

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1892 MAY 8-11

FOLDER NO.

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN  
ORIGINAL ORDER



Hotel Richelieu

Chicago 8<sup>th</sup> May 1892.

My Dear Mr. Hill

We arrived here last night all well, after a comfortable journey. We leave again tomorrow afternoon by the S.W. train on the C. & N. W. Road for Omaha and from thence will keep right on to Portland where we hope to arrive next Saturday. We will probably leave Portland for Seattle on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst. and as I was uncertain where letters would reach me after leaving Portland I have directed them to be forwarded to your care as you will know my movements and just where letters will reach me. Please therefore instruct your private clerk to forward my letters to whatever point he may think they will most speedily reach me. I expect we will reach Spokane Falls by 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> May and I suppose our next stop after that will be Great Falls.

I hope you got back safely from Cali-  
fornia with Mr. Hill and your daughter  
and with kind regards I remain

Yours very truly  
Wm. Kennedy

James J. Hill Esq.  
St. Paul  
Minn.



Memo 77-Kill:

May 8/92

Hirsch Land Committee's Agent  
has not yet reported here. Peter  
is at work although somewhat hindered  
for lack of men, and ground has been wet  
until last ten days - is clearing at present  
one to one and half acres daily

M.A.S.



KUHNS, LOEB &amp; CO.

30 Nassau Street,

New York April 20th 1892.

My dear Mr. Hill:-

I have been absent from town for several days, and upon my return I find the message from your secretary in reply to my own, stating that you will not return to St. Paul until the 27th inst., and that you would like to be at home when the Hirsch Fund Committee's agent arrives, to explain your plans to him.

It is very kind of you that you propose to go to all this trouble, and, profiting by your permission, the Committee will instruct its agent to start from here, say on Wednesday the 27th, so that he may not reach there until you have been home for several days. Should this not suit your convenience, please wire me before Wednesday of next week.

I hope you have found everything along the line in a satisfactory condition. There is nothing of special interest to report from here. Money continues very easy, and the demand for first-class bonds is good. Little has been done in "Rights" for the new Great Northern 4% Bonds; a few small lots have changed hands around 14, and they are nominally quoted 13½ - 15.

Always looking for your good news, and with kindest compliments both to Mrs. Hill and your goodself, I am,

Yours most faithfully

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

*James J. Hill*

*Wired Mr. Hill  
April 21st  
expected return to St. Paul  
a letter to him  
6/2/92*



W. L. Ellwood.

IMPORTER & BREEDER OF

# Percheron Horses

THE PEDIGREE OF ALL IMPORTED HORSES RECORDED IN THE  
PERCHERON STUD-BOOKS OF FRANCE AND AMERICA.

De Kalb, Ill.

John A. Lowell & Co. Boston.

May 9, 1892.

H o n. J. J. H i l l,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir,

Pressure of other business, is compelling me to do away with my horse business to a certain extent, and having been informed that you were contemplating disposing of your two herds of cattle, that is, Short-horns and Polled Angus, and having large cattle interests in Texas, it has occurred to me that possibly we might be able to deal you a bunch of imported Percheron mares for all or a portion of these cattle. I have quite a number of strictly first class mares, and would like to make a deal of this kind if agreeable to you, and would expect to make and receive prices in accordance with the times.

Awaiting your advices, I remain,


Very truly yours,

W. L. Ellwood.



~~C. G. Conway~~  
~~E. J. ECKART & Co.,~~

~~WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN~~

~~Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Hats~~  ~~Caps,~~

~~BOOTS, SHOES, TRUNKS, VALISES, ETC.~~

~~HANSEN BLOCK~~

Moorhead, Minn., May 9 1892

H. A. Stephens  
Dear Sir

I wrote you a few days ago in regard to meeting some of your land in Sec- 4, Town of Moorhead. As yet I have received no answer - I would like to make arrangements to work all the land you have in the Town of Moorhead - I can give you an reference S. G. Corns agent H. H. Sturges in fact I would, me for you to any of the business men of Moorhead - Please let me know as soon as possible  
Yours very truly C. G. Conway

[WITH 5-9-92]

IF NOT CALLED FOR IN 10 DAYS RETURN TO  
E. J. ECKART & CO.,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN  
CLOTHING, FURNISHING GOODS, HATS & CAPS,  
BOOTS, SHOES TRUNKS, VALISES, ETC.,  
MOORHEAD, MINN.

C. J. Pomeroy  
Moorhead  
Minn.



# THE MINNEAPOLIS TIMES,

DAILY AND SUNDAY.

FRANK L. THRESHER,  
PUBLISHER.

THE LARGEST MORNING CIRCULATION IN THE NORTHWEST.

MINNEAPOLIS TIMES CO.,  
PROPRIETOR.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. May 9, 1892.

My dear Sir:-

We are now working upon a series of biographical sketches of the prominent, successful self-made men in this city and the Northwest.

It is our intention to publish one of these articles each week and to make them a regular feature of the Minneapolis Times. The articles will all be from one and one-half columns to two columns in length and will include a very nicely executed portrait of the subject of the sketch.

The object of these sketches is not only to please the thousands of friends and acquaintances of well known men, but also to interest the young men of the Northwest in the lives and histories of the men, who, as poor boys, have, by industry, perseverance, push and sagacity, not only succeeded themselves but have been largely instrumental in building up Minneapolis and the Northwestern states.

It is our desire to have your name included in this list of biographical sketches and would ask you to kindly favor us with a copy of your latest photograph, and then, at the first convenient time, to give about two hours time to one of our reporters that he may interview you concerning the different points of which he would write.



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No. 2,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

5/9/92.

If you desire, we will gladly submit proofs of both the sketch and portrait before publishing the article.

Very truly yours,

*Frank L. Thresher* Publisher.

To James J. Hill, Esq.,

St. Paul,

Minn.



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GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

40-42 WALL STREET,

P. O. Box 756.

NEW YORK. May 10th, 1892.

P E R S O N A L.

James J. Hill, Esq.,

St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir,

I enclose memorandum from Gt. Northern Company showing the amount of the installment due by you to-morrow on Gt. Northern bonds to which you are entitled to subscribe. I am paying two installments and when I receive the check for rebate of interest on the 2nd will advise you thereof. The Gt. Northern Railway Company will be paying you to-morrow all the money you are loaning to it, amounting to \$475,000 , and I shall pay on your account to the Chase National Bank \$30,000 in reduction of your loan at that bank.

I enclose a memorandum which has been handed to me by Mr. Schiff regarding the St. Nicholas Bank. I had some conversation with him regarding it, and he seems to think that this institution is one which might form a very good basis for the operations which you have outlined to me. He expressed his willingness to join in the purchase of the stock, if on further consideration you should deem it desirable at this time. This bank has been very much of a



J.J.H.----2nd.

family affair, rather quiet and sleepy, and I fancy in some respects somewhat carelessly managed; but it is sound, has a good reputation, its business could be largely extended and it has the advantage of small capitalization.

Mr. Fairchild of Lee, Higginson & Company was in the office yesterday. He says that he is going west shortly and expects to be in St. Paul about the 20th or 21st of this month, and possibly Mr. Geo. Clark will go with him.

Your telegram of 9th received this morning and I am glad to note what you say in regard to the construction situation and also the general situation in the North West. I will see that our friends become acquainted with the facts.

The subscription went off with the usual success which attends our offerings to our stockholders. There are some few stockholders yet to hear from, but their holdings are very small and in one instance at least, the delay arises from the fact that the stockholder is dead and action cannot be taken by the representatives of his estate. Of course we will protect the interests in such a case. Sanford Fleming with a holding of 200 shares has not yet expressed his intentions. I sent a note to him yesterday and presume that his failure is nothing more than his usual carelessness for which I suppose he will blame us.

Yours very truly,

*Edw. A. Nichols*



# *The Saint Paul Trust Company.*

J. W. BISHOP,  
*President.*  
CHARLES W. EBERLEIN,  
*Secretary.*  
HARVEY OFFICER,  
*Attorney.*

*Capital \$250,000.*

*Endicott Building.*

*Surplus \$100,000.*

*St. Paul Minn.* May 10th, 1892.

W. A. Stephens, Esq.,

c/o Great Northern Railway Offices,

St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed letter of B. L. Titus, of Moorhead, referring to the insurance on the Grand Pacific Hotel Building, which I received today.

I have notified Titus to address all communications relative to the Hotel, to you direct.

Yours truly,

Charles W. Eberlein  
Secretary.





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