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JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

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PARIS
LONDON
THE HAGUE
BERLIN

Fifth Avenue
New York Dec. 10 1879

Mr James J. Hill,
Altamont Hotel

Dear Sir,

We received from Messrs Knoedler & Co the
following of your painting, being the balance
of what they have from you, namely:

M. Liebling 'the intruder'

J. Worms 'Wedding festival'

Leon G. Breonna 'Mouset'

C. Dargnies 'Washington's Birthday'

The pictures are to be sold for your account
at price best obtainable, if any person, as
we understand

Very truly yours

Boussod, Valade & Co

p. J. O'Connell



James H. H. H. H.

THE MINNESOTA CLUB.

ST. PAUL, MINN. Dec 10 1891

DEAR SIR:

A meeting of the Governors of the Minnesota Club will be
held at the Club House on Saturday Dec 12 at
8:00 o'clock P. M.

C. S. BUNKER,
SECRETARY

Form No. 2.

Copy
THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

THOS. T. ECKERT, General Manager.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

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SEND the following message subject to the terms
on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

New York Dec. 10 1891

To *W.A. Stephens*

St. Paul

*Message recd. x Mr. Hill is
still here.*

(Signed)

E

J.

Nichols

Original left at 240 Summit Ave. for Mr. Hill's information

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT ON BACK.

ALL MESSAGES TAKEN BY THIS COMPANY ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

To guard against mistakes or delays, the sender of a message should order it REPEATED ; that is, telegraphed back to the originating office for comparison. For this, one-half the regular rate is charged in addition. It is agreed between the sender of the following message and this Company, that said Company shall not be liable for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery of any UNREPEATED message, beyond the amount received for sending the same; nor for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery, or for non-delivery of any REPEATED message beyond fifty times the sum received for sending the same, unless specially insured, nor in any case for delays arising from unavoidable interruption in the working of its lines, or for errors in cipher or obscure messages. And this Company is hereby made the agent of the sender, without liability, to forward any message over the lines of any other Company when necessary to reach its destination.

Correctness in the transmission of a message to any point on the lines of this Company can be INSURED by contract in writing, stating agreed amount of risk, and payment of premium thereon, at the following rates, in addition to the usual charge for repeated messages, viz, one per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1,000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance. No employee of the Company is authorized to vary the foregoing.

No responsibility regarding messages attaches to this Company until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of the Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

Messages will be delivered free within the established free delivery limits of the terminal office. For delivery at a greater distance, a special charge will be made to cover the cost of such delivery.

The Company will not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the message is filed with the Company for transmission.

THOS. T. ECKERT, General Manager.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY LINE.

Moorhead Station Dec 10th 1891

Mr. Breed Esq.

St Paul.

Dr Sir,

Mr. C. C. Daubner I understood
 Cantons states having the G. N. Hotel but
 before doing so, wishes some guarantee
 of coming out "whole" as the expenses
 of running the house through the
 winter is very heavy & the rental
 \$25000⁰⁰ asked by Mr. Breed makes it
 such at the present income that a
 loss is sure to result & for this
 purpose a guarantee fund has been
 raised, Copy of Agreement with
 names & amounts subscribed opposite
 their names ^{up to this date} I attach herewith.

Mr. Daubner has requested that I
 submit this to St Paul Trust Co asking
 if they could not do something towards
 this fund for the purpose of keeping
 Hotel open. Kindly advise
 Yours truly P. C. C. C.

C.B. GILBERT
SECRETARY

W. STIMBERLAKE
TREASURER

C.H. BIGELOW
PRESIDENT

ST. PAUL FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

CASH CAPITAL \$500,000 CASH ASSETS \$1,870,831.13.

Fergus Falls, Minn.

AGENCY Dec 14 1891

Jas. J. Hill
St Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir - We send you
renewals of \$4000 of Ins. during Nov. on the Red
River Roller mill in this city, and will
ask you now to kindly send chks for \$147.40,
as per our bill rendered with the poli-
cies, And oblige, Yours very truly
Wm. Stebbins & Co.

Recd
Dec 1891

SIoux FALLS TERMINAL RAILROAD CO.

S. L. TATE,
Vice President and Gen. Manager.

SIoux FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA,

Dec. 12th 1899.
Wm A. Stephens Esq.
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Many matters have claimed
my attention since returning from your
City which accounts for the delay
in sending you the photograph of the
herd of buffels which I send under
another cover today. I hope the
Animals are doing well and that
the manager is getting along nicely with
his new pets.

Sincerely yours
S. L. Tate

Boq Kasola Building
Npls. Minn. - 12-12-91

William J. Stephens Esq.
St Paul Minn.

Dear Mr. Stephens:

The forwarded
letter from Wm. Sullivan at Minneapolis
transfer reached me in due course of
mail. For this additional courtesy
I am grateful.

I called on Mr. H.L. Burill accor-
dingly (not finding Mr. Sullivan in)
and he told me he knew of no
vacancy at present. But took
my name and address and said if
there was one he would notify
me. Again thanking you for your
courtesy to me I remain

Yours Respy
Edward S. Babcock

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

P. O. Box 756,

40-42 WALL STREET,

NEW YORK.

Dec. 14th 1891.

James J. Hill Esq
St Paul Minn.

Dear Sir:

I have sold for your account today \$25,000. M. M. & S. L. 1st. Consolidated 4% Bonds Nos 2,480 / 2504, at 87 1/2 % less brokers Commission of 1/8 %, netting to your credit \$1,843.75

I have paid off balance of loan of \$20,000. borrowed from Great N. Ry Co on 3^d inst 18,000

Int Dec 3/4 - 1 day on \$20,000 @ 4%	2.22	
" " 4/14 10 " " 18,000 " " 20.00		22.22

Since I have taken up and returned to your box in M. S. D. Co, the collateral to this loan, viz; \$20,000 M. M. & S. L. 1st. Consolidated 4% Nos 9,959 / 76.

Since last writing Mr Stephens have paid out on your a/c. Jekyll Island Club 200.
Cash to you (Dec 11) 200
You draft favor Aurora Health 306.30

To Minneapolis Union Ry Co (today) a/c loan of 3,000
Nov 7th for \$25,000.

On the 7th instant, I borrowed from you for my personal account in accordance with our verbal understanding

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GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

40-42 WALL STREET,

NEW YORK.

P. O. Box 756,

\$10000. St. Cl. r. r. l. Consolid 6%. No 9977/86, which are returnable to you upon your demand; Coupons to be returned to you as they mature while the bonds are in my possession, and the bonds themselves to be used by me only for the purposes discussed by us when you were here.

The sale of '00' bonds was made to test the market and the price obtained (87½) indicates that the holding that has been selling is well out of the way as previous sales have been 87. I will let the market follow its upward tendency and recommend selling later.

Yours very truly

Edw. T. Mahony

DURAND-RUEL,
16 RUE LAFFITTE
AND
11 RUE LE PELETIER,
PARIS.

54
NEW YORK OFFICE,

315 FIFTH AVENUE (Cor. 32d STREET).

Dec. 14th, 1891.

Jas. J. Hill Esq.,
Pres. St. N. Ry,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

We would esteem it a favor if you would kindly let us have
a part of your account with us by the end of this month, as we have heavy
payments to effect on the 31st.

Hoping to see you in St. Paul when I go west, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Durand-Ruel

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec 14th 1891

Dear Mr Stephens

I saw Major Shaw last night and told him Mr Toomey would probably be up on nex Friday & look over the books & might be able to give them some hints as to proper method of keeping advertising accounts. Shaw was very much pleased with idea. Also told him to run things about as he had up to the present time & to hold on to all advertising & other business. Dobbs, is the name of the Pioneer Press' Agent who has the placing of the 'patent matter'. I told Shaw you would endeavor to hold it at St Paul and, for the present. I am

Sincerely yours

Chas. H. Babcock

Mr Wm A Stephens
St Paul
Minn

KUHN, LOEB & CO.

30 Nassau Street,

New York, Dec. 14th 1891.

Dear Mr. Hill:-

I called at your office this morning, where I learn to my regret that you have left for home on Friday last, and I much regret that I have not had an opportunity to again see you before your departure.

You have no doubt already noticed from the newspapers that we have just brought out the Montana Central 5's, and even if they do not all go in the issue, a good part of them will be taken, and the balance will be gradually sold. We think you can take it for granted that we shall take up the entire amount, which you have kindly placed at our disposal.

I hope you have found matters satisfactory upon your return, and I trust you will keep us posted as to the progress of your Company's affairs, in which as you are aware, I and my partners take a deep interest. Concerning financial affairs, we have assured Mr. Nichols that he can always fall back upon us, should he require any accommodation.

The members of the Baron de Hirsch Committee, to whom I have reported the progress which is being made in the preparations for the colony near St. Cloud, which you have been generous enough to start, feel greatly gratified, and I have been requested by the

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Committee to express to you its deep sense of obligation. Indeed, at a time when so many of our own people are apathetic in the duties which they owe to our unfortunate persecuted co-religionists, it is most gratifying to get from one not belonging to our faith so much encouragement as we do from you.

I trust at your convenience you will cause a report to be sent to me as to the exact progress which has been made in the preparations for the proposed colony, and inform me what payments are due to you for expenditures thus far made. I shall further be obliged if you will indicate to me at an early day at about what time we shall ^{have to} commence forwarding the families to be settled there, so that we may have time to pick out a superior class of settlers; *we should have at least four weeks to do this.*

Please convey to Mrs. Hill and to your entire family sincerest compliments of the season, in which both Mrs. Schiff as well as Frieda and Mortimer join.

Wishing you very pleasant holidays, I am, dear Mr. Hill,

Yours most faithfully

Jacob Schiff

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



James J. Hill
city

[12-14-91]
Minnesota Historical Society.

SIR:

*A Regular Meeting of the Executive Council
will be held at the rooms of the Society, on Monday,*

Dec. 14. at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

J. F. WILLIAMS,

Secretary.

AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY,

Meeting, MONDAY Evening, December 14th, 1891, at 8 o'clock,
CHICKERING HALL, cor. 18th STREET and FIFTH AVENUE.

Rev. ALBERT P. BRIGHAM

WILL DELIVER A LECTURE ON

RIVERS, AND THE EVOLUTION OF GEOGRAPHIC FORMS.

ILLUSTRATED BY STEREOPTICON VIEWS.

THIS TICKET ADMITS A LADY AND GENTLEMAN.

E. J. Nichols

Sent Monday
noon Dec 14/91

~~Have you it?~~

I have advised my

sons that you have ~~the~~ transportation
for eight people on limited for
Thursday evening next. - confirm

L. W. Hill

Just
Monday
noon Dec 14/91

Raphs Elderly

New Haven

Mr Nichols has
berths and tickets for eight on
limited Thursday



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