

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1876 MAY 24-31

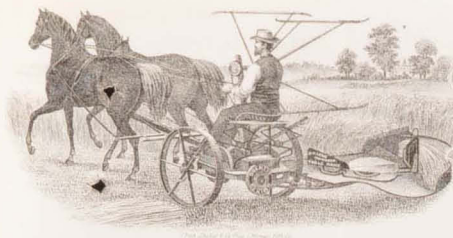
FOLDER NO.

5-18

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

CASH PAID FOR GRAIN, HIDES AND FURS.
CATTLE BOUGHT AND SOLD.



C. K. HOWARD,

AGENT FOR THE CELEBRATED

BUCKEYE REAPER MOWER
DEALER IN
GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Sions Falls, Dakota, May 24th 1876

Messrs. Hill & Acker
Saint Paul Minn.

Gentlemen
What can you sell me - Mountain
Bank Coal ok. also Nut Coal - delivered
on track at Sibley - We want several
Car loads -

Respectfully
C. K. Howard

My B, 5⁰⁰ balance
Ill 5⁰⁰ (H. Paul)



MOLD & WOLF,

DEALERS IN

General Merchandise, Baled Hay,

PRODUCE, WOOD, & C.

HARRIS, MINN., May 2nd 1876

Mrs Hill and acer
Saint Paul

Gentlemen

We have some Over
One Hundred cord of Green
Maple wood here at Harris
on Side track. Handy to load
at any time. the wood
is good quality. Our Price
is \$2.25 Per cord on Ground
We have Learned that you
are Dealing in wood
We think there is Surly Money
in it by Letting it Lay till
the fall or first Part of the winter
we would not try to sell now
but we need the funds just
now. You had best buy this wood
from us. We can Load the same to you
Yours truly Mold & Wolf

Wm. Hill & Co.
you pay our bill
on note.

There But very Little
wood on the Line of this
Road and a Piece of
Like Cured. That can be
Ship any time is surely
worth what we Offer it for

Howard Lake, May, 25/76

Wentzell and Acker

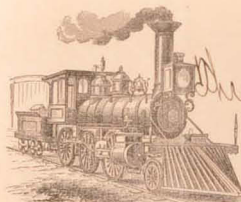
Gentlemen

Yours is at hand and
by your statement
there is 4 1/2 Cords of Maple
\$2.40 omitted, it was
measured two or about two
weeks before ^{the other} and was
in Cochran's field.

Please send me check
payable to my order for
the ~~to~~ balance due me
and please state who
drew the money on
the draft for \$50.00

Remain Yours Truly

Wm H. - 7750 Humboldt H. Prigge, ^{owner}
Range - 2622m T8on
W. H. 12.4 - 847



St. Paul, Minn. May 25 1876

When made without any other date I promise to pay to
the order of Myself
Five Hundred Fifty Five $57\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars,
Value received. With interest at the rate of _____ per cent. per annum until paid.

57
\$163 $\frac{1}{100}$

No.

Due

Gates A. Johnson

FOR SALE BY RAMSLEY & CUNNINGHAM



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



Hoide & Acker
City

[May 25, 1876]

At Pacific Deephol
Reaper & Mowers
Chgo. \$80.00

5/25

OFFICE OF
W. L. SCOTT & CO.

Wholesale Dealers in

Gas, Steam & Grate Coals.

Send all Telegrams via W. U. Line.

Eric. Pk. May 25 1876

Miss Hill & ~~Redd~~
Saint Paul, Minn.

Gentl:

We have your esteemed favor of 22^d
covering order for 500 to 1000 tons Gaughey.

We are advised today the cargo can
be all shipped in three days and we will
advise Capt Ward accordingly - It will prob-
ably be ready for shipment say middle of next
week.

Reports recd. from trial tests of Altoona
Blossg. generally give unqualified satisfaction.

Yours Respectly,
W. L. Scott & Co.

Minneapolis May 25, 1876
Messrs Hill & Acker

Dr Sirs

I did not
have time to call in again
so I wish you would send
me a check for the amount
of this order & oblige to Howard
Lake yours in haste

H. E. Jones

Duluth May 25/16
Wm H. Hall (reaper
St Paul) Gents

The Duluth
with seven other boats are here. The
Brier Hill coal and must all used up
between them. Think we can get a car
or two for you. The Brier Hill coal is ~~now~~
fine. Had some trouble with the men,
that is we did not get as many as we
wanted at the figures (\$2.00 a day). We
all are all right as we have 16 at
work. Seven boats at a time was too
much for them.

Very Respectfully
A. C. Jones

Half Hill & Acre "Gents"

Joseph Chavalier gave me an order
on you for one Hundred and some dollars
Mr W Marsh has four or five lots
of Good Measure for me - lately I
don't see Mr Marsh, you will be kind
enough to write me and state
how this Matter stands, by so doing
you will oblige yours Respectfully

Yours
Wright Co
May 26/76

J. H. Cullen

Duluth May 24/76

Wep Hillacker

S Paul

Gents

We thought when we started in we could give you a car of Brookfield but the partition between the coals was not suitable and so it is mixed, I think probably a half or not quite so much of Beaver. I made it a half in the report. The boat was going to take the Brookfield but I insisted that the coal was needed at S. Paul. We furnished having telegraphed yesterday morning for two cars. The Duluth Area & Sovereign have used about 75 tons of this coal. I shall not pay the freight on it or ~~or~~ pay anything until I know what are your wishes.

Very Respectfully
A.C. Jones

Duluth May 2/16
Mr Geo S Acker
St Paul / Dear Sir

I have
drawn on you through Savings Bank
for \$75⁰⁰ to pay later on Prop Duluth.
Mr Graves is not here and I did not
or rather could not do anything in
reference to Rust's cargo.

Very Respectfully
A C Jones

STONE'S DOCKS

Wm R. Stone & Co

COMMISSION MERCHANTS

Coal, Salt, Oil, Flour, Grain, Lumber, Cement, Manufacturing, Hair &c

Consignments solicited. Liberal advances made and a General Forwarding & Commission Business Transacted.

REFER TO: First National Bank, Duluth; Second National Bank, St Paul;
Second National Bank, Detroit; First National Bank, New York; Union National Bank, Chicago

Duluth, Minn. May 27th 1886

Messrs Hill & Acker

London

Your favor is at hand
and I have conferred with Jones in regard
to the damage on the coal &c - said to him
there was a deterioration of about ten per
cent on carrying coal over, besides the extra
charges due &c in several handlings
- He went up to see Col Graves and
found would not be there until next
Tuesday and as I expect to be about ten
days on the South Shore we will fix it
up on my return - If you have any further
news about the construction of damages
on this coal - write Jones fully in regard
to it, so it can be brought to bear upon him

I found that Col McKay had weighed
or damaged amt of coal taken from the Duluth
and had receipts for the same, which made
it fair even about 25 tons and I said
to Gordon we wanted the advantage and
was entitled to it and he turned the receipts

STONE'S DOCKS

[5-27-76]

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Duluth, Minn.

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Over to Jones - told I thought the price
would be of the two and we would pay
board 21^{cts} for discharging the 95 tons and
over - of course the barrels were not full
and in that comes the gain - I would
like to see Mr Hill here on my return and
it may help on that cargo of meat - will
let Mulp Stone has informed you in time
to be here - Have understanding with Gordon
for his Coal also Leopold & Guertman Line
at 4¹⁵ below B. or its equal - wrote Saunders
also Ben Johnson yesterday that we wanted
150 or 200 tons on this dock at once and
Mulp you or Saunders had arrangements to
load it at once, he had better order
the same from Macdonell B - we want coal
on dock for this dock - Hope it will be
ordered at once - In regard to Minneapolis
Gas Coal - I learnt just as I was leaving
that Saunders was about closing contracts
for that coal - I feel that we ought to have
that as stated to the board Mulp Armstrong

[5-27-76]

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Duluth, Minn.

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Could do better than any man in handling it - it makes very little difference to members of the Pool as to Profits, but in justice to all - certainly should be fairly divided and certainly equal to each for outlay - we have an opportunity now unequalled by any other local it to make money out of our agreements and I do not believe there is any member of the Pool, but what is anxious and determined to carry it out in good faith - and all of our transactions in this Coal business will be open to each one - I expect to sell considerable to the Mines, which will of course come under the agreement - as the Pool covers all Coal handled any where -

Yours truly

Wm R. Stone

Woods Hall,
27th May, 76.

Wm Hill & Acker,

Gentlemen,

Your patience
with me has been very great and
I have truly appreciated your silence
during all these months for I have
been utterly helpless to do any thing.
But I am happy to write that my
matter looks brighter. I have just
accepted the position of Preceptor
and Professor of State University -
My Salary there will be sure and
besides I have an opportunity of
extra work of supporting myself and
little folks outside my salary. As
soon as I can, I shall sell
my School building for removal
and rent ~~the~~ ^{the} main building and so I
expect on some happy day, not

for dirtout to be free owing
no one any thing. I enter upon
my new work in Sept. and I am
not sure of any money until that
time, but I assure you, that
from this time, my promise to
pay is good - If you will
rely on intent on the notes you hold
add to them my unsettled account
of \$45, and divide the amount
for three new notes, which shall
mature in five six and eight
months with intent to date of
maturity, included, and send
such notes to me for signature,
you may then put the notes
in Bank at your convenience
and rely upon me to take care
of them. You may not think
much of this arrangement, but
I would thus assure you, that
I am in earnest to pay as soon
as possible, and so make you

willing to wait a little longer -
I do not promise to do better,
though I shall rejoice to do so
if through any good fortune I see
the way. Thanking you again
for all past kindness, which
will not be forgotten by me and
my children, and hoping for
a favorable response, I am

Very truly,

Wm. M. J. Smith

A.W. HUBBARD, President

James H. & Co. Agents

T.J. STONE, Cashier

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

APPROVED DEPOSITORY OF UNITED STATES DISBURSING OFFICERS

Sioux City, Iowa May 28th 1876

Mrs. Hill & Becker

St Paul Minn

Gent- Have just sold
car Load of "Mountain
Bank Coal to go to
Sioux Falls- Please
ship to our address
Sioux Falls Iowa as soon
as possible & send
Bill to us here. Set
it and the freight
down as low as possible
as ~~well~~ we tell them
we are going to control
the soft coal trade
of that section with
this coal- Yours
Comings & Madgson

Hudson May 27th 1876

Hill & Hoker

Dear Sir

Your
Boat will be loaded
on to the Cars of the
W. H. R. Road tomorrow
do you want her shipped
to Lake Minnetonka
direct let me hear from
you by next mail

Yours Truly

J. Batchelder

JOHN F. WEARE,
Paints, Oils, Glass, Varnishes, Etc.

148 LAKE STREET.

Chicago, May 30th 1876

Miss Hill & Acker
Gents

Since I was at
La Paul we have sold 2 or 3
parties some of our "Oleine" oil
in large quantities some less
than the price we were asking
at that time and therefore as
I agreed at that time if any
reduction was made in price
I would give for the benefit
of it - I would quote you
now at 13⁷/₈ F. O. B. @ Parkers-
burg on Boat or Car in car-
load lots, which would be 16³/₄
F. O. B. here - or can deliver for
in small lots here at 16³/₄
Manhattan Signal oil here 73⁷/₈

Hoping to hear from
you very soon I am very truly
Yours

C. L. Weare
C. F. Co. Parkersburg

L. HIXSON.

W. H. FISHER.

OFFICE OF

Hixson & Fisher

DEALERS IN

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Mouldings,

Building Paper and Felts, Paints, Coal, Lime, Cement, Stucco, &c.

Cherokee, Iowa,

May 30 1876

Messrs Hill &acker

St Paul Minn

Sents Enclosed in
hand your acct \$232⁰⁰ to bal
over 40. Please accept thanks
for the long time allowed us
on deposit has been a favor to us
Please receipt us & oblige!

Respectfully

Hixson & Fisher

Chas. Ward, Pres.

John M. Nicol, Sec.

Wards Central and Pacific Lake Company,
Foot of First Street,

Detroit, Mich. May 30th 1876

Messrs. Hill & Oster
Gentlemen.

Upon receipt
of your telegram the other day
we telegraphed the parties who
were figuring on the Minneapolis
Gas Co's Coal that we could not
handle it for them.

We have had
advice from Scott & Co. Erie that
they had to get the Coal from
Pittsburg but thought it would be
ready by the middle of this week
I have not heard further from them.
We are now ready to take the Coal
regularly and would like two
cargoes the last of this week of
about 1000 tons each. Can you
furnish it then? Please write me
on receipt of this

Yours Truly
J. M. Nicol Secy

M. C. NELSON,

(Successor to H. W. VanSickel.)

—DEALER IN—

FARM MACHINERY,
COAL, FLOUR & GRAIN.

Sibley, Io., May 31st 1876.

Meigs Hill & Ticker

Gentlemen

For what Price can you
furnish me Blossburg Coal
by the car load or by the ton
Please let me know and Oblige

Yours Truly

M. C. Nelson

J. J. HILL.
G. S. ACKER.

RECEIVED
HILL & ACKER,
DEALERS IN

WOOD, COAL, AND LUBRICATING OILS,

No. 63 East Third Street.

Colby

Coal

3836

Guar

So soon as I get through
with a payment to your Bros
at Paul I will pay the bill
with interest. It has much
always to me. and will pay
the boys for all the coal
put there to

May 21
1876.

Duluth May 31/76
Mr Geo Sucker
St Paul

Dear Sir

I have
drawn on you for \$205⁰⁰ through Duluth
Savings Bank to settle up the month's account.
Have made out statements and enclosed
them to you. Also enclosed duplicate reports
for coal shipped H & A & Co during the
early part of the month previous to the
present method of doing the business. The
three cars of screenings for Mop H & A I
will not charge up ~~on~~ or make any account
of further than the copy I took as a
record. Anything you do not understand
or that is not satisfactory let me know.

Very Respectfully
A C Jones

Duluth May 3/76
Miss Hillacker
St Paul } Yours

Your favor of the 30th to hand. In reference to weighing, I suppose the coal for outside parties is to be weighed. I have received no instructions but I infer that was the object in purchasing scales. I know of no reason why you should not insure correct weights, if the coal at all times could be weighed in a dry state and the parties purchasing act honestly. The Fairbanks with a few tons of store and the schooner with the Blows are in view and have been for a couple of days, but at present they are ice bound. It is discouraging to look out on the Lake. The wind blows from the North East and as long as it continues in that direction, we can consider this port blockaded.

Very Respectfully
A. C. Jones

The screenings were loaded out.



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