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Boston, Jan 13th 1893

James J. Hill Esq

St Paul Minn

Dear Sir. I am asking much of you
to reply to my letters. I earnestly beg of
you to give me the satisfaction of a reply
as I am very desirous of knowing
from you what I am to expect regarding
the outstanding contract between you
and the Engine Co. I repeat kindly
let me hear from you.

and gratefully Obays Yours with sincere respect

Joshua Merrill Treas
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J. J. Hill Esq

C. K. Larabee.

Fairhaven, Wash. Jan. 13, 1893.

Mr. W. A. Stephens,

Room 57 Great Northern Ry. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter will explain itself. I would suggest the advisability of having a photograph made of Allen by the best photographer that you have so that the photograph will be as near correct and natural as possible, for it will be the means of placing him before the public and handing the same down to posterity in the very best work that has ever been published on the Morgan horse. Mr. Joseph Battell is a wealthy man and has spent several years and a great many thousand dollars in thoroughly looking up the history of the Morgan horse and it is a labor of love out of which he cannot possibly get the money that he has spent and will spend before his book can be given to the public. He has a full history of Allen and verified his pedigree, and also has all of his colts that I have raised registered and they will all appear in this work. Without doubt, as I have written you previously, Allen is the best Morgan stallion living, is intensely inbred to the very best families and he is certainly the handsomest and highest formed Morgan horse that I ever saw.

Yours truly,

C. K. Larabee

Middlebury Vermont.

Jan'y 3 1893.

C.X.Larrabee Esq.

Fairhaven,
Wash.

Dear Sir,

Can we trouble you to send us the photograph of Allen, your Morgan stallion. We desire to use the picture in the illustrations of the forth coming Morgan Register.

This book is now in the printers hands. Therefore our pictures must very soon be in the artists hand. A prompt reply will greatly oblige us and be of material assistance.

Very Truly,

Joseph Battell
per R.B.S.

Will you kindly forward to present owner of Allen, if you have, a photograph.

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New York,

Jan. 13, 1893.

J. J. Hill, Esq.,

St Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Believing that you are interested in a capable and fair administration of the Land Office at Washington during the incoming administration, I take the liberty of writing you in behalf of my friend, Mr. Edward A. Bowers, formerly of South Dakota, but now a practicing attorney in Washington.

I call your special attention to the enclosed letter from Justice Lamar to Mr. Cleveland endorsing Mr. Bowers for this place. As will be seen, Mr. Bowers has filled, with credit, a place in the Land Department already.

I have known Mr. Bowers intimately for very many years, both in a social and business way. He has handled successfully for me the intricate Dayton case at Aberdeen and is the only attorney who secured a favorable decision on that very complicated affair. Judge Wilson, who is now with the Omaha Railroad, knows all about Mr. Bowers, and if you are sufficiently interested to see him, he can tell you of his qualifications.

I would appreciate it very much if you will assist Mr. Bowers in this matter in any way.

As you will see by the heading of this letter, I have drifted back into my old business and have the management of this Company.

I will be glad to see you at any time you are in New York.

Very truly yours,

J. J. McChesney

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Washington, D. C.,
Dec. 20th, 1892.

Hon. Grover Cleveland,
New York City, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:

It is not often that one can at the same time gratify a personal desire and serve one's country to the best advantage in filling an office, but in calling your attention to Edward A. Bowers, I feel that this is possible. Otherwise, believe me, I should not at this time suggest his name to you as a man fulfilling all the requirements for Commissioner of the General Land Office.

You may recollect that Mr. Bowers was my Inspector of the Public Land Service, who managed with complete success and consummate skill the question of the removal of the illegal fences, maintained in spite of law and morals, around vast areas of the public lands by cattle syndicates.

Mr. Bowers came to me as a stranger but highly recommended as a graduate of Yale, who had been practicing law in Dakota for some years. After an intimate acquaintance with his course during my service as your Secretary, I formed the highest opinion of his ability as a lawyer and an officer; and his character as a gentle man of perfect honesty and of attractive personality, compelled my warm personal esteem. He comes of good Connecticut Democratic stock, and his appointment would be gratifying there as well as in the West.

I am sure, from the conscientious and judicious performance of the responsible duties before entrusted to him, and the experience then gained, you would have an assurance that Mr. Bowers, in the larger sphere of Land Commissioner, would so conduct that office as to reflect credit upon your administration, and relieve you from any possible embarrassments that might arise in that difficult branch of the government.

I have no wish to urge this appointment if it in any way interferes with your plans, but I am confident that should you appoint Mr. Bowers you would ultimately be as much pleased as I should be now.

With continued expressions of my warmest esteem, believe me as ever,

Your devoted friend and obedient servant,

(Signed) L. Q. C. Lamar.

ackd Jan 15/93
by W.A.S.

Carver Minn Jan 13th 1893

Hon James J. Hill
St Paul
Minn

Dear Sir & Bro

It is with great reluctance that I address you on this subject, but my present circumstances compels me to do so. I am in great distress being sick and confined to the house with congestion of the lungs not knowing when I will be able to go out again, being compelled before the 29th of this month to raise the sum of \$250.00. I have in my present distress concluded to ask you as an old friend & Brother to at present advance me said amount, and I assure you as a friend and brother mason that the same shall fully be repaid to you within the year 1893. Please grant the request of a brother in distress.

I could give you fuller explanation of my present distress, but suppose that your valuable time is taken up with more valuable matter

Sincerely & Fraternally Yours
Charles Johnson



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