

DOCTOR FALLS VICTIM TO "FLU"

Williamson. Health Department and military officials are taking every precaution to prevent the disease spreading.

Attended Soldier, Who Also Died—Renfrew Hit Hard; Sherbrooke, Too

(Canadian Press Despatches.)

Georgetown, Oct. 4.—A severe epidemic of influenza is raging in Georgetown and district, fifty cases being reported to-day.

This morning Dr. James Richard Nixon of Georgetown died after three days' illness as a result of having contracted the malady from a patient, Pte. Herbert Tracey, a returned soldier from Petawawa Camp, who died last night. Dr. Nixon was called in to treat Tracey about one week ago.

Schools Closed, Movies Not.

Renfrew, Oct. 4.—The influenza epidemic in Renfrew has not abated, but is on the increase. The hospital is crowded. Nurses are at a premium, and the doctors are laboring night and day.

Between five and six hundred cases are reported, and up till this morning nine deaths are traceable to it. Every factory in town has been more or less crippled. Some have closed for a few days to thoroughly fumigate. The Collegiate, public and separate schools have been closed. Comment is made that moving-picture theatres and pool-rooms are allowed to keep open.

The large office staff of O'Brien's Limited, has been reduced to two.

Eight More Deaths at Sherbrooke.

Sherbrooke, Que., Oct. 4.—Eight more deaths from Spanish influenza and an increase in the number of cases was the report submitted to a meeting of the Health Department this morning. It was decided to open up one of the Catholic Brothers Schools as a temporary hospital, as the other institutions are overcrowded. A message has been sent to Ottawa to send more nurses of the Victorian Order, and an appeal is made for local volunteer nurses. One undertaker to-day had fifteen funerals.

Twenty Kingston Soldiers Down.

Kingston, Oct. 4.—Twenty cases of Spanish influenza among the soldiers of the local garrison were reported this afternoon by Health Officer Dr