

RECORD OF MORTALITY

FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 1898.

Cities.	Estimated population.	Reported deaths in each.	Deaths under five years.	Percentage of deaths from				
				Infectious diseases.	Acute lung diseases.	Diarrheal diseases.	Diphtheria and croup.	Measles.
New York	3,438,899	1171	439	10.08	17.76	1.12	3.60	1.92
Chicago	1,619,226	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Philadelphia	1,214,256	445	133	9.20	13.11	1.15	3.22	1.61
Brooklyn	1,160,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. Louis	570,000	189	35	5.27	26.50	.53	2.12	1.06
Baltimore	550,000	229	101	7.48	17.60	.44	2.20	.88
Boston	517,732	219	66	8.74	16.56	—	3.22	.92
Cincinnati	405,000	126	—	5.53	22.33	—	.79	—
Cleveland	350,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pittsburg	285,000	91	34	14.17	18.53	4.36	—	3.27
Washington	277,000	105	18	11.52	8.64	2.18	2.18	—
Milwaukee	275,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worcester	105,050	49	19	15.78	31.56	—	—	—
Nashville	87,754	21	0	—	19.04	—	—	—
Fall River	95,919	33	15	12.12	15.15	12.12	—	—
Lowell	87,193	35	6	2.89	25.74	—	2.80	—
Cambridge	86,812	23	10	17.40	8.70	—	—	—
Lynn	65,220	22	6	—	8.30	—	—	—
Charleston	65,165	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Bedford	62,416	23	9	17.40	8.70	—	—	—
Lawrence	55,510	13	6	—	15.38	—	—	—
Springfield	54,790	19	5	—	15.78	—	—	—
Holyoke	42,364	16	3	12.50	—	12.50	—	—
Portland	40,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Salem	36,062	11	3	—	9.09	—	—	—
Brockton	35,853	12	1	—	8.33	—	—	—
Malden	32,894	11	1	—	9.09	—	—	—
Chelsea	32,716	16	6	—	12.50	—	—	—
Haverhill	31,406	12	2	—	16.66	—	—	—
Gloucester	29,775	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Newton	28,990	8	4	—	50.00	—	—	—
Fitchburg	28,392	8	2	—	25.00	—	—	—
Taunton	27,812	8	1	—	61.50	—	—	—
Quincy	22,562	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pittsfield	21,891	2	0	—	50.00	—	—	—
Waltham	21,812	7	0	—	14.28	—	—	—
Everett	21,575	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Northampton	17,448	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Newburyport	14,794	4	0	—	25.00	—	—	—
Amesbury	10,920	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Deaths reported 3,024; under five years of age 1,018; principal infectious diseases (small-pox, measles, diphtheria and croup, cerebro-spinal meningitis, diarrheal diseases, whooping-cough, erysipelas and fevers) 260, acute lung diseases 427, consumption 321, diphtheria and croup 80, measles 40, diarrheal diseases 35, whooping-cough 32, typhoid fever 27, scarlet fever 21, cerebro-spinal meningitis 20, erysipelas 5.

From whooping-cough New York 16, Philadelphia 5, Cincinnati and Cambridge 3 each, Boston and Worcester 2 each, Baltimore 1. From typhoid fever Philadelphia and Pittsburg 6 each, Baltimore 5, Washington 4, Boston 3, New York 2. From scarlet fever New York 16, Philadelphia 2, St. Louis, Baltimore and Cambridge 1 each. From erysipelas New York 3, Philadelphia and Washington 1 each.

In the thirty-three greater towns of England and Wales, with an estimated population of 11,218,378, for the week ending April 16th, the death-rate was 19.5. Deaths reported 4,201; acute diseases of the respiratory organs (London) 305, measles 219, whooping-cough 114, diphtheria 70, scarlet fever 33, fever 29, diarrhoea 22, small-pox (London) 1.

The death-rates ranged from 12.5 in Preston to 27.5 in Liverpool; Birmingham 18.1, Bolton 14.0, Bradford 21.4, Cardiff 16.7, Derby 18.4, Gateshead 25.6, Hull 19.3, Leeds 22.0, Leicester 24.2, London 19.1, Manchester 22.0, Newcastle-on-Tyne 26.0, Nottingham 16.1, Oldham 24.6, Sheffield 16.5, Sunderland 18.5.

OFFICIAL LIST OF CHANGES IN THE STATIONS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS SERVING IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, U. S. ARMY, FROM APRIL 23, 1898, TO APRIL 29, 1898.

CAPTAIN LEONARD WOOD, assistant surgeon, is relieved from duty in this city, Washington, D. C., and will proceed to the following named places, in the order designated, for duty in connection with the recruitment of a regiment of mounted riflemen, to be organized under Section 7 of the Act of Congress approved April 22, 1898: Guthrie, O. T., Santa Fé, N. M., Phoenix, A. T., Carson City, Nev., Salt Lake City, Utah, Cheyenne, Wyo., Boise City, Idaho.

MAJOR WILLIAM C. SHANNON, surgeon, having been found by an Army Retiring Board incapacitated for active service on account of disability incident to the service, his retirement from

active service, this date, by the President, is announced, April 23, 1898.

FIRST-LIEUT. BENJAMIN BROOKE, assistant surgeon, is retired from active service, as a Captain, upon the finding of an examining board that he is disqualified for the duties of assistant surgeon with the rank of Captain, by reason of disability incident to the service, to date from April 20, 1898.

OFFICIAL LIST OF CHANGES OF STATIONS AND DUTIES OF COMMISSIONED OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE FOR THE FOURTEEN DAYS ENDING APRIL 28, 1898.

IRWIN, FAIRFAX, surgeon. To proceed to Reedy Island Quarantine as inspector. April 26, 1898.

CARTER, H. R., surgeon. To assume command of Camp Fontainebleau, Miss., in addition to other duties. April 25, 1898.

BROOKS, S. D., passed assistant surgeon. To proceed to Port Townsend, Wash., and inspect unseaworthy property. April 18, 1898. To represent Service at meeting of Washington State Medical Society at Seattle, Wash., May 10-12, 1898. April 18, 1898.

MAGRUDER, G. M., passed assistant surgeon. To proceed to Little Rock, Ark., for special temporary duty. April 23, 1898.

GEDDINGS, H. D., passed assistant surgeon. To proceed to Egmont Key, Fla., for special temporary duty and then to proceed to Tampa, Fla., and await orders. April 23, 1898.

WERTENBAKER, C. P., passed assistant surgeon. To proceed to Columbia, S. C., for special temporary duty. April 23, 1898. Upon completion of duty at Columbia, S. C., to proceed to Sumter, S. C., for special temporary duty. April 28, 1898.

TABB, S. R., assistant surgeon. Granted extension of leave of absence for one day. April 15, 1898.

HASTINGS, HILL, assistant surgeon. To report at Bureau for special temporary duty. April 20, 1898.

THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

DENVER MEETING, JUNE 7-10, 1898.

Railroad Rates: The Western Passenger Association has granted a rate to Denver and return of one-half fare, plus \$2.00, thirty-day limit, for business from Chicago, St. Louis and intermediate points. Tickets on sale June 2d, 4th and 5th, east of the Missouri River; 5th and 6th west of the Missouri River. A round trip rate of \$20.00, thirty-day limit, from Ogden and Salt Lake, is also announced. Application for similar rates has been made to all other Passenger Associations and to railroads not controlled by them. Announcement of other rates and rules governing the sale of tickets will be made in *The Journal of the Association* as soon as decisions are received.

CORRECTION.

In the report of the proceedings of the Surgical Section of the Suffolk District Medical Society published in the *JOURNAL* of April 28th, p. 399, by inadvertence it was not stated that the communication on the "Sterilization of Catgut" read by Dr. R. M. Pearce was written and sent by Dr. Charles Harrington, who was unable to be present.

PAUL THORNDIKE, M.D., *Secretary, Surgical Section.*

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.

Faulty Metabolism; Nutrition and Growth. By W. A. Walker, M.D., New York. Reprint. 1898.

Some Remarks and Reports upon Specimens in Abdominal Surgery. By H. O. Walker, M.D., Detroit, Mich. Reprint.

Fifteenth Annual Report of the Superintendent of Health, of the City of Providence, for the Year ending December 31, 1897.

Massage, Movements and Bandaging in the Treatment of Displaced Semilunar Cartilages. By Douglas Graham, M.D., Boston, Mass. Reprint. 1896.

Diabetes Mellitus and its Treatment. By R. T. Williamson, M.D. (Lond.), M.R.C.P., Medical Registrar, Manchester Royal Infirmary; Hon. Medical Officer, Pendleton Dispensary (Salford Royal Hospital); Assistant to the Professor of Medicine, Owens College, Manchester. With 18 illustrations (two colored). Edinburgh and London: Young J. Pentland. 1898.

The Genesis and Dissolution of the Faculty of Speech, a Clinical and Psychological Study of Aphasia. By Joseph Collins, M.D., Professor of Diseases of the Mind and Nervous System in the New York Post-Graduate Medical School; Neurologist to the New York City Hospital, to the St. John's Guild Free Hospital for Children and to the Post-Graduate Hospital, etc. Awarded the Alvarenga Prize of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, 1897. New York: The MacMillan Co. 1898.