(a.) The owner or person in charge thereof shall obtain from the Railway Stationmaster at Rakaia or Dunsandel a permit authorising the passage of the machine over the bridge, accompanied by the bridge-keeper.

b.) Before such permit is issued, the person applying for the same shall state correctly the description, weight, number of wheels, breadth of tires, and width of the machine, together with the name and address of the owner thereof, which particulars shall be entered in the permit.

(c.) The permit is to be given to the bridge-keeper, and the machine shall not be allowed to enter upon the bridge if the description in the permit does not agree with the machine, nor unless accompanied by the bridge-keeper.

(d.) Every precaution shall be taken against fire or other damage to the bridge or railway, as required by the bridge-keeper; and speed shall be a uniform rate not exceeding two miles per hour.

(c.) Traction-engines shall only be taken over the bridge during daylight. Other machines may be taken over at any time, subject to these regulations.

(f.) The owner of any machine shall be liable to the Railway Commissioners for any damage

done to the bridge or railway during its transit.

5. No greater load than  $1\frac{1}{3}$  tons gross per wheel with tires less than 5in. broad shall be taken over the bridge; and no load over 2 tons per wheel shall pass over except under the regulations for machines; and loads greater than 3 tons per wheel are entirely prohibited from crossing over the

6. Any authorised officer of the Railway Department may, at his discretion, relax any of the

restrictions in clause 2, as the case may require.

7. No person shall be allowed to go upon or cross the bridge while in a state of intoxication.

8. Any person or persons entering upon the bridge within the prohibited hours, or resisting the bridge-keepers in the execution of their duties, or offending against any of these regulations, or giving untrue information concerning particulars required for entering in any permit according to these regulations, shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding £10.

9. So far as applicable, the general by-laws and regulations for the time being respectively in force and affecting the traffic on the New Zealand railways shall extend and apply to the Rakaia

Bridge.

In witness whereof the common seal of the New Zealand Railway Commissioners was hereunto affixed this eleventh day of February, one thousand (L.s.) eight hundred and ninety, in the presence of

> J. P. MAXWELL. W. M. HANNAY.

## THE NEW ZEALAND RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

## By-law No. 8.

By-laws and Regulations under which the Upper Waitaki Railway-bridge may be used for Ordinary Traffic.

The New Zealand Railway Commissioners, in exercise and pursuance of the powers conferred by "The Public Works Act, 1882," and "The Government Railways Act, 1887," do hereby make the following by-laws for regulating the traffic on and over the Upper Waitaki Railway-bridge, which said bridge forms part of the railway between Kurow and Hakateramea, and is used both for ordinary and railway traffic.

## SCHEDULE.

1. Horses not driven in harness or led by bridle or halter, and cattle, sheep, pigs, goats, mules, and donkeys, must have a man behind them; and cattle, sheep, and horses in mobs must also have a man before them.

2. Horsemen or wheeled vehicles shall not travel faster than six miles an hour.

3. No traction-engine, portable engine, combine, elevator, reaper-and-binder (except reapersand-binders on their own wheels), or such travelling or portable machine which exceeds 11ft. in width (all of which are hereinafter included in the term "machine"), shall be taken over the bridge except under the following conditions:-

(a.) The owner or person in charge thereof shall obtain from the Railway Stationmaster at

Kurow a permit authorising the passage of the machine over the bridge.

(b.) Before such permit is issued, the person applying for the same shall state correctly the description, weight, number of wheels, breadth of tires, and width of the machine, together with the name and address of the owner thereof, which particulars shall be entered in the permit.

(c.) Machines shall only be taken over the bridge during daylight.
(d.) The owner of any machine shall be liable to the Railway Commissioners for any damage

done to the bridge or railway during its transit.

4. No greater load than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  tons gross per wheel with tires less than 5in. broad shall be taken over the bridge; and no load over 2 tons per wheel shall pass over except under the regulations for machines; and loads greater than 3 tons per wheel are entirely prohibited from crossing over the bridge.

5. The permit shall be shown on demand to any railway inspector or ganger on the line of

railway

6, Every person passing through the gate on the Kurow end of the bridge after sunset or

before sunrise shall securely close and fasten the same.

7. Any person or persons offending against any of these regulations, or giving untrue information concerning particulars required for entering in any permit according to these regulations, shall for every such offence be liable to a penalty not exceeding £10.