Deaths reported 2,148: under five years of age 754; principal infectious diseases (small-pox, measles, diphtheria and croup, diarrhoeal diseases, whooping-cough, erysipelas and fevers) 279, acute lung diseases 396, consumption 317, diphtheria and croup 97, scarlet fever 41, measles 25, typhoid fever 25, diarrhoeal diseases 25, whooping-cough 24, cerebro-spinal meningitis 17, erysipelas 10, malarial fever six, small-pox five, puerperal fever four. From measles, Baltimore and District of Columbia nine each. New York three, Pittsburgh two, Milwaukee and Gloucester one each. From diarrhoeal diseases New York 11, Philadelphia five, Boston, Nashville and Fall River two each, District of Columbia, Cambridge and Fitchburg one each. From whooping-cough Philadelphia seven, Boston six, New York four, Baltimore three, Pittsburgh two, Chelsea and Taunton one each. From erysipelas, New York four, Philadelphia two, Baltimore, Boston, Worcester and Lowell one each. From cerebro-spinal meningitis, Lowell six, New York three, Milwaukee and Lynn two each, Philadelphia, District of Columbia, Worcester and Fall River one each. Malarial fever New York and Philadelphia, two each, Baltimore and Nashville one each. From small-

pox New York four, Philadelphia one. From puerperal fever, Milwaukee two, Baltimore and District of Columbia one each.

In the 28 greater towns of England and Wales with an estimated population of 9,398,273, for the week ending March 17th, the death-rate was 20.3. Deaths reported 3,656: infants under one year of age 812; acute diseases of the respiratory organs (London) 458, whooping-cough 148, scarlet fever 49, measles 46, fevers 33, diarrhoea 30, diphtheria 33, small-pox (Sheffield 18, Huddersfield, Manchester and Bristol two each) 24.

The death-rates ranged from 12.8 in Leicester to 31.6 in Blackburn: Birmingham 16.5; Bolton 24.4; Bradford 22.7; Halifax 24.1; Hull 15.5; Leeds 19.3; Liverpool 20.1; London 19.5; Manchester 24.7; Newcastle-on-Tyne 20.9; Norwich 26.2; Nottingham 19.4; Sheffield 21.2; Sunderland 22.2. In Edinburgh 17.3; Glasgow 27.0; Dublin 29.0.

The meteorological record for the week ending March 31, in Boston, was as follows, according to observations furnished by Sergeant J. W. Smith, of the United States Signal Corps:—

Week ending	Barom-eter.	Thermometer.			Relative Humidity.				Direction of Wind.			Velocity of Wind.			State of Weather. ¹			Rainfall.	
	Daily Mean.	Daily Mean.	Maximum.	Minimum.	7.00 A. M.	3.00 P. M.	10.00 P. M.	Daily Mean.	7.00 A. M.	3.00 P. M.	10.00 P. M.	7.00 A. M.	3.00 P. M.	10.00 P. M.	7.00 A. M.	3.00 P. M.	10.00 P. M.	Duration, Hrs. & Min.	Amount in Inches.
Saturday, Mar. 31, 1888.																			
Sunday, ... 25	30.54	25.0	33.0	13.0	55.0	37.0	48.0	47.0	W.	S.W.	S.W.	12	16	7	C.	C.	F.	12	.23
Monday, ... 26	30.49	31.0	34.0	27.0	67.0	90.0	95.0	84.0	W.	E.	E.	11	18	12	O.	R.	R.	8	.43
Tuesday, ... 27	30.24	37.0	40.0	32.0	96.0	88.0	95.0	93.0	N.E.	N.	N.E.	12	6	14	O.	O.	R.	8	.32
Wednes... 28	29.88	42.0	48.0	33.0	100.0	79.0	85.0	88.0	N.	W.	W.	16	8	10	R.	O.	O.	8	.20
Thursday, 29	29.80	42.0	48.0	37.0	100.0	61.0	65.0	75.0	S.W.	W.	W.	9	18	15	R.	O.	C.	10	
Friday, ... 30	30.15	42.0	51.0	32.0	69.0	37.0	54.0	53.0	S.W.	W.	S.	12	18	8	C.	F.	O.		
Saturday, 31	29.96	43.0	53.0	37.0	59.0	52.0	56.0	56.0	W.	W.	W.	14	26	12	C.	F.	C.		
Mean, the Week.	30.151	37.4	44.0	30.0				70.9										38	1.18

¹ O., cloudy; C., clear; F., fair; G., fog; H., hazy; S., smoky; R., rain; T., threatening; N., Snow; *T., trace of rainfall.

OFFICIAL LIST OF CHANGES OF STATIONS AND DUTIES OF MEDICAL OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE, FOR THE FOUR WEEKS ENDED APRIL 7, 1888.

ARMSTRONG, S. T., passed assistant surgeon. Granted leave of absence for fourteen days. March 21, 1888.

BRATTON, W. D., passed assistant surgeon. Promoted and appointed passed assistant surgeon from April 6, 1888. April 2, 1888.

SOCIETY NOTICE.

MIDDLESEX SOUTH DISTRICT MEDICAL SOCIETY.—The Annual Meeting will be held in Roberts Hall, 710 Main Street, Waltham, on Wednesday, April 18, 1888, at 1 o'clock P.M. The annual address will be delivered at 2 o'clock, by Dr. H. P. Walcott of Cambridge. The Censors of the Society will meet at the same place at 12.30 A.M., of the same day, to consider applications for admission to the Massachusetts Medical Society. Dinner will be served at 3 o'clock, for which probably no assessment will be made. Telephone call, 7635.

WALTER ELA, Secretary.

CAMBRIDGE, April 11, 1888.

OFFICERS OF THE NEW YORK NEUROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

At the Annual meeting of the New York Neurological Society held April 3d, Dr. George W. Jacoby was elected President. Drs. C. L. Dana and M. A. Starr, Vice-Presidents, and Dr. B. Sachs, Recording Secretary.

WILLIAM B. GOLDSMITH, M.D.

The New England Psychological Society, having learned the painful news of the death of a highly valued and beloved member, Dr. William B. Goldsmith, Superintendent of the Butler Asylum at Providence, R. I., recalls with a deep sense of its great loss, his high character, exceptional ability and refined and genuine nature.

Resolved, That such has been the influence of his opinion, based upon his solid attainments and great devotion to his work, that broader views of the treatment of the insane and deeper insight into mental disease, have come to many of us, his fellow-workers.

Resolved, That by his death is lost a tried and considerate friend, a judicious and helpful counsellor, and a courteous and cultivated associate.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to communicate these resolutions to the family of our deceased friend, and to extend to them our profound sympathy in their sorrow.

H. R. STEDMAN, M.D.
THOS. W. FISHER, M.D. } Committee.
C. P. BANCROFT, M.D.

WALTER CHANNING, M.D., Secretary.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.

Transactions of the Ninth Annual Meeting of the American Laryngological Association, held in the City of New York, May 26 to 28, 1887. New York: D. Appleton & Co. 1888.

A Manual of Diseases of the Nervous System. By W. R. Gowers, M.D., F.R.C.P., Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine in University College, London. American edition, issued under the supervision of the author, and containing all the material of the two-volume English edition, with some additions and revisions. With 341 illustrations. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co. 1888.