

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1874 AUG - NOV

FOLDER NO. 3-24

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

August 1, 1874

FIRST DIVISION,

St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Co.

St Paul Station, 187

Earnings during the Month of August 1874

	Forwarded	Received	Total
West Min RR Co	313.92	490.22.	804.14
St Paul & Pac	604.51	249.50	854.01
C & Carrier	977	90	1067
	<u>92820</u>	<u>74062</u>	<u>166882</u>
RR Labor			45.53
Storage	} Submitted to office		60.38
Team &c <u>6 1/2 days</u>			42.05
RR Labor not collected	W M 3127 Sum 5913		<u>1816.98</u> 90.40

Total \$ 1907.18

Carrying over from 1873. - - - \$ 1819.01

Earnings for last month 1874 (July) - - 1649.51

E. & C.

FIRST DIVISION,

St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Co.



St. Paul Station, Aug 1 1874

Earnings of Hill Spiggs Co for July 1874

<u>St Paul & Pac RR</u>	<u>Forwarded</u>	2603580 lbs Mdee	52071
		63 cars sundries	1575
	<u>Received</u>	375770 lbs Mdee	7515
		2504 lbs flour	5008
		3 cars Lumber	450
		8. wheat	200
		\$4436 collection 2 1/2%	11090
			<u>779.09</u>

Wis RR Co

<u>Forwarded</u>	1160100' Mdee	232.02
	28 cars Lumber	1200
		<u>24602</u>
<u>Received</u>	2175096 lbs Mdee	
		435.01
	48 cars Lumber	2400
		<u>45901</u>
		<u>70503</u>

Carroll Forwarded 40710 lbs @ 2^d 814

<u>Received</u>	16820 lbs @ 2 336
	\$39 coll 2 1/2% 97
	<u>1247</u>

R Klatsch

Trans of
atgc

R Klatsch not yet collected

& not included in above

Push to Photo office 7 days

\$149659
3960
4485
6037
109.11

\$175052

808.

Corresponding month 1875 - \$1911.31.

West Wisconsin Railway.

Earning of High Pigger to St Paul Station.

Month of August

1874

W. Miller

Forwarded 1149600 pds. Index 22992
168 cars send 8400 31392

Received 2318635 pds. Index 46372
53 cars send 2650 49022 804.14

St Paul Ref.

Forwarded 2825060 pds. Index 565.01
50 bbls. flour 1.00
3 cars Cement 210 7.50
4 - Bbls. 200 18.00
52 - send 130.00 604.51

Received 490980 Index 7820
1 car. Wheat 25
3 - Flour 330
1737 bbls. flour 3474
\$ 4477.12 collected 11181 24950 85401

Charles Jones

Forwarded 48860 Index 977

Received 1 car. Wheat 25
3240 pds. Index 45 90 1067

W. K. Labar
of age

Tram 9/0

~~Cash sent to
6 1/2 days office~~

4553

6038

4205

147 96

\$ 1668.82

W. K. Labar not Collected

W. K. 3127
Dim 5913

90 40

Total Earnings \$ 1907.18

Corresponding Month 1873 - \$ 1819.01

Earnings for July 1874
C. & C.

1649.51

Ref. submitted
W. K. Labar

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., Aug 18th 1874.

Friend J. H.

Have you seen H. he left here last - Tuesday for Edw Shakspeare of his daughter I was to call on you. There are two men here - both named Jacoby one is from Arizona mine that been here several months claims to be an Editor or something. & the other is a lawyer from Rockford Ill. - They have been talking around H. & I. for some time I recently made Peter an offer of \$2,500 cash down if he would remain & move up on his claim

I give them 1/2 of it - they to
bear all expense. I don't
know what offer they have
made Hackett - but I think
they are in the employ of
the S & P S. Co. This is the
reason I did not go down
before because I had to watch
them. If nothing new turns
up I shall start for St Paul
next Thursday morning.

Did you send me paper
to workhead - if not please
send it to Care Hiser's
Eating House Rockford
so that I can get it ^{Friday morning}
I cannot be gone more than
a week for some one has to
be here & watch this thing
close up. I got your letter all
right -
Yours as ever
Garrett

Dr.

J. J. Hill

in account with the First National Bank of Saint Paul. Cr.

Please Examine and Report as soon as convenient.

Sept 16/94 Dr Bal

5057	200
8	20
226666	895663
10081 out	1200
25	50
43	50
100	150
50	13461
150	8
7	67.
30	60
250	175
10724	1750
100	17410
35	13809
54	50
475	4326
10	4613
12	2489758

Checks etc

2489758

Sept 16/94

Oct 8

Nov 10

Dec 13

Jan 8

Feb 9

Mar 11

Apr 13

May 3

500

200

125

190

50255

550

7100

200

45

1250

19000

2489758

Div.

2489758

Office
OF
CLARK & BILL,
Dealers in General Merchandise,

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

My Dear Exr.

Dear Sir

I wrote you by yesterday's mail - If you have not already bought that Grain Seed ($\frac{1}{2}$) one half Oat and ($\frac{1}{2}$) one half Feed -

There is nothing new to write about. Everything remains the same as when you left. Have you heard from Orrill - & how did he succeed?

Write me as soon as you hear from him - I wish you would go to Mandan Hotel seeing there are envelopes for me.

We have had a wind storm today - and everything is covered with dust -

Have you got me pan or boats yet.

Yours as ever

Jack

[1874, Oct. 7]

O'Call-then I think with the
exception of Shove. The weather
has been terribly cold. & the wood
bills have been consequently
heavy. I don't know how they get away
with so much but it will average
\$4 or 5 per day for the last 20 days. I shall
haul it myself hereafter & I told them
they must be more careful. - make ex-
pense as light as possible. - Get the
matter settled as soon as you can
is my advice for I can't keep up my end
always at this rate. - Have Frank
assist Lauborn in my log case
all he can. He knows as much
or more about it than I do. & if
he will attend to it there will not
be any need of my going home. I
think I ought to remain here & attend
to these matters closely now for
I think I shall be able to get a
settlement of the Grants question
this Spring. - sure. - Write soon after

Send me L.H. paper also the
Harper Monthly for Jan'y. after
you have read it

Regards to D.M. Ask Geo
Allen to answer every note.

You in haste.

Jack

[y. a. Jackman] [?]

West Wisconsin Railway.

St Paul Station, Oct 1 1874

Earnings St Paul Station during September 1874

	<u>Forwarded</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mis RRC	251.30	620.18	871.48
C & Carver	732	235	967
St P & Pac	$\frac{669.17}{927.79}$	$\frac{236.16}{859.89}$	$\frac{905.33}{1786.88}$
RR Labor			49.42
Sturge	} Cash to Office		115.06
Team a/c 13 days			82.20
RR Labor not collected			70.15
			<u>2103.81</u>
	Total		<u>2103.81</u>

Corresponding month last year \$ $\frac{2280.02}{2464.22}$

C. O. C.

E. O.

West Wisconsin

St Paul Station, Nov 2 1874
Earnings St Paul Station for October 1874

W. H. R. R. C. Forwarded 1249996 lbs Inds @ 2¢ \$ 250.00
 191 cars billed .50 95 50 345.50

Received 3707383 lbs Inds @ 2¢ \$ 741.48
 58 cars repaid @ .50 29 00 770.48
\$ 1115.98

St Paul & Pac R. R. Forwarded
 3175560 lbs Inds @ 2¢ \$ 635.07
 100 bbls flour loaded " 20 00
 2 cars apples " 3 00
 44 " billed @ 25 " 11 00 651.07

Received
 692040 lbs Inds @ 2¢ \$ 138.41
 1400 lbs flour and " 28 00
 8 cars live stock @ 2 1/2¢ 20 00
 \$ 5237³⁰ Collections @ 10% 13093 317.34 968.41
2084.39

Missouri & St Louis R. R. Forwarded
 39020 lbs Inds @ 2¢ 7 80

Received
 15640 lbs Inds @ 2¢ 3 13

1093. 10.93
\$ 2095.32

Team 11 1/2 days }
 RR labor } Last remitted to office \$ 66.50 "
 storage of } 50.80 "
 RR labor not yet collected 34³⁰ " 80.76 "
198.06
\$ 2293.38

Corresponding Month last year \$ 2464.22

Total \$

West Wisconsin Railway.

St Paul Station, Octob 1st 1874Earnings of St Paul Station during Sept. 1874

W.P. & N.R.	Forwarded 3262140 pds. Mds. loaded	652.42
	63 cars sundries killed	15.75
	50 fls. flour	1.00

Received	605360 pds. Mds.	121.04
	696 fls. flour	13.92
	4 cars live stock	6.00
	\$3807 ⁰⁰ collections	95.17

905.33

St. Louis	Forwarded 36580 pds. Mds.	7.32
Received	4 cars live stock	
	6520 pds. Mds.	2.85

9.67

9.67

W. & N.R.C.	Forwarded 1041510 pds. Mds.	208.30
	186 cars killed	43.00

Received	2988420 Mds.	597.68
	47 cars	22.50

871.48

1786.48

49.42

R.R. labor

storage

Team &c 13 days

R.R. labor not collected

} Cash to Office

115.06

82.20

70.65

Total \$ 2103.81

amount pending from last Jan ~~\$2280.00~~

C. & O. E.

Jas. J. Hill.

C. W. Griggs.

G. P. Acker.

OFFICE OF

Hill, Griggs & Company.

NO 62 EAST THIRD ST.

St. Paul, Minn. Sept 28th 1874

A. W. Kittson Esq
 Crookston

Dear Sir - The bond has gone
 to Dubuque for Mr Farley's signature and
 will return in a few days.

We are receiving large quantities of
 freight for flatboats at Breckenridge
 and I understand there are between
 sixty and seventy flatboats in the river at
 that point landing - Some of the mer-
 chants are having freight go that way
 among others A. G. B. B. Radiger Bentley
 Scott Luther Lund & Co - There is the pros-
 pect for oats up your way - Capt Cameron
 asked for prices yesterday to be delivered by
 the 15th or 20th Oct and advised C. M. to
 say not less than \$1.00 at Pembina. How does
 that meet your views?

Yours truly
 Jas. J. Hill

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., Oct 15 1874.

J. Hill Esq

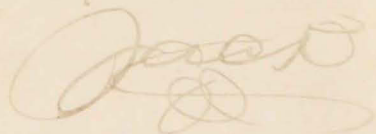
St Paul Minn.

Friend J.

Hackett.
is elected. D. Gaulton for the
Writter - by quite a large majority
I put up a job on them. & on
the morning of Election had Jos.
H. Richard name put on the
bottoms of tickets for the Office
of Probate Judge. - He being
the only man running himself
have probably about 150 majority
over all others - & if we can
only get the present ^{"Secret Agent"} Executive
out. we are all right - and
I think we can - Bismarck
went for Kidder - Havot - ne.

a letter from you yet - Why.
don't you write me - Got a letter
from Genl. Sumner - to-night -
band office opened yesterday
for business. Regards to Ann
ask him to write if you
haven't time.

Yours truly



[J. J. Jackman] [?]

OFFICE OF

Jackman's Real-Estate, Collection & Land Agency,

BRANCH OFFICE "NORTH-WESTERN DETECTIVE & COLLECTION BUREAU."

Jno. J. Jackman.
Notary Public.

Bismarck, D. T., October 22nd 1874.

My Dear Sir,

Thank you. - I wrote you yesterday and day before - Did you receive them - Did not get a word from you. by last night's mail - I have not heard from you yet - want to hear of you badly. - If you have not written the letters I requested to Michigan - you need not do so but it is all right if you have - I think I have "dropped in" the reasons why "things are thus" - and why Gray says he would not give a share for P. & Claim. - It won't hurt I at all I don't think - I enclose you a copy of the VB Tribune which will tell you all the moves of Gray here - Everything looks very favorable now - I don't believe the Citizens will ever do anything to help them - Sweet's name kills everything he is concerned in They say now that Sweet and Geo B. Wright will be up here today

right - but I shall not believe it - until I see him
actually here. I have told the Citizens about the
proposition made to the R.R. Co. by sec. - viz - to give
them (the R.R. Co.) one undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ of the two claims
on condition that they settle or do everything they can
to settle the matter immediately & pay all expenses
up to date of settlement - They signing an agreement
to give title with R.R. Co. giving Every citizen who is
in possession & living - in or occupying any one lot
(with a building on it) a title to that lot - at a nominal
figure & all other lots held by speculators or others
on which are buildings - to be put up at Auction
and sold to the highest bidder - This suits
Every one & "Coppers" the more of Gray & Adair
a schedule price list of lots - which I got word
of Monday. - I hope that Car will be along
soon for they are coming down daily and are short-
brung on a re-hearing this fall if you can - Look
the Tribune over. Carefully. You will see quite
a number of items - Regards C.D.W.

Yours truly

Jack

[J. A. Garbman] [2]

032333 02

Richmondville Schs. Co. ^{ny}
Oct 28/74

My Dear Colonel.

The "documents" relating to pedigree of "Tearaway" + "Tiff" are this day recd

Please accept my thanks for the trouble you & your brother have ~~been~~ ^{taken} in this matter -

2.44 is a good horse, & between you & I, it is not fully certain but that kind of a horse is more valuable than an 2.49 horse -

Hope it will be awful cold ^{up there}, and the Citizens will burn lots of coal & wood. Compliments to your father - Yours Nicholas De Quadt

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., Oct-25th 1874

I J. Hill Esq. St Paul Minn

Dear Sir -

Goods came last night - but - haven't got them out of the freight. Haven't got - no letter by. Last two or three weeks. Have written you every day - My Sweet & Co. are here yet - and are trying to get the people to sign a petition to give them the land - two thirds of them - but - haven't been able to do so yet - I am afraid they will try to circulate one to-morrow & if they do I think the people will tear & destroy or hang old Sweet. Perhaps some there - As soon as they start one I am

going to start one - for a re-
-hearing immediately & I
think that will shut them off.
Will do the best we can & all
we can to defeat them -

Brown called me in yesterday
said he had letter from Geo.
Dewey, from Gauchier - about
Survey on other side - Said
no application had been made
to him for survey there yet -
but that he would authorize
Brown to go on immediately
to survey the two townships. Then
if application was made in
the proper form & money de-
-voted to cover expenses said
it would take \$1000.⁰⁰ or less. I asked
Brown to write you about it him-
self & said he would. Mr. & Mrs.
would like to go in with us and
lay out a town site over them.
What do you think of it - I am
solid I think in that matter - send
the wagon, harness & stock & churn

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., Oct-27th-1874.

Friend J. I sent you letter this am.
Since that the Probate Judge has
filed a town-site entry - & Sweet & May
and Co are busy getting signatures
They have to-right about 15 names
in all - & I don't believe they can
get one-third of the occupants.
& citizens - The Citizens Committee
have also got-out a petition - a
copy of Sweet's - only they petition
to give the property - to the people
& they have got 50 or 60 signatures
- times - They cannot get many
more. I started the petition for
a re-hearing & we have got over
100 signatures & most of them
will not sign any other petition
therefore I think the L.S. & P.S. will
have to give it up & the Citizens
also. - The Land Officer allowed
the town-site filing - or entry -
I hear. I have not been near

the office for a day or two - Don't
want to intrude too much - Think
it best to keep away - You said
something about Taylor in your
letter is he on the way here
I judge so by your letter - wish
he was here now but - don't know
as it would do any good - will
do everything we can - & give them - & -
if we find it necessary. They were
old White off the street - when he
started out with a petition - They
afterwards took it over to the R.R.
Office - & "roped" in their victims
one at a time - I am going over
to stay with them to-morrow if
they try to do anything more.
Write me often. & keep me posted
Regards to Wm.

Yours as ever.

Jack

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T., Nov 4 1874.

Train has just arrived
from the East. Haven't
got my letter yet.

Old white is here yet and
has got about 50 names
to his petition whether party
can get two-thirds I think
are watching them closely.

Peoples has not paid
me for the Cat & feed
yet - I come quietly at evening
in the night. Home I will
remain there until I get
my pay. I advanced
H \$100⁰⁰ Saturday & took
mortgage on home of E. A.
Williams for the entire amount
though only \$50⁰⁰ was for E. A.
& \$50⁰⁰ for H. for election purposes.

Am confident you would
have done the same if
you had been here - They
are trying to beat it out of
his seat - but - I think I have
headed them off completely
now. - I want you to consult
Gen Sumner about another
matter. Jos H Richards
was duly elected Judge
of Probate. Two claim
that there is a vacancy
in that office - that the
present occupant - John
Brown who was given the
position by a bogus or
illegal Contesting Court has
no right to the position &
that Richards has the
right & it is his duty to
qualify & take possession
of the office immediately
This can only be done through
an order from Judge
Shannon which I think

[11-4-74]

OFFICE OF

United States Commissioner,

Bismarck, D. T.,

1874.

You can obtain every
enough through Judge Kidden
influence - Get an order
renewed - However the present
illegally acting Judge of
Probate from performing
any further acts in that
Capacity & that will head
off the L.S. Co. completely
Richards is our man
(you remember him) ("Rich")
Consult with Laubman
immediately & notify
me at once & I will
furnish you with the
necessary affidavits &c.
from here & then you
want just the reaction
though. I think the L.S. Co
are afraid of his move

and are trying to get
matters fixed, before
January 1st, 845. Act
promptly, - & telegraph
me for necessary paper
&c. Judge. Handrean
is the Counsel for the
Citizens here - As soon
as I get my mail
will write you another
sheet if I have time

[L. A. Jackson] [21]

Payments of M. Croft's

Capitol - Nov. 1894

1894				
Apr 11	Check to St Nat in	✓	5000	✓
	Dft Jno. J. thro Raymond	✓	3053	✓
May 20	" " Clark & B	✓	15000	✓
30	Telegram	✓	210	✓
June 5	Dft J. J.	✓	5000	✓
July 14	Telegrams	✓	150	✓
27	Paid Bassett Check 80.00			
	Cy. 20.00		10000	✓
34	Cash to J J J	✓	5000	✓
Aug 19	Draft.	✓	5000	✓
1	Telegrams	✓	805	✓
18	Dft E Hackett	✓	10000	✓
Sept 3	Telegrams	✓	150	✓
24	Dft E Hackett	✓	20000	✓
Oct 1	Telegrams	✓	150	✓
17	Dft J J J	✓	5000	✓
20	" "	✓	10200	✓
Nov 2	Telegram	✓	60	✓
Dec 1	Paid J. J. on ac	✓	5000	✓
Oct 1	Bxk thro for EH	✓	3095	✓
Nov 7	J. J. Jackson	✓	10000	✓
	Exp to Besmanick J. J.		1178.73	✓
		✓	3500	✓
	Ex			
	Cash to E Hackett 2000	✓		

February - November 1874

Payments made by Jas J Hill on a/c of
Hill & Robbins interest in (Bismarck)
Claims of Hackett Jackson & Crocker in 1874
1874

Feb	1	pd Jackson a/c to 25	✓	50 00
Apr	11	" " " 1 st Nat	✓	50 00
		Dft Sam Raymond & Allen	✓	30 53
May	22	Ret on a/c Jackson	✓	100 00
	20	Dft Chas & Bill		150 00
	30	Telegram		2 10
June	5	Dft Jas J. Jackson		50 00
July	14	Telegrams		1 50
	24	Cash to Jackson		50 00
Aug	19	Dft " do		50 00
	1	Telegram		8 95
	18	Dft E Hackett		100 00
	22	pd " Cash		30 00
Sept	3	Telegram		1 50
	24	Dft E Hackett to W. J. Cross		200 00
Oct	1	Telegrams (1111 to P. Hunter)		1 50
		Expenses to Bismarck & Co		35 00
	14	Dft Jas J. Jackson		50 00
	20	" do do		102 00
		Bill Groc to B & N for E. H.		30 95
Nov	2	Telegram		60
		Invoice Groc B & N		124 61
		" Strong H & C		70 52
		Amt to Gen Averill for Exp to Washington		50 00
				<u>\$1338 86</u>

Stess Bros Comforters 6.00 6 00, 1344 86
D.M. Robbins owes half of this = 672.43
J.J. Hill owes half of Robbins 40 158.10
amt due J.J. Hill Nov 10/74 \$514.33
Dated in full this 10th day of November 1874
Jas J. Hill D.M. Robbins



CLARK & BILL,

DEALERS IN

Dry Goods and General Merchandise,

Bismarck, D. T., Nov 10th 1874

Dear J. J.

Nothing new - white and
 Ragged Sued outfit. Left Saturday
 evening. Maister talks of leaving
 on East-train for the winter - so I hear.

Plum on my claim has sold
 out - so am already - will leave
 himself of. Only give him time

to write people quiet. One Collier
 tore up old white petition & "In some
 man says it to me but I knew very
 little about it. He leaves on East-
 train for St Paul - will furnish
 him money to go down and
 he can get outfitted in St Paul
 cheaper than he can here -

Look for him first of week
 Mail got in last night - about
 midnight - have not been distributed
 yet. Feed him in tonight Home yet

will dispose of it - as soon possible
Did not hear from you by last
mail. Write often and advise.
Adm. Francis if he has heard
from Georgia about dogs.

Your truly

Geo. J. Jackson

Mail opened and
no letter by this mail
Why don't you write
Get a letter from Taylor
He saw Swack who reported
Howard's matter settled &c
says he saw something in the
paper about it. Send me any
papers which contain anything
in relation to the matter

St Paul Nov. 13

1874

Received

from L Cook

Ten

DOLLARS

for Jas. J Hill on ac Note & Interest

\$ 10.00

Wm. Smith

Sept 18, 1874

C. W. Gage Esq
St Paul Minn)

Dear Chase.

Yours of the 16th with D.B.H.
enclosed for \$49.75. the amt of the Heaster note
is at hand. Please accept my thanks for the
favor. We poor devils here are thankful for so
small an amount, even. Nothing of importance
here since the late Scorp. We have now settled
down to business and making the best of it
and the business we have had this fall.

Those here are in usual health. My
Regards to your family.

Yours Truly
W.H. Becket



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