

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1876 JUNE 9 - 17

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JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

OFFICE OF

The Anthracite Coal Association

221 Main Street.

C.M. UNDERHILL,
Genl. Salesman

Buffalo, Dec 9 1876

Hill & Scher

St. Paul Minn,

Gent.

I am ready
to receive your order for
Coal. We will meet com-
petition. Please say so to
Capt. Rhoades. Blossburg is
being worked up.

Samuel L. Smith
Hedstrom in full & it has been
submitted to Sayre. The matter
will not get out through me
as our Committee pledged
secrecy.

Yours truly
C.M. Underhill

1876
Mound City June 10
Nepes
Hill & Acken

I made a draft on you
in favor of Joseph Maertz
for \$11.75 No 64. Col-
right - date June 10th 1876

I gave the draft to
Wheat. Mr Maertz will
enclose it to some one that
he owes in St. Paul

J. H. Pease

J. O. Thorp, President.
G. J. Gilbert, Vice President. Eau Claire, Wis.
A. C. Kempf, Secretary.

Rich Schuchenberg, Treasurer. St. Louis, Mo.
K. C. Schuchenberg, Asst. Treas.

OFFICE OF
Eau Claire Lumber Company
SUCCESSORS TO CHAPMAN & THORP.
MERCHANTS & LUMBERMEN

Eau Claire, Wis. June 10 1876

Messrs Will & Acker
Chautauque

Please send us
1 Car. "Morris Run" Blossburg Coal
the last that we had was very dirty
Can you give us Cumberland Coal
at what price?

Truly Yours

Eau Claire Lumber Co

J. H. Callahan

475
150
\$625

600
In converted to
\$650

Intimate June 19, 76
Bill & John L. + +

Dear Sir-

Please find ad-
mitted for what is your
& you will excuse my keeping
you waiting so long. it would
not have happened only Lois
would not let Mrs. Connolly have
it & kept standing her off.
My regards to Harry &
the rest of the boys.

P.S. we are having things quite
here now as there is not much
freight coming except R.R. via
the new lot of 8,000 tons has
just commenced to come times are
hard in Winnipeg as I suppose you
know all the warehouses full &
parties cannot get money to pay chgs
Yours Truly
J. L. Connolly

North Hudson June 10th 1878

Hill & Acker

Dear Sirs

I dont know how it will
be about my coming up
to the lake A. H. Baldwin
has come and he says I
must stay here when
your Machinery comes let
me know and I will
try him again I want to
come am not making
any thing here but I
agreed to stay here this
Summer and if he holds

me so it there will be
no help for it but I
will try him hard to
let me off for a few days

Yours Truly

J. Batchelder

Batchelder

Duluth Jan 10/16

Miss Will & Coker

S. Paul) Gents

We weighed the
Car of Grate and I report you both weights.
You will see that the RR weight is 355^{lb}
more. All coal we weigh, we will let the
RRoad weigh also, report both weights and
but I will charge up the weight by the small
scale, that is the scale we weigh over. I
think the situation is more favorable here.
The Fairbank seemed to make some pro-
gress at dinner and the Quebec started
out this afternoon. I am in good hopes
the Bloss will be in Sunday. If the vessels
make any progress in going out, the one
with Bloss is ~~so~~ so near, she may get in
their wake and work herself in.

Very Respectfully

A. C. Jones

Business, Cigars, Etc.
Pullwater, Minn. June 12th 1876

James Hill esq.
Dear Sir

I understand
that Mr Thomas is trying
to arrange with you for a
position as Engineer upon
one of your Steam Boats
I can cheerfully recommend
him as a competent
engineer and I believe
him to be a man worthy
of confidence

Yours Truly
G McEgmont



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

Miss Hill & Acker
St Paul
Minn



We have this day shipped you _____ cars of Star Coal.

Car No.	Weight.	Car No.	Weight.
We offer you our best Wilmington			
until further notice for 300.			
per ton here.			
Send us your orders			

Cars not received within 3 days after date of this notice, please
report to this office at once. Unload promptly.

Chicago, Ill.,

C/S

WILMINGTON STAR COAL CO.,

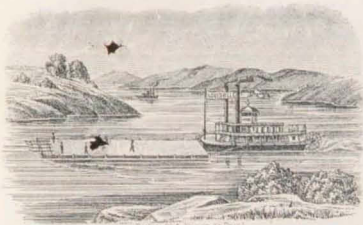
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95 West Twelfth Street.

E. H. Curant

R. J. Whaler

A. T. Jones



DURANT, WILKES & CO.
OFFICE IN
Staples Block
LOGS LUMBER BOUGHT & SOLD ON COMMISSION.
RAFTS DELIVERED AT ANY POINT ON THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Stillwater, Minn. June 12 1876

Messrs Hill & McKee
St Paul Minn

Mr J D A Thomas
Engineer was in my office this A.M.
and is very anxious to secure the —
situation he has spoken to you about.
he has been in town some length of
time & Judge is already has license
from Government inspectors as Engineer
received this spring. of course should
• would hardly I see service to allow
a Man to take charge of running a steam
boat unless they were satisfied in regard
to his ability & habits

Very Respectfully
E. H. Curant

over

Mr Thomas was engaged as Engineer
on the I B Louisville from Feb, # 74
to 15 Sept of same season

EMH

Wep Hill & Acker

S. Paul) Quits

Duluth June 12/76

I telegraphed

you of the arrival of the barge. The ~~Wep~~
Donaldson got in this morning about
half past ten. We are making fair progress
with both vessels. I ought to have got the
reports off by to night's mail but my time
was taken up to much on the docks.
The engine works to perfection. We made
an improvement in the clutch and the
engineer is enabled to throw it out of gear
when working three hatches with one hand
and the cost was only fifty cents. Will
you be kind enough to inform me how much
of the Youghy goes in car and whether
you have any more vessels on the road

Very Respectfully
A. E. Jones

15-00 St. Lawrence - borrowed from Mr. W. W. W. W. W.

Howard Lake, June 13
Messrs. Hall & Aiken, 1871

Dr. Sirs

Please send
me an order for the
amount in C. Meister
for the \$45⁰⁰/₁₀₀, also
for the 15⁰⁰/₁₀₀ said
to be paid to J. M. W. W.
I never told me in
any word & I do not
propose to look to
him for my wood
or money.

Henry Briggs
H. B.

Howard Lake

June 13, 1896

Messrs. Hill & Parker

\$15.46

Please Pay

To J. E. Jones in
order Fifteen Dollars
& forty six cents

What is a coming
to me for Wood
that Marsh measured
of mine that I
have not got
pay for, & oblige

A. J. Fay

Messrs. Hill & Parker

Please send me
a check for the
amt & oblige J. E. Jones

Dr. Cullen has his copy

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E. D. Comings.

OFFICE OF

W. C. Snodgrass.

Comings & Snodgrass,
Commission Merchants

Pearl and Second Sts.

Sioux City June 13 1876

Miss Will Tucker
St Paul Minn

Dear Sirs

Enclosed you have
 a receipt for car^{ts}, 366 Corn,
 which please sell and
 apply balance after paying
 freight to our ac^t & send
 statement of same -
 Mr Will is here & he says that
 you would attend to it,
 otherwise would not have
 troubled you with it

Yours &c
Comings & Snodgrass



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



To any local merchant
St Paul
Minn
Hill & Acker

Austin Minn June 14th 76
• shot bangor Turnish shot
• the next boat for by the
bar hood in mouth of St. Louis
Sealer I here full weight
and free from disease
all the well cleaned
lot. in a field no account

figure. My figures were 12 1/2 for hand coal 14 1/2 for soft and 17 1/2 when loaded in cars. The Maria Martin cargo is a gain of \$800 per car for freight and 17 1/2 for coal. We pay \$2.00 a day 25¢ an hour for unloading 17 1/2 & 17¢.

With best regards
 Care of Munroe
 Pittsfield, Conn.
 or wherever the
 vessel can embark
 tonight. Sometimes
 we will make a
 round trip for us in
 coal but the in-
 volvement is but I
 see no other way of
 arranging at the pre-
 sent time but the
 way we are doing
 now.

Respectfully
 Yours
 A. J. Jones
 June 14/16

I have drawn two drafts on you to day favor of the following parties.

One favor for Gordon Agt \$529.⁸⁶ as follows
 Freight 882 tons Blm. Schrs Maria Martin box 529.²⁰
 Exchange 66
 The other for Labor. \$118.⁰⁰
 Exchange .25 118.²⁵

I have credited you for the amounts less the exchange. This is a gain of \$26.²⁰ over contract price of last year.

357 tons in cars 20¢ 7140
 525 - on Dock 14 7350 14490

This is much better than I expected, for the vessel was one of the hardest to unload that I have had anything to do with since I came here and we were obliged to shove loaded cars around in a curve. I have not undertaken to make any contract, for we are sure to care about it only at an unreasonable

[June 15, 1876] [?]

Blank No. 1.

The Northwestern Telegraph Company.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blank of this Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

C. H. HASKINS, Gen'l Supt.,
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Z. G. SIMMONS, Pres't.,
H. B. HINSDALE, Sec'y.,
CHICAGO, ILL.

Dated *Memorandum* 1876

Received at *St. Paul* 1876

To *Hill & Acker*

Accept your proposition of
Six hundred 600 two two
Eighty 280 send your order
to Cleveland

Chas. H. Fisher

14 paid 62



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



Hill & Jackson
St Paul
Miss

* Roberto Jan'y 13th 1840



Will & Over

I have

some things the

fore some

could not get

re. & J Chase



Sioux City, Iowa, June 15th 1876
Messrs Hill & Acker
St. Paul Minn.

Dear Sirs

Enclosed find draft
for \$73.⁷⁵ in payment your bill
handed by Mr. Hill. Please send receipt

Respectfully Yours
H. D. Booge & Co.

GREEN BAY & MINNESOTA R. R. CO.

Merrillman Station, June 15, 1876

Dear Will & Mother
St Paul Minn

Yours truly

Since leaving St Paul
this A.M. I have rec'd the answer
to my telegram to our house,
which allows me to accept your
proposition of "100 tons @ \$2.80"
for our house, at Clear Lake
90 days paper."

I have forwarded your order
to our Northern Agt. J. C. McGeary
#2 Buckeye Blocks "Clear Lake, O."

We make this concession, to
induce you to try our Coal. feel-
ing assured its superior qualities
will secure your trade.

P.S. I also Very Truly Yours
telegram to you
from home. Chas. H. Fisher

Waverly June 15 1876
Messrs. Hilly & Becker
St Paul

Gentlemen

Yours of the 13th inst
has been rec'd & contents noted. I
cannot exp. for it how Mr. Marsh
can have \$6.00 against me as
in our settlement some time in
March the difference was about
\$6.00 his & I'll be between us and
then I had a cord of maple wood
which was to be estimated if I
am owing you any thing I am
willing to pay it but I want
to what I am paying for I
think Mr. Marsh will find to
be made as mistake in his act.

Yours truly J. B. Quinn

Wes Hill & Acker, Gents,

I Could Not Make any terms with Mr
Zuinn to your benefit in that Character order
for the reason that he is owing Mr,
You have not given me information
about the Wood that Mr Marsh measured
for me, spoken of in my last letter, Those parties
who delivered the Wood along the track
say that they will haul it away from
the track, if they can't get paid,
they are afraid that the Wood trainmen
will carry the Wood off and then
they never will get any pay, they want
me to give them \$50 on my check, if they
will haul it off, I don't know what
to give for the reason that
you have failed to inform me,
you will therefore please inform me what
disposition you will do about this matter
In the light Conflict for Wood last Winter
I looked for Hill & Acker or Marsh
Consequently cannot sell Miller any

Respectfully Yours,

Haverly,
June 16/76

J. H. Cullen

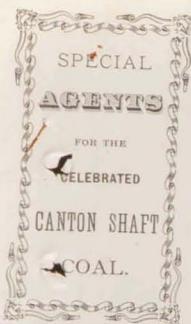
Duluth June 16/76

Wes. Hill & Co.

S. Paul) Gents.

I shipped the
car of Cummings & Judgins to your care at
S. Paul, although the order did not read
that way. You will notice the rail road weight
is 500^{lb} less. There was two tallies on the
car and they agreed, so there is not much
of a chance of an extra barrel going in. We
weighed two cars for Mr. Saunders yesterday
and the rail road weight was some 600^{lb} in
excess. It rained hard last night and
this may have bedded some and no doubt
would. Please give me instructions about
the Anna Smith's cargo, how much goes in
cars? It will assist in placing her
along the dock and I will know what
to do on her arrival.

Very Respectfully
A. C. Jones



R. G. BROCK, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
A. L. WILLIAMS, Canton, Ill.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

June 17th 1875

Mc Gill & Co.

To R. G. BROCK & CO., Dr.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

COAL AND WOOD,

LEHIGH, LACAWANNA, PITTSBURGH, BLOSSBURG SOFT COAL, CHARCOAL AND COKE.

Constantly on hand by the Car Load, Ton or Barrel.

Please pay your own Exchange.

Office Cor. Linn and Washington Sts.

Car 650 Mt 25-780

5 6448

Less Freight

5250 1195

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Buffalo June 17th 1876
Messrs Will & Acker
St Paul
Minn.
Gentle:

You may think I was
in little too much of a hurry in accepting
Coal from Erie before you had offered it. I
telegraphed as I did, so in case you had the
Coal you might figure positively on getting the
Verges at 60^c. - I had the Verges suggested
provided you could load them, but of course
would not close with them until you so instructed.
If you have any Coal at Buffalo, Erie, or Cleveland,
for Duluth at any time please advise me,
and give rate you will pay, and I will see
what I can do. - If I make any charters will
make Verges pay telegraphically, if not, am willing
to stand half of expense if you stand the other.
At present rate of freight to Chicago & Milwaukee
think could get Verges for Duluth at 60^c from

Ever or beloved and graciously so^d from
Buffalo, - I will, if you give wire, you where
I can get Venetian at these figures or lower.
Yours truly
W. D. Seymour

Eber Ward, Pres.

John M. Nicol, Secy

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

Detroit, Mich. June 1st 1876

Messrs Hill & Oyster
St Paul Minn
Stathman.

We are now
ready to take Coal and would wish
it to come regularly for our Barges
"Smith" & "Northwinder" as we propose
to run them regularly from now
out. We would also like some
Coal from Buffalo for our regular
Boats (Passenger) Will you please
advise me at once regarding the
Coal for Barge. For the Barges we
shall want about 2000 tons each
trip and if possible from the same
place. 700 for one & 1300 the other. For the
~~passenger~~ Passenger Boats small lots of from
10 to 200 tons from Buffalo

Yours Truly
Eber Ward
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