

SCHEDULE OF CORRESPONDENCE.

SELWYN BRIDGE.

No.	1871.				
1	March 24	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...	Report on site and mode of construction suggested by Provincial Engineer approved. Examination by Mr. Bray corroborates report.
2	March 6	Mr. Thornton	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...	Report mentioned in No. 1.
3	March 13	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...	Approval mentioned in No. 1.
4	March 22	Mr. Bray	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...	Agreeing with Mr. Thornton's plan and report.
5	April 21	Superintendent of Canterbury	of	Hon. Col. Secretary...	Can the cost of bridge be paid for out of the £7,000 voted by Provincial Council?
6	April 28	Mr. Bray	...	Mr. Blackett	Tenders for bridge will be sent in on 8th.*

* The lowest of twelve accepted (£4,689).

RAKAIA BRIDGES.

7	1871. March 2	Mr. Blackett	...	Mr. Gisborne	...	Iron railway bridge and wooden bridge for ordinary traffic would cost £43,000; a wooden bridge for both purposes, £32,000; alterations to present structure, about £9,000.
8	March 14	Superintendent of Canterbury	of	Hon. D. Bell	...	Requesting assurance that Government will recommend cost of railway bridge to be refunded as part of cost of Southern Railway. Mr. Blackett reports that tender for alterations is £8,564, and may be accepted.
9	March 14	Hon. D. Bell	...	Superintendent of Canterbury	of	Government will recommend to the Assembly to take over bridge as part of Southern Railway, and redeem the tolls.

WAITAKI BRIDGE.

10	1871. Feb. 21	Messrs. Blackett, Bray, Tancred, and Millar		Hon. Col. Secretary...		Report on site. Crossing at telegraph line recommended.
11	March 30	Hon. W. Fox	...	Superintendents of Canterbury & Otago		Forwarding above report.
12	April 24	Superintendent of Canterbury	of	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Acknowledging receipt.
13	April 27	Superintendent of Otago	of	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Acknowledging receipt.
14	March 31	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		At a Conference of Ministers, Superintendent, and others, it was decided to have a wooden bridge of jarra and totara, with iron girders.
15	April 1	Mr. Bray	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Estimate of quantities; iron girders required for present and future orders.
16	April 3	Mr. Cooper	...	Mr. Morrison	...	To execute order enclosed for iron girders if Hon. Mr. Vogel has returned to England. Letter for Mr. Vogel enclosed.
17	June 1	Mr. Morrison	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Mr. Cooper's letter has been brought under Hon. Mr. Vogel's attention. He is still in England.
18	May 13	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Suitable totara timber can be obtained in the Waimate Bush; recommends it in preference to jarra timber, as only half the cost. Mr. Bray will prepare estimate of quantities and plans.
19	May 16	Mr. Bray	...	Mr. Blackett	...	Forward quantities.
20	July 10	Mr. Blackett	...	Mr. Millar	...	Inquiry whether the line of railway is laid out to a different site than that decided by Engineering Commission (No. 10).
21	July 11	Mr. Millar	...	Mr. Blackett	...	Line has been laid with reference to site, but, from observations made during last three months, thinks an alteration desirable. Question can be considered by Commissioners when they meet in Wellington. Has made survey of shingle beds.
22	July 11	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		The above should be communicated to the other members of the Commission.
23	July 12	Mr. Blackett	...	Messrs. Tancred and Bray		Forwarding copy of Mr. Millar's telegram.
24	July 17	Mr. Millar	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Detailed explanation relative to the second site proposed.
25	July 17	Mr. Millar	...	Mr. Blackett	...	Result of borings taking by Mr. Forester in Waitaki River, and of lock spitting completed.
26	...	Mr. Blackett	...	Hon. Col. Secretary...		Memorandum on borings.
27	July 21	Mr. Bray	...	Mr. Blackett	...	Pending arrival of promised tracings of site from Mr. Millar, bridge plans cannot be prepared.

PLANS.

Plans 1 and 2, illustrating Commissioners' Report on site of Waitaki Bridge No. 10.