The items wherein the original estimates fall short are as follows:

_First._—Increase in size and elevation of bridge.

Since the original estimates were made the bridge has been widened from 80 to 85 feet. Two out of three sidewalks have been given up, and two additional horse-car tracks put in their place. This change involved an increase of 7 per cent. in the cost of the entire bridge, including superstructure, towers, foundations, and anchorages.

Again, the United States government ordered an increase of 5 feet in the elevation of the bridge. This necessitated a change in the plan of truss and some of the masonry, at an additional expense of $150,000. These two causes combined have therefore increased the cost 8 per cent., amounting to

(a) $1,412,260 at 8 per cent. .................. $112,980 90

_Secondly._—No allowances whatever were made for land and land damages. These embrace the grounds around and about the New York and Brooklyn towers, buildings and improvements,

Amounting to ................................. $332,673 65
Add engineering expenses connected with it ........ 5,000 00

(b) Total for land .............................. $337,673 65

[Note.—The expense for land is really higher by the sum of $203,000, being the value of the land under the New York tower, which happened to belong to New York City. To save the interchange of checks, this sum was taken as a direct offset to an installment then due from New York City, and hence does not appear among the general expenditures.]

_Thirdly._—In the original estimate, two plans were made for the New York foundation—one providing for a deep foundation, down to rock, and the other for a pile foundation.