

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

GATES A. JOHNSON,
DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF
COAL AND WOOD.

Saint Paul, January 4th 1875

Hill & Acker

Dr Sir

When you have more wood
or Coal to deliver than you can do with
your own teams I wish that you would
let me put in my teams to do it for you
I do not have hauling enough of my own to keep
my teams at work all the time. If you will
tell Casey & your wood yard man to notify me
when they want teams you will oblige

Respectfully yours
Gates A. Johnson

OFFICE OF THE
FARMERS' UNION,

—PUBLISHED BY—

ABERNETHY & NEWTON,

H. E. NEWTON, Manager.

Minneapolis, Minn., *Jan'y 4.* 1876

Mrs. Hill & Acker

St. Paul, Minn.

Gentlemen—

Yours of Dec. 29.
received. I have not forgotten the amount that
is due you ~~for~~ by any means. If it is possible
for me to let you have the money this month
I shall do it. You have waited a long time
and you are well among the first that I
shall settle. Am getting myself in a way to be
able to pay what I ~~ow~~ owe. Will see you when
I go down.

Very Truly Yours

H. E. Newton

Jan 4th 1875 [sic 1876] [P]
Myr. Hill & Co.

I have shipped
to you to-day 161 $\frac{3}{4}$ ^{bu} Butte.
It all cost 25^c per ^{bu} except 35 ^{bu} ^{of}
Packed in one corner of the Box with
a paper between that and the 25th Butte
it was all taken in in trade.
Fred says he will send you a
trial balance up to Jan 1 in
3 or 4 days. He says he will then
explain to you why he has not sent
one before. Trade has dropped off
some since Christmas. I am not
buying much wheat now. It does
not come in. They say it is too
low price. Will keep it till it
brings a better price. I have offered
78 for No 2 and 85 for No 1. I
ordered some common Sult. Have you
sent it? Word is being got out
Pretty lively. Yours Respectfully
J. H. [unclear]

Illano Jan 4/78

Hill and Acra

~~Yent~~

Please send \$400.
more I believe that
will complete 1st
Measurement I will
report as soon as possible

Yours
William

Abstract Clerk's Office

RAMSEY COUNTY.

St. Paul Minn. Jan 5 1876.
Messrs. Hill & Becker.
St. Paul.

Gentlemen:

The bearer Mr. Clement Vandale has a good team for which he would like to get work. He has a very large family to support and if you need a team you will confer a favor both on him and to employ him -

Yours Truly
J. E. Davies

Office of Geo. W. Flander

DEALER IN

General Merchandise, Baled Hay,
PRODUCE, GAME &c.

HARRIS STATION, MINN. *Jan 5 1876*

My friend Acker
St Paul

Dear Sir
Your Chk for \$1500
this day at hand except
my thanks for same
the price is low & especially
the car that went to London
You told me that I would
be safe in buying a large
quantity of this wood at 190
On Car & I have bought
Two Hundred boards at
one seventy five 175

Yours Respectfully
G. W. Flander

St. Paul, Minn. June 5th 1875

Capt G. Munter

Bismarck

Dakota

Enclosed you will
find three soldiers additional Homesteads
to be located as follows

80 acres John W. O. Neal on S $\frac{1}{2}$ of S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. 32. T. 139

O Neal John W. S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. 32 T. 139 R. 80

John R. Anderson S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. 32 T. 139 R. 80

Elijah McKinnis S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. 32 T. 139 R. 80

Martin A. Morris S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ S. 32 T. 139 R. 80



PAUL SEEGER.

Dealer in

General Merchandise,

FARM MACHINERY &c.

Mountain Lake, Minn.,

Jan 6th 1876.

Wm Hill Acker & Co

St Paul

Sents

What can you furnish me
with 10 tons of Blaksmith
Coal loader in Bulk at St Paul
I want to retail it up here -
also what will the same coal
cost me in bbls say 10 to 15
bbls lots.

Hoping to hear from you
by return of mail

Yours Truly

Paul Seeger.

250
MB
SP

L. Hixson.

Office Of

W. B. Fisher.

Hixson & Fisher,

DEALERS IN

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Mouldings, Paints,
Building Paper & Felts, Coal, Lime, Cement, Stucco, &c.

Cherokee, Iowa

1876

Miss Nell Tucker

St Paul Minn

Sents. We will

be at our late during this month.
Money is very close just now
If this is not satisfactory please
let us know we can raise it
if it is absolutely necessary.

Respectfully

W. B. Fisher

Wilmington St Jan 6 1876

Messrs Hill & Co

St Paul Minn

Gents

Inclos^d \$146.35 one hundred forty six and 35 Cents
for which we think balances our a/c on coal
you have the amount of coal
and we will send the freight list or
the bills if you want them

We have been a little slow but you
will please excuse us as the weather
has been warm and we have not
sold much of our coal and money ^{not} plenty
we can not order any more coal until
we see how the weather goes

but will send an order to you when
we need more coal

if we have made any mistake on the a/c
please let us know at once

in haste to be
from you often

Yours Respectfully
Sylvester and Hobbs

St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Co.

Miss Hill & Sister
Brookline

Lyons

I have with

Enclose an order on Paymaster - or
J. H. Randall for Thirteen dollars -
bal of My Coal Together with the
two Tons bought for Mr Todd -

The first time I am down will
call & if I am good any more
I will pay it -

Respectfully Yours

R. L. Grayson

$$\begin{array}{r} 60.00 \\ \cdot 42.00 \\ \hline 15.00 \\ 3.00 \\ \hline 18.00 \end{array}$$

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STANFORD, N. H.

LAW OFFICE
NEWELL & BRILL,
10 E. 3rd Street.

HASSEL, R. BRILL

St. Paul, Minn.

Jan 7 '76

Mr. Will & Alice
Please find
enclosed check for
\$3.00 on a/c 100
M & Church
Wm H. Brill

Office of

JOHN A. ARMSTRONG

DEALER IN

Wood and Coal,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Jan'y 7 1876

Messrs Heill & Acker
St Paul Minn

Gentlemen I should have
said in previous letter of this date
that Cars 305 & 369 (Wood)
were received here Jan'y 1st and
will appear on Jan'y report &
will explain the discrepancy of
the two cars short.

The two cars to the
elevator Nos 241 & 189 delivered
Dec 21st I understand you have
charged on your books, so I
have done nothing with them.

Yours
J. A. Armstrong

Corn & oats and pay 75¢ for
corn and 35¢ for oats. There
that have corn and oats want
to take them here unless I will give
50¢ for corn and 40¢ for oats.
I shall have to pay it or send to
Watertown for them.

Yours Truly
J. A. Pearl

Jan 7 1876

My dear Will & Anna

I ship to you
to-day 1200 fresh fish cost
4 1/2¢ per lb. I would like to
know if there is a ready sale
for fresh fish, and if anything
can be made on it if I pay 4¢
for them here. I hear that they
bring from 6 to 8¢ in Minneapolis
& St. Paul.

Mr. Sanders has got out 94 1/2
cords wood. It has been measured
and all paid for. Mr. Cook has
got out now about 60 cords.
I measured 46 3/4 cords for him last
Monday and gave him credit for
the same. He has got out since
then 15 cords. I measured up
16 1/2 cords for Frank Carman,
and placed the same to his credit.

Jan 7 1876

Supr Hill & Baker

I ship to you
to-day 125⁺ fresh fish cost
4⁺ for lb. I would like to
know if there is a ready sale
for fresh fish, and if anything
can be made on it if I pay 4⁺
for them here. I hope that they
bring from 6 to 8⁺ in Minneapolis
& St. Paul.

Mr Sanders has got out 94¹/₂
cords wood. It has been measured
and all paid for. Mr Cook has
got out now about 60 cords.
I measured 46³/₄ cords for him last
Monday and gave him credit for
the same. He has got out since
him 15 cords. I measured up
46³/₄ cords for Joseph Carman.
Gave him a Ch. Bond to his credit.

Bent-Barman has about
100 cords cut - but has not got
out over 20 or 30 cords. There is
going to Nanticoke for him to-morrow
but soon as he gets out 50 cords
I will measure it up for him
and place to his credit. Mr
Whitaker, Mr. Sloan, Mr. Parker
Mr. Arnold, Mr. Seifarth & Mr
Thuff are all getting out wood
although rather slow on account
of the poor sledding. They cannot
haul over 1/2 cord to a load. There
are some others getting out small
lots of wood. Frank Sherman, late
of Sanders and Bent-Barman intend
to get out 4 or 5 hundred cords.
Bent-Barman intends getting out
100 cords in more. Fred will
send the trial balance sheet of
next week or before. I believe
the cash is nearly 350 dollars. Since Nov
27th he will consume a large amount
of supplies from Springfield.

It must have a few more
Supplies.

1 Barrel R.O.C.

1 " Bay C sugar

1 " Coffee & sugar

1 Barrel fine cut Tobacco (Tobacco)

1 Caddy of Large Plug navy
Tobacco such as you sent last.

1 Barrel Port Wine Molasses

1 Gal Alcohol

1 " Gum arabic

Salt & Soap

10 " Sulphur

14 Barrels apples if you think
they will come without freezing. They
will not freeze coming in this
way if they take care of them
at the Depot.

Since writing the above have had a
green shole come in. I will ship it
with the fish. There is no com-
a cat, come in to speak of. I had to
send to Winton a day or two ago for

Corn & oats, and pay 85¢ for
corn and 35¢ for oats. Those
that have corn and oats want
for them here unless I will give
50¢ for corn and 15¢ for oats.
I shall have to pay it or send to
Winterton for them.

Yours Truly
J. A. Pearl

A. H. WOODRUFF, Brazil, Ind.

A. J. TRUNKY, Chicago, Ill.

J. H. TRUNKY, Chicago, Ill.

OFFICE OF
Woodruff & Trunkay Bros.

COAL DEALERS, /

N. W. CORNER CARROLL AVENUE & ANN STREET.
570 W. INDIANA STREET.

Chicago, Jan'y 8 1876

Will Vickers.
St-Paul Minn.
Customers

We are making
a speciality of Ind Black Coal.
It is a coal similar in appearance
and quality to Lewis coal or the coal
mined at Youngstown Ohio and
can be sold at much less price.
Would be pleased to ship you
few cars as sample. I shall
be glad to fill your orders for
any kind of coal that your
trade requires.

Yours Truly,

Woodruff & Trunkay Bros

Jan 5 1876

My dear Will & Susan

Please find
enclosed the final Balance to
Jan 1st 1876.

Had days he cannot make the final
Bal come all right. But has no duplicate
and will hunt up the Error. But says
he will send it to you as it is. The
reason he did not send one last month
was because he could not make it Bal
to within about 10 dollars and continued
to hunt it up whenever he had any
Leisure time till it was near the
middle of the month and then thought
he would let it go till the first of
Jan and then make it from the
beginning. But has not got it so
near to Bal as before. I will
have him hunt up the Error if
possible for him to do so.

There has been several credits of
wood since the first of Jan
that will change the face of many
of the large accounts that you will
notice on the Trial Bal.

Cook has credit for 46 3/4 cords of
wood since the 1st of Jan and now
has out 20 or 30 cords more to credit
up and he has orders to be for Hay
to Brown \$6.⁰⁰ and \$1 1/2 Beef and
a Green Hide and will probably
have Cr of \$5 dollars from Bent-Carman
as soon as he (Carman) has his
wood in shape to measure. I should
think Bent-Carman had cut some
30 cords and is getting it out quite
fast-considering the Stedding. I shall
measure his wood as soon as he gets
out about 50 cords and credit him
up with it. Frank Carman has
a credit for nearly 100 dollars in wood
since Jan 1st Arnold has 3 times
as much wood on the Bank as he owes.

Algodon has been paid up for all
his wood (Belle View and given) to the
first of Jan and accounts Hallowell.
He has Banked more since and I go
to measure it to-morrow and lie up
to him. El Purchaud two stacks of
hay of J. A. Johnson's to day which
were nearly all his own. He gets no
more credit here. Mr. Rowe is to
have the hay the same as I give.
Mr. Huffer has more wood in the
Bank than he ever, and so has Mr.
Thunderberg. also Mr. Shaw and
Parker. Mr. Whitaker has about
30 cords Banked not far from
the State and is still Banking. He
does not buy much and pays cash
for it, and he will soon want cash
for his wood. The Big Maple is
nearly all sent to Weymouth. The
dry wood has been all since for
there would be more wood cut and Banked
if we had more snow. Some say they would

put in more men. If the thought
we would have plenty of men
for saddling. The trade outside of
these cutting wood is very dull.
Since the Holy days, about the
only goods needed now is a few
groceries to keep the choppers supplied.
I would like to see Mr. Hill & Mr.
Ocker here as I could tell you how
all matters stand better than I can
write it. I am making no back
debts that I know of all is being
fast paid up now in wood or
supplies for these getting wood.
I shall be entirely out of sugar in less
than a week and possibly in three days
more and also navy & fine cut Tobacco
and Quince apples. We commence to
haul wheat to Minneapolis City next to
Mormon. The Bush will go to-morrow.
We shall not make so much on the wheat
as we should have done if we could have sold
before the fall, although we shall make from
10 to 15 cents from the wheat. J. H. B. 2nd

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

St. Paul & Sioux City

AND

Sioux City & St. Paul Railroads.

St. Paul, Land 1876

Harwick,

Sir,

Please find back your
book kept to send me a
statement of all for month of
Dec, and also to send one from
month before.

Wm Lincoln

Supr

Detroit Michigan
Jany 10th 1876
J. Hill Exp.
Saint Paul Minn.
Friend J.

I got
here early this AM. I have
been very run since - &
I think it will pay to remain
here a day or two longer.

I think this is the right
point - & this is the ring.
to strike to effect - what
we want - & a big one it
is too - I don't think any
of the Minnesota parties
are in it or the NKKK
either - though I can't tell
yet. Ed. Gaylord of

Ed. Minneapolis is a
brother of the Solicitor
of the Grain. Ed.
is in the employ of
the Minneapolis & St. Louis
R.R. Asst. Supt. I think
find out how he stands
if you can & if he is
interested in the L.S.T.P.S.
I think not however H. Gaylord
^{Secretary of the Pullman Co.}
is free from all rings outside
of the State of Michigan.
I will write you again
what success I meet
with him - I mean to see
you can get the lay of
the land from Ed. G. if
you see him.

Yours in haste
Jack

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. H. [Signature]

Druck Jan 10/75

Wep Hill & Lickin

Samuel Cain took
for the first time S+P+R+R+B

JC Monison

Shops 11th Jan/76

A. W. BINGHAM
DEALER IN
Lumber, Lime and Coal.

NEW ULM, MINN. Jan 11th 1876

Wm H. Hill & Assoc
Gentlemen

Enclosed
find Expense bill of the
Car of Coal you shipped me
Dec 31st. There is an overcharge
of \$6.00 to Kocota.

I think you charged me
25¢ per ton too much

What do you think about
it?

Yours Respectfully
A. W. Bingham

Jan 10th 1836

Wm. & Achey

Dear Mr. Powell
me to tell you to let John Sullivan
take have a cord of wood and send
the bill here and have charged ~~him~~
so that he can settle for it here.
I think I am not mistaken in
the name, any way I will send it
to a man that used to work
for you. These two Best over-
coats that you sent here does not
sell. The are too high priced for
this trade. The two cat-skins
20 dollars. Would it not be
better to have them changed
for pants or other clothing that
would sell. The Ladies cloth
Suits that you sent here were
not near as good quality as I
had before and cost within 5⁰ more
or much. When I see I get into

The Best Shoes, and these you
sent were shoddy and the difference
is noticed at once by the customers,
and some were thought - shoddy, because
they were not as good as their neighbor
has got of me before. The Best
Shoes were not as good as the
on a day. I showed the difference
to Mr. Armstrong when he was
here. He could readily see
it himself. However I think
I can get rid of them.

Yours Respectfully
J. H. Baker

Duluth Jan 14/16

Mr J A Armstrong }
Minneapolis } Dear Sir

Your favor
of the 10th to hand. The last order for Lumber
was for 10 cars of Stone and was shipped
as follows

Dec 24 - Car 328 -	21180	29 th - 514 -	21850
- 28 - - 605	22250	76 -	20980
594	21220	30 - 1154 -	21180
566	21920	50 -	21110
- 29	513	22040	31 - 590 - 21410

I am sorry to hear you are falling short
in weight and will do what I can to help
you out. I will speak to the yardmaster
here and state the circumstance and see
if it cannot be remedied.

Very Respectfully
A C Jones

L. Hixson.

Office Of

H. B. Fisher.

Hixson & Fisher,

DEALERS IN

**Lumber, Sash, Doors, Mouldings, Paints,
Building Paper & Felts, Coal, Lime, Cement, Stucco, &c.**

Cherokee, Iowa. Jan 12 1876

Miss Nellie Parker

St Paul Minn

Yours of the 8th is at hand. Have not felt
practically at this time about
wanting more boards. probably
shall but ^{not} until Spring. Most
of our customers laid in their
stock in the fall & will only need
a little if any to carry them through
We have about 30 tons on hand.
We shall give you the preference.
With thanks for the kind regards
we ever remain

Respectfully yours
Hixson & Fisher

Letter Acker

Please send to 6th
Munschaule - on the hill.

4 cords wood - 2
to each building.

L. M. Pinnylet
Jan. 12. 1877.

Will Practice in all the
State Courts,
AND
U.S. District Court.
PAY TAXES.
Investigate and Perfect Titles

Special attention given to
Collections. Loans Negotiated.

E. A. CAMPBELL, County Att'y Meeker Co. Minn.

N. C. MARTIN.

OFFICE OF
CAMPBELL & MARTIN,
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW.

Sitchfield, Minn., Jan 18 1875

Mr. E. A. C.
St Paul

Sent:
Enclosed please find \$ 6.70
Amt due you.
Please receipt and return
Yours Truly
A. C. Barnett
B. C.

George A. Lee

John A. Garret

Edward B. Mitchell

Trustees under an agree-

ment dated August 13th 1875 between
 the Utah Division of the St. Paul and
 Pacific Railroad Company, Messrs
 Robert W. Nelson, John A. Garret,
 King a Committee of certain bond-
 holders of said Corporation (Edwin
 B. Mitchell, Field W. Garret, Mitchell)

Respectfully
 Pursuant to article
 twenty fourth of the above mentioned
 agreement, we hereby give you notice
 of the ratification of said agreement
 by the majority of the bondholders
 holding the certificates of the above
 mentioned Committee in lieu of the
 bonds surrendered by them to said
 Committee (as required by the arti-
 cle of Association under which
 said Committee is organized) on the
 day of _____ subject to a
 certain modification which has
 been received. The amount of all
 the other parties to said agreement,
 & also of the deposit on the 15th day
 of December 1875 in the Association

Cassa in Amsterdam pursuant to
Article Eighth of said Agreement, of
a majority in amount of the bonds
and past due Coupons of the above
mentioned Railroad Company, of
the One Million, two hundred thou-
sand Dollars & Two Million, eight
hundred thousand Dollars Branch
Line issues, and of the Three mil-
lion Dollars, and Six Million Dollars
Main Line issues mentioned in said
Eighth article of said Agreement

Dated January 12th 1876

J. S. Kennedy
att'y in fact for
Committee of Bondholders

George S. Coe
John S. Barnes &
Edwin C. Litchfield

[1-R-76]

Trustees under an agreement dated August 13th 1875 between The First Division of the St Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, Messrs Cheever & Westgren & others constituting a Committee of certain bondholders of said Corporation and Edwin C Litchfield & E. Darwin Litchfield.

Gentlemen

Pursuant to Article Twenty fourth of the above mentioned agreement, we hereby give you notice of the ratification of said agreement by the majority of the bondholders holding the certificates of the above mentioned Committee in lieu of the bonds surrendered by them to said Committee (as required by the articles of Association under which said Committee is organized) on the day of Subject to a certain modification which has since received the assent of all the other parties to said agreement, & also of the deposit on the 15th day of December 1875 in the Association

Cassa in Amsterdam Pursuant to
Article Eighth of said Agreement,
of a majority in amount of the
Bonds and Past due Coupons of
the above mentioned Railroad
Company, of the One Million two
hundred thousand Dollars, and
Two Million eight hundred
thousand Dollars Branch Line
issues, and of the Three Million
Dollars ^{and} Six Million Dollars, ~~and~~
~~One Million Dollars~~ Main Line
issues, mentioned in said eighth
article of said agreement.

Dated January 12th 1876.

J. S. Kennedy
attys - fact for Committee
of Bondholders



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