PROPOSAL

For the Construction of the Bridge described in the following Report.

The bridge represented in the accompanying plans, and described in this report, is intended to possess strength sufficient for the passage of trains composed of twenty first class locomotive engines, and as many tenders, filling the bridge from end to end, and weighing in the aggregate 600 tons.

The flooring is to be placed 140 feet above the river, and the navigation left entirely unobstructed.

The bridge is to be upheld by 24 cables, composed each of 1000 strands of No. 10 iron wire.

The masonry is to be throughout well finished, and of a substantial and durable character.

The work is to be finished in two years from the time of its commencement, and to be proved, on its completion, by running over it trains of 600 tons, or greater weight.

I hereby offer to build such a bridge, in conformity with this report and the detailed plans by which it is illustrated—stipulating only for the privilege of introducing such modifications as will improve its character