

QUEBEC BRIDGE COLLAPSE.

Commission in Reporting to Government Will Tell Why Bridge Fell.

"I think we will be able to bring in a definite finding," said Mr. Henry Holgate, (Ross and Holgate), one of the members of the Quebec Bridge Commission, when interviewed by the Monetary Times as to the likelihood of the Commission being able to arrive at a definite conclusion regarding the cause of the disaster. Mr. Holgate was asked when the taking of the evidence would be concluded, and how many more witnesses would be called. The collection of evidence is almost over. Owing to statements recently made before the Commissioners, we shall have to visit Quebec and New York, to gather additional evidence from Mr. Hoare and Mr. Cooper. This should not occupy much time."

"Will it be long after that until the Commissioners are able to make their report to the Government?"

"I think we ought to be able to sum up matters in about three weeks, so that our report ought to be ready somewhere about the end of the year."

"Are you at liberty to indicate anything regarding the nature of the report?"

"No, that will only be known to the Government until such time as they see fit to make the announcement. I should think, however, that there would be no delay in this respect."

"Can you say whether or not the Commissioners, in their report, will locate the cause of the disaster?"

"Oh, yes,—I think I might safely say that the report will be definite enough on that point. It will state definitely, to what cause or causes the Commissioners consider the failure of the bridge was due."

"So that there need be no delay in commencing the construction of a new bridge because of ignorance as to what occasioned the failure of the last and the consequent liability of repeating the error?"

"We have nothing to do with the building of the new bridge," was the reply. "But the public mind may rest assured that our report will point out the cause of the collapse, and it follows that, in the new bridge, the danger spots will be avoided."

SCHOOL DISTRICTS BORROWING MONEY.

The particulars given are in order, name, number of school district, amount required, and correspondent.

Saskatchewan.

Swanston, No. 1839, \$1,600, P. E. Roblin, Govan.
Spry, No. 1695, \$2,240, E. A. McCrea, Inelfort.
Starview, No. 1599, \$1,140, A. Cotter, Narrow Lake.
Lanigan, No. 1862, \$3,000, A. H. Scheffler.
Franko, No. 1740, \$1,000, J. F. P. Barischel, Canora.
Stevenson, No. 1841, \$1,500, A. Smith, Mortlach.
Winfield, No. 1867, \$800, John Silcox, Eyebrow.
Scalat, No. 1623, \$1,000, J. F. P. Barschel, Canora.
Brooklyn, No. 1791, \$1,500, V. T. N. Pellett, Bleakmore.
Dobson, No. 1833, \$1,500, N. B. Ward, Mortlach.
Kingslynn, No. 1851, \$800, D. McLeod, Esterhazy.
Whitcote, No. 1873, \$800, Wm. Ratcliffe, Tisdale.
Asquith, No. 1768, \$2,300, Jas. Mallas.
Silver Plains, No. 1512, \$2,000, A. W. West, Kennedy.
Kuroki, No. 1821, \$1,200, John Barry.
Wolverine, No. 1870, \$1,250, J. S. Simpson, Peacock.
Hamre, No. 1871, \$1,000, C. H. Spelling, Hanley.
Golden Meadow, No. 1324, \$600, J. K. Somnor, Hanley.

Alberta.

Kiew, No. 1693, \$1,000, P. Svarich, Vegreville.
Hilltown, No. 1532, \$400, P. C. Gilbert, Streamstown.
Stony Plain, No. 1638, \$4,000, I. Umbach, Stony Plain.
Shamrock, No. 1696, \$1,500, G. B. Allen, Gleichen.
Fair Grove, No. 1648, \$1,000, O. Walker, Sedgewick.
Allandale, No. 1652, \$1,500, C. P. Hiles, Vermilion.
Harper, No. 1662, \$1,500, J. F. Harper, Stavely.
East Edmonton, No. 98, \$600, Ed. Gee, Strathcona.
Davis, No. 1581, \$1,400, Wm. MacLaren, Crossfield.
Cromer, No. 1684, \$1,000, Andrew Holmberg, Viking.
Willow Point, No. 1681, \$800, E. B. Phelps, Ingletton.
Campbell Lake, No. 1691, \$1,000, George Scholefield.
Franklin, No. 1690, \$800, Robt. Walton, Cooking Lake.
Silver Lake, No. 1695, \$1,100, J. W. Malcolm, Ross Creek.
Sulitjelma, No. 1611, \$600, Martin Thompson, New Sarepta.
Gleichen, No. 103, \$6,000, Wm. Rose.
Warner, No. 1675, \$3,000, M. E. Mangin.

COBALT NEWS AND NOTES.

The ore shipments for the week ended November 23rd totalled 528 tons, which is a new record, although, as will be seen by the figures given on another page, only two mines, the La Rose and Temiscaming, shipped ore.

A financial statement of the affairs of the McKinley-Darragh Company up to November shows \$53,536.42 cash on hand and in the banks, besides about \$125,000 coming in ore shipments to the smelters. The receipts of the company are placed at \$289,386.13, of which \$127,081.18 was received from the sale of ore, and the remainder from the treasury stock. So far \$44,150.06 has been paid in dividends.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Little Nipissing Mining Company was held in Toronto on Wednesday. A satisfactory report was presented and the following directors were elected: J. W. Curry, K.C., S. D. Madden, S. Ferland, P. J. Finlan and Reginald Eyre.

The municipality of St. Louis, a suburb of Montreal, shows remarkable and continuous growth during the last three years. Since 1904 the population of this town has grown from 11,000 to 21,500. At the same time building operations which have transformed vacant lots, into thickly populated streets. It has been roughly estimated that in 1907 building permits for over \$1,000,000 have been issued by the town.



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