

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1876 AUG. 26-31

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JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

Form 91.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway.

Division.

Milwaukee Station.

Aug. 26 1876

Genl

Please find enclosed
duplicates of 2 Cans Coal
Shipped per your order. one
to Albert Row Minn. & one to
Cass Clear, Wis.

Yours Truly
R M Curtis agt
Nelson

Do Messrs Hill & Acku
St Paul
Minn

Duluth Aug 27/76

Miss Hill & Co

S. Paul } Yours

Your telegram of yesterday to close the monthly report up to Saturday night came to hand 8 P.M. I had them partially made out and so this morning I finished, so to have them go by first mail. The ~~Bloss~~ averages a little over 7⁵⁰ per ton. The ton of ~~lgs~~ reported at \$11⁰⁰ was sold during the early part of May to the U. S. Signal office before prices had been decided upon. Will draw on you tomorrow for \$325⁰⁰ to meet the expenses in settlements.

Very Respectfully
A. Jones

[August 27, 1876] 3 [23]

My dear Will & John

In my haste
to get a letter written in time
to send away by the Boat I forgot
that you requested me to state
the time that I would be ready to
make the change. I am ready any
time that it is most convenient for
you, only if you wish to save you
time here I could measure up the
goods on the shelves and mark the
number of yards on them. I would
make some two or three days
difference in your time here. Of
course it will make no difference
with me. I think when you
come here you will find the store
has done better than you think it
has. I hope so.

I certainly thought that we
had good fair Profit last winter
in our goods and that we had done
a fair Paying Business. but I
am aware that it has not any
more than paid expenses this
Summer and don't know as
it has that. I have been
afraid to sell low this Summer
in order to get the trade.
The neighboring stores about
here all sold as low as I did
and some things lower. and in
doing so thought it was for
your interest. If I am not
making any money for you it is
certainly my wish to give it
up. The Prospects are that I
could get all the accounts in
in about one month. As fast
as the farmers thresh their grain

they have brought it in and paid
their debts. I have taken in over
\$200 cash since Mr Hill was here,
I hope you will send the sugar
that I ordered as I am nearly out
and cannot fill Mr. Armstrongs
orders from Hazzett or to supply
the Dps in the West. And is
to work on the books preparing to
making out a final Bal. May
you write him to make one and
forward to you whether or no. I
will work on the stock preparatory
to taking up as soon as you come.

Yours respectfully
J. H. Peck

Mound City Aug 27/76
Messrs Hull & Coke

Your letter
of the 24 inst came to hand
yesterday evening. and in ans
will say. When I was in
St Paul last - or rather when
I was coming from St Paul
to Minneapolis Mr Armstrong
made this remark. that we
are going to scoop the whole
thing out - up there on the Lake
referring to the hands on the Steam
Boat - and I supposed he was
also. I did not make much of
any talk with him at that time
But next morning saw him
again - and did tell him that
if all was not satisfactory with
over

What I was willing to discontinue
my connections with the company
and so I am, and if you
will come here I think we
can make a satisfactory settlement
without any difficulty. I sent
the garden seeds before you
wrote the letter, I sent them
the day that I was notified
to do so by the firm that sent
them.

Yours Respectfully
G. H. Beall



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

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Rep. Hill & Clark
Coal Dealers
St Paul,
Minn

1502
Mid Richmond City 5/8/86.
Please give us the exact
figures for a "Car" of
Coal (10 Tons) from
St Paul, Minn. (Stittwater
St Paul & T & H RR) & oblige
J. Battell Son

Duluth Aug 28/96

Mr Geo S Acker

S. Paul

Dear Sir

I have drawn on you for \$338⁹⁵ for settlement of month's business to the 26th. This includes the \$139⁵ for empty barrels mentioned in yours of the 26th. This will make your balance \$937¹² instead of 923¹² as the statement showed. Probably I am wrong in closing up everything to the 26th, but I did not know what the object was, and the dispatch coming at such a late hour, I thought it best to be on the safe side.

Very Respectfully
W. C. Jones

Office of ARTHUR G. YATES.

Wholesale Dealer & Shipper of Anthracite & Bituminous Coals.
Shipping Docks at Charlotte, N.Y.

Rochester, N.Y. Aug 28th 1876

Wm Kill & Co
St Paul Minnesota

Gentlemen:

The Col. Myers took the last cargo
finishing your contract for 3000 tons Blasting
coal. Mr. Woodruff and your dispatch such as
the last vessel had gone. The western market in
Blasting has been now arranged so that in the
future there will be no cutting of rates. Mr. Scott
H. of Erie will ship Blasting from Buffalo & not
cut prices. No more coal is to be sold except at
the regular rates you have done well to get this
coal which will cost you 70¢ less than you
can now purchase for. Hope receiving it at Minnesota
will not be a serious inconvenience.

Yours truly
Arthur G. Yates

J. C. Thorp, President
G. Y. Gilbert, Vice President, Eau Claire, Wis.
Geo. Kings, Secretary.

Richd. Schultenburg, Treasurer.
X. C. Chapman, Asst. Treas.
St. Louis, Mo.



Eau Claire, Wis. Augt. 29 1876

Messrs. Hill & Jackson

Gentlemen

In reply to
Yours of yesterday.

We need one car
of coal immediately, & it may be
well for us to take the 10 cars. But
we cannot do so unless we can
have time on the purchase, please
telegraph us your best terms on the
lot. 10 cars, on rest of this and
oblige

Eau Claire Lumber Co
per Ballahan

E. D. Comings.

OFFICE OF

W. C. Snodgrass.

Comings & Snodgrass,
Commission Merchants

Pearl and Second Sts.

SiouX City, Aug 28th 1876
Messrs Kill & Acker
St Paul Minn

Dear Sirs

Your favor of the 23rd
at hand. We do not wish to spoil
the trade of this place this winter
we assure you. We reduced the
price and made the other parties
concerned and now as we have
decided on a price we do not
want to spoil it, but try and
make a little if we can -
As to the Gas Coal, Mr Sanders
has been to see the Co and they
say that he offered them four days
Coal at \$9.00 on track here - Now
we don't imagine that there
is very much margin at that
price, but we wish to sell them

E. D. Comings.

OFFICE OF

[8-28-74]
W. C. Snodgrass.

Comings & Snodgrass,
Commission Merchants

Pearl and Second Sts.

Sioux City,

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their Coal. They are well pleased
with that Coal and say that it
averages more than most of them.
The Superintendent says that
Sauders was bound that he
would sell them their Coal, but
he told us that he would give
us the first chance.

Hope to send in our order before
long for some hard Coal.

Yours truly
Comings & Snodgrass

Waverly Aug 29/76

Mass. Hill & Aker

Genl

I have at last removed from Cared to Waverly. This winter I intend getting out considerable wood.

If you are still in the business what is the highest price you can pay on the tract for good maple & other grades.

You must do the best you can for an old friend.

And if you need any one to attend to your wood business on the line I will do it for you faithfully & cheap. please let me know & oblige yours

Jno. D. Linn

Cambridge

Aug 24 '76

Muskie & Acker

Dear Sirs

Your invoice of coal just
recd. we had not supposed
all the coal would be
shipped now. we had forwarded
some Brookfield now as
we preferred to use instead
of wood. but expect a
delay ~~note~~ of "Hove & Co"
on a of time & chimney lower
forces might prevail, & indeed
lower have been offered.

Yours respectfully,
H. H. H. H. H.
Chapman

F. WILLIUS,
President.

J. B. SANBORN,
Vice President.

GUSTAV WILLIUS,
Cashier.

The German American Bank.

Paid up Capital, \$200,000.

St. Paul, Minn. August 29th 1876

John O. Barnes Esq. Pres. N.Y. & P.R.R. Co.
New York

Dear Sir.

We notice from Indol. papers that the Trustees under the agreement of Aug. 13. 1875 have by limitation of time discontinued to receive the Bonds of the C. as provided in said agreement.

We have for some time past been dealing to some extent in the Bonds and Certificates principally of the Main Line, supplying the demand for Land Purchases and consequently take some little interest in the progress of the affairs of the C. We should therefore feel under obligation to you for your kind information upon the following subjects:

- 1st Has the requisite amount of 90% of all the outstanding Bonds of the C. been deposited with the Trustees so that it may be considered as a fact that the object of the agreement will be carried into effect.
- 2nd If so, when do you expect the new Bonds, Stocks and Cert. to be ready for delivery to holders of the Receipts of the Trustees?
- 3rd Are the holders of the 'Certificates of Conveyance' issued by the Trustees at Amsterdam entitled to the same privileges and benefits as the holders of Bonds who have assented to the agreement by depositing their Bonds with the Trustees? Or is it contemplated that these 'Certificates of Conveyance' can be used in payment of Lands only, the same as Land Cert.?
- 4th Does the discontinuation of receiving Bonds in Trust under the

NB

Land only

Yr^o. agreement involve the discontinuation of issuing "Certificates
of Carriage" by the Trustees?

and
Without intending to impose upon your discretion we should
also be pleased to receive a statement of the amounts of the
different classes of Bonds canceled or deposited with the Trustees
under the agreement.

Any additional information you may be pleased to give us
concerning the subject and which you think may be of
interest to us to know will be thankfully received by

Yours very Respectfully
R. M. Collins Jr.

F. M. Collins

Aug. 29th, 1896.

T. M. DENNIS,
Justice of the Peace.

E. F. WADE,
Notary Public.



DENNIS & WADE
DEALERS IN

Dry Goods, Groceries, Hats, Caps,

BOOTS, SHOES, HARDWARE, DRUGS, &C.

Cedarville, Minn., Aug 30 1876

Hill & Acker
St Paul,

Gentlemen

Please send us

Two 2) Bannets of Blossburg Coal.

also write us what you will furnish a
Car load of B. Hill Coal delivered in
St Paul.

Truly Yours
Dennis & Wade

JAS. J. HILL.

HILL & ACKER.

G. S. ACKER.

Successors to HILL, GRIGGS & CO.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

DEALERS IN COAL, COKE,
OILS, SALT AND CEMENT,

62 East Third Street,

SOLE AGENTS IN MINNESOTA
FOR THE FOLLOWING
CELEBRATED
COALS:

Delaware and Lackawanna,
Delaware and Hudson,
Pittston and Elmira.

St. Paul, Minn. Aug 30 1876

Jno A. Armstrong
Minneapolis Minn.

AT Sir

We have today
paid to the wife of John L. Mullen
a man working at Waggata,
Five (\$5) dollars - which please
hold against his wages -

Yours

Hill & Ackers.

John L. Mullen quit work yesterday
and was paid off - he had but \$4.50
coming to him which I paid - he refused
to work any longer - would it not be
better for you to find out whether the men
have anything due them before paying them
in St. Paul - I have just ordered
this morning from Waggata - don't know
where Mullen is from - J. Armstrong

Taylor's Falls Aug 30 1896

Wm J Hill Esq
St Paul Minn

your letter received &
safe to come on the Boat
the Boats dont run only
every other day so I could not
come untill tomorrow will
be in St Paul tomorrow with
out fail

Yours Truly
J J Irish

Office of **ARTHUR G. YATES.**

Wholesale Dealer & Shipper of Anthracite & Bituminous Coals.

Shipping Docks at Charlotte, N.Y.

Rochester, N.Y. Aug 31st 1876

Wm. Hill & Acker.

St. Paul Minnesota

Sentences:

Mr. Underhill telegraphs me from New York that you can not receive your Blossoms now on the way to Milwaukee. I have filled this contract just as given to me by Mr. Underhill at ruinous low prices. I can not see where I am in the least to blame for the coal going to Milwaukee instead of Duluth. The Vessels must be discharged promptly on their arrival in Milwaukee & he had but few days to decide what will be done with them. Passively some of the dealers there would take a cargo or two, but I could not offer it to them at an under price. I should be glad to do all in my power to help you out on this case.

I will advise with some of the Milwaukee dealers
hoping to place some of it for you - I can
be certain of your not being able to buy more
elsewhere at special rates. As all the Shippers
have entered into a compact not to deviate one
cent from \$4.75 FOB at Buffalo N.Y.
Scott & Co. have withdrawn their "Classified" coal &
will maintain prices with the Elsewhere Co.
For this reason if you can possibly manage to
take your coal now afloat for Milwaukee
I have it sent you via this route you will I
think in the end save money - Mr. Melville gave
me the contract deliverable at Milwaukee \$4.75
alongside & nothing was said about price at our
dock or at any other destination but Milwaukee
It was also agreed that this coal should not in
any way interfere with the Milwaukee market for
this season it was all consigned to St. Paul
via Milwaukee

Yours truly
A. S. Slaty

Duluth Aug 31/76

Mr Geo Sacker

Respectfully,
W.C. James
Very
Dear Sir
Your favor
of the 29th is hand. I made out report
as desired. I have corrected an error of
10 tons in the cargo of Sweetheart of EWS
There was a difference in the B/L and I
wrote Mr Jamieson as to which was cor-
rect, but did not receive his reply until
after I had sent in the report. I hardly
think it is necessary to make out another
trial or Cash balance. I have only an en-
try or two in the Cash books and that most
effective, would be the later, and I prefer
bringing it into next month as to drawing
on you for what little is due now. I
understand from Mr F, that the North-
er's cargo is for your use. Please inform
me what kind of coal she has, as early
as you can, so that we can make pre-
parations for untrading and placing

J. O. Thorp, President
G. J. Gilbert, Vice President
Alex. Knight, Secretary

Richd. Schenck, Treasurer
N. C. Chapman, Asst. Treas.
St. Louis, Mo.



Eau Claire, Wis. Augt 3, 1876
Messrs Hiv & Aker
Gentlemen

You may
send us 1 Car Morris Run
Blossburg Coal now. we may
conclude to take the ten Car lot
when we order our hard Coal
Truly Yours

Eau Claire Lumber Co
Callahan

OFFICE OF W. J. SANDERSON,
MANUFACTURER OF

Steam Engines & Boilers,

For Steam Yachts, Printing Offices, Cheese Factories, &c.
21 CHURCH STREET.

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug 31 1876

Genl

Enclosed Please find
Ex Receipt, for wheel shipped
to day. the first one cost was not
Perfect, consequently I could not
get another ^{cost} before this morning
" you have not sent me
word yet how your engine
works or how well you like
it. Please send me a Testimo-
nial for reference in regard to
it. Yours
W J

Wm J Sanderson

I will send some wheels
to R & P in case of accident
in the future
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