

DEVELOPMENTS

R. Divisional Superintendent interviewed by Colonist Yesterday.

GRAND BRIDGING ENTERPRISE Grants are Pouring Into the New Provinces from the United States.

Two new provinces carved out of Northwest Territories will receive fully 100,000 settlers from the United States.

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BRITISH PACIFIC TO INCORPORATE

Will Apply for Charter to Build From Victoria to Hudson's Bay.

CABINET CHANGES EXPLAINED Insurance Inspection Proves to Have Been Perfunctory and Incomplete.

OTTAWA, March 16.—(Special.)—Application will be made this session for the incorporation of the British Pacific Railway company with power to build a railway from Victoria via Butte Inlet and Yellow Head pass and Edmonton to Fort Churchill on Hudson's Bay.

The Cabinet Changes Explanations of cabinet changes which have taken place since last session were made in the House today by Premier Laurier.

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CONGREGATIONAL SINGING. St. Peter's Cathedral, London, Adopts the Innovation.

London, Ont., March 16.—Congregational singing has been introduced at St. Peter's Cathedral.

FATAL STABBING AFFRAY. Quarrel in Collingwood Saloon Results in One Man's Death.

Collingwood, Ont., March 16.—During a quarrel in the Grand Central Hotel saloon, Louis Bartelle of Tonawanda fatally stabbed Fred Lewis of this town with a pocket knife, cutting a main artery, which resulted in Lewis' death.

PEACE RIVER ELECTION. The Court Decides It Has No Jurisdiction to Try the Case.

Edmonton, March 16.—In the Peace River election case, which has been handed down by Judge Scott, the court found that it had no jurisdiction to interfere by presiding over or so-called an election held there.

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UNPRECEDENTEDLY SEVERE STORM

The California Valleys Suffer a Visitation Lasting for Sixty Hours.

WORST FLOODS THREATENED Residents Work All Night to Build Levees Which Are Swept Away.

FRESNO, March 16.—A storm of unprecedented severity has been raging for sixty hours in the valley between the San Joaquin and Kings rivers.

PRINCE ARTHUR SAILS. Yokohama, March 16.—Prince Arthur of Connaught, who came here from Japan at the head of the special embassy from King Edward to convey the latter's congratulations to the Emperor of the Garter, sailed today on the steamship Empress of Japan for Victoria.

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U. S. STEEL OPERATIONS. Report for Past Year Shows Large Increase in Earnings.

New York, March 16.—The pamphlet report of the United States Steel Corporation for the year ending December 31st shows that the company's gross receipts were \$885,301,730, an increase of \$140,928,208.

THE RIO GRANDE WRECK. Pueblo, Col., March 17.—Twenty-two killed and twenty-two injured tonight make up the latest estimate of the casualties in the wreck of two Denver & Rio Grande passenger trains at Adobe, Col., Friday morning.

IN THE HEART OF THE EMPIRE Romantic Incidents Attending a Wedding Yesterday at St. George's

INTERESTING CHESS MATCH Latest Birthday Anniversaries Observed in London on St. Patrick's Day.

LONDON, March 17.—Pay Director Joseph Foster, United States victory review, was married here yesterday afternoon at St. George's church.

More Than a Century Old Professor Manuel Garcia, the famous teacher, died in Paris yesterday.

A Laborer's Suicide Tacoma, March 16.—(Special.)—The body of an unknown man, apparently a laborer, was found hanging to a tree near the high school building early this morning.

MANILA MOUNTED RIFLE CORPS Enterprising Citizens of the Coal District Start a Patriotic Movement.

ANAIMO, March 16.—(Special.)—It is proposed to raise a regiment of Canadian mounted rifles in the district of Anaimo, Alberta.

Princess Patricia is 20 Princess Patricia, who is now touring in South Africa with her father, the Duke of Albany, celebrated her twentieth birthday today.

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WEEK'S GOSSIP OF FEDERAL CAPITAL

Commons Gets Down to Business and Pushes Sessional Work Ahead.

THE INTERCOLONIAL GRAFT Mr. Emmerson's Compensious Methods for Lead Pipe-Cinch on Elections.

OTTAWA, March 17.—The Commons got down to business promptly this week and from this forward will steadily push ahead with work.

WALLACE MCGRAW GUILTY. Three Rivers, March 16.—At four o'clock this afternoon, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty against Wallace McGraw, charged with the murder of Percy Slater on March 10.

CALIFORNIA TOWN IS KNEE DEEP IN WATER Floods in Visalia Worst Known in Forty Years and Rain Still Falling.

VISALIA, Cal., March 17.—The flood now prevailing in this section has not been equalled since 1862. Several streets of this city are now under water.

Cut in Nome Freight. Seattle, March 17.—(Special.)—Cook & Co. of this city, the firm which operates the steamers Tampico and Comanche in the Nome trade during the winter season, announced today that they had withdrawn from the so-called combination of cattle steamships to maintain an established rate of \$15 per ton on all freight shipped to Nome from Seattle this year.

Bluster Up Party Friends The discussion on the intercolonial raises an interesting question as to what eventually is to become of the road.

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INSURANCE LEGISLATION. Schenectady, N. Y., March 16.—Senator W. W. Wemple, a member of the insurance investigation committee of the lower house, today received from Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, a telegram in which the latter announced that he was dismissing W. J. Walsh, president of provincial association, who was found guilty a few days ago, was fined \$400.

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OVER A SCORE ROASTED ALIVE

Fearful Results of Head-on Collision on the Rio Grande Railway.

OPERATOR ASLEEP AT POST Two Heavy Trains Grind into Each Other Crushing Out Two Score Lives.

PUEBLO, Colo., March 16.—Some two score lives were crushed out early today in a head-on collision of two passenger trains near Adobe, Colorado, on the Denver and Rio Grande railroad.

REPORTS DENIED. Bucharest, Roumania, March 17.—It is officially stated that the truth in the reports published in London papers this morning of the serious illness of King Charles of Roumania.

Three Rivers Murderer Condemned by a Jury Yesterday. Three Rivers, March 16.—At four o'clock this afternoon, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty against Wallace McGraw, charged with the murder of Percy Slater on March 10.

Operator Asleep at His Post Denver, March 16.—It is reported here that the cause of the collision between two trains was the fact that the operator of the train was asleep at his post.

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