

it would be in the interest of the Hospital, and could not be done without a very considerable extra expense.

At the same meeting, the question of allowing paying patients to have the attendance in the Hospital of their own physicians was discussed, when the following resolution was passed :

That the Commissioners of the General Public Hospital cannot recommend that any change be made in the present medical management of the Hospital, as we do not believe it would be conducive to the best interest of the institution, and would, we believe, add very largely to the cost of management.

This did not please the *hidden hand*, as appears by the following resolution :

At a meeting of the Council of the City and County of St. John, held at the Court House, in the City of St. John, on Tuesday, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1895, the following resolution was passed :

"Whereas, This Municipal Council having heard read the communication from the Commissioners of the Public Hospital, in which they decline to accede to the request of this Council that private paying patients should have the privilege of being attended by their own physicians whether on the staff of the Hospital or not;

"Therefore resolved, That the Commissioners of the General Public Hospital be requested to try the experiment, and that a committee of this Council be appointed to confer with the Commissioners on the subject."

The Warden appoints the following councillors on such committee: McRobbie, Catherwood, Daniel, Christie, Baxter, Lee and Dunn.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct extract from the minutes of the Council of the Municipality of the City and County of St. John, embodying the resolution in regard to Hospital matters, passed at the meeting of said Council on the fifteenth day of January, 1895.

(Signed) GEO. R. VINCENT,
Secretary.