

The Manchester Historical Society
Views on COVID-19

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I don't know what to do

All because of COVID-19, what some call the flu

Originally, I thought, no big deal, all so far away,

My views supported by our leaders in Washington

In March they said there were only 15 isolated cases on the West Coast

According to them, it would soon go away

Now in the fall of 2020, over 200,000 have died

Could it be that someone lied?

The result has split the country in half

Some believe in Science, others in ignorance and denial

As a kid I wore a mask playing cowboys and Indians, now I wear one to stay alive

I sit here virtually under house arrest, waiting for the light to shine on the rest

They say history repeats itself, that being the case, a look into the past might be the thing to do

In the 1300s the plague started much the same way

One quarter of Europe's population died, another quarter so affected they would never again lead useful lives, the results devastating

Those in control, tried to use their power of information as a means of control

Could this be our plight, as we head into a long dark night?

At over three quarters of a century old, I want to go to 100

I hope I don't have to do it wearing a mask

I want to believe the information I get

It might be a lot to ask

I just don't know what to do.



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