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Prof. H. H. H.

Oct 27, 1882

Dear Sir,

Dear Sir,

You may
think it presuming for me to thus
address a stranger but you do not
seem such to us dear father having
spoken of you so often in our presence.
We have lost our father as no doubt you
have heard are this and ^{of his} left our
circumstances in a very embarrassing
condition as he has not been home
yet more than a year. He was left
in Providence all last winter leaving
for his summer voyage and thus

in the spring took command of the
small tug *Sage* which ran from
Winston-Salem, N.C. to Charlotte and
a storm coming and darkness falling
they were driven on the rocks, and
overturned, and captain & engineer etc.
were drowned. It was nearly two
weeks afterward ere the sad news
was brought to us and we could
not have him brought here as he
was buried there and none of us
to see or mark the spot, our
mother also was taken away when
from home and is now laying in
some unknown spot near Kalamazoo.
It does seem so hard for us.

Now we see an account of
(in the paper) the sale of our home

for default of payment of a mortgage
and we do not know what ever will
become of us when home is gone.

We might manage if we had
this as little brother works in a
planing mill and I do plain
sewing and sister keeps house
for us. But now it is coming on
winter and wood and flour to be
bought and our home to go from us
oh we know not what to do.

We are now orphans indeed neither
father mother nor home left us.

Oh dear cousin you have children
of your own and must not what
is before you. I hope you will
think of our dear distress and try
and help us. Our mortgage

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amounts to five hundred and
seventy three dollars and sixty eight
cents (\$573.68), and there is also a
grocery bill of one hundred twenty five
dollars (\$125), and two hundred
dollars borrowed money from A. B.
in the Kinnell of this city and
should our home be sold for any
thing above the mortgage these men
will be there to present their bills.
The sale takes place on the twenty
third day of December Dec 23rd.
We have of none else to whom we
could apply as you have meant so
abundantly. Oh I pray you to help
us and the Lord will prosper
you, as he hath said. They that
have pity on the poor lendeth

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to the Lord, and that he hath
given will He pay him again
Any thing you may do for us
will be most thankfully recd
I hope you will give us your early
attention as we await in suspense
your reply. We would always
consider it a loss and strive
to pay it as quickly as possible
should you see fit to send us
any help. Hoping you will think
kindly toward us sorrowing
orphan chicks

Remain

Yours Respectfully
Mar. A. H. B.

Please address

Mary A. Hill

28.

Post Office

I am eldest

child.

Daughter of the late W. H. Hill & say
this so I forget him a stranger to
you but I think your cousin
Warren was not.

63 WILLIAM STREET
NEW YORK.

3rd October 1882

My Dear Mr. Hill

Mr. Stephen goes West from Bristol on Sunday and I suppose will be with you on Monday. He will have a couple of young Dutchmen from Amsterdam with him who are both connected with some of the leading financial institutions in that city and that I hope will get a good impression of our Manitoba prospects.

The Executive Committee will have to decide the quarterly dividend on the stock during Mr. Stephens absence and make it payable by 1st Nov^r. I suppose it must be 2% or at the rate of 8% for Common. Some people are expecting it at least say they are expecting 2 1/2% or at the rate of 10% for Common but I would not make it more than 2% and I do not see how we can make it top place capital with Mr. Stephens. Let me know your views. I think it should be declared on the 11th Oct^r and the January Stock closed from the 24th Oct^r till 4th November.

Please let me know at your convenience whether you can remit me any money towards it and if so how much?

I have not heard from you again about your payments on Cambridge Pacific Stock. I shall be glad to make a loan to you or for you to tide

you through until you can get in Income or realize on some of your holdings.

Yours very truly

Wm. S. Kennedy.

James J. Hill Esq.
St. Paul

Minnesota.

P.S. I met Mr. H. Sandy last night and urged him when at West to go on the Manitoba tour and as to Winnipeg, but I doubt if he will have time. J.S.K.

A. W. Edwards



First River Posters
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Editorial Rooms.

Fargo, Oct. 3 1882

J. J. Hill Esq.
P. Post St. P. M. M. R.
St. Paul Minn.

Dear Sir,

In acknowledging your valued favor of a few days since, I beg to say that tomorrow we hold a county convention and on Friday the judiciary convention is called to meet at Jamestown and we will have to leave here Thursday, returning, probably on Saturday.

I could go down Saturday night and be in St. Paul Sunday, but presuming no business could be accomplished, I will endeavor to leave here Sunday night and be there Monday.

Yours truly,
A. W. Edwards.

Montreal, 14th October 1882

My Dear Sir,
Your favor of the 15th ult. in reply to the telegram of the 5th in which I asked that you would be good enough to pay to Mr. W. Arnish Secretary, Hudsons Bay Company two hundred dollars, charging the same against me, ought to have had an earlier acknowledgement. Mr. Arnish on arriving here some short time back informed me that failing to find you while he was in St Paul he applied to Mr. Riddson, who was good enough to lend him the same mentioned, but I am not the less indebted for your attention in the matter.

While I was in St Paul about the middle of August, I asked you to be

be good enough to pay for me an
account for furniture purchased for
Silas Wright and I shall feel obliged
if you will kindly send me the account
that I may remit the amount to you

Yours very truly

Doc. J. Smith

Pr. P.M.H.

I have a check for \$100.00
which I have cashed and I have
paid it, but I have not come up
with the money yet.

J. D. Hill Esq.

Vice President.

St. Paul. M. & M. Railway Co.

St. Paul. Minn.

W. S.

UNION NATIONAL BANK, OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO, ILL.,

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My dear Mr. Hill

I have been requested by the Pres of the Columbian Club of this City to intercede to obtain from you about five paintings to be placed in exhibition at their Annual Loan Exhibition of the Art, which occurs in December. —

This Club is composed of our best Citizens, & includes many of your family are members. The Pres requests me to say. He will send a competent man to your House to Pack & take care of the paintings in transit & will insure them for their full value. This Annual display is quite a feature with the Club. & will embrace paintings from a good many Cities I doubt

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Knows what your feelings are about
having your paintings leave
your Gallery. but if you have
no objection I can safely say
they could be in no more safe
hands nor respectable quarters
than the Calumet Club. And I
am sure our members would
greatly appreciate having
them.

Very truly y^{rs}
C. H. Cummings

JOHN S. KENNEDY.
J. KENNEDY TOD.

J. S. KENNEDY & CO.
BANKERS.

NEW YORK 5th Octbr 1882.

My dear Mr. Hill,

Your letter of the 2nd inst. is to hand this morning and I shall give your stated glass windows my very best attention. At the present moment I am myself doing a little in house decoration, altho on a very modest scale.

I hope to be married on the 15th November. Is it not possible that you might have business here about that date, and thus combine attendance at my wedding as a little bit of pleasure?

It would give me great

gratification to see you there and no doubt you and Mr. Kennedy would find enough business gossip to occupy you for a day or two more. Please try to arrange this.

I enclose a photo of my fiancée which please hand to your good wife with my compliments and

Believe me
Very truly Yours,
J. Kennedy Tod.

James M. Hill Esq.
St. Paul.
Minn.

E. F. OSBORNE,
HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEER,

CONTRACTOR

NO. 229 EAST FOURTH STREET

St. Paul, Minn.

Oct 7 1882

J. J. Hill Esq
City

Dear Sir:

Your favor of
even date, being a conditional
acceptance of my proposal of
Oct. 4th 1882 to renew pipes
in your house is at hand, and
will receive prompt attention.
However I do not desire to be
understood as representing to
have your work done by Nov. 1st 1882
without fail. However I will make
every effort possible to meet your
wishes.

Yours Respy

E. F. Osborne
D. F.

VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
SAINT PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS & MANITOBA RAILWAY CO.

P. O. Box 756.

63 WILLIAM STREET,

NEW YORK.

Oct 12th 1887

James J. Hill, Esq.,
St. Paul

Minn.

My dear Mr. Hill:

I duly received your favors of 15th and 9th inst. which I have read with much interest, and as I leave here on Monday night and expect to be with you in St. Paul next Thursday, I will not trouble you with more than a mere acknowledgment of these letters except to say that we can have the meeting of the Executive Committee when I am in St. Paul to pass the resolutions you desire passed, and that I would recommend that immediate steps be taken to cover the Castleton Branch with the Dakota Extension Mortgage so that we may issue bonds upon it as we will require to sell the bonds to make the payments to the Northern Pacific Company. Hoping you are well and that I may have the pleasure of seeing you soon

Yours truly,
Wm. E. Hill
Wm. E. Hill

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Stetson

YANKTON, D. T. Oct. 18. 1882

J. J. Hill Esq.

Dear sir:

The bearer, C. S. Palmer,
is the assistant U. S. Attorney for Dakota
and is a gentleman of ability and
large discretion to whom could
safely be entrusted an investigation
of the best points attainable for
a large town in Ramsey County.

Mr. Palmer, and Jas. T. Chandler,
a son of the present Secretary of
the Navy visit Ramsey County in
accordance with your suggestion
that some discreet outside parties
might secure the claims now
held by paid squatters, as the
cold season approaches.

You can instruct Mr. Palmer

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

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with securing such lands as
you may desire to be held
at your disposal whenever
you decide upon the improve-
ments to be made.

Mr Chandler will remain if
necessary to hold any claim
purchased, and in connection
with Mr. T. C. Saunders, a reliable
attorney from Pennsylvania, now
located on the north side of the
lake, take part in the organiza-
tion of Ramsey County.

I trust you will furnish
Mr. Palmer and Mr. Chandler
with transportation from St.
Paul to Larimore and return and
give them your confidence.
Respectfully
W. S. Orin



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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN

Sept. 19 1892

Dear Mr. Hill:

If consistent

I wish you would be so

kind as to get half
a dozen tick-passes ^{in blank}

over the St. Paul & Duluth

for me and send by

Beane and office

Truly Yours

W. D. Washburn

Office of

SKAFFAREN
&

Minnesota Stats Tidning,

THE SWEDISH WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, PUBLISHED BY
THE LUTHERAN PUBLICATION SOCIETY OF THE NORTHWEST

At 231 East Seventh Street,

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 20, 1882

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Wm. Hill
Gas. J. Hill, Esq.,
St. Paul.

Dear Sir:— Rev. A. P.

Monten forwarded me
yesterday a letter, in which
you requested from him,
E. Norelius and P. Sjöblom
their check for the
amount of \$350, being
7% on \$5000 for one
year.

Now those parties last
April 6th sold "the
Skaffaren" of St. Paul

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Office of

SKAFFAREN
&

Minnesota Stats Tidning,

THE SWEDISH WEEKLY NEWSPAPER, PUBLISHED BY

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and "the Minnesota Stats
Tidning" of Minneapo-
lis to a new organized
company, called "the
Lutheran Publication Society
of the Northwest". This com-
pany in the Act of Sale
agreed to pay those
\$5000 and 7% interest.
I suppose Rev. Montén
has long before this
told you all about
this matter.

Now Mr. Hill,

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Office of

SKAFFAREN
&

Minnesota Stats Tidning,

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THE LUTHERAN PUBLICATION SOCIETY OF THE NORTHWEST

At 231 East Seventh Street,

St. Paul, Minn.,

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as the manager of
said society, I would
ask you as a great
favor that you would,
if possible, wait with
those \$350, due you,
untill after New Year.

It would just
now be kind of hard
to raise the amount
requested, and I hope
you will favorably accept
my proposition.

Respectfully, Yours truly,
Herman H. Knutson

Oct. 31/82

JOHN LA FARGE
STAINED GLASS UNION SQUARE,
NEW YORK.

J. Kennedy Tod Esq:

Dear Sir The sizes given include
rebate of 1/4 inch.

In regard to the
Stained Glass we are to make
for Mr. J. J. Hill of St. Paul, Minn.
will you kindly give us information
to the following questions?

At what price shall the glass
be made? Something very handsome
can be done for from \$20 a sq foot up-
ward. Also would the sashes be sent
here to fit the glass or are we to
have frames made for them and
do the given sizes include the rebate
or not and what is the width of
the rebate? By getting this information
as soon as possible we may be able to
take the glass in hand at once.

Very truly
Yours
John La Farge

OFFICE OF

Copy
Treasurer of Grant County,

ELBOW LAKE, MINN. October 23^d 1882

Hon. J. J. Hill President of St. Paul
Minneapolis and Manitoba Railroad
Dear Sir:

I see on your plat that
there is a road marked to run some north
of this place. If your company would lay the
road further south by Elbow Lake the County
Seat of Grant County Minn. I believe those
towns next to the County Seat are willing to
give some bonus and the country around Elbow
Lake is just as good as any in the state for wheat
and stock raising. Please let me hear from you
what you think soon as you can.

Very Respectfully
Ole O. O'Connell

JOHN S. KENNEDY.
J. KENNEDY TOD.

J. S. KENNEDY & CO.
BANKERS

NEW-YORK

25th October 1883

Personal.

My dear Mr. Still,

A short time ago a man related to one of the grantees of the family into which I am about to marry died, leaving among his assets some 1st Mtge 7^{1/2}% Bonds of the "Transit Rail Road Co. (of Minnesota.) The Bond states the road is to be constructed from Winona by way of S. Paul to Big Sioux River.

The principal is due 1st Oct. 1883 and the coupons from 1st April 1889 are attached to each Bond. The Trust Deed is dated 1st Oct. 1858

and the Trustees are

William Windom
and
J. H. Harmon.

Can you give me, or obtain for me, any information as to the value, if any, of these Bonds? Your kind attention will greatly oblige

Yours very truly

J. Kennedy Tod.

James J. Still Esq.

S. Paul.



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