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JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

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ORIGINAL ORDER

To

W. A. Stephens, Esq.,

Private Secy., to Hon. J. J. Hill.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 23d, has been referred by me to Mr.

W. A. Naylor, Gen'l. Supt.

I am advised by him that he has replied to you on the subject.

Yours truly,

C. G. Irvine
Gen'l. Agent.

(98-B.
July, 1881.)

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY,

OFFICE, 334 JACKSON ST.,

FREIGHT DEPOT, FOOT OF ROSABEL ST.,

~~I. E. ATHERTON, AGENT.~~ C. G. IRVINE, Gen'l Agt.

ST. PAUL, MINN. 3-29-92.

City.

United States Consulate

Dusseldorf March 29th 1892

W.A. Stephens Esq

St Paul, Minn

My dear Mr Stephens:

I have often thought, that I would write you and send you my greetings from over the water and thank you for the pleasant relations, which always existed between us, while I was manager of the "Nordwesten", but I have been quite busy, since I came here, partly with getting settled and partly with getting into the harness and becoming acquainted with my new duties. I am really sorry, that my first letter to you is to ask a favor, but being a man of much business yourself, you will understand, that a man not always has time to write private letters. — I have written Mr Hill a letter today, which you of course will see, in which I have asked him to kindly file a recommendation of me with Mr Cleveland or the State Department. Our new President, as I am informed, wants in consular offices men, who are businessmen

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who agree with him on the tariff question, and I flatter myself, that I can answer to the description of such a fellow, and as it would be pretty hard on me to be called home very soon, I hope Mr J. J. H. kindly will comply with my request.

You can, if so inclined, do much to help me, in laying the matter before Mr Skill and perhaps get authority to write the letter to Mr Cleveland or the State Department. If you can do this for me, I will be under great obligations to you, and in any event would be glad, if you would let me know whether or not Mr H. takes any steps in this matter at all.

I hope my nephew is getting along all right with the "Wordversteu". I have asked him several times to give you my best regards. I am keeping my eyes on the paper from here and often give good advice to Fred as well as to the editor.

Well, I know, you are busy and have no time to read long letters, otherwise I would tell you something of my life here

abroad, which really is rather pleasant, but
I will spare you and close with thanks for
past favors and kind regards to you and
the gentlemen in your office.

Very Truly Yours

Soren Listoe

P.S.

I shall be glad to receive a few lines from
you, when convenient.

Address:

c/o U. S. Consulate
Düsseldorf. Germany



ST. PAUL & DULUTH RAILROAD CO.

St. Paul Station *Dec 29* 189*2*

Geo. J. Hill Esq
Dear Sir

Yours of 25th
regarding goods delivered
to Cartage companies with
out yr Authority Rec^d. -

We have had no goods
of yrs to so dispose of
and if fortunate enough
to handle any of your
Shipments in future
will care fully obey
yr instructions. -

Yours truly
Wm. H. Bush
Gen Agent

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

THOS. T. ECKERT, General Manager.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

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March 29th, 1892. 189

To W. A. Stephens,

Care Great Northern R'y Co.,

St. Paul, Minn.

Letter received.

You may keep Miller until I return.

Jas. J. Hill

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To

W A Stephens

Care G. Nor. By H Paul

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Jas J Hill

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

OFFICE OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

NORTH WESTERN DIVISION.

Dakota, Minnesota and Montana.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

March 30, 1892.

Mr. W. A. Stephens,

Room 57, G. N. R'y Bldg., City.

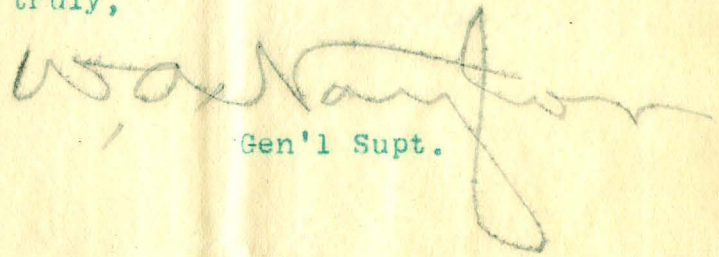
Dear Sir:--

Your favor of March 29th, received and contents noted. I regret exceedingly that there has been any trouble in regard to this matter, but what are we going to do; the Customs people have the gun and will not give it to us, we can do nothing until someone is given the power of attorney to sign for the gun. Can you not get Mr. Hill to give someone the power of attorney to sign these papers? We are not trying to take any unfair means in this matter, we are simply trying to protect our interests. You certainly know Mr. Hill had no right to take this gun as he did and it seems to me it is a very little thing for him to give someone the power of attorney so that we can get hold of this gun. I think if I could see his father for a few minutes I could have the matter straightened out without further trouble. Mr. J. J. Hill understands thoroughly about this Customs business, and in years gone by I have done a great deal towards helping the Great Northern Ry people on their bonded business where the papers were burned up at Pembina, and he knows as well as I do the difficulties we are laboring under, and how hard it is to handle matters that are in the hands of the Customs people. Colonel Edwards, has notified me that everything is all right now and that we can get the gun back as soon as the power of attorney

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is given to us so that we can sign the papers, and it seems to me this is a very small thing to do ; this would straighten it up in a very few minutes. If you can suggest any way in which I can do anything to bring about an amicable settlement of the whole affair, I should be pleased to have you do so.

Yours truly,



Gen'l Supt.

P.S.

If you will give me the name of the College, or town where Mr. Hill is attending school, also his name, I will have some representative of this Company call upon him for the power of attorney, that is, see that he makes out a power of attorney for you so that the gun can be signed for.



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