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Mr Jas J Hill,  
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Dear Sir: Enclosed herewith I hand you paper referred to in last night's letter, and which if it meets with your approval is to be signed in two places by the parties in interest, or a majority of them. I have just returned from St Paul. Matters there are in very good shape I think. The Senate has spent the entire afternoon talking on H R 12 (the Markham bill to tax R R lands). I think this bill will be defeated. The Atty Genl, after having had a full talk with Mr Grover and having assured him that he coincided with Mr Grover's idea of the law, turned directly about and wrote a flat-footed opinion to the effect that the bill would be constitutional. Mr Grover spent until 2 o'clock last night finding different men and we have got the matter in what we think the best possible shape. The attitude of the Mpls TRIBUNE has very seriously embarrassed us, together with the opinion of the Atty Genl, and we have had the hardest fight that I have ever had any experience in; but I still hope all will go well.

Very truly yours,

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I will also send you, by to-morrow's mail, an instrument which covers the matter referred to in my letter and which also gives the Mpls Trust Co the Eastman strip for our services. You will remember that at the time we made the trade and accepted the strip the whole matter was in litigation and that we finally prevailed. We would be glad to have this signed at the same time.

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