

# TELEPHONE CO'S PLANS.

Several New Lines Will be Built During the Coming Summer Season.

Thirty-Five Miles of Line on St. John Route Bought From the Western Union Co.

SATURATION BUSINESS TO BE LOOKED AFTER.

The directors of the New Brunswick Telephone Company yesterday decided that during the summer months at least they would have a meeting each month as the many improvements which they hope to make and the vigorous way in which the management intend to prosecute the work will make it necessary for the directors to meet at least that often.

The directors yesterday determined that they would commence upon the construction of their new line from here to St. John just as soon as the snow goes off and the weather will permit. The directors determined upon this work some time ago along with a new line from Canterbury through to St. Stephen via McAdam Junction and another line from Chatham along the North Shore to Campbellton.

Construction work now costs much more than it did a few years ago, especially where the copper metallic lines are erected, and this morning Senator Thompson said that it now costs \$17 more per mile to erect copper lines than it did three years ago. This means that on a line 100 miles long there must be an earning power of \$1,700 more than there was a few years ago to continue the dividends. The new assistant general manager of the company, Mr. Thompson, yesterday recommended to the directors that the company pay special attention to what is known as saturation business. He pointed out that this work was done at a substantial profit by the New England Telephone Company throughout the different parts of their territory and he saw no reason why it should not be so in this province also. The work means the running of short lines to the suburban country districts from six to ten miles from the exchange and to put on from six to twelve phones on each line, according to its length. In this way the farmers get a telephone at their homes by paying annual rentals instead of having to pay tolls each time the phone is used. The recommendation will be carried out under Mr. Thompson's supervision.

# INFANTRY CORPS ON MAY 1st

City Clerk Receives a Reply from Mr. Oswald S. Crockett, M. P.—Change of Programme.

The City Council at a recent meeting passed a resolution urging the Minister of Militia, in conformity to promises given Mr. O. S. Crockett, M. P. for York, to have a Battery of Field Artillery stationed here at as early a date as possible. Copies of the resolution were sent to Sir Frederick Borden and Mr. Crockett, and the City Clerk has received a letter from Mr. Crockett in reply, in which he states that the Artillery will not be stationed here, but that the Infantry Corps now stationed at St. John's, P. Q., will be transferred to Fredericton on May 1st next.

The text of Mr. Crockett's letter is as follows:—  
House of Commons, Ottawa, April 4th, 1906.  
MR. J. W. MCCREADY, City Clerk, Fredericton, N. B.  
Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your favour of the 24th enclosing a copy of the resolution of the City Council in reference to the re-establishment of a Militia Corps at Fredericton.

I have recently been in communication with the Minister of Militia on the subject and received his assurance nearly three weeks ago that although no cavalry corps could be put in this year, a battery of artillery—probably from Kingston—would be transferred to Fredericton, within a few weeks time if suitable stabling accommodation and a suitable field for training could be provided.

tion with the Exhibition Association on the Agricultural Society at once, I observe that he has done so, and that the Society has offered the stables and grounds. I spoke to the Minister just before he left for New York last week as to what action had been taken in reference to the Agricultural Society's offer. He said none had been taken up to that time. I had a further interview with him today, and was surprised to learn that there had been another change of programme. He reports now that the artillery proposition had been abandoned for the present, but that an infantry corps will be put in on the 1st of May. This, he said, would occur without fail. The corps now stationed at St. John's, P. Q., will be transferred to Fredericton.

I suggested the Exhibition stables to him, and he at once expressed the opinion from what I stated of them, that they would answer. He said he would discuss it with General Lake and get his officials into communication with the Exhibition Association on the Agricultural Society at once, I observe that he has done so, and that the Society has offered the stables and grounds. I spoke to the Minister just before he left for New York last week as to what action had been taken in reference to the Agricultural Society's offer. He said none had been taken up to that time.

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# PAINTERS WANT NINE HOUR DAY.

Will Tell Employers Tonight That Change Must Come on 16th.

Are Prepared to Strike But Not Likely to Have to.

Shoe Factory Director Would Close Up Before Giving Nine Hour Day.

The painters of this city will this evening place before their employers statements signed by all the painters of the city to the effect that after the 15th inst they will not work longer than nine hours per day. The painters say that they will stand by their declaration and that they are ready to go out on strike if their employers do not accede to the demands.

It does not seem at all likely that there will be a strike, as it is expected that the employers will fall in line with the employers of carpenters, plumbers and other mechanics.

One of the employers, a man who has perhaps more painters in his employ than most of the others, in speaking with a reporter today said that the men would get what they demanded. He said that he did not see how the employers could do other than grant the request when the aldermen had granted a nine hour day to the men on the roads and the carpenters and plumbers had also been given a nine hour day.

On Monday night the masons meet at the I. O. G. T. Hall when they will definitely decide to demand a nine hour day. It is very likely that the masons will demand an increase in wages to 35 cents per hour, which would be \$3 per day for a nine hour day.

Regarding the agitation among some of the employees of the Hart Boot & Shoe Company, one of the directors, who says that he owns twice as much stock in the concern as any other individual, said this morning that before he would give in to the employees who were wanting a nine hour day he would be in favor of closing up the place and that he would use his vote and influence to have the place closed up before the employees of that factory would have a nine hour day. Just what the employees will eventually do on the question is not known.

In the course of an article regarding the nine hour day agitation at the Shoe Factory it was made to appear that the shoes now being sent out as samples were priced on a nine hour day. This was through an error as the prices were compiled by figuring on a ten hour day for the employees.

# FINE OF \$50 IN SCOTT ACT CASE

Burt's Corner Justice of the Peace Found Guilty in Court.

Not Necessary To Prove That Money Changed Hands.

Or That Liquor Was Consumed When Offence Was Committed.

In the Police Court this morning Col. Marsh gave judgment against George W. Howland, J. P., of Burt's Corner, in the Scott Act case brought against him by Rev. J. J. Colter, Scott Act Inspector for York County. The defendant did not appear and the case was continued ex-parte. A fine of \$50 or one month's jail was imposed.

In giving judgment Col. Marsh stated that it had not been proven that any money changed hands when the drinks were taken by the witness, Sandy Brewer, and his friend, but His Honor drew attention to the section of the act which states that it is not necessary to show that money changed hands or that any liquor was consumed.

The Scott Act docket is now clear.

# CHURCH SERVICES.

United Baptist Church (George St.) Rev. A. A. Rideout, pastor—Morning prayer service at 10 a. m. Sermon at 11 a. m. Sunday School and Bible classes at 2:30 p. m. Evening service at 7 p. m. Mid-week services on Tuesday and Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. All are welcome.

Methodist United Baptist Church—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. J. H. MacDonald, B. A.; Sunday School and Bible classes at 2:30 p. m.; Tuesday and Friday night meetings at 7:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited to these services. Seats free.

Gibson Methodist Church—Rev. James Crisp will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. On account of the dangerous condition of the ice Mr. Crisp will not go down Lincoln in the afternoon.

Natural History Society. The regular monthly meeting of the society will be held on Monday evening next in the High School at 8 o'clock. The Society will be addressed by Dr. G. U. Hay, of St. John, the subject being "A Canoe Voyage on the Oronto." All persons interested will be welcome.

Auction Sale on Thursday. On Thursday morning April 12th, at ten o'clock at the County Court House Auctioneer Stockford will sell the household effects of Mr. H. A. Tinker, who is to return to England. Mr. Tinker has been living at Garden Creek.

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P. S.—Notice of Kid Glove Sale in Monday's issue.

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