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Friend.

## DEAD PLACED AT 63

Contractors to Be Held Respon-  
sible For Quebec Disaster.

Government Will Probe Cause—Com-  
mission of Experts Appointed—  
Phoenix Co. Alleged to Have Been  
Hurrying at Risk of Safety—Rivets  
Heard to Creak Day Before—Pall  
of Horror Over Quebec.

Ottawa, Aug. 31.—It is evident from  
the attitude assumed by the Govern-  
ment that the responsibility for the  
Quebec bridge disaster will be laid  
on the shoulders of the contractors.

S. N. Parent, chairman of the Trans-  
continental Railway Commission, states  
that the Phoenix Co. of Penn-  
sylvania had been rushing the steel-  
work too fast and that that company  
is responsible for all losses, and so  
will be held responsible for the claims  
for damages by the relatives of those  
who have lost their lives.

He estimates the loss upon the  
structure at about one million dollars,  
and it is probable that the damages  
for loss of life will amount to half a  
million.  
Mr. Parent is chairman of the Que-  
bec Bridge Co. He left for Quebec  
yesterday afternoon along with M. J.  
Butler, Deputy Minister of Railways.  
The Dominion Government has or-  
dered an investigation. Henry Hol-  
mes, C. E. of Montreal, will conduct  
the enquiry, and the other members  
of the board will be Prof. J. G. Perry  
of McGill and Prof. Galbraith, prin-  
cipal of the School of Practical  
Science of Toronto.

This action by the Government has  
been taken on account of the public  
importance of the disaster, and not of  
any Departmental responsibility. The  
engineers of the Department of Rail-  
ways and Canals, which alone is con-  
cerned, simply certify to the amount  
of work put into the structure from  
time to time, thus enabling the con-  
tractors to receive instalments.

**Contractors' Liability.**  
M. P. Davis, who was contractor for  
the piers and abutments, had some  
time ago handed over his work to  
the Quebec Bridge Co., and the same  
has been accepted by them; but if it  
should be that the trouble was due to  
the bridge, for as the completion of  
work, he is of course still fully liable  
and responsible for any losses and  
damages that have occurred.

In addition to the money loss, the  
collapse represents from one to two  
years' delay in the completion of the  
bridge, for as the rebuilding of the  
structure there is not, Mr. Parent  
says, the least doubt.

The whole bridge has cost, as far as  
it has gone, something over \$4,000,000,  
and was to cost when finished in the  
neighborhood of \$5,000,000.  
The only explanation that Mr. Par-  
ent can give of the collapse is that in  
the rushing of the work the riveting  
may not have followed up the exten-  
sion of the steel as fast as it should,  
and that the drop was not so great  
weight of the load of steel which was  
being taken out on it.

**Sympathy From Premier.**  
Sir Wilfrid Laurier yesterday morn-  
ing sent the following message to  
Mayor Garneau of Quebec:

"I pray you to express to the citi-  
zens of Quebec and to those who  
relatives and friends my profound  
sympathy in the awful disaster which  
occurred last evening. It is the duty  
of all not to lose courage. We must  
immediately apply ourselves to the  
reparation of the lost and to push  
the project with energy."

(Signed) "Wilfrid Laurier."  
The Governor-General has forward-  
ed a telegram to Lieut.-Governor  
Jetté, expressing sympathy with be-  
raved families suffering from the dis-  
aster.

**Cause of the Wreck.**  
Quebec, Aug. 31.—The idea became  
prevalent here that the cause of the  
wreck was the giving way of the an-  
chor pier on the Lewis shore, which,  
imbedded in tons of solid masonry,  
sustains the weight of the structure  
suspended over the river. There would  
be another anchor pier at the other  
end of the river when the whole  
bridge was completed, and these two  
would, with the overhead arch, hold  
the bridge up, so that no piers would  
be necessary from one shore to the  
other.

M. P. Davis of Ottawa, contractor  
for this anchor pier, says this theory  
is not correct, as the pier is still in  
good condition. Therefore, it must be  
either that there was a fatal engineer-  
ing miscalculation as to the weight  
that could be allowed to rest on the  
pier before completion, or over the  
river before being able to sustain  
itself, there was too great a weight  
placed at one of the crucial points of  
its structure, or that the mass of steel  
itself was deficient in quality, or that,  
combined with careless workmanship,  
resulted in letting the bridge down.  
The masonry is not injured.

**Heard Rivets Creak.**  
A practical engineer gave as his  
opinion yesterday morning that the  
real cause was the weakness of the  
superstructure between the anchor  
pier and the deep water pier. It was  
between these two stone abutments  
the iron work collapsed, due to the  
ponderous weight of that section,  
which extended nine hundred feet  
from the deep water pier over the river.

It was stated by some workmen  
that for some time past they had  
been engaged in the work that such a  
catastrophe would occur, for they considered that  
the extension from the deep water pier  
was too weighty to be supported by  
that section inside the pier, and the  
day before yesterday several of the  
men heard the rivets crack.

Some of them did not return to  
work Thursday through fear, but  
others thought this might be attrib-  
uted to merely the settling down into  
position of the massive structure.  
However a minute examination will  
be conducted by engineers and the  
truth will be learned shortly.

The removal of thousands of tons  
of debris will involve several months.  
Quebec, Aug. 31.—After a night of

## Expectant Mothers

should take "Bu-Ju" during  
this trying time. The extra  
strain, weight and undue pres-  
sure on the delicate organs often  
irritate and inflame the kidneys.  
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ger of childbirth, but places the  
health of the baby in jeopardy.

Owing to the scene of the disaster  
being seven miles distant from the  
city, there was delay in getting relief  
gangs and medical men to the spot.  
All night long, however, by the light  
of bonfires along the shore, men la-  
bored to remove the injured. Weir  
cries for help could be heard from  
various sections of the debris, cries  
which unfortunately received no re-  
sponse, and they finally grew weaker  
and weaker until the victim met the  
same fate as his unfortunate com-  
rades. But few bodies have been re-  
covered. It is feared that many will  
be carried away by the current. The  
millions of pounds of twisted iron  
work also pin many corpses to the  
river bed.

## The Scene at Dawn.

At daybreak yesterday morning the  
gruesome spectacle was revealed. Part  
of the iron work was visible above  
the water line, but the great mass of  
it had disappeared. Soundings that  
were taken at 9 o'clock showed that  
the portion extending beyond the  
deep water pier rested in a depth of  
30 feet of water. The channel in con-  
sequence is not in any way interfered  
with, and steamers are passing up  
and down the channel as usual.

The Phoenix Bridge Co., who were  
in charge of the superstructure, have  
stationed men at every point to pre-  
vent intrusion, and even newspaper  
correspondents and relatives of the  
dead are kept only by an impre-  
nable line.

Immediately upon receipt of news  
Thursday night the Marine and Fish-  
eries Department dispatched the tug  
Hackett, with Capt. Noenig, bringing  
supplies of lanterns and parapherna-  
lia to drag the river. The vessel  
circled around the scene of the dis-  
aster for a considerable time giving  
all the assistance it could in the way  
of rescuing those that still survived.

Boats and tugs carried a heavy  
quota of human freight to the scene  
of the disaster yesterday. Charitable  
merchants despatched coats and cloth-  
ing, but few uniforms were not in  
demand, for but few survived, ten  
in all escaped. Undertakers wended  
their way with their gruesome load  
of coffins and these have been placed  
in uncanny rows along the shore  
waiting for the victims to be removed  
from the debris to be buried therein.  
The coroner had all the bodies re-  
covered removed to Quebec last night  
and placed in the morgue to await the  
inquest, which will be opened on Mon-  
day next.

## FALLS 2,000 FEET ON POST.

Man Drops From Sky In Middle of  
Field.

Barnstable, Mass., Aug. 31.—Near-  
ly 5,000 persons at the annual Barn-  
stable County Fair saw Prof. Maloney,  
a balloonist, drop 2,000 feet to the  
earth, strike on the top of a cedar  
fence post, and escape probably with  
his life.  
A sharp easterly wind had blown  
the rope which connects with the  
knife against a mass of cords higher  
up and out of reach of the aeronaut.  
For fully two miles Maloney floated  
along. The gas was rapidly leaking  
from the big bag above him and he  
prepared for the long drop. He and  
the balloon came earthward rapidly.  
As it neared the earth the canvas fell  
about his body and prevented him  
from seeing where he was falling. He  
struck on top of a big cedar post used  
by a farmer to mark off his field.  
Luckily he did not fall squarely, but  
struck in a half standing position. His  
back was terribly torn and his left  
arm badly injured.

## SELL BABES IN MARKET.

Parents Dispose of Four Months  
Twins for \$40 Each.

London, Aug. 31.—A Rome despatch  
brings a story of an attempt to sell  
children in the market at Avallino.  
A peasant and his wife brought two  
of their children, twins, four months  
old, and in open market offered to sell  
them for \$40 each.  
The babies were plump and healthy  
and were bought by a man who offer-  
ed the price required. He was taking  
the children away from the mother,  
stepped in and arrested both buyers  
and sellers.

## Two Drowned in North.

Cobalt, Aug. 31.—Night Hawk Lake  
has claimed two victims. This is a  
lakeside lake, and the water is very  
shallow. To-day it is filled with pros-  
pectors who are not expert canoe men.

Last Sunday a double drowning ac-  
cident is reported to have occurred,  
and two prospectors, named McCrae  
and Johnston, lost their lives. John-  
ston was a mechanical engineer about  
50 years of age.

## Buried Under Tons of Coal.

Connemat, O., Aug. 31.—Jas. Monahan,  
a fireman on the steamship Jona-  
han, was buried under tons of ore at Es-  
canaba, where the boat loaded, al-  
though Monahan's absence from the  
boat was not known or any intima-  
tion of his death was had until his  
body was discovered by ore-shovelers  
here Thursday.

## Threw Dynamite in Lake.

Cobalt, Aug. 31.—While the fire en-  
gine was in practice a spark fell into  
a box containing dynamite, and set  
fire to some paper. Charles Carr of  
Milton, Ont. & Son, threw the box  
into the lake, and as it struck the  
water it exploded. A boat house was  
wrecked and several boats damaged.

## Platform Down, Ten Killed.

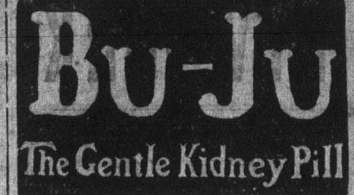
Oporto, Portugal, Aug. 31.—A plat-  
form erected by a local newspaper  
on the occasion of a lottery drawing  
collapsed yesterday, hurling to the  
ground about 600 persons, of whom  
ten were killed and eighty injured.

## Old Man's Suicide.

Chatham, Aug. 31.—Joe Carpenter,  
aged 70, for two years an inmate of  
the Home of Refuge, committed sui-  
cide in the Thames River about noon  
yesterday.

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keeps the kidneys strong and  
vigorous—neutralizes Uric Acid  
in the blood—relieves Irritated  
Bladder (Cystitis)—acts as a mild  
tonic on all the female organs.

A "Bu-Ju" pill at bedtime takes  
away the sharp pain in the back  
—relieves the dragging, bearing  
down pains through the hips—  
prevents Constipation—Is the  
best protection against Kidney  
Trouble during pregnancy.

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of price, \$3.00 a large box.

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## FATAL HOMESICKNESS.

Took Mutineer Back to Odessa Where  
He Was Hanged.

Odessa, Aug. 31.—Matushenko, the  
Russian non-commissioned officer,  
who led the mutiny on the battleship  
Kniaz Potemkin, and commanded  
that vessel on its sensational cruise  
about the Black Sea in 1905, was hanged  
Thursday at Sebastopol.  
After abandoning the battleship at  
Kustendie, Roumania, Matushenko  
went to New York, where he worked  
for two years in an iron foundry.  
Homesickness led him last July to re-  
turn to this city, where he was ar-  
rested.

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way, by inhaling the germi-  
ciding, throat and lung healing  
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simple in its operation, free from  
stomach nauseating and destroying  
substances. It is a marvel of sci-  
entific efficiency. Catharhozone kills  
the germs that excite the disease,  
heals the inflamed surfaces and pre-  
vents absolutely a recurrence of  
the malady. Catharhozone cannot  
fail to cure Hay Fever, because it  
destroys its cause. Druggists, 25c.  
\$1.00, or mailed to your address if  
if price is forwarded to Polson &  
Co., Kingston, Ont.

## Vesuvius Getting Active.

Naples, Aug. 31.—Ominous rum-  
blings are coming from Mount Vesu-  
vius, and smoke is issuing from the  
crater. As a result the inhabitants of  
the villages surrounding the volcano  
are in a state of great alarm. These  
are the first signs of volcanic activity  
since the eruption of March, 1906.

## Ralph Smith Busy.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 31.—Ralph  
Smith, M. P., has begun an investi-  
gation of the coal shortage in British  
Columbia and Alberta, and will place  
information before the Federal House  
next session.

## RHEUMATISM ALMOST KILLED HER.

For years Mrs. S. Stahlschmidt, of  
Humberstone, Ont., was a martyr  
to rheumatism. "I was so stiff and  
lame I could scarcely walk," she  
writes. "An attack striking my  
limbs made walking impossible.  
Friends and doctors gave prescrip-  
tions but I only got relief from Per-  
rozone. I took twelve boxes and  
gained from the first. To-day I am  
well, feel stronger, weigh heavier  
and look the picture of health."  
Whether muscular or inflammatory,  
chronic or otherwise, Perrozone does  
cure rheumatism. Price, 50c.  
per box at all dealers.

## Brakeman Hurt.

Brockville, Aug. 30.—A G. T. R.  
brakeman named Theodore Shipman,  
stepping from a car at Cardinal, slip-  
ped and his foot went under the  
wheels.

## Cases Adjudged.

Cobalt, Aug. 30.—The cases against  
Roadhouse, et al., for inciting miners  
to strike, were adjudged until Wed-  
nesday next.

## St. Isidore, P. Q., Aug. 18, '04.

Minard's Lintment Co. Limited.  
Gentlemen—I have frequently used  
MINARD'S LINTMENT and also pre-  
scribe it for my patients always  
with the most gratifying results,  
and I consider it the best all-round  
Lintment extant.

Yours truly,  
DR. JOS. AUG. SIROIS.

## No More Pilgrimages.

Rome, Aug. 31.—The Vatican has an-  
nounced that all pilgrimages to  
Rome scheduled for the months of  
September and October are to be pos-  
tponed on account of the present anti-  
clerical agitation in Italy.

Minard's Lintment cures Colds, etc.

## ELECTRIC CARS CRASH

Fifteen Dead and Fifty Injured  
in Head-On Collision.

Confusion of Orders Leads to Terrible  
Catastrophe Near Charleston—Car  
and Trailer Telescoped—Crowded  
With Passengers Going to Fair—  
Several of Those Hurt May Not  
Recover.

Mattoon, Ills., Aug. 31.—Fifteen per-  
sons were killed and about fifty in-  
jured yesterday in a head-on collision  
between an inter-urban express train,  
consisting of a motor car and a trac-  
tion car on the Mattoon and Charle-  
stown electric car, at a sharp curve,  
one mile west of Charleston, Ills. A  
confusion of orders received over the  
telephone is said to have been the  
cause of the accident.

The cars approached each other at  
high speed, and the impact was so  
terrible that the motor car and the  
trailer were telescoped by the traction  
car. Few passengers had time to es-  
cape by jumping. Most of the pas-  
sengers were going to the fair at  
Charleston.

Mattoon sent special cars to the  
wreck, and the dead and injured were  
brought to the morgue and the hospi-  
tal. Several of the injured may die.  
Doctors and citizens hurried from  
Charleston to the disaster, dragged  
dead and injured from the broken  
mass of timbers and seats, and gave  
first aid to the injured.

The dead were laid alongside the  
track. The victims could not be tak-  
en to Charleston because the track  
was blocked in that direction and the  
relief car from Mattoon was derailed.

The line on which the disaster hap-  
pened is twelve miles long, running  
between Mattoon and Charleston, Ills.,  
and has but a single track. Tele-  
phones are placed every two miles for  
orders to be transmitted to the cars  
passing over the road.

There were no Canadians among the  
dead or injured.

## TO PROP UP ST. PAUL'S.

Architects Take Steps to Save Cath-  
edral From Disaster.

London, Aug. 31.—The committee  
of architects, which was appointed to  
enquire into the condition of St.  
Paul's Cathedral, has issued a report,  
which declares that, while the cath-  
edral is in no immediate danger, elab-  
orate precautions are necessary to  
preserve it from disaster.  
It is added that attention should  
be given to all building operations in  
the neighborhood, or mischief of a  
serious nature may arise.  
The committee recommends that a  
large amount of structural work re-  
quired in repairing the fabric be pro-  
ceeded with at once.

## BREWERS BAR PREACHERS.

Refuse to Walk With Them in Labor  
Day Parade.

Lacrosse, Wis., Aug. 31.—The Min-  
istota Union, organized only a few  
weeks ago, and soon after affiliated  
with the Trades and Labor Assembly,  
the supreme labor body of Lacrosse,  
was officially cast out by that body  
and refused permission to march in  
the Labor Day parade.  
This action was the result of com-  
plaints by the brewery workers, who  
claimed that the recent agitation  
against the saloons had resulted in  
an injury to the Brewery Workers'  
Union.

The city labor body took up the  
complaints and after a hearing decid-  
ed that the crusade by the religious  
workers was to the harm of their fel-  
low unionists and the official casting  
out followed.

## ANOTHER GAS GUSHER.

Well Opened in Tilbury With Capa-  
city of 10,000,000 Feet.

Chatham, Aug. 31.—The largest gas  
well ever struck in Tilbury East, twice  
the size of the well supplying Chatham,  
has been opened. The well is of  
10,000,000 cubic feet capacity. It is  
on the Jackson farm and is operated  
by the Leamington Oil & Gas Co.  
of Leamington.

Gas was struck at 1,350 feet, when  
the hole was lost in the hole, in-  
cluding the whole length of rope ca-  
ble. On account of this accident a  
most interesting phenomena is occur-  
ing. The gas flow from the hole is  
so strong that several hundred feet  
of cable flutter upright in the hole,  
farcely fluttering like a flag in a  
windstorm.

## Another Mineral Field.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Aug. 31.—It  
has been known for some time that  
native copper existed on Michipicoten  
Island, and not only native copper,  
but native silver also had been dis-  
covered on the island. The samples  
show native silver allied with native  
copper, not float, but samples taken  
from minerals in places knocked out  
with a pick. The analysis made  
shows the ore to run from 2.12 to 3  
per cent in native copper. The native  
silver and copper in the calcite shows  
for itself.

## Province Won't Prosecute.

Winnipeg, Aug. 31.—Cases of in-  
fringement of the Lord's Day Act be-  
fore the Police Court yesterday were  
reopened on account of a letter from  
Attorney-General Campbell with-  
drawing the consent of the Provincial  
Department from the prosecution.  
The letter claimed the police com-  
missioners were prosecuting the small  
restaurant dealers and allowed hotels  
to get off scot free.

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## PATERSON'S

COUGH DROPS  
by a diet of two generations  
coughs and colds for two generations  
for all throat irritations. They clean the  
palate, soothe the inflamed throat and  
lead to the rest and recovery.  
THEY WILL CURE

## RICHARD MANSFIELD DEAD.

Last Curtain Has Fallen on Life of  
Famous Actor.

New London, Conn., Aug. 31.—Rich-  
ard Mansfield, one of the best known  
actors on the American stage, died  
yesterday morning at his summer resi-  
dence. Death was directly due to dis-  
ease of the liver, aggravated by com-  
plications.

A few weeks ago he reached Mont-  
real from England, and after a few  
days' rest was sent by his physicians  
to the Adirondacks, where it was at  
first stated that complete rest would  
bring return to health. Later, how-  
ever, reports indicated the fatal char-  
acter of his affliction.

During the great actor's last mo-  
ments he was lying in a condition of  
coma, and did not recognize the loved  
ones at his bedside.

Richard Mansfield was born in Hel-  
igon, on May 24, 1857. His mother  
was Mrs. Mansfield Rudersdorf, a  
famous prima donna, and it was from  
her that Mansfield inherited his love  
for the art. The actor studied at sev-  
eral schools on the continent, and at  
South Kensington, London, England.

He was an accomplished singer and  
musician and played in comic opera.  
Despite these facts he was unsuccess-  
ful for years, and it was not until  
he came to America that he made a  
real success.

He was married to a Canadian, Miss  
Mansfield, daughter of a Canadian  
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