

# LOOKS AS IF INFLUENZA WERE COMING BACK

## Discouragingly Large Number of New Cases Reported Yes- terday and Monday.

That the city is on the verge of a recurrence of the influenza epidemic is indicated, doctors declare, by the reports of cases made to the health department during the last two days. On Monday there were 94 cases and almost as many were reported yesterday. From figures as low as half a dozen a day this is taken to be an abnormal rise.

"Unless stringent measures are taken and at once, this city will run the risk of another quarantine with all its inconvenience and loss", said a prominent physician yesterday.

What is a most serious phase of the situation is the general severity of cases in the recent groups reported. The influenza is of the worst type.

Its recurrence is blamed upon two factors, the recent damp weather and the carelessness of people, who allow visitors to homes in which there are cases of illness, or frequent public gatherings, although they have been slightly ill with the disease or have it in their families.

The city health authorities were thoroughly alarmed yesterday as the reports piled in, duplicating the experience of the day before. They did not conceal their apprehension that the disease may get beyond control if something radical be not and done speedily.

Among those reported ill yesterday were: Samuel Villard, of No. 225 North Thirteenth street, and child, Antoinette; E. L. Smith, the grocer, of No. 122 North Fourteenth street; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Rabenold, No. 1324 Gordon street; William Wuchter, contractor, No. 463 Tilghman street; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dreher and children, Edna and Norman, of No. 1344 Gordon street; Charles E. Searle, 1508 Turner street.