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OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF LABELLE, P.Q.

THURSO, P.Q., June 22, 1905.

The Honourable
Sir WILLIAM MULOCK,
Ottawa.

HONOURABLE SIR,—A meeting of the municipal council of the county of Labelle was, as mentioned in my letter of the 14th instant, held on the 10th instant. The request made by your honourable committee was duly communicated to his honour the warden and to the several mayors of the county of Labelle.

The county of Labelle not being favoured with telephone systems, the council did not, under the circumstances, deem it expedient to adopt any resolution authorizing me to transmit to your honourable committee the desired information; and deplore that the county has, up to this date, through failure on the part of the telephone companies, been neglected, and venture to express the hope that the federal government will, if possible, endeavour to ameliorate present conditions.

Your list of questions was given consideration by certain mayors whose municipalities are favoured by a telephone system which is confined to restricted and limited distances, such as in the villages of Papineauville, Masson, St. André Avelin, Ripon, Cheneville and Montebello, and the townships of Suffolk, Portland, Hartwell and Ponsonby, whose municipalities will communicate to your honourable committee the information which it desires to obtain from each of them,

I have the honour to be, honourable and dear sir,
Your devoted servant,

J. ROBILLARD, M.D.,
Sec.-Treas.

No. 227.

BRIGHTON CORPORATION TELEPHONE DEPARTMENT,

TOWN HALL, BRIGHTON, June 15, 1905.

SIR,—I have received your letter of the 3rd ultimo, and have pleasure in forwarding herewith replies to the list of questions enclosed with your communication.

I enclose herewith print of a report of the Telephones Committee, dated the 15th August, 1902, which gives a brief history as to the reasons which prompted the corporation to establish a telephone system. The principal reasons which prompted the corporation to apply to the Postmaster General for a license to carry on a telephone undertaking was the excessive charges of the National Telephone Company and the inefficiency of the service.

I also enclose copy of the balance sheet for the first complete year of the Corporation Telephone Undertaking.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

HUGO TALBOT,
Town Clerk.

Sir WILLIAM MULOCK, K.C.M.G.,
Postmaster General,
Ottawa, Canada.