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FEB 14 1905

Minnesota State Prison

1095-Coburn Ave

St Louis, Mo

Feb 6th 1905

Col Henry Wolfer

Stellwagen Minn.

My dear Sir & friend

It has been quite a while since I have heard from you. How are you getting along? Suppose you are still working. Col Wolfer I have written a Book on my 20 years work to release the prisoners. Was requested to do so by many of the leading men of the State. Have gotten the Book up on a very high plain. Have had some of the best Critics in the State to go over the Manuscript. They say it is just class & will make fine reading. Have paid

For State Minn. a very high
 Comptinent. for low order
 & for you to not low. for not
 hanging the younger. which
 would have been done in
 most any other State. Am
 sure every friend of the younger
 in Minn. would not let
 Brock with just please &
 will have come where from 300
 to 500 pages with 20 or 40
 expressions - of men in the
 highest walks of life in Mo
 & Minn. Now I want you to
 send me one of your very
 best picture. with a little
 history of your self. How
 long you were working in all
 & how long you have held the
 place in Minn. Have quite
 a number of pictures to put
 in the work from your State

Woolfer

✓

No one in Merrimack more
to bring about cheerfulness
than you R. G. Dunning for
Woolfer - kindly send the
the picture at your earliest
convenient time. The Book will be
elegantly bound. I know you will
like it

Am living here at the above
number. send my love out
to come here to educate my children
Cole Younger has an agency
of some kind. I think is
doing very well. I often
think of you & your kind treatment
to me while at Ellsworth. at
different times. if you visit
this city or come here on busi-
ness. I want you to ^{make} ~~stay~~ over
having your home
with compliments of the Press
for I am your friend
W. C. Dunning

Feb. 9, 1905.

Cole Younger, Esq.,

Lee's Summit, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I have just received a letter from your old friend, Colonel Bronough, and I send you herewith copy of letter I have just written him in reply. It speaks for itself and will advise you in a measure what my feelings are upon the subject. I think it due you to send you copy of this letter as I do not believe in saying anything behind one's back that I am not willing to say to his face.

I received your letter under date of November 14th, 1904, asking me to help you before the Board of Pardons in getting an unconditional pardon, or for the removal of any disabilities that still existed. I did not answer your letter for two reasons. First, because I did not want to hurt your feelings unnecessarily, and second, because I hoped that my silence would answer the purpose just as well, but I see that you are still counting on more help from Minnesota and that you expect those who once took a friendly interest in you to help you still more. I, for one, will not do it. In my opinion, you have already received much more than you are entitled to. You have not only violated the spirit of your pardon but you have, by your conduct, outraged every principle of manhood. Among your old Missouri friends you once had the reputation of being a brave man, but your treatment of Minnesota and your old friends in this State convinces me that you are a coward. This is strong language and very much to the point but I think it is due you to receive a very frank letter

Cole Younger -2-

from me so that you may know just where I stand, and unless I am very much mistaken, there are many other men in Minnesota who once took a friendly interest in you who believe and think just as I do.

Yours very truly,

Feb. 9, 1905.

Col. W. C. Bronough,

5095 Cobanne Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 6th inst., in which you say you have written a book on your twenty years' work to release the Youngers: that you were induced to write ~~to write~~ this book because of the large number of your friends requesting you to do so: that you wish my photograph for use in this book, etc. In reply permit me to say that I am not especially proud of what little I had to do with the release on parole and final pardon of the Youngers. This feeling comes in the light of experience I have had since the final release of Cole Younger. To my mind, he has demonstrated very conclusively that he was not entitled to the confidence placed in him by the best friends he ever had in the State of Minnesota. If Younger cherishes his freedom and wishes to remain as free as possible from any entanglements, I would advise him, and his friends in Missouri, that he had better keep out of the lines of the State of Minnesota. This frank and blunt statement may come to you somewhat as a surprise but it is a plain statement of my feelings as well as that of thousands of others, and among them some of the best and staunchest friends that Cole Younger ever had in the State of Minnesota. Under the circumstances it is hardly necessary for me to remind you that I do not want my photograph in a book having anything to do with Cole Younger or his affairs.

Yours very truly,

Feb. 9, 1905.

Hon. Chas. M. Start,

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court,

State Capitol, St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I received letters from Cole Younger and Col. W. C. Bronough and have replied to both, and enclose herewith for your information both letters and my replies thereto.

Respectfully submitted.

Charles M. Start
Chief Justice
Calvin T. Brown
John A. Lohr
Charles T. Lewis
Edwin A. Jaggard
Associate Justices

State of Minnesota
Supreme Court

February 13th. 1905.

My dear Mr. Wolfer,

I herewith return the correspondence in the matter of
Cole Younger.

Your reply is a straight forward one and I was glad to
read it, for it expresses my views and feelings perfectly.

Truly yours,

Charles M. Start

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BOSTON OFFICE,
Cincinnati, U. S. A.
46 CLINTON ST.

April 4th, 1905.

Warden Minnesota State Prison,
Stillwater, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

The writer was in Minnesota in 1876 and it is ^{my} memory that the Northfield Bank Robbery occurred that year and that the Younger Brothers were put into the State Prison in that year. In a dispute with a friend who was in Minnesota in 1872, four years previous, he claims to have seen the Younger Brothers in Stillwater at that time.

Will you kindly as shortly as may be, give me what information you can in reply to this?

I enclose envelope for reply.

Very truly yours,

Arthur Wilson,

#44 Eliot St.,

Boston, Mass.

(Enc.)

Rec Nov 20-1876

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APR 7 1905
Minnesota State Prison

Apr. 8, 1905.

Mr. Arthur Wilson,

44 Eliot Street, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your inquiry of the 4th inst., concerning the Younger Bros., and the crime committed by them at Northfield beg to say that the crime was committed early in the fall of 1876 and the Younger Bros., were committed to the State Prison Nov 20th, 1876.

W/T

Yours very truly,

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Nome, Alaska,

July 10 1905

Warden State Penitentiary

Stillwater, Minn.

Dear Sir: Will you please write me the
date and year of the Northfield Robbery
and the date and year the Younger Brother
were sent to the Minn. Penitentiary I was
jailed in the State of Minnesota and a question
has come up as to the dates of the Northfield
robbery. Kindly answer this
Thanking you in advance

Very resp.

John Nestor

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JUL 21 1905

Minnesota State Prison.

July 24, 1905.

Mr. John Restor,
Home, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 10th inst., concerning the Younger Bros.
and the crime committed by them at Northfield, beg to say that the crime was com-
mitted early in the Fall of 1876 and the Younger Bros. were committed to the State
Prison Nov. 20, 1876.

Yours truly,

W/M

C.A. CRISSEY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW.



JAMES J. COX
ABSTRACTER.

Howard, S. Dak.

August 8th 1905.

Warden of States Prison,

Stillwater, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

I would be greatly obliged if you will inform me when the Younger boys began to serve their time in states prison and when released. Stamp enclosed for reply.

Yours truly,

Morrison

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AUG 10 1905
Minnesota State Prison

Aug. 14/05.

Mr. Monroe Masterson,
Howard, S.D.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 8th, beg to say that the
Younger Brothers were received at the State Prison on Nov. 20, 1876:
Released on parole July 14, 1901, and pardon granted to Cole Younger
on Feb. 4, 1903. James Younger committed suicide after his parole,
viz: On Nov. 19, 1902.

W/D

Truly yours,

FRANKLIN ETT,

VE.

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118 NORTH FRANKLIN ST.

TELEPHONE RED 261.

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SEP 18 1905

Minnesota State Prison

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Dept of State Prison
St. Paul, Minn.

Minnesota

Dear Sir:

From what I can ascertain and led to believe there was a Bank robbery in your State some very few years ago, and in the matter one of the Bank officials was shot and killed, the robbers were captured and convicted to life imprisonment, and this one made his escape after being delivered to the penitentiary. So if this is not a pipe dream, I would like for you to send me full particulars, and what reward, if any, for his apprehension and his delivery back to you. Hoping an early reply I am

Your Obedient Servant,
F. W. Puckett,
Muncie, Ind.

Sep. 20, 1905.

Mr. F. W. Puckett,
118 N. Franklin Street,
Muncie, Ind.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 16th duly received and in reply beg to say that there were three men committed to this institution for the Northfield bank robbery about 26-7 years ago and sentenced under a life sentence. Two of them are dead and the third one had his sentence commuted and afterwards was pardoned. These are the only bank robbers that I know of as serving time in this institution, and presume they are the ones you refer to. The story you have heard is undoubtedly a pipe dream.

W/T

Yours very truly,

EMERSON HOUGH
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG.
CHICAGO

January 19, 1906.

Warden of the Penitentiary,
Stillwater, Minnesota.

My dear Sir:-

I am writing a historical book on the Bad Men of the West, and want to print a brief chapter on the Younger Boys. Three of these boys were confined in the Minnesota Penitentiary. Can you tell me the date on which two of them were let on parole and the terms of the parole? Was it not Cole and Jim Younger who were thus released? What became of the third brother, and did he die or not? I am unable to get this information authentically elsewhere, and hope you will oblige me to the extent of giving me the facts.

Yours very respectfully,

Emerson Hough.

20th Van

1876

James Skat

Remedy Oct 19

1902.

Sept 16 1889

Oct 1902

Wm

Younger Bros

Jan. 2, 1906.

Emerson Hough, Esq.,

First Nat'l Bank Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 18th, below please find record of the Younger Boys.

THOS. COLEMAN YOUNGER, sentenced Nov. 20, 1876, from Rice County under a life sentence for the crime of Murder in the first degree. Paroled July 14, 1901. Pardoned Feb. 4, 1903 on condition that he leave the state of Minnesota and that he never exhibit himself in public in any way.

JAMES YOUNGER, sentenced Nov. 20, 1876, from Rice County under a life sentence for the crime of Murder in the first degree. Paroled July 13, 1901. Shot himself with a revolver in the City of St. Paul, Minn., and died at once from the wound inflicted on Oct. 19, 1902.

ROBT. YOUNGER, sentenced Nov. 20, 1876 from Rice County under a life sentence for the crime of Murder in the first degree. He died Sep. 16, 1899 of Phthisis.

Very truly yours,

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FEB 10 1906

Minnesota State Prison

Farmer City
2-9-06

Warden of State Prison

Dear Sir

In order to settle a bet of
\$10 as to which of the Younger
Brothers died while in in
prison I ask you to Be so
Kind to please let us know
which one it was as I am
the stake holder I am the one
that was to find out and

they will not take the life
of them for reference they want
to hear from you

I thank you very much for the
trouble it will be to you I
will I enclose stamps for a reply
as soon as possible please write
on a prison letter head

Yours Truly

Samuel A McKinley

Farmer City

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Illinois

Feb. 10, 1906.

Sam'l C. McKinley,

Pepper City, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 9th inst., about the Younger Brothers, beg to say that it was Robert Younger who died in prison. Coleman and James Younger were released on parole July 14, 1901. A short time after their release on parole James Younger committed suicide. Coleman Younger was afterwards given a conditional pardon, and was allowed to return to his old home in Missouri. I hope this will answer your purpose.

Very truly yours,

W/M

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MAR 13 1906
Minn. State Prison.

Grand Forks

Mar. 11. 06.

Warden Stillwater Penitentiary

Stillwater Minn.

Sir -:

Would you please
let me know whether Cole
Younger was pardoned or
not as there is an argument?

And of age

John Power

1118 Shuyemur Ave.

Grand Forks

N.D.

2-4-03

Mich. 16, 1906.

John Power, Esq.,

1118 Cheyenne Ave., Grand Forks, N. D.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 11th will state that Cole Younger was pardoned
by the State Board of Pardons on Feb. 4, 1903.

Very truly yours,

W/H

Wahpeton N.D.
Sep 14th '06

Warden

Sir will you be
kind enough to let me
know, which of the younger
Boys. died in prison, and
the names of all.

Enclosed you will find a
self addressed envelope.

Thanking you for the favor
I remain

Yours Truly
B. H. Pierce

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Minnesota State Prison.

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Robt Young ✓
Jas " "
Thos Coleman,

Sept. 15, 1906.

Mr. R.R. Pierce,

Tahpeton, N.D.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 14th, will state that Robt. Younger died in Prison, and the names of the other two who were here are James Younger and Thomas Coleman Younger.

Yours truly,

HENRY WOLFEN, Warden.

M/D

Clerk.

509 S. Cabanne Ave St Louis mo

July 26th 1907

Col Henry Wolfer

Littlewater mo

My dear Sir & friend

I will in the near future
mail to you one of my Books and hope
you will do me the honor to read it.
I have spared no expense or pain in
getting it up. the press over the state
are paying me high Compliments.

One regret I have that you did not
join me with your picture. to go in
along with B. F. Watson. Genl Geo P. Wilson
Mr C. P. Denning. Judge R. A. Mott. Gov
Marshall & others. there is about 400
pages Cloth bound first Class paper
print. Hope you will enjoy reading
it. Was sorry you were from home
when I was in your City last June. Came
expressly to get your permission to put
picture in my Book.

I often think of your kind treatment
to me as well as to Mr Jones. I fully
appreciated it and have wanted to return

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JAN 28 1907
Missouri State Prison

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You at our home both here & in
the County. When ever you or any
of your household come to this great
growing City make our home
your home. And such as we have
~~will~~ "Will give unto thee - Am meeting
with ready sales - will put 10,000 Copies
in Texas in the Spring -

Have had a mild & rainy winter here
up to yesterday - ground is freezing today
had ~~had~~ very little snow up to the
present -

With kind regards to your
self & family. and hoping to hear from
you in near future

I am truly your friend
W.C. Bronaugh
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Jan. 29, 1907.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 26th inst., in which you say that you will, in the near future, send me a copy of your book, and request that I read it through. In reply beg to say that I shall give it very careful perusal.

I desire to thank you for the kindly expression in your letter, after the very plain letter I wrote you some time ago in response to your request for my photograph to be used in the book. I felt very strongly upon the subject and I thought it was due you to be entirely frank upon the subject.

Again thanking you for your kindly expressions of good-will,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Col. W. C. Bronough,

5095 Cabanne Ave.,

St. Louis, Mo.

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APR 11 1907

Minnesota State Prison.

Grandview Ohio

April 11 ~~th~~th 1907.

Supt. of State Prison
at Stillwater Minn. Sir
will you please tell me by
return mail. if any of the
Younger Brothers are living. and
where are they at this time. are
they out on Parole. if so, give me
their address. This is to settle a
dispute. Please write by return
mail. Inclosed you will find inclosed
Very truly
F. M. Diggins

Apr. 12, 1907.

Flora Siggins,

Grand View, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry as to the whereabouts of the Younger Brothers beg to say that Thomas Coleman and James Younger were released on parole July 13, 1901. James Younger committed suicide by shooting on Oct. 19, 1902, in the city of St. Paul. Thomas Coleman Younger was conditionally pardoned on February 4, 1903, the condition being that he leave the state of Minnesota. He is the only survivor of the Younger Brothers. We are unable to give you his address however. The last time we heard of him we was somewhere in Missouri. Robert Younger, who was committed to this Institution at the same time with his brothers, died in prison on September 16, 1889 of consumption.

Yours very truly,

HENRY WOLFER, Warden.

Dic. by

Clerk.

Yankton S.D.
July 29-07

Dear Sir:-

If you are willing to let
me have a few moments of your time
your kindness will never be forgotten

all I want to find out
is what was the names of the
younger boys that served time
in prison there and what was
the name of the one that com-
mitted suicide in St. Paul. -

That's all

Yours Truly,

Peter Halverson

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JUL 31 1907
Minnesota State Prison.

Aug. 1, 1907.

Mr. Peter Halvorsen,
Yankton, B. Dak.

Dear Sir:-

Answering your inquiry of the 29th concerning the Younger Bros.,
beg to say that the three Younger boys were committed to this institution
on November 20, 1876. Their names were, Thomas Coleman Younger, James Younger,
and Robert Younger. Robert Younger died in the State Prison on
Sept. 16, 1889 of consumption. Cole and James Younger were paroled
on July 14th 1901. James Younger committed suicide on October 18, 1902,
and Thoas Coleman Younger was pardoned on February 4th, 1903.

Yours very truly,

W/T

H. F. McDONALD
PHYSICIAN AND DRUGGIST

HOLLANDALE, WIS.

November 20 1907

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Minnesota State Prison.

To the Warden State Penitentiary
Stillwater Minn.

Dear Sir -

Will you kindly answer this
question to decide a dispute.

A bet that Leas Younger and Jim Younger
were the ones liberated from the Penitentiary
at Stillwater a few years ago and that
Bob Younger died in prison and
Jim Younger committed suicide by shooting
himself after being liberated.

~~The~~ B bet that Bob Younger was
the one that committed suicide after
being released.

Kindly answer this, thanking you in
advance for your information.

I Remain

Yours Respt
H. F. McDonald M.D.
Hollandale.
Wisconsin.

Nov. 22, 1907.

H. P. McDonald, M. D.

Hollandale, Wis.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 20th inst., beg to advise that it was Cole and James Younger that were liberated from the Prison on parole six years ago last July. Jim Younger committed suicide by shooting himself four or five months after his parole. Bob Younger died in the State Prison about 20 years ago of tuberculosis.

Yours very truly,

W/T

Department of Justice
United States Penitentiary
Leavenworth, Kansas.

COLE YOUNGER
A COWARD

So Branded by the Warden of the
Minnesota Penitentiary—Must
not Enter State.

St. Paul, Minn., May 25.—In a letter to Cole Younger, Henry Wolfer, warden of the Minnesota state prison, at Stillwater, brands Younger as a coward. Younger was anxious to get the conditions attached to his Minnesota pardon removed. He particularly objects to the condition that he will never return to Minnesota. So he wrote asking Warden Wolfer to intercede with the state board of pardons to have the conditional pardon made unconditional.

Cole has received a reply said to be one of the warmest roasts that ever went through the mails. Warden Wolfer told Cole his former friends in Minnesota once believed he was a brave man, and that, after being granted a pardon, he would prove that by his mode of life. But now Warden Wolfer had all the evidence he wanted to justify the belief that he was nothing but a coward. Wolfer wrote further, that if Cole Younger ever again showed his face in Minnesota the warden would place him behind the bars.

It is said to be Younger's desire to have the conditions of his pardon removed so he can tour through the north with his Cole Younger circus. One of his agreements for his pardon was that he would never exhibit himself in a public way.

May 30, 1908

Dear Henry Please send
me a copy of your
reply to Cole Younger.
He deserved a good warning
since it is not possible
now to give him the good
hanging that he ought to
have had years ago.
Yours hastily
R. W. McClaghry

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JUN 1 1908
MINNESOTA
STATE PRISON.

Will write you at length
very soon.

June 1, 1908.

My dear Major:

Your letter of the 30th ult., with enclosed clipping on Cole Younger, received. Letters referred to were written in February 1905, and have just leaked out through some source. I send you copies of the letters referred to, as you have requested.

With best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Major R. W. McCalaghry,

Warden, U.S. Penitentiary,

Leavenworth, Kansas.

June 11-08

Warden

Still water Minn

Dear Sir - can you
furnish me 1 copy each
of younger boys Prison Photo

Thanking you in advance
for same

I am

Respt

Harry E. Stege

HARRY E. STEGE

SUPERINTENDENT
BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION
POLICE DEPARTMENT

KANSAS CITY, MO.

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JUN 13 1908

MINNESOTA
STATE PRISON.

June 15, 1908.

Harry E. Stoge,

c/o Police Department,

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 11th inst., requesting photograph of each one of the Younger Brothers, beg to advise that we have no photographs except those in our Bertillon records. All of the Youngers are dead, except Thomas Coleman Younger now living in the vicinity of Kansas City. I imagine it will not be difficult to get his photograph there, if you want it, as he has shown a prolific disposition to hand his pictures around promiscuously since he left this State.

Very truly yours,

W/T

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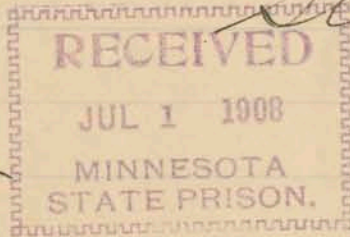
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GRACE MERCANTILE CO.

Grace, Miss., *June 27* 1908

*Warden Wm. State Penitentiary,
Stell Water,
Minn.*



Dear Sir:

*To settle a dis-
cussion, I write to ascertain
whether Bob. Younger, of the
famous Younger Boys, was
ever in your prison, whether
he died there, or what be-
came of him. By answering
the above, you will great-
ly oblige*

*Yours truly
Ed Hoagler,
Grace
Minn.*

*I enclose
stamp for reply
E.A.*

July 1, 1908.

Mr. Ed. Hoogler,
Grace, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Answering your favored inquiry of the 27th inst., concerning Bob Younger, of the Younger Brothers, beg to advise that three of the Younger Bros., were committed to this institution: Thomas Coleman Younger, James Younger and Robert Younger. Bob Younger died in the State Prison on September 16, 1889. Cole and James Younger were paroled from this institution July 13, 1901. James Younger committed suicide by shooting himself through the head October 19, 1902, in the city of St. Paul. Thomas Coleman Younger was granted a conditional pardon by the State Board of Pardons on February 4, 1903. Cole Younger is now living at his old home in Missouri.

Very truly yours,

W/T



ANY FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE ON THE
SUBJECT REFER TO NO. _____

POLICE DEPARTMENT
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
U. S. A.

OFFICE CHIEF OF POLICE



SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Jan. 20th, 1909.

To the Warden
Stillwater Penitentiary.

Will you kindly advise me when the Younger
brothers were confined to your institution and when they were
liberated.

I am very desirous of obtaining an accurate history of their
careers and if you can give me any information as to where this
might be obtained, I would esteem it a great favor.

Will you kindly inform me where Frank James was confined?

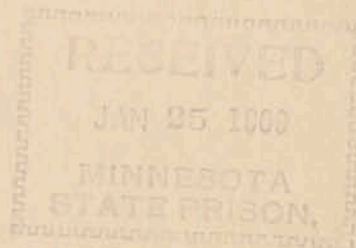
Very sincerely yours.

Thos. Luke

Captain of Police

#64 Eddy St.

San Francisco Cal.



Jan. 25, 1909.

Thos. Duke, Esq.,

Captain of Police,

64 Eddy St.,

San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 20th inst. about the Younger Brothers, beg to say that three of the Youngers, -Thomas Coleman, James and Robert, -were committed to this Institution on Nov. 20, 1876.

Robert Younger died about ten years after his commitment. James and Coleman were paroled from this Institution on July 13, 1901. James Younger committed suicide in St. Paul after his release on parole by shooting himself thru the head with a revolver. Cole Younger received a conditional pardon on Feb. 4, 1903 which permitted him to leave the state of Minnesota and go back to his old home in Missouri where he is now living.

Frank James, nor either of the James brothers, were ever committed in the state of Minnesota, altho it is a matter of common knowledge that both of the James Brothers were with the Youngers at the time the crime was committed at Northfield, the James brothers making their escape and returning to their home in Missouri. The Minnesota authorities never succeeded in getting hold of them.

Very truly yours,

W/H

U.S.S.Vermont,

Boston,Mass.,

March 27th,1909.

Dear Sir:-

I am not at all certain whether this will reach you or not, but if it should I am frank in the beginning, this letter is a request. Long time ago you and your brothers were in the county jail at Faribault, Minnesota, not long after the Northfield affair. While you were there a doctor came to the place and dressed your shot wounds. Do you remember him? His name was Dr. F.M. Rose, of Faribault. He is my father and living now. He has often told me about you people and how he wished you might be freed from Stillwater. He told me as a child that you were not doing right at the time of the arrest, but could hardly be blamed, for all you Younger Brothers had a cause.

Now this is what I ask: Would you be so kind as to send me something that I may keep as a remembrance of you? A letter, or photo with an autograph, or something of that sort. I know that you probably have a great many requests for things that are a bother to you, but both my father and myself would be very grateful to you if you would send something as a remembrance. My grandfather was the protestant Bishop of Minnesota at the time spoken of. He came to see you if you remember. H.B. Whipple was his name.

I am a hospital apprentice in the U.S. Navy, aboard the U.S.S. Vermont. Address: F.M. Rose H.App.I/c, U.S.N. U.S.S.Vermont.

Thanking you for your kindness,

Sincerely,

Frank M. Rose Jr.

H.App.I/c, U.S.Navy.

Mr James Hardin Younger.

B. R. BRYSON, Mayor

F. E. FOSTER, Clerk

City of Iowa Falls

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Iowa Falls 5/29-19

Mr. Andrew Dear Sir will you be kind enough to look
the records up and tell me when the younger ones
were sent up from Northfield and when released
I had an argument with a party on the date
I told him it was in 1876 but he said
not so I wish you would send me
the dates if you can truly

Trigg
Chief of Police

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MINNESOTA
STATE PRISON

June 4, 1909.

Mr. F. Gifford,

Chief of Police,

Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 29th inst. about the Younger Bros. beg to say that three of the Youngers--Thomas Coleman, James and Robert--were committed to this Institution on Nov. 20, 1876.

Robert Younger died about ten years after his commitment. James and Coleman were paroled from this Institution on July 13, 1901. James Younger committed suicide in St. Paul after his release on parole by shooting himself thru the head with a revolver. Cole Younger received a conditional pardon on Feb. 4, 1903 which permitted him to leave the state of Minnesota and go back to his old home in Missouri.

Very truly yours,

M



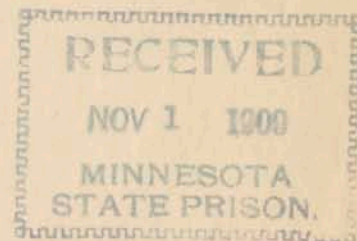
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Police Department
of the
City of San Francisco
State of California
Office of The Chief
Hall of Justice



October 27th. 1909.

To the Warden,
Stillwater Prison,
Minnesota,
My dear Sir:-



I am very anxious to obtain a copy of your
photographs of Cole, Bob and Jim Younger and I can assure you that
I will be extremely grateful if you can extend this courtesy.

Yours truly,

Thos Reke

Captain of Police,

4414 California St.

San Francisco Cal.

Nov. 2, 1909

Thos. Duke, Esq.,

Captain of Police, 4414 California St.,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 27th inst. beg to advise that we have no photograph of Cole, Bob or Jim Younger; hence are unable to send you copies of same.

Very truly yours,

M

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ST. PAUL, MINN. June 2, 1910.

Warden Wolfer,

State Prison, Stillwater, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

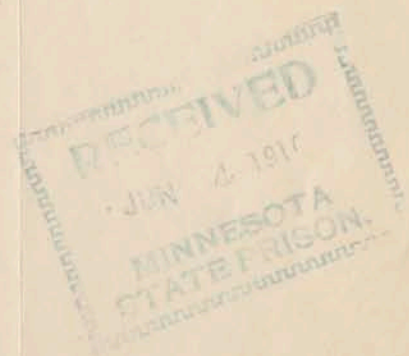
I am in receipt of the following inquiry from one of our subscribers: "Is Thomas Colman Younger brother to Bob, Jim and John Younger, living? If so, where does he live and what is his occupation? " He also inquires whether Frank James, brother to Jesse James, is dead or alive. Can you give me this information?

I enclosed stamped envelope for reply and thank you in advance for your trouble in the matter.

Yours truly,

M. A. Carver,

Editor of Farmers' Weekly Dispatch.



. June 6, 1910.

Mr. M. A. Carver,
Editor Farmers' Weekly Dispatch,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Discharged.

Replying to your inquiry of the 2d inst. beg to advise
that so far as we know Thomas Coleman Younger^{#699} is still alive.
We do not know his present whereabouts but if you will inquire
of Mr. W. C. Bronough, Prop. of the Kansas City Star, he may be
able to give the information desired.

Frank James is also alive so far as we know.

Very truly yours,

M

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MINNESOTA
STATE PRISON

Mr. Wolfen

Stillwater

Minn.

Dear Sir,

Sept 29th /10

will you please, to address
& seal, & forward this letter
to Mr. Younger?
Yours Resptly

Mrs. Michael. Farrall.

Gladwin.

Wis.

Linden Iowa

March 3/1901

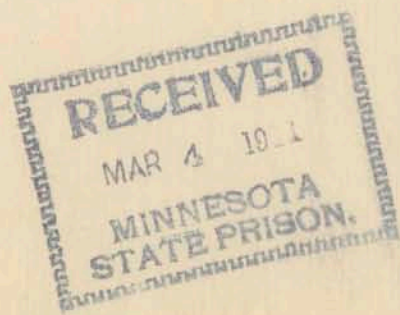
Warden Penitentiary

Stethwater Minn

Dear Sir: Will You Please
Give Me the date of the
^{Robbery} Bank at Northfield by
the James & Younger Bros

Yours truly
L. P. Godown

Early in fall of
1876



March 14, 1911.

Mr. L. P. Godown,

Linden, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd inst. which has just come to hand
beg to advise that the date of the robbery of the bank at Northfield b y the
Younger Boys took place on September 7, 1876.

Very truly yours,

Henry Wolfer, Warden.

Clerk.