O'BRIEN'S BRIDGE CONDITIONS

ong year has provoked discussions in were laid off and not paid. centre of a unique meeting in Shire to cook their meals. This Mr. Van-derwater denied. bridge had any sense of humor it proceedings to which the council lis-

the storm was on. Citizens from plaint, said Mr. Poucher.
Belleville and Thurlow occupied the County Engineer f. E. entire accommodation of the gallery clared that the bridge was absolutely includes uniforms. Young men who and were by no means disinterested unsafe for traffic. The pier was ab have been waiting for these may now spectators. They had expected a solutely movable. The charge that apply.

ing complaints to give full expression to their views so that the council an honest man. might be fully cognizant of the situathe people taken such interest in any of the conditions. public work and it was surprising to see how earnestly they marshalled their opinions and facts.

The protagonists in the debate and Foreman Vanderwater. Many a two carloads brought there. lively tilt occurred between these This council is intelligent enough were not slow in giving expression to council.

Mr. G. N. Brintnell was the first to be heard. Lack of knowledge of some subject to fair criticism. of the facts he said was the cause of the trouble. He went into technical and Mr. Vanderwater was enlivened explanation of what he thought could by such remarks as have been done if the "right men had been there." With proper work, the bridge could have been repaired with little expense without closing the bridge to traffic.

"May I ask and asked Mr. Poucher.

thepast had caused the loss of two bridies he alleged, giving details of personalities. these long-gone structures.

'I think that the council ought to pay a little attention to the condition of the bridges today." Many people Art League's fear that ice may sweep the cofferdam away and with it two spans.

"This is a grievance of the whole country. There have been thousands of dollars spent there and they are enced for another season."

The warden asked Mr. Poucher to

"I would like to know what the here? I can fetch men who can back up any statement we make," stated The warden declared that the coun-

of irregularities.

Mr. Poucher in his remarks of some length complained that there had off pictures that are not too large. een great needless expenditure in Belleville, Ont., whose work has the work. He quoted details in suplarity and carelessness.

Mr. Alex. Moore, Plainfield, addresurged an investigation.

wrong the wrong should be righted.

that it would cost \$20,000 to make pretty bit of patterning, and "Mist," the repairs to O'Brien's Bridge. He suggested driving piles into the

old piers to get a perfectly sure foundation. The old piles have not settled He had consultd engineers. The work had already cost \$10,000 and it looked as if it would cost \$10,000 more. Mr. Pearson said undoubtedly

money could have been saved on the job, in the matter of teaming. He had no knowledge of material being kicked into the river by the men.

Mr Vanderwater, foreman of O'-Brien's Bridge said that Mr. Poucher's and Mr. Brintnell's contentions were wrong. He and Mr. Allen had found 26 feet of mud when soundings were taken. Mr. Vanderwater denied that the men left before six o'clock in the evening. The timber handled was very large in size. With the exception of a few bags of cement Many of the inquirers are children. it was all right. He declared that the bridge pier had been settling steadily These inquiries it is felt, the police

was bolted so that it could not budge. because very few are interested. pier was drawn or shoved and the piles were broken.

The proper thing to have done was to get two divers at about \$38 per to save this expense of divers. Men who did not work punctually gade was not required.

O'Brien's Bridge which for many a did not get full pay. On wet days they

Hastings County Council, was the at the bridge burned county timber

would have shaken its beams and that traffic had to go up hills and a girders in laughter at some of the 25c extra fare by the stage. The round-about way takes fifteen or to Stirling to recruit last night. twenty minutes more time. The hill From three o'clock until six-thirty climbing is the source of most com-

time" and they had it. too much timber was used was un-Every reeve, every deputy reeve founded because of the requirements was present. The warden invited the for the cofferdam. The engineer desitizens of Thurlow who had been mak pended upon Mr. Vanderwater in night's lecture. check the timber and he thought him

"I would be delighted to have six tion. His Honor was taken at his or a dozen competent engineers to go grippe. word for the next three and a half into the matter and depend upon their houre were taken up with the sub-verdict." There was no misreprefect. Not within recent years have sentation to their provincial engineer

The cofferdam was necessary. "I can prove that not thirty sticks persed. After having been attended if timber were needed if we have and having recovered, she was taken of timber were needed, if we have time," interrupted Mr. Poucher. The were undoubtedly Mr. Dan Poucher crib was not necessary and there were

warriors which caused "the house" to draw its own conclusions from break into laughter. Mr. Vander- what has been heard," said Mr. C. H. water aroused opposition among some Ketcheson. The council appreciate of the council members by his referthe information as given by those ences to "the farmers" and the reeves who had appeared at the bar of the title of Lord Shaughnessy of Mon-

The warden said a fair conclusion would be drawn. Public works are

"Sit down I have the floor.

"Sit down, I am talking now." "May I ask another question"

"That means another question from The bungling of county officials in me," said Mr. Vanderwater. There was considerable dabbling in

The Art League of Boston, an organization started largely through not progressing to a bridge. It looks felt that there should be opportunity for the display and sale of the works of young artists just entering upon their professions, opened its first show Monday at its rooms on the "I would like to know what the purpose of this meeting is. Why was it called at three o'clock in the afterneon when witnesses cannot be got there?" I can fatch men who can back there? I can fatch men who can back the second door at 282 Boylston Street. Value of live stock Value of live stock 1914. Total value of products of farm for 1915 for a month. The rooms are agreeably decorated in neutral grays, with oriental rugs on the floor, and these cil wanted to hear the facts and give with old furniture and antique ob-Mr. Sills disclaimed any knowledge ral and artificial, is adequate, and the place is admirably suited to showing

port of this contention. He also cited shown distinction from her student cases of what he thought was irregu- Arts School, exhibits a portrait that days at the Boston Museum of Fine places her at once in the class of sed the council stating why he had established Boston painters, a thoroughly well-considered composition, and one in which the flesh tones have the O'Brien's Bridge had been altogether too expensive. If there was a veloping air as in representing the ac-Mr. McLaren asked Mr. Moore tual color modulations in the skin.

The same artist shows "Night," a a tonal dream.—Christian Science Monitor, Boston.

Will Go To Chicago

The two remaining members of the suspected trio arrested almost two weeks ago in a Front Street boarding house will leave for Chicago with De reported that in August last a horse octive Knox to act as witnesses in died and it was necessary to procure the case against the third member of another horse. the trio, Abe Frank, who was taken under indictment.

Annoying Inquiries

After a fire alarm is rung, the 'phone at the police station is aflutter with people asking "where is the fire?" should not take the time to answer, He explained that the heavy span because very few of the questioners

Firemen Had Run

The fire alarm yesterday afternoon can attest their great curative quali-sale, 17 c. day. Mr. Allen drove down timbers was rung for the Tivani Steel Works ties because thousands owe their near the Rolling Mills, but the bri- nealth and strength to timely use of

Military Notes

Capt. S. J. Gilmore has been appromoted to be captain. Captain Gilmore was deputy reeve of Picton last business in order to go to the front.

The second secon Officers of the 155th are holding meetings at Frankford and Wellman's The closing of the bridge meant Corners tonight.

Capt. Doyle and Capt. Hyman went

A large shipment of 33 cases at rived today for the quartermaster's County Engineer L. E. Allen de stores of the 155th. This shipment

The 155th desires to thank the Canadian Club forinvitations to last

Major Allen is able to be on duty after a short indisposition from la

Mrs. Roberts, who attended the Camadian Club lecture at the High School last evening was overcome with a weak spell in the crowd at the outside door when the meeting was dis-

Lord Shaughnessy of Montreal

treal, Canada, and of Ashford County, Limerick, Ireland.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF COUNTY REFUGE

During the year 1915 there were filiated. 26 deaths in the County House of Recording to the annual report of the Committee. From the statement the following details were gleaned:-

Number of blind in the house. Number of mutes in the house.. 5 Number on roll, Dec. 31st.....89 Average No. of inmates for '15. . 89 Average numbre previous year 91

cember 31st, 61; women 28. Number needs it. First Show of visitors during the year 744. Provisions consumed on table, 1915 \$ 3863 85 Provisions consumed on table, previous year ... Value of produce from farm to house..... Value of produce from farm to house, 1914. Value of live stock

Cash paid County Treasurer for sale of products for 1915

Previous year Expenditures. Expenditures as per Treasurer's book Provisions from farm to house

1915 \$10567 26 Cotal cost previous year \$ 9743 62 Amount paid from paying 1915 amount paid from paying 1914 Average cost per inmate for 1915 per week\$ Average cost per inmate 1 63 for 1914 per week Average cost per inmate for 1913 per week Average cost per inmate for 1912 per week

Average cost per inmate for 1911 per week The committee recommended that

another horse be purchased this year. Warden Nugent who was chairman of the Refuge Committee for 1915

a few days ago to Chicago where he is from paying patients for 1915 were season. about \$300 less than during the previous year. Provisions were higher bushel crate. and these items caused an increase of expenditures over those of 1914.

The report was received and ad no

A Safe Pill for Sufferers.-There are pills that violently purge and fill bring \$2.50 to \$3.00. the stomach and intestines with pain. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are mild

this most excellent medicine.

- - CHILDREN'S AID DEPUTATION BEFORE

COUNTY COUNCIL Mr. A. E. Bailey, president of the Children's Aid Society, Mayor Ketch-Mr. A. E. Bailey, president of the pointed adjutant of the 155th Bat-talion and Lieut. R. E. Noble has been promoted to be captain. Captain Gill.

Mr. Elliott suggested that the counwear and he has disposed of a good ty advance \$1,000 to be returned at be given to the battalion to use in Finance any time in case of dissatisfaction. any way the officers deemed wisest.

The city would meet its share by Mr. Ketcheson urged that the sum handing over to the Society the title should be given for the recruiting to the present Shelter property. Mr. A. E. Bailey explained how the

Society had for the present abandon- could be raised later. ed the idea of a new shelter and the nature of the improvements and renovations.

Mr. E. W. Hawkins thought work most commendable. Mayor Ketcheson said it was bet-

ter to spend money in care of children than in administration of justice. It one expended.

Mr. Vermilyea moved that the matter be referred to a special committee Prince Edward Battalion" of Warden Nugent, Reeve Coulter and Reeve Ketcheson meet the city representatives after having conferred with Trenton with power to act.

tion adding the name of Mr. Vermil-once carrying unanimously.

The resolution carried INSPECTION OF

Principal J. M. Bell of Frankford penses. Continuation School was appointed to the Entrance Board of the High School with which his school is af-

fuge, at the average of 80 years, ac- ber of ratepayers of Rawdon Township requesting for a change of a road in the eighth and tenth concessented in objection to a change of menetal purposes was considered in

No action accordingly was taken. A motion was carried that a bridge which had been taken down in Raw-Average age of inmates 1915..70 don Township be not sold but be kept grant." Number of men in house on De- where it is stored until the county

intendent and chairman of roads in- while others are fighting." His taxes would be disallowed 212 miles spect two bridges on the boundary be- were over a dollar a day but he tween Monteagle and Carlow Town- would pay if they were \$2 a day. "Let conded by Judson A. Gunter, and ships and report to the council as to us do our duty. If we don't fight let unanimously carried their condition and to take action if us pay."

of the very inefficient train service on lar to that effect." 3826 98 Canadian Northern Ontario Railway after last seas the clerk be and is hereby authorized 716 15 its inspector to Maynooth to meet Hess of Sidney. 825 24 Reeves Jordison, Green, Waiker and

schools were made.

same grants as in 1915. The matter of special grants to

A motion prevailed that \$199.55 be placed in the hands of the superin- try?" tendent of roads to be spent on the road between Ryan's Point and Cor- his support of the \$1,000 grant. dova, as agreed upon.

A Small Market

This morning's market was rather clared Mr. R. T. Gray. o'clock the outside market was fairly cent of Hastings ratepayers will supwell filled.

Prices in some lines showed weakslumped to 31 to 33c per pound.

As the report shows the receipts \$19. This is the highest price this no demands for military funds."

Potatoes are very steady at \$1.75 for Ontario grown and \$2.00 for N.B

variety.

Cake tallow is worth 6c.

them and be convinced. Thousands to \$11.00. Lamb per pound whole- rest.

ton is visiting his friends in Belleville city on leave.

\$1.000 Grants To Battalions

cruiting and regimental funds, on the nominating committee report as folexpectation that the battalion would lows: again make appeal for further funds.

Mr. Vermilyea moved that \$1,000

purposes. The battalion may not leave until fall. Regimental funds Mr. Coulter strongly supported this

contention. He was in favor of a larger grant. Now is the time for a recruiting fund. If a regimental fund is needed they could appeal again. Mr. Thompson declared the need was recruits

Mr. Tufts said it was not fair to means economy. The Children's Aid give only \$1,000 and then define how Society saves five dollars to every the money should be spent. For my part I would give that amount and much more. This is a Hastings and Reeve Coulter of Stirling was

strong in his approval of the grant. "Make it for recruiting and regimental purposes," urged Mr. Clare, Mr. Thompson seconded the mo-; and his suggestion was taken up at Prior to this, assistance for the 80th

he had been colonel of the 49th Regt. NORTHERN BRIDGES. of Hastings County and that the greater part of his officers had enlist. Coulter and Mr. Gunter had been greater part of his officers had enlist-The county clerk was authorized eq. He had under his command 1, urged to accept the chairmanship by the County Council on Friday to 100 men who were a creditable body. M.P., asking him to look after the expenses were heavy. As a farmer O'Brien's bridge. They had done usual grant made on roads through of Hastings he was willing to pay everything they thought was for the the Mohawk Reserve, Tyendinaga whatever extra taxes would be re-Township by the Indian Department quired by reason of the war demands. Mr. McLaren declared that the Baron Shaughnessy has taken the of the Dominion Government and the He expressed his pride in the bat-Superintendent of Roads will be al- talion. Last year the council had en's Bridge as at others. lowed to look after the spending of voted \$1,000 and he asked for \$1,500 besides to meet these necessary ex-

men, but extras were needed and gineer ought to consult with the com-A petition was read from a num- these were supplied out of the regi- mittee as to buying. mental funds. These were but a per- Superintendent H. G. Bleecker said sions and a counter petition was pre- Captain Watson for \$1,500 for regi- bridge building.

> Ways and Means. Mr. Vermilyes said "We have already given the 80th Battalion \$1000 County's Attitude and we should not make a further

Mr. Coulter spoke in support of making a grant of \$1,000 to the dealt with the correspondence regard-80th Hattalion. "We should give ing the proposed changes in the Ap-A motion prevailed that the super- and not question. We ought to pay proved Roads System whereby there

's crops.

us provide for the men who are fight-The usual grants to the northern ing and giving their lives. Col. Ketcheson is making heavy sacrifices."

Northern roads will receive the Mr. Sills asked what Belleville did also to procure blue print copies of

for these funds. the map in connection with the same "It is not our business what Belle- and forwarded along with other pacontinuation classes was laid over to the June session.

ville does" said Mr. Coulter. "I don't pers to each reeve mentioned." we doing our full duty by our coun-

> Warden Nugent was very strong in "I claim that the farmers have not given one dollar of their own money

small and was slower in gathering ow- "The Lord gave us the money. We of the County Council. On Friday small and was slower in gathering owing to the cold spell, which suddenly ought to get credit because we give it Mr. John Green brought in a motion descended upon the district. By ten away to the other fellow. Ninety per that the council take up the matter

Prices in some lines showed weak-ness. Eggs have humpty-dumpty-ed was planning to give perhaps \$20,000 croft is most deplorable, having only down to 33 and 35c, while wholesalers for Red Cross work. But let us three mails per week. Now we think are only paying 28 to 30c. Butter give with prudence and give a little when both governments have granted credit to the Premier and the Minis- large bonuses to the C.N.O.R. we Hay was very steep at \$18 and ter of Militia who say there should be demand a daily train service, because

n ost unanimously.

restorer and to be deprived of it is north townships. Hides are weak at 13c, deacons sell vital loss. Whatever may be the at 65c to 70c; sheep and lamb pelts cause of it, indigestion, nervous derange up to \$1.80 and horse hides rangement or mental worry, try a Belleville Branch course of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. By regulating the action of the stom-Grains are firmer, wheat \$1.07 to ach, where the trouble lies, they will Parmelee's Vegetable Pills are mild and effective. They are purely vegetable, no mineral purgative entering into their composition and their effect is soothing and beneficial. Try

Beef dressed, hind quarters \$1.000 per the trouble hes, they will follow. They exert a sedative force upon the nerves and where there is unrest they bring the process of the process of

> Sergeant-Major Chas. Thompson, R. W. Adams Ernie Moore, 33rd Battery, Kings- W. O., 33rd Battery, C.F.A., is in the Employees McIntosh Bros. for

Committees of

County Council

Simeon Fox, chairman.

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J. Gunter, chairman; U. A. Hubbell James Moore, S. B. Rollins, E. Tufts Auditor Administration of Justice Ac-

E. W. Hawkins. Mr. N. Vermilyea thought the honor of Chairmanship of Finance should be passed around, not awarded to Mr. Coulter year after year. He also opposed the chairmanship of bridges being located in Tudor, a most remote district, which makes an intimate knowledge of the conditions impos-

Mr. Coulter declared he had not thought of the chairmanship of Finance this year. He had been solicited and had finally decided to accept

Mr. Gunter said it was in his interest not to accent the chairmanshin. Battalion had been asked for by I.t. col. W. G. Ketcheson. He stated that again.

Mr. Gunter said he did not wish write to Mr. W. B. Northrup, K. C., Of these 650 were in Belleville. The to censure the committee on the

Mr. J. G. Sills said not a word had been said by complainants against the committee. He declared material was purchased without the knowledge of

tion of the demands upon the fund. any timber burned was old timber, The request of Col. Ketcheson and having been absolutely no good for

Towards Changes

The County Council on Friday

"That the warden, the reeves Mr. Vermilyea declared "The Min-Sidney, Thurlow, Tyendinaga, Raw It was mover by Mr. Jordison and ister of Militia says everything is don, Huntingdon, Hungerford, Mar seconded by Mr. Green that in view provided and he has issued a circumora, Madoc and Lake, Elzevir and Value of live stock 1914. 1007 00 of the very memcient train service on the Trenton to Maynooth branch of Mr. R. P. Coulter quoted instances change in the Approved Roads Systhe Central Ontario branch of the to show that the country was richer tem of Hastings County said reeves farm for 1914 3826 96 to take the matter up with the Board the war," interjected Mr. Vermilyea. meet at the clerk's office, Shire Hall, not cils if they consider it advisable and of Railway Commissioners for Cana- "I think it is our duty to give \$1,- Belleville on Monday, Feb. 21st at da and request the board to send 000 to the 80th Battalion said Mr. 1 p.m. and to place any corrections considered necessary before the de-"I saved three times the money on puty minister of highways when at Hubbell at a date to be fixed by the my farm this year,, said Mr. Ketche-Board and one week's notice be given son. "We believe in Providence. Let the clerk be hereby authorized to have

The Northern

Mail Service

What they have given is the differ-tween Maynooth and Trenton is in ence in prices due to the war," de-need of improvement in the opinion port the grants" said Mr. Montgomery of securing better mail and passenger service "as the service north of Banit affects the rural mail service."

The \$1,000 grant to the 80th for "The north end of the C.O.R. rail-Apples were slow at 75c to \$1 per regimental purposes was carried al- way always paid;" said county clerk Chapman.

Mr. Jordison was outspoken in his Sleeplessness.—Sleep is the great views of the treatment afforded the

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