

military service); A. A. Wright, St. Lawrence & Chicago Steam Navigation Co. Term expiring in 1917—A. E. Mathews, Mathews Steamship Co.; W. L. Reed, Canadian Northwest Steamship Co.; D. Murphy, Ottawa Transportation Co.; W. E. Burke, Canada Steamship Lines.

The executive committee elected the following officers: President, W. E. Burke, Canada Steamship Lines; First Vice President, G. E. Fair, Farrar Transportation Co.; Second Vice President, A. E. Mathews, Mathews Steamship Co.

The following were elected as a committee on aids to navigation. A. A. Wright, St. Lawrence & Chicago Steam Navigation Co.; Robt. Fraser, Montreal Transportation Co.; Gilbert Johnson, R. Duguid, Canada Steamship Lines; James Playfair, Great Lakes Transportation Co.; J. F. Sowards, Kingston, Ont.; A. E. Mathews, Mathews Steamship Co.

Among the Express Companies.

J. H. Whitehouse has been appointed agent, Dominion Ex. Co., Cranbrook, B.C., vice C. Potter, transferred to the messenger service.

E. J. Wearing, who has been acting General Agent, Canadian Ex. Co., Liverpool, Eng., since the death of W. Cuthbertson, has been appointed General Agent.

The Canadian Northern Ex. Co. has placed its service in effect over the Canadian Northern Ry. from Luxton to Estevan, Canora to Sturgis Jct., Elrose Jct. to Dumblane, Elrose to Eston and Laird to Carlton, Sask.

The Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General of the Canadian Training Division at Shorncliffe, England, has written the Canadian Ex. Co., in complimentary terms regarding the handling of parcels for the troops at that point.

The Canadian Northern Ex. Co. has opened offices at Bolger, Caramat, Devlin and Mowat, Ont.; Amaranth, Man.; Bienfait, Dumblane, Estevan, Eston and Plato, Sask.; Carrot Creek, Alta., and Ashcroft, Langley, Lytton and Matsqui, B.C.

The Toronto City Council is asking that the matter of the extension of express collection and delivery limits for the city, which has been before the Board of Railway Commissioners for some time, be taken up, and the Board requested to expedite a judgment.

The Dominion Ex. Co. has opened offices at Dragon, Que.; Nicholson, Ont.; Storthoaks, Man., and Portreeve, Sask.; and has closed its offices at Penfield and Jardine Brook, N.B.; Burnside, Oberon and Stockton, Man.; Yeomans, Sask., and Edgewood and Westholme, B.C.

The British Government has dropped the case against E. Wienacht, formerly Manager, Adams Ex. Co., London, Eng., for trading with the enemy. The charge was that he had transferred about 5,000 marks from London to the company's agent at Hamburg, Germany. For the defence it was claimed that the transaction was completed at Rotterdam, Holland, and that the intention in transferring the money was to utilize it in Holland, as it was worthless in England.

The Canadian Ex. Co.'s receipts and expenditures for Sept., 1915, compared with those for Sept., 1914, are as follows:

	1915	1914
Mileage covered	10,238	9,676
Charges for transportation....	\$374,451	\$296,134
Express privileges, Dr.	197,200	150,184
Operation other than transportation ..	4,881	5,187
Total operating revenue	182,132	151,137
Operating expenses	144,075	132,607
Net operating revenue	38,056	18,529
Express taxes	4,200	4,000
Operating income	33,776	14,529

The American Ex. Co. has readjusted its divisions in New England states and Quebec, as follows,—all offices in Maine hitherto in the Massachusetts division, now constitute the Maine division; all offices in New Hampshire hitherto in the Massachusetts division, now form the Vermont, New Hampshire and Quebec division; all offices in Massachusetts and Connecticut, hitherto in the Vermont, New Hampshire and Quebec division, now form the Massachusetts division; and American Ex. Co. and National Ex. Co. offices in Greater Boston form the Boston division.

Telegraph, Telephone and Cable Matters.

The Great North Western Telegraph Co. has opened offices at Bas les Eboulements, Capucins, Daquam, English Lake and Les Eboulemants wharf, Que.; Amaranth and Fisher Branch, Man., and Plato, Sask., and has closed its office at Parry, Sask.

Belvidere Brooks, Vice President Western Union Telegraph Co., died suddenly at New York, Feb. 10. He was born at Wheelock, Tex., July 6, 1859, and entered Western Union service in 1879 as an operator.

The Montreal Telegraph Co.'s report for the past year gives the total assets as \$2,311,683. Cash, accounts, receivable and securities make up \$159,859 of this amount. The lines are operated under lease by the Great North Western Telegraph Co. The excess in value of property operated by the G. N. W. T. Co. over shareholders' capital is given at \$151,895.85.

The Anglo-American Telegraph Co. has paid a balance dividend of 1½ per cent. on the ordinary consolidated stock, for 1915, making a total dividend of 3¾ per cent.; a balance dividend of 1½ per cent. on the preferred stock, making a total of 6 per cent. for the year, and a first and final dividend of 1½ per cent. on the deferred stock. In addition, a bonus of 1s. 9d. per cent. on the undivided ordinary stock and 3s. 6d. per cent. on the deferred stock, was declared payable Feb. 1 to shareholders of record at Dec. 31, 1915.

Various reports from different sources state that seven of the telegraphic cables connecting America with Great Britain have been cut recently, and that this has caused some delay in the transmission of messages, by overloading other cables. This report has been denied by several of the companies interested, and they also state that any delay which may have occurred has been caused by general congestion of business, which caused the temporary suspension of deferred messages at lower rates, which latter have now been resumed.

Questions asked in the House of Commons, Feb. 10, relating to the suspension of deferred cablegrams with Great Britain, elicited the information that the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s rates for soldiers cabling from Europe were not interfered with, and the suspension of deferred rates and week end messages from Canada had been cancelled. The Commercial Cable Co. accepts no deferred or week end cables to or from Canada, but soldiers messages are not interfered with. The Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. suspended all deferred and week end rates, the special rate for soldiers still being in operation. The Anglo-American Telegraph Co. is not accepting deferred cables for dispatch from Europe, but is receiving such matter from Canada. The Board of Railway Commissioners announced that the C.P.R. had announced its inability to accept deferred cables, and this resulted in the business being turned over to the Great North Western Telegraph Co. and the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co., and these latter companies were unable to handle it. For this reason they temporarily suspended the acceptance of these cables, but since Feb. 1, the G.N.W.T. Co. has accepted them. The Board of Railway Commissioners has no authority over cable or wireless telegraph companies operating across the oceans.

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