

above high water mark was thirty-seven feet and it contained six thousand tons of timber." It was erected under the superintendence of Mr Timothy Palmer of Newburyport.

The first bridge was a wooden structure. One enormous arch spanned the river from ~~Newburyport~~ shore to Deer Island. This bridge was removed in 1810 (on the Newburyport side was) the part on Salisbury shore remaining until 1883. In 1810 a new bridge - with one drive-way, supported by iron chains, was erected. This bridge fell in 1827 and was rebuilt (now standing) on the same principle but with two roadways instead of one. The bridge of 1810 was built by a Mr. Templeman.