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Pace Dale R. I. May 15th

Mr. G. B. Bacon
C/o Dilwyn & Co 1310 Pennsylvania, Wilmington.

Dear Sir:

Your note has been forwarded to my address here. I believe your mortgage is locked up in the vault for safe keeping in Providence.

I shall be back there in a few weeks & will try to get it out for you at that time. In the meantime I am here as a resident.

Yours faithfully
Wm. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R. I. May 18th 07

Mr. R. B. Woodford
103 Kick Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Yours of May 9th has reached me here. I have already 4 three different parties who are considering our place but of course it is not yet sold. I shall be willing to allow you a Commission in case you can make a sale to obtain further details matter will be in the hands of my attorneys therefore. Giles Shall No 2 Winston Block, who will have the key.

The property has about 220 ft. frontage on James St. & 330 on Robinson besides the footbridge adjoining which also belongs to me but is not part of the original purchase. The property includes about 4½ acres of land.

We hold it at $10 000.00 or we will sell the front, retaining the Robinson St. property for $8 000.00.

The property is free & clear. To responsible parties any reasonable time will be granted.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bason

Peace Dale R.I. May 13th 57

Mr. F. A. Johnson Man.
Cy. Courier Job Dep't. Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

The rate you mention in yours of May 7th. which has been forwarded to me here will still make me a heavy loser by bringing this work to Syracuse. I could have had it done in Philadelphia for 75 cents per page of such work as I left a specimen of with Mr. Nash & I calculated that your page only held 60% of what those did which would make 75 cents an equivalent charge. I shall not complain if you will make me a rate of 50 cent per page on this the one now in hand & shall be about 9/10 ths out on the operation. If you will take copy 10th. page of each of these books of our's which I left with Mr. Nash & count the letters I think you ought to be able to make me the same charge that the 75 amounts to ~~per~~ at 75 cts per page (this is the price we have been paid me in Phila.) I shall feel satisfied with whatever result that gives. I am not seeking to gain [illegible] do the work I think you will agree that I ought not to lose.

Yours faithfully
Wm. E. Bacon

Boston & Roxbury May 10th

My dear Mr. Emerson:

Your note forwarded by my wife has just reached me here. Most gladly would I see you here on Ascension with the company of the Club, but I did not leave in very good voice. We shall be glad to sell our place for $60 000 00 & think you will be doing about it. $70 000 00.

The place which stands in my wife's name is perfectly free & I can at will make my responsible bond to any reliable person. I was sorry not to see you at our house last Wednesday evening.

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Bacon.

Peace Bah May 16th 5-

Dear Fred:

With this I am sending you the key of the old office in the White Building, that of the desk in the presidents room (is that Room 13?) & that of my old desk which Bellinger now has.

Please have the telephone taken out of the house at once. If it is done on Saturday Maggie & John Ross will still be in the house. After that Gill & Sidwell are to have its keys.

I have never had a key of the S. P. Co. box at the P.O.

Helen & the children reached here in good shape this morning.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon.

Please send me my letters to you from Europe. My copies of some of them are illegible & I think there is some information in them which I have not recorded elsewhere.

May 17th. Your telegram reached me just before 6 last night I am answering that Gill is agent. We should be very glad to make a sale to Stearns. I tried to see him before leaving as Holden had said he might do something but he was out of town. We hope to get $60 000 for the whole place or $52 000 for the James St. part alone. We paid $65 000 for the whole & have since put in about $10 000 more in improvements. There are about 225 ft. frontage on James St. & 330 on Robinson the total being about 4½ acres of which 1½ belong to the Robinson St. part, this is well shown on the City Atlas. I should be very glad if you could see Stearns about this yourself. We should prefer all cash (of which a very large balance would stand on mortgage say 80%) but would not absolutely refuse to take a part in the property in exchange.

Yours faithfully Nath. T. Bacon

May 17th 5-

My dear Mr. Swift:

Your letter came last night after the departure of the last mail. Our price for the whole property is $60 000 00/100 or we will sell the James St. part alone (about 225 ft. front with an average depth something over 500 ft.) for $52 000 00/100 reserving the frontage on Robinson St. (330 ft. by I think 220 ft. deep). I refer you to the atlas of Syracuse for a good plot of the property. We shall be sacrificing about $10 000 00/100 of the cost to us at these figures.

We should prefer not to take property in Syracuse in exchange and altho' I would like to accommodate you I hesitate to do this now when we have four other possible purchasers in view. On the other hand we would call for very little ready money from you + a very large proportion might stand on a mortgage.

You may be unaware that there are two houses on the Robinson St. front + that this has been greatly improved in value of late by the East Side R. R. which passes within 150 yards of it.

As the buildings on our place have cost more than we ask for it I feel that our price is low. I expect to be in Syracuse in about two weeks + will try to see you then if you care to go any further + in case we have not already sold. ~~In that~~ If you care to please send me details + if possible tracings of the property you offer in exchange.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Bacon

May 17th 5-

Dear Harry:

Your very welcome letter came yesterday. I suppose that this materially improves our chances in the main contention. Is there any chance of its being to the Court of Appeals? If it gets there before Judge Andrews retires I have very little fear of the result & probably a unanimous opinion in the Gen. Term would go far towards getting it sustained above any way.

I return you herewith Judge Butler's opinion. It looks if he had been trying to hedge against this very thing in saying that perhaps it would be different if ~~creditors~~ the vessel had been seized by creditors.

Have you any money you want to invest? Lyelchin wants some money for the business which he has built up. Since the C. P. Co. went down he has built up a promising little business in spite of the hard times ~~as~~ with a small machine shop. He & his partner are earning about $250 00/100 a month now on about $4000 00/100 capital & seem to me to have good reason to believe that they can increase this to $400 00/100 a month ~~[illegible]~~ with $4000 00/100 additional capital. Lyelchin's sister has $1500 00/100 of this which she could put in but he very honorably will not do this unless some one else has confidence enough to come in.

He & Wightl his present partner are willing to take in a special partner on this basis that the present partners each take first $100 00/100 a month for their services (they work in the shop)

~~and then~~ with the proviso that in any month which shows less than this amount of profit they should be contented with that profit if more than $150.00 but that the Co. should assure them a minimum of at least $75.00 apiece each month. Then the rest of the ~~same~~ profit should be divided in proportion to the capital among all the partners.

This strikes me as one of the best openings I have seen for some time.

They have built up a business in the worst of the hard times. I have seen Eysholn under very trying circumstances + consider him loyal + trustworthy. He also seems to have shown great ability in this work + seems to have a good opening to establish a very remunerative specialty. If you care to do anything about it I shall be very glad to give you further information.

I am tempted to borrow the money to go in back myself I think it likely to return at least 25%.

Yours faithfully
Nath. P. Bacon

Rose Dale, R.I. May. 18th 87

My dear Mr. Pryor:

Yours of the 16th reached me here this morning. During my absence in Europe I was offered a promotion to the position of assistant to the president of the Solvay Process Co. the concern I was with in Syracuse, which has involved my breaking up there + now five weeks from the day I landed in N.Y. I have been settled here for over a week.

The Municipal Reform Club languished a good deal in my absence + showed signs of going to pieces so that on my return as I was not able to take hold myself I let it go by default but it has become fairly evident to me that there is some weight attached to it by politicians yet + if you or some one coming from the State League with official powers could go to Syracuse + talk the matter over with Col. A. C. Chase + Mr. ~~Robert Dey~~ Donald Dey it is possible that something might be done there as there is a great deal of dissatisfaction among Republicans + Democrats alike over the unattained investigation there.

I fear any interference in N.Y. state affairs by me would be rather resented since I have cast in my lot with R.I. but I shall only be too glad to place what knowledge I have of the place at your disposal. I do not know who there is however who would take my place at my request. There are several who might at the request of the City Club, tho' it is rather an expensive luxury. The finances never got into a good way + I am out quite a little by my venture in a financial way, but I feel that the money was well spent for I do not think it is too much to feel that we had our share of weight in the Cent. Cons. + flourishing clubs in Rochester, Albany + in Louisville, Ky. have grown out of ours in Syr.

Hoping that I shall see you in N.Y. before long I am ever

Yours faithfully

Walter J. Bacon

Hope dear D. is better.

Pearl Dale, R.I. May 18th 85.

Dear Sed:

Yours of May 16th with Lambotte enclosures is here. It seems to me best to say to Father that we will all sign a document validating the transfer of the gate cottage in case he will resign the power of appointment or make some specific, & inalterable arrangement (if this is possible) which shall be satisfactory to such of us as have already attained our majority but that if he refuses ~~which~~ we shall be obliged to go right into Court with this matter & either get a commission in lunacy appointed or some more drastic action in case that fails.

I have seen copies of a large part of the recent correspondence but ~~not~~ had not heard of Pa's letters to Mabel & Katharine.

Now as to the Allen affair. Will it not conduce to a settlement to have the suit brought in the U.S. court in Providence? Also when you draw your complaint don't forget to put in $75 ~~00~~ with int. from Mar 1st '74 for the desk which the permitted us from taking away under the claim that the typewriter was one of the desks to which we were entitled.

You can count on me I think to accept whatever you think is best to do in the L.W.B. matter.

I have seen Tillinghast who gave me the W.P. confession which looks to me as if it would be valid. Tillinghast is writing Sayles that you & I will call on him before long to see about his bill. He will also intimate that I have heard doubt exist on the legality of Sally's adding his fees to the bill.

If you decide on bringing suit agt Allen in Prov. I shall be delighted if you can come on & do it & perhaps bring Sally. Very likely I shall be in N.Y. on Friday to meet the widows who arrive that day.

Yours faithfully
Nath. W. Bacon

Peacedale May 18th 5—

Dear Harry:

Unless you have already done so please consult with Gill with reference to the costs in the boiler suit.

There was a considerable expense incurred for bonds (we had to give bonds twice for the boilers etc.) + there were a number of other things which go to make up quite a bill + which he thought would be collectible. I suppose they had to give a bond for costs when they appealed. If not the receiver will doubtless have assets enough to make it worth while to put in as much as possible.

I hope it will be possible to get the extortion suit in motion. Wm. Barnes senior, our principal witness is over 70 + delays are dangerous.

Helen + the children have brought up here in good shape + we are beginning to feel settled a little.

Yours faithfully

Wm. T. Baker

Peace Dale R.I. May 18th 57.

Dear Fred:

Papa advises raising the asking price for our place $5000 ~~00~~ so that if you have not gone too far please do so. I am very much obliged for your promptness. Your letter came last night & it really seems as if we might succeed in selling with so many possibilities.

Your second letter is here this minute. I have not written to Steams at all. I wrote only to you.

~~Please~~ If you can afford the time I should be glad to have you see Steams yourself but if not Gill can probably do so.

You enclosed a copy of a telegram to R.G. in my letter probably by mistake.

I will give it to him.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Address. Peace Dale R.I. May 18th 5-

Messrs. Biddle & Ward:

Gentlemen:

Mr. Closson has forwarded me yours of May 7th. I have been waiting only to hear that my attorney in Syracuse had made a deposit before sending you a check. I presume that it has been made & that I shall hear at once but in view of your note I send the check without further waiting but ask you to hold it till Wednesday if convenient. I ought certainly to be in funds then.

Yours faithfully
N. & T. Bacon

Enclosing check for $150.00.

Pease Dale, R. I. May 20th 5

My dear Mr. Nash.

The enclosed from Mr. Johnson reached me a few days ago. According to his statement his page has only 207 words to 340 of the other + at the outset I told him that I could get the other (which is standard work for the same court in Phila) for 75 cts. $\frac{207}{340}$ of 75 cts. would be 45.7 cents per page, which agrees very closely with my own calculation. I wrote him that I should be willing to pay 50 cts. which with the charge of $2.60 for the covers would make $125.$\frac{60}{100}$. I now enclose you my check for One hundred + forty ($140.$\frac{00}{100}$) dollars which covers this amount + my unpaid subscription to your paper + the extra old papers which I got a few days ago + will I think leave a little margin into the bargain.

I hope you will consider this satisfactory. I do not so consider the terms Mr Johnson suggests tho' I shall not refuse to go higher than my present check if you say that you will suffer an actual loss by having done the work at these terms.

I had no idea that rates were so much higher in Syr: than in Phila. or I should not have attempted to take it away from my lawyers who would have been glad to give it to friends of theirs.

Please forward me the two books of testimony I left with you + also those famous newspaper ~~ex~~cuttings. I am beginning to think that an editor's sanctum is a dangerous place for such things.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Pease

Rec. Dal R.J. May 20th 5

Mr. D. B. Woodford
103 Kirk Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

On further consideration I have determined to raise the price of our property five thousand ($5000.00) dollars making the rates $65.000.00 for the estate or $5.7000.00 for just the James St. part.

Of course if you have already committed yourself to any one I shall not draw back but this must be considered the price from now on.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. May 20th

My dear Mr Gill:

Word has reached me that the General Term has unanimously upheld Judge Gaynor in ruling Harris out of court in the Coiler matter last Oct. so that I suppose they will have to foot the bill for costs very speedily & you may have a word or two to say on that question this. It is possible that you may have settled that account with Closson already. As Harris had furnished these judges with copies of the decision of Judge Butler in the main Pocasset suit which they entirely disregarded, I have strong hopes that the higher U.S. court will treat Butler J. in the same manner.

On my father-in-law's advice I have determined to raise the asking price for our property to what it has actually cost us namely $65 000,00 for the whole or $57 000,00 for the James St. part alone. As before any responsible purchaser can get any reasonable terms.

There seem to be four or five possibilities so that I am not without hopes.

Yours faithfully
Nathan S. Bacon

Stilwells note + draft are at hand. I had asked Buchsinger to deposit directly for me.

Pawtucket, R.I. May 20th 07

My dear Mr. Sweet:

At Mr. Hazard's advice we have determined to raise the price of our property to $57,000.00 for the James St. front or $65,000.00 for the whole. This is what it has cost us & we bought under very much such circumstances as we are selling under. We think that the improvement by the East side R. R. coming within 150 yds. of the rear of the property is enough to warrant us in hoping to get out even.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Peace Dale R.I. May 21st 95

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

On consultation with my wife I find that Pickett paid her only $7.50 which just cancel his rent till May 1st + therefore rent is due it to June 1st namely $10.50.

Please punch Jarrett hard for this. I am writing by this mail to Salisbury not to fix up the barn on the place rented you write him to as it is useless to go to this expense unless he is going to pay the rent. I will have Lockwinger paint the roof + mend the glass. I think it will save trouble in the long run if Pickett appreciates that he will eventually have to pay + that it is best to begin at once. I hope for some money from Prink (108 W. Beach) before long.

Hurrah for the Supreme Court.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. May 21st 1895.

My dear Mr. Salisbury:

Please do nothing to that Robinson st. barn till you receive further instructions from Stilwell or me. I am not sure the tenant will stay + shall not fix it unless he does.

Yours
N. T. Bacon

Bear Dale, R.I. May 21st 0-

Mr. John Luckinger, Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter reached me a day or two ago. I am glad on the whole that Haas is gone.

Please notify me by postal card whenever you deposit for me saying how much.

Will you please go to my place in the city & paint the tin roof of the leanto on the house at No 115 Robinson St. It is in bad order. Also there is considerable broken glass in this house which you might as well mend next of tho' there are one or two broken panes in an outside door which can wait till I see whether the tenant means to pay up.

Also let me know what it would cost to give each of our 8 houses on Robinson St. a new coat of paint if you should do the work.

Yours faithfully

Nath.l T. Bacon

Do you prefer to have your letters go to the Solway Post Office or care of the S.P. Co.?

Peace Dale, R. I., May 22d, 1895.

Mr. Woodford,

103 Kirk Block,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 20th is at hand.

We prefer not to divide the place if it can be sold as a unit, and do not care to make a price for a part, but if your candidate desires to make an offer for part of the place, running back to the hedge, we will consider any offer which he may make. I should hardly like to take into consideration an offer for a piece only 264 feet deep, as this would leave nearly as much again behind it without frontage. The atlas of the City of Syracuse gives an excellent plot of this property, showing depth, etc. I shall be glad if Mr. Merrill wants to take the entire place.

The subscription list you speak of, by accident was packed up with some of my papers, and is now on its way here in a carload of freight. I will return it as soon as it gets here.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Dawson

Newport, R.I. May 23rd 1[illegible]

Mr. Daniel Crichton
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed you will find my check for Forty [illegible] dollars on account.

Please send me some more of the same kind to the above address. It shall have to be [illegible] from time to time, so that you may have something to work by. I [illegible] 5 or 6 rooms in paper, including parlors, hall, stairs & bedrooms & bath room. The dining room paper will be [illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible] P. [illegible]

Peace Dale, R.I. May 23rd 05

Dear Ed:

Forgive my delay in answering yours of May 20th. I am enormously driven by the prospect of the arrival of the Edwards on Saturday. I approve of your draft of a letter to Father, except for one or two verbal criticisms (e.g. I probably he will criticize your beginning with "I have before me" instead of "your letters of - are before me" for he is sure to be captious) & I do not think it worthwhile to rewrite it for these. In response to your letter of today, I hardly like to press you on to this disagreeable work the onus of which will of course fall principally on you. The only hope I can find of his ever considering us at all as any thing but a set of conspirators lies in his being forced by the courts to recognize that he has been doing wrong himself.

It has occurred to me to suggest that if he will agree to give up the power of appointment we would all join to validate his transfer of the gate cottage.

If the arrangement suggested with Mabel can be made binding & if a similar arrangement could be made with Ben (both of which would have to remain secret to prevent Father's willing all to Elizabeth Rogers) perhaps this would cover the ground.

How much time will elapse before we shall have waived a right to contest his deed & the trustee's deed by failure to contest the title from learning of their actions?

I think in any case it will be well for you to push for Daisy's letters. I think that a little legal light on Father's mind concerning that matter might be very valuable. I regard him as so far gone in insanity that one has to act as if he did not know the difference in some ways. I do not think he will suffer any more by what we do than by his imagination he succeed in suffering now. I am sure it is wilful & controllable.

now as to Millen: Perry of P. S. + O. drew the bill of sale. It was delivered either the day of execution or the next day. The $5000.00 was paid on delivery. The sheriff's execution took place in Nov. but he then sold only the buildings on the city land + not the one on the Hunt property. (This was stated at that sale). The Hunt property was sold on execution later after advertising I think in May 1894. Judge Vann issued the attachments for the property of the C. S. Co. sitting in Syracuse. Gill can give you details of this + probably give records.

What would be the effect in re G. W. B. of going to the mortgagee (or is it purchaser?) of the gate cottage + saying that his title is invalid + that we cannot let matters go on in dissipation of the trust + suggest that he should take steps to show Potter that all is not right? I think this would strike Potter with much greater weight from that end.

It seems to me that we have something of a cinch on this mortgagee which ought to enable ~~this~~ us to get a good many steps taken that way if we think fit.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon.

Peace Dale, R.I. May 23rd

Mr. John Cushinger

Syracuse, N.Y. C/o Solvay Process Co.

Dear Sir:

Your letter reached me yesterday. There is no occasion for anyone's feeling alarmed at my leaving Syracuse. I have only taken a more important position in the Solvay Process Co. which makes it important for me to be in Peace Dale much of the time, tho' I shall be back in Syracuse in a few days now probably & shall be back continually from time to time.

Further I think every one who lives on the hill & works in the B.C. can count on a steady job so long as he does his work well & I have always felt that the men on the hill averaged certainly as well if not better than the rest of the men tho there are also many very good men who do not live there.

Get from John Kirby the lowest price he will undertake Joffie's work for. I will see about this when I get back to Syracuse. I am glad to hear of your deposits.

Yours faithfully

N. B. Bacon

Peace Dale R.I. le 24 Mai 1895

MM. Solvay & Cie Bruxelles

Messieurs:

Sous ce pli je vous envois notre tableau de fabrication pour la première quinzaine de Mai. On semble avoir iniqué la quantité d'eau evaporee par tonne de soude au lieu du total, maisje vous l'envois tel quel pour cette fois et je vous enverrai les corrections necessaires aussitôt que possible.

Je crois quil y a aussi une erreur dans la quantité de CO_2 perdu a la caustification.

Avec haute consideration

Nath. E. T. Baron

Adjoint du President.

P.O. Silver City Owyhee Co.

May 25th 87

Dear Dr. Chatard:

Your two pamphlets reached me a few days ago. Your soda article had been pointed out to me before in the Oil, Paint & Drug Reporter. I cannot see how the Owens Lake soda can be of any value until the west has a better population. The freight rate anywhere via Reno must be prohibitory & so is the cost of fuel. Perhaps some of the mining labs can make a living out of it if coal may be had but these will remain very unimportant until some soda consuming industry arises within their reach.

I very much liked your article on explosives. I wish Congress would take it up but there is too much conciliation of the anarchists vote just now when the two parties seem to be splitting on the silver question. You are perfectly right in urging immediate penalties.

I hear that the Bancroftonian is publishing a reprint of Catlin's North American Indians. Is this so & if so can you either get me one or tell me how I can get it. I shall be much obliged if you can.

With many thanks for the pamphlets believe me ever

Yours faithfully

Walter T. Brown

Pawtucket, R.I. May 29th 97

Dear Sal:

Yours of 22nd + 24th are at hand. A resolution of the Borough board of aldermen gave the C.E.Co. the right to enter on the city property at the foot of 43rd st. + erect buildings which they were at liberty to move on condition (I believe) of doing some grading, but they were only there on sufferance. The permit is still unrevoked. I do not know whether there is any record of it. It must have been done in 1890 + prior, I do think. The Hunt property was sold to Annie C. Wheeler + by her to the C.E.Co. (she was a stockholder in it) in Dec. 1892 I believe, but possibly a little earlier or later. The suits in which judgments were entered were 1st Nat. Bank of Bryn Mawr, J.A. Pendleton, E.F. Rice + R. Hazard. I was only an indorser on the paper, & the note was not even indorsed by me.

The 1st Nat. Bank built in it the sash all except the hitching post. Hunt property, which no execution was levied on & it did not accrue until the Hill until Miller wanted to buy it. He knew that I had no title for this because I told him so. His original proposition was all cash but I told him that I would have perfect my title to the Hunt property + so gave him time + he was to receive the $75 on the bill I perfected this in March.

Sheriff then sold it + afterwards the mortgage was foreclosed. Cowles himself planned + built the different foundations for the plate + sample shop from those of the other buildings, as that was on our own ground + was never meant to be moved. The others all stood on posts. Cowles knew perfectly that the sheriff had sold the R.+ S. shop. Friends of his were at the sale. It looks to me as if you had the bull by the tail + especially if you were able to produce the witness about the notes given for an approaching debt. People being the question of money, do not like to be sued. I think this would be if it might make it interesting for them.

Peace Dale R. I. May 25th 97

Mr. D. B. Woodford

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I do not think my wife will care to entertain any such offer, but will not say definitely of course until I see her. I write at once to catch the last mail before Monday.

If you do not hear again by Wednesday you may consider the offer refused.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. May 25th 97

Messrs. Cowie & Beyliss

Esquires.

Gentlemen:

Yours of 22nd is at hand. We ask $8500.00 for our property. Mr. D. B. Gill has the key of it (at No 2. Clinton Block) & will be glad to let you show any prospective customer over it. We shall be glad to grant any reasonable terms to a good customer. We will be willing to give you 2% commission if you make a sale.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 27, 1895.

Mr. D. B. Woodford,

103 Kirk Block,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We consider your proposition entirely useless as it stands. If Mr. Merrill does not want to spend more than fifty thousand dollars, we can reduce the place to that price by keeping a part of the real estate. I shall be in Syracuse toward the end of this week, and if he cares to do anything further about it, a letter addressed care of the Solvay Process Co. will reach me.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beach

June 12th 07

My dear Mr. Gill:

Yours of June 7th is just at hand. Does your man want to buy the land or will he take anything off any rounds? If he will take all the standing contracts at their cash equivalent ~~the [illegible] on the [illegible] on account of the valuable clause~~ ~~the [illegible] on the [illegible] thing go right to naught~~ lots naturally sold at $350 00 an acre. This will let me off from costs of collection. I want $5000 00 down, which is barely enough to cover our year's accounts with possible foreclosure expenses.

The lots with houses on them now unsold (nothing unsold which will probably come back to me) are Nos 8, 9 + 10 C, Nos. 8 + 9 ~~B~~ + 15 D, No. 32, Nos 22 + 23 + 13 H, Nos 14 & N 1/2 + 14 S 1/2 + 19 L + No 20 D.

~~Of~~ I will put a corresponding price of $14500 00 on them. They are all subject to mortgages (mostly at 5 1/2 %) which of course comes out of the situation. The exact value of the other contracts is only to be determined by a careful study of the books which is now in progress.

The vacant land unsold land consists of about 13 acres bought from Slaughter + covered by a $2000 00 mortgage, + 8 lots on the town of which a map is on file in the C.H. 8 D + 8 C, 14 D, 12 H, 11 + 21 B and 7 G. This is covered by a mortgage of which some $2200 is taken up. Besides these there are about 56 lots unsold in the unmortgaged part. Both mortgages are so arranged that any lot can be released at any time on the payment of $200 00 each.

June 12th 0-

Mr. D. B. Woodford
100 Kirk Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

~~Mr~~ After consulting with my wife I have just telegraphed you – Wife will accept $6000.00 for her real estate, buyer to pay remaining paving assessments, see letter.

She will not consider any thing less favorable than this. If Mr. Merrill wants to treat separately for the grills, ~~[illegible]~~ & other furniture & for the insurance policies very well. We may be able to come to some agreement on them. The amount outstanding on the paving I cannot give you as my papers are not yet unpacked but you can do this find out at the city Treasurer's office. Nothing will be due on this till next January or February any way.

Please let me know at once whether Mr. Merrill accepts. I shall expect to hear on Friday at latest.

Yours faithfully.
Noble T. Brown

The terms of payment of course are to be those mentioned in your letter to Cleveland which has finally reached me.

Rockford Ill. June 13th 87

Dear Ben:

Day before yesterday I had a talk with Ed with reference to his giving attention to the Schmedlock matter. He suggested that he be prepared $ $200 for 1/3 in advance & half when the matter was finished and by actual travelling expenses & 3% of net recovery. He would be willing to go in as special counsel. I am afraid we need him very badly with Hamilton & decided that if Swift gave us the much talked of one & Swift & Bell or Hamilton to recognize this I think you & I might had better do something of the kind ourselves. We should be glad if we could get some of the other to share this expense. I believe you & I have other 1/3 together too much to risk on Bell who is pretty young. I have the greatest confidence in Ed & believe he would be with that quiet in getting the thing.

I have been thinking of asking Hamilton to allow Ed 1/2 of his portion in view of the fact that I believe very strongly Hamilton has forgotten so far has from some I called Ed's attention this with the idea of having Hamilton withdraw entirely & take no part of the distributing meeting. I do not care much for him on anything. What do you think of suggesting this to the other trustees? & if you on your behalf & I on to pay Ed the retainer & pay for personally. I think he would be glad to do this for the expenses & 2½% of the which proceeds. I think also that perhaps Swift & Bell would contribute a part of the fee if Hamilton will not give as much. Ed thinks the thing should begin an ejectment suit in U.S. court against the holders at once as a test case. I hate so much delay

Yours faithfully N. T. Beach

Pease Dock R.d, June 13th 87.

The Trust & Deposit Co.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:
Inclosed you will find my check for deposit on my wife's account for One hundred & twenty five (125) dollars. Please acknowledge & oblige
Yours faithfully
Nath T. Bacon

Please send me a statement also of what small balance I may have on your books.

Pease Dock R.d, June 10th 87.

Mr. John Lockwinger, Albany.

Dear Sir:
The figures John Kurtz gives are too high. Please take the plaster back & the Adamant Co. & pay them the balance of the inclosed bill for it. If they will not take it after so long use of it on the terms we bought it you may. Of course I do not expect credit for both of bags but for all the actual bragging what I have got made any more profitable for me.
Yours faithfully
Nath T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. le 14 Juin 5

Mon cher M. Lucine

Par hasard M. Bonner a fait la traversée à Nieuffort avec M. Schay et comme ça nous savons qu'il vie encore pour le procès Lambotte. Excepté cela pourtant je n'en ai plus de nouvelles. J'en ai parlé à M. Schay quelque fois mais il ne veut pas s'en charger & comme il est trop préoccupé autrement. Pourtant il a bien voulu recevoir mon fils l'avocat pour vous en parler de nouvelles. Mon fils doit le visiter ce soir à New York.

Il dit que la seule question sérieuse en cas de litigation sera si en réponse à propos des renseignements à donner avait quelque signification spéciale en Belgique où le contrat doit avoir été signé environ M. Schay qu'il n'en est pas sûr. Je tâcherai de faire connaître à monsieur avec M. Sandersteter à cet égard mais je n'ai rien pas plus loin sans autorisation de vous. Il me semble que la seule manière de revendiquer vos droits après le refus de M. Bonner à M. Logwell sera de montrer qu'on est prêt à aller à extrémité au besoin.

Voulez-vous avoir l'obligeance de prier M. Bouchon de m'envoyer encore une copie du tableau de décomposition de la sonde dans le tambour Covrig. Une de mes lettres à l'usine est inédite ma pensée à moi se sont égarées en voyage. J'y pourrais remplacer la lettre qui en contenait renfermé de forte importance mais je n'ai pas de copie de ce dépêche.

Ayez l'obligeance de faire mes amitiés à tout le monde et en commissions à Bruxelles et en particulier à MM. Brisbon et Antoine.

Bien à vous

Nath. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I.
June 18th 0

Wm. T. B. Woodford
103 Hick Pelock, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 14th reached me Saturday after the closing of the last mail.

I do not see you should speak of the paving assessments as a new complication. They can be paid at any time. The gist of the matter is that we are unwilling to give an option at the price you named & I do not think that I can give you reason to think that we would do so. It is one thing for us to make a proposition which you can take or leave but a different one for you to make us an offer which we can depend on. As I indicated that your last offer has been withdrawn for the property, contents insurance, etc. & that we definitely refused because we think we can do better elsewhere.

I am sorry if you have only your trouble for your pains.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pearl Dale R.I. June 16th 95

Mr. S. T. Betts
Portable Building, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

The party to whom I sent an option has not taken the place but wants to lease for long terms. In consequence the plain is again on the market & I shall be glad if you can get a purchaser.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pearl Dale, R.I. June 18th 1895

Mr. H. B. Closson, C/o Parsons, Shepard & Ogden
111 Broadway, New York.

Dear Harry:

Enclosed are a letter & paper which speak for themselves. Please start for some money from Carter either in my name or in the name of some one else. Gill is a creditor for services & it might perhaps pay to have the push in his own name. He has had a personal quarrel with Carter.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Please return the letter when done with it.

Note that the interest is at varied not one time which would have made 90th am. Will it be worth while to claim it?

Peacedale, R.I.
June 18th 67

My dear Mr. Lyle:

Yours of 14th came yesterday. I hardly know what to do about selling the remaining land alone.

There are in all about 100 lots unsold besides 2 1/2 acres in the pasture lot to the west & the Schuyler piece of something over 18 acres. I can hardly give a price on this till I see what it has cost till next. I shall have my books in a few days & then I can figure it up. Do there any immediate haste?

Yours truly
Nath'l J. Bacon

Peacedale R.I. June 18th 67

Mr. P.J. Anderson
Gen'l Superintendent Pacific Steel Co.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you find [illegible] check & receipt for [illegible] Please [illegible] the [illegible] & there as I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Yours Truly
Nath'l J. Bacon

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Peacedale R.I. June 17th 5

Union Mut. Fire Ins. Co. Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen:

By your insurance policy No 10743 in favor of Helen H. Bacon I see no clause calling for permission to let the property stand idle. If you require such permission ~~please grant it to~~ keep the policy valid please grant it & oblige

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 17th 5

~~The~~ Holyoke Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Salem, Mass.

Gentlemen

Please change the loss of the property covered by your policy No 182088 in favor of Helen H. Bacon which burned, to her wooden dwelling in Peace Dale.

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Bacon

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Peacedale, R.I. June 19th 07

Arlington Mut. Fire Ins. Co. Mass.

Gentlemen:

As we have moved to this place please change the loss of the property ~~to the house at Peacedale R.I.~~ insured in the enclosed policy No 14947 to Peacedale oblige

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

I enclose the policy. The Peacedale house is of wood.

Peacedale, R.I. June 19th 07

Providence Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Gentlemen:

Please cancel the part of policy No 79543 to Helen H. Bacon which relates to the live stock + harness.

Also please enter on it a permit to let the property stand vacant. Friends living on adjoining property are using the barn but the house is empty.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. June 19th 5-

The Cambridge Mut. Fir. Ins. Co.
Cambridgeport, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Please send me a permit to leave vacant my wife's house No 910 James St. Syracuse which you have insured for $5000 in your policy No 46704.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

I enclose the policy.

C/o R. Hazard, Peace Dale, R.I. June 18th 5-

Pawtucket Mutual Fire Ins. Co.

Gentlemen:

Please cancel the part of policy No 62063 to Hebert Bacon which relates to the his stock + harness.

Also please enter on it a permit to let it leave the property stand vacant.

Friends not now let one in using the barn but the house is empty.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R. I. June 18th 1871:

Mr. W. W. Hanchett, Syracuse N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Please procure a permit for my wife under policy 375938 of the Hanover Fire Ins. Co. making her to leave empty her house at No 910 James St. & oblige

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R. I. June 19th 1871:

Mr. W. Judson Smith

Park Ave. Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The mortgage which is held by you as trustee of the Mary G. Smith, Est. on some of my property falls due in a few weeks. I shall be glad to renew it if you will allow me a fair per cent rate.

Please let me know at once ~~and~~ whether this will suit you & oblige

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
June 19th 1

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

As the upper part of the Peach St. House is vacant I think we had better empty the rest unless Dick shows some signs of paying. His lease contains a chattel mortgage clause & is on file with the County Clerk. He owes me $20 besides his rent. I know he has had hard luck & if he will pay up I will throw off one dollar on his present average for every dollar he pays beside his current rent but we shall have to realize all we can on his furniture instead if he does not pay up at once. If we put him out instead of selling him up we might perhaps do as well to let him take his furniture on giving another mortgage on it conditioned on paying up something considerable every month or every week.

I do not want to turn him but he must pay something.

How about Mrs. Mailler & her mortgage? She was pretending to pay it.

Has Barnes paid anything?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 19th

Mr. John Lechsinger, Solway, N.H.

Dear Sir:

Please send me your statement for May at once. Also I shall be glad to know what money you have collected & deposited since I saw you.

I believe a number of the tenants are heavily in arrears with their rent. & I think we must begin to take strong measures with them. Such even as McDonald must begin to pay up. At your discretion I will allow you to say to those who have been long out of work & who are badly in arrears for rents (that is more than two months) that I recognize that the times have been very bad with them & that if they will make arrangements for paying something on the arrears as well as for paying current rent, for every dollar they pay on arrears I will throw off another, but this wants to be done very quietly & confidentially or we shall some of them making a business of getting in arrears. You will need to be careful about this.

We must put out all those that will not pay & put them out at once. Get judgments against them unless there are so many previous judgments as to make this of no use.

I enclose Grant & Dunn's bill. Please pay it if it is all right.

Please ask Mr. Bellinger to give you two pads of paper like this from the left hand top drawer in his desk. You can use it for this business.

How many houses are vacant now?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 17th 5

Mr. T. B. Woodford
103 Kirk Block Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Should you make a definite offer such as you suggest I would be considered but I do not will not offer it at those terms.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Beaon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 17th 5

Messrs. Biddle & Ward, Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:

Please note that I have left Syracuse & that the above is now my permanent address. Would you consider it worth while to try to get Judge Justice Shiras to sit in the circuit court of appeals in September so as to hear his college classmate & intimate friend my Uncle Nathan Beaon argue my case before him? Of course this will be an extra expense but I should feel doubtful of getting my legal rights instead of equitable injustice if the matter could be so arranged. The question of what other would be any impropriety in asking my Uncle to write to Judge Shiras saying that an important case is coming up in that court and asking that he will preside is one that I want to learn from your nice sense of what is right. Please let me know what you think of it on reflection. I feel much encouraged by the General Term decision in New York which I suppose Closson has sent you.

Can you get another copy of the defendants brief for me. Mine has been misplaced in moving but I can find it if necessary. Yours faithfully Nathl. T. Beaon

Pace Hall, R.I. June 21st 05

Mr. H. B. Closson

Dear Harry:

Yours of 19th + 20th are here today. I will try to send you a check by June 30th but I may have to ask you to hold it for a few days. As to the Eighth Ward Bank case how does this course strike you? Of course as far I have felt bashful about reflecting on Nottingham but is there any thing now to prevent your from writing to him (he is junior partner in Goodelle + Nottingham) saying that the referee lays the costs very plainly on him + we shall hold him responsible. I paid him $300.00 for his services in these cases in which he did little more than levy these attachments. I have no desire to get the money out of him instead of the Bank but I think that he ought to relieve me from this point on, at least.

It seems to me that the case ought to be appealed any way on the point of law but is it not best to throw the responsibility for success on Nottingham now? That will prevent him from saying that we have mismanaged it + that the responsibility for the loss of the suit is ours. So far it has only gone far enough it seems to me for us to put that where authority for bringing the fault home to him.

We seem to be having a run of hard luck now but I would not say much of these minor matters if we can eventually win the Pacoakset suit. Surely there must come a time in the tide soon unless I degree to be better much more than I think I do.

I thought we had won both the Interstate C. V. Bradburn + People's Commwall Bank – Re Rice. Do I simply have to pay up here pending appeals?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Is it necessary to put C/o P.S.+O. on your letters?

June 22nd 85

Mr. John Lechinger, Solvay.

Dear Sir

Your report is at hand. How comes it you have paid so much money to Fred Lechinger? My understanding was that he was only to have $1.25 a day (10 hrs.) + to work 2 days a week at my place + ~~[illegible]~~ the money was to be applied on his indebtedness on his lot on which he is heavily in arrears. He is not worth 14 cts. an hour as he is not to be trusted to work without watching, as I recollect I told you not ~~to~~ to pay him more than ½ in money any way + here you have given him more than a full month's pay at 14 cts. an hour in cash ~~[illegible]~~ out of which he has only paid $5.00 on his lot. If he is unwilling to work for these terms give the work on the place to Bennett, who is having a hard time just now.

I will not have the Robinson st. houses painted now. I will try to be in Syracuse before long + see if we cannot make some of these men in arrears hustle some at it.

We had better put Manning out I think. He is no good.

P. 18 should be assessed to me + not to Barnes.

Let me know what taxes on the Tract are unpaid before they are advertised.

Ask Mr. Stilwell's advice about Grasser. Perhaps it will be best to sue him if he refuses to pay anything on that rent. It was $45.00 a year.

I allowed the little girls to play on the lawn on Jaines St. so that is all right.

Yours Faithfully
N. T. Barber

Peace Dale R.I. June 22nd 0

Ben. Mut. Fire Ins. Co. Prov.

Gentlemen:

Yours of 20th. is at hand. We have about $1000.00 worth of furniture in the Syracuse house yet but the remainder has been removed + we are trying to dispose of the place.

I delayed answering 24 hrs. expecting that the place would be sold but as I do not hear definitely I write to let you know the condition of things. There are 3 parties considering it + I hope it will only be a short time before it is definitely disposed of.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Please communicate this to the Prov. Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Peace Dale R.I. June 22nd 0

The Cambridge Mut. Fire Ins Co
Cambridgeport, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Yours of June 21st. is at hand. We hope to sell our place in the course of a few months. We have moved away & have left about $1100.00 worth of furniture in the house which will stay till it is sold. The rest of the furniture is here. If you can grant the 4 months dispensation as part of the furniture remains I have reason to hope that it will be sufficient as there are 3 parties now considering buying the entire place.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Friends living on adjoining property are using the stable + keep an eye on the whole place.

Peace Dale R.I. June 22nd 5

My dear Palmer:

Enclosed you will find a check for $12.00. I hope you will be able to begin to pay before long as I am hard pressed myself. I am sorry to hear of your father's illness. If he is able to go down town for treatment some of the best doctors in the city give advice free every afternoon at from 2 till 4 at the Syracuse Free Dispensary Rooms. I am a trustee of the dispensary & you need feel no hesitancy about going there. They ask 10 cents for putting up each prescription but do not exact even that. Their rooms are up one flight at (I think) No 209 Warren St. It is just across from the barber shop of the Vanderbilt Hotel.

Until you are better able to pay had you not better move into the little house just back of you? The rent thing is only 2/ what you are charged where you are. I do not want to be hard on you but I cannot afford to have you go on for me without paying anything.

Hoping that better times for all of us are not far off believe me

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Beaty

If your parents are able to be moved you had better see Jim Lockwinger about changing furniture.

Bacon Dale, R.I. June 22nd 0-

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

My books are not yet here tho' two days overdue so I send you a proposition which can stand unless countermanded by telegraph on Monday.

I will sell all that part of the tract lying south of a line beginning on the west line of the tract on the line between lots No 7 + 8 D + running thence easterly about 267 ft. to the corner of lots 10, 11, 20 + 21 D, thence Northerly 100 ft to the corner of lots 12, 13, 22 + 23 D, thence easterly along the produced line between lots 12 + 10 D 340 ft. thence Southerly 470 ft. along the median line of block 2 to Bacon St. thence Easterly 200 ft to the corner of lot 11 D on Bacon St. Thence ~~Northerly~~ along the line of Rogerwell Ave to the line between lots 14 + 15 D, thence along said line to the rear of lot 14, thence Northerly parallel to Rogerwell Ave to the line between lots 7 + 8 D + Easterly along said line to the Eastern edge of the Farm lot 146. This by running lots 12 + 13 D + utilizing the alley row gives about 70 lots which ought to bring ~~[illegible]~~ $7000 ~~[illegible]~~ + the price of the Schuyler property is $250 P.A. an acre making about $4600 P.A. for this or $11600 P.A. for the two. There is $2260 of mortgage on the lots + $2000 on the Schuyler property of which you have the terms + the land is leased mostly for farming purposes but all so that it can be immediately called in by sacrificing the rent.

I would like to know something of any customer however before making a positive agreement to sell.

I think Martin Greaves may need a little of your attention + I have asked Sheldinger to call on you with this in mind. Perhaps also he will want to meet one or two others.

Yours faithfully

Natt. P. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. June 26th 5-

Dear Harry:

Yours of Saturday is at hand. Goodell & Nottingham are supposed to be near the head of the Supreme bar & N. is himself I believe Mayor of the City. Your faculty so that I think we likely to would pay up rather than have a case of malpractice aired in court against him. The only reason that I did not have Will Andrews that time was that he was out of town for the summer & we had to take the lawyer we could get & Gill chose Nottingham for which I think he has since repented. I was not looking for a cheap lawyer but professional advice as to whom to secure so that I can clear myself thoroughly from responsibility there.

I suppose that as the malpractice occurred in Brooklyn ~~before another~~ the case can be brought in U.S. court there. I know a layman is apt to be at a disadvantage in fighting a lawyer on his own ground but I should think a judge would direct a verdict before such ~~evidence~~ documentary evidence. I would like to threaten when I can't strike ~~back~~. I will take your advice as to what is best. It might perhaps be best to see in Eyes as of course it would be most damaging to him to be convicted of malpractice there but he is ordinarily much respected I think as well as a lawyer as also as a citizen so that he would perhaps have more sympathy from the jury. E. P. Rice is a director of the 1st Nat. Bank to whom I was owing money & he takes the C. S. No. notes on account. I have since paid him in full but I had to guarantee him against costs, etc. before he would allow a suit to be brought in his name. He is a terrible old granny & it will not do to let a settlement on him.

I enclose a letter to Nottingham which seems to put the matter mildly but decidedly. I send it to you because I have no copy of the referees report.

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I may be in New York before the week is out. If not I will send you a check in some way that I may have it ahead.

I suppose you will wait for Nottingham's answer before appealing in any case. I will find the security demanded you say appeal. I know lawyers are not infallible and rather plume myself on having picked out an item in the Deconbet costs which escaped both Br. W. & yourself & which Flanders struck out) but I should not have any more confidence in you if you had won every inch it was brought you

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

Rose Dale, R.I. June 24th 93

My dear Mr. Nottingham:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the memorandum of the Referee in the case of Courtney vs Eighth Ward Bank, giving his reasons for dismissing the complaint.

You will see that he holds our case invalid because the notice endorsed by you on the copy warrant served was not the certificate required by the Rule, & that you did not succeed in your attempt to repair the mistake because the Referee would not believe the Sheriff's deputy in the face of your inability to corroborate his testimony that you & he again went to the bank on Aug. 29th. & relieved the attachment.

I have so far borne the expense & trouble & delay of this without troubling you but it now seems to me so forcibly brought home that the responsibility should be yours that I think it should be for you to say what future steps if any shall be taken in this action. My counsel in New York advise me that by carrying the case up it is very possible that we may get judgment finally in our favor but this involves giving a bond for costs & lawyers fees etc. & I must look to you to make me good one way or the other both for the money in bank & for the expenses of the suit. They are ready to go ahead with the case if you so advise & furnish the bond & will afford you the opportunity to take part in the argument.

I am sorry to be in a position where I cannot possibly afford to let the matter go

Hoping to hear from you at once in the matter believe me ever

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

Please address me c/o Parsons, Shelund & Ogden 111 Broadway New York as I expect to be there for a few days.

Peacedale June 25th 6

Union Mut. Fire Ins. Co.
Providence

Gentlemen:

The house in which our furniture now stands was formerly known as the Acorns. It is ~~the~~ of wood & stands on the Oakwoods property not far from the former position & I should say at or near 10 rods from a hydrant.

Yours faithfully
W. T. Baker

If our sale in Providence goes through I have little doubt of being able to sell the policies on the property as well.

What is their redemption value now & what are the ordinary dividends on five year ~~pol~~ policies. I have already forwarded the policies you ask about.

~~Yours~~

Peacedale, R.I.
June 25th 67

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is here. I will take your advice & go to the General Term. How much security must I give & must it be by a real estate owner in N.Y.? Will they accept any one in Syracuse or must it be given by some one in N.Y. city?

To tell the truth I have been much cast down over this mishap & am very glad to hear that your legal friends consider that I ought to win. Please prepare the papers & send me the necessary bond & I will get it duly signed.

I enclose a check for $400.00 which however I am doing July 15th. I must have a little time to get my feet under me. I shall be glad to avoid the expense of a corporation bond if possible. I suppose in case we win it will cost to ask nothing saved for your trouble & services would be?

Please be sure my check is not passed just now.

In yours of June 19th you did not give the Referee's report quite in extenso this morning so & I did not know how much or rather how little was lacking & so did not write straight straight as I supposed you had only given me the gist & it did not seem to be in full legal form nor was it signed.

I suppose that the sooner this goes on the calendar the quicker it will be reached.

I have been laboring for a long time now without much to show for it.

However I will scratch on in some way.

Yours faithfully.

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. June 26th 57.

My dear Mr. Smith:

Your note is at hand. I had some money offered me at 5% a few weeks ago which I think I can still get but it will cost me ½ % per annum to make the change & will would as have try it for me as the agent so that I will owe you 5-1/4% for a part if you will allow me to give a separate bond & mortgage at 6% for one of the houses while the other will be entitled to a deed for it at the end of this time. My impression is that this part is $650.00 or $700.00 but I have not the contract with my hand. It will be my bond in any case but as he will take a deed subject to your mortgage in about a year I do not care what the rate of interest is on it so much as on the balance. Please let me have an immediate answer as the time is now pretty short.

Yours faithfully
N. S. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. June 26th 57.

Mr. A. H. Green, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

July 5th I have a mortgage at 8½% falling due. Can you find me the money for it at 5%? It is a house on property similar to what you have lent on. I can renew at the same rate so there is no object in your getting 5% money.

Yours faithfully
Nath. S. Bacon

Peace Dale,
June 26th 67

Dear Bob:

Mr. Van de Sluitten will be at the Waldorf to-morrow evening & Friday. He sails on Saturday. Probably your best time to catch him will be on Thursday evening.

Yours of 24th is here but I will not answer it as I am in haste & hope to discuss it with you on Sunday.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, June 28th 67

Dear Tom:

The schedule here has been dated July 7th & Aug. 4th. I did not open it here for either. They come only from $15 to $50 but if you are in the neighborhood then perhaps you can make it.

When are you to be East if not then? I think you will July 21st. It is possible that I could make an arrangement for you to take that date & Mr. Cutbert (the regular applicant for July) a later date in Aug. it with July 21st.

How do negotiations with Turner progress for compromise & what basis are you talking on? I ought to be with him as little as possible as I am hard at clear a part of the land from mortgage in consequence.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

July 1st 67

The S. P. Co. to N. T. Bacon Dr.

May 29 + 30th	Expenses with Shays at Syracuse	7.10
June 8th	Expenses to + at Niagara	14.20
" 9th	Fares etc. at Pearl Dale	17.50
" 30th	Expenses of trip to Newport with M. Harmon	14.45
		$53.30

Pearl Dale, R.I.
July 1st 67

Mr. R. E. Fox, Paymaster.

Dear Sir:

Your check and account is at hand. I enclose my check for the balance less $53.30 of expenses of which I enclose a statement.

If it will save trouble in separate to have my expense accounts presented in some other way let me know & oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Enclosing check for $166.25

Pawt. Daily, R.I. July 1st 07

Dear Uncle Theodore:

When I was in Rochester I think I spoke to you of my Prendergast case down in Philadelphia. I lost this in the lower court because the Penna. judge (Gill, I think it was) as Harry says, treated me badly by overruling his own witness & should have ruled in the case — by admitting under rather a strange construction of Pa. law a lot of parole evidence without any foundation of fraud in order to submit a contract under seal.

My opponents had a large equity which we did not dispute, this we had a counterclaim for, & litigating equity to recover as great an amount in the result. It was not a case to consider equities, it was purely a question of law. The same question came up before the N.J. courts & was decided by Judge Gaynor in our favor on every point we raised & he has since been unanimously upheld by the general Term on appeal and that in spite of the decision of the Phila. judge which was sent to them by the attorney for the other side.

Harry Closson says that my case is absolutely perfect in law but that he fears the Phila. Penna. judges to whom the appeal will go in the Penna. circuit will combine equity considerations with an infusion of Penna. law & uphold the lower court. He considers my chances greatly improved by the action of the N.J. Gen. Term.

I suggested to him asking you to write to Judge Shiras saying that you would have an important case before the Supt. Court of the United States of Appeals in which you would be particularly glad to have him sit on the bench. He sat in a circuit last April so that it would be nothing surprising if he sat again as the Supreme Court does not sit till October, the end involves $50,000.

I think that if you could do this & then take it in

the argument for me it might save me from an appeal to the Supreme Court. Harry says that a similar appeal has just been allowed in a N.Y. case on the exceptional ground that all the judges that sat in the case were satisfied with N.Y. law and decided according to that. Penna. Law was admitted to be so that a decision against me will be an even more pronounced case of overreaching aberration so that in case I lose in Penna I have still a chance to appeal which the other side have not, but should much prefer not to use it even tho' it might make this a clear case.

By Harry's advice I am writing to ask 1st. whether you would be willing to make such a request, 2nd. whether you think it would do me any good & 3rd. whether you feel sticking pat in the argument in case you think well of the scheme.

P.S. & O. of N.Y. & Biddle & Shaw of Phila. are my attorneys & Harry G. Hanson (brother of N.Y. & Flanders & Pugh of Phila. are on for the other side.

If you think well of my scheme I will send you the papers in the case at once. Harry says it is an exceptionally interesting one.

I am glad to say that Ed seems to have got the family affairs securely tied up without a row.

We are hoping to see Jessie any day now. Ed & his wife have just gone on to Bay after spending Sunday with us. She is very charming.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
July 1st 07

Mr. W. B. Woodford
103 Kirk Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

On my return from N. Y. I find your letter refusing to give an option for $25,000.00 and we think it is entirely worth while to give one that at the same figure which involves taking real estate in exchange.

The only reason for at all considering your former proposition was that it was virtually all money or mortgage. I sympathize with your disappointment in getting so near an arrangement, ~~but we have no money to give in exchange for property at anywhere from two to three times the value already named.~~ If Mr. Merrill wants to make a cash offer that we can take or leave, it will be considered (& we should not object to taking good securities such as he offers at current stock exchange rates) & we will give him a prompt answer (i.e. inside of a few days) but we will make no offers at lower terms than we have named. Mr. Merrill's Onondaga St. house would only be useful to us & Jeff & Mr. Merrill would have better facilities for selling it than we. We have no objection to leaving $25,000.00 or even more at a 5% mortgage on our place or to accepting a similar mortgage on his place for a reasonable amount if he prefers but we do not care to take it at any such valuation. We can afford to carry our place for some time if we have to but that does not now seem likely, if even if we do not agree with Mr. Merrill.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Barry

Pawtucket R.I. July 1st 0-

Union Mut. Fire Ins Co. Providence

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my check for Three 1st/100 ($3.1.50) dollars to cover my further insurance premiums. I was hoping to save you trouble by writing to the individual Cos myself.

I find that the distance of the nearest hydrant to the dwelling which I insured from was in ~~yards~~ feet instead of it so that it should be 24 to 30 rods instead of 8 to 10 but I presume that will make no difference as it is within easy reach of a hose.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
July 2nd 0-

Mr. S. T. Betts, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram is at hand offering $40 000/100 + the steams lot. This does not strike us favorably but we could reduce the place to this value by retaining the West half of the Robinson St. property if Mr. Steams will not go higher.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale July 2nd 5-

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Mrs. Laura Gordon Smith will renew the mortgage falling due July 6th on the following terms on one mortgage for $4200.00 at (5¼%) Five & one fourth per cent covering all the property in the former mortgage (of July 6th 1890 to Mary G. Babitt at 5½%) except Lot 10 Block H & on this there is to be a separate mortgage for $600.00 at six (6%) per cent thus making up the amount of $5000.00.

Please draw the papers at your convenience & oblige

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

W. Judson Smith doubtless has the original mortgage

Did my prize bear off your land man?

Peacedale, R.I. July 3rd

Dear Ben:

Your letter reached me a day or two after my return from New York. Please let me know what part of the land is in question i.e. which section. I have a tracing of the tract showing the numbers of the sections.

Sid spent Sunday with us & I submitted the questions to him. He says make a bargain with the first man at any thing like fair figures. I don't consider $1,000 per acre very rich but I think I might consent to this but I should like to know where it is first.

I wish you would drop a line to Richards & tell him without mentioning names at all that a 3/8 interest in the Edwards tract ~~are~~ for sale if he wants ~~them~~ it & find what he considers ~~them~~ it worth. He can get it for a decent offer.

I don't think you will have any trouble if there is to be nothing but a quit claim deed given but if you had to make a full proof of title my ~~on~~ the mortgage to Cousin Charlotte might have to be raised with reference to that part of the land.

The records of the St. L. Co. court will doubtless show a sale by the sheriff to me of the T. B. Graham interest. It is a family business to look after that.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I hope you can get Mrs Aug. to ~~the~~ Very likely Sid will come again if you can. Sally goes west next week for a few months.

Peace Dale July 3rd 07

R. I. H. Tr. Co.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find draft for my account for $37.00

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. July 3rd 07

Mr. A. Conly, Cash

Commercial Bank, Syracuse:

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $174.00 to cover the interest on mortgages on my property held by Mr. W. Judson Smith.

Please acknowledge & oblige

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. July 6th 5.

Mr. S. T. Batts, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Please keep me posted.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. July 6th 5.

Mr. John Lichsinger.
Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Why do I not hear from you? I have no news from you since early in June. Please let me know what deposits you have made at once & send also the report for June.

It will not do to delay so much.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale R.I.
July 8th 07

Dear Ben:

Your note reached me ~~yesterday~~ Saturday. I have talked it over with my brother-in-law Prof. Irving Fisher & Yale & have come to the conclusion that the best I can do for you is to write to Dr. George Bushnell (father of Horace) who is the father of Mrs. Rowland G. Harnard a member of the Yale Corporation. Fisher suggests that the man who will have the most to say about filling the place is Prof. Wilcox, brother-in-law perhaps you can do something there yourself. I will write to Dr. Bushnell at once. My ~~father~~ brother-in-law is in California & much worried over his wife's health so that I am unwillingly troublesome in unreasonable ways.

I don't remember sections 31 & 32 the best valuable as a R.R. which I regard as likely to be in the near day has been surveyed along the bridge. If you finally do not want to speak in R.I. Aug. 4th say so & I shall be disappointed if you do not come. Yours faithfully

N.S. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I.
July 8th 07

Dear Cousin Charles:

A telegram has just reached me from a man who is owing me a considerable sum saying that he cannot collect ~~a large amount~~ a large amount owing him & therefore cannot pay me. I am sorry to be obliged to avail myself immediately of my privilege of delaying payments for 60 days on the note of yours by this outside debt. As it is I enclose you a small check (for $25.00) on account. If a delay of few days or so in the remainder will make a serious difficulty for you please let me know at once & I will try to send you at least a part of the remainder soon in spite of this contretemps.

Yours faithfully

Nath. S. Bacon

Prov. Dale, R. I. July 8th 95.

My dear Dr. Bushnell:

Saturday afternoon I received a note from my brother Benjamin W. Bacon saying that Prof. Stearns had just resigned the professorship of New Test. Exegesis at Yale which was founded by Ben's wife's grandfather, Gov. Buckingham. Ben has been giving a great amount of study to Exegesis & has written several books on this subject which I was delighted to find had given him a name in Germany already. It was very pleasant to find him known there during my trip last winter. He has just been giving a series of lectures on the subject at the summer school of theology of which I enclose a prospectus.

He has also delivered a course at the Syracuse University which won him the degree of Lit. D. there.

He writes that he has written to Pres. Dwight asking for the place & it would be a great favor to me if you could do anything to help him along towards it if you consider him fitted for the place, for I cannot ask help under other terms. If you can point out to me anything else which I can do to help in the matter I shall be glad.

Hoping that he will fill your ideal of the man for the place believe me ever

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pleasantdale, R.I. July 9th 07

My dear Cyrilla:

Your note is here. I hope you can get me this money by Saturday. I have a tight corner to get around but so far I am alive.

Let me know whether you can or not.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pleasantdale, R.I. July 9th 07

Dear Harry:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Uncle Theodore which I suppose will set you in your own way. It really ought to be accompanied by a bottle of Mrs. S. A. Allen's hair restorer & a box of Bloom of Youth. Please return the letter when you are done with it. If you think that it would be worth while to have Uncle Theodore present this case if I live, sits on account of the value to be placed on his knowledge that such an argument would be an honest one I shall of course provide some kind of a witness as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Pawtucket R.I. July 10th 05

The Solving Process Co.
Syracuse, N.Y.
Gentlemen:
Your draft for $500.00 to on account of moving expenses reached me here this morning. Please accept my thanks.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. July 10th 05

The R. I. H. Co.
Gentlemen:
Enclosed please find a draft for deposit with you for $500.00 to. I also sent you a check for $250.00 to last night.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Peaedale R.I. July 10th 05.

The Lyon Savings Bank.

Gentlemen:

Please find enclosed my check for $24.77/100 to cover the balance of interest. I had sold some of the shares but will collect the money from the mortgage purchasers if they have not paid.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l S. Bacon

Peaedale R.I. July 10th 05

My dear Judge Andrews:

As Charley is in Europe I send to you the interest check which I should otherwise send to him at this time as I believe you are the real trustee.

Hoping that you & Mrs. Andrews are enjoying your summer thus far

Yours faithfully
Nath'l S. Bacon

Rec'd July 15th

My dear Mr. Stillwell:

Your letter of 5th + 9th rec'd. I'm sorry I cannot be more much earlier the weather so quiet the [illegible] right now. I send you a check for $120.00 to pay one [illegible] the [illegible] to Mr. Green. Part of this is [illegible] the past 600. When I shall [illegible] back I can't say.

I have thought on the land question a good deal. I am anxious to get rid of the trouble with the tract [illegible] If the man who is signing is a responsible party I should be hard to sort so to such shown. [illegible] the [illegible] paying for it [illegible] is responsible. I only want enough to guarantee that he will not throw the place back on me. I prefer to have it to that. [illegible] friendly legal [illegible].

Now the main [illegible] (~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] their [illegible]) the lots [illegible] Block C, 8, 7 + 20; Block D 8, 15 + 20; Block E 3; Block F 10, 22 + 20; [illegible] Block I both halves of 14 + 19; Block K 20; [illegible]

Your friend will take these. I will put them [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ eight hundred + fifty ($850.00) [illegible] which is considerably under cost + with them I will [illegible] my [illegible] lots namely 18 + 21 D; 21 + 7 24 [illegible] King Realty 14, 16 + 24 + 20 F; 13, 14, 15 + 16 + 17 G; 1 14; [illegible] 24 K at an average of $110.00 per lot making $1540. which [illegible] houses ($14,450.00) a total of $17090.00.

This will take me off your [illegible] to clean up the whole thing [illegible] Clacton [illegible] Tonis [illegible] paid [illegible] back to me [illegible] a year at most.

Yours faithfully,

[illegible] D. Bean

Yours

Newport, R.I. July 12th

P.S.

The prices — what I mean — he should put a little lower. It is easier to go up than down. They seem to me to give good margins, as now stated in.

I expect to be in Providence next week & will try to go into this matter with you then & make it all fly.

Of course I should much prefer to get more than that I will not sell to such an man as Lanigan (who may very likely be behind this) on any terms of any kind.

Put this matter on a separate sheet, forgetting to refer on occasion may offer.

Do you think my prices too high? If so what would you propose?

Yours N. T. B.

Newport R.I. July 12th

To T. Phillips Co.
Providence

Gentlemen:

We have decided to go on with the work at the terms & like stipulations as soon as the details are made. We expect the work to be ready then.

Yours truly
N. T. Bishop

We shall also want the [illegible] bed to the W.C. in the third floor

Peace Dale, R.I., July 15 1895

The Bastable Mfg. Co.
Gentlemen:
Enclosed please find my check in payment of this.
Please drop me a line from time to time
Yours respectfully
N. T. Beach

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Peace Dale, R. I., July 15, 1895.

Mr. S. T. Betts,

The Bastable,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

This morning I have a proposition for our place which seems likely to come to something. I shall be in Syracuse Wednesday with reference to this and other business. If Mr. Stearns has made up his mind what to do in the matter, I shall be glad to hear at that time.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Beach

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Peace Dale, R. I., July 15, 1895.

Mr. D. B. Woodford,

103 Kirk Block,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your two letters of July 13th are at hand this morning. I do not understand exactly what you mean in your letter, by suggesting we accept the stock as named, for $21,196. The only previous mention of stock has been of 65 shares of Western Union, 50 shares of Whitman & Barnes, and 30 shares of Chicago & North-Western, which were offered as an equivalent of $15,000. We should be willing to accept these securities at this value, in any agreement which we may reach, but if it is to these shares that you allude, the new valuation is preposterous.

I expect to be in Syracuse for the Solvay Process Co. on Wednesday and Thursday, and possibly Friday, and will see you there with reference to this matter.

Faithfully yours,

Natt E. T. Baum

Pawtucket, R.I. July 16th. 5

My dear Cyphers:

Please be sure to send me at least $100.00 by Saturday. I should be glad to get the whole at once but must have something. I hate you this one without interest with the understanding that it was to be promptly paid. This is really getting serious.

Yours faithfully

Nathan T. Dean

I must also ask you to give me a specific date for the payment of the balance.

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to-morrow. the [illegible]
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[illegible] faithfully
[illegible]
Nathl. F.

Pawtucket, R.I. July 20th 07

My dear Mr. Stearns:

The furniture in the house we will offer on the following terms which average not far from half value.

Gas fixtures	$225.00
Dining Room set	350.00
Hat Rack	150
Safe	40
Refrigerator	45
Grills	150
	$960.00

or the whole (except the elk horns which we want) for $900.00. We make no account of the carpets & matting remaining.

Please let me know at once as to what you may want & I will have the rest removed. The tenants in the two little houses on Robinson St. can be put out at short notice if you need the places. If not one will bring in $9.00 & the other $8.00 a month.

We have about $30 000.00 worth of insurance policies (all but $5 000 in Mass. & R.I. all but $5 000.00 is in the Hanover of N.Y.) which we shall be glad to turn over at its pro rata value.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. July 20th 95

My dear Mr. Beth:

The minutes of agreement with E. C. Stearns is as follows. He is to have the entire real estate. We retain the insurance policies & the furniture now in the house including the grills, gas fixtures, refrigerator & safe unless he desires to make a special bargain for these. He is to assume the paving assessment against our property & to turn over to us his lot nearly opposite, seventy six feet wide, on which he agrees to pay the paving assessment. He is to pay us in cash the amount of the mortgages existing on this lot & to give a mortgage at 6% for $44,000.00 on our present property of which $10.00 is to be paid during 1896 & the balance in 5 years from date with semi-annual interest from July 22nd.

I enclose Mr. Stearns can have possession at once & if he does not care to take the furniture etc. now in the house I will have it removed at once.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawt. R.I. July 22nd 67

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Enclosed you will find Judge Butler's opinion in the Pawtucket case & Judge Cullen's conflicting opinion in the parallel case in the N.Y. courts.

I send also under a separate cover the evidence for the Respondent. The other printed papers are among some of my books which are almost inaccessible for a few days at least & so I am writing to ask Harry to send you his copies.

Irving & the Hazards are expected return we are trying to move into an unfinished house. They are due here in few days. Mrs. H. has hopefully made a little progress in her very serious illness & we are hoping that the change of climate may result in good.

Sed has a binding agreement with our trustee not to alienate any more property without consulting him. He has also [illegible] of attending [illegible] all the major [illegible] except C.W.B. jr. & [illegible] Mabel to get for them & he has succeeded in establishing a good understanding with Mabel which was a thing [illegible] would be difficult, as she has been so much worked upon from the two sides.

We are [illegible] not come.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 22nd. 62

Dear Henry:

Enclosed Your letter reached me last Thursday in Syracuse. I have sent on to Uncle Theodore the opinions of Judges Butler & Collier & the answer & testimony (the main pamphlet only) for Respondents. The remaining documents are packed away among my boxes.

Owing to a sudden determination to try a change of climate for my wife's nerves, she is on her way home now from Cal. & is due in three days. Consequently we are changing with an unfinished house & the library will probably not be in condition to unpack these boxes for two weeks. Consequently it is little short of an impossibility to do it at this so I will ask you to send on your copies to Uncle Theodore & I will furnish you with mine later unless you can get duplicates.

I could send the typewritten copies of our testimony which are at hand, but they are not nearly so convenient for use.

Sent Uncle Theodore $100.00 for a retainer will it be sufficient?

Yours truly
Nath'l P. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. July 22nd 07

Mr. R. S. Spencer 1026 Walnut St. Phila.

Dear Sir:

Last winter Mr. G. G. Fryer mentioned to me the possibility of your being able to sell for me 2 nearly finished Corsets Corbels lying at 40 Sth. St. So. Boston. I was obliged to send for Europe before settling on them & tho I heard subsequently that you did not consider my offer sufficiently liberal. May I ask what terms you would be willing to try to dispose of them at? I am pretty tired of keeping them. They are ruined the purpose of their original purchase.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mr. Henry Eyssholm, 411 East 138th St. N.Y.

Pawtucket, July 22nd 1907

Dear Eyssholm:

Unless you can do something on that note at once I shall have to take some steps to secure myself. It is pretty bad to be delayed as long as this already.

Please let me hear from you by return mail.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 24th 07

My dear Cyclone,

Friday will answer for the money if I can depend on it then.

I did not distrust your willingness to pay, but I should have been obliged to ask you to give me a note so secured in some way that I could have discounted it without danger of having it meet it myself at the end of the time. I am pinched for money just now myself. If I had discounted, you should not have given you warning.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Pawtucket, R.I. July 24th 07

Mr. R. S. Spencer, Phila.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I have never offered these boilers to Phillips.

What price would you suggest putting on the boilers? I do not want to charge an unreasonable figure for them but I thought $1000.00/100 was pretty low.

Can you sell the smoke stack & casing also? What price would you put on them?

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Would you simply accept 20% commission & make your own prices on everything?

Pawtucket R.I. July 24th 5

Mr. W. J. Smith:

Dear Mr. Smith:

We think we have sold our James St. house & in consequence expect a large sum next week which would enable my wife to take the mortgages your wife holds ready to remove. Would it inconvenience you to have her do so?

I have got all the papers executed ready to deliver to you but it would save me quite a little difficulty in giving separate deeds if I could make the mortgages to my wife instead.

If you are willing to allow me to withdraw in case our sale is consummated I shall be very glad to pay you at the rate of 5% till that time, but I will stand to our agreement if you insist.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. July 24th 05

Redding, Baird & Co. Boston.

Gentlemen:

Now by good luck there happens to be an old mirror belonging to Mrs. J. N. Baker which my wife this morning. The sizes of the sash measured inside of the rebate for the glass are for 3 sash 15" x 22" & for one sash 18" x 26". Of course the net openings are 1/2" smaller in each dimension i.e. 17 1/2" by 21 1/2 and by 25 1/2 inches for the exposed surface of the glass. The sash are built & we will send them to be glazed if prices etc. are satisfactory.

The three smaller ones are each to end (the long axis horizontal) & the other opposite also with the long axis horizontal.

Please send me a price on plain cathedral glass set in lead as well as for designs in color. I do not want anything very elaborate any way.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. July 24th 0-

The Providence Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Gentlemen:

On June 19th I forwarded you our insurance policy No 7954-3 for $200 with a request to cancel the time for hose, cow, sleigh & carriages & harness, & to grant a permit for the house & stock empty.

I have not heard from you nor seen the policy since then.

Please let me know what the unused value of the policy is now & what your company premiums are.

I have agreed to sell the places insured & would like to know what the policy is worth.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barber

Pawtucket R.I. July 24th 0-

T. W. Morris & Co. 474 Commercial St. Prov.

Gentlemen:

Yours of 20th is at hand. The sash measured in all the robes for the glass are 18" high & 3 of them, which are tied and one a door are 22" long & the other, opposite is 26" long. Of course the sash offered are pieces of glass in 1 lap in each lights measuring 17 3/4 inches by 21 1/2 & by 20 1/2 inches. Please give me prices on No 111 in plain cathedral glass, on No 126, 127, 143 & 154 cathedral tiffany glass. Please give prices total price & discount.

If prices etc. are satisfactory would send on the sash to be glazed.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barber

Pawtucket, R.I. July 24th 97

Mr. S. T. Betts, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram is at hand saying Steams all right. Send list of property by return mail.

I enclose the various searches which you can have brought down. Please get Steams search for me. If possible please have the papers so drawn that we take subject to the mortgages. Mr. Stell will draw up papers & examine the search. Of course we want title as legal in both ways.

Please tell Mr. Steams if he wants to continue in the Mut. Ins. Co. according to the memorandum I sent him that the net cost for 5 years is only about .25 to .30 per cent or 5/100 to 6/100 per annum, tho the premium paid in advance is larger. Most of it is refunded at the expiring of the term.

Please find out when Mr. Steams can let us have the money. I do not want to crowd him but I have an opportunity to invest it advantageously in 4 or 5 days. Also what is the amount?

Yours faithfully
Nathl. J. Bacon

Please tell Mr. Steams that I should be glad to hear what furnishings he may want to keep at the earliest possible moment. Your letter is just at hand. The policies are as follows

$5000.00/100	on house	in Hanover Fire Ins. Co. N.Y. (Expires Jan 26th 97) value $13.80	Oct 15th 97
$5000	" "	Cambridge Mut. Fire Ins. Co. (Stock)	" " 97
$5000	" "	Union Mut. Fire Ins. Co. of Providence	" " 97
$5000	" "	Providence	" " 97
$5000	" "	Pawtucket	" " 97
$750	on barn	each in Providence Mut + Pawtucket Mut	" " 97 Over

Recd Dock R.R. July 27th 1

To Providence Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Gentlemen:

Yours of 25th is at hand; No. 1.2. the lot that is to be my place has attached that he could purchase it to the one in question as well. Owing to the probability of a considerable fire on the right of the policy it will probably be worth his while to give us a longer order for the policy than the just note fixing which you offer for cancellation. If you are willing to consider this a note for a longer policy I do not make an objection to allow the cancellation of the existing policy & send him another policied at the expiration of the date of the lot.

Yours truly &c

N. T. Brandon

Recd Dock R.R. July 27th

To Providence Mut. Fire Ins. Co. Dr.

July 26 for Premium to Expiration	$ 10.00
28 with Lot in Expiration	1.00
Prem. on T. Prince Dock	11.00
	$ 22.00

Peace Dale, R.I. July 28th 57

Redding, Bancroft & Co. Boston.

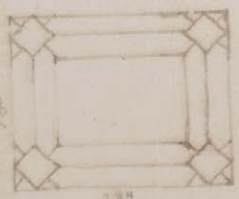
Gentlemen:—

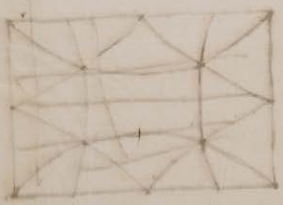
Your letter & sketches are here. For the three small sashes side by side we have finally settled on a band two & the two side clear cathedral which will be enough surface of matter and glass for the small lights. Please add to the sketch plate the original plan.

For the three sashes side by side on the N. end, I think we will have a hanging fly the bracket and small gothic plate glass sashes.

Please let us know what this will cost, if you do not [illegible]

Yours truly
Nathan T. Hazard





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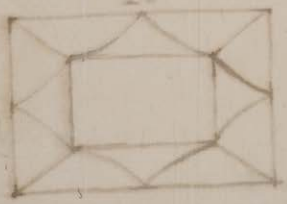

Pawtucket, R.I. July 30th 5

Mr. Henry Lightbourn:

Dear Sir:

Friday I expect no money is due. Please to me by Friday you by special defying letter to Morris Attorney at Brett's office, 32 Liberty St. New York. I shall be there for a short time. Cannot let this drag any longer.

Yours truly
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 30th 5

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Unexpected I send you another $5.00. I have not yet received a cent on the large bond which payment was delayed, but I shall put it in a Bank I trade in. Respectfully

All cousins joins in love to you.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 30th 5

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

What has become of the deed for my wife to sign for our homestead property? It has stayed so much as I will have to delay the transfer. In case you have not already forwarded it please send it by return mail.

Have you heard anything more from Lightbourn? It is definite, either that or third about it is to drag so just as soon as it can be got ready which will cause trouble on my account if I am to be rated the loving he had after long.

Has Barnes made any payments yet?

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 4th 82.

My dear Mr. Olcott:

Yesterday, on my return home from Washington I found your letter of 3rd. which cannot exactly the answers to the questions in mine of the same date to you.

How about this agreement? We had signed our copy nearly a week before Stearns made his first limit about these taxes & as he made no protest that any part of the agreement differed from this oral understanding ~~but also~~ did not the contract become valid when he signed it so that his subsequent demand (only made after signing) for a virtual reduction in the price is entirely irrelevant?

My idea is that this is not a deed but a written contract of which delivery is not an essential fact & that the case is just as if he had signed under our signature & then either Epa held on to the contract & refused to give it up or destroyed it. This he certainly would not have been at liberty to do. I am aware that this is pretty close to the law, but after such a violation of equity as he has made I have no scruples in going as close as possible. He certainly blundering stubbly. Also will not a suit in equity enable me to recover whatever loss I may have incurred below an offer which I had definitely in hand & declined on his promise to buy our place at our terms? Is not this a different thing from suing for an agreement of a verbal agreement to buy?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Has Stevens' [illegible]

Pier Dock R.I. Aug. 6th

Mr. Silas Pierce & Co.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check for $14.35/100 in settlement of account sent me.

I enclose a memorandum of expenses of my trip to N.Y. & Washington last week, amounting to $34.50/100.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pier Dock R.I. Aug. 6th

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Enclosed you will find my check for $100.00/100 as a retainer.

I should be glad to know what you think of the merits of the case.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pier Dock Aug. 6th

Mr. R.J. Hogg, Treasurer Co.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the check for $500.00/100 + $33.35/100 requested only for expenses on my account.

Yours truly

N. T. Bacon

NARRAGANSETT PIER RAILROAD COMPANY,

J. N. HAZARD, President. R. G. HAZARD, Vice Pres. & Treas.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES, PEACE DALE, R. I.

8--B--60 Aug. 8th, 1895.

Mr. G. T. Lanphear, Supt.,
Peace Dale, R. I.

Dear Sir:

A particular friend of mine asked for a ticket to Norwich in Providence, and they handed him the enclosed. He wishing to use it by Shore Line, it was refused by conductor, naturally, being a New England ticket. Will you kindly place the matter in a way for collection, and remit the amount to me when collected?

Yours truly,

R. G. Hazard

(enclosure)

I do not know what he paid for it.

R. G. H.

N. L. Pierce Aug 10/95

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Cane Ridge, Ky. Aug 10th 1

My dear Mr Stowell:

Yours of Aug 8th is at hand. If possible please force this affair through at once. It is very inconvenient for me to be forced to wait till Sept. 1st. Both because I am counting on the money to come in & because I expect that I have a customer for the Steamer lot if I can get it at once.

I gave Betts no authority to make this arrangement. I suppose however that he will have to pay me interest on the amount of money from Aug. 1st.

I think it will be sufficient if Steamer carries $2000 of insurance with the loss payable first to my wife.

I think that I shall probably pay off the Lucretia Smith mortgage, but I want to be sure of Steamer first. Have it close insurance. If you can get hold of Lucretia let him know that our plans are so changed by the death of Mrs. Hayes that we shall be able to leave the things till Sept 1st at his request.

Please pay Sales bill $10.00

As for Lighthall I am willing to let the Mortgage lands go without restriction, but I do not see how I can sell the not which is already divided up & get half with my tenants. On the other hand this is almost all (not all) covered by the Jerome mortgage & if he other that he foreclosed he can clear it.

Probably I shall have to ask you to foreclose a chattel mortgage against John Haines's furniture etc. He has not paid that a bill on our $100.00 which I let him take it.

John Buchsinger will see you about it.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 12th 80

Mr. E. C. Stearns,
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Aug. 9th reached me late on Saturday evening. I am glad to see that you accede to our terms so that there will be no disagreement. I hope that the affair will now be closed up in a few days. I am forwarding the insurance policies to Gill & Stilwell by this mail.

Owing to the death of my wife's mother last Wednesday, we shall not need our furniture so immediately as we expected to & can therefore leave it as you requested for a little longer, but we should still be glad if Mrs. Stearns could make it convenient to see what things she would like before Sept. 1st. Especially my wife would be glad to know about the safe & refrigerator. These last were only left in the house by a misunderstanding of the servants who were left to do the last of the packing & sealing they are there we have put a lower price on them than we shall need to replace them. If you object to sell them as they can come to Peace Dale without any considerable extra expense, in the same car with the sideboard, & chairs, but as we cannot go to housekeeping without a refrigerator my wife would be glad to know in advance about this.

It will probably be worth your while to take the refrigerator as the trip is carefully arranged for in a manner which would cost quite a little to repeat for another refrigerator which was out of the same time.

Yours pittifully,
Nathl. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 12th 62

My dear Mr. Gill:

A letter from Stimpson this morning notifies me that Stearns has finally freed the cousin and will fulfil his agreement. I hope now to have the matter straightened out in a few days. Please insist that he shall pay the interest on the mortgages on his property up to this date of exchange of papers or else up to this date the interest on the $7000.00 from Aug. 1st up to date. I do not mean to have him the gainer by his attempts to shift us out of the taxes not yet due. I have remaining interest due Sept. 1st again. I enclose the insurance policies on the property which Stearns has agreed to pay, $190.00 extra. I authorize you to have them transferred to him on payment of this. It is only through Betts that I hear he is to pay this for them but I think it is reliable.

I hope you will be able to close up the Lighthouse deal also. I am beginning to have strong hopes of winning my Pacific suit in September also. If I do I shall feel more at ease than for no more than two years before. It has been pretty hard sledding of late.

I hope to see you in Syracuse again in the course of a couple of weeks.

Yours faithfully
Walter T. Bacon

There is one more policy in ~~the hands of~~ the Providence Mut. Co. which is in their hands & I will have it transferred out direct to you.

Peace Dale R.I. Aug. 12th 95

Mr. John Rechsinger
Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Aug 7th is at hand. I enclose a receipt for Will Martin.

If Harris will not pay he must go. I have a chattel mortgage on his watch + furniture so that we shall allow the goods to be moved out. I am very loath to foreclose on the but I cannot see what else to do unless he will pay up. He is already behind on rent besides the borrowed money.

If Vander Wolker will not pay put him right out.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

See Mr. Stilwell about Harris

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 12th 1895.

Rec'd of W. G. Martin prior to June 30th 1892 One hundred ($100 100/100) dollars on account of house built for him.
N. T. Bacon

Punch up Balin + Cigrue. Balin's lease is out + if he does not pay put him out. Shiletto, Manning + Ch. Warren also, tho I will allow any of these last to go on renting for a while at $7 pr.

The table you sent me was not quite in the shape I wanted but I can make it work, I think. The death of my wife's mother has delayed my answer.

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug 12th 95.

My dear Gibbs:

Your check for $100.00 reached me on Saturday but failed to be acknowledged owing to the death of my wife's mother. I hope you can let me have the balance soon; but this helps considerably.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I hope your business keeps growing.

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 12th. 1895.

Mr. J. H. Brown
Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On looking over the state of your account I find that after deducting the amounts to be paid as rent you owe me the equivalent of $915.00 + $30.00 of principal on your note for the piazza. This is calculating all your payments since Nov. 1st. 1894 to have been applied as on the principal + interest of a mortgage made at that time. I want to be easy on you so if you will give me a mortgage on both lots for $900.00 even, with interest payable monthly from Aug. 1st. '95 + $50.00 a year payable on the principal I will let it go at that. Please let me know at once whether this will suit you + oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

The $900.00 will include note + all.

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 15th 1895.

Mr. C. C. Stearns, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of 14th is at hand saying you will take the refrigerator at $45.00/100 but you say nothing of the safe. The prices which we gave for the other things were as follows.

Gas Fixtures	$225.00/100
Hat Rack	150.
Grills	150.
Safe	40
	$565.00/100.

We will throw off $25.00/100 from these prices if you will take ~~everything~~ all of them and give us a definite answer by Aug. 20th. so that we shall know at once what arrangements to make here. My brother-in-law will probably be in Syracuse then & I must make arrangements then.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Bacon

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Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 19th 95

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Enclosed you will find my check for $217.50/100 being the balance of $250.00 unpaid on the mortgage, instalment due within 60 days of July 1st. + $142.50/100 being the interest on $5500.00 from Oct. 1st. 1894 to July 1st. 1895.

There is still a good deal outstanding of the money which I owed and this with but I have made it up from other sources so as not to keep you waiting any longer.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 19th 95

Dear Henry:

What have you decided to do in the Comm. Bank case + has the Referee's report been filed in the 8th Ward case?

Also can you get any money out of Carter? Sept. is going to be a very dry time for me.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pearl Dale, Rd. Aug. 20th

Mr. J. T. Platt, 90 Orange St. New Haven

Dear Sir.

This morning after beginning work the paper I found your note to my wife dent with the paper. It was a great pity that you did that and it spoil. We should not have attempted to work so we need a margin. We probably could have fitted through by having a fine roll and it's stuck but now one of the rolls has a serious defect in printing. Please see if you cannot procure at least a single roll more & if possible a double roll. This can be certainly be done by inquiring through the manufacturer from parties to whom he has sold this pattern, hoping that you can make this good to me I am Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

The paper is marked 417, New Haven Rail and N. H. R. Co. & on the outside 417 1 1

Aug. 20th 70.

Mr. F. E. Eddy Bank of Commerce.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. We have not yet obtained our deed for the Stone lot but expect it from day to day. It is 76 ft. front & 264 ft. deep. It is mortgaged for $7000 to be at 6%. I believe that it cannot seem a little over $12 000 including the mortgage. We will let it go for Eleven thousand six hundred ($11,600) dollars, if taken at once. This price is strictly confidential & below what we should obviously care to name. I give it only because of what you say & hope that your friends can be induced to let it go further unless I take the place.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 21st 07

Dear Harry:

Your of Aug. 19th reached me yesterday, covering & answering all the questions in mine of the same date. Your letter & Uncle Theodore's answer seem absolutely conclusive as to what the decision should be in the Pocasset case. However I am not counting on that chicken yet tho I feel much better about the situation of the case than I did 3 months ago.

Now as to the money in the desk which was $1,300 instead of $1,200 as I stated. On the day of the levy I hustened down to the works in advance & told Cowles to draw on the 8th at the Bank at once for money to pay the men & to pay them before the sheriff arrived. He drew this money (in gold) but had not paid out a cent of it when the sheriff arrived. I tried to arrange if possible to have the help paid but I could not.

Carter & I counted the money over together to make sure that it did not evaporate from the sheriff's keeper & he locked it up either in his desk or in the safe. That was all the understanding there was about the matter between Carter & me. He did either write or telegraph him to pay the men with it if it could be made legal in any way.

Somewhere I have a letter from Cowles to Carter before Carter was made assignee asking Carter to bring him that money as he needed it. This I understand Carter informed the sheriff's man in Barnes' hearing whether he would interfere if Carter paid the men out of this. Prouty said no & Carter then notified the men to come for their pay but changed his mind & did not pay them till months after the sale of the Pocasset & in the mean time tried to buy their claims at 50%. There will be important evidence as to that money. I know I can make Gill recollect hearing of it at least on the day of the attachment.

I judge from your satisfaction with Gill's answer that you mean to let the case against the Comm. Bank go & sue the sheriff.

I think you had better examine me personally if you are not satisfied as to the statements as to the $1800 to. I can real more that it is very tedious to write. I have no notice as yet from Carter of the sale of the 8th Ward Bank account. As Carter did not claim this before maturity of notes dishonored which bore the C. E. Co. endorsement would not the bank be entitled to offset these notes which would more than wipe out the balance? Also I suppose that if I bid this in & win my appeal I lose the amount bid except as part comes back through Carter, so that in any case it would not pay to bid high.

I am very glad you are getting a vacation & am sorry to trouble you with business in it but I must understand thoroughly on this 8th ward affair if I am to bid. Please send me an immediate answer as I fancy that Carter will give the shortest possible notice.

I am writing by this mail to Mr. Wm. Harison & to Mr. J. H. Wing who will go my bail.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] J. T. Bacon

Bacedale, R.I. Aug. 21st 05

Mr. Wm. Harison & Mr. R. J. Pope
C/o Parsons, Shepard & Ogden
111 Broadway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Mr. John M. Wing of Wing & Evans 22 William St. will give bonds for me in the 8th Ward Bank appeal. Please see him at once about it & oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Bacedale, R.I. Aug 21st 05

Mr. J. M. Wing
20 William St. N.Y.

My dear Mr. Wing:

Some one from Parsons, Shepard & Ogden will probably call on you in a day or two to ask you to give bonds for me on an appeal in court. If you can do for me as you intimated a few weeks ago we shall be much obliged.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Bristol, R.I. Aug. 23rd 1870

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I am willing to accept the building restriction if he makes no objection to the saloon clause.

I will also put in the whole of the proposed park for Five hundred ($500.00) more.

As to the other provisions I shall have to look to the security & will discuss them with him a little later. I shall be in Syracuse on Monday probably & on Tuesday at latest. I certainly cannot agree to release at $2.00 a front foot without reference to depth if he is going to cut the block up differently. Furthermore he must take subject to all recorded & established easements as to highways etc. I suppose that this is understood but mention it to make sure. I cannot consent for instance to making blind alleys of streets already built on.

I will discuss the interest question & renewals at that time but I think I shall have to insist on a renewable paper as the banks will not countenance longer time. It might be arranged by simply allowing him to renew every three months but endorsing the 2nd payment $500.00 on account. As he pays nothing down I think I shall have to insist on semi-annual interest unless he gives some other security than a bare note.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l P. Bacon

Tell Mr. Gill that I am attending to the nuisance at once. I am glad this nuisance is finally settled up. Stearns is a pleasant party to deal with.

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug 23rd 5

Union Mut. Fire Ins. Co. Providence

Gentlemen:

Please make all these endorsed policies i.e. Nos. 1074 3411420 in your Co., No 46704 in the Cambridgeport & + No. 62063 in the Pawtucket Mut. payable to Louisa A. Stearns wife of Edward C. Stearns with loss first payable to Helen H. Bacon as her interest may appear.

Please forward them as attested to Messrs. Lyell & Stilwell No 2 Clinton Block Syracuse, N.Y. to be transferred.

There is another policy in the Prov. Mut. which they have never returned to me since it was forwarded them at the same time I sent you yours for a vacancy permit. I will write to them directly myself.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. D. Bacon

Mr. Lyell has telegraphed you in my wife's name to have the insurance attested.

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 31st 07

The Providence, Mut. Fire Ins. Co.

Gentlemen:

At last Mr. Stearns has signified just how he would like policy No 79543 arranged. Please make the it out to Louisa A. Stearns, wife of Edward C. Stearns with loss first payable to John H. Bacon as her interest may appear. I believe that you have never paid me the balance due for the cancellation of the livestock & harness &c. items in this policy. Please forward me a check for those items here but please send the corrected policy to Messrs. Gill & Stilwell No. 2 Clinton Block Syracuse, N.Y.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Sept. 2nd 07

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

By accident I failed to see you ~~yesterday about~~ Friday my note which falls due on Wednesday. I enclose check to cover the interest on it & ~~another for~~ two others for deposit, one for $60.00 & the other for $2.00. I should be glad to renew all but $500.00 if you can allow it. If so please send me a new note for $500.00 to sign & I will return you a check for the balance.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 2nd 95.

My dear Mr. Stilwell.

Enclosed you will find four of the Ins. policies which we sent here by mistake. The other has strayed in the office of the Mut. Fire Ins. Co. & will probably reach you 24 hours later.

Gill promised me faithfully on Friday evening to write on Saturday saying how Col Barnes was, whether he heard from Fox (of P. S. & O. in N.Y.) of how you got on with young Lighthall etc. He has kept this promise of writing about as usual. That is to say he I have nothing from him this morning.

Please let me hear from you on these points & also please send me the details of Steams' mortgage to us. When is the interest payable? Also what are the terms of the mortgages we have assumed? Among the numerous promises which Steams broke was one to give us the details of these. Who holds them, how long do they run & when is the interest payable?

I also sent you word by Gill to deliver the Smith mortgages.

Yours faithfully
Nott T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 2nd. 1895

Mr. J. S. Jerome, Committee for Henry Jerome
Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a check for the interest on my mortgage to your father's estate to Aug. 25th. 95.

Please send me a receipt & oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Pawtucket, R.I. Sept. 4th

To the R.I. H. Tr. Co.
Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen:

Yours of yesterday is at hand: I shall be glad to accept your offer.

Please make out the notes & I will sign them as soon as received here. I shall probably not be in Providence for some time. If you have no objections I think it will be better ~~note to~~ make the small note for 90 days instead of 60.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Peace Dale, R. I., Sept. 7th, 1895.

G. H. Stilwell, Esq.,
2 Clinton Block,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand.

I should prefer to have the tenant do his own putting in order, but with the understanding that it should be thoroughly done, and should be mine at the expiry of his lease. Under these circumstances, I would make a five years lease with him of the rear part of the property, say 80 ft., with right of way in over the drive-way, for five dollars a month, though I should prefer to get more if you think it possible. Payment should be made quarterly. If Lighthall appears, please be sure to get a written proposition from him before submitting it. I do not care to be treated again as he treated us before.

I shall be going South for ten days on business, on Wednesday probably, and should be glad to tie up as many loose ends as possible before that.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Beaty

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Place Dale, R. I., Sept. 7th, 1895.

Theodore Bacon, Esq.,

Rochester, N. Y.

My dear Uncle Theodore:

As I think over the Pocomket case, there occurs to me one point which perhaps may have a bearing, and I think has not been brought out. I have not the evidence under my hand, so that I cannot refer to it, but it was, I think, in the testimony of Captain Tyler, that he said that he asked Vandergrift after the sale, who had bought the boat, and Vandergrift told him, Carter. If this was not in Tyler's testimony, it was in Powell's, I think, but my impression is that it was Tyler's. It occurs to me that it might be possible to argue from this that Vandergrift knew all along that Carter considered that his claim to the boat was valid.

Can you tell me just when to expect the trial to come off? I shall be going to Virginia in a few days to be gone until about September 21st, and might arrange to stop in Philadelphia on my way back, if I could tell just when this would occur.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Apl. 11th 5

Mr. Chas. Hardy
Palestine, Ill. Ills.

Dear Sir:

On my return from a vacation I find yours of Aug. 21st at the place to which I have moved. I found a few of your stuff in Brooklyn. I moved my things away last year. I have sold the Spirit of the lot the desk was stolen by people who bought the most in town. I am in litigation with the [illegible] to get it back. I am hoping to have the case tried and decided in a few days or weeks. The decision in the law seems very against me but I hope to get from all I am glad to hear of Enoch's success. He owes me a good deal personally & I had lost sight of him in a long absence from the business.

Yours faithfully
N.S. Parson

Dear Dab. R.d Sept. 11th

Mr Jnot S. —

My dear John.

Your note reached me yesterday. I had just sold my horse to the Stage for the price you have each, but perhaps the Co. will let you have him if you want him as they dislike [illegible] rather to accommodate me.

What has become of the interest on your mortgage? It was due well on the 1st inst. I paid it anticipating that you would take care of it in a day or two. Please look to it & let it stay go. It is more than 2 months since I paid it & it has been very inconvenient.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Dear Dab. R.d Sept. 11th

Mr John Instanger

My dear John

The wheat reached us safe but you do not say anything of the whether Spillitt has ruined it.

You should keep me posted about these things. Please make one another tuck of the weights since you have selected according to the plan I left you two weeks ago. I find I cannot use the one you sent as it is too inconvenient.

I am going away for a week or so & shall hope to find this on my return.

I am afraid the cat Jeffie to you. It is off entirely.

How about the Plants purchased? I expect it will help us materially to have all those lots sold & in the hands of small purchasers. It will virtually may have the Gen Trust & the Mill tract to complete.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Sept. 9, 1895.

Franklin Metcalf, Esq., Treas.,

Carolina, R. I.

Dear Sir:- Enclosed please find my check for $100. payment of my semi-annual subscription due in August to the Carolina F. W. Church, receipt of which please acknowledge, and oblige,

Yours truly,

For R. Hazard.

O. E. Gardner Sec'y.

Peace Dale R.I. Sept. 11th 95.

Mr. F. B. Peck
28 Mansfield St. Woolworth
Dear Sir:

In my return for Hazard
I find I have not 19 gathering
at Tot Richards has I passed on
without noting the change on
the church roll. If so I should be
at least hundred so I send
at least to receive a figure.
Yours truly
F. B. Peck

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Pawtucket, R.I. Sept. 11th 57

Dear Harry:

To-night I go to Virginia for a few days on business. My address there will be Marion, Smyth County. If you write, mark your letter to be kept till called for. I am exploring & they may get track of me at once.

I should be glad to know whether old James' testimony has been taken. Also when will the Piconsket suit come off? I may be able to stop for it on my way home.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I have no word from Carter. If the advertiser that account for sale will you please buy it for me using your judgment in my absence? as to the amount to bid.

Pawtucket, R.I. Sept. 11th 57

Dear Sid:

What has become of the suit against Millen? I have been shy of hear of a nor in that matter.

To-night I am obliged to go to Virginia for a week or 10 days. My address there will be Marion, Smyth Co. Please mark letter to be kept till called for. They may fail to track me as I am on an exploring trip to a wild country.

Please forward this matter.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 11th

Mr. J. C. Obrs.

My dear John

Your note has come just as I am leaving town for two days. I see that you are badly pinched & will think the matter over & see what will be best. In the mean time if you cannot pay the interest on your note you can show this to Litt & think as an authorization to let matters stand but I should be glad to have the paid if you can do it.

Probably it will help both of us if you sit down & figure up what your income is from the works & what your expenses are by items of groceries, coal, rent & clothing etc. for the year.

Then we will see what can be done. Please send me this at your house.

I think I am probably help you out.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale Sept. 11th

Mr. E. C. Stearns

Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Your note is at hand. I consider the furnace sufficient to heat the house to 68° in all ordinary weather. There will be a few days in every winter when high wind unites with great cold to make it difficult to keep any large house warm all over.

Patrick was not a first class gardener but he is a very hard worker & very steady & there are a good many men who call themselves gardeners who do not know as much about a garden.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

We let him go because he did not know much about horses & we wanted to have one man to look after the place & our horses at once.

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Place Dale, R. I., Sept. 21st, 1895.

Messrs. Parsons, Shepard & Ogden,
111 Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

On my return this morning from an absence of ten days, I was much surprised and disappointed to find waiting for me a letter already several days old, from William H. Barnes, saying that his father's testimony had not yet been taken. This is the witness in the extortion case, concerning whom I wrote and telegraphed to Mr. Closson three weeks ago, and wrote to Mr. Fox at the same time. Barnes writes me that his father is failing, and unless this testimony can be taken soon, I fear it will be too late. Please see that the matter is not neglected. I heard yesterday that Mr. Chacon was not yet returned Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Rockport Sept. 28th

My dear Mr. Stickney,

Yours of the 24th addressed to Rockport
is just rec'd. I offered to provide £350 for
the 67 lots at Pelham, which is somewhat less
than I thought was coming for me. I could
accept ~~[illegible]~~ $750 for this or $767 in
for the 67 lots if included in the arrangement of the
Belle Road, which covers the corner of one of them
but I do not see the use in breaking the arrangement.
You could sell them all for me. Did not expect
better prices than this. Belle Road W. I is actually
only £0.1.10 & there will not be any of the lots on
it. The Lighthouse will offer cash if I might go to the
lower lot under such an agreement as this. If the
Pelham lots go I will take the risk.

I get to hear that Mr. Barnes' testimony has been
taken in a few days. He came with me that he was
fishing. Did the same in the new about
same time & he was about getting a schooner
the same again that he was then. He says
that he has been down with his family the
[illegible]

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Beaver

Mr. John Cockfinger

Pawtucket, R.I. Sept. 26th

My dear John:

Please find out what it would cost to put water into the 5 houses 8, 9 + 10 C + 8 + 9 D + into 32 + 14 D. If it is not too expensive I think I will bring it to the Lake. Not on first make there my dairy at the houses. Tell Peter I hope that if I build a large cart house. Tell Peter I hope that if I build a large cart which come to trial next fall I will probably build dairy kitchen for house but shall not know the decision for two or three weeks to be sure.

Please find out what the charge will be for water in houses + also what would be a public supply will cost at the corner by Hanna house.

Whatever pipe you say ought to be 3½ ft. deep outside of the houses + there should be a pit cook in the cellar, + when it comes in a pit cock just there to drain in case of frost.

I wish you would try to get me the reports a little more promptly. The last sheet you sent was just what I wanted except that you put in a lot of accounts of men who no longer have anything to do with the factory. All I wanted was the accounts which are actually running. How do we get home here?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
Sept. 26th 6-

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is here. I am glad that the Barnes matter is getting into shape. I was afraid that in your absence it might have fallen between two stools.

I saw Uncle Theodore's brief in Philadelphia & it struck me as it did you. I suppose we shall have to wait several weeks for a decision but I should be glad of any gossip on the question in the mean time & would be glad to know in particular whether Harris & Flanders had any outside assistance. I should not expect them to as the I. S. Co. receiver is probably not flush of funds & his is flush of confidence in Vol.

I have no word from Carter in re. 8th Ward Bank.

I hope to see some money sometime.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

Mr. H. B. Chavern

Pawtucket, R.I.
Sept. 30th 5?

Dear Harry:

Yours of Saturday is here. I will take your advice as to Cunningham. Do you suppose you could coax him up to $850 to me? That would not more than make what he actually got more than his due with interest for two years. I feel loath to have him actually a winner by the operation tho' I recognize it as good policy to take what I can get.

I am sorry to see that B. & W. are so down in the mouth about the Pawnbrk. Uncle Theodore's argument seemed to me unanswerable & as it certainly received close attention I am trying to keep my courage up.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Brown

Peace Dale, R.I. ——— Oct. 3rd 1[illegible]

Jas. Solyay Process Co. Dr. N. T. Beers [illegible]

Sept. 11th	Fare to Washington + Sleeper	14.55
12th	Meals	2.65
	Hammer, Mops, etc.	2.25
	Fare to Glade Spring + return	1.60
	Sleeping car	2.00
13th	Carriage to McCamb's Gap	1.75
	Meals	1.
16th	Board	3.00
17th	Meals	1.50
18th	Fare Glade to Saltville	.70
	Meals	1.
19	Board	1.50
	Carriage to Glade Spring	1.50
	Meals Roanoke	1.40
	Sleeper to Ph. Philadelphia	2.75
20	Fare Wash. to Ph.	10.90
	Meals	3.20
	Total Exp	70.35
	Clerk's Manual	5.
		$75.35

Allis & Rogers, Syracuse

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 2nd 1892.

Gentlemen:
Yours of Sept. 24th directed to Providence has just reached me.
What specific repairs does your man propose to make. I cannot entertain such a proposition till I know what he proposes to do.
I might let it at a reasonable rate if I could be assured of these things being specifically attended to so that I could be sure that the things were done during the winter & before his time came for moving out.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Baker

Peace Dale Oct. 2nd

Dear Sir:
I plead you will find my account for the last trip & a receipt for my last trip to Syracuse. I failed to forward by last mail before.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Baker

Peacedale, R.I. Oct. 2nd. 07

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is here. Of course I will agree to knock off $24.75 from this if you say so. Don't the you know enough to fill out to take testimony in this matter.

Probably P. S. & O. would consider it to the point if I put them something on account at this time. Will $100.00 or $47.50 satisfy them? If so please deduct it & send me the balance.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peacedale Oct. 2nd 07

My dear Mr. Stowell:

I am not yet enough settled in our new home to be able to lay my hand on that policy if it is here but I think probably Smith must have it.

I know the place was insured at the same time as the house along side & probably Clark will have a record of it, or a duplicate policy can issue.

Your reports do not show much rent from the Peach St. house. Please do not let the tenants there beat us for it.

Please have some one take a chattel mortgage for $200.00 of W. H. Barnes to sign to me all his indebtedness to me. This makes a little more than $200.00 but I will let it go at that including arrears of rent.

Any news from Lighthall?

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pease Dale Oct. 2nd 05

My dear George:

Perhaps you may be able to collect from your man as he is remarried. Of course I know nothing of his resources. If he has steady employment the courts will help but if not it is my belief the laws of N.Y. are as unjust to creditors for the necessaries of life as well can be. In any case I would furnish nothing more except for cash.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Oct. 2nd 05

Mr. E. C. Stearns:
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

My wife would like the rest of the furniture at once if you do not care for it as we shall need it for our own house. I have been expecting to hear from you daily since Sept. 20th. as you asked us to leave the things by that date.

Please let me know whether you can't keep the balance of the things basis the refrigerator & the grills. If not I will have them removed.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

If inconvenient to pay cash for what you take I could give a six months note.

Pierce Brook. Oct. 2nd 67

My dear Barnes:

Acting on the suggestion of your last letter asking for the $17.00 which my wife sent you in my absence I have asked Mr. Shiebb to draw up & send you for signature a chattel mortgage for $200.00 in to cover your indebtedness to me.

This is as follows. 1st. Note for $90.00 + interest for money advanced you in Brooklyn. This is now a little over $90.00. 2nd. Rent for one year at $8.33 a month = $100.00 + 3rd. the $17.00 just advanced you. This comes to about $212.00, but I will be satisfied with the amount mentioned always I know you have had hard luck.

If you can repay this at the rate of $8.00 a month + interest I shall be glad but I do not want to push you too severely. Still it is time that you began to pay something. ~~and~~ How soon do you expect the money from Brooklyn to enable you to begin to pay for the house?

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Peacedale R.I. Oct. 8th 1895

Mr. John Ashinger

My dear John:

Yours of Sept. 30th came late yesterday P.M. I think we shall have to foreclose on the chattel mortgages of both Harris & Manning. I do not like to deprive either of them of their household goods but I cannot consent to bring beaten in this way. You can give each one more chance to pay up if you like & tell them that we will reduce the rent to $6.00 a month for each of them if they will pay this & something on the arrears from month to month, but we will not let this go on in this way & the arrears must be paid. If Harris starts to move his goods foreclose at once.

You can come down to $6.00 a month rent for all the Crossley houses except No. 2 & 23 & these can go for $5.00. Wm. Warren's house & Charles Ward's as well you can reduce to $6.00 & John Obris to $7.00, & Peter Griffith's rent can come down to $7.00 too.

I found your account of Sing's network. It should not have been paid to you at all. Pay the tress on Gas & on John L. Obris I fail to.

I hope to be in Syracuse before long & will see you then about the water.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 5th

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of Sept. 5th speaking of the Steams lot says that the mortgages to Alison M. Dennison & Katharine E. Hoyt date from Apr. 21st 1893 & are payable 3 years from date. You also say in the same letter that the principal of each falls due Oct. 21st of this year as well as the interest. Which date is right? I fancy that probably you have made a slip of the pen & that they will be due next April.

Can you call up Steams & find out what he wants to do about our furniture? He is acting like a skunk again. I wrote him nearly a week ago asking for an immediate answer as to whether he wanted it or not & I got no answer at all. It has been left there at his request.

I am afraid we shall have to foreclose the Hanias & Manning chattel mortgages. Perhaps if you foreclose the Manning one it will be a warning to Hanias whom I would gladly spare if possible. John will see you re about this.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Rose Dale, R.I. Oct. 5th 5

Mr. P.J. Schuyler
Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed you will find my check for $34.50/100 + an order for $18.00/100 on Mr. Martin which with the $7.50/100 due me for the 1½ acres you are using makes up the $60.00/100 for interest due you at this time.
My sale fell through after I had been at the expense of having papers signed.
Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon.
Would you like to make an arrangement for the 7 acres for a term of years?

Syracuse, N.Y. Oct. 5th 1895.
Mr. Martin please pay to P.J. Schuyler on demand the Eighteen ($18.00) dollars due me for rent of pasture to date.
N. T. Bacon

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Mr. E. C. Stearns,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:
Yours of Oct. 4th is at hand. As we have already bought a new refrigerator + ~~have bought~~ need a safe we do not care to make the change you suggest. The refrigerator did not leak when we left it.

I estimate that it will cost $80 $\frac{00}{100}$ to send on the gas fixtures separate from the other things. If you care to pay this sum for the use of them I shall be happy to leave them for a few weeks. Otherwise they must go with the rest. I shall be in Syracuse in a day or two + will attend to the matter then. I should be glad to receive a check from you at that time for the grills + refrigerator.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 4th 65.

To Mech. Nat. Bank, Providence.

Gentlemen:

Not finding an answer either here or in New York to mine from Baltimore of Oct. 2nd I enclose you a check for $550.00 which I trust will cover the interest to the 4th inst. on a renewal of my notes & a payment of $200.00 on the principal of the larger one. Please [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this will be satisfactory.

Yours respectfully

N. T. Beeson

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 5th 65.

My dear Mr. Noyes:

Your note is at hand. The steam lot is 76 x 264. We hold the place at $12,000.00 for on a cash basis & do not care to make any exchange unless there is a decided bargain in it. You can refer to S. T. Betts for more particulars.

I had a sale all agreed on for my mill a few weeks ago & the papers ready for signature, but at the last minute the other party dropped out. I shall have to get hold of another mill before I can supply you.

The party with whom I was dickering carried off my last spare copy.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Beeson

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 6th.

Mr. John Ockeringer, Albany, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

Yours of Oct. 22nd was delayed in receiving me. You can go ahead & put the water into all of the houses mentioned except three is C+9, D 8,9, H+20, E 3, J 22+23, H 4+8, I 14 1/2+14 1/2, + 19, K 20+24.

I think that by getting these 16 houses done at once you should get all the work done for less a door on the average. Of course work which I order is sure to be paid for & there are a plumber can afford to bid low. Perhaps even you can get the whole for $300.00 in case the village lays a main up Smith St.

I hope this is not too late for that. I was unable to be there for this on my trip & am only just back. It makes very little difference having the main trench filled.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Get 2 or 3 plumbers to bid on this job & you will get low figures. To sub let the work at a higher rate than you could something me.

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 6th

My dear Mr. Stilwell,

On my return I find your note. I do not care to sell the Robinson st. house ~~number~~ at a loss. If it will pay expenses for two years I think it will then go at a considerable advance.

The price I have been holding for is $3300.00. I would break that a little for an immediate purchaser for cash, but not much.

There is a $2400.00 6% mortgage to the Mut. Life Co. on the place which I would want assumed.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

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Peace Dale R.I. Nov 6th 05

Dear Dad:

Enclosed you will find an old check with which please credit me. It had been mislaid. ($487.00)

I have forgotten whether I arranged with you to write to the Sign Trade Co. to finish Carter. If you want me to do so please let me know in about what form.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 6th 05

My dear Barnes:

Your note is here. I do not expect to be in Syracuse before Nov. 12th but Mr. Stilwell is able to arrange all these details for me.

He has authority to sign contracts for me.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Nov. 7th Received

My dearest Stanli:
Oker has misunderstood. I never promised more than to take back the barn for this unpaid part of the note. I am trying hard to fix up a compromise. Please bring suit for me at once against Gardner for taking trees off the land which he had no business to do. Please do the same with the Potter & Lincoln case. P. Stanli the is taken unnecessarily. It is golden to our interest. I think he will be settled. Yours truly
N. T. Beeson

Grace Dale, R. I. Nov. 12th

Dear Ed:

This morning I telegraphed you that Closson had sued Carter. It just struck me that that might be an important reason for not going direct to Sheppard.

Please push this Willin matter. If we lose this suit every day's delay will mean a dollar of individual loss for me & it has gone so far that I should have done better to compromise to begin with. Besides that the worry is telling on me. My legal irons in the fire now amount to $50000.00 besides the Holly wood affair. It is very important for me to get some of them taken care of.

I will try to raise $150.00 towards Abel's expenses if the rest can be preserved. When will it be needed?

Yours faithfully,
N. T. Beeson

Pearl St. R.I. Nov 14th

My dear Mrs. Nixon:

Your note is at hand. I am hardly agog to accept any property in exchange which I do not see. I may be in Cincinnati in a few days + if so I will go to see it but I think it is very unlikely that I should consider any house there worth $12000.00. What is the assessment on it? Is there a ~~Savings Bank~~ mortgage on it? If so to whom + for how much? What is the time of the mortgage? When was the house built?

You probably know that our lot has a mortgage for $7000.00 at 8%.

I do not exactly see how you make a gain of $1300.00 a year to us by this exchange. By an exchange on our terms our investment in real estate would be as great after as before + we should only be better off by the amount of the rent less taxes + repairs.

Yours faithfully

W. T. Baxter

Pawtucket R.I. Nov. 14th

My dear Mr. Shiverick:

Your ~~two~~ notes of Nov. 10th & 12th are just here.

I shall be glad to have Smith St. & Pennsylvania St. ~~& Barton St.~~ dedicated to the town if the Trustees will put water pipes in them. Barton St. is opened in part of the original highway & requires no dedication.

Please see if you cannot bring Galway to pay his $250 forfeit for breach of contract. I have never agreed to let him withdraw.

The lots which Barnes wants are 13, 14 & 15 without any extra from 12. I do not care to make any deal with him unless he can pay something down. He was proposing to pay $200 too in cash. I will not accept a mortgage subject to a loan association mortgage at all, but I will make a loan association agreement myself with him for the 2nd mortg. if he will pay down enough to cover ordinary foreclosure expenses. His credit is to pass for any other terms.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Balch

How about Ober?

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 15th 87

Dear Mr. Taylor,

This morning the news has reached me of the adverse decision in the Pawtucket case. I have received your troubling you about it in advance but the question now arises whether we should appeal. Having chosen with me that probably there would be not much trouble in getting it certified up to the Supreme Court as it was a decision on New York laws by Pennsylvania judges.

I do not want to carry this up merely to make trouble for the Industrials Co., but it seems to me that the interpretation of the law by any other than Penn lawyers could have been in my favor. I should like to know what you think on the subject, & whether this is a dangerous ruling.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Barber

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 8th 07

Dear Harry:

With this I am sending you the Brouillet evidence. I hope you will need it again. Judge Dillas seems to stick in the Pawn. cut. I shall wait for your ideas however before definitely pushing ahead with an appeal.

I am sending B. & Wa no small area on this mail. Perhaps you can wait till we hear from the 5th Ward Bank.

How about the Commercial directors & about Carter?

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 10th 07

Messrs. Biddle & Ward:

Gentlemen:

Yours of yesterday is here. I am sorry for the out-come but I think we shall have to keep right on. The ruling of the New York courts is explicit that the contract did make provision for the title of the boat.

However I will await answers from my uncles before deciding definitely.

In the mean time I enclose you a check for $50.00/100 which I hope will do something towards cheering you.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

[illegible]

[illegible]

I think I would be willing on my part rather for you to buy me the [illegible] place. It will save you a little trouble & expense in not going off to equal money for the purchase. So rather you be a paid $25 or 12 on the [illegible] I will give you credit & take a 1st mortgage upon it for $750. This will let you off for a few years till then you can get from any loan association. If you have anything further in to a loan association which you want to settle for this, I will take your account of the at par.

But can you [illegible] to pay $15 a month & $20 a month on the $1000 mortgage? Do reflect [illegible] there is a great feeling to get off in debt in a few months which will in fact the whole weight of [illegible] but I do not want you to try too much & fail. Have you regular employment [illegible] is able to allow you to pay $15 & $20 on the mortgage? If not you had better not attempt it, it may go [illegible].

I can fix up a [illegible] with you in about [illegible] which will give you an equal share on the place if you think you can afford to try it.

If you can pay the $15 & $20 [illegible] the [illegible] at home.

Yours faithfully
[illegible]

New York, N.Y. Nov. 20th 00

Dear Sed.

Your letter with enclosures is here. I have read them all carefully & return them. I think that the letter to Mr. Clark & to Mabie were all right but would not send them just yet I think. Let Mabie have the screening in peace if possible.

Mr. Clark seems to mean very well & I think it is just as well to keep a veil over our reserve till the crisis comes. He seems to be subsiding just now.

Enclosed you will find a note to me for $200.00 which $100.00 was paid 3 months ago. I have written to Jacobs (491 East 138th St.) that I have sent this to you for collection with instructions to hold it ten days to give him one more chance to pay. I am very loath to force him for I think he cannot & I believe he is having a hard time. He promised to send something last week but has not done so. I would accept $25.00 down & the balance (with it $75.00) on a 30 day note secured by a chattel mortgage on his gas engine.

~~I am willing bind of this~~

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. B. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 20th

My dear Cybolins

Your telegram came on the 12th saying I should hear that week. I have written more than a week & as there is absolutely no word more I have just sent the note to my brother in N.H. for collection. I want to give you one more chance however & have told him not to act if he says more but then, unless I notify him he will proceed.

If you will send me a check for $29.00 + a new note secured by a chattel mortgage ~~for~~ on your gasoline at 30 days for $70.00 ($+.00 for interest) I will accept that but this cannot go on any longer in this way.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pine Dale Nov. 21st

Dear Harry

Last night I had a long letter from Uncle Theodore in which he says "I should do certainly advise, & do now distinctly advise, a review by the Supreme Court, if such a review is possible. I have grave doubts whether it is possible. The judgments of the Court of Appeals are intended by existing law to be final in most cases, & where a decree of one judge has been unanimously affirmed by three, & those three the largest in number who could possibly have sat in review, the Appellate Court is so turning the whole thing off in so light & easy a way, it seems to me strongly improbable that they would "certify to the Supreme Court any questions or propositions of law, concerning which they desire the instruction of that Court for their proper decision." Indeed, I doubt whether that provision of the law applies to a case which the Court of Appeals has already decided; probably the application after judgment should be under a later clause of the act, to the supreme court for a certiorari or other motion to bring up the case here; perhaps the fact, I speak of that the decision was by Penna. judges upon N.J. law, would have sufficient weight with that court to induce it to grant a writ. This seems to me very doubtful; nevertheless, I think it might be tried, only I think no N.J. lawyer would put himself to assume the attitude of disparagement, which such an application would seem to involve. What seems to me likely to cause more weight, is the fact that the decision brings established a direct contradiction between N.J. courts & the Federal courts, or, at least, this particular court, not merely to where a proposition of general law, but where the application of law to the identical contract in both cases (in both cases & the application of the same law, i.e. N.J. law) such a conflict of decision, as this case in which it has been tried, & which there may be reason it is inevitable, is plainly unseemly & discreditable to our jurisprudence."

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 21st 1

Mr. John C. Otis, Solway, N.Y.

My dear John:

Your letter only reached me last night after the mail had gone.

You seem to have misunderstood me with reference to the barn. What I said was that I would allow you to credit for all that you had paid on both lots & that I would take the barn for what there was outstanding on it. The barn is not worth to me anything like what it cost you & I consider that I make you a very liberal offer at that. My impression is that I figured out for you at the time that this would leave you a second mortgage of $166.00 to take care of besides the first mortgage of $600.00.

I have not preserved the paper on which I calculated what this would make your interest charge & what your rental was, but I remember very distinctly the thing that $166.00 was a very small 2nd. mortgage. If we had made the agreement at the time we might have avoided a misunderstanding but I should certainly be not have made any calculation from the figures which I gave you I cannot now.

I gave them to Mr. Stilwell, you will find before you accepted the lots I supposed.

If you do not care to accept them please notify Mr. Buchsinger at once as I shall have the water put in & ought to be done with the other work.

What arrangement do you propose if you do not accept this?

Yours faithfully

N. Th. T. Bacon.

If you would like the water in @ 10 I will have it put in & add $25.00 to the 2nd. mortgage. This will include the water rent up to Mar. 1st 1906, & the cost of tapping & three months, $10.00.

Nov. 21st Brockville

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Please make the contract with Barnes according to the terms he proposes & (if possible, get him to pay something) on the chattel mortgage at the same time. But please be sure there is a landlord & tenant clause in the contract. Of course he must look after taxes & insurance however.

I think perhaps it might be as well under the circumstances to use one of my blanks for bare land instead of the house form & to insert in that a landlord & tenant clause. There is too much hanging back under the other form. When I was on the spot it would do, but not so well now that I am 400 miles away.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

I have a note from Oliver. It is plain that he misunderstood me but I think that very likely he will still take the place. I told him in answer that I would put water in for him if he wants it for $25.00 more & have told Mechanger to let you know at once if he does so that you can increase the 1st Mort. that amount.

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Mr. John Kuchainger:

My dear John:

Your note is at hand. I think you have done very well on the whole in getting the price you did.

I think very likely John L. Dow will take the place after all tho' it is plain that he misunderstood the terms I offered him. If not I will put the water in & I have told him that if he would like me to will add $250.00 to his 2nd mortgage & put it in now. You had better see him about this at once & if he wants it notify both Mr. Stead & the plumber immediately.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

If you have not sufficient cash at hand you doubtless will have before long & the plumber will not expect instant payment for so big a job. It is customary to allow 30 days time at least. I can not make out his name as you write it.

I wish you would try to be a little more legible. Sometimes between your writing & spelling I have a hard time of it.

Fraser Bldg. Nov. 22nd 05

Mr. W. C. Buntow
Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Your letter only reached me late last night. You still do not say at what figure this stock is offered. For is certainly too high for a stock which has paid no dividends for two years + only 6% previous.

I shall probably be at the Solvay Process Co's works on Monday + a note addressed to their care will reach me there. Please put the matter in the shape of a formal offer if your client cares to make one. There is another party who is bargaining for it, so I want something definite.

Yours faithfully
N. S. Beeson

Have you a telephone?

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov. 29th. 85

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Your letter of Monday reached me yesterday on my return from New York. I wonder whether your partners would take any interest in a few old law books which I have. If I could dispose of a part of my debt to you out of my library it would ease me less considerably. I have an uncommonly fine copy of the General Laws of Massachusetts, printed in Boston in 1672, a poor copy of Littleton's Tenures in Black letter printed in 1569 I believe it is not at hand here but is not far from that date) + a nearly perfect copy of the laws of New York published in N.Y. by subscription in 1752. $200.00 was refused a few years ago for a copy of the first alone, + mine has a special interest in having bound in, a manuscript supplement of the acts passed for a number of years subsequent. If I could get $200.00 for these books I should hope to be able to get rid of the rest of my indebtedness to you before the very long, tho' there are some other things which must take care of first. I don't want this to be considered a bad debt however in any sense + I will eventually square it up.

Harry Closson has got hold of the complete record of the case of which I wrote you of, from the attorney who won it + has been looking up the procedure, which must be, as you say, by written arguments filed after notice to the appellees. Harry says that apparently the Supreme Court is not averse to taking up such cases since the relief from the Sherman acts. I shall still cherish some hopes of this until I get a quietus.

Yours faithfully

Nath.l T. Bacon

Rose Dale Nov. 27th 0:

Mr. J. C. O'Brien, Lobrary.

My dear John:

Your note I found here on my return. I was unable to spare time to see either John Lechinger or yourself in Syracuse. I cannot give any better terms than I offered to begin with but I will allow you to move the barn over for $75.00/100 additional which with the water will make $265.00/100 of the 2nd. mortgage. I think however that this will not be as good a bargain for you as the other, for it will cost a good deal to move the barn. The interest on the your note with the loss by keeping a house empty for a month will more than bring your note up to $75.00/100.

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Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

I must ask you to make an immediate decision as you are practically occupying two houses.

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov. 30th

Mr. W. E. Burton, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Nov. 27th only reached me after the last mail had gone last night.

We do not care to accept the proposition you name. We do not care to sell under the figures we named. I think it not unlikely that we may be able to do materially better by holding for a few months as there are several people looking for first class situations & there are very few such lots left. If Mr. Jones goes elsewhere it will reduce the amount of competing property by so much.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Dec. 8th

Mr. R. S. Hoyt, Treas. Co.

Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen:

I should be glad to have Mr. Gray write to you for four months of Government, I believe it the note coming due Dec. 11th for $1600.00. I enclose a check for a part of the money.

Yours truly

N. T. Bacon

Syracuse N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

With this I am returning to Syracuse for correction a contract to sell our Jones St. lot to Peterson & Jones who is to pay for it as follows: To assume the three existing mortgages amounting to $7000.00, to give a new mortgage for $2500.00 with interest at 6% from Dec. 10th payable one year after date with semi annual interest, to pay in cash on Dec. 10th $2000.00 + to give us the shares par value $100.00 of stock of the Adamant Co. of America.

I have notified W. E. Burton, who acts for Jones that I will authorize you to sign this contract for me when it is made all right. The paper signed by Jones & sent me had the Adamant Co. of Syracuse (which is, I believe, worthless) instead of the Adamant Co. of America. & as I do not know any man I believe that it is worth while to look very closely to the terms of the bargain. I agreed to take $1000.00 par value of this stock & unless it is written that the shares are of $100.00 par value I should want this expressed so as to amply protect me. The draft sent me also contained a stipulation of an option of renewal, which I demurred to as it had not been previously mentioned. I might consent to making it a 2 year mortgage outright if he stickles for it, but I want a fixed date of payment. I further stipulate for a day or two of leeway in case owing to this delay we are unable to get the dam back in shape by Dec. 10th. Shall we have to pay the state & county taxes by this? If by any delay of theirs these will have to be paid by us I want the price increased to correspond. I enclose a note of Trustees on which nothing has ever been paid. If he is to be in our works he can probably be led by judicious persuasion to include this in his debt which he should assume by a chattel mortgage. Finally it will be better for him to take one of the Crossley houses at a fixed rent, then he is safe paying. I enclose this for incorporation in case he assigns an

Peace Dale R.I. Dec. 8th. 5.

Mr. W. C. Burton, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I return you the contract unsigned. There is a mistake in it. The stock is described as of the Adamant Co. of Syracuse. I understand that that Co. is no longer in existence having been superseded by the ~~Adamant~~ Adamant Co. of America. That at any rate is the name of the Co. on their paper which you sent me a few weeks ago.

Furthermore all our talk has been on the basis of one year for the term of the new mortgage & there has been previously no mention of an option of extension. Very likely we might consent to extend the mortgage at the end of one year if Mr. Jones desires, but I do not like to leave this absolutely at his disposal.

I will authorize my attorneys, Gill & Stilwell to sign this for me as soon as these points are made satisfactory so that there may be no loss of time but this is with the further proviso that if in consequence of this delay we are unable to get the deed back to Syracuse in proper form by Dec. 10th. we shall be allowed a little leeway. It will not take more than a day or two longer in any case.

Yours faithfully
Nath. E. T. Baker

Gill & Stilwell will draw the papers.

Place Dale, Kin Dec. 8th 67

Dear Ed:

The papers reached me safely on Monday & the delay did no harm. I am glad to hear that you have at last got the sheriff's deed. If Father is obdurate we might make the money sell on the Rice judgment on which he has not made mention. This will be expensive of course but is a possibility if necessary I suppose. The C. E. Co. gave me a general chattel mortgage of which I do not remember the details but it was filed Aug. 28th '65. in the Kings Co. Clerk's Office.

I can spare whatever money is necessary of course but it is not to plenty just now. Use your best judgment & I will meet the bills.

I am afraid of Father must have meant to cut the timber from his row about that letter. I did not think so bad.

Lew is nearly off supporting at last. I saw him in Newfane on Tuesday.

I fear it will not be necessary to send Lyshon. I am very sorry for him. At least heavily by the C. E. Co.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

We could look after Sally & Frances & rouse Ira & provide stockings mill.

I enclose assignment of Rice judgment. Have a nice Sycamore.

Peace Dale R.I., Dec. 7th, 1895
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My dear Mr. Stilwell:

This afternoon I have telegraphed you "Hxxxx Is Jones contract delivered? Compare all amounts with my letter."

The selling price agreed on was $12 000.00, but I allow him to put in ten shares of Adamant stock at 75%, which makes the amounts as per my letter of Dec. 5th. On thinking over the draft sent me signed by Jones it occurs to me that the peculiar wording of it might have been intended to make an inference that the stock was to go in at par, thus diminishing either the cash consideration or the amount of the mortgage.

I have a telegram from Burton saying "Jones accepts your offer putting in stock at seventy five" If by any chance the contract has been delivered in such shape as to bind me to take that stock at par, please simply refuse to pay any commission to Burton. As he would have 2% on $12 000.00 otherwise, this would only leave me out $10.00and that I can stand if necessary.

Has Barnes come in yet to make his first payment?

Yours faithfully

Nath E. T. Baker

Peacedale R.I. Dec. 9th

My dear Banks.

Your note reached me Saturday night after the last mail had gone. You have come to me at an unfortunate time. I will write to Mr. Stilwell & see what he can do about this. I cannot let you have the money directly.

This doubtless means that you will be unable to pay for the house you are in, or you are unable to collect the $500.00 which ~~[illegible]~~ you expected from Brooklyn.

Unless you are able to make payments, not only on the rent, but on your other indebtedness to me, I must ask you to move into a smaller house as I cannot afford to let you stay where you are. So far, I believe, you have never ~~been~~ paid me anything either for rent or for the money advanced you.

Probably it will be necessary for me to pass over the mortgage now in Mr. Stilwell's hands against your furniture to get you out of this scrape. I will probably be able to get you fairly good conditions on this but they must be met.

You had better see Mr. Stilwell at once.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Dec 9th.

My dear Mr. Stilwell,

Your Saturday letter is here & I have telegraphed you to allow a commission & forward papers at once. It is rather a pity that you did not forward a deed with the letter which could have been signed or not as appears best.

Burton has done a little lying about his commission & I am tempted to say that I will only give him 1%. Instead to give him a commission for an exchange & that is all that ~~I have~~ I have said. ~~except~~ I do not see exactly why one broker should buy through another.

I inclose a letter from Barnes which I do not like. Please return it when you are done with it. I have answered telling him I will call on you but that I cannot let him have the money directly — also that his doubtless means that he will be unable to pay for the house he is in & that unless he is able to make payments not only on the rent but also on the chattel mortgage, I cannot let him stay where he is but must ask him to take a smaller house. (this is I know he will be very loth to do.)

I have said that probably it will be necessary for me to pay over the mortgage now in your hands to help him this time. Now I do not mean to give him anything & I think we should take a new mortgage for $250 to cover both, but please get this in somebody's name else. White will do. I may have to call him as a witness against the Brooklyn sheriff again & if so it will be best for my not to have a mortgage against him. He should pay on this not less than $25 per month. It will be easier to press him if I do not hold it. I inclose a check for the necessary funds. If falls due &c. &c.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

If possible impress on Barnes the necessity of not being too particular about what work he will accept.

Brooklyn Dec. 10th

Dear Sel:

Last night I had a letter from Ben showing Hamilton's perfidy. I am not wholly surprised. Now as to those tax titles. Are they perfect security? If so I can put some of Helen's money into them. That will enable me to take up at least my proportion (nearly one fourth) or possibly own the whole. In case the security is good why not buy those titles + then simply postpone the suit till they mature which would insure a great deal of the land anyway, unless the other parties gathered courage + bought them up.

I write at once to Oliver Ben as far as possible. I think that perhaps it will be as well to notify the heirs + ask each to advance his share for the purchase of these titles. If they refuse I think that those who do buy them should reap more benefit than those who lie down.

Possibly I may come on N + spend Thursday or Friday in N.Y. to discuss these matters. I think Ben needs some advice from you immediately in any case + I will help pay for it. Under the circumstances can we not say that Hamilton has violated the contract so as to relieve us of all further liability to him in the way of his 6% contingent fee?

If you think it worth while telegraph me to come on to-morrow.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l J. Bacon

Race Pak, D. T.
Dec. 10th

Mr. W. E. Burton.
Dear Sir,

Before your wrote I had instructed G. & S. to pay your commission. It was omitted in my first letter by over sight. There is only 20 minutes here between the arrival of the western mail & the closing of the last mail for the day & this does not give much time for details.

On the other hand I understand from my attorneys that the taxes do not become a lien on the property before Dec 31st & that in consequence they would have him for the buyer to pay. Property is in my wife's name & she is averse to selling at this price. Unless Mr. Jones is prepared to accept our terms at once we shall advance the price. We will not hold this open. You can communicate with Gill & Stilwell to whom I am writing

Yours faithfully

N. P. Baer

Pace Dale, R.I. Dec. 10th

My dear Mr. Gill:

Your note is just at hand. Unless Jones toes the scratch at once we shall advance the price.

If he accepts please telegraph me as soon as the papers are signed, & forward a deed for my wife to sign, but we will only allow 24 hours after this reaches you.* ~~we shall exact interest~~

Yours faithfully
N. T. Beacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Dec. 13th 1895.

My dear Mr. Gill:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Burton which I do not believe all the contents of. I do not understand it as accepting our terms. I have had the deed signed however & it will be forwarded to you to-morrow. In case Burton has not specifically agreed to our terms please tell him that we now require 1% ($20.72) more to cover the taxes & ~~insurance~~ interest since the price was first made nearly a month ago. The taxes will have become a lien before the deed reaches you.

I put the matter into your hands to decide whether or not we accepted inside of the time limit, but we will not pay those taxes unless we get the advance, & we will insist on doubling the mortgage & accounting interest as of Dec. 10th. Any way Jones is in $25 for our damages for just by interest. I wish Stowell would say something about Bancroft's.

I don't know whether Our lease is to be used or not.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Beacon

Pearl Dale, R.I. Dec. 11th 1895.

Mr. W. E. Burton, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Dec. 11th is here. I do not understand from it that our terms are accepted; I forward it however to Gill & Stilwell for their opinion. We will forward the deed to them for comparison with ours & it can be used in case they consider you to have met our terms. If not they have instructions. My last advice from Mr. Gill was that you had not accepted them.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pearl Dale, R.J. Dec. 16th 1895.

Messrs. Biddle & Ward,
500 Chestnut St. Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Blossom informs me that you will pay a considerable sum for printing & for getting certain proceedings. Enclosed you will find my check for $150.00 on this account, which I hope, will suffice.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

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Peace Dale, R. I. Dec. 17th 1895.

Messrs. Pitt + Stilwell:

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find a letter from a party of a note to Burton in answer to a long string of descriptions of how he has promised on sundry occasions to pay the taxes out of his own pocket.

I have nothing to add in the way of instructions except that on the inside I prefer this deal to the first offer of the other parties.

This lot is not going begging. If Burton really agreed to pay these taxes ~~as he says he did~~ before Friday last as he says he did I shall not stickle for the last $1.00 but I do not want any fooling from him.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I am glad to hear that the Orr deal is completed + that at last Dunk has begun to pay regularly. Can you sell that Peach St. house for me? I will take $1800 for it to get rid of it tho' it should be worth $2000.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18th, 1895.

Mr. W.E.Burton,

Kirk Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Dec. 18th is at hand. Another party is anxious to make a bargain for the lot if you do not care to go on.

As I cannot be in Syracuse myself , I must leave the matter in the hands of my attorneys. They distribute their work according to their own convenience.

Unless you come to an agreement with them by Friday I shall begin negotiations with the other parties, whom I had once put off supposing that you had accepted our terms.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Barton

I have just received another letter from the other parties and I cannot hold this matter open much longer.

Place Dale, R.I. Dec. 20th. 0:

Dear Harry:

Your letter of yesterday enclosing petition for certiorari & notes by Mssrs Theodore & Biddle & Ward, is at hand. I will sign it before a U.S. Commissioner in Providence to-morrow & return it to you.

I have read it over very carefully & return the following suggestions which I authorize you to insert or correct to if you see fit. I don't want to insist on any changes in a document which has passed the criticism to which this has already been subjected. I have ventured however to correct two dates which were obviously wrong, 1st. that of the signing of the C.E. Co. & I.S. Co. contract to 1875 from 1874 & 2nd. that of the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals from 1875 to 1876.

My suggestions are as follows.

1st. on folio 7 add "in the State of New York" after "near the works of the Corliss Engineering Co."

2nd on folio 15 - Instead of "of the written contract that was finally executed" put "of the written contract which was ente-"

3rd. on folio 18 for "If had actually been so construed" put "this very contract had been"

4th. on folio 27 after "all the three judges concurring" add "and after notice of the decision by Judge Butler in the District Court"

5th. on folio 32 instead of "and in the admissibility of parol evidence" put "and upon the"

6th on folio 37 Do you not want to mention the N.Y. case cited by Judge Butler & spoken of in folio 21?

I presume that you will decide against my 4th point & probably that the 5th but I mention them to make sure that there is no oversight. The 6th is probably a slip of the pen. The others would seem to me improvements though not vital ones.

I sent B. & W. $150.00/100 on Monday as you suggested with a note saying that it was for expenses. Their bill will have to wait a little.

Yours faithfully

Chas. F. Baker

I have made pencil marks in the margin where corrections are suggested.

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Peace Dale, R.I. Dec. 24th 1895.

Mr. E. N. Tompkins Mem.

Dear Sir:

Yours inquiring about my subscription to the Perry memorial is at hand. I should be glad to meet my share of the expense.

Is there any chance of your being able to secure 2 Cannon balls of which I gave Mr Conley a memorandum for my purpose? It would be a great saving of time to get rid of them and I shall be glad to let them go for what they can be made worth for castings or articles of any kind. They are each 6 inches + are about 8 ft x 9 ft x 10 ft. They ought to be worth something. There is with them a small attachment 2½ ft long + 4 ft — diam + an outer casing for this.

Yours truly

N. T. Beacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Dec. 24th 1895.

Mr. F. R. Hazard

Dear Fred:

Your note for Mr. Atwater and the light oil from Ter is at hand. Before receiving it I had answered Mr. Atwater that there was no profit visible for us in at as prices then stood.

I enclose a statement of expense account so that you need not have anything to carry over Jan. 1st.

Please pay out of it my $4.00 for the Perry memorial.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Beacon

Merry X mas.

Your Calendar are just come. Thank you. It is very pretty.

Pawtucket, R.I. Dec. 26th 1895

Dear Sid,

Why don't you come on Monday for my share of the Cap letter. I hope you will not have to go to Cape for them.

I don't know yet how much of my money I can consider that you have on hand just now, but I shall have to ask you to send me all of it by Jan. 1st.

I am in my tight place ahead then.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l F. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Dec. 26th 1895

My dear Nicholinger,

Your postal received one or two days ago & the Globe bill. Thank you for this & my account.

The heavy expense on the track have forced prevented your making any definite offer but I now want you to be sure to deposit at least $10.00 before Jan 10th. I have a great many expenses next.

If you can get anything for Barnes for the track I shall be glad of it. I have tried hard & upon it take to pay by attend to it. I do not want to give Barnes any money but I don't like that our work done rather than at some other time to help him yourself cost a little more.

If you can give him something as from yourself you can charge it to me off the $10.00.

How many horses have you entry? Does the water seem to make them more attractive?

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Jan. 2nd 1896.

Dear Ed:

Enclosed you will find the Lyshorn release. I have sent the deed for the Clerk's certificate. It will probably reach you shortly after this.

I am glad that we are to be rid of Hamilton without more trouble.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Green

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Peace Dale, Jan. 2nd. 1896.

Dear Harry:

The enclosed explains itself.

I hope it means progress. Does it mean that Carter is to begin his distribution? How about the 8th. Ward bank?

Had we not better begin to push before long if they do not agree to pay? We cannot stir either the Comm. Bank or Carter till we hear from the 8th. Ward & witnesses may die if it lasts out the Century.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Carter's envelope says return to V. C.
52 Hawthorne St. Brooklyn.

Peace Dale, R. I. Jan. 6th. 1896.

The First National Bank
Syracuse.

Gentlemen:

On my return from a few days absence I find Mr. Leonard's note. I have no available collateral now except real estate which of course you cannot use. I am also unable to take up the whole note but I enclose a check on account of the principal which will reduce that to $400 00. and I hope you will consider this satisfactory. If so please endorse on the new note the amount so paid & oblige

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Mr. H. B. Claxton.

Pawtucket, Jan. 11th

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find the check for $[illegible] which I owed you. I am sorry to have had to detain it. By our arrangement matters is thus, anything to do with the bank business, the action against the Wheel Bank has been [illegible] the claim [illegible] so as to let him file his return. I think probably it is the chief business of those urging the 6th Wheel to make all possible delay to prevent investigation of Bank matters & the Cheraw [illegible]. Could you [illegible] to make a return in this way? If you could be worth [illegible] to do so. If he can delay matters for three years [illegible] in one year after time will not be much use in claim [illegible] witnesses very [illegible] of forgery.

Yours truly,

N. T. Brown

Pawtucket, R.I. Jan. 11th 1846

Messrs. Hobbs & Ward
Philadelphia

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find a check for $[illegible] on account of [illegible] recently rendered. Shall hope for news of the Supreme Court before very long.

Yours truly,

N. T. Brown

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 11th 1896.

Theodore Bacon, Esq.
Rochester, N. Y.

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Inclosed you will find my check for $50.00 on account.

I hope my mind to be able to take care of the rest within a year or so, but there is so much dependent on litigation growing out of the C. E. Co. affairs that I cannot make any definite promises. How long is it before I should know whether the U.S. Supreme Court will hear me?

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Jan. 11th 1896.

The First National Bank
Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

Please send me two drafts on London for 1£ 16s. & the other for 2£ 6s. I am inclosing a check for $20.00 which I suppose will cover them. They should reach me Tuesday morning if possible to catch the Wednesday steamer.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 6th. 1896

Mr. A. Lamb, Cashier
Co[illegible] Bank, [illegible] st.,

[illegible]r Sir:

Enclosed please find a check for $130 80/100 being $37 20/100 for six months interest on $1350 00/100 at 5 1/2% & $93 60/100 for interest since the 21st on $5000 00/100 at 5 1/4 %. to Mrs. W. Jackson Smith.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

P.S. I neglected that $650 00/100 of the $5000 00/100 was ~~at~~ made separately at 6%. I have altered the figures therefore to 93 60/100 & $130 80/100 accordingly.

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 11th 1896

My dear Mr. Green:

Enclosed you will find my check for $189 50/100 being the amount of interest due the Pav. Fund.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mr. John Kuchenmeister, Solvay.

Syracuse N.Y. June 8th 6.

My dear John:

Yours of June 9th reached me one to-day afternoon. You did right to pay the taxes rather than make the deposit, but you ought to have let me know in advance that you were likely not to be able to do it.

I cannot decide the Side walk question until I know exactly in what shape it is to come. If it is to be done by the village trustees and assessed to the various property holders in proportion to their frontage I think I should be in favor of it for Bogardus, Fox, Power St., Trump St. & the North side of Hagar St. but I first want to know how much it will cost per running foot, & how it would be payable.

It will not do to have only expenses & the Road has cost me more than it has brought in for four or five months.

I am not willing to put down sidewalks at my own expense where I have sold the property.

I enclose you a price list for much of the property the rest I do not care to sell now unless I sell it in a lump.

For any one who makes a payment down on a lot of above $20.00 I will give a discount of 20% of the amount paid in cash. For instance where a man buys a lot say for $300.00 & pays $50.00 in cash, I will ~~make him~~ give him credit for $60.00 on the cost of the lot instead of $50.00 so that he will only owe $240.00 more on it. But this applies, I repeat, only to the first payment.

I want you to deposit what you can at once. Please try to be more prompt with your reports for this year.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Do not show this price list to anyone, but give a price from it instead.

Price list.

Houses

C 9 + C 9 + D 8 + ~~[illegible]~~ each	$1050
D 9	$1100
3 C + 15 D	$1200
20 D	$1350
10 F	$1200
22 + 23 F	$900
4 + 4	$1200
14 I S½	$1200
14 I N½	$1150
19 I + 20 K	$1150
32 + 34 L together	$850

Lots

3 to 8 C + 3 to 8 D each	$250
11 to 14 D + 18 D + 2 + 4 E	$350
11 + 12 F + 14 + 15 F	$250
16 to 20 F + 24 F	$150
25 F	$175
3 to 7 G	$125
21 D	$300
1 H + 2 J	$300
4, 6 + 8 J + 18, 22 + 24 + 47 K each	$375
(G) 60 ft. of 40 L (back of fire alley)	$225
50 ft of water frontage 400 x 120 ft deep S. of Rancocas	$350

Peace Dale, R. I. Jan 13th 1896.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Your note reached me on my return from a short absence. I am too late for the answer you asked for, but I hardly regret it as I much doubt the value of such information.

I see by the paper that Lamont & Mr. Hazard have purchased the Gov. estate.

That will certainly take a considerable lump off the market.

What will Lamont offer for all my unsold land? I should be glad to get rid of either the whole or a controlling interest. I should like a few hundreds in cash at least. It is so great a object with a responsible party. I have another customer in view that should be glad to sell to you.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Beacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Jan. 13th 1896

Dear Ben:

Your letter is at hand. I enclose a check for $100.00. You and Elmer are certainly doing all your share & more. I wish as much could be said of others.

I do not see why you should not take the compromise money to pay for this horror. I now feel much more confidence in the thing than now before.

Will it not be best to let the other J. B. lands rest entirely till this matter is disposed of? Of course it looks as if we were advising only for our own interest, but I think it might be used as a club against us that success would incite many other titles.

I would be glad not to hear the other matter even mentioned till this is settled.

I must ask you to let me have most of this money back again as early in Mar. as possible, as I have some very heavy payments to make then.

I hope you are not seriously ill.

Your loving brother
Nath'l T. Beacon

Have unexpressed with the exception of the N. E. & S. W. corners in settlement. The new deed will be given by Thursday or Friday.

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Peace Dale, R.I., U.S.
Jan. 14th. 1896

Wm. R. Clay
18 Dewint Place, Edinburgh
Scotland.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a draft for 36 sh, for which please send me Berthelot's Essai de Mechanique Chimique as advertised in the second page of your bulletin (which I enclose) price 35 sh. I add another shilling to cover postage.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 14th. 1896

E. G. Cresswell, Gen. Sec.
So. Kens. Ind. Palace Chambers.
9 Bridge St. Westminster S.W.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a draft to the order of L. Rider Cook, Treas. to cover my initiation fees & dues for the year to your society.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Enclosing draft for £2-6

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan 17th. 1876

My dear Mrs. Esterly:

The only portions of the J. B. forest which I have bought have been taken to help out people who needed money & I do not care to enlarge my interest on any terms which you would probably consider reasonable. I no longer live in expectancy, for me.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan 17th 6.

Dear Ed:

Enclosed you will find the clipping & the deed which you asked for. Probably the best thing we can do about the park is to be quiet. When if people make up their mind that they want one we may get the co-operation we want, but I think that the city should bind itself to expend say $1000.00 yearly on improvements & provide at the approaches through our land & then I am dubious about giving as much as 75 acres in any case, unless the city undertakes to build streets for us leading to the park in such a way as to benefit the property. I should want to study the ground first, personally.

I am sorry to hear that Sally suffered from stress to the point of forcing you to move.

I hope for news of the Mellen affair before long. By Mar. 1st. also I hope to know whether the U. S. Supreme Court will do anything for me. I fear also that the J. Griffiths will move now.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Nath. B. Bacon,
New York

Pawtucket, R.I. June 21st 6

Dear Harry:

Yours of 19th. & 20th rec'd. Bergen's anxiety to get a bond strikes me as queer after Carter's refusal to interpose.

Is it possible that the ring are thinking of attacking all the judgments at this late date on the ground that they were illegally for a director? It is of course easy to show that they all were for money, and all receipts for money advanced directly to the C. E. C. Rice took the note which held in part payment of a large note of my mine, early in July.

I am not afraid of the result of such an attempt, especially so long after the fact, but it might trouble me to give N.Y. security without paying for it. Would not my Pater in law be sufficient? He is not here today but I think he would make no difficulty about it. He ought to be sufficient in case Bergen is only bent on security, & in case, however, he is playing for delay to save the sheriff he will doubtless object. I think that probably it will be best to arrange this so as in any case unless it will be too expensive for security. I should be glad to pay $10.00 to a $. It seems me for this if necessary or perhaps a little more but not an unlimited amount. In case he does not agree to the proposal, however, I think that we ought to make the bank understand just how unpleasant and offensive we can make the suit for them. Would it not be pertinent to argue that a bank whose stock is below par shows evidence of weakness & that it is supposed to have lost moneys so as to be possibly ~~liable to be~~ unable to pay its obligations if it should continue to do up to the time when a final judgment would be rendered by the Court of Appeals, after a term of years.

I sent B. & W. a check on account ten days ago.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Jan. 21st 6

Dear Sol.

Yours of yesterday is here. Before I finally consent to having the Electric Stock put in my name I would like to know just what liability might arise? I suppose the object is to secure U.S. court & that costs might be charged against me, which I could stand if necessary. The main question is whether there is any stockholders liability & if so how much & is it Gen. Electric that does not stand so high but that a call on the stockholders might be among the remote possibilities if the stock is assessable.

The Clerk of Court is in Providence to-day but I will try to have the documents get off to you tomorrow. What is the missing link is it failure to assent that he has a seal? This form of lease has caused matter many times in New York already but I should be glad to be able to correct the deficiency if any there is, as I hope to have more deals to sign in the near future.

It seems to me as if the City should build a road to the Park through the gully that the Perkins road runs up towards and another off the line to connect with the Main drive by the house and do all necessary fencing. There should be, of course, also a roadway from the Rockwell's proposed new road. They can be trusted not to have the only approaches through our property.

I think that one half of our property is a good deal to give. My impression is that there are not more than 150 acres in all. I think we could open 50 easily.

The Rockwell road will not quite reach our property unless the park is laid out. Unless Norwich grows faster than I can see any reason for, however, it will take it a very long time to cover both the Rockwell addition & ours.

Yours faithfully
Nath. D. Bacon

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Pacedale, R.I. Jan. 24th. 1896

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

The enclosed bill reached me yesterday. If this policy at the 60 cent rate is for three years I will accept it but if not please get me a policy from Clark. I do not care to do business with Smith unless something is to be gained by it. I am always suspicious of that establishment. I shall be glad to get your report after Feb. 1st.

Yours faithfully

Walter S. Bacon

Pacedale, R.I. Jan. 28th 1896

Dear Sol:

Enclosed you will find the agreement Mr. Fairchild signed. It ought to be in duplicate.

I have telegraphed you this morning that I had telegraphed Barclay Hazard to write you the information wanted. My Father-in-law is away but, Barclay who lives in S.B. can give the information. He happens to be in New Haven.

I enclose a copy of the telegram to him. Carter is doubtless trying to prevent my complaining of his stewardship as assignee at the hearing in a few days. I think I will agree not to make any fuss about trifles if he will agree to give that deed, but I will make a lot of trouble for him if he is nasty now.

You had better see Harry at once about a large claim on the sheriff's for money which Carter took when he had no business with it. That claim is really only against the sheriff but of course it involves Carter. I will not give that up, but I do not think it needs considering. I will not pay out $100 to agree to make no fuss as well but I might give $25 or $50. I will come in at the further.

Yours faithfully

W. S. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 28th 6

My dear Mrs. Esterly:

Your letter of yesterday is at hand. The first reports concerning this land were much exaggerated. The Hollywood Tract is the only one which I feel any kind of confidence in. The Pale Mine, quarries etc. are not on this +, I fear, are not recoverable even if they were successful, which I believe the mine was not. I am loath to increase my interest even in the Hollywood Tract, but if you cannot do better I will offer you $75.00 for this portion of the Jabez Bacon Estate, but I should be very glad if you could find some one else to buy it. Possibly Mrs. C. D. Matthews (address Norwalk, Conn.) might do better by you. She is better able than I, and has a considerable interest of her own + so knows about the tract.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 28th. 1896.

W. Judson Smith, Syracuse Savings Bank Building.

My dear Mr. Smith,

Your note is at hand. I enclose a check for the interest which you say was not paid. I supposed Mr. Stillwell had paid that, when he took up the former mortgage. I am expecting his report for the half year every day. He had promised it nine days ago. Fifty five days interest by my calculation would be $42.[illegible] for which please acknowledge my check + oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I.
Jan 29th 6

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I think probably it will be best to tender a bond anyway. I have just done a favor for a Newyork business man which he might perhaps reciprocate by going on my bond but if not I can procure one if they refuse Mr. Hazard. The Phila. Co. asked no security but my note for the Pacoussett bond.

Carter is trying to persuade me not to make things unpleasant for him. I'll advanced him quite a sum (about $200.00) on my account but nominally on Mr. Hazard's to enable him to live till he could collect for the C. C. Co. ~~& he was~~ This was to guarantee that the assets would suffice to give him, I think $500.00. They will have brought him in well over $400.00 above expenses & so there is a considerable margin due me from him, when his accounts are settled. I want to be sure of some of the $1500.00 claim against the sheriff & also to stave off the J.S.S. Co. claim but I should be willing to pass over most of the other items (except perhaps excessive charges for security & lawyer's fees) in case he will give a quit-claim to Sed for the land to be conveyed to Milburn. Sed will probably see you about this. Carter is pretty snaky.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please discuss the whole thing with Sed. I will be there in Newyork next week myself.

Peacedale, R.I.
Jan. 30th 6

Dear Sel:

Yours of yesterday is here. I enclose the power of attorney signed & witnessed. My telegrams will cost 63 cents I believe. The bill is not yet presented.

As to the Carter matter, I do not believe you will get asked unless you arrange with Harry & make some specific arrangement with Carter in advance. Carter's accounting comes on Feb. 8th & this is doubtless meant to put pressure on me. I have already written Harry on the subject.

I thought that there was more outstanding on the Lyoholm claim than $44.80/100. Does that include the costs?

I am sending your Mass. Notice letter to Theodore. I had sent it before to Prof. Wendell of Harvard, who has received on the other side.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

I may have occasion to give a bond in this matter for about $2000 in N.Y. Would Mr Barnes do it? If so, may I use your name as surety?

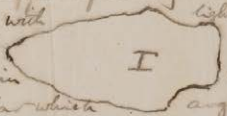
Address — Peace Dale, R.I., U.S. of America
Jan. 30th 6.

Mr. H. Spalding,
The Curator
of the Colchester Museum.

Dear Sir:

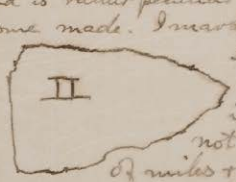
With this I am sending you the arrowheads which I hope will reach you in good condition. They are all from Madison County, Missouri, which is a part of our country first settled by the French about 150 years ago.

The three heads wrapped separately are of particular interest. The dark green one with light ~~white~~ spots shown in this outline is of a stone which



~~it~~ exists everywhere in the neighbourhood and is rather peculiar which argues that this is home made. I mark it I.

No II which is so black that it probably will not show the ink mark is of black basalt, a stone which does not exist any where within hundreds of miles & therefore is probably not of domestic manufacture.



No III of white quartz or chalcedony is a bird arrow. These were intended to stun but not to pierce the skin. The others are arrowheads of general utility.

It has taken me a long time to get these together & some of them only came today. If you think they are more than over the value of the bits of pottery you gave me a year ago in Colchester I should be glad to receive any other articles of interest which you can spare.

There is a small museum here which would be glad to exchange Indian relics for Roman, & I will send your name to the Smithsonian Museum in Washington if you have any articles of high value which you would like to dispose of for such things or for anthropological books published by them.

Yours respectfully
Wm. Brown

Grace Dale, Jan. 31st 6

Dear Ned:

Yours of yesterday is at hand & I telegraphed you my assent & that I would give you also a power of attorney similar to Myra's if you want it. Also I will raise up to $100.00 at once if there is an emergency about Mabel's expenses.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l J. Bacon

Grace Dale, R.I. Feb. 1st. 1896.

Dear Ned:

Enclosed you will find the agreement signed by Helen & myself. At the risk of speaking of something you have in your mind, I suggest opening your talk with Mabel by asking the occasion of the advance. Then, if it proves to be to enable L.W.B. to deed land for the Park you can show her that it is invalid to do so & that we are forward to furnish funds if it is for her immediate necessities.

The bond I spoke of would be to the 8th Ward Bank of Brooklyn to indemnify them in case that Carter should ever sue them by reason of their failure to carry up from the Gym. Room a decision in my favor or an attachment of the funds of the C.E. Co. in their hands. Harry can give the details if they care to accept this bond instead of appealing. It is not a bond to the court.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Pittsburgh, Feb. 9th 1874

Mr R E. Bruce
713 E. Market St.
Akron, O.

Dear Sir:
With this I am sending you some circulars of my
[illegible]

The boilers in my possession were built for a steamer
which never left, and are now owning in Pittsburgh.
One of them need some trifling repairs to 125 lbs., the
other is in perfect order and the parts are all sound. The
same with the other, which need repairs of this order.
These repairs can be done with them if wanted.
The size of the first is 30 ft. long & 8 ft. diameter, have
corrugated furnaces 44 in. diameter, one set of tubes &
wire cleaning tubes, flues, etc. & for 125 lbs. steam
and about 1600 ft. of heating surface.
I will guarantee that they will not be the cause of
any trouble from the time of their
If you will [illegible] price, I will [illegible]
10% up to $1000 & 50% [illegible]
[illegible] I will sell them when I have
I have the pleasure to remain
Yours faithfully
N. T. Beaty

Pittsfield, Feb. 14th 1876

Dear Sed:

Mrs. Julia B. Estey is very anxious to talk her share of Holbrook & I have agreed to give her $75 for it. Probably it will be best to give a quit claim deed of it, I suppose. Please draw one & send it that it be signed. Her address is Boston Road, Inwood on Hudson, New York City.

The proportion is 0.912 so I suppose the deed should contain a covenant against grantor.

I spoke to Dr. Busse about the new papers & he promised to sign them & acknowledge them & get them off as soon as his wife should return on Tuesday last. Have you received them? He also promised to write to his mother to induce him.

I hope that the others are coming in.

Probably Helen will be at the Hazards' in New York next week for a few days.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Rio Janeiro Nov. 15th

Dear Henry:

Gill promised to send you a few days ago his letter book with copies of letters to Custer Stone (the acceptance and the receipt mentioned). I know it that I did that I sent Custer at various times the following sums, Nov. 7th $50.00, Nov. 24th $25.00, Nov. 29th $42.00 in gold & were in hopes of being able to pay the bill of pictures for which a bill never accompanied it $1.00 overcharge for hauling the pictures & sheep, the bill having only 117 for the pictures. That his receipts would have to enough to get him of the 1st of month from the time he received assignment (the only one expired Oct. 24th) to the 1st of the month in Nov. and so. His receipts will give him over $400 so that the whole should be paid. It is merely possible that there is one credit due him for moving the pictures & sheep but my impression is that this was paid about by a check of Custer's. Re. which I am not sure of being.

In one of Gill's letters to Custer - there is a memorandum of the money in Custer's hands (amounting to the $150.00 & interest) which may prove useful in an action against the sheriff.

I should be glad to know how the 8th Ward affair stands & how we can get the sheriff on trial. I am trying to get that moving in some way. Mr Berger assured Gill. My real estate affairs in Sonora are looking up.

Yours truly

Nathan T. Rice

Pawtucket R.I. Feb 15th

Mr. S. T. Betts
The Bastable, Syracuse

Dear Sir;

Your note reached me last night. We have already refused to consider an exchange for what is offered with the same property you mention. We cannot possibly value any property of such a nature at more than three times the rental, & this would be $7000 for an outside value for it.

We refused $12000 for the place not long ago & we certainly do not care to make any trade unless, as is not the case, another customer is considering the property. We should not consent to an exchange in any case, unless there were a considerable object in it, so that we could expect to clean up a considerable amount over any probable cash price. Besides it can't hold Syracuse real estate.

Recent changes on the hill are rapidly advancing values there & there are now very few available lots remaining on James St. I do not consider Hawley St. particularly as likely to improve as rapidly

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Feb. 15th. 6

Mr. A. Olgiati, Solvay N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The reason which you offer for wanting to throw up your place is not one which I can recognize as valid. However, as I should be glad to oblige you in this matter, if after thorough discussion of the matter with your wife, you are agreed that you still desire to leave the place, I will take the place back and allow you $400. for it, with the understanding that this is to be paid in land at prices for lots according to the list in John Luchsinger's hands. This is more than would be coming to you if I could recognize your reason for leaving as a valid one, and it will enable you to obtain two or three lots free and clear of all indebtedness, unless you prefer one of the most expensive ones. If the lots you choose do not foot up to exactly $400. I shall be glad to settle any balance less than $50. with you for cash.

I am sending a copy of this to John Luchsinger and you can talk it over with him.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Place Dale, N.Y.
Nov 15th 6

Mr John Lockwinger, Sidney.

My dear John

With this I am sending you a copy of a letter which I am sending to Elijah. I think it is possible that this may be the best way out of the difficulty. It is foolish of him to let the place go when he has it so nearly paid for but it will not do to allow that mere loss of a farm in the works is sufficient reason for throwing up a place and especially when a man throws it up voluntarily & when he can find other employment in his trade in the neighborhood. I see on your report a charge for advertising. What is this for? I had heard nothing of it before & I did not authorize any. So far I have never been able to write any letter to the advertising I have done, but it is hardly possible that a little in the Sidney paper might pay. Certainly no other would.

Have you no word yet from Kimberly? It will be necessary to move that beam at once if not sooner. It will go more easily on the snow than over bare ground.

Yours faithfully
N. P. Bacon

P.S. Is Pa. [illegible]

Glad to hear the [illegible]
Where is all the N. goods.
N. P. B.

Race Dale, R.I. Feb. 20th 6

Mr W. E. Burton
Rich Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:
Yours of Feb. 18th came late last night & we are negotiating with another party now, but nothing is so valuable. We have raised our price to $12500.00 in money. We don't care to take real estate in exchange unless we can see a chance to obtain a considerable advance on these figures. I cannot value a house and lot above $8000.00 which only brings in a gross return of $780.00, and I should want to see the property myself before going far on them.

We consider our lot the choicest now remaining in Syracuse. There is no other probably with such trees on it any where on James St. & there is very little other property of any kind remaining to complete. We have little question that we can get six per cent by holding it, as we are not inclined to break from our terms.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

Rockland Me. Feb. 21st

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $75.00 for Mr. Estey, whenever she executes the deed. I am very glad to hear that you have succeeded so well in smoothing out the Norwich muddle. Now if we can get rid of Catherine & Clara into a quietly on some occasion & get their signatures, the rest matter will be adjusted to them care of.

By the by I had occasion to do a favor for Dr. Bowse a day or two ago & took the occasion to put it into him that he was of paying any thing. I think you will probably get the papers before long.

Yours faithfully

N. H. T. Bacon

I am going to spend Sunday in Mt. Desert. If any one wants to see me they telegraph to Prof. Irving Fisher 460 Prospect st.

Pace Dale, R.I. Feb. 22nd 6.

Dear Ben:

Yours of yesterday at hand. As I understand your quotation Perrin's lawyer means $37.00 for Rundells share + $25.00 for Mrs. Rundells. I will authorize you to offer that for the whole business including W. Va. If you don't close account. If you can add 25% for the whole, but I would prefer it not to mix in the W. Va. affair as we may succeed there, this is broached before the first question is settled.

I should prefer make first one offer of $37.75 for each Bruce + $25.00 for Mrs. Rundell for Hollywood alone. I only do it any way to relieve you + this is not an omnibus offer for all small farms.

No matter about the review.

Leonard may not want one for a year. I gave you the finite outright.

I will hold you check for a few days any way.

Yours faithfully

N. S. Rider

Rose Dale, R.I. Oct 25th 6.

Mr. John Lichsinger, Esloway.

My dear John:

On my return from a few days absence I find yours of Oct 20th. & your card of 24th announcing a deposit of $70.00.

It will not pay to gin $60.00 to move the barn. Find out from Henry Hurley what he can take it down & put it up for. Probably he can do it (including hire for a team for a day) for $20.00. If so you can tell Ryan that he can have it done so for $120.00.

I will put in the partition & Murphy wants the step & board roof for $50.00 more, (I believe the price for the house was $900.00) making $970.00 and I will accept $9.00 a month for the place. Mr. Stilwell sold Lot 13 to Barnes a few weeks ago & he has made his first payment on it so that place is no longer for sale. I should be unwilling to let so large a place as Henry Hurley wants go for $10.00 a month any way unless a reasonable cash payment was made. This lot 22. is the smallest except lot 23 on the tract & so I am willing to take less per month than I have done heretofore.

I am glad Mc Donald is gone.

I shall not ask you to pay for the advertising but don't do any more without consulting me, however, if you feel that you can make it pay you by the commissions you earn & so do it on your own book.

You had better notify Miles Jatoris that he must pay up better or we will be obliged to consider his contract forfeit. He only paid $60.00 last year.

I am tired of Manning unless he pays his full rent at once & begins on his arrearages we will take his sewing machine & put him out at the same time. He must pay at least an average of $8.00 a month to stay. Also please ask Mr. Stilwell to come here at once for all his gain & then put him out. See Mr. Stilwell at once & let him stop at Mr. Murphy's until he will go out & let me know.

Very truly yours N. J. Bird

Feb. 20th

Mr. H. E. Bruce
713 E. Market St. Akron, O.

Dear Sir:

Your note is at hand. Thank you for the information. As you will not want the papers I sent you if you are unable to sell the bonds, please return them to me as I have only a few copies of the results of the test. I have plenty of the other documents.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Feb. 20th. 1896

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

On looking over my accounts I find that both Legree & Lyedney are heavily in my debt & I have determined to sue them both. Legree's contract I left with you when last in Syracuse. I will try to forward the other with his. Lyedney will furnish the evidence. Lyedney is the man that you talked with about removing here. Both of these men have property in Canada.

Perhaps we shall want to sue Wm. Manning also. I have a chattel mortgage against him which may lead me well before action. I will have Buchanan call on you at once. I hope Pink still pays.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

I enclose also the Manning Contract. Please send me the Barnes contract.

Rancocas, N. J. Feb 27th 1890

Dear Sir:

The enclosed papers speak for themselves. Please get them to Barney & to Sol at once. Sol is slowly showing a great knowing of trouble for the rest of the family & the need we can do is the make it as light on him as possible. He will have papers by Saturday morning if possible.

Ben has hopes of a Professor's chair at Wheaton Seminary Women's College.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

I enclose a paper which you can just sign, Sol.

Rancocas, N. J. Feb 27th 6

Dear Sol:

Your letter to Ben with enclosures was received over the two letters in re Miller. I will forward the enclosures to Newsform at once & also attend to the deed. I am glad you have made so much progress with Miller.

I am sorry that Rue is so much trouble with the Dwight B. case & Mrs. Swaney. Inclosed is the missing widow's power of attorney. her name has not appear on the list.

How about my mortgage & Charles Thorley & wife's interest in case of settlement? Do you want me to get a release of their interest for Simons? Really it would be really given as I have paid 10% of the principal. If you do so it however, they would doubtless give you a power of attorney if you ask for it, which would save your time.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Check

Letter in N. Bacon's of a small mortgage
from Rebecca Ann Stokes, Feb 1890. Send for
copy & return to the abstractor &
if worth while make
a release
conditions
N. J. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Feb. 27th 6

The Jarvis Engineering Co.
60 Oliver St. Boston.

Gentlemen

Sometime ago owing to the failure of the makers I was obliged to take two Cowles boilers as the best available security for a debt. On there was some litigation which prevented my disposing of them at once, but as this is now settled in my favor I am looking for a customer. I enclose a cut showing the type of boiler. They are each 10 ft. x 9 ft x 8 ft. with about 40 ft. of grate surface & about 140 of heating surface & were intended, each to furnish steam for a 300 H.P. marine engine.

One of them is complete & except for its casing & had to stand a test of 170 lbs. The other was not quite finished. A few tubes had not been expanded in but they are at hand & will go with the boiler. They are all ready to be expanded in.

If you can make use of them I will let them go for $1100.00 if taken before April 1st. Unless they are taken speedily I may have to move them from their present position & so offer this low price which will include also the smoke stack & casing for the steamer which was to have had these boilers. This is 4 ft. in diameter by 24 ft. long I believe. The cut and cost over $6000.00, I believe, when the makers failed.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please let me know ~~Pawt. Feb. 28th~~ if you can do anything with them.

Mr. W. E. Burton.
Dear Sir:
Yours of yesterday at hand. We do not care to break our price.
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, Mar. 5th 1896.
Mr. U.S. Pendleton, Agent
Dear Sir,
I received yesterday as
at mind. We could grant the
same terms as last time, but
not care to break our pride.
Yours W. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Mar. 4th 1896.

The R.I.H. Trust Co.
Providence.

Gentlemen:
I shall be glad to pay $500.00 + interest on account of my note falling due next week, if you can renew the balance.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon
Amount to be renewed $1500.00

Pawtucket, R.I. Mar. 4th 6

Dear Ned:
Enclosed you will find the papers you ask for. I confirm my telegram giving you full authority in Norwich matters. So Lewis in N.Y.? I hope you succeed in settling the Milling affair. We tendered a deed for the city property 2 years ago they made no objection to it, but handed it back & asked us to keep it till we furnished the sheriff's deed. This should let us out on that count. This was at the time of passing the first papers, by which they took the personal property and as I understand it, it was a valid delivery of that deed.
I hope you are making progress with the J.B. business.
Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

Rose Dale, R.I.
Nov 4th

Mr. John Lipsinger, Albany.

Dear Sir:

Last night two contracts for Murphy received me from Mr. Stilwell. I am sorry you troubled him with them. He did with them what the terms would be if quite that he could not see they were right, so that I am obliged to return them over nothing as they are entirely different from our ordinary form. I prefer to draw all such contracts myself in my way. If there is anything beyond me I can then refer it to Mr. Stilwell.

I am returning you two contracts to be signed by and his wife. I don't know what her name is, let you insert it in the place left for it in the fourth line of the first page.

I enclose also the interest calculation showing the I make the principal of the bill without interest, from the cash price of $400.00. I may much prefer this form to one with interest. There is much less chance of misunderstanding if this calculation is made matter of

Murphy should have this phrase explained to him. I have written it out as that he ought to understand it, but perhaps he will need further explanation.

You should get a release on the other bills' expiration. You will answer some of my comment. I have marked mine separately initialed.

As soon as they are signed, return me my copy.

Yours faithfully,

N. S. Benson

Interest calculations
showing equivalent price
without interest to $900 00/100 with interest by payments
of $9 00/100 per month = $108 per year.

$900.00
64.00 — Interest on $900 for one year

Total payment first year $108. (12 instalments)
less int. " " 64. Total $900.00
Net payment 64. 64.00
$836 00/100 Due after one year (12 instalments) $836.00

58.76 Interest for 2nd year
Total payment 2nd year $108 (12 instalments)
less interest " " 58.76 58.76
Net payment " " $57.24 57.24
$778.76
Due after 2nd year (24 instalments)

778.76
47.33 — Total payment 3rd year (12 instalments) 108.
47.33 778.76
Interest for 3rd year $60.67 60.67
Net payment " " $718.09
Due after 3rd year (36 instalments)

718.09
43.65 — Total payment 4th year (12 instalments) 108.
43.65 718.09
Interest for 4th " 64.32 64.32
Net payment 4th " 653.77
Total due after 4 years (48 instalments)

653.77
39.73 — Total payment 5th year (12 instalments) 108
39.73 653.77
Interest for " " 68.27 68.27
Net payment " " $585.50
Total due after 5 years (60 instalments)

To make even payments $1.— of one instalment ~~and to~~
making 59 instalments and $600 00/100 remainder
59 instalments of $9 00/100 equal 531 00/100
Total without interest $1131 00/100 = $900 00/100 with interest

Rose Dale, Va. Nov. 6th

Mr. Ira Lachspringer

My dear Sir,

Your letter of the 28th is here. You should have informed me more promptly when you are arranging so. If you had written me before, that the play [illegible] would + that you could have got it done for less, I might have done so to arrange to do something. However there is no serious trouble if takes the place as it stands. You say that the play has [illegible] the contract for the house as it stands. This disturbs me a good deal as the contract I drew had not reached you when you wrote + I had given no one authority to write [illegible] one for me, nor had I agreed to grant any terms. It will not do for you to give terms, stay definitely without consulting me, tho you can say what you think I will allow. Let me know at once how this stands.

I have no recollection of our promising Koch a deed before all his payments were made, and I am not going to let him off without paying rent for the months where he failed to pay his instalments. His deed is not due till all these rent payments + his instalments besides are paid. I will not allow him to make up long arrears at this late date + the rent will be charged. If he pays more than his instalment now at any time it does not count on a future instalment. We have had too much of this making up.

Yours faithfully

N. B. Bloom

Prairie Dell, R.I. Feb. 26th 6

Dear Beck.

Yours of Mar. 2nd is here. Hitherto I have only been in the habit of keeping the last receipts of recurrent bills & so I have nothing to refer to in this instance. I have paid a letter coal bill there this one and I did not suppose I had any such bill outstanding anywhere, but as I cannot prove it I enclose a check which either cover it in connection with the bill which I receipt below.

Have you any idea how it has failed to be paid before this? I have certainly paid it if it has ever been presented to me before. I once so definitely proved that Fox had made me pay a bill twice or a sum nearly as large as this that I got the money back this nothing would make Fox acknowledge that there was any mistake in his office. Since that time I have feit that such an accident would might occur again. I don't suspect Fox of anything worse than a mistake; but I am inclined to consider the possibility of that.

I append also my bill of expenses for my last trip to Syracuse.

Yours faithfully

N. P. Bacon

P.S.

The Solvay Process Co. to N. P. Bacon Dr.

Feb. 8th–12th. Expenses to Syracuse & back $4.50

Rec'd payment Mar. 6th 1886

N. P. Bacon

Place Duell &c.
Nov 7th 6

The Naw. Electric Light & Power Co.,

Gentlemen:

Please let me know at once what you will charge for connecting the Hay and Memorial Building permanently with the incandescent lighting system. A wire to Holly House now passes about 40 ft. from which the connection is arranged for. 2nd. To make a temporary connection with the Memorial with the Arc circuit which passes also not more than 100 ft. away.

3rd. What you will charge for these items to be done at the same time.

4th. What you will charge for the use of electricity of both kinds for experiments in a lecture to be given before long in the Memorial. My wife has already talked with you on the matter over the telephone, but as the figures you promised have not come, I write to you for definite questions. Only a small amount of electricity will be required but it will be advantageous to have both kinds. The arc light circuit need only be brought to a window.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 11th. 1896.

Mr. John Buchsinger, Solvay.

My dear John:

Your covering the Report is here. I meant to have the tenants pay for the water themselves, but there is no great harm for this time. It ought never to have been turned on in the empty houses. Barnes wants to plant 12 ft.

If you have not disposed of it already let him have it for $3.00 but cash in advance. What have you done about the other land? How you arranged with Schuyler? It is necessary to do something at once.

Yours faithfully.

N. T. Bacon

The Mut. Life Ins. Co. Peace Dale, R.I. Mar 14th

Gentlemen:

Inclosed you will find my latest tax receipts. The former taxes were paid by my attorney Mr. J. H. Stewart 2 Clinton Block, Syracuse, during my absence in Europe & these receipts are in his hands in Syracuse. He will doubtless furnish them if you care to go further back. I have changed my residence to this place & which please return the inclosed receipts & oblige

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R. I. Mar. 13th 1876

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Perhaps I should notify you that neither Negroe nor Goldsey ever filed a written notice that he wanted to surrender his place. I hope Barnes continues to pay

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

If you can tell by looking at your atlas Page 2 should be glad to know who owns 1417 Grade St. & 1717 (17-3) + 1721 for full. The party wants our James St. lot.

Pace Dale, R. I. Mar. 13th 6

Mr. W. E. Bentley, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Mar. 11th is at hand. We do not care to consider trueman house property at all, but if we did we should not be all to value it above ten times the annual rental, nor can we for any other exchange value property at any higher rate. We do not care to consider any exchange which does not offer great inducements.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mr. John Cushing, Esq. Pawtucket, R.I. Mar. 14th 6

Dear John:

Yours of Mar. 11th enclosing contract is here. It would have been more formal to have Murphy sign above his wife, but it makes no difference & the contract is all in good shape.

As to the law suits, you need no information as to the amount of my claims. Mr. Stilwell attends to that. Probably all that will be asked of you is how much they have paid. Both of them made all their payments to you & you have a record of the payments which agree with my books. You will want to have your books with you so as to give the dates at which these payments were made if they are asked for. I do not know myself just what Mr. Stilwell claims for me.

They may perhaps ask you when the parties moved out, but probably they will not.

You have done perfectly right about the chattel mortgages, but I think the clerk had no right to refuse to refile them.

If there is anything you do not feel sure about in the law suits ask Mr. Stilwell about it.

Yours faithfully,

N. J. Bacon

Beaver Dam, D.T. Mar. 20th 6

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of 13th & 16th are at hand. I have to beg pardon for delay in answering, as I have been working night & day to get off a couple of robbs which are now finished. As to that judgment against Baird, I think the other party is entirely unreasonable. I will offer him $10.00 for his judgment but not merely or release.

My idea is that we now hold a tax title against this property, and that with a tax title and possession (Baird neglected his taxes before we got in) we can tell the other party to go to the dence.

Please investigate whether you have not the tax title among your papers. Probably he will be willing to take what he can get when he knows that if we can have to bid the place up at a foreclosure five years from now, we can easily do so relying on the tax title. The six principle & interest on the mortgages would eat up the whole real value of the place long before 5 years are out. Can the interest be reckoned in however?

Twenty five dollars are worth more to me now than the chance of having to pay $40.00 5 years from now. If Hanson don't want to sell his judgment I am willing to pay $5.00 for a release to avoid trouble, but I think we are in a much stronger position than he believes.

I shall be glad to hear the result of the big ejectment suits. I expect to be in St. Louis next week some time.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Preston

Pawtucket, R. I. March 20th 1896.

Dear Dick:

Please excuse my putting you off in the great rush to finish up a long report for Papa which I have just finished after three months steady labor. After much searching I have found my private account for 1894 & find no entry of this amount but I find evidence of several settlements with the S. P. Co. in which it might have been included. There is nothing more positive than that. I have not entered the items of these but merely net balance rec'd or paid as if in complete settlement to date. If you care to go into the matter more fully I will bring my papers in Sept. next week; but perhaps it is best to drop it as it stands. I now expect to reach Sag on Tuesday, but I will give a little if there is no room at the Club House, as Howard's light touch of scarlatina & Susie's whooping cough would make me a questionable guest anywhere.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bean

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 20th 6

Dear Ned:

Your note announcing Pattie's change of front came about a week ago. I am sorry for it, but it is not our fight. Did you hear that Agnes is coming home in May to stay with Aunt Gregg?

The U.S. Supreme Court has not yet said anything about appeal. I have not much hope from them.

I hope you have the Miller matter settled. Probably I shall go to Europe for the summer & I should be most glad to know that matter was settled before going. I also that the J.B. affair progresses. I have been awfully busy or should have written before. Europe is out of sorts as yet.

I expect to be in N.Y. next Friday or Saturday on my way back here from Bryn Mawr. I go to there Monday night.

Edward has a slight touch of scarlatina, which has quarantined us & both children have whooping cough mildly, but we are all pretty well in spite of this.

Yours faithfully

Nathan B. Pierce

Pierce Dale, R.I. Mar. 31st. 6.

Mr. W. S. Andrews.
Granger Block
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Andrews:

On looking over the situation I have made up my mind to ask for the entire consideration for releasing the lot you are to buy. Five thousand dollars of the principal of the mortgage is to be paid this year any way & we shall be willing to consider this as paid on that account, but till that is paid Stevens equity is not very large. It is more convenient to invest $1000.00 just now, than a smaller sum or we would be convenient confined with 80%, which is about the proportion of our equity in the Dale property.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. P. J. Schuyler
Pres't Mount. N.Y.

Peacedale, R.I.
Apr. 8th 6

My dear Mr. Schuyler.

Enclosed you will find my check for $60.00 to cover the interest due at this time on my mortgage.

I should be very glad if you would take the farm off my hands for three years. Lichtenger told me that you considered my terms not extravagant. I am not well advised to manage it myself. I shall be willing to make 10% reduction from the terms I offered through him as an inducement to you to do this for I know I can depend on you to do as you say.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Apr. 8th. 1896.

Mr. John Lichtenger, Solvay.

My dear John:

After thinking over C. Daven's case I have determined to let him go without a suit if he will pay you $100 a month on his ten months arrears & rent until it is all paid off. If you can land get a judgment for breach of contract, then he at once to trouble him thus, as on the whole he had done fairly well leaving without notice & without permission.

Has Stilwell got divorce out yet?

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Apr. 8th 6

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

The price for our lot is $1200.00 & interest from Jan. 1st, but for cash I will take even $1200.00 if taken at once.

Glad to hear Jean is settled.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l B. Baron

Peace Dale, R.I. Apr. 8th 6.

My dear Mr. Green:

The lot on which the mortgage is to stand which I told you of is No 37 Block J (37 ft) off my street. If you will draw up the papers I will execute them at once, and

Yours faithfully
Nath'l B. Baron

Peace Dale, R.I., Apr. 7th 1896

Mr John Kirby, Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Please let me know at once as well as you can how soon you are going to want your money. I am obliged to borrow it now, as I had previously agreed to do so. If you are to be delayed any length of time in stating I can will allow you 3% interest on it till you want it, which is a good deal better than having it lie idle. I cannot allow more unless I can have two months notice before any money is required.

Please sign the inclosed contract and return it to me. It is merely our agreement reduced to writing. I think it best to have it in proper shape in case of any accident as our original contract calls on me to deliver your lot free of any mortgage.

Yours faithfully

Nathan T. Bacon

I will send you another copy of this contract to keep if you want one but it is only necessary for one on account of my contract to convey free + clear + you will hardly need it.

Peace Dale R.I. Apr. 9th 6

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday was here. The property of the C. E. Co. was attached in the four following actions in the order following 1st First Nat. Bank of Syr. 2nd. J. A. Bradburn, 3rd. E. H. Rice, 4th. R. Hazard. The property was sold under all these judgments and brought enough to satisfy the 1st. Nat. Bank & Bradburn judgments and to leave a little for the Rice judgment, but as there are still two matters pending in litigation on the Rice judgment the sheriff has never made his return in this matter and I do not know the exact amount realized at the sale. ~~Probably~~ Perhaps Gill could furnish you more exact figures, but I think it was a trifle over $10000.00 that was realized at the sale and that the buildings brought under $100.00. They were bought by the 1st. Nat. Bank, and at first they I acted as their agents in arranging details with Millen, but later the Bank turned all the property over to me and assigned me their judgment too so that I could deal with him freely. The money went to them. As these buildings were considered merely as personalty there was no formal papers for the transfer. The judgment was assigned in due form.

I hope you can get this action brought soon.

Please charge me on your books with the remainder of the Legislature funds as a reproducer.

Yours faithfully

Nath. J. Bacon

I return you my old letter.

Pawtucket, R.I. Apr. 11th 6.

Dear Professor

Yours of Apr. 4th came last night. My report did not go to Symmes, and I only drifted into the discussion with Smith from other things that we were talking of. We are getting at numerable things and there was no serious disagreeable.

I have been very hard at work all the week on rewriting my report in accordance with your notes & hope to get it off this afternoon. I see that I neglected to ask for your opinion about the C.G.S.H. This is a new application first but from last May for condensing the NH3 Ammonia has proved to S.H.S by a stream of fitter liquor which is then heated nearly to the point of giving off ammonia before reaching the R.H. the same a very radical economy.

Another Bourgaine report came in last night. It is on the whole a very good one apparently but I have not yet had time to study it in detail.

We are all well.

Your living son

Nath.l S. Bacon

Race Dale, R.I. Apr. 11th 1896

My dear Mr. Howard:

Will you please get Mr. Judson's & Mr. Rice's signatures to the enclosed document & return them to me as speedily as possible? This is merely a formal transfer of your rights & to the assets of the Cordes Engineering Co. which were bought in 8 years ago in your name and sold to Millen. You & Mr. Rice both assigned your judgments to me at that time, but as the personal property had stood in your name at the auction, and as we are now forced to sue for our balance, my attorney thinks it will be most thoroughly correct. Please affix the Bank's seal also.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

No witnesses are needed.

Race Dale, R.I. Apr. 11th 6

My dear Mr. Gill:

My brother is sending you my complaint against your old friend Lorin R. Millen to have certain blanks filled in. Please attend to them as quickly & as accurately as you can after the lapse of time. I don't know exactly what he is standing for, but I shall be very glad if you can give it immediate attention as we have already been delayed over much. I am actually hoping to win my suit however.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Pine Bluff Ark. Jan 13th 6.

Dear Ed:

I have sent you under separate cover a praecipe to be signed & acknowledged & otherwise have sent instructions to fill & file the blanks. Mr. Hazard is in California but luckily I was with one of the owners of said C.

On reading over the complaint I find the following points for criticism. Page 2 line 1. The C.E. Co. was a New Jersey Co.

Page 3 folio 7 & seq.. Cooper first started only a boiler shop & drafting room. He only did boiler work & designing before the Co. took possession. The Co. was organized about July 1st '90, but the permit was issued, but it was not till Oct. or Nov that any thing was done toward erecting the new shop. I think only one building antedated the transfer of this was not in writing over to the Co. I cannot vouch for it. The ship yard actual only followed in 1892, when the Hunt tract was bought. All the buildings except the new Office & the plate & angle shop were built by the C.E. Co. prior to the Hunt tract purchase. I don't think you will want to change anything but give you the full facts as I recall them. By going over the C.E. Co.'s 1890 Correspondence, I might be able to give you a little more light if necessary.

The Plate & Angle shop was possibly begun in Dec. 1892 but was only finished in 1893.

Page 5. The suits were all first brought by attachment as the C.E. Co. was a foreign Co. They were all issued on August 20th. Mr. Hazard's attachment & judgments were subsequent to these on the same days pari passu.

Page 9. Some chisels at the Sheriff's sale were bought by outsiders & removed by them, but everything remaining in Feb. 1894 had been bought in by the Trust.

Also you have omitted any reference to the desk carried off which had been specifically reserved to me in the contract of sale. I believe that another desk too which a typewriter was served, was part of the typewriter desk & came to me with that (this still left them the two desks mentioned)

Peace Dale, R. I. Apr. 13th 1896.

My dear Mr. Lyman:

Enclosed you will find the bond duly signed and acknowledged. I have sent the mortgage to have the notary certified to & it may reach you by the same mail. I had understood that this was to be a 5 year mortgage & interest payable Apr. & Oct. 1st, but if you prefer these terms can stand as they are, but I authorize you to change them if you do not object.

Please send me a check at your convenience after deducting your commission & oblige

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Beaty

No actual seal is required in R. I. but I authorize you to attach them if you prefer I have none at hand.

Mr. John Lichsinger,
Solway, N.Y.

Peace Dale, R.I. Apr. 18th 5

My dear John:

Your letter reached me a week ago, but I have been too busy to attend to anything which could possibly be postponed. Please send me an exact statement of what you have paid, both on your main contract & on the West half of No 4 H. I find that my account does not exactly agree with the figures we talked of at your house three weeks ago as I remember them. If I make such an agreement with you I shall want to include everything.

I will arrange with Ryan on these terms: He to pay $5.00 a month with interest from Apr. 15th on the 1st of his bill first. You can pay Clark 1/2 down in advance and I will attend to the rest after the customary 60 days. It is very inconvenient just now for me to advance money but I will do it to accommodate.

Please punch up John Kurtz about a paper I sent him to sign several days ago concerning the money for his house. I have already signed the mortgage & he ought to forward the paper at once.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Apr. 13th 6.

The New Electric Light & Power Co.

Gentlemen:

Apparently there is something wrong in your bill which I enclose. Please send me a statement showing meter readings at the different dates and giving the rate per Watt.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Enclosing bill for $4.50.

Pawtucket, R.I. ~~[illegible]~~ Apr. 4th 6

Jean White
Music Publisher, Boston.

Dear Sir:

There is a collection of music entitled Sacred Half Hours with the Best Composers which has been long out of print and which it might pay to republish. It consists of arrangements by Wm. Hutchins Callcott from Handel, Haydn, Mozart, Mendelssohn, von Weber & Beethoven for piano with ad libitum parts for flute, violin & cello. With all the parts it amounts to about 120 pages, folio. It was originally published at least 25 years ago by the now defunct firm in London, Leader & Cock of 63 New Bond St. The music is interesting & not difficult & is much in request for insufficient orchestras as it calls for no viola. Our copy is the only one I know of & we constantly have applications to borrow it.

If you would care to republish it, I should be glad to lend our copy for a reasonable time for the purpose & further more, I could dispose of at least ten copies at once if you will put them at a reasonable price.

Your name was suggested to me by the Schirmers as handling music more or less in this line.

Hoping to hear at your convenience, whether this would be agreeable to you, I am

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Peacedale, R.I. Apr 10th

Dear Sel:

There was very little formality between myself & the bank I was endorser of the C. C. B.'s note & was liable for the full amount and they let me go about as I pleased. What formalities there were took place Feb. 20th, I believe. At any rate it was about two days before the final closing of the papers to Milliken the fragment of the proceeds. It was at the same time as the assignment of the bank's judgment to me & was a part of that general transaction.

Tender was made of sufficient deeds to Milliken in May or June '94 I believe by Olsson, on the ground that it was proved by the fraudulent sale that there was no equity remaining in the front tracts. Can you not go back to that & shed interest running? Olsson has a note of the date somewhere.

I enclose the papers you ask for from the bank and from Rice the cashier, who did the business, he signing instead of the president.

If you say that the desk cannot be brought in it is a small matter of course, but as it was taken by Milliken's assignee Ramsay I supposed it could. You know I have had a pair of boilers which were reserved from the total at the time of the Milliken bargain, in the same way as the desk was.

I want to see Ramsay in May '94 to see if we could not fix up matters. I first saw the old man himself. Cortes had set out to make peace (as Ramsay's agent) about their being in the way & wanting us to move them. I talked to Ramsay about it & he said that it would be possible to wipe the buildings away without disturbing the boilers. We also discussed the desk & I agreed not to sue for the desk before we came to a fight for the shed if he would agree to allow the boilers to stand where they were inside of a shed until he should move the shed, & not make me the trouble of moving them.

Yours faithfully, Nath'l P. Rogers.

Peace Dale, R. I. Apr. 17th, 1896.

My dear Mr. Gill:

My brother's letter just at hand says that he has not yet received the Miller complaint from you & is in a hurry for it. Accordingly I am just telegraphing you as follows

If Miller complaint not already sent please forward immediately.

Probably you will already have attended to it, but I telegraph to make sure.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I.
Apr. 17th 6

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is rec. The bank made an assignment of their judgment after it had been paid as a kind of pleasing absolution to me. It was of the same date as the Rice judgment.

I think Gill may have that Bank assignment, but it never amounted to anything more.

I telegraphed Gill this morning to hurry up the papers. I am very glad the Rodwell case is getting on. You can depend on the Bank's assignment being a copy of Rice's they were drawn by the same man at the same time. Do you care for it under the circumstances? It may have been destroyed as having been made only to remove all question of my authority to deal with the real estate.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon.

Will not Ramsay's agreement about boilers prove that he then had possession of the buildings?

N. T. B.

Go to Syracuse unless the papers turn up by Monday.

Peace Dale, R.I. Apr. 18th 6

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is here. The sale of the personality took place on Nov. 17th 1898, I believe, but may possibly have been either the day before or after.

The boilers lie now where they were originally being constructed in the boiler shed on the City property. Ramsay always recognized them as mine. The question was only concerning their being in his way. I thought under the circumstances that it would be well to have at least a nominal consideration for their storage & so made him the offer not to trouble him about the desk, till the final question of the real estate question came on in case I was not required to remove them & I have kept my end of the contract. I am now trying hard to sell the boilers, but no one seems anxious for them. The old man accepted my offer on condition that he should not be expected to leave the buildings any longer than he wanted to & that the boilers should not my risk.

I hope I have cleared up your difficulties.

I am glad that you are getting the tangle straight.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l P. Bacon

Mr John Mintz, Solway, N.Y.

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov 18th 6.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Apr. 14th is here. It is very difficult to place money to advantage for less than two months, but if you can assure me that you will not call for it before 60 days are up I can get you 3% for it for that length of time. Probably also you can arrange not to get it least 30 days time, in case you want to begin building earlier. Of course I will guarantee bills for you if you want to do this, payment to be made when due at the end of the 60 days and this will probably make it a safe arrangement for you. I find that I can only get 2½% for money subject to call & so rationally I cannot apply to you under our own terms but I promised you 3% that way & of course that will stand even if I lose by it.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Apr. 18th. 1886

My dear Mr. Stilwell

Yours of 15th. is here. Enclosed you will find my check for $100.00 to cover the interest. I am sorry to trouble you with this matter, but I had neglected to procure the addresses of the parties who hold the mortgages.

Gill's recorded some complaints in the Miller case which my brother is attending in good shape.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Providence R.I. Apr. 20th 6

Mr Jas. R. Kerr, Supt
Navy Electr. Light & Power Co.
Navy Yard, R.I.

Dear Sir:

After very careful study of the workings of our meter I am forced to say that there has been a serious error in the readings of our meter, & that we have used no such amounts as have been charged against us. I shall be much obliged if you can come up yourself & meet me to go over the question. I have tested our consumption very closely by the meter & have also tested the meter without any lamps burning & find that it has not moved for 2 nights in succession when no electricity was used, so that the high readings are not due to a short circuit, which at first I thought might have been possible.

Please let me know in advance when I may expect you as you might otherwise miss me.

I am accessible by telephone either at my house or at R. Hargraves' office.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pierce Dal. D.
Apr. 21st 6

Dear Sol:

Yours of yesterday are here. I return the complaint ~~corrected~~ sworn to. I only noticed two things, one was on Folio 8 (Art. IV.) where after the interpolation "including standing on plaintiff's yard" I inserted "to" and a comma. The other was on folio 12 (Art VI) where it looks to me as if it should read "that [illegible]" instead of "there." I did not go over the exhibits as I have the originals.

As to your private letter I think I have arrangements if you fail in Minneapolis. Should you need cash at once? Let me know how you would be likely to want it. I shall not need to hear until you get back. Yours truly Brother

Nathan D. Bronson

Mr. H. B. Closson
111 Broadway, New York

Peekskill, N.Y. Apr. 21st 6

Dear Harry,

A plan has occurred to me for circumventing original Carter which I suggest. He is probably depending on us to object to his considering the claim of the Pub. St. Co. to enable him to put off all payments. We should be compelled to object unless some arrangement is made as their claim is large, but there is no one else except Nevins whom it would begin to pay to object and he would not as he is on their bond. If we could arrange with them that, while we guarantee nothing, we would not contest their claim in case they assign a half interest in to us, we could circumvent Carter completely. Then we should get just about as much as by a contest and they would get something, whereas otherwise they would get nothing. Nominally this would be hard on the minor creditors, but practically they will get as much as if Carter eats up the remainder with litigation. He is looking out for no one but himself.

I suggest this for your consideration, with authority to act as you think best, as the remaining time before Apr. 30th is short. Possibly you might arrange with them so that we should get 5/8 or 3/8. Of course it would be a sine qua non that Carter should not get wind of any such arrangement in advance.

We are sending Nellie a little arbutus from this neighborhood, which we picked this A.M. If you happen to want to go fishing any time let me know. Was sorry not to see you last Saturday.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l J. Baker

Peace Dale, R. I. Apr. 20th 1896

Dear Sed:

Enclosed you will find the complaint again signed and in order, I hope.

I will set to work to raise your money if possible. What is the security? Is it in one piece or several? What is it assessed at? Is it productive? What is the income from it? What is the insurance? Is the title perfect?

Have you tried to get a loan from the Mut. Life? They lend a great deal on such security? Probably your N.Y. bank would lend you $700 or $800 on your Alaska bank stock, but you may want that for an emergency. Would you be willing to take the whole amount out? If you should, I could probably give you $ 6% on part of it till you wanted it. Please send me a description of the property which would enable me to send some one to give a valuation.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Peckom

Pea Dale, R.I. Aug 23rd 6

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of Aug. 21st is here. By my accounts Renick is not yet entitled to a deed. By my figures he had paid $335.00 prior to July 1st 1891, including the first payment of $5.00 on your books as of June 5th 1891. From that time my books agree with yours except that I find he credited with $5.00 more on two occasions, once in May and once in June 1892. This makes in all to his credit $1105.00 with charges against him of $15.00 for insurance according to the contract which makes net payments by him to date $1090.00. There have been 92 days on which he should have made payments. And Reckoning interest for all the times on which the instalments have not been paid (but giving him credit for all that he has paid & allowing it as far as possible to make up for deficiencies, which is allowing more than he has any right to claim) this amounts to $795.00 paid for 53 instalments and 39 not paid payments of $7.50 and $1.00 and leaves him owing me at present 7 instalments being $105.00 less $1.00 earn after allowing him to apply the $105.00 paid entirely on the amount due in the last half year to making up for arrears. I refused to allow him to make up arrears except for the amount half year, when he asked to be allowed to and I will not allow it now if he makes me any trouble on a settlement. Well now, I think that he ought to pay up the contract in your hands (for in reversion) before he gets a deed. He now owes the interest for a year & a half & the principal on the farm. I have it in your safe I think. It is for a trifle over $60.00. He is also heavily in arrears on another contract for $1.00. With interest this improvement contract would amount to about $27.00 which with the arrears on the main contract makes about $100.00. He ~~will average to pay me $50.00 by Aug 1st~~ the arrears on his other contract with interest amount to $28.39. This makes altogether $100.39 due me from him at the least calculation. I have not bothered him to make payments on these smaller items before, but now it is time to settle them. He is very tricky, very likely is trying to get out of his contract for 5 acres.

Pace Dale, R. I. Jan 28th 1896

My dear Mr. Stillwell:

Yours enclosing the Stearns & Andrews release is here. The consideration is $990.00 & I have put it in.

It occurs to me that the $100.00 which by my books show to have been paid above your books, may have been paid by Rarick on 50 M. Please ask him to bring in all his receipts on both contracts.

Yours faithfully

Nath. F. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Apr. 21st 1896.

Mr. John Kuchsinger, Solway,

My dear John:

Yours of Apr. 22nd is here. If you will write to me in German I can probably make your letters out & then them in English.

The Ryan agreement is in bad shape in one respect because it does not say how much lumber is to be furnished. Whoever drew it did a poor job, but if you have already furnished the lumber & it has not cost more than $60.00 it will do. As the contract reads it might require $500.00 worth of lumber. (or $60.00 or less & no more is required)

If you have got the lumber at the contract stand, but if not you had better get this one signed which I enclose before going further.

I think that on the hill at Vitali's bricks ought to be worth $8.00 a thousand in lots less than ~~[illegible]~~ 1000 & $7.00 per thousand when taken a thousand at a time, but I do not know exactly. You had better buy a barrel of oil.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

Pleasant Park, R.I. Apr. 30th 6.

My dear Mr. Schenck:

Yours of Apr. 27th is here. I am a little in doubt what to do. That grade should not be raised more than 4 ft. or 4 ft. raise would rather improve my property than otherwise. I should not care to go to much expense to have it done.

I should be glad if you could find what the expense would be & how much the grade will be raised. & if would be worth $500.00 I think I have 86 ft. of frontage. but I should not like to have the grade raised more than 4 ft, nor go to more than $500.00 expense for grading. I cannot of paving come to that is another matter. My land is the highest piece. After you received the Indiana stocks release yet?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pleasant Park, R.I. Apr. 30th 6

Dear Sir:

Day before yesterday I failed utterly in trying to get a bank loan for you in Providence but I can probably arrange a loan of $5000.00 for you on the c of the N.E. Park lots at 6% for three years from Apr. 1st of this year if you want it. This will probably help you around your corners. I should like a prompt speedy answer about this.

I think you are wise to sell the China lands. I find real estate a terrible thing to handle at a distance.

I hope you get a good rest on this trip. You needed it. As soon as you know whether you will need more than the $5000.00 let me know for I shall have to hold this money idle till I know. It will not reach me for a few days.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

You give no address in China. Do I write to N.Y.

Pawtucket R.I. Apr. 29th 6

Mr. Jackson

Supt. Mech. & Nat. Bank, Providence.

Dear Sir

Having had no answer to my letter of a week or more ago, I write again to ask you if the same you will or not some responsible person to look over the situation. I would come up myself, but I cannot trust the matter to my boy. I should be glad to get your bill of my bill of things I be entitled to.

Yours faithfully

N. A. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. May 1st 6.

The Mechanics National Bank
Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen:

Your notification is at hand. I should be glad to pay $300.00 of the principal of the larger note of the inclosed, the balance if convenient to you.

Yours faithfully

N. A. Bacon

By my memorandum the note fell due May 8th instead of May 7th. Is this my mistake?

Mr. John Buckingham Peace Dale, R.I. May 2nd 6.

Syracuse

My dear John:

Yours of Apr. 29th is here. I enclose a lease signed for the property. I have made up my mind to let him have it on these terms, but I will not let it go at any and price or any other terms. I cannot make out the other party's name from your letter so you will have to write it in.

I hope to be in Syracuse next week the week after, but I am not quite sure when I shall get there.

Yours faithfully

Nathan T. Bacon.

Peace Dale, R.I. May 1st 6

Syracuse

Gentlemen

I enclose to you a lease signed by me for the property, subject to the approval of Mr. Buckingham.

Yours Truly

N. T. Bacon

Mr. Geo. W. Beck

Pawtucket, R.I. May 4th 6

The Third Nat. Bank

Gentlemen.

Enclosed you will find my check for $30 00, being $20 00 for interest and $10 00 towards the principal of my note maturing at that. I wrote you I expected to reduce it materially this time but was disappointed last week of a considerable sum which I expected then & I cannot now tell how long it will be before I get it. If you can allow me to renew the balance and I should be glad to do so for I can let you have $10 00 more in 30 days. I should do so as I should reduce this to $300 from $400 Jan. 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I enclose two which will cover the ground, if you will accept them.

Pawtucket, R.I. May 4th 6

Mr. J. R. Kerr, Supt C.

Dear Sir.

Yours of May 1st reached me this morning. I tested our meter two weeks ago with ten lamps for three hours & found that it indicated 67 Watts per lamp hour. As ours are 16 c.p. lamps this agrees fairly with what it should show.

I shall be glad to see you whenever convenient, but please notify me in advance as I am not always in reach.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Race Dale R.d May 8th 6

Dear Harry:

Tomorrow at latest Harris' time for an appeal is up in the Miller case. If he has not filed his bond I have some hopes that some day I shall get back part of my investment in costs in that affair. That is the prospect on that + unless Eaton's accounting materialize? A little money would be most welcome just now. I have been living on hopes for years.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Race Dale R.d May 8th 6.

My Dear Andrews:

Relying on your letters of Apr. 25th + 26th. I made arrangements to use the money for the release of the Robinson St. property May 6th. It did not come + made an arrangement to carry me to May 11th. supposing that surely the money would be here yesterday, as I had word from Mr. Stilwell that you had been notified that the release was there not more than a week ago.

Please telegraph me ~~to~~ on receipt of this when I can expect the money unless the check actually left Syracuse May 7th. I shall have to make some arrangement before the close of banking hours on Saturday and the mail which leaves Syracuse ~~on~~ this evening will not reach me here till noon tomorrow P.M., which will be too late. I am sorry to trouble you, but I must know what I am to do.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. May 10th 6

Mr. James Tillinghast
Providence, R.I.

Dear Sir:

For a few days after my visit to Providence I was under the weather & so did not write to you, & since then the accumulation of work has interfered.

To settle up with Mr. Bayles & get rid of him I am willing to pay $150.00, tho' this seems to me more than should be considered his due.

He entirely disregarded the verbal instructions given his partner, on the steamer just before I sailed for Europe in Nov. 1894. He was furnished with a mail address & a cable address & the code to be used in cabling in case he needed any more instructions in my absence, but instead of sending me a word on the question he finally closed up the affair in such shape as to defeat all the objects of the move, by accepting a confession of judgment with a stipulation that nothing should be done under it for six months.

I was left by him to discover the condition of things on my return from Europe.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l S. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I., le 19 Mai 1896

Mon cher M. Lucion :

Votre lettre m'est arrivée il y a huit jours sur la veille de mon départ pour Syracuse et j'ai renvoyé la réponse comme j'avais l'occasion d'aller à New York. J'ai vu mon frère à New York hier et je lui ai soumis votre lettre. Pour pousser votre affaire il consentirait à prendre l'affaire en main moyennant 10% des recettes et les déboursés nécessaires dans le cas que l'affaire peut s'arranger sans litigation sérieuse (c-à-d. s'il n'y a pas plus de procès qu'une accusation à laquelle on ne fait pas de réplique, une manière dont on arrange ces affaires de temps en temps chez nous par convenance entre les deux parties) mais s'il y a une litigation sérieuse il demande remboursement de tous les frais et une honoraire de $200.00 en sus. Il tâcherait à éviter la litigation en tous cas parce qu'elle pourrait durer plusieurs années avec les divers appels qu'on peut faire chez nous.

J'ai été aussi chez un autre avocat de bonne réputation pour voir s'il ferait la chose meilleur marché, mais on m'assure qu'il est impossible de trouver un avocat de bonne réputation qui le ferait. 10% est la proportion ordinaire ici pour les collections qu'on met aux mains d'un avocat.

J'ai prié mon frère de découvrir si le détainage marche mais je ne sais rien fait de plus en attendant votre

Peacedale, R.I. May 21st 6

Messrs. Hollingsworth & Whitson
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:
Can you ascertain for me whether the Henry Bower people continue to manufacture Bichloride of Tin?
If you know whether they are in any way disorganized by Mr. Bower's death I should be glad to hear of it.
Yours faithfully,
N. T. Beeson

Peacedale, R.I. May 21st 6

Mr. John Kirby, Solway, N.Y.
My dear John:
I have an opportunity to lend the money borrowed for you at 6% for the whole time for which it was borrowed if you are sure you do not need it yourself. The increased make of B.C. which will probably begin almost immediately will probably afford you a steady job on stiff work & you may want to build in consequence. It is perfectly safe to calculate that the greater production will last. If however you do not venture to go on I will arrange so that it will cost you nothing more than the $20.00 allowance for the lawyer's commission from whom I got the money and for the expenses of search, filing etc. To do this however I must insist on your signing the enclosed note. As you did not return me the former paper signed I have been holding the money in the bank at 2½% so that this is a very liberal arrangement for you. I put this in the form of a note at long time as it will probably be more convenient for you so.
I should prefer the money myself.
Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Beeson

Pawtucket, R.I. May 21st 6.

Dear Ned:

Enclosed you will find my check for Seven hundred ($700.00/100) dollars. Of this $575.00 is an advance on account of the loan I agreed to let you have & out of the remainder & the former balance of $100.00 standing to my credit on your books, please settle up with Sayles. He wrote to Mr. Tillinghast to hear him collect from Mr. Hazard. Mr. H. did not want any trouble & would have paid $250.00/100 but I induced him to say he would do so understood that I considered $150.00 more than enough but would pay this to get rid of Sayles entirely. Sayles has probably taken it up. I believe he has a lot of papers belonging to me, principally Cowles' letters to me. Please insist on his delivering up everything before giving the check, and get a receipt in full from him. He ought to surrender everything connected with the case. Helena most of the papers are worthless, but one or two may be of value some day.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Make the mortgage payable to Helen H. B. Wakeit

Pawtucket, R.I. May 21st 6.

My dear Mr. Tillinghast:

Please draw a deed for lot 104. to Antonio Olgiati and — his wife assuming the mortgage for $650.00/100 to Laura Geddis Smith (?) and draw also a second mortgage to my wife for $175.00.

Please date both deed & mortgage May 1st. Both O. & wife are to sign this mortgage & the bond. Please notify them when the papers are ready.

Of course the usual conditions go into the deed. Nothing more is to be paid down.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Please punch Ransome for another payment on his note.

Pres'd'l's Rm. May 21st 4.

Mr. J. W. Pryer, Sec'y, City Club, New York.

Dear Sir:

At the request of a member of your club I am writing to give my views of what might be a useful work for the City Club.

The greatest difficulty is to be met in working for better government results from organizations which oppose themselves for a second consideration. The only way to meet them is without by organization of those who are opposed to having the given provided. The great success of the Good Government Clubs has given is a new instance of what can occasionally be done as a rallying point to maintain their strength, it is necessary for the members to have more than a passing object in common. The more visible such an organization results, the more it seems it has for continued existence and the greater its influence is likely to be. The Municipal League of N.Y. State seemed for a time in the Constitutional Convention of 1894 to be a possibility in all probability the City Club alone, even with the assistance of Good Government Clubs. Furthermore it gives much more confidence to individuals to feel that they belong to a widespread organization. At your request in 1894 I urged and helped organize three such clubs in Syracuse, Oswego & Rochester, and two of them are still alive. I think that a little more had been attempted if it could have put itself at the head of an organization extending to every city in the state. I feel sure that I could not have done what I did unless I had had the City Club at back of me. I feel confident that if I had been able to devote my time to this, I could have organized clubs in many cities without having one at that time, but that was the year of the anti-Tammany revolt. The greatest difficulty in any such movement is to enlist intelligent leading men among the younger business

Grace Hall, R.I. May 22nd 8.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of May 20th is at hand. Raniel is stating what is not true. To begin with he never gave me any formal notice of waiting to throw up his ~~lot~~ place, and I do not recollect any informal one. A few years ago he came to me with a request to be allowed to make up his great arrearages made at the time when he was making his lots, viz. on 52 M & on 50 M. I then told him that I would allow him to make up the payments not more than six months old, but I distinctly & explicitly refused to allow him to make up indefinitely, as I felt perfectly sure that he would abuse any such privilege. He was never to be in any manner discharged from paying rent, and the only privilege to be extended to him was that of paying the balance, to make up his rent to instalments so that they would count on his contract, provided that the further sum was paid before the expiry of the current half year. His payments have not averaged $15.00/100 per month, in fact, and the rent charges must stand. ~~except~~ As these two payments $20.00, are on your books found to have been on account of $50 M practically, I am allowing him ten dollars more than I supposed I was. I find that he has only averaged about $14.00/100 a month instead of $15.00/100.

The proposition which I made in mine of April 28th allows Raniel to apply not only all his excess paid over in any month over the $15.00/100 previously then due toward bringing up a rent payment into an instalment, but also allows the $10.00 paid on 56 M. to be so applied as by payment of $7.00 additional he gets credit for $17.00 as an instalment instead of only getting credit for rent this is greatly to his advantage. I will not yield a bit on this. His claim is false as to principle & unfair in application.

I will allow him the $3.00 interest if he will pay all the balance of $350.00 in cash instead of giving a second mortgage.

Pawtucket R.I. May 27th 6

My dear Mr. T. [illegible]

[illegible]

Yours [illegible]

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. June 1st 6

Mr. Geo. Weber,
Solvay, N.Y.

My dear George:

Yours of Saturday is here. If you can have Warren go on with the work & can arrange with him buckeringer for the paint & for the color. Perhaps it would be better for you to buy the paint & charge it to me, so that Warren may think you are doing the whole job.

I am sorry you should be Rasorbs customer, but I hear that his credit is not all that it ought to be.

Yours truly,
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 14th 1886.

My dear Mr. Elwell:

Has anything further been done by Reames?

Please let me know for file.

Keep the exact names of the 2nd mortgagees of the Stevens property.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Barber

Peace Dale, R.I. June 14th 1886.

My dear John:

Please bring your report for May + send me at the same time a duplicate of the report for March.

Do not wait for any further arrangements for May. If any are made you can enter them on the report for May.

I hope to have the report by Thursday June 17th.

Yours faithfully

N. T. B.

Peace Dale, R.I. June 14th 1886.

My dear Mr. Elwell:

Please let me know if the $2500 note for $4 has been paid. The $2500 note for $4 + the note for $2000 note for $4 each. We should not want to make an extension of the $2500 note. If it is not paid, we should want to foreclose it immediately. If it is paid, we should want to have a release of the first mortgage on the land in which Mr. Stevens and I joined. We should also want the release of the Stevens property to be in exchange for mine, not the other way.

The amount to stand on my books would be the balance of the $2000 note, the balance of the $2500 note, $10 and the $2000 note.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Barber

Peace Dale, R.I. June 3rd. 1896.

My dear Mr. Stidwell:

Yours of June 1st. is here with the deed which will probably reach you 24 hrs. after this. I told Olgiati that he should have the mortgage to look over with his lawyer before signing it.

I have sent the deed to have the notary's signature vouched for. How about the Rarick affair?

As to the Robinson St. house, I am unwilling to go much below $3000.00 on it. I have interested Mr. Crichton to see what it needs + will probably improve it myself. I shall certainly not break the price after spending money on it.

I would sell the house with half of the lot (it has 66 ft. front) for $2300.00 if any one wanted to take it so. $2000.00 of that could then stand at 5% with any reputable purchaser. I have no question that $100.00 will put the house in shape. I have never heard how the grading of Robinson St. was decided.

You have my permission to fill in Mr. Olgiati's name + Walter Olgiati's occupation. He is a mason + not an ordinary laborer + may not like your description of him.

Please send me the full names of the mortgagees of the Stanwood lot. You have never said definitely, whether one of them had agreed to renew.

I should also be glad to hear whether Barnes has paid you anything more. If not please let me know at once + please give him a very gentle hint that it is time. Please do this as if you were doing it without having consulted me. Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Beaver

Pawtucket, R.I. June 8th. 6

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is here with Sayles' reply in full. He had a letter file of mine, of the kind ~~now~~ known as the "Radar file" formerly the property of the C.E. Co., with a lot of correspondence in it relative to the winding up of the C.E. Co. He has never returned this so far as I can find.

I think he was improving a convenient "forgetory". The papers would probably never be of any very great value, but some of them might be convenient + I don't like to allow a scalawag like Sayles to keep anything of mine. If he denies having them or being especially asked for them, I will speak to Mr. Tillinghast about it. I have paid Mr. T. independently + he will probably feel under obligation to look the matter up as Sayles ~~was employed at his own~~ the be put the affair in Sy's hands.

Would you feel too much of a handling if I should ask for a gold note? I would not ask for it for myself but I am dealing with Helen's funds. If you sell to some one who assumes the mortgage it will not fall on you in any case. Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. June 8th 6.

Dear Sed:

Enclosed you will find the note to be altered. The arrangement you propose for security, namely deed + defeasance, is entirely satisfactory. If however by any chance you do not meet the money since selling your bank stock, we could use it to excellent advantage ourselves.

I should be glad of any news of the Rodwell case + of the Brooklyn woman if there is any.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. June 8th 6.

My dear John:

Your letter reached me the day after the regatta. I am glad to see you make such good collections. Please urge John Hunter to write me a letter (German will do as well as English) & tell me just what happened when he was discharged.

I don't want you to appear in this matter even indirectly.

I may possibly have some work for John Hunter in building Lakehouse. Before doing it I want to understand this other matter first.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Baker

Pawtucket, R.I. June 8th 6.

Dear Ed:

Enclosed you will find the Smith - Graham deed (I have none from C.C. Graham & ~~as~~ search which may be of use to you. The other papers are in Syracuse. I have written to Stilwell to forward them to you.

Much obliged for the check. Our Co. has postponed its dividend till August, but this will tide me over nicely. I will get you the money earlier in some way if you need it.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Baker

Race Dale, R.I. June 8th 6.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

My brother Sibley writes me that he wants the Sheriff's deed & judgment roll in the matter against Albert B. Graham (the title proceedings which I carried on his interest) in the Hollywood property and my deed from Charlotte Woodruff & Clara Sibley see Woodruff for their interest in the same property.

I believe you have all these papers & I will ask you to forward them direct to him at 142 Liberty St. New York.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Race Dale, R.I. June 8th 6.

My dear Mr. Editor:

Your note was delayed in reaching me and I had sent another man to look over the premises before it came.

I now hope to be in Syr. again in a few week or two & will let the matter stand till then.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Peace Dale, R.I. June 9th 6.

Messrs. Biddle + Ward
505 Chestnut St. Philadelphia:

Gentlemen:

The depression in business of late has cramped me materially + I find myself unable to send you a check as I had hoped to do at this time. Would you be willing to accept my note for $200.00 + interest at one year time in a settlement of my account?

The stringency leads me to consider the question of the solvency of the Pch. bondsmen. Mr. Closson recently told me that if they should show any signs of insufficiency, it would probably be preferable to ask for better security. I should be glad to know whether you consider the original bondsmen sufficient. Mr. Closson also advised me to ask you whether our case is actually on the U.S. Supreme Court Calendar or whether you are awaiting formal instructions to put it on. Had understood that it was on.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. June 11th 6.

My dear Mr. Schingler:

As rates for interest have fallen very much in the last two months I am now preparing to refund my six per cent indebtedness at lower rates. If you would care to let the $2000.00 which I owe you stand at 5% I shall be glad to let it go till the end in that shape + as it will save me the expense of drawing + filing new papers I should be willing to allow the interest to run at 6% up to Oct. 1st, when the next payment is due.

I was expecting to be in Syracuse + have put off writing in consequence. I shall be glad to if you will let me know in a few days as I ought to be making my arrangements before long.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Washington, D.C. June 24th 1873.

My dear Mr. Springer:

For the days now I have been running around the country & experimenting to see my mail was sent to Fairlawn. Have no word from you nor from home as to my whether you have to be at your home date at 5 p.m. Of course I have the privilege of staying there [illegible] without warning, but I do not want to [illegible] giving you the at least a week so if notice, but the more [illegible] it is in a most particular way for borrowers now and [illegible] me [illegible] I will ask you to send me a week [illegible] if you [illegible] at the room time. I expect to be at the Springs. Please mail the Monday & a letter mailed by Saturday will reach me at that address. I want to make my arrangements for more [illegible] York on my way home next week so please let me hear [illegible]

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

I would be glad if you could also [illegible] me word from home [illegible] Jerome as to whether he wants to [illegible] the time [illegible]

Pawtucket, R.I. July 2nd 6

Miss S. T. Wells
Syracuse N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter received one week ago
I am indebted to the Wells family for
many favors & I feel pleased to be able
to do the Rubinson St. friend a little
favor in return. I will see if I can have it done
for a few weeks yet & if it can be done so
I will do it & send the money. I think
it will be best to have the bonds sent
to us to be kept safely
I will do much as I can and the
interest I will remit to the trustee
Hoping you will excuse the pencil I am
Yours truly
N. T. Robson

Pawtucket, R.I. July 14th 6.

Miss Charlotte T. Woodruff
243 Quincy St. Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Enclosed you will find my check for interest. I must ask you to wait for the principal. If you could allow the payment on the principal to go over I should be very glad as owing to the prevailing hard times the Sabony Press Co. has passed its dividend & this naturally cramps me pretty severely.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bason

Peace Dale, R. I., July 27, 1896.

R. M. Atwater, Esq.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Atwater:

Your note reached me this morning, and I immediately gave the enclosure to Betty.

Will you please look in the mail room for my roller press copy-book. I believe that I gave it to one of the boys there to copy a letter, and that he failed to return it.

I find myself quite a little under the weather, but hope to be in good trim in a day or two.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Please send on the book.

Peace Dale, R. I. July 29th 1896.

Mr. John Kinsinger, Silway, N.C.

My Dear Sir:

Your firm Co. can have any lot on my Tract at 1/3 the ~~now~~ price marked on the list, excepting only lots marked less than $150 Tax. I think probably your best place would be the part of the lot back of George Weber's. I shall want, however, some kind of a permit that it will really be paid for, if a building is to be erected on it. I would be willing to take a mortgage for nearly the whole.

Let me know who is out of work on the Tract. I think that in the next few weeks I can get work for all second men who mean well, though a friend in the new factory for packing B.C., but I will only recommend good men & then they must take their chances. I am already land agent & Banker.

Did George Weber get his money?

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I. July 27th 6

Mr. Albert Stearns, Mass.
The Church & Dwight Co. Willis Ave. Syracuse N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stearns:

I have sent a card to one Wm Barnes on new track — The hope that you may find steady employment for him. He is active & I think that he will be useful to you, but I ask nothing for him further than he may prove worthy of.

Yours faithfully
Nath.l B. Bacon

Pawtucket R.I.
July 27th 6.

Mr. Wm H. Barnes, Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir: Mr. Stearns tells me you have made requirements for a long time as you have been laid off at the Straight Line Works. I enclose a card which may enable you to get work at the new Church & Dwight Co. plant on Willis Ave. I must ask you to begin paying in some way.

Yours faithfully
N. B. Bacon

Pierce Bah, R.I. Aug 1st 1896.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of July 30th is here this P.M. I think no sale was ever made for Mr. Ross's property. I enclose one which you can have brought down.

My offer to Koch was for $310 P.M. net for $800 P.M. I think that it probably will be best to raise his proposition. If he does nothing I will wait until his $50 a month rent eats up all he has paid & then put him out. I think nothing will be necessary but a suit to meet a tenant for non payment of rent & that time. I feel as if I had got to make a stand somewhere in this.

Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Beach

I will let him run at $300 P.M. if he will pay cash for the $150 P.M. of balance.

Pierce Bah R.I. Aug 1st 1896

Dear Sir:

Yours of July 31st is here. We gave notice that we would like rent to meet the Savings & have them advance a letter as you ask & to the Mun. S.L. It would be better to have Kaul with & see what he thinks. I hardly feel in a position to be asking favors of Sayle for 6 mos.

I return a check for $250 P.M. to your order which will straighten us out again I hope.

Very sorry that you have got the matter into court.

Yours truly
N. T. Beach

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug 5th 1876.

My dear Cousin Charles

On my return from a trip to the West I find your letter awaiting my check. What I meant was that I should be unable to pay the $100 principal at all this year, unless it will make you very serious trouble. The great stringency requires some force, might even force me to throw up the whole thing. I must ask you to forego all payment on the principal for some time at least. As I then already paid 10% of the principal I ask you will not consider that I am asking too much. If this will seem quite serious I will see what I can do for this coming year, but I am obliged to look after many things & the delay in the final settlement of the Corliss Engine Co's affairs makes it doubly difficult.

Yours faithfully

Nath[l] T. Bacon

Please let me know what your absolute minimum can be as soon as possible.

Peace Dale, R. I., August 10, 1896.

Mr. E. C. Stearns,

910 James St.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry to be obliged again this time to remind you that you are in arrears on the interest due on your mortgage to my wife. The sum in question is so important that I must not only ask you to make prompt payment, but also to include interest from August 1st on the interest due at that time.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beaus

Peace Dale, R. I., August 10, 1896.

Mr. Robert Croasdale,

c-o Solvay Process Co.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

There is a plan now under consideration for the use of these articles in which the Solvay Process Company is interested. I will therefore request you to suspend action on the case for the time being.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beaus

Pace Dale, R.I. Aug. 18th 6.

To R.I. Hospital Trust Co:
Providence.

Gentlemen:
Can you receive my note falling due Aug. 17th for $1000.00? If necessary I can pay a part of it, but I should prefer to renew the whole. Yours truthfully
N. H. T. Brown

Pace Dale, R.I. Aug. 14th 6

My dear Mr. Shilvell:
You will receive this. I am heartily sorry for the condition this week matter has drifted into. It would not have happened had I been able to talk with you directly. I am anxious to avoid a suit now if possible + supposed I had hit on a plan for doing this when I got rid of my point, but if the landlord's French clause gives too much to the defense we may have to stand our ground. If I had been there I should probably have accepted your advice. If you can settle on the matter without stultifying yourself I shall be glad. I don't judge the amount but I want it understood that I am not forced to accept ~~under~~ the the parties construction of the contract. I put the case in your hands. Can you find out under the contract? Then it put end of the fight stand. Please give me a call and oblige Yours faithfully, N. T. Brown

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug 17th. 6

Mr. Wm. Manning,
Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Hearing that you are out of work I enclose a note to the superintendent of the new Solway packing works which may get you employment. John Cochrane, jr asked me to send it.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 17th 6

Miss Woodruff, 46 Gibbs St. Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Cousin Charlotte:

Your letter reached me a few days ago, and I have not received before as I have been very hard driven and unable to write. I shall probably continue to find myself in arrears for more than a year & I feel as if I ought to free myself from all fragments of expense till 1898 at earliest; still I think I shall be able to send you $100 in September if you will allow me to postpone further payments on the principal till that time. I find that I can hardly hope to get any of my numerous C. E. Co. suits settled before then.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 17th 6

Mr. John Cushing, Esq.

My dear John:

You are making me serious trouble by failure to write more promptly in answer to my letters. One may return from a short absence. I find yours of Aug. 4th (which apparently was only mailed on the 10th or 11th.) in answer to mine of July 21st.

If Wm Warren fails to pay his rent put him out. He is not trustworthy. I am sending cards to Manning & Martin to help them get work, but do not yet think there would be any use to try to get work for you as there is probably no call for them yet. When they are ready I shall let me know & I will try to attend to it.

It will be necessary for you to step in between in any way in a man is discharged from the works. I had not supposed that you had done so & should never have permitted you to remove if I had known of it. I should be glad to have you work somewhere else, but I do not see how I can arrange it.

I have been going over my accounts carefully. According to them Springer has only paid $335.00/100 and not $645.00/100 as he claims. I find one payment of $100.00/100 in Nov. '72, and one of $5.00/100 in 1873. Then $75.00/100 in 1893, $60.00/100 in 1894 $60.00/100 in 1895 and $30.00/100 in 1896. By my calculation there is $30.60/100 due for interest and $10.00/100 still on his principal. See if he agrees with the record of payments.

My books show for the Andrews account $115.00/100 up to Jan. 1st 94. Then your accounts show $70.00/100 paid in 1894 $60.00/100 in 1895 & $40.00/100 in 1896 making in all $330.00/100. This would still leave $20.00/100 due on the principal and $42.00/100 of interest to Sept. 1st.

Please ask Mr if he has made any payments not included here there is a little trouble in my accounts owing to my having set a man to work at them who made some mistakes, but if he will can mention any payment which he has made I can make look it up. Geo. Mills caught a severe cold by offering to Mr. Wilbur for it. I don't it time to be brought down to.

Yours truly N. T. Barton

Pace Dale, R. I. Aug. 17th 1846.

Dear Sed:

Glad of your news. Inclosed find draft for $250.00.

When do you hope to get Miller to trial?

Take from the Austrian stamps inclosed that you have rec'd from Reimer.

In haste

N. P. Bacon

Pos.

Mr. Jenkins
Solving.

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 19th. 1896

Dear Sir,

Yours of Aug. 10th. is just here. I will try to arrange this to suit you, but there will be some difficulty, did you mean pay cash? If so I do not doubt much that it can be arranged.

Let me hear at once about the cash. It will cost something to shift the mortgage. That is the main difficulty.

Yours in haste
N. T. Barber

Peace Dale, R. I. ~~July~~ Aug. 19th 1896

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Your note is at hand. I do not want to put Koch to the hardship of losing all he has put into that place. As an alternative I will offer him the lot adjoining his house at $125.00 and allow him the full amount he claims less than my claim (the difference between $780.00 and $630.00) on that lot. This is a low price for the lot without any allowance. I think it will be necessary to foreclose on Mrs. Mather at once. I see by the Geddes Mail that she has sold her Prospect Street lot.

I wrote Stevens, ten days ago that he was in arrears + that as this not the first time, I should have to ask, both for prompt payments + for interest on the overdue interest. He has not answered. In case you have nothing by Aug. 27th. please serve foreclosure papers on him that day.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barber

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 26th 6

Mr. J. H. Brown
Solway, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

Dear Sir:

When your note arrived I was out of town. I am afraid it could do no good for me to send you a note to Mr. Stearns at this time, but if I can see a chance for you I will do what I can, but on the other hand I will arrange your payments to me so as to make matters easier for you. I will either ~~allow~~ give you a deed on the same basis as I proposed last fall, but with only the house, lot as security (you have paid enough since then to make a safe margin) or I will agree to reduce your minimum rent from this time on to $8.00 a month instead of $7.00 and let the contract go on as it is otherwise

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Beacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 26th 6.

Miss C. T. Woodruff, Rochester.
My dear Cousin Charlotte:

Yours reached me a week ago, but I have been so worried that I have neglected my private correspondence. I hope to be able to attend to these things without serious inconvenience. I have the consolation of thinking that it is not altogether my fault that I am in a Light House now and I have hopes that I may even recover a large part of my losses, but that will lie partly far in the future

Yours very truly
N. T. Beacon

Mr. J. S. Jerome, Committee ——— Aug 26th 6

for Henry Jerome

Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Sir, Enclosed please find my check for $105.70/100 for interest on my mortgage. I have deducted $0.70/100 from the amount as I find that I accidentally overpaid you that amount last year.

Yours faithfully

N. P. Pease

Pease Dak. R.I.

——— Aug. 27th 6.

Dear Sir:

Yours of 20th came duly. Pl'ease Dwell must any necessary expense. Sent to Gill & Bullock for instructions well, unless you send direct to the County Clerk. I only saw your letter by accident or should have answered it then.

I think Sutton & Cromwell are holding for a day and will receive and their complaint when it comes to hand. They probably thinking that I am trying to take advantage of them, but for the reason known, that I was to drive on ear for the summer, and that I am not connected with the S.P.R. & not really my that I take hire.

Yours truly

Nelson T. Pease

Pease Creek, N.J. Aug. 25th 6.

Mr John Pirsty, Solway, N.J.

Dear Sir:

Your of Aug. 25th is at hand. The matter isn't so simple as it appears on its face, on account of my having invested the $1000.00 loan (or $1070.00 rather) as you did not want to build at once, and just now is a very **bad time to raise more.**

The expense of rearranging the mortgage will probably not exceed $10.00, but the present papers will have to be cancelled and new ones drawn and filed.

If Horman and yourself did not need the money at once I could arrange to let you have it during the winter, but for the next two months or so (i.e. till after election) it will be most difficult.

I shall probably be in Sprague in a week or ten days and can explain this more in detail to you then if you can wait till then.

In the mean time there is nothing to prevent you from assigning your contract to your friend without waiting for these details to be arranged. It will be better for you to sell to him direct than for the property to come back. Mr. Stilwell will draw the papers for you at my expense.

You can either arrange with him to pay me the $20.00 expense for getting the loan and to pay you only what you have already paid ~~[illegible]~~ or you can have him repay to you what you have paid and the $20.00 extra and then you can repay to me the $20.00, but it should be distinctly understood which arrangement is to stand. If you and John Horman can raise the necessary money to build without coming to me there will be no difficulty, but I find I hardly can raise more.

Yours faithfully

N. C. Barcom

Please find me a deed to hold for signature
Warranty - for Lot 38
N. B. B.

Peace Dale, R.I.
Aug 29th 6.

My dear Mr. Stowell,

Please get that Koch affair arranged in some shape at once, either by foreclosure or otherwise. There will be more trouble from an open question than from anything else.

I have written to John Kelly that you will draw the papers for him at my expense for a transfer of his contract to a friend of his. ~~He will sign.~~ I raised a loan for him on his lot of $600.00, by mortgaging it six months ago. He was going to build, but got out of work and died with. He was to pay me $20.00 for raising the money and all expenses of filing etc. He then asked me to place the money for him. I did so, but he has not paid me the $20.00 and I should like it recognized in black and white, by assumption of this by the man who takes the lot or by a direct agreement to pay it by Kelly. I will pay the mortgage standing of course. Yours faithfully N. B. B.

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 29th 6

Dear Uncle Theodore:

As I find myself unable to carry out the progressive debt reduction which I hoped to effect last spring I enclose to you a note for your services which I hope will be satisfactory.

I believe Mr. Briggs dropped out of your firm & have drawn the note to the firm as I believe it stands. I may perhaps have to ask you to renew at least a part of it next year.

Nath. S. T. Breon

Myra is here for our Sunday.

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 1st. 1886.

Douglas Smallinger Esq.
Syracuse.

My Dear John:

Your letter of Aug. 27th is here. I found the $ error in Springfield contract not in your monthly reports, but in the slip which you sent me showing the payments made. For one month you had entered only $5.00 which 2 payments of $5.00 each had been made according to the monthly report. The error on Andrews was the same by my transfer back to my books. I formed the entries all right. This was to have Andrews had paid me $10.00 directly. I had written to your city matter of signing to my bonds for everything. The deed for Springfield will be back in a few days, but it has got to go through be entitled to. I expect it in Syr. in a few days & will see you then about the other matters.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I.
Sept. 1st 6

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

If possible I should be glad to renew the whole of my note falling due Sept. 4th. If not please telegraph me at once. By accident I have neglected writing till the last minute, but I hope you will not be inconvenienced thereby.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 2nd 6

Mr. C. O. Richards, Solway.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Aug. 27th is at hand. I shall probably be in Syracuse in a few days & will try to look over the matter of extending Center St. I think knowing that it is likely to be used more in Hancock's interest than in mine ought if he wants to pay a part of the value of the land I think it can be arranged.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 2nd 6

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Your two letters inclosing deeds are at hand. I have executed both and the one for Koch will probably reach you with this. The other I will send direct to Frank Rechsteiger. I am getting an exceptional amount of free advertising just now from the number of deeds passing on old contracts.

I think probably Kirby will delay action till I reach Syr. I expect to be there early next week.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I.
Sept. 8th 6

The First Nat. Bank, Syracuse.
Gentlemen:
Your telegram is at hand. I enclose check for the interest due and for $500 for of the principal of my note falling due tomorrow and a new note for the other $5000 Yrs.
Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Baker

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 4th 1896.
Miss Woodruff,
Gibbs St. Rochester, N.Y.
My dear Cousin Charlotte:
Enclosed you will find my check for One hundred ($100 Yrs) dollars on the principal of the mortgage. I am glad power to be able to send it a few days earlier than I promised.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Baker

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 4th 1896.

The R.I. Hosp. Trust Co. Providence.
Gentlemen:
Can you allow me to renew my note for $12000 Yrs which falls due Sept. 10 Inst. I can reduce it to $12000 Yrs without serious inconvenience, but I should be glad to have the whole amount if possible.
Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Baker

The Postmaster General
Washington, D.C.

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 9th 1896.

Dear Sir:

Several rather thick letters have reached me of late, either mailed in Providence, or which, like the one herewith, have passed through the Providence P.O. on their way here (mail from western points via Worcester + Prov. is redistributed for the southern part of R.I. in the Prov. Office) with pin pricks in the envelopes + sometimes with other signs of having been tampered with. I called the attention of the postmaster here a few weeks ago to one from Providence, but as another has come in this morning in the same condition I am sending it directly to you. I have not opened any money yet.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 9th 1896.

Dear Harry:

Can you possibly stir up the C.S.Co. Report without giving offence? It is now than two months since the last evidence was taken and the assignee will soon have to pay for a renewal of his bond if a settlement is not obtained + thus will further deplete the small assets. The delay seems entirely unnecessary.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Sept. 20th 1896.

Mr. John Lindenberg, Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is here. I am sorry that Schweinburger wants to give up his place, but I think he will regret it more than I do. He actually has no more time to stay there if he respects the other contract as well. He did not speak of this when I was there. I am sorry for him however and will allow him to stay till Nov. 1st in any case and till Nov. 1st unless you get a tenant for it sooner, but for this he must sign the enclosed agreement to move out on three days notice if we require him to, at any time after Nov. 1st and of course he must pay his own water rates if he wants the water. Koch has longer to stay. I cannot stop longer to look up how long now, but he must pay his own water rates of course, and the contract calls on him to pay the taxes also. It is very foolish to let his place go. Except as I am sorry to see him lose it is a good thing for me. I can afford to sell the Schweinburger place at $1325.00, which is low.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

If Schweinburger wants to stay the house must be at the figure given on your list if prices I will allow him those figures. If a deal of trees this need not be in the agreement.

Solway, New York, Sept. 21st 1896.

In consideration of being released without further damages from all my previously existing contracts with N. T. Bacon, I hereby agree with the said N. T. Bacon to vacate the premises known as Lot No One Block E (1,E) of the Bacon Tract at three days notice any time subsequent to Nov. 1st 1896, and to leave the place in as good condition as at present natural wear excepted.

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 18th. 1896

Miss Theodora Sedgwick,
c/o O.V. Tracy, James St. Syracuse.

My dear Miss Sedgwick:

There are several records in the County Clerk's Office of which I want careful copies, tho' not certified ones. I do not know whether you are still engaged there, but possibly in any case you can put me on the track of some one who would be glad of the work at ordinary rates.

I should be glad to hear at once.

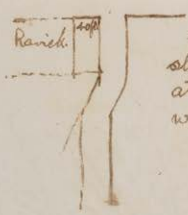
Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 18th. 1896.

Mr. C.O. Richards, Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

A plan occurs to me by which we can possibly get around Rarick. If you could jog your street about 30 ft. so as to give me a 40 ft. lot between Rarick & the corner I should be very glad to let you out that way, or I will reduce my demand to $50.00 for the intermediate strip if you go straight through. I should be glad to accommodate, but it would really be at considerable expense to myself if I sacrifice one whole lot to get one corner.



Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 18th. 1896.

Mr. Wm. H. Barnes
Solvay, N. Y.

My dear Barnes:

Can you remember the date (not far from Mar 1st 1894) when you surrendered the keys of the C. E. Co. buildings to Ramsay's people. I should like to know also to whom you gave them. I believe that they took complete charge and never looked you out for a few days if before they employed you. Please write me at once whatever you recall of the circumstances of the transfer.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 21st. 1896.

Mr. Wm. G. Martin, Solvay, N. Y.

My dear Will:

On looking over your contract I find you have been dropping backwards for a few months on it. I know that that you have not had regular work, which make it difficult to keep up payments. I enclose a card of introduction for you to Mr. Albert Stearns of the Church Dwight Co. which I hope will do away with part of that trouble at least. I rely on you to give satisfaction if it proves you work. I promised Mr. Stearns to send him none but reliable men in return for the ~~privilege of~~ permission to send him candidates. I meant to send you this weeks ago but have been very busy and neglected it.

You have paid enough on your place so that I shall be glad to let you take a ~~the place~~ deed and give a mortgage for the balance now if you prefer. This will do away with the necessity of monthly payments & you can probably take care of payments every half year more easily. Let me know what you think of this.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

New York, Sept. 21st

Mr. John Buckingham, Silvery, Mich.

My dear John:

Your account to Sept. 1st as I figure it shows

Forty instalments paid	$600.00/100
37 Months rent paid	277.50/100
	$877.50/100
Balance paid on acc.	1.50
	$879.00

This would leave unpaid on the main contract 32 instalments (there were 72 in all) less the $1.50/100 and the amount to stand on mortgage which was $660.00/100. The cash value of this is a trifle over $1000.00/100 (the instalments foot up to 480 and the balance to 660 making $1140.00/100 but you now have the interest taken out) The figures are as follows:

	$1000.00/100	cash 12 instalments @ 150.00/100 less interest for one year @ 30
	120.00	1st year's net payment 120.
Remaining due after 12 mon instalments	880	2nd @ 12 instalments 180. less interest for one year @ 5% 52.80
" " " 24 "	127.20	2nd year's Net payment 127.20
Remaining due after 24 instalments	752.80	8 months instalments 120.00/100 less interest for 8 months on 752.80 32.11
Remaining due after 32 instalments	89.89	89.89
	662.91	
Less $4 $1.50/100	1.50	
	661.41	

You do not send a note of what you have paid on the West half of 4H.

There is now a 5% savings bank mortgage on your house for $600.00/100. If you will assume the liability for this and give me a second mortgage on the whole place for $340.00/100 and the amount due on the other contract for the half of 4H, with conditions to make quarterly payments of $25.00/100 and interest from Sept. 1st (Of course the $50.00/100 which I promised to allow you on 4H is to be deducted from the total) I will give you a deed at once. This would make your payments for the first year $30.00/100 to the bank (June 1st & July 1st) and about $35.00/100 to me for interest and $100.00/100 for principal or some $180.00/100 which you are now paying. This would be about $165.00/100 for the first year and I advise it will decrease about $6.00/100 a year until you have paid off the second mortgage.

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 21st 1896.

Mr. Henry Cutler II, Solway N. Y.

Dear Henry:

You spoke last spring of wanting to exchange your lot for a house. Probably the house you would prefer is the one Mr. Will Warren was in, No 19 Block I. The price of this is $1150.00 on my list. It is now empty and as your brother Jake is now married I fancy you may be glad to move at once. I will allow you the full $70.00 you have paid if you want to take this house and lot and you can pay me in monthly instalments of not less than Ten dollars each, which shall cover both principal and interest. As soon as you have paid $180.00 of the principal you can have a deed by assuming the existing mortgage and ~~paying~~ giving me a second mortgage for the balance.

Please let me hear at once whether you want this place. There are others available, but I fancy you will prefer this as it is close by your father & Jake's.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Sept. 26th 1896.

Mr. George Weber, Solway.

My dear George:

Your letter is just at hand. I will rent that house for sixty ($60.00) a year, the tenant to pay for the water if he wants it. This, however, is the price for a year and not for a single month. I should like to know at once whether he takes it.

As to the other matters I am sorry to hear that John is nagging and driving Schwinburger away. I don't think the Jennings mean to pay, but Schwinburger is certainly honest. I should be glad to know if any particular instance reaches you either John is unduly harsh, but of course there are some tenants who will make trouble with any one because they do not mean to pay. If you can show Schwinburger that he is making a mistake to go I shall be glad of it and can stop his trouble with John.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Sept. 30th, 1896.

Mr. A. Schweinberger, Solvay, N.Y.

Neulich habe ich zwei Briefe aus Syracus erhalten wovon ich behaupte dasz vielleicht Ihnen Schwierigkeiten gemacht worden sind wovon ich nichts gewusst habe, und dasz Sie mir auch vielleicht verleumdet worden sind. Der eine Brief ist mir erst gestern Abend angekommen und der andere vor ein Paar Tage. Davon scheint es mir auch wahrscheinlich dasz Sie den Brief gar nicht erhalten haben welchen ich Ihnen vor etwa zwei Wochen geschrieben haben.

Dasz kein weiteres Miszverständnisz dabei bleiben kann schreibe ich Ihnen jetzt. Ich kann mich jetzt nicht mehr genau daran erinnern, ich war aber bereit Ihnen das zu gestatten was Sie mir geboten haben nur mit der Bedingung dasz Sie unternehmen innerhalb zwei Jahre mir eine Kunde zu bringen die entweder ein Haus oder ein Lot abkauft. Ich mache gern Verwilligigungen denjenigen die mir mitwirken.

Unter derselben Unternehmung gestatt ich Ihnen auch statt dessen, Alles was Sie auf der eigentlichen Hauptsumme bezahlt haben würden, auf einem billigerem Hause zu übertragen. Der Luchsinger schreibt mir dasz Sie fragen um die Strafen wenn Sie sich abziehen. Die bestimmte Geldbusze für das Haus war $50.00 und darum nur habe ich mit Ihnen gesprochen wie ich noch in Solvay war. Für das Lot war die Busze $25.00, und für den Pachtvertrag war sie unbestimmt, doch werde ich sie nicht höher als $5.00 schätzen. Dieses kommt also für das Ganze auf $80.00. Haben Sie die Güte mich möglichtst bald bald wissen zu lassen wenn Sie das Haus nicht behalten wollen, denn ich habe Gelegenheit es wieder zu verkaufen.

Ergebenst

N. T. Ballou

Peace Dale R.I., Sept. 20th 1896.

Mr. R. Koch, Solvay N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Der Luchsinger schreibt mir dass Sie von der Meinung sind das Sie ihres Haus behalten wenn ich Ihnen das erlaubs was Sie dem Stillwell angeboten haben. Ich sehe nicht gern irgend einen so viel verlieren als Sie dabei verlieren werden wenn Sie das Haus fallen lassen, und daher habe ich schon vor ein Monat dem Stillwell geschrieben die $780.oo anzunehmen, das heisst $80.oo alt Geld und $700.oo als mortgage wie bestimmt. Wenn Sie später noch mehr verlangten, hatte ich meine Bewilligung zurückgezogen, ich möchte Ihnen aber keine Schwierigkeiten machen und wenn Sie das noch wollen werde ich es Ihnen noch erlauben, ich muss aber um eine baldige Antwort bitten.

Ergebenst

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Sept. 30th, 1896.

Mr. John Luchsinger, Solvay, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Sept. 27th is at hand. I must remonstrate with you again for leaving an important letter so long without an answer.

I cannot make any promises for the bank, but they make a general policy of letting the principal of mortgages stand so long as interest etc. is promptly taken care of.

As you have not unconditionally excepted my offer I must ~~xxxxxxxx~~ withdraw it, as I have just found a serious error in copying my calculations. By an oversight I set down the first mortgage as $660.00 instead of $600.00 and so got the amount of the second mortgage $340.00 instead of $400.00 which with the $600.00 of first mortgage, would just make up the $1000.00 cash value which you still owe me on your main contract. By my interest calculations the amount now due on your smaller contract is almost exactly $225. and subtracting from this the $50.00 which I offered to throw off, there remains $175.00, and this, with the other $400.00 makes $575. for the face of the second mortgage.

As I said above, I can make no promises for the bank, but I will agree with you not to require any payment on the principal for any quarter in which the bank requires you to make a payment on the principal of the first mortgage, and I shall be glad to have the provision for quarterly payments on the principal read not less than $25.00, which will enable you to pay any greater part or the

whole at any quarter day. As your deed will be a warranty deed to begin with, you will need no new deed when the second mortgage is paid off, but only a release from the mortgage, and that you shall certainly have without expense. Of course I expect you to assume the bank mortgage as it stands.

I think you have got the rent for F23 too high. I should be glad to rent it to a good tenant for $6.00 a month, and for any of the Crossley houses now empty I will take 50 cents a month less than the nominal rent when the rent is paid in advance. We have practically given Glarner a corresponding reduction already, or I would make this apply to him also. If necessary we will reduce rents, but I want to keep the houses full, and to have the rent paid. We have lost far more by bad debts than we should have lost by lower rents if they had been paid in advance.

You will do well to follow up Manning pretty closely if he does not pay up his chattel mortgage. I will let him go at that if he will pay it up fairly promptly.

If you have not delivered that letter to Schweinberger, you had better return it at once. You ought always to account for all such papers bearing my signature, and to return them when not used. It would have saved me much annoyance if you had returned that unsigned lease for the Schuyler lot last summer.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept 30th 6.
2nd letter.

Mr. John Luckenbach
Solway

My dear John:
I have just agreed to rent F.S. for one year to a friend of Geo. Wilber's at $60.00 a year and he to pay the water rent. Please give the keys to George and oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Baker

Peace Dale, ~~Oct.~~ Sept. 30th 6

Mr. G. Wilber, Solway

My dear George:
Yours of yesterday (Sept 29th) is just here. I write just a line to say that I wrote to Salmonsberger this morning a letter virtually offering the same terms as he proposes. Please see whether he will accept my terms ~~or whether~~ as written. If not I ~~will~~ can probably fix things up & we will make a new contract.

It is possible that I may want to ask you to work for me on a business basis before long.

I have only a few minutes before mail closes. I will write details to-morrow.

I am much obliged to you now. I am glad you have rented that house. Will you get the key from Luckenbach?

Yours faithfully
N. T. Baker

Mr. R. E. Ranick.

Pace Dale, R.I. Sept. 30th 6

Solway, N.Y.

My dear Ranick:

Richards tells me that you did not wait to pay $50.00 ~~to him Cutler st.~~ for some 8 ft. between your house and the ~~center~~ West line of Cutler St. produced in case it is established there. I accordingly arranged with him to make a jog in the street so as to give me a 40 ft. corner lot between you and the street. Of course in this way I get 2 corner lots instead of one, but it will certainly be better for the town to have the street go straight and I think it will be very much to your advantage. I am going to ask you to make me what you consider a reasonable offer for this. I have lately discovered that there seems to have been a systematic effort to stir up bad blood between my customers and me. I think this may have had its weight with you (I know others have been misrepresented to me) and now I ask you to lay hard feelings aside and consider candidly what is for your own best interest in this matter. I should not press for immediate answer to this if you can wait, but I think it will be for your own interest to do so.

Address
Pace Dale, R.I. Oct. 1st 6

Mrs. John Harris
Solway, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Harris:

Will you kindly let me know definitely what you mean to do about the place? You have run behind heavily every on the minimum rent this year. In your condition I have refrained from pressing you but it is now a month later than the time when you agreed to give me a definite answer and I should think you should be able to make up your mind. I fancy from something I have heard recently that John Lockinger has not managed as well as I should have done if on the ground & looked after your affairs. If you can't stay on I will allow you to stay indefinitely at $7.00 a week or I will let you have one of the houses 8 or 10 for $6.00 a month for 1 year. You have been having a hard time but I cannot afford to let things go forever without any rent.

Let me hear from you at once if you please and oblige. Yours faithfully

N. T. Parker

Peace Dale, R.I., Oct. 1st, 1898.

Mr. F.M.Hazard, Texas.

Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Fred:

By accident Mr. Peck destroyed the new print of the labor in manufacture for Boiler House No. 1, instead of the one supposed by the new set, which came a few days ago.

We have been studying a little on these, and in the course of events have hunted on one considerable error in plotting (in the sheet destroyed by mistake; I enclose the old one showing the probable correction.), and the plot for the limekilns seems very extraordinary for July '98, both as compared with previous months and as compared with the Comparative Labor List for July. I should be glad if you would have made for me a new print of the Boiler House No 1 diagram which I enclose.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Beeson

Peace Dale, R.I., Oct. 1st, 1896.

Hon. R.Hazard, Syracuse.

Dear Papa:

Last night I received the enclosed letter from Connolly Brothers, together with a mass of papers, which I do not forward. There seems to me little question but that we should appeal. This, however, is an expensive operation, it will probably cost in the end not much under $1 000.00.

I will not write to Kellner in the matter before hearing from you, as I do not know what provision you may want to make for the expense.

Helen wants me to go on to New York with her to see Dr. Perry, so that I shall be away till Tuesday instead of Monday.

Your loving son

N. T. Bacon

Pleasant Hill, R.I. Oct. 1st 6

Mr. John Lucksinger
Solway.

My dear John:
Please let me know at once whether Ryan has paid you anything either on the barn or on his contract. I hope to have your report inside of a few days also.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pleasant Hill, R.I. Oct. 1st. 6

Mr. George Wilson, Solway.

My dear George:
On looking up the matter I find that I cannot give Schwinburger a deed at once unless he assumes the present mortgage to the loan association, which will make him heavier payments every month than those he has been making to me, but this mortgage will be paid off in the course of about three years and as soon as that is done he can have deed, or sooner if he gets along to the point where he can assume these payments. It is a hard time to raise money just now, or I would pay off that mortgage & raise money in some other way so that he could get a deed at once. Probably this could be done in a year from now without trouble.
Let me hear from you at once about this. I wrote to Lucksinger to give you the key of F. 28.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Oct. 2nd 6

Mr. P. J. Schuyler
Dairymount, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Schuyler:

Enclosed please find my check for $94.00, which with the order on Mr. Martin also enclosed and $7.00 for the rent of the acre and one half used by yourself makes up the $60.00 for the half year ending Oct. 1st on my mortgage for $2000.00 at six per cent.

By our agreement, from now on this interest is to be at five per cent.

Perhaps it will be just as well to put this into formal shape, so I will ask you to sign either the enclosed stipulation or whatever similar one you may prefer.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Oct. 1st 6

I hereby agree from this date to accept five (5%) per cent for the interest on the mortgage for Two thousand ($2000.00) dollars held by me on the property deeded by me to N. T. Bacon in 1893, and now owned by the said N. T. Bacon.

Pawtucket, R.I. Oct. 2nd 1896.

Mr. Martin:

Please pay to Mr. P. J. Schuyler the Eighteen ($18.00) dollars due me at this time for rent of 4½ acres to Oct. 1st 1896.

N. T. Bacon

Rose Hill, Md.
Oct. 15th 6

Mr. John Cushingham, Sidney, Ohio.

My dear John:

On my return I find your card of Oct. 7th. I can only say to you the bad blood between Tom and myself. I have no idea. The case stands thus. [illegible] I have not written to worry you, and never but once has anything over said of me to induce you to suspect I touch it, and that came from a source where I have reason to distrust myself and I trust I have enough tact to see that I will not bring to you a doubtful and may be a bitter question. I think, however, that you just [illegible] in refusing to make a [illegible]

I will see what can be done with those who are trying hard to ask for lower rents and to go elsewhere if they cannot get them. As we have at present only twenty houses this is about the case and I send you a revised list to correspond.

Of course the policies as well as tenants will be given from Oct. 1st as to others. The reduction will be made from Oct. 1st from one at which we to make a further reduction of [illegible] a month. We all remember pay in advance, but [illegible] course only [illegible] in advance. The prices given do not include washing rents. Where we have paid these the rents will be 50 cents a month more. In future probably it will be wise to let such tenants pay for the washing as want it and not to pay ourselves. What do you think? We may possibly create a class. It would be wise to change some inhabitants of the house on this list if so make no before communicating with the tenants.

I know that there would be in the fall a force of 60 to 80 number if needed. As we can have it for 60 cts.

I think it is not too late to seed the wheat. You had best [illegible] the [illegible] tried some a ton of bone phosphate and two tons of the mixed [illegible] you can from my dealer in fertilizers.

Yours in haste, N. E. Parsons

If I can do anything with Tom I will do it. I have 324.46 for $75.00 including wood. It stood for the rent. There we should get $1.00 a month with the house this is a loss and no [illegible]

Rents not including water rent, per month. Water to be paid for at high by tenants if used.

32 + 34 L	$7 [illegible]
20 D	$7 [illegible]
8 H	$7 [illegible]
4 H	$7 [illegible]
14 I S½	$6 [illegible]
14 I N½	$6 [illegible]
19 I	$6 [illegible]
20 K	$6 [illegible]
3 E	$6 [illegible]
8 D	$6 [illegible]
4 D	$6 [illegible]
8 C	$6 [illegible]
9 C	$6 [illegible]
23 H	$5 [illegible]

We will allow $ fifty cents a month discount from all but 23 H where the rent is paid in advance and $ 25 cents from 23 H.

Pawtucket, R. I.
Oct. 3rd.

Mr. W. D. Smith, New York

My dear Winthrop:

Your note reached me a few days ago and I have delayed answering a little for time for deliberation. There are two possibilities in business which might develop well, but I am doubtful whether either of them will appeal to you. I submit both of them however in outline.

The first is to go down into the mountains of East Tennessee to make salt. I have recently had called to my attention the immense advantages of that section for such a purpose.

Salt is now selling there at $20.00 a ton and could probably wholesale for $10.00 in large quantities. It is made now and supplied in barrels at Syracuse for $4.00 a ton and it is going to be from the general sources of supply for the Western states which now make the most of the salt used in the U.S.

Although the Tennessee mines are weak, the presence of natural gas, oil and coal in the immediate neighborhood would probably allow making salt as cheaply as in the North especially as the rock grade labor ordinarily needed would be obtainable at 1/3 northern prices. Very little more grade labor would be needed. I know of no more promising opening to put in any from $10,000 to $20,000 of capital, but it necessarily involves residence on the spot. I think that starting in a small way, it would prove to be a very profitable affair. In 3 years, by natural growth it would be to make $25,000 of return from 50% to 100% dividends. The mines are all there and just enough chemical manipulation is necessary to prevent anyone from making into the business. I have studied this in detail, with reference to the best centres for business and have some looked around for machinery etc. I have some boilers in view which can be had at a low figure taken partly at least, in stock which will answer the

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 10th 6

Mr. A. E. Oberlander
The Bastedo, Syracuse, N.Y.
Dear Sir:

Inclosed you will find the papers you ask for. I am sorry a new misunderstanding has arisen. I wrote to Schweinburger on Sept. 30th saying that I would grant the terms he asked, for when I was in Syracuse, namely a reduction of the principal then due by $80.00 equally monthly payments as or semi-annual payments covering principal and interest. Mr. I had at first refused to make the reduction on the principal tho' I was willing to grant the second (I think also that there was a third item which I was perfectly willing to grant which I do not now recall) but on further consideration I wrote to Schweinburger on Sept. 30th saying that I would grant all his conditions if he would help me to a customer for something. I have had to sell and if my customer work for me I am glad to recognize it. I have never meant to impose as a further condition to the release that Schweinburger should provide a customer for anything. It was only in case I made him the reduction on the principal in his contract with me. The cash value of this contract was $1200.00 and of his other contract for L2 was $1400.00 and I offered to change over so that he would make a single contract for $1400.00 payable in semi-annual instalments of not less than $100.00 and interest. I had understood from a third party that he had agreed to accept these terms and pay $80.00 down on account. Apparently, nor either was delayed as it is dated Oct. 8th but postmarked in Sayre Oct. 12th. I think if you will read my letter to Newburgh you will find nothing in it not consonant with this. I am sorry for the unusual strain as far it has let me either customer or profit.

Yours faithfully, N. T. Bacon

Solvency, New York, Sept. 21st 1896. [illegible] change
In consideration of being released from all my pending
existing land contracts with N.T. Brown, I hereby agree to sell
the premises known as Lot No 1 Block 2 (12) of the Brown
Tract at the above notice and time subsequent to Nov 1st 1896 and
to leave the place in as good condition as at present, ordinary
expected.

N. T. Brown

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 18th 96

My dear Mr. Stilwell;

Enclosed you will find a check for $100.00 for the interest on the Stanco lot mortgages.

I should be glad to know whether Barnes has begun payments. He promised to begin three weeks ago. I got him employment which I think will be permanent. Please remind him if he has not begun.

Also how about the Peach St. house? Did you get Wilcox's name to fix it up? If not please wait no longer for him.

I wish you could sell that house. I would take $1500.00 for it to be rid of the trouble. It cost me a good deal more than that. There is a $1200.00 5% mortgage on it.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Brown

The house cost $1400.00 to build.

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 16th. 1896

Mr. John Aichinger, Solway, N.J.

My dear John:

On further consideration I think you are right not to manure or seed till spring. As to the trap, I think Mr. Power would probably be glad to pay more than $6.00 for it for a decoy fowl if it is not broken. If it is broken of course it has no such value as I gathered from your note and I am sure he can have it for $1.00. I estimated, not on its value to him but for himself. If Mr. Power does not want it you can sell it for what you can get.

I enclose a note for you to give Mrs. Harris. If she does not do something at once she must go.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Please find out when Oliver will promise to pay regularly. I am writing to Reynolds. I think Howe's rent is pretty low considering the barn. Could he do better elsewhere? You must meet the market.

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 16th. 1896.

Mrs. Jane Harris: Solway.

Dear Madam:

Your note reached a day or two ago. I am sorry to say that I cannot afford to allow you to stay on any longer without paying. If you will begin paying at once to John Aichinger the rent according to the new schedule, and pay up at once for the month of October I will agree not to press you for the arrears till you see your husband, but something must be done at once.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Oct 15th 1896.

Mr. Joseph R. Ryan, Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Buchanan writes me that you have not paid as you promised. I must ask you to do so at once. I am willing to be accommodating, but I cannot allow interest to pile up where nothing is paid on principal.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Oct. 17th. 1896.

Messrs. Bowen and Perry
126 South Salina St. Syracuse.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find a bill forwarded from yourselves. Please specify what the property is. I have several houses on Cogswell Ave, but was not aware that any of them had been insured by your agency.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale R.I. Oct. 21st 6

Mr. John Lockwinger.

My dear John:

Times are very hard with me and the trade is not bringing in much, but I think we will make before a forward of a new chimney, or as much of one as is needed. Mark it understood however that I am not obliged to do it. The works will probably be running full before Nov. 1st which will relieve the strain. You can arrange with Ryan to pay it not till Jan. 1st, but then I expect him to go on unless some other calamity comes and that does not seem likely. If Bryan is elected however it will make things terribly dull. You will have to pay three taxes I fear. Certainly Ryan cannot do much on 3 days work a week. Please deposit as much as possible at once, as I need money.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Has Schwinburger returned you that paper yet with his signature.

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 21st 6.

Mr. A. E. Oberlander
The Bastable, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Has Schwinburger made up his mind what to do as yet? I am sorry to push the matter but it is more than a week since I submitted my offer to you and I have no word of answer.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

A speedy answer would be a favor.

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 21st 6

Rev. B. W. Bacon
30 Trumbull St. New Haven, Conn.

Dear Ben:

Yours of yesterday is here and I have already written Whittelsey. He will have the guarantee by tomorrow night probably.

I was on the point of writing to ask you to spend Sunday with us, as I supposed you were to preach in P.D. but Mrs. B. told me he had asked you.

We are rather in a turmoil as I shall probably sail for Havre on Nov. 7th & perhaps take Helen, leaving the children with some of Helen's friends. This is not yet fully settled however. I shall only be gone a short time if I go.

I am glad to hear Sally is East again.

Yours faithfully
W. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 21st 6

Mr. S. S. Whittelsey
Plattsburgh, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

At my brother's request I write to you to say that I am prepared to make good his guarantee to you that you will not incur any costs or liability for the Adirondack land suits in which your name may appear as a plaintiff under the power of attorney granted the master.

Even if we should lose, these costs would be a small matter, and the additional guarantee seems scarcely necessary, but I am glad to give it, if useful in any way. The trustees are amply able to meet the expenses if necessary.

Yours faithfully
W. T. Bacon

Mr. John Gulsinger Oct. 22nd Peace Dale 6

My dear John:

Yours of Oct. 19th is here. You can accept Schwinburger's key. Don't take down the Ryan stairway unless they insist for it. At last accounts they performed to have it stand.

I am sorry to hear that another friend is gone. If you will let me know when a good man is out of employment I may be able to find him work at Wright, but I will only recommend good men only.

Please send me a list of what girls are the least worth work. It is time now to be thinking of them.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Does Mr. Shedrick want his deed now?

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 24th 6

Messrs. Brownell & Perry

Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

The property for which you sent me an insurance bill has been sold for some time to Mr. Albert Schweinburger of Solvay whose contract calls on him to pay the insurance.

It may possibly come back to me owing to the hard times, but I do not care to take a policy at so high a rate if it comes on me to pay it finally. Your figures are higher than I have ever had to pay.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

If you can make me a reasonable rate I have no objections to letting the stand in your hands. If not I shall ask Mr. Stowell to arrange the matter as he has done for me hitherto.

Mr. H. Stilwell

Peace Dale R.I. Oct. 26th 6.

Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

On short notice I find myself obliged to start for home the Saturday after election. I do not expect to be gone much over eight days, but perhaps it will be best to give you a full power of attorney for any real estate matters which may come up in my absence, and I will save much trouble perhaps if it is also signed by my wife. Mr. Hall probably (at least one died for Abr. Andrews) required before any action.

I should be glad to know whether you are getting anything out from Davick or Barnes. If Barnes does not pay please send Caunt to Hamilton as soon as I am apply out of the country. I cannot afford to allow him to wind up as he wants to pay. I think he can afford it, and that he will, if pretty fast followed up.

Yours truly

N.T. Bacon

P.S. Have you seen or heard of a real estate deal [illegible]

Peace Dale R.I. Oct. 26

Mr. John Lockwood, Solicitor

My dear John:

On short notice I find myself obliged to sail for Europe on Nov. 4th and I may be unable to get to Syracuse before that time.

I hope you will be able to get the houses better rented now that the works are thriving up full. If you should get a chance to make any sales you have a second power and Mr. Stilwell will sign the papers for you. Please to look about & find out how that I cannot be sure of it. I wish you would figure out what terms you will settle to on your contracts according to what I had promised you. I meant to have your profits on some being already located. If you will figure out your own way what you contracts now call for I shall be very glad to see your ideas. I don't want to have you think you have any reason to complain. I think that I told you that lately I shall only make the ordinary form of contracts for so much principal with interest. I have so written Mr. Stilwell. Yours faithfully

N.T. Bacon

Please to have the make a deed for Mr. [illegible] when it is returned [illegible]

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Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 29th 6.

Mr. G. H. Stilwell
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. My wife has sent at ten and dollars due from Steams on Jan. 1st and it would be an accommodation if Mr Holden would wait till then. We will be glad to give 6% interest for that time.

Brown & Perry sent me a bill for insurance on $1000 block 2 a few weeks ago. Since then it has come back to my hands but the insurance was not mine to pay at that time. They said they had sent the policy to the Atl. Ins. Co. as you hold a note on it. The insurance was $5.00 & they had charged $10.00, which is far higher than I have ever paid. I will be obliged if you will get that insured at a more reasonable rate.

Please make Ranick pay. Parris must be gently handled of course. Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

I don't care to force Ranick to pay upon this account, but only to use it as a threat.

Mr. John Buckingham

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 29th 6

My dear John:

Yours of yesterday is here. Mr. Ryan says nothing he must go and must either take care of all arrearages at the rate of $8.00 a month since he went in or we shall have to get a judgment against him. I cannot put up with Stearns's rent in this way.

Of course you must go to Mr. Stilwell if you get into trouble. I am willing to settle with Ryan peaceably on these terms, but if we have to sue, we sue for all we can get. am

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Show this letter to Mr. Stilwell if you get into trouble with Ryan.

Pleasant Ridge Nov. 3rd 6

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is here. I hope to hear what Mr. Wolcott will do at once. I shall stay here till Friday and will get mail Saturday A. M. at my brothers office 32 Liberty St. New York. I do not sail till 1 P. M.

I enclose the Power of Attorney.

My European Address is C/o Solvay & Cie 19 Rue du Prince Albert Brussels Belgium.

I hope we shall have reason to rejoice to-morrow.

Yours faithfully
N. P. Balcom

Rose Dale R.I. Nov. 4th 6

Mr. Wm. G. Martin
Solway, N.Y.

My dear Will;

On looking over my accounts previous to starting for Europe I see that you have been unable to make any payments of late (unless in October, I have not yet received that report) and that consequently your contract is bearing hard on you, as you have already paid a good share of the purchase.

According to my calculations you still owe on your contract (assuming that nothing was paid in Oct.) 27. instalments and the amount which was finally to stand on mortgage, namely $6000.00/100. I find that this is equal to a little over $900.00/100 present value. I believe that there is a $900.00/100 mortgage now on this property at 5½% to the Parochial Fund of the Episcopal church, on which the interest is paid to July 1st. If you would ~~like to do so~~, prefer it I ~~can~~ will give you a deed of the property without further payment to me ~~beyond $1~~ if you will assume this mortgage as it stands.

You will save by this the difference between 5½% and 6% interest on the $900.00/100 every year and will have the advantage of not being forced to make payments every month.

Mr. Stilwell can tell you more exactly about that mortgage, and if it proves to be a smaller one than I think (I have not all my papers at hand) I will take a second mortgage for the balance, payable in semi annual payments of not less than $50.00 per annum at the same rate of interest.

If you will mail a letter to me C/o Seldon Bacon 32 Liberty St New York City so that it leaves Syracuse Friday by ~~Syracuse~~ 8.10 mail train it will reach me before I sail and I will arrange things at once.

I think I can also make some similar arrangements for your brother if he would like it.

Your affectionate
Nathl. T. Bacon

Pearl Daily Rd. Nov. 6th 6.

Dear Uncle Thereon:

On Saturday I am to sail for Havre with Mr. Higard for an absence of two or three months on business. This morning I receive the most [illegible] news from Henry Clayson that the Supreme Court has made such progress that probably the Reconstruct case will be reached before my return, that I ought to make all arrangements for it prior sailing. Of course I would you to make the argument for me, but would it be amiss for me to ask what your charges would be? Even in case I succeed I have a great many dead horses to pay for in this connection and I can hardly afford to be considered a wealthy client.

I shall be at Sec's office, 52 Liberty St. this week till nearly noon on Saturday. I should be glad to have an answer from you then if this reaches you in time. If not I shall trust to you in any case.

Yours faithfully, N. F. B.

Pearl Daily Rd. Nov. 9th 6

Mr. S. H. Tingley, Cashier,
Merc. Nat. Bank, Troy N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the notification sent me of the two notes which fall due next week. It was delayed in reaching me by being directed to Syracuse.

I am to sail for Europe on Nov. 7th. & so by Mr. R. G. Hazard's advice I am sending you also two notes covering the amount of the principal. He will see you and arrange with you about the further details next week. I have given him a power of attorney to act for me in case this arrangement is not satisfactory.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Beeson

Peace Dale, R.I., Nov. 5.1896.

Mr. Wm.R.Cowles,

225 Princeton St., Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:- Mr. Bacon, as he was leaving for Europe to-day, asked me to write to you and say that they have at the Solvay Process Co's works in Syracuse, a steering wheel which was designed for the steamer Pokonet and two expansion joints for connecting to engine. He suggests that perhaps you can dispose of it among your ship-building friends. If such be the case, please let me know.

Yours truly,

O Goodwin

~~C/o Rowland Hazard.~~

Peace Dale, R.I., Nov 9, 1898.

Wm. Barnum Cowles, Esq.,

223 Princeton St.,

Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir.-

Your favor of the 6th inst is received and I am much obliged for your suggestions as to selling the steering machinery. I have forwarded your letter to Syracuse and no doubt but they will be able to put the matter in shape to draw an offer from some of the parties you mention.

Yours truly,

O C Goodwin

Peace Dale, R.I., Nov. 9,1896.

Mr. Robert Croasdale,

C/o Solvay Process Co.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:- Just as Mr. Bacon was starting for Europe, he asked me to write to Wm. B. Cowles, Cleveland O. to ask him if he could sell a certain steering wheel and two expansion joints which are in the possession of the S.P.Co (as I understand). If I received an offer from Mr. Cowles, I was to transmit it to you and ask you to ship the goods. To-day I received the enclosed letter from Mr. C by which you will see that he evidently is not going to try very hard to make a sale for Mr. Bacon. I know nothing more than this about the matter. If you are so situated as to take the proper steps to draw an offer from any of the parties Mr. C mentions I think you are at perfect liberty to do so as Mr. B. seems very anxious to dispose of the machinery at once. I donot even know whose property it is.

Yours truly,

D. Goodwin

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov. 5th 6.

Mr. Edward Foy, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Unless you have already disposed of the triple bracket chandelier from the front hall of our house (the one with 3 angels at the base) please forward it by ~~express~~ freight to Rev. B.W. Bacon 30 Trumbull St. New Haven, Conn.

If you have sold any of our fixtures please send the money to my wife at this place, as I sail to-on Saturday for a few months in Europe on business.

I suppose you feel as much relieved by the election as we do.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please forward bill of lading also to New Haven

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov. 5th 6.

Mr. W. E. Burton
326 Kirk Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is here this evening. Any exchange which we should make could only be based on a price of $13000.00/100 for our property, and on normal prices for property taken in exchange. On general principles we do not care to make an exchange unless it offers some evident advantage. Now that McKinley is elected we feel justified in holding.

Before considering the proposition at all we should know what incumbrances there are on the property offered, where it is situated exactly, what it is insured for, what it is assessed at, what its state of repair is etc & whether it is rented.

I leave to-morrow for Europe, but in case of any proposition which seems worth consideration my wife will be guided by the advice of her brother. This property is here. You can write to her.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov. 6th 6.

Mr. W. A. Holden
C/o Holden & Sons, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Stihall has just forwarded me yours of Nov. 3rd. I am sorry to have inconvenienced you. I applied to the previous holder of the mortgage several months ago to know if she would renew. She did not then know but she would want the money, and I understood that she wants to be sure know if she did want it. I leave here for Europe to-morrow and cannot attend to the affair myself on such short notice, but my wife (whose mortgage it is) will send you $500.00 on account in a few days, and can probably arrange to send the balance before the end of next week, but it would have been much more convenient if the affair could have kept over Jan. 1st, when she has a considerable sum coming due.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Nov. 6th 6.

Mr. E. C. Stearns, Syracuse N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On the eve of sailing for Europe for a short absence on business I write to say that my wife will need the money ~~now~~ promptly which falls due on Jan 1st. 1897. If it would be an accommodation to you she would be willing to allow $1000.00 of the amount now falling due to stand for a while, but the rest she requires at once, and she would like to know in the course of next week whether you can arrange to keep the $1000.00. I have to make all my arrangements with my attorneys before sailing. The $1000.00 can only remain however in case you explicitly agree to have the remainder in her hands by Jan. 2nd, as this money is needed at once.

Please address my wife here in answering.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 6th 6.

Mr John Buchsinger, Solvay.

My dear John:

Please collect all you can and make whatever deposits possible during my absence. Ogilvie's second mortgage calls for a payment at this time, and there are sundry similar items which should be attended to. I shall be in above quarters for a few months more, but the news has just reached me that probably my great law suit will be decided nearly a year sooner than I hoped and my very hard times may be over inside of six months and that will enable me to grant more liberal terms than I have felt able to.

Mr. Shlivell has authority to sign papers for me, so that he can give a deed as soon as it is ready, Andrews pays off and a release as soon as Geo. Miller pays off his mortgage.

Now that Mr. Kirby is elected I hope for better times in general on the Street. If you can make the Street pay well in my absence & with the reduced rents I may probably be able to give you a raise if I win my big suit, as I expect to, but it has been very hard times for me for the last three years.

You can send reports to my wife regularly, but if you have occasion to write to me directly my address will be C/o Solvay & Cie, Rue du Prince Albert, Bruxelles, Belgique.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Place Dauphine.
Nov. 6th 6.

My Dear Mr. Schlowell:

Yours of Nov. 4th is here. I have written direct to Holden, arranging to pay next week. This makes it necessary to borrow for 10 days and I have just written to Stearns to notify him that we want the money promptly Jan. 2nd. If he does not have it here my wife will notify you & you can proceed at once. I do not care to persecute him but the money is ~~now~~ needed.

I have hopes that my big steamboat suit will be decided in a few months & if it goes my way matters will be easier with me, but till then I am obliged to be pretty exacting for all amounts due.

I have written to Wm. G. Martin offering to let him have a deed for his place at once on assuming the mortgage on it which I ~~[illegible]~~ believe is $9000. He will doubtless show you my letter if he accepts & that gives details.

Burton is fishing for the James St. lot again but I don't think his customer wants it enough.

If you take in anything more than is needed for current expenses please forward it to my wife.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] T. Bacon

My address will be C/o Solvay & Cie
Rue du Prince Albert
Bruxelles, Belgium.

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 5th 6.

Dear Rowland:

Here are two copies of my entry on the 3rd quarter of '76. If take the original with me if you approve of it I should be glad to have one copy go to Andrew Green at Detroit. He has asked for copies of such reports to aid him in keeping up to date.

I will leave in your hands my R.I.N. & T. Co. check book with a balance which I will try to keep up to your requirements for my notes. I have notes of considerable principal coming in in the next two or three months, but I cannot tell just when I shall get it.

Yours faithfully

N. T. B.

Pawtucket, R.I. Nov. 11th 6.

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

During my absence in Sept. for the next few months please honor my wife's signature as mine.

Nath'l T. Bacon

Helen M. Bacon

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Peace Dale. R.I.
Nov. 13th. 1896.

Mr. O. D. Evans.

Dear sir.

Mr. Bacon has already sailed for Europe and I therefore write myself to say Mr. Webb's letter of 11th. is at hand.

The $1000.00 mentioned by Mr. Bacon as likely to remain in your hands for a time, was in addition to the $990.00 of the principal already received by me this year.

Per otherwise provided the payment of $3010.00 with interest thereon is made on Jan. 1st. 1897 I am willing to allow the remaining $1000.00 due this year as principal to remain in your hands until the February payment of interest when I shall expect to receive it with the sum then falling due.

Hoping that the matter is now clearly understood

I am truly yours

Helen Hazard Bacon.

Address
Mrs. R. T. Bacon.
Peace Dale. R.I.

Pace Dale. R.I.
Nov 28th. 1890.

Hon. W. E. Burton.
326 Kirk Building. Syracuse. N.Y.

Dear Sir.

Yours of 25th. reached me yesterday and in reply I wish to say that the fact that I am not living in Syracuse make me unwilling to even think of making such an exchange of property as that suggested in your letter.

My James St. lot will not gravel with an agent or injure the premises which might easily happen as well as much else, if I consented to such a bargain as Hon. Schwarz proposes.

My present plan is to hold the property until I can make it into a sale for cash or for reliable securities, not real estate. I mention this in order that you may be informed in case of any one besides Mr. Schwarz approaching you. Also I consider the lot is worth $14000 now.

Yours truly
(Mrs. N.Y.) Helen H. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Feb. 1st, 1897.

Mr. C. O. Richards,

Solvay,

Onondaga County, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of last November reached me three weeks ago in Germany, after missing me two or three times, and being forwarded. I expect to be in Syracuse before very long, and will then make the necessary arrangements with you.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bailey

Peace Dale, R. I., Feb. 1st, 1897.

Mr. James S. Jerome,

Fairmount,

Onondaga County, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

On my return from Europe I find your note of about ten days ago. The fencing you propose is perfectly satisfactory to me. I shall be glad to hear that you have it done. My impression is that the piece in question amounts to about 73 rods. I cannot tell here as my papers are not at hand.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Feb. 2nd 1897.

Mr. Winston L. Fredericks

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

On my return from a business trip to Europe I find the enclosed letter for you.

For the last time I write to inquire whether you are willing to acknowledge that the power of wind electricity is N.E.S.D. stock and you nothing without consideration and is void?

On receipt of such an acknowledgment I might have some thing further to say about it when I do see you about my last notes.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pleasantville, N.J. Feb. 2nd 1897.

Mr John Lucksinger, Solvay, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

A few days ago I got home from a trip to Washington which forced me to drop my work in Europe, & I am just beginning to pick up my own business here.

I expect to be in Syracuse in a week or two, but would be glad if you could get the report for me. If before that. I am sorry to find that there are so many empty houses not only in my ward but elsewhere.

Let me know when you send the report & whether you have succeeded in getting tenants for any of them.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

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Pace Dale, R.I. Feb. 8th. 1897.

To 1st Nat. Bank, Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Herewith you will find my note for $3000.00 to release my wife's title given you in my absence.

Please return with my wife's note a statement of my present balance + oblige

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pace Dale, R.I. Feb. 8th 1897.

My dear Mr. Jerome:

Yours of Feb. 1st is at hand. The difference lies in a payment of $25.00 on the principal of the mortgage which apparently your letter failed to endorse on the bond. It was a payment made Feb. 15th 1889 for the release of lot 7 Block D and is on file in the papers are on file at the County Clerk's Office if you care to verify.

I presume I could lay my hand on your father's signature to the deed given in payment if necessary.

I found the complete record of the transaction on my books, but my old checks cannot be looked up so easily though in case of necessity I have them somewhere.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov 4th 1897.

Mr. R. G. Hazard
C/o Wing & Evans, N.Y.

Dear Rowland:

Enclosed you will find the papers asked for. Perhaps you will consider that the remarks concerning inventory savor of organization. I put them up in a separate package in case you want to abstract them. The purely technical part begins with page 76.

I employed part of my spare time in Providence in buying two Welsbach burners. We will get along with those now here if Papa insists on posting the bill. I will also provide the two proper curtains wanted. The filing cases can wait for a few days.

Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Nov 4th 1897.

Alvah Bushnell, Agent for Paget Copying Book.

Dear Sir:

Have you Duplicate patents for your book? If so please let me know for what counties and at what price you would be willing to dispose of them.

Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

an Herrn Dr. Kellner, Halbin.

Pearl Dale, R. I. den 11ten Febr. 1897.

Mein lieber Herr Doctor!

Dem Brockwell habe ich von seinem Lipinski-Patente geschrieben und jetzt erhielt ich von ihm die Antwort, dass er bald (nach 2 oder 3 Monaten) neue europäische Patente dafür erwartet, und dass er dann fertig sein wird, europäisches Gebiet zu sprechen, bisherigen aber nicht. Ich habe bisjetzt nicht geantwortet, werde ihm aber vielleicht nächste Woche in Philadelphia sehen können. Sie haben mir keine Grenze für ihn gegeben.

Ich erwarte jetzt bei jeder Post eine Abschrift vom unserem Vertrag mit dem Personal. Sobald als sie kommt werde ich sie Ihnen befördern.

Mein Bruder scheint mit dem heutigen Zustand der Liquorsulfitsache sehr wenig zufrieden. Ich weiss aber nicht wenn es Ihnen möglich ist, irgend etwas weiteres in der Richtung zu thun.

Bei meiner Ankunft habe ich meine Kinder, meinen Bruder in New York, meinen Schwager in Syracuse + meinen Schwiegervater alle krank gefunden. Allen geht es jetzt besser, mein Schwager und mein Schwiegervater sind aber alle Beide gefährlich krank gewesen.

Mit bestem Grüssen an Ihre Frau Gemahlin und an die Rose so wohl als an die Kinder der Herrn Claudius + das sonstige Personal, empfehle ich mich selbst ganz bescheidenst.

sehr ergebenst

N. J. Pancoast

Pawtucket, R.I. Mr. 12th 7

My dear Mr. Stilwell

Now since my return from Europe I have been expecting to be in Syracuse in a few days and consequently I have kept putting off writing to you. Now I find myself obliged to take a trip to Washington early next week and then shall be obliged to come back here owing to my father-in-law's illness so that Syracuse is indefinitely postponed.

I will attend to the Harvey mortgage so you can have the papers by Wednesday.

As to the Rarick matter I think his whole claim is a swindle. In case by any chance a commission should be due him it would be not 2½% but 2%. An excellent reason for thinking that the whole matter is trumped up is that, according to your letter of May 20th '76, Rarick said that everything was satisfactory except another trumped up agreement which had never existed.

Did you ever get from him the acknowledgment which I asked for that our last settlement covered everything but the contract for 50 A.? Also have you ever obtained the deed from Mrs. Bacon which for 22 A. which you were to have got?

I have heard nothing as to whether Olcott has paid the interest on his mortgage to Mrs. Smith & on the 2nd inst. I am willing to make him an allowance for his share of Lot to the value of $600 according to Cushing's schedule free & clear, for his equity in the house if he wants to make the trade in that way, but I could do not care to expend money for it. I presume you have given deeds in my absence to Wm. Clark & to Alex Andrews, but I have no direct knowledge of them.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Don't stir up Olcott, but if he comes to you will you tell him

Peace Dale, R.I. Feb. 18th 7.

Mr. John Ludlinger, St. Louis.

My dear John:

My Father's - Law's illness is detaining me here, so that I can not hardly get to Syracuse before March.

I shall be glad to have you make me a deposit of not less than $30.00 on Monday or Tuesday if you have not made one since Feb. 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mr George Wilber, Grover
Sodoy, N.Y.

Rondout, N.Y. Feb. 18th 1897.

My dear Wilber:

After much ff urging & occasionally missing a your letter is finally here. I shall not be able to send Sparline for some time owing to my mother-in-law's illness.

Please give Mr Schenck the rest money for me.

It is of course to late to do anything about your offer with Emerson. What did you do about it finally?

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Rondout, N.Y. Feb. 19th 1897.

Mr. H. W. Wells
C/o E. C. Stearns & Co. Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

My wife has handed me your note of Feb. 13th, which came in my absence. I understand from Gill & Stilwell that your check reached them on Feb. 12th. If you have any evidence to offer that it reached them earlier & that they delayed it, I shall be glad to consider it.

The delay which has occurred in every payment (except that of Dec. 1st last) which has become due on the mortgage is not only annoying, but amounts already to a sum of more than $10.00 for interest on the sums thus delayed. If Mr. Stearns is willing to make this good we shall have nothing to say, but just we are not disposed to put up with it indefinitely.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

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Pawtucket, R. I. Feb. 18th. 1897.

To R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.

Gentlemen:

One of my wife's investments makes an unexpected call for money and in consequence she would be glad to borrow Two thousand ($2 000 00/100) dollars for six months from March 1st.

She would be glad if you would notify us at once whether you could let her have the money and whether she could obtain a better rate by depositing security.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Barry

Pawtucket, R. I. Feb. 20th 1897.

Dear Sol:

Just now I am going to need as to my Slander. If you set the trial for March term when will it come? I thought you already had it on the calendar. If you can give a fixed point anywhere in the future I can meet it, but it is impossible to delay to suit in general for the whole of March. Be as diverse as you can. Tell me whether there is any chance for March 9th or for what week or fortnight afterwards, and whether the next term of court would be. My Father-in-law's illness turns the world upside down a great deal.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Very glad of the news about Swift & Bell.

Pawtucket, R. I. Feb. 20th 97.

Mr. John Buchanan
Solway.

My dear John:

Yours of Feb. 17th came while I was away in Washington. If Ryan does not pay put him out. You can tell Murphy that I will let him rent the place till he can go one. You can pay the taxes on the place at once to avoid higher penalties. Has Brown paid his taxes etc? If not I should be glad to have him pushed into paying something if he has work, but if he is out of work I want to be very easy on him.

In haste Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Feb. 22nd 7

Dear Sed:

Since my note of Saturday the future has cleared up a little. I shall not go to California unless my father-in-law sends for me, which I now consider unlikely to happen. When I last wrote it seemed fairly probable that he might want me to go with him on Saturday of this week.

I think you had better put the case on the calendar at once if it is not there already.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] F. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Feb. 22nd 1887.

The R.I. Hosp. Trust Co.
Providence.

Gentlemen:

My wife will be glad to accept the loan you offer, depositing as security 36 shares of Providence Telephone stock which, I assume, will be satisfactory.

Please forward the note and power of attorney at your convenience. The stock will be hand[ed] to you by Mr R. J. Hazard.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] F. Bacon

Feb. 26th 7

The Solving Process Co. to N. T. Bacon Dr.

Nov. 6th 1856.	Expenses to Niagara & to Steamer	10.31
" 16th–25th	Brussels expenses	9.45
" 25th	Round trip ticket	06.
" 26th	Expenses to Paris & to Cologne	7.60
" 27th	" " Bamberg	8.80
Dec. 2nd	" at Bamberg & to Vienna	16.00
" 3rd	" " Vienna	14.22
" 7th	" " Cracow	2.00
" 9th	" to Hallein	12.30
" 11th	" at "	17.00
" 20th	" to Basle	8.10
" 27th	" at " & Wyhlen	21.07
" 28th	" to Dornbach	7.40
Jan. 10th 1857	" at "	14.36
" 10th	" to Sarnen	2.37
" 14th	" at "	8.00
" 13th	" to Brussels	17.67
" 14th	" " London and at Brussels	21.07
" 15th	Glassware	12.50
" 16th	Hotel at London	4.50
" 18th	Pass to N.Y. etc. & fees on Steamer	105.75
" 23rd	Expenses to Place Dale	5.90
" 25th–27th	" " Washington & back	3.45
Feb. 4th	Office fittings	6.80
" 14th–16th	Expenses to Washington & back	31.25
" 23rd	" " Providence " "	2.60
		433.76

Nov. 6th Rec'd from S.P.Co. N.T. Bacon Agent S. $300.00
" 24th " " R. Hazard on acc. S.P.Co. $100.00 — 400.00
Net amount due N.T.B. $33.76

The Sedgwick Publishing Co. Syracuse, N.Y.

Pleasant Dale, R. I. Feb. 26th 1897.

Gentlemen:

Your check for $2.00 sent me on account of Sedgwick arrived duly during my absence in Washington. Please accept my thanks for it.

Enclosed you will find a statement of my travelling expenses to date.

Yours faithfully

Nath. J. Bacon

Pleasant Dale, R. I., Feb. 26th 1897.

The R. I. M. Ins. Co. Providence.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my wife's note and her power of attorney. Please pass the proceeds to my wife's credit and oblige

Yours faithfully

N. J. Bacon

Pawtuxet, R.I., Feb. 27th 1907.

Senator A. O. Bacon
The Capitol, Washington.

Dear Sir:

The copy of the joint resolution introduced by you on Jan. 29th. reached me this morning.

I was already familiar with it, but it has unfortunately given me the impression of an attempt to prevent the passage of a practical measure by a plausible substitute which would have no effect, when reference to the practical measure on its merits was not possible.

A resolution of the kind proposed would appear to have about as much value as the embraces and professions of mutual affection which took place when the Emperor William met the Czar not long ago.

It is a very well known thing that the party who is in the wrong never wants to arbitrate unless in immediate danger of a thrashing, and one of the greatest benefits of such an agreement, as that now proposed and offered for our acceptance, is that it will act as a restraint to prevent international wrong doing.

No man in his sober thought will venture to assert that his country is and always will be in the right any more than to assert the same for his private conduct, and I do not see how any man with his country's welfare at heart can fail to understand the value of a brake on the emotional waves which sweep over our country as well as others from time to time.

An existing court upon which such questions must be brought would be a great resource for many a politician when pushed by his constituents towards a course which he inwardly knows to be wrong.

Without ratification of the treaty your resolution would be to the point.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Feb. 26th

My dear Mr. Stiness:

Enclosed you will find a check for Mrs. Denison. Please see that she executes the proper release & surrenders the bond and oblige.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

I expect to be in Syracuse next week.

Peace Dale, R. I. Feb. 27th 1887.

Dear Sed:

Your note relative to the Norwich Park project is at hand. I will try to meet you there, though for some time back I have been making an object of keeping away.

I enclose a letter which will explain itself. Will you go on with whatever correspondence is necessary? Would you forget to have me do it.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. ~~Feb.~~ March 1st 1897

Seldon Bacon Esq.
32 Liberty St, New York.

Dear Sir:

You are authorized to receive for me all dividends on the 310 Shares of Preferred Stock of the ~~Northwest~~ General Electric Company transferred to me by Ignatius R. Grossmann, and in particular the ten per cent agreed to be paid thereon by the General Electric Company by its contract of Nov. 8th 1893, subject to which I purchased the stock; and you are further authorized to give good and sufficient quittance therefor.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Beaon

Peace Dale, Mar. 1st 1897

Dear Sid:

With this you will find the paper asked for.

I cannot find anything about Bacon on the veil except that he ~~has an~~ is in an office in a building (the Industrial Trust Bldg.) where there are a number of bankers.

If you will telegraph me ~~at once~~ I will have him looked up. Your signature to morrow I'll

N. T. B.

Mr. G. H. Stilwell
2 Clinton Block, Syracuse.

Place Dale, Mar. 12th 1897.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

With this I am sending you the Ryan contracts to be sued on. He has paid in all $42.00 on the place and $5.00 on the barn. He owes besides $6.00 for pasture and $6.00 for rent for another man which he guarantees to the other to pay. Have you given deeds yet to Buchsinger and to E. J. Martin?

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mr. T. J. Ranson Address Peacedale, R.I. Mar. 12th 97.
Solway, N.Y.

My dear Tom:

You have fallen very seriously in arrears on your contract and, I should be glad to have you begin making payments again at once. I do not want to press in season and out of season, but I cannot afford to let this go on any longer. Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Bacon

Please let me hear from you at once.

Rockdale, Pa.
Mar 15th 7.

My dear Mr Stidwell:

Yours of Saturday with deeds is at hand. It will save me a couple of dollars if you sign them and in these days I have to look after small pieces. I may have two or three more to sign in a few days. Perhaps it will be well to forward them for inspection, but is there any objection to saving the fee for certification?

I found an error in the description of the Lucksinger deed which I have corrected.

Please wait a little about ~~Ryan~~ suing Ryan. He unexpectedly made a small payment, and possibly will continue under threats. We might as well get what we can, but I think we shall ultimately be forced to expel him, though he is now making glorious promises. As his wife also signed the contract I think we can make him smart if necessary.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. John Kurtz

25 00/100 for the expense of the mortgage on your old lot. this was largely so much money paid as commission and therefore dead loss to me and I therefore cannot afford to let it go. It really should go into the ~~mis~~ amount due on the house. I am willing to throw off $50.00, which would be practically been for guaranteeing your loan. this would make the second mortgage $150.00 instead of $200.00. If you will accept this arrangement I will agree to repair the cistern and allow you to move the fruit trees from the lot you are now buying and to allow your payments to be at the rate of $5.00 a month and interest. I will also arrange it so that your ~~fixed~~ payments can be a month (on the first of March and first of September) for the 2nd mortgage. I find that the first mortgage ~~has~~ is already ~~op~~ overdue, but my wife holds it and it can stand for two years more at least, that is until you get the 2nd mortgage paid off. Furthermore I will give you proper sufficient to cover three rooms in the house.

If you prefer not to have the addition to your mortgage I will make an arrangement with you by which you can work out at least a part at the rate of 17 cts. an hour, but in this case I shall expect you to ~~pay~~ make good the full amount of the $150.00.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l J. Bacon

P.S. The payments on the first mortgage fall due Jan. 1st & July 1st. Of course I should expect you to assume this interest as it stands.

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 15th 7.

Mr. A. J. Bacon
406 McPhee Building.
Denver, Colo.

Dear Paff:

On Jan. 15th. I was in England and so naturally did not attend to my W.E.L.S.Co. stock at once and since my return it has had to wait till I could go to Syracuse & get the certificates out of the bank. I for one am much pleased with your success in cleaning up the Co.'s affairs so far. I am somewhat disappointed that the land has to be sold below cost, but there is no doubt that it was well to sell the cattle when and as we did.

Ben is slowly but steadily recovering from his operation on Mar. 9th. We hope to get him here next week for a rest.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

I see two of my certificates are missing, one for 13 shares and one for 1 share. I fancy they may be among some other papers in the Syracuse vault, but if not I do not know where they are. We have moved ~~twice or~~ three times since I had occasion to look for them. I did not think to look at them in detail on ~~[illegible]~~ finding the package. Can you pay the whole dividend now or must I wait till I go to Syracuse again, which may not be for months?

When do you expect to pay another dividend, and how large a one?

N. T. B.

Pawtucket, R.I. Mar. 15th 1887

Mr. J. L. King
Granger Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. King:

Mr. Thurston told me a few days ago that you were disturbed over the condition of my house on Robinson st., and thought it seriously out of repair. I have not seen it for some time, and I do not doubt that a coat of paint would help its appearance, but it is being bought on the instalment plan by a man who pays his stockwork, and as he is living in the place, I do not believe it will suffer.

Would the Mutual Life be willing to make a 4½% loan on my wife's property on James st., which she took in exchange for the Stevens place. It is 76 ft. front by 224 ft. deep and we have expended $12000.00 for it (all out of my money at that). ~~[illegible]~~ It was mortgaged for $7000.00 at 5% and we have paid off most of this, but now find that we could probably sell it more readily with a larger mortgage on it. We would be glad to accept a $5000.00 loan on it if we could get it at 4½% rate, say for 5 years.

You probably know the lot, which formerly belonged to the Gates.

Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Bacon

Peace Dale, Mar. 15th

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Dear Sir:

Yours of Mar. 10th is here.

If the ~~[illegible]~~ $15.00 would cover all the expense to us of the suit I will put it up as there is no doubt that the table is really worth more than that.

Probably, as they have already admitted that one of them took the table no expensive evidence would be needed and I suppose that Allis would be contented with costs for any further fees. Of course this is not worth spending very much on, but I would go as high as that for the sake of running down the thief.

How about the Mellen & case? Give me all possible notice.

I hope you have got the Sisson case moving. I am hoping for some results up there before long.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l J. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
Mar. 16th 7

Mr John Lockwinger,
Solway, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Mar. 11th only reached me yesterday. You will do well to make Ryan get to work at once. Possibly if you get him to pay up more than a month's rent he will go on and pay. When once a man begins to run a debt he is apt to keep on. Do not let him look upon another cent, but encourage him in work all he can. I have written to Ransom to ask him to pay up. If Ryan will pay cash for steadily for his place in future I will allow him to work out all his present indebtedness at 15 cents an hour provided he does good work, but he must keep up his payments in cash regularly for the future, pay something weekly, or at most, monthly until he pays enough on the principal to insure that I shall not lose by letting him want till his quarter comes around. I mean to be stricter with every one in future and with him in particular, as I think he can pay, but would rather not.

Don't wait to write to me if he breaks any promises but go straight to Stilwell, and if papers are served on him do not let him beg off unless he pays a considerable sum down. In case he defends the suit (which he might possibly attempt) you can testify of course, that when I told Mrs Ryan that I would pull down the stairs if she insisted on it, but that the house would be better for her if I left them, she made up her mind not to have them taken down at that time any way, and she has never since asked me to take them down (this was in Aug. of last year) and I don't think she has asked you to have it done.

You can have Ryan give Jaton's house a coat of paint, but it must be understood that it is a present from me to Jatons because he is poor, & not that I am supposed to keep the house in repair for him. Yours faithfully

W. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 19th 7.

Mr. John Kurtz, Solvay, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Wednesday is at hand. I will accept your proposition. My wife, also, will agree to extend the mortgage to at least three ~~years~~ years from March 1st. if the payments are properly kept up on the second mortgage and on the interest.

I have no more time just now before the mail goes, but I will write to Mr. Stilwell and have him get the papers ready in a few days, and he will notify you when they are ready.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Mr. G. H. Stilwell
2 Clinton Block Syracuse, N.Y.
Peace Dale, Mar. 19th. 1897.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Possibly I may have left the Rorick question pending while in Syracuse, but I had understood that you was to write to him insisting on a payment. From all I can find I think his claim is an effort to shell bogus, as I have no recollection of any thing of the kind and he admitted to you that the former statement made him was all right and the former statement included all the real estate. (Vide yours to me of May 20th '96). Nevertheless you can tell him, if you like, that if you have advised me to offer to throw off $20.00 of $25.00 to him to avoid a suit, this matter should be pressed. I think.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I don't want another Rood case if I can help it.

Green Dale, R.I.
Mar. 20th 7.

My dear Mr. Shilvock,

Please draw a deed of Lot 9 Block D to John Kurtz. He is to take it subject to an unpaid, overdue mortgage to my wife for $600.00 as it stands (i.e. with interest from Jan 1st) and to give a 2nd mortgage to me for $125.00 and interest from Mar 1st payable in semi-annual instalments of $30.00 and interest. My wife will agree to wait at least three years for all of her principal, if the interest is promptly met, and I will ask him to call on you and arrange about the terms beyond that. She would be willing to take $100.00 on the principal on Jan 1st 1900 and $100.00 more Jan 1st 1906 and leave the balance till Jan 1st 1907 if he likes. He would of course have to keep the place insured for $600.00.

He is also to return his contract for Lot 37 Block J for which I take his interest in exchange.

~~[illegible]~~ I think it best to let him give a release of the present mortgage and take a new one. The present mortgage is one ~~[illegible]~~ Mary D. Cooper ~~[illegible]~~ Kurtz is a very honest man and I will empower you to make any reasonable modification he asks for, but would like to see the deed before final signatures.

I am further to repair the cistern, and make a breach in the cellar wall for a doorway and to allow him to move his fruit trees from 37 J, but probably it is best not to encumber the deed with these provisions.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I am writing Kurtz by this mail to call on you next week.

P.S. I find that I was mistaken in thinking the mortgage was held by Mr. Sc[illegible]. It is held by Judge Andrews as trustee, but I will guarantee its extension and [illegible]

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 20th. 1897

Mr. John Knotty, Solway.

My dear John:

Please call on Mr. Stilwell as early next week as convenient, say Tuesday, and tell him just how you would like to arrange payment of the mortgage ~~to my wife~~ now in existence, which I find is held by Chief Justice Andrews and not by my wife, but I will guarantee you the same terms as in my letter to you.

Mr. Stilwell has authority to act for me, and I have written him that you will call on him.

Yours faithfully,
Nath. F. Bacon

I pay Stilwell's bill.

Peace Dale, R.I., Etats Unis, le 25 Mars 1897.

A Messieurs Hachette & Cie, Paris.

Messieurs:

Je viens de faire une étude très détaillée sur les "Recherches sur les Principes Mathématiques de la Théorie des Richesses" de Cournot. Ce livre classique est devenu difficile à trouver et il me semble que vous pourriez peut-être trouver votre affaire en en publiant une nouvelle édition.

En repassant tous ses calculs j'ai trouvé un nombre assez considérable d'erreurs. La plupart ne semblent être que des fautes d'impressions, mais il y a aussi quelques endroits où l'auteur s'est trompé, quoique les erreurs de cet ordre ne sont pas sérieuses.

Si vous désiriez en publier une nouvelle édition je mettrais mes notes à votre disposition (j'ai noté toutes les fautes d'impression dans les expressions mathématiques) moyennant $25 00/100, ou j'entreprendrais la révision des épreuves moyennant $75 00/100. Cette révision est très difficile à cause de la grande quantité de signes caractéristique dans les formules mathématiques.

Bien à vous

Nath.l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Mar. 24th 1897

Mr. John Hurley, Solvay, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Mar. 22nd is here. I will get the mortgage extended for five years from Jan. 1st. 1897 at least. I have written details to Stilwell. You are perfectly right to want all details settled in advance.

I will also agree to have the cistern repairs promptly attended to. I presume that moving the wall two feet will make it big enough. I will try to stake out your lot the next time I am in Syracuse. It is 70 ft wide on the rear end (making about 70 ft + 4 inches on the front) by over 100 ft deep. It will probably be best not to attempt to put into the deed any of the cistern matters etc. They will be sufficiently shown by this letter and others. Yours faithfully N. T. Barron.

Please see Stilwell at once.

Pawtucket, R. I., Mar. 24th. 1897.

Dear Harry:

Yours of 22nd was very welcome. I congratulate you on your success. I hope this finally means money before many days. Will it be illegitimate to hope for it by April 10th? I suppose that the suits of various claimants vs. the Carter as Assignee will now be wiped out, at least those that capacity. Probably, at any rate, we shall not have to defend such suits any more.

Don't forget the $100.00 from Carter's fees.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Barron

Mr. John Rechsinger Pleasedale, Mar. 26th '77.
Solway.

My dear John:

For a long time now I have no news of you & should be glad to hear again.

You can get to work on the ~~cell~~ cistern of J & C with John Knotz just as soon as John can arrange to work with the mason. I have agreed with him to make a hole in the cellar wall for him to put in a cellar-way and to move the cistern wall a foot or two so as to increase the size of the cistern (He says that it is only 6 x 4½ x 4 and we will make it a third larger i.e. 6 x 6 x 4) and to make the cistern tight. He is to give his time as a mason's helper. I think that the stone from the breach in the cellar wall ought to suffice for enlarging the cistern. If the cistern can be made still larger without getting more stone I will not grudge a little more sand and lime.

Have you done anything with Hosemann about the land? Let me know at once how this matter stands as it is time to be arranging for manure & seed if he does not want it.

Jay Ransom writes promising to pay the taxes and rent since Jan. 1st, so that there is no action to be taken there for the time being except to ask for the rent.

Have you made no deposit this month? You had quite a balance on Mar. 1st, & I have not heard of anything deposited since.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Peacedale, Mar. 26th

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Mr. D. Jay Ransom
Solway, N.Y.

My dear Jay:

Your note reached me some time ago, but I have been very busy since. I was sorry to hear of your misfortunes. The arrangement you proposed will do for the present. I tried to see you at your house but missed you. I will hope for better luck the next time I go to Syracuse.

Yours faithfully
Natt'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 27th 1897.

Mr. Geo. Debow, Grocer
Solway, N.Y.

My dear George:

For the time being I do not want to disturb Ransom. I think that perhaps you would do well to do nothing yourself. I have a very reasonable note from him, and perhaps I can arrange the present matter for you without a suit. I will try when I next come to Syracuse.

Yours faithfully
Natt'l T. Bacon

Newport, R.I. Mar. 25th 1897.

Dear Cousin Hettie:

For some time back I have been considering straightening out some of my tangled claims and among others the following claim has suggested itself to me. I am sending this to Mr Bird for him to do and so it will only reach you with his approval.

In a year and a half my note to you for the Jabez Bacon Lewis falls due. I am now gradually reducing my 6% indebtedness and by that time I have reason to hope that all my debts will be drawing a lower rate, so that, if I should not want to renew it at any such rate, and a renewal would probably result in a loss of income from it. If it would be agreeable to you my wife will join me in an annuity bond for your life and for Cousin Mary's after you, by which we will give you $700 a year in semi-annual instalments in the first of June and 1st of December of each year. This is an income on which the interest amounts to, which will begin at once, and on consulting some insurance men, I find that it is considerably more than any insurance company would give for the amount of the interest. My wife's joining in the bond will make the security nearly equal to that of the insurance co. so that I think you may consider the proposition favorably.

If you do please notify me or Sidney, whom I shall ask to draw the papers in any case.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l J. T. Bacon

Peace Dale R.I. Mar 29th 77.

Dear Sid:

Enclosed you will find a letter to Cousin Hattie which explains itself. The proposition strikes me as a good one all around. The note is for $1100 00 at 6%.

I submit the whole thing to you however. If you do not approve just suppress it.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Messrs. Biddle & Ward, Philadelphia

Peace Dale, R.I. Mar. 29th. 1877.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Closson has enclosed me yours of Mar. 26th enclosing a memorandum of a deposit to be made with the clerk of the Supreme Court.

Will it do to let this matter wait for two or three weeks? I am hoping to have some money coming in at that time, which would enable me to meet it without borrowing. I will not risk much, however, if you think delay unsafe. I will raise it at once in some way. I should be glad to know how many cases there are ahead of No 324, and whether it is likely to be reached in May.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Mar 30th 7.

Mr. John Cushingham,
Scituate.

My dear John:

Yours of Sunday is at hand. I think you had better get two barrels of that oil if you can store it. If not perhaps the man you buy of will keep one for you till you need it.

I will try to see Jatons the next time I go to Syracuse if he can vent in the mean time.

Have you taken your deed yet, and has Stilwell given Hunter and Edw. J. Martin their deed yet?

Yours faithfully
Natha T. Bacon

Pawtucket, Mar. 31st 1897.

Mr. P. J. Schuyler
Fairmount, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Schuyler:

Enclosed please find my check for ($50.00/100) fifty dollars, bring the interest to Apr 1st on my mortgage according to the new rate.

Yours faithfully
Natha T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. March 31st 7.

The First Nat. Bank.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:
Enclosed you will find my book, which please write up.
Is it possible that you have two certificates of stock in the New England Live Stock Co. of Colorado, which belong to me? I miss two, one for 13 and one for 1 shares of stock, and I have an idea that I once deposited them with you for collateral.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon.

Pawtucket, R.I. Apr. 2nd 7

Mr. N. T. Bacon
Mathes Building
Denver, Colo.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed you will find the missing certificate.
Yours truly
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Apr. 3rd. 1897.

Mr. H. B. Closson, 111 Broadway, N.Y.

Dear Harry:

Please do not fail to let me know at once whether Harris seems a stay. If possible I want to use the money for the U. S. Supr. Court Costs. I can arrange without outside borrowing if this is to be depended on for April.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

It occurs to me as a possibility that it may pay to insist on the lapse of time between Cowles' talk with the Interstate people and that the clause allowing rights was put in at their instance.

Apr. 5th

Dear Sir:

Your note reached me the other day. You did just as I would ask to do in postponing the note to Brown Water, as you had it coming to you.

Gain me all possible warning in the Miller case. I do not want to stand to Barnes about it till it comes time to ask him to go to N.Y. to meet you.

I expect now that my Decision will be finally reached by the U.S. Supreme Court in about a month.

We had Rem & Lila here 3 days last week & sent them off feeling better.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

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Apr. 6th 7

The Clerk of the Supreme Court of the U.S.
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to your demand on my counsel for payment in advance of the estimated fees and printing expenses in my case versus the Steamer Pocowatt et al., No 374 on the calendar I enclose a New York draft to your order for Seven hundred and sixty (760) dollars.

Please acknowledge receipt. I would also be glad to know how far on the calendar the court now is and to know as closely as you can estimate when the case is likely to be reached.

Yours faithfully
Nath[s] T. Bacon

Apr. 6th 7

Dear Uncle Theodore:

At last it really seems likely that the Pocowatt suit will be reached in three or four weeks. I am just forwarding a check to Washington to cover the demands of the Clerk of the U.S. Supreme Court.

I hope it will not come inconveniently to you.

I have been rereading your arguments & think of nothing more a suggest unless perhaps that Bowles swore that he had authority to sign contracts only as approved by the Co's counsel, who drew them (Sugard) and the who has sworn that he never had any idea of title being otherwise than in the C.E. Co.

Also it might be well to bring out that the contract was only signed 3 weeks after Bowles' talk with the Interstate people & after much attention.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Apr. 7th

Messrs. Cowie & Bayliss
37 Snow Building, Syracuse.

Gentlemen:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. We will accept $13 000.00 minus 2% commission for a prompt sale, but we may advance from this shortly. There is a small bank mortgage on the place ($3000.00) but it is otherwise free of encumbrance. We should be willing to allow $10 000.00 to stand on mortgage.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Of course so large a mortgage would only be allowed to a responsible party.

Biddle and Wood

Nov. 8th 7

505 Chestnut St. Philadelphia

Gentlemen:

Mr. Closson has forwarded me yours of Nov 6th to him, with an old saying "I should like the argument." Cases argued at the very end of a session do not always receive the favorable consideration they otherwise might. &c.

I do not feel quite sure that this is not a little to kick on very on the floor, or I should yield to his opinion; but there is another side to the question, which seems to me to have been overlooked, & which I would call your attention to, as it is at the moment of course.

As I understand, matters, if Bill McKenny's bond is to be good to settle out the of $33 000.00 the costs of the Prosecution and his earnings and his costs of protecting have already accumulated to over $3000.00, I believe, including the $760.00 paid to the Clerk of the U. S. Supreme Court day before yesterday. I believe the Interstate Co. to be under no obligation, but that McKenny's liability is limited to the $33 000.00. If the I. S. Co. loses, I feel sure such claims against them will not be worth ten cents on the dollar; & they would thus involve me in a loss of 1/2 to 1 per cent, as I assume that it will already require more than $33 000.00 to cover the prime of the Prosecution and costs, without allowing anything for his earnings.

It looks a little to me as if the Interstate Co. was trying to stave off the evil day with something of this kind in view.

If my understanding of Mr. McKenny's bond is correct, in that it does not extend me or $36 000.00 plus profits of the bet and costs, but only for a maximum of $33 000.00, I am inclined to oppose anything unless the Interstate Co. will give a special understanding that I should not be the loser by it in case decision is in my favor. I should not care like to stipulate without time for reflection, which from of course I would be willing to accept, or the i. I might not be

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Apr. 8th 7

Mr. H. B. Closson
111 Broadway, New York.

Dear Harry:

This morning I have yours on Bills of Apr. 6th to you.

I enclose you a copy of my answer. I do not want to go against advice, but it looks to me as if my main contention had been overlooked. I shall be very glad if my assumption about the bond is unfounded. The bond itself I have never seen. It is possible, therefore, that it is in double the amount named.

Please let me know at once whether Harris files security for costs & interest on his appeal and improve the opportunity to instil any other bumps of advice which you consider to the point.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Apr. 8th 7.

Theodore Bacon, Esq.
Rochester.

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Enclosed you will find copies of a letter of Biddle & Wheeler to Harry Closson, and my answer to Bills. which show a new development.

I have never seen the bond in question and it may be in double the amount named.

I will let you hear as soon as they answer and will then ask you to advise what you think best in the matter.

I enclose a small check on account

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Enclosing $50.00

Apr. 10th 7.

Messrs. Biddle & Hurd.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Your letter is here & one from my Uncle just too late for a telegram to reach you.

I will agree to the stipulation for delay at once.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I have tried a telegram but fear it will be too late;

Theodore Bacon Esq.
Rochester

Apr. 10th 7

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Yours of yesterday is here. I will certainly agree to the stipulation.

The check I enclosed was more particularly meant for new expenses to be incurred, but perhaps it is as well to apply it on the old note.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Apr. 14th. 7.

Mr. H. B. Closson
111 Broadway, New York.

Dear Harry:

Did Harris file his bond last week and if not, when is it safe to hope for money?

The stipulation concerning the date of the Pocono hat trial has been made.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

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Apr. 13th
Dr.
24.00

The Sidney Process Co. to N. T. Bacon
Mar. 2d. Expense to Syracuse & return
Chemical books, Neumann Thermometer
Ostwald Electrolysis
Nernst Theoretical Chemistry
Little handy gage do Thermometer

21.12
45.72.

Pear. Dale, R.I. Nov. 16th 7.

Mr. John Lischinger
Solway, N.Y.

My dear John

Yours of 13th came yesterday. I promised John Kurtz papers for 3 rooms. Have he and you obtained your deeds yet & I hear nothing from Stowell.

If Jatons rents the place he must pay the rent and I want you to push Jay Ransom pretty too.

Olgiati owes me arrears of interest. If he will do the work on account of arrears you can set him at the assessment for D & rebuild it.

Those curtains from Yale's can be put into houses to make them a little more attractive, unless some one wants them. I will let them go for 25 cents each. They ordinarily cost 35 I believe.

Don't spend more money than is required, as I need about all I can get.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Apr. 19th 7

Mr. H. B. Closson
111 Broadway, N.Y.

Dear Harry:

Please excuse my seeming impatience. Your letter of Apr. 9th said that Harris' motion for a stay in the Carter accounting was denied unless he furnished a bond within five days, & you added that it would be impossible to tell whether he would be able to do it before the week was up, so that I expected to know by the 13th. Please let me know by Thursday if possible as I have a big payment coming which I must prepare for on that day.

The only other important question pending is whether you can take up the fishing project which did not come to trial last year.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Hurrah for Grover

Apr. 21st 7.

Dear Harry:

The last mail of to-day is in & as yet I have no word about Harris' bond. If you wrote to-night well & good, but if not please telegraph me to-morrow morning in case you get any definite news. The demands of the U.S. Supr. Court Clerk have driven me into a pretty tight corner. If I could be fairly sure of payment by Carter by May 10th I could shove things off till then, I think, but I shall be obliged to borrow under difficult circumstances unless I hear from you favorably. I cannot stave things off without making arrangements in advance.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Apr. 22nd 7.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of Apr. 20th reached me last night too late to be answered. I am sorry that there has been so much delay about these deeds, especially about Martin's. We came to an agreement about these things in your office and I gave you a memorandum of them at the time.

Martin is to give his bond for a second mortgage of $450.00 with interest from March 1st. payable in semi annual instalments of $50.00 each, payable Sept. 1st. & Mar. 1st. of each year. I should have written to you about this day previously, but I heard from Luchsinger that you had already passed the papers.

The Martin papers should be for Lot 4 Block C and not Lot 4 Block D. Would you consider it worth while to insert in the deed that he cedes all his right to Lot 4 D as a part of the consideration? He has no deed of it, & it may be just as well for him to surrender his contract.

I see that the C in my letter to you about Kenty is badly blurred in copying which accounts for the discrepancy.

As to Luchsinger's papers, I think you have made a mistake in the amount of the 2nd. mortgage. I can find no copy of a memorandum about this, but my memory is distinct that it should have been $550.00 & not $510.00. If the memorandum does not agree with this please ask Luchsinger. The contracts as they stand would make it about $620.00, but I made him a reduction.

Please get Rarick to move in some way.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

If you can find 5% money I might take up the loan sooner next, but I don't care to borrow at 6%.

Apr. 22nd 7.

Dear Harry:

Your telegram arrived yesterday saying that Harris had filed bond of Lawyers Surety Co. I suppose that his appeal is to the General Term and must run ahead of an appeal in the various cases against the Assignee, so that there is a fair chance of trying him then before the other cases are really decided.

In the mean time is it practicable to ask for a partial division and a reduction of the charges for a bond etc. so as to prevent the remainder from being entirely dissipated? $200 on a year for bonds eats into it rapidly.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Apr. 23rd 7.

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I am glad to hear that Hallmann has appeared, but he is so averse to doing anything definite that I fear you will not accomplish much with him.

I am not expecting to be in New York for some time, but the unexpected may happen, and if there is any sufficient reason I could arrange to go on, but I am trying to avoid all unnecessary expense just now.

I hope you can bring S. & Co. to time!

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

How does W. & K. 2. progress?

PEACE DALE, R.I. April 26th, 1897.

The COMMISSIONER of PATENTS,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

Letter 57,388 received. Mr.N.T.Bacon is ill today, and he has requested me to reply, thanking you for your favor, and asking you to forward to him a printed copy of the U.S. patent bearing number 454,136 issued June 16th, 1891 to Adolph Kayser, Buffalo, N.Y., for the manufacture of Caustic Alkali. I enclose five cents in stamps. Address, N.T.Bacon, Peace Dale, R.I.

Yours truly,

John B. Peck.

PEACE DALE, R.I. April 27th, 1897.

Mr. JOHN LUCHSINGER,

Solvay, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

Dear Sir;

Mr. Bacon has been ill, and is not yet able to attend to the matters you spoke of in your recent letter. You will probably hear from him before very long.

Yours very truly,

John B. Peck

PEACE DALE, R.I. April 27th, 1897

MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE Co., New York.

Gentlemen,

Enclosed you will find a check for sixty dollars for the interest on a mortgage according to the enclosed notification. I am not yet allowed to leave the house, after a rather severe attack of illness, and in consequence I will ask you to allow me to postpone the payment of the five hundred dollars on the Principal, which you asked for. I should be glad to postpone it for six months; if this is not possible, two months delay would be a considerable accommodation.

From something that I heard when last in Syracuse, I judge that you have been informed that the property is being allowed to deteriorate. I think that this however is not the case.

I have sold the place on the installment plan (title still remaining in my name) to a former tenant of mine, whom I know as a very careful and honest fellow, and as having a little other property of unencumbered real estate. His name is Ransom Rice, and he lives on the premises. He is a Railroad Conductor. He has never made a day's delay, in any of his payments to me, (these now extend over nearly a year) and, I presume, he keeps the place in better shape inside than it was in, when I bought it from you; but he is probably trying to save himself some outlay by postponing outside painting. I think that Mr. King probably did not examine the place in detail.

Yours faithfully,

V. T. Bacon

PEACE DALE, R.I. April 27th, 1897.

Mr. SELDEN BACON,

32 Liberty St., New York.

Dear Sed.

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Thank you for the detail. I never knew that we had any R.I. ancestors before.

Would it be worth while to ask the Court to enjoin Swift + Bell from acting in this case, on the ground of our having been obliged to dismiss them summarily for embezzlement. If they are in a position to make trouble on account of their knowledge of our case, this might possibly be worth while; but otherwise, I dont know but what I would be amply satisfied to have them the attorneys for our opponents.

Is there any pressing haste for payment of expenses in this case? Ben has written to me, asking if I could make some. I am flat on my back just now, after a sharpish attack of something like Grip, without the break-bone attachment. But I hope to be in full fighting trim next week.

Yours faithfully,

N.T.Bacon.
by John B. Peck

(Written at dictation of Mr. Bacon,
J.B.P.)

PEACE DALE, R.I. April 27th, 1897.

Messrs. BOWEN + PERRY, Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find the following six Insurance Policies you asked for: No.s 375,938, 10,743, 79,543, 62,063, 46,704, 11,420, amounting to $29,750.00 insurance, of which one Policy, No. 375,938 of the Hanover Fire Ins. Co. of New York, expired Jan. 28th, and the remainder expire in October of this year except one, which expires in July, 1898.

Please return this as soon as convenient, and oblige

Yours truly,

N.T.Bacon.
by J. B. Peck

Owing to the illness of Mr.Bacon, I have written this at his request.
J. B. P.

PEACE DALE R.I. April 28th, 1897.

Mr. J. D. RANSOM,

Solvay, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

Dear Sir;

Your letter received. Mr. Bacon was out today, for the first time after a serious illness, and is not yet able to attend to business; so that the matter will have to wait a little while. I have written this reply at request of Mr. N.T.Bacon.

Yours truly,
John B. Peck

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Apr 30th 7.

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I should be glad to renew my note which falls due May 4th.

I am only just able to be about after a rather severe illness or I should not have put off consideration of this so long.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

The missing stock certificates have been found.

May 3rd 7

The Mut. Life Ins. Co. of N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Yours of Apr. 30th is at hand. I hope to be in Syracuse in a few days & will see Mr. King then.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Loan No 20 871.

May 3rd 7

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed you will find my note for $3000.00 at four months and a check for $60.00 to take up my note falling due.

Yours faithfully
N. P. Bacon

May 5th, 7

Mr. Seldon Bacon,

32 Liberty St. N.Y.

Dear Sed;

Yours of yesterday is at hand. George N.Kennedy (the Syracuse Directory shows no Geo. M.Kennedy) is an old man, an ex-judge of the Supreme Court, a man of means, very irascible, and a hard fighter. He is now at the head of the law firm of Kennedy, Tracey, Mills + Ayling. I know nothing of J.C.Fowler, except that the Directory gives him as a Lawyer. There is no C.F.Rice in the Directory, but Edward F.Rice was one of the plaintiffs in the Cole's Engineering suits. He is an ex-dry-goods merchant, a man of wealth , and very timorous. He especially fears getting snarled up in any legal proceedings, and required an indemnity bond before he would consent even to allow his name to be used in the Cole's Engineering Co. matters.

I am still unable to take up my regular work, and have delayed answering your last on this account. That table should be worth $50.00, but it might be well to compromise the matter for $30.00. Use your discretion.

Yours faithfully,

Nath S. J. Bacon

May 10th 7

Kiffer Bros:
55 N. Salina St. Syracuse.

Gentlemen:

This morning I have a demand from you for payment of an account which you say you opened with me a year ago.

It is now more than double that time that I have not been in Syracuse for more than a day or two and I have certainly opened up no new accounts in that time.

So far as I know neither I nor any member of my family was ever had any dealings with you. Possibly Mr. E. C. Stearns who bought our James St. place may have ordered something which was charged to me by mistake, but I have no idea otherwise as to how any thing of this kind can have occurred.

Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Bacon

May 13th 7

Mr. W. S. Allis
91 Main St. Norwich, Conn.

Dear Sir:

My brother forwards me yours of 8th. When will trial take place and what do you want? Prove by witnesses? Please let me know at once as I must see the Richmonds immediately about it.

There seems to have been some serious misunderstanding somewhere as the instructions sent out were not to bring suit if attendance of witnesses would be necessary. It would be better to settle.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

May 18th 7.

Dear Ned,

Please let me know at once what chance there is of the Miller suit coming to trial.

I am in a perfect maze of uncertainties, but prospects improve a little.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

I will attend to the Richmond matter as soon as I know when trial would be.

Have written Allis to find out. He seems to have made a terrible botch. I understood that ~~trial~~ suit was not to be brought if it were to be necessary to produce witnesses from here, but only in case the Prior's admittances of taking the table would suffice.

I meant to have said in my last that E. F. Rice was a man of fairly large means, though ultra cautious.

May 18th 7.

Chambers, Caldes & Co.
Providence.

Gentlemen:

We have been obliged to melt up candles for the paraffine ordered on account of the delay.

The rest of the order can wait indefinitely.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon.

May 12th 7

The Mut. Life Ins. Co. of N.Y.
Loan No 20 871

Gentlemen:

I find myself still unable to get to Syracuse, so rather than make any more delay I send a check for the $500, as you asked to have paid on the principal of my loan and 85 cents for interest on this amount from May 1st to May 15th

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

May 14th 7.

Mr. John Kuchsinger
Solvay, N.Y.

My dear John:

I am beginning to get my strength back and hope to be in Syracuse in a week or so.

These questions you ask can be attended to so much better on the spot that I will put off writing on them, but I should be glad to get your report at once.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

May 30th 7

Dear Irving:

Enclosed you will find the list of errors I have found in Clerget and a copy of my letter to Prof. Becker.

I finished my revision on the train from N.Y. to Newark. In doing so I was pleased to find a large quotation marked against the very passage Pierce comments on; but this not called your attention to it, as it was not an error in mathematical process, but rather in fundamental assumption.

I found it impossible to get a satisfactory copy without leaving the steel to send for at least half an hour; and as it would have required at least a dozen such operations, there was not time; so I have requested Prof. Becker to send you the manuscript and I will use the original. I think I have corrected all the errors found so that it will not be difficult & will have certain advantages.

The paginations in brackets on my list of errors refer to the manuscript; the other to the original.

Please tell Maggie that I delivered the rings this morning. I did not get home till pretty late last night owing to a hot hop at Mrs Loudon's.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

May, 20th

Prof. W. J. Young
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Sir:

With this I am sending you the manuscript of my translation of Cournot. There is in the last chapter a quotation from Adam Smith, about which I should be glad of your advice, as I am not very familiar with his writings. I have left a passing translation from the French, while on a separate page I have put in the passage which seems to be the one quoted. The difference is too striking for me to venture to put in Smith's language as I find it, so long as there is a possibility that Smith may have written the same example elsewhere and in somewhat different terms.

I enclose a copy of a list of serious discrepancies which I am sending to Prof. G. Fisher. Most of these have been already checked by him, and the question of minor changes of the text is still under discussion between us. The last chapter and part of the one previous have been shown very defective by Vilfredo Pareto.

Most of the errors found are either misprints or due to carelessness in summing up and do not run through and most of such I have simply corrected without comment. As is the case with the unless a slight misprint in the [illegible] in the [illegible]

I am obliged to sail for Europe on June 24th. I should be glad to have as much of the proof as possible in print, the anticipated being more to read it on the steamer is not [illegible]

Please send one proof to Prof. Fisher, & the manuscript with it. I will compare mine with the original, on which I have [illegible] the proofs. Hoping you will find the manuscript acceptable, [illegible]

The exposition is based on my note refers to the [illegible] Please see if you possibly can.

Pardon quotes in Italics [illegible]

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Smith's [illegible]

Errata in Somerset.

Art. 251 (p. 84) $\phi\,\delta\phi$ $(F'(p)+F''(p))<\infty>0$, should be $(F'(p)+pF''(p))<\infty>0$.

Art. 54 (p. 88) 70 1/45 should be 1/105 0 (in A.T.) et seq.

Art. 55 (p. 90) 77 $p'-p=\dfrac{i\,F'(p_1)}{F'(p')[2-\psi'(p_1)]-F'(p_1)\cdot F''(p')}$ (in A.T.) should be $\dfrac{i\,[F'(p_1)]^2}{[F'(p_1)]^2[2-\psi'(p_1)]-F'(p_1)\cdot F''(p')}$

Art. 56 (p. 90) 77 i.e. in the same case when inportion of tax on a commodity should be — — — [illegible]

Art. 56 (p. 90) $p'F'(p)+\frac{1}{2}i\left[F'(p')+p'F''(p')\right]=0$, (in A.T.) while $p'F'(p)+\frac{1}{2}i'\,\mu_1\left[\quad\right]=0$ (in A.T.)

Art. 46 (p. 56) $F'+\left\{p-\frac{1}{2}\mu\right)+\left[\frac{F'(p)}{F''(p)}\right]\right\}F''(p)=0$ (in A.T.) should be $F'(p)+\left\{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2\mu}\phi\left[\frac{F'(p)}{F''(p)}\right]\right\}F''(p)=0$, (in A.T.)

Art. 47 (p. 57) 77 $\psi(x)$ is an intermediate quantity between the greatest and the smallest of the terms $\psi_1(x)$, $\psi_2(x)$ ... $\psi_{n-1}(x)$, $\psi_n(x)$. $\psi'(x)$ [illegible]

Art. 52 (p. 61) 5/02 the loss due will surely be in exactly from the tax should be the loss will be [illegible] the [illegible]

Art. 57 (p. 117) $\pi p+\frac{1}{2}F'(p)=0$ should be $F(p)+\frac{1}{2}pF'(p)=0$

Art. 64 (p. 103) It would be found in the same way that the prices of the component articles should (rise should be fall

Art. 70 (p. 141) 2nd S+u will be a positive or a negative quantity according as etc. wrong, see note. S+u must be positive from this same deductions can therefore be made relative to $\dfrac{\Omega_1'(p)-F_1'(p)}{\Omega_2'(p)-F_2'(p)}$

Art. 71 (p. 142) 2d. This only applies at all to articles for which ϕD is increasing function

Some of Chapter XI + much of Chapter XIII is erroneous, in particular see Art. 91. p. 187 (in A.T.) see Art. by Vilfredo Pareto.

N.B. as At. 70 p. 141 (2nd) of Cournot

$p = \phi' D$ is an increasing function of D, by hypothesis

$D = D_A + D_B = \Pi(p) + \Pi_B(p)(1+t)$

Π being positive ($p \Pi p$ can have only one value)

therefore any change in t (whatever the duty or bounty could be only, as the other acts by duty, a most positive t) will only affect D_A as it acts through effect on D_B.

As $p = \phi' D$ therefore at A can only fall if production at A falls (other conditions than the tariff remaining the same + A being the exporting market), and unless exportation as affected the prices at A will remain unchanged. Mon cannot be shipped to B then before the tariff, as this would raise the cost at A even without a tariff since $p_1 = \phi' D_2 = \phi' D_2 + \phi' D_1$ and $\phi' D$ increases with D. The price at B by no hypothesis could only fall if D_1 increases and if D_1 decreases, the only other alternative, the price at B must rise. (Q. E. D.)

Mr. Wm. Nottingham

Goodelle & Nottingham, Syracuse, N. Y.

June 4th 7

My dear Mr. Nottingham:

My counsel, Mr. H. B. Closson of Parsons, Shepard & Ogden, No 111 Broadway, New York, notifies me that the case of Courtney vs. 8th Ward Bank is likely to come up in a short time and that you may possibly like either to be present or to be represented at that time before the Court of Appeals.

This case was grew out of the attachments levied by you on the money in the 8th Ward Bank for the First Nat. Bank of Syr., for J. A. Bradburn, for E. P. Rice and for R. Hazard. It was decided in the first instance that all the attachments were invalid, as the endorsements on them were improperly made. The General Term reversed this ruling, however, with reference to the Rice attachment, which was not quite so defective as the others, and this question is now to be decided shortly.

If you will communicate with Mr Closson he will doubtless furnish you with any information on this point which you may desire.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

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$D = D_0 + D_1 = F(p) + F_1(p + t)$

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June 4th 7.

My dear Prof Ashley:

Both your letter & your card reached me on my return from a trip to New York.

Thank you for your congratulations. I hardly expected to make a great speculation out of Cournot when I undertook it, but owing to the errors found in the mathematics, it was necessary to recalculate everything, and as Cournot makes great jumps without a hint as to his intermediate processes, this was sometimes very difficult, and I found myself engaged in a far more serious undertaking than I expected. I will send the proofs to Prof. Fisher as you suggest.

May I ask how many copies of the book I can consider myself entitled to besides the cash payment? Perhaps, I think that I might arrange for selling quite a large number of them if the publishers care to make it worth while. Thanks for the information on the card.

Yours faithfully Nath'l T. Bacon

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June 7th 7.

Dear Prof.:

Enclosed you will find my expense account for trips to Syracuse and to New York. Will you please stir up Fox about the pay checks also? We have not had ours for long yet, and I have to keep Peck above water pro tem.

Will you inquire whether there are any points which anyone wants investigated in Europe? I spoke to Cooper & Beanwell about this, but I did not see Smith at all on my last trip, and possibly Trumps might also want something. I now expect (subject to revision) to see the works at Northwich, Middlewich, Sandbach, Middlesborough (Beels), Oxelosund, Kellner at Rumcorn, Silvertown, Crickle, Dowlais, Girand & possibly Sorgals, Wyhlen, Struve & Mars Ilwar, omitting Sarralbe & Bromberg.

Yours faithfully, Nath. T. Bacon

June 7th 7.

The Solvay Process Co. to N. T. Bacon Dr.

May 23rd-28th. Expenses to Syracuse & back	$19.50
June 1st-4th Expenses to New York & Back	$11.75
	$31.25

I enclose a bid on such small thermometers as we use in the lab. at Syracuse. Possibly it may be lower than we are paying. Please have half a dozen or so of these small thermometers sent to the Dr. Dale Lab. They are pretty high at retail N. T. B.

Mr. John Ruckringer June 8th 7.
Solway

My dear John:

On the 24th of June I am obliged to go to Europe again for about three months. Of course I have to make my arrangements for money in advance, so I should be glad to have you sent me an estimate ~~for ea~~ of how much money you expect to be able to deposit for me for each of the months of June, July, August and September.

Please send me this at once and the report for ~~Apr~~ May also.

Has Olgeati paid his interest yet? Also has Ransom begun to pay.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

June 8th 7.

Mr. Wm. Nottingham
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir.

Your note is just at hand. Mr. Closson is of course competent to handle this case, but he thought that, as your work was directly called in question in it, you might be interested in following it. It appears from the testimony (which I have not been over personally) that you instructed the sheriff's officer, & that following your instructions, he made and imperfect levy. this is, I believe, the case in which you were unwilling to testify.

I do not care to have ~~to be~~ any other counsel in this case than Mr. Closson but thought you might like to know of it.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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June 10th 7.

Mrs. John S. Kenyon
601 Warren St. Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Madame:

The price on our lot is thirteen thousand ($13 000.00) dollars. The dimensions are 76 feet front by 264 ft deep.

If you come to me direct we shall be willing to allow from this price the two per cent which would normally go to an agent, if we can come to terms at once. My wife and I sail for Europe two weeks from to-day and it would need to be settled before that, to enable us to avoid these expenses.

There is now but a small bank mortgage on the property, but we would be willing to allow a responsible buyer to leave $10 000.00 at 5% on the property.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mr. Geo. Weber June 10th 7
Solvay, N.Y.

Dear George:

When I was in Syracuse last I was so driven that I could not finish my program and I was obliged to go off with my father-in-law on short notice, as he was unwell & unable to travel alone.

I think Ransom will pay up that note and I think that on the whole it is best for me not to see.

I ought to have written to you before about this, but I am to sail for Europe again in two weeks, and am too busy to think almost.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

June 21st 7.

Mr. E. E. Stevens
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 14th just missed me at Detroit & has only reached me to-day.

We have been considerably annoyed by the failure of interest on your mortgage to arrive on time. The interest on amounts overdue now amounts to about $20.00 by our calculations. If you are willing to pay this up and to promise that we shall have no more trouble of the sort, we are willing to give a release of not exceeding 40 ft. front on Robinson St. and 120 ft. deep more or less for $1010.00 with interest on this amount since Feb. 1st, thus leaving a net $38 000.00 to stand. We shall also require payment of the expenses of the acknowledgments etc.

We sail for Europe on Thursday, so that it will be necessary to answer by telegraph if you care to accept the offer.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

June 21st. 7

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Your note is just at hand after missing me at Detroit.

I am afraid it will be very difficult to do more than the interest. I am on the point of going to Europe on another business trip. (Leave day after to-morrow)

If you are in a very tight place and positively need something and will write to me c/o North German Lloyds, Steamer Bremen, I will see what can be done in my absence. It may be easier going after the year is out, but so far there has been nothing but delay and no let up.

I am arranging to have the interest reach you promptly.

I shall be home in Sept. or Oct.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

The R. G. Hook. Trust Co.

June 21st 7.

Gentlemen:

On looking over my accounts more in detail, I find that $5000.00 will be sufficient for my needs, and accordingly I would like to reduce my application for a loan to that amount unless you have already acted on it, before this reaches you.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

June 21st 7

Mr. Henry Lutzig, Solvay, N.Y.

My dear Henry:

When I got back from Syracuse after seeing you I first forgot to look up your contract & the amounts paid thereon, and did not remember it again till a few days ago. As I leave for Europe in about 36 hours it is impossible for me to take it up now, but if you will remind me when I get home, I will do it at once then. I expect to be back in September.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

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June 22nd

The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.

Gentlemen:

There is a discrepancy in our accounts. My check book showed a small balance after sending you the check for $300 ⁰⁰. Possibly I have entered a ~~x~~ Syracuse deposit to my credit with you.

Will you kindly send a statement ~~of~~ of the debits & credits since Oct 1st. to me to the Cambridge Hotel, 5th Ave & 33rd St. New York? I enclose a check which will more than make good the difference in any case.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

June 23rd

Anthony Hamilton Cashier
Commercial Bank
Syracuse

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $132.⁰⁰ in payment of interest due Mrs. Laura Gaddis Smith. I have given a deed to L. J. Martin for the N½ of Lot 12 Block J. and he will pay you the interest on the mortgage for that.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Please send the receipt to O. C. Goodwin, Peace Dale.

June 23rd 7.

Dear Ben

Enclosed you will find a check for $20 00. It would hardly be good till July 10th, so please hold it till then.

I have to write so goodbye

Letters from Holdrege
C/o Solomon & Co
Brussels
Belgium

N. T. Bacon

June 23rd 7.

Miss Woodruff
243 Clinton St. Brooklyn

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Enclosed you will find the interest check for $175 00 which I send a few days in advance, as I sail to-morrow.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please send the receipt to Mr O.C. Goodhart Peacedale, R.I.

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June 23rd 7

Mr. A. H. Green
Clinton Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Green:

Enclosed you will find a check for $102.75 which will, I believe, cover the interest due you July 1st for the Park Fund of the Ep. Church.

I have sold Lot 10 Block G. to Wm. G. Martin, as you know.

I sail for Europe to-morrow, so please send the receipt to Mr. O. C. Goodwin, Place Dale, R.I. and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

June 23rd 7

Onondaga Co. Savings Bank
Syracuse.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my ~~corp~~ check for $75.00 in payment of interest due you on my wife's mortgage for July 1st, and I in advance as I sail for Europe to-morrow. Please send the receipt to Mr. O. C. Goodwin, Place Dale.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

June 23rd 7.

The Syracuse Savings Bank

Gentlemen:

Inclosed you will find my check for interest due July 10th. I send it in advance owing to my departure for Europe to morrow.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I have given a deed to John Kuckeisinger for lot 6 ~~[illegible]~~ H. & will pay you the interest for that accordingly. Inclosing $25.00

Please send receipts to O. C. Goodwin Peacedale, R. I.

June 23rd 7

Mr John Kuckeisinger

Solway:

My dear John:

Please send me at once C/o Solway & Cie, 25 Rue du Prince Albert, Brussells, Belgium, a statement of all the bills you now have and what more you expect and also how much you expect to ~~receive~~ collect in July, August, and September:

Your letter of June 15th. only gives the amount of Gale's bill.

I will allow Ranson paper for five rooms if he puts it on.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I must have something deposited by July 5th., if it is not more than $20.00.

June 23rd 7

My dear Judge Andrews:

Inclosed you will find a check for $18.00 for the interest on one of the mortgages you hold. I have sold the other house (Lot 9 Block C) to John Kurtz who will pay you the interest.

I send a check in advance as my wife & I sail for Europe to-morrow.

Please send a receipt to Mr. O. C. Goodwin Peace Dale, R. I. & oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l B. Bacon

Mr. G. H. Stilwell June 23rd 7.
~~Peace Dale~~ Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr Stilwell

Enclosed you will find a check for the Powell mortgage which please forward after endorsement to Powell. I send it to you as I do not feel sure of his initials though I believe his name is Louis.

Possibly John Kurtz (Chelsea mortgagee) E. J. Martin (Laura G. Smith mortgagee) W. G. Martin (Par. Hunt of Ch. Ch. mortgagee) and John Kuessinger (Syr. Sav. Bank mortgagee) may not understand I am paying the interest. I am sending checks direct for all other July 1st interest.

Please punch up Hafey, Parrish etc.

Yours truly
N. T. Bacon

European address C/o Solomy & Cie Brussels

Dacid-6, R.I.
Sept. 27th 7.

Mr. S. T. Butts
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On my return from Europe late last night I found your letter of Sept. 17th.

I do not care to take property in exchange unless it is made an object. There is too much loss in paying commissions, but I would not absolutely refuse to do so in advance.

As to the price for our lot, I have been away for a long time and have somewhat lost track there for the time being. What price would you advise setting? This matter has necessarily waited so long that probably an immediate answer is not of so necessary, but what it can wait for, I ~~a~~ information. you and in a great hurry advise me by telegraph here.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I.
Sept. 27th 7.

Mr. S. T. Batts
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On my return from Europe late last night I found your letter of Sept. 17th.

I do not care to take property in exchange unless it is made an object. There is too much loss in paying commissions, but I would not absolutely refuse to do so in advance.

As to the price for our lot, I have been away for a long time and have somewhat lost track there for the time being. What price would you advise setting? This matter has necessarily waited so long that probably an immediate answer is not so necessary, but what it can wait for, a return mail. You and in a great hurry advise me by telegraph here.

Yours faithfully
N. S. Bacon

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June 23rd 7

Mr. Louis Powell
Syracuse
N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $1500.00 covering interest on the mortgage assigned to you.

I am leaving for Europe so please send the receipt to Wm. O. Goodwin, Place Vale, R. I.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon.

Sept. 27th 7

Mr. S. T. Betts
The Bastable, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

This morning I answered yours in great haste from memory so as to catch the morning mail & I forgot to say that there is still a savings bank mortgage for $3000.00. We have paid off the rest.

Cash is no particular object in the sale. We should be perfectly willing to let $8000.00 or $10000.00 stand on the property if desired.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Mr. Herman Oelrichs, Agent Sept. 29th 7

North German Lloyd Co., New York.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a bill for which I am advised to send to you for expenses incurred at Bremen during the five days from Sept. 14th. to Sept. 19th. that we were kept waiting there for the Kaiser Wilhelm. We were told at the Lloyd office that compensation would be paid, but when applied for it was only offered for one day & this was not satisfactory. We occupied state room No 188 at a cost of $70. which seems to me sufficient to warrant asking for considerably more, for this includes nothing for the very considerable amount of cabling necessary in consequence of the delay, nor for loss of time, tho' I had left important business half finished in England to go to Southern Germany for to pick up my wife who was ill there, & our trunks were packed, and our rooms given up when your telegram reached us announcing the postponement. It would have been more dangerous for my wife to take the Rhenish journey four or five days later than then, so no alternative was left but to go to Bremen and stay till the steamer sailed, which we did.

Our passage was taken by Mr. R. Hazard through Kelly, Wallis & Co, London.

Please attend to this matter at your earliest convenience and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. H. Bacon

Enclosing bill for $37 20/100.

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Sept. 30th 7.

Mr. P. J. Schuyler
Paramount, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Schuyler.

Enclosed you will find my check for $25 75/100, which with the enclosed order on Mr. Martin, and the $6 25/100 for the land you use, makes up the fifty dollars due you for interest to morrow.

I hope the diphtheria epidemic has not reached in your direction.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Place Park, Sept. 30th 1897.

Mr. Martin please pay to P. J. Schuyler Eighteen ($18.00) dollars due me for rent and oblige

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Sept. 30, 1897

Messrs. Dickerson & Brown,

Postal Telegraph Bldg., N. Y.

Mr. Brown,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a rough translation which I have just dictated, of the application handed in to the German Patent office for my Caustic Soda Process. You see it differs out of whole cloth from the one filed in Washington. This was designed especially for the German Office, and has been very carefully worked over in company with Professor O. N. Witt, Rector of the Polytechnic School at Berlin, so as to cover the essential points without attempting any broad claims. Our patent Office practice differs so much from that in Germany, that of course this is only of use for reference, but it will give you the ideas on the subject of what is necessary, of one of the first experts in Germany.

I have not yet received the copies of the English patents referred to in the Patent Commissioner's notification. Please send copies of both. We only have Parnell's American Pat. & Blake.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l S. T. Bacon

Translation of Application to the German Patent Office for a Patent on the Production of Caustic Alkalies.

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As is well known, the principal process for making Caustic Alkalies hitherto has been by the transformation of hot solutions of the carbonates of the alkalies either by milk of lime or by solid lime. As is well known, it is impracticable to work with a higher concentration of soda or potash solutions than 25° Beaumé, as in more concentrated form an inverse reaction takes place, and the Caustic Alkali if formed at all, goes back into the form of carbonate. It is customary in practice to work with carbonate solutions of 20° Beaumé as a maximum, into which lime is introduced in solid form. I have discovered that the reason for this is, that calcium hydrate completely loses its slight solubility in hot concentrated solutions containing caustic alkali, and therefore is unable to causticize further. The technical difficulties which arise from these conditions are very important. As it is necessary to work with very dilute solutions, a large quantity of fuel is necessary for concentration, which greatly increases the expense of the production of Caustic Alkalies in solid form. A further objection lies in that the caustic lime, which is only very slowly dissolved, during caustification, finally becomes so encysted with insoluble calcium carbonate that it can no longer have any effect. For this reason a material excess of lime is always necessary. On account of the cheapness of lime this matter would not be of very great importance, except for the fact that at the same time the amount of alkali is increased which remains in the insoluble mass after separation of the lye by filtration and washing. A third disadvantage is that unless caustification is made at a far higher degree of dilution, it is impossible to obtain even an approximately complete caustification. Finally, it is only possible to utilize the filter

deposit by reburning, in case of exceptionally pure lime, for otherwise the impurities in the lime and soda accumulate so as to make it unusable and the soda is lost, which remaining in the portion of lime ~~which~~ must be replaced from time to time.

The above mentioned difficulties conditions do not appear when using the higher alkaline earths, particularly strontium and barium hydrate. The second of these has already been used for caustification of small quantities of perfectly pure Caustic Alkalies for laboratory purposes, but in this case the method employed ~~is~~ was exactly the same as described above with lime. On the other hand, the particular advantage offered by the use of these two hydrates just mentioned, has never been utilized, which consists in making the caustification in very concentrated solutions of the alkaline earths. For work on a commercial scale, only strontium hydrate is available, for from this the carbonate so formed can be retransformed into oxide in the same manner as lime, by heating in a kiln, while barium carbonate requires for this purpose a temperature which is not obtainable. As strontium hydrate is easily soluble in water, and as its solubility increases with extreme rapidity with increasing temperature,

(100 parts of water dissolve of $SrH_2O_2 + 8H_2O$

At 10^0 C.	1.25
25^0 C.	2.18
40 C	3.95
55^0 C.	6.97
70^0 C.	12.56
85^0 C.	30.03
100^0 C.	91.25)

while lime has at the freezing point a solubility of about 0.17, which decreases to half this amount at the boiling point) it is possible to work with strontium hydrate in exactly the opposite manner from that hitherto used, that is, by introducing solid alkaline carbonate into a hot concentrated solution of strontium hydrate, whereby the encysting of undecomposed hydrate by carbonates as formed, is entirely avoided. On account of the ready solubility

of all the ingredients, the transformation is an almost instantaneous one. The precipitate of strontium carbonate is separated from the lye by filtration, and regenerated by heating in a kiln. Any undecomposed portions of carbonate in the regenerated strontia, as well as any accumulation of impurities, remain insoluble, and can readily be filtered out from the solution before this is used over. By working under pressure at temperatures above 100°, it is possible to obtain extremely concentrated lyes, and these can be still further strengthened by using the lye instead of pure water for solution of the strontia. The highly concentrated solutions of potassium and sodium hydrate so obtainable, require far less expenditure of fuel for drying than hitherto necessary, and the solid alkaline hydrates obtained are consequently much cheaper in cost then when procured by the old process. It is possible to work with exactly theoretical quantities of the ingredients, which makes it unnecessary to give the numerical proportions, and all manner of losses by occlusion of alkali in the earthy carbonate formed, are excluded, since whatever alkali is carried down with the carbonate, is recovered in the working over of the strontium carbonate. It is also possible to obtain by this method any proportion of caustification desired, up to 100%.

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Claims.

1. The production of potassium and sodium hydrates by the transformation of postassium and sodium carbonates by means of strontium hydrate in solutions of which the concentration is higher than that practicable by the former process of caustification with lime, namely 20° Beaume.

2. The operation of the process as described, at temperatures above 100°, under pressure and in closed vessels.

3. In the process described, the employment of already formed lyes as solvents for strontium hydrate, for obtaining specially high concentrations.

4. As a method for carrying out the process described in Claim 1, the introduction of solid alkaline carbonate into the solution of the alkaline earth hydrates, whereby the occlusion of hydrate of the alkaline earth by carbonate is avoided, which was inevitable in former processes.

G. H. Stilwell Oct. 4th ?
Syracuse.

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Yours of Oct. 1st. enclosing deed for Long is at hand. I will attend to it at once. Probably you have the money. The mortgage was shifted from the bank to the Pres. Synod of the U.P. Church (Mr Stilwell was off for a while) was absent in 1894-1895. It is of course possible that he has it.

That makes a very cheap place for Long but I am glad to be rid of it.

Please drop a line to E. J. Patten saying that you understand that the executor calls on him to pay the insurance, & only allow me to pay it & charge it to him in case he fails, but that if he forfeits this arrangement I shall not object.

Did the Storms Est. assume that mortg.? If so I do not want to, but if not I shall have to accept the deed, I suppose, otherwise.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

I enclose the tax bill for Long, he should have

Mr. John Kuessinger Oct. 4th 7
Solvay.

My dear John:

Your letter reached me Saturday night too late for an answer. I am very sorry to hear you have had so much trouble.

I am very glad that you had funds enough to fall back on. The best I can do is to allow you to keep the $40.00 without interest until you get on your feet again. Do not worry about payments on your mortgage either.

I shall be glad of the interest when you can meet it, but Mr. Stilwell has sold the Peach St. house during my absence & gets enough cash to make up for some arrears on the rent.

Please look over the house on Lot 10 Block D at once & report to me its condition at immediately. I may have to take it back or fit up with a tenant. If it is in good condition I can probably make it pay. Is there a tenant in it?

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

How is John Kurtz's child?

The Solway Process to N.Y.B. Dr.

June 26th	Rail Expences to Steamer	7.70
July 4th	" " on "	5.00
" 8th	" to Northwich	19.25
" 14th	" at "	16.75
" 14	" to Brussels	24.50
" 17th	" at "	5.90
" 19th	" to Nauheim	23.40
" 20th	" " Hallein	17.50
" 23rd	" Hallein to Steamer	19.25
" 25th	" " House & Rail & Steamer	21.70
" 30th	" Expences Bamberg	47.10
Aug 2nd	" at Bamberg	7.25
" 3rd	" to Bad Nauheim	12.75
" 4th	" at " "	3.25
" 4th	" to Wyhlen	13.50
" 7th	" at "	7.25
"	" to Interlaken	6.75
" 9th	" " Grenoble	21.20
" 10th	" " Dombasle	19.90
" 13th	" " Paris	11.70
" 15th	" at "	11.20
" 17th	" to Brussels	21.
" 18th	" " Berlin	22.35
" 19th	Fees for Garment & Cloth	32.50
" 20th	Berlin Expense	7.50
" 24th	Expense to Rudolstadt	23.25
" 25th	" " Mühlhausen	25.30
" 30th	" " Ruinen & Northeim	19.00
Sept 7th	" to Hotter & Sander	27.75
" 9th	" to Nauheim via Rudolstadt	19.35
	Forward	583.90

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	Amount Forward	583.90
Sept 13th	Expences at Nauheim	19.25
" 14th	" to Ronneburg	11.25
" 19th	" at "	23.12
Sept 27th	" on Steamer	8.50
" 27th	" to Rudolstadt	8.40
		£ 653.42

N.Y.B. to S.P.C. Dr.

Missions Times & 162 Lydiaspt

July 5th	Draft	15 £
" 14th	"	5
" 16th	"	10
" 19th	"	20
" 21st	"	7
July 25th	"	25
Aug 11th	"	5
" 14th	"	25
" 17th	"	15
Sept 1st	"	30
" 11th	"	5
		162 £

Aug 23rd from R.H. 11 £ 25 3d = £ 78.32
" " " 9 193 fr. = 77.20

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Dear Fred:

Enclosed you will find my expense account, leaving me considerably in the C.'s debt.

Besides the amounts here given R.H. paid both my fares across the ocean & should get credit for $115.75 going and $175.00 coming back, for which he may neglect to charge.

I enclose also my letter of credit.

I was pretty tired when I reached home, but I am beginning to feel less so. I shall have a few more notes on England for you in a day or two. I have just received a note from Havlock at Middlewich, which will enable me to fill some vacancies in the table of pressures & temperatures, & I also ran across a copy of the semi annual report of the Northwich C.S. works which I had forgotten I had.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Oct., 16, 1897.

Messrs. Gill, Stillwells & White,

#2 Clinton Block,

Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:-

This morning I find a letter from my uncle Mr. Eugene Smith of #33 Pine St., New York, asking me to recommend to him a young lawyer of energy in Syracuse. I have sent him Mr. White's name, thinking that he might be glad to accept work at such rates as only a young lawyer would charge, as the connection is one which might prove valuable, but it must be understood that what is asked for is a man who will make only moderate charges.

I enclose the tax bill for the Peach Street house which I omitted to send in my former letter. Please let me know whether you have found the search for this property. Indeed any will helpful.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Green

Peace Dale, R.I., Oct., 16, 1897.

Mr. Eugene Smith,

#33 Pine St.,

New York, N.Y.

Dear Uncle Eugene:-

I was in New York when your letter arrived and only reached home last night, so that I only found your letter this morning. I have telegraphed you this morning recommending Eugene White, the junior member of the firm of Gill, Stillwells & White. White is young, energetic and thoroughly trustworthy, and I have written to them stating that I have recommended him with the understanding that the charges shall only be such as a young lawyer would make. The firm is not a very old one, and the men in it are all of them thoroughly honest. I have always found their charges moderate.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Bacon

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MacMillan + Co
66 5th Ave New York.

Gentlemen:

Please send copies of my translation of Comte at my expense to

A. W. Bangye
Co Brunner, Mond + Co Limi.
Northwich, Cheshire, England.

to Prof Willard Gibbs
New Haven, Conn.

to Theodore Bacon Esq.
Rochester, N.Y.

to Arnold B. Chace
Valley Falls, R.I.

to Walter Learned
New London Conn.

to Dr. Charles Kellner
Hallein, Austria.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. J. Bacon

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The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.
Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my check for $1000.00 to cover my notes falling due Oct. 25th and likewise a note for discount, or $4.00 for four months.

Your vouchers reached me Oct. 1st. & your accounts agrees with mine.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Oct. 22nd 7.

Everett N. Blake
Potter Building, Park Row, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Proprietors of the Salzburg Fremden Zeitung, a paper printed for practically gratuitous distribution in the summer & winter resorts of Europe, & having an English supplement, desire to introduce ~~them~~ into this country, at least as far as the English supplement is concerned. The proprietors will be glad to obtain advertising and to distribute a number of papers regularly in American resorts & in clubs. I enclose a copy of the paper for you to see. At the suggestion of my brother Selden Bacon, of Sussitt, Bacon & McCurrid I turn the matter over to you, & suggest that you correspond directly with the editor.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

PEACE DALE, R.I. Oct. 22nd, 1897.

Mr. Seldon Bacon,

Sackett, Bacon + McQuaid,
Tribune Building, New York.

Dear Sed,

My programme has been turned wrong side up today, and I am obliged to leave Sunday night to take Mr. Hazard to California. Helen and the children go too, and we shall close the house for the winter. I shall be Monday in Syracuse, and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in Detroit. Address Solvay Process Co. in both places; later, Mission Hill, Santa Barbara, Cal.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

PEACE DALE, R.I. Oct. 22nd, 1897.

Mr. H.B.CLOSSON,

111 Broadway, New York.

Dear Harry,

I am unexpectedly obliged to leave here Sunday night, to take Mr. Hazard to California. I spend Monday in Syracuse. If you can send me any word there with reference to Carter's accounting, and when any money is likely to be available, you will oblige.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Address to Solvay Process Co.
Thursday in Detroit, address Solvay Process Co.
after that address Mission Hill, Santa Barbara.

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The Mechanics National Bank.
Providence.

Gentlemen:

As I am obliged to leave here Sunday morning to accompany Mr. R. Hazard to California, I ask you some time in advance concerning the renewal of my note for $11000.00 falling due Nov. 16th. I shall be glad to pay $500.00 on the principal at that time if you can renew the remainder I am hoping also to receive a payment by that time which will enable me to reduce it another $500.00. If you can arrange to allow me to pay either $500.00 or $1000.00, as this prospers I shall be much obliged.

I shall be at Detroit till Thursday morning Oct. 27th., address Pa Sibley Process Co. After that address Mission Hill Santa Barbara Cal.

Yours faithfully
Wath. T. Bacon

PEACE DALE, R.I. Dec. 15th, 1887.

Capt. JOHN ADAMS,

P.O. Box, 172. Glasgow, Barren Co. Ky.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of Dec. 10th, is at hand. If I remember aright, I received a sample of very weak Brine, containing considerable impurity, from your place a year and a half ago. If there is anyone in your country who cares to invest money in the business, and is willing to pay for professional services, I could probably work out a plan by which the impurities could be obviated, and Salt be made at a profit in your neighborhood; but more chemical skill is necessary than with better brines, in order to be able to compete. Nothing however but a very cheap fuel in your neighborhood, would make this possible.

Yours faithfully,

N.T.Bacon.

by J. B. Peck.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec., 17, 1897.

Prof. WILLARD GIBBS,

Yale University,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:-

A few weeks ago I called your attention to an error in the calculation of the velocity of the molecular motion of a gas as obtained from the pressure, according to Naumann's Thermochemie (Braunschweig, 1882). Naumann in this, has followed Clerk Maxwell. As I have not Clerk Maxwell's book at hand, I give a translation from page 37 of Naumann. "The pressure of gases can be represented as the " "effect of the sum of all the impacts which the molecules of gas give" "in consequence of their progressive motion. If a gas is kept long" "enough in a vessel, it exists in what is ordinarily known as a state" "of rest, although the molecules are flying about in all possible" "directions. As many molecules, therefore, pass through an imagin-" "ary plane surface in the direction toward the space A. as in the" "same time in the opposite direction toward the space B. Let there" "be in the unit of volume N. molecules, each of mass M. and velocity" "V, of which velocity u is the component in the direction perpen-" "dicular to the plane and v and w in the two other directions parallel" "to the plane. The number of molecules which pass in the unit of" "time from A. to B. through the unit of surface, is Nu. The vis viva," "the momentum of each of these molecules reckoned in the direction " "A,B is Mu. Therefore the amount of motion imparted to the space B " "in a unit of time is Nu x Mu=MNu^2. As this bombardment of the space" "B produces no motion in the gas, there must be exercised a pressure " "p on the gas by the walls of the vessel, which for every unit of " "surface is p = MNu^2."

The point which I criticised was the statement that "the number of molecules which pass in a unit of time through the unit of surface from A to B is Nu". As half of these molecules in the unit of space are moving in the opposite direction, my argument was that this expression should have been $\frac{N}{2}u$. You pointed out that

while this was the case, the resulting calculations were nevertheless correct, because as the molecules of gas rebound from the limiting plane with a velocity equal to the velocity of incidence, the momentum thus furnished by the elasticity of the molecules and of the limiting plane was just equivalent to that of as many more molecules passing through an imaginary plane so that the expression $P = MNu^2$ remains correct. This necessarily involves the assumption of perfect elasticity for both gas and limiting surface.

This is very satisfactory for a hypothetical case. If, however, we pass on to the new hypothesis of a complete lack of elasticity of the containing vessel, we shall find a very interesting development; the resilience of both molecules and limiting surface suffice to restore to the molecule its initial velocity. If the second of these disappears it is plain that by each incidence on the limiting surface itself, the molecule loses half of its velocity in the direction of the component u; the result of this would necessarily be a gradual accumulation of molecules of the gas close to the surface of the containing vessel, which would form an elastic buffer, which, when equilibrium was established, would give a mantle of comparatively very dense gas covering the entire inelastic surface, with a reduction of pressure throughout the rest of the enclosed space, and a generation of heat corresponding to the momentum lost by the molecules of gas in the mantle.

We have learned to doubt the perfect elasticity, at least of every solid. In case of a solid with a low degree of elasticity and in a porous condition permeable to gas and in which nevertheless the individual pores are of infinitesimal size so that the surface surrounding is very great compared with the volume of the pores, it is plain that the loss of momentum would be very great so that the condensation in these pores, when exposed to a continuous supply of gas maintaining the original pressure, might go on even to the point of the conversion of the gas into liquid form. This seems to be very closely in accord with observed phenomena in the case of platinum sponge. It would be natural to expect the lighter gases to enter more readily into such pores and so lose there the larger proportion

of their momentum; it seems not improbable that the molecules of lighter gases would cover a smaller surface than those of heavier gases, and therefore a greater number of molecules would be necessary to form the protecting mantle. This again accords well with the very high degree of condensation observed for hydrogen in platinum sponge.

I should be greatly obliged if you would inform me whether such views have ever been proposed, and if not, how far they meet with your approval.

It seems to me a possibility that this may lend some clue to the size of the molecule, and possibly even to the size of what we now call atoms, and to the atomic forces.

In considering the impact of a perfectly elastic molecule against an inelastic surface, I have assumed that the inelastic body is capable of permanent deformation by the shock, somewhat as is the case when a steel bullet is fired into a mass of lead where work is done by permanent deformation. I assume that the momentum is equally divided between this deformation and the change of form within elastic limits of the molecule itself. Of course in this calculation I make no allowance for any further loss of resilience due to work done in a direction at right angles to the component u, owing to the possible change in shape of the molecule, caused by the impact. The hypothesis of a surface which is absolutely resistant without any deformation, temporary or permanent, is of course equivalent to the supposition of perfect elasticity, as in this case the entire amount of momentum would be taken up in distortion of the molecule, which again in returning to its normal shape would recover all its original velocity.

Yours truly
Alex. S. T. Bacon

[illegible] ...ly into such pores and to lose there the larger proportion

Dec. 10th 7

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of Dec. 6th - to Sta. Barbara is just here. I shall be very glad to make the arrangement with Patton which he asks for, except that there is already a mortgage for $800 00/100 at 5% on the entire premises, I believe.

To refund this would cost more than the arrangement would be worth, and if he takes it he will get a saving of $8 00 per year on interest, for he could not expect to get that rate on $700 00/100 on the single lot.

I will see about the loan Acc. later

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

In drawing papers please see to it that Patton includes in 2nd mortgage the insurance, which he did not pay & thrown on me a few months ago, and previous payments for same of $8 10/100 July 20th 1891 and $8 00/100 July 5th 1892.

I inclose Rec'd st. Tax Bill.

Dec. 20th 7.

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Perhaps you are waiting to see the Sup. Court Opinion in full before writing me, but I have been hoping for a line from you as to whether there is any hope for me by an application for a rearrangement before the full bench.

Fanny seemed so confident that this was even a probability that I have allowed myself to go on hoping even yet. If there is no chance, I should like to put the disturbing element out of my thoughts, but it is hard to let go before the last ditch, especially when we have come so near success. I would be very much obliged if you would send me a line to say whether you think the thing ought to be dropped.

I shall try to send you a little money again by Mar. 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Jan. 11th

My dear Cousin Charlotte:

A few days ago on my return here I found your letter. The U.S. Supreme Court finally stood 4 to 4 on my case so that the adverse decision of the lower court stands. It was near enough to success for me to feel that I was justified in my contention, but it does not help the financial end. My wife's income dropped off some 33% by a failure to pay interest of a Cuban railroad bonds she held. This was the immediate cause of my writing to you.

I am very glad that you can dispense with the $200 for the time being. Since I wrote my father has lost his childrens, and the great attendant expenses have called for all I could spare.

You will remember that no bond was given with the mortgage especially so that I should be able to retire at any time. If you are not willing to allow such an arrangement as I suggested I may have to drop the matter entirely, for the unlooked for duration and expense of the case just decided have been a very severe drain.

However there is nothing due as you say till next July in any case, but last year was almost a crippling one for me and I will hope for better things, but I cannot go on much longer under the strain of last year.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Jan. 17th

Messrs. Goodelle & Nottingham
Syracuse, N.Y. Nottingham Building.

Gentlemen:

This morning I have received the adverse opinion of the N.Y. Court of Appeals in the case of Courtney vs. the 8th Ward ~~Bank~~ Bank. This decision confirms the referee's finding (of which I wrote you June 4th '97.) that the attachments made in Aug. '93 for the First Nat. Bank, Bradley & Rice were all fatally defective as made out by the deputy sheriff at Mr. Nottingham's direction. There is a possibility of another fight on the question, as I am told by my counsel (Mr. H. B. Closson, of Parsons, Shepard & Ogden), but nothing can be done without some very positive testimony, which Mr. Nottingham was unwilling to give two or three years ago, when the case first came up for trial.

As I bought all these judgments the loss would fall on me. It is one which I am sorry to say I cannot afford to bear, so I am requesting Mr. Closson to advise you ~~can about it~~ wish to do about it, before taking any further steps, though I very much regret being forced to trouble you again about the matter.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l J. Bacon

500 O. 8-2-10-06.

Letter Please Not confirming the long telegram to you this day.

THE SOLVAY PROCESS CO.

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Would it not be best for you to take up the affair with Mr N. directly? I certainly do not want to deal with them verbally in this manner. I will do exactly as you say however.

I gather from your letter that you think the court leans to a clear case of malpractice.

Is there any danger of their attempting to overthrow the judgments in favor of Rice etc. in case we attack them? Apparently Millin's lawyers mean to take that task and will it be in any way dangerous for that?

How soon is it necessary to decide these things? Unless delay is dangerous I should be glad to be well away from here before stirring them up. I see no prospect of finishing here under a month and am likely to go west then without returning to N.Y. unless it is important to be there.

Yours faithfully N. T. Brewer

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Pawtucket, R.I.
Jan. 17th

Mr. H. B. Closson

Dear Henry,

Enclosed you will find a letter to Goodell & Nottingham for inclosure to them if you think well of it, and also the copy of the unanimous decision of the court. So far as I can see it makes a pretty clear case to go on. I inclose also a copy of my previous letter to them.

I expect to go to Lyon tomorrow where please address C/O S. P. C., but probably it will be best to deal with them in writing. If you don't like my letter do what you think best.

Yours faithfully
H. T. Bacon

Syracuse, N.Y. Jan. 24th. 1878.

Dear Sed:

Yours of 21st. reached me here this morning. I found those letters in Gill's book & sent you the copies, as I thought you would like to see the whole. Gill told me that he had already sent the copy of the one you asked for.

I will enclose the paper attested by Leonard in a day or two when I can get the Clerk's certificate. I have the attestation already. Mr. Hazard's judgment came after the other three but it was thought well to transfer it to me also for its possible bearing on the real estate. I will see Gill about his recollection of these matters. Mine is that the bank proposed to assign me its (satisfied) judgment as the others were assigned to me.

I am feeling much better than when in New York.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Syracuse, N.Y. Jan. 25th. 1898.

Dear Harry:

Letters to c/o the Solvay Process Co. arrive more promptly when sent to Syracuse than when addressed to Rochester as yours was. Your assumption is correct that Rice really lent me his name. Nottingham was hired by Gill to act as he did but his bill came to me & he knew all along that I was to pay for all the litigation, and was taking instructions from me.

The idea about an attack on the judgments is merely that Millen is making a semblance, at least, of an attack on the judgments to show that I never had any right to the personalty passed over to him. Nottingham might perhaps give testimony to show that Rice was merely a cloak for me in taking judgment, which I could not have taken. He had bought the notes for full value some time (a month or so) previous to the climax, & I supposed it was a perfectly unquestionable transaction, but I have held it limited since then that this would be sufficient to upset the whole matter, as the notes were endorsed by me & it was thus protecting a director. This issue was not raised on the trial, but is it possible for outsiders now to set aside the old judgments?

I am not seeing Nottingham here. If necessary I can come to N.Y. to see you. I am hoping for a ~~[illegible]~~ final settlement to-morrow. Let me know of it when it comes, please.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mr. H. B. Closson

Jan. 28th 8

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. At last we have actually wrote something. When the accounting takes place don't forget Carter's $100.00 which he is to pay from his receipts as assignee.

It is high time that you got something out of me for yourself. I am sorry to plead an impecunious client in the first.

It occurs to me that it might be well to have Gill do the talking to Nottingham in the first place, as it was Gill who hired him. If Gill puts it to Nottingham that Gill is being held responsible, as it was he who hired N. will it not save a good many possibly troublesome questions? N. would probably be responsible to him in any case & I think I can twist G. to doing it. I will wait till Monday before moving in the matter.

Alas for the Poconoket. The Supreme Court refuses a rehearing.

Yours faithfully

N. S. Batore

Mr. Selden Bacon Jan. 28th 8

Dear Sed:

Yours of 26th. is here via Pleasdale. Rice has not yet been looked up. Unless you are anxious for his acknowledgment I should prefer to leave him alone, as he is quite nervous + a very old man + is not yet out after a dangerous illness.

I expect to be here another week at least.

I am very sorry to hear that Sally has been so poorly.

The U.S. Sup. Court has refused me a rearguement.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Would you consider it dangerous in view of the Miller suit to demand damages from Nottingham who was the attorney whom Gill called in to help on the ~~[illegible]~~ attachment cases. He went with the sheriff to levy on the bank account and instructed him to ~~[illegible]~~ make his levy in a way that was void + has caused me finally to lose the whole deposit. The Court of Appeals has upset it. Hay thinks that there is no question but that it was malpractice.

Syracuse, New York. Feb. 30th. 1878

Dear Sir:

Your letter was delayed by the storm but came yesterday.

I have talked with Gilt and his impression is the same as mine was, namely that the transfer of the general property was only informal + that merely as a (judgment) lien given in lieu of power of attorney, so as to enable me to sue for interest without the use of the real estate, and that no bill of sale or bonds were ever given + that no formal Attorney was finally given. Gilt says that (Allen said no point about insufficient interest at the time. I rather believe that his attorney (Hobbs) tried to track me & bring out the bill of sale & put me to bills & answers & trouble & expense, but I argue his case, & the point is sound.

Always for the point in the State & Supreme Court

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Feb. 5th

Mr. B. Closson,
Dear Henry:

Inclosed you will find the papers signed. I can't say that at this late date there is any uncertainty about the 1st. Coupons of the Imperial Bonds. They were sold (the $500 Bds.) ex first coupon, & I suppose Cunningham got it. The amount is only $125.00 if paid, of course it will need to make a fuss for, but I should be very glad to make V. C. a little kind if it could be done without much effort.

I forgot this a while ago. Perhaps you will save that fact to your advantage.

Can you send me at once $200.00? I am pretty short. Please let me have some action about Ivanpah also. I want to get something like two (2) per cent.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Mar. 6th 5

My dear Mr. Goodwin:

Inclosed you will find a check to R.H.'s order for $246.30/100, which by my calculation leaves an overcharge of just $500.00/100 on my interest due Mar. 1st.

I leave for Santa Barbara tonight. Please forward my mail accordingly.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Mar. 6th 8.

Anthony Lamb, Cashier
Commercial Bank, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Word has just reached me that interest due Jan 1st. by E. J. Martin on a place which I sold him subject to a mortgage to Mrs. Smith still remains unpaid. I enclose a check for $17.87/100 which squares this total interest account I believe.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Mar. 6th 8

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Enclosed you will find a check for $610.50/100 which will enable you to take up the Powell mortgage. If he agrees to renew, please try the same on Mr. W. D. Denning, who with Mr. Andrews as Co trustee, holds ~~$~~ another of these. If Powell wants a ~~anything~~ credit paid on the principal I will furnish enough more for the Andrews mortgage. I would be glad to renew for a term of at least 5 years at 5%. If both should come down to 5% please hold ~~apply~~ any balance temporarily, unless you can do the same with 2 more of those Crossley mortgages which are held by the Par. Fund of the Ep. Church, A. H. Green trustee. Perhaps you would like well to take them before the Andrews mortgage even if Powell comes down. They are all overdue, & of course can be paid at any time.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mar. 6th 8415

Dear Sid:

Enclosed you will find a check for $50.00 on account. I know you have made some disbursements for me. If this more than covers them put down the balance for services on acc.

I find that old Mr. Barnes is pretty feeble. If you really want what testimony he can give he could come down probably, but would be glad to be spared the trip.

Please send them word just when you want them on hand, and let me know also whether it is worth while to furnish them 8 cents a mile a piece. If it is they owe me so much that I can get it back on account without much trouble I think.

I leave to-night, but am happy to say that the last news is that Mr. Hazard seems much better than at any time since July.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar. 6th 8

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Enclosed you will find a check for $150.00 on account. Will you please let me know how our account stands as you figure it?

I leave to-night for Santa Barbara, where I now expect to be for two or three months to come. I was sent for a month ago as Mr. Hazard was worse, but I am glad to say that the latest news is that he is better than for many months back. Nevertheless it is considered well for me to go on.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find two checks to be credited to my account, one on N.Y. for $509 7/100, and one on yourselves for $350 50/100.

I leave for California to night. Please send the acknowledgment to Santa Barbara. Please let me know also whether a check bearing No. 161 has been paid for me. The stub for this bears no entry on my book. Either a check has been lost from my book or I have drawn for a small amount and forgotten to make the entry. It must have been drawn out far from Feb. 1st. if at all. Please send me my balance, and a description of check No 161 if any such exists.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mar 6th 8

Messrs. Biddle & Ward
505 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find a check for $100 27/100 leaving $100 50/100 still due on your account against me. I shall hope to send you the remainder before very long.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Please send the receipt to Billiningsville, Santa Barbara, Cal. I am called out there by my father in law's illness.

Santa Barbara, le 21 Mars

Mon cher M. Jaubert,

Je viens de vous expédier ce matin par la poste deux livres d'une roche agglomérée de ce voisinage, qui doit contenir de l'or.

C'est un échantillon que j'ai pris moi-même, d'un filon bien situé pour travailler de sorte que des quantités d'or très petites pourraient avoir une importance considérable. Si vous y trouvez des résultats je chercherai encore un autre échantillon, pour déterminer si l'or s'y répand régulièrement.

Vos notes sur la chaux m'intéressent beaucoup. Je pense aujourd'hui à tamiser le lait pour n'envoyer à la chaudière que la crème, tandis qu'on bouillirait le résidu qui ne rendrait ensuite à la distillation.

Je serais bien aise aussi de savoir quel progrès vous faites avec le canon.

Bien à vous

Nath.l J. Bacon

Je m'attends à être de retour au mois de Mai.

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Mar. 21st 1898.

Dear Fred:

When in San Francisco I had a little talk with Kittle & Co. about natural Soda. I asked them to send samples direct to Syracuse & forgot to write to you about it at the time.

I presume that they will not yet have reached you, as K & Co. have not yet answered the questions of which I left a list as their soda man was out of town. If they come now you will know what they are.

Rockwell asked me to see about them & if there is too much work in the Syr. lab. Jenkins can analyze them perfectly well.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mar 21st 1898.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Stearns has written to my wife saying that he may want to pay off his mortgage. We don't care to have him as it is a 6% investment with fair security. I don't know whether the terms of the bond allow him to pay whenever he pleases and whether he is at liberty to march in to your office and by paying there stop the interest, but if not please do not accept payment from him.

Yours faithfully

Natt. T. Bacon

Santa Barbara, Cal. Mar. 25th 1898

The Mut. Life Ins. Co.

Gentlemen,

Your request for tax receipts for the property at No. 115 Robinson St. Syracuse on which you hold a mortgage has been forwarded to me here.

This property was sold by me a long time ago to Ransom Rice who occupies it. The deed still stands in my name, but he pays the insurance and taxes and doubtless has the receipts.

I am forwarding the notification to him & you will probably receive them before very long. I believe Rice myself has often spoken on business.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Santa Barbara, Cal., Mar. 25th 1898.

Mr. Ransom Rice, Robinson St. Syracuse.

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find a request from the Mut. Life Ins. Co., which holds a mortgage on your place, to see the tax receipts. Kindly forward them to them at your convenience & oblige

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mission Hill, South Boston, Mass. May 26th 1871

Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, Asst Sec'y.
Navy Department, Washington.

Dear Sir,

For some time I have been studying on a device for increasing the speed of vessels, which I have been meaning to patent. It is not yet quite in the shape in which I want to make an application, but is sufficiently worked out for me to be able to apply it perfectly in a very short time. Instead of patenting it at once I was proposing to sell it to the Government as a secret process, but with reservation of the right to patent it after that time, leaving the government a permanent license to use it on all vessels. If there is anything in it, it ought to be most valuable, as it will cost nothing when not in use, does not require an expensive plant and can be applied in a very short time.

It will probably cost no more to operate than the additional amount of coal requisite if the vessels could be provided with more powerful boilers & engines to produce the same additional speed, but even if it should cost a little more, this would be a trifle compared with the value of an extra knot or two in an emergency, and it would be available for all classes of vessels.

I propose to sell this ~~right~~ process to the Government for twenty five thousand ($25000.00) dollars for one knot and for each fifth knot in proportion, which it improves the speed of a cruiser per hour; the Government to bear the expense of the trial (which on the a trial should not cost $1000.00 & exhaust of the coal burned); the trial to be made under fair conditions either in San Francisco Bay or where the Government & as speedy as possible.

You may remember my meeting you at lunch at my brother's three years ago in New York. If not I refer you to Rear Adm. B. Champion of R.I. Please receive the enclosed & let me know whether you care to act on it or not.

Yours faithfully

Chas. T. Bacon

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Mar. 26th. 1898.

Mr. George Miller
Salem

My dear George:

Please let me know at once whether you are going to arrange to pay off your first mortgage to me on Apr. 1st. If so Mr. Stilwell will arrange all the papers, if you will show him this, and will prepare you the deed of No. 15 D as agreed, on your giving a mortgage for $120.00 payable at the rate of $10.00 per month commencing with same annual interest from Apr. 1st.

If your man doesn't come to the front with the money I could the alternate arrangement you stated & would reduce the rate of interest on your present mortgage to 6%, arranged on your purchase of the new lot, and from the same date. Mr. Stilwell will arrange all the papers either way but want to know as soon as possible what money I can depend on.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mar. 28th. 1898

My dear Mr. Schaefer:

Enclosed you will find my check for the interest due Apr. 1st.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Mar. 27th 1898.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Probably you will have received my note saying that I am here in time to have prevented you from paying off the Powell mortgage.

If so, you have not paid it please do not until further information comes. I may need the money.

Please find from the bank which mortgages ~~[illegible]~~ I cannot tell from the description you give whether it is Weber's store, or Ransom's house or Zimmermann's house + it makes a difference or Buchinger's house or Eaton's. If you will get for me the number's of the lots I can tell.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

shall have to pay on any of these but Weber's.

Mar. 30th. 1898.

Dear Harry:

Yours of Mar. 23rd. is here. I had the person to pay of mine of 8th Feb. 5th (asking for $100 to at once) before my eyes when I first wrote + have rejoiced it again. It was folded in with the acknowledgments releasing Carter. Is it possible that you passed it + all over to Carter without seeing it? It would be thoroughly characteristic if I were to buy it in that case in the hope of making trouble.

I was surprised at the time that you acknowledged neither documents nor letters, as you sent me others to take their place. I fancy I must have received them + the possibility that you passed everything over to Carter without looking for a letter seems to me the only probable explanation.

Stella has been very ill with nervous prostration, which probably explains Ed's negligence.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Santa Barbara, Cal. Mar. 30th 1878.

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Your letter of Mar. 7th reached me about two weeks ago. I have been casting around for means since then and or I should have answered before. I think I should be able to post some another payment which I was preparing for & so take the risk of sending a check for $242 29/100, to cover the note in full with interest to Mar. 7th & costs of collection.

As to the other change I hardly know what to do. Don't think you did not expect this other work at the time of your letter of Nov. (6th or 7th?) 1876, & it is certainly fair that you should be paid for it, but my prior debts exceed my assets somewhat, & these are at present so largely unproductive that I find very great difficulty in making any progress to windward out of my salary and at best I shall be forced to postpone payment almost indefinitely.

Yours faithfully
Nelson J. T. Bacon

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Santa Barbara, Cal. [illegible] 187[illegible]

My dear Mr [illegible]

Yours of [illegible] is at hand. I figured [illegible] contract with both [illegible] & his wife & made [illegible] as follows:

In 1868 they paid [illegible] instalments & [illegible] 37
In 1869 they paid [illegible] [illegible]
In 1870 [illegible] 2
In 1871 [illegible] 4
In 1872 [illegible]
In 1873 [illegible] 4
In 1874 [illegible] 5
In 1875 [illegible] 4
In 1876 [illegible] 10
In 1877 [illegible] 9
In 1878 [illegible] 2

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Total Instalments paid

[illegible] leaving 26 to make up [illegible] the [illegible] to a deed leaving [illegible] 26 instalments would take 2 years & 2 months to pay [illegible] should be [illegible] back. The total [illegible] should be deducted [illegible] leaving [illegible] [illegible] to reduce to [illegible]. If, as I suspect, [illegible] [illegible] on which the [illegible] is $100.00, [illegible] making $550 [illegible]

[illegible]

Apr. 7th., 1898.

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse.

Gentlemen:
On May 4th. I have a note for $2700.00 falling due at your bank. I should be glad to renew $2500.00/100 of this if agreeable to you.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

[illegible] Bldg. [illegible] [illegible] 8

Hon. Theodore Roosevelt
Asst. Secy of the Navy, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Of course in describing my plans in such a manner would make it possible to [illegible] it I do what is nothing much in obtaining patents but I think my ideas are worthy [illegible] of great value for [illegible] & I undertake the risk at this time, begging your honour to use confidence to the parties to whom it is made known, so that it shall go no further.

The main loss of energy in propelling a vessel is due to the friction in the water of the vessel['s] body & of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] mitigating this by lubrication. Soap is useless for this as [illegible] but there are certain oleo-salts which have an even greater lubricating effect on iron in water and at the same time a slight tendency to stick to the iron without completely washing off, which I think can be utilized in such a way as to admit of a little higher speed being obtained in [illegible] with a given outlay, and I think [illegible] that it would [illegible] by use of a [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible], that it is possible that to give a foot [illegible] [illegible] so much as this might start the plant as well, but even this would be worth while any effort in [illegible] [illegible].

By applying such a solution, through a perforated pipe [illegible] just before [illegible] contact, and [illegible], [illegible] of the bottom for a vessel with little dead rise, [illegible] that it may be possible to apply a saturated solution so that a [illegible] [illegible] that would distribute itself continuously over the skin of the [illegible] [illegible] much of the friction. Of course what it should [illegible] the bottom when going to the higher pressure [illegible] and where after there is the least tendency for the [illegible] to be washed away by the motion of the vessel ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] it would also be applied with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] proportion [illegible] the [illegible] bottom [illegible]

[illegible] I am [illegible] a [illegible] in [illegible] in [illegible] things in the fall instead.

Perhaps some more important, or capable of permanent application would be a similar lubrication of the surfaces of the screw. I think the great in no case need in the screw of the [illegible] & would keep you [illegible] or [illegible] but this I fear would require a separate consideration of [illegible] & should the result be favorable of the lubricant. I think that in this way there can be little doubt that effects could be obtained which would more than compensate for the cost of the lubricant, but it is hard to give figures for quantities short of actual experiment.

There are several different forms of alkaline products which have the effect, and especially the [illegible] which works in all respects [illegible] (perhaps [illegible] as well as other things), but I have [illegible] feel confident that there are important qualities [illegible] for [illegible] or some if not for steel [illegible].

I have not yet had the leisure to study these points for myself to [illegible] for [illegible] and a single [illegible] for [illegible] that there [illegible] for [illegible] in most countries (the [illegible] and law). I must beg you again to use all caution in speaking of them [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] that you [illegible].

Yours [illegible]

W. H. T. Brown

Santa Barbara, Cal. Apr. 5th 1878

My dear Mr. Schmidt,

Please interpret for me in the R. J. H. Tr. Co. the [illegible] of my check of the payment of the Savings Bank the amount paid [illegible] Where there is on Weld's [illegible] it is of course for him to pay & not for me. He has to pay [illegible] I find [illegible] to me on his 2d mortgage and on his note for the difference. There is he last pay of the amount the bank at once please get him to pay up at least the interest on it.

I cannot when this is accomplished.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. [illegible]

Philadelphia Oct. [illegible] 1[illegible]

Mr John Lechlinger

Sir

My dear friend

Yours of the 2[illegible] I received two days ago. I am sorry you gave Barrow such a much money. It seems he has gone to the bad & is trying to cheat me. Don't give him any more without direct authority from me.

Let me know how much money you need for the taverns, & the immediate wants of Jacob Lechlinger, Zimmerman & John Clay will agree to [illegible] I will step put in the money & then, during my absence, I forgot, but they must give written agreements. I will also put in money for Benjamin & Johnny, but they must pay the interest of course. I will also advance the money for Phillips, it is for Jacob Lechlinger in the meantime for the accounts, but I must know at once what these items will cost.

Yours faithfully

N. B. Boston

May 20th 99.

Watson Smith
24 Upper Park Road
Haverstock Hill, N.W. London.

Dear Sirs

Having my address in California my subscription to Journal of the Society I had was closed to Dec. now enclose a money order for £1 1s to cover the subscription for the four qrs. 99 to Jan 1st 1900.

Please forward the numbers for the first four months of this year at once & oblige

Yours faithfully
Wm. T. Brown

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Sir,

In my return from a long absence on the Pacific Coast I have just been acquainted with this notice, having to find it, and finding that the journal had been stopped in my absence, I attribute the neglect of my payment to the mistake which I have pointed out to you, as I finally found when that I was entitled to the journal gratuitously.

As the Times supply the instance in my power was accidental, the subscription for next year I am willing to pay, notwithstanding the mistake, with the usual discount, if you will please let me know at once, & oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Brown

June 1st

Waterson Smith Esq.
24 Upper Parliament Street
Liverpool

Sending Office

Dear Sir,

Under a misapprehension into which my subscription should have been paid I yesterday forwarded you two guineas for the sale of the Journal, to which I was first entitled gratuitously as a subscriber for that period. I should have sent the subscription to the Editor Daily Post, I ask you to forward the sale to him and oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Brown

Mr. John Cushing, June 3rd

My dear John:

Yours is just at hand. I enclose you two checks for $50 & $100 each.

Please make this go as far as possible as I am putting very poor.

Please know that report, & put on it the rate at which every house is rented.

You can notify Cook that his time is out on July 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

June 3rd

Mr. Geo. Wilbur, Grocer
Solway, N. Y.

My dear George:

It is a long time since you have paid me anything & I feel that I must ask you to make a payment speedily. If it is inconvenient to do so at once let me know, but I must have at least the interest by July 1st.

Let me hear from you speedily about this for I have a great many things to look out for.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. T. Bacon

June 9th

Mr. Geo. Weber
Sch'dy, N.Y.

Dear Sir:
Your note reached me last
night the trunk arrived
safely & we are very much
pleased with the book on R.R.
Mat. of Physics. This will be
more of a help than any
other book.

Yours truthfully
Nathl. T. Gaeen

June 9th

Dear Sir,
Enclosed please find an order for
$5.00/100 for which please send me
Clark's Progress in Chemistry .20
Constitution of Nature, Part I Table of Spec. Grav. .200
" " 1st Supplement .10
" " V. Atomic Weights .20
Dewar's Magnetic Properties of Liquid Oxygen .100
Mason's Deduction from Gaseous Theory of Solution .200
Papers on Physical Subjects .20
Ramsay's Liquids & Gases .200
5.00

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Gaeen

June 9th 8

The Director of the Geological Survey
Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find five dollars and a list of 250 maps, which please forward at your earliest convenience and oblige

Yours Faithfully
N. T. Bacon

I make the money $7.95 and ask further for

Monograph No XI. Geol. Hist of Lake Lahontan	1.75
Bulletin No 11 Mollusca of Great Basin	5
15 Mesozoic Lamellibranchs of Cal.	5
33 Geol. of Nor. Calif.	5
52 Industrial Resources.	10
54 Thermometric Temp. Determn.	10
68 Earthquake in Cal.	5
76 Dict. of Altitudes	25
79 Volcanic Eruption in Cal	10
92 Compressibility of Liquids	10
95 Earthquakes in Cal	5
109 Geological Resources in Wash	15
	2.80
125 Constitution of Silicates	15
	2.95

Geological Survey Maps wanted.

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Red Bluff
Carson Peak
Honey Lake
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Downieville
Sierraville
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Wadsworth
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Boise
Idaho Basin
Rocky Bar

250 Maps

Peace Dale, R. I. June 11th. 1878.

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Yours of June 9th. arrived last night. There is some mistake somewhere. Neither my wife nor I have heard of any proposal such as Andrews mentions.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. June 17th. 1878.

The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.

Gentlemen:

I should be glad to renew my note for thirteen thousand ($13000.00) dollars which falls due June 27th.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, June 17th 1898.

Dear Sid:

Your various notes have reached me from time to time. The last is particularly reassuring. Mathazard had a judgment against Cowles on a note which I had endorsed, but Cowles cleared that up by some time ago partly by stock in his new enterprise, which really seems to be valuable & may earn something. As Cowles has admitted that he was principal in this deal, I suppose he cannot ultimately escape responsibility to Millen & so secondarily to us. I am sorry you cannot get here for July 4th. We now expect Myra & Mabel & are inviting the younger girls also for that date. I hope to see you in Newport this as Daisy writes that you are to be there for Commencement. I shall be glad to know as soon as possible if there is anything to be obtained from Millen at once. I have a very hard corner coming about July 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I may be able to learn Cowles' address here later; but not today.

June 18th 8

Mr. John Luckinger,
Solvay, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

My dear John:
Your enclosing report reached me a few days ago. I hope to be in Syracuse before long. You will have to pay ~~Brown~~ the taxes on Barnes' place & on Brown's house, but not on ~~Barnes~~ Brown's store let without further notice.
Send me at once a note showing how much you have ~~got~~ collected this month, and what the exact amount due on taxes is & whatever else you need. If I must supply more money still I should know in advance exactly how much.
I am sorry to see you paying out so much to Brad Luckinger & getting none back.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

June 18th 8.

MacMillan & Co.
Fifth Avenue, New York.

Gentlemen:
Please send a copy of my translation of Cournot's "Mathematical Principles" to Mr. R.H. Merrill, C/o Los Angeles Soap Co., Los Angeles, Cal., enclosing my card which I enclose. Please charge to me & oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

June 10th

Dear Sed:

Yours of June 18th is here. I shall be very glad to hear the result of Millin's examination, & it is consoling to think that he continues to diminish his chances for vacating the judgment.

I am now expecting to be in Syracuse Thursday, Friday & Saturday. Would you be at home if I should drop in on Sunday? I am there going to Wtf. for Commencement & a little business, & I shall hope to see you there if not in Wtf.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

June 20th 8.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of Saturday is at hand. July 1st is not an interest day for Stearns. He has been paying (or after) Aug. 20th and Feb. 20th.

I had a talk with Charley Andrews this morning in which he suggested that we should agree to accept payment July 1st if Stearns pays the interest to Aug. 20th. This we are willing to do, but we are not willing to let Stearns to do just as he pleases without consulting us.

~~I fear~~ the search does not seem to be here. I should get it the other day, but found only the scarcity of the Lots. Let you is by Stearns. I do not think we have it.

I now expect to be in Syracuse on Tuesday morning & will try to see you at once; so that there will be no use answering prior to my departure.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

July 2nd 8.

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:
Enclosed you will find two checks to place to my account, for $800.00 and $165.00 respectively, which with both my present balance, a little more than cover my note falling due Tuesday.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 2nd. 1898.

Messrs. Biddle & Ward
505 Chestnut St. Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:
Enclosed you will find a check for $25.00 on account of your fee.
I shall not forget the rest, but have my hands pretty full temporarily.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. July 8th

Mr John Lindsinger
Solway, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of July 5th is at hand. The check I gave you was for $115 [illegible]. I think I gave you the bills of £1 on the list which I asked you to apply & send me, but if not make it $100 [illegible] more than D 137. Please send me the apply note.

I am glad to see Barnes has begun to pay. I hope that we shall lose less by dead beats in future.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

July 8th

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

July 1st is over and matters are no better with me than they were six months ago. I finally lost my main lawsuit by a tie vote in the U.S. Supreme Court, & won the rest in importance only to find that the defendant during the four years of litigation had either lost or got rid of all his property, so that I have not even recovered my expenses, and on top of this a very large proportion of my wife's property has become unproductive owing to the failure of the Wisconsin Central Improvement Bonds, which have now twice defaulted their interest.

Under these circumstances I cannot even pay the interest promptly, but shall hope to do so early in August if you will consent to another postponement of the principal. It will be impossible for me to attempt to pay that for a long time.

I am very sorry to be obliged to ask you to wait but under the circumstances I cannot help it. I have had a hard struggle to keep up in any way for the last eight months.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

July 12th

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Yours of July 9th only reached me yesterday. At first I supposed it was an answer to mine of July 8th that will have given you an idea of the case before this.

The other side succeeded in getting an indefinite postponement of the case in the N.Y. Court & now Selden is anxious to bring suit in my name in the U.S. Court to avoid the political influence of Swift & Bell, who are "political lawyers". I am the only one not living in N.Y. State who has a sufficient holding to make his interest large enough to carry costs in case of success against even the largest of the individual notes against which suit must, separately, be brought. You can see therefore that the matter of them is an extra weight of responsibility on me. I would be very glad to have you consent to my suggestions of last November. It would be a very great relief. Suit could be brought in my name, & if any further payments became requisite I should of course have to meet them under that agreement, which relieves your participation to 2/3 of the receipts by from the trustees, without mention of expense. Of these, hereafter, will necessarily be a few more which must be met by you, because the many show very little interest except in hounding the trustees. I am very glad that I am not one of them. The others are apparently hoping to tire us out & to pile up bills of expense which will dispirit us before your coming to trial.

I am glad to say that Mr. Hazard has recovered his strength in a manner most surprising. When I wrote you he was not expected to live six months, but is now able to attend to business again in some degree.

The rest of us have been pretty well. We are having a visit from my four unmarried sisters, two of them. I had not even proposed your visit.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

July 12th 8.

Mr. C. W. Andrews
C/o Knapp, Nottingham & Andrews
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Charley:

When is that Stearns money likely to be forthcoming? Unless Stearns is putting us to considerable inconvenience in the matter. I had made arrangements to use it as you thought that it would be available readily by this time. I can stave this off for a few days, but unless it is to be forthcoming by the end of the week I shall be disappointed seriously.

Please let me know the status at once.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

July 13th

Dear Ted:

Yours of Saturday came Monday morning. I had already arranged to bridge over my affairs so that under your desire to pay off this mortgage in particular it would be more convenient not to have anything but the interest — not the principle falls due next spring. I had arranged to have that money pay off a mortgage which I had given falling due on the same date.

The interest was paid till some time in May last year, (partly till July 1st) so that interest for a year is now somewhat overdue. I shall be very glad of a check for that. I return the other.

I am hoping that you will be able finally to get something out of the Miller, Cobb, Ramsay combination. I hope that when Ramsay brings in the documents it will clear the prospect somewhat.

The girls are just leaving us today after an eight weeks stay which we have enjoyed very much.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I hope you have good news of Sally.

July 15 '82

Mr. C. W. Andrews, Syracuse.

Dear Charley:

Mr. Stowell only had authority to accept payment on my wife's account prior to July 20th. I supposed from what Will told me in Syracuse that there was to be no delay further than about the search & that the matter was to be closed up at once with a tender of interest for the full term of six months.

Unless Mr Stearns wants to carry out this understanding before that time some new arrangement will have to be made.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

July 10th

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Your telegram of June 6th reached me the next day after in New Haven. Before leaving Syracuse I formed one report on the character of the traffic from one of the men to whom you recommended me, that made me very dubious as to the wisdom of investing so important a sum in that way & on consultation with my father in law we agreed that nothing could be done without a far more extended series of data as to the traffic. It seems likely that for 9 months in the year the road will have to depend mostly on Fayetteville & Manlius, which have too small a population to allow it to earn $75.00 a day, and it will be badly handicapped in competing with the ~~other~~ E. Genesee St. line by its inability to give transfers. Unquestionably the bonds have value, but they have to settle marginal security for what are virtually two ~~bonds~~ loans.

I have notified the Andrews some time ago that my agreement to allow a tender of payment to you was only for prompt acceptance. I am willing to allow it up to July 20th, but if ~~they are~~ the Sacrens persist in not keeping their agreement for their benefit before that date (namely to pay up the 6 mos. interest in full) I do not see why they should not make the tender here. The former arrangement was made at their request.

Did Kirby come to you for a deed of these two lots? I suppose not as I have no further word from you.

I will return you the papers concerning the Suburban R.R. they have not been shown except to my wife's father & to my wife.

Yours faithfully

N. J. Bacon

July 15th 8.

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Your letter of yesterday is here. I shall have to refer you to Sed for full details of the status. I only know that Swift & Bell persuaded the Judge to decide he should have tried the case two months ago that he ought not to try it as he once foreclosed a mortgage on part of the property. Sed says that it was a most flimsy pretext, but illustrates the strength of the political ring which is being brought to bear against us. This makes Sed anxious to get away from these local influences by bringing suit in the U.S. court in Illinois.

Yours faithfully

Nathl. J. Bacon

July 19th

Dear Sid:

Yours of 16th came yesterday. Helen's account agrees with yours. I am glad that Sally had so comfortable a trip.

How about the Nottingham affair? That ought to be either taken up promptly or finally dropped. I am beginning to have a clearer recollection of the affair. On the morning in question he & I went to the Kings Co. Clerk's office to file the chattel mortgage on the C.E.R. machinery which I had assigned to the bankers as security, while Gill went to the Sheriff's office.

I now remember explaining to N. that I wanted Gill to file this instead of doing it myself, because I did not want to appear in the matter. In the course of this I explained to him the situation.

His bill was drawn against Gill & Stilwell I believe. It certainly was not against Rice.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

July 27th 8.

Dear Cousin Charlotte,

Yours of July 21st reached me on my way to the train for New York a few days ago. I have delayed answering till my return this morning so as to have the copy of mine of July 12th.

As I read that over it does not seem to my mind to contemplate paying the interest $ in composition with the ~~suggestion~~ suggestion of Nov. 97. That arrangement as I understand it was that there should be ~~no~~ ten payments of $250.00 each in lieu of any non payments on the mortgage, which of course would have caused the interest to cease.

It will be a difficult matter for me to meet both the interest and five quarterly payments of $500.00 each. I should be willing to pay $175.00 on or about Sept 1st and three quarterly payments of $250.00, thus making up the $250.00 contemplated in the Nov. suggestions in a manner more favorable with reference to the average due date than either the Nov. suggestions contemplated or by your suggestions of 5 quarterly instalments.

It is not that I have lost ultimate faith in the property, but that I must obtain present relief from my present burdens, & by the arrangement you suggest the relief would be very long deferred. In fact for more than two years it would cost more than one payment of interest. At the same time I want to avoid causing you as far as possible. It seemed to me that the Nov. suggestion was an equitable one and I made it as soon as then it was certain that my wife's income would be so reduced in order to give you the longest possible warning. If you are willing to accept the arrangement I have just suggested it will be quite a relief, but I cannot now see my way clear for the other which you apparently indicated with more.

Yours faithfully Nath'l J. Bacon

July 30th

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

With this I am sending you the Stearns bond & mortgage for delivery on Monday if they come to time. If not the transaction is off.

A few days ago I received an envelope from you enclosing only a letter to Miss Julia Wilson of Wilmington. I forwarded it to her with a request to send on a letter for me if it had been enclosed to her by mistake, but I have heard nothing further. I suppose that there was probably nothing of importance in it, but of course I do not know.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug. 2nd

Dear Cousin Charlotte

Enclosed you will find the check for $200.00 you ask for, but might not the balance be paid Jan. 1st to be $50.00 instead of seventy five?

Thank you very much for the information about Vermont lands. I will talk about them to Ed when I see him. I expect him here for next Sunday. I will ask him to fix whatever papers are necessary at that time.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Miss Woodruff
1910 Washington Boulevard, Chicago.

I will keep you posted whenever there is any progress.

Aug. 2nd

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Enclosed you will find the James St. insurance policies in case Stearns carried out his contract. I understood from my wife that if she had sent them on I had a note from you this morning on the Kenty matter for July 25th but am rather surprised not to hear about Stearns.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug. 3rd.

Mr. A. H. Green, Trustee.
Clinton Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for Six hundred and three 50/100 ($603.50) dollars to take up the six per cent mortgage which you did not care to refund at 5%. I should also be glad if you will allow it, to pay up the one which falls due in April of next year.

Please hold the ✓ satisfaction for a day or two. It may be more convenient to simply have the mortgage assigned. I will write again as soon as I know.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

P.S. Please simply assign the mortgage to R. Hazard, Trustee for Helen H. Bacon. N. T. B.

Aug. 3rd 8

Dear Cousin Hattie:

Some of my wife's money has just come in and if you like I can take up at once my notes falling due to yourself & Cousin Louise on Dec 1st.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 3rd. 1898

The First Nat. Bank, Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

If you will allow me I shall be very glad to take up at once my note falling due to you Sept. 4th.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Aug. 3rd.

Mr. J. S. Jerome, Committee for Harry Jerome,
Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $2396 [illegible]/100 to pay off my mortgage being $2268 40/100 for principal, and $128 [illegible]/100 for interest for one year less twenty days.

Please ~~hold the old [illegible]~~ ~~my [illegible]~~ have the mortgage assigned ~~[illegible]~~ to R. Hazard Trustee for Helen H. Bacon instead of a satisfaction.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. J. Bacon

Mr. Stilwell will draw the papers for you at my expense.

Pawtucket, R. I. Aug. 3rd 1898.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

The check came all right this morning, doubtless having been delayed by registry.

I enclose a check for $60 30/100 with which to take up the Powell mortgage. I sent Powell the interest to July 1st directly. Please ask Mr. Powell to assign the mortgage to R. Hazard trustee for Helen H. Bacon & oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. J. Bacon

Aug. 3rd 8.

Mr. J. S. Jerome, Committee for Fitzroy Jerome.
Permanent, N.Y.

Dear Sir: Enclosed you will find my check for $2284 [illegible]/100 to pay off my mortgage, being $2268 00 for principal and $15 [illegible] for interest for one year less two twenty days.

Instead of a satisfaction please send me an assignment to R. Hazard of Peace Dale, R.I. Mr. Stillwell will draw the papers for you at my expense.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mr. A. H. Green, Trustee.
Clinton Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $[illegible] to take up the $600 00 mortgage which you were unwilling to expend at 5%.

Instead of a satisfaction please send me an assignment to R. Hazard of Peace Dale, R.I. and oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug 3rd

Dear Papa:

Yours of Aug 1st came last night, but the check only came to-day.

Helen will deposit for you at once ($31,500.00/100) thirty one thousand, five hundred dollars in the R. I. H. Tr. Co.

I have ordered ~~transferred~~ assigned to you three mortgages of $2268.00/100, $600.00/100 & $660.00/100 respectively, making $3468.00/100 in all. The rest of the money is owing on notes without security.

On the other hand there is another mortgage of $600.00/100 outstanding which can be brought in as it is overdue, but this requires another $600.00/100.

I first started to have the mortgages assigned to you as trustee, but I follow the letter of your instructions, to make them to you.

I will assign my life insurance to you or to Helen as you think best. The ultimate end would be to pay debts in either case. I should be glad to take $600.00/100 more & pay off that other mortgage if you think well of it, but I do not do so without your assent.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Pace

We are all rejoicing in the hope of peace. I think that the prospect of getting Mr. Dibes back in place of Dr. Edwards is a good deal in the village. We are all well.

Aug. 6th

The First Nat. Bank
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:
Enclosed please find my check for $1,058.20/100 which I trust you will find right to cover my note of May 1st

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Trace Dale, R.I. Aug. 8th 1895

Dear Cousin Hattie:
Enclosed you will find my check for Sixteen hundred and sixty seven and 27/100 ($1667.27/100) to cover my notes to yourself & Cousin Louise and interest from June 1st.
Please return the notes & oblige
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. Aug. 6th. 1878.

Mr. Alex. T. Dunning,
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Dunning: ~~when the interest on~~ ~~fortnightly payment~~
Would you care to ~~refund~~ the mortgage held by Mr. [illegible]
on lot 23 Block 9 of my Parcel to a five per cent. rate? If so I
should like to ~~be~~ repay it, as I am now able to refund at more
advantageous rates than 6%.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug. 6th

Dear Papa:

Yours of Aug. 4th came last night. The payment
to Helen was $89 000/100 principal and $1170/100 of interest.
This last she has left for a rent reserve, but the
principal was all disposed of, by the $31500/100 to you and the
$7500 00/100 to me; which is all that I asked for but there is one other
6% mortgage for $600/100 which I can probably take up at this time
and still another of the same amount which possibly I can take up
time will make up all my 6% indebtedness except to you and Mother.
I have written to find out about these and will write again.
I hear Aunt Helen would not have the money after paying you the
$89 000 $31 500 to you. Your loving son
Neth. T. Bacon

Aug 6th

Mr John Dickinson:

Your report for July is here. I notice that you only credit me with $100.00 in all for the check given you in June. If the check has not yet been returned from the bank, but my memorandum in my check book is that it was for $115.00.

Notice also that you charge me for 23 days of your time and that Hafner worked 20 days & Olgiati a week.

Please give details as to which houses this labor was used and let me know how much remains to be done.

These heavy expenses month after month are becoming a serious matter. I see you have paid Gooley nothing since June.

Yours faithfully,
N. T. Bass

A new decision is that rent receipts must be stamped 25 cents each. In consequence we shall have to give up giving receipts oftener than once every six months unless the tenants want to pay for the stamps.

Has Bowes paid for July?

Yours faithfully,
N. T. B.

Peace Dale, R. I. Aug. 6th. 1895.

Mr. A. H. Green
Clinton Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:
The satisfaction will answer. Would you be willing to let me pay off the other 6% mortgage which falls due next April?

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug. 6th

Messrs. White & Cleary:
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:
Under the terms of the mortgage in question I think you will find that I have the right of paying it off at any time. If I am mistaken of course I shall be ready to pay the balance of interest due, but in that case I will ask you to return the money as I can make it earn the interest here till Aug. 24th.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mr. John Lockwood Aug. 8th.
Albany, N.Y.

My dear John,

Yours of Aug. 5th received me yesterday. I wish you would pay a little better attention to my letters to you. If you will refer to mine of July 8th to you you will find directions as to the price from £1, namely to make it greater more than D 15. I also asked you in that letter to send me a copy of the list of prices which I made out for you when I was in Delaware. I have not yet received it.

In yours of July 5th you said nothing of J. A. N. It is hard for me to make a price on this without the list I asked for, but you can make it the $30 the more than Ransom Thomas until I receive that list, which I would like at once.

Before doing anything on Zimmerman's house, please send me an estimate of the cost with details of materials & expense.

I must also ask that you draw up for me now what I have asked for several times before, namely a statement of what you expect to be able to collect for three months ahead, and what you mean to do with it. It was bad enough not to know what to expect, when you were depositing, but now that you are receiving considerable sums from me you must give me as good a forecast as possible. I need be the less pressing for a large bill.

The expenditures to be provided for should include not only bills now due or overdue, but also taxes which may become due and such other expenditures as now seem likely to become necessary.

Since I last wrote the Secretary of the Treasury has made a decision by which the rent receipts which are not practically contracts to go on leasing do not call stamps and therefore may be free so that you can give them as before. I will attend to Sipley & Seitz in a day or two. Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Copy of Supplementary Agreement between Henry Lutz and N. T. Bacon on last page of copy of original agreement in possession of N. T. Bacon

Solway, Mar. 8th. 1895

By mutual agreement the amount remaining to be paid on this contract before delivery of the bond and mortgage and deed as specified on the first page of this contract is altered to forty three (43) monthly installments of Ten ($10.00) dollars each without interest and the amount of the nut due on failure to pay any installment is reduced from this time forth to Six ($6.00) dollars instead of Eight ($8.00) dollars per month as heretofore.

Nath. C. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 9th. 1898

My dear Henry:

Sign this paper under my signature and put it with your contract.

N. T. Bacon

Aug. 9th

Mr Adam Ogsby
Selway, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

Dear Adam:

Would it suit you as well to take a deed at this time for lot 17 instead of lot 16 and take the deed for lot 16 when you get finish your remaining payments. If this suits you as well it will save me a little trouble in shifting around until I can get to Syracuse again.

I can give you a deed for lot 17 at once, but I was not expecting that you would so soon finish paying for 16 when I was in Syracuse and it would take me a week or two and some trouble to get all in shape to give a deed at once unless I am in Syracuse myself.

Yours faithfully
Nath. G. Wilson

Mr. A. H. Green,

Syracuse, N.Y.

Aug. 12th

My dear Mr. Green:

Your note came a few days ago. I have waited to see the turn of events. I now find that I shall have the money available, and therefore shall be very glad to take up the mortgage in question on Aug. 20th. I am much obliged to you, as this enables me to refund all of my 6% indebtedness, which in turn will enable me to reduce the principal of my debts so much the faster.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 12th, 1898.

Dear Papa:

The holders of one mortgage preferred to let it stand at five per cent to having it paid so that I shall only have one to refund, for $600 70/100.

I will ask Mr. Goodwin to draw a check for this to send you. this is to be refunded Aug. 20th. as is the case with the large one.

One assignment has already come in, but I have to take satisfactions in two other cases, and execute new mortgages.

We are all well and glad to hear by sister's last that you were a little more comfortable.

Your loving Son

Nath'l T. Bacon

I am paying Mr. Goodwin a little on my account of interest to you.

Aug. 18th

Mr. John Lockwood
Albany, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

Yours of Aug. 9th reached me yesterday on my return from New York. I did not think you meant to blast the bud, but it is always best to mention such things at once.

It is not that I don't want repairs put up, but that I must see how they are to be paid for when done. You must remember that you have paid in my bills for year back and that you are now asking for hundreds of dollars more.

Liability succeeded in collecting some money in New York, which I had almost declared off and shall therefore probably be able to have all these repairs go on, but cannot have any little margin to spare, and I must ask you to make no the forest I ask for. I know it will all be well to say just what you are asked, but you can tell better than I how many towards you are likely to have and what they will be able to pay. I enclose a form similar to that I should like you to use. After the first time you will find this very difficult.

I shall be very glad to have you further for cutting down the Cogswell farm goods.

Yours faithfully
Saml. T. Carson

You say you have a bill with Patterson of $400 or $1000. Is it not a mistake for $400 or $1000? I cannot see how it can be so much.

Financial Aug. 1898.

Receipts			Expenditures	
Aug.	Rents + Contracts	110.00	Cooley's bill during	100.
	Hay		Clark's " "	20.
	Small Bills		Putzinger's " "	10.
	Repairs for Mrs. Zimmerman		Labor in Aug.	20.
Sept.	Rents + Contracts		~~Mowing on Dr. Wrightington~~	~~10.~~
	Other Sources		& Sept.	
			Repairs on Dwelling	2
Oct.	Rents + Contracts		Painting 8 10	10.
	Other Sources		" 8 10	8
			School Papers put in amount	2
			last year it will not vary much	
			General Repairs	10
			October	
			General Repairs	10.

This is drawn up so as to show you what I want. I think you will find that it saves you trouble as soon as you get started. If you had property of your own to manage you would have to look ahead this way to see how to make both ends meet, and I want you to try it for me. Some of these you will have to guess at, but before long you will know how much to allow you when to make on the average every month. We have special things due to ~~P~~ come you can tell better than I, and you can also make a better guess about what you can collect.

Peace Dale, R.I. Aug. 16th. 1895.

Mr. John Lockwinger
Solway, N.Y.

My dear John:

Enclosed you will find a letter to Jim Brown, which I want you to read before delivering.

Also I forgot in my last to give a price on the N½ of lot 12. What do you think of $200.00 for this?

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] T. Bacon

Mr. James H. Brown
C/o John Lockwinger
Solway, Onondaga Co, N.Y.

Aug. 16th 8.

My dear Jim:

Some time ago you got used up all the equity remaining to you under your contract in the house you are living in. I know that it would be a hardship for you to leave it, as you are now situated, but I cannot afford to let matters go on indefinitely as they are, on the other hand, and in consequence I am going to propose to you this:

You to pay the taxes as they fall due, and $2.00 a month rent, and I will allow you to stay in the house at this rate as long as you live, and I will take care of the insurance.

You are also to make any repairs which become necessary on my furnishing the materials.

If any slight modification of this would be more acceptable to you let me know and I will see whether I can agree to it, but I want to get the matter on a business like basis.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] T. Bacon

Mr. A. H. Green

10 Clinton Block

Syracuse, N.Y.

Aug. 18th

My dear Mr. Green:

Enclosed you will find my check for six hundred and five ($605.00) dollars to take up the mortgage on lot No. 35 Block J. (or is it 37 J, my memorandum is at home)

You have probably heard the sad news of my father in-law's sudden death. It is going to cause quite a little trouble, that you gave only a release instead of an assignment.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, Aug. 18th. 1898

The Solomy Process Co. to N. T. Bacon	$605
New York Expenses July 25th & 26th	6.00
Expenses New York to Peace Dale July 26th – 27th	4.40
	$10.40

Pawt. R.I. Aug. 22nd 1846.

Mr John Ensleigh,
Albany N.Y.

My dear Sir,

As yet I have no answer to mine of Aug 13th asking whether there was not a mistake of several hundred dollars in your mention of Putnam's bill, and you have not sent the bill from Godey nor the forwarder I asked for. Please attend to all of these by return mail

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Aug. 22nd

Mr J. B. Jerome, Committee Attorney Jerome.

My dear Mr. Jerome:

Enclosed you will find a check to cover the mortgage and interest. I supposed that I was entitled to a copy of the mortgage at any time & I was much surprised when Mr Cleary told me the contrary. I thought that it had originally been arranged.

The sudden death of my father-in-law has made a serious change in my arrangements & I will ask you to simply give me a satisfaction of the mortgage instead of the assignment previously asked for.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Aug. 22nd

My dear Mr. Schnell.

The sudden death of my Father in law has altered things for me in many respects. Among others it would be much more convenient if the Bond would simply give a satisfaction of mortgage instead of the assignment which I hereby return unfiled. As he has not yet returned the other papers perhaps it is not too much to ask. Furthermore I enclose two releases to be filed. I shall also be glad to receive the account which you mention in yours of Aug. 6th, and the insurance policy on the Miller property which I suppose needs correction.

Please put whatever stamps are needed on the releases and oblige

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Dawson

Mr John Lushington

Aug. 25th 0.

My dear John:

Your letter of yesr 23rd reached me this morning on my return from New York. It is a great pity that you kept Gooley's bill so long before forwarding it. He might have had his money a week earlier but for this delay of yours. Such things damage my credit as well as yours. I am now sending a check directly to him to save further delay.

You have not yet made me the forecast I ask for. I need this at once, but I will let it go over till Sept. 1st. so as to show the prospect for Sept. Oct. + Nov. In future you should forward one on the first day of every month.

If Brown's wife did not sign that note nothing can be done about it.

Tell Brown to surrender his contract to you + then let him go on in the house, on paying his rent according to the letter.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Pleasant Dale R.d. Aug. 30th

My dear John:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. You can put Rice out at once if he does not pay. ~~I can~~ or work for you when you say. I do not mean to have any more dead beats around, but I would be glad to help Rice otherwise.

I cannot afford to do anything on Zimmerman's house just now, but perhaps I can in October.

You must collect something more than expenses to help out.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

Mr. John Lockinger

Pleasant Dale R.d. Sept. 1st

Mr. E. J. Martin
Fairmount, N.Y.

My dear Ed:

From Lockinger I hear that you have been having a pretty hard time. I do not want to add to your burdens and consequently I have made up my mind to offer to remit one half of your note to me now a month over due, in case you will pay the other half before Sept. 10th. I am sorry not to feel able to remit the whole, but I am pretty short myself.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Sept. 21st. 1898.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Enclosed you will find a satisfaction of the Frome mortgage, which please have placed on file & oblige.

I should also be glad to know whether E. J. Martin has made any payment to you on his note for $20? I wrote him promising to remit $10 on if he would pay before Sept. 10th.

Also can you get anything more from Mrs. Mattice?

I hope that the new electric R.R. will take enough of ours to clear off the mortgage to me.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Sept. 26, 1898.

Selden Bacon, Esq.,

c/o Messrs. Sackett, Bacon & McQuade,

Tribune Building, New York, N.Y.

Dear Sed:-

Where are you now staying? I now expect to be in New York, for an hour or two at least, either Saturday or Monday and should be glad to see you if possible.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Sept.29,1898.

Prest. D.C.Gilman,

Baltimore, Md.

My dear President Gilman:-

A friend of mine, who is a regular army officer, told me some weeks ago some things most damaging to the central army management which fell under his own observation. He said that army officers at large felt a very great hesitancy about being willing to make any statements reflecting on the War Department to a civilian commission for fear of its being used against them.

This man was, I believe, in command of a camp of over one thousand men somewhere in Georgia. A few days after their arrival fever broke out in the camp, there being some twenty cases almost at once. When the single surgeon present unpacked the kit furnished him, he found in it no clinical thermometers and only a scant supply of important medicines. a requisition was immediately made on Washington for clinical thermometers by telegraph. Some six weeks later they received two. They were less than one hundred miles from Atlanta, and in the meantime the surgeon had supplied himself with a certain number of thermometers and some quinine at his own expense. Besides this, nothing but ordinary army rations were available for the sick men, and my friend told me that he himself had spent over twenty dollars of his own money to provide milk for the sick men, and I understood him that he saw no chance of being reimbursed for this, but in this I may be mistaken as I had only time for a very short talk with him. There seems to have been nothing in the way of a local commissary, every-

thing being kept under the control of Washington red tape. I should be very glad to furnish the name and address of my friend, in case you can give me assurance that his testimony, if taken, will be so taken as not to be used against him in the future. I have not seen him for a month or so, and he had not any idea in speaking that what he said would go further than our immediate circle. I have known him for several years and I think he is not a man with a personal grievance.

If your Commission, in reporting, could make a recommendation that something like an army chest be placed at the disposal of regimental commanders, or that, at least, they be allowed to purchase supplies immediately necessary in emergencies, and that in time of war this be extended even to all commissioned officers, subject to a board of audit, perhaps with some limitations to the amount to be so expended by any officer, I should be greatly gratified. It does not seem to me likely that officers of the regular army purchasing thus would be more likely to squander money than civilians in Washington who know nothing of local requirements and who, furthermore, cannot appreciate the necessity for immediate action which must often be manifest on the spot in war time.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

I address this to Baltimore so that it may not necessarily go before the Committee.

Sept., 29,1898.

Congressman A.B.Capron,

Burrillville, R.I.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed you will find a draft which I have made of a bill authorizing the President to appoint Naval and Military Officers to the position of Secretaries of War and of the Navy. Possibly you may think it better to direct the President as well as empower him to make such appointments, but I have drawn it in the milder form and in such a way as will, I hope, be acceptable.

Yours faithfully,

N. J. Bacon

Enclosure.

Oct. 30th 8

Mr. P. Jay Schuyler
Fairmount, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Schuyler:

Enclosed please find my check for $32.75 and an order on Mr. Martin for $16.75 making up the $50.00 for my semi annual interest.

When I was last in Syracuse, John Lindsinger gave me an account for digging post hole for our line fence, which he said he had had done. Didn't we thought this to be divided as well as the rest? If you agree to this please credit me the amount on next coming interest. I have not the account at hand but I think it was about five dollars.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l J. Bacon

WHEREAS the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy were meant to be the technical advisers of the President for the branches of the public service represented by these departments, and whereas it is particularly desirable that these positions should be filled by men having special technical training and experience in these branches, now therefore

Be it enacted that the President be empowered to appoint to the positions of Secretary of War and First Assistant Secretary of War officers of the regular army of the United States who have held commissions not less than ten years, and that he be likewise empowered to appoint to the positions of Secretary of the Navy and First Assistant Secretary of the Navy officers of the regular Navy of the United States who have held commissions not less than ten years.

And be it further enacted that any officer so qualified having served as Secretary of War, shall be entitled at the end of not less than six months of such service, to be retired with the rank and pay of a Major General, and any officer so qualified and having so served as First Assistant Secretary of War, to be retired with the rank and pay of a Brigadier General, unless in the ordinary course of promotion either would have attained higher rank, in which case he shall be entitled to retire on the higher rank which he would so have reached.

And likewise any officer so qualified and having so served as Secretary of the Navy shall be entitled to retirement under like conditions with the rank and pay of a Rear Admiral, and any officer so qualified having so served as First Assistant Secretary of the Navy, to retirement with the rank and pay of a Commodore; unless in the ordinary course of promotion either would have attained higher rank, in which case he shall be entitled to retire on the higher rank which he would so have reached.

This act shall take effect March fourth 1901.

Mr. H. B. Closson, N.Y.

Oct. 3rd

Dear Harry

Yours of Sept. 27th. enclosing your deeds and sketch is at hand. According to your figures the southern triangle has just half the area of the Northern being 27.75 rods x 7.25 rods 27.75 rods x 14.5 and your total area should be 1.006 acres instead of 1.02, but otherwise your hypothesis holds well. To a surveyor it would be evident that a mistake had been made on the southern boundary, for it is entirely illogical from his standpoint to describe a course as East 20° South. His compass is only arranged to show how far the direction varies from North or South. The natural inference from the reading now of East 20 N would be that the original had been N 20° East and that the lawyer drawing the deed had misplaced the N + the E thinking that North East was North East. But N 20° East is ~~almost~~ near the bearing (S 24° W = N 24° E) given on your plot for that of the Highway line, and as that course does not appear on the deed at all, and so has evidently been supplied from some other source, probably another survey. The difference is not greater than might result from ~~20~~ several years difference in variation, + the difference between two different needles (no two need alike) + the inaccuracy, for the original surveyor has distinguished nothing smaller than one degree. I am therefore inclined to suggest that the course for the highway boundary (which probably winds and was hard to determine accurately) get substituted for that of the southern boundary so that you have no chain that but a new course. I can settle that for you with only a tape measure next summer, if I come to Belchertown as I hope to. The description is sufficient in view of all circumstances to avoid any real ambiguity.

Can you tell me what is included in Mr. Johnson's offer of the cottage? This I understand to be the one Mrs. Gray was in last summer.

Oct. 5th 8.

The New. Riv Electric Light & Power Co.

Gentlemen:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. On looking over the Oakwoods file of bills with Mr. Goodwin this morning I was unable to lay my hand on that for July of this year, but Mr. Goodwin, Mr. Hazard's bill keeper assures me that no such charge has been customary, and that if any such bill had reached him it would have been forwarded at once. Owing to Mr. Hazard's illness it may have been paid inadvertently.

I see no more reason in your making a charge for this than for the gas works charging a rental for their meters. I have never known of any such charge anywhere, except that in some places a deposit has been required when the meter was put in, to be returned on removal of it. I am willing to admit such a charge as you make, provided it is to be remitted in case electricity is used to that extent during the year, but otherwise it strikes me as unfair. I think few people would have been tempted to put in electricity under such terms as your proposal, where it is necessary to have gas in any case.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bason

Oct. 5th 8

Mr. John Lichsinger
Solway, N.Y.
My dear John.

Your report reached me yesterday. I am glad to see that you collected over $44 too more than your estimate.

Owing to my absence with my wife, who was ill, your forecast of Sept. 1st did not reach me till late in the month, but it was essentially what I wanted. Please now draw up another. I should like one every month with the report. In this way I shall get a better view of the future and I think you will too. As soon as we get the present rush of work over I shall have something to propose to you which I think will be to your advantage.

I am sorry to see that you still report nothing from Eugene Rice. Do not let him stay any longer without paying. It is always easy to get that kind of tenants. You must dispatch Barry and Ransom. I should be sorry to have Ransom move, but I cannot let him fall behind any further.

Also please put a list of the empty houses at the foot of the forecast and another of those you expect to lose tenants from, and another of those you expect to rent.

Yours faithfully
Nath. G. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Oct. 6th. 1878.

Mr. E. J. Martin
Fairmount, N.Y.

My dear Ed.

Mr. Stilwell writes me that you have not yet paid him. Please let me know at once what you mean to do. I will hold open my offer of a reduction till you have time to answer, but if I do not hear from you in a few days I shall have to do something about it.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Oct. 7th 8.

Mr. H. B. Closson

Dear Harry:

Yours of yesterday enclosing Mr. Johnson's is at hand. I am much disappointed at finding that there is no lake frontage going with the place. I supposed that every place would have a bath house if not a boat house.

Do you know whether it would be possible to get a lot of beach anywhere in the neighborhood? If the Shepard Estate has any in your neighborhood perhaps we could get some there.

Helen's great object in considering this place is to be able to lay aside housekeeping if necessary, so that neither the Mills place or the Norton place is fairly in the running. Otherwise we should be glad to be nearer you.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Prof. G. J. Brush Oct. 9th 8.

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Prof. Brush:

After a good deal of discussion Helen & I have secured an option on Prof. Johnson's cottage at Holderness, and were much inclined to take it at once till we found that it had no lake frontage connected with it, which is a serious drawback. I have been writing to Harry Closson to find whether he knew of any which would be available to complete the place. I have not yet heard from him about it, but there remain only a few days before our option expires and so I am taking the liberty of asking you if you could spare us say 50 ft. frontage in case we fail to get it elsewhere? If you have no more than you want could you intercede for us with Admiral Bunce, who I hear has bought up a large part of the remaining frontage? I of course did not have time to investigate the twisted, snarl of real estate holdings in Holderness, but the only piece which I know of as available is so far from Shepard's hill as to be almost unavailable. We do not want it known just yet that we are negotiating with this, but if we can get a good site for a bath and boat house I think it will not be long before we shall settle matters.

With regards to Mrs. Brush and your daughters believe me ever

Yours faithfully

Nath. S. Bacon

Oct. 13th 8.

Dear Harry:

Owing to my wife's illness I have been unable to follow up the question of water front as I meant to. In consequence I should be very glad to have the option extended till Dec. 1st.

Helen is materially better but still does not feel up to much exertion. She has not been able to go to church for weeks and for ten days was unable even to go out to drive.

I don't think there would be much doubt about our taking the place if we were able to ~~get~~ be sure of a foot hold on a convenient beach at a reasonable price.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

I am called on a jury for Monday so that I have to ask for more time than otherwise as I do not know at all how much I am in for

Mr. John Buchanan

Oct. 13th 8.

My dear John:

Your letters of Oct. 5th and 7th are at hand. I have credited the other $15.75 you report to Frank Schemel on your report for July so please do not enter it on the Oct. report except as an extra amount received.

I think you had better repair the barn on D 15 but I should be glad to get the work out of Rice if possible, and I cannot afford to lose all income from the tract. I believe that it has cost me more than I have received this year.

Also I shall not refuse to repair the Zimmerman place, but you must get the funds for them from other places.

The forecast you send me is only for October. I would like one showing those months ahead each time. This one will do this time, but next time I should like one showing Nov. Dec. and Jan. as well as you can see ahead and then one for Dec. Jan and Feb. It will be easier for you to make them each time you try.

I should like to have you tell me what you think the effect would be of reducing rents fifty cents a month all around. Would you get enough more tenants to make the monthly receipts more than they now are, or would it enable you to get better paying tenants & so accomplish the same result.

Don't try it without consulting me further

Yours faithfully

Walter E. T. Bacon

Oct. 18th

The Narragansett Pier Electric Light & Power Co.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my check for the amount of your bill after deducting the meter charge as agreed.

As the monthly amount is likely to be small I should appreciate the courtesy if bills should be presented semi-annually or quarterly instead of monthly, and I think perhaps that you may find it advantageous for yourselves as well; but as you have complied with all my previous suggestions I do not care to urge this in the least.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Oct. 17th 1898.

Dear Harry:

As yet I have no answer to mine of Thursday last, in which by mistake I asked for an extension of the option till Dec. 1st instead of Nov. 1st which I had in mind. In the mean time, I have found that we can obtain a piece of shore from Admiral Bruce and if Prof. Johnson will accept these terms we will take the place, on Jan. 3rd. By that time we shall be able to pay spot cash for the whole sum, leaving nothing on mortgage.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Of course we shall expect a warranty deed and search, and transfer of existing insurance. The deed should be to Helen Hazard Bacon.

Pawtucket, R.I. Oct. 15th. 1898.

Dear Cousin Hattie:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I have so much unproductive real estate now that I might not to take up any more which does not offer promise of a speedy return. I will consult Ted about it, but I am dubious as to the policy of adding to single small items hundreds of miles from all my other interests.

Yours faithfully
Nath[l] T. Bacon

Dear Ted:

Oct. 18th

Helen has not been able to sit up since Sunday evening so Doing's deeds are still unsigned, but I hope to get them off speedily. I enclose a note from Cousin Hattie. I am answering that I have so much unproductive real estate that I cannot take anything up which does not offer some promise of a speedy realization, but that I will consult you.

Has she any real equity more than this? If so, do the property so situated that you could look after it with your own? If so I might do something to ease her mind, but only at so low a valuation as to give me a chance to make a handsome margin, and I should forgo not to touch it. You'll better to write me about this unless you have occasion to go for some thing else.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

Make a loss which probably you can use.

Mr. Ed. J. Martin
Belmont, N.Y.

Pawtucket, R.I., Oct. 18th 1880

My dear Ed:
Please let me know at once what you are expecting to do about your note which fell due Aug. 1st for $2000. I shall be obliged to ask Mr Stilwell to do something about it unless I hear from you by next Monday.
I do not mean to be hard on you if I can help it but you did not even honor me with an answer to my offer to take off half of it for prompt payment. ~~[illegible]~~
Yours respectfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Oct. 18th

My dear Mr. Stilwell:
Yours enclosing the two bills for insurance came yesterday. Both are for property which has come back to me, but both are for larger valuations than I can to insure these properties for. $700.00 for is enough for either. Also please have the bills made out so as to give the No of the lot as for instance Lot 71 Block Q.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Ransom Rice
115 Robinson St.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Oct. 18th

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the tax bill for your house. I also acknowledge that ~~it~~ you had made regular payments of $20.00 per month as per contract up to July 1st. 1898. I have had no statement from the bank since then, but no doubt this receipt will answer as up to that date.

Yours faithfully
Nath C. F. Bacon

Oct. 22nd 8

My dear Mr. Peavod:

My wife has not left her room since last Sunday so that I found I could scarcely get a ratification of my idea of getting you here for Sunday to discuss our friend Godkin. She is not seriously ill, but just miserable.

In the mean time I have finished my draft of the Godkin article and knowing your interest in two of the ideas treated I am venturing to send you the whole in its present crude condition, for the sake in particular of your criticisms on voting by proxy and contracts with government.

I am going to rewrite the whole and cut down the mass of criticism simply to shorten it, this can not have left out several points which might have been shown up strongly. This would enable me to expand the remarks on Government by contract if you think well of attempting details. I have been in two minds about it, but on the whole have inclined towards taking it up again in case the idea excites any show of interest.

Do not hesitate to blue pencil any thing you don't like. Part of it was written on trains and may be somewhat difficult to decipher, but I think that after an apology it will be legible.

The Yale Review wants it to go to press by the end of next week so that I should be very glad if you could get it back to me on Tuesday.

I shall probably omit some of the first pages in rewriting.

With regards to your wife believe me ever

Yours faithfully

Nath. E. T. Bass

Oct. 25th 8.

Dear Sol:

Enclosed you will find the deeds. Helen has not been out of her room since they came, it is still in bed, though a little more comfortable. We have a nurse coming to-day.

There is nothing serious the matter. Things are probably somewhat as they were with Sally last winter, and she wants good care. I think there will be no more delay when the deeds come back. I can have a notary come to the house if necessary.

I shall be glad to have the Brooks affair stated whenever you can do anything on it.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Mr John Lichenger.

Pace Bob, R.I. Oct. 25th 1845

My dear John:

Yours of 22nd came yesterday. I am very glad to hear that you have rented those more houses. If you can tell Martin that I will throw off half his note if he pays by Nov 1st, but that I will not let it go indefinitely.

I sent Lutzer a copy of the addition to the contract with him a long time ago, or I do not doubt he has only to sign that below my signature and paste it to his old contract. No new one needs to be drawn.

You will probably have to repair Jim Brown's roof, but he ought to pay for everything but the materials, according to the terms of the rent.

You can tell Mr Zimmermann that I certainly will not charge him $11.00 a month rent. I hope to be in Syracuse in a month or so and will see him about it then. I am very sorry for him. He has always been done the best he could, and I shall not be hard on him.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Oct. 27th 8.

My dear Admiral Benner,

My wife and I have finally agreed to take the Johnson cottage and so shall be very glad to secure the piece of lake front which you kindly offered to let us have.

Whenever it is convenient to you to give a deed we shall be glad to pay for it. As you let it go at cost the very least we can do is to pay for all expenses of transfer.

So it is more convenient for you to wait till next summer it will not inconvenience us in the least. We hope that you will not put yourself out in the matter.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Oct. 27th 8.

Dear Sid:

Enclosed you will find a check for the amount of your bill and eight then not to have been $10.00 more to my credit which I gave Sally last winter when she was out of funds and you come away & has please put it to my credit on your books now.

The ducks have come and I will have them attended to presently.

Helen is much better and will be able to sit up tomorrow I hope.

We have just arranged to have a small cottage at Holderness.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Oct. 27th. 8.

Mr H. B. Closson

Dear Harry:

Yours of 25th. came yesterday, but I delayed answering to consider the alternatives. I think that on the whole it will be better to pay all cash. I perceive that I have spared up quite a load of fuss, if you are attorney for both sides. Of course there is now no further occasion for concealing our individuality as I have the promise of the price & water front from Admiral Bunce. I suppose that you know the history of the title to this property and that a search is not necessary if I have to pay for it and Prof. Johnson did not get one when he bought the property. It is not customary in N.Y. I do not insist, but I think that I have never yet bought any property without getting one, and I furnish one in selling property whenever required. It has made quite an additional expense to my real estate deals in Syracuse.

Helen is better, though she has not left her room for ten days.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Oct. 31st 8.

My dear Admiral Bunce:

Your kind note of Saturday is at hand. We shall be perfectly contented to await your convenience till next summer.

We are greatly pleased both with our place and our neighbors.

Thanking you for your prompt attention believe me ever

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

Oct. 31st 8.

Dear Sir:

With this I return you the complaint sworn to. I think you have chosen a wise course, and we will follow it.

We are much grieved to hear of Col. Waring's death. You must be thankful that you were turned out of 175-2nd Ave., but what an awful horror of yellow fever this will give the Waring?

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Dec. 2nd. 1896.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. thank you. Please put the note in judgment and likewise his arrearages for rent which are considerable.

Also please get a judgment against Wm. H. Davis on account of the chattel mortgage given this year ago on which nothing was ever paid, and for his arrears on contract and on rent.

John Lechlinger can post you on both of these.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Sorry I was not able to see you when last in Syracuse.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 7, 1898.

Mr. G.H.Stillwell,

University Block,

Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stillwell:-

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter to William H. Barnes which speaks for itself. I have written to the Church-Dwight Co., suggesting that we may be able to arrange a compromise. In anything that you do with Barnes on this basis, perhaps it would be well to insure that no prior assignment is made. I don't consider him over scrupulous.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Beaman

Enclosure.

Mr. Beaman & the Church Dwight Co. perhaps will communicate directly with you.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 7, 1898.

Mr. Stearns,

The Church & Dwight Co.,

Willis Ave., Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Yesterday I received a letter from Barnes, from which I gather that I can bring him to settle his matter with you out of court, if you desire to make such a settlement. If you think it worth while to consider this, please let me know what you would be willing to give to get rid of the case, either providing employment of some light nature, pending good behavior, or without limitations. I have brought considerable pressure to bear on Barnes and may be able to arrange matters.

Yours faithfully,

N.P. Bacon

You might communicate directly, if you prefer, with Mr G. H. Stilwell, of Gill, Stilwell & White, Minneapolis, who have charge of my affairs in Syracuse.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 7, 1898.

Mr. William H. Barnes,

Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of December 4th is at hand. It is necessary for me to leave my business in Syracuse in the hands of my agent, as I cannot be there myself. I have had so many promises and so little money from you that my patience is pretty much exhausted, especially as you have gone ahead into this lawsuit against my advice. Nevertheless, if you will go at once to Mr. Stillwell and make to him an assignment for my benefit to the extent of one half of the amount of my claims against you and will make this a first preferred claim against any money to be forthcoming to you as a result either of a compromise of this suit or of any judgment which you may obtain, I will allow you to stay where you are until spring and will remit all the remainder of your indebtedness to me. But all the details of this must be made satisfactory to Mr. Stillwell, and you must agree to make no more trouble to John Luchsinger, and to pay your rent regularly, and Mr Stilwell may, perhaps, further require that you take my advice with reference to any settlement.

Yours truly,

N. T. Bassett

Mr. Stilwell will also include rent to Apr. 1st. in the amount of the assignment so you will have nothing to pay till then, but then I shall expect rent in advance.
Please show this to Mr. S.

N. T. B.

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Mr. John Lucas & Son, Solrs.

Place: Tor. Pa. Dec 9th 1898.

My dear Sirs

With reference to Barnes and Ransom, you can use Mr. Stilwell. I have put both matters in his hands.

I wrote Barnes that he could stay till Nov. 1st if he would satisfy Mr. S. and Mr. S. will show you my letter.

If Ransom wants to do the fair thing he will let you know what he owes me, & I do not think I should have to sue.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Place Tor. Dec. 10th 98

My dear Mr. Stilwell

Enclosed you will find the two contracts. We can only get Ransom for what since he dropped the contract for the contract was in his boy's name. I do not care to press him hard. He is the well meaning kind, but I don't want to have got nothing while others are paid in full. If he will pay 50% cash voluntarily I would prop that be a fair settlement.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Dec. 10th 8

Dear Sid,

Yours of yesterday was at hand. That little mortgage stand perfectly well. Mr. Hazelhurst's death has made our path much smoother than in the past.

As to the Norwich proposal, I think your suggestion excellent, but I would further suggest allowing little Willie 25 per cent. For us it is out of our pocket and into the other side it will make it seem a better investment for her in case of Father's death we should doubtless have to help David, and it would only seem less difficult to little if a part came as matter of right. As ever

You have not answered my inquiry of Dec. 9th concerning Barnes. Please let me know at once whether it is necessary to keep him in good humor for the Cooke affair. I have seen a list of stockholders in Cooke's new enterprise which leads me to think that he is very good, for at least $25 000 so that the case is worth trying carefully.

I will send the Norwich papers to Hewes, with instructions to forward to Mabel & then to you as soon

I think the right kind of a present on that birthday let would sell well to all the town.

Helen is slowly improving, but has not been down stairs now for more than two months & still has attend more. Sorry to hear that Lee is ill of late.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

We will give the Trust ~~Nov 15~~ next spring if necessary for your project.

PEACE DALE, R.I. Dec. 14th, 1898.

Mr. Wm. H. Barnes,

Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of Dec. 10th, reached me last night. I do not expect to be in Syracuse at any time in the near future; and this matter must be settled at once, and with Mr. Stillwell, in whose hands I have put it.

I ask of you no present payment, but shall be unable to continue to believe in your good faith if you refuse to give the assurance which I ask for.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Mr. Bacon wishes Green Solvay N.Y.
Peace Dale, R.I. Dec 14th 1898.
My dear Green,
Your letter came last night & I am very sorry to hear that you have not been well. I do not feel as if I had made the trouble you have had in this matter, but I feel certain that you have been in the element of honesty, and the most of the trouble, and the most of the expense, & I think amount to $100.00 to settle the business & I think it is worth it to you to have it settled & I want you to do it & I will be very glad to pay my share of the expense. I do not feel as if I had any right to write this as a good man, but I feel sure of your friendship & I know you will not think I am too bold in writing you. I feel sorry for you & I want to do what I can to help you out of the difficulty. I am sorry I wrote to Mr. Stillwell & I think he will be sorry for his passing it to a suit of law.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Dec. 17, 1898

Senator N. W. Aldrich,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Knowing how much weight you gave to the opinion of Rowland Hazard, I venture to hope that you will not wholly disregard some suggestions with reference to our foreign policy from his son-in-law.

That Spain should give up Cuba and Puerto Rico and the Philippines is certainly the legitimate outcome of the war, and it was eminently proper that the Spaniards should be forced to place the disposition of them in our hands, but is it for our advantage, even without consideration of that of these islands, to adopt them as portions of United States territory?

I do not personally feel the superstitious reverence shown by some people for the words of Washington with regard to foreign entanglements. I appreciate that today, if not the greatest, we are one of the greatest of all nations, whereas in his time, the result to us of foreign complications must have been dependence on one or other of the powers which then dominated Europe, France or England. But can we without most material and dangerous modification of the United States Constitution, proceed to manage

these outlying dependencies as part of the United States? We had an intimation in 1894 in the attempt under income tax legislation to lay a burden on the Eastern States, with exemption of the West, of what might happen if the constitution should be amended so as to allow of different tariffs for different portions of United States territory. But it is very difficult to conceive how a tariff, even if for revenue only, could be framed which would fit at the same time the requirements of the home country and those of territories so differently situated as Alaska, the West Indies and the Philippines. This matter strikes me as being even more important than the question of admitting to more or less complete citizenship millions of barbarians and semi-barbarians. We have already had some experience with such populations in territory taken from Mexico and Spain, and have had some success in handling them when sparsely scattered over a great territory, not far removed from an aggressive population with a tendency to move in and develop the land. This is to a certain extent the present condition of Cuba, although the climate there is on the whole less favorable to our race than that of most of the territory hitherto adopted by us. Our old system might be ultimately successful there, but in Puerto Rico we have to deal with a very dense population which has already completely appropriated the soil, so that a considerable influx of Anglo-Saxon element seems out of the question, so that this island must probably continue for a very long time to be

populated and governed, if governed by Home Rule, by a population of mixed Spanish and colored blood of just the kind which has failed so conspicuously in government in Southern America. If the tariff difficulty could be overcome, the island would probably long remain perfectly tranquil under a strictly military government, such as it has always been accustomed to, though hitherto with more tyrannical features than its people now expect; but with so large a population I fear that it would be very difficult to resist the cry of the demagogue for a seat in the United States Senate if Puerto Rico ever reaches the point of having a territorial government. The ultimate result of military government has almost always been severe tyranny over the governed, coupled with a reaction on the liberties of all except a ruling clique of the governing nation. The overthrow of the Swiss Republic and that of the Dutch Republic in the last century by the French, were mainly due to these causes, and modern English historians have remarked that their liberties were only preserved by our revolt from George the Third, and yet England has had smaller ill effects from its dependencies than any other power.

The problem for the Philippines is even worse than for Puerto Rico. There we should probably first have to subjugate native organizations which had made considerable head against the Spaniards and which are now clamorous for independence. I do not doubt that almost all the responsible part of the Philippine community earnestly desires almost anything but independence. Unfortunately

this responsible part of the Philippine community is extremely small. I do not see how representative government could become possible there for decades and perhaps even for centuries, without disfranchisement of far more than ninety per cent. of the population. With our negro problem still on our hands, incorporation of these islands into United States territory would make us responsible for a number of barbarians greater than that of all the colored races now in the United States and of races who are now at a lower stage of development and probably even less capable of progress than the African race, whose slow development has proved so discouraging to the sons of the old Abolitionists.

The United States has already made itself in a measure responsible for the well-being of all these islands, but cannot we accomplish it in a better way than by adoption as parts of our territory, leading necessarily in the long run to a grant of equal privileges among our rulers so that in the ebb and flow of politics the balance of power might readily throw the decision of our most vital home questions into the hands of an alien and inferior people separated from us by thousands of miles.

The solution of these difficulties seems to me to lie in the establishments of protectorates. Under this system, we might bring ourselves with reference to each one of these islands into a position similar to that occupied by England with reference to her Crown colonies. By a virtual protectorate, complete except

in name and except for the constantly-diminishing embarrassment of one or two Frenchmen and other Europeans on the Sinking Fund Commission, England controls Egypt as completely, for all that is apparent to the outside world, as it does India, and far more completely than it does Canada and Australia. Such a dependence would enable us to treat as we pleased the foreign affairs and tariff questions relating to these islands, and to maintain internal order without embarrassment from constitutional points.

It is estimated that our war has cost about two hundred and fifty million dollars. If this sum were apportioned between the Philippines, Cuba and Puerto Rico, pro rata of population, or by any other rule, it would not be unjust for the United States to profit by the customs or other revenues of these islands until such time as this profit should extinguish for each of them this debt with interest at say three per cent. and the expenses of government. By that time these territories may become capable of self-government sufficiently to justify us in admitting them as portions of our territory. That would be a question for settlement later, but in the meantime, as I look upon it, we should avoid great dangers to our institutions and the working of them by this system, and without any loss of real power or authority.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Bacon

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Dec. 17th

Senator W. P. Wetmore
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

As the son-in-law of Rowland Hazard will you allow me to urge on your consideration a protectorate over the territory taken from Spain instead of its adoption as U.S. territory.

Would this not allow us to maintain virtually such a government as that of England in India, and give us all the substance of power needed, without interfering with the U.S. constitution, so as to allow us among other things to maintain the open door policy in the Philippines without disturbing the necessary uniform tariff in U.S. territory. Do I do not see how we can uphold the open door in China if we close the door of the Philippines.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Dec. 17th

Senator Joseph R. Hawley
Washington

Dear Sir:

With this I am sending you a copy of a letter which I have written to Senator Aldrich urging a protectorate over the territory taken from Spain instead of its adoption as U.S. territory.

Would this not give us all the substance of power wanted, without interfering with the U.S. constitution, so as to allow us to maintain the open door policy there without disturbing the tariff at home? I do not see how we can uphold the open door in China very well if we close that of the Philippines.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

P.S. the grandson of Leonard Bacon I feel some right to appeal to you though I no longer live in Connecticut

Rec'd Dec 19th 1895.

The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.

Gentlemen

Enclosed please find a check for deposit on my account.

I should be glad to renew my note for $1300.00 falling due Dec. 20th, by two notes, one for $700.00 at sixty days and one for $600.00 at six months.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Gibson

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Peace Dale, R.I. Dec. 20th 1878.

Mr. H. B. Rosson

Dear Harry:

Would it inconvenience Prof. Johnson to wait till Jan. 10th instead of Jan. 3rd? There is a rush of things coming on the third. We can arrange it if necessary, but a few days of leisure would be convenient.

Have you seen my review of Goldwin Smith's Nat. Hist. Review? I want to send word of it to Mr. Gray who asked me to do so in Holderness. Can you give me his address?

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 19th 1878.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Dec. 18th is at hand.

I will see what I can do about the gramophone & will present Mr. Stilwell. I shall also have to look into the one-acre lot for there is no lien pending this account, if it is not wise to exceed. I cannot do anything now any way, but may be able to by the middle of Jan. If you can compromise your suit on such terms as suit Mr. Stilwell, I can pay it out of the proceeds, but I cannot definitely promise to this.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Dec 28th 8.

Miss Woodruff
57 South Center Ave, Chicago.

Dear Cousin Charlotte:
Enclosed you will find my check for the last $50.00. I supposed that Selden had already taken up & sent you a formal release, though as there was no bond with the mortgage, he thought no further documents were necessary. I missed seeing him in New York Aug. 7th and think I have not seen him since. I hear, however, that another small suit has been won, and that matters are making progress to a point where the whole might be settled in a year or two, but I have not seen either of my brothers for so long that I have somewhat lost touch. My brother Ben got home about three months ago. I am expecting a coming annual report on the Tract very soon from him. When it comes I will see that you get it.

I wrote to Selden concerning the Vermont lands. I have heard nothing further of them, so that I judge that there is nothing in the report of them to be of value to us.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

My wife's nerves are augmented, but I am still complete too much to branch out.

PEACE DALE, R.I. Dec. 22nd, 1898.

Mr. David J. Ransom,

Solvay, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

Your note is at hand. I will look into the matter and let you know further after consulting John Luchsinger. It is not improbable that I may do something, but I do not want to take any such action without consulting him.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Rawson

PEACE DALE, R.I. Dec. 22nd, 1898.

Mr. John Luchsinger,

Solvay, Onondaga Co. N.Y.

My dear John,

I have received a letter from Ransom asking to have his rent reduced to $6.00 per month. What would you think of telling him that, while we will not change the nominal rent, we will grant him a reduction so long as he continues to pay in advance. What has he been paying?

I enclose his letter, and a copy of my answer. Please return me his letter when you have read it. I should be very glad to keep him in his present house if possible: for his family is of a kind, I think, to improve the neighborhood. But if we make any such terms, it must be with the understanding, 1st, that he is to have only 50 ft. front on Cogswell Ave. by 120 ft. deep, and 2nd, that nothing is to be said of this reduction.

Yours faithfully,

Nathl T. Bacon

Perhaps a reduction to $6 would be better. A man always asks for more than he expects to get.

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Mr. G.H.Stillwell,

University Building, Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stillwell:-

Yours of the 17th, containing the Barnes assignment, is here. I return it to you, as I suppose it should be put on file in the Clerk's Office, in order to take precedence of any judgments that may be obtained against Barnes. Have the Church, Dwight people communicated with you in this matter? Ransom writes me also that he has settled with you out of his pension money. I shall be glad to hear if this is true.

Do you know anything about the Gramophone described in this letter of Barnes which I enclose? I do not care to waste money, but if you think that this would put him in the way of earning a livelihood, I might ask you to buy the machine and give to him the use of it; but I certainly do not care to follow out the direct form of his suggestion.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Dec. 28th

Mr. R. D. Pryde,
New Haven Golf Club.

Dear Sir:

My brother-in-law, the Rt Hon. Gerald Balfour, requests me to write to you concerning some Golf tools. For Christmas I had a present of a left handed brassey and a left handed driver made by Robert Morgan and Son of St. Andrews.

I use right handed tools, and had already a brassey of his make, so that I should be glad to exchange these for other right handed tools. Can you accommodate me in this matter?

I want a cleek, a lofter and a putter and some balls, so that in any case there will also be a cash balance against me.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Dec. 30th

Mr. George W. Clear
Torway, N.Y.

My dear George:

Yours of 28th. is just here. I will agree to allow you a year's interest to me and the balance on the principal, instead of 6 months interest and the balance on principle as proposed in my former letter.

Can you not manage to let your wife carry on the store in a small way while you work elsewhere? I think times are improving and that if you can live out this you may find it will be a great help to have kept some of your trade.

You had better send me the list of judgments which I asked for. Possibly I can do something with them, tho' I know it is not easy.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Dec. 31st

My dear Mr. Stilwell,

Yours of Dec. 24th came on the 26th. I have had a talk with Mr. Hagood on the subject. An analogous question is now in Litt, having reached the Court of Appeals calendar, & the [illegible] not want to prejudice the case thus by any admission.

If you can make an appointment with Dickson to meet the man at the office he will be found on your presence, or that of any one you send, and then we can collect. I mean to try some more assignments if I can get them, for I fancy that the decision will ultimately be against the Co. in this matter but the case will probably not be decided for a year to come.

I will drop a line to Mr. H. Tracy by this mail. I delayed answering as W. R. H. was to be here before but he was delayed.

Yours faithfully

Nat. C. Barron

Did George Weber pay you $50 & 8 principal on his mortgage this year?

N. T. B.

Please telephone Mr. Tracy at once.

Dec. 31st

My dear Mr Tyler,

Last night Mr R. H. Stewart suggested to me to have Stewart quit Mr D. & Rankin on the Co. Office when in ~~[illegible]~~ or paid so that Stewart can attend to me on Monday making of having the Co. mortgage discharged. I don't be entirely obliged if you can arrange this with Mr Stewart provided that payment has not already been made. I have written Mr Stewart asking him to confer with you on the matter.

Yours truly
Matthew D. Brown

I return for file a duplicate C.B. sent for Oct. forwarded me a few days ago by Mr President.

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Jan 3rd

Mr Wm. D. Cummings:

My dear Mr Cumming:

Inclosed you will find my check for $15.00 for interest on the Crossley mortgage.

Would you be willing to reduce the rate on the other one to 6%? Likewise, the man who holds the property is a very hard worker and likely to be extremely regular in his payments. I regard him as exceptionally honest also.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l J. Bacon

Mr John Lindsinger

Peace Dale, Jan 3rd 1899.

My dear Sir:

Owing to a neck of wood I have left years of the 23rd measurement on a rock. I never promised that to Sam Power to throw. I think it is for more to his advantage than mine. If he wants to pay $10.00 for the privilege, however, I will grant it. If he does, you can have the wood to be cut, but do not want any large trees cut there or on the Slaughter lot, but you can have the small wood there also. Have you said anything to Pierson about paying rent for his annex? If not do not say anything about it and instead I will allow him to remain for a month from said instance instead of $5.00. It will not do to let tenants get the idea that they can gain by delaying bills. I do not want to settle this matter till I hear from you again.

I have agreed to take back from you Weber the No 2 of lot 42, so you will have to pay the taxes on that. Please get me the refs & present assessments.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l D. J. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan. 3rd, 1897.

Mr. W. Judson Smith
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Smith:

You are a broken reed. For a month I have been expecting to hear from you about that loan. So far it has not inconvenienced me in the least, but I should like to be able to give clear title to that land in a week or two from this.

Looking to hear from you at your convenience believe me ever

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

I have just sent an interest check to Mr. Lamb for your wife.

What I want to clear is the vacant lot No 16 Block J. The blanket mortgage covers the two halves of lot 14 I, each of which has a house on it, and lot 22 I likewise with a house, and the vacant lots 14, 15 + 20 I + lots 10 G + 8 H with houses. Besides this are individual mortgages on 10 H + 8 H the houses on 14 J.

Peace Dale, R.I. Jan 15, 1897.

The Mortgage Loan Bank

Gentlemen:

Inclosed please find a check for $75.00 to cover my wife's interest account.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mr. A. H. Green, Trustee

My dear Mr. Green:

Enclosed you will find my interest check ($90.75/100)

Can you give me you the due dates of the mortgages on 19 D + 21 D + 44 H still held by you. I believe the two former are nearly due if not quite. As they are now at the highest rate of interest of any of my outstanding indebtedness I shall probably want to pay them off when due unless you prefer to reduce the rate.

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Bacon

Happy New Year

Jan. 3rd 9.

Anthony Comly, Cashier:

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for $151.36/100 for interest to Mrs. Laura Geddes Smith.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Jan. 3rd. 1899

The Exp. Sav. Bank

of Anthony St.

Enclosed please find my check for $68.75/100 to cover my interest due at this time.

Yours faithfully

Nathl. T. Bacon

Jan 9th 7.

Mr. R. D. Pryde
118 Sheffield Ave.
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir with this I am returning you the brassey you sent me and the brassey & driver I wrote you of. I already had a Forgan right handed brassey as I think I wrote you. I ~~got~~ gather from your price list that all Forgan clubs are $2 00/100 each. I now return you three irons for you sent me which with the balls ($1 75/100) make a balance against me of $7 75/100 for which I enclose a check. The driving mashie will answer instead of a check.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

I will return the other clubs tomorrow.

Peacedale, R.I. Jan. 3rd 1899.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:
Please do not put the Mathieson in [illegible] judgment. He is honest I think but having a very hard time. I should be glad to think that all men meant as well as he.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mr E. J. Martin
Fairmount, N. Y.

Peacedale, R. I. Jan 3rd. 1849.

My dear Ed:

Please let me know frankly what you can do about your note.

I do not want to be hard on you but I wish that you would write to me and tell me how it is.

If you are utterly unable to pay and have no prospects of being able to do so I will forgive you the whole.

I put it wholly in your own hands. I will forgive you half of it in any case, but I should like to have you tell me how it is about the other half, even if you feel bound to say that you can do nothing.

Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Bacon

Jan. 3rd 9.

My dear Mr. Stevens:

Yours of Dec. 30th with refference to Barnes is at hand. I think that Barnes has no rights against you, but I merely took the precaution of getting things in shape where in case he should recover, and lawyers say it is rare for an injured man to recover nothing. I think that Barnes may be much more willing to listen to reason when he sees that the best part of his money will go to a lawyer & to me in case he wins. Stilwell has a pretty strong influence on him now, and might be able to bring him to a settlement which he did not have three weeks ago. for a little more than it would cost you to fight the case through various appeals even if you succeed ultimately. I should not insist under such circumstances in getting the whole of my account. But I want you to look on me as entirely friendly in any case, and so to do only what seems to you the cheapest ultimately.

Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Bacon

Jan. 5th 9

Mr. F. R. Hazard, Pres.
the Solvay Process Co., Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Fred:

Yesterday I went to Boston and saw Prof. Noyes by appointment. I had a very interesting talk with him for half an hour, but he said that he had never taken up the thermodynamic side very closely, and had made more of a specialty of electro-chemistry and the doctrine of ions. He referred me to Prof. Goodwin as being more in my line.

I found Prof. Goodwin, who struck me very favorably, but his course in that line is virtually completed this year, and he told me that he was just completing a book which occupied him so completely that he could not spare any time out of his regular courses for private instruction. Prof. Noyes told me also that Prof. Richards of Harvard was really merely a chemist and not in my line. Both Noyes + Goodwin said Gibbs was my man.

This seems to eliminate Boston as a possibility, and after talking it over with Rowland I have determined to begin with Boldwood's first lecture in New Haven next Monday afternoon, unless you have something else to suggest between this and Monday morning.

I find that Helen would as lief or even rather have me spend the night in Newfarm than have me start off by the early train for Boston.

Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

I enclose a cable road receipt.

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Pearl St. R.I., Jan. 5th 1877

Dear Uncle Theodore:

Your letter reached me last night. Enclosed you will find a check for a small part of the amount, which I can spare now, and a note for the balance. I may have to ask you to allow me to renew the whole of the note at maturity, but at least it will give you a negotiable security in the mean time. I am exceedingly sorry to hear of your other threatening difficulty. I hope it is not so serious as its predecessor. I am beginning to see something more like daylight ahead, but the clouds are still pretty thick overhead.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Enclosing check for $ [illegible] & note for $4.50 [illegible].

To Theodore Bacon
Rochester, N.Y.

Jan. 5th

Mr. Wm. D. Dunning
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Dunning:

Probably I can arrange to take those mortgages of your hands pretty speedily. I suppose that there are no taxes impending for a month or two which can be saved by immediate action.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mr. John Cushenger
Sodus, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Jan. 3rd is here. Please write in ink next time. This is so badly rubbed that I could only make out part of it. You say that you want money for taxes. It is most unsatisfactory to get a statement in that shape. If you will say how much you need and when you need it I can do something, but such a statement as you make is only embarrassing. If you must have it at once you can call on Mr. Stilwell for it, this time, but in future you must try to manage better, so as to write to me enough in advance for me to make arrangements after hearing what you need, & when you need it. I do not always have funds in bank.

You did well to throw off $1.00 a month on Rawson's back rent, and as he has paid all arrears I will consent to reducing his rent to $6.00 if he agrees to make all repairs himself and to keep the place up, but this is only for the 50 ft. front Coswell Ave. & 120 ft. deep. I will put this at your disposal. You can either allow him to go on at $6.00 or make the proper reduction to $6.00 as you think best. It would be the best kind of a tenant if he would pay in advance.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please hurry the report along.

Jan. 6th

Mr John Cockburn, Stony.

My dear Sir:

Now of Jan. 4th I wish you would drop invoicing Jane for Jan. 11 with the usual lily flower. Jane had only 8 left, needed 12 in all, and I had a clerk for 1/2 day, so actually has 20 ready for us. Upon it will find a clerk for 1/2 day, so actually has 20 ready for us. Please forward me your price list by return mail.

On looking before your statements in June last I find that with special reference to Selkirk, I find that Mr. Mills of this year account shows $10.00 paid for the 1/2 of my Grand Martin. Is this a mistake for Grand Selkirk?

Furthermore, for the months of Nov. and Dec. 97 the name of Selkirk is omitted from your report. Does this mean that in these months it paid nothing?

I find also that the Grand report is quite here in Europe on receiving from you the Nov. Dec. 1897 and for allowed 1898. Also Nov. or by allowed 1899, you gave it this. Actually and it is probable we found that I have not yet it, but I lost that of Nov. allow 1897 suppose probably. These work out figures of this for allow 1897. The allow is not so necessary, but I should be glad to have a duplicate of that sale if you still have the material. I need not that sale of Jan. 1897 at once.

Please make up another out showing what has been received in 1897 + 1898 on 8 J + 10 G: 8 J, 10, 18, 19 and 20 G; 1 and 3 G; 19, 21 and 22 and 23 H; or 10 G; + 8 J; 11 H; 14 H; and 14 H; 19 and 22 I; 12 H; and 13 H and 21 to 25 I; 14, 15, 20 and 13 H; H; and or 22 H.

If we have been to make this clear, showing name of flower, when they took possession and when they been in real use, and not just

Yours faithfully

Robert T. Coxon

Jan. 6th 8

Mr. Solon H. Lane
Onondaga Pottery
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Lane.

About ten years ago I gave the Ladies Church Guild four copies of the Church Book.

I wonder whether you can use them, now. If not I should be glad to buy them & will give $2.00 for them if they are still in fair condition.

Yours sincerely
Nath. T. Bacon

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Mr. H. B. Closson

Jan. 12th 9.

Dear Harry:

Would it be asking too much of Prof. Johnson to request him to have the ice house filled just as he was going to Holderness again and then send the bill to us?

Of course we have hardly any business connection there as yet.

I am sorry Nelly did not know Mrs. Gray's address. Do you happen to know her husband's name? I understood that he was Chief Justice of Mass. If that is so I can find it easily myself.

Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Bacon

Mr. Robert Adams,
The Elmwood Plantation,
Syracuse, N.Y.

Jan. 15th

Dear Mr Adams,

After our last talk you I meant to do the work about the Barnes letter & also venture to take their money but Monday morning I received a letter from him asking me to buy a conveyance on a loan of $400.00. I assured Mr Barnes that I could not think of supplying any thing of the kind and that he would be to make a very unwise venture in his terms before I should consent even to entertain them. This morning I have an answer from his lawyer with an offer to compromise for $100.00. There, the lawyer, writes what seems like a very sensible letter. He thinks that as Barnes is in no pecuniary and otherwise, he is likely to get a verdict in our favor sooner if in any case and that it is not unlikely to be for $200.00 or upwards, though with a prospect of a long struggle in the higher courts, and a possibility either of success, or of his being out of a new trial.

If you think this worth considering, or if you care to make any counter-proposition I shall be glad to do any thing to further an accommodation. Let me hear a prompt answer.

Yours faithfully,
M. M. Fraser

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the W.H. Cowles take a lien for the amount of the judgment & then wait for a day &c.

Mr. Belden Salem Jan. 14th 9

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is quite a relief. Less than sixty days ago Cowles had standing in his name over [illegible] Eastern [illegible] of stock of the Long Arm Co. of which he is Gen. Man. I believe.

Will it not be well to move on this at once? His wife also appeared as a stockholder on the list sent by Cowles to my brother-in-law (it should be noted that he now calls himself William Barnum Cowles and that the stock stands in that name, but it was under that name (W.B.C.) that he finally paid a former judgment against him entered against W.(B.). His holding is a controlling interest. This stock I consider worth perhaps 50% but certainly 25%. I enclose a copy of their list of stockholders made Dec. 6th. This of course is entirely unknown. Mrs. W.B.C. is the H.L.E.C. Of course any increase in her holdings since Dec. 6th would be suspicious. Of course you must do as you think best about a continuance. I do not desire to enforce immediate payment if W.B.C. will give adequate security

And I should like to know anything done to secure collateral for payment. Should the stock go up in value this will be of no benefit.

Stock holdings of Long Arm Signal Co. Dec. 6th. '90.

W.B. Cowles	Cleveland, O.	1055
S.H. Chisholm	" "	276
Est. of R. Hazard		200
R.H. Bayjo	"	166
Jas. G. Lewis	New York	106
H.C.E. Cowles	Cleveland	84
J.B.W.	"	81
H.A. Garfield	"	81
G.F. Anderson	"	1
Total outstanding		2000
In Treasury		500
Total Capital Stock		2500.

Jan. 16th 8.

Mr. John Lutzinger
Albany, N.Y.

My dear John:

Your letter enclosing the sheets asked for, and asking for prices on 21 H and on the vacant halves of K 14 and 43 arrived this morning. I have telegraphed you offering 21 H for $180.00 and ½ K 14 and 43 for $140.00 for. I only do this to give every inducement to the village to improve up that way and of course these are not prices for the public, but I will do much to encourage such improvement. I might even make a little further concession if absolutely necessary.

I telegraph to be sure of reaching you in time as I fear this letter will not be there before you go to meet the trustees. Try to give me a little more margin of time in future. If I had been out of town for a day I should not even have had time to answer by telegraph, and I am quite often absent on business.

I am glad to hear you are better.

Yours faithfully
Nath. S. T. Bacon

Jan. 18th 9.

Mrs. Samuel Gray
5 Gloucester St., Boston.

My dear Mrs. Gray:

To-day on my return from a couple of days absence in New Haven I find a note of Jan. 14th from Prof. Johnson saying that you would be glad to rent the cottage which we are soon to buy from him for next summer at $200 00/100.

We were expecting to occupy it ourselves, but shall be unable to reach there before Aug. 1st, and perhaps not for a few days earlier. We had offered it already to my wife's sister up to that date, but it seems probable that she will not want it and in case she does not and you would like it up to Aug. 1st, or and for as much longer as we should not require it for any reason, we should be glad to let you have it for Seventy five ($75 00/100) dollars up to Aug. 1st and without further charge from that time for a day or two after ~~or more or less~~ if we should have a few days after that date during which it would not be needed.

If you should care to make any such arrangement for part of the summer and will let me know I can find out promptly whether my sister-in-law cares for the place, so that you shall not be in suspense.

I have made several vain attempts to get your address in the past two months to send you the word you asked for concerning my review of Goodwin's book. It appeared in the Yale Review for November. I am sorry that I have none at hand or I would send it to you, but it probably is obtainable from under the shadow of Harvard if you really care to see it. I omitted sundry minor criticisms to condense from what would have made an article twice as long.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

I have understood that probably the Nims cottage might be available for sale, this about reading it I have heard nothing. We should be very sorry to drive you away from Holdernes and would gladly find you a cottage elsewhere if you should prefer after our arrival.

N. T. B.

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Sam. Hall Esq. Hon. Treas.
Soc. of Chem. Industry.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find a money order for Eight Shillings, which with Seventeen Shillings overpaid by me by accident last year makes up the amount of my dues for this year.

I enclose Mr. Cook's receipt for last years dues showing amount overpaid to be credited on 1899.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Jan. 17th 8

Mr. John Luchsinger
Solvay, N.Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Tuesday is at hand. I will let D 21 go for $190.00. (One hundred and ninety dollars). It is only sixty six feet on Cogswell Ave and 80 ft at the rear and by 140 ft. deep.

I do not care to sell a little piece opposite, but if the Trustees care to take the offer I will let the village have a little over an acre and a half bounded on the East by the center line of Cogswell Ave., on the North by the center line of Hazard St., on the West by the center line of Dunock St. and on the South by the North line produced westward of Lot 17 block D. this I will transfer to the village for use as a playground ~~and~~ but with leave to erect on it a fire engine house and ~~let them other~~ public buildings for four hundred and fifty ($450.00) dollars which is below its cost years ago.

This includes beside, what is marked on the map as "Proposed Park", the strip 50 feet by 280 ft. marked "King Row." This would allow a splendid play ground if ever a school should be built there.

I meant to give the price for 100 ft. on Cogswell Ave. x 100 ft. deep as $190.00, half to be on K 14 and half on K 43 as you understood, or I would give a strip like this, i.e. the of K 43 and 45 except 50' on Cogswell Ave by 120' on Power St. for $200.00.

In some respects this would be best of all.

I mean to be liberal to the village in any case. Don't mention prices till the time comes for it.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barton

Mr James S. Thorn
4 Walling Block Syracuse.

Jan. 12th 7.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Jan. 11th came duly. I wrote at once to the firm of Dwight & D. submitting your proposal, and have just received their answer making a counter offer of five hundred (500) dollars to settle the case. I enclose a copy of their answer.

I think that there is no chance of their offering more. From what I heard in Syracuse a few months ago I am surprised at this offer, but I suppose it is made to relieve them of costs in case Barnes should ultimately obtain a verdict not exceeding this, which would practically result in his getting nothing. Probably this is their object in making it.

Probably Barnes would refuse to sign a compromise by which he obtained nothing. To make an arrangement possible I will reduce my claim if you will make a reduction of yours in the same proportion from the amounts stated in yours of Jan 11th. namely $350 7/10 for mine and $150 7/10 for yours, but as this claim of mine already represents 50% reduction I think that this reduction on my part should not exceed 33⅓%.

If you accept this offer please let me know at once and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath C. T. Bacon

Selden Bacon, Esq.
New York.

Jan. 19th 9.

Dear Sed:

Yours of Monday reached me Tuesday evening on my return from Northfield where I now go every Monday to take a course in the higher physics at Yale, spending Monday nights with Daisy.

The Long Arm system is a method of handling collision doors in the bulk heads of vessels from the captain's bridge. It is patented in all countries by Cowles & has been put into the reconstructed Chicago with such good results that it has been specified for the three new battleships just ordered, and seems likely to spread to foreign navies & to some of the best passenger steamers. I may have overstated the Cowles' holdings in nominal value. I made the $100,000 par value by assuming that his 1080 shares would be of $100 each, but they may have been of $10 only. The prospectus recently sent out showed no debts but no assets but treasury stock and patents, but I think that these last are likely to be of sufficient value to make Cowles good.

I am pretty sure that his stock has stood in his own name till within a month, and I suppose that no transfer without adequate consideration since then would be held valid. I have no fear to waiting till March before moving if this is the case. I have no animosity against Cowles though I would like my money. I think the L. A. S. Co. is an Ohio Co. but may be W. Va. or N.J. Its office is in Cleveland.

I think Cowles has very few outside debts. He owes he had none except the judgment obtained by Sayles a few years ago, & since then he has had steady employment. He is a nephew of Rob Collins, for which I would forgive him something.

I was very glad to hear of the Ark. compromise. How long before we can likely be sure from the Comptroller? Yours truly

N. D. Bacon

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Jan. 19th 8

My dear Mr. Stilwell.

Enclosed you will find a draft of a letter which I am just sending. It is substantially the same as the copy sent.

Does the assignment need to be filed with them to make it binding in this instance? It is in your possession I believe. I have forgotten the exact amount of it and also whether you put in a clause forcing him to accept my judgment on the question of compromise.

If anything needs doing about it please do it. Is Thorn reliable? I liked his letter to me and his handwriting, but I know nothing of him.

I suppose, however, that even a sharper would hardly try to embezzle $300.00.

I am glad to see a chance of recovering even $200.00 here.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Jan. 19th 8.

Mr. Albert Stearns
The Church & Wright Co. Syracuse.

My dear Mr. Stearns:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I wrote at once to Thorn enclosing a copy of yours.

To facilitate a acceptance of your offer I have offered to allow a reduction of 2/3 of my original claim, and I hope that Barnes will have the sense to accept.

I shall hope to hear of such action in a few days.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Jan. 25th 8

Mr J. S. Thorn
11 Wisting Block, Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Jan. 23rd is at hand. Do you care to submit an intermediate proposition, based on having the suit dismissed and nothing said about it?

I doubt whether there is much hope of its acceptance. But I should be very glad to have this matter settled out of court.

I have probably not as much information as you have as to ~~the amount~~ the method of calculating what they have spent on Barnes.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Jan. 26th 9.

Dear Ford:

Enclosed you will find a letter from my friend Mr. Lee, of Rock Springs, Wyo.

Apparently Green River is not developing very fast. He is in a position to know if anything happens there.

If Rowland is gone when this reaches you please return it to me, and I will get it to him. Please return it anyway.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Jan. 27th 9

G. Schirmer
35 Union Square, New York.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find an old credit slip which I should like you to forward me Mendelssohn's ~~Duets for~~ two part songs in a cheap edition if you have them.

Please make up any balance of such thus be with Songs by Mendelssohn for four mixed voices. I should like four copies of one rather than four single copies of different four part songs.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Brown

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Jan. 27th 9.

Mr. N. T. Bacon, Gen. Agt.
Conn. Mut. Life Ins. Co., Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for my insurance premium which falls due next month.

There has been a change in my affairs which will make a note due date as convenient as one in March.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Pleasant Valley, R. I., Jan. 27th 1899

Mr. John Lindsinger, Albany, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

Yours of Jan. 24th is here. I am sorry for Peter Zoff, and I know he has had a hard time. If he will agree to pay his rent since Jan. 1st 1899, and one-third of his arrears prior to that, I will make him a present of the rest; but he must agree to pay it out of his operations money. If he does not agree to this, let me know, and I will hand the case in Mr. Stilwell's hands. I do not want to be hard on him, but I cannot afford to let people play or not just as they please.

Please be prompt with your report as soon as January is over and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mr Selden Bacon Jan. 30th 2.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 26th received. I was sorry to see that Eddie had succeeded in upsetting the judgment, but it was really too good to be true that a origin of his claimed it. Upon the matter may not be settled promptly otherwise.

Will you please draw up a release of the mortgage given by me to Charlotte T. Wooster, Executrix, & Ira Woodruff Selden of Rochester, N.Y. in consideration of my giving to them 2/3 of the net results from the original Palace at the Hardwood Tract? They are anxious to have the affair put into formal shape.

Please forward it for signature to Mrs. George Selden, 13 Union Park, Rochester.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Jan. 30th 2.

My dear Mr Smith:

Will it be agreeable to you if I pay $550.00 on account of that mortgage & secure the release of the vacant lot No 16 Block I? This is twice the value of the lot nearly, but I am reducing my indebtedness and do not mind cutting in to the principal deeply. This will reduce the principal to $3500.00 on the mortgage.

I have been holding the money in bank now for a month waiting to hear from you.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon.

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Jan. 30th 9.

Mr J. S. Thorn
Syracuse.

Dear Sirs
Yours of 27th is at hand. I am sorry to have the settlement broken off. I will notify the Church & Knight Co.

Yours faithfully
N. H. Brown

Jan. 30th 9.

Mr Albert Stearns
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr Stearns
After a ~~[illegible]~~ attempt to induce Barnes and Counsel to make an intermediate proposition after the first rejection of your offer I am obliged to report your offer as rejected. I feel as if they had been inspecting a gift horse a little too closely.

Yours faithfully
N. H. Brown

Feby. 1st 2

Dear Sid:

Your various letters came today. If you think it of importance go to Richmond by all means, but your brief lines pretty convincing to me. Whether to go by would not Parker be wise to say all there was to say? I appreciate, knowing that I am not an expert in such matters.

I enclose your note to Tyler marked paid. I will get the deed signed up, but unless you write that you are in a hurry for it I will let it wait till you can get down stairs. I hope that will be in a day or two.

I will write to the Richmond firm for the mortgage.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Beale

Mr. R. G. Hazard. Feby. 1st 9

Dear Rowland:

We have just been notified that payment for the Wilkinson place will be expected pretty soon. We have $1000 of the money from other sources now in bank, so we shall only want $1500 from the Estate. Can you announce to let us have it by Wednesday next?

I am glad to find Helen decidedly stronger — on my return

Yours in haste
Walter H. Beale

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Mr H. B. Closson Feb. 1st 9

111 Broadway

New York

Dear Harry:

On my return from New Haven I find yours of June 27th. My brother in-law, with whom I was arranging for funds is out of town, so I cannot send the money instantly but I think I can get it without any trouble by Feb. 8th.

I can send on $1000.00 before that if it will be of importance to Mr Johnson. We shall be glad to have the deed sent to Hewitt's for us.

I am sending you a copy of the New Yorkers. When you have read it please send it onto my brother Theodore at Essex Junction.

Yours truly

Nath'l T. Bacon

Feb. 1st 9.

Mr. George Selden, Rochester.

Dear Cousin Closson.

Some time ago I wrote my brother Selden asking him to draw up the papers for a formal settlement between us.

On my return from a few days absence I find a note from him saying that he needs the mortgage & asks for the release. Corinne Elizabeth asked me to write to you about the use to which she did not know where she should be and so I now write to ask you to send it direct to Selden Closson, Tribune Building, New York.

A compromise has been agreed on with the receiver of the Delaware Bank, subject only to the approval of the bondholders of the company by which the bank will pay $1000.00 for its interest in the lands. This will probably lead all the small holders to compromise at the best terms they can get.

Mr. John Kuchinger
Albany, N.Y.

Feb. 1st

My dear John
Yours of 29th only reached me to-day as I was away Monday & Tuesday.
I shall be back to Syracuse in a fortnight and perhaps this exchange can wait till then. Your letter is hard to understand but I gather from it that this is a colored mare, and that we always have a colored man on the track. Please be careful how you rent any but the poorest horses to them. It is very rare to get which people to take a horse that colored people have had in. If a pole is made it is different.
I do not want to be too hard on Peter Joseph.
What do you advise doing with him.
Yours truthfully
N. T. Bloom.

Please let me know as soon as possible what lot is chosen for the regular course.

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Feb. 8th 7.

Mrs. W. Judson Smith
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Smith:—

Enclosed you will find my check for Fifty Five hundred and fifty three 75/100 (5553.75) dollars to apply on my general mortgage and to provide for the release of the vacant lot No 16 Block 3 of my tract. This is $5500.00 on the principal and interest from Jan. 1st.

As your husband wrote me under date of Feb. 6th that I might do so, but that he was to be away, I direct this to yourself personally. I am sorry to have made so much trouble in this matter.

Yours faithfully
Nathan J. Bacon

Will you kindly send the release to Mr G. H. Stilwell, University Block, Syracuse? There is no immediate haste about it however. A few days additional delay will not make no difference if it is inconvenient to go at once before a notary.

Feb. 8th 7

Mr H. B. Closson
111 Broadway, New York

Dear Harry:

Enclosed you will find Helen's check for Twenty Five hundred (2500.00) dollars to cover the Holbrook's place.

I hope it will reach you before suit is begun.

Please have the deed drawn in Helen's name. (Helen Hazard Bacon)

If Prof. Johnson has any Pitt keys at Hartford we should be glad to have them sent here.

Yours faithfully
Nathan J. Bacon

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Feb. 13th 9.

Mr. Fr. Schenck
Solway, N.Y.

My dear Frank:
Your letter reached me Saturday morning.
I was then expecting to be in Syracuse to-morrow morning, but my wife was taken very ill and I have been obliged to put the trip off a week, but I hope to be there next week & will see you then.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l G. T. Bacon

As I remember your contract it does not yet call for a deed but I shall be glad to let you have it ahead of time if you prefer. Please show this to John Lichsinger. I am pressed for time & it will save me writing to him.

Feb. 16th 9

Dear Seel:
Yours is at hand announcing the confirmation of the Hollywood compromise.
Please let that mortgage release for the Woodruffs (Mr. Aign) wait for a week or so unless you have already sent it off. They have suggested that it might be better to deed back the 2/3 to them and I would like it settled before documents are drawn.
Helen had a premature confinement Monday & lost her baby. She is almost broken hearted over it.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l G. T. Bacon

If Cousin Charlotte takes a deed, you could use in her name. She was live in Chicago, & has for some time back, but I do not know whether she will stay permanently. She talked of coming away a month ago.

Nov. 16th

Miss Woodruff.
57 South Center Ave.
Chicago.

Dear Cousin Charlotte:

Yours of 8th reached me on the 11th. I was expecting to leave for New York on the 13th so that I did not write to Selden, but my wife was prematurely confined & lost her baby on the morning of the 13th, and nothing has consequently been somewhat neglected. We seem to be having a series of calamities.

I will send your letter to Selden now, and ask him to fix the matter as you desire, but it will take quite a little time as my wife is unable and will be for a month to get to a notary public, ~~and~~ It would also save quite a little expense if the first agreement could stand. Would it not be as well if I give you an ~~assignment~~ order on the trustees for 2/3 of the share coming to me through you ~~as~~ and Cousin Clara?

The compromise proposed has now been finally agreed to. This is for only a part of the Hollywood property, with the representatives of the largest individual adverse holder, and I think that it will take all the starch out of the opposition so that the rest will compromise more on our terms, this brings in $4000.00 and I hope that we shall get twice as much more for the rest of Hollywood, but there does not seem to be any just claim to any of the other tracts.

Sed has looked into several (one in West Virginia among others) and found in every case so far a chain of title which would require a good deal to repair, the some of the links was not in perfect order. In the Edwards tract, the deed from Jabez is missing from the files, but at Nat in his deed recites that it was granted by Jabez by a warranty deed by Jabez, and I think that that is the most important defect.

I will hold your letter till I hear from you, & there is time for an answer to this to see if this assignment will not answer your purpose. I want you to be satisfied but I should be glad to save the $10 or so which the deed will cost more than the assignment.

Yours faithfully
Beach Scott

Feb. 16th

Mr. C. A. White
The Providence Telephone Co.

Dear Sir:

By the advice of my brother-in-law, Mr. R. G. Hazard I am writing to you to complain of the night telephone operator at the Narr. Pier Exchange.

Just at ~~A~~ midnight last Sunday night, my wife was taken seriously ill and the trained nurse tried to telephone for the Doctor. She could get no response and called me to help. Together we probably rang 50 times between 12 and 12.15 and finally had to give it up. I was obliged to ~~get up~~ dress and go a mile and a half in the great storm then raging to find the doctor, during which time my wife was lying in great distress.

The failure to response made an hour's delay in getting the doctor beside the great fatigue of the walk over the unbroken roads. The wife was in perfect order, and we were called up shortly after by others on the line.

The doctor says that it is not an infrequent occurrence for him to be told that people have been unable to get the central when wanting to telephone to him.

My wife is a considerable stock holder in your Co. & we do not care to set a precedent that way, but I do not see why the Co. does not become liable for exemplary damages every time that anything of that kind occurs. I hope this will not be overlooked. I have no objections to allowing the night operator to sleep between calls provided that he has an alarm to awaken him at every call, but it should not be necessary to wait over a minute for the service.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Feb. 18th

Dr. H. Schweitzer
40 Stone St. New York

Dear Sir:

A young man here has appealed to me to know where to go to study the chemistry of dyeing. He already knows the first principles of chemistry, Orthoe, and has a chance to work into the woolen mills here if he can obtain a good chemical training. He wants such a training in this line as the Mass. Inst. of Technology would give in Engineering, rather than the more theoretical side.

I know plenty of colleges where a man can get a good general chemical training, but is there any where dyeing is made a specialty? I know of none, but it should be the case at Toronto.

I should be much obliged if you could give me any information on this point. A school in this country would be preferable, but it would do no harm to mention any prominent school in Europe though I doubt whether the lad could get along over there.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. A. H. Green,
Clinton Block, Syracuse.

Pace Dale, Feb. 20th. 1897.

My dear Mr. Green:

On March 1st. I expect to be able to pay off the two 5% mortgages held by you.

If anything should unexpectedly prevent I will let you know, but I have a verbal agreement for the money.

Yours faithfully
Ruth C. T. Bacon

Mr. John Ludlington
Pace Dale, R. I., Feb. 20th. 1897.

My dear John:

My father is still too ill to leave, but I now expect to reach Syracuse either the last of next week or the week after. I have asked Mr. Stilwell to give you the deed for Adams & Foley.

Yours faithfully
Ruth C. T. Bacon

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Peace Dale, Feb. 20th. 1899.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours reached me on Saturday. Brownsburgh owes £4 9 6 for and clear but 10/6. I have taken back as also Davis's. I do not see how Beals minor has left these to be repaid.

Of course they count on the rent. Is it better to wait for 9 £ till the sale? This lot has a barn on it.

Please make a deed for 15 T. (the lot referred by Mr Smith) to Mr. Sokley Stoney. Consideration $300 and deliver it to Hutchinson. The lot is fully paid for.

Yours faithfully

W. T. Bacon

I expected to be in Syr. last week but my wife was too ill to leave.

Mr. G. H. Stilwell
Syracuse

Feb. 24th 7

My dear Mr. Stilwell.

Yours of Feb. 22nd is at hand. I do not think I care to make so heavy a reduction in Barnes' favor.

I wrote Thorne a while ago ~~that~~ when the C. & D. Co. offered $500 in settlement that I would reduce my claim in the same proportion that he would reduce his from a basis of $300 for mine and $100 for his, but with a limit on my side of ~~$400~~ $200 below which I did not care to go. I then supposed that my claim was a little more than it is.

I am willing to put his claim now at ~~$300~~ $100 for the sake of settlement, but I am not willing to go as low as $100 for mine. My claim as you know has been heavily taxed already. I am inclined to put a fixed limit at $200, even in this case, and take my chances of being winning, but I will take your advice in the matter. Use the $100 as a reduction which I have taken.

My chances stand as then by this claim are poor.

Yours faithfully
Nathan Barnes

Feb 21st

Hallowell Mut. Fire Ins. Co.
Providence.

Gentlemen:
We have just bought a cottage situated, near Square Lake in Holderness, N. H., & but unprotected by any fire department which we would like to insure. It has been insured in the Aetna of Hartford, but we should prefer your co. to taking over the old policy if you care for such a risk.

We paid $2500 for the property of which we consider the house worth $1900 the and the furniture $300 the. Of course the property will stand vacant 9 months in the year.

You can give us rate covering such conditions, please do so, and oblige,

Yours faithfully
W. T. Brown

the house is 24 x 36, two stories with cellar and attic.

Feb 23

Messrs. Riddle & Hand
205 Chestnut St. Philadelphia

Gentlemen:
Enclosed you will find my check for $50.00 being the premium of insurance on my house in Holderness, N. H.
Thanking you kindly for prompt and good insurance I remain
Yours truly
[illegible]
[illegible]

Feb. 20th 7

Mr. W. D. Dunning
Alexander Iron Works
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Dunning:

On March 4th I expect to have the money available to take up both these mortgages.

Please have Mr. G. H. Stilwell, University Block (of Gill, Stilwell & White) draw an assignment of the North place (B & C) mortgage to my wife, & on its release will be sufficient for both.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Feb. 25th 7

The Mut. Life Ins. Co.
Bond & Mortgage dep't
New York

Gentlemen:

I have just succeeded in placing a 4% loan which enables me to pay off all my indebtedness at higher rates than 5% and a large part of that at 6%. You hold a mortgage for $1900.00 on the property No. 110 Johnson St. Syracuse, N.Y. I should like to pay off under your own to reduce the rate to 4½%. I have no objection to paying off some $300 on the principal to give a wider margin of security to protect at this.

If you prefer to have the whole paid off please let me know at once and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Feb. 25th 9.

Mr. W. Judson Smith
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Smith:

As I have succeeded in getting a large sum loan at 4% to be available next week I am paying off such of my mortgages as are due at high rates. Your wife holds two small mortgages on the two lots of Lot 12 Block 1 which are now drawing 6% and that is the highest rate of any of my outstanding responsibilities.

Unless you care to reduce this rate to 4½% I would be glad to take these off at that rate I see fit. If something else intervenes if you prefer to have them paid please have the attorney draw assignments of them to my wife instead of giving releases.

I should be glad to stop the interest on them 4th.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Feb. 25th 9

The Conn. Mut. Life Ins. Co.
Hartford.

Gentlemen:

I wish to make an assignment to John N. Hazard, as his interest may appear for security of my policy No 153705 in your company.

Will you kindly send me the necessary forms and oblige.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Feb. 25th 9

The R. I. Hosp. Trust Co.
Providence

Gentlemen:
Enclosed please find my check for $500 00/100 to take up my note for that amount falling due Feb. 28th.
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I. Feb 28th 1899.

Mr. A. H. Green
Clinton Block
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Green:
Enclosed please find my check for $1578 70/100 bring $1500 00/100 principal and $78 70/100 interest at 5½% for two months on my two mortgages at 5½% held by you as trustee.
Please give the satisfactions to Mr. Stilwell for file and oblige
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

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Mr. John Lechsinger. Mar. 1st 9

My dear John:

Day after tomorrow and Saturday I expect to spend in Syracuse at Mr. Hazard's house.

I will try to be at your house from 2 till 4 on Saturday. I will see Sumner then, and really after that, but earlier if he goes on shift at that time.

Mr. Stillwell reports that Barnes wants to continue in his house after Apr. 1st. & will pay his rent in advance.

I have finally succeeded in collecting quite an amount Parsons from him. If he pays he can stay, but you had better make definite arrangements as to when he shall pay & see that he keeps his promises.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Mar. 1st 1899.

The Conn. Mut. Life Ins. Co.
Hartford

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find an copy of the assignment of my life policy No 98 705 for $5000.00 as security to J. N. Hazard.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mar. 7th 9.

My dear Mr. Stilwell

Yours of yesterday is at hand. The proposition for compromise at $[illegible] did not come through ~~[illegible]~~ me and all I have heard of it has been from you.

If Thorne wants me to do anything about it he ought to let me know, but I do not see how I can go to them again with any dignity.

I gathered from your letter that he had approached them himself.

Barnes does not pay in advance for work after this goes through I do not want to dally long with him. His credit has not improved of late.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

Sorry not to have seen you in Syracuse Saturday but my stay was unexpectedly curtailed and I had not even time to telephone. ~~You~~ I saw Gill on the train down.

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Mr. W. Jackson Smith Mar. 8th 9.

My dear Mr. Smith:

Your note saying that you would attend to the mortgages at once came duly. I gather from it that you would prefer to have them paid off so that I enclose a check for them. If you prefer to let them stand at 4½% (you may say that you will attend to the matter but do not say which way) please return the check.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. W. D. Denning Mar. 8th 9

My dear Mr. Denning:

Part of my expected funds have failed me. I hope to have them before the next assessment comes, and so be able to clear off those little mortgages, but if it will inconvenience you I can probably raise the money at short notice and let you have it. I am very sorry to have had this fall out in this way.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

I should prefer to let the mortgages stand a few months if it will not inconvenience you, but it is not a serious question probably.

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Selden Bacon, Esq.

Mar 9th

9.

Dear Sid:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Cousin Clara, which speaks for itself. I enclose also an order for your consideration. Please forward it if you approve after filling in the initials of the trustee and putting on whatever stamps are necessary.

If it is not in good form please have another drawn. I think it might also pay to get the mortgage released ~~from~~ and the release filed as soon as convenient.

Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Bacon

I suppose you have heard that Theodore is to go to Detroit.

Pace Dale, R. I., March 9th, 1899.

In consideration of a release to me to be granted by Charlotte T. Woodruff and Clara D. Woodruff Selden of the unpaid balance on a mortgage given by me to them for the purchase money ~~of the~~ for their undivided interest in that part of the Hollywood Tract so called, coming to them as heirs of Jabez Bacon, I hereby assign to them two thirds (⅔) of the distribution share of the proceeds of the aforesaid share decided by them to me, and direct the trustees for the heirs of Jabez Bacon, who are managing this affair to, namely B. W. Bacon, Thomas and Holdsher, to pay the same two thirds interest in the ~~per~~ aforesaid distribution share to them or to their order

Nathl T. Bacon

Mr. John Lechsinger.

March 9th 7.

My dear John:

Your Feb. report and notice of deposit are here. Sunday afternoon I inspected that house. It was No 314 Cathers Ave. and not No. 313 which made me a little trouble.

I might make an exchange perhaps, but cannot value the property as highly as the owner does. Before going further I must have from him his valuation of the lot, and of the house separately, the amount of the mortgage now existing and the rents, name of the owner and mortgagee, and the amount of the insurance now standing on the property.

I find that rents are pretty low in the Cathers Ave. neighborhood, and the house needs some repairs at once.

I have written Schemel showing that our calculations to not agree & giving our statement of his payments.

You had better see him and compare his claims with your report. It would take several more payments to make the principal as low as he claims. In two whole years he made no progress at all above his rent. My copy of the contract gives his instalments as $12.00 and the rent as $10.00.

I notice that his payments have nearly all been $10.00. He seems to have got something different from the contract inclosed.

Yours faithfully

Nath. C. T. Bacon

Mr. Frank Schemel

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N.Y.

Mar. 9th 9.

My dear Frank:

I was sorry not to be able to see you last week in Syracuse. It was owing to a misunderstanding of John Hickman's that you did not get notice in advance of when I was to be there.

According to our accounts you paid up to Jan 1st 1893 $165.00; in 1893 $150.00, in 1894 $105.00, in 1895 $120.00, in 1896 $90.00, in 1897 $105.00, and in 1898 $90.00; or in all $833.00. In two of these years (1896 and 1898) you only just paid the stipulated rent of $7.00 per month, and calculating for the rest according to the contract I cannot make my figures agree with yours. The lowest calculation shows you still owing me a little over $950.00 of the ~~[illegible]~~ principal sum on Jan. 1st of this year instead of $905.00 which you calculated. If you will send me your figures I will look them over and see where the difference lies unless you find mine correct.

There is now a 5% mortgage for $700.00 on this property. I am willing to give you a deed if you will assume this and give a second mortgage for $200.00, interest to begin with Jan. 1st. 1899. The first mortgage is payable on Jan. 1st. & July 1st.

You can arrange for payment of the interest on the second mortgage so as to make it most convenient for yourself. I should also like to have you pay not less than $20.00 a year on the principal of the second mortgage. The first can probably stand indefinitely. This would make your annual total payments for interest $80.00 and for principal $20.00 to begin with, or $79.00 the first year.

Yours faithfully

Nath. J. Bacon

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Mar. 9th 9

Mrs. George Seibert
13 Union Park, Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Cousin Clara:

Your note came while I was away on a business trip. I am very sorry to hear of Cousin Charlotte's illness.

I have prepared an order on the trustees and sent it to Sid with instructions to forward to you if it is in good form. If not he will draw another, and I hope it will not be delayed any more.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l J. Bacon

Mar. 10th 9

Mr. R. C. Houghton, New England Line
115 State St. Boston.

Dear Sir:

What accommodations can you offer me for June sailings for Liverpool? I am anything taking my wife & two children (9 & 11 years old) and nurse, & would require two rooms.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Mar. 10th 9.

Mr. W. H. Lane, Agent Atl. Trans. Line
201 Washington St. Boston.

Dear Sir:

What accommodations could you offer for June sailings to London for myself, wife, nurse & 2 children (9 & 11)? We should require two rooms.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Bacon

Memorandum for Basis of Agreement between Peace Dale Mfg. Co., Amos Sweet and R. G. Hazard.

The three parties mentioned above intend cooperating for the purpose of raising sugar beet seed for the market.

The Peace Dale Manufacturing Company expects to furnish the original seed to be used, technical supervision of the work, including chemical analysis of all beets to be used for reproduction and general oversight as to the character and quantity of manures to be employed and the times for cultivation etc.

Mr. Sweet expects to do the agricultural work, including planting, manuring, (furnishing the manure) weeding, harvesting, storing and marketing of the crop, and the keeping of accounts.

Mr. R. G. Hazard expects to furnish the land necessary.

It is proposed to divide the gross proceeds, i.e., all sums received from the sale of beet tops, beets rejected for reproduction and from seed, as follows: The first provision shall be for manure and the labor expended in caring for the crops, the manure used to be the first claim on the proceeds for its actual net cost, and the labor to be charged likewise at cost, $1.50 a day being allowed Mr. Sweet personally for the time actually spent in the agricultural work, but the book-keeping and time spent

in marketing are not to be so reckoned. After deduction of the agricultural expenses the remainder of the proceeds shall be equally divided between the three parties to the agreement.

It is understood that the land for the operation shall be charged with the manure already put upon it in preparation for this year's crop and to be put in for next year's crop on the larger amount of land necessary at that time, although it may be done before occupation of the land by Mr. Sweet.

Mon 10th

Dear Rowland:

Enclosed you will find a draft which I had made this morning on account land on our conversation. It says nothing of building but I suppose that you would not consider it the wisest to ask you to, or other strong expenditure in case the matter comes to grief the second autumn.

I had this draft passed with a view to your suggestions.

I have written to Mr. Forward tonight that I will not be able to be at Hartford on the 12th. I shall be at home all day Tuesday if you want to see me.

Monday morning

Yours faithfully

Nathan T. Dixon

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Albany 10th 9.

Dear Sir,

Yours of yesterday enclosing Judge Rider's opinion is at hand. If I understand a word he says in my the proper name (I suppose it must mean Thomas Rider he says the first) it appears to me very satisfactory, and I suppose the case for knowledge of what was what must of real estate is much stronger against him in them against Miles. Yours this made it probable that we shall need Parrot's testimony & I have made arrangements to keep him till Mon. 17th. If I can to need him after that I want to know as soon as possible.

Miles is doing better.

Yours truly & faithfully
Nath. P. Bacon

Inclosure the opinion

Mr John Lucksinger March 10th 9.

My dear John,

Yours of 8th is at hand. The King Rose is included in the price given you.

I wrote Sedlund yesterday giving him a price of $750,000, but it will cost about $5,000 more for a search brought down to date.

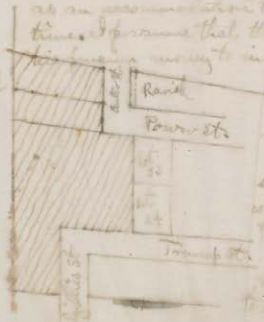
Yours faithfully
Nath. P. Bacon

Mr. John Cushing
Solway, N.H.

Mar. 18th

My dear Father:

Yours of Mar. 10th reached me Monday as I was going to the train for a trip to New Haven. On my return I find that the discrepancy is due to my having used the figures that I took down as you gave them to me in at your house instead of the statement sent me. Your first schedule agrees with your last and it was only this intermediate one where you gave me $100.00 for 1874 and $100.00 for 1875. As I had compared your former report with my books and found it to agree (after the annuities noted) I took for granted that you gave me the same figures at your house and as I was in a hurry I took the figures which I then took down instead of looking up the original figures. I am very sorry that this has occurred but in case only apologize here. Tell Frank that I accept his calculation showing about $700.00 owing and that I will accept $700.00 with interest from the Jan. 1st 1874 as the amount due me if he will pay it off. I should be very glad to have him do so, but intend to allow the 5½% mortgage stated as an accommodation to him. It can be paid now at any time. I presume that the S.P.C. would let him have a small sum if money to invest in the place if he wants to do it.



As to the survey of lot, I will sell subject to the usual conditions the part shaded on this sketch [illegible]. The fencing will depend on what is on the premises and what it is wanted for. I do not want to block Hill from putting a store house. I do not [illegible] fence if you [illegible] it. We had better work to end at once saying that we have

a customer for the whole ~~place~~ establishment, and that if he wants it deserves a friend though he must be agreed to our terms at once. I think however that I will let it go for 30000 Dls to a good customer, but I do not want this fact made public. What price would you think best to ask, and who is your customer & what does he want the place for? If the objects to telling it will affect my desire to sell. I do not think now that I can do much below last years figures.

You can let Mr Bahnsen see the first part of this if he wants to but of course this is confidential.

Let me hear as soon as possible about the five dollar meal - lot. I should greatly prefer to have them take the fifth piece as it will save me trouble in getting releases.

Yours faithfully

Nath. C. D. Brown

Mr Isaac Mills Esq.
Boston Mass.

Care of Messrs Ticknor & Co
Boston

Dear Sir

I am afraid I have not been very well lately for the last month or so

Mar. 15th

Dear Dr. Perry:

Yours of yesterday is here. So there is place where they speak French which has similar advantages for Helen? We are anxious to have the arrangement — that tongue if possible.

Vienne was known, or Bex or Aigle in the Rhone valley, or perhaps Vichy or the Lemans or Grenoble seem to me as possibilities; but I do not want to make this go counter to Helen's welfare. It is only an important secondary consideration. Regally otherwise would be very attractive.

I hope to be able to get to your office on Friday but write in case I should fail. Dr. Wilson attributed the loss of the child to the grippe. Helen has come down to dinner since Sunday and is get fast making good progress and is taking a lively interest in going abroad.

I shall not take your letter to Mr. Gill I think

Jamaica Mar. 15th

Dear Dad:

Doctor Perry telegraphs that he entirely approves of our taking Helen to Switzerland. We think this summer and winter coming passage at once.

We should like to sail on or about June 20th, allowing time to complete this school year if you approve, and I should be glad to know by telegraph if you feel able to decide the question at once.

We are balancing some what between first to Switzerland or first to Brussels & the Rhine. Wherever Mr. Gill & Dr. Bonsall and Grace are the three people of us who desire the change, only with the three English books near.

The question of Geneva or Lausanne for a lengthy part depends on this.

If you would have any preference please let me know.

Yours faithfully

Mar. 5th.

Mr. Samuel Gray
5 Gloucester St. Boston.

My dear Mr. Gray:

Our plans have been completely upset by my wife's illness and we find that we shall not want our Kelmscott cottage about this summer. If you have not made other arrangements we should be very glad to have for our tenant this year the house which you proposed to Mr. Dorsey.

I am very sorry that the house could not have been ready when I wrote you eight weeks ago.

Yours very truly
Nath. C. T. Bacon

We have had the house painted and I think you will find all in as good order as last year.

Mar. 15th

Mr. F. O. Houghton & Co.
124 State St. Boston.

Gentlemen:

On looking over the ground afterwards the Olympia, sailing June 20th comes nearest to what we want.

What would be your rates for my wife and little girl and trained nurse in a room & stateroom, and my boy (11) and myself in another room with and without other passengers.

My wife would like room No 1 if it should take and room No 2 would suit, or one in a middle room for the boy and myself. Dorsey will have sailed before that so we should only take single trip tickets.

Please give us rates on the steamer below in the steerage also.

Yours truly
Nath. C. T. Bacon

Upon long deck Olympia take for the trip? Are you friends Yours Chas.

Mar. 15th 9

Mr. G. A. Waterman Treas.
Mich. Cent. R. R.
New York

Dear Sir:
Yours of Mar. 18th is at hand giving the information I asked for. I am greatly obliged.
Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar. 15th 2.

Mr. Wm. H. Barnes
Solway, N.Y.
Dear Sir:
Your card of Mar. 13th is at hand. I very much dislike to have anything more to do with attempting a compromise with the Lynch & Knight Co., but I will do so on the understanding that you will give your consent and that if you can get in advance in writing to whatever agreement I make with them for not less than $500.00 to be paid by them to Mr. Thorne, I to receive first $200.00 as a minimum for my claim and 25% of such amount if greater than $500 to be obtained by me in addition to the $200.00 minimum under this payment I agree to surrender my present claim against you and the Thorne to be paid not according to whatever arrangement you reach with him, and the balance to remain as now.
Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mar. 16th 9.

My dear Mr. Smith:

If you have not already sent that assignment to Mr. Stiverall before this reaches you please wait for a day or two.

The man who is buying the place under contract has just intimated that he would like to get a deed and put on another mortgage instead, and it may save ~~two~~ transfers if you hold this till I know whether a satisfaction is not a better thing.

Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Bacon

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Mar. 18th 8

Mr. W. H. Eaves Agt. Atl. Transp. Line
201 Washington St. Boston.

Dear Sir:
This morning I rec'd your asking what accommodations you can offer for Apr. 28th and or May 13th. Possibly I can arrange my plans to take advantage of the lower rates till May 15th. Could you also provide accommodations for a little lady and her son on the same steamer if they should desire to join our party as they may do?
I am hoping to receive a reply by the late mail to night. If not on Monday morning.
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon.

Mar. 18th 9

The Red Star Line
6 Bowling Green, N. Dutch

Gentlemen:
Please do not return any longer the staterooms reserved for me. I find that we can probably do better elsewhere.
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

We shall probably sail in May, by a change in plan. If you can make a rate for May 3rd or 10th as low as $30.00 apiece for our party, I would consider it, but even then it would be a little more expensive to the point I am aiming at than other accommodations which I am offered.
Yours faithfully
N. T. B.

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Mar. 20th 9

Mr. W. H. Ears
201 Washington St. Boston

Dear Sir!
Yours of 15th is at hand. Please send us diagrams for both dates, Apr. 29th & May 13th.
Probably we shall take the former. We would take one state room & two berths six months
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mar. 20th 9.

The Holland American Line
39 Broadway, New York.

Gentlemen:
We have changed our plans and shall probably not want the accommodations reserved for us on the Westernland, July 1st.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Mr. W. H. Eaves Agt.
Atlantic Transport Co., 201 Washington St. Boston.

March 21st 7

Dear Sir,

I have received yesterday containing diagrams as at hand, but they are valueless as they do not give any indication of what accommodations are available.

Letters leaving Boston by the 402 train will reach here before the last ~~mail~~ mail leaves in the evening.

If you can get me a letter by that mail it will answer. If not you had better telegraph me what rooms are available. I cannot wait longer, and if the information does not reach me by to-morrow at 3.30 P.M. I shall be obliged to apply directly to the New York Office for passage.

Yours faithfully
Nath. J. T. Bacon

My wife, daughter and the trained nurse would occupy one room and myself and son would take the bottles in the other room. My wife greatly prefers an outside room. I do not care much about it for the boys myself.

March 21st 7

The Atlantic Transport Co.
No 1 Broadway, New York.

Gentlemen:

For several days I have been trying to get from your Boston agent information as to what accommodations you can offer on Apr. 27th and on May 13th for a party consisting of my wife, daughter and trained nurse in one room and of myself and son to occupy two berths in another room. The agent has assured me that rooms were available for both dates but has sent the diagrams I asked for without any indication of what is available.

I am writing to him again to-night but to make sure of avoiding delay I write to you directly to ask for the same information.

Yours truly

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Mar. 23rd 9

Wm. Rand, Gen'l Agt. Atlantic Transport Line
201 Washington St. Boston.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a check for One hundred and twenty ($120.00) dollars, to cover the war tax and fare for one ticket from New York to London by steamer Marquette, sailing May 13th 1898; three places being in Room No. 14 and two in Room 15; as per your letter of Mar. 15th.

Please send the ticket on at once.

What time of day does she sail and when can we go aboard? Also what is her ordinary time to London?

Yours faithfully,
Nath. T. Bacon

Can we get steamer chairs aboard for the trip? The party will consist of my wife & myself, my two children & Miss Kennard.

Mar 23rd 9

Mr. D. J. Ransom, Scranton.

My dear Dan:

Your note came a day or two ago. After thinking the matter over I have written to Mr. Lindsley suggesting that if you make an arrangement to pay a rent one half of everything you earn until you have paid off all arrears and get your rent paid a month in advance. I think that he will try it for a while if you will make such an agreement, but he has authority to manage the place and it will not do for me to interfere unless I am on hand to be my own manager. I should be sorry to have you go but I cannot afford to get along without any return from the house you are in if I have to pay interest and taxes on it.

Yours faithfully,
Nath. T. Bacon

If you make any such agreement it must be lived up to strictly.

Mar 24th.

Mr John Knickerbocker, Albany

My dear John:

On my return from Nashaum I found yours of Mar. 18th. You can tell Mr. Shibell to purchase another deed, and give him back the one you now have to keep till wanted.

I hardly like to expend as much as $50.00 for a sidewalk just now, but if you can persuade the village to accept the $400.00 proposition I am willing to sign. If you sign the petition for a walk on both sides of the street, but otherwise I should think it would do to have it on the ~~South~~ North side only.

When does Schenck expect to have his money ready? I do not want it told yet, but I expect to go to Europe again before very long and if Schenck ought to get his affairs in order pretty quickly. On this account also I have made up my mind to decline to make the exchange of property the colored man suggested. I could not begin to accept his valuation of his property to begin with. $15.00 to $20.00 would be a fair price for it, I think, and he considered it worth at least $ as much more.

I have a letter from Ransom begging to be allowed to stay. If he will make a definite agreement with you to pay you half of all his wages until all his arrears are paid, he may begin forging whenever he gets a day's work, perhaps it would pay to keep him for a while, but he must be faithful to his promise.

Yours faithfully

Nath. P. Bacon

I shall write to Ransom that perhaps he can make such an agreement with you, but that he must keep absolutely any such promise, & that you have authority to turn him out at once if he does not live up to his agreements.

Shall you be able to deposit anything more soon?

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Mar. 30th 9.

Mr. P. J. Schuyler
Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Schuyler:
Enclosed you will find my check for interest due of you, this being
$ for (500.00) dollars.
Please send me a receipt at your
convenience and oblige
Yours respectfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar. 31st 8.

My dear Mr. Stilwell,
A week or so ago I sent you word by John Lockringer, asking you to draw another deed for 16 I. instead of 17 I. The mistake was originally John's.
Now I would like to have you draw a deed for Frank Solomel for a fifth of lot 12 Block Jacconiah according to the map of the contract with him. He is to pay the deed on paying $200.00 with interest from Mar. 1st by and $50.00 more for a year or so. [illegible] Lewis and [illegible] Mr. Wyatt. [illegible] I would like a [illegible] release, that [illegible] will [illegible] Solomel, but he must carry out the bargain prior to May 1st as I am to be away after that and must also [illegible] Solomel's [illegible] be it ready with his money.
Yours very truly
Nath'l T. Bacon

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Mr. H. Judson Smith
Syracuse.

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My dear Mr. Smith:

Just as soon as you can get those releases drawn, I shall be glad to have them sent to Mr. Stilwell. My sale has been made. They are for the two halves of Lot 12 Block J.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l S. T. Bacon

Mr. Frank Salomon
Albany

Mar 31st 1

My dear Frank:

Your note reached me on my return from a few days absence.

I have written Mr. Stilwell asking him to prepare you a deed and a search which he will have ready when you have the money, Nine hundred ($900.00) dollars with interest from Jan. 1st 1897, and Five ($50.00) dollars additional for a search, which he will have brought down to date also.

You had better take your contract to him for him to draw the deed by and at the same time let him know just when you will have the money, which you can pay over to him.

Please get this done as soon as possible as I shall be going away for the summer in a few weeks, and want to get my affairs in order. I can stick your interest till May 1st, but after that it would make me trouble. Yours faithfully, Nath'l T. Bacon

March 31st,

Mr. A. S. Heidelbach.

Heidelbach, Ickelheimer + Co. New York.

Dear Sir:-

No one can properly take up the subject of the foreign indebtedness of the United States without careful consideration of your pioneer article in the Forum of February 1895, and the ensuing discussion in the Financial Chronicle.

I am proposing to take up this question in detail, classifying the indebtedness as follows-

1 U.S. Bonds.

2 State, County and Municipal Bonds.

3 R.R. Securities.

4 Brewery Investments.

5 Other Industrials.

6 Banking + Insurance.

7 Mining Investments.

8 Real Estate.

9 Partnership and Branch Enterprises.

10 Mortgage and other Loans and Floating Debt.

My present information leads me to believe that the first five items can be fairly approximated to, by extended inquiry here and in Europe, with such aid from corporations as has been universally extended to me as far as I have as yet had occasion to ask for it.

I am going to Europe in a few weeks, and am provided with letters of introduction which will, I hope, help me materially in my quest there, but I would be very grateful if you could spare the time to give me:

1st. Your present ideas as to what was our foreign interest and

dividend bill (without reference to freights and travelers spendings) on Jan. 1st, of this year.

2nd. The rate of interest which you consider that this is likely to represent on the total foreign investments here which have not been wiped out absolutely by insolvency, or, in other words, the total present investment here.

3rd. The probabilities of the relative importance of any of the ten subdivisions.

I am inclined to think that the R.R. securities alone will make more than half of the total.

What I should particularly prize, would be your estimate of foreign holdings of real estate in our cities, as your article makes specific reference to it.

My purpose is, in compiling my statistics, to give no names of informants without express authorization. I shall be very glad of any suggestions or criticisms which may occur to you.

Yours faithfully,

Nathan T. Bacon

Apr. 3rd

My dear Mr. Stilwell

Yours of Friday reached me Saturday night. Barnes proposal does not appear much enthusiasm.

The very last concession that can be considered at all is for him to pay half of the assigned value in cash, giving an agreement to pay the balance i.e. for the $200 (i.e. $40.00) by Oct. 1st, and to be must pay his rent in advance if he wants to stay. So long as he pays in advance I will let him have his place at $5.00 a month. It must be also a condition of the above concession that he pays the rent for April out of the money received from the compromise.

He has developed into a great nuisance.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

This offer is only for immediate acceptance. It will not be held open.

Mr. Seldon Bacon Apr. 8th

Dear Sel:

This morning I am somewhat dismayed at having no word from you concerning Coates' answer which was due by the last adjournment on May 29th. If you have not heard from Parks when this reaches you please punch him up. His negligence has already cost us getting judgment once in this matter. That time his excuse was perhaps a valid excuse, but cannot understand his present slackness.

Apparently the Garfields are using all to delay answering Gillacombe's decision is made known to them. I am very anxious to get Pearson disposed of before May 1st.

Yours faithfully

Nath. T. Bacon

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Apr. 4th 9

Mr. R. H. Pendixon
the Solvay Process Co. Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the receipts asked for. Thanks for your attention.

Frank Schlenel would like to get an advance on his pension.

Mr. R. G. Hazard says that if everything is in good order as to his record, there would probably be no difficulty about making him a loan on the security of his book if he applies in form.

Please let me know to whom he should apply.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Bacon

Apr. 5th

My dear Capt. Stearns:

Your letter reached me yesterday. I am very glad this affair is settled. If the money was paid to Mr Stowe, as you originally proposed, I have no doubt that my attorney, Mr Stilwell, already has our share. Otherwise there may be some trouble. Barnes has not been behaving pleasantly of late.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Apr. 5th

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yesterday afternoon I received a letter from Mr. Stearns of the Olmsted & Knight Co. saying that they had compromised with Barnes on Saturday for $500 cash. As I had note in your favor it struck me that he might have embezzled my share of the proceeds.

If so please have him followed up criminally at once if not too late.

I telegraphed you as much yesterday. Under the circumstances of an attempt to defraud I certainly do not care to make any deduction from his assignment below $200 too, and shall perhaps even want to demand payment in full.

Of course as I write I may be making a gratuitous assumption as to his action but I thought from Stearns's letter that he meant to warn me of an unpleasant possibility.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

I write because I thought it would have a stronger effect

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Apr. 6th 7.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Please let me know when you expect to have the money from Barnes and from Schenck.

I enclose a letter from Mr. Stearns, which bears upon affair as far as I know it. If he has already obtained possession of the money we may have trouble with him. If he makes trouble of course I will make no concessions from the strict exact so far as my rights require.

I hoped to hear from you yesterday and again today in answer to my telegram but neither came to hand.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

I wrote Barnes saying that at his application to you I had placed the affair in your hands & could not have withdrawn it from your management.

Apr. 6th 9.

Mr. W. H. Barnes

Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

You applied to Mr. Stilwell for a reduction on the amount of my claim on the money paid you by the Rand & Wright Co. I had already sent him instructions before your letter reached me in consequence and I cannot now take the matter out of his hands.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Mr. John Buchanan, Stray.

Apr. 6th

Dear Sir, Your of Apr. 2nd reached me yesterday morning.

I have written to Mr. Stilwell and sent him a search to be brought down to date. It went off a week ago, but Mr. Stilwell cannot deliver the deed and search till they are paid for of course.

I should be glad to have you get an agreement from Peter Zeffi to pay his rent arrears in October, when he marks his crop.

That lease for Morgan is too complicated for either you or me to draw. You will have to go to Mr. Stilwell with it. You had better write out a memorandum of the points for the first lease you go. Mr. Stilwell is sure not to be able to read it, for no one ever guess at your spelling of English. We did not know German fully well, but then you probably will not forget anything.

The Dave Co. can have the South east corner of Bonnell & and Hazard St., 100 ft. on each street, for $2000.00, but I would much prefer that they should take the estate first.

I infer from what you write that you make the arrangements with Brisson as with Sargent. Of course I do not expect you to trust him any more if he fails to live up to his agreements.

I am very glad that you got the monthly report of so promptly. I hope that you will continue to do so in future. It will be particularly important next time.

I am afraid we shall have to get rid of Brown. I am very sorry to do so, but if he will not pay even the very small rent which he agreed to I cannot go on keeping him.

Yours faithfully

Walter F. Bacon

Apr. 6th

Mr. Frank N. Seland
Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Apr. 3rd is at hand. I have written to Sycamore on your account. They will not let you have your entire amount, but I think that probably they will agree to advance you a considerable amount as a loan on the security of your book. Of course this will depend on your record with them of which I have nothing of late, but I assume that you are in good standing.

I presume the deed and security are ready for you at Mr. Stilwell's Office in the Mercantile Block if you have taken the contract for him to draw the deed from.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

If you will apply to Mr. Benedict in the Bank he can probably tell you to whom your application for a pension should be made.

Apr. 6th 7.

Dear Sid:

Yours of Apr. 4th is at hand. The only person whom I know well enough to call on for a bond who lives on Long Island is Cousin Hattie.

As I suppose two bondsmen are necessary she would not help and I would rather not call on her on general principles. I don't believe that a security Co. would charge more than 1% would they? If not they would not I should think it would pay to get one as surety. Would it not be included in costs anyway?

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

Solon Bacon, Esq.

Apr. 7th 7

Dear Sol:

Probably R. M. Atwater and John Pennock of Syracuse would give a bond for me.

Atwater does not own real estate there, but if that is necessary I could readily get some one else.

I expect to pass through Nauvoo Rock Wednesday afternoon to take the evening train for Syracuse. I could readily get two bondsmen there if that would be in time.

I suppose that the many wrongs for delay already made by the bagfields are likely to tell against them now. They have virtually carried the matter one over four months already in this way. Unless it would be giving away important information would it not be well to intimate to the court that my tickets to Europe are taken for May 18th. and that delay is therefore a great hardship to me?

Might it not pay to telegraph this to Parks to-morrow?

Yours faithfully Nath. T. Bacon

Have you a "Red Book" such as we use?

Apr. 7th 7.

Mr. Wm R. Lee
Rock Springs, Wyoming.

My dear Mr. Lee:

The Green River Star of Mar. 10th reached me duly a while ago, but as it arrived while I was away on business it was not acknowledged promptly.

If anything further materializes about this matter I shall be glad to hear of it. I am doubtful, however, whether anything more comes of it. The surface indications certainly are not promising, and I have learned not to place too much confidence in the assurances by interested parties of wonderful things just out of sight which they just lack the means to develop. There is always a possibility that the tale is true, but the probabilities generally lie in the other direction.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Apr. 7th

My dear Dr Jordan,

Probably I shall have to have Dean Bate for a long trip next Tuesday so that I shall have to give up my lessons now.

Please send me that nursery of yours of which you spoke Saturday morning and the bill for that and the other songs sent Dolan Reporter and myself and for the lessons subsequent to the opening of the first quarter and oblige

Yours faithfully

R. T. Bacon

Apr. 8th 8.

My dear Mr Stilwell.

Yours of yesterday is just here. I expect to be in Syracuse next Thursday for a considerable stay.

Please deposit for me in the First National in case the money is paid in. I am very glad to think that both these matters will be in order before I sail, five weeks from today.

My wife & children go to and we expect to remain at least six months.

I shall not fail to see you on this trip if I live.

Yours faithfully
Nathl T. Bacon

Apr. 9th 9

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday came this morning. I telegraphed you to use your judgment about going to Cleveland.

If you could settle the matter by some summary action which would do away with appeals I think it would pay, but the 3 per cent minimum expense is near 1% of the whole amount at stake, and makes quite a consideration.

I should be very glad to pay $10,000 to Scandle to get his own bondsmen, but if this will not do it I think I could get two in New York on Wednesday when there myself.

I know very few there but lawyers and very big business men whom I dislike to trouble with small affairs.

Yours faithfully N. T. Bacon

If you decide not to go to Cleveland & will give me a chance to see you on Wednesday.

May 4th 9

The Revere House
Norfolk.

Gentlemen:
Can you furnish the rooms for Friday, May 5th for myself, for my children and Trouell nurse? We shall probably arrive in the morning early.
Yours faithfully
Nathl. P. Banks

May. 4th 9.

The Department of State
Washington.

Gentlemen
Please send me at once the list of questions to be answered to obtain a passport.
I sail for Europe May 13th with my wife, two children and my wife's companion.
As I may go to Russia I suppose a passport is necessary.
Yours faithfully
Nathl. P. Banks

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May 4th 7.

Hon. Lyman J. Gage
Sec'y of the Treasury

Dear Sir:

Can you tell me approximately how large a part of the U.S. debt is held in Europe? My idea is that owing to the universal value of U.S. bonds for National banks only a very small part of it can be abroad, but I should be very glad of any information which you may have, name on my general theme, which is the total net indebtedness of this country to Europe including individual debts and foreign holdings of our stocks & bonds.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l T. Bacon

May 4th 7.

The Mechanics Nat. Bank
Providence

Gentlemen:

Notes of mine for $10 each fall due at your bank May 22nd. I sail for Europe May 13th. So I would be glad to arrange with you for a renewal at once, if available to you.

Yours faithfully,
Nath'l T. Bacon

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May 4th 9

Mr A. S. Tracy, Treas.
The Delaware Indians B, Syracuse.

Dear Sir
Enclosed please find the receipt for G. W. Miller asked for in yours of May 2d. Thanking you for your courtesy believe me
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

May 4th 9.

Received of George W. Miller Twenty six (26 100/100) dollars in full payment of arrears of rent for land.
Nath. T. Bacon

May 9th. 9

Department of State
Passport Division

Gentlemen:
Enclosed please find an application for a passport accompanied by a dollar bill.
If the passport can be made out so as to leave Washington by the evening of May 11th. please forward it to me C/o Sackett, Bacon and Hellmann, Tribune Building, New York. If not please send it C/o Stacy & Co Brussels, Belgium.

Yours very truly
Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. G. H. Stillwell,

University Block,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stillwell:

I think you already know that I sail for Europe on Saturday of this week. While away, my address will be as usual, care of Solvay & Co., Brussels, Belgium.

I have finally agreed with Schemel to take a mortgage on his place for $915 with interest from January 1st, 1899, payable semi-annually in sums of not less than $15 and interest, but the first payment on principal to be deferred until January 1st, 1900, the deed of course to contain the usual conditions, and the mortgage as well. I ~~will enclose my copy of the contract to~~ ~~you but you have my contract to consult by.~~ ~~return the deed. Return of the property.~~ When that you have the deed already drawn, and of He wanted to have the mortgage made payable to John Luchsinger, but I told him that this must not be, as the mortgage must be in such form that I could sell it if necessary, but I am willing to humor him within any ordinary range on this matter, and of course I am willing to have him make his payment through Luchsinger for the time being. I shall be at the Brevoort House in New York Friday night, so that if you have any occasion to consult me again before sailing, you can reach me there. My cable address is Bacon Solvayco Brussels.

Yours faithfully,

Notify Bacon

~~Enclosures~~ Please notify Schemel when the papers are ready. I leave with me the Lord Books

Pence Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. Frank Schemel,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., New York

Dear Sir:

Not hearing from you, I have written to Mr. Stillwell requesting him to draw and deliver to you a deed to your property on your signing a mortgage for $915 with interest from January 1st, 1899, payable in semi-annual installments of not less than $15 and interest, but the first principal payment to be deferred until January 1st, 1900, in order to allow you to make the repairs which you told me were necessary. This sum includes the cost of the search and of course Mr. Stillwell will give you the search with the deed. As I told you, it would probably prevent my being able to sell the mortgage if it were made payable in Solvay, but I shall be willing until further notice to accept payment through John Luchsinger, as you intimated you would prefer, but of course the terms of the mortgage must stand otherwise. I have written to Mr. Stillwell to this effect, so that if it is more convenient for you to make your payments through John Luchsinger, there will be no difficulty about that for some time to come, at least. He will notify

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beery

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

The Devonshire House Hotel,
Bishopsgate St. without,
London, England.

Gentlemen:

I expect to reach London by the Steamer Marquette on the 23rd or 24th of this month, and should be glad if you could have accommodation ready for my party of five. We should like two rooms with two beds each and one single room. There may possibly be another gentleman with us as well.

Yours Truly,

[illegible]

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. S. T. Betts,

The Bastable,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Saturday morning I am to sail for Europe for a considerable absence. I shall be on Friday at the Brevoort House in New York, and should be very glad to hear from you there as to what the chances are of making a sale of the property on James St. I am inclined to set it now at $13,000. During my absence my address will be care of Solvay & Co., Brussels, Belgium. If you have occasion to cable me my cable address is Bacon, Solvayco, Brussels. I always carry with me a copy of the Low code. I believe Mr. Stillwell has one of these. If not, there is one at the Solvay Process Company's office.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. Perkins,

Kindness of Mr. H. B. Closson.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Closson tells me that you have the keys of the cottage which Professor Johnson has just sold to my wife. We have rented the cottage for the summer to Messrs. R. G. and John N. Hazard who will occupy it. Please honor any demand for the key either by them or by Mr. Closson, and oblige

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beaty

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. Edward Atkinson,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Atkinson:

Please accept my thanks for the letters of introduction which I find on my return from a trip to New York. I am sure they will materially facilitate my investigations, and I shall have great pleasure in presenting them.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beaty

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. H. B. Closson,

111 Broadway,

New York City, N. Y.

Dear Harry:

I enclose a note for Perkins, which I think will completely cover the ground, unless he considers that he is only to take orders from my wife. I would send it to him directly, but I do not know his initials, and I believe there are too many Perkins in Holderness to make it safe to send it simply to Mr. Perkins, so that I shall be obliged to trouble you again about the matter.

Hoping that it will not bother you too much, believe me,

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Beeson

(enclosure)

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Mr. Seldon Bacon,

Sackett, Bacon and McQuaid,

Tribune Bldg.,

New York City.

Dear Sed:

If it will not be overdriving you, I should be very glad if you would mehage to have Barnes's testimony taken as speedily as possible. I should be glad to have it over at least a day or two before the 1st of June. He may be dispossessed of his present place by that time and we may lose track of him. If you consider it well to interrogate Gill also, I suppose it ought to be done at the same time. I write to make sure that this matter is not overlooked, though of course I expect to see you on Friday morning. We are going to the Brevoort House from the boat.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 9, 1899

Messrs. Mechanics Nat'l Bank,

Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find my check for $232 for interest, and revenue stamps, which I will ask you to affix to the two notes in renewal of the old ones to be taken up.

Thanking you for your accommodation, believe me

Yours faithfully,

Nathl T. Bacon

(enclosures)

Mr. G. A. Stilwell,
Syracuse, N.Y.

May 10th 9.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

I have just written to Mr. W. D. Bunning enclosing check to take up two mortgages of $500 each held by him. These are very crooked mortgages. One of $2 is to be simply released, but the other is on property sold to John Kelly (# 2) & therefore should be assigned to me.

I have told Mr. Bunning that you would require the papers for me and would do so. If he preferred to have you when the transfer is complete I should be glad to have you notify Kelly that he is to pay the interest to you as the mortgage has been sold to one of your clients. If you prefer not to have it appear he has bought it just mention.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l W. Baker

May 10th 92

Mr. W. D. Dunning
The Alexander Iron Works
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Dunning:

Enclosed you will find a check for Twelve hundred and twenty four ($1224.00) dollars to take up the two little mortgages for $600.00 each of which you asked to be relieved of. Please have the twenty three mortgage (i.e. the one on lot 9 Block C.) assigned to me. A simple release will do for the other.

I sail for Europe on Saturday so I will ask you to send the necessary instruments to Mr. G. H. Nichols, University Block. If you prefer to will draw the instruments for you to sign and an envelope addressed.

Yours very truly
[illegible]

I am very sorry to pay this in so fragmentary a manner but you will appreciate I am sure that my present conditions allow no time for formalities.

Norfolk May 12th 9

Mr. S. T. Betts, Dear Sir:

Yours of May 10th. is at hand. The property will be in a few days wholly unencumbered, but to the right kind of a customer a large proportion of the price could stand at 5%.

I will not absolutely refuse in advance to make any concession on the figures named, but I think it not improbable that it may now be wiser to raise these figures if the present universal prosperity continues.

To a purchaser offering a high margin of security we might even reduce our interest rate on any amount standing as a purchase money mortgage to 4%.

We leave in America Powers of Attorney sufficient to allow of complete title being transferred during our absence if occasion requires. Do not cable without good cause.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Nov. 11, 1899

Mr. Selden Bacon,

Tribune Bldg.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Last night we finally got home after a very tempestuous passage, but in excellent condition. I shall hope to be in New York probably some time next week, and in that case I will bring on the stamp collection with me, and we can discuss the matter more at ease than otherwise. In the meantime, can you send our bicycles home? We shall not need them for a few days, but I hope that Helen will begin to ride again before very long.

I should be glad to hear if you have any news.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Nov. 14, 1899

Mr. John Luchsinger,

Solvay, N. Y.

My dear John:

A day or two ago I reached home, and shall be glad to hear from you, and see the report for October as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Deane

P.S. Your report has just come. I shall be glad to have you go by Otsego & see matters stand at large

N. T. D.

I shall hope to be in Syracuse next week.

den 4ten Nov. 9.

Herrn Dr. Neumann
Optisch Werkstätte, Berlin

Werther Herr!

Ihr Schreiben vom 30sten Okt. ist mir nun gestern angekommen. Sie haben ganz recht zu verlangen dass Gebrauch sei nur vorsichtiglich gemacht von Herrn Apparat und dass man auch nicht ähnliche Apparate machen sollte. Sie wolle mich gern in dieser Beziehung für meinen Freund verantwortlich machen, und wolle Sie also bitten sofort einen Apparat an Herrn F. Blanc, the ~~Chief~~ Novelty Machine Sewing Co., 61 Boulevard Haussman, Paris zu schicken, und noch einen an mich hier also.

Ich habe noch die Stücke die ich in Berlin gesammelt habe, welche der Apparat aus dem Rohrm ausgeschnitten hatte, ich wolle Sie aber bitten auch sammt der Maschine auch so ein Paar Stücke an Herrn Blanc zu schicken. Er ist der Pariser Director dieses Amerikanischen Hauses. Es ist gar nicht nöthig dass diese Stücke von einem Rohr derselben Grösse herauskommen für die der Apparat geeignet ist.

Ich hoffe den Apparat in etwa drei bis vier Wochen hier zu erhalten.

Ergebenst
Nath. J. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Nov. 14, 1899

M. Le Baron F. Blanc,

61 Boulevard Haussmann,

Paris, France.

My dear Blanc:

On reaching home Saturday, I found yours of October 28th waiting for me, and yesterday morning I received a letter from Nowodny, agreeing to give the six months' option. He suggests that before letting drawings and models pass out of his hands, I give him a personal guarantee that no apparatus except for experiment, should be made like them, and that no use should be made of them except on experimental work. Of course this is reasonable, and I shall write him by this same mail, making myself responsible in this matter, and asking him to send one apparatus to you and another to myself here. One apparatus is worth a dozen drawings for such purposes. Perhaps you would do well also to write to him, asking him to send you samples of the crust removed from pipes by his apparatus. I had such samples with me when I was talking with you about it, but they were inaccessible at that time. It seems to me best to waive the question of his taking part of his pay in stock for the time being. It will be well enough to bring that up when we know a little better where we stand. I have an A B C code in the office, in case you need to cable at any time.

Yours faithfully,

Nathan T. Beery

Peace Dale, R. I., Nov. 14, 1899

Charles Boissevain Esq.,

The Handelsblad,

Amsterdam Holland

Dear Sir:

Your note of October 28th, enclosing that to you of M. Adolph Boissevain, was awaiting me on my return from Europe last week. I am very greatly obliged for the very detailed account which you furnished me. It is the best I have been able to obtain for any country, and tempts me to trespass still further on your kindness, in asking you if you can furnish me any criticism on the following estimates which I have made of other European holdings of American securities.

For the German Empire, my estimate, based on figures made in Frankfort with H. Speyer Ellison, is from one hundred and fifty million to two hundred million dollars, of which not less than one hundred million is probably in railroad bonds, and perhaps ten million railroad stocks, with very little in the way of real estate, but considerable in banking, though of this portion a good deal should be offset by the shares owned by partners in German banking houses, who live permanently in America.

For Switzerland, my estimate is seventy-five million

dollars (based on conversations with Lombard, Odier & Cie. and other bankers at Geneva) represented almost wholly by railroad bonds. Formerly the Swiss held large quantities of state, county, and U. S. bonds, but these seem to have been replaced by railroad bonds as the others were paid off. Switzerland seems to be the only country in Europe which has not recently reduced its holdings of American securities.

For France, M. Raphael Georges Lavy is still engaged on an estimate which he has promised me, but the amount seems to be small, and is probably not greater than that for Switzerland, except for the securities owned by Americans resident in Paris, and these require separate treatment. French holdings seem to be of the same character as the Swiss, though I know of one or two French industrial enterprises in the United States.

I am inclined to estimate the holdings for the rest of Europe, outside of Great Britain, at not above twenty-five million dollars, mainly confined to Belgium, with stray amounts in Denmark, Austria and Italy.

Of course the English hold an enormous amount, which, after considerable study of the income tax returns and the death duties, I feel inclined to estimate at $2,500,000,000. of which again perhaps 60% is in railroad bonds, 20% in railroad stocks, with the remainder mainly in real estate mortgages, breweries, other

manufactures and mining. There has been much talk about large holdings of real estate by foreigners in our country, but unless William W. Astor is already to be accounted a foreigner, these seem to amount practically to very little, though at one time there were very large English holdings of farm lands in the Northwest. My impression now is that these almost universally prove disastrous to the foreign investor, and that they have been given up. It would also be a matter of considerable interest if you could give me some details as to the periods at which the Dutch investments in the United States were made. I am well aware that their first beginnings were during our Revolution, and that it was only Dutch money which finally carried us through that terrible struggle. My impression is that up to within the last seven years Dutch investments had, on the whole, a steady growth, except for the period from 1790 to 1820, when the Dutch had too much to attend to at home to allow them to make foreign investments, but I should be very glad of any data in particular if such exist, with reference to the panic periods of 1837, 1857, 1873, and 1893, and to the periods of inflation just preceding them. Hoping that this will not prove too severe a trespass on your kindness, believe me ever,

Yours faithfully,

Nicholas Murray Butler

Nov. 15th 7

The Mechanics Nat. Bank
Providence.

Gentlemen:
Your subscription of the due date of my notes is at hand.
At what rate could I raise $4 000.00 for six months and $800.00 for three months, paying off $200.00 now? I should expect to clear up the $800.00 in February.
Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Nov. 15th 7

W. K. Durrant
1 Bishopsgate St. Within
London

Dear Sir:
Yours of Oct. 28th is at hand. I find that it will cost me $10.00, which is more than the interest balance to have the blue print in order.
You were allowed 24 hours more to make it to begin with then you simply asked for and you had all the time you asked for a second time after trying on when the draft was brought back to you as unsatisfactory. Under such circumstances I think you can hardly complain of being unduly hurried.
Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Nov. 20th 9

Mr. F. R. Hazard, Jun.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand stating that you will send the books asked for. I have just telegraphed asking to have them sent by mail instead of by express as they have already started, as owing to the hot weather it takes from two to three days for express matter to get through.

I enclose my expense account and my letter of credit. I shall be glad to make good what I have drawn above my expenses if you will furnish me a statement of the equivalent of my drafts of 325 R.

Yours truthfully

N. P. Bacon

The Salvage Provided to N.Y. B. Dr.

April 15th	Passage money to Europe	60.
May 12th	Passport + Expenses to Steamer	14.50
" 24th	Steamer Expenses	10.
"	Green	12
" 27th	London Exp.	13.20
" 28th	Paris to Brussels + Expenses en route	14.70
June 17th	Expenses in several Brussels, Berlin + Frankfort.	100.
21st	" to Dunkirk	12.
July 11th	" at " + Photo. Materials	22.40
" 14th	Sevrelle + Wyhlen Expenses	17.20
	Round Trip to Hallein, Ischl + Berchtesgaden	20.00
	Photographic Materials	13.
24th	Baggage + Expenses to Hallein	16.50
30th	" " " Ischl Gosling + Ischl	27.25
	" " " " Berchtesgaden	22.60
Aug 6th	" " " " " Ischl	16.66
" 10th		
" 26	Expenses at Geneva	40.
" 27	" to Grindwald	17.
Sept 4th	" at "	4.60
" 6th	" to Geneva	16.40
" 17th	" at "	22.70
" 20th	Passage money to Boston	60.
Oct 1st	Expenses to Brussels via Wyhlen, Sevrelle + Dunkirk + Hotel	32.60
" 6th	" at " Hôtel etc.	31.20
" 10th	" to Northiach via Silverstown	33.80
" 20th	" at " Swallach + Nickelsruhe + to Steamer	47.20
Nov 9th	" on Steamer	10.
" 10th	" to Peace Tale	8
		$ 902.30

Nov. 16th

Dear Rowland:

Mr. Gordon tells me that the Estate has considerable funds in bank. I have a note for $10,000.00 at the Bank. Nov. which falls due on Wednesday. I can pay a little on it, but I should be glad if the Estate could take up either the whole or a part of the remainder. If it is convenient, kindly let me have a telegraphic answer.

This is all the intelligence that I have coming due that I do not expect to be able to meet at maturity for a long time to come. If did, it occurs to me that the Est. might be able to handle up at the Bank and assume terms with the Bank for a renewal, but they have not yet endorsed, and I fully would not be getting forward after it has paid matters. Hope to see you in Syracuse.

Wishing you success.

Yours truly

N. T. Beeson

Nov. 17th

Mr. R. R. Hazard, Pres.
The Solvay Process Co., Syracuse.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find checks for $703.25/100, making the balance due on one except for $100.00 which will take care of next month.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Beeson

Nov 18th 7

Mr. John Heisinger
Solvay, N.Y.

Dear John:

Your note arrived yesterday. Rarcar as yet unsold lots 35 + 37 J + 24, 6 + 8 J + 1 + 3 H + 15 + 47 K + 15 + 20 I besides a few lots of the Aleck MacDougall which have practically been dropped.

I expect to be in Syracuse Tuesday morning but may perhaps not be able to see you for a day or two later as I shall be very busy.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Syracuse, N.Y. Nov. 21st 1899

The Mech. Nat. Bank
Providence

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the two notes signed & a check to cover interest and the remainder of the principal. I have returned to correct what appeared to be a slip of the pen so as to make them correspond with the due date of my present notes, namely Nov. 22nd.

The difference to me is a material one as I shall have funds on Feb. 22nd. which might ~~and~~ or might not be available on the 20th. though nominally due then.

If your interest was only calculated for Feb. 20th. I shall be glad to make good the balance which this may call for.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Syracuse, le 28 Nov. 1899.

M. Libotte
Chez Solvay & Cie Bruxelles.

Mon cher M. Libotte,

Votre lettre du dix n'est arrivée ici avant hier. Je viens de voir M. John Dey, l'inventeur de la machine et je vous envois les résultats de ma conversation avec lui.

Il considère 200 numéros la limite pour une seule machine. A partir de ce chiffre la complication cause une usure un peu trop forte, et il recommande plutôt des machines à 150. Par conséquent je lui ai demandé un prix pour quatre de ces machines. Il est sur le point de signer un contrat pour tous ses droits européens, y compris la Belgique, qui l'empêcherait de les livrer en Europe, mais il m'a dit qu'il me donnerait une option à moi sur les quatre machines à raison de $125.00/100 par machine avec 20% de rabais, c.à.d. à $100.00/100 net. Je crois que ceci pourrait probablement remplacer les 2 à 300.

Le froid n'affecte pas ces appareils. M. Dey dit que si on leur construit une espèce de hangar comme abri cela suffit, mais qu'ils ne doivent pas être exposés aux éléments.

Je ne comprends pas trop ce que vous voulez dire par "quelques détails sur le fonctionnement des dits appareils."

je lui ai demandé avec cette notice les difficultés qu'il reconnaissait. Il m'a dit qu'après quelques années de marche il y a une pièce de laiton et une pièce de fonte qui forment ce qu'ils appellent un "joint glissant", qui finit par s'usar, mais qu'il n'y a rien qu'on ne peut facilement faire arranger dans vos ateliers par les ouvriers un peu bons, et qu'il n'y a rien qui soit difficile à comprendre.

Dans le cas que vous auriez encore des détails à demander je prie de mon nieu si vous vous adressez à moi.

M. Dry me dit que pour le prix convenu il me livrerait des appareils tous emballés pour faire le voyage en Europe, mais qu'à l'avenir vous auriez à vous adresser à la compagnie européenne.

J'espère bien que vous êtes à bout avec la vaccatine dans la famille et que Mme Solvay se soit remise.

Agréez, Monsieur l'assurance de ma haute considération.

Nath. T. Bacon

Dec. 1st.

To Asbury Parkes Esq.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check for $575.00 which with $125.00 for my interest to 1st prox & each Nov 20-25 makes up the balance of $100.00 due on my Europe one-year note.

Yours respectfully
Nathan T. Bacon

Dec. 11th.

Dear Sir:

Please get your testimony here in time for me to look over before being examined again. Probably if you get here at 6.7 A.M. (or by the 7.30 from N.Y.) there will be time there before the hearing begins.

I don't want to see Brown too long in advance, nor yet just before the hearing, so let me know as soon as you know when he is going to be.

Saturday would be very convenient, but it may be best for me not to go to Boston for more any evening & then my time would be uncertain for the 2 days.

Leida told me that her recollection was very distinct that on your your claim to Bon and I think that must have been his understanding for there was a question that he supposed he had to settle with you & get the title ourselves to me, and if he was acting as your agent for one hand he would not be expected to account to you for some of the money received for the sale of the land.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Syracuse, N.Y. Dec. 7th. 9.

Dear Sir:

You have not written as you said you would when you heard from Parks. If you want me in Cleveland Monday or Tuesday please wire on receipt of this.

By the way what do you propose concerning the stamp collector?

Yours truly

N. T. Bacon

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand.

If Parks can arrange with Knox for Dec. 17th. I will save him the trouble of a trip to K.) by appearing here.

I am to be here till then at least and perhaps later I should be glad to be able to be in Boston on the 18th, but work may perhaps not admit of my leaving here before Xmas, or since I shall be after Xmas I do not know. I am following a most interesting line of experiments. I suppose it would be advantageous to all parties to concentrate the appearances.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Syracuse, N.Y. Dec. 7th. 9

Dear Uncle John:

As you have wanted to dispose of S.P. Co. stock in the past it occurs to me that perhaps you may not care to take up all your allotment of the proposed increase. If this is the case we should be glad of the opportunity to get some shares now. I have no money to spare more than will be needed to make up my allotment, but Helen is shortly going to have some money to invest and I should be glad to be able to get twenty shares 'round of her holding.

If you do not want all your share would you kindly let me know what premium you would expect of the last sale that I know of was at 200 which I calculate would be equivalent to a premium on new stock of about 75.

I hope you are enjoying Mission Hill. With love to Aunt Augusta & the girls

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Dec. 14th Syracuse ?

Dear Sed:

This afternoon I saw Barnes. The instructions he speaks of he says he got in writing ~~after consummating~~ the transfer to Ramsay. He says they were in a letter from Perry (with whom he had no relations prior to the sale to Ramsay) and they were evidently only meant for a valuation on the building which they claimed was short. He never had any such instructions directly from us. He says he showed you the letter in Syracuse.

Yours faithfully

M. R. Bacon

Dec. 18th 9

Mr. E. N. Dawes, Syracuse N.Y.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

As you probably know I was suddenly forced to leave Syracuse on Friday owing to my daughter's illness with typhoid fever. I hound your experimental work as far as possible to Dalkeith. I hope he will succeed in some experiment by inoculation of fowls, but with stone so poorly he has as yet not been able to get my wood out without great waste of time; and it is also difficult to obtain uniformity in the raw material.

I enclose the leaf of one of my frame letters which I took from your file some ten days ago.

I found fing also the blue print of the Northumberland lake which I intended to show you. I will do my self just as soon as it will be used to do.

Yours faithfully
N. N. Dawes

It is quite that I can hardly get away from this month

Dec. 18th 9.

Mr. W. R. Hazard, Pres.

Dear Sir,

This morning I have taken up carefully with Mr. Peck the question of the Dombasle Cuscle. Lots Sheets. These continued to come after my departure, and he has the file complete up to and including the sheet for June. I have looked in every place where I can imagine us having mislaid them, but to no avail if they come.

We also lack some one file the record of the Dombasle C.S. works prior to (the first one need) but those for Sept. and Oct. are at hand, and not forwarded since.

I am away to Trenton for again about three weeks, but it looks to me as if they could never have been sent. Have been over the file of his letters to Syracuse during my absence.

On Aug. 26th he asked for copies of the Dombasle C.S. costs for the first half of '77, showing that they had not been coming regularly prior to that date. On Sept. 14th he acknowledges receipt of them. Sept. 27th he acknowledges receipt of other papers and asks for Dombasle C.S. and thanks them for June and there is no further allusion to them, though there are other acknowledgements.

Susie is doing well though she has lost point. She is usually so weak days intervening, there is at first outbreak, which of course is always again.

Yours respectfully

W. R. Baron

Dec. 19th

My dear Mr Perry

When I left Sycamore at short notice a few days ago, owing to my daughter's illness, I accidentally carried away a book which is in the bottom of the left hand desk in the Secretary's room. May I ask you to forward it to me by express at once. I think it is standing upright in the bookcase on the right hand side. I need it at once for a list of titles which it contains.

Yours truly

N. P. Bacon

Dec. 20th 9

Mr John Lockinger
Solway, N. Y.

My dear John:

Yours of Dec. 17th is at hand. You signed the note John Lockinger, Agt. which will not do, so I send you a new note to be signed together with the old one. The name should be signed simply John Lockinger.

I do not care to sell that Northwest corner together with the piece leased for $300.00, but I Adam Shipley ought to make an offer for this will consider it.

I cannot accept Jake Lutz's offer unless he will make it as ~~ten years of instalments of ten $10.00 a~~ twenty five instalments of ten ($10.00) dollars a month, and then take a deed giving five per cent mortgage for $250.00 ~~etc~~ Real estate is now rapidly improving in Solway and it is not a time to break prices.

I cannot take the Spirit Rock place now, as my little girls illness will take all the money I can spare. She is doing well however. Possibly if you could see Mr Hagard about it he would take it for the S.P.(x. if he knew it was the query.

Please see John C. Obier and ~~get him~~ make him provide a deed and such satisfactory to Mr Stilwell for the piece he has left. I told him that I would let him go without seeing him on those terms, but you could not possibly release him from the obligation to pay the mortgage by the verbal arrangement you made with him and we had not title to the property now, as matters stand and John must provide us a clear title unless he expects to be held for it.

I am sending you something for Knox which I brought from Surrey last for you.

Yours in haste N. T. Beach

I enclose contracts for Schenck & Hurlburt signature and then signature witnessed and get back old contracts.

Dec. 20th

Mr. A. T. Baldwin
Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Dec. 18th is at hand. My daughter is doing better, and we hope to have her out of danger in another fortnight. In the mean time I should be glad if you would forward me the sermons wanted say three times a week. It is hardly necessary to do so every day, but I should be glad if you would get them up ~~Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday~~ Monday, Wednesday + Friday. Next week I will be occupied with Tuesday + Friday to prevent interfering with Xmas.

I think that you will not fail to obtain facilities worth the labor if you copy out the engravings and get texts in the books with your own hands, but of course you may not feel able to spare the time.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bagot

I thought I had asked you to forward the sermons daily, but I see by the copy of my note that I forgot to mention it there.

Dec. 22nd 1

Dear Ben:

Your about the $300 Bond interest for Lillie? How much are you going to call on me for and will you want it for Jan. 1st? This matter ought to be closed up at once.

I had a letter this week with Sick in Diff. caught the indorser.

It seems that he ought to have more pay & share the other suits against Sisson. I agree with him if it is only for getting even with Smith & Beach.

It would be much better to have things pushed on as there is no time for me to come over the ocean at this stage.

You can be back enough from the West Indian to assign the Lyth Sick suit he has already brought several suits for the pay he was to receive for bringing one, so that his work is all finding seems quite feasible. Merry Xmas.

Yours faithfully, Nath. P. Bacon

Susie continues to gain.

Dec. 22nd 1

Dear Sid:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Helen will probably be glad to take two of the Pub. Disp. bonds at $95.00 ex-coupon, on Jan. 2nd or 3rd. You do not say so, but I suppose these are the mortgage bonds. Did you draw the mortgage. I suppose from your recommending them that there is no doubt about them that you know of.

We will let you know definitely after Xmas.

Susie continues to gain steadily. On thinking over the Stump Cotton affair I have determined to offer to pay to you what I supposed I had paid for your share of the attorney, i.e. $50.00 and that will be satisfactory to you. I don't see as I could afford more, and I should ask you to wait till April for this unless it would be an object to help him to some thousands in industrials worked out.

Yours faithfully N. P. Bacon

Merry Xmas to yourself & Dolly

Dec. 27th 8

Dear Sed:

Yours of Dec. 23rd & 26th rec'd at hand. I received yours of Dec. 13th via S. cause also. I think there little doubt that this last one of Barnes' is correct, i.e. that he tried to get a bid on the 7th. slips at Troy's suggestion after trouble began with Miller, & then he was told what he was asked to get a price on it, or.

Probably also they gave him the instructions in writing as he says.

We will take two of those lots on June 4th if they are still available. Please let us know at once as we shall have to get them carried for a third if we see them.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Dec. 29th 1

Lamont Stilwell,
University Block, Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

On looking over the plans sent me I find that I should be unwilling to buy the place on speculation for the amount of the mortgages, and thereon, though I admit that there's an equity in the property for any one able to handle it, I must decline to go further.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

My daughter's illness had delayed my answer. She is now fairly out of danger, however

Dec. 30th 9

Mr. Edward Joy
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:
At last I have found a disposition for all our remaining gas fixtures except the chandelier. Please ship all the side lights still in your hands to

Rev. B. W. Brown
30 Trumbull St.
New Haven, Conn.

Please sell the chandelier for what you can get and then let me know the account between us stands.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l G. T. Baker

Dec. 30th 9

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Enclosed you will find the Kirby deed which I supposed I had returned to you to be executed. ~~Give~~ Take a deed from Obert also if he can give clear title.

Yours faithfully
N. G. T. Baker

How about Barnes

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 1st, 1900

Baron F. Blanc,
61 Boulevard Haussmann,
Paris, France

My dear Blanc:

Yours of December 18th is at hand, and with it at the same time I received a letter of similar import to yours from Mierisch. He enters into the affair for the first time as far as I am concerned. I send you copies of the letters which I am writing to both Nowodny and Mierisch, which I think cover the ground. I know nothing of Mierisch further than the address on his paper, but I think that he is making a very bad mistake for their side, and I think that my demand of an extension of time, though very, unwelcome, unquestionably, to them, will, under the circumstances of the delay on their side, be recognized everywhere as the least that can be claimed. I don't know as there is much use in trying to tell a man that I myself and you are not thieves. If he does not believe it without being told, such assurance will not add very much to his faith. Of course he is writing to people whom he has never seen, and you to him can really only be a shadow of a name, but if he has ever had anything to do with important business he must recognize the folly of what he is doing. I think there can be no question that I have sufficient authority in black and white from Nowodny himself to warrant us in going ahead and throwing the responsibility entirely upon him in case of any failure at the end, due to delay or other nonsense on their side. I shall be glad to know what you think of the letters which I enclose.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. T. Baron

(enclosures)

Pawtucket, R.I., den ersten Januar, 1900.

Herrn Fr. Novotny,

Deutsche Solvaywerke, Bernburg.

Werther Herr,

In Antwort auf meinem Briefe des 14ten Nov. erhalte ich soeben einen Brief von Herrn Otto Mierisch in Dresden, der aus meinem Brief an Sie eine ganz andere Bürgschaft behauptet, als jene die ich gegeben zu haben meine, und zwar eine die kein vernünftiger Mensch unterschreiben kann; und darauf verweigert er mir den Apparat zu schicken.

Dieses kann ich im besten Fall nur als kleinhändlerisch ansehen. Es wäre nur eine kleinigkeit für mich einen ähnlichen Apparat zu machen seitdem ich den Ihrigen in Bernburg gesehen habe, wenn ich ungerecht handeln wollte.

Ich habe schon auf Ihrem ausdrücklichen Wunsche bedeutende Schritte gemacht Ihre Erfindung zu verkaufen und diese kann ich in keinem Fall unentgeltlich gehen lassen.

Das Wenigste was ich unter diesen Umständen verlangen kann ist dass Sie die sechsmonatliche Frist für welche Sie mir die Verkaufsrechte für Amerika, England und Frankreich übergeben haben, um die sieben Wochen verlorener Zeit seit dem 14ten Nov. verlängeren, und dass mir der Apparat sofort geschickt wird.

Ich schicke Ihnen einen Abdruck meiner Antwort an Herrn Mierisch, den ich natürlich nicht sonst als durch seinen Brief kenne. Ich habe keinen Zweifel dass sein Brief ein ganz andere gewesen wäre wenn Sie ihn gesehen hätten vordem er abgefertigt worden ist.

Hochachtungsvoll

N. J. Baron

Peace Dale, R.I., den 1ten Jan. 1900.

Herrn Otto Mierisch,

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden.

Ich bin im Besitze Ihres Geehrten des 12ten Dezmber , der mir nur am Abend des 30ten angekommen ist.

Ich muss so fort gänzlich klar machen dass ich keinerlei dafür bürge, wie Sie nach meiner Meinung ohne Grund behaupten, "dass wenn infolge der Ueberlassung des Apparates an Genannten, eine andere Anwendung, als zu probeweisem Versuch erfolgen sollte, oder andere ähnliche Apparate, die auf gleichem Prinzip beruhen, konstruirt werden, die Kaufsumme für die in Ansicht stehende Patente England, Amerika und Frankreich, sofort zahlbar werden würde."

Ich habe sofort Alles versprochen was Herr Novotny von mir verlangt hat. Nach meiner Meinung kann dieses in keinem Fall mehr umfassen als dass ich ihm Entschädigung machen sollte wenn durch meine Schuld oder die meines Freundes, Herrn Blanc, einen unbiederen Gebrauch davon gemacht werden sollte.

Es ist unmöglich ein Patent zu verkaufen ohne das Prinzip und die Wirkung davon den Kunden zuerst klar zu machen, wie auch Herr Novotny mit mir gehandelt hat; und ~~zu eine Bürgschaft~~ solches Misvertrauen als so eine Bürgschaft voraus zu verlangen werden alle Kunden sofort mit Misvertrauen entweder des Werthes der Erfindung oder der Gültigkeit des Patentes begegnen.

Ferneren Schutz als den gesetzlichen kann ich nur im Fall Herrn Blanc's betrachten.

Das Schicken des Apparats risquiert in jedem Fall nicht

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viel. Hier, wie ich schon Herrn Novotny gesagt habe, kann es dem Patente nur helfen wenn nach seiner Anmeldung, auch vor Kundgebung des Patentes, eine Anwendung seiner Erfindung vorkommt.

Diese Verzögerung wird aber für mich wichtig. Ich habe schon verschiedene bedeutende Capitalisten in dieser Sache interessirt die jetzt auf Ankunft des Apparates warten, und die vielleicht nun vor seiner Ankunft das Interesse verlieren können. Man kann sie nicht immer finden wie man will.

Das Allerwenigste das ich unter diesen Umständen verlangen kann ist dass die sechsmonatliche Frist die mir erlaubt ist durch die sieben Wochen verlorener Zeit seit Abfahrt meines Briefes des 14ten Nov. verlängert sei und dass man mir den Apparat sofort abschicken soll.

Hochachtungsvoll

N. T. Bacon

Jan. 2nd 1900 —

Mr. A. H. Green, Treas.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for interest due the Cambridge Bank at this time.

Yours respectfully

Nath. P. Bacon

Jan. 2nd 1900 —

Anthony Bank, Cashier

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for $77.50 being for interest to Nov. 1st, finally due at this time.

Yours faithfully

Nath. P. Bacon

Jan. 2nd 1900 —

The Suffolk Savings Bank

Gentlemen:

During the course of last year I took back from you the Hancock property situated on Block 4 lot [illegible] and part of lot 20, one has been that exchanged it with you including for his property of lot 6 and part of lot 4 Block 4, so that my will will [illegible] you is now [illegible] $7175.00 and interest $77.50, for that last I enclose a check.

Yours faithfully

Nath. P. Bacon

Jan. 8th 1900

My dear Mr. Tidwell

On Monday when your note reached me I had barely time to get the thirty deed into the mail and not enough to follow with that for Schenger, which I now send on for you to execute.

You do not say what success you had telephoning to Barnell, nor anything about the Mailler affair.

I enclose also a search that brought down for the Orphans.

Yours sincerely

N. T. Bacon

Please make sure Obr has no judgments against him. Possibly Obr may have had a search with his deed. If so please have him get that one brought down instead of this.

Jan 8th 1900

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a check to your order for $1900.00 for ten bonds of the Tubular Depot Co. Please have them registered, and the coupons retained as provided, so that the money shall be sent regularly without trouble with the coupons. They should stand in the name of Julia T. Bacon of Pawtucket, R.I.

I enclose also a letter from Ben which you wanted returned.

Did you succeed in selling the rest of the bonds at the same price?

Yours truly

Nath'l T. Bacon

New York, Feb. 4th 1870

My dear Mabel:

January has worked around and I must make my financial arrangements, so I am writing to find how much more money Elizabeth is going to need, and when it will be needed, and what form of arrangement she had better make.

You have had charge of all the arrangements as far as it is to you that I write about it.

I should be perfectly willing to have Elizabeth's wife as my sister, but I rather shrink to make it a charge against the estate. I should not object. I am sorry to see by the papers that his health is not quite well.

Your loving brother

Nath'l P. Banks

Jan. 4th 1870

Dear Sis:

Enclosed you will find a letter from Ned which speaks for itself. If I will take care of the remainder can you give $50 and your interest in the stamp collection?

I have sent heavy cables one a-piece now for Butterworth and Elizabeth at once, but I think the matter ought to be attended to immediately.

I have a good deal enough of my own gas fixtures for his house, so that I feel no hesitation in letting them contribute the $150 to.

I have just had a good letter from Sutton, but I am sorry to see that his hand is beginning to tremble.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l P. Banks

Please return Ned's letter

John Cudebacker
Solomy, N.Y.

Jan. 4th 1900 =

My dear John:

Two weeks ago yesterday I wrote you returning your note which you had signed "Secretary" and asking for another signed correctly, and now, as I have received no reply, my question is why should your desire could have sent the sheriff to see if the letter was if you had wished him that way and I cannot also things to you in such an unbusinesslike manner. Please send me the new note by return mail - if you are to be a business man you must work more on business principles. I have received from you about the alternating of sections on my letter with report which I asked quite a few on the 1st of Jan. I see not yet the [illegible] that you to write to me on Saturday also, enclosing what funds you expect to need if any to meet the taxes on Jan 1st. Do not neglect this.

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. L. T. Bacon

Jan. 6th 1900 =

Dear Tuff:

Inclosed you will find my proxy made out to one of the coming and all future meetings of the N.E. L.S.G.

I should be very glad to see whenever near there may be an opportunity for a friendly visit.

Sam is just recovering from an attack of typhoid fever which turned our Christmas joy to our great relief.

Otherwise we are all well.

I suppose that alcohol strong must be feeling most prosperous just now, and I congratulate you.

Yours very truly
Nath. T. Bacon

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Jan 6th 1900

Dear Bros:

Enclosed you will find Sal's check for $50.00 and mine for $50.00 which with what you Mr will make up the amount for the land for the Brunt in Mr Mason's name with Sal that I could do so much the would release all his claim on the things Mr Mason & so that then are several things cleared up at once.

Please see that this gets attended to promptly. I don't think that Sal should feel bound to give the $50.00 (from the sale of) this money. But please see that she gives her check to Mr Clark as Trustee.

I presume you will get written to for pictures from a Lynn paper. I expect to see Sal here at your house when I get home next week. Please forward to me in care of Mr Clark.

Yours faithfully Nath'l T. Bacon

Jan 6th 1900

The Suffolk Savings Bank,

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find my check for $50.00 to cover the bad entry caused by my stupid mistake

Yours respectfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Jan. 8th [illegible]

Dear Seal:

If not too late yesterday and
heard. I have forwarded your check
and have to Penn.

Shall let the bonds go without
mortgage.

I am going to Syracuse, leaving
here Wednesday.

Unless you are anxious to see
me, shall go via Boston.
Expect to be in Syracuse [illegible]
[illegible] as much as three weeks.

If you want me to do any
more about Barnes let me know.
I hope we can finish this mighty soon.
Have you heard from Scott
as to when he wants to move my [illegible]?
I hope we can get it tried in Feb.

Yours faithfully
[illegible] Brewer

It is very clear to me that Barnes wants
not to get a bid for the T. & O. [illegible]
[illegible] any conference with Mr. [illegible]

Jan. 8th, 200 —

Dear Sed.

Yours of Jan 6th. is at hand. I am inclined to prefer a judge to a jury merely as we will agree on the receivers.

I would be willing to see Lot the to buy two of those houses on Clay at 22; if this will give you money enough to enable you to pick two of them at once.

They seem to have a black eye with banks on account of the panic & accident where the checks were destroyed, and this interferes with their ready sale. I do not care to stipulate for this but only do it to accommodate you in case you want to try to carry them yourself.

I have forwarded your check & mine to Bean, but it occurs to me that probably Lottie owns a right of way which would be lost if the property were transferred to Mr Clarke as trustee. I have warned Bean to delay the deed until we can advise concerning the advisability of maintaining Lottie's right granted a dispensation to furnish a right of way, which the estate had distinctly refused to grant.

I have just received a telegram postponing my visit to Syracuse, I do not know for how long.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bacon

I am not trying to determine these deals but my brother-in-law tried to investigate their value in N.Y. & every broker of whom he asked information (& got none) asked at us "Is that the cream that skims off the milk" or something equivalent. I think they are good, but also feel that the purchaser should get the benefit of the market disposition against them.

Jan. 7th 1910

My dear Mr Stewart:

The Village of Solway advertises for sale on Jan. 27th at 10 A.M. among the property for one year's use of taxes, which I suppose amounts to household of Lot 7 Block C Bay Point and the adjoining property and 7 Block 6 Hay Point, the latter for 9th Ter. If they are actually able to enforce giving possession would it not be well to buy this, it would be cheap for 10% a deposit & enforce of balance in three months. I think an offer to or sale to get back more than the outlay in that manner pretty sure.

I should be glad to have your advice if you think best, for they may take the right are my friend has a lien on it, but I should not want to buy it for another 2 or 3 years possession.

Is it advisable to reduce property in such bad times after sale? [illegible] the time [illegible] Yours faithfully H. T. Baron

Jan. 7th 1910

Dear Prof.

Yours of yesterday confirming your telegram came this morning.

I am sorry that the works have a set back, but otherwise I am glad to be able to stay on just now, as on Saturday Susie had rather a recurrence of her pain then a relapse and on Sunday her temperature got up to 101.6. She is better again, and the doctor does not consider it serious, as he says she is probably only having now the last week of her pains which she should normally have had between Xmas & New Year, and that ally is in fact [illegible] for it neither she was [illegible], but Hilda is very quite here we stay on.

Yours faithfully
Nels T. Baron

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 9, 1900

Mr. John Luchsinger,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

My dear John:

Yours of January 6th is at hand, enclosing your note for $200., the Adank contract, and your monthly report.

I am sorry to hear that you have been ill. The delay in signing papers makes no difference at all. It is only an unbusiness-like proceeding to let such a thing as the note drag on. I enclose you a check for $100. to make sure of your having sufficient money on hand. I will write Mr. Stilwell concerning the unpaid taxes. Did you not make a mistake in crediting yourself with $50. for repairing lot #42? According to my understanding, your second mortgage was reduced $50., and you were to do the repairs at your own expense. If my understanding is right, this would leave the balance due me now in your hands, $100. instead of $50. which you credit me with.

I was expecting to be in Syracuse on the 11th, but Mr. Hazard has just telegraphed me to postpone my visit, and I do not know when I shall be there.

Yours faithfully,

Mark T. Sheen

(enclosure--check)

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 9, 1900

Mr. Walter Larkin,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

My dear Walter:

I looked up the amount of your mortgage at the County Clerk's office, and found that it was originally $196, and that calculating the interest and deducting the amounts which you have paid, the net amount that you are now owing me on it is $175.35, calculating the interest from October 1st, 1893 to January 1st 1900. If you will pay to John Luchsinger on my account the 35¢, leaving the net amount due at this time at $175., I shall be willing to allow you to let the rest stand, so long as the interest is regularly paid, until your boy finishes his college career.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. S. T. Bacon

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29 Janv. 1902

M. Raphael Georges Lévy
20 Rue Pottier, Paris.

Mon cher M. Lévy,

Serait-il possible de m'envoyer de suite telles informations que vous aurez du trouver pour moi? Je voudrais bien pouvoir commencer mes articles, parce que il me manque encore les données pour la France.

Ma soeur a fait son possible pour trouver M. Steeg à la Chambre mais elle n'a rien pu trouver de plus.

Agréez, cher Monsieur, mes salutations empressées

Nath. T. Bacon

29 Janv. 1902

M. Emile Barbet
[illegible] Rue de Rennes Paris.

Cher Monsieur,

Je suis très fâché de devoir vous dire qu'il n'y a pour le moment aucune chance de pouvoir lancer une entreprise de métaphène. Les difficultés financières produites par la formation d'un nombre énorme de grandes entreprises pendant l'année qui vient de s'écouler ont élevé le taux d'intérêt de 3½ à 4% en été à 6 à 7% actuellement et rendu presque impossible la formation de nouvelles entreprises.

Je suis très ému de vous avoir dérangé au point de faire un voyage qui n'a pas abouti, mais je vous prierai de vouloir savoir le prix de ses actions bénéficiaires pour les raisons que j'ai vu (en avec) chez M. Monbacho. J'en ai parlé à notre comité de Syndicat, et il voudrait savoir ce prix exactement. Il me semble possible que nous pourrons en traiter plusieurs.

Agréez, cher Monsieur, mes salutations empressées

N. T. Bacon

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Jan. 11th 1900

Mr. John S. Perkins
Holderness, N.H.

Dear Sir:

After a good deal of inquiring I finally learned your address last night, through Mary Kearney, who was looking after the Hazard's family last summer, and this morning I have received through Mr. Osborne your note to Prof. C. R. Johnson.

I was on the point of asking Mr. Osborne to ask you again, as he did last year, to fill our ice house for us.

I shall hope to renew old acquaintance next summer, for I think I remember you since my first experience in Holderness in 1877 and 1878.

Will you kindly let me know whether you can do the work, being in a hurry from this date that it may be well to do some.

I shall be very glad, if beside filling the ice house, you will also ~~take~~ attend to any or all matters that on your journal need

Please send the bill to me for your services.

Inside Page

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 22, 1900

Mr. R. G. Hazard,

460 Prospect St.,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Rowland:

This morning on reaching here, I find the note from the Deutsche Solvay Werke enclosed to you by Solvay & Co., which you left to be translated. The date on it, written in the same ink as the document, is December 12, 1899, but that has been scratched, and there has been written in above it, in English, Jan. 8, 1900, which was the date when it left Brussels according to the postmark. It looks as if the Deutsche Solvay Werke were not very anxious on general principles to facilitate the progress of Soda Works in other countries.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

(enclosure)

(Translation)

Bernburg, Jan. 8, 1900

Mr. Hazard,

Vice-President of the Solvay Process Co.,

Peace Dale, R. I.

Yours of November 24th is in our possession. According to the contract which all the technical employees had to sign in entering into our service, inventions which they make during their service and until five years after their exit from the service, belong to the company, as far as they have to do with soda, potash, etc. Nevertheless it is permitted to employees to take patents in their own names on inventions which do not relate directly to such manufactures, and they are only bound to grant us the right to use these inventions in our factories under the most favorable conditions which are made for others. This last condition, however, only has reference to the Deutsche Solvay Werke. The pipe-cleaning apparatus invented by Herr Nowotny, belongs, according to our view, to the objects which do not relate specially to our works, so that he has the right to take a patent in his own name.

Yours respectfully,

The Deutsche Solvay Werke,

By_____?

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 24, 1900

Mr. A. E. Nettleton,

310 Pearl St.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of January 22nd reached me this morning. Our lot on James St. is 76 ft. front by 254 ft. deep. We have been holding this at $14,000. As you would save us all commissions by coming direct, we should be willing to reduce this to $13,500. for cash. The property is free of all incumbrance and the title is perfect.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 23, 1900

Baron F. Blanc,
61 Boulevard Haussmann,
Paris, France

My dear Blanc:

Yours of the 15th reached me last week, but I delayed writing until today, expecting a letter from Mieriach, which has just come. He is full of excuses for misunderstanding, and says he has the highest confidence in me, and extends the option to the end of June, but says nothing whatsoever concerning the sending of apparatus. He asks whether he is at liberty to start direct negotiations with you. It seems best to me on general principles to answer in the negative,--if for no other reason, simply to have him feel that he is under obligation to us, and is no longer a free agent. I enclose a copy of my answer. I think that yours to him, of which you enclose me a copy, is very much to the point, and as soon as he finds that we are working in harmony, he will be much more amenable.

I shall be very glad indeed to see you if you run over to New York, as you suggest. If you do, please cable before you leave, unless you are otherwise able to give considerable warning. I may possibly be in Syracuse, in Detroit, or in Cleveland, at any time in the next six weeks, but I could probably arrange to meet you either in New York or in Cleveland, or better yet, here, in case I had warning.

I am glad to find that you have the negotiations so forward on your side. I have good people interested here, but like your people, they will do nothing until they actually see the machine.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Bacon

(enclosure)

den 28ten Jan xx1900.

Herrn Otto Mierisch

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden F.

Heute empfang ich Ihren Geehrten vom 18ten. Die Verlängerung der Frist bis zu Ende Juni genügt mir wenn Sie den Apparat schon abgefördert haben, den ich in Meinem vom 14ten Nov. und wieder am 1ten Jan, nach vollkommener Bewilligung der von Herrn Nowotny dafür bestimmten Bedingungen, verlangt habe. Davon steht in Ihrem Briefe kein Wort.

Bis Ankunft dieses Apparates kann ich keine weitere Fortschritte machen, und daher muss ich im sonstigen Fall eine Verlängerung wenigstens bis fünf Monate nach Abfertigung des Apparates verlangen. Es wäre mir sehr gern wenn Sie einen Apparat für Rohre von 15 cm. schicken.

Bezüglich des Herrn Baron Blanc, wird es nach meiner Meinung am besten sein dass alle Handlungen durch meine Hände gehen. Er schreibt mir Sie haben ihm geschrieben dass Herrn Nowotny schon verschiedene Patente ertheilt worden sind. Ich möchte sehr gern wissen wenn das amerikanische und das französische darunter waren, und wenn nicht wann Sie diese erwarten. Darf ich Sie auch ferner bitten nicht mehr die deutsche Schrift zu gebrauchen in Briefen an mich? Ich habe zwar am Ende Ihren Brief vollständig lesen können, doch habe ich erst daran zwei Stunden lang arbeiten müssen. Ich sehe diese Schrift so selten dass sie mir jetzt sehr schwierig wird.

Ich empfehle mich

hochachtunsvoll

N. T. Baron

den 30ten Juni 1800

Herrn Dr. Neuerting
Deutsche Seekriegskasse, Hamburg.

Ihr Brief vom 18ten ist mir erst heute, einen Tag später als den vom 18ten von Herrn Meinecke angekommen, in welchem er gar nichts von der Sendung des Advanced sieht, was ich gerade sehr merkwürdig finde, da Ihnen bekannt ist, daß ich gerade in der Absicht genommen hatte.

Da dieser Herr Ihnen dass Sie mir die Zeichnung vorzulegen, so wollen auch Sie Ihnen [illegible] [illegible]

Nun eine Frage erlaubt mir noch immer nicht Ihnen? Wie und das Urtheil angebracht? Es scheint mir dass Sie vielleicht eine ganze Reihe davon in eine Druck kommen vorzustellen und die angefangene Liste von einem anderen Verzeichniß abzusehen.

Wie ich Ihnen schon gelegentlich sagte, wird mir die Pirat ein Ende finden gänzlich vorum ich Ihnen vorschlagen in Ihrer Liste aufstellen, und ich äußerst [illegible] mich einer Belohnung zu können, doch auch die Strafen so lang die Sache ganz müssen dass lage auch einige Zeit gehört.

Herr Blume schreibt mir er habe Lust bevor die Rechte für Frankreich zu kaufen wenn ich [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

In dem Brief in welchem Sie mir die Preise gaben haben Sie von einer Prämie nur im Fall die Verkauf für alle drei Länder geschrieben. Ich nehme aber an dass ich dasselbe Recht [illegible] sollte wenn ich Ihnen die Rechte einzelne verkaufen.

Wenn Sie nichts dagegen sagen kann es so stehen.

Ich empfehle mich

Hochachtungsvoll

[illegible] Wm. Barry

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 30, 1900

Selden Bacon Esq.,

Tribune Blog.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Yours of January 29th is at hand. I think that it will be worth while to secure the testimony of Abrams. I find by looking over my check-book that Mr. Ely received $25. from me for his opinion on this. Cannot he be subpoenaed in consequence? If not, it seems to me that it is hardly worth while to get his testimony. I have been unable to find my old correspondence, in which Mr. Ely's opinion was given. It occurs to me that there is still one place where it may be, but owing to my many moves since the date of that correspondence, I am not sure that I shall be able to find it. If I do, I will notify you; but I should think that we ought to be able, on the strength of Abrams's testimony, to settle this matter. In one of the Brooklyn papers,--I think of November, '92, there was a long article on the sale of this property, describing it as an epoch-making sale, marking an advance in values in that part of the city, showing that such prices

were then not common, and in view of the panic which followed thereupon, it seems to me that it would be unquestionable that the amount outstanding on the mortgage was a very full value for the property. The mortgage was not for $100,000., but for $110,000.

I should be glad to hear how Sally is getting on. I was very sorry to hear of Uncle Theodore's death last week.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bailey

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 30, 1900

Mr. William A. Woodward,
206 West 128th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of January 27th reached me yesterday. I am sorry you were unable to obtain for me the Fourcroy's Chemistry. I enclose 60¢ in stamps, which will cover the cost of the other book and the postage. I am much obliged to you for your attention to the matter. No 953 Sale of Jan. 17th.

Yours faithfully,
N. T. Bacon

I want the History of the Panic of 1837 by D. Morier Evans $2.60
The Banks of N.Y. in the Panic of 1857 " " " " $1.80
and his book on the Panic of 1847 of which I do not know the exact title. I shall be glad to have $2.10
(enclosure) you keep your eyes open for these and get them for me within the above limits or even say 25% higher, but I think these figures should bring them at auction.
N. T. B.

Peace Dale, R. I., Jan. 31, 190[illegible]

Selden Bacon Esq.,

Tribune Bldg.,

New York N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Enclosed you will find cuttings from the newspapers to which I alluded in my letter of yesterday, two letters from Cowles, and two other papers which may have a bearing on the case. I entirely fail to find Mr. Ely's letter. It is possible that by applying to Uncle Eugene he could show you the press copy of a letter from him to me written in November or very early in December 1893, giving Mr. Ely's estimate; but I have entirely failed to find my general correspondence covering this period. It was Uncle Eugene who got Mr. Ely to report on the property for me, and it was for this reason that Mr. Ely's charge was only $25. instead of $50. which it would normally have been.

Yours faithfully,

N. th E. T. Bacon

(enclosures)

How about the jury question?

Peace Dale, le 1 Fev., 1900

Mon cher M. Brichaux:

Je suis en train de faire une étude sérieuse théorique sur la question de distillation. Dans cette étude je suis arrivé aux chiffres que vous m'avez envoyés rélatifs aux proportions des gaz, eau, ammoniaque et acide carbonique, aux températures de 62° et de 55°. Après avoir chiffré longtemps là dessus pour les faire concorder avec l'analyse des eaux de condensation des RF.RH.'s de Dombasle (Titre en NH_3 315, en CO_2 220, densité 1.11 à 45°), je suis venu à questionner vos données. Je vois que le rapport de l'ammoniaque à l'acide carbonique reste sensiblement constant aux deux températures, suivant vos données, tandis qu'à Dombasle, où on obtient en pratique ces limites de température, le rapport par poids du CO_2 à l' NH_3 dans les eaux des RF.RH.'s est au moins de $\frac{213}{220} = 0.900$ contre $\frac{25.3}{54.3} = 0.460$ pour le gaz à 62° et $\frac{29.1}{53.4} = 0.481$ pour le gaz à 55°. Ceci semble provenir de la grande affinité de l'ammoniaque en dissolution pour le CO_2, affinité qui n'existe guère dans l'état gazeux.

Si vous trouvez qu'il vaut la peine de contrôler encore une fois ces gaz, je serais bien reconnaissant si vous aurez l'obligeance de faire en même temps des essais pour déterminer si on retrouve en vérité toujours les mêmes résultats pour un mélange de gaz en présence du liquide qui y a donné naissance, suivant

qu'on arrive à une condition donnée de température et de pression par voie de chauffage ou de refroidissement; ou par augmentation ~~u~~par diminution de pression.

Lord Rayleigh annonce qu'il n'a pas réussi à enrichir l'oxygène au point attendu en liquéfiant en partie de l'air, mais qu'en relachant un peu la pression il a réussi par la volatilization de l'azote. Vous me direz peut être que ceci est par suite du grand refroidissement produit par la volatilization. J'en conviens mais je crois qu'il y a toujours en pratique des défauts analogues d'equilibre, et qu'il faut du temps qui dépasserait de beaucoup les limites commerciales pour que cet équilibre s'établit et que, par conséquent, il faut tenir compte de la manière dont on arrive à une condition donnée.

Avez l'obligeance de faire mes amitiés à tous mes amis de Bruxelles, et surtout aux MM. Solvay et à vos confrères du conseil technique.

Agréez, cher Monsieur, mes salutations cordiales.

Votre bien dévoué,

N. T. Baly

Peace Dale, R. I., Feb. 2, 1900

Mr. A. E. Nettleton,

302 Pearl St.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. We have already refused a specific offer of better terms than those you suggest, and do not care to entertain a proposition for any such material reduction. I should be glad, however, to know how long ago the transaction took place to which you allude.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Feb. 3rd 1900 —

Dear Pick

This morning by Rowland's advice I wrote you a note to Syracuse asking you to let me make a short visit to Syracuse at least, if not to Detroit also, at this time. I am particularly sorry to be moving just when you are likely to be in Race trials, but yesterday I got a letter from my brother-in-law saying that after attempts lasting many months he has finally succeeded in getting a case set down for trial in Cleveland on Feb. 9th in which he may want my testimony in rebuttal of evidence to be offered by the other side and asking me to be within 12 hours of there by mail if possible. This would make it most extremely convenient to be either in Syracuse or Detroit for this reason, and I am also very anxious to get up details about present methods in distillation in both our plants for incorporation in the long note on the subject which I have now been working at for nearly a month. It is now virtually complete except for this and for a complete recalculation which I contemplate to see if I can reduce the length of it. I want to study existing conditions, and not to try experiments. I do not expect to cause any extra work and can make myself the times called for if necessary. I have some remarkable observations and I want to verify my data to the furthest extent possible.

My plan would be to leave here on Tuesday, and spend Wednesday + Thursday + probably Friday in Syracuse + then go on to Detroit, stopping in Cleveland if I am taxed for it. I want to make no longer stay in Detroit than in Syracuse. I hope also to see the inside of Mr. H. O. Pat's Syracuse.

Please let me know by long reply, as the notice is pretty short.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Butler.

Nov. 3rd 1900

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

My brother wants Barnes in Cleveland to testify on Nov. 9th. He is a slippery customer and I dare not send him a check. In consequence I will ask you to get him to Buffalo there and back and see that he gets started in time to reach there Friday morning. He ought to report there to Sheridan Poole, a local lawyer. I will have my brother send you Poole's address.

Before acting please find out from Crossdale whether Barnes is still working for the Buffalo Club, and if so please arrange first with Crossdale to give him leave of absence. He ought also have $10.00 for traveling expense and hotel in Cleveland and a promise of $10.00 for his time. He will not at that time be gone probably till Saturday night or Sunday morning.

If it is necessary to do this longer of course he will have his expenses and hotel etc.

Please do nothing more than arrange with Crossdale before hearing further from me, as I may be able to be in Syracuse myself on Wednesday. I will let you know by Tuesday evening at latest. I write now however to make sure that the fair is started right.

If Barnes is still working for the club perhaps Crossdale would make the arrangement for you. It is far better to secure one who feels a warm to arrange with him. That is my reason for bothering you.

Please make sure that he takes with him the letter from Perry of which he spoke to me, in which Perry instructed him to get a bid on the Plate and Angle shop.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

The case is Bacon vs. Powles

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Feb. 7th 1900

Dear Ed.

Your two letters came yesterday. I delayed writing till today to see what arrangements I could make. Things combine just wrong as usual and I may have to make a special trip and put at the time when I must need to be here as there is to be a meeting here on Thursday or Friday to talk over wind business, but of course that thing must go on, and I shall try and write at once to Spencer to make arrangements to be here. The mail goes on in an hour.

I now expect to leave here Friday & reach Syracuse on Wednesday morning.

I enclose a check for $[illegible] on account of [illegible] referred.

Yours truly

Nelson H. Parker

Please see Davis & Davis & Parker on the inclosed card & let them know to arrange with Barnes in case I cannot get off before Thursday.

Mellen & Woodward

26 Wall St. N.Y.

Feb. 5th 1900

My dear Mr. Woodward,

Here follows a list of lots which I offer for Anderson's first sale on Feb. 6th. If you are not to be there will you give the list to some who will?

I do not expect to land much as I am bidding pretty low, but there are a few things I would like which I marked like

56	Albertson	.80	257	Shea	1.10
62	Burroughs	.80	263	Sol's 2 vols.	2.60
74	Dickinson	.60	266	Spiers	1.10
102	Fellows	.50	267	"	1.10
111	Hillman 2 vols	.17	286	Vega	2.60
114	Hawkins	.50	287	Vinci	3.80
122	Huntington	1.10	297	Wilkes 5	.40
126	Jackson	1.10			
127	Irving 2 vols	1.60			
128	Jones	2.10			
129	Lowell	1.15			
131	Palgrave 2	.40			
133	Pitkin 2	1.10			

Yours particularly

N. H. Parker

Feb. 5th 1900 —

My dear Mr. Stanch:

Please telegraph me as soon as possible whether Barnes is still with the Yacht Club and whether Crosslands will arrange with him if he is.

It would be much more convenient for me probably to be in N.Y. on Wednesday in case Crosslands can be there. I cannot know my own program till I know I am just now dependent on many things.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Wednesday if necessary but should prefer not to be in Sequanota

This morning I am glad to hear from you that a jury is waived.

For the last few days I have been going over all my old letters from Crosby and have sifted out a few that if you may consider worth having. I fear I have to find what I hoped, namely an allusion to the P. & A. Stock as permanent; but I am quite sure I found his statement over his own signature that the other buildings could all be moved. I also found an allusion to my proposal to forfeit the $5000 P. & A. which he had paid to bind the bargain on Sheffield property, which he made in deference to his agreement to do nothing contrary to my advice.

I have marked in blue pencil the passages prior to Sept. 72 which strike me as perhaps worth reading and in red the ones relating to my objections to the Hunt trust. Unfortunately my own letter book for that period was in Sheffield hands and he never returned it. I trust you to keep me informed about Hoxie's testimony. I can be in N.Y.

N. Y. New York, N.Y. Feb. 6th 1900 P.M.

My dear Mr Shurtleff:

Since writing to you an hour ago I have word that the trial will probably be delayed a few days as a ring has been served by both sides. I should still be glad to have all arranged so that Crockett can act at short notice, and to receive a telegram to that effect to morrow, but I am now a little in the air as to my fixings, as it will probably not be for Wednesday.

Of course there is no use in keeping Barnes on tenterhooks, nor of sending him in advance, either fearing would lead to magnifying his importance in his own eyes & making us to depreciate his value. I will keep you posted of my movements.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l C. P. Bacon

Feb. 5th 1900 3 P.M.

Dear Sol:

Since writing to you of this morning I have your telegram saying trial may be delayed, do not state.

I had just got my plans approached shall have to be in Syracuse by Thursday, but can delay leaving till Wednesday.

I expect to be in Syracuse or in Utica for about a week. Detroit in an air line seems to be just about 100 miles from Cleveland, but by any other way than across Canada it seems to be more, so that I suppose Detroit would suit. By any travelled route it is not so.

You will do well to telegraph to me if you are going to want me in N.Y.

Yours faithfully
N. C. Bacon

Feb. 6th 1900 =

My dear Mr. Higgins

Rec'd your will find your block all made out and off the important Sub, strength, I am unable to get at part now, but I have my hands off of going at it as soon as I am in the spring, when my present rush is over.

I have been entirely unable to do anything in it myself of a most protracted kind, but I'll the brought up my [illegible] Sub, the last two years in stock for about four that I am holding for a chance to sell further.

Yours truly
Nath. H. Brown

Pawtucket, R.I., Feb. 7th 1900.

The R.I. Hospital Trust Co.
Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen

On Feb. 23rd I expect to want about Nine thousand five hundred ($9500.00) dollars.

At what rate could you discount for me a note for that amount at six months, secured by the eighty (80) shares of Solvay Process Co's stock for which you now hold my [illegible]

Please answer c/o the Solvay Process Co. Syracuse, N.Y. and oblige

Yours truly
Nath. H. Brown

Pawtucket, R.I., Feb. 7th 1900.

Dear Sir,

Your of yesterday is at hand. [illegible] address in Syracuse on Patent as against the Solvay Process Co. I have work at Pawtucket also.

If the case requires the expense I may have to be out of Pawtucket [illegible] as we are, but [illegible] not a professional undertaking, if it is professional enough I will go if I find and do my work and then go to Syracuse ready for the adjournment of trial. I should be glad to spend a day with the people there, and I could easily make the round there and back, taking them from Syracuse.

If you have occasion to do this as you will do, wait to see the Patent, which we have in both our offices, and get a reply. Then they will be sure we are up and not trust to being a surprise.

Yours truly, N. T. Lacey

A. L. Nellis Esq.
Syracuse.

Feb. 7th 1900

Dear Sir,

Yours of yesterday is at hand. In the case [illegible] I had thought the Litt case through another channel. Prior to the suit [illegible] in some days [illegible] in preparing a [illegible], but it has slipped out a [illegible] which will [illegible] in no [illegible] in [illegible]. I expect I shall be [illegible] to make any such motion as [illegible] you suggested, but [illegible] of this case, I am interested [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
Albert T. Ellis

If you come to Litchfield I want to see all the Solvay Process Co. people in Syracuse, and probably [illegible]

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Lorain Co., Feb. 20th 1900

Dear Sir:

Your letter is here saying that there can be no trial this week. On the other hand I just received from across an unexpected lot from here which may come back in till March 5th. I suppose there is little doubt but it will come either. Lived from Mr. A. C. Angell, we think here that they are in the habit of calculating distance by the nearest available or customary route. He writes to Toledo & makes about 150 miles to Cleveland, but if you do not find satisfied on that point probably will be sufficient one day and could probably answer it on the question. Yours respectfully

W. P. Kearn

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Bristol, Mass. Dec. 27th 1900

Dear Ed:

Now the grown is here begin the time case will probably be reached on Dec. 5th. My plans vary a little but I will keep in touch with you. I now think I may want to spend Monday at Saugus where there is a man whom I want to see on business.

I made good progress here today with some experiments, and now have one batch so that in a day or two they could go on without me, and I hope to have the others in similar condition before leaving.

Will you please notify Stilwell when you want Barnes? I will leave it to you if not inconvenient.

Yours faithfully

N. J. Berg

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Barnes.

Feby. 28th, 1900.

Seldon Bacon, Esq.,

Tribune Bldg., New York.

Dear Sed:-

Your second telegram of yesterday came after the mail had left last night. I have written Stillwell, asking him to get Barnes off sometime on Sunday, and saying that you will send him word where you want Barnes to report.

I shall stay here until Monday night, and have practically given up going to Saginaw, and may give up going to Niagara Falls also, though I should greatly like to be able to work that in.

Yours faithfully,

Wm. J. Bacon

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2-F-441.

Feby. 28th., 1900.

G. H. Stillwell, Esq.,
University Block,
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stillwell:-

Enclosed you will find my check for $40 to put you in funds. I received last night, a telegram from my Brother, saying, "Cowles case assigned Monday March five, nine o'clock, Cincinnati, notify Barnes." Will you please get Barnes off again, therefore, sometime on Sunday. I will write my Brother asking him to notify you just where he wants Barnes to report.

I hear nothing further from you with reference to Mrs. Miller. In case you are going to need money for her please let me know at once.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Beery

Please get Barnes, as above, at as before & provide him - $5.00 in cash.

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2-F-41.

Feby. 28th., 1900.

E. G. Acheson, Esq.,

Carborundum Co.,

Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

McClure's Magazine for January has an article in the course of which it says that in some of your experiments you have succeeded in fusing lime at a temperature equivalent to 2800 degrees C. Some investigations on which I am now engaged, with reference to lime, would make it very interesting if I could get confirmation of this.

In case it is true, would it be asking a very great favor if I should request a sample of the fused lime? I do not want to ask anything which will interfere with your work, but I should be very glad to pay a few dollars for such a sample, if this would cover the expense of preparing it.

Yours faithfully,

Nils T. Bergh

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Aug 7th 1900 —

Messrs. Jackson & McDonnell
Washington Building
1 Broadway, New York.

Gentlemen:

On my return from a trip west I find yours of Aug 1st awaiting me, notifying me of the arrival of a case of machinery for me and asking for the invoice or bill which I enclose.

Please forward the box to me by freight and to C/o the Solvay Process Co. Syracuse, N.Y. Probably it is in Hoboken so that the West Side freight office may be more convenient than that of the N.Y.C. & H.R.R.R.

Please send the bill of charges to me here and oblige

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Herrn Otto Meisch
2 Friedrichstrasse, Breslau

den 1ten März — 1900.

Bei meiner Rückkehr von einer Abwesenheit eines Monates im Westen fand ich verschiedene Briefe von Ihnen, nämlich vom 12ten, 19ten + 21ten Feb., sammt Ihr Dossale und Pakete des 20ten. Bezüglich dieser letzten fand ich dass das 4te amerikanische Patent noch immer nicht ausgegeben ist, und daher muss ich von Ihnen eine Abschrift der Ansprüche bitten. Dieses wird wichtig wegen einer älteren Erfindung die hier im Land vor 20 Jahren für Ausfüllungen von stehenden Petroleumleitungen gebraucht worden ist und viel Ähnlichkeit der Erfindung Herrn Nicolaus hat. Patent No 731611 ist noch lange nicht erreicht und daher darf dieses nur derjenige wunder Anmeldung sein.

Ich bin mit Ihrem Briefe des 12ten 19ten gänzlich einverstanden. Für Ihn des 21ten danke ich Ihnen. Ich bin schon lange in Unterhandlung mit d. Sibley Pennsylv. darüber.

Ich hörte aus Newyork dass der Apparat der angekommen ist doch ist er noch nicht durch das Zollhaus. Ich habe schon den Spediteur in Newyork Anweisungen darüber geschickt. Dieser Apparat wird nur wahrscheinlich gewiesen. Ich fürchte dass Sie vielleicht einen Apparat vor 10 zum schicken würden. Im Fall dass ich einen anderen nicht habe werde ich natürlich das Gebühr bezahlen.

Ich erlaube mir hiermit Empfang zu erkennen auch von Briefen Herrn Nicolaus vom 8ten + 13ten Feb., und von Zeichnungen des Apparates und der Einrichtung und der Revisionskästen. Es fehlt nur das englische Patent von dem was er beiliegt habe sch. Statt dessen scheint er eine Abschrift des deutschen oder österreichischen Patentes geschickt zu haben.

Ich empfehle mich hochachtungsvoll N. T. Bacon

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Pawtucket, R. I. Mar 15th 1900

Messrs. Jackson & McDonnell
The Educational Express
2 Rutting Place, N. Suffolk

Gentlemen:
On my return home this morning I find your P. Tuesday with bill.
I enclose a N.Y. check for the amount, $[illegible]
Yours respectfully
N. T. Beery

Pawtucket, R. I. Mar. 15th 1900

Mr. F. R. Hazard, Pres.

Dear Sir:
Yesterday as I was on the point of sending you a tracing of the proposed type of tube, I found a fatal error in the tracing, and so sent off the original instead, and I return only the defective tracing.
I would be glad if you would leave the original tracing, and return me a blue-print or a photo-tracing, for my file here.
Yours respectfully
N. T. Beery

Peace Dale, R. I., Mch. 23, 1900

Messrs. Jackson & McDonnell,
International Express,
#1 Broadway,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

On March 15th I sent you a letter enclosing New York draft for $41.09, to cover the custom-house expenses on the machine received for me by Str. "Phoenicia". I enclosed your bill, but have as yet no acknowledgment, and have just been notified by the Solvay Process Company, to whom I directed the machine to be sent, that nothing has been heard of it there. Will you kindly advise me whether my draft was received, and what disposition you have made of the machine?

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Baes

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March 27th 1900

Mr. Clarence S. Perkins
Holderness, N.H.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check to cover filling the ice house.

I am sorry to hear that your father is unable to do paper hanging etc. any longer.

My wife and I will probably run up to Holderness for a few days in a month or two, and we will then arrange about whatever needs doing at the village.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bason

Peace Dale, R. I., Mch. 28, 1900

Seldon Bacon Esq.,

Tribune Bldg.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I am sorry for the delay, but it is not very serious.

I wonder if you would enjoy hunting me up a viola? I am willing to pay $10. or $15. for a reasonably good one. That is all we lack here of a quintette, and I have a man available to play it. If you still have your old instrument and have no use for it, I should perhaps be willing to give a little more for that, as it is a better instrument than any I should otherwise be likely to get. Don't burden yourself with this thing, but if it amuses you to prowl around pawn shops as much as it does me, you might find it interesting.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Mch. 28, 1900

G. H. Stilwell Esq.,
University Block,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

I think there has been no assignment of the mortgage on the Miller property. None has been made unless it is on record in Syracuse. It will be perfectly satisfactory if the deed is made out in my wife's name, but as it was to be held in escrot, I do not see as it makes much difference. I am sorry that she has not been able to make up with her husband.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Baker

Mar. 28th 1900

Mr. P. J. Schuyler,
Rivermont, N.Y.

Dear Mr Schuyler:

Enclosed you will find my check for $50.00 to cover my interest to Apr. 1st.

I am very sorry that payment was delayed six months ago. I was excessively busy in Europe and it had slipped my mind, but I had a bad dream and was just about to call it up when I received word from his lawyer that he had paid you.

Would you like to have this mortgage renewed? I expect to clear off some of my indebtedness before long and probably could accommodate you if you would like part of the principal. If not I can raise elsewhere.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar 28th 1900

Dear Sir,

It seems to me that about six years has past since Cooke settled with Ramsay and failed to settle with Millen. In case the Cleveland court holds that this did not revive an assumption of Millen's responsibility (or rather an acknowledgment that Cooke was the really responsible party) ought it not to be forfeited by bringing suit against Cooke in Millen's name at once, so as to avoid the statute of limitations?

You may have done so but I write to make sure. Yours truly,

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar. 30th 1900

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Yours of Mar. 28th is at hand. The Mutual Life Co was unwilling to let the whole mortgage stand so I paid off enough a year or two ago so that as now stands will have to be drawn and a mortgage, which please make payable to my order. (Nelson F. Bacon)

As to the amount remaining due, assuming that Rice paid his instalment of $20.00 due on Mar. 1st, concerning which I have not yet heard from the bank, I figure that there remained due from Mar. 10th $2507.00, and if Rice has thus the figures, this would make the total $2507.00 to Apr. 1st. It is perhaps to have the interest from March 20th, his figures of $111.00 without prejudice would agree with mine. Send this date would be perfectly agreeable to me.

Please find out from the 1st Nat. Bank Chelsea if he paid on Mar. 1st (that the amount assuming this was for quarter) and then arrange with him for the payment, assuming that the mortgage is not small enough to pay the principal of the $200.00. Yours faithfully

Nelson F. Bacon

Mar. 31st 1900

Mr Wm. A. Woodward
206 W. 129th St. New York

My dear Mr Woodward:

Please bid for me as follows at Anderson's sale Apr. 4th.

No	Bale	1.30	177	Nuttall on Birds	.05
126	Coleridge	3.00	204	Map	.55
135	Drake	.60	206	Journal (2)	.90
139	Dwight	2.10	218	Observing Birds (5)	.30
141	Dickens (1)	.35	220	Pamphlets (5)	.05
175	Irving	1.10	221	" Mass. (6)	.05
182	Lafayette (3)	.70	222	" Principal (5)	.05
184	Lincoln &	.70	223	" Journal (6)	.05
			226	Paulding	.90
			258	Tenn.	.60

Yours faithfully

N. F. Bacon

mean no personal immunity, for I suffer from suspecting you in this or any other instance of doing worse than howl with the wolves. But I think that you are perfectly right in saying that the Gold Standard bill "alone" will stand as an enduring monument of this Congress. Otherwise it seems to be distinguished by folly.

I think that you would be perfectly safe for once in assuming that the clamor for free trade has far deeper foundations than newspaper sanctums.

I think I could get 100 indorsements for my two letters among Sinnickinsontown Republicans on 24 hours notice. The men with whom I have talked include some of our Republican town officers.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Mar. 31st 1890

My dear Mr Cabrera

Yours of Mar. 29th is at hand. I doubt whether there are many stockholders of either the Sugar or Tobacco Trusts who are clamoring for free trade with Porto Rico. Porto Rican is said to have said a few days ago that there are 11 000 Sugar stockholders and there are probably fewer tobacco holders.

I don't think the present clamor could be made by less than 100 times that number of voters.

I think you enough of a business man to appreciate that no one who lives & in Puerto Rico will feel at ease so long as Congress feels at liberty to deal at its whim with a tariff there. If the present congress is able to say that they will enact a tariff for two years only, that does not make a valid contract, and will prevent the next congress from making a permanent tariff there.

Enough of nothing more Likely to happen

[illegible] 2d April [illegible]

[illegible] M. Meech
[illegible], Brooklyn N.Y.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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N. P. Banks

[illegible]

Washington, Apr. 2d 1864

My dear Mr Meech,

Yours of 2d inst. is at hand, and I have sent off the ideas to Governor Morton as soon as the Copeh letter shall arrive.

I agree the Union prospect would be [illegible] if we could have the soldiers vote that [illegible] would the national Union [illegible] and it would be very [illegible] to have the national paper [illegible] 20th & 30th.

Yours faithfully
Nath. P. Banks

[illegible] the people feel as you say in the Union [illegible]

I doubt whether one vote [illegible] among the 1800 in this [illegible]

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Apr. 6th 1900.

Mr. Felix Doane
Peace Dale, R.I.

Dear Sir

By the figures submitted by you to Mr. Brown you propose to lay a new coating of asphalt one inch thick over the work laid by you in the autumn of 1895 around our house, and extending thence westward to the driveway to the Hill House, for the sum of one hundred and sixty four ($164.00) dollars; and to extend the asphalting under the porte cochère sixteen (16') feet eastward by same thickness (1") wide for the further sum of thirteen 50/100 ($13.50) dollars; and to provide a coping for one side of the walk (16') wide in the meadow for the further sum of four 50/100 ($4.50) dollars, making in all One hundred and eighty two 50/100 ($182.50) dollars. To coping 5 ft. 17 ft.

I shall be glad to accept your proposal provided that you will guarantee the work to stand in good condition for six years. I do not mean to insist that it shall remain absolutely without cracks, but that it shall not crumble, and that it shall be in fit condition for further service at the end of that time.

Yours respectfully
Nath. T. Brown

Agreed to Felix Doane

Apr 7th 1900 —

Mr. Pope Manufacturing Co.
Hartford, Conn.

Gentlemen:

With this I am sending you by express a package containing 2 (two) wheels & be found in good order.

The wheels are produced by us and in the rear hub and front the remaining year in general very good, nevertheless the adjusting of the bearings on the wheels is to be.

We see fit to return to you, of course, I shall be glad to get it back as soon as convenient for you.

You may perhaps consider a certain necessary, but I do not think the price will need taken off, if you think they will keep round long, it is of no matter.

Yours respectfully
Nathan F. Barrows

A Vieles Smith

10 Avril 1900 —

Mon cher M. Smith,

Sous ce pli je vous envoie une série de lettres à présenter à M. M. M. Spencer à Los Angeles, R. C. Hazard Santa Barbara, Dr. F. R. Barrows à Ventura, et à California, à San Francisco, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, A. L. Bowen Kearney & Lincoln Mitchell à Pittsburgh & la Rockwood Pottery à Trenton.

Je crois ce sera convenient comme première mesure.

Je vous enverrai les autres plus tard lorsque vous me direz de quelle manière vous les voulez.

Tout à vous

N. F. Barrows

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 9, 1900

Mr. Robert C. Rogers,

Santa Barbara, Calif.

My dear Rogers:

This will be presented to you by Monsieur Victor Semet, who is a nephew of Monsieur Ernest Solvay, the inventor of the Solvay Process, and the son of a man distinguished in coke oven developments. He is making the grand tour of the United States, after leaving the university and before settling down to business. I advised him to go to Santa Barbara in particular, in order to see the oil operations at Summerland, and possibly those around Bakersfield may also prove interesting to him. Beside this, he will be going to Buffalo later, and it occurred to me that you might be able to give him introductions there which would enable him to see something of the great manufactures carried on there. He is a bright young fellow, and I do not feel any apology necessary for sending him to you. If you can do anything for him I shall feel much obliged.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 9, 1900

Prof. Irving Fisher,
17 East Dale St.,
Colorado Springs, Col.

Dear Irving:

This will be presented to you by Monsieur Victor Semet, son of the coke oven man and a nephew of Ernest Solvay. He is on a general tour of the United States, and I give him a letter to you for the chance that you may still be in Colorado Springs when he reaches there about the end of May. His father and mother were very polite to us when we were in Brussels last summer, and I shall be very glad if you and Margie can do something for him. He will probably only stay over a day, so that probably a welcome will be about all that you have opportunity to give him, but on so long a trip it is something to see someone whom he has heard of before.

Yours faithfully,
N. T. Baker

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 9, 1900

Prof. T. R. Bacon,
University of California,
Berkeley, Calif.

My dear Tom:

This will be presented to you by Monsieur Victor Samet, who is a nephew of Ernest Solvay, the inventor of our process, and the son of a man who has also greatly distinguished himself in the development of the coke industry. He is making the grand tour of the United States before settling down to business, and after leaving the university. I should be very glad if you are able to show him some little courtesy in San Francisco. He would be glad of the opportunity to visit the Union Iron Works, which I fancy you can procure for him. I think you will find him quite an interesting fellow for himself.

I should be glad to hear how the new broom works in California. We had him down at Peace Dale two or three years ago, to be put through his paces as a candidate for Brown. He was satisfactory enough at Peace Dale, but there turned out to be a faction in Providence bitterly opposed to him, though as far as I know, with no other ground than general prejudice.

Yours faithfully,

W. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 10, 1900

Mr. John Moorhead,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Moorhead:

Will you permit me to introduce to you Mr. Victor Semet, the son of the inventor of the Solvay Process? He is making a grand tour of the United States after leaving the university and before entering into business, and would be very glad to see something of the great industries in and around Pittsburgh. I think you will find him entertaining, and I shall be very glad if you can do anything for him. Both his father and his uncle were extremely hospitable to myself and family when we were in Brussels last summer. If you are able to do anything for him, I shall consider it a personal favor.

Yours faithfully,

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 9, 1900

Mr. A. T. Bacon,

McPhee Bldg.,

Denver, Col.

My dear Taff:

This will be presented to you by Monsieur Victor Semet, who is a nephew of Ernest Solvay, the inventor of our process, and the son of a man who has also greatly distinguished himself in the development of the coke industry. He is making the grand tour of the United States before settling down to business and after leaving the university. I should be very glad if you are able to show him some little courtesy in Denver. He will probably bring you news of Tom, to whom I have given him a letter at Berkeley. I think you will find him an interesting young fellow.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 10, 1900

Messrs. Rookwood Pottery Co.,

Cincinnati, O.

Gentlemen:

Allow me to introduce to you Monsieur Victor Semet, who is making the grand tour of the United States and paying particular attention to our manufactures in general. I have recommended him to call on you, and hope you will be able to make his visit interesting.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Mr. M. H. Sherman,

Ensley, Ala.

My dear Sherman:

This will be presented to you by Monsieur Victor Semet, the son of the inventor of the Semet Solvay oven, and a nephew of Monsieur Ernest Solvay. We shall be very glad, of course, if you will show him any courtesies in your power while he is in the neighborhood. Trusting that you may be able to make his visit a pleasant one, believe me

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 10, 1900

Mr. P. J. Schuyler,

Fairmount, Onondaga Co.,

New York.

My dear Mr. Schuyler:

Failing to hear from you promptly, I had made other arrangements, but to accommodate you I have scraped together $500 that you asked for, and enclose a check for it.

Yours faithfully,

Natt. T. Bacon

I may ask you for a release of mortgage of the property later on account of this payment, but there is no immediate haste about it.

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le 10 Avril 1900

Mon cher M. Senet.

C'est une grande plaisir que nous avons reçu votre fils ici il y a quelques jours, mais c'est dommage qu'il n'a pas rester que quelques heures. Heureusement il va revenir plus tard. La détention sa visite m'a donné l'occasion de lui fournir plusieurs lettres à des amis en différentes villes et de lui souhaiter bon voyage.

Il semble être active dans son voyage avec une énergie vraiment américaine. Il a débarqué par mois 250 kilomètres ici dans chez nous et faire le même sorte pour Halifax.

Adieu, cher Monsieur pour votre santé et pour Mme Senet mes plus cordiales salutations et celles de toute notre famille.

Votre très dévoué

Nath. T. Bacon

Mr. Wm. H. Woodward
206 W. 118th St. N.Y.

April 18th 1900

My dear Mr. Woodward,

Enclosed please find my check for $75.00 which will cover the bookbill in my name and leave a balance of $25.00 for future occasions.

I have given your address to Mr. Arthur R. Shurtleff, who may send you some orders. I will be responsible as to his integrity for any reasonable amount.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon.

I cannot lay my hand on a revenue stamp so I enclose a postage stamp.

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 13, 1900

Mr. A. B. Capron,

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Capron:

Your letter (unsigned) of April 10th is at hand. I see also by the papers that my remonstrance was of no avail. Unless you have some other reasons to bring forward for your action on this bill than those contained in the papers forwarded me, I am afraid you will find your meeting with the citizens of Peace Dale rather an unpleasant one. I should rather advise a policy of silence. The feeling here is very pronounced that the House bill was a bad one, and that the Senate bill, giving the right of distributing franchises to men to be confirmed by the Senate, is even worse than the House bill. I should be much pleased if you would let me know what action would be best with a view to giving some effect to our feeling ~~that~~ where Congress ~~was~~ seems moving in the wrong direction. It seemed to me that a remonstrance addressed to the Congressman from our District was the most direct method, and open to the least misconstruction of any which could be adopted; but you express surprise at its having been addressed to you.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Barton

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 13th, 1900

Mr. John Luchsinger,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

My dear John:

Yours of April 10th is at hand. In looking over the report, I see that you paid Ransom $27.15 and Mrs. Ransom $21.69 for work, while Ransom is only credited with $7.70 on account of rent. I must insist on his making up his arrears to me. I cannot afford to allow this matter to drag on in this way. If he does not want to pay up he must go, and the same applies to Brown. I believe I gave you a price to be submitted to Carlton. I wish you would try to look up those figures given you before. I do not care to do any business with him unless he is willing to pay at least $100. down and $12.50 a month. My impression is that $1500. was the price that I quoted for the place. It may have been more; it certainly was not less. I think, however, that it will not be well to let him have the three acres of land which he wants unless he pays in advance. At this time we must begin to be much more strict with reference to paying rent promptly than we have been in the past. When the houses are full there will be very little trouble about this. I think you had better put out Max Haffner, unless he makes a better showing than he has made in

the past. Peter Zopfy also seems to be falling badly behind, although he paid in March; and Green in HS is another who must make up his arrears. He paid nothing in January and in February. Denison also is heavily in arrears. This is the best time to insist on payment, and I hope you will see that you get it.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 13, 1900

Mr. John L. King,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. King:

Yours of April 12th is at hand. We do not care to accept any such price as you name. I have little question that we shall soon be able to command more, although the Gott sale was demoralizing for the time being.

Yours fiathfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 13, 1900

Editor of the Yale Alumni Weekly,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Several weeks ago there was an article in your paper strongly condemning the proposed plans for an Alumni Hall. I have been waiting to see whether they would provoke any answer. So far there seems to have been none. This seems to show that the project is dead. I am glad of it, for a building on the plans proposed would have been very unsatisfactory. For twenty years I have been priding myself on thedevelopment of architecture in our country. Alone of all the Atlantic nations we had developed a style of architecture eminently suited to our requirements, except that in England very recently a style has been introduced apparently derived from ours, though possibly of independent origin for both of them are plainly traceable back to the perpendicular Gothic in their distinctive features.

It was a source of much grief to Viollet-le-duc, unquestionably the greatest European architect of this century, that there seemed to be no distinctive styles of architecture left in Europe, and nothing but imitations of classical or pseudo-classical models.

The designs of Carrere and Hastings, entirely abandon our distinctive style and seem to be but an imitation of an imitation. They are apparently based on the

imitation by Mansard and his contemporaries of Roman monuments, and seem to be very much in general of the same degree of architectural ability as those masterpieces of high civilization, the state houses of Kentucky and Mississippi, built before the war. In the detail of these designs of Carrere and Hastings the most conspicuous feature is the very heavy accentuation of the joints in the masonry. The strongly projecting face of the masonry beyond the line of the joint, is a device appropriately adopted in some cases to indicate that the thickness of the wall is so great that this projection might be looked upon as a trifle; but when this is applied to the mere housing of a vacant hall, where no greater strength is requisite than is sufficient to bear a roof, can anything be much more inappropriate? In the case of the French palaces, from which this is imitated, it was different, for in all of these the security of a very heavy wall for protecting the inhabitants from a mob, was a feature well worth preserving, even in its counterfeit presentment. It is to be hoped, however, that it will be long before the population of New Haven will be so exasperated against the University as to make any such barrier of importance. The old brick row, from the standpoint of a student of architecture, would be more satisfactory in its perfect plainness than this pretentious sham. I am very glad to see that there seems a chance that at least South Middle will be retained out of the old brick row. I think no one as yet has called

attention to the value of these buildings as foils. The beauty of Vanderbilt becomes much more evident as compared with these, and they have a color value as well, which it will be hard to reproduce. These old brick have taken a tone which modern brick seldom have, and give, to my mind, a very valuable component to the color harmony of the campus.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 13, 1900

Mr. Henry R. Worthington,

86 & 88 Liberty St.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

In your Reports of Tests printed in 1892 you give a cut and slight description of the "go devil". May I ask you whether this article has ever been patented, and if so, who was the patentee? I would also be much obliged if you would send me a copy of this catalogue, and also to hear any other source of information which you may have concerning the "go devil".

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Herrn Otto Meinich
1. Fürstenstrasse
Dresden A.

den 17ten April 1900

Hierm bestätige ich Empfang Ihrer Zuschrift vom 26ten März die mir also nur verspätet angekommen ist, wahrscheinlich wegen ungenügender Adresse. Es stand nichts von Amerika darauf.

Ich habe bereits Ihr Patent unter nummer 646945 gefunden, aber wie Sie wissen ist es nur am 3ten an ausgegeben worden.

Ich untersuche jetzt die Frage der ältesten Erfindung. Vielleicht ist es sie nicht patentirt worden. Ich habe bis jetzt nicht den Namen des Erfinders finden können, doch habe ich eine ziemlich gute Beschreibung dessen gefunden und zwar in einem Buche im Jahre 1892 publizirt. Ich habe schon für ein Exemplar für Sie geschickt und werde es Ihnen schreiben so bald es mir ankommt. Ich mache auch nächste Woche eine Reise nach Washington um die Sache da gründlich zu untersuchen. Wenn Ihr Patentanwalt in Washington darüber nichts gemeldet hat ist wahrscheinlich die Sache nicht patentirt worden, und von der Bedeutung gänzlich übersehen.

Die Maschine ist endlich angekommen und wird jetzt aufgestellt. Ich hoffe bald Ihnen darüber weitere Nachrichten geben zu können.

Mit Hochachtung.

N. T. Bacon

New York, 1st 1870

My dear Prince,

Yours of Feb. 14th came when I was absent on the west. There was no progress to report and little of it is, but news was just at last of information of a similar invention which I claim was discovered before but was in use several years ago for cleaning the bore of gun pipes & was in Prussia which will knock out all broad claims to features in the American patent, and area [illegible] invalidate the German one also. I don't know the details of Engrd. and Prussian patent, but if you are coming soon I'll go to see.

I am going to Albany in a few days to finish the matter here, and we shall then take this old invention and consider it in quashing Newbery's patent.

A cast a machine has reached us and it is being set up in Syracuse, so I may have news & several hints for you in say two days or a fortnight.

I will try to get you a copy of Worthington & Pumps Catalogue for 1872, in which the description of the "go devil" as the pipe cleaner was called, but it maybe out of print. So far I have been able to find nothing resembling it.

Yours faithfully

N. S. Bacon

Apr. 18th 1900 =

Prof. H. W. Farnam,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Prof. Farnam:

Last week I wrote to Prof. Schmidt saying that I could get ready in time for the May number of the Yale Review an article which he asked me about a year ago to prepare for an early number.

It is on the Debt Ceiling of the Constitution of the United States & the act of the 19th of May 1898. I have been able to work out the ideas which are more lightly in the outgoing, I think, more original than any thing that I have seen. The article will be between 3000 and 3500 words.

Replying to his from Prof. Schmidt he writes that he is sure, on a meeting, and he will agree to you to have another article if you. If anyone my articles are for other reasons they will be that another letter.

Yours faithfully,

N. P. Adams

Apr. 10th 1900

Mon cher M. Sumner

Je meore quelques lettres pour vous dès que j'aurai une adresse bien définie à laquelle les envoyer; mais je n'aime pas les envoyer pour retourner sans avoir reçu vous avez vu pour rêve.

Je crois bien faire que la lettre prend Wilmington Delaware vous avez manque.

Mr. Dumpy, ayant je les considérants et y en engage lorsque l'article dans Cette et n'est pas nécessaire [illegible] pour vous la voir.

Bien à vous

Nicholas P. Adams

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 30, 1900

Mr. Felix Doane,

Peace Dale, R. I.

Dear Sir:

On looking over the matter of the pavement, I have come to the conclusion that it will be best to accept the job as it stands, deducting from the price the cost of the work left undone. This I estimate at $2.50. If this is satisfactory to you I will settle on this basis. Of course I expect the guarantee to stand for the remainder of the work.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 30, 1900

Chief Clerk of the Patent Office,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a dollar bill for which please send me a package of blank orders, after deducting enough to cover two copies each of the following patents:

Bilton & Timmins,	#576,425	of Feb. 2nd, 1897
Thomas	#306,787	" Oct. 21st, 1884
Henderson	#551,962	" Dec. 24th, 1895

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Apr. 30, 1900

Baron F. Blanc,

61 Boulevard Haussmann,

Paris, France.

My dear Blanc:

Last week in Washington I made a pretty complete examination of the file of Nowotny's patent, with the result of finding that the American patent is of very small value. His invention, while entirely original as far as he was concerned, is covered in its various details by so many other approximations patented in the United States, that it is only the combination which has any value, and I do not know whether a better patent could have been drawn, though it is possible that he might have succeeded if he had had a patent attorney who had understood both the underlying principles of the invention and the intricacies of practice in our Patent Office; but this is a combination very difficult to attain where anything not in the ordinary rut is brought forward. I am forwarding by book post a copy of the American patent and one of the articles to which I alluded in my last to you, and the prospectus of the Niagara Boiler Tube Cleaner, which is one of the articles which interferes with his patent. In this, the action of a turbine driving a rotary cleaner is very evident. It is possible that if the attorney had so drawn Nowotny's patent as to present a claim for a turbine of which the outer shell was formed by the pipe itself, he might have

obtained a valid claim of a fundamental order, but I fear it is now too late. I give you these full details to put you in position to determine the value of the French patent, and if you find it likely to prove valid in spite of the defects of the American patent, you may still think it worth purchase. I find that the French Solvay Works have already taken measures to see how it works, and are showing a good deal of interest in it.

I am hoping to hear in a few days how it has succeeded in Syracuse, but I have as yet nothing from there. I will keep you fully informed of any further developments.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

den 30 April 1900

Herrn Otto Mierisch

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden-F.

Bei meiner Rückkehr von Washington finde ich Ihren Geehrten vom 14. cr. Ich war drei Tage da, und habe sorgfältig die Geschichte Ihres Patentes durchstudirt. Die Erfindung wovon ich Ihnen geschrieben habe ist nicht citirt worden; dagegen aber sind drei andere entgegengestellt worden. Ich werde Ihnen davon Copieen schicken sobald ich sie erhalte.

Es ist sehr Schade dass Sie mir die Sache nicht vor Veröffentlichung mitgetheilt haben. Es ist jetzt zu spät irgend eine Veränderung in diesem Patente vorzubringen. Das Einzige das noch möglich bleibt ist ein unabhängiges Patent zu verlangen auf Verbesserungen die noch nicht veröffentlicht worden sind. Jetzt haben Sie fast nichts bedeckt. Die englische Firma scheint unseres Patentwesen (das sich vom englischen gänzlich entscheidet) nicht gründlich zu verstehen. Bei uns gilt nur was in den Ansprüchen ausführlich ausgedrückt ist. Was in der Beschreibung steht ist vielmehr eine Beschränkung. Statt Ansprüche auf einer Turbine deren äussere Schale aus dem Rohr besteht, und die den Kratzer bewirkt; hat der Anwalt nur Ansprüche auf Verbindungen gemacht und zwar von einem Kolbenförmigen Körper mit rundem Querschnitt 1° mit einem rotirenden Kratzer unter biegsamer Schaltung; 2° mit ~~xxxxx~~ einem rotirenden Kratzer und einer runden Bürste; und 3° mit einem rotirenden Kratzer und einer runden Bürste unter biegsamer Schaltung. In allen Ansprüchen ragt vor der Schwimmer, der eigentlich (wie mir Herr Nowotny den 13 Feb. geschrieben hat) nicht streng nöthig ist. Wenn man nun ohne Vorschwimmer oder sogar mit einem dreieckigen oder sonstförmigen Schwimmer der nicht rund ist im Querschnitt den übrigen Apparat benutzt kann man die Nachahmung nicht verfolgen. Ich glaube dass man jetzt ein Patent auf einer Turbine deren äusseres Schale aus dem Rohr besteht jetzt wegen Veröffentlichung Ihres früheren Patentes

verweigern würde und dass daher nur kleine details patentfähig bleiben.

Es thut mir sehr Leid für Herrn Nowotny der eine sehr werthvolle Erfindung zweifellos gemacht hat um das amerikanische Patent nutzlos zu finden wegen der Ungeschicktheit eines englischen Anwalts. Ich kann natürlich nicht mehr daran denken das amerikanische Patent um den erwähnten Preis zu kaufen, aber vielleicht kann der Baron Blanc das französische noch immer gültig finden.

Mit Hochachtung

N. T. Bacon

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 3rd, 1900

Mr. Francis Hendricks,

Insurance Commissioner,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Hendricks:

Some work which I have undertaken in economic investigation has brought me to a detailed study of the balance of indebtedness between the United States and the rest of the world. I have succeeded to a very large extent in unsnarling this matter, but I have run across one form of indebtedness in your department, on which I should be much obliged for statistics if you could procure them for me. Four of the great life insurance companies, the New York Life, the Equitable, the Mutual, and the Germania, have done a great amount of insurance in foreign countries. I should be very glad if you could find it legitimate to ask of them a statement of their estimated present liability on policies issued to foreigners. I should also be glad if you would send me a copy of the last report of your department.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 3, 1900

Mr. George D. Bolton,
First National Bank,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

When I was in Washington a few days ago, Secretary Gage advised me to write to you, mentioning his name, to ask whether there has been within the last few years any change which has fallen under your observation, in the amount of coupons on United States bonds coming to this country from Europe. Mr. Gage told me that a few years ago there were hundreds of thousands of dollars coming over annually from Europe through your London correspondents alone. These figures are very much larger than the returns shown by the British income tax receipts from this source at present, and I should be glad to know whether this indicates merely great inaccuracy in classification of income tax values, or whether these bonds have been mostly returned to the United States along with the great current of railroad securities during the last three years. The Treasury Department seems to have no official knowledge concerning the whereabouts of these bonds.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

May 5, 1900

Mr. R. H. Hann,

Asst. Actuary, Equitable Life Ins. Co.,

120 Broadway,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your statement of the amount of foreign insurance is at hand, and is exactly what I wanted. Please accept my thanks.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. D. Baum

May 5, 1900

Mr. John B. Lunger,
Actuary, N. Y. Life Ins. Co.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Mr. William A. Hutchison, Associate Actuary of the Mutual Life, to whom Mr. McCurdy referred me for information, gave me your name as that of the party to whom I should apply for the same data concerning your company. I should be much obliged if you could give me the total value of your present liability for policies issued on lives in foreign countries, and at the same time, the market value of your holdings of foreign securities. I am at work on the balance of indebtedness between the United States and the rest of the world, and should be glad of these data to cover the ground. I already have them from the Equitable, and am expecting others from the Mutual. I called at your office a few days ago, but was sorry to find that you had just left for the day.

I think that the Germania is the only other American company doing business abroad in life insurance. If you happen to know of any other, would you kindly make a note of this also, and oblige

Yours faithfully,

Nath. J. Bason

May 5, 1900

Mr. Robert H. McCurdy,
Mutual Life Ins. Co.,
59 Cedar St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. McCurdy:

On my return home I found yours of April 28th giving me the value of the foreign real estate holdings of your company. I am much obliged for this. I am somewhat disappointed, however, at hearing since then from Mr. Hutchison that he cannot see his way to give me the information asked for concerning the division of liabilities between American and other policy holders. I already have these figures for the Equitable Life Insurance Co., and they told me that their foreign business was very much larger than yours, so that if necessary I can make a very rough guess at what yours would be; but it would be much more satisfactory if I could be given say the face value of the foreign policies from which to estimate the present liability, even if no more accurate division could be made.

Thanking you for your courtesy, believe me ever

Faithfully yours,

May 5, 1900

Mr. G. H. Stilwell,
University Block,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of May 1st is at hand. What does Rice propose to do about the property? Was it the nominal sum entered on the bond to which he objected? Also please find out whether he has paid the installment due April 10th and the one falling due May 10th. If he has not made his payments of course he has forfeited his contract. I do not want to be small about this, but I do not like the idea of being put to the considerable expense of having papers drawn and paying for acknowledgments and stamps for a freak of his. I suppose that even in case he refuses to take the deed now, the same deed could be made to answer nine months later, when his contract would naturally culminate, and without forfeiting the purchase money privileges in the mortgage to be given. The next time we have a deed to deliver, it plainly will be wise not to affix the stamps until the moment arrives for delivery. If we can make these documents work by holding them for a few months, I think it will probably be best not to follow up your suggestion of bringing suit. Otherwise, I think that he ought to be made to pay for the expense to which he has put us, but I do not want to go to the extreme of suing, unless strictly necessary.

How about Mrs. Mailler and Mrs. Miller?

Yours faithfully,

Wm. E. S. Rice

May 7, 1900

Baron F. Blanc,

61 Boulevard Haussmann,

Paris, France

My dear Blanc:

Yours of April 27th is just at hand. Nowotny's patent in this country has been so poorly drawn as to be almost valueless. I don't know enough about French patent law to understand how it is with yours, but with all the ifs and ands about it, I am convinced that the price which he has set on it is too high, and that he would make a material concession if it was properly set before him. In consequence, I think it will now be best to authorize you to make any bargain you may see fit directly with Mierisch. I can trust you to do the fair thing in any case. The machine being set up here is still not ready. I have hopes of it, however, for next week. It takes forever to start things. As soon as I know anything about it I will report to you at once. I am glad that you have got such sound parties interested in it.

I do not think it is likely that I shall get over to Europe this summer, but if you come to this country, as you suggested you probably would do, by all means let me know in advance.

Yours faithfully,

Nikola Tesla

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May 7, 1900

Seldon Bacon Esq.,
Tribune Bldg.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Your letter reached me a few days ago. I expect to be wanted in Syracuse again next week. Will you please communicate directly with Stilwell as to having Barnes go to Cleveland. I shall hope to hear from you again in the course of this week, or by Tuesday morning of next week at latest.

Yours faithfully,
Nath. T. Bacon

Mr John [illegible]

Peace Dale R.I., May 10th 1900

My dear John:

Your report for April is just at hand again, showing a large sum on hand but no deposit and no [illegible] answer to my letter of a month ago. You also [illegible] you have given the [illegible] the amount of ~~[illegible]~~ $21.00 and collected nothing out of it but one month's rent and absolutely nothing on the arrears.

I should like you to explain this at once. I cannot afford to have you disregard such express directions as I gave in my last letter with reference to this.

You do not say whether you have put out any of the delinquents, nor do you give any hint as to when you will make a deposit, nor as to how much you will be through spending [illegible] a month for repairs.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Please answer at once.

Peace Dale, R.I., den 11. Mai, 1900.

Herrn Otto Mierisch,

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden, F.

Ihr Geehrter vom 27 Apr. ist mir heute angekommen, wie der des 24 Sonnabend. Ich bin bisweilen krank gewesen, und habe erst heute im Bureau schaffen können. Der Apparat wovon ich Ihnen die Beschreibung geschickt habe ist von einem Ingenieur der berühmten Standard Oil Co. erfunden worden, und deswegen unbekannt geblieben weil diese Gesellschaft möglichst über alle Geschäfte stillschweigt, doch ist der Apparat schon seit neun Jahren bei ihr in Betrieb.

Es ist aber leider nicht die Frage vom praktischem Werthe, sondern vielmehr wenn theoretisch dieser Apparat von früheren Beschreibungen unabhängig ist. Wenn Sie ein Zusatzpatent einreichen wollen stehe ich Ihnen gern zu Diensten. Es fällt mir aber nichts ein das patentfähig wäre, ausserdem wenn man ein Patent noch verwilligen würde für eine Turbine deren äussere Schale aus dem Rohr besteht. Es wäre vielleicht noch der Mühe werth das zu versuchen, doch darf dieses nur sehr sorgfältig gethan werden; sonst wird es sofort wegen Aehnlichkeit Ihrem früheren Patente ausgeworfen.

Von Herrn W.E.Boulter weiss ich weiter nichts als dass er dieses Patent so etwa wie es Ihm von England gekommen ist eingereicht hat ohne viel zu fragen, wie es scheint, wenn vielleicht die ausländischen Ansprüche zu verbessern wären, und dass er später kleine Veränderungen gemacht hat um die Einwürfe des Examiners aufzuheben, und dass er Ihnen diese nicht zuerst vorgelegt hat.

Wenn man einen Anwalt sucht der die Sache selbst gründlich untersuchen soll muss man ihn sehr stark bezahlen, aber nur der Art kann man die besten Resultate erwarten.

Wenn Sie es gut denken wenigstens $100 der Art auszugeben rathe ich Ihnen die Sache an Dickerson + Brown, 141 Broadway, New York entweder direkt oder durch mich zu schicken. Diese Herrn sind Patentanwalte ersten Ranges die schon öfters in wichtigeren Sachen die Solar Process Co. vertreten haben. Bei Ihnen wird Ihre Sache wenigstens tüchtig durchstudirt werden und alles möglich versucht.

Ich hoffe jetzt täglich zu hören dass der Apparat in Syracuse gänzlich fertig ist. Es fehlte letzte Woche noch immer das Drahtseil und die Winde. Natürlich werde ich Ihnen eine Kunde davon schicken sobald als der Apparat eigetlich in Betrieb kommt.

Mit Hochachtung

N. T. Brown

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May 11th. 1900 —

The State Geologist
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Does there exist a geological map of your state, and if so can a copy be procured? I was sorry to find that the U.S. Geological Survey has scarcely touched your state, but this leads me to hope that it is perhaps because the state authorities are already doing good work in this line.

I am particularly anxious for a map or maps of the district East of the proposed West line of Cuyahoga Co. and North of the proposed South line of Wayne County.

Yours faithfully

N. T. [illegible]

I am for an advanced position.

Peace Dale, R. I., May 14, 1900

To the Editor of the Yale Alumni Weekly,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Sir:

Certain gossip collected in New Haven last week from sources which seemed to be near the throne, is my excuse for writing you another letter. The work of destruction preparatory to the new Alumni Hall, was progressing merrily. Commenting on this and expressing my regret at the plans chosen, I was much pleased to hear that the plans had been greatly modified, owing to the prospect of lack of funds. But a most curious development in this connection was that the architects were said to be insisting upon the use of Indiana limestone as the material. Truly the ways of some people are past finding out! It can scarcely have been in hopes of rendering the construction less expensive that they demanded to have freight paid from Indiana east.

Perhaps the most fundamental rule in architecture is that a building should be characteristic of the place and time in which it is erected, as well as suited to the purpose for which it is intended. These three requirements correspond to the unities of place, time and action in the drama. One of the most characteristic things possible in a building is the material of which it is made. It was vastly less incongruous for a Western millionaire to stipulate marble from a quarry in Southern California as the material for

his New York house, than it would be for such an essentially New England institution as Yale to send to Indiana for the material for its memorial hall, when the State of Connecticut furnishes many forms of building stone which are greatly sought after for buildings in communities outside of its boundaries. There are three materials in particular which ought to call for consideration as being typical of the soil from which the institution sprung. First is the granite, which forms the sub-structure of pretty much the whole of New England, and which is available in great quantities and of fine character at the quarries no farther away than Leete's Island. Next comes the trap, which from East and West Rock, dominates the city of New Haven; and third come the beautiful red and brown sandstones, either from the Connecticut Valley, or from the immediate neighborhood of New Haven. The granite is hard to work, and perhaps should not be chosen for that reason. The trap again, though well-suited to domestic purposes, is perhaps too irregular in its way of breaking and too bizarre in the effect which it produces for use on the grand scale. But the material of which Durfee and the present Alumni Hall, and various other buildings in New Haven are constructed, when properly laid (i.e., with the quarry bed horizontal) is a beautiful stone, sufficiently durable, very easily worked, characteristic of the neighborhood, and unquestionably available at much less cost than that from the distant quarry proposed.

I have little question that the architects have been stung

with the itch of producing a contrast with other things. They have apparently not discovered the fact that the reliance on different varieties of material for color effects in architecture, is always characteristic of the decadent style. I say this boldly, in spite of the fact that it was extremely characteristic of the early English Gothic, which, after much consideration I have come to look upon as merely a decadent style of Norman. It will be noticed by careful students that these crudities of color disappeared as the truly Gothic style developed in the prime of Gothic architecture in the Decorated Period in England.

Another favorite freak which has disfigured more than one fine building in this country is the craze for polished columns, another thing which characterized decadent Norman in England, but was again quickly swept away with the development of architectural taste. It should be noted that the main object of the Greek in fluting his column was to avoid the single light streak which strikes the eye as coming from a polished, round surface.

One other interesting point which I heard was that the present style was taken up only after half a dozen architects, one after the other, had all refused to attempt a plan on Gothic lines. If by Gothic was simply meant an imitation of some old hotel de ville, there is not much to choose between one style of imitation and another. But if, on the other hand, they desired such a development of Gothic ideas as is manifest in our modern style of domestic

architecture, which is most clearly traceable to the English perpendicular Gothic, I could easily have set them on the right track. An architect capable of this exists. I do not know his name, but I know his work. I think it very unlikely that the man who designed the new Houghton Memorial Chapel at Wellesley College, could have been led into any such fatuity as we have had set before us.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bell

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Syracuse, May 17th. 1910.

Mr. John R. Carpenter
Peace Dale, R.I.

My dear John:

The letter you forwarded me was from Mr. Victor Lemoit asking to have any letters for him forwarded at once to the general delivery of Chicago.

In my desk, in the right hand inner drawer, under the rolling top you will find two letters of introduction for him from R.G. and a letter to him, which was forwarded from Easley.

Please put all in an envelope with a request to return after 10 days if not called for, and forward to the above address and oblige

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bell

Please forward my mail up to Sunday morning c/o Mrs. J. H. Jeffries, Roxbury, Mass. Hold it after that.

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Syracuse, le 17 Mai 1900

Mon cher M. Senet,

Votre lettre du 10 de San Francisco vient de parvenir ici. J'écris immédiatement à Grove Dale pour vous faire parvenir à Chicago les autres lettres qui vous attendent là. Je ne peux pas les faire arriver à Salt Lake City assez vite, 48 mois elles devront être à Chicago le 20. J'espère que vous n'aurez pas été inconsolé par mon absence de chez moi.

J'espère que vous n'aurez pas trop souffert de la chaleur, qui a été très forte ces derniers jours par ici.

Bien à vous

N. T. Bacon

Je vous envoie sous ce pli une carte pour le Schley Process Co. à Detroit.

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May 15th. 1900.

Mr. William B. Bunch
Swedesboro, N.J.

Dear Sir:

The men at work removing the house from the lot purchased recently by you are trespassing on our adjoining land, and damaging the grass and trees. We hold you and yourself responsible for all damage to grass, trees, shrubbery, and restore anything so that it shall be satisfactory to me personally; and at what time I could speak to you, or will you prefer to have me lead bills with the men at work?

Yours respectfully
William B. Mason

Care working men
Paulsboro, N.J.

Mr. John B. Lunger,

Managing Actuary, N. Y. Life Ins. Co.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

On my return from a trip West, I find yours of May 16th. The figures which you give me are all that I asked for, and are very much to the point. I shall be careful to do as you request with reference to any publication of these figures.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., May 22, 1900

Mr. Robert H. McCurdy,

Mutual Life Insurance Co.,

New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. McCurdy:

On my return from a trip West I find your letter giving the amount of your foreign policies, for which I am very much obliged. I shall be able to make a sufficient approximation from this to cover the ground. I now have similar results from the Equitable and the New York Life, leaving only the Germania, as I understand, of the American companies doing business in Europe, and their line is unquestionably smaller than any of the other three.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Mr. W. P. Stringer

Syracuse, Onondaga Co., N.Y.

May 22nd 1900

Dear Sir:

As I was unexpectedly detained in Syracuse I took the opportunity the next day to go up and look over the land near your house.

It looks to me as if you were undertaking a good deal. After looking over the neighborhood I came to the conclusion that perhaps you would do better not to try to do so much, and that accordingly I would offer you (subject of course to my usual reservations against liquor selling and shooting) the piece you now rent (lot No 1, Block B), and a part of the land which is now cultivated by you as I have stated, beginning at my west line at the South East corner of lot 3 Block B, and running thence easterly to the North East Corner of lot 3 Block B; thence Southerly along the East line of said lot 3 to the center of Parson Street; thence westerly along the center line of Parson Street to my west boundary line; and thence Northerly to the place of beginning. This makes a piece containing about 1½ acre beside the house lot, and I will offer you this together with the house lot for Sixty hundred and fifty ($650.00) dollars with interest from June 1st, payments to be in monthly installments of not less than Ten ($10.00) dollars each, with the understanding that the first installments are to apply each year first to the interest of the current year and the balance to reduction of the principal. This would leave you with a smaller sum of interest to pay to begin with and will therefore enable you to pay up the principal more rapidly. I will give you a deed as soon as you reduce the principal to $400.00.

If you want more land I will see that John Lickenzie sells you more in the same neighborhood, but not for a considerable time of years if you like, so that you can afford to manure and

Peace Dale, R. I., May 24, 1900 712

Sheldon Parks Esq.,

Cuyahoga Bldg.,

Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:

Can you procure for me the last Report of the Ohio Geological Survey, which was issued in 1893, and contains, I believe, a map of the Western Reserve? I find from the State Geologist that the State has no further copies, and it occurs to me that probably one could be obtained from some second-hand bookseller in Cleveland. If you can spare the time to look one up for me I should be much obliged. I should be willing to pay a considerable sum, say up to $10. for a copy, and should be very glad to allow you a dollar for looking it up for me.

Yours faithfully,

Nathl. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I. May 28th, 1900

Mr. W. B. Powers

Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of May 18th received and I shall be delighted to put the matter in your attorney's hands in the manner with instructions to take the proper steps in entering a lien on the Colonial and.

Yours respectfully

N. T. Bacon

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Aug 22th 1900 =

The Actuary of the Germania Life Ins Co.
N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The actuaries of the Equitable, New York Life and Mutual Life Ins Cos have furnished me with figures to show their approximate present liabilities on policies issued in foreign countries & given with the values of foreign securities and real estate held by each Co.

May I ask you for the same information concerning your Co. which I understand to be the only other American company doing any considerable amount of business abroad.

I am working up an article on the present condition of the life ins. business in the world, and find that the information I have on hand is incomplete, not the least of my difficulties being to find a trustworthy basis for comparing the various companies.

If you can give me the data asked for I could make a fair approximation from the

May 30th 1900

Mr. John Cushing, Jr. Esq.

My dear Friend

Please be sure to get your report off promptly, with a forecast of what expenditures you will need to make for me, and likewise the money of your own business which I asked for. Don't be discouraged if you find by this call that you have made a loss so far. That is inevitable in any business until you learn the trade. Turn the Sidney Promises (R. East of Scott) in its first year if runs the question now whether you can learn to make money at the business. I think you ought to.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

May 30th 1900

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Mr. Willis B. Brown is moving the old Gott house and in so doing his contractor (Contractor Duffies) was trespassing on our lot adjoining. I have twice written him asking him whether he will assume the responsibility for damage done by the ~~contr~~ house moves.

He has not answered at all so I will ask you to go up there (right with the top of James St. Hill on the North side) and order the contractor off at once and to call on Mr. Brown to join us at once in erecting a wire line fence between us.

The doings which he is doing is entirely on our property.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

June 1st. 1900 =

The U. S. Playing Card Co.
292 Broadway, New York.

Gentlemen:

Yours of May 19th came in my absence in the west and has been accidentally overlooked.

There send me twelve (12) decks half red and half blue backs of the Angelo cards with the acorn pattern.

I enclose a check for $3.00, the price as per your accounts.

Yours truly
N. T. Bacon

June 1st. 1900 =

Mr. W. B. Parent
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir.

Yours of May 30th is at hand. I am obliged for your attention to the complaint.

I shall probably be at home for a week to come if you want to see me, but you would do well to reserve your call by telephone if you are in Syracuse as I am often away from home. My authority is from Syracuse, with only four mail connections (on the New York R.R.)

Yours truly
Nath'l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R.I. June 5th 1900.

Mr. John Clarke Ives, Salem

My dear John.

Nearly a week ago I wrote you for an immediate reply on the matter and on your business.

I cannot allow this matter to drag along in future as it has done in the past and it is not expedient to assume to lend you money if you refuse to provide reports for it.

If you cannot and do not at once act in advance in such way you can make something I need not say; but it is necessary for me to know how matters stand far more promptly than you have provided information in the past if you want me to go on lending you money.

Yours respectfully

N. T. Brown

If you are pressed by circumstances do the thing you ought to do at least once.

June 8th 1900

Mr. Wm. B. Burns
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your request for an option on the lot standing in my wife's name on Franklin St. over adjoining property, I reply as with and it for the net thereof ($11000.00) eleven thousand ($3000.00) down, and the balance to be paid on or before one year from date. If you decide to take this option please let me know by June 13th.

Yours respectfully

N. T. Brown

Mr John Ewing
Chicago.

June 7th, 1900

My dear John:

Your letters of June 5th and 6th are at hand. I am sorry to hear of your continued ill health. From yours of the 5th I see that you owe Comer about $400.00 and Kingsbury about $95.00, besides this you owe me $100.00 on a note (with interest on it needed) and you are in arrears on your account with me, I do not know just how much, but leaving you about $700.00 in debt besides your mortgage.

As offsets you have $600.00 in good orders owing you since in trade, bad debts to the amount of $87.00, and probably other accounts which are not bad.

I am glad to hear that you have no more than $87.00 of bad debts owing you. That amounts to only about $15.00 per month. If you can keep them down to that point I think you will succeed, especially as your trade grows, but you will always have to reckon something of your profit for such losses. I do not mean to demand instant satisfaction from you of the money I have you are using, though I am [illegible] for it [illegible] myself, but I think in future it will be best that you should keep my money in the bank.

How comes it that again you have let Ransom have so much money? I told you and I thought that you understood that when he looked for me he was first to pay his rent, and then after that he was to get 2/3 of his earnings and the rest was to apply on arrears. By this rule you should have left for me $15.00 instead of only $4.00.

Yours truly,

N. T. Beeson

You really should find fault at Beeson's place. I can do nothing about the rent till the 1st of July anyhow.

Peace Dale, R.I., den 1. Juni, 1900. 718

Herrn Otto Mierisch

2 Friedrichstrasse Dresden F.

Ihnen bestätige ich den Empfang Ihres Geehrten des 22. Mai. Vordem ich mit einer anderen Anmeldung weiter gehe muss ich den heutigen Zustand berücksichtigen und zwar bezüglich der Solvay Process Co., von der ich soeben die Nachricht erhalte dass sie mit ziemlichem Erfolg den Apparat versucht hat. Der Apparat ist für unsere Röhren, die dem englischen Fuss und nicht dem Meter entsprechen, etwas zu klein und das Seil war nicht genügend stark, aber wahrscheinlich wird ein grösserer Apparat tüchtig durchkommen.

Wie jetzt die Sache steht hat diese Gesellschaft das unbedingte Recht den Apparat unter Nachlassung des Schwimmers zu gebrauchen, weil das heutige Patent unter welchem ihr der Apparat geliefert worden ist, nur Verbindungen mit dem Schwimmer deckt, und es kann also diese Gesellschaft nicht durch eine spätere Anmeldung vom Gebrauch davon gehemmt sein. Die Solvay Process Co. möchte aber nicht klein handeln und bietet Ihnen daher tausend (1 000 M) Mark an für Ihre gesammten amerikanischen Rechte für die Sodaindustrie und wird dazu Ihnen die Beförderung einer neuen Anmeldung kostenfrei besorgen.

Glücklicher Weise ist die Sache mit allen Anderen nicht weiter als Gespräch gegangen, weil ich darauf wartete bis ich im Stande sein sollte den Apparat im Betrieb zu zeigen, so dass gegen Anderen ein neues Patent gültig sein könnte. Wenn Sie diesen Antrag annehmen werde ich Ihnen sofort eine neue Anmeldung bereiten lassen.

Wenn Sie weitere Verzögerung vermeiden wollen haben Sie nur das eine Wort "Accept" zu telegraphiren. Als telegraphische Adresse gelten die zwei Wörter "Bacon Peacedale".

Mit Hochachtung

N. T. Bacon

The lot of which I wrote you this morning is 15 ft front, but came in two parts for which there are separate securities, one for 5 ft. and the other of for 10 ft. All incumbrances have been cleared off the property, but these latter transactions, do not appear on the securities. N. T. B.

Peace Dale, R. I., June 12, 1900

Mr. G. H. Stilwell,

University Block,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

We have just agreed to sell our lot on James St. to Mr. Willis B. Burns for $12,000, of which $2,000 is to be paid in cash, and the remainder to stand on a 5% mortgage running five years, with interest payable semi-annually, and with the privilege of paying any time before expiry of said term, in whole or in part, after sixty days written notice. I should be glad to have you draw the papers at once and forward them here for my wife to sign the deed. Please telephone to Mr. Burns, and make sure that these details are entirely satisfactory to him. He telegraphed me yesterday accepting the option which we had given him. I suppose that interest will run from the date of his acceptance, but you will know whether this should be the date of the mortgage or whether it should not bear date until the date of actual delivery of the deed. Of course I only what want what is customary in this respect, but I very much prefer, if possible, to have the interest payable at terms of six months from date of the mortgage, so as to have it come in just before July 1st and January 1st. I enclose a copy of the letter I have just written Mr. Burns.

Please rush this through

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

(enclosure)

Peace Dale, R. I., June 13, 1900

Mr. Willis B. Burns,

Malleable Iron Works,

Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Burns:

Your telegram reading,

"I accept Mrs. Bacon's proposition. Fix mortgage to run "five years with privilege to pay same any time within said "term."

reached me last night just as the last mail was closing. I am sending this morning to Mr. G. H. Stilwell of Gill & Stilwell, asking him to draw the papers. I will ask him to draw the mortgage so as to be payable in five years from date, but leaving you the option of paying at any time in whole or in part, on giving sixty days notice, with interest payable semi-annually at 5%. These details were of course not entered into, but I think you will not object to giving us sixty days warning whenever you desire to pay the whole or a part of the principal. I expect to have the papers ready for delivery early next week. It would be very convenient for us to have payment coming in this manner a little before the 1st of July and the 1st of January, if it is not inconvenient to you.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

June 10th 1870

My dear Ros

Yours of yesterday received this morning. I think it would be most unfortunate to borrow on the New Haven property, or again to put capital into the hands of the trustees for the estate, for so far as the personal part of the estate has vanished, and the only chance of maintaining even the reality lies in the difficulty of obtaining every one's consent to a transfer.

On the other hand I think we can provide for your immediate wants. Helen expects to have a part of her fortune come in next week, and out of that could lend you if necessary $5000 at 5%. If you could renew the rest of your indebtedness directly, I should greatly prefer not to have so much invested without security, so please let us know at once exactly when you need the money, and what is the least that will give you breathing room. This can stand on a note at one year's time, with interest payable semi-annually, and with the understanding that a large proportion if not the whole can be removed at least before. I hope this will put you into a position where you will be able to make a steady reduction in your debts. I should be glad if you would feel that the spread between 5% and 6% would enable you to take out a life insurance policy for the amount loaned you, which could be assigned in the first place as security for the loan. I know that this difference would not pay the premiums, but a policy of this kind is an investment. I see you speak of such an as a peculiarly favorable offer by the Equitable of N.Y. They offer a policy by which the insured can take out at any time an amount of his policy all his premiums plus 4% compound interest. This looks to me as the best opportunity I know of saving for you.

Yours affectionately

N. H. Bassett

Has a fortune range today between 100° and 102°. Should that be true, it would be a highly valuable property for you to have. Well, good night and God bless you.

Pawtucket R.I. June 10th 1900

Mr. Jonathan Smith

Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Smith:

My mortgage to your wife falls due on July 14th 1900 at a higher rate than all my other indebtedness, and as I do not want to let it stand at the present rate, but I shall be glad to let it stand if she cares to accept four and one half (4½%) per cent. If I can borrow at your lower rates here by giving first security, and as I am generally reducing my debts I want to take advantage of the present low rates. Please let me hear at your convenience and oblige

Yours faithfully

Nath.l T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I., June 16th 1880.

Dear Sir.

This morning I have a letter from Ted suggesting what seems to me a better plan for your loan, and consequently I think it will be better to wait a little more, but you can feel sure of being helped around your corner in one way or another.

You had better also write and mind as yesterday to Ted, who writes me that he will go to New Haven to see you about it.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Brown

Peggy continues to do well.

Pawtucket, R. I. June 16th 1880.

Dear Ted.

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I wrote Mr yesterday urging my consent & suggesting that Hazard could lend him a sum enough to tide him through but your suggestion is better, and his creditors ought to agree to it, especially if he should take out insurance policies for the amounts of each of the larger notes (including indorsed) & assign them as collateral. To help on this arrangement I would guarantee the annual payment of the premiums for five years. This would greatly add to his credit I presume, & cut it down to 4% rate.

I am hoping to be a week or more from the Cedars with

Dora & Peggy are at our house with what threatens to be a mild typhoid fever, but as we lose it will from the best of care, not an infectious case. Yours faithfully
N. T. Brown

Peace Dale, R.I., June 18th, 1900.

My dear Len:

Yours of yesterday reached me this morning together with one from Sed, entering into your affairs at length.

After agreeing to help in his scheme, and after the study he has given the case, I can hardly do otherwise than follow his recommendations, but if you will accept his conditions we can probably put your credit into such shape that you will not be harassed from day to day with obligations which you are unable to meet, and thus enable you to look the world in the face once more.

In such cases the entire business should be arranged by one responsible person, There are few people better qualified for this than Sed, so I must leave all details to his judgment, taking only pecuniary responsibility myself.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

John Lewis Ingersoll

Pine Brook, N.J. June 17th 1900

Dear John

Please let me know by return Monday whether you will have sufficient money to meet the taxes on the 2nd. I should be glad to hear whether you are feeling any better in health.

I have from someone that there is a good deal of opposition on the part to the new high school. Please let me know why it seems to me the one thing needed to insure the growth of the village. Of course it will slightly increase taxes for a while, but it will immediately draw on a better class of people among from the city, so that you will soon be enormously the gainer as the town begins, and will make Belvidere the most desirable place for a home near Newark. I should be very sorry to see the project fail and I know that the Board would also.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Burns

June 19th 1900.

My dear Mr. Ingersoll:

Yours of Saturday enclosing the deed to W. S. Burns arrived here yesterday and the deed ought to reach you with this.

As the $1000 is paid at once we will not insist on having interest ~~from June~~ from 15th, though July 1st, though I suppose that we ought to insist on interest at least from the date of a deed. You say nothing in your letter about my question as to what is the action in such matters where nothing appears on the preliminary agreement as to the giving of possession. The Court in the Orange case would not grant your request without, so I should think it would be a question, anyway, if it is worth while to contest the case, if it is preferred I should be glad to avoid a suit.

Very truly yours

N. T. Burns

Please ~~write~~ this. We would be glad of the check.

We shall be glad to have the interest to the 1st of June due $1000 at 6% per annum, payable July 1st.

June 21st 1870

My dear Sister

Yours of June 20th I found on my return here. I am sorry I did not return to write before letter with yours from Athens to my address in '69. You did not know naturally that in Sept. '74 I had just discovered that my business had exceeded my assets, through the shrinkage in value of real estate, that $2000 of my wife's annual income had been cut off owing to the failure of the Wis. Central R.R. and that everything I possessed was mortgaged so nearly to its full value that it was with the utmost difficulty that I could raise personal for you a short time loan, and that the mere application for it would have still further damaged my tottering credit; the fact that without consultation with me Sol independently suggested almost voluntarily that I might to show you that such times are only ordinary ones, I do not think that Sol even now knows that I once asked you for similar statements.

I feel satisfied that unless you consent to some such terms to lend you money now is only to prepare the way for greater loss later on. even more than at time of writing, with the

You look on life insurance as full security. It is only in case all premiums are paid. If you go on increasing your debts you will be unable to pay the premiums as well as interest on your debts, and then this security fails utterly.

What you ask is no more than a business man in similar difficulties would probably offer unasked. I don't know when I have had such a feeling of unmerited disappointment as on learning you were working. I still hope that you will take a course with your business men of your acquaintance. I cannot imagine anyone from failing to advise you to accept my terms.

Your affectionate brother
Nathan T. Beckwith

June 23rd 1900

Gen. A. T. Christensen
99 Antoine Street
Detroit, Mich.

My dear Gen. Christensen:

Will you allow the flea of fact from of nearly 25 years ago to an bite you once?

For a year and more there have been startling statistics as to the amount of foreign investments in the U.S. and having that you have recently gone back to Detroit I recommend with that you would be the man all ready to give me an approximate estimate as to the amount of the Canadian and Nova money invested in Detroit.

My guess has been one or two hundred thousand, but this continues to be a mystery to me.

I suppose that Detroit is probably an Atlantic to amount to quite a number of millions, the others I cannot answer for at least, but if you think you can kindly find time to be in touch with bankers who can give good approximations.

Yours faithfully
Nathan T. Bacon

June 23rd 1900

Dear Sir:

Yesterday morning I saw Smith who said that the last they heard also would be the case in Detroit instead of the 1st of July it will be about three weeks. My wife is expected in Detroit the 3rd of July, off having charge of the first year's work. Then I will be on the ground to talk with him, and be able perhaps to arrange for his accompanying me to Detroit. If he does not accompany me he will be there in advance of a letter to you. Mr. S. [illegible] to be with his wife in Detroit for Christmas.

The difficulty in my business is for work, and by the [illegible] in stopping the [illegible] work [illegible] is no more [illegible] work [illegible] anything like old days. The [illegible] are [illegible] the accounting and [illegible] the [illegible] The [illegible] average is [illegible] work. If I find that I am employing a man better than myself I will be with them. It is to attempt to be a [illegible] and the time gets in the [illegible] down [illegible].

Yours for the future
N. T. B.

June 23rd 1870

My dear Mr. Stilwell.

On my return from N.Y. I find yours of June 20th. I hope the papers have been arranged ere this by you. Please get a N.Y. draft and forward it here. I should also like to square accounts with you in general at this time.

Yours faithfully
N. P. Breed

Mr John Lochinger
Albany.

June 20th 1870

My dear Mr. Lochinger:

Your note reached me this morning. I am very sorry to hear of John's illness. Will it be thought best to wait for a week's vacation? I am very short of money just now, especially of Shares to provide them for the taxes, but after July 1st I could furnish him with enough money to enable him to change his environment very materially for a week or so. Please let me know what would be when you write about the taxes. I should be very sorry to have John break down.

You have done just right about the Brown house. I hope that you will not have to call on me for much cash as it is pretty scarce just now.

Yours faithfully
N. P. Breed

June 23 1880

T. W. Church,
Westminster St. Providence.

Gentlemen

My sent reached E. last night. It is very nice & the 'st does not fit absurdly. I expect to be passing through Providence on Friday & will take the occasion to call for it of you.

I enclose a check for the same, $20.00.

Yours truly &c
N. T. Brown

June 25th 1880

Mr E. J. Pierce
101 Temple St. Newtown.

Dear Sir:

The furniture has not yet reached me. As I forgot to tell you where to send it, I write you, possibly you may have delayed sending it for that reason.

A number of plans were sent me in free design so that I am with this the pattern I make for a [illegible] I will send you the number of yards as I will know to definitely.

You may bring the express charge to a minimum of this kind.

Yours respectfully
N. T. Brown

Mrs. John Buchanan
Solway

June 28th 1900

My dear Mrs. Buchanan:

As I have not heard from you as to the amount needed to make good the taxes in Solway I am enclosing you a check for $25.00 which will, I hope, be sufficient. Please let me know at once how it is getting on.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l. T. Bean

Nathl T Bean

den 28. Juni, 1900

Herrn Otto Mierisch

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden F.

Ihr geehrtes vom 2. ist mir sehr verspätet angekommen. Ich habe wahrscheinlich vormals Herrn Nowotny geschrieben dass wir nöthigen Falls einen passenden Apparat machen lassen könnten wenn Ihr Apparat für unsere Röhren nicht passen sollte, wir haben aber nichts derartiges gethan.

Seit meinem letzten hat man wieder den Apparat versucht, und zwar mit schlechterem Erfolg als vorhin. Dieses wird vielleicht von der Grösse des Apparates herkommen, weil unsere Röhren den englischen Einheiten entsprechen und daher etwa 1,6% grösser sind als die entsprechenden deutsche Röhren. Wenn Sie also das Recht zurückziehen einen passenden Apparat darzustellen wird es natürlich von Ihrem Patente keine Rede mehr geben.

Wenn ich eine Antwort meinem Briefe ~~du~~ vom 3. erhalte wird es erst die rechte Zeit sein vom Verkauf zu sprechen; Ihr neuer Vorschlag ist aber in jedem Fall unannehmbar. Ihr heutiges Patent ist eigentlich ohne Werth und ein neues zweifelhaft bis es erhalten wird. Es ist auch sehr zweifelhaft wenn ein gültiges Patent noch zu erhalten ist. Wenn nur die Behörden vernehmen dass man einen zweiten Schutz für die eine Erfindung sucht, so ist sofort alles aus.

Mit Hochachtung

N. T. Bassy

June 8th 1860

To R. J. Graf & Bro. &c.

Gentlemen,

[illegible] payment of [illegible] for defect for [illegible]

As you [illegible] [illegible] I should like [illegible] for [illegible] to be [illegible] June 30th.

But if [illegible] New York draft [illegible] be dated [illegible] and to bear the [illegible] account.

Please make the draft [illegible] would be favor if it could be [illegible] June 30th.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Please affix the necessary stamp to the note, and charge them to me.

le 30 Juin 1860

Mon cher M. Samuels

Votre lettre de Boston m'est arrivée hier soir. Il hasard me vous envoyer des lettres pour me en chez quelques fabriques et à ma maison de banque de sorte que je lui laissera cet affaire. Je crois bien faire de dire ici que nous serons forcés de rester à notre maison d'été dans les Montagnes Blanches lors de votre retour de Syracuse.

Il y a une chose à Providence que je vous recommande. Il y a une vaisse à gaz dont on a fait le tour en Europe. C'est cette exposition plus grande que celle de St. Pierre à Rome. Elle est en bois, et elle a gagné attirer beaucoup d'attention. Elle est dans le parc de la ville. Elle est facile à voir maintenant et durant le temps que je vous ai dit vous me avez [illegible]. Mon [illegible]

N. T. Bacon

June 30th 1900

Hon. E. D. Robinson
[illegible]

My dear Mr. Robinson:
[illegible]

Yours [illegible]
N. T. Bacon

June 30th 1900

Shelburne Falls
[illegible]

Dear Sir,
[illegible]

N. T. Bacon

July 8th 1900

Mr. J. L. King, Pres.
The Split Rock Cable Road Co.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of June 28th is at hand. Before sign the new lease I will ask you to examine it a day or two. The old one. This lease does not mention the number of the former one in and its details, but I can not remember lease and my memory of it is pretty bad.

Yours faithfully
Walter T. Barron

July 6th 1900.

Mr. J. L. King Pres. Split Rock Cable Road Co.
Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I find two serious errors in the lease forwarded me to be signed. The first is in the description and existed in the original. It states the line as running to the North line of lands of Henry Jerome Schenfler never and adjoining to the North of Henry Jerome, and the line of the Cable Road crosses a corner of Schenfler only. This should read to the East line lands formerly owned by Henry Jerome.

The other error lies in enumerating the number of renewals provided for. This is an exact copy of the former lease and the year provides for one more renewal than the parties are entitled to after expiring of the first period. The words in the expiration period [illegible] should be stricken out. Otherwise the lease is satisfactory and if you wish [illegible] the lease.

Yours faithfully W. T. Barron

* Omit the original Schenfler lease.

July 12th. 1900

Chief Clerk, Treasury Dep't.
Washington. D.C.

Dear Sir:

Has the department any table showing imports and exports by labor period to 1894? I have been looking in vain for such statistics covering this period.

I should likewise be glad if data covering immigration during this early period is available.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bean

July 12th 1900

Mr. E. N. Trump, Gen. Mr.
Dear Sir:

Your of July 10th is at hand. I will ask Brooks to send me a copy of the C.S. notes in future, but the Mr. have no extras for the long past, and in consequence I will ask you to forward me to be copied and returned those for the first half, including that for June, not yet received.

Yours for the C.
N. T. Bean

Our Indebtedness to Foreigners.

During the last five years considerable interest has been manifested in the amount of American indebtedness to Europe and the annual tribute payable by us to foreign capitalists.

The first suggestions on the subject were offered by Mr. Heidelbach of the firm of Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co. of New York. These led to an interesting discussion in the Financial Chronicle in the course of which Mr. Heidelbach receded somewhat from the extreme limit of his first estimate, but the subject was finally abandoned without reaching any definite conclusion, the different estimates of our annual interest burden varying between $70,000,000. and $350,000,000. These estimates were all based on balance of imports and exports, or rates of exchange or other such wholesale considerations and abounded in generalities.

About a year ago it occurred to the writer that a better approximation ought to be possible if the work was taken up in detail, and that subdividin the indebtedness into different heads, and following up these separately, results might be obtained which could be checked to some degree.

The first analysis separated the indebtedness under the following heads.

U. S. bonds
State bonds
County and municipal bonds
Railroad stocks
Railroad bonds
Industrial securities
Bank securities
Mining securities
Real Estate
Real Estate mortgages
Life insurance

Study of Burdette's Official Intelligence, the organ of the London Stock Exchange, which gives statistics of all the securities dealt in there, promptly showed that some eliminations were

possible from this view.

On almost all of our state, county, and municipal bonds there is so high a special value at home for savings banks that only two states, six cities, and one county in the United States had securities on the London list, and almost all our United States bonds are owned at home for similar reasons.

Investigation through friends familiar with lists of stockholders showed that except for a number of entirely British enterprises, mostly in brewing and flour mills, which are listed in London as British corporations, and have bought out American enterprises, foreigners hold virtually none of our industrial securities, and that only infinitesimal amounts of the capital of our National and State Banks were owned abroad otherwise than as held by Americans resident in Europe. It is not intended for the time being to consider these as foreign holdings.

It speedily became evident that the vast mass of foreign investments could only be in railroad securities.

Study of Durdette brought out another curious fact,-namely that from these the New England railroads could be eliminated. This was checked by an investigation of the list of stockholders of the New York & New Haven Railroad. The Vice President of that road at my request found that less than 1.5% of their stock was held abroad in any way, and that probably more than two-thirds of that belonged to Americans living in Paris, much of the small remainder being owned in Cuba.

After this narrowing of the field, introductions were obtained through one of the great banking houses in New York to several of the great trunk lines with a view to determining the proportions of their securities held abroad. Here unfortunately arose a great difficulty in the fact that the bonds preferred in Europe were mainly coupon bonds, payable to bearer, and therefore wholly untraceable, but everywhere I learned that these securities

had a great tendency to come home, and the New York Central people even told me that in the six months previous they estimated that not less than $20,000,000. of their registered securities (stocks mainly) had come home.

This path being closed it occurred to me that it might be feasible to trace the movement of coupon bonds through the insurance companies, since these bonds were always insured in transit, but unfortunately that clue failed, as in many cases the insurance was made in London without distinction of the direction of movement on the books of the houses, being merely for securities in transit between given ports. This clue is capable, however, of being used to establish a superior limit above which these securities cannot have gone.

Having settled so much I determined to take up the question from the investor's side in Europe. Through the courtesy of Mr. Howard Atkinson and others I secured letters of introduction to financiers in London, Paris, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, etc., and obtained through them information which I now submit in detail, hoping that it may serve as a basis for further discussion.

At the London Stock Exchange in the absence of Sir Henry Burdette, who unfortunately was in America at the time of my visit, the authorities were unable to give me any information other than that there seemed at that time to be a drift of securities to America; but at the Inland Revenue Office Mr. Bernard Mallett put at my disposal all the information available from the income and succession taxes. A new system is now being adopted for classifying these sources of revenue, which, with the beginning of the new century, will make further investigation in this line well worth while, but at present the information available is meager, and only became comprehensible by means of personal explanations.

The income tax lists give the total income received in the United Kingdom during 1898 from United States, state, county, and

municipal securities as 11,380 pounds, just about one-sixth of the amount from Transvaal bonds. This probably represents total holdings of such bonds of about $1,500,000.

The other items interesting us were in Schedule D.,-namely

Foreign and Colonial Securities and Possessions and other Profits,	£9 080 917
Coupons (obtained by sworn statements from bankers, but giving no details further than that they were Foreign)	9 276 473
Railways out of the United Kingdom	12 275 661
Total	£31 133 051

No further classification of these was given here, but under the head of Estate Duties a different classification was found in which these latter properties were shown to stand in the following ratio.

Situated in Foreign Countries	2 614
" " British Dependencies	1 582
	4 296

As British investments in the United States vastly exceed those in other countries, the Somerset House authorities gave as their opinion that probably no serious error would be made by assuming that half of the amounts mentioned in the three preceding items were the results of investments in the United States, giving as the approximate British income drawn from these sources about $75,000,000. annually. But to this a correction should be added for evasion of the duty, and profits which are made by corporations which pay an income tax only on the profits distributed to stockholders. This can be only a matter of guess work, but the authorities felt reasonably sure that the income escaping taxation was well under 20% of the whole, and perhaps even under 10%, but to make a fair allowance, I have estimated the total British income drawn from the United States in 1898 at $100,000,000 which on a 4% basis represents an investment of $2,500,000,000. Of course this figure is open to question, but I feel considerable confidence that the error in it will not exceed 25% as of January 1st, 1899. This estimate has been criticised as

expensive, and I myself feel that it is more probably too large than too small, but for a first approximation I should not like to reduce it much, especially as there is a large amount of unproductive property in this country but owned abroad, which must be considered in the capitalization. From all the information available I could find indications of only comparatively small amounts of money lent by English people on real estate mortgages in the United States, except through investment companies. Prior to 1893 there were large investments of this kind, made principally through the Lombard Investment Company and similar corporations, but during the panic of 1893 there was a terrible shrinkage in the value of farm lands, which resulted in bankruptcy for many of these companies, and since then this capital has been mostly withdrawn from America. There appears to be very little of our real estate owned by Englishmen except as William Waldorf Astor may be considered English.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Charles Boissevain of Amsterdam I have been furnished with the following remarkably explicit statement of Dutch holdings in America. It was drawn up by Adolph Boissevain and Co., who add that they thought these figures approximated very closely to the truth last fall, but that a few years earlier the Dutch interests might have amounted to fully $80,000,000. and perhaps $100,000,000. more. They began to sell out during the panic of 1893.

Dutch Holdings of American Securities

Railroad Bonds (Market Value)		$140,000,000
Railroad Stocks and Income Bonds (Market Value)		74,000,000
U. S., State, County, and Municipal Bonds	"	5,000,000
Manufacturing and Mining Securities	"	4,000,000
Real Estate Mortgages	"	10,000,000
Real Estate	"	3,000,000
Banking and Commerce	"	5,000,000
Total		$241,000,000

The great preponderance of Railroad Securities is shown here to great advantage, but the total of United States, State, County, and Municipal Bonds is about three times that in England and proportionately thirty times as great. For the other items there are no sufficient data for comparison.

The Dutch seem to have begun their investments in the United States just at the close of the Revolution. They continued loaning large sums here until the overthrow of the Dutch Republic by the French Republic in the winter of 1794-1795. The indemnity of $40,000,000. which they had to pay at that time, together with the almost simultaneous failure of the Dutch East India Co., left them no money to spare for foreign investments for a long time after that.

There is room for an interesting monograph on the history of Dutch investments in America, beginning with their own colony of New Netherland.

Next in importance to the Dutch investments are those of Germany. These began during the rebellion, when capitalists in the southern part of Germany began buying United States bonds. It is a curious fact that these purchases were made almost wholly in the parts of Germany inhabited mainly by Roman Catholics. To within a decade almost all these purchases were made through bankers in Frankfurt on the Main, which is still the main center in Germany for American securities. When the United States bonds were paid off or refunded their holders generally reinvested in American Railroad Bonds.

At Frankfurt I had the pleasure of the cooperation of the two great banking houses of Jacob S. H. Stern, and H. Speyer Ellison. They assured me that almost the first question asked by any investor concerning any security was whether it was listed, so that those quoted in the Kursblatt would cover nearly all German investments in America. They said also that there was almost no

German money invested in American real estate or real estate mortgages, and very little in manufactures, and that their investments in banking were fairly offset by shares owned by partners resident in America.

We took up the Railroad securities listed in detail, making separate estimates on the amounts held in Germany of each group of securities mentioned, of which the holdings were likely to reach $1,000,000. The results were as follows.

Estimates of German Holdings of American Securities

	Market Values		
Central Pacific securities	$12,000,000	to	$15,000,000
Southern " "	15,000,000		17,000,000
Northern " "	20,000,000		25,000,000
Missouri " "	2,000,000		3,000,000
Union " "	2,000,000		3,000,000
California " "	3,000,000		4,000,000
Oregon R.R. & Nav. "	1,000,000		2,000,000
P. R. R. & B. & O. R. R.			1,000,000
Erie	2,000,000		3,000,000
Louisville & Nashville			1,000,000
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	7,000,000		8,000,000
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	2,000,000		3,000,000
Illinois Central	7,000,000		8,000,000
Rock Island			1,000,000
Denver & Rio Grande	3,000,000		4,000,000
Houston & Texas Central			2,000,000
Pitts., Cinn., Chicago & St. Louis			2,000,000
Western N. Y. & Pa.			1,000,000
County and City bonds	1,000,000		2,000,000
			$105,000,000

Beside these some fifteen other railroad companies were represented by one or more forms of securities and there were quotations of U. P. fours, Alabama fours, and bonds of two counties and nine cities.

I was told that it was very improbable that these items would in all add $15,000,000 to the total.

I was told that almost the only German operation in American securities not managed from Frankfurt had been the great investment in Northern Pacific, which has been carried out by the Deutsche Bank of Berlin.

I was told also that the German holdings had been much greater two years earlier, but that this probably represented the condition of things about August 1st, 1899.

Allowing for a heavy reduction by the balance of trade against Germany from January 1st to August 1st, and for important underestimates of security holdings, and for real estate and other investments overlooked entirely, it seems hardly probable that on January 1st, 1899 our net indebtedness to Germany can have exceeded $200,000,000. This figure is far below the first preliminary estimate made, but it has been criticized as excessive. Possibly $150,000,000 would cover it, but at present I prefer to present rather an overestimate than one too small.

Swiss investments in the United States began about 1855 as a consequence of a visit there by a member of the firm of Lombard, Odier et Cie. of Geneva. He was greatly impressed with the future of the country, and made some investments for himself in County bonds, acting under the advice of the Iselins of New York, who were of Swiss origin. On his return he published a pamphlet on the advantages of the United States as a field for investment, but was still so cautious about it that when shortly after a customer came in to ask them to invest over 100,000 frs. in America for him, they persuaded him not to take so big a risk, and limit this first venture to half his fortune.

Acting very carefully their American investments proved very satisfactory. Lombard, Odier et Cie. had virtually a monopoly of this field in Switzerland, and their business grew until it was estimated a few years ago that one-third of the entire amount of securities of all kinds owned in Geneva were American. To begin with they confined themselves almost wholly to county bonds, but when the supply of these ran short, they began investing in United States bonds during the war, and later in railroad bonds of the better class.

The sympathy of the Swiss for the United States has always been very strong, and since their investments first began there has never been a period during which their sales have exceeded their purchases. In this respect they stand alone. During the panic of 1893 they held aloof in disgust, but did not sell while all the rest of Europe was dumping our securities on the New York stock exchange, very much to our ultimate profit at their expense, though also greatly to our temporary embarrassment. Even during the last three years the Swiss have withstood the drain of American securities to make up for the enormous balance of trade in our favor.

During the last ten or fifteen years the increase in Swiss holdings has been helped by other bankers in Geneva as well as in Basle, Zürich, and Schaffhausen, who have entered this field, but the investments made by some of these newer competitors have not proved as satisfactory as those originally made by Lombard, Odier et Cie. The newer firms did not appreciate that, with the greater abundance of capital in America, sound investments yielding 6% or even 5% were no longer easy to obtain there, and they have taken up a lower grade of securities. That the day of their investments in America should be over is shown by the fact that last year two of our great insurance companies took up the larger parts of issues of 4% bonds by Swiss cities, paying in one instance at least a slight premium for them. This shows that in the eyes of these very careful students of the world's money markets, Swiss securities now offer a better field for investment than American, for these investments greatly exceed any probable requirements to secure the small number of risks underwritten in Switzerland. These investments mark, I believe, the first appearance of American capital in Europe on a large scale, and excited a good deal of local interest.

The total value of Swiss investments in America was estimated for me separately by two friends in banking circles at Geneva.

Each gave $75,000,000. as the result, which accordingly seems quite a probable value. Included in this amount, however, are unquestionably a number of investments for customers of the Genevese bankers living in the parts of France for which Geneva is the banking center. Swiss investments other than in bonds were said to be almost null.

For France the figures are much less satisfactory. The paternal French government endeavors to prevent its lambs from losses through dealing in securities unknown to the powers that be, by prohibiting dealings in them on the Paris Bourse, with the result on one hand that brokers at London, Amsterdam, Brussels and Geneva wax fat on commissions which would otherwise stay in Paris; and on the other, that purely French enterprises like the Panama Canal obtain a preference.

However very few American securities seem to be held in France, and it is probable that $50,000,000 would cover the whole. I was able to learn of only one case of investment of French capital in American manufactures, and that originated through Genevese connections. It was, however, an important account.

Belgians, like the French, seem not to have invested heavily in America. Probably $20,000,000 would cover their holdings, of which, however, a larger proportion seems to be invested in manufactures than with other countries. Belgium is <u>the</u> manufacturing country of the world.

There remain only two countries in Europe having balances of any importance to spare for investment abroad. These are Sweden and Denmark.

From what little I have been able to learn of these I do not think what either have Large amounts placed here. Roumania is the only other European country which is not almost drowned in debt.

In spite of the general poverty of their country (which this enhances) many Russians have invested considerable sums outside of Russia, so as to have resources out of reach of confiscation by the Russian government, but I do not think that they have made such investments to any extent in America, except as they have been made so as to have been considered already as German or French or other investments. I think that probably $15,000,000 would cover all the European investments in America except those for which an estimate has been offered.

One other considerable foreign holding unexpectedly appeared in Cuba. Owing to the danger to property in Cuba during the various revolutions in that unhappy land, many wealthy Cubans invested large sums in our securities. I was informed by the head of an important house in Cuba of specific holdings of American securities by Cubans, amounting to $1[illegible],000,000, and it seems not improbable that there are others which would bring this total up to $30,000,000. Similar investments by other Latin Americans and Canadians would probably raise this total to $45,000,000, for extra-European foreign investments in the United States.

Beside all these investments we have one other great liability in the shape of insurance on lives of foreigners. Four great American companies have underwritten a tremendous volume of risks all over the world. These of course are not present liabilities, but they are continually maturing. The real measure of them is their cash surrender value. The total of this for the four companies is about $185,000,000, offset by about $45,000,000 of investments in foreign countries.

To offset against these huge debts we have few holdings of European securities, except those of the great insurance companies. I know of one or two isolated cases of investments in English Consols in this country, and there are some holdings of London Underground Railroad securities, but the rule seems very general that capital flows for investment from the country of

lower rates to that of higher rates, and that counter currents occur only between countries where rates of interest are so nearly the same that their constant fluctuations occasionally reverse the normal levels. A small series of exceptions occurs in cases where foreign investments are sought for the peculiar purposes of avoiding the possibility of confiscation, or to give a source of income which shall not be subject to the same causes of depression as all the others of the same owner, but these are many few, as they can only be accomplished at some loss of revenue, as compared with equivalent security at home. The cases specified above of Russian and Cuban investments in foreign securities, and of New England investments in English Consols both fall under this head. The investments made last year in Swiss bonds, however, represent the case where capital has become so plenty here, owing to our vast exports, that for a time interest rates were lower in New York than in Europe, which made a natural flow in that direction. Probably $15,000,000 would cover these American investments in Europe. On the other hand large amounts of American capital have overflowed into Canada, into Latin America, and a little into China and Japan.

In Canada our investments include a considerable amount of Canada Southern stocks and bonds (this road being a link in the Vanderbilt system) with some small holdings of Canadian Pacific, and a few other scattering Railroad securities, such as the Kingston & Pembroke Railroad, amounting in all to perhaps $35,000,000.

Our main interests in Canada, however, are in mines. It was estimated by the Engineering & Mining Journal that one-fourth of the returns from mines being worked in Canada went to American owners, and the annual returns were estimated by them at $36,000,000 which would represent at 6% about $100,000,000 of investment. Probably timber lands in Canada owned by Americans and loans by them in Canada would make up $25,000,000 more, making our credit balance there about $150,000,000.

Mexico also owes us important amounts. The Mexican Central and Mexican National Railroads are mainly owned in the United States, and it is estimated that other holdings in these would be just about offset by American holdings in other Mexican Railroads. The market value of these securities is approximately $90,000,000.

The American investments in mines and smelters in Mexico were estimated by the Engineering & Mining Journal at about $75,000,000, and apparently not less than $10,000,000 of American capital is invested in banking and commercial enterprises in Mexico and probably as much more in coffee and tobacco plantations and in factories, although most of the manufacturing captial in Mexico is native or British.

Next in importance among our debtors is the island of Cuba. The common estimate of American interests there prior to the war with Spain was $50,000,000. I was able to check in detail those for the Province of Santiago, which were $8,000,000. If the other five provinces average the same (and Havana unquestionably has more) this would bear out the general estimate very closely.

The remaining West Indies (including Porto Rico) seem to occupy about $10,000,000 of American capital.

For the rest of Latin America a compilation of estimates made for each individual port shows for the Pacific Coast $5,000,000, for Buenos Ayres and the dependent country, $3,000,000, for Brazil $12,500,000, French Guiana nothing, for Dutch Guiana, $1,000,000, for British Guiana $2,500,000, for Venezuela $8,000,000 for the United States of Colombia, including all investments on the Isthmus of Panama, $3,000,000, and in Central America, $11,000,000

If to these we add $5,000,000 for various investments in Pacific Islands and in China and Japan, we shall probably reach a fair approximation to the sum of the credit balances of the United States.

Summing up, we therefore find for an approximate statement of our foreign business as of January 1st, 1899.

		Dr.
The United States to	England for investments	$2,800,000,000
"	Holland	240,000,000
"	Germany	200,000,000
"	Switzerland	75,000,000
"	France	50,000,000
"	Belgium	20,000,000
"	rest of Europe	12,000,000
"	Cuba	30,000,000
"	other Americans & Chinese	15,000,000
"	Life Insurance	185,000,000
		$3,830,000,000

	Dr.	
Europe to the United States	$10,000,000	
Canada " " " "	150,000,000	
Mexico " " " "	125,000,000	
Cuba " " " "	50,000,000	
Other Antilles	10,000,000	
Latin America	45,000,000	
Pacific China & Japan	5,000,000	
Life Insurance Guarantee Investments	45,000,000	500,000,000
Dr. Balance		$2,830,000,000

In view of our enormous recent exports it seems probable that we shall begin the new century with not over $2,800,000,000 of total net foreign indebtedness, and in view of the much higher average rate of return on our foreign investments than we pay to Europe, probably our net annual interest tribute is not at present over $90,000,000, a very large sum, but much smaller than that estimated a few years ago by Mr. Heidelback.

It would be very interesting to trace in detail the development of this huge debt, but space forbids more than a brief outline of the items to be considered.

It seems not unlikely that in time to come our century will be looked back upon as characterized by the simultaneous growth of personal property and of indebtedness. Prior to it debts existed and indeed, some very large debts, but many of these no one ever expected to pay, and they were in fact, either the results of forced loans, or, on the other hand, sums advanced under guise of a loan to avoid breach of neutrality, but which really were subsidies to belligerents, and so ought hardly to be con-

sidered as debts. They were almost wholly the result of war expenditures, the rare exceptions being mainly the creations of regal spendthrifts with one or two wild speculations like that of John Law in France, and the South Sea Bubble in England. These war debts were generally looked upon as the personal obligations of a sovereign who might see fit to pay them, but who more probably would find it inconvenient. The Report on the Tenth Census, vol. vii, page 300, says of our French loan of 1778, "It is probable that it was in its inception, not so much a loan as a subsidy."

The credit of European sovereignties was so poor at Amsterdam that in July 26th, 1783, John Adams wrote to the Secretary of the moribund Continental Congress, "I have great pleasure in assuring you that there is not one foreign loan open in this republic (Holland) which is in as good credit and goes so quick as mine. The Empress of Russia opened a loan of five millions about the same time that I opened mine. She is far from having obtained three millions on it. Spain opened a loan with the house of Hope, at the same time, for two millions only, and you may depend upon it, it is very far from being full. Not one quarter part of the loan of France, upon life rents, advantageous as it is to the lender, is full."

England, Prussia, Sweden and Switzerland were about the only countries in Europe which had not committed some act of insolvency by the close of the Napoleonic wars.

Prior to the French Revolution, Sweden practically had no debt, and Prussia and Switzerland generally had a large military chest instead, so that it was only in England and in Holland, (countries under parliamentary government) that the idea of a state bond, as distinguished from the personal debt of a sovereign had begun to make its way, so as to make such bonds considered as

forms of investment giving reasonable security and capable in turn of being made the security for other credits. It was the lending of credit rather than money, since the Napoleonic wars, together with the simultaneous development of manufactures based on credit, that has given England its financial leadership.

It was the desire of the allied sovereigns to reimburse themselves for the expense of overthrowing Napoleon I by saddling it on the French, that first established generally the principle of international law, that a territory becomes responsible for the debts incurred by its rulers: and this principle has now been pushed so far, that after the overthrow of Napoleon III the French Republic, after considerable debate in the Chambre, decided to continue payment of the annual allowance granted by the previous government as a wedding settlement to a French princess married to a minor German potentate, although all other pensions to members of the imperial family etc. were cut off, and although there was no provision for its continuation in the treaty of Versailles.

The great quantity of government debts which were funded early in this century in the general financial reorganization which followed the Napoleonic wars provided an enormous amount of readily salable acknowledgments of indebtedness which furnished a basis for securing loans such as had never previously existed and sufficient in volume to popularize a new meaning for the word securities.

Continental Europe was so exhausted by this fearful struggle, which lasted a quarter of a century, that for forty years there was no energy available outside of England for any new developments.

Prior to this development of government securities, almost the only form of profitable investment for personal property was of the nature of real estate mortgages, except for sums actually employed in trade, but the foundation of the Dutch and English East India Companies, and the Bank of England about the year 1700

(the Bank of England being formed to take care of the English parliamentary debt) made a new opening for money.

So far as my information goes, except for the Hudson's Bay Company, every corporate venture in America prior to the Revolution was unprofitable. The nearly simultaneous collapses about 1720, of the South Sea Bubble and the Mississippi scheme, have a great set-back to investments not under the investor's eye, and prevented the American Colonies from being overwhelmed with interest charges. Even as it was, there was a heavy load of private debts at the breaking out of the Revolution, mainly for luxuries imported from England, and this would have been much heavier but for the Non-Intercourse resolutions which followed the Stamp Act in all the colonies; but these were almost exclusively owned by Englishmen and were largely wiped out in the Revolution bygeneral bankruptcy and confiscation; so that at the close of that struggle the main external indebtedness of the country was summed up in the indebtedness to France, Holland and Spain.

For a few years after that there was a tendency to extravagant importations unbalanced by exports, to make up for the desolation of the war, but before the adoption of the Constitution home manufactures were beginning to spring up, encouraged by the low price of labor, and under the stimulus of Hamilton's tariff they began to develop generally in the northern states. Probably $20,000,000 would have covered our net indebtedness at the adoption of the Constitution. The English were feeling too bitter against us to risk many investments in America, although through the Baringa they invested $7,000,000 in the first United States Bank, so that on Sept. 1st, 1792, Rufus King could write to Gouverneur Morris, "Our commerce and navigation continue to increase, and what is of still more consequence, the capital employed is in a good degree an American instead of a British one."

About this time, however, Dutch capital has begun to pour into America to buy up the domestic debt, and to dip into land

speculations. The Holland purchase in New York, made under the advice of Robert Morris, proved extremely fortunate, but other great tracts bought in Virginia and other states resulted in heavy losses. The French invasion of Holland in 1792 dried up this stream of foreign capital, although the United States government succeeded in placing a final small loan in Amsterdam in the year succeeding.

Late in 1792 the second great financial panic of modern times (the collapse of the Mississippi scheme and the South Sea Bubble made the first) created a tremendous stringency in England and checked the flow of capital to this country which had begun during the flurry which had attended the break in value of shares in the United States Bank earlier in the year, and for a few years our country pursued an independent course, which was greatly favored by the gradual spread of war over Europe, opening a great market for our produce, and throwing much of the carrying trade of the world into our hands.

Our neutrality and consequent exemption from the waste of war, however, soon put our securities at a premium in England again, so that in 1807 a large proportion of our national debt of about eighty millions was held there. The embargo which begun in December, 1807, though in great measure interfering with the enormously profitable carrying trade done by Americans, greatly reduced imports, and after a year of great suffering much of the capital formerly employed in shipping was put into manufacturing finally establishing firmly the cotton and woolen industries in Rhode Island and Eastern Massachusetts, where, prior to that time the population had been almost wholly seafaring or agricultural, although close by the birthplace of Oliver Hazard Perry a woolen mill had been struggling since 1801, which is now the oldest industry of the kind remaining in the hands of the people who originally started it. The iron industry also received a mighty

impetus at this time in Pennsylvania and Connecticut.

The war of 1812 probably helped the country financially. All our funds for carrying it on had to be raised at home as there were no lenders in Europe and the values of the prizes taken by the swarming American privateers drove the values of imports for 1812 far above the average for years previous, while the loss by American vessels taken was much less than it would otherwise have been, owing to the very superior sailing qualities of the American ships built for blockade running.

In spite of the Embargo and Non-intercourse Acts, American shipping registered for foreign trade rose to a maximum of 981,000 tons (probably worth $40,000,000) in 1809. The minimum to which it fell during the war was 672,000 in 1813, an amount greater than the average employed during the decade from 1820 to 1830, when government statistics show that 90% of our foreign trade went in American bottoms. This shows that a very large share of American shipping must have been employed between foreign ports during the Napoleonic wars. For the long period from 1793 to 1815 it seems probable that if 10% of the total value of our imports and exports were credited to our country for freight on them and profits on transportation between foreign countries, the figures thus obtained would still be rather too unfavorable to us in balancing imports and exports. From 1820 to 1850, government statistics show that 80% of all of our exports and imports went in American bottoms, and as during this period there came in as well an annual average of 110,000 immigrants, it seems not improbable that a similar addition of 6% to the American credit account would not be unfair, particularly as these immigrants, in the earlier period especially, were often men of some substance, and brought with them money and other goods for which no equivalent was ever to be rendered to the countries from which they came. During this period also there grew up one very important export trade which never figured in our statistics, namely, the sale of ships.

During this entire period we were as distinctively the ship-building people of the world as the English have been since, so that here is another important offset to the nominal balance against us, which without such corrections would become fabulous.

During the War of Secession these sales of ships to foreigners increased in enormous proportions.

Our ship-building did not cease, but in 1866 we had left in foreign trade, only 1,386,000 tons, worth about $75,000,000. As the ships and cargoes destroyed by the Confederate cruisers were only valued at about $19,000,000, here is an item of about $50,000,000 due to sales of American shipping, or transfers to foreign registry. But even so, on an average 20% of our foreign trade has been done in American bottoms since 1860, so that it is not fair to charge all the charges for freight against us, as was done by Mr. Heidelbach. Of late it has been notorious that the foreign steamship lines to America have not been very profitable, and as they buy most of their provisions except coal, in America (as has always been customary, since it was the cheapest market), heavy discounts should be made from the total freight figures for this, and again for the fact that many vessels owned in this country sail under foreign flags, owing to our navigation laws. It is notorious that the vessels belonging to the Red Star Line and sailing under the Belgian flag, and several others of the steamers of the International Navigation Company under the British flag, and all those of the Atlantic Transport Line, likewise under the British flag, are owned in this country. This has been the cause of much lobbying of late for subsidies for ships owned by Americans prior to a given date.

Four other matters disturb calculations based simply on Exports and Imports.

The first is the influence of panics. One of the main causes of our panic of 1837, though one generally overlooked, was the English panic of 1836. Coming at a time when America was crazy to speculate in land, it dried up suddenly a stream of cash coming

in return for our exports. By 1837 England was in the state in which we were in 1894, with money idle in great quantities, and interest rates at 1% or 2%, so that when our crash came in 1837, large amounts of English money were sent over here for investment in our securities at their depreciated values, and England profited greatly at our expense. I have been unable to find how such matters went in 1857, but they made stupendous losses in Confederate bonds during the war, and again in 1873, with the collapse of the Reading railroad, but it is probable that their heaviest loss was in the panic of 1893, which was immensely aggravated by their dumping all manner of securities on the New York Stock Exchange for anything they would bring.

Next comes the matter of money sent abroad by immigrants. With no statistics available, I am inclined to consider this more than offset by the cash brought in by them, so that there should be a credit on this account.

A very large loss, however, comes from the money spent by Americans traveling and temporarily resident in Europe, and for this there is only an insignificant offset in the sums spent by pleasure seekers from Europe in this country. Estimates on this vary immensely, but it seems not improbable that this item alone may have amounted to an average of $80,000,000 a year for the last twenty years, and to half that for the twenty years preceding.

Of the same nature is the loss by the expatriation of wealthy Americans going to live abroad permanently in the glamor of foreign aristocracies.

Probably not less than an average of $10,000,000 annually has gone in this way for twenty years back, the cases of Miss Gould and Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt being two striking instances each of expatriation by marriage. The expatriation of Messrs. William Waldorf Astor and Bradley Martin, who have recently become British subjects, would alone carry up the average for twenty years to a very high figure. Here again there is no compensating current.

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When the Baroness Burdett-Coutts married an American, he became a naturalized British subject instead of bringing his wife to this country.

Taking into consideration the original estimate of $20,000,000 owed by us in 1789 and the balance of trade since then with the various corrections suggested in this article, including a charge against us of 2% of the total value of imports and exports since 1860 to compensate for freight in foreign bottoms, it will be found that an average return of about 4% on all foreign investments, good, bad and indifferent, would bring our indebtedness to about the figures estimated in this article. This does not seem an improbable rate.

When the Princess Pauline Colonna married an American, he became a naturalized British subject instead of bringing his wife to this country.

In summing up the existing causes of outlay, it is well to observe that for several years the values of our imports are supposed to cover freight to the port of entry, so that this important item can now probably be omitted without serious error, as the large proportion of the cost of transportation going for wharves, supplies etc., and the American ownership of 20% of the tonnage used would probably more than offset losses from this, so that the balance of imports and exports (including specie) can be used without correction.

If again we assume that immigrants bring in as much money as they send home to relatives, we have left for debtor items in our annual budget.

Net Interest	$20,000,000
Expenditures of Americans traveling	50,000,000
Loss by Expatriations	10,000,000
	$180,000,000

Probably for this year, the second item will be much larger, owing to the Paris Exposition, and the others may be underestimates, but probably $200,000,000 would in any case cover our annual outlay for such items. As for the past three years the balance of exports in our favor has averaged over $300,000,000 it is evident that about six years of continuance of such foreign trade would clear off our indebtedness as a nation, and already we are reaching a point where we are becoming so powerful financially that we are beginning to compete in European financial affairs instead of being dependent on them for support.

July, 18th 1840

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find the notification which you have been expecting. I enclose envelope and ask as it was not marked when delivered and possibly there may not have been ample notice given. You will know what to do about it better than I do, but it strikes me that if we do not forfeit our rights by failing to address at the first meeting of creditors it may be well to let it go until we find whether Hall will ask for a stay which, I suppose, must be done by Aug. 1st.

Yours truly
Nath[l] F. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., July 16th, 1900.

Mr. Otto Mierisch

2 Friedrichstrasse, Dresden, F, Germany.

Dear Sir:

July 13th I received in one of your envelopes a letter signed by patent Attorney Rud. Schmidt, who says that he has a power of attorney from you, and recalls the drawings and apparatus sent me. The drawings have already been returned to you by registered mail, and the apparatus, which from its first arrival has been in the hands of the Solvay Process Co., who alone have tried it, remains in their possession at your disposal, subject only to payment of the costs in the customhouse, amounting to $41.00.

I would further notify you that my letter of April 30th definitely abandoned the option for the American patent, and that the offer which you now refuse came from the Solvay Process Co., and that personally I have not even tried the apparatus.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Dresden, June 25th, 1900.

Mr. N.T.Bacon, Peace Dale.

By order and power of attorney of Messrs. Nowotny and Miersch I respectfully notify you that the aforesaid gentlemen hereby formally withdraw the option given you for the disposal of their invention of an "Apparatus for cleaning crusted pipes" and request you immediately to return to them the model committed to you for a single trial together with the drawings.

You are particularly notified that the model and drawing are the sole and exclusive property of my clients, and only put into your hands by them to take cognizance of the invention and to subject the apparatus at most to a single trial.

Referring expressly to their inalienable right of possession of the model, my clients forbid you the further use of the apparatus entrusted to you in confidence, and request you to deposit it at once with the Solvay Process Co. in Syracuse. With reference to the disposal of the patents already obtained and to be obtained in the United States for their invention my clients refuse your offer and wish no further negotiations concerning it. Moreover I remark, that

1. American patent law does not allow you the use of a patented apparatus even if you omit one part or another.

2. American patent law has no clause entitling you to use an apparatus for which a patent has been applied for because it was put in your hands in confidence for trial before the patent was applied for.

3. The future American patent on this apparatus will be as valid against you as against any third person, even though you had cognizance of the apparatus before the patent was applied for, for American patent law expressly says that "the subject of the patent application may have been known or in public "use not less than two years before the application in America," and here it is only a question of a few weeks.

I am empowered by my clients to see that there is no misuse of their invention in America, and I am further empowered to proceed energetically against any breach of the patent already granted and of the patent applied for. In consequence I have my correspondent there to give this matter special attention, and to do whatever seems of advantage for a lawsuit in future.

Yours etc.
(signed) Rud. Schmidt, Patent Attorney.

July 18th 1900 —

Sheldon Parker Esq.
Engineers Building
Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the letter from the Burrows Bottrell, which you enclosed me.

I should be glad to know the probable price of the Geological Atlas.

Please send on the volumes of the Geological Survey without waiting for the Atlas in any case.

Yours respectfully
N. T. Bacon

July 20th 1900 —

Dear Sir:

Yours of 18th is at hand. I think your suggestion re proposition to have that Co. give notes with good endorsement for $500.00 every two months (4 notes) is a good one. We might come around the period considerably with good endorsement. I think that it might pay to throw off something for it. I think it might be wise to have that suggestion come after learning what Co. can do.

I should also be glad to know what basis you would accept compensation on in case of a compromise.

Yours respectfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., July 28, 1900

Mrs. John Luchsinger,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Luchsinger:

Your letter telling of John's illness reached me a few days ago. I hope that it will not prove to be as serious as you seem to fear. We have had a good many operations in our family, and they have all resulted well, so that I do not dread them as much as a good many people do.

I should be very glad if while John is laid up you will continue to act in his place, and I should be glad to have you give me a statement as well as you are able, of what funds you have in hand, and of what parties have paid their rent.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., July 25, 1900

Prof. John C. Schwab,

Prospect St.,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Professor Schwab:

Your note reached me a day or two ago. I am sorry to have this postponed again, because I had understood that you wanted it for the August number, and had hurried up to have it done in time. However, if it is necessary of course it can wait. I have no objections to the title suggested by Professor Bourne, and in fact I think it is better than the one I had put in. I should be willing to conform to your principles of capitalization and as to paragraphs.

Yours faithfully

Alice T. Baker

July 26th 1900 —

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday enclosing a copy of Mr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. As Mr. Hand suggests that the valuation of Carlos assets is so [illegible] [illegible] he ought to have made no [illegible] [illegible] furnishing a statement of them. I am very well aware that Carlos [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not a [illegible] [illegible], but this is an old trick of [illegible] [illegible] of his working before. I think it is probable that stock in his [illegible] [illegible] not bring much from people who know nothing of its value. The little end of Mr. [illegible] letter strikes me as by no means [illegible] that Carlos is unlikely to be able to pay the [illegible] amount.

Unless we get the evidence of Carlos [illegible] in the shape of a statement of his [illegible] [illegible] I shall be very [illegible] to [illegible] any serious reduction, unless on the other hand, you think it likely to lose the whole on an attempt. If Carlos has [illegible] you will find that he has been [illegible] in the [illegible]

I must confess that this ridiculous offer tempts me to ask for the pound of flesh. He made a very deliberate attempt to cheat me, and now [illegible] to [illegible] to escape the consequences, but I should feel pretty [illegible] if he [illegible] up the affair at a profit, which he would do by his present proposal, for two years interest only [illegible] which he did not [illegible] over to [illegible] would [illegible] more than cover the costs.

I am willing to grant almost indefinite extension if he gives good security, but I am too well [illegible] that he is [illegible] to cover [illegible] of stock in the [illegible] [illegible] to grant much of anything else, and the judgment itself is in [illegible] [illegible].

Would you feel satisfied with [illegible] with [illegible] of these [illegible] [illegible]? If so we can consider our affairs [illegible] [illegible].

I should like to know how you feel after reading mine of yesterday & this.

Yours faithfully
N[illegible] T. [illegible]

July 30th 1900 —

Dear Sid:

Yours of 27th is here. I will send you at least something on account in a few days. I may be able to do a good deal of it but I cannot tell for a day or two just what I shall be able without borrowing.

I am very willing to wait to your convenience. What stocks are not in your "pocket"? ~~How much want~~

Where does the time table in which Co's comparison appears without giving bonds for the full amount and Co's? Does the evening effect that? and the six months period as well.

Yours faithfully

Nicholas F. Brady

Aug. 1st 1900 —

Dear Sid:

This morning I am disappointed in a considerable sum which I hoped for but which will now probably be delayed for months, so I can only send you a small check on account, but I will send you more later.

I assume from not receiving a statement from Leader or Tag, that he has more for paying than he cares to make known.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Brady

Enclosing check for $100.00.

Syracuse, N.Y., August 10, 1900.

Seldon Bacon, Esq.,
Tribune Building,
New York City.

Dear Sed:

My brother-in-law is away to-day but has telegraphed me he will be back to-morrow. This may possibly delay me a day or two longer. If it does, I will abide by my agreement to reach you on Sunday and come back here if necessary. If it proves that I am wanted here further, I will telegraph to your office to-morrow in time to give you the opportunity of replying as to the question of delay until Tuesday or Wednesday. Unless you hear from me before four Saturday afternoon, you can count on my reaching New York by about 7:30 Sunday morning and I will come up and take breakfast with you.

Yours faithfully,

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Syracuse, N.Y., August 10, 1900.

Mr. John D. Peck,

Peace Dale, R.I.

My dear Mr. Peck:

Please hold on to the Caustic Reports in your hands. I am afraid there are some mistakes in your copying of the Beresniki Report and I want to compare it with the original. I expect to be in Peace Dale in the course of next week. I think also that you will do well to copy one of those Reports verbatim et literatim. This will give us an unfailing basis of comparison.

Very faithfully yours,

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Aug. 15th, 1900

My dear Pennock:

After you left on Saturday I went and watched the titre boys a little and then asked Wörschner to make me one parallel test of a sample which he had there, by the ordinary method and by the method which I have described in the enclosed order. I am sorry to see on using the order blank for the first time that I have doubtless interfered with your careful provision for keeping the remainder of the sample. The test was not finished when I was obliged to leave so I asked Wörschner to report it to you or to Flint.

Ernest Hazard is at Paul Smith's and would doubtless be glad to see you if you are in that neighborhood.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Aug. 15, 1900

Mr. G. E. Francis,

The Solvay Process Co.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly send back to me at Holderness, New Hampshire, the European Caustic Reports just returned by Mr. Peck? I have reason to fear that there has been a mistake made in transcribing these, and I would like to check them myself.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

I am also hoping for the report for June + the Dombasle costs for that month.

Aug. 15,1900

Mr. William P. Sturge,
Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

Dear Sir:

If you should take the place of agent left vacant by the death of John Luchsinger, I propose to you the following terms. You to do all the work of collecting which has heretofore been done by Luchsinger, and to superintend repairs, payment of taxes, insurance etc., and all other similar business such as has hitherto been attended to by Luchsinger. In return I propose to pay to you for collecting and such other general services as payment of taxes etc., 5% of the net amount which you are able to deposit for me after paying for repairs, taxes, etc. For such time as you put in on repairs I would pay you at the rate which you have been getting from The Solvay Process Company, namely 18¢ an hour. For other labor, materials, etc. I should expect you to charge me at cost, paying ordinary prices for labor. There is a small plant of tools, materials, etc., now in Mrs. Luchsinger's hands, which she will turn over to your charge. Mr. Stilwell, who has been my attorney for many years, will give you any necessary legal advice at any time, but this you would not pay for, as I settle with him directly from time to time.

In case you are able to find purchasers for any pieces of property, I should be glad to give you 5% commission. For this of course you would have to do the collecting as usual in case of payment on installments, and your commission would then come in as usual; but in case of an amount remaining on mortgage, the remainder of your commission would become payable as soon as the deed passed, and you would collect pro rata from the payments prior to the deed. On account of the considerable commissions which

I offer, which are larger than the ordinary real estate commissions, I should expect you not to deal in real estate off the Bacon tract. I should expect to have you send me monthly reports showing the amounts of money taken in and expended by you, and to accompany these by letters explaining the general condition of the tract, and to send me a notification by postal-card of any deposit which you should make in the bank, and also to send me a special letter whenever anything comes up which calls for special notice. I should be glad to have the report sent off on the first day of each month, showing the amounts actually paid in during the month. If a tenant does not pay when a payment falls due, it should appear. He can be credited with two payments if necessary in the following month, with a note showing that one of them was for the preceding month. I should also expect you to keep books sufficiently extended to show the time at which each tenant entered into each house, and the date of his departure; to show the rate of rent which he should pay, and the amounts which he actually does pay; to show the cost of taxes, insurance, and repairs. There are many things connected with the duties of an agent which you will understand without going into detail.

If this proposition is acceptable to you it can enter into effect as a definite agreement upon your signifying your acceptance of the conditions, and you can make any convenient arrangement between yourself and Mrs. Luchsinger as to the time of your taking control. I should suggest September 1st as the best date, if it is convenient to both of you.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Aug. 15th 1900 —

My dear Sturges:

As yet I cannot see quite clear ahead, but if the business can be in some sense carried which she expected to pay in hand at 10. I think it is probable that I can manage to procure no cash, on the understanding that you are to give me notes payable on demand for the entire amount of the cash the three amount due me for Mr. Barnes's stock, and that you are to [illegible] my bills for the balance of the [illegible] probably enable you to extend to Mr. Hyatt cash, and you can advise him accordingly [illegible] completion. If this arrangement will be agreeable to you please let me hear from me.

Yours faithfully
N. J. Beach

☞ For forwarding address, Holloway, N.Y. I enclose a note to Wm H. Barnes, which you should read before delivering.

Aug. 15th 1900 —

Mr. Wm. H. Barnes
Holloway, Onondaga Co., N.Y.

Dear Sir:

After receiving your bill and I found that I could procure money to pay your bill, as you had allowed your parents to go on the town and that you have neglected to pay your bill for your board to Mrs. Hawkins, and that although you have had paying employment.

You certainly cannot go on living in my house unless you begin paying the board charges at once. I make the [illegible] for paying a month's under such circumstances unless it shows no [illegible]

Yours faithfully
N. J. Beach

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Aug 18th 1880 —

The W. J. Hess Real Estate.

[illegible]

Aug 18th 1880 —

My dear Mr. Stewart:

Enclosed you will find a release of a mortgage, duly filled out & signed. I should be glad to hear whether you have any funds for me.

The Mutual Equitable office wishes to be closed up by this time, and there is due on the [illegible] for mortgage.

Yours truly,

W. J. Hess

Sept. 7th. 1900 —

Dear Theodore:

Mr. Pike has just notified me that he expects to be among Oct. 14th & 21st & 28th and probably also on Oct. 7th, so that you can make your plans for the time prior to Oct. 7th freely. We shall hope that we have you here some of the times suits you.

I enclose a letter from Benj. Dick[illegible] about the thing that has caused me anything of inconvenience in the matter. I am allowing it to stand over until anything that you will have left could then be forward. Meanwhile the letter to you.

Yours sincerely,
Nathl. T. Bailey

Mr. Pike says that a week earlier or later Oct. 7th is more convenient for you, but that if you have nothing to outweigh it, please set the week for you. He wants to come a little in advance to see

Sept. 7th. 1900 —

Mr. Wm. P. Stringer
Albany, N.Y.

Your letter has just reached me. I am glad to hear that things are going so well.

You will do well to report to Mr. Wright. Likewise if Reilly has not paid you anything put him out.

Please find from Mr. Buckingham whether Barnes has found his money.

If he has not he had better go to Albany and that we did nothing before the old lady died, and if you think he ought to suppose if not not. I will pay you back if I have a little longer but I don't feel of with the arm any easy.

I enclose from Buckingham's letter, it is quite a little for you to pay. Please let us know when he expects to pay it.

Yours sincerely,
Nathl. T. Bailey

Sept. 10th, 1900

Sheldon Parks, Esq.

Cuyahoga Building, Cleveland, O.

Dear Sir:-

On my return from vacation, I find here the Geological Atlas of Ohio, and your note describing it. During your absence, I wrote your clerk, telling him not to buy this, but to inquire its price. I will hold it pending a receipt from you of a memorandum of the detail of the cost of all the books forwarded to me by you, including the price of this, and I will keep it if it is not too expensive, but I do not care to pay any fancy price for it.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Sept. 10th 1800

My dear Mr Stirling

[illegible] I have received your letter of the 1st inst. with the enclosures as drafted. I return them unsigned, as probably you will receive by the time of receiving this letter, if Mr. Cunning [illegible] would have received the ground. I am further advised that [illegible] together in that letter, namely that Sturge and wife both [illegible] for as our property and the property was to be assigned to them [illegible] If you think any such contract necessary [illegible] a year or thereabouts the [illegible] in accordance with my previous letter and the conversations which I have made on this subject. I have [illegible] informed you that the [illegible] is in Sturge's hands.

[illegible] I find that, resulting from [illegible] that I had doubted if [illegible] the commission [illegible] and that [illegible] I will not quote but the [illegible] 8 7/8, but the full amount due her husband was [illegible] [illegible] that you the well know the amount as detailed, at [illegible] [illegible] profits and interest [illegible] though I should be glad to have the matter [illegible] whole [illegible]

[illegible] the deed as soon as the Sturge affair [illegible] satisfactory way, as by [illegible] another overpaid. This is without [illegible] [illegible] Mr Stirling's profits, and for the [illegible] [illegible] for me. We are also to assign [illegible] Mr. Cunning, except to me, without [illegible] or in case of any [illegible] [illegible] to open an a cash book, from [illegible] from you. The [illegible] in an assigning [illegible]

[illegible] the other [illegible] the assigning [illegible] of her husband's [illegible] [illegible] for myself on the land mortgage in [illegible] [illegible] 1 [illegible] = 8 1/2 [illegible] [illegible] 8 7/8 [illegible] [illegible] 8 7/8 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Teinture du Coton en bleu.

L'indigo est une matière colorante dont l'application assez délicate, réclame l'aide d'un opérateur exercé, il ne faut absolument pas songer à la faire employer par des mains incompétentes.

Son meilleur substitut est le „Bleu Madras" qui se fixe facilement sur coton mordancé au tanin, ne présente aucune difficulté d'application et se trouve être d'une solidité absolument remarquable.

On trouve également dans le commerce un grand nombre d'autres matières colorantes bleues se fixant sur coton au moyen de différents mordants ou même sur coton non mordancé, ces dernières sont d'un emploi très facile, mais leur solidité à la lumière et au savonnage est très relative.

Teinture en Rouge

On emploiera de préférence le Rouge V Denim qui est vendu par la même maison que le Madras Blue.

Il teint en un seul bain sur coton sans mordant, mais après teinture la couleur peut être avivée par passage en bain acide.

P. J.

[illegible] Goodrich
Dalhousie, N.H.

Sept. 10th 1900

Dear Fanny:

[illegible]

Sept. 10th 1900

Mr. Wm. T. Stanyan
Stanyan, N.H.

Dear Sir:

[illegible]

Sept. 17th 1866

My dear Mr. Stanley

Please see me here whenever you do about the Barnes matter I would also like to know the state of the Petition, &c &c, and how you have settled matters with Mr. Stanger.

Yours very truly

A. T. Burton

Sept. 18th 1900

Mon cher M. Jaubert,

Vous m'avait il possible de m'envoyer une note de deux mots avec un échantillon des parcelles que vous avez enlevées du vêtement pour imperméabiliser les étoffes. M. Green me dit qu'il a trouvé que cela donnait trop de poids aux étoffes mais je viens de trouver un autre emploi possible où ils pourraient servir.

J'en serais bien aise si vous saviez me renvoyer une réponse par la poste, qui me vous laisse que à Sandy Hook, si vous ne l'avez pas eu. Pour cela je vous envoie une enveloppe timbrée et une feuille de papier, pour qu'il arrive plus vite que des choses soit difficiles à trouver en Amérique.

Si je ne me trompe pas on dit pouvoir de fer en acier, insoluble dans de l'eau mais soluble dans la liqueur du mercure, de l'acide chlorhydrique et d'une saveur acide.

Je vous envoie ci-inclus une lettre pour M. Jaubert. C'est Thomas de Jaubert, ~~[illegible] Hampstead, London, N.W.~~

Je n'ai plus à dire que vous souhaiter le meilleur des voyages. Je suis bien aise que cette tempête se soit plus en plus mort avant votre départ.

Faites mes compliments à Madame, et croyez-moi toujours votre très dévoué

N'th. T. Bacon

Nouvelle adresse C/o Brown, Shipley & Co., London.
Ils ont deux bureaux de banque; mais il faut s'adresser au bureau nouveau tout près de Charing Cross.

Peace Dale, R. I. September 17, 1900.

Hon. W. R. Merriam, Director of the Census
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Last April, when I presented you a letter from Sec'y Hay suggesting employment of U. S. Consuls for a census of Americans in Europe you requested me to bring up the matter in the autumn, when the rush of work would have somewhat subsided. Accordingly I would be glad to recall it to your attention now that the first enumerations are out of the way.

The object is to determine the number and status of Americans resident in Europe as distinguished from the annual rush of tourists. To do this it would be best to make an enumeration in the dead season. I would suggest December 1st as a date on which the error made would be small if it were assumed that all Americans in Europe were residents. Probably the few tourists then there would about offset the few residents who would be away from the centers of population which could be covered by the consuls. I should class as temporary residents in Europe all there who meant to be absent from America more than one year.

The laws with reference to registration of strangers are so strict all over the continent of Europe (even in Switzerland) that I think that most of this information wanted would be obtained by the consuls directly from the police.

It is only in Great Britain that there would seem to be any serious difficulty and perhaps it might be possible to make some special arrangements there with a view to completing this information.

I would suggest that so far as possible the following data be collected 1st. Former American residence. 2nd. Length of time already

in Europe. 3rd. Intended further duration of stay. 4th. Object of stay which I would sub-divide into four sub-heads; a preference for permanent residence; b pleasure trip of long duration; c study; d business.

Moreover, in Germany all foreigners resident more than a few weeks are obliged to declare their incomes for purposes of taxation. Doubtless foreigners there on the average avoid declaring more than the amount which they expend there, so that by obtaining the total of the incomes thus declared and the number of them it would be possible for this one country to obtain an idea of the average sum spent annually by Americans resident in Europe, a very important matter in our annual budget.

If I can be of any service in helping to organize any such investigation please let me know.

Yours faithfully,

Nathan S. Burson.

P.S. I should be inclined to consider the number of Americans in Europe for business as constant, although many of them are there only for short trips. Season has comparatively little to do with it.

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Sept. 19th 1900 —

Mr. Wm. R. [illegible], [illegible], N.J.

Dear Sir,

Yours of Sept. 13th only reached me today on my return from [illegible]. I will write to [illegible] at once about the Miller house. Probably it will be necessary for me to take it back. If so we will [illegible] the rent [illegible] will notify you [illegible] of what to do.

We will take Mrs. Ryan's word as her [illegible] if you consider her generally trustworthy. Of course I know nothing of the circumstances, but before you allow her [illegible] please make sure that she hasn't [illegible] a month already. John used to clear up such things as he went along.

Of course you had my last line of Sept. 15th asking for a deposit [illegible]. I appreciate that with rates and other things [illegible] a bad month, but I still hope you [illegible] something as I am short of money.

I [illegible] two reports [illegible] of all the others [illegible] John's property which [illegible]

I enclose also a [illegible] for the [illegible] (not a [illegible] but a [illegible]) [illegible]. Please [illegible] this if you have not already [illegible], and return it to me with the reports which I enclose to let you see the [illegible] in July and August.

I am glad to hear that your trade increases.

Yours faithfully,

[illegible]

Mr. D. Stirling
Stirling, N.Y.

Sept. 18th 1900

Dear Sir,

Yours of yesterday is here, notifying me of draft of $100.00.

I have also a letter from Mr. Stilwell saying that you attend both the contract and the notes as to make them read for per cent instead throughout, and also for instalments.

Upon receiving I sent to ask your explanation. Lockwood says only forgiving six per cent both on his second mortgage and on the demand note which you collected. I understood that you gave him the same. The first mortgage to the bank was at 5% and so was that on No. 6 H.S. which Mr. Lockwood says, I think, (and I am well sure he) may have attended Mr. Lockwood at 5% with the understanding of his second mortgagee. Condition of his forgiving off nearly 3/4 of the original note, which he has done.

Nothing was said in agreement as to what I was to pay for the stock, and all the knowledge I have to my credit of such a note to be let loose than 6%. Including your stock you are borrowing from me $250.00 more than Lockwood

Sept. 18th 1900

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. It is very provoking to anger by the jeweler's fault.

I think it will still be worth while to have humorous. I do not care to have tenants bringing things.

Please hold the Stirling matter in abeyance for a few days. I have written to ask his reason for what he has done. If Gill has received please ask him to make a thorough search for the written agreement. If I have it by me of the Banking Club, and he put it in his pocket book then, I believe, it might cause much trouble if he could find it.

As soon as we get this agreement straightened out I should not object to your turning over to Stirling the insurance.

Yours faithfully,
H. T. Sheldon

Sept. 20th 1900

Mrs. Emily A. Bancroft
Dear Madam:
Enclosed please find two checks
to your order for $1200.00 which I
receive for this time through Mr. Gifford
[illegible] and I will try to have an
equal or more amount on
the 1st. If I should not get it
I will inform you.
I am glad to get a good report of the
[illegible] I have always for a long time.
I hope it will be received from the [illegible]
of the final report.
Yours very truly
[illegible]
Mrs. Emily A. Bancroft
[illegible]
Andover, Mass.

Sept. 20th 1900

Mr. R. W. King
Care J. P. Morgan & Co., Wall St. N.Y.
My dear Mr. King:
Enclosed you will find a [illegible]
of my financial affairs. I think you will not have
much trouble in making it from just a short
[illegible] under each heading as you read it. It
will read you quite a little like the French
[illegible], and with the exception of some of the
[illegible] it contains anything which you
have not [illegible].
[illegible] R.R. [illegible]
by the Reporter. The [illegible]
[illegible] seem to me to offer [illegible]
[illegible] that [illegible] there was nothing
[illegible] 47%. [illegible] the South government of
[illegible] the most [illegible] in Europe. [illegible]
[illegible] as [illegible] by all the great powers
[illegible] as is that of [illegible] and the
[illegible] is not an equal [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Sept. 21st 1800

My dear Mr. Coleridge:

Your of Sept. 20th received on yesterday. I have read, within the up & middle region you wish for in the lower, i.e. the position remains with the book and I find the Coefficients represent the book — you point the bottom, that is the thing and I skip the book.

I am sorry that it is impossible for you have them two, but if you can change it & let strings have the same co-tang it would not be fair to him.

Yours faithfully

N. I. Bowditch

Sept. 21st 1800

My dear Mr. Coefficients:

Perhaps the Cribbum Club will work better if another more clear form. The first: that it has done some other number are fish in which it & it are now with different numbers, but does it let it indeed with regular words.

I am happy to hear you the [illegible] of the first Coefficients in a little time, but not hurry.

Yours faithfully

N. I. Bowditch

We might it have somewhat of design not of pretty circle.

Hon. W. H. Seward
Albany, N.Y.

Sept. 28th 1860.

Dear Sir,

Yours of Sept. 27th reached me this morning. I see on reading your letter that you regard it unfair of your mother's church, but it looks to me much like brother as you work that it merely deceived me a second time.

As an apology your letter is sufficient but you have made a specific charge against me and I think that you ought to follow this up at once by another letter saying that there is no foundation for any of the charges that you made against me. In particular that I never said I wanted the property foreclosed but said before the sale of Charles Ing. & Co. mortgage. The only thing in which I was in any way concerned was a newly formed claim for title & machinery which belonged to the 1st Nat. Bank, having been bought by them at the offset & also held a mortgage on it which had expired. Because they also owned the title, but to make everything perfectly clear in title they wanted the formality of a foreclosure in order to carry it out you were told to post notices in strict compliance with the law and no more, and then told in the property. There was nothing but it was perfectly legal, and Mr. Stewart advised me to let the matter drop as necessity of notice, but I do not like the idea of being one's making a charge against me, and an insinuation that it was without a reasonable cause that you were not justified in making any such claim. If you are not satisfied you had better go to Mr. Stewart or Mr. Ing and satisfy yourself before writing for I want a positive assurance from you that you had no ground for any such charge.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Bacon

My dear Cousin Martha:

Yours of yesterday is just at hand. I will write to Dickson and find out what the utility of the German Fire Co. consists in. What will result to Germantown & the adjacent country and to both the City and Liberties from the establishment of such a fire company I am unable to say, since practice by the time being superseded the necessity for it. I can hardly remember if mentioned after 10 o'clock, but the other Monday night is only from 9 to 12 & I dined that day and with the exception of one I was only detained by business. I hope my mind that the German Fire Co. will pay more attention to business and be tenfold better.

Mother and I the rest of us got to Mrs Thomson's with Thy studies the evening past & I think I have only been there twice as much as for a month for a year and a half and both times I have been running from the business.

I should be very glad to come over in particular so as to see Cousin Lucinda, but I have been obliged to be away so much that it is out of the question now.

Yours faithfully,

Nathan H. Brown

[illegible]

[illegible] 28th 1809.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Changes in MS. of Article on American International Indebtedness

Page 1	line 7	Interpolate "which was pointed out to me by Mr. C. W. King of J. P. Morgan & Co." after "Chronicle".
Page 1	line 14	Substitute "About two years ago" for "About a year ago."
Page 1	line 16	Interpolate "by" before "subdividing".
Page 2	last line but one,	substitute "are" for "were" after "Europe".
Page 4	1st line	Interpolate "sterling" after "pounds".
Page 8	line 14	Substitute "here" for "there" after "visit".
Page 10	" 23	Interpolate "in proportion to its size" after "Belgium is".
Page 11	" 8	Interpolate "on Jan. 1st, 1900" after "America".
Page 11	" 28	Interpolate "had" after "have".
Page 12	" 17	Substitute "have covered" for "cover" after "would".
Page 12	" 18	Interpolate "on Jan. 1st 1900" after "Europe".
Page 14	" 2	Substitute "indebtedness" for "business" after "foreign".

Appendix: This article was written early in July. Since then our holdings of European securities have been immensely increased by the placing here of English, Swedish and German loans amounting to about $60,000,000.

Our continued outpour of exports has made interest rates lower here than anywhere else, which in turn greatly stimulates all industries. The rise in coal abroad has apparently encouraged some foreign speculation in American coal lands in the last

few months, but on the whole the general balance remains unchanged. Fewer of our securities have come home, owing to our purchases of foreign bonds.

It is a matter for congratulation that so far our purchases of foreign bonds are all of the highest class. It shows wise discrimination on the part of our financiers that a Russian loan offered here was refused. It is to be hoped that we may remain free from the questionable securities of which most European countries are so prodigal.

Now that the Paris Exposition is drawing to its close it is evident that the rush of Americans thither was not so great as the steamship companies expected, but with the growth of prosperity it is to be expected that the annual current of tourists will increase.

Peace Dale, Sept. 26th, 1900

Prov. Tech, R. I., Sept. 28th, 1870.

Mr. George Gordon King
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. King:

[illegible]

Mr. [illegible],
Cambridgeport, Mass.
[illegible] Sept. 25th 1900.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find the [illegible] for [illegible] (to [illegible]) which [illegible] It has been [illegible] acknowledged by all the [illegible] and I should be much obliged if [illegible] it you would kindly forward it to Mr. [illegible] Whittier, [illegible] who will [illegible] for me. You [illegible] that [illegible] and is [illegible] [illegible]. I [illegible] your [illegible] of the [illegible].

I have [illegible] what you would [illegible] (all [illegible]) [illegible] [illegible]

Yours faithfully,

Sept. 25th 1900 —

My dear Mr. Whittier

Yours of yesterday morning and etc. is at hand. Please forward the deed & check to Mr. [illegible] requesting him to return it to you for [illegible] after recording.

I am hoping to get out to [illegible] some time in [illegible] of [illegible] & will look at the property you mention, though neither is just what I wanted.

Yours faithfully,

Sept. 27th [illegible]

My dear Mr Carpenter,

Yours of yesterday just back. [illegible] [illegible] refrigerator [illegible] have not made their tests yet. I am [illegible] submitting [illegible] [illegible] with cement.

I think that this will solve the [illegible] [illegible], and that it can be [illegible] with a brush.

The objection to [illegible] with the test that they make is that being exposed to a temperature [illegible] abnormal for [illegible] work it may often [illegible] of no longer fit the [illegible].

I did not have any idea of the kind [illegible] to be used when I sent [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have [illegible] the [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
[illegible] T. [illegible]

Sept. 27th [illegible]

Dear Sir,
Yours of yesterday is at hand & return my check for $[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] your return.
I am hoping now for news of Judge [illegible] final decision.
Yours faithfully,
[illegible] T. [illegible]

Peace Dale, R. I., Sept. 28, 1900

Selden Bacon Esq.,

Tribune Bldg.,

New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I have just telegraphed you:

"Approve Mixer. Await special delivery letter this after-
"noon for engine."

The bother with such an engine as you speak of is the cost of running. Besides an engineer it will require five pounds of coal per HP per hour. This amounts to 50 lbs. a day for twenty-five days in a month, or 1250 tons of coal per HP per month. This amount of coal will cost at least $2.00 for horse-power, which, with the engineer's wages, would bring the cost nearly to the cost of electric power. I should advise looking up gas and oil engines (explosion engines) before deciding anything. They are either of them less cumbrous than such a boiler and engine as you mention. Otherwise, if in good condition, the boiler and engine mentioned are worth the money, I should think. Having given you the data on coal consumption you will be able to make comparisons on cost with gas or oil engines and electric power without reference to me, if necessary. Perhaps for a small amount of power such as from 3 to 5 HP, it would be necessary to use even more coal than I have estimated. A boiler is not

economical of coal when run far below its full capacity, but at 10 HP it probably would be fairly economical. A further economy about gas and oil engines is that you can shut them off entirely and immediately when not wanted, whereas steam has to be kept up for a steam engine.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Sept. 25th/1900 =

My dear Cousin Harry:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Before I determine what to do I must know what your requirements and limits are and what your resources are. I am in receipt of your letter of June 1st, 1900, in which you say that I have to decide between receiving and licensing.

Please send me a statement showing what I have received for a year back as far as possible and what I owe for that. I should also like to know what they owe you back to the beginning of the year as then I begin business.

I shall not be able to make up the difference between what I have and what I think should be thrown in, but I will do what I can to make up the difference.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l. T. Bacon

Pawtucket, R. I. Oct 1st 1900

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find my check for $100.00 to cover the balance due from me to the Reputation Store Co.

I wished to find if you could hold it any till Oct. 10th as I am looking for an there has been a failure to receive on the part of our funds which is forthcoming.

I am sorry to say that we have no money with either me or out, so that it is impossible to get you a check the day morning on receipt of S.T. order, mail.

I finally shall be obliged to go to Washington this week coming to Providence the 7th & be gone for a week so should depend on my advice in the meantime.

Yours faithfully
N. F. Edson

Sorry to have no more orders of Rules or C.S.G. contracts.

Pawtucket, R. I. Oct. 2nd 1900

Mr. F. J. Schwyhart,
Fairmount, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for $39.50 to cover [illegible] bill.

Yours faithfully
C. F. Edson

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 4, 1900

G. M. Stilwell Esq.,
University Block,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Enclosed you will find copy of a letter which I have just sent Barnes, who, after sending a kind of apology for his former letter, writes on the next day with request for a loan of $120. I do not care to make him so much of an advance under any circumstances, but if he comes in and signs a paper explicitly stating that he has never at any time had any just claim against me, and explaining, which his apology does not do, what he meant by his threat that a suit was about to be commenced against me, we might consider allowing him credit for a month or two longer on his rent, and possibly even advance him enough money to pay off the chattel mortgage on his furniture, provided he can show sufficient security; but if he has paid nothing on his furniture more than would be offset by the wear of it, I do not even care to do this. He has forfeited everything like a claim upon me.

Yours faithfully

(enclosure)

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 4, 1900

Mr. William H. Barnes,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of October 1st and 2nd are at hand. The apology which you there present does not seem sufficient to me to entitle you to any consideration. If you will go to Mr. Stilwell's office and there sign whatever documents he may see fit to present to you it will then be time to consider what it may be worth while to do. I do not care to have any further correspondence with you on the question.

Yours faithfully,

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 4, 1900

Rev. John B. Diman,

St. George's School,

Newport, R. I.

My dear Mr. Diman:

Some ten days ago I wrote to Mr. King a letter saying that conditional on not less than $40,000. being subscribed, we would subscribe $500., which possibly might be increased to $1,000. toward the fund for the new St. George's School. The amount would depend somewhat on the time for payment and other conditions. We also do not yet care to stipulate what form of security we should choose until the conditions are more definitely fixed. Mr. King wrote me that I had misunderstood in thinking that he was taking subscriptions, and requested me to write to you, which I now do. I should be glad to hear what progress you are making toward completing the fund.

Yours faithfully

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 4, 1900

Mr. William P. Sturge,
807 Cogswell Av.,
Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Your report reached me yesterday. I am very glad to have it come so promptly. There is one thing in it, however, that I cannot approve of. Our agreement was that you should have a commission only on amounts deposited by you in bank. The money advanced to you is by no means such a deposit, so that it seems to me you have credited yourself with $5.00 more than you were entitled to.

According to my recollection of the memorandum of agreement for the conveyance of the real estate, as I wrote you before, there was nothing providing for a 5% second mortgage on the store, though the first mortgage was to stand at that rate. Mr. Stilwell writes me that Mr. Gill recollects having the memorandum of agreement, but that he is still too ill to be worried by a search for it, and may not be strong enough for some time to come. It is probably in some pocket-book or something of that kind, but cannot be found at present. I should prefer not to have any open questions standing between you and me. I know that in any case the contract for the land was a separate matter from that for the sale of the stock, and that therefore the price of the stock which you

W. P. S. -2- 10/4/00

have since suggested putting into a second mortgage, was certainly not stipulated to stand at 5%. In order to clear up this matter speedily, I will suggest to you the following compromise:- that the second mortgage be drawn to read 5 1/2%. Of course a new note will have to be drawn reading 6%. I enclose one in due form for your signature. Mr. Stilwell will surrender the other on your handing in this one and showing him this letter. If you agree to this please take the letter down to him to be used as a basis for making a new agreement, and please let me know at once. I should also like to receive from you a notice as to what houses are empty, if any, and what repairs you expect to have to make, and as to what bills, if any, are outstanding. Likewise what you expect the month's collections to be, making a forecast thus of the month to come, so that I may be able to see a little ahead as to what it is fair to expect from the tract.

Yours faithfully,

(enclosure--note)

Oct. 18 1900

Dear Dick,

[illegible] of quickly is at hand. I think you can do very
[illegible] with the [illegible] for [illegible]. If you need more it will
[illegible] the [illegible] without a [illegible] side, and be very
[illegible] for [illegible]. In the mean time this will be very convenient for
[illegible] I should [illegible] have to go [illegible] after all. So I need be [illegible].
[illegible] are [illegible] things often [illegible] about moisture [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] moisture. This cannot be prevented unless the
[illegible] air [illegible] right all around. It comes from the [illegible]
[illegible] temperature air cannot carry as much moisture as at higher
[illegible] all the same pressure, but lower temperature air should
[illegible] moisture. The result therefore of cooling a block of [illegible]
is [illegible] to cause the air in the pores to deposit part of its moisture
[illegible] and to make a partial vacuum. In case the block is not
air tight this partial vacuum is replenished more or less rapidly
with air from the most favorable side, which this air on coming in
tends to deposit all its moisture, if the pores previously in the pores
had been filled to the precipitating point for the amount of pressure
upon which a given space can contain at a given temperature, so
independent of all other air pressure in the space is removed or
[illegible] water, however, does not saturate moisture
air with moisture like the readiness with which saturated air
its moisture, so that any cooling of temperature made by pitting of
or water in the pores of an insulating material makes it so much
[illegible] material makes it so much
[illegible] or makes it [illegible] finally, raised above the boiling
point, the more perfect the insulation and impermeability [illegible]
[illegible] I would recommend the [illegible]
[illegible] so well insulated on both faces that
[illegible] with [illegible] cement [illegible]
[illegible] Wm. [illegible] has been obliged to give up the use
of [illegible] on account of the [illegible] impossible to apply [illegible]

Oct. 5th. 1900 —

My dear Mr. Stuart;

Please bid in both the forgotten advertisements on my behalf for me.

Yours truly &c.

N. T. Brown

How is Gill coming on?

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Oct. 10th 1900

Mr. Wm. P. Sharp
607 Cogswell Ave, Elmira, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

On looking over the records I find that it is now a year since Elizabeth Antney Elliott has paid any interest on his $ 2 M mortgage loan on his house, No 10 Clark St.

The mortgage is for $1750.00, and the last interest payment was in May 1899. Please see that call on him for payment of the arrears, amounting to $105.00, & then an answer from you as yet to mine of that date asking a prompt attention. Please attend to this also and oblige

Yours faithfully
William P. Bacon

Oct. 18th 1860 —

Mr. Wm. H. Stuart,
907 Cooperski Ave.
Schuylerville, Saratoga Co., N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Twelve days ago I wrote you a letter asking for a prompt answer; and six days ago I wrote again calling your attention to the fact that no answer had yet come. If still have none.

I should regret being obliged to make another arrangement for a representative in Albany, but I do not see how I can put up with such an unbusinesslike proceeding, if it seems necessary to have an immediate settlement of this matter you are authorized to engage the room for the winter.

If you are considering the question of the present time is occasion for writing. I do not see how the present arrangement can stand. It certainly is a most unfortunate arrangement that you should be informed, and it seems from a small letter I keep his principal informed, and it seems especially with the very letter to you proposing the present arrangement that you should send me a special letter whenever there was occasion. Besides the monthly general letter describing the condition of the Bank, which you claim failed to send this time.

Please let me hear from you at once with reference to the questions in this letter and in the preceding one. Very

Yours truly
Wm. E. Barrow

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 20, 1900

Selden Bacon Esq.,
Tribune Bldg.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Your two letters are here today. Is there no way of bringing up the extremely improper action of the other side if this case comes up again on a motion for a new trial? I am glad that you told Howe that $9,000. was our limit. I rather grudge the waiver of interest from September 13th to the 6th of October, not so much for the money as for the continuous attempt to crowd which they have been making. I think it will probably be best for you to go to Cleveland about the motion for a new trial. It would be a serious matter to have the judge weaken. I should think that perhaps a hint dropped at that time of the irregular proceedings of the defendant's counsel might tell.

As for the Carpenter-Stone Company, I am glad to hear that Wills has made another appointment with them. I was afraid that the matter was dead. Carpenter's objections to the quarters on Ryder Avenue seem more or less valid, but I should not consider it very difficult to put a stove in myself which would be sufficient to keep the place warm enough for laborers. However it may be just as well to delay action until Wednesday if we can obtain options on whatever we want to be settled at that time, so that we

lose no such opportunity as that to buy the electric engine offered for $250. I think we should do well to take that anyway. Has Carpenter got no other work yet? He was figuring on another job when I was last in New York, and had just had a long sitting with a man who seemed greatly interested. It seems to me that it would be well to try to get something else even if we get Wills's great contract. I hardly like to try to tie up to the sawdust business to the exclusion of what looks to me a very wide opening for window sills etc. I should be glad to get our hand in on that work.

Yours faithfully,

Nick T. Barry

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 20, 1900

Messrs. R. I. Hospital Trust Co.,
Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

I have a note falling due with you for $4,000. October 30th. I should be glad to renew $3500. of this and preferably at six months time, though a shorter period will answer if more convenient to you.

Hoping to hear from you at your convenience, believe me

Yours faithfully,

Nick T. Barry

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 20, 1900

Mr. E. R. Trumy,

Gen'l Manager, The Solvay Process Co.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of October 16th is at hand. This of course sufficiently explains ~~something of~~ the increase in strength of the liquor in the causticizer, but does not explain why the variations here should be so much greater recently than they have been in the past. It is evidently not worth while to call for further statistics here unless it is possible to keep a separate record of the gross amount of Ash added in each month after the final test before causticizing has been made. I hope you will continue to report these tests, imperfect as they are, for we obtain from them valuable information as to the amount of Caustic returning to the CCS.

Yours faithfully,

N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 20, 1900

G. H. Stilwell Esq.,
University Block,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stilwell:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Barnes's apology is at hand, and is perhaps as satisfactory as it could be made. I am glad to hear that the Miller matter is in order as well, and that you have taken steps to have Sturge look after the insurance.

Yours faithfully,

N. J. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 22, 1900

Mr. Antony Olgiati,

Solvay, Onondaga Co., N. Y.

Dear Sir:

A few days ago I received a letter from my agent, Mr. William P. Sturge, saying that you claimed that you had paid the interest on your mortgage. I have only delayed writing until I could get hold of reports which I had not at hand. I now have these, and can find on all the reports made by Luchsinger to me, no record of any payment made by you since May 1899. He writes me also that you claim that the interest should be only $4.38 instead of $5.25 for six months which it used to be. Will you kindly explain how this comes about? I find no record of any such change, though I do find that you had made two payments at this rate while I was abroad. If you have made your payments subsequent to May 1899 (they should have come naturally in November, 1899 and May 1900) please give me the exact date of each payment. I should be glad to have a copy of your receipts. It is possible that in the confusion due to Luchsinger's illness and death these matters may have been overlooked, and I want to straighten the matter out with his estate at once.

Yours faithfully,

Max T. Biehn

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 26, 1900

Professor J. C. Schwab,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Professor Schwab:

I return with this the corrected proof of my article for the November Review. I have ventured to alter a sentence which you had evidently tried your hand at, on the first page, and I have made an interpolation on the 7th page of the galley proof, and have added another short clause at the end. The proof otherwise strikes me as very clean, but it is possible that I may have overlooked one or two small items. I will correspond directly with Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor with reference to the extra copies that I want.

A few days ago I happened to pick up a stray number of the Review which had been sent me, I knew not why, several months ago, and then I noticed for the first time your offer included in it of the first eight volumes of the Review at $1.00 per volume. I should be very glad to receive these eight volumes to be paid for out of what is coming to me for the article, in case you still have a set remaining.

Yours faithfully,

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 26, 1900

Messrs. Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor,

New Haven, Conn.

Gentlemen:

Mr. Morris H. Robinson of the Yale Review refers me to you for reprints of my article on American International Indebtedness about to appear in the November number of the Yale Review. May I ask what you would charge me for fifty copies of the article under separate cover, and what the charge would be for one hundred?

Yours faithfully,

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 29, 1900

Selden Bacon Esq.,
Tribune Bldg.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sed:

Your two letters of October 27th in one envelope, have just reached me. By your first I see that you had written Parks to issue execution, but by the second that you had made up your mind that it would be better to wait at least until December 5th, and perhaps even until February. It seems to me that the reasons which you offer are entirely sufficient for this, and of course I am perfectly contented to wait under the circumstances. I do not know under what laws the L. A. S. Company organized, but perhaps I can find out later. I will try to do so. I will attend to the financial end as you suggest. I should think that your scheme of paying Bailey a commission if something does not materialize shortly will be the only possible course. I think he will see the reason in it also, but I hope that before that time he will have been able to nail that thousand-dollar contract he was talking of. It is time that something was moving, and I do not believe in waiting for the large contracts. If Wills is coming, he will come all the quicker for less urging, and more willingly if he sees us

engaged in something else rather than waiting for him. It looks to me as if possibly he was trying to induce us to a lower bid to accelerate him.

Yours faithfully

Alex. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R. I., Oct. 29, 1900

Messrs. The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Co.,
New Haven, Conn.

Gentlemen:

Yours of October 27th is at hand. Please strike me off one hundred copies of the article at the same time that the regular forms are printed. I should be glad to have it appear on the paper cover that the article is reprinted from the Yale Review of November 1900.

Yours faithfully,

Alex. T. Bacon

Oct. 30th [illegible]

Dear [illegible]:

[illegible] of yesterday is at hand. I am entirely of the opinion that [illegible] is perfectly able and most reluctant to pay the judgment. He will very [illegible] me for not allowing myself [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] beginning [illegible] for me, [illegible] to [illegible] of [illegible] by a [illegible] which he thought I would [illegible] [illegible] another way. I [illegible] but [illegible] the [illegible] has [illegible] me to such an extent that he [illegible] and his [illegible] have [illegible] him.

His whole treatment of the case is [illegible] of a kind to remove the sympathy which I originally felt for him. I do not feel in the least [illegible] for any [illegible] at all, but I will go to the extent of consenting to the suggestion of [illegible] offer of [illegible] with interest from Oct. 1st in one payment down and [illegible] payments of [illegible] and interest, giving thus the [illegible] than asked for by [illegible], but the security offered must be [illegible].

The fact that [illegible] is a director in the [illegible] gives a good deal of weight on the situation. [illegible] holdings of [illegible] stock and might be [illegible] in case of [illegible] in point of his letter to you.

I enclose a copy of a statement of [illegible] made in [illegible], showing his status. His wife then had nothing, and I think that [illegible] would have [illegible] in his wife's name, [illegible] he might be [illegible].

[illegible] it appears to me that we ought to demand [illegible] we might [illegible] better by making [illegible]

Yours faithfully, [illegible]

P.S.

Your letter requires much reflection. The first question which arises is, can the sheriff sell Dodge's & U.S.B. stock on the mail of March 2? If not, what else can we do? Would it be right to report a special interest case? Please let me see it as early as I.

Other, many grudge, but I think great a new level, exactly as it was the day before the levied of offence? It would seem to me greatly embarrass the U.S. if the court can grant a stay of execution, while it is so respectable that it do so after the sheriff levies (or the U.S. should)?

If the stay can be granted so suddenly on Monday that they cannot record it off, I think it would be well to forbear. You might perhaps find the first friend of the other to favor if you think well. I have little doubt that Dodge was in Cleveland when Your wrote his letter to you.

If the court can intervene after the marshall starts, do they exist? If the sale at Dodge's request, positively levied any, unless he gives a bond for the full amount and costs? I do not want to prevent the fight and fair trial in another court, nor need his property or give it away for nominal consideration. If there is a chance that Dodge would practically give up his control of Keep property again might it not be better to let the sale take place, etc.?

I am only making suggestions in a formal way. I appreciate that these questions of policy are more difficult to settle absolutely than many legal points, and I am inclined to take your advice in these matters as in many ways you are better situated for judging. If you think best, other means might further concession on interest might prevent, and that though to will be mistakenly. You will answer such if I can get good security and 6%, but they might rather to risk or not that.

Yours faithfully
H. D. Peck

Pawtucket, R. I., Oct. 26th. 1900.

My dear Mr Wilkins:

With this I am returning you the little sister watch. On it I did I would it afford a little W. celebrated the occasion by stopping for three quarters of an hour during the evening, the a fitter a very short stop or a steady loss of the minutes in eight hours.

I gave it another chance and it ran all night for 48 hours. I carried it myself but since then has lost five minutes in 24 hours either by a stop or by steady loss. It seems as if perhaps a loose pivot or some similar thing will be at fault. I don't expect a watch can vary than this in a day, perhaps one minute a day from time to time, but at present it is wholly unreliable. If it can be brought to run at a minute a day either to _____ I will pay the bill but I should like to know. Yours truly

H. P. Cheney

Pawtucket, R. I., Nov. 1st 1900

My dear Mr. Woodward:

Please bid for me finding and transmission at Anderson's as follows.

		257	Ariz.	.15
12 Ill.	.12	307	N.H.	.12
12 Costa Rica	.12	321	Afghan	.12
12 Louisiana	.10	322	Panama	.12
12 Cuba	.12	323	"	.12
167 Canton	.12	39	Cuba 4	.12
167 Florida	.12	400	Porto	.12
140 Georgia	.12	401	"	.12
		402	"	.12
		403	Philippines	.12
141 " (2)	.10	404	"	.12
164 Ill.	.12	46	Hawaii	.10
171 Ind.	.12	46	Rebel	.10
206 "	.12	47	Dove	.10
220 Hawaii 2	.12			
225 Richmond 2	.12			
254 Mexico	.15			
255 "	.15			
256 "	.15			
257 "	.12			

Yours faithfully

N. P. Anderson

I know they are worthless nominal.

Nov. 1st 1900

Dear Sid,

Your of Oct. 20th & 27th are at hand. I understand that it is my difficult to decide on the best course and shall leave the matter for your decision. It is hopeless for me. I believe the document initialed in view of the Oct. 27th. The lady's book of means does not correspond with what she had informed me shortly before that she had with.

Taking the affair with it last has the advantage of ascertaining a fixed valuation.

Yours truly,

N. T. Hanson

Nov. 7th 1900

Dear Sid,

Your line of yesterday is at hand. The [illegible] has been for years very sick. I found it necessary to look for something else. I suppose you have [illegible] the [illegible] to you, supposing you to be possible. I have had it [illegible] my [illegible] in the spring of 1899.

I expect to be in Winnipeg towards the end of next month. I take it for [illegible] Mrs. Hanson. She has just been through a pretty severe little bilious attack and needs a change. Instead of holding the directors meeting [illegible] we could adjourn till Saturday week, I think it would be preferable. I may possibly be able to stop for a week this time and fish in for the G.S.R. on some of the charged for blocks.

Yours truly,

N. T. Hanson

New York, [illegible]

My dear Mr. Schmitt:

Yours of Nov. 18th received, in which you mention having letters check for $[illegible] and trying write Mr. [illegible] (Nov. 27th) [illegible] and to request forty release upon his mortgage.

According to my account there is a little more due than this. The amount in question would be earned by one more instalment with interest for about two years. Perhaps I have failed to notice allocation of one payment. But as I once found such an error in one of Lichtenger's accounts, this he had given another receipt which was accurate. My accounts show payments since the date of the mortgage as follows: Nov. (30th) [illegible] each on Nov. 1st, Apr. 1st, May 1st, June 1st, July 1st, Aug. 1st, Sept. 1st and Oct. 1st 1897; then on Jan. 20th, Feb. 24th, Mar. 31st, Apr. 29th, May 27th, June 1st, July 1st, Aug. 31st and Oct. 31st 1897, and nothing since. I have set the account for June 1900 at hand, as things bear it in my memory, but I am pretty sure that Sutter paid nothing then. If these payments are the only ones made he would still owe me $[illegible] according to my account; but if he had made one which I accepted recent in Feb. 1895 the account would balance.

I am attending to the release, which will still require several days.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l S. Pearson

P.S. On looking over the release which I have already signed I see a bad error in the description, as I assume it was with and good and in another story.

Mr. A. H. Boyer
Office Clerk
Troy, Ness. N.Y.

Nov. 8th 1900

My dear Mr. Boyer,

Will you kindly let me know what are the properties on which you still hold mortgages on my draft? I accidentally destroyed my record this morning in sorting over a lot of papers.

You have, I believe, a mortgage of $500.00 on lots 32 + 33 Block 4, and one of $700.00 on lot 4 Block H, and one for $100.00 which I now cannot distinguish from the others, which were recently paid off some time ago. These I am responsible for, and they are all at 6%.

Possibly you hold one of $100.00 on 31 + 33 Block J, assumed by J. J. Fallon, and one for $300.00 on south ½ of assumed by Mr. Flatten, and you have an also $200.00 on the house No. 30 W. Frank St. formerly owned by me but assumed by Mr. Long. This last is overdue, and if it has not been ordered for foreclosure it would not be a bad plan to call on Long to reduce it, as property there has not improved much of late.

Martin also has been letting his place go pretty down. It would be worth while if I took care of it. I should be glad if you would find him up and tell him to put his house in better order or reduce his mortgage a little. He paid me off a long time ago. His place is a nice one, and it is a pity to have it run down when the property in the neighborhood is improving as fast as it now is.

My opinion is improving the value of property out of the city. I should be glad to know if other you have any other mortgages on my book than those mentioned, and in particular the holder of the $100.00.

Yours faithfully
Nathl. T. Boyer

What has become of Moore? I owe Smith some of his depositors.

Mr. Wm. P. Strange
907 Bagnell Ave. St. Louis

Nov. 7th 1900

Dear Sir:

Yours of Nov. 4th. reached me yesterday with the report. I will arrange to have Schlueter do all the painting of your flats. Lindsinger had done a part of it heretofore. That fellow owes me $10 & I am obliged to pay, so please call on him for it. I gather from what you say that the bulk of the repair work is now done. As you say there will always be small jobs, but I hope we shall never be obliged to do as much as in the last two years. I was so pinched after the panic of 1893 that I was obliged to let the total run down a good deal.

I am enclosing the report back to you so that you can make formally on the report the change you spoke of in the first part of your letter. It will be in shape if you will add below the $ 5.98

Overcharge by error on preceding report	5.98
Net Credit Balance due the P.S.	$ 1.02

It would also be well to sign the report at the bottom very [illegible]. I notice on the report that Rawson paid nothing although we have made $15.00 for work done. He means well but is shiftless and it will not do to trust him. You will have to hold a tight rein on him. He does not work to profit but is the slowest kind of pay and practically leaves much unpaid.

Please send me the rates at which the different houses are rented, so that I can tell when full payment is made.

Sutton and Martin have now paid in full, Martin a long time ago, and Sammel has only semi-annual payments to make.

I see you are paying so much a roll for paper hanging. It looks high but in the long run, but the note shows me it is pretty high.

After this please enter the repairs as so much say on 1 & and so much on 3 & 5.

I hope to be in Syracuse in a month or two and will then try to get you some painted stationery which will save you trouble.

Yours faithfully N. T. Brown

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Nov. 9th. 1900 —

My dear Mr. Gross.

Your letter reached me yesterday. It is a pity that you did not write a month or so ago. I have paid off upwards of $1000.00 of 5% mortgages this year, and might have included yours in that amount instead of others, but now all my spare funds are likely to be required for other purposes for some time.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Deacon

The occasion of my writing was lest you might think I was going to pay interest.

Nov. 9th. 1900 —

Dear Sir:

Helen has impressed a good check but it was Cooks, as if the 20th would be the earliest date at which we could get away, and perhaps not for a fortnight, so don't feel in any hurry on my account.

If you need a line on Nov. 20th it seems to me I have your ‡. I am very glad to know what was done, and sorry for any news of the C.S.L. Hope they will get some kind of a deal. I should like to engage on either a one or two year term. It would be well to have it in hand for the winter. The interest is in arrears in any case, so it may go over.

Yours faithfully

N. F. Deacon

Please send for the ‡ on account

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Nov. 7th 1900. —

My dear Mr Stilwell:

Things seem to be in readiness for the insurance, and perhaps it will be as well if you will attend to it all.

I hope to be in Syracuse before the year is out, and I hope on that occasion to fix a number of things of this kind better than I thought and arrange them and systematize them better for you. I am slowly coming to the point of considering the tract as a permanent investment. The growth of Syracuse and vicinity seems likely to make it finally a paying investment, with a steadily increasing in value steadily. The improvement in the last year is marked, and in that second money is earned. I lay it all to improvement. I should prefer to realize on it if it could be done without too much sacrifice, so if you hear of any one possible customer I should be to know of him. All bills of any that form contracts are now settled, so that a complication is removed. Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Mr Alfred T. Bacon
Denver, Colo.

Nov. 9th 1900 =

Dear Taff:

With this return my power of attorney. Is it not worth the G.'s while to make an irrigation ditch for the Mt. Sumner property? I think that this would actually make that property much more valuable.

Would it be possible to buy out the other owners? If not would it not be best force them to call for a division of the property? We could improve the part then.

Again might it not pay to establish an irrigation co. and build a small ditch, just enough to secure a water right? I am beginning to think we might do something decisive to present use and benefit the property by improvement of the land. Please write me fully on these matters.

Yours ever

N. T. Bacon

What do you think of the G.'s stock worth? Would it facilitate matters of some many you should be the G.?

Nov. 10th

My dear Mr. Woodward:

Please bid for me at Hickson's Nov. 11th & 12th

17	Beam		$10.00	320	Rosland		.70
22	Belgee	4	.25	342	Lidney		.55
24	"	2	.25	348	Stephanus		.22
29	"	5	.25	357	Magpemonde		2.00
30	"	4	.25	401	N.Y.		.75
45	Bolen	8	.12	727	Wrong		.50
58	Bonner		.31	Also bid. Nov. 13th & 14th.			
67	Bottiller		.18	95	Bismarck	2	1.60
76	Child		.50	96	Woken	14	.15
82	Crane		1.10	78	Wryer		.90
83	Cook		.18	95	Eagle	2	.60
84	"		.90	117	Crane		.10
87	Dickinson		2.40	127	Piper	2	.60
117	Dover		2.25	131	Darwin	13	.55
119	"		4.25	193	Pinton		1.10
119	"		2.75	204	Griffin		.35
140	Eagan		.30	211	Rich	2	.70
152	Fitzgerald		.22	214	Jenney	2	.10
154	Hoyt	2	.42	215	Voyage		.70
222	Jefferson		.22	222	Hinman		.90
224	Mich. Ag.		1.12	249	Lafayette		2.25
225	Rice	2	.22	250	Cincinnati		2.00
249	Mahony		.65				
276	Mackenzie		.90				
369	Prescott	3	.25				
407	Seybert		1.60				
415	Shea		.10				
416	"		.60				
417	"	2	.22				
430	Stanley	3	.60				
431	"		.70				
476	Whitney	2	.30				

I know that most of these are nominal, but some may land.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

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Nov. 10th. 1900

My dear Mr Wetherill:

Your card was delayed in reaching me as you directed to N.J. instead of to R.I.

Owing to my wife's illness I am obliged to give up going to Hollowell and shall have to take her in another direction as soon as she can move, which I expect to be in about two days.

If you have not already done so please have the Lavitt deed recorded.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

Nov. 10th. 1900

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand, crossing mine. I hope that we shall hear on Monday that Cowles accepts our terms. He plainly did well not to accept his offered terms of $3000 and interest.

I fancy that the longer he considers the more averse to fighting he will be.

I am sorry to have caused you to stove along the director's meeting so far. Tomorrow I suppose nothing of real importance has been effected by it. I may possibly be in N.Y. for the December meeting.

Yours faithfully
Nath. F. Bacon

Nov. 12th 190[illegible]

Dear [illegible]:

Yours of Saturday is at hand. I do not like the new proposition either as for the security or as an attempt to get behind our arrangement. I feel inclined to insist on [illegible] cash or notes to that effect with adequate security. I should prefer the latter as it would give six per cent.

As the C.A.S. Co. is a concern dependent on political favors I do not think that its stock ought to be put in above ½ its par value if it is only to be realized on in 1902. I consider a second mortgage on a place previously mortgaged for 60% of its owner's valuation practically no assurance of any little value as a security though it is undoubtedly wise to make him give it in addition.

I especially object to having necessity of 10 days warning before selling [illegible] property in case of default. Moreover I strongly dislike giving him the option of paying his notes at his convenience [illegible] instead of mine. I think he probably owns besides our $100,000 [illegible] in the C.A.S. Co. and is amply able to pay in full at once if he wants to but that he probably values his stock far above what it would be sold for and that the slightest threat of an operation would bring him to terms at once. He is probably [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. He always has reckoned his own things above their real value. He is probably now in cold shivers over the prospects of a [illegible] and is sick of them at what they would bring.

I am inclined to give as our ultimatum now $7,000 [illegible] cash on Nov 20th or $[illegible] then and $[illegible] more Nov 1st the balance ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] months [illegible] payable in [illegible] notes of $[illegible] each at ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] interest at 4% with the understanding that [illegible] will be renewed notes for [illegible] months if request is made for renewal 30 days in advance and then [illegible] once more if necessary but all to be due and payable at the [illegible] or [illegible] all payments to be secured by [illegible] stock of the C.A.S. Co. + the second mortgage [illegible]

of his house. I do not mention this to be discounted if necessary, and the bankers will at the expiration of longer date than six months. The bank owes us, independent of the notes payable Mar. 15th. If the R. & S. Co. will present a statement in Oct. 1857 showing assets other than patents, goodwill and unfinished artificial exceeding $ one hundred cents on the dollar of their liabilities (stated) I will consent to reduce the amount of his pledge to $10 on stock and the second mortgage on redemption of the his title in patents on the account to $5 to 7th, but otherwise I think that we ought not to accept so speculative a security as Mr. has represented this to be for security above mind of the free trade. You know how the banks discriminate against our class of industrials which are dividend paying, & actual assets.

You may think my demand for security excessive, but if he is fortunate enough as Mr. intimated they might be the stock of his Co. would be worth very little more than the actual assets could be sold for and if we are asked to wait a year and a half upon mortgage I think that we ought to be fully secured against depreciation of stock in the meantime.

Banks have not accepted your offer of Mr. 8th written the minute it. I think we should succeed better in negotiation with him if we had some strictness the offer, our terms & letter.

I believe in not giving him more than £4 bonus now on any contingency. It does not seem to satisfy me with you if you strongly disagree with me. I believe we have been slow to sell the patents rather than rather supply a temporary wanting, which was an offset against our loss. I believe. How long will the marshall hold stock before selling? He gets £8? I am writing you with further consideration. Security seems a sacrifice. See letter.

Yours faithfully Nath. T. Bacon

Nov. 12th 1900.

My dear Mr Stewart,

If your D. 16th is at hand. I do not see my mail now as could dispute Dutton's receipts if you are sure that no error was made in calculation, but I should be glad to know when the discrepancy lies between his receipts and the payments up to that time.

As to insurance, the losses in which I have an interest are as follows: 8, C subject to mortgage to H.H. Bruce — for $1000 owned by N.T.B.

10 C " " " " " " " " " " "

4 E M. N.T.B. Mortgages for $1000 to H.H. & mortgaged for $1000 owned by N.T.B.

9 D Sold my interest to Richard Lane. Bond and all passed at left to Mortgage to H.H. Bruce.

9 D Bruce. Fire in N.T.B.

10 D " " " "

15 D " " " "

20 D subject to Mortgage for $1000 to N.T.B. Fire in N.T.B.

15 D Mrs Geo. Miller's policy, subject to Mort. of $1000 to N.T.B. owned in cert.

1 E Bruce Fire in N.T.B.

5 E " " " "

12 D " " " " (Bruce)

21 D " " " "

12 D Mort. to Pers. Bond of Sp. Ch. for $500 & mortgage to H.H.B. for (?) Fire in N.T.B.

25 D Bruce. Fire in N.T.B.

10 G. " " " "

4 H Mort. to Pers. Bond of Sp. Ch. for $500 Fire in N.T.B.

6 H Mort. to Sp. Sav. Bank for $500, 2nd Mort. to N.T.B. fire to Mortgagee

8 H Bruce. Fire in N.T.B.

12 H 1st Mort. for $1000 to Emma G. Smith, 2nd for $750 to N.T.B. fire in both policies

14 I Mort. Hodgson 14 I, Small Half. Both Bruce. Fire in N.T.B.

16 I 1st Mort. to Sp. Sav. Bank for $500. 2nd to N.T.B. for (?) fire in both mortgagees

19 I " " " " $500. Fire in N.T.B.

21 I Sold under contract to a company called Mariner Island

6 I 1st Mort. Pers. Bond of Sp. Ch. for $500 & second to N.T.B. fire in both Sav.

12 J 5 1/2 of 8 Mort. to N.T.B. for $710 fee in Frank Schenck
12 J N half Clear. fee in N.T.B.
31 + 32 J. Mort. to Ser. Bank. of Up. Cl. for $300 [illegible], 2nd (paid) to N.T.B. fee in Up. Jefferson
Clear, fee — N.T.B.
14 K
16 K Mort to Syr. Sav. Bank for $500 [illegible] fee in N.T.B.
20 K " " " " " " " " "
46 K " " " " " $750 [illegible] " " "
33 L " " Ser. Bank of Up. Cl. " $800 [illegible] " " "
40 + 42 L " " Syr. Sav. Bank for $1000 [illegible] ass. by [illegible], 1st to N.T.B. for $100 [illegible] fee to be in W.R.S.
46 M " " " " " " $600 [illegible] " " Well Cabin. 2nd to N.T.B. for $75 [illegible] fee in W. Cabin.
111 Robinson St. Syracuse. Sold on contract to Reuben Rice, the mortgage

This, I believe covers the ground entirely. Many of these are insured in R.J. Mutual Co. my advice unfavorably — those I would like to keep as.

With reference to 15 I you will understand the status better than I, and likewise for Mr. Lockinger and for Stringe. For 15 I also affairs are in some confusion. You may remember giving Jacob Lockinger a deed for that in the winter of 1897-1898. I have never seen J.'s second mortgage but as all are arranged for his deed the Syr. Sav. Bank demanded that as all are arranged in the places in the schedule of loans by number, not describing the properties. I sent you the money for different assignments. One of these places was 15 I. I have never known whether you increased the 2nd mort. to correspond. Mr. was in the throes of my father-in-law's last illness and as I was again expecting the mortgage to be forwarded as soon as filed I neglected writing. Please look up the matter.

Have you done anything about Barnes? It is about time for him to pay or move.

I am a little hazy as to whether it is 22 Ron 23 Ron which my wife holds a 2nd mortgage, but I think it is 22. That was the one where there was a judgment against one party which I refused to pay.

Yours truly N. T. Bacon

Nov. 19th 1900

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand acknowledging my telegram. Since then you will have had my letter of yesterday, which was written before your telegram arrived, covering these same points, and exactly forestalling and anticipating your letter.

Since writing you I have been talking to the President of our bank in Pueblo. I find that the bank would not absolutely refuse to give the money, but that it would be a very great favor not to give it for more than one six months credit. Any of the usual collaterals as stock in the bank C. the notes given for land in the sale. I enclose a copy of their form of note, which I have changed to sign when borrowing on Sidney Dorrell's stock, which is not a good security, as we finally found, since the Pueblo bank. It would they do not want to have with a promise allowing the signer to pay whenever he pleases. They want things on the ordinary basis of loans. In case Dorrell finds that he is unable to meet his bank, it will be just as easy for him to have some one else to bid on his stock on the day he stops later.

After sleeping on the question I will agree to accept the security offered provided Dorrell gives notes for the $750.00 at 6 months from Oct. 1st at 6% interest, and to accept the balance in two payments one of $750.00 on Nov. 20th and one of $750.00 on March 1st 1901. I will like wise agree to secure him a renewal of the $750.00 for six months provided that the security continues to appear sufficient, and he pays up $300 as proposed Oct. 1st 1901, I will agree to renew and he pays up for the balance, and to release his old stock collateral to $10 credit per value, unless he can show that the collateral has not declined in value in the mean time. On this I accept $900 cash on Nov 20th. I do not like to make any further restrictions. If we succeed as to time of payment they ought to agree to pay interest at 6 per cent.

The collateral to show that it has not declined in value

I am convinced that we could collect the whole by thirty
cent for it, but I am willing to grant the concession if paid, which
seems to me all they have a right to expect.

There is news this morning of a large number of naval
contracts to be let in consequence of settlement of the armor
plate dispute. This will make bonds easy, to prevent an
immediate reaction.

My proposition amounts to a acceptance of their general
proposal except that I refuse any special favors as to the collateral
security and as to prepayment of the notes, which would
make them unavailable for discount, and that I refuse waiver
of interest except on the two coupons of $7600 each in
November and March. It seems to me that the just point
should not be conceded till these are found, but that is for you.

If you think that I am too obstinate there will still be
time to telegraph me this morning. One other thing I am willing
to allow is that if Banks is unable to pay his entire bid, I will
release for his stock, it will not be accepted lower than his bid
for release for the stock, or providing the money, but no
other time bids are to be considered, nor is any time to be allowed after
signature of the form of the bids, unless by a special agreement in
writing with the owners of the notes.

As the proposition calls for no more cash at any time except
the interest in 1881 & then Rowe's [illegible] and as it therefore cannot call
for any consideration of credit and means I suppose that of Ba
[illegible] & Thompson for immediate acceptance only. I do not want
this matter to drag along.

Yours truly,
[illegible]

P.S. I telegraphed you this morning "main line held for Rowe
offer rejected [illegible] and said additional if subject to vote. Bidding [illegible]

waiving except on cash and March notes due within.
I suggest that you telegraph them as follows

Offer unacceptable. Banks refuse discount under terms proposed. Would accept ~~Ten thousand dollars~~ November twenty-eighth seven fifty November twentieth and notes without interest for seven fifty March first and ~~eight thousand~~ seven thousand nine hundred October first on security offered with renewal of forty five hundred for six months at six per cent. Do not give control before sale of collateral on deposit but bid would be considered. Offer open till Thursday evening. Do not wire.

I think that this is in a little better form than in my letter. Instead of taking about interest I have made the offer to pay – rate for [illegible] Oct. 1st. 1891 which is nearly equivalent to [illegible] 6% interest for ~~[illegible]~~ one year less [illegible]

N. T. B.

Since writing above ~~[illegible]~~ telegram received. Letter received think you are making a mistake. My judgment is decidedly against if notes are represented. Do not to-morrow morning if possible settle if notes are represented. Very inconvenient but will reach you by four if telegram comes by ten to-morrow morning. See letter.

I am answering

If you think necessary telegraph me on reading this. I think we could get these terms if the interest is paid on account.

This means fight of the interest. I dislike to go by standpoint, but I shall probably yield if you insist.

I very much dislike his right to pay as he sees fit anytime.

Yours,

N. T. B.

Nov. 11th. 1880

Dear Bob:

Your letter of yesterday and day before are at hand. I have no criticism to make on the papers enclosed, except that Parker seems anxious to make a job for himself, and by no means sends a proper answer as to the value of Eccles' house. I note moreover that he only allows for $17500 on first mortgage against it. Perhaps this was now his mortgage, making up the $12 overdue mentioned by House.

I suppose if Eccles fails to live up to his promise on Nov. 20th. he puts himself in a position where we could sue for breach of contract, as we he would be not refuse to fulfil the terms.

When I spoke to Helen about Sally's letter she handed me her answer which she had just finished. She had got up for breakfast today for the first time this month, and was visibly comfortable feel when Sally's note came.

I am very glad to hear of the progress of the C.S. Co. When is the next call for money due? I have even yet no formal call.

I have just telegraphed you "Parker underestimates mortgage. Your letter does not correct him." Possibly his telegraphic answer will only give the equity. If so will it not be best to make sure before final action?

Yours faithfully

Nath[l]. T. Bacon

Nov. 1[illegible] 18[illegible]

Mr. Wm. H. Shinge, Sidney, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of 14th. damaged by the storm is just here. The shell has to repair the Spring house thoroughly. It was so thickly rough tongued, with old three logs, but the house is a well built one and worth thorough repair.

I know nothing of Crowe lately. If he best does not pay I think you had better wait him more. Such people are apt to get an idea that they have a right to stay whether they pay or not if they are given away rents. The reason that the good class of foreigners pay so well is that they have no means of good or bad excuse of any kind of the, do not. The worst kind of tenants are those who are making claims for consideration. I do not mean to put it on such or kindships to those who are doing their best to pay their rents, but no claim is less worthy of consideration than those who trade on some past misfortune.

[illegible] I know a good house probably it will pay [illegible] the stone houses [illegible] of many be of good material, nothing will pay. Now that we have all so many houses empty I mean by this at the renewal of tenants more closely.

Have replied to Mr. Sprague about Dec. 7th, and will if convenient, see you there if I get there.

Yours faithfully

N. T. Dodge

P.S. Forgot to ask and you have not stated, in what cases water rents are paid by us, and what by the tenant. I am rather thought have thought that the house Daniel Hughes is in at our disposal. Mr. Hunt wrote me that Mr. Shinge had agreed to make the necessary repairs on it, so that I did not take it from him. Please let me know whether the place is in good repair.

Nov. 17th 1900 =

Mr. John S. Perkins
Holderness, N.H.

My dear Mr. Perkins:

Please go to our cottage and measure the height of the kitchen, of the parlor and of the bed-rooms upstairs, giving also the height at the wall upstairs where there is not bed room, and the pitch of the roof.

The dimensions which I have drawn the arrows will fill the bill. I shall then let the paper hanger loose.

When you fill the ice house I should prefer ice not over 8" or 10" thick if it comes convenient to cut it before it gets thicker. Thin ice is not subject to loss by expansion in a sweltering summer in hot weather thinner cakes are preferable, as they are easier to handle.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Nov. 17th 1900 =

Dear Ben:

Could you take me in over next Sunday and get me a ticket for the foot ball game?

I rather expect to be obliged to go to New Haven next week, and should be glad to take in the game of Sat.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

N.Y. 25th 1866

My dear Mr. Blunt,

I enclose you will find a letter from Barnes which reached me yesterday. I enclose also a copy of my answer.

I do not wish to risk delivering him any money under any circumstances. It may be true, what he says about having obtained a place in the sheriff's office and a position open to him. You can ascertain from Mr. Blunt the party writing. If it should be true that he has received employment which will bring him in as much as $40 a month, I would agree he will have the place for the rents for the N.W. corner of Broad & which includes the house also he lives in, for $1600 pls his back rent, in monthly instalments of $100 and interest at 7 p.c. But such forbearance will only be taken, that he gets no possession which would give us to expect more money, that first time not there would be required rent will be ~~paying forward~~ reduce the principal to $1200 pls. At that time I will permit him to clear out & take back the mortgage on for $12 pls and a second for $500 pls.

I think it most probable that this is merely a trick to postpone being put out. If on investigation you find it so, please put him out at once. I am very tired of him.

Yours truly
W. B. T. Barnes

If the sheriff has actually promised him an appointment and undertakes to pay, you may let the first payment wait till he pays the 2. If he gives my order on his party, but his credit is not good, will not pass be backed by something more than a promise.

I expect to be in Syracuse about Dec. 6th, but I do not expect to have business there.

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Nov. 2 1900

Mr. Wm. H. Barnes,
Solvay, Onondaga Co., N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Nov. 0th is at hand. I have refused to the Thorell the lease you wrote me. I do not want to conduct such negotiations at a distance.

Yours faithfully,
N. T. Bacon

Nov. 20th 1900

Dear Sol:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. I started those papers along on Saturday and they should have reached you this morning.

I hope you get the Centre office in shape so that we get the money. We then can relying on that for the C.S.Co. cash.

You can also count on the remaining $200.00 also you out of it as well as your 10%.

We are now expecting to leave for N.Y. on Nov. 30th. Can't you get us seats for Opera de Bergerac for Dec. 4th or 5th, preferably for Tuesday the 4th. I hear there is a great rush for them. I don't want to go over for a seat if I can help it & would just as big go for Cap. Hope is all right again.

Yours faithfully
Nath'l T. Bacon

Nov. 24th 1900

Dear Sed:

Yours of yesterday covering check for $6,700 to my order is at hand. Pabst's account strikes me as pretty big considering it is you do, but if you are willing to make so important a contribution to it I have no reason to complain & assume, as you assume if my proposal is accepted.

Your news of the C.D. is excellent. We are really in hard luck not to have landed Wills cashing as we should have been badly battered with the finance of the Sleep. Cl. to a.m.

Yours respectfully
Nath. T. Bacon

Nov. 26th 1900

Dear Sed:

Friday coming I want to New Haven for the game and so failed to get yours of Friday till this afternoon.

Helm is away so I will wait till to-morrow to see about seats at the club. Saw an advertisement in a N.Y. paper that R. Cornelius was to give a course beginning Dec. 3rd. If such particulars we will go to something else rather than L'Aiglon.

I enclose a card for Mr. Angell of Angell & Swift Architects.

I shall be in Providence Tuesday coming & Wednesday morning. If Bailey is already there I may stop for a hasty or able to help otherwise, but I have no time now. Please telegraph me here his address in case he has started when this reaches you.

I have lent him $1500 & so secured him $800 of his rent. He will give worthy statements.

Yours in haste
N. T. Bacon

Nov. 27th. 1900

My dear Cowin:

Last night and this morning I spent all the time I could spare trying to find the passage I alluded to about the Sea of Marmora. My library is pretty large and contains a great many books of travel which makes it difficult, & the search alone fails, but I may still find it.

If you will put me in communication with Mr. Hodgkins I will try to see him next week, when I am in New York, or send him the book later if I find it.

I am sorry not to be able to allow you all the credit for this before you go.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Nov. 27th. 1900

My dear Mr. Woodward:

Inclosed you will find a New York check for $10.10 which covers the two bills of Anderson's inclosed, and a private bill of $1.75 plus 15 cents for postage, making in all $14.25 for Anderson and 75 cents for yourself. I am glad I did not have to pay some of the prices which books brought at the Mekie sale. It seems foolish but much at these highly advertised sales unless it is for something of such exceptional merit that you stand no chance of getting it deserves.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

These evening sales seem to have more sweetness than Bunge.

Nov. 25th 1900

Dear Sol,

Yours of yesterday is just at hand. We will give up Aquilin [illegible]

Helen does not feel up to starting as we meant to so that we shall have to rearrange our programme.

I now expect to reach N.Y. on the [illegible] the directors' meeting Tuesday (or the earlier, by Monday night but) and shall at the C.B. Co. till Thursday P.M., when I will meet Helen and go with to [illegible] with her, and then we will come down to reach N.Y. about Dec. 12th and [illegible] few days with you if convenient.

Helen's strength has to be considered and Syracuse is a fixture, so that we are compelled to change [illegible] If inconvenient so late in the [illegible] have only to let us know.

I am [illegible] for more [illegible] the C.B. Co. Yours faithfully

N. T. Bacon

Nov. 27th 1900

My dear Mr Timson:

Yours of yesterday is to hand with the of enclosures. Before giving final [illegible] I should like to see your estimate of [illegible] and to have what part of your subscriptions are for stock and what part for bonds and what for gifts.

I am much surprised to see the second half of the funds called for in sixty days. It would have been much easier for us to increase our subscription if the second call had been deferred till the money was needed. I cannot see how so much can be spent till your building is substantially completed, which certainly cannot be for much under six months to come.

I am sorry to make so much trouble about a small subscription, but we have had such [illegible] calls for help of late that I should only wish to increase on a well [illegible] basis.

Yours faithfully

Nath'l T. Bacon

Nov. 27th, 1900

Mr. Wm. P. Strong
807 Cayuga St. Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your telegram reached me last night after the office had closed and read "Will you sell lot one block ~~[illegible]~~ & for twelve hundred fifty, fifty down the first month and probably one hundred fifty in spring. Reliable party. David Strong."

I will accept ~~$~~ such an offer, ~~[illegible]~~ with the understanding that the balance unpaid bears six per cent interest. The price is, I believe a little below the schedule furnished you, but I shall be glad to make here you make your first sale.

I am telegraphing you ~~[illegible]~~ "Will accept fifty down and twelve hundred in monthly instalments with legal interest."

Yours faithfully
Nath. T. Bacon

I doubt whether you get the telegram before the letter.

Nov. 29th 1900 =

Mr. Russell O. Clarke
Clarke & Spaulding
72 Weybosset St. Providence, R.I.

My dear Mr. Clarke,

Will you allow me to introduce to you the bearer of this, Mr. Bailey of the Perpetuo Stone Co. of New York?

My brother is treasurer of this company so that I am interested in it.

It is just putting on the market a new material, several forms of which may interest you if you can spare a little time to talk with Mr. Bailey. The material strikes me as remarkable good, but I am prejudiced and so will refer it to your judgment.

Hoping that Mr. Bailey will interest you believe me

Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

Nov. 29th. 1900 =

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday is at hand with the volume which I will attend to tomorrow, and with the remarkable news of new costs.

I enclose another note of introduction for Bailey to the head of the firm of Clarke & Spaulding, architects in Providence. Not to Angell or Swift they are Jobbing, the principal architects in Providence.

Yours faithfully
Nath.l T. Bacon

Feb. 1st. 1900

My dear Mr. Stikeleather:

Yours of Nov. 22nd came while I was away. Unless Barnes has appeared before this receive you please give him notice at once. I should think you could find out quickly by telephone whether the new sheriff is going to take him on and whether the Geneva Town Board (or Sheney village board?) has appointed him constable. I do not want to give him any more chance to beat me.

As to the insurance. As policies in stock companies mature I should be willing to take it running there in the new corporation Co. provided that the Sup. Ins. Bank is satisfied with it. I do not care, however, to call in existing policies in order to do this.

I do not feel any superflu of confidence in M.C. Barrow & D.M. Gur as insurers, though I consider them honest men. You are the only one in the list of directors who appeals to me. I hope to see you by Friday, and hope that the Barnes affair will be settled before that.

Yours faithfully, N. T. Barrow

Dec. 2nd. 1880.

Mr. J. A. Miller
Butler Exchange, Providence, R.I.

Dear Sir:

On thinking over the question of the Siemens Pan improvement it occurs to me that it would be better to speak of it as an improvement in apparatus for concentrating in closed vessels. In this way we would be able to apply it also in those cases where the work is done at ~~temperature~~ pressures normal and higher.

As to the salt water application, it strikes me also that it would be well to broaden this if possible so as to cover the case where the brine is only concentrated and then used as concentrated brine, as in soap making, or for electric light. Moreover I think it might perhaps be well to suggest using the incoming brine for cooling the vapors to be frozen before even going to the ammonia condensation. Mechanical cooling is the most expensive part of the operation, and it is well to save as much as possible by cooling with water. By the sea it probably would generally be better to use an independent supply for this purpose.

I also want to avoid tying myself to a particular succession of operations, as it might be from practice to make change the order, and do the ammonia condensation with the brine cooled in freezing, or by some similar alteration in detail. These things will probably have occurred to you, but write for added memorandum.

I leave town today for two weeks absence, but my mail will be forwarded.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Beaty

Peace Dale, R. I., December 4, 1900.

Die Deutsche Solvay Werke,

Bernburg, Anhalt, Germany.

Gentlemen:-

Some friends of mine here in New York require large quantities of commercial magnesium cholride. (illegible) I believe that this is one of your bye products in the potassium works. If this is the case, they would be glad to have quotations on twenty-five ton lots delivered on board vessel at Hamburg. I should be glad to guarantee their account personally in case any business is done, knowing them very intimately, so that their responsability can be considered as assured.

An early reply will oblige

Yours faithfully

Mr. L. Stuart Wing,

#22 William street. December 4, 1900.

My dear Mr. Wing:-

I enclose you a copy of a letter to the President of the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company. I have asked him to send the answer, as you see, to your office. In case a letter for me arrives there on Thursday morning from them I will authorize you to open it in case I do not come in before 10 o'clock in the morning. It is possible that I may have to go to Syracuse earlier than I anticipate.

Yours faithfully,

866 B

The R.I. Hospital Trust Co.
Providence, R.I.

Dec. 6th 1866.

Gentlemen:
Yours of yesterday is at hand. My friend will be glad to take the five per thousand dollars worth of gold notes of the following Process &c. at the figures named. He would like them made out in notes for One thousand dollars ($1000.00) each to L. Stuart Wing. If you will address them at 22 Wall St. New York he will send you checks for them as soon as they are ready for delivery.

Yours faithfully,
Nath. T. Bacon

12-MES-144

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 8, 1900.

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Rev. John B. Diman,

St. Georges School,

Newport, R. I.

My dear Mr. Diman;-

Yours of the 4th has reached me here. Away from home, as I am, I am unable to compare it with the other correspondence. Moreover you do not enclose a copy of your articles of incorporation which I am particularly anxious to see. I shall hope to find these on my return to Peace Dale in about a week and will then attend to the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beeson

December 8, 1900.

12-MES-143

Mr. J. J. Carpenter,

c/o Carpenter Stone Company,

144th St and 4th Ave.

New York City.

My dear Mr. Carpenter:-

Kindly send me by express, c/o The Solvay Process Company, Syracuse, samples of your sawdust and mixed cork and sawdust products and also, if you have it at hand, sample of the tile and terrazzo products. Small samples will answer for any of these, but I should be glad to have a piece of the moulded tile.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Beeson

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MES-142

December 8, 1900.

Mr. Selden Bacon,

Tribune Building,

New York City.

My dear Sel:-

Enclosed you will find copies of our various participation agreements with our workmen which I send to you, thinking you may find them useful. Of course the Senior participation is the one concerning which I was speaking to you the other day.

We now expect to reach New York Friday morning and I shall expect to see you then. Till then we shall probably be here, but will let you know if there is any change in our plans.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Norman J. Bacon

I failed to get a copy of the form I signed, and could only get a more recent one, which is broader. I will look some up when I get home.

Yours. N. J. B.

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As the Co. has not furnished me with five months work in the East for years except as I have sneaked a job for nearly I have not any hesitation in ~~trying~~ to using some spare time outside.

I wrote Saturday to Carpenter asking for samples for insulating work here. This is a very considerable field and I can secure them fair consideration as soon as the samples come, but I will not try to do more as I am a stock holder in the C.S.P.Co. & prices must be made to meet new competition, and guarantees given as to any other customer if required.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barker

Syracuse, N.Y. Dec. 19th 1900

Dear Sir:

Sunday of Saturday is at hand. I had already sent you copies of our agreement with the staff. On receiving your letter I went and got a copy of my own contract with the S.P. Co. The section in question reads:

"In consideration of the participation in profits as "aforesaid, the party of the second part agrees that all "inventions, improvements and discoveries which he has made "or which he may make affecting or relating to any "process, method or machinery for the manufacture of soda "or its by-products (as for example Bicarbonate, Caustic, "Chlorine and its compounds) which he has been or shall be in "the employ of said Company, and for five years thereafter shall "be the exclusive property of the S.P. Co. and said Co. may take "out patents in his name. ---

As Chlorine is mentioned in this list I took the contract to the Pres. of the S.P. Co. and asked for a construction of this clause, explaining the case. He said that he did not see why I came to him for it, for it was a question not of the manufacture, but of the consumption of a by-product of soda manufacture, so that I was perfectly at liberty to go ahead. This was exactly what I had at thought of and as he so stated without waiting for my opinion I think you can rely on it. I felt entirely safe in doing so.

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866 F

December 10th, 1900.

Messrs. Joseph S. Miller & Co.,
435 Butler Exchange, Providence, R.I.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of September 7th has reached me here. I return the specification signed as you will to have it done, and return it to you intact, but it occurs to me that there are one or two places where improvement might be possible. If you have had this point in mind, and have drawn the specification purposely with the view of avoiding the point I now bring up, there is nothing more to say, but it perhaps would pay to make a slight change in one or two places. Where you speak of precipitation, would it not be well generally to change it to "evaporation and precipitation." Of course the main feature is an over evaporation in this one, as the precipitation involved will take place where it does no harm, but as I look upon the apparatus more as an evaporator than a precipitator, though precipitation is also involved, it may be well to speak of the apparatus as the precipitator, but particularly it strikes me that in the claims it would be well to speak of an evaporating and precipitating chamber wherever the expression precipitating chamber occurs at present.

I enclose check for $30. which you asked for.

Yours faithfully,

Nath[illegible]. T. Bacon

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Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 11th, 1900.

Dear Sol:

Yours of yesterday is at hand. Before this reaches you mine of yesterday will have reached you. For any other capacity than one of arbitration your objection would be valid. I could not afford to offer special time to the C.S. Co., but the stipulation was expressly made that I should not be expected to. I had not in mind to undertake a constructing engineer's work. That would be out of the question, but I should be able to give technical advice on many points of importance without interfering any more with my regular work than I did in waiting for the Spokane Review.

No I understand matters & what I proposed was what what you would have suggested of special counsel if you had been to save prominent Ohio lawyer to know definitely how to proceed in Ohio field reference to Mr. Cooper's judgment. It is not to study up details (except as in these patents now under consideration I should carefully supervise the chemical work in the P.O. lab. and to work out the patent in the double cyclohexile in particular, for which in particular I have been giving a free hand) but to give an opinion on questions submitted. As I understand the matter generally it was ~~was~~ that this stock was practically to be offered for the particular patent in question, but that I offered ~~sometime~~ to manage it to do what I could for the Co. into the bargain during the critical months when it had no engineer at all, and when questions might arise calling for expert advice. I had no idea of going into general designing, nor of taking a permanent position, but at present for the first time in years I have much leisure and no legal complications.

I think it likely that the S.C.P. Co. will be producing magnesium chloride before very long, as ~~[illegible]~~ chlorine. This would mean one well in Cyl. H.O. I shall expect to hear of Niff Nitty running & finishing on the upstream. Yours truly

H. N. M.

I believe the time chosen you should give is the same — look forward

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Syracuse, N.Y., Dec. 11th. 1900

W. H. H. Chamberlin
307 South Clinton St., Syracuse, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find your proof which has just reached me corrected. I am I had misled you as to the size needed for the sheet by a number of pencil jottings made for another purpose, which have now crossed.

As this evidently had not been set up I have also ventured to change slightly the order of events.

You will also notice that I have asked to have the top spacing compressed so as to get a line or two more at the bottom.

I would also like a line ruled across at the lower, with line, with the word "Totals" printed as I have indicated at the space below.

If you have paper running as big as 11½ inches long I should be glad to have that used but I do not want to go as high as 12" on account of my files and 11" paper will do if necessary.

Hoping that you will not think me too exacting I am

Yours faithfully
N. T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Mr. A. T. Bacon,
McPhee Building,
Denver, Colo.

Dear Taff:

Your letter reached me a week or so ago. In view of all these circumstances it will evidently be best not to try to do anything in the matter of the land at Ft. Sumner, so I will let the question drop.

Yours faithfully,

Nicholas T. Bacon

Providence, R.I. Dec 18th. 1866.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Saturday came yesterday and I at once visited Y. to Washington and took off matters for merge advised as that I have filed the preliminary petition, Office fee of $100 and furnished the formalities necessary to initiate such a Patent. Applied for one year.

Mr. Miller, however, advises dividing this application into two as not to risk failing to cover the exact product in case the more general application fails, the advice seems to me sound. I have to be in N.Y. Friday evening and will talk it over with you either then or Friday afternoon or Saturday morning.

As to the agreement with the S.R.C. I send by express my copy. Mr. Miller is with all my S.R.C. papers just now. I left and it has been sent away in some mistake. I believe the R.C. did it during my absence. He means well, but when he acts anything may happen. It is temporarily lost. But you can rely on the form provided you. I compared that from myself with the Square copy of my agreement and it was substantially the same except in the preliminary passage, which has nothing to do with us, and there was no change in meaning there. What I asked for you express relation as far as I supposed. Fear of any impatience, but I added a few sentences beyond what I considered of importance, and abridged that the last three or four words of what I sent you were not an absolute copy, but the rest was so far as "and the said R.C."

The draft which you send me is entirely satisfactory to me.

You expect me in Pawtucket Friday night, or I have an all the evening for it at the Ex. of Thos. Prudentia, for the 18th.

Yours faithfully,

[illegible] T. Brown

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Rev. John B. Diman,

St. George's School,

Newport, R.I.

My dear Mr. Diman:

Yours of Dec. 3rd reached me duly. I find that it is going to be inconvenient to raise more money at this time than we had proposed putting in, so that I will not attempt to do more, and I enclose a check to the order of Thomas G. Brown, Treasurer, for the $250. for the first call. If you are preparing to make bonds of a smaller denomination, as $500., we will take one of these, but if not, we will take stock so as not to put you to the expense of having a spedal form of bond made for so small an amount. It is possible that later we may feel able to do a little more, so that if you prefer to let the matter stand for a few months, giving us merely a receipt for the money instead of issuing a formal bond, or a certificate of stock, in case no bonds of smaller denomination than $1,000. are issued, we shall be willing to let the matter stand in this way for a while.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure--check.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Mr. G. H. Stillwell,

University Block,

Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Stillwell:

I find, on going through my papers, policies as follows:

For $2,000. on the property #115 Robinson Street, expiring Aug. 9, 1903, in the Eagle Co.

For $900. in the Phoenix, expiring March 12, 1901, on the Miller property, Lot 19, Block D, Bacon Tract.

And for $640. in the Union Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Providence, expiring January 1, 1904.

There remain still unaccounted for six out of the list which you gave me, namely, 10 D, 15 D, 3 E, and 21, 22, and 23 F. I think there is no doubt that Mrs. Smith has the policy on 10 H. She still holds a mortgage on that property and my interest is only on a second mortgage.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Bacon

I enclose the above mentioned policies.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

My wife Helen H. Bacon has received no dividends on the new stock in your road, which was put in her name last spring. On inquiry from the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co., through whom this stock was placed in her name, I hear that this is probably because she has not sent you an order for payment of the dividends here. I believe that her sisters, Mrs. Irving Fisher, Mission Hill, Santa Barbara, Calif., and Miss Caroline Hazard of this place, have also failed to receive their dividends for the same reason. Kindly forward to each of them the requisite blanks for signature, in order to have the dividends paid as they fall due.

Yours faithfully,

Nathan T. Bacon

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Mr. Anthony Olgati,

Care of Mr. William F. Sturge,

#807 Cogswell Ave., Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In looking into the matter the other day I found that it was due to Mrs. Luchsinger's mistake that your payments had not been reported for December, 1899, and June, 1900. That only leaves unexplained the reduction in the rate from 6% to 5%. Your wife spoke to me of wanting to pay off this mortgage at once in monthly installments of $15. each. If you will pay it off this way with the interest, making your first payment January 1st, I will allow it to stand at 5%, but otherwise I must insist upon the rate being restored to 6%.

Yours faithfully,

Nath'l T. Allen

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Mr. William P. Sturge,

#607 Cogswell Ave.,

Solvay, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

With this I am enclosing a letter for Olgati which I should be glad to have you present to him and get him to give a specific answer as to what he means to do. He doubtless finds it very difficult to answer letters in English, so that I will not ask him to write to me, if you will attend to the matter. Of course you will collect these payments.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Rawson

Enclosure.

Peace Dale, R.I., Dec. 18, 1900.

Mr. Joseph T. A. Eddy,

Union Mut. Fire Ins. Co.,

#608 Banigan Bldg, Providence, R.I.

My dear Mr. Eddy:

My insirance matters are in some disorder, owing to the recent death of my agent. We have discovered policies in various places since his death and probably more will turn up, but there are still a half dozen missing from the list of some forty in all. I believe that several of these were obtained through you from the Union Mutual, and I would be much obliged if you could give me a memorandum of what policies you hold in my favor.

Yours faithfully,

Nath. T. Rawson

Pine Bluff, R.I. Dec. 15th. 1900

My dear Miss Perkins:

More than a month ago I wrote to your father asking him to get me the height of the rooms in our cottage and I have no answer yet. If you be in a mood to do them so kind & ask you if you will either get them yourself or ask your father to do it.

The dimensions which I want are those marked on the sketch namely the height from floor to ceiling of 1st & 2nd floors & bedroom floor, likewise the height next to the wall where the rooms are lowest on the bedroom floor; and the thickness from ceiling to floor (i.e. flooring, joist and flooring) and the distance in the bedroom rooms from the wall to where there is the full height. Hoping that your father is at

it and that you can get me these so kindly, believe me yours, gratefully
Mrs. J. Perkins

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Note of Indebtedness of L. W. B. for Nov. 28th 1900.

Mrs. W. S. G.		$200.
Dr. Cornell	$100 Jan. 1st 1901	300.
Grosvenor	Dec. 25th 1900	200.
Candy (Kingsbill)		130
Estate of T. B. Demand		1200
C. W. B	"	400
M. W. B. C.	"	100
H. Selim	"	200
Munson	"	1000
Dr. Verdi		300
Tilton		350
		4270
		1375
		5645

Bills payable

Rent	400
Groceries	232 / 10
Butcher	80
Stable	140
Coal	25
Ice	25
Dry goods	50 / 30
Drugs	10
School	25
Carriage	25
Taxes	15
Plumber	35
Stoves etc.	25
Furniture	15
Orchestra	25
Painting	15
Stationery	25
Photographer	5
Crockery etc.	5
	1375

Place Dole, R.I. Dec. 17th. 1900.

Dear Sam:

Enclosed with this you will find a copy of the statement we drew up in your office three weeks or so ago. I have to receive the note to it shortly after Jan. 1st.

I have not yet received the insurance assignment. If you have not taken any further steps about this I should be glad if you could get the larger policy which Cornwell holds, instead of the two smaller ones. The two do not make the face of your note, which might look suspicious to the bank when I discount the note, as I shall have to do after Jan. 1st.

I bought a slightly better watch for Walter than the one I was looking at in Providence. Sally suggests that it would be well to send printing napkins & the flowers with it so if you have blotters or pads of your children please send them over. I was very much to hear that you have been able to cut down still further one year's interest and that you have your addition and a written agreement with Munson, to reduce the rent.

Yours faithfully Wm. T. Bacon

Port Byl, N.J., Dec. 20th 1900.

Mr. Wm. P. Stringe
Solway, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find copy of the payments reported by Mrs. Lockwinger in July & August 1900. Besides these she tells me that she received two payments from Pl. & E. in Dec. 1899 and in July 1900 including $8.75 which were omitted from all reports by oversight. She said she would make it good after the first of the year.

This is why that you have not yet reported any payment by Jacob Lockwinger since you took charge. He still owes me $150.00 and interest on his second mortgage. The interest ($7.50) fell due Sept. 1st. Hitherto he has always been remarkably prompt in his payments. I do not want to force him if he is hard up, but I would like an explanation.

Yours faithfully
N. T. Barton

1900		Payments reported by Mrs. Lockwinger in July & August		
E	1	Wm. P. Stringe	7.00	—
E	3	Geo. Bryant	5.	6.50
D	8	John Schenck	—	2.50
D	9	Justin Staley	3.00	6.
D	10	[illegible] Hicks	5.	2
D	15	Chas. Ryle	6.	3
D	20	J. L. Staley	3.	—
C	8	R. Buckland	15.	—
C	9	John Kurtz (Interest)	—	3.75
C	10	Russell Blair	3.	3.
F	21	R. Friselli	2.76	—
J	22	Joseph Kingon	17.70	—
J	23	Stephen Hand	6.	3.
H	4	Peter Zoffi	3	—
H	5	Nicholas Jones	7.	—
H	6	Wm. Carlson	—	4.25
H	9	K. Green	6	—
J	14 S.½	U. Schiesser	6	—
J	14 N.½	Wm. Stoudridge	15.00	15.00
J	17	Ed. Regan	10.	—
J	22	H. Cutzi Sr.	—	—
J	23	Jacob Sunny	—	—
J	24 N.½	Geo. Hansen	2	—
K	14	A. Zimmerman		
K	16	John Jones	6.00	—
K	20	Jacob Lutz	—	—
K	22	D. J. Ransom	6.00	—
K	24	Chas. Pfohl	—	7.
Jan.	5½	Frank Schmuel, (Interest)	27.00	
			179.46	41.25

Dec. 24th 1900

My dear Mr. Carpenter:

Please get this off to Dr. Ehrenfried so that he gets it a little ahead of Christmas.

Please send with it a word saying that you were able to find the bill of lading, and that you lift the slight delay with all love reminiscent of him.

I would not give anything better celebrate than that at your house at most.

Yours for the bill
N. T. Bland

Dec. 27th 1900

John Ambrosing Jr.
24 W. 30th St. New York

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find my check for $10.00, covering my pledge for Dec. 4th. Day this up you did for Christmas this moment I might. If so please send me a receipt in full to date, & oblige forwarding money to first day.

Yours truly
N. T. Bland

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Providence, R.I., Dec. 27th 1900.

My dear Nat

Your letter enclosing a check for the worth and a life insurance came a few days ago. Don't think of sending any more for the worth. Dad shifted on with me to do the time's share, and it would make me satisfied that the small difference is worth. Moreover will make some kind of a shift so as to spare you sending back the $37.00 on account of your note. You can do better use it to better advantage in paying bills. I am very glad to have that off. Cannot let you have $100.00 now.

Would it be of material assistance to you if I should get another note discounted for you at four months time, for any amount? I don't ought to say it unless it would be a material help, for I have to go partly over the bankers on my own account for the next six months, at least. Money this week cost you 6%. If I should do this, I figure that it would enable you to pay all your small bills, but if they are not pressing perhaps it will be as well to leave them.

I do not want to attempt this before the first of the year in any case and if it is not worth trying unless by putting you on an absolutely cash basis, it would enable you to buy more cheaply than when you have things changed. We can probably both see more clearly where by Jan. 5th. Your letter will have been sent in by that time, so that it will be easy to see what your indebtedness is, and I shall have made my main financial arrangements for the next six months. I shall hope for your statement by Jan. 5th. at latest.

Your loving brother
Nath. T. Bason

Dec. 27th 1900 [illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible],

Another of the missing manuscripts is probably in the hands of [illegible]. It is in the [illegible] and was made [illegible] and [illegible] in their [illegible]. I have [illegible] of this [illegible] but I cannot find the [illegible]. If you [illegible] it [illegible] they [illegible] to [illegible]

Yours faithfully

Nath. [illegible]

I hope you are getting on with the [illegible] foreclosure.

I wish you would arrange with [illegible] about her debt. Matters are rather [illegible] as they are till the [illegible] of the small balance which ought to have stood on [illegible]. [illegible] she can give a 2d mortgage & have [illegible] or if you do not think it [illegible], she can give a [illegible] for the small balance. I would be glad to [illegible] the [illegible] of the 2d. mort. She has no debts the property would [illegible] little. N. [illegible]

[illegible] Dec. 28th, 1900.

My dear Mr. Carpenter,

Yesterday I went to Providence for the [illegible] [illegible] and called on the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] they are [illegible]. It would be [illegible] by [illegible] but I think there is a [illegible]. [illegible] I think [illegible] [illegible] to you to get your opinion as to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] during the night.

Please let me hear from you [illegible]

Yours faithfully N. T. [illegible]

Prince Edwd, P.E.I., Dec. [illegible] 1900.

My dear Mr Woodworth

With this I am sending you a list of books for the sale of [illegible] at Inverness.

I am building on a very modest scale considering the cost of wood. I have done three rooms. If you will allow me I will give you the use your discretion may think fit of the four which I have underscored. Select in much haste. If you have time think over them before the date. I should be glad to have your judgment on each of the books the underscored title, but I do not know if such time will be available. Though another the figures will give should you have time. The lots in pencil are duplicates.

1	Mantle, work	50	37 Jameson		50
2	Mayhew	50	38 Kelly		50
3	Gaspin	50	39 Lancelotti		50
4	Lodge 2	50	40 Lee		50
5	Pickthall	50	41 Letter		50
6	Hughes	50	42 Mentor		50
7	Quiet	50	43 Raynal		50
8	Ellis	50	44 Scott		50
9	Gough	50	45 Scott	2 vols	50
10	Barker	50	46 Stephen		50
11	Gaskoyne 2 vols	100	47 Richardson	2 vols	100
12	Bennett	50	48 Scott		50
13	Dalrymple	50	49 Smith		50
14	Dufey	50	50 Smith	2 vols	50
15	Gaspin 2 vols	100	51 Tory and Reform		50
16	Bennett 2 vols	100	52 Thomson	2 vols	100
17	Lynn	50	53 Thorne	2 vols	50
18	Tenny	50	54 Ellen	2 vols	50
19	Spencer	50	55 Hill		50
20	Spencer	50	56 Longing		50
21	Hilliard d'Abeville	50	57 Ross	2 vols	50
22	[illegible]	50	58 Wright	2 vols	50
23	Holdsworth	50	59 Scott		50
24	Jefferson	50	60 Hillhouse		50

Hoping that you may get some for me I remain

Yours faithfully

M. T. Brown