

# INFLUENZA IS ON THE WANE

**Ontario Reports More Encouraging, but Western Situation is Not**

**SITUATION IS CLEARING**

**Ban on Meetings Lifted, or Will be in Few Days, in Several Places**

(Special and C. P. Despatches.)  
**St. Thomas, Oct. 29.**—The Board of Health decided that in order to more successfully combat the "flu," the doctors should be asked to co-operate more heartily and render a daily account of their patients to the health officials, specifying the new cases and the total number under their care. Arrangements were made for establishing an emergency hospital in the Y.M.C.A. if the emergency demanded, and if the situation grows any worse the board has resolved to placard all places infected and issue orders that sufferers must remain indoors until they are thoroughly over the disease. The prophylactic serum treatment for immunizing those not yet infected is proving very popular here, one doctor giving more than 500 injections yesterday. Only two deaths from the contagion occurred here to-day, bringing the total number up to 32.  
**Guelph, Oct. 29.**—During the past

24 hours seven more deaths were reported in the city, two of Italians. Nurse Falls a Victim.

The death occurred at the General Hospital this afternoon of Miss Marie Frances Awty, one of the most popular nurses on the staff of that institution. She took influenza while nursing patients suffering from it and later contracted pneumonia. She had been seriously ill for some days, and after rallying a little yesterday suffered a relapse. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Poljanbe Awty of St. Catharines, and was twenty-four years of age. She would have completed her course at the General Hospital in December, and was one of the graduating class in June.

**Kitchener Lifts Ban.**

The Kitchener Board of Health has lifted the ban imposed against the holding of public assemblages, and the schools, theatres, churches, etc., will be allowed to be re-opened on Thursday, October 31. The influenza epidemic has practically abated in this city, it was reported.

The epidemic is so far subsided in Gananoque that the ban on public gatherings will be lifted on Sunday next.

Unless an unforeseen turn for the worse takes place, the churches in London will be open on Sunday and the schools and theatres on Monday.

Fifty-nine new cases were reported in Windsor during the past 24 hours. Three deaths were also recorded since Monday. Conditions at Hotel Dieu, which was filled to overflowing with "flu" patients, are somewhat better, and it may not be necessary to use the War Veterans' clubhouse as an emergency hospital.

**Situation in Other Places.**

At Tillsonburg Mrs. A. Gerow succumbed to pneumonia following a few days' illness of influenza, leaving five small children and her husband, who is critically ill. He went overseas with the 71st Battalion, received painful injuries in an air raid, and was invalided home last fall. Mrs. Gerow's sister died a short time ago at Napanee.

Brantford reports little change,

but that for the better, with nine deaths, seven admitted to the Emergency Hospital and six discharged, and but 68 in the building compared with 134 when the epidemic was at its height.

Galt reports a decided improvement, but during the twenty-four hours up to last evening six deaths occurred, most of them as a result of pneumonia complicated with the influenza; they were those of Mrs. Edward Harley, aged fifty-one; Mrs. Charles C. Mallinson, aged twenty-one; Mrs. J. R. Young, aged twenty-seven; Miss Jean Leith, aged eighteen; William Dowdy, aged twenty-seven, and Mrs. Hugh McKenzie, aged thirty-one.

Mrs. Eric Carter and Mrs. George Wood died at Simcoe yesterday.

In Kingston there is a great decrease in new cases, also in deaths.

Mrs. Annie Thompson Gunn, wife of John A. Gunn, manager at Bowmanville for the Canadian Express Co., died at the age of twenty-eight, after a week's illness of influenza resulting in pneumonia. Two county patients have died in Bowmanville Hospital, Mrs. W. N. Brette of Tyrone, and Howard H. Nichols of Courtice, South Darlington.

Three deaths have occurred in Belleville since Monday night, those of Daniel Cummings, aged twenty-eight years, a milk dealer; Pte. Potter of the 15th Depot Battalion, who succumbed to pneumonia following influenza, and Mrs. H. F. Ketcheson, wife of ex-Mayor Ketcheson, from influenza, which was complicated by a stroke.

**From Eastern Points.**

In Montreal the epidemic is rapidly passing away. The dead reported were 29, and new cases 166.

Ninety-six cases of suspected Spanish influenza were reported to the Halifax Health Board yesterday. Since Monday morning there were four deaths in the city. The Provincial Health Board says that the situation continues to improve so far as the Province generally is concerned.

**Growing More Serious in West.**

**Edmonton, Alta., Oct. 29.**—The local Board of Health has recommend-

ed to the Provincial authorities that all places of business be open only from 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. in a further effort to combat the influenza epidemic. The estimate at noon was 1,000 cases, with 38 deaths.

**Winnipeg, Oct. 29.**—Before noon to-day 186 new cases of Spanish influenza and five deaths were reported to the city Health Department, which marks the highest rate of the epidemic to date. In addition the military reported twelve new cases. The growing seriousness of the situation may result in stricter rules becoming necessary.