

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1874 APR - JULY

FOLDER NO. 3-231

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

[1874, April] [27]

Sunday morning - Dist Attorney Forand, from Yonkers
arrived here last night - Says he saw notice of
H D Broadwell's appointment as Register of Probate
and Office in one of the papers - Is it so, Where
is Frank Why don't I hear from him - I shall
start for St Paul either Sunday or Tuesday
morning next - Must see you & consult on
future action - Don't know what to do now &
something must be done before May 1st 1874.
Got your Note stating that you had paid draft - Thanks
I was in hopes you one of you here before this
but I will see you in St Paul. Had I not
better telegraph Judge Oliver Taylor of St Cloud to
meet me in St Paul - When I am there I have
a very high opinion of him & he understands this

Care thoroughly - It will not
cost more than \$10 to get him
down there - Write me at Moorhead
by return mail - Shall be in Moor-
head either Sunday or Thursday
night. I remain & best night.

Ask Frank to write me about
that dog matter - your intimate

J. J.

[J. J. Jackman] [22]

Delvraff & Co Claim as filed in the
State Auditors Office April 1874
\$664,497.92

On which has been paid or material
for which they get the money

2700 tons R.R. Iron x 202.500.00

Received for ties & material x 8.186.14

Judgment against - 1st div.
St. P. & Pac R.R. for ties } x 18.000.00

Judgment against Receiver ^{Prig}
favor Watson for Bridge material x 8.257.54

Ties to Western R.R. 81312 @ 12 1/2 x 10.164.00

Bridge material to Western R.R. x 1,239.44

Refused ties sold to N.P. R.R. 676.00

Received from Trustees of }
Estate W.G. Moorhead }

Cash 30,000.00

St. Paul & Duluth R.R. stock ¹²⁰⁰⁰ x 12,000.00

Penn Canal Bonds 15,000.00

Phil & Erie R.R. Bonds 5,000.00

15000 acres pine land 5⁰⁰ 75,000.00

30000 acres farm lands }
mostly located in Becker Co. }

and ~~also~~ ^{best} on Nor. Pac R.R. 5⁰⁰ 150,000.00

About 120,000 ties & material on hand 15,000.00

Claim as filed 664,497.92

paid on it 546,073.12

\$118,424.80

Judgment against Moorhead \$118,424.80

City Bank in ac Mary J. Hill
Cr

Feb 3	By	Dep		125 00		
Mar 2		"		100 00		
		"		135 00		
Apr 3				<u>70 00</u>	430	00
Feb 3	To		$\begin{array}{r} 4.25 \\ 8.35 \\ \hline 12.60 \end{array}$	Dr	27 64	
5				3 60		
9				10		
10				99 56		
15				10 20		
23				4		
Mar 4			$\begin{array}{r} 18.40 \\ 7.60 \\ \hline 26.00 \end{array}$	Dr	98 70	
13				10		
25				60		
27				445		
30				20		
Apr 3				38		
5		20.00	26.18	46 10		
6			City Retd	<u>9 60</u>	424	85
Apr 23			Balance			5 15

Arm. Aust.

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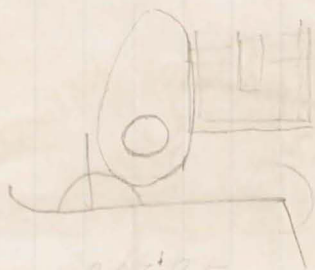
Am. Seams

2y. Mines

1 Ed. R. Wood

Feb 24

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COUNTY ATTORNEY
for
BURLEIGH COUNTY
Dakota Territory.

H. M. DAVIS,
Attorney and Counselor.

Bismarck, D. T.

PHOENIX FIRE and
Agent for
MERCHANTS' LIFE
Insurance Cos.

24th 1874

J. H. Hill Esq.

Dear Sir

Mr Mead has been here
since yesterday noon - He told Hackett
he was to have complete charge of the
L & P's matter here inside of 20 days - Told
H to remain quietly as he was & after
he got control of matter he would come
to him. Have you had any talk
with him - yet.

Brownson & Singler him went for
me to Mead. I tried to have them
make my pass - I don't know if
they have succeeded or not but if
you have an opportunity I wish you
would speak to Mr Mead about it
I think if you talk to him he will not
do it - Don't think he will anyhow but
please see him about it Have written
you twice since I came up here

I enclose your letter to Mr Mead - wish
you would give it to him in person - but
if you do not wish to do so seal it
up & send it to him through the mail
The Pals will save us many a \$ -
you are as much interested & must
be & am in it - A word spoken to
Mr Mead soon will prevent his doing
anything - It is easier to prevent than
undo - Please act promptly
& write me the result immediately
Has Frank been confirmed yet
This is the third letter I have
written you since I came
back - you in haste
3 Jack

Thank you for a word in reply
when all you seem to do - come
as soon as possible -
You in haste
Jackman
Nothing new - will write you again
by the next morning mail.

West Wisconsin Railway.

St Paul Station, April 30 1874

West Wis RR Co

Received	4210270 Mds	
	62 cars sundries	873.05
Forwarded	829240 Mds	
	261 cars wheat	
	96 flour	
	9 oil cake	
	13 sundries	355.35

Chlorine RR

Received	21685 Mds	5.83
	1 car live stock	
Forwarded	44110 pds Mds	9.42

St Paul & Pacif

Received	452940 Mds	
	65000 Stms	
	16 cars wheat	
	3 L stock	
	3808 lbs flour	
	\$4503 75 collections	294.40
Forwarded	1629810 Mds	
	29500 Stms	
	47 cars sund. billed	340.66

<u>Total Forwarded</u>	\$705 ⁴³	<u>Total received</u>	\$1193 ²⁸	
				61.90
				66.97
				97.33
				166.80
				<u>Total sum</u> 2271.71

mt 137⁵⁰ noon 29²⁰

RR labor } Cash to
 215 }
 Plain of }
 and pt collectd } office

Corresponding Month 1873 — \$1896.⁹⁶
 Preceding " 1874 \$1490⁷²

West Wisconsin Railway.

St Paul Station, April 30 1874

	Demanded	Received	Total
St Paul Pac	340 66.	294 40	635 06
C & Power	942	583	1525
Mrs RR	<u>355 35</u>	<u>873 05</u>	<u>1228 40</u>
	705 43	1173 28	1878 71
			Four H 18
RR labor			61 90
stgs	} Cash unmitted		66 97
Train a/c			97 33
RR labor not yet collected	137.60	2920	166.80
			<u>2271.71</u>
			<u>Total Earnings</u>

Exd &.
St Paul May 1/74

Corresponding Month 1873 - \$1896 ⁷⁶/₁₀₀
 Preceding Month 1874 - \$1490 ⁷²/₁₀₀

West Wisconsin Railway.

Earnings St Paul Station, May 1874

	Earned	Received	Total
St Paul	638.92	426.67	1065.59

Co. Carver	1368	467	1835
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Miss RR Co	278.30	642.19	920.49
	<u>930.90</u>	<u>1073.53</u>	<u>2004.43</u>

RR labor	156.30	Ref to	
Train &c 1/2 time	69.35	Office	
stop	49.20		
			<u>274.85</u>
			2279.28

RR labor earned in April & May

not yet collected \$ 94⁴⁵/₁₀₀

E. O. E. Ref submitted

Wm. J. Larkin

corresponding month last year \$2408.42

West Wisconsin Railway.

Earning at Paul Station, May 1874

Paul & Co Forwarded 3077360 pds Indur
 4 cans Lard stock
 160 lbs flour
 57 Cans condensed
Received 1011300 pds Indur
 3 cans Lard stock
 4132 lbs flour
 46 Cans wheat
 \$5030⁸⁰ Collection
 63892
 42667
 106559

Mrs Wis Forwarded 978990 Indur
 165 cans Lard 278.30
Received 3033450 Indur 60669
 71 cans Lard 3550
 920.49

Carver Forwarded 68390 Indur 1368
Received 13390 Indur
 80⁸⁰ Collection 467
 1835
 2004.43

Cash to Office RR Labor 15630
 Team & Expenses 6935
 etc 4920
 27485
 2279.28

RR Labor earned in April & May not Collected \$94⁴⁵ 00

E. & O. Receipt submitted
 Wm. Charles Cashier
 Corresponding Month last year \$2408.42

\$

95 ⁵⁷

St Paul. May 7th 1874

No.

Ninety days after date I promise to pay to
the order of Hill, Griggs & Co

Ninety five ⁵⁷/₁₀₀ ————— Dollars

at office of Hill Griggs & Co St Paul

Value received with interest at 12% per
No annuus until paid

Chas B Grant

Due



WARRANTY DEED.

MAIN LINE.

This Indenture

Made this

fourteenth day of *Nov*

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy *three* between The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, by its President, and Edmund Rice and Horace Thompson, two of the Trustees, named in a Trust Deed, made by The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, dated March 1st, 1864, by George L. Becker, their Attorney in Fact, and Horace Thompson, by George L. Becker, his Attorney in Fact, and George L. Becker, in his own person, Trustees, named in a Trust Deed made by The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, dated July 1st, 1868; and Horace Thompson and Wm. G. Moorhead, by George L. Becker, their Attorney in Fact, and George L. Becker, in his own person, Trustees, named in a Trust Deed made by The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, dated December 1st, 1870, parties of the first part, and

Chauncey H. Briggs

part *of* of the second part, Witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of *Five hundred and ninety four* ~~100~~ Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said part *of* of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, released, conveyed and confirmed, and do by these presents, GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL, RELEASE, CONVEY AND CONFIRM, unto the said part *of* of the second part, *his* heirs, successors and assigns, forever, all *100* tracts or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the County of *Right* in the State of Minnesota, known and described as follows, to wit:

Lot No. 33, of Section No. Fifty three (33) in Township No. One hundred and Ninety nine (199) North of Range No. Twenty six (26) West of the fifth Principal Meridian containing according to the United States Government Survey Forty six (46.25) acres be the same more or less.

The same being a part of the lands granted to the late Territory of Minnesota, by Acts of Congress approved March 3d, 1857, and March 3d, 1865, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a Railroad from Stillwater, by way of St. Paul and St. Anthony, to a point between the foot of Big Stone Lake and the mouth of the Sioux Wood River, with a Branch, via St. Cloud and Crow Wing, to the navigable waters of the Red River of the North.

To Have and to Hold

The same, together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, unto the said part *of* of the second part, *his* heirs, successors and assigns, forever.

And the said parties of the first part, do hereby for themselves and their successors, and each and every of them, **Covenant and Agree**, to and with the said part *of* of the second part, *his* heirs, successors and assigns, in the manner and form following, that is to say: That they are at the time of ensembling and delivery of these presents, the true, lawful and rightful owners of said premises hereby conveyed, and have therein a good, sure, perfect and indefeasible estate in fee simple.

And that they have full right, power and authority to grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, convey and confirm the said premises unto the said part *of* of the second part, *his* heirs, successors and assigns, in manner and form aforesaid.

And that the said premises are FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL INCUMBRANCES AND LIENS WHATEVER: and that the said part *of* of the second part, *his* heirs, successors and assigns, shall quietly enjoy and possess the said premises:

And that they will **WARRANT AND DEFEND** the title to the same against all lawful claims.

In Testimony Whereof, The said The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company hath hereunto caused its corporate seal to be affixed, and these presents to be subscribed by its President, and the said Edmund Rice, Horace Thompson, George L. Becker and Wm. G. Moorhead, Trustees, have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, the day and year above written.



Wm. G. Moorhead
President of the First Division of the St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Company.

Attest:

Sam J. Reed

Secretary of the First Division of the St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Company.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

Edmund Rice
Horace Thompson

Edmund Rice, Trustee,
By *Wm. G. Moorhead* his Attorney in fact. (SEAL)
Horace Thompson, Trustee,
By *Wm. G. Moorhead* his Attorney in fact. (SEAL)
Wm. G. Moorhead, Trustee,
By *Wm. G. Moorhead* his Attorney in fact. (SEAL)
Wm. G. Moorhead Trustee, (SEAL)

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.

County of Ramsey. }

Be it Remembered, That on this *fourth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy *two* before me personally came *George L. Becker* to me known to be the President of The First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, and he acknowledged that he executed the foregoing deed as President of said Company, and caused the corporate seal of said Company to be attached thereto, pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said Company.

And on the said day, also, before me personally came George L. Becker, to me known to be the Attorney in Fact of Edmund Rice, Horace Thompson, and Wm. G. Moorhead, the individuals described in and who executed the within conveyance, as Trustees, by George L. Becker, Attorney for each one of said Trustees: and the said George L. Becker acknowledged that he executed the same as the act and deed of Edmund Rice, Horace Thompson and Wm. G. Moorhead: and the said George L. Becker, who executed the within conveyance as Trustee, on the same day personally came before me and acknowledged that he executed the same as Trustee, for the use and purposes therein expressed.

Samuel J. Reed
Notary Public for Ramsey County.



*Entered for taxation
May 21, 1874
J. A. Packard
County Auditor*

WARRANTY DEED.

The First Division of The St.
Paul & Pacific R. R. Co.,

No. 1

AND
EDMUND RICE,
HORACE THOMPSON,
GEORGE L. BECKER,
WM. G. MOORHEAD, } Trustees.

TO

Chauncey K. Giggis

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss.
County of *Knight*

I hereby certify that the within
Deed was filed in this office for record on the
21st day of *May* A. D. 1874
at *2* o'clock *P.* M., and duly recorded
in Book *"A"* of Warranty Deeds, on Pages
561, 562 & 563

J. M. Gutzwiller
Register of Deeds.
of *Knight* County.

St. Paul Pioneer Company Print.

Paid

J. Thompson
(when called for)

Birmingham Dist.

May 15 1844

J. J. Hall Esq
St Paul Minn.

Dear Sir.

I recd - Sanborn

a letter this week containing Affidavit
of Dr. W. A. Benleigh - Have you seen
it? Did you deliver my letter to
Mead. Have you seen him? I
hear he has taken up my case
or ordered it to be done. Do
you know anything about it
Is there any thing new - I am
getting together what affidavits I
can. I am busy at work finding
everything quiet here.

Yours Truly
J. J. Hall

When are you coming
up here?

[J. J. Hallman]

Tax of 1873.

County Treasurer's Office, Wright Co., Minn.

No. Buffalo, May 21st 1874.

Received of

Chancy W. Griggs the sum of Forty ¹⁰⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars,
in full for Taxes of 1873, for State, County, Town, School, Bridge and Road purposes, on the following described property.

FOR WHAT PURPOSE.	Rate in Mills.	AMOUNT.	SUBDIVISIONS.	Sec. or Lot.	Town or Block.	Range.	Acres.	Valuation.	Amount of Tax.
State Interest,			Lots 1 & 2 ✓	31	119	26	69½	186	8 02
State Sinking Fund,			W ½ of S W ¼ ✓	31	"	"	80	230	9 89
State Revenue,									
County Expense,			S ½ & N ½ of S ½						
Town			& Lots 3 & 4 ✓	33	119	26	180½	519	22 32
School,									
Road,									
District School,									
Poor,									
Bridge,									

Total,

\$40.25

John Young

County Treasurer.

By

Deputy.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,

[No. 59.—Official.—St. Paul Press Print.]

County of Wright } ss.

REDEMPTION CERTIFICATE.

Section 132, Chapter XI, General Statutes.

Description.	Section or Block.	Town.	Range.	Date of Sale or Forfeiture.	Amount of Tax, Interest and Cost.	Subsequent Tax and Interest.	Amount.
<u>lots 1 & 2.</u>	<u>31.</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>June 1873</u>	<u>7.78</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>8.63.</u>
<u>W 1/2 of SW 1/4</u>	<u>31.</u>	<u>119.</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>9.58</u>	<u>1.05</u>	<u>10.63</u>
<u>S 1/2 x NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 33.</u>	<u>33.</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>" "</u>	<u>23.97</u>	<u>2.63.</u>	<u>26.60</u>
<u>Taxes & Interest for year 1872.</u>							

Total, \$ 45.86

I Hereby Certify, That the above described lands will be duly redeemed on payment of Forty five ⁸⁶/₁₀₀ Dollars into the County Treasury. May 21st 1874 G. A. Ruckoldt Auditor.

[Original.]

Received of Buffalo Minn., May 21st 1874
L. W. Briggs, Forty five ⁸⁶/₁₀₀ Dollars,

in full for the taxes, interest and cost due on the above described lands, as set forth in the Auditor's Certificate of Redemption.

John Young County Treasurer.

Jas J. Hill.

C. W. Briggs.

G. L. Acker.

OFFICE OF

Hill, Briggs & Company.

NO 62 EAST THIRD ST.

St. Paul, Minn. *Jan 3rd* 1874

Dear Partner

Wagon of the 30th alt at hand
 also B&B from Blake & Co of cargo by
 Schrs Brooklyn & Chemungo, the first 600
 tons stone & the last Chestnut -

I spent some time on the St. City Road and
 went as far up as Yankton - At Lemarg
 and points west of there to the Mo River we
 will have very strong competition from the
 N. West. and Ill Cent. R.Rds - I offered Booz
 his husband at Sioux City for \$11⁴⁵ per ton
 and could not get it at that - He said he
 had bought for less from the mines (Laurel Hill Co)
 and shipped all rail from Pittsburg to Chicago

We will get as handsome trade from Yankton
 and also from Capt Yarny of St. City if the
 Ill. Cent. R.R. does not put their rate below \$60⁰⁰
 per car - We have rate of \$55⁰⁰ per car from Duluth
 to St. City - At points on the west end of the St.
 City Road we could sell considerable hard coal

Jas. J. Hill.

C. W. Briggs.

G. L. Archer.

Hill, Briggs & Company.

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No 62 EAST THIRD ST.

St. Paul, Minn.

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own time, but if the Grasshoppers eat up their crop and they have already commenced, we would have to wait indefinitely for our pay. Four to six weeks will put the crop out of danger and I have talked the matter over at the different points with the dealers so that they will wait until after the crop is assured before buying - If the crop fails whole townships will be depopulated.

Mr Becker has secured Litchfield's friendship in his lawsuit and feels well over the prospects. He says he cannot do anything about taking up any large amount of wood until after the 11th of this month - We have been free from fire and things look well - Collections are very fair, but money is not plenty and parties do not pay freely - Our sales of coal for May were 450 tons - We want a cargo of Blackberry as soon as you can ship as we have not over 80 or 90 tons on hand - The arrangement with Rf.

[6-3-74]

Geo. J. Hill.

C. W. Briggs.

G. L. Scher.

Hill, Briggs & Co.

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Russell to handle at Duluth George wrote you of, and I think is a good one, as it leaves one less competitor for Car load lots and we get no competition on all Duluth trade

We have agreed to pool soft coal earnings or rather profits with S & K from June 1st forward this covering all soft coal at Duluth and St Paul and Minneapolis including the Minneapolis Gas Coal - We are to have half and they half. We have all the St Paul Gas Coal and S & K have sold Mead about 1000 tons of Massillon at Duluth which is not included - I held that as an offset against our Gas Coal, but we get twice the margin on our Gas Coal that they do from Mead - The details are not completed until Saunders returns from Duluth but this covers the whole in the main - This will prevent any competition whatever on Retail and large consumers of Steam Coal as we will fix the compensation for handling so low that there will be no object in one doing

[6-3-74]

Jas J. Hill.

C. W. Griggs.

G. L. Acher.

OFFICE OF

Hill, Griggs & Company.

NO 62 EAST THIRD ST.

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more than another in selling

I go out on the west side the last of this week
have got a rate of 2^{10} per ton from Hault from
Milwaukee to Camp Douglas. but have asked
him for $\$2^{\text{00}}$ - This will fix us just right -
as Frank Clark will make stiff head to every
one else on the ~~West~~ Wisconsin Road. Am
in hopes to sell from 700 to 1000 tons on that
Road this year - I was told by Saunders
that Rhodes Co had an offer of Bloss at Cleve-
land of 540 F. O. B. If that is the case friend
Howard they must come down

We are invited to put in and offer for Mine
has coal on the 18th inst - You will be home by
the 10th I presume - Soft coal arrangement
does not of course cover Bloss - We will have
everything harmonious with Nicks & Deard this summer
Oct 32nd in Chic for August - Our chances are good
for most of the best rate -

Yours faithfully Jas J. Hill

Fort-Garry, Manitoba
June 9th 1894

J. H. Egan.

St Paul Minn.

Friend J. H.

I have got
to remain here a week or more yet
& I must have some fencing material
sent to Bismarck immediately - I have
got about 8 or 10 acres planted & it ought
to be fenced immediately. Will you be
kind enough to attend to it for me.
I want 200 rods of fencing - 4 wires
high - making about 800 rods of wire.
Of either No. 9 or No. 10 size - You will
know which is the best size to buy -
Sent to Clark & Bill for me - (Bismarck)
Freight prepaid. I will pay you when
I come down - I haven't received any letters
since I left Moorhead a week ago
last Sunday. I may have to go
back to Bismarck before I can go below
Write me at Moorhead. I have much

2-2

nothing new wrote - Expect to have
the new from you.
You in haste.

Joel M. Newman

I have written Frank can see Sarcophagi.

July, 1874

FIRST DIVISION,

St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Co.

Hill & Piggott & Co.
Station,

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Earning St Paul Labor July 1874

Surrounded

Received

Total

West Min RR

24602

459.01

705.03

Pac RR Co

536.46

242.63

779.09

C & Larrick RR

814

433

1247

79062.

70597.

149659

RR labor

3960

Team & C

Cost limited to office 7 days

4485

Stage

6037

not collected RR labor

\$ 1641.41

for June & July not included in above

109.11

C & C.E.

1750.52

Corresponding March 1873. \$1911.31

West Wisconsin Railway.

St Paul Station, July 1 1874

Earnings St Paul Station June 1874

Forwarded Received Total

W & RR Co 215.33 491.07 706.40

St Paul & Pac 534.97 338.89 873.86

Miss L 935 437 13.72
759.65 834.33 1593.98

Stge } 57.53

Trans } Cash to Office 11 days 74.60

RR Labor } 56.75

not collected 24.33
40.53 40.53
64.86

1823.39

24.33

Corresponding Month last year 1727.74 1907.72

C. O. C.

St Paul Station
Cashier

\$193.⁶⁰

St Paul July 1st 1874 No.

Sixty days without grace after date I promise to pay to
the order of the Treasurer of the

One hundred & twenty five \$100.00 Dollars
at First Nat Bank of St Paul Minn

Value received
No 19877

Due Aug 30



J. S. McKuskey



Guelfph 7/74

Dear Brother,

I received a letter from
you last night in connection
with a draft sent to Mother
& Mary I received your letter
with the said draft and I
understood it to mean mother
take the money to lay out for
Mother and therefore I have
kept it she is not satisfied
with me keeping it and giving
it to her as she may want it she
wants it all at once if you mean
her to get it all at once I will
you to let me know

Mary's I gave her some and
am applying 50.00 to paying
for her son's instructions in

in telegraphing I got him met
the Station in Rockwood by paying
50.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ to the agent to learn him

I don't want to have any hard
feelings with any of them about
the money I only wish to carry
out your instructions however
you will be kind enough to let me
know your intentions Mother is
well but I don't think she ought
to get all the money at once as
she does not take good care of it
but you must give me orders
and I will carry them out in
full at once.

I sent you a letter by Mr Stephen
Mum who was going to Moratoba
he was to call on you coming down

and deliver the note I mentioned
the draft in that

we are all well at present I
understand you are coming to
Canada in July or August
we will be glad to see you
would like you to bring Mr
Hill with you if convenient
write me on receipt of this
and let me know how I am
to dispose of Mother's money as
I have no intention of making
her angry in any way

hoping you are all well

I am

Arthur

Jno. J. Jackman,
Commissioner.

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., July 28th 1874.

J. J. Will Eyr.
St Paul Minn.

Dear Sir.

I got here last night - had to remain over in Rockledge for stage one day. I consequently had to stop in Moorhead over Sunday. Found Hackett looking blue but all right - was waiting to hear from me. Havnt seen Frctor yet - as he has gone to Fort Rice. The proposition made by Cass was to give him all South of the track and his lot in town - He asked Cass if he had not already received a proposition from a party in St Paul the said "No" he knew nothing about it. He told him that Mr Meade could tell him about it - Cass then called Meade up before Hackett. Meade said "There was some kind of a proposition made by a merchant of St Paul to pay H. two or

Three thousand dollars or something
of that kind - (This was before Hackett)

Genl Cass knew nothing about it & I
think if the proposition was made square
to Cass that you made to mead he
would accept it immediately - You
had better see mead about it and
see where Genl Cass will return -
If it is necessary I will go to New York
to see him.

The proposition made to Proctor was that
they should pay him \$1500 or \$2500 down
& give him a block - (the one in which he
resides I think) but I have not seen him
yet - He is reported to have accepted but
I guess he is all right. He is broke &
will do as I wish him to do I think.

Hackett's girl is on the way up here - He
is laid up with a broken wrist but I think
~~he~~ is getting better - I will write you
more fully to morrow. Answer
immediately & tell me if Frank has
gone to Newbern yet - If he only
comes to the 5 crafts he is sure of two
or three thousand dollars. He will not get
a cent in any other way.

Yours in haste J. A. Hackett

Jno. J. Jackman,
Commissioner.

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., July 30th 1874.

J. J. Will Eyr.

Dear Sir

I wrote you last Monday
morning - I have since returned - He
is all-right & will stick - I gave him
2 H. - \$25.00 each as you requested - I
intended to have left him here this going
for St Paul but think it is best to stay
a few days longer. Will leave here next
Thursday morning for St P. in everything
is all right - Send me pass to the
Moorhead D.C. "to be left until called
for" so that I will not miss it - I shall
not leave him ~~if~~ there is any need
of my remaining longer - I have
not been removed yet - & shall
not be I think - do you know
if Graus has gone to Moorhead yet -
I will enclose a note to him which
you will please deliver. I have checked

\$1,780 I shall need \$1000 more at least -
probably \$1000

Everything is very quiet here & business
will be very dull the coming winter
will write you again by next Sunday
mail. I await then advice

Yrs Truly
Jacks

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