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REVISED PLANS AND REPORTS

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Encloses -- by the Chief Engr.  
for examination by the Consulting Engineers.

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Secretary of State

Previous Paper

MINUTES

Att 477, Burton addressed  
you last year, & asked  
you to go with him & his  
wife to London to attend  
the exhibition there.  
[This meeting has been the  
continuation of 477]

On Saturday,  
8/1/26 at  
about  
10 A.M. we  
arrived  
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the  
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Jaffna  
26th  
January

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Subsequent Paper

G.A. 479

KENYA.

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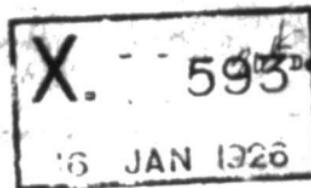


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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

NAIROBI,

KENYA.



Sir,

With reference to my telegram

*fn 5117/15* No. 588 of the 18th December, regarding the

*Macupa Causeway*  
Plans, Reports etc.  
Sir,  
I have the honour to forward herewith in duplicate revised plans and reports submitted by the Chief Engineer, Uganda Railway, for examination by the Consulting Engineers.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

*M. G. Whelan*

G O V E R N O R .

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LIEUTENANT COLONEL L.C.M.S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

COPY.

CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE,  
UGANDA RAILWAY.

NAIROBI, 22nd December, 1925.

The Hon'ble General Manager,  
Uganda Railway Nairobi.MACUPA CAUSEWAY.

1. Under my direction Mr.C.H.M.Johns has prepared a project for the proposed Macupa Causeway which is designed to replace the existing screw pile structure.

2. As you will remember the existing bridges must be strengthened to permit the use of engines with 18 ton axle loads. Owing to the urgent need of a road to the mainland at this point, I submitted a proposal to build a causeway for both railway and road, as being the soundest method of meeting the needs of the Island.

3. A preliminary report and estimate was submitted to you vide my No. 9854/8 of the 14th September last and I understand this report has been sent home to England to the Consulting Engineers.

4. As the scheme has been approved in principle by Government, further survey work was immediately undertaken and the enclosed report embodies the result of this survey.

5. As pointed out in my No. 12/8 of the 10th instant, suggesting a cable to the Consulting Engineers various alterations and suggestions have been embodied in the design. The principal alterations have the reduction of the bridge opening to 60', the clearance to 18' and the grading of the road to 5% grades. These changes have resulted in considerable economy, and the total cost of the causeway is now estimated to be under £50,000.

6. In preparing the estimate fair prices have been selected, but the final cost cannot be definitely known until tenders have been submitted by Contractors.

7. In this connection, unless we receive contrary instructions from the Secretary of State, I propose asking Messrs. Paulings to submit a tender for the whole of the work.

8. With regard to the report, I should like to draw the attention of the Consulting Engineers to the following points:-

Para 5, page 2. Design of Bridges.

All calculations should be checked.  
The design appears to provide ample bearing power, as low values for bearing and friction have been selected.

The question of over-turning should be carefully considered. Owing to the shape of the cylinders being circular the resistance to over-turning for the whole abutment is somewhat difficult to calculate accurately. The slab deck however is intended to bring all seven caissons to work in resisting over-turning.

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The slab for this purpose will act as a beam and as such might be somewhat more scientifically reinforced. As a platform it is amply reinforced with old rails.

As pointed out in the addendum to the report the resistance to overturning can if necessary, be increased by moving the sheet piles out into line with the front faces of the Caissons. I should like the Consulting Engineers opinion on these points.

Para 7. Tide and Flow.

It is difficult to estimate accurately the effect on the tidal flow, of building a causeway across the channel. This question will however have to be closely watched during construction. As the causeway is so near the meeting point of the two tides no serious difficulty is anticipated and ample protection will be afforded by the sheet piles and rubble flooring.

Para 8. General remarks.

I strongly recommend the building of the causeway to take a double track. I also recommend that the width of the road-way should be increased from 16' as shewn in the plans to 20' at an additional cost of Shs:12,322 only.

No. 9. I would be glad if this report could be sent home to the Consulting Engineers by the first possible means so that any suggestions or changes in design can be carried out without delaying the scheme.

SD/- G. D. RHODES.

CHIEF ENGINEER,  
UGANDA RAILWAY.

To Brett  
Allen

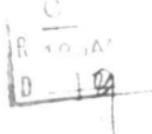
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(8 P)

Mr E. J. Harding.  
Mr Strachey.  
Sir J. Shuckburgh.  
Mr G. Grindie.  
Mr C. Davis.  
Mr S. Wilson.  
Dr Ormsby Gore.  
Vises of Clarendon.  
Mr Amory.

DRAFT.

Sir  
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19 Jan 1926

Sgentlemen,

I am to ask the rec'd of  
your letter, E. 438/4, of the

ca X477/16

13<sup>th</sup> of Jan, & to transmit

to you a copy of a despatch  
from the Govt of Kenya,

transmitting revised  
~~of the Macapa causeway,~~  
Plan and reports,  
relating to the Macapa  
submitted by the Engg  
Dept., Mysore. (PFO)

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or may suffice also to receive a  
? I am to request you  
further communication for ~~report~~  
to send of further letters

on the matter at the

earliest possible date

After examination of these papers  
ourselves &  
by the Consulting  
Engineers

Yrs

(Signed) W. C. BOTTOMLEY.

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End.

5 March 1926.

J. S. Haldane  
G. D. F. Strudwick  
J. Mackintosh  
G. Grenville  
C. Davis  
S. Moore  
General Survey  
J. Chisholm  
H. Adams

DRAFT.

Common Agents for  
Colonies

I am etc. to refer  
to the letter from this Agent  
of the 29th of January last  
transmitting for examination  
by yourselves & the Army Board  
copy of a draft for the Govt of Kenya  
~~for the purpose of obtaining information~~  
relating to the Macupa  
Causeway and to enquire  
when a report thereon  
may be expected.

I am etc.

(Signed) W. C. BOTTOMLEY.

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Bunting Street,

5 March, 1926.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Anzy to refer to the letter from this Department of the 19th of January last transmitting for consideration by yourselves and the Consulting Engineers, a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Kenya relating to the Nairobi Causeway and to enquire when a report thereon may be expected.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) W. C. BOTTOMLEY.

THE CROWN AGENTS

FOR THE COLONIES.

4<sup>th</sup> December, 1925.

The Chief Engineer,  
Uganda Railway,  
Nairobi.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith "Report on  
The Macupa Causeway Survey".

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

*CHW*  
RESIDENT ENGINEER,  
MACUPA CAUSEWAY SURVEY.

J/MAM.

REPORT ON VAIGAI RAILWAY SURVEY & PLANS.(1) BRIDGE, Plan No.8

A survey has been made of the existing bridge and the adjoining lands. Levels for spoil with borings have been taken. Soundings have been taken across the estuary on both sides of the existing bridge. No further borings have been taken in the estuary as the old Inceup Bridge Plans are undoubtedly correct. This is proved by the screw piles. Valuable information was obtained from the P.W.D., Madras as regards tidal flow, etc. These figures were roughly checked and found to be correct. Copy of P.W.D. information herewith. The Land Office assisted in every way as regards land plans, and their plans for future development. The Town Planning Expert was in agreement, as to the road scheme proposed. The Advisory Port Control Committee agreed to the various suggestions which were made with a view to economy.

(2) LOCATION, Plan No.1

The location of the proposed causeway 100 feet North of the existing bridge was based on the following:-

- (a) Using the existing bridge for dumping would not be feasible without raising the track. This would cause a serious extra weight which it is doubtful if the bridge would stand.
- (b) Only a few trips could be dumped per day, owing to existing traffic which would double the time for the construction.
- (c) If new caissons are sunk between existing spans then, should it not be possible to draw existing piles, these would have to be cut off under water, and would always form an obstruction in the channel.
- (d) The existing bridge would be lost with the exception of the girders.
- (e) By throwing out the centre line 100 ft. the approach curves to the bridge at present 700 ft. radii are increased to 1204 ft. and 970 ft. respectively which will tend to easier running.

In view of the above mentioned reasons the proposed centre line of track was thrown out a sufficient distance to allow of the building of a double track abutment, the footing of which would come at a reasonable working distance from the near screw pile of existing bridge. See Plan No.8. The line of caissons being in line with the screw piles and the centre line of clear span being that of existing span.

(3) ROAD LOCATION, Plans Nos. 1 & 7.

The line of the road is taken on the North side of the causeway so as to avoid a level crossing of the railway and this, on reaching the mainland, follows the railway either near the track or outside the 100' railway boundary until a point is reached whereby the road can cross the railway with a bridge. This in view of the possibility of heavy traffic within the next few years, is extremely advisable.

The question of the location of the road passed this point of crossing has not been gone into.

(4) GRADING, Plan No.2

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Going to the reduction in height of clearance under bridge it has been necessary to grade down the railway on embankment to bridge, this grading has however been kept within the railway standard and has a reasonable length of horizontal over the bridge. This grading will in no way affect future improvement to grades on existing Main Line on either side. The road is predominately and then rises up over bridge with a grade of 1%. This grade is allowed by the P.W.D. and is a satisfactory grade for all classes of road vehicles. This grading is for the following reasons:-

- (a) A large economy in earthworks is effected.
- (b) The high level roadway would be liable to more serious accidents in the event of run-away, motor smash owing to exceeding the speed limits, breakdowns of steering gear, or loss of control owing to vertigo.

(5) DESIGN OF BRIDGE, Plan No.3

In view of the height of this bridge, the depth of the soil to rock it was considered best to use caissons sunk 15 feet. Circular Caissons were chosen as against other shapes for the following reasons:-

- (a) Cheaper construction in caisson itself.
- (b) Easier to sink.
- (c) Less danger of drifting or cracking in sinking.
- (d) Easier in construction.

Coffer damming was considered, but in view of the high rise and fall of tides this form was not considered as good as Caissons. The need of strutting the Cofferdam for the excavation would lead to subaqueous work, which is a thing to be avoided if possible, and no gain would be derived from the finished construction; extra plant would be necessary for this form of construction and a longer time would be required for completion.

Calculations as to the bearing of these Caissons have been made on several different bases, all of which show a reasonable factor of safety. See Appendix I, and Plans Nos. 4 and 5.

The sheet piling between the caissons has been calculated to withstand the earth pressure at the back. The bearing power of these sheet piles has also been included with the bearing power of the caissons.

The Caissons have been designed for being made of either brick or concrete blocks.

The concrete block system is recommended for the following reasons:-

- (a) Initial expense more than fully compensated for by waste of brick work in subaqueous work.
- (b) Rapidity of construction owing to simplicity of design.

- (a) Blocks used and construction carried on with side loading, if necessary for guiding.

Complete Gaisoon rings are not recommended owing to:-

- (a) weight and necessity of lifting for placing over vertical reinforcements.

- (b) should Gaisoon require side loading for guiding, weights would have to be placed, stopping ordinary progress.

The spacing of the Gaisoons is carried out with a view to their bearing power and to protect toe of rubble defence in bank.

The vertical, reinforcements for the prevention of breaking away of lower rings is more than sufficient up to the top ring.

The slab deck for the carrying of the abutment has been placed at the level of highest water for the following reasons:-

- (a) Facility of construction above water level.

- (b) No danger to shipping owing to being submerged.

- (c) Can be used for mooring when tugs and dhows are awaiting tides to pass under bridge.

- (d) Can be used as landing stage to main road for launches etc.

The angle reinforcement of this slab has been necessary to ensure the bearing being carried over all seven gaisoons to the end line, so as to include this omission in assisting against the overturning moment and supporting power, though these end omissions have not been included in most of the theoretical calculations of pressures, forces, etc.

The abutment is of mass brickwork with vertical reinforcement of old 8-lb. rails to prevent any sliding movement on slab and to assist against train impact. This reinforcement has not entered into calculations of overturning moment, but is an additional factor of safety. The front line of these rails enter the reinforced concrete bearing block of girders, so as to prevent slip and cracking of abutment face.

The sheet piling across the bridge opening is to prevent scour. This may not be necessary, but can be observed and decided on during construction of bank. These piles are driven one foot below ground level to allow of the deepening of the water under bridge to that extent. Heavy rubble filling is placed between the two lines of sheet piling level with top of piles to prevent scour between.

With regard to the older bridge of 60 ft. clear span it is recommended that the Standard Design of the Uganda Railway for this type of bridge should not be used, but that a special design be made using troughing resting on the bottom flange of girders, so that the height of the railway on bank may be reduced as much as possible. The difference from High Spring Tide level to the bottom of plate girders being the deciding factor in the height of bank and bridge.

- (e) CALCULATIONS. Plans Nos. 4 & 5

The brick abutment has been calculated to withstand earth pressures plus impact. Sliding is prevented by vertical

reinforcement. The resultant pressure comes well inside the last fifth.

A calculation for the whole abutment has been taken to bottom of Caisses as if standing on ground, the weight only of the soil in front being taken into consideration and only the resistance of five of the Caisses entering into the factor of safety. The resultant in this case comes half way between first fifth and one quarter, which should prove ample. Additional safety is ensured by the Caisses at each end which owing to the slab assist in the overturning moment to a large extent.

7) Bridge & Flows.

It is impossible to state exactly what the effect of the closing down to 60 ft. of the existing bridge will lend to as regards flow, only an opinion can be given. The flow at present runs north with the incoming tide, gaining a maximum velocity of 1½ feet per second. On a falling tide the flow out under the existing bridge is not so great, the estimated amount of water passing under the bridge is about ten million cubic feet per rising tide. See Appendix 2. This is undoubtedly caused by the friction owing to the narrow and twisting channel passed nosewise down as against the wider and straighter channel passed Allineini. See Wharf Appendix 2.

It is impossible to definitely state what the rate of the future flow may be, but in my opinion this should not reach more than between 5 to 6 feet per second. The raising of the water on the South side of the New Consenan to cause this flow, combined with the holding back of the height of the water in Port Tudor should cause the friction to be overcome in the nosewise reach and the amount of water entering Port Tudor by this channel to be increased. The amount of water entering Port Tudor from Rio Jundiá at Spring Tides is about 340 million cubic feet per tide, so that the proportion through the bridge is small. In any case all designs have been carried out for a fast flow, in which case shipping will have to pass under bridge with the tide, for this reason steering bollards have been provided on the Bridge abutment slab. It will be necessary for careful studies of increase of flow to be taken as construction proceeds, and the gap becomes narrower. Allowance for earth carried off by flow during construction has been made.

(8) Width of Bank.

In view of the certainty of the necessity for double tracking for some distance outside nosewise within the next few years, combined with the economies effected by the reduction in weight, shortening of span, etc., all designs and calculations, costing, etc., have been carried out for a double track, with the exception of the special girders for the double track bridge. It will undoubtedly be cheaper to build the full width bank for a double track now, and allow for the settlement of same, than to widen earth-works a few years hence, losing thereby all the rubble defense against tides at toe of bank which would have to be covered up and a fresh rubble defense placed.

As it is absolutely necessary to sink the Caisses now for a future extension to a double track, which includes the sheet piling and slab deck, it will be more economical to complete the whole abutment to double track width at once.

MANUFACTURE, See Construction Plan No. 3<sup>a</sup>.

The method of construction proposed is as follows. At each end make a cutting which will become the future road and from the main line join up a temporary track with a grade of 1 in 100 down to high water level, the bank for which will be constructed from the spoil of the cutting. On setting down to high water level, construct a bank up to 10 feet by forward throwing and on same run out construction track. A back chisel from this track will run up to the level at which it is decided to excavate with steam shovels; this can be done by passing round the hill. The same method of construction for spoil applies to the main land. An alternative method could be to open up the old construction line as shown on plan No. 1. On completion of earthworks to roadway height the railway bank will be continued by means of lifting, two or three tracks being used to avoid delay. The soil on the mainland is bad for making banks, being mostly crumbling form of disintegrated shale. There is however to the north a spur running out composed of a heavy clay, and it is proposed to use this for the bank. Samples herewith. Should, however, after further observations it be found unsuitable, then the core of the bank can be built up of this material and on completion of bridge good soil from the island side be dumped to a depth of 6 ft. over the clay core.

To prevent cracking occurring in this high bank which allows water to penetrate and cause slides, it is strongly advised to put in old 5-1b. rails vertically to the slope, at about 20 ft. intervals in two rows one row 10 feet from the top and one row 20 feet from the top - see plan No. 7.

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The borings taken in the spoil on the Island side show a reef of hard sandstone dipping from East to West. This stone can be used for the concrete rubble fill of the viaducts provided there is sufficient and is also good enough for the concrete blocks. Sample herewith. See plan No. 8. The depth of the stone in this reef could not be ascertained. Behind this reef is a soft semi-coal formation but at such a depth as to not interfere with what spoil is required. This spoil is of a sandy nature.

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With regard to the formation of the banks in the estuary. If during the closing of the gates, the flow increases to such an extent as to carry away spoil, it may be necessary to sheet pile out in the centre of the bank with the cheapest form of piling which can be left in, or to sand bag out a bank over high water mark forumping from. This contingency has not been allowed for in the estimates.

Before the construction of the embankment road, it will be necessary to roll the bank or to allow it to stand for, from six to nine months, for due settlement to take place.

The railway can be built on the line of the second track on a narrow ballast, and the bank allowed to settle before stone ballasting takes place.

The sinking of the viaducts should not present any difficulties. It would be as well however to aid their descent by a water jet so as to ensure straightness, though entire excavation must be made before placing rubble concrete. One layer of bagged concrete should be placed at the bottom as far under the inside edge of curb as possible.

As there are the screw piles of the existing bridge as proof of bearing qualities, there should be no

necessity of沉sing a test caisson, though should this prove to be desirable, one caisson can be sunk and tested before building slab or driving sheet piles.

The rubble defence should be built up with the bank to avoid waste either of stone or earth.

(10) COST.

With regard to the estimated cost these figures are based on several contracts recently carried out and in conjunction with the Hannan Contract prices of the Uganda Railway.

The cost allotted between the P.W.B. and the Uganda Railway is worked out on the following basis as shown in Appendix No. 4:-

- (a) The earthworks are divided vertically by a line through the Railway and Road boundary. All savings effected by road grading have been allotted to the P.W.B.
- (b) The stone pitching is allotted in the proportion as to the bank is pitched whether P.W.B. or Railway.
- (c) The cost of the Caissons is divided into two halves, as the sizes and strengths of these caissons are to withstand the earth banking, and no saving in dimensions would be possible for a roadway only.
- (d) The sheet piling, slab and abutment is divided by a vertical line from half way between the two outside girders of the road bridge.
- (e) The girders for the road bridge are a credit to the Railway and charged to the P.W.B. at stores price.
- (f) The moving of the water main is taken as a charge against the P.W.B. as it is understood that this main was placed on the bridge at the risk and expense of the P.W.B. no charge being made by the Railway.
- (g) The contingency charges are made in proportion of cost.
- (h) Stores and supervision charges are halved.
- (j) The remaining items are either charged at 50/- to each or totally to one or the other.

The following savings in cost could be effected but are not recommended:-

- (a) By reducing earthwork to a single track width a saving of shs. 64,000/- is effected on the Railway cost only.
- (b) By using grass instead of stone pitching, (there is a special rapidly spreading grass used for this purpose by the Canadian Government) a saving of Shillings 52,200 can be effected, Shillings 46,047 going to the credit of the Railway and shs. 6,752/- to the credit of the P.W.B. The feasibility of this saving can be decided on better during construction.
- (c) By building single track brick abutment on slab a saving of shs. 7,100 is effected to the credit of the Railway.

should these savings be effected then the total costs are as follows:-

Railway 505,904/-

P.V.D. 537,535/-

This price to the Railway does not include an allowance for the cutting of the existing Bridge. This saving is estimated at £5 per ton and gives a credit of £17,000/- on the Railway Estimate.

RESIDENT ENGINEER,  
MAGUPA CAUSEWAY SURVEY.

GKML/MAN.

MAGUFA CAISSENAI.ADDITIONAL TO REPORT.ABUTMENT CALCULATIONS FOR

Should the design and forces on Toe of Caissons not be considered to have a great enough factor of safety. An additional factor can be provided by moving the sheet piles out into a line with the front face of the circular Caissons.

On one abutment using friction only, at 3 tons per sq. yard. There is added an extra bearing power of 600 tons minimum to each abutment.

With regard to the overturning moment as shown in Plan No. 5. The result would be that the moment would come well inside the middle third 5'8" from Toe.

The additional cost to the estimate would be shillings 17,500.

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ADDITION TO REPORT. PARA. 10 ONLY.

To widen the Roadway from 16 ft. to 20 ft. would require 130,816 cubic feet which equals an extra cost of shgs. 12,322 making the total for the P.W.D. shgs. 561,776.

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Estimate of supporting power of each pile in existing bridge.

No allowance for friction.

Piles. Interior 1'8", Exterior 4'6" = 13.7" per pile = say 55 sq.ft.  
engine weighs 91.56 + 100% impact = 183 Tons.

Eight of Pile. 180 l.ft. 2'6" x 2'3" = say 180 Cub.ft. = 40 Tons.  
Eight of superstructure 41 Tons.

on 55 sq.ft. Total load = 264 Tons. or say 5 Tons per sq.ft.

Allowing for friction at 2 Tons per sq. yard for cast iron cylinders (vide Troutwine P. 595).

72 lin.ft. 2'6" diam. = 4.9 x 72 = say 350 sq.ft. = 700 Tons.

Friction alone more than sufficient to support bridge.

Taking sand and silt with friction of only 1 Ton per sq.yd. for steel Caissons we have 550 Tons. which is still more than sufficient to support bridge.

With 160 Ton engines load on bridge will equal 400 Tons.

As regards actual supporting power. Piles should be sufficient for new engines, though lateral weakness from shock owing to tired steel, it would be advisable to replace them. Constant shock under water allows admission of water between pile and soil which may have considerably reduced the friction.

CAISSON CALCULATIONS. 14 feet under ground level.

Frictional Area of Caisson under ground = 660 sq.ft. = 75 sq. yards.

Bearing power of 1 Caisson on ground at 1 tons per sq.ft	= 265 Tons
" " 1 " by friction at 2 tons per yd.	= <u>216</u>

Minimum Total bearing for 1 Caisson.	= <u>481</u> Tons.
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(Maximum " " " " ) (using 2 tons on ground & 3 T.friction)	= <u>572</u> "
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" Bearing of five Caissons Minimum per abutment = 2405 Tons.

" seven " Maximum " "	= <u>4004</u> Tons.
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Contd.

CONTINUED.abutment.

total bearing power of Caissons and Sheet Piling (at 2 tons = 1510  
lineal ft x 50 sq.ft on ground frictional area - 200) (at 5 Tons = 1960  
sq.yds.)

Weight per Caisson taken as concrete throughout 150 lbs. p.s.f. = 300 Tons

Weight of 5 Caissons.	= 1500
of Concrete slab.	= 150
of abutment 7000 Cub.ft.	= 250
	= 280

Load on Abutment

TOTAL= 3100 Tons

NOTE Using brick concrete 100 Tons may be deducted.

To compare weight of abutment over 7 Caissons using MATRIX FRICTION  
etc. add 500 Tons.

Weight of Abutment.	= 2900 Tons.
Bearing power of Caissons. maximum.	= 5000 Tons.
	= 5000 Tons.

FACTOR OF SAFETY.

Using minimum friction etc. over 5 Caissons.

Weight of abutment.	= 2000 Tons.
Bearing over 5 Caissons = 2400 + 786	= 3186 Tons.
	<u>= 1191 Tons.</u>

FACTOR OF SAFETY.

NOTE

Using Calculations of existing piled bridge at 5  
tons per square foot.

Bearing power of Caissons Area 1237 s.f. & Sheet piling

59 ft.

MAN.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER'S OFFICE,  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,  
Mombasa, 30th.June, 1925.

No. 212/E/13.

THE HONOURABLE  
THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
MAKROBI.

EMBANKMENT, MAKUPA.

~~RE. YOUR NO. 1925 DATED 18.5.25.~~

In reply to your above quoted letter, I send herewith a diagram and two statements illustrating the results of my very rough observations on tidal flow at Macupa Bridge.

2. The diagram is interesting. It appears that the actual rate of rise and fall of the tide is independent of the velocity of water through the Bridge. There is no slack time after high water, the tide falling at once at a rapid rate, while at the same time the flow through the Bridge has only about half the velocity of the rising tide.

3. Statement (1) shews the velocities of individual floats from which the velocities written on the diagram and used in calculating quantities have been arbitrarily selected. Statement (2) gives the volume of water passing at different heights and velocities of the tides after making certain assumptions, which are noted on the statement.

4. A figure for the total volume of water passing through the Makupa Bridge is thus arrived at. (10177080 cubic feet per rising tide).



Statement No. 8

ESTIMATE of actual number of Cubic feet passing

Makupa Channel in half a tide

from float observations taken on 4 and 16th June 1928.

ADDITIONS:-

(1) That the cross section of the channel taken for the road across Makupa Ferry is the correct section for the observation at all points (see enclosure to this office letter No. 34/2/13 dated 31.3.28 to D.P.W.).

(2) That the arbitrarily selected mean velocities from each of the eight observations taken is the mean velocity of the whole of the water in the selected section.

(3) That the velocity for the period of time that elapsed between one observation and the next is the mean of the two velocities concerned.

DATA:-  
The cross sectional area of the channel has been calculated from ground level to reduced level of 100.00 and for every foot of rise of water from 100.00 to 106.00 + also from 106.00 to Nominal High Water Spring Tide at Reduced level 111.00

here cross sectional areas have been required at other levels they have been obtained by the addition of proportional parts.

TIME	STAFF READING	REDUCED LEVELS MILITARY. F.T.M.	CROSS SECTION DIMENSIONS AT VARIOUS VERTICAL DISTANCE.		PROPORTIONAL PARTS FOR FRACTION OF AREA OF A FOOT	AREAS BETWEEN EACH OBSERVATION.
			WIDTH. LINEAR. FT.	AREA FT. <sup>2</sup> .		
		100.00				
8.15	Assumed time of low water deduced from observation taken on 4/6/28.	99.20	zero		357	
		100.00	450		506	
		101.00	575		708	
		102.00	630		920	
		103.00	1.10		0.0	
10.30	9.00	103.70	1.67		366	0.76 2000.0
		104.00	1125		407	
		105.00	1150		174	
		106.00	1157	694	161	37.0 1.82 10036
11.30	9.00	104.00			0.24	4392 1.25 10087
		105.00			289	
		106.00	1180		0.29	4683 1.21 00131
11.40	9.00	105.00			123	
		106.00			163	4012 1.2 - 7235
		107.00			74	
12.40	9.00	105.10			74	4.02 .00 10022
		106.0			49	4234 311 00125
1.30	8.00	HIGH TIDE 106.00			49	
		106.00	1270		7646	464 Total Volume in one half tide 1 177.00
		111.00	1260			
		High Spring Tide.				

\* 900000 cubic feet.

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11 hours 41 min  
before high water until 2 hrs 41 min  
before high water Velocity rose from zero to 0.1  
feet per sec. Volume water passing in this time  
of 2 hrs. 11 mins. will be:-  
132' x 60' x 0.07 x 3054 cubic feet.

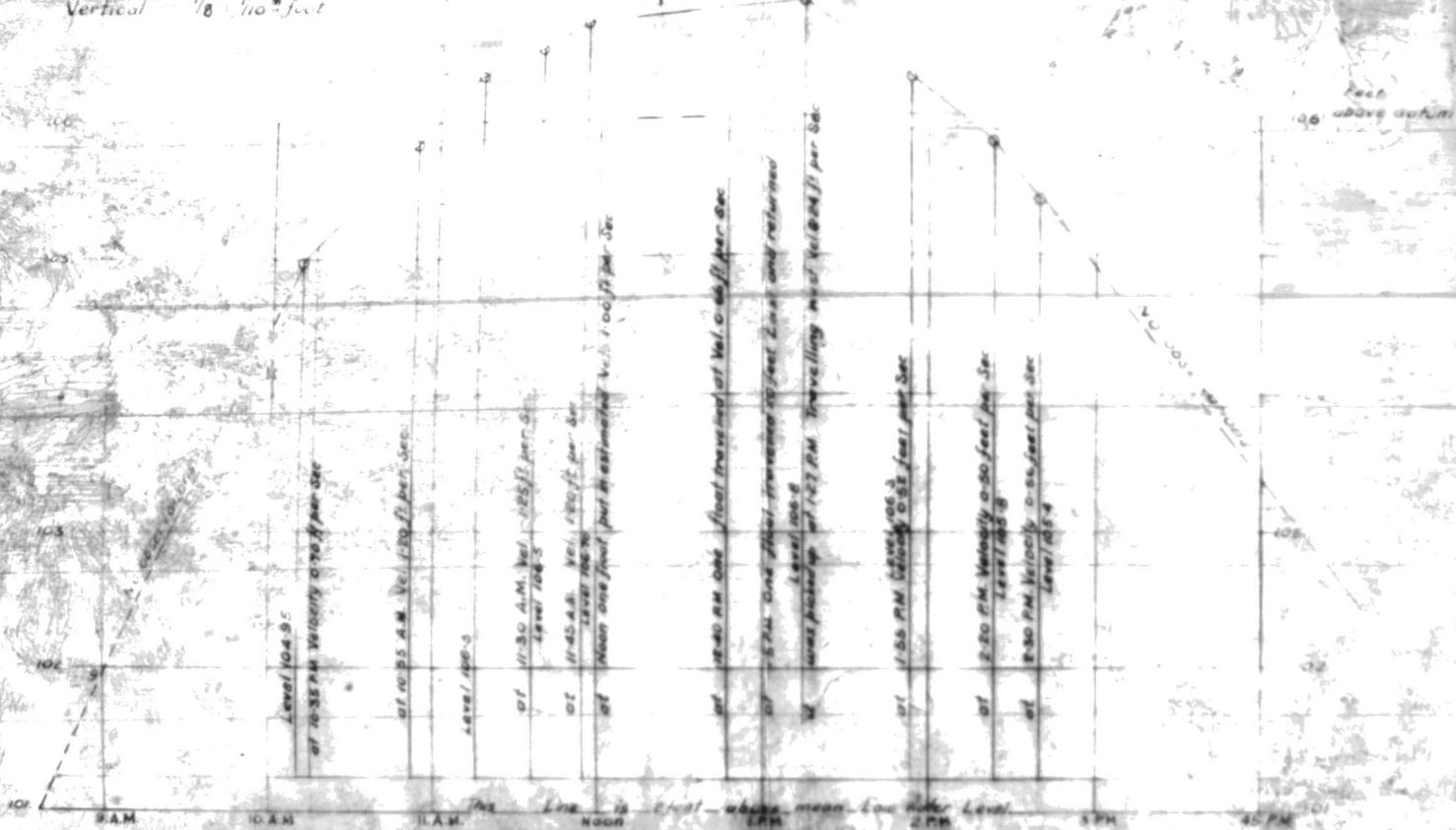
### Scales.

Horizontal  $\frac{1}{4}$ " in minutes

Vertical =  $\frac{7}{8} : \frac{1}{10}$  foot

0.22 P.M.  
MORNNG  
Time of N.W.  
or Monsoon

P.W.D. Maharashtra



This Diagram Shews Rate at which Tide Rose and Fall on June 16<sup>th</sup> 1825.

## Makupa Bridge <sup>at</sup> Mombasa Island.

The velocity at which the line was flowing at certain times is entered on this diagram.

Drawn by E. Noyes, Z.E.  
Traced by M. Marshall  
Checked by

Sd E. NAPIER  
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,  
P.W.D.  
Mombasa.  
Dated 29-3-53

UCANDA RAILWAY

CHART PLAN OF MOMBASA ISLAND.

SCALE IN 1000 FEET.



UCANDA RAILWAY

CHART PLAN OF MOMBASA ISLAND.

SCALE 1IN. 1010.8 FEET.



PORT REITZ

MOMBASA ISLAND

UGANDA

KILINDINI

RAILWAY

PORT KILINDINI

MOMBASA

Moraki Creek



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PORT KILINDINI

MOMBASA

Mbaraki Creek



APPENDIX A  
LAGUNA MATERIAL.

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S OF DOUBLE TRACK MASTERS-RIG &amp; ABUTMENT WITHOUT DOUBLE TRUSS GIRDERS.

Description.	Quantity	Unit	Rate	Total
Artworks lime 1200ft. av.	4884000	ft <sup>3</sup>	53/-	454812.00
Soil Bank.	236076	" 1000 "	210/-	49576.00
Soil Filling. 1:30 ft. thick.	311530	" "	250/-	77880.00
Peson Curb. 1:3:14.	1144	" ft <sup>3</sup>	11/-	12584.00
Blocks. 1:3:6 in place.	26308	" "	5/-	131530.00
enforcement Rods. 16 lbs.	7600L ft L.ft.	-/40	3041.00	
eson Filling. 1:4:8.	33400	ft <sup>3</sup>	3/-	99750.00
oncrete Slab. 1:3:6.	13704	" "	4/-	55616.00
oncrete. 6:1 Mortar.	10063	" "	4/30	36478.00
all reinforcement.	7000L st...ft	-/10	972.00	
ast piles in place 1:3:14.	30163	ft <sup>3</sup>	18/50	45360.00
oncrete Beam R.C. 1:3:6:14.	838	" "	9/-	8448.00
draws for Railway Bridge.	247m. Ton. 500/-			123500.00
oving water main.	Job		400,400/-	400,400
rock laying & packing up track.	1/ mile	Mile 500/-	1600.00	
wooden Board. Seling etc.	1/ "	" 600/-	3600.00	
and drainage & Fencing.	1/ " lin.ft.	5/-	13240.00	
				1015906.00
for contingencies.				30736.00
				1066701.00
Stores charges 6% on materials only. Shgs. 178, NO.				10680.00
Supervision Charges.				1077361.00
				11861119.00

ESTIMATE SHOWING DIVISION OF COST BETWEEN RAILWAY & UGANDA RAILWAY.

<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>DIVISION.</u>	<u>RAILWAY.</u>	<u>U.G.R.</u>
		<u>AMOUNT.</u>	<u>AMOUNT.</u>
Earthworks.	Cal'd.	262074.00	196138.00
Abut. Bank.	50% each.	24755.00	24755.00
Stone Pitching.	Cal'd.	46047.00	6762.00
Grass Curb.	50% each	6292.00	6292.00
Blooms.	- -	65765.00	65765.00
Reinforcing Rods.	- -	1521.00	1520.00
Grass Filling.	- -	49875.00	49875.00
Concrete Slab.	Cal'd.	29218.00	25795.00
Brakeword.	-	22894.00	13884.00
Reinforcing Rails.	50% each.	4536.00	4536.00
Sheet piles.	Cal'd.	22600.00	22600.00
Concrete Beam.	50% each	1044.00	1044.00
Girders for Road Bridge.	Special	12000.00	8000.00
Buying water main.	P.W.D.	-	4000.00
Track laying and picking up.	Railway	1600.00	-
Mechanizing Road & Soiling etc.	P.W.D.	-	30000.00
and drainage & Fencing.	P.W.D.	-	13200.00
		<u>554004.00</u>	<u>466902.00</u>
credit to Ry. Road Bridge girders.		<u>8000.00</u>	<u>-----</u>
		<u>549004.00</u>	<u>466902.00</u>
Contingencies.	5% of Cost.	<u>27400.00</u>	<u>23345.00</u>
		<u>578454.00</u>	<u>49347.00</u>
Stores Charges.	50% of each.	<u>5340.00</u>	<u>5340.00</u>
		<u>581794.00</u>	<u>495587.00</u>
Supervision Charges.	50% of each	<u>53869.00</u>	<u>53869.00</u>
		<u>635263.00</u>	<u>549456.00</u>

TOTAL COST. = Rs. 1,185,338/-

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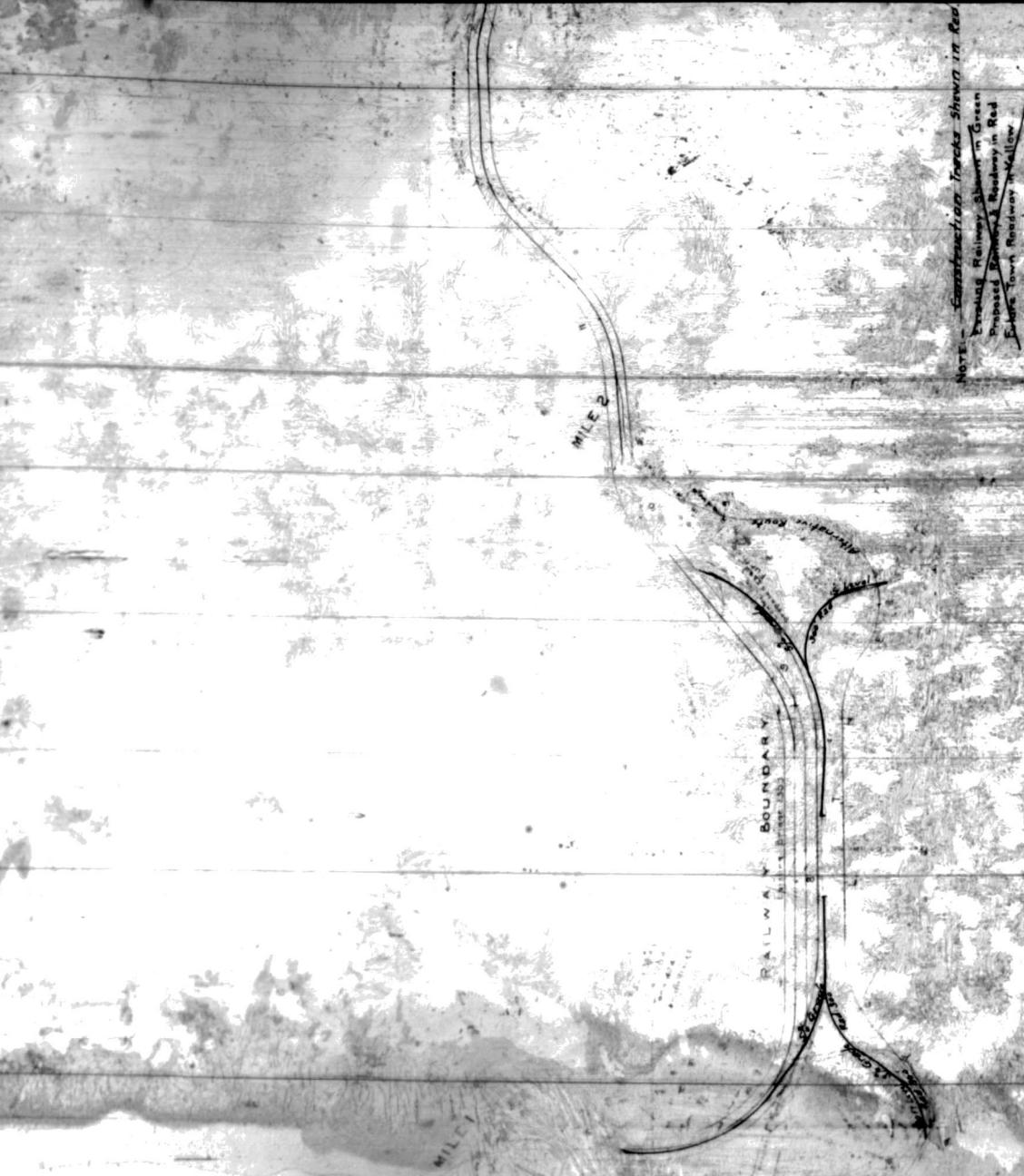
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# MACUPA CAUSEWAY

## GENERAL PLAN

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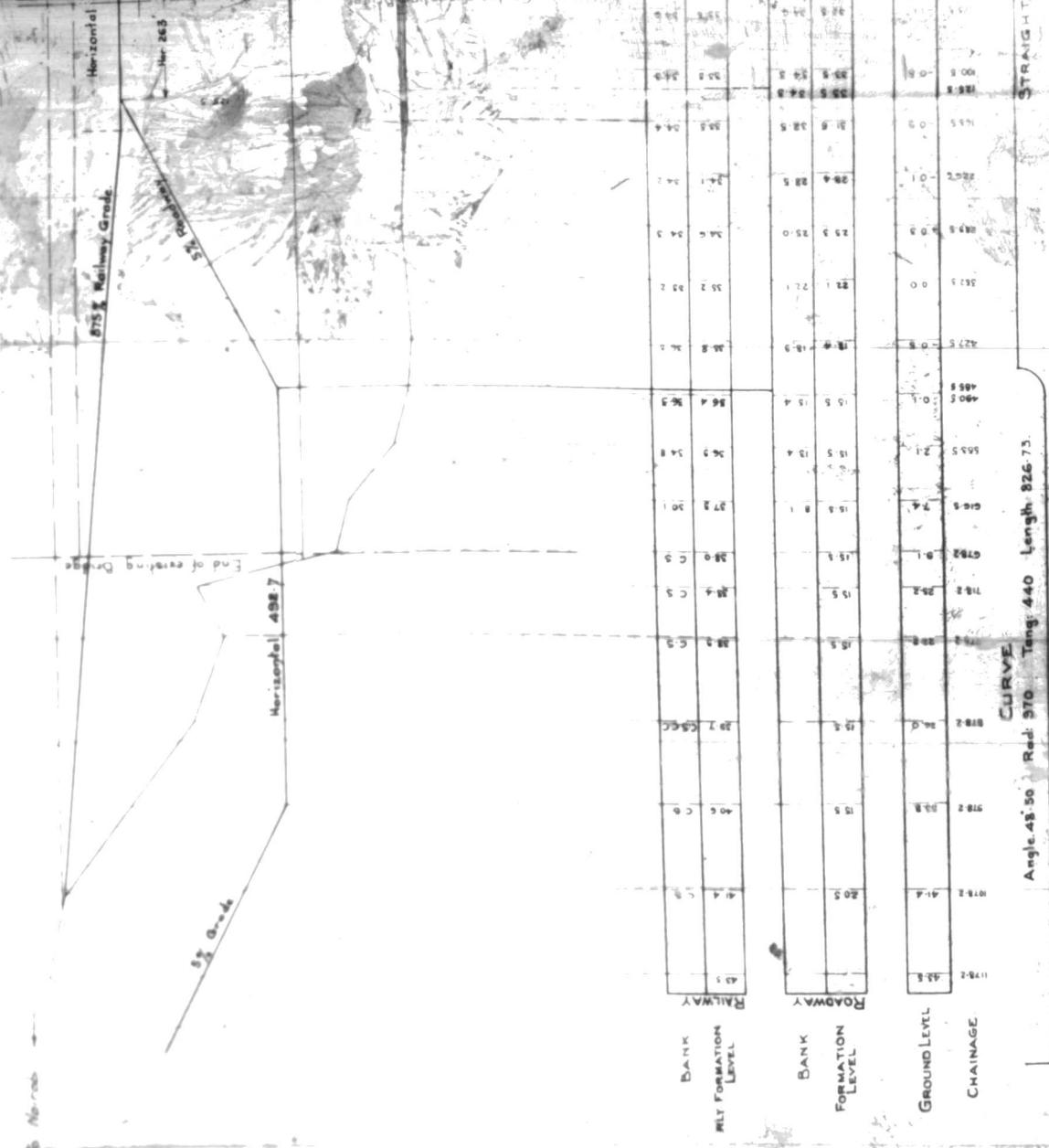
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PLAN. SCALE 40 FEET TO AN INCH.

CONSTRUCTION MARKS Shown in Red  
Buildings, Roads, Bridges in Green  
Crossed Roads, Bridges in Red  
Town Roads shown in Yellow

ICANDA RAILWAY — LONGITUDINAL SECTION OF PROPOSED

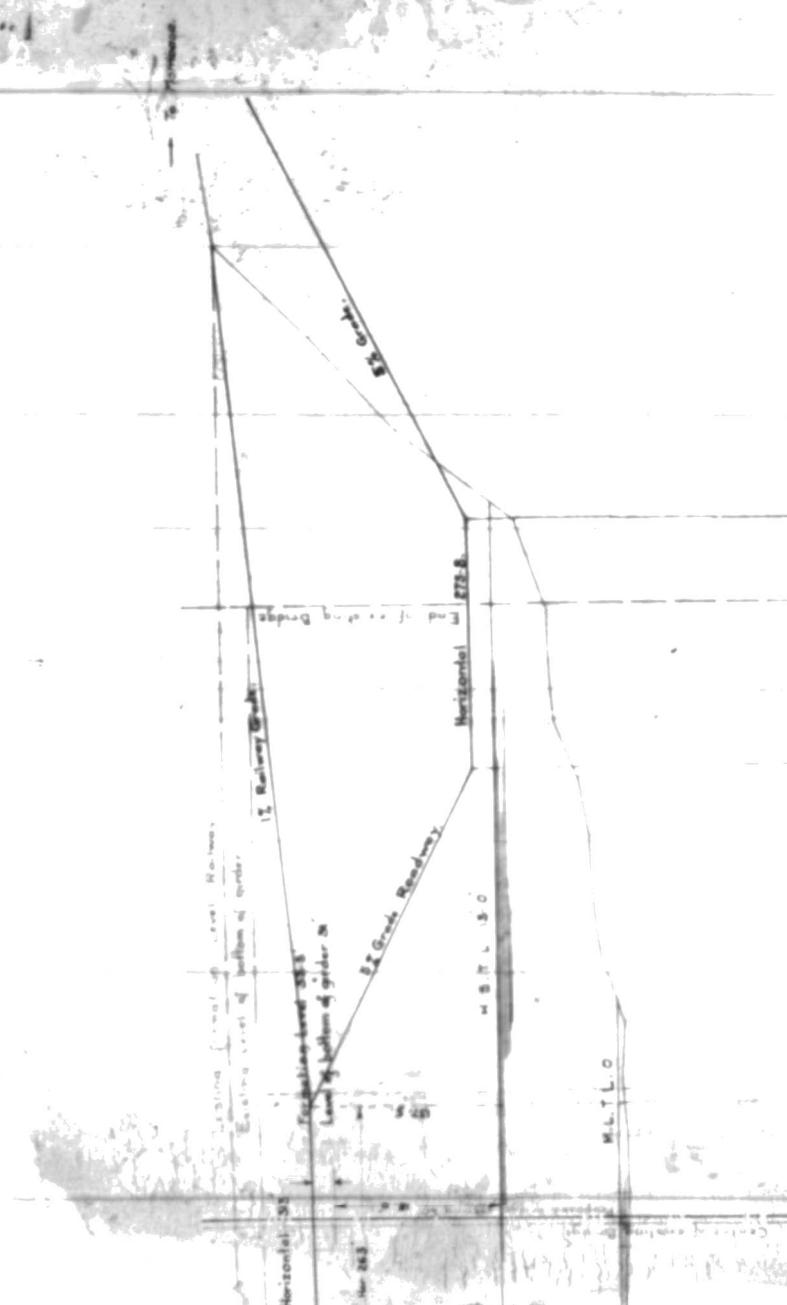


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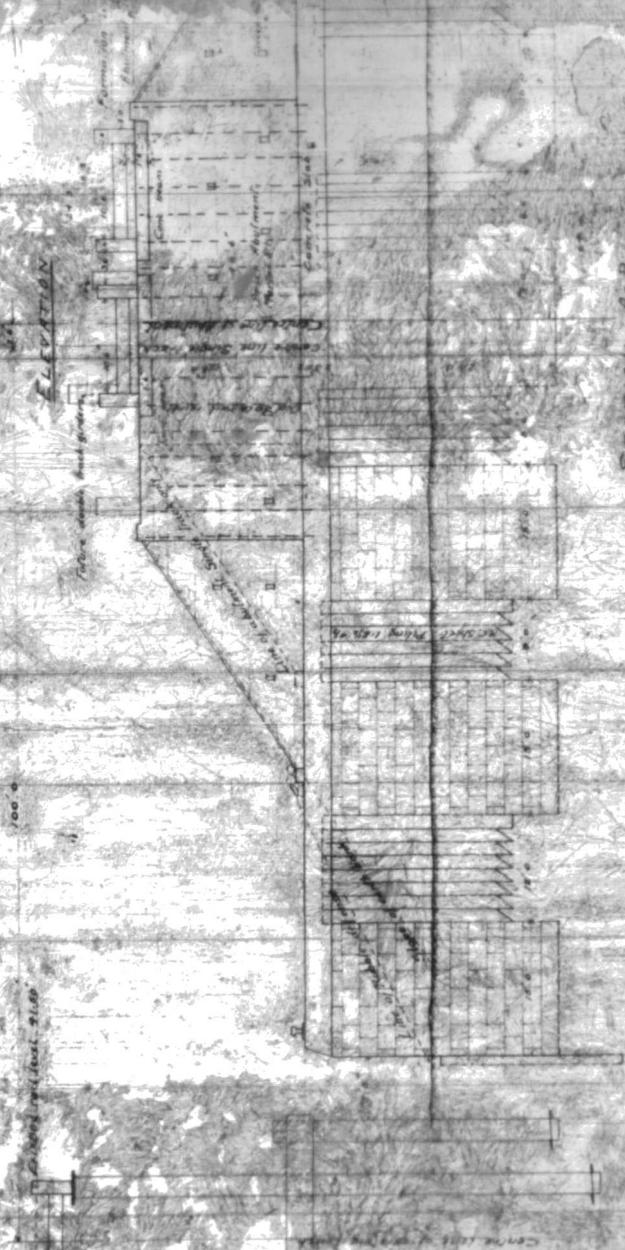
HORIZONTAL SCALES    VERTICAL SCALES

**SCALES VERTICAL** 1 IN. 120.

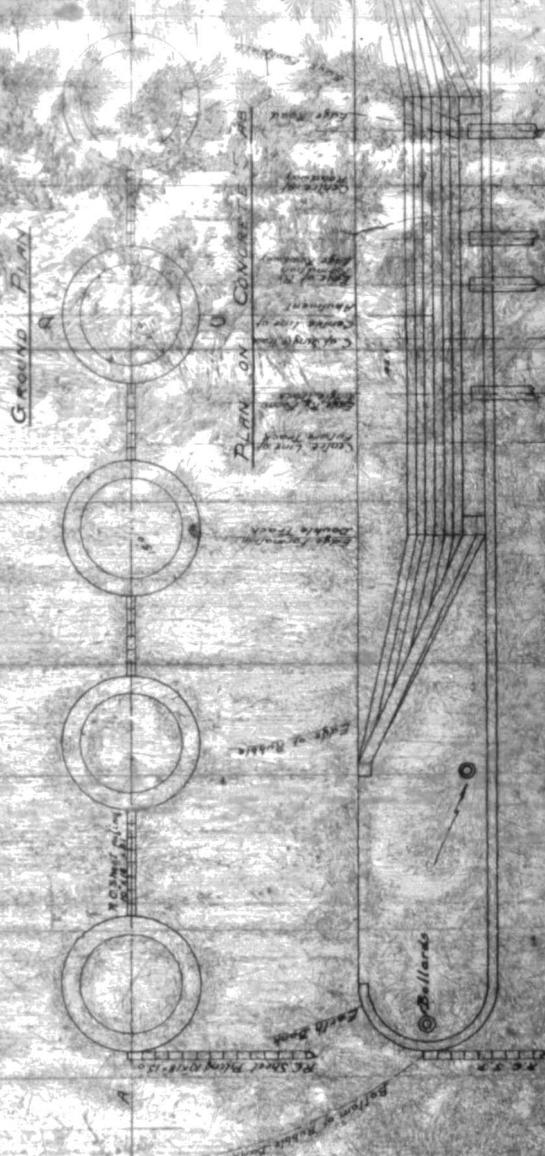
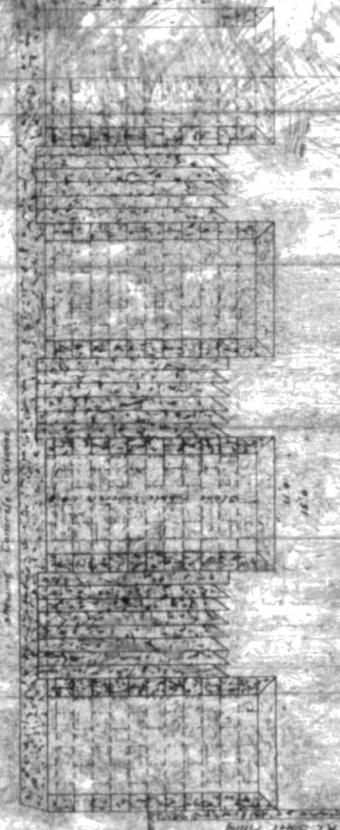
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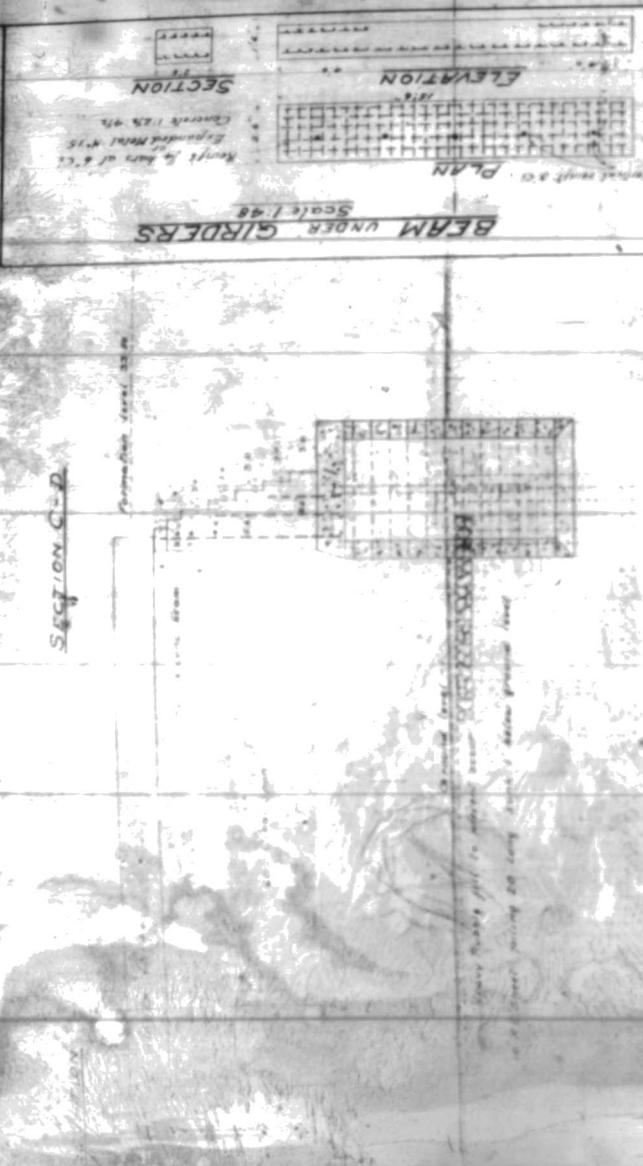
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SECTION A-B to Scale 1:1000



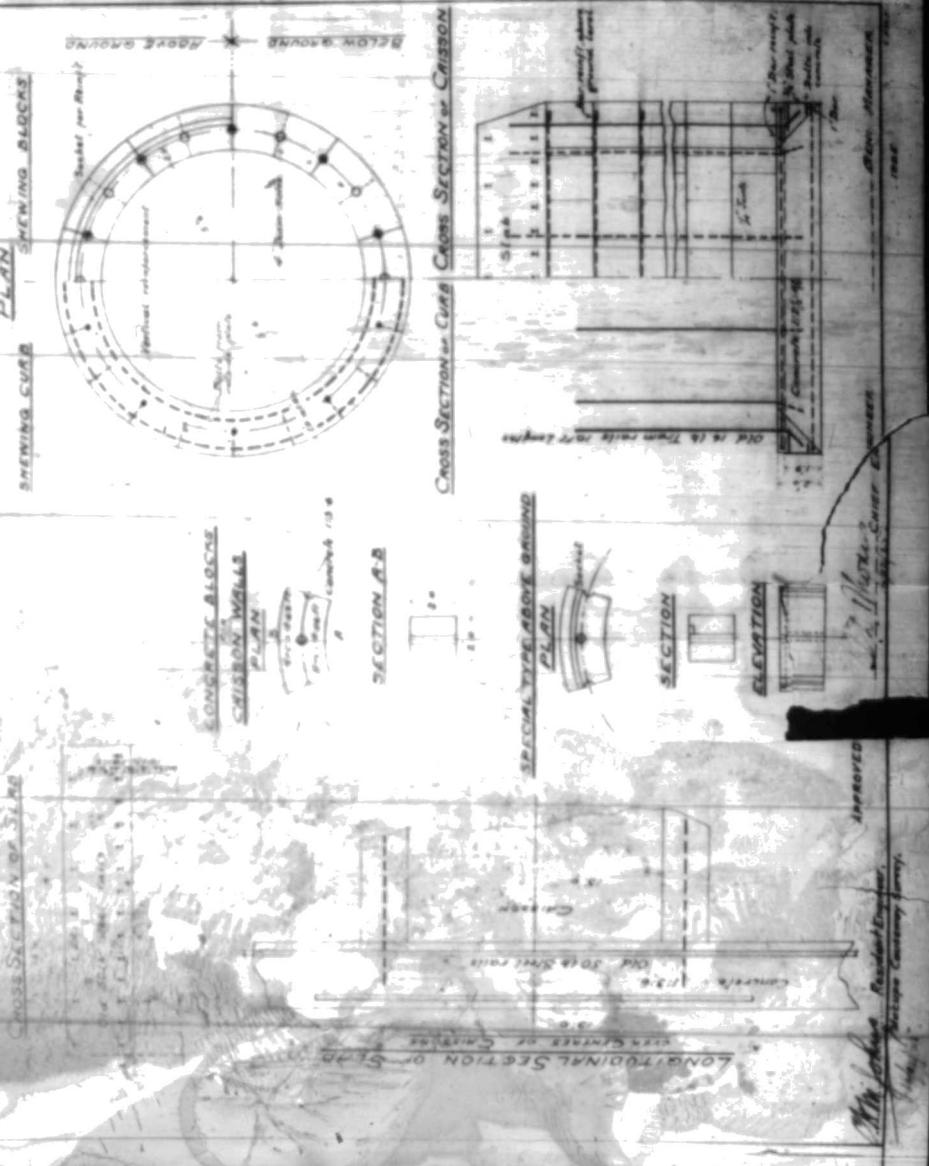




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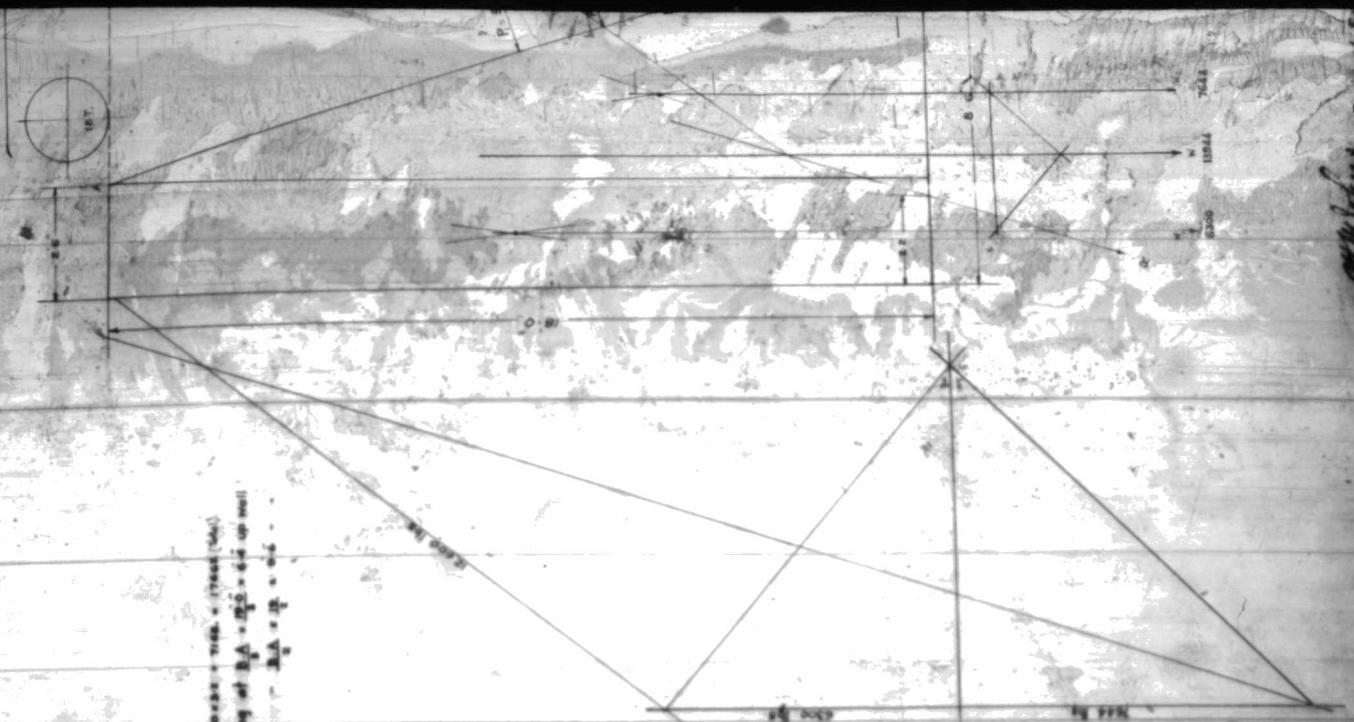
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JCANDA RAILWAY.—MACUPA CAUSEWAY BRIDGE—GRAPHIC CALCULUS

ABUTMENT ON



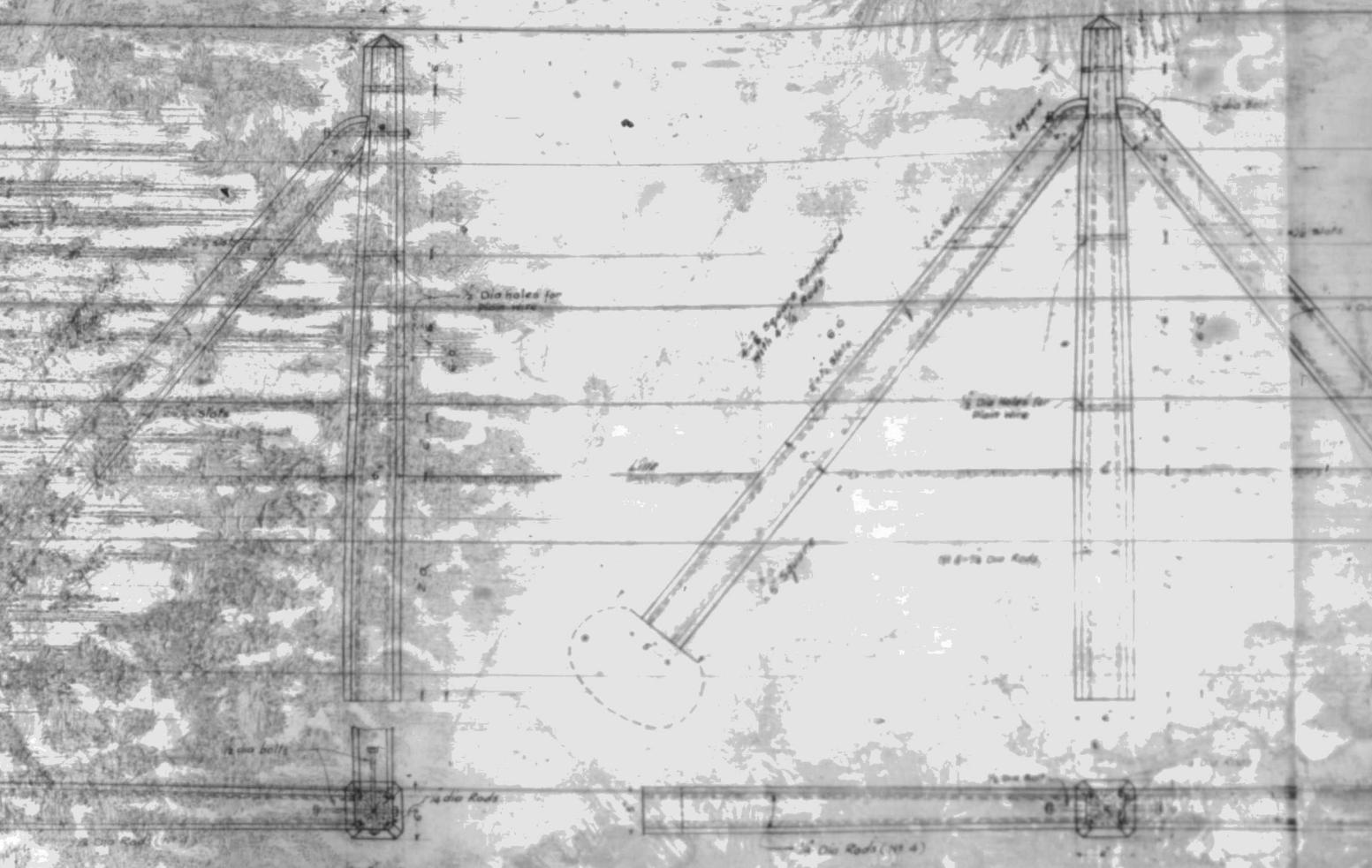
Pressure = Area of A.B.C.  $\times \frac{W_1 + W_2}{2} = 104 \text{ sq ft}$   
Weight of A.B.C. =  $104 \text{ sq ft} \times 100 \text{ lbs/inch} \times \text{specific weight of sandstone or rock} = 10400 \text{ lbs}$   
From force A. Earth Pressure = weight per ft. run of soil acting at  $\frac{B_A - \frac{B_A}{2}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ ft. up soil}$   
 $\Delta A = \frac{1}{2} \text{ ft.}$   
From — — — — —  
From — — — — —

Dead Weight:  $W_1 = 3000 \times 160 = 48000 \text{ lbs}$   
 $W_2 = 160 \times 160 \times 160 = 409600 \text{ lbs}$

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Mr. H. J. Smith  
Resident Eng.  
Macupá Causeway

# UGANDA RAILWAY.— TYPE DRAWING OF CONCRETE FENCING

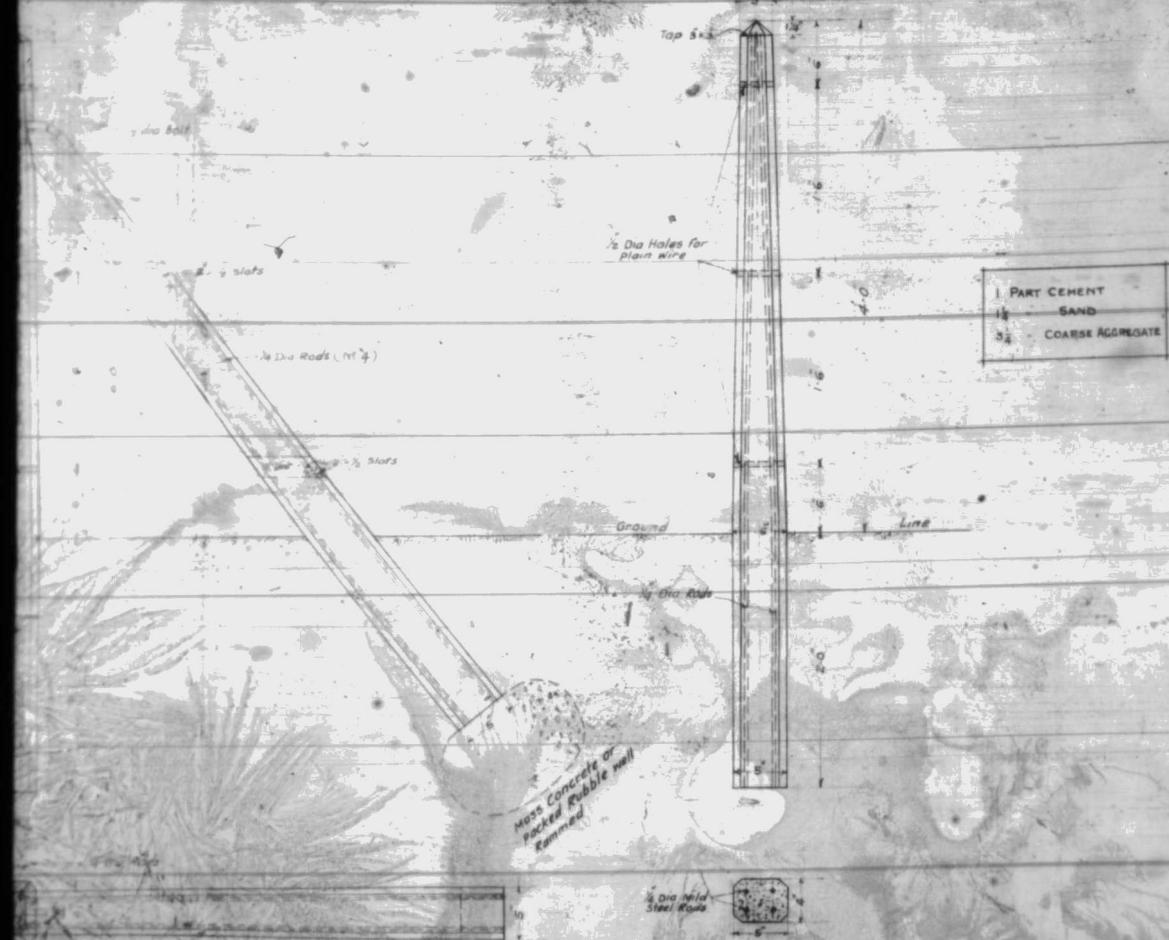


CORNER POST —

STRAINING POST (WITH TWO STRUTS)  
END POST (WITH ONE STRUT ONLY)

# STE FENCING POSTS.

SCALE 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> TO A FOOT. —



## —INTERMEDIATE POST—

(WITH TWO STRUTS)  
ONE STRUT ONLY)

DRAWING N° 2419		
SIGNATURE	DATE	
DRAWN BY <i>J. L. K.</i>	5-1-25	
TRACED BY <i>J. L. K.</i>	5-1-25	
CHECKED BY <i>J. L. K.</i>	5-1-25	
APPROVED BY <i>NAIROBI</i>	1925	
C. H. K.		
CHIEF ENGINEER U.R.		

# UGANDA RAILWAY

MACUPA CAUSEWAY

## TYPE ROAD DRAIN

Scale 1 Inch to a Foot.

