

NEWS from the COUNTY

NORTON

O. H. Cameron was in Island Pond last Saturday on business.

C. M. Parker, telephone lineman, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

E. J. Nelson attended the funeral of Mrs. Howe at Dixville Notch, last Thursday.

Henrietta Carpenter, who is attending school in Sherbrooke, was home over Sunday.

Mrs. Ovide Sage is in Sherbrooke, where she is receiving treatment for her eyes.

Miss Edith Nelson entertained Mrs. Francis Johnson of Island Pond, one day last week.

The woodsmen were very much pleased with the last snowstorm as it improved the roads a great deal.

Elmer Marsh and Hanford Carpenter, students of Canaan High School, spent Sunday at their homes here.

Mrs. J. Gendron, Miss Blanche Landry, both of Coaticook, Que., were guests of Mrs. F. J. Brissette on Friday last.

Rev. Fr. Trotter of Island Pond, Rev. Fr. Goyette and Mr. T. L. Lemieux of Stanhope, P. Q., Mr. Derocheia and Mr. Lajoie of Coaticook, P. Q., were guests of Rev. Fr. Guay on Tuesday.

The son of Wm. Henri who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Sherbrooke Hospital a week ago Wednesday, died Saturday. The remains were taken home Sunday. Funeral services were held at the St. Bernard church on Tuesday morning.

OUT THIS OUT NOW

If you don't want it to-day, you may next week. Send this advertisement and 5 cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You receive in return three trial packages—Foley's Honey & Tar Compound for coughs, colds, croup and grippe; Foley Kidney Pills, for weak or disordered kidneys or bladder; Foley Cathartic Tablets, a pleasant, wholesome and cleansing purgative, just the thing for winter's sluggish bowels and torpid liver. These well known standard remedies for sale by John Thurston, druggist. adv

CANAAN

Mrs. John Covell of Guildhall, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. John Carbee, over Sunday.

Mrs. Ernest Cole, D W Marshall and wife, and Mrs. Edward Bate-man were called here last week by the death of their only brother, Charles M Fletcher.

The W C T U met with Mrs. John Carbee, Thursday afternoon, January 28, and elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows:—Mrs Ida Lucas, president; Mrs O Schoppe, vice-president; Mrs M L vina Smith, corresponding secretary; Mrs Caroline Weeks, recording secretary, Mrs Maud Duff, treasurer. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Caroline Weeks, February 11.

The funeral of Charles M. Fletcher was held at the Congregational Church in West Stewartstown, Tuesday afternoon, January 26. Rev. E W Wild conducted the services, assisted by Rev. W C Christie, pastor of the Canaan M E Church, and both spoke comforting words to the bereaved friends. Mr. Fletcher's age was 47 years and 8 months.

BOSTON CALLS SAN FRANCISCO

Direct Telephone Line Open Across the Continent

SPEECH CARRIED 3500 MILES

Bell Telephone Engineers Extend Long Distance Line to the Pacific Coast—Science and Inventive Genius Finally Overcome Great Obstacles

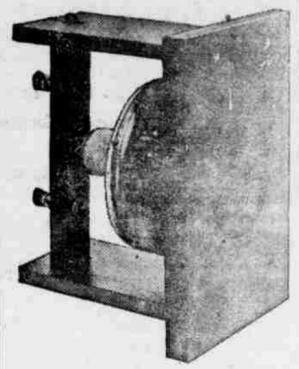
WHAT IT MEANS TO TELEPHONE FROM BOSTON TO SAN FRANCISCO

Distance—3505 miles.
Twelve States Covered.
Miles of Copper Wire—14,020.
Weight of Wire—Over 3000 tons.
Poles on Line—Over 140,000.
Speed—One-fifteenth of second.

Crossing the continent—from Boston to San Francisco—in one-fifteenth of a second is an actual accomplishment. Direct conversation between the two cities so far apart was established for the first time, the other day, over the longest telephone line in the world—more than 3500 miles. The successful consummation of this great work is an epoch in history—the acme of telephone attainment. It is an achievement made possible only by the scientific study and persistent effort of the engineers of the great Bell system.

Think for a moment what the opening of the Boston-San Francisco direct line means. It has made Massachusetts and California neighbors. It will carry the business message from the Atlantic to the Pacific quicker than a man can write a letter and it gives him an answer at once. It has annihilated distance. Its commercial value is priceless.

Boston Men Built the Line Across twelve states! Do you realize what that means? Have you ever traveled to the far west? On the



Professor Bell's First Telephone

fastest trains it takes five days and five nights—120 hours—to go from Boston to San Francisco. And yet it will only be a little while before the business man can sit comfortably in his office and travel instantly by telephone between the two cities over tons of copper wire.

The opening of this line has a peculiar significance to the people of Boston and New England, for it was in Boston that Professor Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876, less than forty years ago. A little later the longest toll line in the world stretched from Boston to Lowell and the service was poor and intermittent. How marvellous has been the progress.

And the men who were associated with Bell in those telephone pioneer

days, and developed his great idea until one in every eight persons in the United States is connected by telephone, are Boston men. Many of them are living today.

Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, has been in the telephone business almost from the beginning. Today he is perhaps the greatest constructive business man in the world.

John J. Carthy, chief engineer of the company, the master mind in scientific telephony, was a Cambridge boy who worked as an operator in the early days for \$5 a week.

Thomas D. Lockwood, general patent attorney of the company, a telephone expert for nearly forty years, lives in Melrose.

Thomas A. Watson, the youthful mechanic who assisted Bell in his early experiments and who was the first person in the world to hear the human voice over a wire, lives in Braintree and in Boston.

Some Facts and Figures

At the present time there are two complete physical circuits, each 3500 miles long, between the two cities. Then, by means of a wonderful development of electrical study, in the transposition of these two circuits according to a certain scientific formula, a third circuit called a "phantom" circuit is created, making it possible for six people to talk at one time—three at each end—over these two pair of wires.

There are 14,020 miles of hard drawn copper wire in both of these circuits. Each circuit mile of wire weighs 870 pounds, so that the entire weight of both circuits—four wires—is over 3000 tons. This tremendous weight is supported by 140,000 poles.

News of the State

What is Going On in and About Old Vermont

Hiram Hutchinson, a Kirby boy, slid into a barbed wire fence recently, and struck in such a way as to break his nose in two places.

David P. MacKenzie has been named as postmaster at Island Pond, in place of John S. Swoney, whose commission expired on Jan. 26, 1915.

Governor Gates has reappointed Mason G. Beebe of Burlington, to succeed himself as a member of the state board of pharmacy for a term of five years.

The St. Johnsbury Merchants' Association reports that during 1914 the names of 1,335 persons were placed upon the black list of the organization, as unworthy of credit.

The five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Manseau of Winook, who was severely scalded by falling into a pail of boiling water about a week ago, is improving. It is thought now that she will recover.

While taking a heavy water-soaked cask down stairs in Brattleboro last Wednesday, Patrick Manning lost his balance and the cask, the latter coming onto him, breaking both bones of one leg below the knees.

Patents have been granted to Vermonters as follows: George L. Cowen, East Ryegate, on a shaft collar; Abby T. Holden, Concord, egg case; George A. Leonard, Burlington, motor cycle tank support.

The St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain railroad station at Hardwick was broken into during the night last Friday. A small quantity was taken, but \$20 in the drawer was overlooked. There is no clue to the burglary.

Mrs. Chastina Phillips, now in her eighty-fifth year, and residing in East Concord, has six children, 34 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. Since November 1, Mrs. Phillips has knit 10 pairs of mittens.

Robert A. Hardy, a nephew of Rev. V. M. Hardy and Mrs. H. P. Munson of Morrisville, and who was employed in Mr. Munson's store for three or four years, has been chosen editor of Good Storekeeping, review of the trade press for merchants. This magazine is published by the Good Housekeeping Co., of New York City. Since leaving Morrisville, Mr. Hardy has been taking graduate work in the School of Commerce and Finance of New York University, and for some time has been connected with "Good Housekeeping."

WINTER DOUBLES WORK

In summer the work of eliminating poisons and acids from the blood is helped by perspiration. In cold weather, with little out door work or exercise to cause sweating, the kidneys have to do double work. Foley Kidney Pills help overworked, weak and diseased kidneys to filter and cast off the waste the waste matter that causes rashes or skin eruptions, rheumatism, stiffness of joints, sore muscles and other ills resulting from improper elimination. For sale by John Thurston. adv

Shoots Large Bob Cat

John Harrington, the 16 year-old son of Warren Harrington, who resides in the eastern section of the village of Bennington known as Alendale Park, brought into town Wednesday, January 20th, the largest specimen of bay lynx or bob cat seen in that vicinity in many years. The big cat was killed by young Harrington while hunting rabbits on Hathaway hill in plain sight of the village. The young hunter's dog treed the animal in a small spruce. It was too dark for the boy to determine the nature of the animal, which he thought might be a racoon. The animal measured 30 inches from nose to tip of the short tail and weighed 22 1/2 pounds.

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Bradstreet's Report

Bradstreet's Burlington, Vt., office reports in summarizing trade conditions for the month of January that while there are manufacturing lines that are operating below what is apparent for the same month of 1914, there are others that are doing a good business. The plants that are fully employed are those that have received orders from foreign countries. The domestic demand appears to be restricted to smaller orders and those for immediate consumption. The machine manufacturing plants at both Windsor and Springfield have been well employed during the month and some over time has been necessary. Manufacturers of automobile parts advise the market conditions are not up to the average. Granite for building purposes is very quiet although there is a better feeling regarding the future than has been expressed for four months. Granite for monumental work has been ordered in small amounts. Veneer manufacturers report a quiet business; this is attributed to the small amount of business received at the furniture manufacturing plants. Organ manufacturers note little, if any improvement in demand for their class of goods.

The three failures in this State for the past month showed seven times as much money involved as was noted in a like number of failures that occurred during January 1914. Of the three failures of January 1915, two were voluntary bankruptcies with total assets of \$32,575 and total liabilities of \$54,405. The month preceding gave ten bankruptcies affecting mercantile interests with total liabilities of \$76,415 and assets of \$43,785. Included in the records of fires for the month just closed were five affecting seven mercantile interests with an aggregate damage of \$11,200. January of a year ago recorded 21 fires affecting 10 business enterprises with an approximate total damage of \$104,543. There were seven domestic corporations chartered with a total capitalization of \$665,000.

WEST BURKE

Mrs. Alvin Moulton is sick with lagrippe.

Alex Agnon was in St. Johnsbury, Saturday.

Mrs. Addie Drown is convalescing from her illness.

Eva Rosebrooks entertained Lillian Cheney over Saturday.

Mrs. Sadie Darling of Boston, Mass., is in town visiting friends.

Mrs. Martha Howe of Biddeford, Me., is visiting her father, C. S. Fletcher.

Little Beatrice Humphrey passed away Monday after a week's illness of pneumonia.

Arthur Berry has moved here from Massachusetts, and rented one of the Tyler tenements.

Mrs. Josephine Bigelow spent two days with her son, Avery, at Lyndonville, the past week.

L. T. Goodwin was in East Charleston and Island Pond on business the first of the week.

Mrs. L. Walter spent a part of last week in East Burke with her daughter, Mrs. George Cole.

The S. S. Institute was held in the M. E. Church, Thursday. The program was very interesting and helpful.

- The W. R. C. installed the following officers, Saturday, Jan. 30.
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| Louise Stoddard | Pres. |
| Hattie Cheney | S V P |
| Annette Silsby | J V P |
| Mattie Hill | Treas. |
| Florence Dural | Sect. |
| Ruby Kelly | Chap. |
| Margaret Porter | Con. |
| Nancy Bailey | Asst. Con. |
| Mrs. John Barnard | P I |
| Carrie D. Roney | P C |
| Mary G. Cheney | Musician |
| Mary Ainger | 1st Color Bearer |
| Mattie Coe | 2nd " " |
| Delia Craig | 3rd " " |
| Lotie George | 4th " " |

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