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Dear Sir;

The iron Pratt bridges erected on Western Division of P. R. R. were built before the Mountain Division was opened. I think they were designed by Strickland Kness. Are not positive as to this. Must refer you to archives of P. R. R. or Gen. H. Haupt. I built the first iron bridge, in part of Donchemon, France, in 1858. Also bridge 13. below Lyons, improving the existing patterns, same L. Dredley can probably give you correct dates as to Market St Bridge. J. L. Papp told me he worked on the bridge in 1848. This is probably date of construction. Keystone records will show date of