

an Estimate for the works to be made out
all Feb & part of March busy making out draw-
ings, Specifications and Estimates for the Pier
wall forming the South side of the Broomie
Laws, these were all approved of by the Trust
and orders for advertisement to Contractors, given
so as to allow the immediate commence-
ment of active operations about ~~the first~~
~~of April~~, The offers of Contractors for the
furnishing of materials ~~being~~ given in
upon the 25 March — April occupied
in getting ready Pile Engines, Cranes, Offices
and ~~the~~ necessary Machinery. Timber and
Stones coming in daily, Mr. L in Ireland the
whole month nearly — Mr. L no sooner home
from Ireland than he is despatched up
to London by the Trustees. Operations in
consequence much retarded. Part of the
Excavation now (May 1st) ready for first
row of Cofferdam Piles to be driven — the
cut being made down to one foot below
High Water Spring Tides (i.e.) $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet from
surface of Ground — Mess^{rs} Goumen &
Edminster now getting on with the part
of the South Quay Wall contracted for
with considerable spirit & activity — 7
or 8 Pile Engines in use by them. —