

LOCAL NEWS

THE WEATHER.

Maritime — Strong northwest-
erly winds, fair and colder.
Wednesday, easterly winds and
cold.

DROP IN PRICE.

Ontario flour dropped ten cents
per barrel today and cornmeal has
come down twenty-five cents per bag
within the last week.

MR. C. H. GILES ILL.

Mr. C. H. Giles, the well known
farmer of Kingsclear, is confined to
his home at Brooklands through ill-
ness.

ICE STILL IN RIVER.

The sudden rise in temperature
caused the ice to take a start last
night but this morning the river was
still bridged from shore to shore.
The roughness, however, occasioned
by the jam, will preclude any idea
of open-air skating.

\$50,000 DRAFT DISAPPEARS.

It is reported that a draft for
\$50,000 drawn in favor of a local
construction company has mysteri-
ously disappeared in the mails. The
affair is now under investigation and
in the meantime the banks have been
warned not to negotiate the bill.

A STRIKING CARTOON.

The Toronto Globe of Saturday
publishes on its first page a cartoon
depicting Mr. F. B. Carvell, M.P. for
Carleton, in the act of knocking a
chip of the shoulder of Hon. W. T.
White, the Tory minister of finance,
on the tariff question. The minister
seems to have been put down and
out.

HAS RESIGNED POSITION.

Mr. John McCarthy has resigned
his position with Dickie & McGrath,
lumber operators of Tusket, N. S.,
with whom he has been associated
for a number of years, and is visit-
ing his old home in this city. Mr.
McCarthy purposes leaving in the
near future for British Columbia,
where he intends to locate.

DEATH OF A CHILD

The death took place this morning
at the home of Holland Brewer,
York Street of their child Irvin
Frazer, aged six months after a
lingering illness. Besides the parents
two brothers and one sister survive.
Services will be conducted at the
house this evening at 7.30 the re-
mains being conveyed to Keswick
tomorrow morning for interment.

AN UNFOUNDED REPORT

A lady residing on St. John street
says that the story given currency in
a local paper a few nights ago to
the effect that she was to wed a
hardware man in the west, and that
arrangements for the marriage had
been made by telegraph, was manu-
factured out of whole cloth. She is
quite naturally much annoyed that
such a story should have appeared in
print and considers that a great in-
justice has been done to her.

MUSICALE IN GIBSON

The young people of the United
Baptist Church of Gibson held a
musicale last night at the residence
of Mr. H. P. Lint. Notwithstand-
ing the inclemency of the weather a
large number attended. The program
consisted of vocal and instrumental
music. The local talent was ably
assisted by Miss Eva Smith and
Rev. Mr. Williams of Marysville.
Several from the city were also in
attendance, and among those who
assisted were Miss Merrill, Mr. Moore
and Mr. and Mrs. Wickett.

OBTAINED RUNNING RIGHTS.

The Dominion Express Company
has obtained running rights over the
I.C.R. to take effect at the first of
the new year. The company intends
putting on a messenger between
Chatham and Fredericton and it is
its purpose to put on an extra de-
livery wagon to handle the increased
business which is expected to become
a fact in this city. With Fredericton
the railway centre which present and
expected developments will make it,
this city will become a very import-
ant transfer point for express matter.

COTTON MILL IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Samuel C. Woodside superin-
tendent of the Marysville Cotton Mill
states that the old boilers are being
removed from the mill while work-
men are engaged in installing the
new ones. In the meantime the mill
is running part by night and part by
day. New machinery is also being in-
stalled which is up-to-date in every
particular. With Mr. Woodside in
charge there is no reason why the
Marysville Cotton Mill cannot do as
good work as any other mill in
Canada especially as the employees
are first class and understand their
work in all the departments.

ADDITION TO
VICTORIA HOSPITAL
URGENTLY NEEDED

Committee Appointed by Trustees to
Re Purchase of X-Ray Machine
At an Early Date—Record
Record Receipts for Month

At the meeting of the Hospital
Trustees held yesterday several mat-
ters of importance engaged the at-
tention of the members. One of the
crying needs at present seems to be
more accommodation for the sick
public. For the past two or three
months it has been found impossible
to provide rooms for all applicants
and lately six or eight patients have
been compelled to occupy beds in one
of the wards. The fact that no epi-
demic exists is proof of the immed-
iate necessity for an enlargement of
the hospital. While this is patent,
the trustees are up against another
pressing demand and that is to pro-
vide the sum of fifteen hundred dol-
lars to replace the worn out X-Ray
plant. Physicians as well as pa-
tients urge provision for this import-
ant expenditure.

At the meeting Hon. Judge Barry,
the president, occupied the chair and
the others present included Vice-Pre-
sident Sterling, Dr. McGrath, Mr.
McMurray, Mr. Clark, Mr. VanDine,
and Secretary-Treasurer Sampson.
His Worship Mayor Hooper sent his
regrets at not being able to attend.

RECORD RECEIPTS.

The secretary-treasurer in his
monthly financial statement, showed
a pretty large expenditure but in the
receipts at the hospital the matron
succeeded in establishing a record
compared with the receipts since the
hospital was opened and in her re-
port the matron shows that forty-
nine patients were treated during
November—one of these being in the
contagious wards and two deaths
occurred.

INCURABLE ADMITTED

While the demands for private
rooms cannot be met it was discov-
ered that by some means an incur-
able case was admitted two or three
months ago and is still occupying a
room. The Matron was summoned
before the board when it was learn-
ed that this patient was admitted
during her absence from the city.
The secretary was directed to
ask the visiting physicians to consult
with the patient's physicians and re-
port to Board.

NEW X-RAY MACHINE

The president submitted some cor-
respondence respecting cost of a new
X-Ray machine, and Mr. Clark re-
ported some particulars respecting
some and also and Dr. VanWart
while at the recent clinical gather-
ing in New York had visited the
chief manufactory of the X-Ray ma-
chine and very kindly procured much
valuable information which is placed
at the disposal of the Board. The
Doctor recommends the purchase of a
plant to cost about fifteen hundred
dollars. Mr. G. N. Babbitt, upon
whose kind office the old plant was
kept in order, and Dr. VanWart were
requested to associate with the Trus-

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MINISTERIAL
ASSOCIATION
ABANDONS IDEA

In View of Proposition of N. B. and
British Colonization Co. Re Scully's
Grove, Assoc. Withdraws Public
Playground Petition

The Very Rev. Dean Schofield and
Rev. J. E. Wilson, on behalf of the
Ministerial Association of Frederic-
ton, met the members of the City
Council in committee last night with
reference to the proposition advocat-
ed by them concerning the purchase
of Scully's Grove for a public play-
ground.

The delegation stated that they
had examined the plans and proposals
of the New Brunswick & British
Colonization Company and were now
of the opinion that the city could
not meet the proposition of the
company. The petition which they
were instrumental in having circulat-
ed and which had been largely sign-
ed, had for its object the purchase
of the whole grove at a reasonable
figure, but the company was only
prepared to sell some 5 1/2 acres, about
one hundred feet along Regent street
and a considerable portion in the
rear being reserved, making the re-
mainder far too small for a ball
field. The price set by the company,
\$11,001.00, was also in the minds of
the Ministerial Association consid-
ered absurd and they could not sup-
port it.

QUEEN'S SQUARE PROPOSITION.

As a result of this proposition
falling through there seems to be a
pronounced feeling among the civic
fathers and the citizens at large that
attention might now be devoted to
Queen's Square with the same object
(continued on page four)

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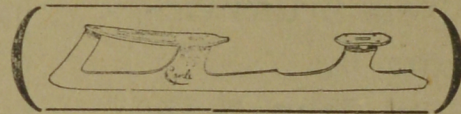
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