[APPENDIX No. 3.]

NEW YORK, May 1, 1876.

The undersigned, a board of consulting engineers, appointed by the New York and Long Island Bridge Company to select a plan for its proposed bridge crossing the East River at Blackwell's Island, will receive designs, estimates of cost, and proposals for construction, until the 1st day of July, 1876, for a bridge and its approaches from the City of New York, in the vicinity of 76th street, to Long Island.

This will require two spans across the East River, 135 feet above tide; the one 734 feet long, and the other 618 feet long, in the clear; together with approaches and an intermediate structure across Blackwell's Island over 100 feet high.

We herewith inclose a profile and specifications, and will be pleased to receive designs, estimates, and a proposal for building, from you.

Parties who have already furnished designs to the Company are requested to revise them so as to conform to the present specifications, and to furnish new estimates of cost and proposals for construction.

The adoption of a plan shall not, however, be understood as binding the Company to enter into an immediate contract for the prosecution of the work, and the right is reserved to reject any or all proposals or plans.

It is expected that the designs received in answer to this circular shall be exhibited at the Centennial Exhibition, unless otherwise requested by the designers.

Plans and communications may be sent to the undersigned either at their respective offices, or at the office of the Company in the German Savings Bank Building, corner of 14th Street and 4th Avenue.

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