Clark, Dodge & Co.

New York,
March 28th.96.

James J. Hill Esq.

Brown's Hotel.

London, England.

My dear Mr. Hill.

asking if I could have a little of the Worthern Pacific guaranteed underwriting. I ventured to do this, first, in view of what you said to me on your return from England last year, when the first scheme for reorganizing the Northern Pacific Road was formed, viz: "that you had put my name down on the list among the first". I also had a chat with Samuel Thorne regarding the matter, and he told me of your remark, that you would like me to have an interest. Of course, I suppose you are beset in all directions, but I thought perhaps you might be able to give me a small interest.

With kind regards, and best wishes to you and your son for a pleasant trip, and safe return,

Believe me,

Sincerely yours,