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There have been 3 cases of plague during the past 3 days, apparently from separate foci. One patient was a boatman on the bay, one a son of a barber, and the last was a woman who peddled food at the Customs Hatoba, whence many vessels sail. In addition to these there was last week a boy who lived in a rice shop at Kanagawa.

Week ended July 10. Bills of health issued as follows: Steamship *Shinano Maru* from Hongkong via Yokohama for Seattle and Victoria, with 26 saloon, 9 second cabin, and 57 steerage passengers, and 107 members of crew; steerage and crew embarking here bathed and effects disinfected and rat guards used while at dock. Steamship *Numantia* for New York via Manila and ports, 53 members crew to be changed at Kobe; vessel fumigated here, except one hold left to be fumigated at Kobe. Steamship *Minnesota* from Seattle via Yokohama for Manila, with 74 saloon and 22 steerage passengers and 280 members of crew.

Two additional cases and one death from plague were reported during the week, one of the patients being the son of a physician of Kanagawa, in whose house an infected rat had been found.

#### *Examination of emigrants.*

Number of emigrants per steamship *Shinano Maru* July 6 for Seattle, Wash.: Examined 25; rejected 2; held for observation 1.

#### *Report from Kobe—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Plague—Plague-infected rats.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Knight reports, July 7:

Week ended July 3. Supplemental bills of health granted to 6 steamships.

There were inspected 150 members of crew and 91 steerage passengers; 70 steerage passengers were bathed and disinfected, and their effects were disinfected by steam. The number of pieces of baggage steamed was 184 and bedding 110. Manifests were viséed for 51,935 pieces of freight, amounting to 4,339 tons.

Emigrants examined:

Per steamship *Tenyo Maru* for Honolulu; passed, 21; recommended for rejection, 14; for San Francisco; passed, 4; recommended for rejection, 0. Per steamship *Kumano Maru* for Manila; passed, 16; recommended for rejection, 2. Per steamship *Shinano Maru* for Seattle; passed, 28; recommended for rejection, 13.

The emigrants passed, together with 1 intending passenger to Victoria by steamship *Shinano Maru*, were inspected, bathed, and disinfected, and their effects were disinfected before embarkation.

The official returns of infectious diseases for the week show, in Kobe, 1 case of plague with 1 death. Plague-infected rats continue to be found.

#### *Report from Nagasaki—Examination of emigrants.*

Acting Sanitary Inspector Thompson reports, June 19:

Week ended June 19. Fifteen emigrants for Honolulu and San Francisco examined; 7 recommended for rejection for trachoma.