

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF PREVALENT DISEASES.

THE following is a bulletin of the diseases prevalent in Massachusetts during the week ending July 17, 1875, compiled under the authority of the State Board of Health from the returns of physicians representing all sections of the State :—

We have to note again the very general prevalence of intestinal disorders. The reports show an increase of these diseases in nearly all sections of the State. The summary for each district is as follows :—

Berkshire : Diarrhœa, cholera morbus, whooping-cough. Pittsfield reports a fatal case of diphtheria.

Valley : Diarrhœa, cholera morbus, rheumatism.

Midland : Diarrhœa, rheumatism, cholera morbus, cholera infantum, dysentery.

Northeastern : Diarrhœa, cholera morbus, cholera infantum. Less sickness than in other parts of the State.

Metropolitan : Diarrhœa, cholera morbus, cholera infantum, scarlatina, rheumatism. Typhoid is increasing. Brighton and Melrose report diphtheria of a severe type.

Southeastern : Diarrhœa, rheumatism, cholera morbus, dysentery, cholera infantum. Towns on Cape Cod and in Dukes County report the measles as quite prevalent in that section.

Comparing the present week with the last we find that diarrhœa, cholera morbus, cholera infantum, dysentery, and typhoid fever have increased in prevalence ; while bronchitis, measles, diphtheria, rheumatism, scarlatina, whooping-cough, and pneumonia are disappearing.

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COMPARATIVE MORTALITY-RATES FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 10, 1875.

	Estimated Population.	Total Mortality for the Week.	Annual Death-rate per 1000 during Week.
New York	1,040,000	743	37
Philadelphia	775,000	412	28
Brooklyn	450,000		
Boston	350,000	147	22
Cincinnati	260,000	150	30
Providence	100,700	29	15
Worcester	50,000	16	17
Lowell	50,000	24	25
Cambridge	50,000	12	12
Fall River	45,000	27	31
Lawrence	33,000	12	19
Springfield	33,000	7	11
Lynn	28,000	7	13
Salem	26,000	8	16

MILITARY APPOINTMENT. — Dr. W. F. Southard, of Baldwinsville, reappointed Surgeon of the Second Corps of Cadets, passed a successful examination before the Board of Medical Officers, M. V. M., July 2, 1875.

EDWARD J. FORSTER,
Surgeon Fifth Regiment of Infantry, M. V. M., Recorder of Board.