REPORT

OF THE

DIRECTORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

OF

The Bell Telephone Company of Canada

For the Year ending 31st December,

1902

The Bell Telephone Company of Canada 1902.

The Directors beg to submit their twenty-third Annual Report.

5,623 subscribers have been added during the year, the total number of sets of instruments now earning rental being 48.481.

The Company now owns and operates 377 Exchanges and 553 Agencies.

2,655 miles of wire have been added to the Long Distance System in 1902; of these 1,042 are in the Ontario Department, 1240 in the Eastern Department, and 373 in the North Western Department. The Long Distance Lines now owned and operated by the Company comprise 26,848 miles of wire on 6991 miles of poles.

\$250,000 of 5% Bonds were sold during the year, the premium on which amounted to \$22,809.24.

10,000 Shares of new stock were offered to the Shareholders at 25% premium, and 9884 shares were applied for, on which two instalments of \$25 each have been paid during the year, amounting to \$395,360, on account of Stock and \$98,840, on account of the premium; this premium together with the premium on the Bonds, \$22,809.24 (\$121,649.24), in accordance with our custom in the past, has been carried to the Contingent Account.

From the balance of Revenue Account, \$114,244.12, \$32,674.10 has been carried to Insurance Reserve Account; \$18,133.75 to Accident Insurance Reserve Account, and \$40,000 to Contingent Account; leaving balance of Revenue to be carried to 1903, \$23,436.27.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT MACKAY.

CHAS. F. SISE,

Vice-President.

President.

Montreal, February 26th, 1903.

REVENUE ACCOUNT, 31st DECEMBER, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

| Exchanges (less Unearned Rentals) | \$1,413,219.10 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Long Distance Lines | 534,581.70 |
| Private Lines | 11,837.58 |
| Miscellaneous | 125,495.88 |
| | \$2,085,134.26 |

EXPENSES.

| Operating\$1. | 436,888.20 | | |
|--|------------|-----|-------------|
| Legal | 20,411.80 | | |
| Insurance | 17,940.14 | | |
| Bond Interest | 97,098.74 | | |
| Miscellaneous | 8,512.51 | \$1 | ,580,851.39 |
| | | | |
| Net Revenue for 1902 | | | 504,282.87 |
| Less Dividends (Including Jan. 15th, 1903) | | | 411,860.40 |
| | | 8 | 92,422.47 |
| Balance Revenue from 1901 | | | 21,821.65 |
| | | \$ | 114,244.12 |
| Carried to Insurance Reserve Account\$ | 32,674.10 | | |
| Carried to Accident Reserve Account | 18,133.75 | | |
| Carried to Contingent Fund | 40,000.00 | | 90,807.85 |
| | | | 20,007.03 |
| Carried forward to 1903 | | \$ | 23,436.27 |

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1902.

\$5,395,360.00

CHARLES P. SCLATER,

Secretary-Treasurer.

Stock Account.....

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

Chartered Accountants.

| Bond Account | | 2,000,000.00 |
|--|---|----------------|
| Contingent Account, 1901\$ | 953,361.00 | |
| Add Premium on Stock sold | 98,840.00 | |
| Add Premium on Bonds sold | 22,809.24 | |
| Add from Revenue Account | 40,000.00 | 1,115,010.24 |
| Revenue Account | | 23,436.27 |
| Unearned Rental Reserve | | 292,885.78 |
| Insurance Reserve | | 150,000.00 |
| Accident Reserve | | 50,000.00 |
| Bond Interest Reserve | | 25,000.00 |
| Sundry Creditors | | 189,029.50 |
| | | 20.040.701.70 |
| | | \$9,240,721.79 |
| Plant and Patent Account, 31st December, 1901\$ | | 89,240,721.79 |
| Plant and Patent Account, 31st December, 1901\$ " " added in 1902 | | 89,240,721.79 |
| | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 | \$9,240,721.79 |
| " " added in 1902 | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 | 89,240,721.79 |
| " " added in 1902 Plant and Patent Account, 31st December, 1902\$ | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 6,952,700.02 | 89,240,721.79 |
| " " added in 1902 | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 6,952,700.02 275,466.37 | 89,240,721.79 |
| " " added in 1902 | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 6,952,700.02 275,466.37 832,240.44 | 89,240,721.79 |
| " " added in 1902 | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 6,952,700.02 275,466.37 832,240.44 817,256.50 | |
| " " added in 1902 | 6,460,693.00 492,007.02 6,952,700.02 275,466.37 832,240.44 817,256.50 97,444.98 | 9,240,721.79 |