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April 15th. 1892

James J. Hill Esq.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Hill:-

I enclose you by express and separate parcel a map of the Cascapedia River. I have taken some pains to get it, and you will be surprised to see how much it covers, and how valuable would be the rights that we talked about. The map may be relied upon, not perhaps as indicating where the salmon pools are, but perhaps as to the general lay of the land along the river.

You will perceive first that the granted land practically ends at Scaumonac River, which is about eleven to twelve miles from the mouth, and there are no rights in any one above this point, except that some rights are claimed at one or two points for three or four miles above the Scaumonac River, which I do not think amount to much. You will see therefore that the Governor General ~~probably~~ lives at a farm or place about eighteen miles from the mouth of the river and seven miles from the highest granted lands. There is practically no house between his and the Lorne Cottage, so called, which you will perceive in a bend of the river about two miles below the vacant lands. You will remember the Governor General



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has a summer residence also at the foot of the river, and it is said that the house up the Cascapedia is simply for fishing purposes and temporary.

Between the first ungranted lands and the Forks is a distance of over thirty two miles, and all this he controls, but of course cannot occupy. The fishing high up the river comes in rather late, and his practice is to occupy the farm so called seven miles above the ungranted lands, and late in the season occupy the cottage at the Forks.

You will perceive there is considerable fishing all along from the beginning of the ungranted lands to the Governor's Farm seven miles, and then for some distances above that to <sup>Woodmans</sup> Woodward Brook, and then there is a long break without any fishing of any great account for something like twelve miles <sup>between Woodmans</sup> Woodward Brook and the Three Islands, which is twenty one miles up from the ungranted lands.

To really use this river one ought to control the whole above the ungranted lands, then you would have a very great property of very large value. The whole of the river would be worth a great deal more than all the component parts <sup>valued separately</sup> put together, but if it was necessary to leave anything for the present Governor General until the expiration of his term of office there ought not to be



left anything more than such part of the river that is below Button Rapid, being eleven miles above the patented lands.

The more I look at this Map, the more I am satisfied the purpose we ~~we~~ have in view can be accomplished with your influence, but you must remember that a good many people are turning over this in their mind, and the less delay about the business the better.

If nothing better could be done, it would be very satisfactory to get the river on a long lease down to Button's Rapid now, and at the expiration of the term of this Governor General, of the rest.

It would not be difficult for the Government with its influence and the rivers from time to time at their disposal, to reserve, care for and stock some other river for <sup>some other</sup> the Governor General. Within a year or two the leases would be out. <sup>of some rivers -</sup> Of course, if we knew when the present Governor's term was out, and it did not last too long, it would <sup>even</sup> ~~not~~ be a good purchase to take the river, our occupation to commence at the end of his term, but we would much rather have something now if we could get it. *It is not safe to leave the question.*

Confidentially for the whole river \$5,000. or even \$7500. a year would not be excessive, although you might get it at a much cheaper price, the purchase of the fishing rights upon the whole river would <sup>be</sup> worth a very considerable sum, say \$100,000. or even more.

Of course, if we had control of the upper portion of river we could do a great deal in improving things <sup>such as the nets &c</sup> on the river, and we should be far the more influential proprietors. I am sure

if you will give your mind to it you can accomplish something, and something good in this direction, and if you will only do that and secure the water we will see that everything is put on the first footing and kept so, and look after the details, because we understand it pretty thoroughly.

I have been on the river up to a point a little below the Governor's Farm so called.

I know with the many things you have in mind that this is a minor matter, but really there is no matter in mind out of which you could secure some pleasure for yourself, let alone the pleasure ~~for~~ you could give to others.

Yours faithfully,

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Yours faithfully,

(Signed) John L. Cadwalader.

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# The Kootenay Mining and Smelting Company.

*Galeus, Pilot Boy B.S.*

*Kootenay, Idaho, April 14 1893*

*Mr. J. J. Keill*

*Pres. G. H. P. P.*

*St Paul Minn.*

*Dear Sir,*

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*W. A. Hendryx &  
L.H.W.*





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