

MASKED MEN TO FRONT VOTERS.

**Faces of Election Officers to
be Concealed.**

**Big Reduction in Flu Cases
Shown by Reports.**

**County Schools, However, will
not Open Tomorrow.**

Thousands of people who go to the polls today to cast their votes will be confronted by masked men for the first time in their lives. The Advisory Committee of the health department yesterday instructed Registrar of Voters Lyons to order all election officers to wear masks while on duty today. This edict was not issued to frighten people away from the polls, it is said, but rather to throw around voters an additional protection against the disease.

The outlook yesterday, as regards influenza, was the most hopeful in weeks. The over-Sunday grist of cases reported by local physicians was the lightest since the epidemic became a real problem here. Yesterday brought in but 930 cases reported, with 121 for Sunday, making a total of 1061 cases for the forty-eight-hour period. Compared with the 1465 cases reported during the over-Sunday period a week earlier, yesterday's figures showed a decline of 404 cases in two days.

CASES DIMINISHING.

Figuring that the cases are now diminishing at the rate of 202 per day, as these statistics testify, and estimating that the average number of cases per day for the past fifteen days has been about 800, it is apparent that the reduction of, comparison in the past forty-eight hours