

APPENDIX I.

PAPERS PRODUCED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE BY COUNSEL FOR
THE MESSRS. BROGDEN, AND NOT PRINTED IN THE PRE-
CEDING APPENDICES.

EXTRACT FROM MESSRS. TRAVERS AND OLLIVIER'S BILL OF COSTS AGAINST
MESSRS. JOHN BROGDEN AND SONS, REFERRED TO IN THE STATEMENT
OF MR. W. T. L. TRAVERS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE (page 27 of Minutes of
Evidence).

Date.	Particulars.	Amount.
1872.		
August 13	Attending you as to Contractors Arbitration Bill, and conferring and advising and receiving instructions	0 13 4
	Perusing and considering the Bill, and drawing alterations and additional clauses, and making fair copy thereof	1 1 0
	Attending Attorney-General thereon and conferring, when he agreed to introduce these amendments	0 13 4

CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO THE ERECTION OF THE TELEGRAPH ALONG
LINES OF RAILWAY CONTRACTED FOR BY THE MESSRS. BROGDEN.

The MINISTER for PUBLIC WORKS to MESSRS. JOHN BROGDEN and SONS.

GENTLEMEN,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 10th January, 1873.

It is proposed by the Telegraph Department to move the telegraph poles which interfere with the works on your Wellington to Hutt Railway Contract; and, as this involves the delicate handling of the wires now in constant use, I beg to suggest to you that this work should be done entirely by the officers of the Telegraph Department.

With reference to the erection of railway telegraph along this line, and others under contract by you, I also suggest that it will be better that this should be done in the same way. I quite recognize the fact that the telegraph is to be constructed and paid for as station-accommodation under your several contracts; but, considering the nature of this work and the liability of serious inconvenience to the public service of the colony which may be caused from a variety of circumstances contingent on the erection of these lines, I propose, if you agree to the same, that the Telegraph Department should do the work, that accounts be kept, and that 10 per cent. on the cost, as per your contract, should be paid to you.

I shall be glad to hear from you at an early date, and to have an interview with you on this subject if you consider it necessary.

I have, &c.,

Messrs. John Brogden and Sons, Wellington.

EDWARD RICHARDSON.

The UNDER-SECRETARY for PUBLIC WORKS to MESSRS. JOHN BROGDEN and SONS.

GENTLEMEN,—

Public Works Office, Wellington, 10th February, 1873.

With reference to the Hon. Mr. Richardson's letter of the 10th January, and your reply of the day following, relative to the erection of the telegraph along the lines of railway under contract to your firm, I am directed to request the favour of your informing Mr. Richardson whether you concur in extending the arrangement made in respect to the line from Wellington to the Hutt to all the other lines above mentioned.

I have, &c.,

JOHN KNOWLES,

Messrs. John Brogden and Sons, Wellington.

Under-Secretary for Public Works.

Messrs. JOHN BROGDEN and SONS to the Hon. the MINISTER for PUBLIC WORKS.

SIR,—

Wellington, 12th February, 1873.

Referring to your letter, as per margin (P.W.O., 10th Jan., 1873, and P.W.O., 10th Feb., 1873), and to ours of the 11th ultimo, relative to the erection of the telegraph along the lines of railway under construction by our firm, we have the honour to inform you that we concur in the arrangement proposed in your letter of the 10th ultimo, viz., that this work should be executed by the Government through the Telegraph Department, and that we receive 10 per cent. on the cost.

We have, &c.,

JOHN BROGDEN AND SONS,

The Hon. the Minister for Public Works, Wellington.

(per JOHN HENDERSON.)