

This was the awful result of a landslide in the Canadian town of Nicolet in Quebec --- the opening up of a crater on the St Lawrence River shore --- some seventy feet deep in places, and five hundred yards ~~widex~~ across. It's a Cathedral town; ~~and~~ the Bishop's Palace was cut in two ; scores of homes virtually vanished in a heap of rubble. First reports gave three lives lost, with many injured and ~~missing~~ many missing.

A petrol station was undermined ^{and} ~~and~~ fell into the river; ~~the~~ the cause given for the disaster was that the river had formed an underground lake, and the remaining crust of earth collapsed. ^

This was the second catastrophe to hit this town, ~~in~~ [^] within a year.

It was here --- only eight months ago --- that thirty-two houses were ~~engulfed~~ ^{destroyed} in a terrible fire. The damage of the second tragedy is put at ten million dollars; and it is probable that the whole town will have to be rebuilt, farther away from the river that wrought such havoc.