The Searchlight.

There is a great deal of sickness in the district at the present time.

The annual picnic in connection with St. Michael's Church of England Sunday School was held at Stuart Park on Wednesday last, and was very enjoyable. There was a large attendance of parents, friends and children, the usual games on such occasions being carried out with great zest under the

supervision of the teachers, aided by members of the congregation, Miss

. Palmer being secretary.

Mr. Harry M'Donald left on Thursday for Clunes, Richmond River, where he intends to enter into business.

A public meeting has been called to testimonialise Mr. E. Hill (for many years with A. Parsons and Co.) who is leaving for Sydney, where he has obtained a position in an ironmongery establishment.

Mr. Guido Weber's little daughter Mona, aged, 2½ years, who met with a serious accident at Newcastle on 23rd ult., causing concussion of the brain, is now progressing favorably.

The committee who are arranging the race meeting for Boxing Day met during the week and drafted a programme absorbing £25. The races are seven, including a Trot and a Hack Race.

The Herbert Makin mentioned in the police court case in last issue was not

the postman of the same name.