

## QUEBEC BRIDGE DEATH LIST 75

### Only 18 Bodies Recovered

**Fifty-seven Bodies Buried in Mass of Girders 200 Feet Under Water—Sunbury Co. Man Fell 350 Feet and Swam Ashore—Strict Inquiry to Be Made.**

Quebec, Aug. 30.—The Phoenix Bridge Company today gave out a full list of the dead, injured and missing since the collapse of the Quebec bridge yesterday evening. They figure out that there are thirty-one missing, fourteen found dead, and eleven injured.

It is practically conceded that all the missing must be dead, but it is not thought that any of the injured will die, many having only quite light hurts. Late this evening another body was taken from the wreck. It had been observed earlier in the afternoon, but the water was high and the body was so pinned in between girders that it could not be moved. Finally at low tide the body was taken out, it being necessary to cut it in half to get it out.

Mr. Wainwright, who is in charge of matters for the company, stated today that he felt confident this list included all the victims of the catastrophe, since the company kept a book with full details of each employee, with his name, address and nationality, etc., and also the address of a nearest friend in case of accident. As a result of this precaution the relatives of the killed and injured have been notified. Although the search for the bodies was kept up assiduously by the company all last night and today, the work proved useless, save that the one body already mentioned was found in the wreck not far from the shore.

### Little Hope of Getting Bodies.

It is thought by the officials of the company that there will be great difficulty in securing the rest of the bodies as the probability is that most of them are tangled in the broken girders and cables, and as most of the bridge were within the extreme end of the bridge they are thus pinned down in the heavy wreckage under about 200 feet of water, so that it will be a very difficult thing indeed to extricate them.

It was proposed this afternoon to use dynamite in an effort to bring the bodies to the surface, but this was abandoned until the arrival of a number of officials of the Phoenix Bridge Company from Pennsylvania, who will arrive tomorrow. These will include Mr. Stirling, Mr. Deans, chief engineer of the company; A. W. Milligan, superintendent of construction; and Z. Schlap, who was in charge of the investigation into the catastrophe.

### No Sign of Collapse.

Mr. Hoare, of the company's engineering staff, today denied the reports made by men on the bridge job that there had been any previous signs of weakness. He stated that the engineers had investigated the bridge every day, and that they had found no sign of collapse.

### Forty Indians Killed.

The remarkable feat of the tragedy is the extraordinary fatality amongst the Indians from Caughnawaga. There were forty-seven of them engaged on the work and of these no less than forty were killed. Seven bodies have been recovered, thirty-three are amongst the missing dead and seven others, who quit work at noon, on the day of the disaster, are still missing. A. H. Birks, the young engineer of the company, who met his death while examining the work on the bridge, was very well known in Montreal and Quebec. He was a nephew of Henry Birks, the well known Montreal jeweler, and a brother of Mrs. James N. Lang, of Montreal. Mr. Birks was born in Plover, Ill., a son of John Birks, an elder brother of Henry Birks, and was educated as an engineer at the Boston School of Technology. Mr. Birks was employed by the Phoenix Bridge Company for five years. This was Mr. Birks' first work in Canada.

### A Survivor's Tale.

Michael Adams, who escaped from the wreckage, told the following story this morning while he lay on a couch, with his arm completely severed from his body. He was exceedingly weak from loss of blood, and in broken sentences he said: "It was just at 5.37 o'clock, about ten minutes before we would all quit work, when as I looked back toward the south shore I felt something was wrong. I saw a horror I saw the immense steel frame close to the abutment give away between the deep water pier and the shore; then it rose many feet in the air, and its weight must have forced down the 900 feet of massive work which extended from the deep water pier over the river. The structure then gave way and tumbled with a fearful crash. "It all happened in a few seconds but the severity of the shock was such that I could not remember distinctly descending and jumping at that moment, and I recollect nothing further until I found myself pinned between two pieces of iron. I realized that it was a death struggle and I freed my head, and cried aloud for assistance. Some minutes later a boat came alongside me, and I must have again lost consciousness, for I can remember no more until I found myself in this condition on the shore."

Adams, who is about forty years of age, was apparently suffering excruciating pain while he related the above, for the nerves in his face twitched continuously, and a physician, seeing his critical condition hastened him away to a place of rest.

### Injured Died in Wreckage.

As the scene of the catastrophe is seven miles from the city, but little could be done during last night. It was evident, however, that many who are now dead lived for some time, after the accident, but as they were entangled in the iron work it was impossible to reach them. Weir cries for help could be heard from various sections of the debris, cries which unfortunately received no response, and they finally grew weaker and weaker until the victim met the same fate as his unfortunate comrades.

There were, however, a few boatmen who did heroic work and no fewer than eight men owe their lives to these rescuers. At daybreak this morning a gruesome spectacle was revealed. Part of the iron work was visible above the water line, but the great mass of it had disappeared below. The foundations that were taken at 9 o'clock this morning showed that the portion extending beyond the deep water pier rested in a depth of thirty-nine feet of water.

### Mr. Parent Talks.

S. N. Parent, chairman of the National Transcontinental Railway, is of the opinion that the Phoenix Company, of Pennsylvania, who had the contract for the steel work, had been rushing the work a little too rapidly. It may be that in pushing out the heavy car of steel which was on the bridge when it went down some of the required rivets had not been properly fastened, and this may have caused the collapse. However, this is a matter which will be definitely ascertained by the official inquiry. It is stated that there was given an indication that this part of the bridge was under heavy strain, as one of the heavy chain cables was twisted. Mr. Parent says that the responsibility for the disaster rests on the Phoenix Company, and that they will also have to meet all losses. He estimated the loss of money through the fallen steel and the work placed on it at about a million dollars. This may be increased by heavy damages to the relatives of those who were killed. In all, he estimates that the money loss will reach a million and a half. Others put the loss as high as two millions.

### To Inquire Into Disaster.

Ottawa, Aug. 30.—(Special)—A meeting of the cabinet was held this afternoon when it was decided to appoint a commission of three to make an official investigation into the Quebec bridge disaster. The commission will be headed by Mr. E. J. Pratt, and will include Mr. J. G. Macdonald, and Mr. J. G. Macdonald, and Mr. J. G. Macdonald.

### Sunbury Man's Miraculous Escape.

Frederickson, Aug. 30.—(Special)—One of the eight men saved in the Quebec bridge disaster last evening was Thomas Sewell, a Lincoln, Sunbury county boy, son of Mrs. William Sewell. Sewell, who is well known in this city, was employed by the Phoenix Bridge Company of Pennsylvania as an iron worker, and last evening he was on the bridge, and last evening he was on the bridge, and last evening he was on the bridge.

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## ST. JOHN BYE-ELECTION LIKELY SEPT. 25; NOMINATION SEPT. 18---WRITS ISSUED MONDAY

(Special to The Telegraph.)  
Ottawa, Sept. 1.—The writs for St. John and Brockville will be issued tomorrow. Although the date of the elections has not been definitely arranged, it is likely that nominations in both constituencies will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 18, and the elections on Sept. 25.  
The custom revenue of the dominion for the month of August shows an increase of more than \$1,000,000 over the returns for August, 1906. The total receipts for the past month were \$5,643,402.  
For the five months of the fiscal year ended with August, the receipts were \$26,209,097, as compared with \$20,337,031 for the same time last year, being an increase of \$5,872,065.

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## CAPTURED SEVENTEEN CHINAMEN SMUGGLED INTO CAPE BRETON

Were Brought from Newfoundland in Sailing Vessel

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 30.—Eight thousand five hundred dollars worth of Chinamen were captured today by the customs officers of Sydney, assisted by the chief of police. The Chinamen, it is believed, had been smuggled into Cape Breton from Newfoundland by the schooner Chlorus owned by a Glace Bay liquor dealer. Sydney customs officers received a tip about noon that the Chinamen were in or on their way to Sydney. The tip came from Captain Gordon, of the government cruiser Gladiator. The Chinamen were landed yesterday or the day before at Irish Cove, a secluded spot near Glace Bay (C. B.). Customs officers accompanied by the police, visited headquarters of Chinamen on Charlotte street. Seven of the Chinamen wanted were, and a number of nearly two more, were caught. Driving out the road to Gabarus the officers met a wagon with four more Chinamen on their way to Sydney. In the pier district of Sydney three more were located. One was found in Sydney Mines and one in Louisbourg and three cannot be located as yet. It is supposed they are in hiding in the woods.

## W. F. THORNTON TAKEN INTO CUSTODY SATURDAY, and Case Comes Up Tuesday

Prisoner is Alleged to Have Set or Caused to Be Set the Fire That Swept the Village, Entailing Ruin on Many—Magistrate at First Refused Bail, But Later Bonds Were Accepted.

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## LUDLOW FLOATING RUM SHOP, SAYS MINISTER

Rev. E. C. Jenkins Criticizes Up River Trip for British Journalists—The Aldermen and the People's Money.

In Ludlow street United Baptist church Sunday Rev. E. C. Jenkins, in dealing with the subject of municipal government, condemned the use of liquor at entertainments given by the common council as a waste of the taxpayers' money. He made special reference to the recent up river excursion for the British journalists and characterized the Ludlow as a floating rum shop on that occasion.

## LOYALIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY AT KINGSTON

Organization Formed—its Objects—The Officers.

Some of the descendants of the original loyalist settlers of Kingston and others met on Wednesday last on the invitation of Miss Muriel Wainwright, daughter of the rector, and formed a historical society, the purpose of which is to preserve the history and traditions of the place and especially to acquire information from some of the old residents. To facilitate this the monthly meetings will be held during an afternoon.

## GIFT TO CAPT. SEELEY

Chain and Locket Presented to Retiring Commander of Oruro.

Captain Charles W. Seeley of the West India Steamship Oruro, when the vessel was about to leave this port for Halifax, was taken by surprise when he was called into the saloon by the officers and crew of the Oruro, where Chief Officer Brinkman made an address and also presented to their commander a beautiful gold chain and locket, on behalf of his officers and crew including the firemen.

## WANT R. L. BORDEN AT SOUTH RENFREW FAIR

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—The Liberal-Conservative Association of South Renfrew will make an effort to have the date of the annual agricultural fair which is to be held in that village on Sept. 15. The fair is held under the joint auspices of the townships of Trenton, the south riding and Wilberforce, in the north riding, and is largely attended by the electors of both, so that the district would be particularly opportune. Representations to this effect will be made to Mr. Borden on his arrival in Ottawa next week.

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The arrest was quietly made. The constable was told that he was not at home. Soon after Deputy Sheriff Foster drove up to the door and Thornton came out with his coat over his arm. The constable then appeared and effected the arrest. This culminates the long investigation that has been the chief topic of interest in the county for several weeks past. There is today really less excitement than there has been, now that the affair has taken definite shape.

A gloom like the hush before the storm seems to pervade the air for the charge is the most serious one that anyone in Hartland has ever been called to answer. Much sympathy is