

1875 JAN. 16 - FEB. 2

FOLDER NO. 4-2

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

G. M. SEYMOUR.

D. M. SABIN.

J. H. SABIN.



OFFICE OF
SEYMOUR, SABIN & CO.
LUMBER & WOODENWARE
DOORS, SASH-BLINDS.

Stillwater, Minn. 7/16 1885

Mr. Will. G. G. Co.
St. Paul

Gentlemen: Send us our
Car Store Coal as soon as
possible. Inform us by
return mail when we may expect
it.

Yours, etc
Frederic Sabin & Co.

J. E. Swift
A. E. SWIFT, President.
J. E. BOOGIE, Vice President.

W. E. Hodges

Geo. F. Wright
GEORGE F. WRIGHT, Secretary.
GEORGE WEARE, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF

Sioux City Gas Light Company,

Sioux City, Iowa, *Jan 18 1875*

Wm. Hill, Briggs & Co.
St. Paul, Minn.
Cents.

It telegraphed
you yesterday to ship us 1 Car of coal
at once, & today recd. your reply that you
would start us a car tomorrow at \$10.50
A steep price, but suppose we must stand
it. Our coal was locked up in Ill. On
R.R. & we were running ^{short} as the St. Paul
R.R. had kept open so well. True for
thought we would try it.

We have advices today that our coal will
be here tonight - I will remit as soon
as we receive the coal & your bill -

Yours Truly
Geo. F. Wright

1875-

Star Prairie Fort
Hill Grezgs & Co

You will find
enclosed fifteen Dollars for
you I have been cramped
for money or I should
have sent it sooner I
would like to have you send
me a ton & a half of coal
if you will & I will try
& get a sound with the
money in thirty days
this time yours truly

W. L. Stowell

United States
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To Will Gregg Esq
St Paul
Minn



[JAN. 19, 1875?]

What will you
deliver us on track
at your place ~~near~~
head of Blossburg
Coal for, in cash,

Yours &c
J. A. Presley
Mantato
Winn

Knox city Jan 2^d 1895
Mr. Hill & Grigg Dear Sir
I have at least three
hundred cords of wood
half maple & oak
that is 150 maple & 150
oak if you want this
wood write to me at
same as possible and
let me know what
you will pay a cord
the wood is here at
the station and if you
want it you better send
a man up to see it

yours truly

T. F. Flynn

G. S. IVES,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.

St. Peter, Minn., Jan 25 1875-

Messrs Hill Griggs & Co
Cullman

Enclosed find draft for \$115.⁰⁰
Less Chgt & Exchange. in full of
Bill of Exchange on A G Miller & Co.
I deemed it the safest
plan to get money without
suit - if possible by close
and persistent attention
I succeeded.

My charges are \$10.⁰⁰

Respectfully
G S Ives

OFFICE OF
Hill, Briggs & Company.

NO 62 EAST THIRD ST

St. Paul, Minn Jan 7 1875

Wm Jamesley
Hudson

Dear Sir -

Did you
receive invoice and copy
of A/B of car coal for
18th 1872

When may we reason-
ably look for vouchers for this
car and the balance up to 1st
of Jan? - Please reply
and oblige.

Yours truly
Hill Briggs & Co
H. G. Co.

Will look this up
when I have time. That will
be say next week
W James

SPECIAL AGENTS
FOR THE
CELEBRATED
Canton
SHAFT COAL

Prices subject to fluctuation
of Markets if not accept-
ed by return Mail.

R. G. BROCK,
Cedar Rapids,
Iowa.

OFFICE OF

A. L. WILLIAMS,
of Canton Coal Mines,
Canton, Ill.

R. G. BROCK & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

COAL and WOOD

CORNER LINN AND WASHINGTON STREETS

Lehigh, Lacawanna, Pittsburgh, Blossburgh, Soft Coal, Charcoal and Coke. Smithing Coals
a specialty All kinds of Wood constantly on hand.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

Jan 22nd 1885

Wm. Hill Liggins & Co
St Paul Minn

Gents.

We should be pleased to ship you
some of our Canton Shaft Coal
this season. We can put it at
Six. $\frac{25}{100}$ per ton. \$6. $\frac{25}{100}$ at St Paul
Should like to have ^{you} try one box
at least of Canton Shaft Coal for trial
we will put it at \$6.00 per ton at St Paul

Yours. Respectly

R. G. Brock & Co

Jan 22^a
Junkin & Co 1875-
Mess Hills Judges & Co

your
favor of the 14th at hand
contents noted while I
think you ought to make
an allowance on the canal
on account of quality
I will say this your
claim is 1000, and if you
say so I will remit you
\$94.00 and call it square
that is just about the
shortage not counting
the loss on the dirty ore
in which mine is at least
a 100 lbs to the ton as
we have screened some
of it - I wish to call
Mr Hills attention to the
fact that Mr Merchant
showed him my claim

for Hartung and he
agreed to allow it.
Which fact I can prove
by you & Mr Hunt
presenting your
answer I am

Respectfully
yours

W. H. Sherburne

75
Winnipeg Jan 23

Will Figg & Co
Gentlemen

Am in receipt of invoice of
marks and must thank you
very much for your prompt
attention to same. Mr Young
will settle same in February on
his way to Canada —
Times are slow & money is
very scarce — but not more
so than I expected

Yours Truly

David Young
for John H. Young

West Wisconsin Railway.

WM. G. SWAN,
Gen'l Sup't.

Gen'l Superintendent's Office,

Hudson, Wis., *23^d Jan* 1875

*Miss Will, Briggs & Co.
St Paul*

Friends:

*Am sorry to say
that the carload of Bloomsburg Coal
sent us by you has been carefully tried
and found to be worthless -*

*Our Master Blacksmith reports
that he can do nothing whatever with
it -*

*I have accordingly told Mr
Mead to return it to you billed
for -*

*Perhaps you can account
for this,*

Yours truly

W. G. Swan

[Blank No. 1]

The Northwestern Telegraph Company.

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C. H. HASKING, Gen'l Sup't.
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Z. G. SIMMONS, Pres't,
H. B. HOSKINS, Sec'y.

KENOSHA, WIS

Dated *Milwaukee Wis 13th* 187*6*

Received at *St Paul Jan 23*

To *Will Gripp Co*

*Will give you egg and
Blossburg have no nut*

R P Elmore Co

9 Rd 100

Bankton's St. Paul 25th/5
Map Hill Grays & Co
St. Paul Minn

Sents. What is
Schiff's Stone size coal worth?
The last we had was not good
quality and some of our customers
are quite dissatisfied

Very Respy Yours
Sylvester & Falyer

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OFFICE OF

Sioux City Gas Light Company,

Sioux City, Iowa,

Jan 25 1875

Wm. Hill Giggas & Co.
St. Paul, Minn.

Cruts.

Enclosed please find \$119.80 in payment for Car Coal as per invoice of 18th inst. The coal did not reach here until 9 P.M. 23. Now is that for quick?

Amos Ruby
Geo. Weare Pres.
Please sign & return enclosed Voucher.

OFFICE OF
E. C. LONG,
Merchant and Real Estate Agent,
NORTH BRANCH STATION, L. S. & M. R. R.,

Minnesota, *July 25th* 187*5*

Wheeler Briggs & Co
Saint Paul

I have on hand

say 100 cords dry H^e Maple

100 " " Oak

500 " " Iron Tannurack

all kinds and goods

*What offer will you make for
the lot or any part of it delivered on
the car or piled by the track — Reg
ford is 12.00 per car*

Yours

E. C. Long

*The tannurack is piled in a body about
one mile above the station*

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To Mess Will Briggs & Co
St Paul
Minnesota

Worthington Jan'y 26 1875

Gents -

What is best nut, stove &
Blacksmith Coal worth by
the car load

yours Truly

J. H. Sales

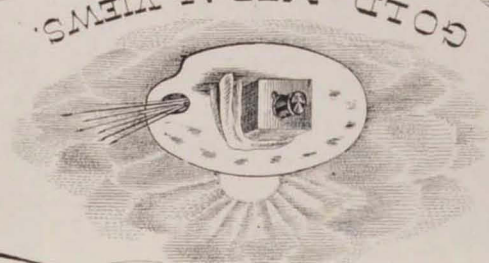
I have not conducted a disposal of
 your supplies & thought it best
 to let my know
 that I was compelled to order clothes
 being almost entirely out of use
 before we any thing but poor
 not like the word, besides the man
 was not prepared to pay the cost
 was without precedent and that
 word unless he had his pay as the
 he has never and refused to leave the
 word, only the morning from leaving camp
 for that she asked from for a card of apology
 absence of her husband trick me to return
 the C.O. of immense in the
San Francisco

The San Francisco
 and Chicago
 Mr. David May 27 1875

Office of

C. A. Zimmerman

GOLD MEDAL VIEWS.



PORTRAITS.

WATERCOLOR

OLAND

CRAYONS.

INDIA INKS.

PORCELAINE

\$74.50

St Paul, June 24 1875 No.

Sixty days after date I promise to pay to

the order of Miss Mary A. Leavitt

Twenty four & 50/100

Dollars

at Bank of St Paul

Value received

No.

M. C. Tuttle

Due July 24/75



All Official Letters to this Office must be addressed to the "Second Auditor of the Treasury," and in replying to Letters from this Office the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

C.W.F.

Treasury Department,

Second Auditor's Office,

January 27th, 1875.

Gentlemen

Your account of \$34³⁵/₁₀₀ for
Coal and barrels furnished for Sisseton
Indian Agency in Sep 1874, together with
freight on same, has been allowed —
A Report of the settlement has been
sent to Interior Dept. for a Requisition
on the Treasury in your favor, so soon
as the Requisition is issued, a draft
for the amount will be sent to you —

Respectfully,

E. B. French,

Auditor.

By A.H.M.

Wells

Will, Griggs & Co

St Paul

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a specialty. All kinds of Wood constantly on hand.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

Jan'y 28th 1875

Messrs Hill, Shagg & Co
St Paul Minn

Gents.

Yours of the 26th inst at hand & contents
Noted. & utterly impossible for
us to sell our coal at \$5 per ton
at St Paul. You are mistaken
about having our same grade of coal
in your market not by \$1.50 per ton
and if you sold Canton Shaft coal
once you would become convinced of
the fact. Should like to have you
try a car some time.

Yours truly
R. G. Brock & Co

Farmington Meinn.
Jan 29th 1875
Messrs. Heill Cuggs & Co.
Gent.

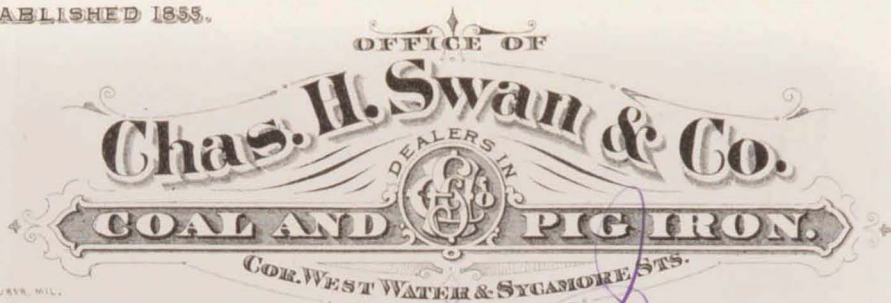
Enclosed find P. O. Money
Order for amount of our
Coal Bill of Jan. 26th /75

Yours Respectly

Needham Bros.

Coal Rec'd

ESTABLISHED 1855.



Milwaukee, Aug 30th 1875

Kal. Gigg & Co
St Paul Minn

Gentle Yours

rec^d. The Coal is all new
Coal; some me rec^d. during the
last season looking in the condition
you mention. other cargo - new
Bright Coal. You will be satis-
fied with the balance.

Yours
Chas. H. Swan & Co

West Wisconsin Railway.

Earning St Paul Station, February 1875

Received From Total

Wm R R 250 35 197 11 427 46

P. R. R. 527 365 892

A. P. & P. 105 36 9274 19810
360 98 273 50 635 48

W. H. L. 123 05
Garage 40 05
Team 28 25
191 35
826 83

West Wisconsin Railway.

Station, 187

St Paul & P. C. February 1875-

*Forwarded 451450 pds made on
9 cars loaded @ 25
3 Redden
2 bushels
1 box
3 compliments*

9244

*Received 251000 pds made on
235 lbs flour
#2018⁵⁰ collection 2 1/2%*

10586

\$19810

OFFICE OF
★ **KNAPP, STOUT & CO.,**

MERCHANTS AND LUMBERMEN.

Menomonie, Wis.,

July 1st 1875

Myf Hico Gigg & Co
Gentlemen

We want $\frac{1}{2}$ Car
Lump. Lehigh Coal & $\frac{1}{2}$ Car
Pig Iron Please give us your
lowest figures on the Coal also
on Scotch & American Pig Iron
If you do not deal in the iron have
some other parties quote me
would like to make a Car Load
of the Coal & Iron together
Yours &c Knapp, Stout &c

Wm. H. Gigg
Give us quotations on track
at Menomonie

OFFICE OF
D. W. JONES,

DEALER IN

Anthracite and Bituminous Coal,

WITH GALE & CO.,

CORNER NICOLLET AND WASHINGTON AVENUES,

Minneapolis, Feb 1st - 1875-

Mrs Nell Briggs & Co
St. Paul

Dear Sir -

I rec^d a notice from the St. Paul Coal Co that the board decided to put coal up 50 cts per ton I just called upon Harrison and he informs me that they will not put up coal in this city and that they have nothing to do with the board. I was invited to attend your meeting and understood that I was a member or I should not have put in an appearance. I now request the board to straighten this matter out and make the prices the same in both cities. I don't care what the price is but make it the same in both places. You can do it if you are disposed to and it is high time that Samuel & Harrison were learned that prices cannot be different in these two

two cities whose limits almost touch
I hope you will see that justice is
done and at once

With regards

D. W. Jones

P.S.
I have dropped a line
to the S. P. Coal Co

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To Will Briggs & Co
St Paul

Minn

Faribault - Feb 2 and 3 -
Will Remit - next week
Without fail

Yours &c

W. F. Bacon

Mankato, Minn., Feb 2 1875.

Mrs. Will Griggs & Co
Lents

Please inform me by
return mail the prices of
your coal (nut size screened)
per ton

Respectfully Yours &c
J. J. Schaubert

Bankton DT Feb. 2 1875
Messrs Hill Gugg & Co
St Paul Minn
Gents

Enclosed

please find dft for \$100.
which place to ^{our} ~~my~~ credit

Respy Yours
Sylvester & Folger



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