



Watercolour on paper.

LAMBETH SUSPENSION BRIDGE

[Lambeth Suspension Bridge].

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Physical description

Watercolour on paper.

Dimensions

240 by 600mm (9.5 by 23.5 inches).

Notes

The first modern bridge at Lambeth was a suspension bridge, designed by Peter W. Barlow. Sanctioned by an Act of Parliament in 1860, it opened as a toll bridge in 1862, but doubts about its safety, coupled with its awkwardly steep approaches deterring horse-drawn traffic, meant it soon became used almost solely as a pedestrian crossing. It ceased to be a toll bridge in 1879 when the Metropolitan Board of Works assumed responsibility for its upkeep – it was by then severely corroded, and by 1910 it was closed to vehicular traffic.

Bibliography

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