INFLUENZA CASES NUMBERED 28,842

Washington County Hardest Hit During Epidemic Which Raged Throughout Vermont During October—Dr. F. T. Kidder President of State Board

The State Board of Health held a meeting in this city yesterday afternoon and elected Dr. F. T. Kidder of Woodstock president to succeed the late Dr. C. S. Caverly. The report of the secretary contained the following information:

A total of 28,842 cases of influenza was reported in the State for the month of October. Divided by weeks the official figures are as follows: October 6, 8,058; October 13, 7,640; October 20, 4,528; October 27, 2,367; November 3, 1,472.

Nearly every town in the State had some victims of the epidemic:

Divided by counties:

Addison .................................. 599
Bennington ................................ 685
Caledonia ................................ 2,333
Chittenden ................................ 2,751
Essex .................................. 158
Franklin ................................ 3,342
Grand Isle ............................... 237
Lamoille ................................ 459
Orange ................................ 1,621
Rutland ................................ 2,498
Washington .............................. 4,538
Windham ................................. 1,039
Windsor ................................ 2,871

The figures on other contagious diseases indicate the value of quarantine, and show that while the ban was on for the influenza it also had a salutory effect in keeping the population free from other diseases. During the month there were 77 cases of measles, 7 of small-pox, 22 of typhoid fever, 27 of scarlet fever, 45 of diphtheria, 43 of chicken-pox, 10 of German measles, 57 of mumps, 64 whooping cough, 7 of tuberculosis, 257 of pneumonia and 18 venereal diseases.