Cowra Bridge.

No. VI.

An Act to sanction the erection of a Bridge COWRA BRIDGE. over the Lachlan River at Cowra. [26th August, 1890.]

WHEREAS, pursuant to the "Public Works Act of 1888," a Preamble. certain proposed Public Work, namely :- "An Iron Bridge at Cowra," was, on the first day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, duly submitted and explained by the Secretary for Public Works in the Legislative Assembly, and such work was thereupon referred, on the motion of the said Minister, to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, which Committee reported thereon to the said Assembly pursuant to the said Act; And whereas on the nineteenth day of June, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety, the said Assembly by resolution declared "that it is expedient that the erection of a Bridge over the Lachlan River at Cowra, as referred by the Legislative Assembly to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, be carried out, with such of the modifications recommended by the said Committee as this House may hereafter determine"; And the said resolution was notified in the Gazette on the first day of July, in the said year; And whereas the said Legislative Assembly has determined that a composite bridge of iron, steel, and timber, instead of an iron bridge, should be erected according to the design and description contained in the Schedule hereto. Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the "Cowra Bridge Act of 1890," short title.

and shall be read with the "Public Works Act of 1888."

2. The Public Work more particularly described in the Schedule Work to be carried to this Act shall be carried out by the Secretary for Public Works, or out. the Member of the Executive Council for the time being charged with the duties of the said Minister. And such Minister or Member shall for the purposes of this Act and the "Public Works Act of 1888" be deemed and taken to be the "Constructing Authority" authorized to enter into contracts, and to exercise all powers, do all acts and things, and be responsible in respect of all obligations and liabilities which can be done or incurred by a "Constructing Authority" under or pursuant to this Act or the said Public Works Act, so far as may be necessary for the carrying out of the work hereby sanctioned. The plan of such work hereinafter referred to is the plan marked "Cowra Bridge," signed by the Secretary for Public Works, and countersigned by the Commissioner of Roads and Bridges, and deposited in the office of the Secretary for Public Works.

3. The cost of carrying out the work hereby sanctioned, Cost, how to be estimated at the sum of twenty-six thousand five hundred and thirty-defrayed. reight pounds, shall be defrayed from such Loan Votes as are now or

may hereafter be applicable thereto.

4. On completion of the work hereby sanctioned, the same shall, Transfer on by notification in the Gazette by the Governor, be transferred to and vested in such Authority or person, on behalf of Her Majesty, as, having regard to the nature of the work, the Governor shall determine.

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Wentworth Irrigation.

SCHEDULE.

The embanked approach starts at the intersection of Lachlan and Kendall streets, Cowra; thence along Kendall-street for a distance of two hundred and fifty-two feet, where bridge commences extending for a distance of one thousand and forty feet, and crossing the Lachlan River in a south-westerly direction; the second embankment then commences and continues in the same line as the bridge for a distance of two hundred and thirty-three feet where work terminates, this being a point situated one thousand five hundred and twenty-five feet from starting point. The design is to be of a composite type, steel, iron, and hardwood being the materials used in the structure; the banks to be of earthwork protected with stone where necessary. The bridge to consist of three one hundred and sixty feet truss spans, four truss spans of ninety feet, four thirty-five feet and two thirty feet plain beam. The superstructure to be supported by iron and timber piers. The minimum width of roadway to be twenty feet, and the two footways to each have a clear space of five feet.