

Denis has been discontinued until the re-opening of the line.

The stage line operated by the White Pass and Yukon Ry. from Whitehorse to Dawson, 327 miles, carries passengers, who may carry 45 lbs. of hand baggage free, and mails. The service is operated by sleighs in the earlier part of the season, the fare being \$125, but it was announced that this would be reduced to \$100 when larger sleighs could be used. The rates at the road houses are \$1.50 for meals and \$1 a night for beds.

Telegraph and Cable Matters.

The G.N.W. Telegraph Co. has closed its offices at the following points: Beaumaris, Edgar Station, Keenansville and Tyrone, Ont.

The Government cable between Pelee Island, Lake Erie and the mainland broke during Nov., and it was expected to have the repairs completed before the ice formed.

The United States military authorities propose to extend their cable to the two islands off Port Simpson, B.C., which have been awarded to the U.S. by the Alaska Boundary Commission.

The loss on the operation of the all-British and Trans-Pacific cable for the current year is estimated at £92,000, towards which the Canadian Government will have, under the agreement, to contribute £28,000.

The 51st anniversary of the laying of the cable between Prince Edward Island and the mainland was observed in Charlottetown, P.E.I., Nov. 21. The residents of the island-province are agitating for better communication with the rest of Canada.

The recent commission which reported on the condition of the War Office in London, Eng., called attention to the unprotected condition of the Atlantic cables in case of hostilities. In this connection Major Bland, of the Royal Engineers, has been delegated to report on the best methods of protecting the cables.

The Government telegraph line round Cape Breton island was expected to be completed by the end of 1903. The line has been completed along the southern coast, and the work in progress during Dec. was the stringing of the wire on Scatarie island to the eastern light, where an office will be opened. The lines, which are completed, extend some 200 miles, and connect St. Peters, Gaberous, Main a' Dieu and Scatarie island.

The Canadian Government telegraph service proposes to string a telegraph line to Lloydminster, Sask. We are advised that Lloydminster, which is on the projected route of the Canadian Northern Ry., to Edmonton, Alta., will be reached by a loop from the main telegraph line at a point between Pitt and Onion Lake. The loop will be about 15 miles in length. Poles are being cut and fixed by the Government linemen with local assistance, and the wire will be strung as soon as practicable. The work is being done under the charge of J. S. Macdonald, District Superintendent.

The Canadian Northern Telegraph Co. completed the construction on its lines for the season Nov. 30, when the construction gangs returned to Winnipeg. During the year about 60 miles of wire was strung between Stanley Jct. and Gunflint Narrows, Ont., on the Duluth extension of the Canadian Northern Ry.; two wires have been strung along the main line of that railway under construction from Grand View, Man., to Edmonton, Alta., one of the wires being for commercial purposes, and the other for use in connection with railway construction work; and for 50 miles beyond Erwood, Sask., on the extension of the C.N.R., from there to Prince Albert.

General Telephone Matters.

The telephone line and instruments used between Cartier and Geneva Lake, Ont., are reported to have been purchased by J. Peverely, C.P.R. scaler at Cartier.

The completion of the Kamouraska Telephone Co.'s line to Riviere du Loup, Que., was celebrated Dec. 15, when a long-distance connection was made with Toronto.

The Bell Telephone Co.'s franchise in London, Ont., expired Dec. 4. No new proposition was received from the company, and nothing is likely to be done until early in the year.

Edmonton Investments (Ltd.) has been incorporated with offices in Toronto for the purpose of dealing in real estate at Edmonton, Alta., and in connection therewith to construct and operate telephone and telegraph lines.

THE GREAT CHARITY.

THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, TORONTO.

It Takes Care of Every Sick Child in Ontario Who Cannot Afford to Pay For Treatment.

The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, is not a local institution—it is Provincial.



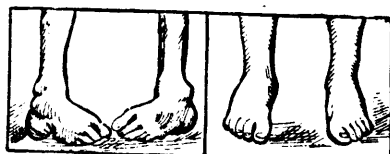
MESSAGE FOR RHEUMATISM. The sick child from any part of Ontario whose parents cannot afford to pay for treatment has the same claim and the same privileges as the Toronto child born within sight of its walls.

This is the reason that the Trustees appeal to the fathers and mothers of Ontario—for as their money goes out to help the Hospital so the Hospital's mercy can go out to help the children.

This is the 28th year of the Hospital's life. The story of the years is a wonderful one—for in that period 10,000 children have been treated, and over 5,000 cured and 3,000 improved.

Last year there were 868 boys and girls in its beds and cots, and of these 493 were cured and 247 improved.

Look at these pictures of club feet—before and after.



Of the 868 patients 293 came from 216 places outside of Toronto.

In three years the patients from different parts of Ontario, not Toronto, average 250—nearly a third of the entire number.

In six years 1,400 outside patients have been treated—and for 20 years past they will average 100 a year.

The average stay of every patient was 54 days, the cost per patient per day 94c.

A dollar or two means a small lot of money out of your pocket, but it takes a big load of misery out of some little life.

The X Ray department gives wonderful results. A girl came in with a double thumb on one hand. She left with one thumb—a perfect hand.

See what the hand of the Surgeon does for the crippled children of Ontario.



Money kept from the Hospital is mercy kept from the children.

Your money means mercy to somebody's child.

Your money can cheer some mother's heart by saving some mother's child.

Health and wealth. You give wealth to the Hospital, and the Hospital gives health to the children.

The Corporation of the City of Toronto gives \$7,500 a year to the Hospital for the maintenance of every child, whether from city or country.

The citizens of Toronto contribute about \$7,000 a year towards the maintenance of every patient in the Hospital, whether from city or country.

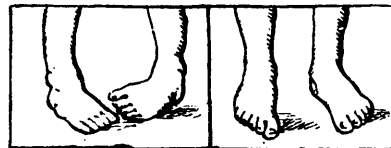
Toronto does its share in the good work, and the Trustees ask you to do yours.

The Newspaper Proprietors of Ontario have kindly helped the Hospital by inserting our appeals.

There are two newspaper cots, and boys and girls from the country are placed in the cots founded by the newspaper men.

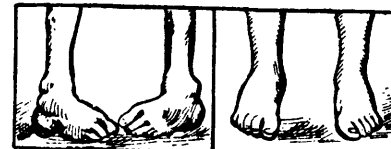
Look at the pictures of "before and after." They tell their own story—surely you will help us in this good work.

If your dollar could straighten the feet of a little boy or girl with club-feet you would gladly give it, and your dollar will help to do that.



Take off the handicap of deformity—give all children a fair start in the race of life.

Twenty-three children who came in with club-feet were sent home perfect cures last year. There are as many more in the Hospital to-day awaiting treatment.



If you know of a sick child—the club foot boy or girl—send his parent's name to the Hospital.

Please send your contributions to J. Ross Robertson, Chairman, or to Douglas Davidson, Sec.-Treas. of the Hospital for Sick Children, College Street, Toronto.