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(iv.) The previously mentioned sum of £72 shall be provided by the Waitaki County Council, the Oamaru Borough Council, and the district described in clause (i) under reference (5) (b), in the following proportions:

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Waitaki County Council ... ... Oamaru Borough Council ... ... Waitaki County Council Six-twentieths. Nine-twentieths. . . District described in clause (i) under reference Five-twentieths. No. (5) (b)

(v.) Your Commissioners recommend that the Waitaki County Council shall be constituted a River Board to carry out and maintain the works recommended to be done by them. The Railway Department shall construct the new bridge and railway-line recommended, and also the levees, fencing, and clearing, within their boundaries, and shall maintain same out of Railway revenue.

The Waitaki County Council shall adequately maintain the works to the satisfaction of a joint committee consisting of the Waitaki County Engineer, the Oamaru Borough Engineer, the District Railway Engineer, and the Commissioner of Crown Lands, who shall meet on the ground and inspect the works at least once in every twelve months. The cost of such maintenance, estimated at £76 per year, shall be collected by the Waitaki County Council annually from the interests affected, in the following proportions:

> Waitaki County Council Six-twentieths. Waitaki County Council .. .. .. Oamaru Borough Council .. .. Nine-twentieths. District described in clause (i) under reference No. 5 (b) Five-twentieths.

This our report, which has been unanimously adopted, we have the honour to respectfully submit for the consideration of Your Excellency, together with the transcript of the evidence taken by us in the course of our investigations, and the following plans illustrating the works recommended by us:

Plan No. 1: Plan and longitudinal section of river. Plan No. 2: Cross-sections of river.

Plan No. 3: Plan of river showing proposed improvements, enlarged sketch of portion of river adjacent to bridge, longitudinal section of proposed stop-banks, and typical cross-section of stop-banks.

Given under our hands and seals, this 4th day of December, 1919.

F. W. Furkert, Chairman. Ashley J. Hunter, Commissioners. F. C. HAY,

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