

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1880 MAY 2-13

FOLDER NO.

12-7

JAMES J. HILL PAPERS

PLEASE RETAIN
ORIGINAL ORDER

ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS & MANITOBA
RAILWAY COMPANY,
GENERAL OFFICE.

F. 255

Cookstown May 2nd 1880
ST. PAUL, MINN.

J. J. Hill Esq.,

Genl Manager

Dear Sir:

I return herewith
pass for Capt. Briggs - it did
not reach us in time to send
to him even before he left
St Vincent for Winnipeg -

The wires have been
so overburdened with work
or else out of order
that communication with
general office at St Paul
is very slow.

Respectfully
A. Sullivan

[with 5-2-80]

St Paul Apr 1st
Capt John Gregg
Crookston

When Properly
countersigned and stamped
by agent will instruct
Conductors to pass you
Crookston to St Vincent
ack- of boats

Jas J Hill
Gen Mgr

Subject,

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company

PITTSBURGH DIVISION.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

E. K. HYNDMAN,
Superintendent.*Connellsville, Pa. May 3rd 1880**James J. Ciel Esqr.**Genl Manager, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba RailWay
St. Paul Minn.**Dear Sir*

I am informed that your present M.M. is about to leave your service. If such is the case I respectfully make application for the position, feeling confident that I can give you satisfaction in all the departments appertaining to the office.

I refer you to the following gentlemen as to my ability and character. Judge John Levensong. Late Supt. Schuylkill & Lehigh R.R. Mauch Chunk Pa. Robert H. Sayre. Genl Supt. Schuylkill & Lehigh R.R. Gen. A. G. Broadhead Supt. Beaver Meadows Div. A.R.R. Mauch Chunk R.R. A. Packer Genl Supt. Penna. & New York R.R. and to E. K. Hyndman. Hope to hear from you at your earliest convenience. I am Resptl. Yours H. H. Coffecker. Connellsville. Tazewell Co. Pa.

ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS, & MANITOBA RAILWAY COY.

MOLYNEUX ST JOHN,
AGENT

18, Tower Chambers, Water Street.

Liverpool May 4th 1880

R. B. Angus Esq^r
St Paul Minn.

My dear Sir

I received your letter of April 12th and also one from Mr McKimlay enclosing statement of sales for March and copy for back of foreign map. While on the subject of sales, do you see any objection to my mentioning the amount in acreage in my advertisements?

I have thought of doing so as an incentive to intending sellers to move, but did not like to speak so closely of the Company's business without first mentioning it to you. The more I see the more I am convinced that the tenant farmers are clinging hard to England and that the young men are the more likely ones to move. I had some conversation in Lincolnshire last week that explained the feeling. I think the Irish are looking up a little and the Scotch are asking about Minnesota, but Manitoba and the North West Territories have been so advertised and dinned into them

[5-4-80]

ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS, & MANITOBA RAILWAY COY.

MOLYNEUX ST. JOHN.
AGENT

2

18, Tower Chambers, Water Street
Liverpool.

188

— there being four or five Agents at it all the time — that they have had an impression that other places were swindled.

The Northern Pacific returns as advertised in the P.R. do not show ~~so~~ good sales as our own office but the Agent here is working in a very strenuous and expensive manner. He recently visited Norway and Sweden taking with him a man engaged for those places; altogether he is making great efforts. At Kingsbury the Kansas Agent has also been in Germany working for that emigration. I believe however that the pamphlets I received have been well placed there. Still I may go over. The people here however are very slow in some ways and don't understand the principle of deadheading, though I must not of course let that stand in the way.

The last number of the Field closed the Minnesota & Manitoba question. The discussion did good to both though some of Minnesota's friends did not understand the wisdom of throwing mud. I tried to link Minnesota and Manitoba for neither the Company's interest nor my own inclination pointed to Manitoba's being decided. It would not however have done in the first place to have allowed J. M. to go unanswered as others would have followed him had he

ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS, & MANITOBA RAILWAY COY.

MOLYNEUX ST JOHN,
AGENT

3

18, Tower Chambers, Water Street

Liverpool.

188

not been met. I had an intimation of this soon after my arrival here.

I am going to Chester in a few days to see a man who will tell me about showing some of our sketches in a panorama that is to describe a voyage to America. I am a little doubtful about it, but think there may be something in it. I don't want to lose a good chance and on the other hand don't want to be mixed up with a penny gaff arrangement.

I enclose you a statement of disbursements up to the end of April and should be glad if you will kindly ask the Bank of Montreal to renew my credit for I have out of the balance paid (in May) my advertising bill up to March 31 - It won't show till May account in this expense sheet - and my printing stationery and rent are yet to be paid. Will you please hand the enclosed notes to Mr. Alexander & Mr. Wettenhall.

Yours truly

Molyneux St John



*Private
encl*

*Montreal,
May 5th 1880.*

My dear Angus,

*I have not read through
the whole of the enclosed papers
and hardly expect that you
will do so.*

*I daresay they refer to
matters about which Mr
Stephen does not know very
much.*

*If there is anything in
them which you ought not
to see of course you will not*

see it. If there is anything
which you ought to see you
had better, as Captain Little
said - "make a note of it."

Kindly return the papers
at your convenience.

I hope that you are well.

Yours truly

J. Hickson

R. B. Angus Esq

St Paul, Minneapolis & Man. RR

St Paul,

Minn.

Caskmere, Rockdale,
England.

5th May. 1880.

R. B. Angus Esq.

Dear Sir,

Presuming on our acquaintance,
& having a vivid remembrance of your
kindness at Montreal, about 4 yrs. ago,
when I visited the States & Canada in
company with my friends John Albert
& Wm. Bright, I venture to address you
with a tone of enquiry upon one or two
matters.

Though only just over 40 yrs. of age, I have
one or two sons who fancy a farm life
in America, in a small way.

As I dare say you are aware, England is
just ^{now} pamphleteered thoroughly by men from
the States, pushing this, that, or the other
part.

For instance, "Close, Brothers & Co" write up
"Le Marais & NW Iowa in general."

2. "Kingsbury" / agent for the Galveston,
H. & San Antonio Line / of course writes up
SW & middle Texas.

3. Another agent speaks highly of "Upper Iowa & S.W. Minnesota."

4. Another recommends Colorado - "Platte Land Co." (believes our Mr. Barclay M.P. & your Mr. - James - are connected with this).

Now, you are such a terrific large Country that I feel it is too much to expect any one to be thoroughly acquainted with nearly every state, so I will put a few leading questions, if you will allow me, & I shall feel obliged for any general observations with which you may favour me.

Do you know anything about any of the above parts, or S.E. Nebraska, for farming & stock raising combined.

With ref. to No 1. I am told here that water is plentiful: drought unknown: not too much wet: beetles rarely visit there: not timber &c.

No 2 - I have the best age, on paper, (if this part) never very cold: heat not too great,

sea breezes temper heat: plenty of water, timber; no yellow fever: &c.

No 3 I hear very little about.

No 4 Excellent, but no streams; all ^{means} irrigation by artificial &c &c.

By the bye, it occurs to me that I scarcely know where I heard it, that you are connected with some Railroad & Land Co.: notwithstanding that, I will ask if you have any special knowledge about any part alluded to, or any other part to avoid or enquire further about, - having in mind proximity to markets &c.

Another question. - If my sons little in America, it is not unlikely that I may be turning my steps in that direction, indeed I shall not be surprised to find myself "prospecting" over there during the coming Autumn.

Do you know of any opening in Commercial life, either as Cotton mill Director, or Supervisor or General Manager for any large undertaking requiring business

Knowledge, last energy of Atoner.³

The cotton trade, with which I am connected, appears to be doomed here, (our partnership, expiring shortly, I shall cut the trade here, with a cut down capital) though, but all through life I have had very large experience not only with machinery & accounts, but with land, buildings, legal & ex-ecutorial affairs &c &c.

I trust I do not trespass too much on yr. time - Permit me to thank you in advance, for any reply you may send me, with kind regards, & respectful remembrance to the Young Ladies who once brightened up our travels, I remain,

Yrs very truly,
William Hoyle.



63 William St., New York,

7th May 1880.

Syndicate
St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Ry Co.
Thirty year Second Mortgage Bonds.

Gentlemen;

We beg to advise the following sales of the St. Paul, Minneapolis
and Manitoba Railway Co.'s Six per cent. Second Mortgage Gold Bonds
for account of the Syndicate:

\$1000.- à 95 % and accrued interest, less commission $\frac{1}{2}$ %.

\$40000.- à 95 % and accrued interest, less commission $\frac{1}{2}$ %.

The latter sale is awaiting settlement.

Sales accounted for \$ 577,000.

Sales to be accounted for \$ 132,000.

Balance on hand \$ 951,000.

Withdrawn. \$ 340,000

Respectfully yours, \$2,000,000

J. S. Kennedy & Co.
10. W. Northgate

Jas. J. Hill Esq. St Paul.

St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba R'y Co.

Minneapolis Station, May 8th 1880

J. J. Hill, Esq,

Gen Manager

The 2 cars Hubs from Aurora
for R P Lupton that I spoke to you about
were billed from Aurora May 1st on 1013
6 x 7 received here on Monday morning
May 3rd and one unloaded on May 6th
and the other May 7th

Truly yours

J. W. Atkinson

Wagzeta May 4th 1880

Mr J. H. H. general Manager of R.P.P.R.

Dear Sir

I would most kindly notify
you that I herewith protest
against the proposed Road
of Railroad which you have been
surveying to run through my
place beginning or ending at
the twenty five mile post
running from there in a south
westerly direction in Lot one
Section one Annetonka town
which would eat me of about
Seven acres as I have been
already cut up with Roads
I must most earnestly
protect against such
arrangement by all

7-38
legal acts and more
over as the Engineer
acknowledge himself
without any necessity

Yours most Respectfully
F. W. W. W.

63 William St., New York.

May 10th 1880.

Syndicate
St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Ry Co.
Thirty year Second Mortgage Bonds.

Gentlemen:

We beg to advise the following sales of the St. Paul, Minneapolis
and Manitoba Railway Co.'s Six per cent. Second Mortgage Gold Bonds
for account of the Syndicate:

\$5000. @ 95% + interest less commission 1/2 %

Sales accounted for	\$ 577,000.
Sales to be accounted for	\$ 262,000.
Balance on hand	\$ 821,000.

Withdrawn \$ 34,000

\$ 200,000

Respectfully yours,

L. P. J. S. Kennedy & Co.
O. H. Northcott

James J. Hill Esq. St Paul.

Memorandum of Cash Transactions including
Analysis of George Stephen and Associates account with J. S. Kennedy & Co. at New York
From 25th Dec 1878 to 10th May 1880

Cash Receipts

Proceeds 1 st Mortgage Bonds	446251.10	
Interest on same	24540.77	4487081.87
Proceeds Debentures sold	222000.00	
back recd: as balance on settlements by Debentures	1079.74	
Interest on Debentures	13530.89	236609.63
Coupons and Dividends recd on S.R.P. Bonds		334987.53
Expenses allowed by Court under suits instituted agt. Harley Bond		21989.99
Earnings Red River Ry.		71028.89
payments by Red River Ry.		119865.33
Proceeds of Bonds sold		43656.25
Profit on Bonds sold to Buyers of Bonds		15855.49
Interest all on funds in hands of Agts		4423.11
Reversing entry of Expenses & S	4935.80	
Red River Ry. in S.R.P. Co. payts	12000.00	6135.80
Due by Geo Stephen & Co.		
Route by Messrs Geo	13656.25	
less part S.R.P. draft	13231.57	
of S.R.P. Branch Contract		424.74
Due by following individuals from distributions in connection with Red River Ry. Co. Assets		
Chas. H. Kettner	23800.97	
George Stephen	36821.00	
D. A. Smith	7493.55	
J. J. Hill	7493.73	75609.25

Disbursements

Telegrams postages, cards, trans. etc.	776.05		
Geo Stephen	1393.58		
D. A. Smith	12000.00		
J. J. Hill	<u>5309.42</u>	28709.37	
Law Expenses		18387.63	
Trustees Compensation		64156.47	
Agents	J. S. K. & Co.	50000.00	
Interest	paid in S. R. P. Montreal	77953.33	
	R. R. Grand Co.	<u>11000.35</u>	88953.68
Amsterdam Co.	interest paid	47160.718	
	expenses	28000.00	
	Cash of Bonds	103084.75	
	expenses of S. R. P. (all items)	<u>34000.15</u>	178585.16
Commissions on loans		12234.45	
Bonds sold 1 st Mortgage		<u>14277.00</u>	3151.43
Construction	Harley drafts	33700.00	
	Stat 1879	10480.53	
	Springfield Row	36222.39	
	Cambridge Co.	34125.63	
	Robbins	<u>1600.00</u>	82083.01
Debentures redeemed 5%		222000.00	
	10%	<u>9395.00</u>	315900.00
Bonds purchased through Biffell			33855.52
Stock S. R. P.		70000.00	
		<u>50000.00</u>	
	Sitchfeld, interest	<u>50196.15</u>	50313.65
Purchases under S. R. P. closure			51302.17
Cambridge Branch Contract			2968.06
Purchases Preferred Stock			6312.00
	Marrie Judge		2500.00
	Red River Railway		20381.10
Payments Stock "Earn" R. R. at S. R. P.			24643.92
Discount bill of Bonds recd at S. R. P. to parties			
	Bonds Debentures		3472.29
	less on Red River Ry. of S. R. P.		<u>1601.12</u>
Difference in remitt ⁿ to Montreal			424.74
Balance available for distrib ⁿ			<u>278644.18</u>
			854766.787

854766.787

63 William St., New York,

May 10.th 1880.

Syndicate
St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Ry Co.
Thirty year Second Mortgage Bonds.

Gentlemen:

We beg to advise the following sales of the St. Paul, Minneapolis
and Manitoba Railway Co.'s Six per cent. Second Mortgage Gold Bonds
for account of the Syndicate:

\$25000 - à 95 7/8 and accrued interest less 1/2 % comm.
\$100000 - à 95 % " "

Sales accounted for \$ 577000

Sales to be accounted for \$ 257000

Balance on hand \$ 826000

Withdrawn 340000
\$1000000

Respectfully yours,

J. J. S. Kennedy & Co.
O. W. Northcott

James J. Will. Esq. St Paul.



Minnesota Historical Society

Copyright in this digital version belongs to the Minnesota Historical Society and its content may not be copied without the copyright holder's express written permission. Users may print, download, link to, or email content, however, for individual use.

To request permission for commercial or educational use, please contact the Minnesota Historical Society.



www.mnhs.org