

REVISED SCHEDULE

Proposed Reduction of Telephone Rates in New York.

SCHEDULE NOT MADE PUBLIC

This Revision Refers to the Schedule of Telephone Rates Between the Several Telephone Districts in New York City to Go Into Effect.

New York, March 22.—Official announcement of a reduction of telephone tolls in Manhattan, to take effect on May 1, has been made by Union N. Bethell, first vice president and general manager of the New York Telephone Company.

All direct line business subscribers will be charged the new schedule of rates regardless of the rates named in the contract now existing between the subscribers and the company.

This action was determined on at a meeting of the board of directors of the company who have not only reduced the schedule of rates on limited calls, but have revised other schedules to go into effect in the near future. This revision refers to the schedule of toll rates between the several telephone districts in New York city. The whole subject has been recently the cause of much agitation in the newspapers and before legislative committees at Albany.

What reduction will be made in the tolls between the various boroughs of Greater New York is as yet unknown, but the schedules made public so far show that rates for direct line business will be lowered on the basis of 20 per cent to small subscribers and about 10 per cent to larger subscribers. In other words, a customer who now pays \$75 a year for 600 outgoing messages will obtain the same service for \$60. The subscriber who pays \$225 now for 4500 calls will pay \$204, a reduction of about 10 per cent.

MARRIAGE ILLEGAL.

Matrimonial Bonds Tied by Man of Wrong Faith.

Rome, March 22.—Cardinal Gotti, prefect of the propaganda has instructed Cardinal Martinello to report on the case presented by Princess Rospiolosi, formerly Marie Jennings Reed of New Orleans, for annulment of her first marriage with Colonel Fred H. Parkhurst of Bangor, Me. This case will soon be discussed before the congregation of the propaganda. It is generally believed by ecclesiastical authorities that an annulment will be granted as even admitting that the Parkhurst Reed marriage was celebrated with a dispensation which considered him a Protestant, the marriage is null and void, it being now established that Colonel Parkhurst never was baptized.

CONTRACT CLOSED.

Big Order From Pittsburg Firm for Steel Billets.

Pittsburg, March 22.—A contract has been closed between the Pittsburg Steel Company and the Republic Iron & Steel Company for the delivery of 150,000 tons of steel billets during the year beginning March 1, 1905. At the same time another contract was closed with the United States Steel Corporation for 50,000 tons of billets for delivery during the same period.

The price was the same in both cases—\$20 a ton, or a total of \$4,000,000, or \$1 below the price fixed by the billet pool and from \$2 to \$10 below the price paid in the open market at this time.

SAFE BROKEN OPEN.

Occurred in Seattle, and Thief Stole \$155.

An iron safe in Duncan & Sons' saddlery and harness store on Western avenue was broken into at noon today by a thief, who secured \$155 in gold and escaped. The robbery occurred at a time of the day when dozens of persons were passing along the sidewalk.

MORE DISTURBANCES.

Serious Agrarian Disturbances Reported at Kulno.

Warsaw, March 22.—Serious agrarian disturbances occurred today at Kulno. It is reported that the military fired on peasant rioters and several of the latter were killed and wounded. The governor of Warsaw, with the public prosecutor has gone to investigate the affair.

WOMAN DROWNED.

Body of a Female Was Found on the Lake Beach.

Chicago, March 22.—In the shallow water of the lake beach at Winnetka the body of a young woman has been found. It appeared to have been in the water only a short time. No marks

of identification were discovered and the only possible clue was a tiny flag pin with the inscription, "Put-in-Bay." The body is that of a woman 25 years of age. She was plainly clothed with a purple checked dress, but she did not appear to have been a working woman. An inquest will be held today.

HOSPITALS FULL.

Alarming Increase in Sickness in Brooklyn.

New York, March 22.—Pneumonia, grip, bronchitis and kindred ailments are so near epidemic in Brooklyn that the hospitals, like those of Manhattan, with two exceptions reached the limit of their bed room accommodations. Some of the institutions' patients are compelled to sleep on mattresses on the floor. Eighteen cases of meningitis are under treatment.

The condition of the streets particularly in the resident sections, following the recent thaw, is asserted to be responsible for much of the illness.

CHANCE FOR MORGAN.

Two Islands Discovered Which He Does Not Own.

New York, March 22.—The new island reported to have been thrown up late in December by a volcanic disturbance in the Sea of Japan has, according to a Times dispatch from Tokio, been visited by inhabitants of Two Island. They found the surface covered with volcanic tufa.

The island was surrounded by a belt of sand and there is a boiled lake near the northern end, below a peak 240 feet in height.

Dr. Amos A. Brundage.

New York, March 22.—Dr. Amos A. Brundage, a well known retired physician and a founder of the New York State Medical Association, is dead at his home in Brooklyn, from apoplexy. He was born at Benton, Pa., and served through the civil war under General Sheridan.

Calabria Has Sailed.

New York, March 22.—The Italian warship Calabria has sailed for Kingston, Jamaica, cables the Herald's correspondent at Santo Domingo. Her itinerary to Havana and La Guayra has been altered because of an unexpected cable dispatch from Rome, and her trip to Kingston is presumably taken because Jamaica is nearer.

FOR RAPID TRANSIT

August Belmont Wants to Own All Interurban Lines.

TO BE EXEMPT FROM TAXES

Proposed New Lines to Be Constructed at a Cost of \$100,000,000 Touching Many Sections of New York City Not Reached by the Subway Lines.

New York, March 22.—August Belmont, on behalf of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, will notify the members of the committee on routes and plans of the rapid transit commission today, says the Herald, that his company is willing to bid for all the more important of the new routes agreed to by the committee and stands ready to build them with private capital, providing the new lines be exempt from taxation during the life of his contract to operate them. The proposed new lines, touching many sections of the city not reached by the subway will involve expenditures of at least \$100,000,000.

A report prepared by the committee on routes will be submitted to the rapid transit commission at its session tomorrow. If this is adopted it will be forwarded to the board of aldermen at once so that the city's consent to the routes may be obtained as soon as possible. Consents of property owners along the proposed lines are now being secured by counsel for the rapid transit commission. The authorities expect to have four and perhaps five bidders for the work of construction.

Marine Notes.

The steamer Roanoke left yesterday for San Francisco with freight and passengers.

The oil tank steamer Whittoer is still outside, unable to get in. It is expected that the bar will be smooth enough for her to cross in this morning.

Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Lemberger of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye." Good for burns and ulcers too. Only 25c at Chas. Roger's drug store.

A WOMAN'S TONGUE

Claimed to be Dangerous Weapon by New York Justice.

WERE FINED TEN DOLLARS

Gave the Judge a Tongue Lashing and the Court Immediately Imposed a Fine of Ten Dollars for Contempt of Court, But Fine Set Aside.

New York, March 22.—Edward L. Cook, who dispenses New Jersey justice at Madison, in that state, has decided that a woman's tongue when used upon a justice of the peace becomes a concealed weapon.

Two women had appeared in his court one charging that the other had called her names. The justice tried to settle the case, and after dismissing the complaint, endeavored to make the women shake hands. It was then that they turned their tongues loose upon the justice. He did not look up the law, but made out a complaint under a section of the disorderly act, which relates to

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Astoria National Bank

At the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$324,662 57
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	6,203 86
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	750 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	66,416 74
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	2,655 00
Other real estate owned	4,378 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	5,907 88
Due from state banks and bankers	11,038 98
Due from approved reserve agents	97,002 96
Checks and other cash items	2,657 41
Notes of other national banks	536 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	864 11
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$56,473 95
Legal-tender notes	90 00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	625 00
Total	\$593,989 46

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	28,758 77
National bank notes outstanding	10,800 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$259,975 77
Demand certificates of deposit	39,725 56
Time certificates of deposit	202,114 36
Certified checks	715 00
Total	\$593,989 46

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop,

I, J. E. Higgins, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. E. HIGGINS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22d day of March, 1905.

E. Z. FERGUSON, Notary Public.

(Seal) Correct—Attest:

GEO. H. GEORGE, A. SCHERNECKOUL, L. MANSUR, Directors.

concealed weapons, and fined them \$10 each. One of the women hurried to her lawyer who brought the matter before a county judge for review. That official set aside the conviction and ordered the fines returned.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

First National Bank

At Astoria, in the state of Oregon, at the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$283,071 88
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,555 14
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Stocks, securities, etc.	73,380 00
Other real estate owned	6,000 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	9,244 60
Due from state banks and bankers	98,794 73
Due from approved reserve agents	135,851 99
Checks and other cash items	18 90
Notes of other national banks	105 00
Nickels and cents	468 53
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$114,200 00
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	625 00
Total	\$739,815 76

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	50,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	25,764 78
National bank notes outstanding	12,500 00
Individual deposits subject to check	\$448,064 51
Demand certificates of deposit	153,356 47
Certified checks	100 00
Total	\$739,815 76

State of Oregon, County of Clatsop,

I, S. S. Gordon, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. S. GORDON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of March, 1905.

J. H. MANSELL, Notary Public.

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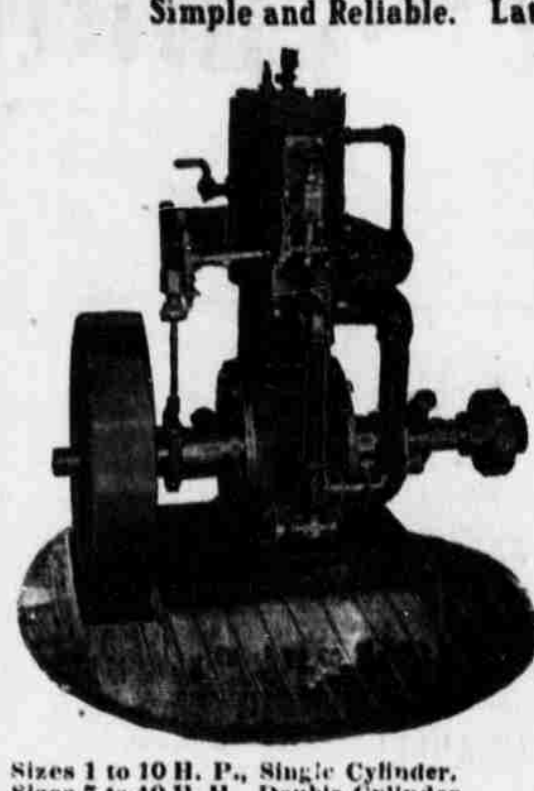
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