Mary Browning

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Young Woman Dies Shortly After Developing the Disease -- Two New Cases

Two new cases of smallpox developed yesterday at the detention camp, one of which resulted fatally in a few hours. Miss Josephine Browning, aged twenty-three, died last evening at the pest hospital, whither she had been removed from the detention camp in the afternoon. She developed the hemorrhagic form of the disease, which also resulted fatally in the case of her brother, Arthur Browning, the last smallpox patient to die during the present outbreak. Mary Browning, thirteen years old, a sister of the two victims, is now at the pest hospital, and her condition is reported as serious. The Brownings live at 1016 Twelfth street southeast, and since Arthur Browning developed the disease about two weeks ago, the other members of the family who refused to go to the detention camp, have been quarantined at their home. Six are now on those premises, none of whom has shown signs of smallpox. Miss Josephine Browning first developed symptoms of the disease yesterday afternoon and was removed to the detention camp.