

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1891 NOV. n.d., 1-2

FOLDER NO.

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

History of Skimmers etc - 3710. (continued)
 Put in his name by de Hill friends 71,580.
 Also returned to Mr Hill 1400
 etc Skimmers description 20,180.

Put in English investors name 11,180.
 Returned to Virginia and put in
 American names 2,550.
 Put in 2 old Indigo names 3310.
 Remaining in Skimmer name 3110.
20,180.

Our friends usually bought 2000 lbs of Skimmer straw

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

40-42 WALL STREET.

NEW YORK.

P. O. Box 756.

[November, 1891]

NOTICE OF DIRECTORS' ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the directors of the Minneapolis Trust Company, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, will be held at the office of said company, in Room 100, Kasota Building, No. 330 Hennepin Avenue, in the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, on Tuesday the 3rd. day of November, 1891, at ten-thirty o'clock A M., for the hearing of annual reports, and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before said meeting.

SAMUEL HILL, President

CLARKSON LINDLEY, Secretary.

Wm. Hill
Miss Currier has wanted
Mr. Hill to take 6 tickets @ 15⁰⁰ each
for Charity Ball - Helene Ladies Benev.
Plant Society.
Last year you took 6 tickets

W.H.

↔SIXTH ANNUAL CHARITY BALL↔

TO BE GIVEN BY THE

Hebrew Ladies' Benevolent Society,

AT STANDARD HALL,

Thursday Evening, November 12th, 1891.

TICKETS — ADMITTING GENTLEMAN AND LADIES — \$1.50.

THE ARGUS.

SUNDAY. DAILY. WEEKLY.

E. S. Shaw, Manager

GEO. K. SHAW, MANAGER.

Oct Nov. 1, 1891.

FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA,

Samuel Hill, Minneapolis.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram came yesterday and your letter today. I enclose you a statement made by our book-keeper giving estimate of the business of last week. The statement shows a profit of \$68.00. This allows nothing for my salary, and is liable to some shrinkage in collections--but it indicates that we are not running behind on earnings.

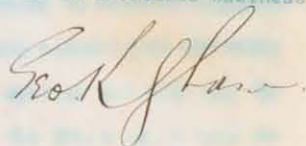
The item of \$30 for a traveling man should be charged to the job office, as this man travels exclusively for that department, and half the rent should be charged to the job department, too, thus reducing the profit shown by that department to \$20.00.

This is much less than we could get out of it if we leased it at \$1,500 a year. By the way, I wish you would decide about leasing this department to the Walkers. They are pressing me for a decision.

I am informed that Edwards has \$5,000 in the bank here to start his paper with. Where he got it I can't imagine. He is making a canvass with his old gang, and will probably reduce our list some and cut off some of our advertising. I am going to put on an extra man to make a vigorous canvass of Fargo and Moorhead for subscriptions and advertising. It will add to our pay-roll, but we must push if we are to hold the field.

I think my first estimate that \$5,000 cash working capital will be needed to float the Argus was about right. I will get along with as little as possible, but we are in a position where we must work the field for all there is in it or fall behind. The money spent in building up will return to us in increased business sooner or later.

Very truly yours,



THE PIONEER PRESS COMPANY.

Common Stock.

(Par value \$50. per share - Paid up Nov. 1, 1891, \$370,000.)

Certificates.

No.	Dated	Issued to	Shares.	Par value.
1	Apr. 12 1875	Joseph A. Wheelock,	100	5,000.
2	May 1 "	Do.	100	5,000.
172	Sep. 14 1882	J. A. Wheelock,	200	10,000.
175	" " "	Do.	200	10,000.
176	" " "	Do.	118	5,900.
189	June 3 1883	Do.	40	2,000.
216	Oct. 16 1886	Joseph A. Wheelock	102	5,100.
242	Jan. 14 1890	J. A. Wheelock,	70	3,500.
255	July 9 1892	Do.	50	2,500.
256	" " "	Do.	50	2,500.
257	Dec. 13 "	Joseph A. Wheelock,	1000	50,000.
258	" " "	Do.	500	25,000.
260	" 14 "	Joseph A. Wheelock,	100	5,000.
261	" " "	Do.	69	3,450.
263	Aug. 11 1893	J.A.Wheelock,	80	4,000.
Total,			2,786	\$ 139,300.

DIRECTORS

SAMUEL HILL	THOMAS EDWY
H. C. HARRISON	CLARENCE HENRY
ISAAC ATWATER	DANIEL HACKETT
H. F. BROWN	W. H. EDWARDS
C. C. GOODRICH	JAS. J. HILL
A. F. KELLEY	R. H. LANDOR
A. H. LINTON	CHARLES HURD
F. B. WINSTON	

Minneapolis Trust Company

CAPITAL \$500,000.

Cable Address
"TRUST"
MINNEAPOLIS

430 HENNEPIN AVENUE

Minneapolis, Minn. Nov 2nd 1891

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 Mr James J. Hill
 St Paul Minn

Dear Sir - Should you think a declaration
 of trust covering these McKim mortgages
 direct from our Company to yourself desirable
 to better protect all interests we will issue
 same at any time

Very truly Yours

MINNEAPOLIS TRUST COMPANY

By

Charles Lindley

BOOK & TABAC

Metropolitan Museum of Art.
Central Park
Twenty-second Semi-Annual Exhibition.
Autumn Reception.
from eight to ten o'clock P.M.
Monday, November second 1894.
Admit ~~men~~ *men* ~~to~~ *to* ~~the~~ *the* and Ladies.
Henry G. Marquand, President.
Louis F. de Casmola, Director.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

P. O. Box 756,

40-42 WALL STREET,
NEW YORK.

Nov. 2nd 1891.

James J. Hill Esq.
St Paul Minn.

Dear Sir:

Please note following today for your
account

Collections

Manitoba Divd 1 1/2% on 17616.45 (1000 lbs 1000) 26421.00

Chok " 1 1/2% " 20438.50 20587.50

Lillstun Washburn Opn L 99.70 int @ 4.83 180.30

To grain credit 52451.80

Settlements

Great Northern Ry Co. A/c loan of \$1000000 3/4 - 29000

Yours very truly
Chas. C. Nichols

OFFICES OF
WHITEHEAD & SUYDAM,
No. 206 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK CITY.

GERHARD JESSE WHITEHEAD,
CHARLES C. SUYDAM.

March 2, 1891.

James J. Hill, Esq.
Dear Sir

We wrote you Sept 10th with reference to balance of Commissions due Messrs Evans for your house, enclosing a schedule we would facilitate your clerks in making up statement of cost &c.

Will you kindly let us know whether you received it, and if not we will have another copy made & sent you.

We learn at your office in this City that you are expected here shortly. If you come, we should be pleased to have you send for our Mr. Whitehead, with a view of saving trouble in the settlement.

Very Respectfully
Whitehead & Suydam.



C. W. Carlson
Secretary

Harvey C. Brown
Attorney

The Saint Paul Trust Company
Capital \$250,000.
St. Paul, Minn. Nov. 2nd 1891.

James J. Hill, Esq.,
St. Paul, Minn.,

Dear Sir:-

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of
The St. Paul Trust Company, will be held at the office of the Company,
on Thursday, the 5th day of November, 1891, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Yours very truly,

Charles W. Carlson

Secretary.

H.W. Cannon
Cashier
Wm. H. Porter
Cashier

The Chase National Bank

New York, Nov. 2nd, 1911.

W. J. Stephens Esq.

Private Secretary,

St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I hand you herewith statement of Joint Account, in which Mr. Hill
is interested, as follows:-

Account of E. W. Cannon Agent, which shows debit balance of \$214,769.97

Against 1000 M & M

100 M 95

2000 St. Nor. pfd.

Account of Messrs Stevens-Hill, Moore & Selley, which shows debit balance \$713,500.00

Against 6400 M & M

100 M *** Can. Gold 95.

Account of James J. Hill Esq. which shows debit balance-----\$9920.00

Against 500 Manitoba.

Yours truly,

H. W. Cannon
J.

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DYNAMOS, MOTORS,
MEASURING INSTRUMENTS,
COMPLETE PLANTS FOR
ELECTRIC LIGHT
AND
POWER PURPOSES

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THE WALKER METER
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MANUFACTURED BY
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GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL BLOCK

EXCLUSIVE SELLING AGENT FOR
ILLINOIS,
IOWA,
WISCONSIN AND
MINNESOTA
FOR

THE ACCUMULATOR CO.,
NEW YORK.

AND
THE ELECTRO DYNAMIC CO.
OF PHILADELPHIA.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2nd 1881.

James J. Hill, Pres.,
Great Northern Railway,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of October 31st would say, that while I agree with you that the specifications seem complicated, still the fact remains that we agree to install your plant complete, furnishing everything necessary for the successful working of the plant. That all of the work done and the material manufactured by us, will be of the best quality and we also guarantee for one year, after the delivery of the plant, to make good any defects of the material and workmanship, upon due notice.

I am afraid you do not realize that your accumulator-plant is by far the largest private residence lighting-plant in this or any other country and that it will require supervision such as only the Accumulator Company or the Electro Dynamic Company can give. The necessary switches and appliances, to make the plant a practical success, are only manufactured by us.

If it were a matter of setting up only one series of 60 cells ^{do} it might ^A take the risk of having someone else install it, but when you take into consideration that there are 10 series of 60 cells each to be installed, it would be disastrous to attempt it. If some outside company attempts to install this plant I am afraid that as far as the accumulators are concerned, the plant will be a failure, and the blame will be laid to the accumulators and not to the fact that the party doing the work were not sufficiently posted in the installing of accumulators. You will then have a divided responsibility and no one

J. J. H.

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to blame. On the other hand, if the Electro Dynamic Company or the Accumulator Company install the plant, should there be anything wrong, you know exactly whom to blame. You can rest assured of one thing and that is, that considering the amount of work to be done, material to be furnished, the charging of batteries and the instructions to be furnished for the care and maintenance and proper working of the plant, that \$9300 is not excessive and it would pay you in the end.

I have done everything in my power to have my people reduce the price, but they say they cannot afford to make the installation for any less money, and they also say that the reason that they offered to make the price \$9,300, was because they did not wish to risk an unsatisfactory installation of our batteries by outside parties.

Personally I am very anxious that the accumulators which I sold you will be properly installed and that you will be perfectly satisfied with what you purchased. I have a plant at the residence of Potter Palmer, on the Lake Shore drive this City, which we installed almost three years ago. The work was properly done and the plant speaks for itself, having given perfect satisfaction from the time it was started up to the present without one dollar of expense for repairs or renewal, and Mr. Palmer is more than satisfied with his lighting-plant.

If you will take the trouble to ^{communicate} ~~communicate~~ with Mr. Palmer, I am satisfied that he will bear out the statement that I have made.

Kindly think this matter over before deciding and let me hear from you.

Yours Very Truly,

Wm Hood



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