

Office of the Boston and Lowell Railroad,

Boston, September 21. 1859.

Hon. John Sargent
Mayor of Cambridge -

Sir; - The Boston & Lowell Railroad Co.
hereby offer to fill Prison Point Street, on the site of the present
Bridge, from the westerly end of the same to the Commissioners line
upon the following terms - viz -

To grade with suitable earth and gravel to a width of fifty
feet and to the level of the Boston & Lowell Railroad at the crossing
next said bridge; to make suitable earth slopes on each side
of said embankment and cover the same with rubble stone
one foot in depth, from low water to high water, on a slope
not sharper than eighteen inches horizontal to twelve inches
vertical; to build a suitable sea wall at the easterly end
of the embankment, adjoining the Commissioners line, nine
feet thick at bottom and four feet thick at top, on pile
foundations, with proper ballasting; and to complete the
same, in a workmanlike manner, on or before the first day
of July next, for the sum of Fourteen Thousand and Four
Hundred Dollars.

Provided that, this offer is accepted within thirty days of date,
the Bridge closed to public travel at such time as we may
wish to commence, and the Old Bridge is abandoned to us
for use in prosecuting the work. And provided also
that, if considered on our part necessary, for the purpose
of ensuring the safety of the sea wall, to delay building
the embankment against it, until the first day of November

of Boston & Lowell R.R. Co.
for filling Prison Pt. Bridge
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1860, and unless the City will run its own risk of the wall, we may delay until such time, the completion of that part of the embankment which would lay against such wall, keeping up, instead, a suitable temporary bridge for public travel, and closing out said travel not more than two weeks to complete the contract.

If the City of Cambridge prefers to build the sea wall and take its own risk of our embanking directly against the same, we will deduct from the above named sum, Eighteen Hundred Dollars. And if the City should prefer to omit the Rubble wall, and will accept instead a naked embankment - fifty feet wide on top, we will make a further deduction of Sixteen Hundred Dollars. The decision in regard to these last mentioned items, to be embodied in your acceptance.

Respectfully

Yours

Geo. Stark, Manager.