

" Falls of the Chaudiere, 21st of February, 1827.

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" AS a transient passenger brought here yesterday by the grand provincial object of attraction, the reported Rideau Canal, I witnessed an event to me no less interesting than novel, namely, striking the wooden supporters from under the first arch in the chain of bridges to be passed across the Falls of the Chaudiere. The time and circumstances led me to delay my journey for one day: this, then, was employed in making inquiries; and the answer to these confirmed in my mind the importance of the imposing operation to which I had been an eye-witness. I find this beautiful arch was suggested by Lieutenant-Colonel By, of the Royal Engineers; planned by Mr. Mactaggart; and executed under the appropriate superintendence of Mr. M'Kay, of Montreal, architect. At the same time it ought not to be forgotten, that the important duty of striking the centres was entrusted to Mr. Drummond, architect. To all equal praise is due in their respective situations, for each and all have done their duty. Such has been the result of my inquiries on the spot. But there are other circumstances connected with this business equally deserving of notice to a passer-by. The bridge is one of the most beautiful specimens of rough