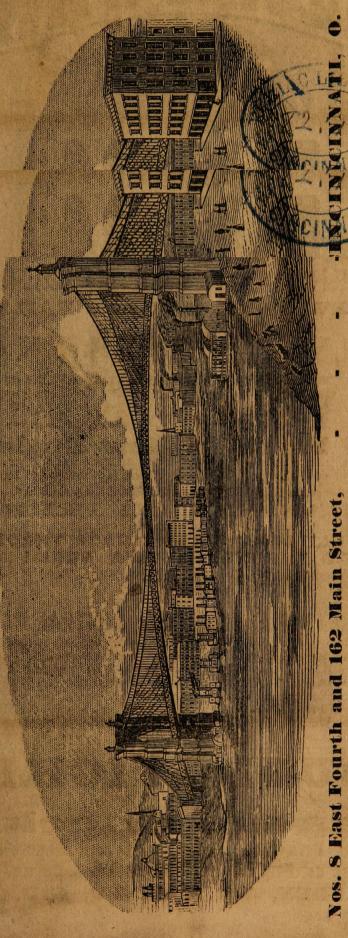
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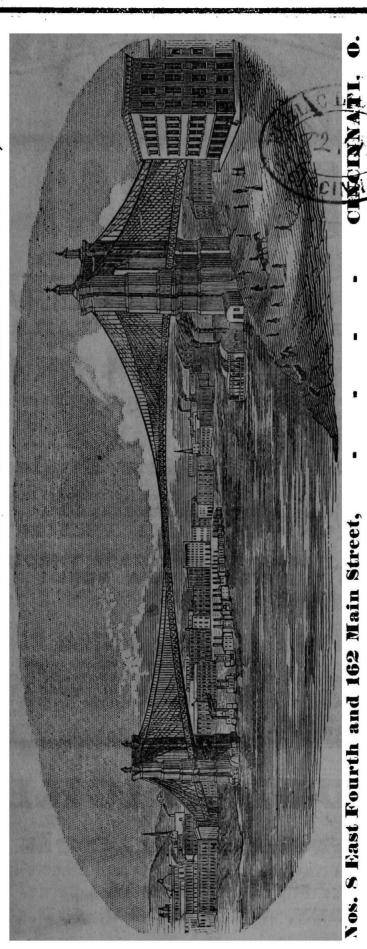


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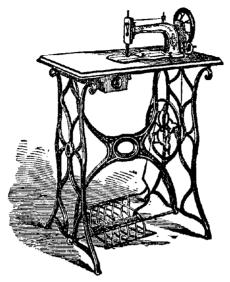
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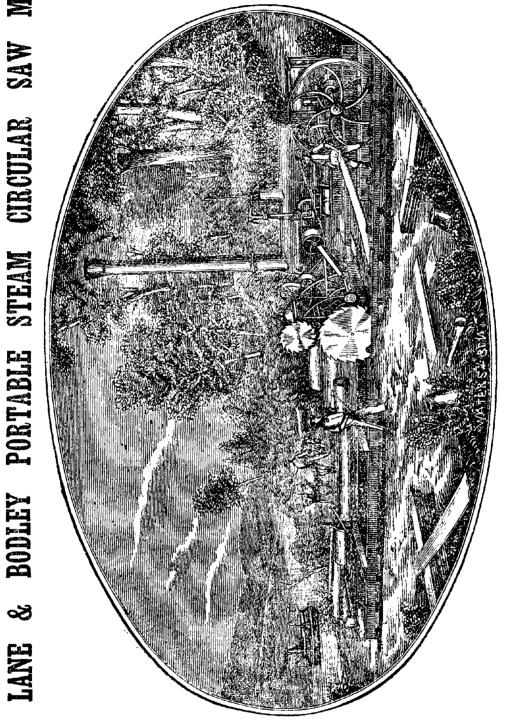
The proposition to construct a bridge uniting the cities of Covington and Cincinnati, was first agitated in 1846. Amos Shinkle, now President of the Company, was a prominent, if not the prime mover of the matter. The construction of a vast structure, like the one just completed, was not even dreamed of at that time. An ordinary wooden bridge, built upon piers, was all that was contemplated.

On the 17th of February, 1846, the Legislature of Kentucky passed an act, creating the corporation of the Covington and Cincinnati Bridge Company. The following persons were named as the original corporators: James Goodloe, George Carlisle, E. Foote, Robert Buchanan, Thomas H. Minor, and William S. Johnson, of Cincinnati, Ohio. James G. Arnold, John S. Finley, John B. Casey, Charles A. Withers, Herman J. Groesbeck, Frederick G. Gedge, John K. McNickle, George M. Southgate, and Mortimer M. Benton, of Covington, Kentucky. The capital stock of the original company was three hundred thousand dollars, in shares of one hundred dollars each. This company was prohibited from erecting a bridge with centre piers; and the main span was to be not less than 1,400 feet in length, and not less than 112 feet in the centre above low water mark.

Much opposition had to be overcome before a charter was obtained from the Legislature of Ohio. Courtesy, flattery, champagne and other "delicacies of the season" were distribited AD LIBITUM before the thing was accomplished. Steamboatmen, as a matter of course, opposed the scheme as conflicting with their interests; but perseverance triumphed and the official permit was given. The work was not commenced until September, 1856. Much difficulty was experienced in keeping the water down, so that the foundation could be laid. Numerous pumps and con-

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trinances were used for many weeks with only partial success, until a rotary pump, built by Miles Greenwood. was brought to work, when no further difficulty was experienced.

CONSTRUCTION.

The foundations on which the towers rest, are made of heavy oak timbers, as many as thirteen courses being found necessary on the Kentucky side of the river. These timbers were hewed square, and were laid crossing each other, and then bolted together. The whole mass was made solid by a plentiful use of cement.

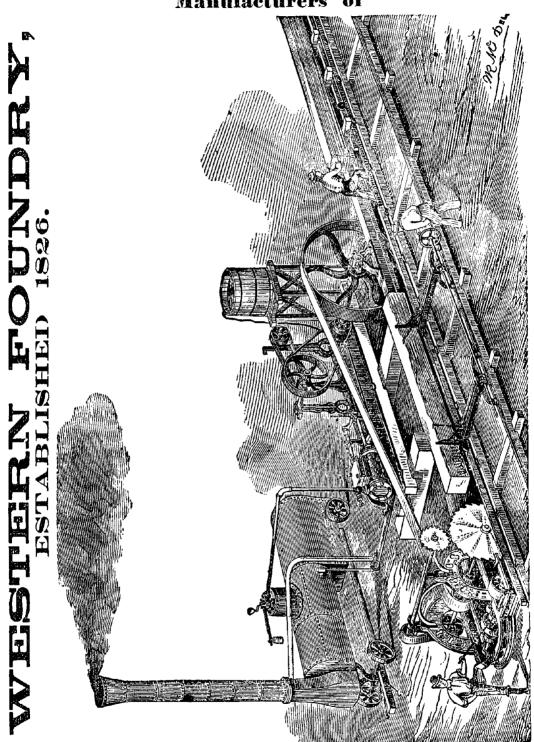
The drought in the autum of 1856, afforded a good opportunity for laying the foundations of the towers. We believe no such opportunity has since occurred. The financial panic of 1857 put a stop to the work, when the piers were raised just beyond the reach of ordinary freshets. This circumstance was unfortunate at that time, and for five or six years little effort was made to recommence operations. It was not until the spring of 1863 that work was resumed. Since that time work has continued without cessation, except during two winters.

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Of this great work, was born in Mulhausen, Prussia, in 1806, graduated at the Royal Polytechnic School in Berlin, and received an appointment in the corps of government engineers, making the subject of suspension bridges his special study. He finally devoted his entire attention to it upon coming to this country in 1830. In 1840 he established near Pittsburg the first wire-rope manufactory in this country. In 1844 he built the Pittsburg suspension bridge over the Alleghany, 1,000 feet long. He also built a seven-span suspension bridge across the Monongahela, 1,000 feet, which is now in use. This was completed in 1846. From '48 to '52 he constructed five or six suspension aqueducts in New York State, on the Delaware and Hudson canal. In 1850 he commenced the beautiful structure known as the Niagara Suspension Bridge, and completed it in 1854. While engaged at this he commenced the bridge for the Southern Railroad, over the Kentucky river, thirty miles from The stone work was completed, but the work was suspended, when the idea of the road was for the time abandoned. It is again coming into notice, however. Mr. Roebling also built the new Allegheny bridge at Pittsburg. In 1856 he engaged himself to build the Covington and Cincinnati bridge, which is now, we might say, completed. When,

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under his direction, the first foundation stones were laid, the water was lower than it has ever been since. It was the only time in fact that it could have been done. Every stone laid, and every wire stretched has received the attention of either Mr. Roebling or of his son, W. A. Roebling, familiarly called "the Colonel," another genius in this great business:

We may here say, that the length of the span was finally reduced to not less than 1,000 feet, in the clear, and the height from the water, to not less than 100 feet from low water mark. Medium sized steamers can pass under the bridge with every thing standing, when the river is at its ordinary height; but at other times they will be obliged to lower their smoke pipes.

The most important parts of the structure may be enumerated as follows:

The Anchor Piers and the Cable Piers are made of stone work.

The Cables, the Suspenders, and the Stays and Braces are made of wire rope.

The Floor Beams, the Girders, and the Truss Ruilings are made of wrought iron.

The Floors are made of oak and white pine.

The other important parts are the Anchor Plates, the Bed Plates, and the Saddles, which are made of cast iron.

The Anchor Bars are made of wrought iron.

A brief description of each is here appended:

THE STONE WORK

Comprises the anchor-piers, the cable-piers, and the abutments. These are all built with lime stone bases, and finished with a light colored free-stone, brought principally from quarries near Portsmouth, Ohio.

The anchor piers have their foundations nearly thirty feet below the grade of Water street, Cincinnati, and Front street, Covington; and under them are the enormous east iron plates to which the cables are attached. On another page will be found the dimensions and weight of these plates, and also of all the most important parts of the work. This form will be found convenient and valuable as a table of reference.

The anchor piers measure, in Covington, 60 feet by 90 feet on the ground; and, in Cincinnati, 60 feet by 100 feet in round numbers. The height from the sidewalk on Water street, Cincinnati, to the floor, is sixteen feet; and from the sidewalk of Front street, Covington, about 20

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feet. They are not solid, but have spacious arched rooms under the carriage ways, some twenty feet wide, well suited for storage purposes. They rise above and on each side of the carriage ways, twenty-five feet high, completely enclosing the cables and their attachments.

The cable piers or towers are quite irregular in form, with projecting buttresses to strengthen them on each side. They are models of architectural strength and beauty, if we except, perhaps, the rather diminutive turrets which form the finales. These turrets are made of brick, and cemented on the outside. They cover the cables and saddles which are accessible through iron doors. The stone balustrade around the tops of the towers is four feet high. The filling for the panels is of wood, painted and sanded, to imitate the stone, and to preserve them from the effects of the weather. Just at the spring of the arch, over the carriage-way, is a small opening, which is reached from the floor by a wire rope ladder. From this opening, stone steps and wooden ladders extend to a scuttle in the roof of the tower. There are two open spaces above the arches, about four feet wide, and extending up to the roof. To gain the requisite strength, it was not necessary to build this part of the work up solid, hence these openings were left. The measurement of these towers will be given elsewhere.

The carriage way, and also the sidewalk, passes through an arched opening in the stone work. There is also a walk around on the outside of the towers. People intent on business, or in haste, can pass straight through; while those who have leisure to view the busy scene on the landing, can loiter around outside.

The main support of the superstructure is the cables. These are made of best quality iron wire, (No. 9) from the manufactory of Johnson & Nephew, Manchester, Eugland. They are each composed of 5,180 wires, laid straight and then wrapped around closely with one thickness of the same sized wire galvanized; many people, particularly strangers, have an idea that the interior of these cables are formed of twisted wire, in the manner of ropes. This is not so—twisting strains the fibre of the iron, and weakens the wire. Each single wire will sustain a weight of 1,500 lbs. The cables were laid under a tension of 100 lbs.

A single wire was first stretched from one anchorage, over both towers, to the other. One end of this wire was made fast to one anchor pier, and the other passed over a pulley, with a weight of 100 lbs. attached to the end. This brought it up to the proper position for laying the cable s

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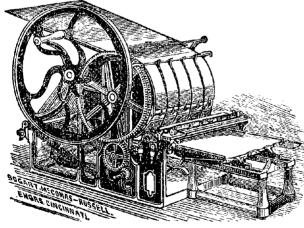
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We presume most of our readers have become familiar with the operation of running out the wire and making the cable, and it will be necessary to give only a general outline of the operation. The first thing done was to oil the wire. Linseed oil was used, and three coats were put on. Wire so treated will never rust, so long as the oiling is renewed at proper intervals. After oiling, the next process was splicing. This was done by flattening the ends of two coils—placing, or lapping them together, and wrapping them with small enameled wire. These splices are very strong, equal in fact, to the original wire itself.

Nearly every resident of Cincinnati, has at one time or another, during the progress of the work, seen the spider-like wheels which carried the wire across the river, to Covington. They were hard workers. Ten thousand three hundred and sixty times, they crossed the space, now spanned by the completed bridge. Beginning in the early part of November, 1865, they kept steadily at work, through cold and heat, through surshine and storm; stopping only at night, or when the winds which sweep up the river, rendered it impossible for them to perform their duty. The last wire was run over at 10 minutes past 11 A. M., June 23, 1866. Much pleasure was felt by all concerned in the progress of the work, on the completion of this the most important and tedious part of it.

The next operation was compressing these two bundles of 5,180 wires, into the proper form and wrapping them. Powerful iron clamps with strong bolts and nuts were used for this purpose, and the wrapping was done by an ingenious machine rather difficult to describe intelligibly to those who never saw it. From twenty feet to twenty-five feet per day, was the average progress in wrapping. As the wrapping was done, and in fact all through the progress of the wire work, it was kept saturated with oil, or paint. The first coating of paint was made of linseed oil and Spanish brown, but the last coats are of pure white lead and oil.

For wrapping, and for other purposes where it was necessary for workmen to leave terra firma, traveling scaffolds suspended from the cables were used. These were attached to iron shrieves which rested on the cables, and could be moved along them, to suit the convenience of the workmen. This working in the air was at times rather dangerous, but every precaution was taken to ensure safety, by those having the matter in charge. And, though by long familiarity the men became contemp-

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tuous and careless of danger, no fatal accident occurred on this part of the work. A small wire rope which still remains suspended above the cables, was used as a guide rope by the men, to steady themselves as they walked up and down on the cables, in going to and from their work.

After the cables were finished, the suspenders were attached. These were cut to their proper length, by a scale, with mathematical precision. The flat iron bands which encircle the cables and to which the suspend ers are attached, were first made in the Company's shop in Cincinnati, and then heated in a portable forge, placed on the foot bridge, and opened so as to slip easily over the cable; in this condition they were passed up at a dark red heat to the men on the staging, who shrunk and fitted them fairly around the wires. The suspenders were then attached to the straps, by sockets and bolts, and allowed to hang down in readiness to receive the floor beams.

There are three hundred and three suspended floor beams, and twenty beams through the towers, which are upheld by the iron trusses, and have no connection with the cables. These beams are in two pieces, spliced together, and strengthened by truss rods underneath. length is thirty-nine feet. For full dimensions, etc., see another page. Two wrought iron girders run through the center of the floor, one under and one over the floor beams. These are shaped like the floor beams as near like a two headed letter T as any thing we know of. The same shaped iron is used for the posts to the high truss railing which separates the carriage way from the foot walk. This railing is ten feet high, and assists materially to sustain and strengthen the floor. It prevents almost wholly, that wave like motion, which would otherwise be the result of passing heavily loaded carriages over the bridge. The outside railing of the side walk, four feet high, is on the same principle, and strengthens and steadies the outer ends of the floor beams, thus doing away with the necessity of having an extra pair of small cables, such as are some times used in that position.

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A great amount of poplar lumber was used, in carrying up the stone work of the towers. Four heavy frames some six feet wide, were used, extending from the floor of the bridge to the top of the stone work. These frames supported a railway reaching across the front part of the On this two little tracks were placed, on wheels, to receive the stones as they were hoisted and carry them to the derricks on either side of the towers, as they might be required. Enclosed between two of these frames, were a series of wooden ladders, by which workmen ascended to the top of the towers. Several ladies tested their nerves by this operation, usually in the evening when there were few observers. There was a foot bridge, built on the same principle of the main bridge, for convenience in carrying on the work, and to save the ferry charges of the This bridge was only twenty-seven inches wide; it was quite substantial, however, and with two or three breaks, made by high winds, it lasted about a year, until it was taken down to make way for the main structure.

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Stone flagging nine feet wide are laid on either side of the carriage way, in Covington; and, we understand that, that portion of the approach not covered in this manner, is to be sodded and planted with trees; this will give the Covington end a cheerful appearance and a most inviting look. On the Cincinnati end, there is little chance for improvement, beyond putting up neat refreshment and fancy stalls, on each side of the bridge, north of Water street. At present, things have a most dilapidated and proverty stricken look in that vicinity.

Water street, Cincinnati, is spanned by five wrought iron, plate girders, on which the flooring is laid. The sidewalks here, and in Covington, will pass on the outside of the anchor piers, so that pedestrians will run no risks from coming in contact with passing vehicles. The rule to be observed to avoid collisions and crowds, will be, "Keep to the Right." By the way, the ticket collector, knowing what a wide circulation our little work will have, wish us to impress on the public the importance of abiding by this rule and, as in duty bound, "will ever pray, etc."

Rails for street cars are laid through the whole length of the bridge, and, at this time, the work of putting down the track in Covington has been commenced. When this institution is in operation, travelers may escape the heat of summer, and the cold blasts of winter, which are powerful on the bridge.

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accessible parts ourself, and other data has been gained from Mr. Roebling, and other parties engaged in construction.

Height of cable piers from the foundation to the top of the brick turrets, 230 feet.

Height of cable piers from the foundation to top of the cross, 242 feet.

Height of passage through towers, 75 feet.

Width of " " 30 feet.

Size of towers at the base, 86 by 52 feet.

" " at the top, 74 by 40 feet.

Size of Cincinnati anchor pier, 60 by 100 feet.

Height from sidewalk on Water street, to the carriage-way, 16 feet.

Height of the sides above the road, 25 feet.

Size of Covington anchor pier, 60 by 90 feet.

Height above Front street, 24 feet.

Length of bridge over Water street, Cincinnati, 66 feet.

Length of main span, from centre of towers in a direct line, 1,057 feet.
""" following the

curve of the floor, 1,079 feet.

Length of each short span, 262 feet.

Full length over all, from Front street, Cincinnati, to Second street, Covington, 2,225 feet:

Estimated length of each cable, 1,400 feet.

Deflection of cables, nearly 90 feet.

Number of wires in each cable, 5,180.

Diameter of cables, $12\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

Weight of cables, 1,000,000 lbs.

Camber, or arch of floor, nearly 16 feet.

Width of carriage-way, 20 feet.

Width of sidewalk, 7 feet.

Full length of floor beams, 39 feet.

Full width, covered by floor, 34 feet.

Height of truss railings, 10 feet.

Height of side railings, 4 feet.

Depth of floor beams, 7 inches.

Width of flanges, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Depth of girder under the beams, 12 inches.

Depth of girder over the beams, 9 inches.

Width of flanges, 4 inches.

Size of cast iron anchor plates, $14\frac{1}{2}$ by $17\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

Thickness of each anchor plate, 2 feet.

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Width of same—length of, 8 inches.

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Weight of same-length of, 600 lbs.

Number of sections, reaching from anchor plates, through the masonry to the cables, 10.

Number of bars in each section, 16.

Size of each bed-plate under the cables on the towers, 9 by 11 feet.

Weight of same, 9 tons.

Weight of saddles, 13,000 lbs.

Number of wrought iron rollers between each saddle and bed-plate, 32

Feet of oak and pine flooring used, 600,000 feet.

Weight of oak per foot, 4 lbs.

Number of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch bolts in floor, 36,000.

Number of 3 inch wood screws, (No. 22.) 36,000.

Number of suspenders, 606.

Circumference of suspenders, 4 45-100 inches.

Number of wires in each, 49.

Ultimate strength of each suspender, 36 tons.

Number of over-floor stays, 100.

Circumference of each, 6 62-100 inches.

Sustaining power of each, 74 tons.

The engineer estimates the sustaining power of the bridge at 16,800 tons, of 2,000 lbs. each

MR. CHARLES GRAHAM.

As an act of justice to a worthy and ingenious machinist, we would say that a great portion of the screw-bolts and nuts, used on the Suspension Bridge, were cut at the works of the above named gentleman, 282 Front Street, Cincinnati. And his work, we learn from those in charge on the Bridge, was highly appreciated by Mr. Roebling, and gave entire satisfaction.

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The bridge was first opened to the public December 1st, 1866, but vehicles were not allowed to cross until January 1st, 1867, when the ice clogged the river to such an extent as to stop the passage of the ferryboats. It is variously estimated that from 60,000 to 100,000 people

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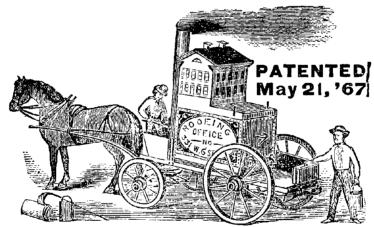
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crossed on the opening day. This can never be accurately known, as the arrangements for collecting fares were imperfect, and, in the rush and pressure of the great crowd, there were necessarily many "dead heads."

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It was generally expected that, considering the magnitude of the work, and in accordance with almost universal usage, a formal opening with "a feast of reason and a flow of soul," illuminating a background of "critter comforts," would have been had; but in this the public were disappointed. The Engineer and his Assistant, the Board of Directors, and some city officers of Covington, accompanied by a cavalcade of two "solitary horsemen," A LA James, passed quietly over to Cincinnati and returned, accompanied by a retinue of express wagons, &c., from that city. Paying customers succeeded, and the thing was done.

The Covington and Cincinnati bridge has proved to be a great convenience to the public, and we have no doubt that when the construction account is cut off, as it soon will be, and all parts of the running machinery get into smooth, working order, it will be a paying investment for the stockholders.

The present board of Directors are sagacious business men, and if they show an accommodating spirit toward the traveling public, the public will sustain the bridge. The bridge will undoubtedly be a place of great resort in warm weather on pleasant evenings; and, we think, that the safety of the public, and the interests of the company alike, demand that it should be patrolled day and night by policemen, either detailed especially by the two cities, or appointed by the company, as it has power to maintain policemen, granted by legislative enactment. The use of a watering cart on the approaches, would also add much to the comfort of passengers. We presume these and other necessary matters will receive the attention of the Directors in due time.

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THE MASTERS OF CONSTRUCTION WERE

John A. Roebling,	-		-		-		_	\mathbf{D}_{0}	esigner and Engineer.
Col. W. A. Roebling,		-		-		-	_		Assistant Engineer.
JOHN MALLOY, -									- Stone Mason.
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One ticket seller, one collector from teams, and one collector from foot passengers, with two relief men, are required for day work, at each end of the bridge; and, after 9 P. M., one collector at each end, with some assistance from the night watchman, is able to attend to the travel.

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The total cost of the work, real estate, interest, taxes, etc., will amount to about two millions of dollars. Three-fourths of this sum properly belongs to the construction account.

We believe we have included, in this brief history, all items of general interest; and we are sure that our account is reliable. Our information

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has been gained, in part, from Mr. Roebling himself, and other parties engaged in construction, and the balance from personal examination.

We believe that Wire Suspension Bridge building is in its infancy. They offer so many advantages over other systems, in the absence of intermediate piers, and their great strength and durability, that, not-withstanding their expensiveness at first, they will be generally adopted where the excellence of the principle on which they are constructed is understood.

New York Suspension Bridge.

It may interest the readers to know that the New Yorkers are waking up to the necessity of providing increased facilities for communication with Brooklyn and other adjacent places on Long Island. Last winter, two companies were chartered by the Legislature for the purpose of bridging East River. One, the "New York Bridge Company," proposes to build a wire suspension bridge just east of Fulton Ferry; and the other at a point further east, to Astoria, across Blackwell's Island. This last named company have two years in which to commence their work.

The "New York Bridge Company" proposes to commence operations immediately, as soon as the necessary preliminary arrangements and surveys can be made. At a meeting of the corporators, held in Brooklyn, May 23, 1867, John A. Roebling was elected Chief Engineer, and an appropriation was made, to defray the cost of the necessary surveys, and Mr. Roebling immediately entered on his duties as Engineer. cise points on either side at which to locate the openings had not at the last accounts been settled. It will require a great amount of engineering skill and experience to fix the foundations, particularly on the New York side, where it is thought hard bottom can not be found at a less depth than seventy feet. On the Brooklyn side probably an excavation of thirty feet will answer. We understand Mr. Roebling's plan is something like this-To have only one floor or story, from seventy feet to seventy-five feet wide, supported by three cables; one in the center and The floor to be divided into car track and carriage one on each side. ways, and foot walks, the latter to be in the center of the bridge. cars to be operated by stationary engines and endless wire rope. As the floor will have an inclination of five feet in one hundred toward each end from the center, the cars will traverse one half the distance by their own momentum, under control of the brakes.

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The bridge in the center is to be not less than one hundred and twenty feet above high water. The towers to be built of granite, either with a single arched opening seventy feet wide, or two smaller openings with a pier in the middle of the floor, under the center cable. The main span will be some one thousand three hundred feet, and the two short spans, partly over the roofs and dwellings on either side, not less than one thousand feet.

We learn that the Brooklyn people are enthusiastic over the idea, and that stock will be readily taken.

The capital stock is five millions of dollars, in one hundred dollar shares. Mr. Roebling thinks the work may be built for six millions. This is a monstrous undertaking, but there is little doubt that it will be accomplished.

The International Bridge

At Niagarra Falls was built by Mr. Roebling, we believe, in 1854. It has a single span of eight hundred feet in the clear. It has four towers not connected at the top, and four cables ten inches in diameter. This is a two story bridge. The upper floor has a railway and foot paths, and the carriage way is underneath.

The beams, etc., are all of wood. The carriage way is enclosed by a system of iron rods and wooden braces, some thing after the Howe Truss pattern. They are made to resist pressure, both upward and downward. There is little danger of falling to a wire suspension bridge properly built, but there is danger that a gale may lift one and break it down, if not properly secured at the ends, and stiffened through its whole length.

Unlike the Covington and Cincinnati bridge, there are no anchor piers to the Niagara bridge. Excavations varying from 18 to 30 feet in depth, are made in the limestone cliffs. These holes are widened at the bottom, and the anchor plates are there properly secured. The floor is 225 feet above the water, and there is a space of 15 feet between the upper and the lower floors. A locomotive and a train of loaded cars deflect the floor about one foot in the centre. Trains move very slow over the

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63 prizes of	-		-		-		-		400 are $25,200$
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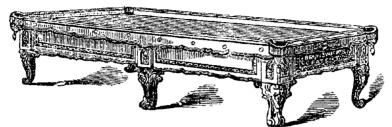
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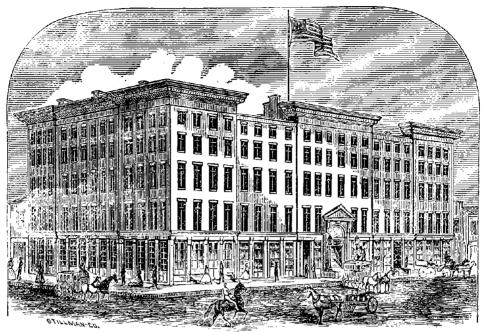
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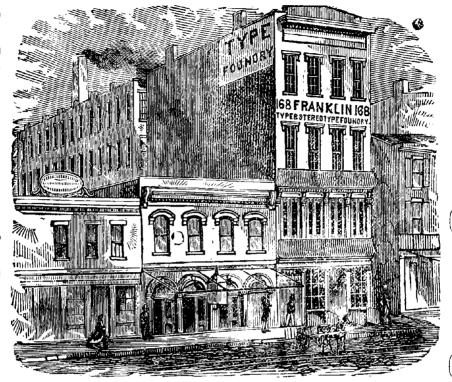
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An Irishman, who had doubtless been "blue moldin for want of a batin'," and could not resist the temptation to have a little exercise, was arraigned for an assault and battery. He listened with apparently rapt attention to the reading of the indictment. When the ceremony was ended Mr. Vandervoort, the clerk, asked him, in accordance with the form then in use: "Do you demand a trial on this indictment?" leaning forward, in seeming utter ignorance of what had been asked him, "What's that?" Mr. Vandervoort, a little dashed by the manner of the man, repeated the question; and the response was, "The divil a thrial I want! Ye needn't give yourself the throuble of thryin me! Ye may as well save the expinse of that and put me down innocent! Contint am I to lave this with blessins' on ye! Indade I'm anxious, for me boss is waitin' for me beyant! Oh no, no; the divil a thrial do I want All this was said so rapidly that Mr. Vandevoort could at all, at all!" not interpose to stop it; and the prisoner having, as he supposed, settled the business, attempted to leave the court, but was of course prevented. Mr. Vandervoort, when the mirth had subsided, changed the question, and asked, "Are you guilty or not guilty?"

"What's that?" said he again, leaning forward with hand to his ear, as if he had not heard the question.

"Are you guilty or not guilty?"

The answer came at once; "Arrah! how the divil can I tell till I hear the evidence?"

He was permitted to hear just the least taste of testimony, that eventuated in his being sent to "quod" for one calendar month.

A little boy was sent to the mill one day, and the miller said.

[&]quot;John, some people say you are a fool. Now tell me what you know and what you don't know."

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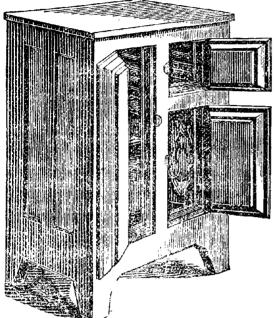
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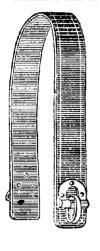
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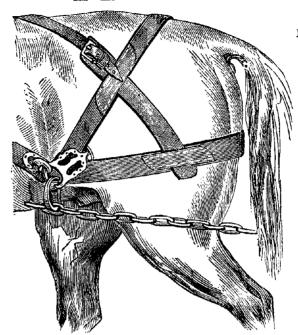
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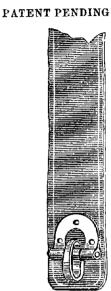
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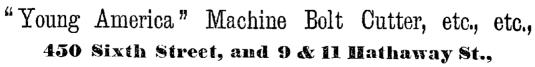
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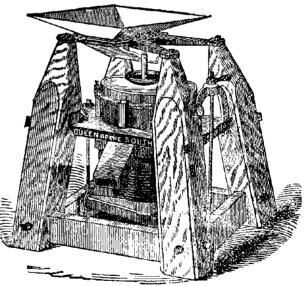
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As they Run.—Many good stories are told of the late Judge Cooper, of Cooperstown, father of the novelist, but the following has never made its way to the public: Judge Cooper was one of the first, if not the very first, to break the wilderness in that region, and was possessed of large tracts of land in and about Cooperstown, which he sold out, sometimes on very liberal terms, to actual settlers.

One day a man came to him, wishing to purchase some wild land in a remote portion of the township. This tract of land lay upon the banks of the river, from which an abundance of fish was taken for the supply of the villagers; and the farmer asked if Judge Cooper would not be willing to take his pay in fish?—an arrangement to which the Judge consented. "But," said the farmer, "you know, Judge, that there's all kinds of fish in the river—pike and trout, and large and small. You'll be willing to take them as they run."

"Oh yes," said the Judge good naturedly; "only bring your fish along, I'll take them as they run."

And so the papers were made out and the farmer departed. But the summer drew on, and waxed and waned, yet none of the fish upon which he expected to regale himself, made thier appearance at his door. After many months had passed, the Judge, growing impatient about the promised payment for his land, mounted his horse and rode out in the region where it lay. As he expected, he found the settler at work upon his place. The Judge rode up to him, and asked him a little sharply about the fish he had promised to bring him.

"Fish! Judge," said the man, rising slowly from the ox-yoke he was mending, and looking with an amazed squint upon Judge Cooper. "Did I promise to bring you any fish?"

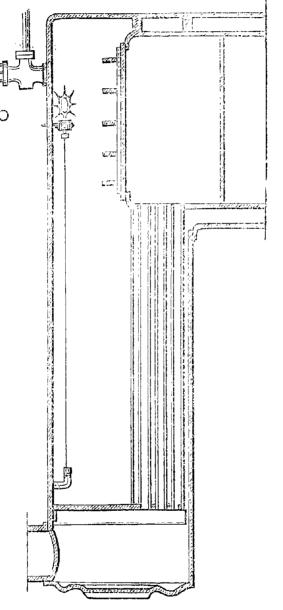
"To be sure you did!" said the Judge, roundly; "wasn't that the agreement? You promised to pay for your land in fish. And where's the fish?"

"But Judge" said the man," didn't you promise to take the fish as they run?"

"To be sure," said the Judge, "but I have not had an opportunity to take them as they run, or in any other way, for not a basketful have you brought me."

"But, Judge," said the man, "there's the river; there they run, you can take as many as you like!"

The Judge wheeled his horse hastily and rode homeward, and the man



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got his farm by his wits, for Judge Cooper never appealed to him for his fish—as they run, or in any other way. But he was accustomed to tell the story with great glee.

SHARP PRACTICE.—"Victor," in the Practical Farmer, tells the following story, Joe Sharp, after reading in the Saturday Evening Post the saving fund proposition—one cent the first week, two the second and so on, doubling every week through the year—and figuring up results, said to himself." I'll fix somebody on that, see if I don't And Joe did in this way. Uncle Nat Fairly offered Joe \$22 per month and his board for a year to work on the farm. Joe waived that bid, and put in his proposition.

"Give me \$25, Uncle Nat, or else I'll work for ye for one cent the first week, two the second, and so on, doubling every week as long as I stay with ye."

Are you in earnest, Joe?" Uncle Nat asked, innocently.

"Yes, I am, ready to sign a written contract this minute."

"Well, I'll take your last bid, Joe. I guess you won't need any extra pockets, though, to carry your wages in."

"That's my look out, Uncle Nat, I'm ready to go it."

"So am I, Joe." And so the contract was written, signed, witnessed, and Joe set to work. But Joe didn't dig in very sharp the first or secand week, arguing it was not worth while to work himself to death for one and two cents a week. "Wait," he said to himself, "wait till about the eleventh week, when the pay gets up to \$20.48. Then I'll pull out like a man."

Uncle Joe never complained a word. He argued that Joe earned all bargained for. And so it went on to the end of the seventh week, when, Uncle Nat's Spring hurry being over, Joe was called to an account.

"Look here, Joe Sharp," Uncle Nat said, "our contract says I am to pay you one cent for the first week's service, two for the second, and so on, doubling the amount every week as long as you work for me .You've been here seven weeks. I gues I can get along now without any extra help, so here's your pay—\$1 25. That's right, I guess." Joe took his "fractionals" and went, saying to himself, "Next time I try to fix somebody with that dodge, I'll begin about the tenth week!"

GEO. C. WARE,

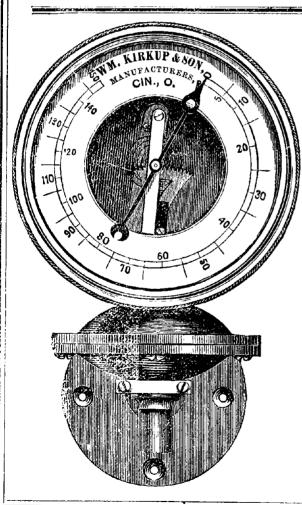
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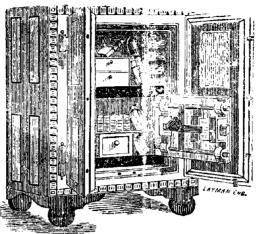
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