The Bell Telephone Company of Canada

1904.

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

8,988 subscribers have been added during the year, the total number of sets of instruments now earning rental being 66,160.

The Company now owns and operates 475 Exchanges and 789 Agencies.

1,242 miles of wire have been added to the Long Distance System in 1904. The Long Distance Lines now owned and operated by the Company comprise 32,211 miles of wire on 7,866 miles of poles.

20,000 shares of new stock were offered to the Shareholders at 25% premium, with the option of paying for them in full or in quarterly instalments. 16,845 shares were paid up in full. The amount of $1,916,960 has been received during the year on account of Stock, and $479,240 for premium thereon. The latter amount in accordance with our usual custom has been carried to the Contingent Account.

From the balance of Revenue Account, $154,323.76, $35,565.26 have been carried to Insurance Reserve Account; $23,958.25 to Accident Insurance Reserve Account, and $50,000 to Contingent Account; leaving balance of Revenue to be carried to 1905, $44,800.45.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT MACKAY, *Vice-President.*	C. F. SISE, *President.*

MONTREAL, February 23rd, 1905.

REVENUE ACCOUNT, 31st DECEMBER, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Exchanges (less Unearned Rentals)		$1,980,185 51
Long Distance Lines		761,991 15
Private Lines		14,735 48
Miscellaneous		176,741 57
		$2,933,653 71

EXPENSES.

Operating	$2,073,492 35	
Legal	19,963 52	
Insurance	25,409 14	
Bond Interest	100,000 00	
Miscellaneous	12,883 27	
		$2,231,748 28
Net Revenue for 1904		701,905 43
Less Dividends (Inc. January 15th, 1905)		588,117 60
		$ 113,787 83
Balance Revenue from 1903		40,536 13
		$ 154,323 96
Carried to Insurance Reserve	$ 35,565 26	
Carried to Accident Reserve	23,958 25	
Carried to Contingent Account	50,000 00	
		109,523 51
Carried forward to 1905		$ 44,800 45

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1904.

Stock Account		$7,916,960 00
Bond Account		2,000,000 00
Contingent Fund, 1903	$1,316,170 24	
Add Premium on Stock	479,240 00	
Add from Revenue Account	50,000 00	
		1,845,410 24
Revenue Account		44,800 45
Unearned Rental Reserve		397,087 86
Insurance Reserve		200,000 00
Accident Reserve		100,000 00
Bond Interest Reserve		25,000 00
Sundry Creditors		320,253 80
		$12,849,512 35
Plant and Patent Account, 31st December, 1903	$8,098,314 23	
do. added in 1904	1,175,441 67	
Plant and Patent Account, 31st December, 1904	$9,273,755 90	
Stores on hand	389,789 71	
Real Estate	1,284,930 89	
Stock in other Companies	927,056 50	
Due from Agencies	149,265 37	
Debtors	249,011 46	
Cash	575,702 50	
		$12,849,512 35

Audited and verified,
P. S. ROSS & SONS,
Chartered Accountants.

CHARLES P. SCLATER,
Secretary-Treasurer.