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NEW YORK CENTRAL AFTER CANADIAN ELECTRIC ROADS

Scheme Is to Consolidate All Lines Getting Their Power from Niagara Falls—Hon. Mr. Emmerson Makes a Hurried Visit to New York—Roosevelt Laying Plans for Re-nomination in 1908—Ottawa Man Held for Abduction in New York.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

New York, March 27.—Henry R. Emmerson, minister of railways for Canada, came to town yesterday morning and left tonight.

Mr. Emmerson, at the Hotel Manhattan, said he had run down "for a little holiday," and didn't care to discuss affairs of state. Mr. Emmerson knew nothing, he said, of a story published here today to the effect that a great international merger of railways was in contemplation by which the New York Central would gain control of all the Canadian companies which derive their power from Niagara Falls, the purpose being to cover the province of Ontario with a network of electric roads, to be connected with the Central, which will enter Toronto over a four track road, to be built on the roadbed of the Toronto & Hamilton railway.

An special from Montreal to the World that apparently reliable information that the international railway system had changed hands from the Ely to the interests, is now under New York Central control. It is further stated that the syndicate of which Frederick Nichols is the head, and which owns the Electric Development Company of Ontario, the Toronto & Niagara Power Company, the Toronto & Hamilton Railway Company, and the Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Railway, is acting for the New York Central in combining Canadian electric railroads for the international merger.

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No action will be taken by United States Attorney Sullivan regarding the other six indictments against Mrs. Chadwick in the federal court, until the present case is finally disposed of. If the present case and sentence is sustained by the court, the other cases will be dropped, otherwise they will be used against the woman.

MONCTON MAN BADLY INJURED AT AMHERST

Fred. Nickerson Crushed Between Cars While Uncoupling Them—Cumberland Man Sidelined in Peculiar Way.

Amherst, N. S., March 27.—(Special)—Fred Nickerson, brakeman on Conductor Crockett's special, received serious injuries here this afternoon while uncoupling cars. He was between two cars when the forward section of the train moved back, crushing his body in a terrible manner. He was immediately removed to Highland View Hospital. He is a son of Conductor Nickerson, of Moncton (N. B.).

Zelus White, of Lower Cove, this county, committed suicide on Saturday evening near his home. From the evidence given at the inquest it appears that the deceased had loaded one barrel of a double-barreled shot gun with bullets. He tied the gun to a tree and attached a piece of wire to the trigger which he passed round the tree. He then laid down in close range of the gun and pulled the wire. The bullet passed through the body below the neck, and the deceased died.

It is also reported that General Polivanoff will be appointed chief of the general staff.

The government is advised that Chinese bandits are appearing in great numbers

along the Siberian railway and causing interference with the train service.

Linewitch Unhappy About Oyama's Next Move.

Gunshu Pass, March 27.—8 p. m.—The Japanese have apparently withdrawn from the region of the south of the Russian front. Cossack patrols which have been making extensive reconnaissance southward, found no Japanese within thirty-five miles. General Linewitch is dispatching scouting parties east and west to guard against a possible turning movement. A number of Chinese bandits have been captured, some of whom are Mongolians.

Russian Nobles Against Popular Government.

Moscow, March 27.—A meeting of the nobility of the government of Moscow in which there were participating also representatives of the nobility from various sections of Russia, has pronounced against constitutional government of the kind enjoyed by the nations of western Europe, considering such institutions unsuitable to this country on account of the geographical and ethnological conditions of Russia and the political development of the Russian people. The nobles are of the opinion that some degree of popular representation should be introduced but that there should be no limitation of authority, but of administrative arbitrariness, and that the ruler and the people should be brought into closer touch.

The bar of Moscow, at a meeting, adopted a resolution calling for a popular assembly to formulate a constitutional act defining and limiting the governmental system. The meeting also advocated the formation of a civic militia for the protection of citizens and control by municipalities or Zemstvos, to which control of the police should also be transferred.

TO OFFSET ACTION OF NEWFOUNDLAND

Gloucester Fishermen to Establish Cold Storage Plant for Bait at Home.

Gloucester, Mass., March 27.—Plans are on foot for the establishment of a cold storage plant for the preservation of bait in view of the decision of the Newfoundland government that bait shall not be sold to American fishermen at Newfoundland ports.

It is proposed to procure and store bait and to establish a system of distribution between this port and the fishing grounds by means of cold storage vessels. It is claimed that the project will far as the American fishermen independent so far as bait is concerned.

Old Home Week at Charlotte.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., March 27.—(Special)—At a meeting of citizens tonight it was unanimously decided to hold a home week in Charlottetown this year.

Honors for Newspaper Man.

Portland, Me., March 27.—Announcement was made today that James E. Dunning, managing editor of the Portland Press and Advertiser, morning and evening papers, has received notice of his appointment as consul to Milan, Italy.

YARMOUTH VESSEL LOST, CREW SAVED

Key West, Fla., March 27.—The crew of the British schooner Helen, of Yarmouth (N. S.), Capt. J. C. Saunders, arrived Saturday morning in this city, the boat being a total wreck on Molasses Reef, Florida Keys, having run ashore on the 18th. She was from San Andrea, bound to Philadelphia with a cargo of coconuts. The schooner Queen, Volusia, Myatin and Olivette have arrived with about 100,000 coconuts from the wreck.

WIRELESS SERVICE TORONTO TO CAPE RACE

DeForest Company Establishing Stations at Ottawa and Government Along the St. Lawrence.

Ottawa, March 27.—(Special)—Ottawa will soon have a DeForest wireless telegraph station in active operation. From present indications it will be possible for a person in Toronto to send a message by means of the East River to connect Manhattan and Brooklyn. Richard Creegan, the man who was the hero of this most remarkable adventure, was working near the end of the bore. As is usual in work of this kind, the tunnel is extended by men working behind a circular steel shield, backed by a second shield, perforated by openings through which the dirt is passed to the part of the tunnel already completed, where it is loaded on the cars and taken back to the shaft.

As a support to the bed of the river, compressed air is forced into the tunnel, which under ordinary circumstances remains constant and often dangerous caving in.

MONCTON AFTER CANAL AND RIVER STEAMSHIP LINE IN ONE STREAM

Board of Trade to Ask Subsidies for Service to Nova Scotia Ports

WRECK ON I. C. R.

Three Colonist, an Engine and Two Baggage Cars off the Track Near Salt Springs—Serious Accident to Albert County Man.

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Schenectady, N. Y., March 27.—The Mohawk river, which was gorged with ice at Hoffmans ferry, about six miles west of this city, tonight overflowed into the Erie canal, which runs parallel at this point, tearing the embankment away for more than 200 feet. Although the canal was empty, in less than an hour there was a rush of water which flooded the streets in the city adjacent to the canal, and boats from their moorings, and rendered several houses uninhabitable.

Huge cakes of ice tore down several poles carrying feed wires to the Rotterdam pumping station, which is dependent upon electrical power and from which the city obtains its water supply. An effort was made to start the auxiliary steam apparatus, but soon there was more than three feet of water in the boiler pit, quenching the fire and leaving the city with only gravity pressure. While repairs were being made, this city was left in darkness for a considerable time.

New York Central trains were obliged to use the east-bound tracks, and the others being entirely under water, and the 10 o'clock train, were inundated. There have been no trains from the west since 7 o'clock, and two of the New York Central's fast trains are held here.

A canal boat became wedged under a drawbridge over which the Central trains are obliged to pass, and lifted it so high that all traffic was cut off until the boat was removed. Switching engines are being used to transfer trains on the Central across the bridge at Hoffmans ferry to the west shore tracks on the other side, where no damage has been done, and several west-bound trains have been able to resume in this manner.

A twenty-foot gorge has formed at Hoffmans ferry, backing up the water, which has spread over the flats and flowed around the gorge, which threatens to speak at any minute. The river at this point is rising at the rate of six feet an hour, a record which has not been reached for eighty years.

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