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1876 MAY 1-9

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Iron and Brass Castings,
Millwork and Repairing,
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Twire Irons, etc., etc.

OFFICE OF

J. F. STEVENSON & CO.,

IRON AND BRASS

Founders and Machinists.

St. Cloud, Minn.,

May 2 1876

Prof Hill & Acker

Gentlemen

We Enclose check
for One Hundred & Eighteen & 75 Cents. being
amount of your bill for coal. Left 25 cts
per ton which you said you allowed for cash.

and now with regard to the coke,
of which we spoke to you at your office.

It was sent us Nov last. It is full of
third dirt. — the worst stuff we ever
had sent us. We think that you owe
us some relief in the matter. — as we
saw full 1/3 of the entire load. and being so fine
& full of dirt it weighed heavy. We ask your
attention to this.

Respectfully yours

J. F. Stevenson & Co

W. A. MCINTOSH, Pres.
T. AXWORTHY, Agt.
at Cleveland, O.

A. CARNEGIE, Vice Pres.
W. P. DEARMIT, Treas.

New York & Cleveland Gas Coal Co.
OF PITTSBURGH
MINERS & SHIPPERS OF
TOUCHINGMANT GAS COAL
BLOSSBURG COAL & COKE.

GENERAL OFFICE
384 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh.
BRANCH OFFICE
C & P. R. R. Coal Pier, Cleveland, O.

Sealed & Co. Cleveland, O.

Cleveland, O. May 1st 1876

Gen. J. Hill Esq
Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Sir

Yours of April
29th recd I am glad to learn
that you have been awarded the
St. Paul Gas Contract - I expect
to be at home all this week
and shall be pleased to meet
you here on your return -
Yours truly

Thos. Axworthy Esq.

\$ 150³⁰ 00



No.

³⁰
150 ³⁰ Buffalo N.Y. 2nd 1876.
On demand Pay to the
Order of C. M. Underhill
One hundred and fifty DOLLARS.
at With Exchange
Value received and charge to account of
J. Hill & Acker } Jas. J. Hill
St Paul Minn.

Buffalo May 2nd 1876

Dear George

I have spent the entire day in trying to see if there was no way out of paying circular for hard coal and at present I don't see any - However I am not done yet - Underhill feels friendly as can be but is just back from N.Y. and everybody has agreed to stand firm - Blake & Simpson & Dennis are out of the ring entirely and are willing to work on a small commission for Anth. Acetate

Tell Armstrong to keep a close watch for the Min. Cas. Coal. He is quite safe in making them an offer of \$8⁰⁰ delivered in their works - Tell Mr. Alex. Under and have him be sure and hold his rate to Westfall at \$2⁵⁰ per ton

I think June is the time to buy hard coal and I think I will not make an order for any now - Saunders will ship from Hadstrom under the arrangement proposed by E.S.H. at Chicago, and this will enable us to keep word going for the present and we will run no risk of decline
Tell Col ^{and Mr. Snyder} Gregory that we will be able to get Brin Hall

on Lake Erie
@ \$3²⁵ - Gas Coal at about \$3¹⁵ and
Mountain Bank at not over \$3⁴⁰ to
\$3⁵⁰ afloat at Duluth but that at
present nothing can be done in hard
Coal until about the 20th of May to
1st of June -

I have today settled with underhill
and got allowed an amount which
leaves a balance in our favor to apply on
purchase of Conditional order remaining
unsold of \$1841⁰⁰ You will have to
keep your books open until I return as
I want to get everything as near right as
possible - I will be back about Mon-
day night - the 8th inst

I have ordered Engine but not boiler
Batchelors proposition is all right -
The shaft should be 30 inches with ~~Steam~~
up on an even Reel - I will have the stuffing
box sent on by Express - The shaft will
be about 1³/₄ in and the wheel 32 inches in
diameter

Yours Jas J. Hill

S. H. SOULE.

B. F. SHAUBUT.



SOULE and SHAUBUT,

Dealers in

Dry Goods, Groceries, Hats, Caps, Boots & Shoes,

DRUGS,

HARDWARE, LUMBER and FARM MACHINERY.

MOUNTAIN LAKE, COTTONWOOD CO., MINN.,

May 2nd 1876

Wm Hill & Acker
St Paul Minn
Gentlemen

Enclosed
find our check on Manufacturers
or St Paul to balance
acct. Please acknowledge
account receipt & oblige
Very truly yours

Soule & Shamburg

MEMORANDUM

From Higgins & Young
to J. J. Hill Esq.May 2nd 76J. J. Hill Esq.
St. Paul

Dear Sir,

Yours April 18th recd.
 Have heard nothing from N. W. K.
 about statement, or amount either.
 There is not a copy of tariff
 to be had here as yet - but
 one in Swinford's office -
 We understand what it is
 pretty well, if you don't telegraph
 too often - Tariff went up today
 No 1 Special \$1.25 to \$1.40 - No 2 - to 1.40
 pr Brl - Don't give us too much
wire Business opens slow, but
 we think so much the better
 it will be steadier - Lyon and I
 got some Govt contracts a few
 days ago - We are doing a

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good trade with railroad men —
I telegraphed Pat Kelly to pay
McQuillan as I could not go
down to court —; but I to day
sued them here — and as they
have a large lot of tobacco here
it might have paid them better to
have let me alone —
Now the look of things on the
river — R.R. Co intend making
some money this season —
Would it pay to get in a large
stock of groceries early in the
fall?

With kindest regards to Mrs
Hill and the little ones

Yours very truly
David Young

P.S. Uncle John send his best regards

United States
Postal Card

WRITE THE ADDRESS ONLY ON THIS SIDE - THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER



To Hill & Acker
St Paul
Minn



150-3 in
Sent by mail

Send me 75 ft in length of $1\frac{3}{4}$ " wide hoop-
Iron (not band Iron) will want you to
send me two or three ship carpenters
as soon as my lumber gets here, look
for it to night, will you let me
know if you can send me the help
I want, can you send me the
nails, will want them in a day or two
will let you know as soon as lumber
gets here

J. Batchelder

Duluth May 4/76

Wes Hill & Co
S. Paul } Gents

The R.R. folks called for their cars today and I shipped you what Egg Store was loaded and the 5 Cars if not I sent to Mr. Saunders. We are getting along slowly at weighing coal. Yesterday it snowed all day and we have been working short handed. It will be Saturday sometime before we are through.

Very Respectfully
A. Jones

P.S. This shipment I will consider as being made this month and will not bring it in the statement for April

Office of

JOHN A. ARMSTRONG,

DEALER IN

Wood and Coal,

Minneapolis, Minn.,

May 4th 76

Messrs. Hill & Acker
St Paul

I am
in receipt of yours of the 3rd
exchange note against Lorentz
Kochl for \$100.00 at One Year
from May 10th 75. Ten % interest

Yours
J. A. Armstrong

OFFICE

Wilmington Steam Coal Company,

95 WEST TWELFTH STREET.

Chicago, May 4 1876

Messrs Hill & Ackers

St Paul Minn.

Gentlemen

Yours of 2^d covering
remittance of \$ 108.⁹⁰ is at hand,
for which please accept our thanks,

Yours respectfully,

G. W. Loring
Pres.

D. M. SABIN, President.

G. M. SEYMOUR, Vice President.

J. H. SABIN, Sec'y & Treas.

OFFICE OF

Seymour, Sabin & Co.

Stillwater, Minn. May 4th 1876.

Wm Hill & Co
St Paul.
Gents

We have just opened the
two ~~60~~ Amberine Oil you shipped
us Sept 22^d and we find one box
of very fair quality but the other is
absolutely worthless, and we cannot
use it. What shall we do with it?

Yours Respy
Seymour Sabin & Co
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United States
Postal Card

WRITE THE ADDRESS ONLY ON THIS SIDE - THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER



To Bill H. Acker
St. Paul

Minn.



don't send me any more
unless you know they are
good men can get poor
mechanics enough here.
Hill knows of one or two
good men up that way

J. Batchelder

OFFICE OF
FRAME & CANFIELD,
Successors to JAMES FRAME,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS IN HARD & SOFT
COAL

General Office, No. 116 MARKET STREET, Opposite Union Depot,

Burlington, Iowa, May 5th 1876

Messrs Hill Griggs & Co
St Paul Minn

Dear Sirs

What can you pay for good Illinois
Coal delivered on Barges at the wharfs in
St Paul. our Coal is far superior to any
you can get on the River at any point north
of this. Please state how much you would want
re re. Hoping to hear from you soon.

we are Resp^{ly} Yours

Frame & Canfield

Howard Lake May 5/76

Wesley Hill & Son

Gentlemen

I have found one hundred and some
cords of lumber on track
But before but not taken into the
invoice, and that is all that I have
succeeded in finding I have looked over
all the wood ^{careful} and have ^{been} to see all
parties that delivered no word that I
was uncertain about

Fallins settled his debt yesterday he paid me
twenty four dollars and thirty cts money
endorsed the Gurn draft for car stakes
twelve dollars and fifty cts, also endorsed
the John Permett draft to me ^{for twenty two dollars} making
total amt Paid me \$78.80

Today I paid Gutliik Gurn on
acct \$25.20 Paid him for four
cords more than reported but the
four cts was invoiced.

I expect to be down Monday
next and see you and make what
report I can, telegraphed you

short time ago to get me fast
Sating from Apr 30th 1876
have ^{just} heard from it.
Conductors are getting particular.
Please have me one sent if I
deserve it, soon.

Cullen has released Daniels and
I accepted an order today given
H. E. Jones today made Jones get
new order from Daniels for \$104.05
will explain all when I come
down

Yours Truly
W. H. March

1876
Mount City May 6th
Messrs Hill & Acker

I made a
draft on you in favor of
J. S. Johnson. Amount \$30⁰⁰
(thirty) May 6th 1876 No 63

Since Mr Acker went
away I bought 40 cords of
wood of Johnson. Paid him here
all but 30 dollars for which
I made the draft

Yours Truly
J. H. Pearl



R. G. BROCK,
Cedar Rapids,
Iowa.

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

OFFICE OF

R. G. BROCK & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

COAL AND WOOD,

COR. LINN AND WASHINGTON STS.

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

Cedar Rapids, Iowa. May 6th 1876

Messrs Hill & Acker
St Paul Minn

Dear Sir
Please send me the freight bills
for the 5 Cars of Coal shipped
from Canton to St Paul by Messrs
Williams & Son

Yours Respectly
A. L. Williams

4750
4750
4650
4650
4751
23551

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Mess Hill & Acker

S Paul } Guts

Duluth May 1/76

I have drawn on
you for \$1250⁰⁰ for through Savings Bank to
meet the expenses of April. We finished
weighing up the ^{Coal} Saturday evening and I have
made out a statement for April. The coal
overrun, it being in a wet and frozen condition.

Very Respectfully

A C Jones

HUMBIRD, ROGERS & CO.,

MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

Fine and Hardwood Lumber.

Clayton, Wis., May 8th 1876.

Will Acker

Gentlemen -

I will send you check in
a few days for amt of my Bill \$34⁵⁰

Yours truly
D. Humbird

Hudson May 9th 1876
Hill & Acker

Sir

I am sorry you
cannot furnish the Boot nails
I could had them from
Milwaukee by this time, I
will have to use cut spikes
they will be just as good
but I will have to heat
them to soften them, I can
get them here, if you can
find two good men send
them along Hill told me
of one or two good shipcarpenter
up that way somewhere

Yours Truly
Butcher

J. G. FREEMAN,

121 EAST THIRD ST.,

Carries in Stock,

Portable, Stationary & Threshing Engines,

FEED MILLS, CORN SHELLERS, BRASS GOODS, PIPE TOOLS, BELTING and SUPPLIES.

This in reply to yours of

St. Paul, Minn., May 9th 1876

Mr. J. Sanderson

Dear Sir

My Catalogue came in this at 10 and is now changing its plan since I have put two 8" x 12" Engines & Boilers & Perhaps 7" x 12" Engines

Now I suppose you give the price of two 7" & two 8" Engines with two three foot 4" black whalers and one Boiler (Horizontal) Large enough to supply both Engines. If you have not Boilers of 7" or 8" & 12" we can make the shorter stroke ones

give price of Engines separate from Boilers but with wheels also state in complete size what pumps are - They all the Engines each & do not make any Machinery

Respectfully yours

J. G. Freeman

When Can't you ship if ordered



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