Office Ohio & Mississippi Railroad Co.
Cincinnati, March 2d, 1859.

D. C. McCallum, Esq.

Dear Sir:

All of the important bridges upon the Eastern Division of this road, are constructed upon your plan, and it gives me pleasure to state, that they have stood the test of heavy trains remarkably well. I consider your bridge one of the best, if not the very best, for railroad purposes within my knowledge.

Yours respectfully,

W. H. Clement,
Gen'l Sup't.

(From the Cincinnati "Daily Commercial.")

"The test to which the McCallum Railroad Bridge, over the Wabash, at Vincennes, was subjected, was more severe than indicated by the telegraphic dispatch. We learn from Mr. Creveling, of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, that the steamer Crescent had over eight hundred tons of freight in her when she struck the breakwater and swung round in a seven mile current, so as to bring her bow with full force on the middle span of the bridge. The fact that but two chords of the span were injured, and that the bridge was not disabled for the passage of trains, is remarkable. Another of these bridges sustained the collision of two trains meeting in the middle of the span, last summer, and, though filled with engines and cars three deep, was not perceptibly injured."

This bridge consists of four spans of 180 feet each, and a draw of 72 feet.