

The CONCRETE Bridge



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Good bridges, like good roadways, invite traffic, and traffic increases prosperity.

Concrete contributes to the prosperity of many communities, by means of artistic, strong and permanent bridges, such as the one pictured above. These bridges are characterized by an appearance attainable with no other form of construction; yet the materials that entered into their building were obtained locally and the bridge erected largely by unskilled labor under competent supervision.

A concrete bridge is economical on account of the moderate first cost and the practically negligible maintenance cost.

Illustration above shows the International Bridge on the Missisquoi River, between Sutton Township, Brome County, in the Province of Quebec, and East Richford, State of Vermont, U.S.A. This bridge was built under the joint supervision of the technical officials of the State of Vermont and the Province of Quebec. The bridge consists of 2 reinforced concrete arches 67 ft. 0 in. in length and 23 ft. 2 in. in width. It was finished in 1919, and is the only international bridge in the Province of Quebec. Ivan E. Vallee, Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, Province of Quebec.

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