Dear Theodore:— I am very sorry you did not find me here. I've been imprisoned in Bklyn since Tuesday week, excepting a few hours on two occasions, by the preparations for final settlement of Kings Co. bills.

If I remember rightly my mother told me that when she first ferried over Susquehannah River at Harrisburg, about 1814 I think, the piers for the old bridge were just alone in process of building. I believe the bridge was completed in 1816. It was built by Burr the Inventor, or under his supervision.

Rock bottom, Piers founded on log-circled filled with stone to within about one foot of low water. Shell of river boulders widely squared. Icicleaker 15". squared stones with cramp rails. The Pier shell filled with dry stone. Pier 25 ft. thick. Arches spans about 210 ft. in clear. Two carriage drives and two foot walks.