

Old Mohawk Bridge

This bridge was commenced in 1806 and has been open for travel 62 years last December.

The Original Plan was to have simply one pier at the center of the river and two arches each 450 ft. span. The arch on the Scotia side was finished and ~~part~~ ^{half} of the other side, when the whole was washed away by a freshet.

The Present Bridge was then commenced and built after the plans of Theodore Burr nephew of Aaron Burr who also acted as Engineer.

The principle is of a wooden suspension bridge. It is 900 ft long and 25 ft wide divided into two roadways.

The Piers are 48 ft long, 10 ft wide and 15 ft above low water. The Starlings are semicircles, five ft. radius perpendicular from the water's edge but there is a slight cut in on the sides of the piers.

There were only three piers when the bridge was built, and used so for 20 years. Then the stockholders got a grant from the Legislature to put a pier between each