

# THREE DEATHS IN ONE FAMILY

**Fatal Results Apparently  
From the Ravages of  
Spanish "Flu"**

**MORE CASES REPORTED**

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Dr. Hastings**

Three deaths have occurred in the city within the space of a few days under circumstances that would indicate that they probably resulted from Spanish influenza. Edna Willis, a little ten-year-old girl, was taken ill last Friday at 45 Garnet avenue, death resulting within a few days.

Mr. Bert Willis, aged 26, a brother, died on Tuesday night, and another brother, William Willis, who lived at 43 Garnet avenue, died on Wednesday night. Mrs. Martha Ward, a married sister, staying at 45 Garnet avenue, is at present slightly indisposed from a sore throat. While in the three cases death resulted from pneumonia, it was preceded by la grippe, and Dr. Hastings, though not familiar with the cases, said the circumstances were suspicious of Spanish influenza.

**Becoming General.**

"There is no doubt the disease will be pretty general throughout the whole country," said Dr. C. J. Hastings, M.O.H., when asked about the increased number of cases of Spanish influenza that have been reported during the past few days.

In Toronto there are an increased number, only a small proportion of which have been reported to the Medical Health Department. "The great secret of fighting the disease is to lay up and conserve energy at the first indication that one has the disease," said the M.O.H.

A number of the military camps have taken precautionary measures against the spread of the disease by treating everyone from the O. C. down with nasal and throat sprays. Those afflicted with colds or sore throats are receiving special attention and many of the camps report less than the usual number of colds and cases of grippe.

**Preventive in New York.**

From New York, where a total of 836 cases have occurred in 24 hours, the discovery of an effective serum for the prevention of Spanish influenza is announced. This is purely a preventive and is not for curative treatment after the disease has developed. The vaccine is a product of the New York City Laboratories where scientists have been working under the supervision of Dr. William H. Parke, and preparations are now under way to manufacture it on a large scale. No details of the constituents of the new anti-toxin or its method of use have been divulged.

This anti-toxin has been developed entirely independently of another treatment announced some few days earlier by the Public Health Service at Washington.

**Five More in Hospital.**

Five more patients believed to be suffering from Spanish influenza were admitted to the General Hospital yesterday.

Two boys from St. Augustine's Seminary, Kingston road, were removed to St. Michael's Hospital last night suffering from Spanish influenza. They have been ill for two days, and last night their condition was reported as improved. These are the first cases that have been admitted to St. Michael's Hospital.