

A BY-LAW for the establishment of an electric light system for Beeton, Ont., was voted on and carried by a unanimous vote a short time ago.

THE Welland, Ont., Aqueduct and Power Company has been organized, with a capital of \$25,000, to supply electricity for light, heat and power.

THE Acadia Coal Company's charter, Stellarton, N.S., has been amended so as to permit the company erecting an electrical plant and all necessary requirements for electric lighting.

THE British American Light and Power Company is seeking incorporation to build electric tramways and operate systems for electric lighting in the Yukon district, Northwest Territories and Northern British Columbia.

CHIEF ENGINEER HOPSON, of the Grand Trunk Railway, and a representative of the General Electric Co., spent a day a short time ago looking over the tunnel, with a view to introducing electricity to supersede steam as a motive power.

THE Royal Electric Co has presented its friends with a very handsome desk convenience, which consists of a very large and well-bound blotting pad, with a calendar and indexed engagements book in the margin. The whole souvenir is one of the most beautiful and serviceable articles it has been our pleasure to receive in a long time.

By Ontario letters patent, the Saugeen Electric Light and Power Company of Ontario, Limited, has been incorporated. Charles Edward Kilmer, of Southampton, electrician; Clarence Hurd Burnham, of Port Elgin, electrician; Joseph Barber and James Barber, of Georgetown; Edward Kilmer, merchant, of Walkerton, are the parties. Capital, \$20,000.

MARKHAM, Ont., has settled its claim against the Waterloo Mutual Fire Insurance Company, caused by the burning of the waterworks and electric light station on the 16th ult. The loss claimed by the corporation was \$1,593, on which \$1,550 was allowed by the company's inspector. The council started at once to rebuild. The new boiler and engine room will be made fireproof.

IN a recently published interview, B. S. Jenkins, superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's telegraph, said that a heavy copper wire is to be strung from Montreal to the Pacific coast, the work to begin almost immediately. The new cable to be laid between Vancouver and Victoria left England on one of the company's new steamers recently purchased for the Yukon Territory trade.

THE first regular meeting of the Royal Electric Engineering Society was held in Montreal not long ago. The following were elected officers for the present session: Hon. president, Wm. H. Browne, general manager Royal Electric Company; president, Wm. Bucke; vice-president, W. S. Dix; corresponding secretary, R. F. Morkill; recording secretary, W. G. Angus; treasurer, L. A. Howland; librarian and curator, F. Cushing; committee, J. Burnett, L. Mudge, K. B. Thornton. This society has been formed by the members of the engineering staff of the Royal Electric Company, and has as its primary object the advancement of knowledge in engineering subjects.

THE Toronto Electric Motor Co., Toronto, and Thompson Electric Co., Hamilton, have amalgamated, the change in the firm to take effect on the 15th inst., under the name of "Toronto Electric Motor Co., Limited." The Hamilton factory will be moved to Toronto, and will occupy the new buildings which the company is to finish by the first of May. The new shops will be of the most modern type, with traveling cranes etc. With this change the new company will be in a position to do the heaviest work in power apparatus, also arc and incandescent work of every kind. All communications should be addressed to Toronto Electric Motor Co., Limited, 107 Adelaide St. West, Toronto, Ont.

D. A. STARR, president and manager of the Cornwall, Ont., Electric Railway Co., appeared recently before the council of Peterborough, Ont., and explained a scheme for the construction of an electric road from there to Chemong and Lakefield, and connecting in town with the Jackson and Nicholls park, and south to the locks. Mr. Starr said his company also proposed to place four steamers on the back lakes, one steamer to run to Stony Lake, two on the Lakefield-Chemong round trip, one leaving each place each morning, and the fourth running from Chemong to Robcaygeon. The electric road, Mr. Starr explained, would handle freight, and give a half hour service between Peterborough and Lakefield and Chemong. The company propose to lease both the Chemong and Lakefield lines from G.T.R., convert them into electric line and take over its freight business. The former road would be diverted so as to enter the park. The cost was roughly estimated at \$350,000, and the company asked the town to guarantee the interest for twenty years on \$150,000 of bonds at 5 per cent.

THE new 2,000 light dynamo purchased by St. John's, Que., in January, to replace the present machine, has been installed.

WE are indebted to the Packard Electric Co., St. Catharines, Ont., for their neat monthly memorandum books and blotter calendars.

THE city of Three Rivers, Que., and the North Shore Power Company are negotiating for the running of the waterworks by electricity.

CHAS. MACBETH, son of Col. Macbeth, London, Ont., has been appointed engineer-in-charge of the construction of the St. Thomas street railway.

THE town council of Napanee, Ont., has accepted a proposition made by J. R. Scott, agreeing to install an incandescent and arc plant within one year.

AN accident to the generating plant of the Electric Power Co., at Montmorency, left the twenty thousand incandescent lamps in Quebec City in darkness, on Sunday, 27th February.

ENGINEER LEYDEN, of the Cataract Power Company, has submitted to E. G. Barrow, city engineer, Hamilton, Ont., a proposition for running the sewage disposal works by electrical power.

THE Halifax and Bedford Electric Company is seeking incorporation to build an electric railway from Halifax to Bedford, with such extensions as may be approved of by the municipalities. The head office of the company will be in Halifax, and the capital stock is placed at \$250,000.

IT is stated that the Montreal Street Railway Co. will leave its present power house to the Royal Electric Co., and that it will be kept in reserve in case of accident, when the new arrangements are put in operation by which the street railway will be run by power from Chambly.

THE British-American Light and Power Company are applying to the Dominion Parliament for power to construct and to operate by electricity and other power, tramways at Dawson City, Fort Selkirk, and points in the Yukon and North British Columbia; and to operate heating and lighting systems.

APPLICATION is being made for incorporation of the North Shore Electric Railway Company, with powers to construct a railway on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, starting from a point near Three Rivers and through the district of Three Rivers and other districts. Also to generate and sell electrical energy.

AT the next session of the Legislature a Winnipeg company will ask for a charter to build an electric railway from that city to St. Andrew's Rapids, and through the municipalities of Springfield, St. Boniface, Kildonan, St. Paul's and St. Andrew's. The company also propose to construct saw mills, boats, telegraph and telephone lines.

SHAREHOLDERS of the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway met Feb. 22nd to consider matters the outcome of the relinquishment of the Leather interest in the road. The business was not in shape for immediate consideration, however, and the meeting was adjourned for two weeks. With the retirement of Thos. E. Leather from the company it is probable that the original idea of continuing the railway through Burlington and on to Bronte will be dropped, at least for this year.

JNO. PATTERSON, engineer of the Cataract Power Co., Hamilton, is also interested in promoting the new company which is being formed to manufacture steel and nickel, and electric power will be used. The water will be taken from the Chippewa Creek and the power canal will be enlarged to double its capacity. The power houses will be at Reynoldsville, Ont. Mr. Patterson states that power will be generated by his company by May 1, although it will be months before the works are completed. Poles are now being distributed along the G.T.R., and power will be conveyed to Hamilton, Ont., along that route.

AT the annual meeting of the Toronto Electric Light Company, the financial statement presented showed a surplus of \$7,000 over dividends paid. A steady growth is shown in the business all through the past year, especially in private incandescent lighting and power. The old board of directors were re-elected, as follows: H. M. Pellatt, president; W. D. Matthews, vice-president; S. F. McKinnon, Hugh Blain, W. T. Murray, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, Robert Jaffray, W. R. Brock, A. E. Ames, Samuel Trees, Thomas Walmsley, H. P. Dwight, Frederic Nicholls, Hugh Ryan, J. J. Wright, general manager, W. A. Martin, secretary.

THE annual meeting of the Bell Telephone Company was held in Montreal, February 23rd. The net revenue for 1897 was \$297,751.57, and after dividends have been deducted the company will carry forward \$82,364.17 to its 1898 account. There were present at the meeting: C. F. Sise, president; R. Mackay, F. X. St. Charles, G. A. Greene, P. R. Gault, Hugh Paton, C. R. Hosmer, R. Archer, R. W. Shepherd, Chas. Cassils, T. D. Hood, F. G. Payne, R. P. McLea, C.