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WIDELY KNOWN HOLTELMAN PASSED TO GREAT BEYOND

QUEBEC BRIDGE COLLAPSED

THREE THOUSAND TROOPS TO INVADE BELLEVILLE NEXT WEEK

## TREK WILL BE VERY POPULAR

Route Marches Have Been Common Lately—Details of Trip.

If Brig. Gen. T. D. R. Hemming, camp commandant, decides to have the infantry brigade at Barriefield camp make a trek to Belleville, he will announce something that will be welcomed by every man in Uniform on the Heights. Route marches have become quite common lately, and with night work the troops have been trained and hardened until now they are in the very best physical condition. From now until they are called overseas the training will be of such a nature as to ensure them being kept in that state. The trek to Belleville is now fully planned, as it is awaiting for official sanction, but officers in camp are convinced that it will take place. So far the details are rather indefinite. The first stop on the march would be probably five or six miles his side of Napanee. There would be another push on of sixteen miles the second day, and the remaining sixteen miles would bring the troops into Belleville. On Sunday church parades would be held and a holiday given the men, so they could visit with their friends and relatives. There is a dance being planned for Sat. evening for the officers and everything in the way of entertainment will be provided by the City of Belleville. The return to the camp would take up another three days. There are excellent prospects for a splendid outing, and if this continues to be well planned, the one to Belleville should entail no hardship on the men in their present fine physical condition.

## ENTRY LIST WILL BE LARGE

No Doubt of Success of Belleville's 1916 Exhibition.

Belleville's 1916 Fair which opens tomorrow has every prospect of being one of them most successful in the history of the society. Entries are pouring in to Secretary R. H. Ketcheson. While Hastings and Prince Edward are largely contributing to the exhibits, outside exhibitors are not slow in responding to the call of the Belleville show. Many good cattle and horses are on their way and will soon be safely in the grounds. The tests of speed will be great drawing cards to those who love the sight of a good horse on the race-track.

## TRANSFERRED TOO OFTEN

155th Battalion Man Received a Proper Hazing—Was Given a Bath in a Creek.

On Sunday morning there was a sergeant in the camp who proudly proclaimed that he had been in the 8th C. M. R., 59th, 89th and finally in the 155th, and had been granted discharge from that unit. On Monday he woke up "a sadder but wiser man." With such a clear case of "cold feet," his comrades decided that to properly uphold the reputation of this battalion the sergeant should be punished, and a good job was made of it. He was very quietly taken from his tent and carried to a nearby brook and dumped in. This was a liberal supply of a red liquid—probably paint or may be ink—was poured over his head and work. The men had the job well planned, and not even the press was to have heard of it.

## NO NEWS OF CASUALTY.

Soldier's Wife Does Not Credit Rumor Which Has Been Circulated.

During the last couple of days rumors have been circulated in the city that the name of Sergeant Cook G. Glover of the 59th Battalion had appeared among the casualties. Mrs. Glover who resides on Front Street has had no word of any mishap having occurred to her husband and does not credit the report. On Monday morning she had a letter from him dated August 27th and he was well except a slight rheumatic trouble. The fact that he was sergeant-cook would tend to show that the report is not true because he would not be on the firing line.

## QUEER ADDRESSES.

Two Very Interesting Ones in Saturday's Mail to 155th O.C.

There must be thousands of people in this country who do not even yet know anything about military life and work and there is certainly a couple who knew little, to say the least, of military titles. Lieut.-Col. M. K. Adams, Commanding 155th Battalion, has received two letters in the same mail which had interesting addresses. One was to "Laugh-tenanted Kernal Adamson" with the 155th Battalion etc., complete and the other was to "Connolly Brown (?) head officer, 155th Bn."

## MARGUERITE HUGHES

Marguerite Hughes, five months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes, 32 Murray street died yesterday after an illness of some little duration.

## PLEASANT EXPECTATIONS.

Messrs. G. A. Outram and Leo Boney left for Bobcaygeon this morning on a hunting expedition. We expect to have the Editor's table groaning under the weight of wild ducks in a few days.—Port Hope Guide.

## Billy Sunday is conducting a revival campaign in Detroit.

Mr. Roosevelt has not yet consented to extend his campaign tour.

## Central Span Takes Plunge While Being Put in Position

### Second Disaster to Transcontinental Bridge Occurred at 10.15 This Morning—Loss of Life Feared—Central Span Was Being Hoisted to Position When Collapse Came—Crowd Was Present to Witness the Proceeding.

QUEBEC, Sept. 11.—The Central span of the new Quebec bridge collapsed at 10.15 this morning while being hoisted into position. Considerable loss of life is feared, but no figures can be given as yet. The ill-fated span, which was 640 feet long and weighed over 5,500 tons, had been constructed on pontoons at Sillery Cove three miles east of Quebec and towed under the gap in the bridge by nine tugs. The work of hauling it into position by 8,000 ton hydraulic jack chains having links thirty inches in diameter, had proceeded only a short time when the collapse came. The disaster occurred before the eyes of several hundred Senators, Members of Parliament and other prominent persons who had been invited by the Dominion Government to witness elevation.

## THE DISASTER OF 1907

One of the greatest disasters in engineering history took place when this initial span collapsed on August 23, 1907, carrying with it more than eighty engineers and workmen. The loss in money to the Government was enormous between subsidies paid out and guaranteed bonds. The total loss was round eight million dollars. The Government then took over the responsibilities of the bridge and after a Royal Commission had investigated the failure, appointed a board of three eminent engineers to prepare a design for a new structure. Tenders were invited for the new bridge in June 1910. In response thirty-five different propositions were submitted from engineers in Great Britain, the United States, Canada and Germany. After long consideration and consultation the board finally recommended the acceptance of the design submitted by the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, of Montreal, a company formed specially for this work by two leading Canadian companies, the Dominion Bridge Company and the Canadian Bridge Company. The bridge boasts the longest clear span in the world. Its centre span is 1800 feet in length or ninety feet more than the longest single span of the famous Forth Bridge, which has hitherto held the honor. Like the Forth Bridge it is built on the cantilever principle. Its total length will be 3,239 feet or about three-fifths of a mile. For a length of 760 feet over the channel of the river, the bridge will have a clear height of 150 feet over high water level, and it will thus allow the passage of the largest ocean liners. The width of the bridge will be 88 feet and it will comprise a double track railway and two sidewalks for foot passengers. It was originally intended to include two roadways for vehicular traffic, but these were finally abandoned at a saving of some two and a half million dollars. To manufacture the different parts of the superstructure, the St. Lawrence Bridge Company put up special works a few miles west of Montreal. As most of the parts of the work are of great size these works have been equipped for engineering business on a large scale and it is claimed for them that they are the best and most modern works of their kind.

## LATER REPORT

Quebec, Sept. 11.—While the centre span of the Quebec Bridge may be a total loss, the rest of the bridge is uninjured, and, as Mr. Phillips Johnson, President of the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, said: "The bridge certainly cannot be left as it is. Naturally I cannot make a statement of hand as to the measures we will take to fill the central gap between the north and south cantilevers of the bridge." Mr. Johnson would not make any positive statement on the possible cause of the accident. "We are at a total loss to account for it, thus far," he said. "The lifting apparatus is still in place, and is practically uninjured. It is hard to say whether the bridge slipped off its end bearing, or whether the trusses of the span failed. I do not think I can express myself further than this." It is announced, however, that for the present the Government has suspended all marine traffic in the vicinity. Other engineers, asked about the matter, state that it is absolutely impossible to recover the span which has disappeared in the St. Lawrence. It will not be an impediment to navigation as the depth of the water at this point is 130 feet, and the height of the span at its highest point is only 110 feet. According to most observers it turned on its side, which would make its height eighty-eight feet. In any case any vessel in the world could pass above it, unless, as might be possible, some long girder has stuck up from the river. Estimates of the loss are varying, being put at from \$600,000 to \$1,000,000. The many months of delay in the completion of the bridge is the most serious aspect of the disaster. Mr. H. V. Fernet, Superintendent of the ship channel, has been wired to make immediate soundings. Some effort in this direction was made last night. This bridge was made since last May at Sillery Cove on six scowes of steel construction, covered with wood, and these are available for constructing another span at once. There is little doubt but that this will be done after the cause of the present accident has been sufficiently studied to give the company confidence in making new arrangements for getting another span in position. None of the engineers was hurt except Mr. H. W. MacMillan, Chief Inspector, who had a compound fracture of the leg, and was taken to the Quebec Hospital. There were eighty men at work on the cantilever arms during the raising of the span, and for a moment there was a panic, because everyone on it thought that the cantilever arm was falling, and that there was about to be a repetition of the great disaster of 1907, when the great cantilever of that attempt at building this bridge fell over into the St. Lawrence because of too great weight at the end, taking with it between sixty and seventy men, who still are pinned down beneath its debris. Foremen shouted savagely at a few of the men who seemed quite excusable to have lost their heads for a moment, and order was restored quickly. Up on the upper platform, watching the occurrence, were some women, and their screams added to the horror of the occurrence, for they, too, thought the whole bridge was going. Most of the engineers, who had been out on the cantilever arm watching the work, in full confidence that everything was so well and solidly constructed that nothing would break, had left the bridge, because the most difficult part of the operation had been accomplished in safety, and nobody, from Mr. Johnson down to the humblest workman, believed that anything could happen. Mr. Johnson himself had gone to assure friends by telephone that everything was going well, when suddenly in and beyond the offices of the company a noise, which some describe as a great cracking sound and others

## LT. J. GORDON MURRAY MISSING

Went to Front in Ranks But Was Given Commission—Was Twice Wounded.

Lieut. John Gordon Murray, son of Mr. John W. Murray, manager of the Dominion Bank, Belleville, is reported as missing since September 5. Lieut. Murray who is about 23 years of age left Vancouver on the outbreak of war with the 7th Battalion, Connaught Rangers, one of the finest regiments that have gone to the front, many of the men being seasoned British veterans. Gordon went in the ranks. He has seen the toughest fighting of the past 20 months being twice wounded. About sixteen months ago his name appeared first in the casualty list. For devotion to duty he was recommended for a commission which he obtained. Some months ago he was again wounded, this time in the head, but joyfully went back to the firing line. He was one of the most capable young officers among the Canadians. His friends hold out the hope that he may be a prisoner of war and that he has not fallen in action.

## MONEY IN ALSIKE.

Mr. R. S. Duncan, District representative at Cobourg, says a young farmer, Herman Peters of Canton, threshed last year 8 1/2 bushels of alsike by weight from approximately seven acres. The seed was sold to a seed merchant in Toronto for 13 1/2¢ a pound of \$11.16 per bushel. This is a total production of \$916.15 or \$139.00 per acre, almost a record in alsike seed production.

## FINED FOR NETTING.

At Morristown recently Charles Towseley, of Augusta, who has been making cheese at Black Lake, and James Mandigo, were each fined \$51 for netting fish in Black Lake. The pair were caught red-handed by Game Inspectors Farrell and Dollinger. In the net were several tons of bullheads and pike.

as like rumbling thunder, told them that something was happening. All rushed to the shore. The oscillating ends of the cantilever arms made them fear also for a moment for the whole bridge, but they had bulged widely and well. It stood. Of the fifty thousand people who covered the two shores of the St. Lawrence at all points where a good view could be had of the bridge, and filled the multitude of vessels, small and large, which were on the river from early morning, only a few thousands remained when the tragedy occurred. The new link in Canada's new transcontinental system was supposed to be practically accomplished, and even of those who remained an occasional interest to the progress of the span upwards. Most spectators could be heard saying afterward: "I was looking at it one moment. Then I turned around for a few seconds to talk to a friend. When I looked again it was gone."

## Nine Men Still Unaccounted For.

Quebec, Sept. 11.—First reports of loss of life in the Quebec Bridge disaster were much exaggerated, and gave the list of dead as eighty or ninety. Then it dwindled to twenty—finally, figures from the St. Lawrence Bridge Co.'s office brought out a missing list of eleven. Since then two have been located. The list of the men unaccounted for is: CHARLES SWEENEY, electrician, married, Lachine. MICHAEL WHITE, single, residence unknown. MICHAEL REGAN, Cap Rouge. S. DEMERS, Sillery. H. BERTRAND, residence unknown. H. VANDALL, near Point Levis. W. DUMONT, (reported to be in hospital). C. BERNIER, residence unknown. N. DAROCHE, Cap Rouge. C. CADONETTE, and possibly two or three others, all bridgemen.

## J. E. KETCHESON PASSED AWAY

Former Landlord of the Windsor Hotel Died This Morning.

James Edward Ketcheson, 60, more than thirty years landlord of the Windsor Hotel, West Bridge Street, passed away at ten o'clock this morning. Death was not unexpected. Last week he had the misfortune to fall down stairs and suffered a fracture of the wrist. In his enfeebled condition he could not survive the shock. He had previously suffered a slight stroke of paralysis and this may have occasioned the fall. His mind was however perfectly clear almost to the end.

Mr. Ketcheson was a native of Frankford, where he was born 68 years ago. After learning the trade of carriage-trimming, he came to reside in Belleville. In partnership with a gentleman named Hunter he engaged in carriage manufacturing and the livery business, where the McLaughlin garage now stands. Shortly afterwards opportunity offered to acquire the license of the Windsor Hotel across the street. This he obtained and here he continued to do business for over thirty years. This hostelry always enjoyed an exceedingly large patronage during his proprietorship and was especially popular with the farming community. Mr. Ketcheson was wedded to Sophia Green of Rawdon township and she passed away about five years ago. One son, Lee, who resides on Warham street survives.

The late Mr. Ketcheson was an ardent sportsman and in his time possessed some speedy trotting stock. His famous mare, Clara, about 25 years ago established a new five-mile record on ice and was afterwards disposed of for the very satisfactory price of \$1200. Since quitting the hotel four years ago, Mr. Ketcheson has, owing to failing health, led a quiet life, residing with his son, Lee, on Warham street. He also had an excellent farm in Sidney township in which he took great interest. Mr. Ketcheson was a man of decided opinions, and always held true to his friends of whom he had a great number. Politically he was a strong supporter of the Conservative party. The funeral notice will appear later.

## SOCIAL CLUB ON TOUR.

Thirty-three members of the Withington Zouaves of Jackson, Mich., headed by Major Sparks of that city, who passed through this city on Sunday afternoon on their way to Prescott, will cross the border on their way to Boston whence they will return to Michigan by way of the middle States. Eleven ladies accompanied the party, who had automobiles, one being used as a commissariat car. The party had spent a week at the Toronto Exhibition where they had been engaged to give fancy drills on the Midway. They belong to a social club in Jackson, and wear a khaki uniform similar to that of the Canadian soldiers.

## Pte. A. Levech, 155th Battalion, is in the Field Hospital with a sprained knee.

Lieut.-Col. Putnam, 155th Battalion, is expected to arrive back from Northport.

## Mr. W. B. Northrup, K.C., M.P., and Mrs. Northrup left for Ottawa, yesterday afternoon.

Some child's school books were found yesterday afternoon on the street and brought to the police station.

## Mr. Digby, Trenton, of the British and Foreign Bible Society arrived in Belleville last evening on business for a couple of days.

Mrs. J. G. Vandusen has returned from Buffalo where she has been visiting her sister and attending her niece's wedding (nee) Adeline Bradley.