

matter, except books. Rate, 1 cent per 4 oz. Other miscellaneous matter, including books. Rate 1 cent per 2 oz. but a minimum prepayment of 5 cents is required for legal and commercial papers. The limit of weight for patterns and samples is 2 oz. and for the other matter under this head 5 lbs.

Telegraph Companies.—There are two principal telegraph companies in Montreal, the Canadian Pacific Telegraph Company and the Great North Western Telegraph Company.

The general rate is 25 cents for ten words and a cent for every additional word. This rule is however subjected to distances.

The Great North Western.—This company has 1900 offices in Canada, 40,000 miles of wire and 18,000 miles of poles, these figures not including lines belonging to the Great North Western and comprised in the states of Maine, New Hampshire, and New York.

The Great North Western also connects with the Western Union which has a mileage of 1,029,500 and 23,567 offices.

The Canadian Pacific Telegraph Company has some 50,000 miles spreaded principally in the West down to the Pacific Ocean.

Telephones.—There are also two telephone companies: the Bell Telephone Co'y and the Merchants, the latter being more of a local company. The former covers nearly the whole of Canada.

Express Companies.—There are four main express companies, viz., Dominion, Canadian, National and American. The three latter are combined in one with offices in the G. T. R. building, McGill street.

The Dominion Express Company's main office is located on St. James street, No 187.

Messenger Service.—When in want of a messenger, just ring up Main 1253. The scale of rates is as follows: For district comprised between Inspector st., Dorchester and St-Gabriel, 10 cents. For district comprised between Guy street, Sherbrooke and Amherst, 15 cents. For district comprised between Atwater Avenue, Pine Avenue and Delorimier avenue, 20 cents. For district comprised between St. Henri and Westmount, St. Louis street, and City eastern Limits 25 cents. An extra charge of 5 cents is made when an answer is required.