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W. H. Burr, whose appointment as Traffic Manager of the Dominion and Western Ex. Companies, was announced in our Dec., 1908, issue, was born at Bloomington, Ill., Jan., 1864, and entered transportation service Oct., 1882, as clerk to W. S. Stout, then Superintendent of the Dominion Ex. Co. at Winnipeg, who had just brought that company into active operation. On the commencement of the business in Eastern Canada, in 1884, he was transferred to Toronto, and appointed Auditor in 1885. In 1895 he organized the Auditor in 1885. In 1895 he organized the Money Order Department, which has been under his supervision ever since; and since the inauguration of the Western Ex. Co. in 1895, operating over the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Ry. and other lines in the U.S., he has also acted as Auditor of that company. In Nov., 1906, he was appointed Chairman of the Express Traffic Association.

Telegraph and Cable Matters.

On the installation of the necessary instruments, the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Ry. telegraph line to Englehart, Ont., will be put in operation.

The Marconi wireless telegraph operators were brought from their stations on the lower St. Lawrence to Quebec, Dec. 1, and the stations closed for the winter.

It is reported that the C.P.R. telegraph

department has installed a 40-wire switchboard at Moose Jaw, Sask., to provide for the operation of a dual system of telegraphy and telephony.

The Kingston and Pembroke Ry, telegraphers have applied for the appointment of a conciliation board under the Lemieux Act, to enquire into their complaints. They have named J. G. O'Donoghue, Toronto, as their representative.

It is reported that a U.S. Company is about to erect a wireless telegraph station at Prince Rupert, B.C., and that if the necessary arrangements can be made construction will be commenced at once. This proposal means an additional station to the one to be erected there by the Dominion Government during this year.

C.P.R. telegraph offices have been opened at: Alberta,—Hillcrest and Sheppard; B.C., Haney; Manitoba,—Basswood and Hazelridge; Ontario,—Coldwater Jct.; Saskatchewan,—Aylesbury, Elbow, Guernsey, Southey, Welwyn, and Wilkie. The name of Peart, Ont., has been changed to Ambo.

Press reports from Winnipeg recently stated that J. W. Baker, one of the Winnipeg Board of Control, and formerly in the C.P.R. Telegraph Department, had been offered the position of Superintendent G.T.P.R. Telegraphs. We are officially advised that the report is without foundation and that no such appointment is contemplated.

R. N. Vyvyan, Engineer Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co., who built the Glace Bay station, is reported to have said in an interview at Liverpool, Eng., recently, that the company is at present transmitting an average of about 5,000 words a day, and expects shortly to deal with 30,000 or 40,000 words daily, and to extend its service throughout Canada, instead of confining its operations to Montreal only.

The Board of Railway Commissioners passed the following order 5679 Nov. 25: In the matter of the oral application of the G.T. Pacific Telegraph Co., made this day by its solicitor, D'Arcy Tate, for the approval of the tolls to be charged by the company for messages to be transmitted over that portion of its line in Ontario along the route of the G.T. Pacific Ry. between Westfort and Lake Superior Jet. Upon the recommendation of the Chief Upon the recommendation of the Chief Traffic Officer of the Board, it is ordered that the tolls submitted, namely, the day toll of 25 cents for messages of 10 words or less, and 2 cents for each additional word, and the night toll of 25 cents for messages of 10 words or less, and 1 cent for each additional word, be temporarily approved; and that the company be authorized to charge and collect the tolls hereby approved until unless otherwise ordered approved until, unless otherwise ordered, the Board shall dispose of the question of telegraph tolls generally.

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