange, N. J.	29,630		1		10		1						2	
Pasadena, Cal.	30,291						3						1	
Pittsfield, Mass.	32,121	11	2											
Portsmouth, Va.	33,190	14	3				2		2			1		
Racine, Wis.	38,002	7	6											
Roanoke, Va.	34,874	13	3		13		2				3	1		1
Rockford, Ill.	45,401	27	2									1		1
Salem, Mass.	43,697	12			2		3					1		
San Diego, Cal.	39,578		1				1				6	6		
South Omaha, Nebr.	26,259	6									2	2		
Superior, Wis.	40,384	14	1				1					3		
Taunton, Mass.	34,259	15	1		3		2				1			
Waltham, Mass.	27,834	8			16		2					1		
West Hoboken, N. J.	35,403	17	6								3			
Wheeling, W. Va.	41,641	15	2		2		1				3		6	1
Williamsport, Pa.	31,860	7			1		1				2			
Wilmington, N. C.	25,748	14			1		2		7		1	3		
York, Pa.	44,750		2		1						2			
Zanesville, Ohio.	28,026	8	4		1								6	
<i>Cities having less than 25,000 inhabitants.</i>														
Ann Arbor, Mich.	14,817	9										1		
Beaver Falls, Pa.	12,191				1		2						3	
Bennington, Vt.		3					3							
Braddock, Pa.	19,957	8	2				1							
Butler, Pa.	20,782	10	2											
Cambridge, Ohio.	11,327	4												
Carbondale, Pa.	17,040	3					4							
Clinton, Mass.	13,075	6									1			
Coffeyville, Kans.	12,687		1										2	
Columbus, Ga.	20,554	5												
Concord, N. H.	21,497	11	1		1								4	1
Cumberland, Md.	21,839	10	1								1	1		
Dunkirk, N. Y.		2	4								1		1	
Galesburg, Ill.	22,089	4	1											
Harrison, N. J.	14,498	3	1											
Homestead, Pa.		5					1							

MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY—Continued.

Morbidity and mortality table, cities of the United States, for week ended Jan. 27, 1912—Continued.

Cities.	Popula- tion, United States census 1910.	Total deaths from all causes.	Diph- theria.		Measles.		Scarlet fever.		Small- pox.		Tuber- culosis.		Ty- phoid fever.	
			Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
<i>Cities having less than 25,000 inhabitants—Con.</i>														
Kearny, N. J.	18,659	7	2		1						3			
Kokomo, Ind.	17,010	7				4			4		1	1		
La Fayette, Ind.	20,081	6				1								
Lebanon, Pa.	19,240	7	4								9		1	
Logansport, Ind.	19,050	7	3	1							2	2		
Manistee, Mich.	12,381						8							
Marinette, Wis.	14,610	4	1		6									
Marlboro, Mass.	14,579	7	1								1	2		
Massillon, Ohio.		5												
Medford, Mass.	23,150	8			3		1				1			
Melrose, Mass.	15,715	5			7									
Moline, Ill.	24,199	7	1								1		1	2
Montclair, N. J.	21,150	8									1	1		
Morristown, N. J.	12,507	4									1			
Nanticoke, Pa.	18,857	6	1		14									
Newburyport, Mass.	19,240	4	1								1			
North Adams, Mass.	22,012	6	2	1	3		1				1			
Northampton, Mass.	19,431	8			5		3					1		
Ottumwa, Iowa.	22,012	12	1				1				1	2		
Peekskill, N. Y.		6	3								1	1		
Plainfield, N. Y.	22,250	2	1		3								1	
Portsmouth, N. H.					1									
Pottstown, Pa.		7										1		
Rutland, Vt.	18,713	3												
Saratoga Springs, N. Y.		6												
South Bethlehem, Pa.	19,973	13	1		8						4	3	1	
Steelton, Pa.	14,246	5	2						1	1	3	1		
Warren, Pa.	11,081	4											1	1
Wilksburg, Pa.	18,924	4	2				2							
Woburn, Mass.	15,308	5			2									

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY, STATES OF THE UNITED STATES (untabulated).

FLORIDA.—Week ended February 3, 1912. Reports from the State show diphtheria present in 5 localities with 13 cases, malaria in 1 locality with 2 cases, smallpox in 8 counties with 68 cases, tuberculosis in 9 localities with 20 cases, typhoid fever in 5 localities with 16 cases.

NEW JERSEY.—Month ended January 10, 1912. Population, 2,537,167. Total number of deaths from all causes 2,694, including diphtheria 46, measles 8, scarlet fever 11, tuberculosis 243, typhoid fever 30.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Reports received from the State department of health show as follows:

Mortality.—Month of November, 1911. Total number of deaths 8,591, including typhoid fever 173, scarlet fever 35, diphtheria 287, measles 19, whooping cough 44, influenza 68, malaria 1, tuberculosis of the lungs 669, tuberculosis of other organs 119, cancer 415,

diabetes 74, meningitis 46, acute anterior poliomyelitis 4, pneumonia 858, diarrhea and enteritis, under 2 years 289, diarrhea and enteritis, over 2 years 57, Bright's disease 551, early infancy 535, suicide 85, accidents in mines 93, railway injuries 117, other forms of violence 448, all other diseases 3,624.

Morbidity.—Month of December, 1911. Total number of cases of communicable diseases reported 10,311, including anterior poliomyelitis 14, anthrax 1, cerebrospinal meningitis 7, chickenpox 1,697, diphtheria 2,012, erysipelas 133, German measles 29, rabies 1, malarial fever 4, measles 1,651, mumps 341, pneumonia 649, puerperal fever 7, scarlet fever 947, smallpox 20, tetanus 9, trachoma 3, trichiniasis 2, tuberculosis 1,055, typhoid fever 1,000, whooping cough 729.

FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

HAWAII.

Death from Plague at Honokaa.

Chief Quarantine Officer Ramus at Honolulu reports, February 10, that a death from plague occurred at Honokaa February 9.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

A case of human plague was reported at Kapulena, Hawaii, October 28, 1911.

At Hilo the last case of human plague occurred March 23, 1910. At Honokaa, 60 miles from Hilo, a fatal case occurred April 20, 1911, and a fatal case February 9, 1912.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Honokaa December 18, 1911. A plague-infected rat was found at Hilo during the week ended June 10, 1911.

Honolulu—Plague-Prevention Work.

Chief Quarantine Officer Ramus reports:

	Week ended Jan. 13.	Week ended Jan. 20.
Total number of rats and mongoose taken.....	511	440
Rats trapped.....	487	421
Mongoose trapped.....	10	13
Rats shot from trees.....	14	6
Examined bacteriologically.....	451	381
Classification of rats trapped:		
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	66	34
<i>Mus musculus</i>	97	89
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>	20	30
<i>Mus rattus</i>	304	268
Classification of rats shot from trees:		
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	7	6
<i>Mus rattus</i>	7	6

Mosquito-eradication Measures at Honolulu.

The following statement of the work of mosquito destruction at Honolulu was received from Passed Asst. Surg. McCoy:

Mosquito-eradication measures conducted at Honolulu from Jan. 8 to 13, 1912, both inclusive.

Inspections of—	Total inspections.	Larvæ found in—	Cleaned.	Oiled.	Drained.	Emptied.	Collected.	Filled.	Ordered repaired.	Screened.	Stocked with fish that destroy mosquito larvæ.
Gutters, house.....	2,282	54	350	1,820							
Gutters, street.....	340	11		291							
Standing water.....	701	129		590	62			9			2
Cesspools.....	806	12	3	761					5		
Privy vaults.....	889			805							
Holes and low places.....	563	168		315	45			155			
Catch basins.....	235	6		161		38					
Leaky fixtures.....	61			4					57		
Swamps.....	21	5		8	2						
Ponds.....	40	3		9							3
Troughs and tanks.....	119	28		16		78					
Tubs and other receptacles.....	356	38		16		284					
Tin cans, bottles, etc.....	1,467	95					1,467				
Water barrels.....	245	86		15		55				129	
Vacant houses.....		1									
Holes in trees.....	1,121	51						1,121			
Tiger lilies.....	27	25				27					

Mosquito-eradication measures conducted at Honolulu from Jan. 15 to 20, 1912, both inclusive.

Inspections of—	Total inspections.	Larvæ found in—	Cleaned.	Oiled.	Drained.	Emptied.	Collected.	Filled.	Ordered repaired.	Screened.	Stocked with fish that destroy mosquito larvæ.
Gutters, house.....	2,844	86	541	2,050					3		
Gutters, street.....	108	18		88	15						
Standing water.....	1,234	202		751	41			5			
Cesspools.....	684	3	4	583				1			
Privy vaults.....	864			792							
Holes and low places.....	719	93		145	3			425			
Catch basins.....	222	16		28		38			7		
Leaky fixtures.....		73		4					48		
Plants, etc.....	1,310	224									
Swamps.....	10	2		1	1						3
Ponds.....	24	6		5	1						3
Troughs and tanks.....	155	50		11		62			3	41	1
Tubs and other receptacles.....	412	72		3		221					
Tin cans, bottles, etc.....	1,134	77					1,134				
Water barrels.....	215	182		40		55				5	
Vacant houses.....		4		2							
Holes in trees.....	421	19						421			

INDIA.

Calcutta—Cholera and Plague.

Acting Asst. Surg. Allan reports cholera and plague as follows:

Week ended December 16, 1911. At Calcutta, 28 deaths from cholera and 1 death from plague; in all Bengal, 530 cases of plague with 415 deaths; in all India, 9,951 cases of plague with 8,191 deaths.

Week ended December 23, 1911. At Calcutta, 24 deaths from cholera and 8 from plague; in all Bengal, 407 cases of plague with 329 deaths; in all India, 8,643 cases of plague with 7,189 deaths. Week ended December 30, 1911. At Calcutta, 21 deaths from cholera and 6 from plague; in all Bengal, 1,149 cases of plague with 947 deaths; in all India, 9,932 cases of plague with 7,903 deaths.

Karachi—Plague in 1911.

The following statement of plague in Karachi during the year 1911 was received from Consul Lupton:

The year ended December 31, 1911, was marked by a great increase in the number of cases of bubonic plague and deaths from the disease, there having been 3,273 cases and 3,046 deaths reported as against 1,727 cases and 1,661 deaths in 1910. With a total population of 149,000 this gives the following percentages:

	Cases per 1,000.	Deaths per 1,000.
1910.....	11.5+	11.1+
1911.....	21.9+	20.4+

PLAGUE—KARACHI, 1911.

Week ended—	Cases.	Deaths.	Week ended—	Cases.	Deaths.	Week ended—	Cases.	Deaths.
Jan. 7.....	15	15	May 6.....	285	272	Sept. 2.....	6	8
14.....	26	25	13.....	281	258	9.....	4	4
21.....	29	29	20.....	196	189	16.....	.....	.....
28.....	15	15	27.....	172	165	23.....	1	1
Feb. 4.....	41	40	June 3.....	80	81	30.....	2	1
11.....	49	50	10.....	40	40	Oct. 7.....	.....	.....
18.....	50	50	17.....	24	22	14.....	.....	.....
25.....	65	63	24.....	10	13	21.....	2	2
Mar. 4.....	95	79	July 1.....	6	4	28.....	2	2
11.....	101	94	8.....	5	4	Nov. 4.....	1	1
18.....	83	79	15.....	13	13	11.....	8	7
25.....	115	111	22.....	3	3	18.....	6	5
Apr. 1.....	168	154	29.....	6	6	25.....	2	1
8.....	299	265	Aug. 5.....	6	6	Dec. 2.....	3	3
15.....	281	261	12.....	4	4	9.....	2	1
22.....	351	309	19.....	3	2	16.....	3	3
29.....	328	309	26.....	5	2	23.....	1	1
						30.....	6	6

IRELAND.

Belfast—Typhus Fever.

Consul Hay reports that during the week ended December 16, 1911 3 cases of typhus fever were reported in Belfast and during the two weeks ended January 13, 1912, 2 cases, with 1 death.

ITALY.

No Cholera Reported.

According to information received from the ministry of foreign affairs no cases of cholera were reported in the Kingdom of Italy during the week ended January 6, 1912.

Florence—Typhus fever.

Consul Keena reports the occurrence of 7 deaths from typhus fever at Florence during the month of December, 1911.

Naples—Examination of Emigrants.

Surg. Geddings reports:

Vessels inspected at Naples and Palermo week ended January 20, 1912:

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Jan. 17	Canopic	Boston	740	165	830
18	Calabria	New York	145	24	290
20	Pannonia	do.			
	Total		885	189	1,120

PALERMO.

Jan. 18	Canopic	Boston	53	80	125
19	Calabria	New York	157	80	150
19	Pannonia	do.			
	Total		210	160	275

JAMAICA.

Kingston—Typhus Fever.

Consul Snyder reports the occurrence of a death from typhus fever at Kingston during the week ended January 13.

JAPAN.

Kobe—Examination of Rats.

Consul West reports: From January 1 to December 17, 1911, 354,291 rats were destroyed in Kobe. These were all examined for plague infection. No plague-infected rat was found.

JAVA.

Batavia—Typhus Fever.

Consul Rairden reports that during the three weeks ended December 30, 1911, 4 cases of typhus fever with 2 deaths were reported at Batavia.

MEXICO.

Restrictions on Account of Cerebrospinal Meningitis.

The superior board of health of Mexico has issued instructions, effective January 30, 1912, prohibiting the entry into Mexico, except at the frontier towns of Laredo, Ciudad Porfirio Diaz, Ciudad Juarez, and Nogales, and the ports of Tampico and Vera Cruz, of persons arriving from certain localities in Texas in which cerebrospinal meningitis is prevalent. The localities specifically mentioned are Taylor, Waco, Austin, Dallas, Houston, Italy, Teague, Fort Worth, Smithville, Clarksville, Rockwall, and Emory.

Smallpox.

The official report of smallpox at Magdalena, State of Sonora, dated January 24, shows as follows: Cases present in the isolation hospital 85; new cases, January 21 to 24, 5; deaths from smallpox during the same period 5.

At Mazatlan Consul Alger reports: Smallpox continues present, with 18 cases in the lazaretto. About 20 per cent of the population, including troops, school children, and employees in factories, have been vaccinated.

Merida—Yellow Fever.

During the week ended January 27, 1 case of yellow fever with 1 death was reported at Merida. The total number of cases reported since August 1, 1911, is 56, with 28 deaths.

RUSSIA.

Commission for the Suppression of Plague.

According to information received January 22 a commission appointed by the Imperial Government is at work in the Government of Astrakhan in carrying out measures for the suppression of plague.

TUNIS.

Status of Cholera.

According to information received from the ministry of foreign affairs at Paris 33 cases of cholera with 25 deaths were reported in the Regency of Tunis from December 22, 1911, to January 4, 1912.

TURKEY.

Cholera in Albania.

Information has been received of a cholera outbreak in the Province of Albania, European Turkey. To January 22, 17 cases with 8 deaths were reported at Janina and at Loros 12 cases.

VENEZUELA.

Caracas—Yellow Fever.

The sanitary commission at Caracas reports the occurrence of 6 cases of yellow fever during the period from December 15 to 31, 1911.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX.

REPORTS RECEIVED DURING WEEK ENDED FEB. 16, 1912.

[These tables include cases and deaths recorded in reports received by the Surgeon General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, from American consuls through the Department of State and from other sources.]

CHOLERA.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Arabia: Ras-el-Ketib.....	Dec. 27-Jan. 1.....			Total cases 22, deaths 12, mainly in the military hospital.
India: Calcutta.....	Dec. 10-30.....		73	Report for Dec. 23 not received.
Madras.....	Jan. 1-13.....	53	53	
Indo-China: Saigon.....	Dec. 18-24.....	311	212	
Tunis Regency.....	Dec. 22-Jan. 24.....	33	25	

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.

Reports Received during Week ended Feb. 16, 1912.

YELLOW FEVER.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Mexico:				
Merida.....	Jan. 21-27.....	1	1	
Portuguese Guinea:				
Bolama.....	Dec. 19-25.....	1	1	In an engineer on a vessel.
Venezuela:				
Caracas.....	Dec. 25-31.....	6		

PLAGUE.

Brazil:				
Para.....	Jan. 7-20.....	7	3	
China:				
Hongkong.....	Dec. 24-30.....	1	1	
Egypt.....				Total, year 1911: Cases, 1,656; deaths, 1,041.
Provinces—				
Assiout.....	Jan. 1-25.....	12	8	
Behera.....	do.....	3	2	
Garbieh.....	do.....	1		
Kena.....	do.....	1	1	
Minieh.....	do.....	2	1	
Hawaii:				
Honakaa.....	Feb. 9.....	1	1	
India:				
Bombay.....	Dec. 29-Jan. 13.....	17	13	
Calcutta.....	Dec. 14-30.....		10	
Karachi.....	Jan. 1-13.....	23	22	
Madras.....	Jan. 1-6.....	1	1	
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....	Dec. 18-24.....	3		
Singapore:				
Straits Settlements.....	Dec. 24-30.....	3	3	

SMALLPOX.

Arabia:				
Aden.....	Jan. 2-15.....	1	1	And vicinity.
Brazil:				
Rio de Janeiro.....	Dec. 24-Jan. 6.....	2		
Canada:				
Ottawa.....	Jan. 21-27.....	10		
Quebec.....	Jan. 28-Feb. 3.....	35		
China:				
Canton.....	Dec. 16-30.....	15	2	
Hongkong.....	Dec. 24-30.....	18	15	
Germany.....	Jan. 14-27.....	7		
India:				
Bombay.....	Dec. 31-Jan. 13.....	27	15	
Madras.....	Jan. 1-13.....	18	10	
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....	Dec. 18-24.....	2		
Italy:				
Leghorn.....	Jan. 14-27.....	28		
Naples.....	Jan. 14-20.....	6		
Palermo.....	Jan. 15-20.....	151	49	
Turin.....	Jan. 15-21.....	2		
Java:				
Batavia.....	Dec. 24-30.....	2		
Mexico:				
Aguascalientes.....	Jan. 21-28.....		1	
Chihuahua.....	Jan. 15-21.....	2		
Juarez.....	Jan. 21-Feb. 3.....	2	2	
Magdalena.....	Jan. 21-27.....		6	Cases in the lazaretto, 81.
Mazatlan.....	Jan. 24-30.....		4	Cases in the lazaretto, 18.
Sario.....	Jan. 21-27.....		6	
Russia:				
Moscow.....	Dec. 24-Jan. 13.....	9	3	
Odessa.....	do.....	3		
St. Petersburg.....	Dec. 31-Jan. 6.....	4	3	
Spain:				
Valencia.....	Jan. 14-27.....	35	1	

¹ From the Veröffentlichungen des Kaiserlichen Gesundheitsamtes, Jan. 31, 1912.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued

Reports Received during Week ended Feb. 16, 1912.

SMALLPOX—Continued.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	Dec. 18-30.....	3	2	
Turkey in Europe:				
Constantinople.....	Jan. 15-21.....		9	
Janina.....	Jan. 22.....	17	8	
Loros.....	do.....	12	7	
Uruguay:				
Montivideo.....	Nov. 1-30.....	4	1	
Venezuela:				
Caracas.....	Dec. 15-31.....	6		

REPORTS RECEIVED FROM DEC. 30, 1911, TO FEB. 9, 1912.

[For reports received from July 1, 1911, to Dec. 29, 1911, see PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS for Dec. 29, 1911. In accordance with custom, the tables of epidemic diseases are terminated semiannually and new tables begun.]

CHOLERA.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Arabia:				
Ras-el-Ketib.....	Dec. 27.....		2	In the military hospital.
Austria-Hungary:				
Coastland—				
Capodistria.....	Dec. 14-24.....	2	2	
Croatia and Slavonia.....				Total Oct. 22-Dec. 16: Cases, 36.
Sriem.....	Oct. 22-Dec. 16.....	36		
Hungary.....				Total Nov. 19-Dec. 23: Cases, 37.
Bacs-Bodog.....	Dec. 10-16.....	9		
Jasz-Nagykun-Szolnok.....	Dec. 3-23.....	11		
Torontal.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 16.....	17	2	
Bulgaria:				
Burgas.....	Nov. 22-23.....	2	2	
Varna.....	Nov. 6.....	1		
Dutch East Indies.....				Total Sept. 24-Oct. 9: Cases, 322; deaths, 256.
Batavia.....	Nov. 12-Dec. 23.....	21	8	
India:				
Calcutta.....	Nov. 5-Dec. 9.....		204	
Madras.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 30.....	347	277	Madras Presidency, Dec. 1-31: Cases, 3,879; deaths, 2,412.
Rangoon.....	Oct. 1-Nov. 30.....	6	3	
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....	Nov. 20-Dec. 17.....	203	169	
Italy.....				Total June 8-Dec. 31: Cases, 15,985; deaths, 6,022.
Provinces—				
Caltanissetta.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 31.....	9	7	
Girgenti.....	do.....	105	57	
Messina.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 2.....	3	2	
Syracuse.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 23.....	15	9	
Malta.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 10.....	6	6	Dec. 23 declared free from cholera.
Montenegro.....	Nov. 4-11.....	9	5	
Persia:				
Adaban.....	Nov. 4.....	1	1	
Philippine Islands:				
Province—				
Union.....	Oct. 29-Dec. 4.....	5	5	
Roumania.....				Total Sept. 9-Dec. 13: Cases, 192; deaths, 42, including cases previously reported.
Districts—				
Braila.....	Sept. 11-Dec. 13.....	84	11	Nov. 6-23: 1 death; including cases previously reported.
Convouiri.....	Oct. 31-Nov. 28.....	21	1	
Dolju.....	Nov. 6-Dec. 13.....	19	4	
Jalonitsa.....	Oct. 31-Nov. 28.....	4		
Konstansa.....	Oct. 30-Nov. 28.....	8		
Prahova.....	Nov. 6-23.....	1	1	
Talomita.....	do.....	2		
Tulcea.....	Nov. 24-Dec. 13.....	15	1	
Servia:				
Belgrade, district.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 16.....		1	Declared free Dec. 31.

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.

Reports Received from Dec. 30, 1911, to Feb. 9, 1912.

CHOLERA—Continued.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Siam:				
Bangkok.....	Nov. 5-Dec. 2.....		149	
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	Nov. 5-18.....	3	3	
Tripoli:				
Tripoli.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 10.....			150 to 200 among the civil population and 25 to 30 among the military, Dec. 21, 1911.
Tunis Regency.....				Total Nov. 25-Dec. 21: Cases, 325; deaths, 371.
Beja district.....	Nov. 25-Dec. 7.....	30	35	
Bizerta district.....	Nov. 25-Dec. 5.....	9	15	
Turkey in Asia:				
Adana.....	Dec. 2-6.....	16	5	
Aleppo.....	Jan. 26.....			Present.
Amara.....	Oct. 15.....	1	1	
Basra.....	Oct. 22-28.....	14	10	
Erzeroum, vilayet.....	Sept. 11-16.....	50	28	
Erzeroum.....	do.....	11	8	
Kaifa.....	Dec. 8.....			Present.
Kerbelah.....	Oct. 20-28.....	10	10	
Kharput.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 30.....	47	47	
Jiddah.....	Dec. 2-24.....	323	210	
Mekka.....	Dec. 4-24.....	905	879	Sept. 1-Dec. 24: Cases, 1,648; deaths, 1,545.
Mersina.....	Dec. 1-7.....	2	1	
Osmania.....	Dec. 1-6.....	2	4	
Sinope.....	Dec. 7.....	2	1	
Trebizond and vicinity.....	Sept. 18-23.....	64	34	
Tripoli.....	Jan. 4.....			Present.
Turkey in Europe:				
Constantinople.....	Oct. 24-Jan. 2.....	6	1	
Durazzo.....	Dec. 7-13.....	2	2	
Saloniki, vilayet.....	Nov. 6-19.....	4	3	In Serres.

YELLOW FEVER.

Brazil:				
Manaos.....	Nov. 19-Jan. 6.....		8	
Para.....	Dec. 9-16.....	1	1	
Ecuador:				
Bucay.....	Nov. 16-30.....	2	2	
Duran.....	Dec. 1-15.....	3	2	
Guayaquil.....	Nov. 16-Dec. 15.....	20	11	
Milagro.....	do.....	8	1	
Mexico:				
Espita.....	Dec. 31-Jan. 6.....	1		
Maxcanu.....	do.....	1		
Merida.....	Nov. 12-Jan. 20.....	10	7	Total Aug. 1-Jan. 20: Cases, 55; deaths, 27.
Temax.....	Dec. 31-Jan. 6.....	1		
Venezuela:				
Caracas.....	Nov. 16-Dec. 7.....	11		
Sabana Grande.....	Dec. 12.....			Epidemic.
At sea.....	Dec. 17-23.....	1	1	On a vessel en route from Manaos to Para.

PLAGUE.

Algeria:				
Phillippeville.....	Oct. 19-Nov. 11.....	8	2	Including 5 cases, p. 2096. Vol. XXVI.
Brazil:				
Bahia.....	Sept. 1-30.....		2	
Para.....	Dec. 24-30.....	5	1	
Pernambuco.....	Oct. 16-Jan. 16.....		4	
Rio de Janeiro.....	Nov. 12-Dec. 23.....	6	3	
British East Africa:				
Kismayu.....	Oct. 15-25.....	2		1 case pneumonic.
Chile:				
Iquique.....	Nov. 12-Jan. 6.....	10	4	
Pisagua.....	Nov. 1-30.....	8		

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.

Reports Received from Dec. 30, 1911, to Feb. 9, 1912.

PLAGUE—Continued.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
China:				
Amoy.....	Jan. 15.....			Present.
Hongkong.....	Dec. 9-23.....	3	2	
Dutch East Indies:				
Java.....				Total Mar. 1-Dec. 9: Cases, 1,777; deaths, 1,262.
Paseroean Residency, Malang District.	Nov. 12-Dec. 30....	56	25	
Soerobaya.....	Oct. 17-27.....	2		
German East Africa:				
Dar-es-Salaam.....	Nov. 13-15.....	1	1	From the interior via Bergamogo.
Ecuador:				
Guayaquil.....	Nov. 16-Dec. 15....	102	42	
Egypt.....				Total Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 1911: Cases, 1,656; deaths, 1,041, including cases previously reported.
Provinces—				
Assiout.....	Oct. 14-Dec. 27....	38	36	
Behera.....	Oct. 15-Dec. 26....	3	1	
Galioubeh.....	Oct. 5-Dec. 26....	1		
Kena.....	Nov. 20-Dec. 13....	3	3	
Minieh.....	Dec. 13.....	1		
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 30....	57	53	
Calcutta.....	Nov. 11-Dec. 9.....		30	
Karachi.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 30....	15	14	Total, year 1911: Cases, 3,273; deaths, 3,046.
Rangoon.....	Oct. 1-Nov. 30....	38	39	
Bombay Presidency and Sind.....	Oct. 29-Dec. 9.....	27,376	19,684	
Madras Presidency.....	do.....	3,589	2,886	
Bengal.....	do.....	1,537	1,136	
United Provinces.....	do.....	6,139	4,975	
Punjab.....	do.....	820	579	
Burma.....	do.....	90	84	
Central Provinces.....	do.....	3,803	2,838	
Coorg.....	do.....	45	22	
Mysore State.....	do.....	3,600	2,787	
Hyderabad State.....	do.....	6,012	5,651	
Central India.....	do.....	3,403	2,825	
Rajputana and Ajmere Merwara.....	do.....	302	246	
North West Province.....	do.....	1	1	Total for India, Oct. 29-Dec. 9: Cases, 56,717; deaths, 43,714.
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....	Nov. 13-Dec. 17....	12	5	
Mauritius.....	Nov. 3-23.....	13	8	
Natal:				
Durban.....	Jan. 17.....		1	
Peru:				
Salaverry.....	Dec. 25-Jan. 9.....			Present in vicinity.
Philippine Islands:				
Cebu quarantine station.....	Dec. 4.....	1		On s. s. Montrose from Shanghai.
Russian Empire:				
Astrakhan, government.....	Nov. 28-Dec. 20....	87	84	
Siam:				
Bangkok.....	Nov. 4-Dec. 2.....		2	
Straits Settlements:				
Singapore.....	Nov. 5-Dec. 16....	12	11	

SMALLPOX.

Algeria:				
Algiers.....	Nov. 1-30.....		1	
Arabia:				
Aden.....	Nov. 28-Jan. 1.....	4	2	
Argentina:				
Buenos Aires.....	Oct. 1-31.....		6	
Rosario.....	Oct. 1-Nov. 30....		31	
Austria-Hungary:				
Galicia.....	Dec. 24-30.....	1		
Trieste.....	Dec. 3-9.....	1		From s. s. Baron Call from Beirut.
Brazil:				
Bahia.....	July 1-31.....		1	
Pernambuco.....	Oct. 16-Nov. 30....		246	Report for Oct. 1-15 not received.
Rio de Janeiro.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 2.....	1	1	

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX—Continued.

Reports Received from Dec. 30, 1911, to Feb. 9, 1912.

SMALLPOX—Continued.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
Canada:				
British Columbia—				
Nelson	Dec. 24-30.....	1		
Manitoba—				
Winnipeg.....	Jan. 14-20.....	1		
Ontario—				
Kingston.....	Dec. 19-23.....	1		
Ottawa.....	Dec. 10-Jan. 20.....	35		
Sarnia.....	Oct. 17-Dec. 31.....	42		
Toronto.....	Jan. 6-13.....		1	
Quebec—				
Montreal.....	Dec. 17-Jan. 27.....	8		
Quebec.....	Dec. 10-Jan. 27.....	160	1	
Ceylon:				
Colombo.....	Nov. 12-18.....	1		
Chile:				
Iquique.....	Dec. 10-16.....	2		
La Serena.....	Nov. 21-30.....	14		
Talcahuano.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 23.....	14	3	
Valparaiso.....	Dec. 3-9.....	43		
China:				
Canton.....	Nov. 11-Dec. 16.....	25	4	
Chungking.....	Nov. 18-25.....			Present.
Hongkong.....	Nov. 12-Dec. 23.....	54	41	
Nanking.....	Dec. 10-16.....			Do.
Shanghai.....	Dec. 11-17.....		1	
Cuba:				
Habana.....	Dec. 19-Jan. 19.....	2		Case Dec. 19 from German s. s. Frankenwald from Spain and Canary Islands, case Jan. 19 from s. s. Mexico.
Egypt:				
Cairo.....	Dec. 10-16.....	1		
France:				
Marseille.....	Nov. 1-30.....		1	
Paris.....	Dec. 3-Jan. 13.....	43	2	
Germany.....				Total, Dec. 31-Jan. 13: cas's, 2.
India:				
Bombay.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 30.....	44	24	
Calcutta.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 23.....		16	
Madras.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 30.....	22	13	
Rangoon.....	Oct. 1-Nov. 30.....	29	9	
Indo-China:				
Saigon.....	Nov. 13-Dec. 10.....	18		
Italy:				
Genoa.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 15.....	20	1	
Leghorn.....	Dec. 16-Jan. 13.....	56	1	
Messina.....	Nov. 19-Dec. 31.....		5	
Naples.....	Dec. 3-Jan. 6.....	36		
Palermo.....	Nov. 26-Jan. 13.....	1,652	546	
Japan:				
Arima-Mura.....	Nov. 12-18.....	6	1	11 miles east from Kobe.
Kanagawa, ken.....	Dec. 17-23.....	1		
Java:				
Batavia.....	Nov. 12-Dec. 23.....	15	4	
Malta.....	Dec. 24-Jan. 6.....	2	1	
Mexico:				
Aguascalientes.....	Dec. 18-Jan. 7.....		2	
Chihuahua.....	Nov. 20-Jan. 14.....	62	19	
Coahuila, State.....	Oct. 1-30.....		16	
Guadalajara.....	Jan. 14-20.....		1	
Juarez.....	Dec. 19-Jan. 20.....	5	2	
Magdalena.....	Dec. 23-Jan. 31.....		37	Jan. 31, 81 cases present.
Mazatlan.....	Dec. 11-Jan. 23.....		5	
Mexico.....	Nov. 26-Dec. 30.....	34	18	
Monterey.....	Dec. 11-24.....		2	
Porfirio Diaz.....	Dec. 3-Jan. 22.....		26	
San Antonio.....	Jan. 1-21.....	12	9	
San Carlos.....	Jan. 1-21.....			Present.
Sandoval.....	Dec. 16.....			Do.
San Ignacio.....	Jan. 8.....	3		
Santa Ana.....	do.....	4		
San Luis Potosi.....	Nov. 12-Dec. 2.....	3		
Tampico.....	Dec. 1-31.....	4	4	
Tapachula.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31.....		14	
Portugal:				
Lisbon.....	Dec. 9-Jan. 6.....	19		

MORTALITY—Continued.

Weekly mortality table, foreign and insular cities—Continued.

Cities.	Week ended—	Estimated population.	Total deaths from all causes.	Deaths from—										
				Tuberculosis.	Plague.	Cholera.	Yellow fever.	Smallpox.	Typhus fever.	Typhoid fever.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Whooping cough.
Copenhagen.....	Jan. 6	465,000	148	17								1	3	1
Dublin.....	...do.	406,536	191	33								4	6	1
Do.....	Jan. 13		179	25						2		3	3	3
Do.....	Jan. 20		212	35						4		3	1	6
Dundee.....	...do.	171,006	57	3								4		1
Edinburgh.....	Jan. 20	321,200	118	13						1		1		1
Georgetown.....	Jan. 6	56,000	53	4						1				
Gibraltar.....	Jan. 21	25,367	13							1				
Glasgow.....	Jan. 26	785,600	286									3	43	4
Gothenburg.....	Jan. 13	170,100	43	10						3				1
Do.....	Jan. 20		50	4								1		1
Halifax.....	Feb. 3	41,000	15	2								1		
Hamburg.....	Jan. 20	953,079	258	31						1		3	8	2
Havre.....	Jan. 20	136,159	72	12								1	2	2
Hongkong.....	Dec. 30	336,488			1			15				2		
Juarez.....	Feb. 27	6,500	14					2						
Do.....	Feb. 2		6											
Karachi.....	Jan. 6	148,000	93		15									
Do.....	Jan. 13	149,000	91		7									
Kobe.....	Jan. 7	404,851	166											
Leeds.....	Jan. 20	445,568	134	22								1	6	4
Leghorn.....	...do.	104,000	49											
Leith.....	...do.	81,000	28	3								2	1	
Libau.....	Feb. 7	90,000								1		1		
Do.....	Feb. 14									1		1		
Do.....	Feb. 21									1		1		
Liege.....	Jan. 13	167,521	48	5										1
Liverpool.....	Jan. 20	752,055	253	24								2	7	1
Lubec.....	Jan. 13	100,000	36	4										
Madras.....	Jan. 6	518,660	618		1	34		4					2	
Do.....	Jan. 13		530			19		6						
Manchester.....	Jan. 20	631,533	226	32						1	1	6	14	4
Montreal.....	Feb. 3	466,197	160	35						1	3	12		
Moscow.....	Dec. 30	1,500,000	785	99						3	15	17	40	7
Do.....	Jan. 6		692	77						3	16	22	27	4
Do.....	Jan. 13		806	99				2	1	3	16	19	37	6
Valencia.....	Jan. 20	240,000	95	5						1		2		
Do.....	Jan. 27		122	3				1				1		
Winnipeg.....	...do.	151,958	42	1								2	1	

MORTALITY—FOREIGN AND INSULAR COUNTRIES AND CITIES
(untabulated).

ALGERIA—*Algiers*.—Month of December, 1911. Population, 172,397. Total number of deaths from all causes 317, including tuberculosis 59, typhoid fever 13.

ARGENTINA—*Buenos Aires*.—Month of November, 1911. Population, 1,351,663. Total number of deaths from all causes 2,025, including diphtheria 18, measles 16, scarlet fever 5, tuberculosis 211, typhoid fever 12.

BRAZIL—*Santos*.—Two weeks ended December 9, 1911. Population, 85,000. Total number of deaths from all causes 64, including diphtheria 2, measles 3.

GERMANY—*Kehl*.—Month of December, 1911. Population, 180,193. Total number of deaths from all causes 227, including diphtheria 1, scarlet fever 3, tuberculosis 28, typhoid fever 1.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Week ended January 13, 1912.

England and Wales.—The deaths registered in 77 great towns correspond to an annual rate of 15.4 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 17,559,219.

Ireland.—The deaths registered in 21 principal town districts correspond to an annual rate of 20.3 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 1,157,014. The lowest rate was recorded at Newry, viz., 8.7 per 1,000, and the highest at Kilkenny, viz., 54.6 per 1,000.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 18 towns correspond to an annual rate of 2 per 1,000 of the population, which is estimated at 2,182,400. The highest rate was recorded at Aberdeen, viz., 21.9, and the lowest at Partick, viz., 11.4 per 1,000. The total number of deaths from all causes was 781, including diphtheria 10, measles 41, scarlet fever 6, typhoid fever 3.

ITALY—Florence.—Month of December, 1911. Population, 232,860. Total number of deaths from all causes 380, including diphtheria 1, measles 1, tuberculosis 50, typhus fever 7.

Genoa.—Two weeks ended January 15, 1912. Population 272,077. Total number of deaths from all causes 150, including diphtheria 1, tuberculosis 44.

MALTA.—Two weeks ended January 6, 1912. Population 213,395. Total number of deaths from all causes 111, including diphtheria 2, measles 1, smallpox 1, tuberculosis 9.

SOUTH AFRICA—Johannesburg.—Month of December, 1911. Population 237,220. Total number of deaths from all causes 420, including diphtheria 2, measles 1, tuberculosis 61, typhoid fever 17.

SPAIN—Huelva.—Month of December, 1911. Population 28,982. Total number of deaths from all causes 59, including tuberculosis 6.

TAHITI.—Four weeks ended January 19, 1912. Population, 4,000. Total number of deaths from all causes 14. No contagious diseases.

TURKS' ISLANDS.—Two weeks ended January 27, 1912. Population, 1,681. Total number of deaths from all causes 3. No contagious diseases.

URUGUAY—Montevideo.—Month of November, 1911. Population, 321,224. Total number of deaths from all causes 421, including diphtheria 1, smallpox 1, tuberculosis 78, typhoid fever 1.

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