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ROYAL OAK, B. C.

November 5

Rever. & Councillors

Corporation of the Dist of Saanich

Dear Sirs Re Influenza cases.

I beg to submit report of the conditions in Saanich. On Sunday October 27 I was notified that a young man Antony Perfetta had died at Colquhoun I notified Dr Vye & together we went to Chandler Road & found 4 of the family ill & one had died, later in the day Nurse Horshaw of the Victorian Order of Nurses notified me that Mrs Swallow was of Kalmouth Road was very ill. I notified Dr Vye & a special nurse was put on the case. She has since died.

The following day Dr Vye was ill & together with Nurse Horshaw we took up the situation. On the following Friday she was taken ill & the Victorian Order of Nurses sent out Nurses

McNair & Horrocks. I also had to engage
the services of Nurse Pearce of Lake Hill &
have had the help of several of the P.A.D.
nurses in all 196 cases has been reported
to us & the Victoria Order of Nurses
has attended 117 cases. In several of the cases
we have had to supply medicine & ~~Provision~~
Pneumonia Jackets & the ladies of the
Felicium Women Institute has opened a kitchen
as a great number of families are without
proper care. The car ~~is~~ used by the Police
Department has travelled over 1100 miles in the
work & if the Victorian Order of Nurses had
not taken the situation in hand conditions
in Saanich would have been in a ~~unpleasant~~
so ~~pitiable~~ deplorable. I have had to draw
on the funds of the Municipality for cases
where help was needed: 3 cases had to be
sent to the Hospital 1. to Jubilee & to 2. to
Front Street Hospital

The Victoria Order of Nurses has the
situation well in hand. Nurse Waddington being
in charge but there is still the grave
danger of many more cases as we have

had 7 more new cases reported today. I had to
order the busses running on Lake Hill &
Gorge District to run with the windows
^{open} or else take them off the run. they altered
conditions when ordered.

your truly

James Dryden
Chief of Police