by no one, unless those whose mode of doing business seeks darkness rather than light.

PROPOSED FORM OF INVITATION TO "BRIDGE-BUILDERS."

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The undersigned committee of ..................... will meet at ..................... at .... o'clock, on the .... day of ......., for the purpose of receiving plans and proposals for the furnishing of all material, the construction and erection of a wrought-iron bridge over ........................., agreeably to the specifications hereto annexed. Parties tendering must furnish a clearly made-out strain-sheet of their design, with the data on which it was computed, and showing also the areas of material proposed to be given to each part. Bidders are requested to be present on the above occasion, when all the proposals will be opened and read in their presence. The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

Signed by the Committee,

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PROPOSED FORM OF STANDARD SPECIFICATION FOR ORDINARY HIGHWAY BRIDGES, WHEN INVITING TENDERS.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.—The bridge will be a (through or deck) bridge, consisting of .... spans, and will have a roadway of .... feet between guards, with .... sidewalks of .... feet in the clear each. Sidewalks to be raised .... inches above level of roadway.

The distance from grade to bed of stream (or from