

MR. W. W. GRANT.

We have pleasure in presenting to readers of the ELECTRICAL NEWS the accompanying portrait of Mr. W. W. Grant, who has recently been appointed by the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., to act as their representative in Canada in conjunction with Messrs. Ahearn & Soper, of Ottawa. The following brief particulars of Mr. Grant's career will suffice to show his capability for this position.

Mr. Grant is a native of Ottawa, and a son of Sir James Grant, K.C.M.G., of that city. He is a graduate of the Royal Military College of Kingston, which is recognised as one of the foremost educational institutions in Canada. Owing to his standing at this institution, and the marked perseverance displayed during his college course, he was awarded a commission in the Royal Engineers of England, which is the highest branch of the British military service. After due consideration, however, he declined this offer, recognizing that there were larger possibilities in America.

After having graduated, Mr. Grant was engaged in practical work in Canada for about two years. In 1892 he entered the



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employ of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., starting at the bottom of the ladder in the factory, and thence passing through all departments of the company's extensive works. In 1893 he was appointed one of the erecting engineers on the Hamilton Street Railway during the reconstruction of the road. In 1895 he was transferred from the construction to the business department of the Westinghouse Co., where he became associated with Mr. Maurice Coster, who is recognized as being one of the most prominent and successful engineering salesmen connected with the company. In 1896 he removed from Pittsburg to the company's New York office, and in recognition of the value of his services during the two-and-one-half years of his residence in New York, he was chosen to fill the important position which he now occupies in Canada. There is no room to doubt that from the steady advancement which Mr. Grant has made in the past, due to his ability and faithful performance of duty, he will fully meet the requirements of his present position.

Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Dundas, Ont., have placed an S.K.C. two-phase motor in their work shop, and will hereafter operate by electric current furnished by the Dundas Electric Co. Dundas will soon follow the lead of Hamilton, and become, with all its factories, a smokeless city.

SPARKS.

The citizens of Medicine Hat, N.W.T., are considering the question of granting a franchise for electric lighting to a local company.

The Cataract Power Co. is announced to have secured control of the Hamilton Street Railway system. As a result, it is understood that the construction of the contemplated electric roads to Guelph, Galt, Berlin, St. Catharines and other points will be undertaken at an early date.

Messrs. A. C. Miller & Co., of the steamer "Alexandria," have placed their order with the Royal Electric Co. for a complete electric lighting plant for this new steamer. The work of installation is going on now, and on completion it will be one of the best electrically equipped vessels on the lakes.

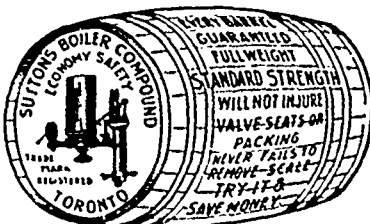
The first meeting of the shareholders of the Victoria Telephone Co., Limited, was held at Woodville, Ont., recently, at which directors were elected as follows: President, J. G. Eyres, Woodville; vice-president, J. G. Campbell, Orillia; treasurer, C. E. Weeks, Woodville; secretary, Wm. A. Robinson, Cannington. The directors decided to build lines to Beaverton, Orillia, Midland, Barrie, Lindsay, Peterboro, and other places as soon as possible.

Messrs. Geo. Wilson & Co., of St. Catharines, who operate a large planing mill and sash and door factory, where they have plenty of refuse for steam purposes, have found it cheaper and more satisfactory to operate their mill by electricity, and have entered into an agreement with the St. Catharines Electric Light & Power Co. to furnish them with from 50 to 75 h.p. They have also placed their order with the Royal Electric Co. for a 50 k. w. S. K. C. synchronous motor. There are also a number of other firms who contemplate making changes from steam to electricity.

A circular from the International Correspondence School, Scranton, Pa., states that the United Correspondence School and the American School of Correspondence have recently been established, using many of the copyrighted instruction papers of the International Correspondence School. Suit has now been entered by the Colliery Engineer Co., in the United States Circuit Court, to restrain these schools from using their papers, and for infringement of their copyright, and students are warned against having such pamphlets in their possession, in case the Colliery Engineer Co. are successful in establishing their allegations.

The St. Catharines Electric Light & Power Co. have enlarged their water power, and are in a position to furnish power and light throughout the twenty-four hours. They have lately installed a 200 K.W. S.K.C. two-phase generator, from which they are supplying light on their single-phase mains throughout the city during the hours of lighting, and during the day are furnishing two-phase alternating current to the various industries throughout the city. This company had been supplying arc and incandescent lights only, but as there was a considerable field for power, in which one plant, a 500 volt direct current system, was already engaged, they decided to put in something which they could use for both purposes, hence they have only one investment in using the poly-phase system instead of two using the direct current power system and an alternating current lighting system.

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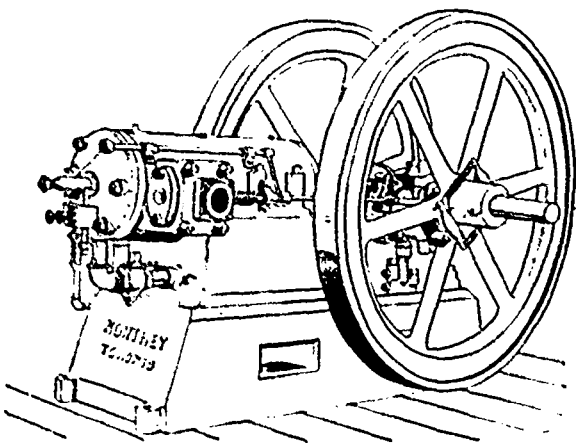
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