BRIDGE COLLAPSE RECALLS ROMANCE OF



Telegraph Wire Left by Overland Pioneers Was Used by Indians to Build This

Remarkable Structure. The suspension bridge constructed by the Hagwilget Indians across the Bulkley River in Central British Columbia has collapsed and now floats in the waters of Hagwilget Canyon, held by the cables on which it was suspended for more than twenty years. The news will be received with regret by engineers in all parts of the world. This frail structure was regarded as a remarkable example of Indian skill in bridge building and had been a subject of comment in many engineering magazines, while it was also regarded as one of the many features of interest seen from the trains of the Grand Trunk Pacific line. Conceived in the mind of a native and built by his fellow tribesmen, the true principles of the modern suspension bridge were carried into the construction work. The bridge was the third attempt to get a permanent crossing over the Bulkley River, the first two bridges having been swept away by high water. When the Indians built this bridge they had no modern tools, nor did they have nails, spikes or bolts, wooden spikes and telegraph wire being used at joints. The bridge had a span of 146 feet and was 10 feet wide.

Interwoven with the story of the Indian bridge is a romance of the Northwest. The telegraph wire used in its construction was discovered by the Indians at a point some eight hundred miles west of Edmonton and 200 miles inland from the Pacific Coast, where it had been hidden for many years. This is how it happened: Between the date of the unsuccessful and the day of the successful attempts to lay a submarine cable which would connect New York and London, a plan was put forth for an overland telegraph line from New York to St. Petersburg. The close of the Civil War found the country full of men of mettle. Some of the old cam-

paigners were selected and sent to work. In the meantime, while these heroic explorers were working away in the wilderness, London and New York were coupled up by the submarine cable. Instantly, all interest in the overland disappeared, as the need of the line no longer existed. Away out on the Northern corner of this continent there is a line of fifty-year-old telegraph poles. It is easy to understand and appreciate the disappointment of these brave fellows who had fought the good fight in sun and rain for over a year and a half. only to be told to quit. And that is how they happened to leave the telegraph wire used in the bridge in a cache on the river, along whose banks the Grand Trunk Pacific transcontinental trains are now travelling. When this enthusiastic band of workers went home, the "silent places" fell asleep again, and the younger generation forgot. After forty years more of unbroken sleep, other telegraph builders blazed the trail. planting poles and stringing wifes. What was regarded as a worthless wilderness was hailed as the new Empire of the North, teeming with natural riches. This time they succeeded, for the men were on the payroll of the Grand Trunk Pacific Telegraph Company, and the wires follow the right-of-way of Canada's new line. This modern successor of the overland has become an important factor in handling the telegraph business of a large section of the continent.

CLIPPED FROM THE WHIG'S Falls, on Tuesday morning, when MANY BRIGHT EXCHANGES.

In Brief Form the Events In The Balderson. Country About Kingston Are Told -Full of Interest to Many,

left on Saturday for Toronto to make being carried on when a spark from her home in future.

On Monday four cases will be heard at Elgin for violations of the gentlemen assembled at the home Ontario Temperance Act.

Blake Pearsall has purchased the Gay property, Doxsee's, and intends moving in the near future. The death occurred on Wednes-

day night of George Brown. He is survived by his wife and one son, Mrs. Margaret Nesbitt, relict of the

died on Thursday, aged eighty years. tried on Dec. 4th for seditious utter-James Cameron, formerly of Des- ances. Frederick Mohns, farmer, eronto, but late of Frankford, N.Y., will be tried on two charges of sediwas killed in an auto accident on tion.

Miss M. J. O'Brien was performed Matthew Donald, aged seventy-six in St. James' R. C. Church, Eganville on Tuesday.

sident of Newburgh, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert

Lewis, Camden East, on Sunday, Athens in the person of George plane lit a little way from the horses Brown died at his home just west of and while he was trying to get the

about eighty years.

A quiet wedding took place in St Francis de Sales church, Smith's Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs. M. Carroll, Chambers street, was united in marriage to Martin J. Doyle,

The barn in the fifth concession of Thurlow, belonging to William Reynolds was burned along with the Miss Kathleen Bantley, Deseronto, contents. Threshing operations were the engine ignited the straw.

On Nov. 1st about fifty ladies and of Mrs. McGrath, Centreville, to make their adieu previous to her departure for her new home in Napance, and presented her with a handsome purse, also Mary with a little token of remembrance.

At Pembroke Paul Kruger, laborer, a blood relative of Paul Kruger who lead the rebellion in South Afrilate Thomas Brice, Carleton Place, ca against Great Britain, will be

One of Dalhousie's oldest resi-The marriage of Robert Foy to dents is dead in the person of Mr. years. Deceased had been in poor health for about three years and on Mrs. George Samson, a former re- Wednesday morning suffered a stroke from which he never regained com-

Charles Hawley, Mount Pleasant had quite an exciting time one day On Nov. 6th, an aged resident of last week. While ploughing an aerothe village. Deceased was aged draw bolt loose another lit in front of the team scaring them so they ran The death occurred in Toronto on away scattering the harness all Thursday of a former resident of over, and doing quite a lot of dam-



A scene from the musical comedy success, "The Only Girl," at the Grand Opera House on Wednesday, Nov. 14th, matinee and night.

OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS

The Proceeds of this Loan will be used for War purposes only, and will be spent wholly in Canada



The MINISTER OF FINANCE offers for Public Subscription

Canada's Victory Loan

\$150,000,000. 51/2% Gold Bonds

Bearing interest from December 1st, 1917, and offered in three maturities, the choice of which is optional with the subscriber, as follows:

> 5 year Bonds due December 1st, 1922 10 year Bonds due December 1st, 1927 20 year Bonds due December 1st, 1937

This Loan is authorized under Act of the Parliament of Canada, and both principal and interest are a charge upon the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The amount of this issue is \$150,000,000, exclusive of the amount (if any) paid for by the surrender of bonds of previous issues. The Minister of Finance, however, reserves the right to allot the whole or any part of the amount subscribed in excess of \$150,000,000.

> Principal and Interest payable in Gold Denominations; \$50, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000

Subscriptions must be in sums of \$50 or multiples thereof.

Principal payable without charge at the Office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the Office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Victoria.

Interest payable, without charge, half-yearly, June 1st and December 1st, at any branch in Canada of any Chartered Bank

Bearer or Registered Bonds

Bonds may be registered as to principal or as to principal and interest.

Scrip certificates, non-negotiable, or payable to bearer, in accordance with the choice of the applicant for registered or bearer bonds, will be issued after allotment in exchange for provisional receipts. When these scrip certificates have been paid in full, and payment endorsed thereon by the bank receiving the money, they may be exchanged for bonds, when prepared, with coupons attached, payable to bearer, or registered as to principal, or for fully registered bonds when prepared, without coupons, in accordance with the application.

Delivery of interim certificates and of definitive bonds will be made through the Chartered Banks.

Bearer bonds with coupons will be issued in denominations of \$50., \$100., \$500., and \$1,000. and may be registered as to principal only. Fully registered bonds, the interest on which is paid direct to the owner by Government cheque, will be issued in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or any authorized multiple of \$5,000.

Subject to the payment of 25 cents for each new bond issued, holders of fully registered bonds without coupons, will have the right to convert into bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 with coupons, and holders of bonds with coupons will have the right to convert into fully registered bonds of authorized denominations without coupons, at any time, on application to the Minister of Finance.

Surrender of Bonds

Holders of Dominion of Canada Debenture Stock, due October 1st, 1919, and of bonds of the three preceding Dominion of Canada War Loan Issues, have the privilege of surrendering their bonds in part payment for subscriptions to bonds of this issue, under the following conditions:-

> Debenture Stock, due October 1st, 1919, at Par and Accrued Interest. War Loan Bonds, due December 1st, 1925, at 971/2 and Accrued Interest.

(The above will be accepted in part payment for bonds of any of the three maturities of this Issue.)

War Loan Bonds, due October 1st, 1931, at 971/2 and Accrued Interest. War Loan Bonds, due March 1st, 1937, at 96 and Accrued Interest.

These will be accepted in part payment for bonds of the 1937 maturity ONLY of this Issue.)

Bonds of the various maturities of this issue will, in the event of future issues of like maturity, or longer, made by the Government, other than issues made abroad, be accepted at par and accrued interest, as the equivalent of cash for the purpose of subscription to such issues.

Issue Price Par

Free from taxes—Including any income tax—imposed in pursuance of legislation enacted by the Parliament of Canada Payment to be made as follows:

10% on December 1st, 1917 20% on March 1st, 1918 10% on January 2nd, 1918 20% on April 1st, 1918 20% on May 1st, 1918

A full half year's interest will be paid on 1st June, 1918 The Bonds therefore give a net yield to the investor of about:

5.61% on the 20 year Bonds

5.68% on the 10 year Bonds 5.81% on the 5 year Bonds

All payments are to be made to a Chartered Bank for the credit of the Minister of Finance. Failure to pay any instalment when due will render previous payments liable to forfeiture, and the allotment to cancellation. Subscriptions accompanied by a deposit of 10% of the amount subscribed, must be forwarded through the medium of a Chartered Bank. Any branch in Canada of any Chartered Bank will forward subscriptions and issue provisional receipts.

In case of partial allotments the surplus deposit will be applied toward payment of the amount due on the January instalment.

Subscriptions may be paid in full on January 2nd, 1918, or on any instalment due date thereafter under discount at the rate of 51% per annum. Under this provision payments of the balance of subscriptions may be made as follows:

If paid on January 2nd, 1918, at the rate of 89.10795 per \$100. If paid on February 1st, 1918, at the rate of 79.46959 per \$100. If paid on March 1st, 1918, at the rate of 59.72274 per \$100. If paid on April 1st, 1918, at the rate of 39.90959 per \$100. 1918, at the rate of 39.90959 per \$100.

Forms of application may be obtained from any branch in Canada of any Chartered Bank, or from any Victory

The books of the Loan will be kept at the Department of Finance, Ottawa.

Application will be made in due course for the listing of this issue on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges.

Subscription Lists will close on or before December 1st, 1917.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE. OTTAWA, November 12th, 1917.

Lend to your Country . All Canada is your Security

s he rich or poor, is little to be envied, who at this supreme moment fails to bring forward his saving for the security of his country."