

New York, April 6. 1860.

William R. Blep Esq,
Dear Sir,

Herewith you will please
receive specimens of the Embossed Paper which
we hope will prove satisfactory.

We can furnish the Paper,
stamped and lined like sample in every
respect - the Large size for Seven dollars and
twenty five cents per thousand sheets and the
small for four dollars and seventy five cents
per thousand sheets -

Very truly Yours

George F. Nesbitt & Co

1.25 - per 1000 sheets

4.75 - " 1000 "



date?

Articles of Agreement made between

of the one part, and George H. Nesbitt & Co
of the City of New York, of the other part,

Witnesseth, That it is agreed on the part

of — to employ the said George H. Nesbitt
& Co, of the City of New York, to manufacture
and furnish for the use of the Post Office Department
of the Canadas all the postage Stamp envelopes
which may be required for the transmission of
letters for the people of the Canadas, and to
pay them, the said George H. Nesbitt & Co. there-
for at the following rates;— to wit:— Five
Dollars per thousand for Self Sealing Postage Stamp
-ed Envelopes of the size and quality of the sam-
ple hereto attached, to be made of white, or
blue paper, or in such proportions of each as
Government may direct.

And it is further agreed on the part of
— to pay the said George H. Nesbitt & Co for
the said Envelopes within thirty (30) days from
the delivery of each order.

And it is agreed on the part of the said
George H. Nesbitt & Co. that the paper to be used
in the postage stamp envelopes hereto agreed to
be furnished shall be manufactured specially
for the purpose, — that it shall be of uniform
quality, equal in all respects to the sample
hereto appended, and it is further agreed
on the part of the said George H. Nesbitt & Co.
that all the paper to be used in the said postage
Stamp envelopes shall be manufactured with a
water mark, as per sample hereto attached, and

~~Stamped Envelope~~

Draft of contract

w/ Canada & ABNC

In case the C. P. O. D. require a change of the device
or Postage Stamps
on the Postage Envelopes for any other cause than in
Consequence of their having been successfully Counterfeited
the C. P. O. D. to pay for the Price for the same -
also in case the C. P. O. D. require Postage Stamps
of any other denomination than those already
in use by S. Dept - they are to pay for the same
at the rate of \$150. for each plate of 100 Stamps

The A. B. N. Co. shall keep said plates
for postage stamps
in repair, without charge therefor -

date?

Articles of Agreement made between
the American Bank Note Company of the
city of New York, ~~and~~ United States of America,
on the one part, ^{and} ~~with~~ the Post Office Department
of the Government of Canada, in North America,
on the other part;

Witnesseth, that it is agreed on the part
of the said Post Office Department to employ
the said American Bank Note Company, to
manufacture and furnish for the use of the
said Post Office Department all the postage
stamped envelopes, and all the postage stamps,
which may be required for the transmission of
letters, ^{and other mailable matter} for the people of the Canadas, and to
pay the said American Bank Note Company
therefor, at the following rates; to wit, - Two Dollars
and Twenty cents per thousand for self-sealing
postage stamped envelopes of the size and quality
of the sample hereto attached; to be made of white
or blue paper, or in such proportions of each

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as the said Department may direct; And to pay
Twenty-five cents per thousand for postage
stamps, in sheets ^{of 100 stamps each,} gummed and perforated,
of the style and quality of those now used by
the said Post office Department.

And it is further agreed, on the part of the
said Post office Department to pay the said
American Bank Note Company for the said
envelopes and stamps, within thirty days
from the delivery of each order complete.

And it is agreed on the part of the said
American Bank note company, that the paper
to be used in the postage stamped envelopes,
[hereby agreed to be furnished] shall be man-
ufactured especially for the purpose; that it
shall be of uniform quality, equal in all
respects to the sample hereto appended. (And
it is further agreed on the part of the said American
Bank Note Company) that (all the paper to be used
in the said postage stamped envelopes) shall

be manufactured with a water mark,
as per sample hereto attached, and that
each envelope shall have stamped upon
it, by means of steel dies, engraved in the
best style of art, a postage stamp of such
denomination as may be required, representing
the head of Queen Victoria in profile, surrounded
by a colored border and lettered so as plainly
to express the value of the postage stamp. ~~And it~~
is further agreed on the part of the ^{said} American
Bank Note Company that each envelope shall
be well and thoroughly pasted together, with
adhesive gum of the best quality; that
each of them shall be gummed for sealing,
with gum of like quality; that all of them
shall be made of the pattern hereto appended,
and that when complete, ready for use, they
shall be put up in paper boxes, of 500 each,
the boxes to be paid for by the said Department
at the rate of And it is

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further agreed on the part of the said American
Bank Note Company that if any of said ^{envelopes}
~~the dies~~ shall be ^{successfully} counterfeited at any
time during the existence of this ~~contract~~
agreement, they will, at their own cost,
furnish and keep in repair new dies of
such device or design as the Post Master
General shall approve; And the said American
Bank Note Company further agree that the
dies by them furnished shall be used
only for the purpose of stamping envelopes
for the said Post Office Department, and that
when they shall ceased to be used for ~~that~~
purpose, they shall be thoroughly defaced,
and destroyed in the presence of the parties
to this agreement, or their agents. And the said
American Bank note Company further agree,
that the said Post office Department may prescribe
and, if it deem expedient, change from time to
time the colors to be used in stamping the

postage stamps on the envelopes, or the colors
to be used in printing the single stamps, without
additional expense to the said Post office
Department. And it is agreed that the orders
of the ^{said} ~~Post~~ ~~Master General~~ ~~Said~~ Post office
Department for postage stamped Envelopes
shall be for not less than 100,000, each; and
for stamps, for not less than 1000 sheets of
100 stamps each, and these orders shall be
executed with all reasonable despatch,
and delivered according to the directions of the
said Post office Department. And the said
American Bank note company, and the said
Post office Department enter into this Contract
with the understanding and agreement that it
shall cease ^{+ determine} on the first day of ~~June~~ ^{January}, in the
year of our Lord, one thousand Eight hundred
and Seventy.

Purpel.

Munich-Salt, with ^{ch.} is used for the
Purpel is a chemical composi-
tion of the Carmin-Acid and
Alumina, called Carminate of Alu-
mina or Bicarmine of Alumina
in regard of the surplus of the
Carmin or Carmin Acid, but if
the Munich-Salt comes in connection
with the ^{Surplus of} Alumina with is con-
tained in the Ultramarine, he forms
a basic salt of Carminate of Alu-
mina, ~~with~~ which ~~in~~ forms a chemical
compound of with Ultramarine blue
so that the Alumina is the medium
between both colors, to form the
blue Purpel.

By a mixture of each color before
with ^{the} oil or together with ^{the} oil it is
only a mechanical mixture to

mistify the eye, ~~at~~^{so} never
can be ^{so} permanent and so far as
the ^{real} chemical composition, with
is done in the wet way ^{and} by steam,
because the oil never gives the ma-
minic-Lack or Carmin a change
to make a basic salt or
composition with the Alumina
of the Ultramarine.

Stamped envelopes

Geo. F. Nesbitt & Co.

draft of contract

w/ ABN Co.?

Oct 30 - 1877

Dear Sir

I transferred your
telegraph & letter of Sep 30
respecting the raising of
100 & 400 L.C. to the
Receiver General who has
custody of the stamps -
He will examine the
parcel when it arrives
& will communicate with
you

Yours truly

Wm. S. S. S.

Wm. S. S. S.

Post sheet where? date?
but her whereabouts on his return
is very indefinite in all quarters
I saw Mr Griffin of the Postal Dept.
he is very frank and straightforward
and was one of the Board who recom-
mended the new thing for the sub-
stantial reason that it was desirable
to see the whole matter of stamps
under their own eye as it had become
a matter of much importance etc
beside the Board was unanimous that
it would foster a feeling for Art.
among their own citizens and other
collateral reasons

~~In my interview with Mr Griffin he~~
~~had not yet seen what had been~~
~~the result of the decision~~
of the Minister in fact I gathered
the idea from his remarks that he
was not over-sanguine in the matter
but on the whole the thing should
be tested & would not be disappointed
if it should fail in many of the
hopes entertained of it

first sat where?

date?

I had hoped to have been checked
and which another month will settle
Mr. Dappin who is abroad having been
elected to the Chief office — This
prevents me from ^{acting as desired,} ~~doing all I would~~
in your matter as I otherwise should
write you here of his acceptance

First sheet when? date?
the parties whose talents were so largely
employed in the production of the
Demian Bonds should be the recipients
of patronage from a Government which
at the present moment are called
upon to expend thousands of pounds
to ~~neutralize~~ ^{neutralize} the effects ~~that~~ these
very bonds ~~in a language measure for~~
~~not to~~ ~~intended~~ mainly ~~contribute~~
to produce

and the great service rendered by the
a satisfactory arrangement.
the parties in the B. I. not somewhat
announcing that the very parties

Memorandum

date?

land & African to have

30 % of profit on work done in Canada

30 % of profit on Canadian work through
Canada office done in New York

5 % on gross charge to customer for all
other Canada work done in New York

The Printing tariff to be increased

alterations in Montreal building to be made
and American Bank Note Company to have
rent of parts sublet and pay increased
rent so far as not met by subletting

date?

passed that Messrs. Burland & Lafcarré & Co
& permitted to become partners
in, the proposed New Bank Note
to be established as mentioned
and title of the British
Note Co. (or such other title as ~~may~~ be selected)
the officers of this Company ~~this day~~
(Burland) and that ~~they~~ ^{the A. B. & Co. contribute} will
~~use their efforts to make the~~
~~as perfect~~ compete as the
may require

date?

It is hereby agreed that Mr. Burland & Co. are
authorized & permitted to become parties to
and owners in, the proposed New Bank Note
Company to be established as mentioned
under the name and title of the British-
American ^{Bank} Note Co. (or such other title as may be selected)
for set forth to the officers of this Company ^{the New Company} this day
by Mr. George B. Burland) and that ^{the A.B. & Co. contribute} they will
assist ~~and use their efforts~~ to make the
said organization as ~~perfect~~ complete as the
circumstances may require

Statement of samples.

date 7.

1	sheet	Newfoundland	5 cents	
1	do	do	2	do
2	do	New Brunswick	5	do Postage
1	do	do	10	do do
1	do	do	12½	do do
1	do	do	2	do do
1	do	Nova Scotia	8½	do
1	do	do	10	do
1	do	do	12½	do
1	do	New Brunswick	1	do do
1	do	do	17	do do
1	do	Canada packet	12½	do do
1	do	do	1 halfpenny	do
1	do	do	10 cents	do
1	do	Nova Scotia	1	do
1	do	do	2	do
1	do	do	5	do
1	do	Canada	30	do Bill
1	do	do	20	do do
1	do	do	10	do do
1	do	do	9	do do
1	do	do	8	do do
1	do	do	7	do do
1	do	do	6	do do
1	do	do	3	do do
1	do	do	2	do do
1	do	do	1	do do

1	sheet	Canada	5 cents	postage
1	do	do	\$1	Bill
1	do	do	50 cents	Bill
1	do	do	40	do do
1	do	Newfoundland	12	do
1	do	do	24	do
1	do	do	13	do
1	do	do	10	do
1	do	Canada	5	do Law
1	do	do	10	do do
1	do	do	20	do do
1	do	do	30	do do
1	do	do	40	do do
1	do	do	50	do do
1	do	do	60	do do
1	do	do	70	do do
1	do	do	80	do do
1	do	do	90	do do
1	do	do	\$1	do
1	do	do	\$2	do
1	do	do	\$3	do
1	do	do	\$4	do
1	do	do	\$5	do

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Montreal shall be paid for by and shall belong as well at the expiration as during the continuance of this agreement, to the American Bank Note Company.

15. Said Matthews having discovered and patented an Ink for tinting Bank notes and other documents so as to prevent Photography and alteration, called the Canada Bank Note Printing tint, further agrees to use the same Exclusively in the business of the said Montreal office, without any further compensation therefor than for printing the ordinary tints, except that he shall be at liberty to collect from Banks, such rates (not exceeding \$5 per one thousand Impressions for the use of the same) as he shall see fit, in addition to the ordinary price of \$20 per 1000 Impressions -

16. — This agreement shall commence on the first day of January 1862, and shall continue in full force and be mutually binding upon both parties until the 31st day of December A.D. 1867, unless sooner determined by the death of the said Matthews, in which event the business shall be closed up to that time by the said American Bank Note Company and

constituted to create any relation of partnership between the parties hereto.

18. — In case from ill health or other cause said Matthews should be unable to carry out this agreement during the period agreed on he may withdraw from the business sooner by giving six months notice in writing and the rights of the parties hereto shall be ascertained and settled up to the ~~date~~ date of such withdrawal in the same manner as provided in case of his death in article 16.

19. — Said Matthews having a lease of the entire premises in St. Francis Xavier Street a portion of which is now occupied by the American Bank Note Company, agrees to let to said Company, after the addition of fire proof vaults, water closets, Heating apparatus, &c, the said premises (with the exception of the entire first floor offices, and the east half of the second story and basement of the same and the yard connected therewith,) at the rate of \$480. per year, till 1st May 1862, and at the rate of \$700 per year from and after 1st May 1862 during the term of this agreement.

20. — The American Bank Note Company agrees to pay to said Matthews Rent for the premises to be occupied by them as

above, at the rate of \$480. per year till
1st May 1862 and at the rate of \$700 per
year from and after 1st May 1862 during
the continuance of this agreement.

21. — The American Bank Note Company
also agree to pay the Insurance on the stock
contained in their Montreal Office.

In witness whereof the parties hereto
set their hands and seals the day and
year first above written -

In presence of -

For _____

AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.

Garrison Ave. & Tiffany St.

BRONX

NEW YORK

W. R. Bliss Esq
M. Bank Note Company
Wall Street
New York

Paid

MONTREAL
PM
JAN 22
1861
C.E.

Montreal 18th Jan^{ry} 1864
Bliss. Esq^{re}

Dear Sir, Herewith, I send you
the document assigning
position to Messrs. Lafontaine &
Land, at the same time con-
firming myself as the Company's
representative in Canada & as a
supervisor for their interests.
I also send you an inventory
of Cos. property in their charge.
A Balance Sheet to the
1st December 1863.

I also enclose an impression
of my new Postage &
Stamp System, which I
offer if they consider it of
sufficient importance to the
Company - they to patent it &
give a per centage on its
use. I shall secure it here.

System of its use is as follows
- You slightly lick the stamp
it, however, quite wet, stick
as with ordinary stamps, face
which side of course must be
licked - Put it down with finger

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Please say to Mr Bauld
his things will be sent in a
day or two, that he ordered
Montreal

Oct.

Always us 2000 sacks a 17.50?

nail - when dry you can only pull
it off by leaving the impression
transferred to the document &
of course not the Stamp no more
— if you attempt to soak
the document on which it is
placed, with view of getting
it off, so as to use again
you will find it so far defaced
as to be impossible.

I enclose also impressions
from lithography of the Queens
head, but it takes a longer
time to get lithographs cut
to dry on the paper, so that
it may not when you get it be
sufficiently dry — as it is just
wanted.

I shall be glad of a reply
to this subject soon.

Yours very faithfully
J. Matthews

(SEVENTEEN (17) stamps
(FOUR stamps (impressions, -Queen Victoria)
(ONE sample (marked "B"
(found in envelope addressed to
Mr. Bliss (herewith)

DEC 16 1894



10.000 Sheets of Paper
will be required at this
office, which please send
as soon as convenient
Yrs
Jm

Matthias 23 Jan^y 1864

Kind Sirs -

Your favor is rec^d & I most exceedingly regret the apparant rascality practised on you, with regard to the furs, all I can say is, if McJannet refuses to take them back - I will refund you the money & advertise his villainous trick. -

With regard to my New Stamps the inventions you speak of, I know all about it is for printing from surface blocks & very poor indeed - & no source of security. - Mine is as different as Summer & Winter & Capable of Plate & Lithograph printing - & of undoubted success. Yet I do not require you to take it unless agreeable for 24 Hours my only object is to prove my Sincerity to the Co.

On further proof - Send me the plate without delay, I am willing to give the Co. any satisfaction they require - but time I cannot spare
Yours very faithfully

Matthias
The new arrangement with my young men is not yet settled but may be by Feb^y 1st over

The name, is Lyman - of your
"Clearing House"

Montreal 29th Jan^r 1864
Friend Bliss,
Your favors of the 24th are rec^d with regard to the new style of stamps, all I am waiting for is the plate from you, when I can give you a proper illustration, I hope most devoutly you will let me have it soon for any thing I have at my command is totally inadequate for the purpose.
I think if possible you send me the plate first, then you had better come on as you propose. My reason for wishing the plate first, is that I may have ample opportunity to prepare specimens against you come, as they are not fit for use till 4 or 5 days after they are printed. I will then show you the whole process, which tho' simple is complicated; & I doubt not you will be pleased, & the new invention will prove very successful. I showed a rough sample to our Post Office authorities & they are very much pleased, further or not wished a sample to send to England which of course for the present obviously would not answer my purpose.
I can give the wharfedale paper of which I make them any shade of color. I doubt not that many improvements may be made on them.
With regard to the item Bank Note Paper charged in October 18. 50, it was some

by the poor country.
4.50 seems high it is
American paper, after
reuses.

that I may receive
plate without delay

and

Yours very truly

Matthew
Wheeler has
effort.

paper imported by me from England.
At the \$17.50 seems high it is
cheaper than American paper, after
paying all expenses.

Hoping that I may receive
the promised plate without delay

I remain

Yours very truly

S. Matthews

The New Arrangement has
gone into effect. —

Montreal 15th Feb^y 1864

W. R. Bliss Esq^r

any Dear Sir, I duly rec^d. the letter
but it has opened up a new difficulty
which I am trying to overcome, it is that
the work is so heavy, that the great body
of ink - covering the surface of the address
& transferring paper, prevents its transferring
unless with a much greater pressure than
the thumb or finger can bring to bear
upon it. The left portion, the head,
for instance works well, but the other
parts for the above reasons, do not
work well, I am however at least
on it, & hope to overcome the diffi-
culty, it is about as timely a problem
as you can imagine. Surface printing either
from block or stone is easy enough but
the great body of ink - from an engraved
plate is by no means so easy. Yet I
am sanguine of being able to overcome the
difficulty - I enclose an impression in
its present imperfect state.

Your note of the 12th just rec^d. it
has been attended to also - another new bank
in Toronto - when they are ready, I have no
doubt of them. I suppose the Toronto Bank
is to be managed by an old personal friend
& the one here also by friends who have
always been interested in me.

I send you Supplementary Statement for 63
with corrections - also B. L. Ho's Monthly
Statement. - Yours truly
Matthews

Montreal 19th July 1864
My dear Bliss,

I most sincerely hope
better, I do not think so
who was worse of the two when
here - I kept my case to
on your feet, yet I hardly
what to do, I was so ill
"Canadian Cholera" I am
yet far from over it -

I went to Quebec on Friday
Reminiscences 99 in the shade
as ill then, as you was
Montreal. - Nevertheless
ent. 4 hours with the
ee Minister & Co & so
have got all my own bag
are to prepare plates
the whole, printed here
use -

enclose Shop Accounts &
will write you again with all
particulars - Monday or Tuesday
next, as I have to go again
to the Gov^t at Quebec -
Proofs only this day & -

Sketch not drawn up correct &
will be sent in 2 or 3 days

Mr. Burland wishes you to send 50 lbs
of the same material as you use for
running postage stamps, you inform
him the price was 15 to 17
Cents Am. Currency.
He also wants you to give him the
directions for mixing & using

Montreal 19th July
My dear Miss,
I most sincerely hope
you are better, I do not think
who was worse of the two
you were here - I kept my case
on your feet, yet I do not
know what to do, I was so
"Canadian Cholera" I was
yet far from over it -
went to Quebec on Friday
morning 99 in the St.
as ill then, as you
outbreak. - Nevertheless
I spent 4 hours with the
ice Minister & he
have got all my own
are to prepare plans
the whole, printed &
use -
enclose Shop Accounts
will write you again with
particulars - Monday or Tuesday
next, as I have to go
to the Govt at Quebec -
Proofs only this day

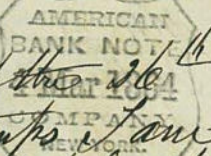
-ceived - as they addressed
them to A. B. T. Co. instead
of W. R. Bliss Sec^y as you
instructed I which led me
astray - However, all
right & I hope of good
importance I profit to
the Co. -

My dear wife was sadly
disappointed that you did
not go to Mr. Victoria
the Hon. Sec. You
spent 2 days with us, how
sorry I was you were
unable to be there, he
is the friend of the North
"Bar Excellence"

Yours faithfully
Matthews

Montreal 29th Feb^r 1864

W. R. Bliss Esq^r



Dear Sir, Your favor of the 15th rec^d with regard to the stamps, I am yet in difficulty, thus, the great body of ink around the 'Head' of Washington, do protect the glutinous paper from the action of moisture used in sticking it down, as to prevent that object while the light work of the head itself comes off all right. I am so engaged just now as to be obliged to let it lie in abeyance for a few days - I really think I shall accomplish it yet. With a little patience, it is a problem I am very much interested in, independent of all gain.

Please send me a detailed Statement of all paper (each quantity, date & sent to this office. Since the Company went into existence.

The Canadian Charges as per present scale of prices for Nk. Note work, when compared with your present rates are $3\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ higher, this militates against us, parties interested here & those interested in the proposed new Bankers, have already noticed this & unless you remedy this, we labor under an apparently unjust disadvantage. Please consider this matter & reply.

Any invoice sent from you to this office must be marked (by you) American paper currency - or the duties & charges made here are in Gold (over)

Please Say to Mr. Habeto that Mr. Hunt
will be in New York about the 25th or
26th March, when he will call upon
him.

Yours faithfully
J. Matthews

Montreal 18th March 1864
W. R. Bliss Esq^r

Dear Sir, After long & unwearied
patience I begin to overcome my
difficulty in the matter of Stamps
Of Course my experiments are all
on a small scale, & first specimens
may not look as well as desirable
that comes afterwards the principle
is what I have been after I have
made over 50 different experiments
& by them learnt all the points
to overcome & what to gain I enclose
you part of an impression partly
printed & it is true but you will
see by it that I am progressing
in the right direction.

I expect we shall send you
the order for the New Bank some
time next week.

Yours faithfully
Matthews

(over)

Montreal 15th March /64
W.R. Bliss Esq

Dear Sir, I enclose you three Mts of the Postage Stamps, which, altho. not perfect, being poorly printed, are nevertheless what they profess to be, Self Cancelling. In my experimenting, I discovered a really wonderful thing, & which if I can perfect, will be of immense value, it is this - instead of paper, the production of a sheet of a species of perfectly transparent Gelatine like substance, with the Stamp beautifully printed on it, from the sheet plate which when stuck on to a document or Envelope, is absolutely perfect. Yet the moment you try to detach it again rubs off into a Gum - or if dry - into a powder. I have carefully preserved three, I will send you one. When I return home as I am going out of Town 3 or 4 days, I intend to push this Subject, if possible to a final issue. The making of such a sheet of Gelatine is not difficult, but to print it is, for the pressure grinds it to a pulp. Yet having succeeded once (altho. by accident) I think it ought to be understood & done again. At any rate the producing of Stamps such as the enclosed, only of course more complete & perfect, I regard as an accomplished fact. /over/

if upon testing them you are of
the same opinion with me at once
what is best to do, in the matter
of their introduction; if you think
different point out the want or
difficulty. When I will try & explain
it away.

Yours very faithfully

J. Matthews.

Establishment on a large scale
for making glass bottles as we
can get none from the States &
have to manufacture our own.

They are being erected a mile
below my farm - which also gives
me plenty to look after & I never
was so well in health as now. I
have plenty of out door exercise.

Wednesday & Thursday I gener-
ally devote to the office here
& at any time I may be wanted
I am sent for. - When absent.

I wish you to write me a
sharp note about the delay in
making monthly returns as the
young & men being very busy at
their own work, do not seem to
think it of much importance. I
have asked 2 or 3 times for them.

Also I want you to ask
if the patent lock on the safe has
been attended to. They want string
up - & it will come better from
you - Antonio M. Accorato

desire to complete the subject one
who had some chemical judgement
such for instance as I think is your
Mr. Garret, I would with him devote
a whole week to the subject with
him & think with success, but
only with the understanding that
the Co. gave me half of all future
profits in the case.

I have labored under much in-
convenience in not having some
practical help in the matter.

With regard to the shares you offer
I am not now in a position to
accept them, if even, I felt disposed
which at the rate you name & in
the present state of affairs, I think
too high.

I am interested in the gold
discoveries - near Quebec I own
a block of 630 Acres, where gold
is found more or less 'all over
it', perhaps you would like to
go in with me, forming a Co.
not to mine it, but selling out
claims - The fever there is growing
immensely. - Then again I
am Managing Director in a New

Montreal 9th June 1884

My dear Friend Bliss,

Your favor is rec^d at the
I was absent at the time now with re-
gard to the Stamps I am vain enough
to think I know as much about the
question as any man living, I have
made it a subject of intense study
& scores of experiments, & I must
say I doubt very much of Mr. Low-
enburgh's success (absolutely) but think
it quite probable he has succeeded
partially. I have done so over & over
again & in a variety of ways, but
to meet all the wants of the 'Case'
I do not believe he or any other man
has - I can produce a Stamp
absolutely perfect in every respect
yet not to pay to do them, as the
process is too slow & uncertain.

Nevertheless, I believe it can
be done, & that I shall succeed in
doing it. but I have so many
things in the fire just now that
I can not devote time to it, in the
winter I will go into it again with
earnestness when I have more time.

The paper you sent me was not so
good as I get here for the purpose, I
have sent to England for some.

If you felt disposed to send a
manuscript of ingenuity, & who felt a

has not yet been paid, I
writting to head Quarters for

Bank Note Business is
yet better than for a long
I do not apprehend much im-
provement, till your difficulties
over - as Silver here is in
dance, & you do not see a
Circulation in a Month.

You Bank are going to
New Issue, We are looking
it.

Kind regards to all,
over My Gold "Suggestion"

Yours most faithfully

J. M. McKim

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York 7 July 1864 at 6 o'clock, 37 minutes,
By Telegraph from Montreal to Geo Whatch
President Amm Bk, Nde Co
45 Wall St.

I have very important orders to do
seventeen 17 plates twenty thousand (20000)
impressions by first of August I f cannot
be done on steel plates first class lithography

must do reply immediately & I will
leave by next boat for New York
G Matthews

39 Cl 220

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York July 19 1864 at 6 o'clock, 45 minutes,

By Telegraph from Montreal to W R Bliss

I write by mail
this day
of Matthews
Amn Note Co
48 Wall St

6 a 74

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York 26 July 1864, at 11 o'clock, 37 minutes,

By Telegraph from Montreal to N.Y. Miss
Am Geo W. Co

20
Col
1
25-
I am very poorly & need
help. In the present work on hand
try & come as soon as possible—
G. Matthews

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York 28 July, 1864, at 12 o'clock, minutes,
By Telegraph from Montreal to W. K. Bliss

No time to be lost. Large
orders and must be done at
once - or they go to England - Come
at once - Answer
G. Mathews

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH CO.,

GENERAL OFFICE, 145 BROADWAY.

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CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec'y,

145 BROADWAY, N. Y.

E. S. SANFORD, Pres't,

No. _____

Dated *Montreal* 1864.

Att'd, *New-York* *July 28* 1864.

To *W R Bliss*

American Bank Note Co

*If you will guarantee
certain work done in
time it will do being
Vignette of Justice Small*

*G Matthews
17 Col 110*

Montreal 3rd Aug. 1864

My dear Bliss,

After the excitement of yesterday, I am as I predicted pretty well used up - "but for a man of my years" this was to be expected.

The particulars of the job for New Bank, are as follows -
Title "The Royal Canadian Bank Incorporated by Act of Parliament One Plate - & Printed - 1. 1. 2. 5 (this is all for the present)

Royal Arms - except shield which is to be substituted by the Canadian Seal - all of which you have in stock - Form as usual, put on Heads of the Queen - J. of Wales & Princess - the oval denomination - let me have the Models at your earliest convenience -
Over

Send me back the letters
of instruction, after you have
copied them

"Help me to Manage the
Unreasonable Man"

If I am to be bothered
by him it will be against
the interests of all parties
as I certainly mean to
die a natural death if
possible - & not be
set crazy - & die by
the whims of a fool.

Kind regards to "Father"
Hatch & yourself -

Hurry up the Work
Yours faithfully
M. M. M.

PEOPLE'S TELEGRAPH LINES

New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Providence, Boston, etc
CONNECTING WITH LINES TO ALL PARTS OF THE

UNITED STATES AND BRITISH PROVINCES.

PRINCIPAL OFFICES, 21 WALL ST., (corner of Broad,) 25 WILLIAM ST.,
AND EVENING STOCK EXCHANGE, FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL.

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Dated Montreal Aug 15- 1864.

Rec'd, New-York,

Aug 15 1864

To

M. M. Bliss

48 Merchants Ex

Letters rec'd. Shall be
glad to have you accompany
me to Quebec but no time to
be lost - Answer when -

Yrs Matthews

2 of Coll 125-1875-

12

Montreal Aug. 30th 1864

My dear Bliss,

Yours of the 27th is recd.
With regard to your interviewing with
Mr. Hoare, it saved me a trip to
Quebec & I know all about it; yet
nevertheless I think it would be better
to have let matters take their
regular course —

With regard to Communicat-
ing with you direct, I have not
the least objection, yet think from
what I know it wd. be better other-
wise — but at any rate you had
better let me know of any thing
of the least importance in the matter
So Communicate (in time) —

You are right on the subject
of printing, I have no doubt
but that you had better print
those you speak of — without
delay as fast as plates are ready
& send the one as soon as
possible —

I shall consult Burland as
to what he thinks he can do,
with the rest, & if not every way
satisfactory, have them also done

of these matters, & give me all
credit for good faith, judgement,
Justice & truthfulness, & you
& the Company & Mess. B. L. Ho.
& those whom I serve, will
have no cause for fault finding.

My kind regards to yourself
Mr Hatch & all Friends
& believe me &c. &c.

Faithfully

Wm. Matthews

"At last" it is getting cool
here - & the "Draft" is
beginning to be dreaded -

Sir -
If your regular monthly lectures
are not sent in time write me
an official letter. -

in N. York. I should regret
this as I desire (at least) to
do my part faithfully with them,
But as a servant of the Govern-
ment I shall see their in-
terests strictly attended to.

The Registered Stamps to
be Black & Patent Green,
unless you think another plan
better.

As soon as there is
a chance of buying Stock
in the Co. at a bargain
Please let me know.

Proof of Bill Stamp is very
beautiful - the color you
suggest is too black, I think
a little more Vermillion would
make it very pretty (Chocolate
color) or a shade more red -
Send me a sheet & I will
recommend it.

Be careful in all your
Correspondence & Management

of these matters, & give me all
credit for good faith, judgement,
Justice & truthfulness, & you
(the Company) Mess. B. L. Ho.
& those whom I serve will
have no cause for fault finding.

My kind regards to yourself
Mr. Hatch & all friends
& believe me &c. &c.

Faithfully

J. M. Mew

"At last" it is getting cool
here - & the "Draft" is
beginning to be dreaded -

J. M.
If your regular Monthly Returns
are not sent in time write me
an official letter.

am

Montreal 5th Sept 1864

My dear Bliss,

Your two favours
reach which I will answer
you at length but I send
you the enclosed document
which please carefully
copy & return to me at
once I go to night
to Quebec & will answer
all when I return. So
on & make no delay
with this work & be
up to the mark as to
time.

Just send Bill
Stamp Plates till you hear
from me Yours faithfully
M. M. M.

Montreal 9th Sept^r 1864

Dear Bliss,

I returned from Quebec
Monday, & with the exception of giving
the letters to print on the Upper Canada
papers (which will be sent you by Monday
Tuesday of next week) You have all the
instructions, as I was shown the whole
of the Correspondence — With regard to Colours
that you suggest to me, is approved
by Board at Quebec, & it only remains
to say that by the 15th or 20th at the
farthest, they must begin to be delivered
to by the 1st of Oct^r all the offices
through the Country must have a supply,
otherwise it will derange all our law
as no act then will be legal with
these stamps adhered thereto.
It will further cause an immense loss
any law suits may in consequence be
lost & further a great pecuniary loss to
Govt. I have pledged my word
it shall be all right on these series
I trust to you whom I have served
fully in this matter.
The Packages, sent in by Express,
sent to me & marked Government Stamps,
immediate delivery — I advise me
in advance of each package so
(over)

Write me at once & keep me posted up on
every point, particularly time of delivery. —

h letters of advice to me - address as
merly Geo. Matthews, American
Bank Note Co. Montreal - as also
in Paix Paris.

The New Bill Stamps will not be
issued till all the plates are Com-
pleted & perfect proofs lodged
to the Gov^t. When they are
ready send them in addressed
me as above Marked Plates
Gov^t Stamps. &c. &c.

Burland is in a perfect funk
and I am manuvering against him
is of course not by any means the
best doing my duty to those who
appointed me to carry out this
as it should be. I allude
to the printing in New York - it is perfectly
evident, that they could not be done
any other way - to meet the wants
Gov^t. & I am not sure after all
such a spirit of grasping, is a very
good guarantee against Secrecy. at any
rate I am reassured by no other motive
at which I believe the right one
Yours in haste
G M

My Montreal 13th Sep 764

Dear Miss,

16
Enclosed you have
the final directions for law
stamps. No reply to your last
yet. If this work is not pushed
I tell you, you will lose it. —

Boylan tells me has written
you to establish his claims to
the printing. — I think are as
unpleasant as he can make them
but I wish you to do simple
justice to yourselves in this
matter.

Address all my letters to
Empy, Johnston & Co. —

I am getting very weary of
this, God knows I have been
& am only actuated by just &
truthful principles in all these
matters, I mean to carry them
out. — Kind regards to all
friends — Faithfully yours
— J. M. —

any

Montreal, September 14. 1864

W. R. Bliss Esq
Secretary
Am. B. N. Co.

Dear Sir,

The Cashier of the Merchants Bank
feels very much annoyed about the 50 100 plate;
please have it sent in without delay.

We have all our presses waiting
for the new Stamps. When will we get some
of the Plates to go on with?

The last Pair of Plates, Merchants
Bank, has proved very unsatisfactory, and
you will please bear in mind, when it
goes back for repairs, that \$ 30 has been
charged this office for its renewal.

Yours respectfully
Burland Lefrancis Esq

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York 19 Sept- 1864 at 4 o'clock, minutes,
By Telegraph from Auber to W. R. Bliss
When shall you have our law
Stamps — answer John Langton

8 a.m.

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at New York 20 Sept- 1864, at 12 o'clock, minutes,
By Telegraph from Montreal to Ann Bank Note Co
40 Merchants Exchange

Address all the stamps to G. Matthews
Montreal for auditor. Quebec notifying me
2 days in advance—
G Matthews
Gent 110

Montreal 21st Sept/64

Dear Mrs,

The first & second lot of L. Stamps came duly to hand & have been sent to Govt. Please hurry up a supply of each so that they may have them at least, complete by the last day of this month. —

I propose charging \$250 for each Plate & \$80 per M for Paper Printing, Gunning & Perforating, does this meet your views. —

I should like to have a little private conversation when this wk. is completed with you, with regard to several matters, future printing for &c &c amongst the rest —

The letter you said B. L. Ho would show me, has not been. I asked my messenger rec^d from them was No.
Yours &c
G. Matthews

Montreal 23rd Sept 764

Dear Bliss

Box No 4 Came to hand to day & is now half way to Quebec.

I have the following to Communicate. There is a Party in your City, preparing to Commence here, as Mr. Note Engravers & Printers You know them Well / I had it from the lips of one of them / there has been Slogab here lately 2 of whom I saw, I am left in the dark as to any but one, As it was given in privacy I can not mention Names - but will be faithful to my trust & look after the interests of the Co. as long as I have any thing to do with them.

To day (only) Mr. Buland showed me the letter you spoke of dated

the 16th. Of course highly
indignant. I have reason also
to think he sees the folly of
his acts. I assured him that
I simply was doing my duty,
I am, threats or other annoyances
he might feel disposed to offer
did me no injury, & that I shd.
continue in the same course. He
said he "now" found that I
only was the cause of not giving
them the printing - & that he
wished he should do them justice, I
told him, that only was our desire,
that it was at the request of
the Gov^t that this issue
was printed in N.Y. & if he felt
disposed to act towards me as
he ought, & submit to my Super-
intendence of the Book, so that
I might feel safe, & conscientious
So, I shd. offer no obstacle

but on the contrary, would do
what I could do that effect. -
Therefore You had not
say any more on the subject
let the plates be printed
here - I hope to see You
Soon - As there is evidently
a strong under current at
Work.

Faithfully
Yours

Wm. Allen

You ask me is it
value the Boxes
I send these under bond
to the Govt. -
valued at \$5 per box

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AMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec'y,

145 BROADWAY, N. Y.

E. S. SANFORD, Pres't,

No. _____

Dated _____

1864.

Rec'd, New-York,

1864.

To _____

Ambrdg Livingston Co

Very short of F. J. Tens
bristles and thurly's and c
F. Tens; all others abundant
for the present—When
those notified by you on
twenty fourth—Answer
(over) Jno Langston

Some 300 shirts - C. 7 10. to day
Will come 200 shirts each 7. 7.
10. 20. + 30. to morning -



Handwritten text, possibly "The end of the world" or similar, written in blue ink.

Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text in blue ink, covering the lower half of the page. Some words like "The end of the world" and "The end of the world" are visible.

Montreal 28th Sept^r/64

Dear Bliss - Your favours of 22^d
23^d & 24th are rec^d & Boxes
sent duly to Quebec. You have
done remarkably well & it has
given much satisfaction. -

The Printing will have to
be done in Montreal after this,
for many seasons, the greatest of
which will be opposition thro' the Press
got up by a certain party.

Also I have information of a
W. Note Co. starting here from N. York
making there at this time, efforts
for this purpose.

I have been able to thorough-
ly maintain my past position
in this matter, & B. L. & Co. at
last see the fact, although as
slow as Bears, I cannot com-
prehend their folly, for every

step that I have taken has
been as much for their good
as the Company's. They have
made themselves Enemies where
they might have had Friends.
Actuated apparently by an
ignorant selfishness & want of
common business prudence
(I conceive) in all this matter
even to day affirm that I
have striven to injure them by
bringing the plates & present
nothing to you - while they
could have done it quite as
satisfactory - & that my state-
ments about the good wishes
my own duty to them in recom-
mending steel plates as being
the safest & best method, was
feint & a humbug.
& so forth & so forth
When the printing goes on here
I shall see to it, & insist
upon every thing I deem
necessary in connection with

it,
Au

it, being done to the letter.
Business in Canada being
well — Yours faithfully
J. Matthews

Montreal 4th Oct 1864

Dear Bliss,

Your favors of the 30th & 1st inst. are rec^d. I note all you say, with regard to Messrs. B. L. & Co. I trust they will see how much they go against their own interests by their spirit of foolish opposition to myself, when I have been doing them good & not harm when I have only done my duty as I believe it to be to God & to our Gov^t who placed this matter in my hands to be properly carried out.

Of course I sold out / or rather threw away / my business to them that I might have relaxation & go to my "Farm". I gave them all my stock 30 years accumulation - my patent rights, balance of profits from A. B. & Co. Lease in short \$25.000 worth for 9000 5 years to pay it in without interest, & my return from them has been ingratitude & consummate

Folly, I shall however take
not the least Notice of their
behaviour to me, but shall
do my duty faithfully all
round in spite of Sland or
Sue. Fortunately I am in a
Position to do so every Day
& can afford to despise all
Malicious Acts.

With regard to the informa-
tion that I gave you, it is so,
but I am at the Helm here
& mean to keep there, & the
Co's interests with me are safe
— Box 13 — last Dec^r —

I will take Stock by & by
for reasons I assigned I am not
presently prepared to do so —

When the present Low Stamp
Paper & all plates are finished
You had better visit me &
all for their future can be here
properly arranged.

Kind regards to Mr. Hatch
& all Friends

Remain,
Sincerely,
Yours,
— M.

Mounted 10th Oct / 64

Dear Bliss,

I enclose an anonymous letter just rec^d You see how Rediculously unjust I am dealt with - But I don't care a fig for it. I know I am right & mean to go a head.

Return the letter at once & visit me as soon as you can & if possible let this Mad-man see his madness. -

At any rate the printing for the future must be done here, but it remains with you to see that things work properly & with safety & economy to our Socy. I will aid you faithfully to that effect -

Yours Jc F
— M —

Oct. 27. 1864

Mr Matthews is recognised by the Company as the authorised agent of the Government to superintend the preparation of the Revenue Stamps, and he must have every facility afforded him for that purpose in the Montreal office. —

The bills for preparing the stamps will be rendered by the Company to Mr Matthews, who will settle with the Company, and the Company will receive the settlement on account of the A.B.N.C. Montreal.

We desire that all the Bills to customers of the A.B.N.C. Montreal be receipted by Mr Matthews as our agent, and all the monthly accounts be submitted to him before they are sent to New York.



Montreal Gazette.

SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 5, 1864.

THE DELEGATES.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO MONTREAL GAZETTE.]

Toronto, Nov. 4th, 1864.

"The Delegates left by special train at 10 A. M. for Hamilton, Mr. Swinyard of the Great Western receiving them, and Mr. Sharp, locomotive superintendent, driving the engine.

"At Hamilton they alighted, and received an address from the Corporation, read by Mr. McElroy, Mayor of the city, and from the Board of Trade, read by the Hon. Mr. Buchanan.

"Hon. Mr. Tilley replied to the former, and Hon. Mr. Shea to the latter.

"Mr. McElroy proposed the health of the Delegates.

"Hon. Mr. Tupper replied, and mentioned in his speech two points omitted by Mr. Brown: First, that the Union was made federal, because a legislative union could not be had; and second, that the selection by the Queen of the Upper House was resorted to because aristocracy of talent was required, as well as wealth, and under the Canadian system, men of talent had little chance of election against an inferior, but rich, man.

"The train then went on to St. Catharines, where another address was presented them.

"Thence they proceeded to the Falls. There a lunch was provided by the G. W. Railway. Mr. Swinyard's health was proposed, and drunk with all honours.

A correspondent sends us the following extract from a despatch of the Executive Directory of France to General Bonaparte at Milan, dated May 16, 1796. and signed "Carnot." He sees in it a parallel to the recent order of General Dix to send Federal troops to Canada, and a proneness of such officers, under a Democratic Constitution, not to be particular:—

"Venice, as the Directory observed to you, "in its despatch of the 18th Florial, ought to be treated as a neutral, not as a friendly Power. Seek, above all, without changing "this disposition, to prevent the wrecks of the "Austrian army from finding a safe asylum in "the territories of that Republic. If they penetrate into them without the consent of the "Venetian Government, pursue them without "hesitation."

Messrs. Burland, Lafricain & Co. have shown us some specimens of their "Cameo, relief-colour, and plain embossed printing," in the form of crests, seals and monograms. The work is finely executed, and quite equal to any we have seen executed elsewhere. This firm have done much to build up the business of engraving and lithographing in this country, and it is very desirable that it should take root here, so as not to make it necessary for the Government of Canada and other institutions to have to go to foreign countries for any engraving and lithography which they may find it necessary to have done. To promote this important object, it is of public interest to afford all possible aid and encouragement, and make all necessary allowances, for the cultivation of these arts in Canada.

"GOOD WORDS."—We have received the November number of this excellent periodical. The contents are as valuable as they are varied, and combine the qualities of solid and entertaining information rarely found associ-

supporters declare for vigorous prosecution of the war. The great principle of Peace paramount to Union, which had enlisted on the side of the Democratic party so large an amount of sympathy throughout Europe, has been miserably abandoned, and the contest is narrowed to a paltry issue of whether the war has been carried on with skill and judgment, and whether the President has unnecessarily violated the provisions of the Constitution.

We take very little interest in these narrower issues. So long as the name of General McClellan was associated with the idea of peace on the only terms on which it can possibly be procured, we, as sincere well-wishers to the great American people, were heartily anxious for his success; but when the only question is to which of two rival factions America will delegate the task of exterminating some four or five millions of her white population, we confess the question becomes to us one of very little interest or concern. Whatever be the importance of the decision, there really seems no reason to doubt in which direction it will be given. The secession of the Southern States has deprived the Democratic party of a great portion of its power without materially affecting the Republicans, who could scarcely be said to have any footing in the slave States. The Democracy has divided into two hostile camps, and its reduced forces are further diminished by the secession of a considerable part of its numbers.

Mr. Lincoln is in possession of the whole machinery of Government, of vast means of influence and intimidation, and of an army and a navy such as have never before existed on the American continent. There is, beside, a not unnatural feeling that if war is to be the policy of the Republic, and the only question is "By whom shall that war be carried on?" it will probably be carried on with more vigor and more success by a party bitterly opposed to the South, and possessing at any rate the experience drawn from three and a half years of incessant conflict, than by the Democracy, whose policy has always been to play the slaveholding interest against the Abolitionists.

lot box? Our state regulations for the interposition of his amending hands had the slightest shadow of authority in it. By the laws of this state a clerk is made by proper officers of every ward in every election district, previous to election; and these registers are open to free inspection of every resident. They are at the voting places, and if any person whose name does not appear on the list, his vote cannot be received until he shall have made an affidavit stating the reasons why he did not cause his name to be registered at the time prescribed by law, and shall also have proved, by the sworn testimony of a householder of the district, that he is an actual resident and entitled to vote. Any false swearing in either party is declared willful and corrupt perjury, and subjects the offender to ignominious punishment in the state prison.

Where, then, is the necessity, even if General Dix had the authority to interfere for the protection of the ballot-box? How could his alleged colonies—always supposing them not to be fictitious—get their votes received by the inspectors of election? Suppose one of them goes to some polling-place and offer his vote where would take place. First, he is required, like every citizen, to state his name and residence. Then, the clerk turns to the alphabetical list to check his name; but not finding it, the vote is refused. There the attempt must end, unless some corrupt householder can be found who is willing to incur the penalties of perjury to help to swear in the fraudulent vote. But before that could be consummated, the politics of the householder being known, the eyes of sharp-sighted challengers of the opposite party would be upon him, and the fraud detected and exposed.

In view of these stringent precautions, known to every citizen—and to none better known than to General Dix—it is apparent that the military surveillance which he assumes over the election is founded on a false pretext. The state laws have made efficient provision against such frauds as he alleges, there is no possibility of their commission. When therefore

THE MONITOR

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METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

Taken at the Montreal Observatory, (latitude $45^{\circ} 31' N$. longitude $4h 54m. 11s.$ west of Greenwich; height above mean sea level, 182 feet,) at 2 P.M. yesterday, and 7 this a.m.; by CHAS. SMALLWOOD, M.D., LL.D., D.C.L.

November 9, 1864.

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Barometer, corrected	29.979	29.594
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" greatest Cold...		48° 4
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" Miles in 24 hours		58.67
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Rain, depth in inches		0.142

The Daily Witness

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1864.

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WILLIAM R. BLISS, Secretary.

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CITY MISSIONS.—At a meeting of the Ministerial Association, held yesterday afternoon, at

Montreal 7th Nov 764
Dear Bliss,

Why have you not sent
the proofs & the acct. You
has asked for it. — As well as
other matters Connected with
your interest. I have waited
in town from other important
business to receive them &
attend to "it".

B L Ho — tells me that the
New Bank People for whom, I
got you to prepare Models last
Summer have been to N. Y.
& V. V. & insinuates it is my
doing & that they will prohibit
the use of the Nat. V. V. —
I tell him that he can't that
by my agreement still holding
good for 3 years (which he
denies) you have full right
as long as you pay me the
fee — & this is "So"

They have also issued an editorial

in the Montreal Gazette
to the effect they do such
splendid work & are so well
prepared by Artists &c &
that "The Government" &
all other Public Institutions
ought not & need not any
longer go to N. York to
have their work done &c

If you wish it I will
send you the paper

I hope you will
satisfy me by sending
promptly all agreed to.

I have a plan in
my head that will please
the Gov^t for all their work
& which I will impart as
soon as ready

No doubt there will
be soon a Gov^t Stamp
Office - work done at seat
of Gov^t - & Your in -

tests will be well looked
after — & this will, in
my opinion lead to a
great institution in Canada
as — a "National Bank"
is to be established here
More anon —

Yours faithfully
J. Matthews

Shew up those 'proofs' &c

Here all the week except
Friday & Saturday

Montreal 10th Nov 1864

Dear Bliss -

I enclose your impression of 11-22-Merchants Bank - So badly "Careless" stopped out as to make registering properly impossible - They have printed off 4000 Tints - & by artificial means these will have to be covered

B. handed it to die this morning to send to you Yr. Yr. Yr. -

You had better write them about it it can be overcome by printing a 5th. I'll give the 4th parts not covered.

W.B. also complains that the green tint is being pulled as he says from information from Mr. Edson that your Govt. has ordered it to be stopped using, & that he intends issuing a Circular to prevent its being put down here - I think he is right to a certain extent but give you the information for what it is worth (over)

I send you 3 papers in
the package 2 containing
advertisements alluded to -
& one of my new Enterprise
but not the detailed acct
you read here - which please
hand to Mr Hatch, with
my kind regards -

Believe me,
Yours faithfully
Matthews

Watual 15th Nov 764
Dear Bess,

Your acc^t of the proofs
of Saw Stamps - rec^d to day
I with the acc^t go to Tucker
to M^{rs} - When the bill stamps
are rec^d I shall do the same
by them - I have already urged
upon the gov^t the necessity
of having a stock on hand
both to do justice to the
beautiful work & with reference
to safety in their use. -

With regard to your propo-
sition - of advertising, I
have no objection, So long as I
do not wish to appear an-
tagonistic to B. L. & Co. -

At any rate according to
present arguments I do not
see that it need lead to
such a result, unless Mr B.

is determined to act with
a spirit of opposition
as heretofore if so the
sooner we all see it
the better — I only mean
to do right, & that, I will,
at all risks.

I therefore leave the
matter in your hands. —

Kind regards to Mr.
& yourself —

Faithfully
Yours

S.M. —

Montreal 18th Nov 764

Dear Bliss,

Your letter addressed to the Office, I have seen & approve of its contents & hope it will make M-B. more careful in the future; I have put them in a way of over coming the difficulties with regard to the 4000 \$^{ts} Merchant Bank Notes, by lithographing a piece of the tint paper the light spots. The impression sent you was a spoiled sheet. — The Advertisements go into the Papers to morrow.

Proofs & Accts have gone to Quebec, & I expect soon to send you the results. — Faithfully
Yours

G. M. Allen

Montreal 26th Nov 1864
W. R. Bliss Esq^r
Sec^y American RR. & Co.

Dear Sir,

It is with no ordinary
pleasure that I enclose a
draft for the Am^t of your Acct.
in full. While I acknowledge the
good faith you manifested in
me in this matter, & the natural
consequence of the same, viz. great
exertion, to help me thro' with
it, I can not help feeling a
little self satisfaction at
my victory over, selfishness,
gross ingratitude & trickery.
Enough on this subject. I
Your wish, regarding Advertising
has been "Properly" attended
to.

Orders for Printing will be

issued in due time. Your in-
terests properly attended to
in the Matter —

All important personal letters
please address to the Care of
Empey, Johnston & Co — as for-
merly — All others — American
Bank Note Co., Montreal, to be
opened & acted upon by Messrs.
L. B. Ho. — independent
of myself / You will please re-
member "The false position
you placed me in with regard
to Money Matters" hence I
can not consent to interfere
with that subject, as far as
they are concerned —

As Your Representative I
shall continue to act "faith-
fully & justly"

I shall however not
be able, nor under present cir-
cumstances can you expect it,

to devote more than a small
portion of my time, to the office.
Yet any real contest in your
interests, will be as faithfully
& I hope as successfully prosecu-
ted as ^{ever} since my connection
with the Co. I shd. not have
left my old position, had
I been treated with the same
courtesy — As has been the case
with Mr. Hatch & your-
self — Nevertheless, I feel
proud of my position, at the
present moment, viz. a conscious-
ness of having done my duty
without fear or favor —

Please acknowledge at
once —

Yours
faithfully,
Matthews.

Recd. Nov. 30
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AMERICAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY

Terms and conditions on which messages are received by this Company for Transmission:

The public are notified that, in order to guard against mistakes in the transmission of messages, every message of importance ought to be repeated, by being sent back from the station at which it is to be received to the station from which it is originally sent. Half the usual price for transmission will be charged for repeating the message; and while this company will, as heretofore, use every precaution to insure correctness, it will not be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery of repeated messages beyond five hundred times the amount paid for sending the message, nor will it be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission of unreported messages, from whatever cause they may arise, nor for the delays arising from interruptions in the workings of its telegraphs, nor for any mistakes or omission of any other company over whose lines a message is to be sent to reach the place of destination. All messages will hereafter be received by this company, for transmission, subject to the above conditions.

O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at *New York* *28 Nov* 186 $\frac{1}{2}$ at *o'clock*, *minutes*,
By Telegraph from *Montreal* to *W. K. Gies*
Chas. M. E. Co

Accounts paid in full — and remitted
to you by express this day
G. Matthews

Recd 1864

Montreal, November 30. 1864

W. R. Bliss Esq

Secretary

Amer. Bank Note Co

Rec^d Dec. 1.

Dear Sir,

We enclose our statement for expiring month. We are anxious to receive from you the samples Bank note paper and the corrections you indicated in past accounts, paper &c.

We are also very anxious to get your promised statement of work done on Montreal account. We close our Books on 31st proximo for our first balance and wish to be in a position to close the Company's books on that day. Meanwhile we should like the statement to date.

We suppose you are aware that before sending the Merchants Bank tint plate to New York we shall try and have the piece lithographed. We took it for granted the plate had been sent correct in the first instance from your office and that it was a copy of the one sent to New York. Clearly we are not to blame for such an error.

It is with much surprise and

a little annoyance that we notice prominently in our papers an advertisement of the company signed by George Matthews and in which we are ignored entirely. We have been transacting the company's business with all their customers here and Mr Matthews is known to the community here to have retired.

As regards the policy of this course we leave the responsibility with those who originated it. We can only suppose that the interests of the company are confided to Mr Matthews and as we do not wish to interfere with the company's authorized agent we should like to know what course to pursue when parties call to see Mr Matthews in consequence of the advertisement.

We feel that the interests of the company would have been better served had the advertisement read 'G. Matthews, agent, Burland Lafreche & Co., managers' or the reverse.

From the conversations we had in Montreal we should have thought there would have been no cause for our present remarks

We make them not to find fault but as we have reason to know in the interest of the company

Yours truly
Burland Lafreche & Co.

AMERICAN
BANK-NOTE COMPANY,
OFFICE No. 66 ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER STREET,
MONTREAL.

The undersigned begs to give notice that the American Bank-Note Company continues to engrave and print STEEL PLATES for BANK-NOTES, BONDS AND COUPONS, CERTIFICATES OF STOCK, DEPOSIT CERTIFICATES, DRAFTS, BILLS OF EXCHANGE, DIPLOMAS, LETTER-HEADS, POLICY-HEADS, LABELS, &c., at its office in Montreal.

Any orders from the Banks, Corporations, and Business Houses of Canada will receive particular attention, and will be executed promptly and in the excellent style for which the work of this Company has been noted.

GEORGE MATTHEWS,
AGENT of the AMERICAN BANK-NOTE Co. in Montreal.

GEORGE W. HATCH, President, {
WILLIAM R. BLISS, Secretary. }

B.L.H. Nov. 30 -
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Montreal 2 Dec 1864
Dear Bliss,

Your favor of the
30th ult. rec^d. I cannot
at present see any necessity
for your making so long &
tedious a journey at this sea-
son of the Year, as you suggest
for I think any important
matter, can & will be attended
to faithfully by myself, if it
should occur, at present I
see nothing to be done. I
shall get orders for printing
for the new plates, directly
they are wanted, the latter I
think will not now be ordered
till after the Meeting of Par-
liament.

This month Octurus I
was told by M.B. this morning

upon enquiring for them, had
been sent off, consequently
You can not see on them
my initials as agreed upon
by us should be.

With regard to your
Cash transactions with
the office, if you wish
me to examine them &
grant receipts to Customers
You will have to refuse
the acceptance of any
thing else, I do not wish
to interfere, other than by
Company's desire.

I have not seen Friend
Hunt but were since he
met him together ~~in Church~~
in this City & that only in
Church - but your interests

are safe (I believe)
Faithfully
J. Matthews

Montreal 10th Dec /64

+ Dear Bliss,

Since I wrote Mr. Hatch I have seen further of the Character of our Mutual Friend B. — Another "Lucker" letter has been addressed to the A. B. N. Co. Montreal asking why certain orders for Bill Heads — Letter Heads &c. &c. had not been sent, as given to their "Agent" who is canvassing for orders — &c. &c. of course you see thro' it.

Further my good friend informs me that he has threatened the "Notary" who passed the "deeds" between us — for not doing his duty & binding me as he ought to have done. The Notary went to Quebec, I was simply given my orders — & my instructions. & of course has now come near me —

Now this is a dangerous man — & I am much grieved

that I ever put your affairs
(or my own) in the least
at his mercy — We are all
liable to err in judgment.

I trust you will see
that "Justice" & it alone
is done in your accounts
with him, in the matter of the
last 6 months — for while I
will not interfere in any way
that shall compromise my in-
tegrity — ~~as~~ relates my bargain
with him, I want all justice
with the other young men to
be observed. Religious, for
they shd. not suffer thro' him.

He came to me yesterday
with complaints about your ad-
dressing the Co's letters to me,
I simply referred him to you.

I know it is unfortunate
that I help'd him to his pre-
sent position, but I was

deceived in him, & the next best
thing is to see that he does
no mischief, which I will
do here — I want you to do
in N. York —

I had concluded to take
no more notice of him — but
think it but right you shd.
be apprised of all things, I
believe he has prompted from
N. Y. — but cannot prove
it — Yours,

faithfully,

Wm. —

Any thing I write you, is
for the Co's interest alone
& not my own, hence you
must observe all prudence
& not give me unnecessary
trouble or pain, but act
in the same spirit. —

Montreal Dec^r 19th 1864

My dear Bliss,

Your favor of the 15th Ec^d the proofs you speak of unless the row off the bottom, that I informed you of, as having been used & given away - for obvious reasons will be sent, as directed, at once.

Your affairs in Canada, I hope are truthfully understood, at any rate as far as I am immediately concerned - I really appreciate their kind vote of approbation, yet at the same time most earnestly desire it to be understood, it was not a "Money Value" I was after. - As no doubt, "Time will show" -

With regard to the time of B. L. & his interest in the Co. I did not know "but" I remember upon a certain occasion, perusing it that I was taken by surprise

I thought it shew, that I
shd. be so much 'mistaken.

To make it over again
would not be possible - for
you have a man who would
object to it in to to - but
"I am Cognizant of the error
& you too. - therefore make
the correction on both, &
for which purpose I will
send you my copy - at the
B. L. Ho. - have a copy
of it as it is. -

You may rely upon my
evidence & the evidence
of the original contract
or agreement between me &
the Co. - the basis as
expressed in my Notarial
Specimen with them, as holding
as all in "just" meaning
of the act.

and now in view of the
(God forbid) possible troubles

between our two Countries, I
suggest, that you send in 'all the
plates' addressed J. Matthews
for the Receiver General, of Canada
Quebec - Revenue Stamp plates
(I perhaps I may order others)
Care of B. Holmes Esq. & Collector
of Customs. - I beforehand a
sufficient document for me
to look after all your in-
terests (If you so think
fit) I may be mistaken,
I pray God, I am - Yet I
leave it in 'your hands for de-
cision - at any rate depend
upon it, as far as I am able
I will 'prove faithful -

With much regard

Yours -

J. Matthews

Your last favor rec^d this note
was written & on the eve of being
sent off when it arrived.

The latter part of it (regarding
sending in plate, & the present)

I send the document as
I said - after I return
as soon as convenient

A Merry Christmas &
a Happy New Year
You all

Yours
Jm

Mr Hunt left for your city
on Thursday & promised
me to pay you \$100.
Watch a visit

19th July 1864
Hon John Young a friend of Mr. Johnson

13th Sept 1864

adump all letters to Emory Johnson Co -

23rd Sept 1864

There is a party in your city preparing to commence here as B.M. Aug. 28th. You know their well (I had it from the lips of one of them) there has been several here lately. 2 of them I saw. - I am left in the dark as to any but one, as it was given in passing, I cannot mention names, but will infinite feel to my trust Hook after the return of the company as long as I have anything to do with them -

See letter of 28th on same subject

Letter of 4th Oct important, as to what he does for B.L. Co. —

Letter of 7th Nov 1864

as to the length of the agreement -
refer to the matter of a National Bank
and Stamp office —

Nov 10th 1864 -

refer to Edson or Gam but. & his intention
to issue a circular etc

Dec 15th 1864

See regard to the time the
contract has to run important -

{ See letter 18th July 1865

{ The first payment of ~~the 10~~ ^{the 10} of President the
was made to Matthews on the 1st of Aug
1865, - also about the time the Court
has to run

Letter of 19th July 1865.

important

7th Feb, '65 about a National
a Confidential Bank

Montreal Telegraph Company,

Connecting with all the Principal Cities and Towns in

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

Terms and Conditions on which all Messages are received by this Company.

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G. S. WOOD, Superintendent.

No. of Words

No. of Message

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By Telegraph from *L. Wheeler*
To *Geo. Matthews*
BK Note Engraver

*Mr Langton has not
seen you personally send us
at one twenty thousand
thirty cent bill stamps
to ten thousand, one dollar*

ditto

R. S. Bouchette

24 253

over

I expect further orders &
will then write you all
particulars - make no delay,
on this order -

Yours &c

JM

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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O. A. DODGE, Sup.

Received at New York from 28 Dec 1864 at 6 o'clock, minutes,
By Telegraph from Montreal to The Am Bank Note Co

Send at once twenty thousand thirty cent
bill stamps in red - and ten thousand one
dollar will write by mail -

20 Collet 190
J. Matthews

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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AMERICAN
TELEGRAPH
COMPANY
NEW YORK.
O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at *New York* Dec *30* 1864 at *6* o'clock,

By Telegraph from *Montreal* to *W R Bliss*

Am J N note for
single plates red double red and
green 250000 *two hundred and fifty thousand*
three cent bill stamps also requested in
immediately - do your best to send at once
J. Callor 252 *J. Matthews*

30 Dec 1864
minutes

and for all general engraving and printing
to their business, including Bonds, Loans, Certificates,
Stocks and Deposit, Drafts, and all other
of like character, and shall superintend all
at the Montreal office, attend to all correspondences
and accurate Books of account, in which
entered all orders, for work, all receipts and
Cash, and the accounts of the parties thereto,
shall do all that the business of said office
to be done, according to the best of their
said Books shall be written up and statements
monthly and semi-annually by said
Lafrechain to the said American Bank Note
on the first day of January in each year and
termination of this agreement, said books shall belong
at all times be subject to the inspection and

the parties hereto in proportion to the amount due them
respectively -

3-

The said Burland & Lafrechain agree to act as agents
and to perform the duties aforesaid for the said
American Bank Note Company upon the stipulations
and for the compensation here with provided -

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The field in which the said Burland & Lafrechain shall act as
such agents, is the United Provinces of Canada, East & West -
and all printing for the Canada Banks and other customers
shall be done at Montreal, except for such as prefer to have
it done at New York -

5-

Suitable premises shall be provided at Montreal
for transacting the business, and doing the work above

and other plates that may be ordered by the
Canada Bank and other parties at the following
rates which include the preparation of designs.

For a steel plate of four bank notes, without special or
exclusive heads or vignettes. \$300.

and for plates of two or one notes, in the same proportion.

For a Back plate for four notes with titles and
denominations \$125.

For a Back plate for four notes with title or denomination 90.

For a Back plate for four notes without title or denominations . . . \$60.

Tint face plates for four notes general or special. \$60.

For Back or tint face plates for two or one notes in proportion.

For special or exclusive heads, Vignettes, &c. at cost of
engraving provided it do not exceed three fifths of price
charged to customers, or at such three fifths.

For Bonds, Certificate of stocks or deposit, Bills of
Exchange, drafts and other documents three fifths
the price charged to the customers for same.

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This agreement made, and entered into this day of
One thousand eight hundred and sixty five.
Between The American Bank Note Company of the State
of New York, in the United States of America of the one
part and George B. Burland and George Lafrechain both
of the City of Montreal, in the Province of Canada, agents,
of the other part. Witnesseth

The said American Bank Note Company agree to
employ the said Burland and Lafrechain to act as their
agents at Montreal on the following conditions.

The said Burland and Lafrechain shall reside at
Montreal and take charge of and conduct the business
of the agency of the Company and use their influence
and personal exertions to build up and extend the same
and shall endeavor to secure orders from Banks, Corporations,
and all parties interested in giving orders for Bank Note engraving.

upon the parties.

17— Nothing herein contained shall be construed to create any relation of partnership between the parties hereto.

18. Burland & Laficain having a lease of the two entire buildings in Saint Francis Xavier Street agree to supply to the said American Bank Note Company ample accommodations for the business equal in extent to one whole building of five stories, at an annual rent of payable monthly, during the continuance of this agreement and the said American Bank Note Company agrees to pay to the said Burland and Laficain the said rent in manner aforesaid and also the business tax and insurance on the stock contained in the Montreal Office.

In witness whereof the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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It is understood and agreed that the above percentages in addition to the above prices for printing are to be a full and satisfactory payment for the faithful discharge of the aforesaid duties by the said Burland & Laficain as agent of the said American Bank Note Company, not only for receiving orders as above described including other expenses incurred thereby (except such travelling expenses as aforesaid) but also for the Superintendence, management and oversight of the entire business of the said American Bank Note Company transacted at their Montreal office and for furnishing all necessary printing materials, labor &c. and for doing the printing as above provided.

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It is also further understood and agreed that the American Bank Note Company will when in their judgement, occasion calls for it have engraving in any department as well as printing done at their Montreal Office.

It is also further agreed that, in case any arrangement is hereafter made between the various engraving houses for maintaining uniform prices for engraving, printing, &c. the said Burland & Laficain are to conform their charges to the customs of the Montreal agency to the regulations, that may be adopted for that purpose on being informed of the same.

13.

The presses and appertinances, machinery and furniture appertaining to the Bank note & other copper-plate printing business now in the said Montreal office belonging to the said American Bank Note Company and all additions to the number of presses or other permanent stock or repairs of the same that may hereafter become necessary for doing the work of the said agency at Montreal, shall be paid for by and shall belong as well at the expiration as during the continuance of this agreement to the American Bank Note Company.

The said Burland & Laficain being assignees of the patent of an ink for printing Bank-notes and other documents so as to prevent photography and alterations, called, the Canada Bank-note printing tint, further agree to use the same exclusively in the business of the said Montreal office without any further compensation therefor than for printing the ordinary tints except that they shall be at liberty to collect from Banks such rates not exceeding five dollars per thousand impressions for the use of the same as they shall see fit in addition to the ordinary price of twenty dollars per thousand impressions.

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All documents printed in such tint shall bear the imprint 'Canada Bank Note printing tint' and all documents in Black the imprint 'American Bank Note Company Montreal'.

16. This agreement shall commence on the and shall continue in force and be mutually binding

deducted -

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After deducting the cost of the engraving as above (which is to be credited to the American Bank Note Company New York) and the cost of the printing numbering, &c. as above (which is to be credited to Burland & Laficain) cost of paper, express charges and duties on plates, paper, and other proper expenses from the gross receipts of the business of the Montreal office, the said American Bank Note Company also further agree to allow and pay to the said Burland and Laficain by way of compensation for their services, and in lieu of all other compensation in the premises a sum equal to thirty three and one third percent or one third the net proceeds of said business, and as regards all work done in New York for parties in Canada, the said Burland & Laficain shall receive a sum equal to thirty three, and one third per cent on the net profit thereon and shall be entitled to regular monthly statements of all such work, and

For retouching plates after first guaranty one half the above prices shall be charged -

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Said Burland & Laficain agree to furnish, at their own expense all the ordinary materials of the best quality for ink and colors and all other printing materials, (not permanent stock) labor, light, fuel &c. &c. necessary for the purpose and to print all bank note and other plates at the said Montreal office for the following prices which have been estimated to cover actual cost of the same viz -

Bank note plates, 4 notes cents per 100 Impressions -

do 2 " " " "

do 1 " " " "

Back plates 4 " " " "

do 2 " " " "

do 1 " " " "

Print face plates 4 " " " "

do 2 " " " "

Print face plates 1 note - cents per 100 impressions -

Certificate stock on half sheet " " " "

Draft or Cert. of deposit 14 to sheet " " " "

do 3 " " " "

do 2 " " " "

Certificate deposit or Draft 1 to sheet " " " "

3 Bills of Exchange " " " "

2 do " " " "

1 " " " "

Prints and all documents at prices bearing the same proportion to those charged the customers as the above -

In case the materials for printing are more expensive than the ordinary materials or if the labor costs more than a proportionate charge in accordance with such increase of material or labor is to be made.

For numbering Bank notes twenty cents per hundred sheets.
Four numbers to a sheet.

For numbering, dating and trimming the notes of Bank of Montreal 80 cents per 100 impressions of four notes each, shall be charged -

8. Said American Bank Note Company agree to second the effort of said Bauland & Laficain by promptly executing all orders for engraving, retouching and repairing of plates as may be required from time to time, and by assistance in procuring orders such as occasionally visiting the Montreal office and the Banks in Canada whenever an occasion arises which they may deem of sufficient importance to require it by furnishing them with specimens, designs for notes, &c. and by aiding them to procure good printers or engravers and printing materials and by advising them as to the best mode of executing orders for printing, so as to give satisfaction to customers.

9. It is also further agreed that the expenses that may be incurred by the American Bank Note Company or Bauland and Laficain in traveling for the special benefit of the Montreal office expressly for the purpose of securing or aiding to secure orders for the benefit of the same shall be charged to the Montreal Office and deducted from the gross receipts of the business in the same manner as the cost of engraving & printing is to be charged and

Montreal Jan 3rd / 65

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 30th all rec^d. I address your parcels "Bill Stamps" for the Received General of Canada - Care of Geo. Matthews Montreal Canada.

I gave you directions on the back of Telegram rec^d from the Gov^t & which I sent you. You have not acknowledged the receipt of "those Proof Stamps" but you please I sub by Express, as you desired, 2th Dec^r containing also my copy of our last agreement for your correction, & which of course I am anxious sh^d. be returned to me at once.

I shall soon get final directions about supplies of stamps but you know Gov^t folks are not always as thoughtful as the might be, & when anything is

wanted it is the last moment
before it is dispersed & or-
-dered - I shall again re-
-mind them of the bad policy
of such a course

The Annual Accts have
not yet been submitted to
me by B. L. & Co. - when
they are I will carefully
look into them before they
are sent off

- Happy New Year to
You all.

Sincerely

Matthew

Send that agreement back
at once & oblige me

Sir

Montreal 4th / Jan^y / 65

Dear Bliss,

Mr. Mutual Friend
Barland handed me your Acct^y
imperiously demanding, if it was
correct & why no date, & now placed
to the Stamp transactions, also
asking me as your Representa-
tive, why the Charges for your ex-
penses were charged, informing
me of his determination not to
allow it, as the order was
already secured & you were not
required in the matter, after
a good deal more of insults
to myself about the work, being
still printed in N. York - & I
sundry ignorant threats I left
him to settle with you.

I asked for my \$300 New
Jan^y 2^d & also was very unde-
rstandable regard to it, & has not
paid it.

Now you can inform him
on his own grounds - that you were
in no way bound to allow him
a cent off the Stamp job -

According to my agreement with
you & which he now is sup-
posed to be carrying out
that a per centage was only to
be allowed on work or orders
secured directly or indirectly
by them & they took the
very opposite course & did
their best to keep the work
out of your hands.

And you will oblige me by
saying the simple truth
that it was by my request
that the per centage was
allowed them & to please
me not because they de-
served it.

Don't forget to return
the agreement sub you
for Connection, day before
Christmas by Express in
the "Private" Parcel
as I am in a false po-
sition without it.

No Bill Stamp, yet re-
ceived - hurry them
on as they are quite out

Yours &c &c
— SM —

Montreal, January 5 1865

W. R. Bliss Esq
Secretary
Am. Bank Note Co

Dear Sir

We enclose our monthly statement and the semi-annual accounts to 1st instant

Referring to the matter of the paper account we are at a loss how the transfer to a U. S. currency account will meet the case. We think the paper should be charged to this business and credited to you at the rate of the day. By this course it is entered at its true value at the time you sell it to this business. In so dealing with the paper we received this year taking the rate as 50 % discount, a calculation entirely in your favor

We have to acknowledge receipt of your statement and to remark in regard to the item of \$185 for travelling expenses that we cannot see on what principle it is charged this business. Mr Matthews declared to have secured the order for the Company. Such an item is occasioned solely by the action of yourselves with Mr Matthews and has no reference to our agreement. We object to this item entirely, it being as far as our knowledge goes an unnecessary outlay and certainly one of which we should bear no part.

We consider all your samples of paper very good but prefer that marked B. S. 18 lbs., which we think will meet the wants of the Company's customers best. as our stock is so very small please send us 20000 sheets.

We would also like a small lot of the last sample sent, the only mark thereon being 20 in red figures and of 18 lbs weight

Yours truly
Burland, African & Co

Montreal 18th Jan^y 1865

Dear Sir,

I have been absent
for 8 days & your letter of the
6th Nov, consequently only receiving
attention. The agreement as past
between myself & W Edison was
meant to be for 5 Years & no
more, & the error in the docu-
ments is simply clerical. I
have no objection to either
decision, it is only ^{on} your Dec.
that I sent back my Copy
of "last" Agreement, to correct
it as you might desire, thinking
that we had a right to do
so. - You will please care-
fully enclose, Seal & send
back my Copy as I may be
likely want it on the first
of Feb^y next, as then the

first of 10 Payments become
due me from B. L & Co.
Consideration money for
my Business sold them.

And which I have reason
to think they may give
me trouble about, for
which reason I might be
mispaired - I need not
repeat it, but I hope
you will attend to this Bu-
siness without delay -

When may we expect
completion of last small
order - 2 Cases only as
yet are received.

B. L & Co have
sent you rec^{ts} as I
advised you, but I can
give you but little infor-
-mation further, as they
anxiously avoid speaking

of the matter. - of
your interests at all.

The \$500 is not
paid, nor spoken of not
withstanding your letter
to them - & it is not the
\$500 I care about or think
of in this connection -
but simply give you
the true state of things

Yours
faithfully
Matthew

Geo Matthews
Montreal, Jan 19,
1865

Montreal 18th Jan^y 1865
Dear Sir,

I have been absent
from your letter of the
consequently only receiving
the specimen as past
self & W. Edison was
for 5 years & tho
to error in the docu
simply clerical &
objection to either
it is only ^{on} your acc.
back my copy
nament, to correct
might desire, thinking
ad a right to do
will please care-

fully enclose. Seal & send
back my copy as I may be
likely want it on the first
of Feb^y next, as then the

Montreal Jan 19th /65

Dear Bliss,

I am confidentially informed that Burland has by "Some Means" arranged to have in Parliament the Stamp Question brought up & a protest entered against "Canter Work" being allowed to come into the Province for our Gov^t while such able Men & W^m are here to do it.

I further learn he has a Lawyer employed in the matter.

I further learn of the prospects of a very large job soon & which he says they are determined shall not be done either part or all in the State. I further think a party in N. Y. are aiding him as one was about here for some days - I have written to

Quebec, asking instructions
about future printing, if it
is desirable to have it done
here, giving them good &
honest advice, adding that
I am not desirous of contin-
-uing my responsibility, unless
my recommendations are ad-
-opted. If I telegraph
you "Send on" send all
the plates, addressed to Matthew
for the Hon. Receiver General
of Canada
Revenue Stamp plates Quebec.

So that when the matter
comes up - the reply may be
what it is, most readily. -

The plates are here in
Quebec, in the hands of the Receiver
Genl & that the reason of the
first very small issue being
done at N.Y. was for urgent

& unavoidable reasons. -

And now, I am getting very
weary of this annoying persecution
& shall largely leave you to
manage it, & when the matter
is bro't up in the papers, you
will have to defend yourselves
as well as myself from these
devilish, unjust, & cruel
assaults. - And look after
your own interests in the matter,
of course I shall always be
at my post, to battle for
right.

Yours faithfully

J. M. Matthews

Reply at once

Parliament opened yesterday
& a new fledged Honorable is a 10th
Cousin of B's -

Yes. Matthews
Montreal Jan 18,
1865



Montreal, January 31 1865

W. R. Bliss Esq
Secretary
A. B. Note Co.

Dear Sir

We beg to enclose our monthly statement and shall be glad to receive from you statement of any work done in Canada up since your last

We have not heard from you in reference to the Bank note paper and should be glad to do so.

Yours truly
Burland Lafrain & Co
per B. H.

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O. A. DODGE, Supt.

Received at *New York* *Feb* *4* 1865, at *10* o'clock, *15* minutes,

By Telegraph from *Montreal* to *W. R. Bliss*

Secy American
Bank Note Co

Have you received orders
for two (2) law stamp plates
seventy (70) and ninety (90) cents
if so from whom
answer immediately
G. Matthews

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Geo. Matthews, esq. Agent for
The Hon^{ble} The Receiver General of Canada.

to the American Bank Note Company D^r.

Feby. 1st 1885.

For furnishing Bill Stamps as follows;

2,500 Sheets of 3 cent Stamps

200 " " 30 " "

2,700 " @ \$50 per 1000 Sheets

~~\$~~ 135.

100 Sheets of \$1 Stamps

@ \$100 per 1000 Sheets }

10.

~~\$~~ 145.

G. Matthews
Montreal Feb. 7. 1865

Montreal 7th Feb 1865
Dear Sir,

Please Employ the
bearer / One who served his time
faithfully at this Office, & his
Moreover a young Man of undoubt-
ed good Character — He will
tell you his Case & you may im-
plicitly believe him —

I have been confined to
my House for 2 weeks with
illness & can hardly hold my
pen now — With regard to the
70-90 Cent Stamps — Mr. Hoare
called about them & said he had
been informed that we were doing
them — (Which no doubt will be the
Case) Also the Plates &c for the
No Bank Models of which I had
sent you on Saturday for al-
teration &c &c —

Business here is as dull as
need be - but there are some
orders brewing of which I
give you an inkling as
before two ago -

The main one a National
Bank - "Bank of the
Confederation"

Yours &c

M -

Wm Linnegar,

Proofs of Revenue Stamps
of the Hon^{ble} Secy
Receiving General
of Canada

Bind up proofs of
stamps - interleaved -

Oct 21

Send to Mr Matthews -
a proof of every law stamp plate -
a a of ^{#1 and #2} ~~law~~ bill stamp plate -
also bills for engraving & printing law
stamp plates -
also bills for Eng^d the Bill Stamp
plates. — Finish the vig. plates -
for law stamps

Send bill stamps plates - addressed to
The Hon^{ble} The Receiver General
of Canada
Care Geo. Matthews - (Ambassador) -
Montreal
Govt Plates.
or stamps
Canada.

Print book of specimens

14
250
1000
250
3500

QUEBEC, February 10, 1865.

The returns of revenue for the twelvemonths ending 31st December last will show, I understand, a fair surplus both over expenditure and estimates. Of one of the newest branches of revenue I have procured some rather interesting statistics. I refer to stamps. The stamps, I regret to learn, have been hitherto executed in New York. I hope hereafter this patronage will be given to Canadian enterprise. I understand the work can be executed in Montreal. Why should we go abroad unnecessarily for these things, especially under present circumstances of our commercial relations with the United States.

The stamps for bills are of all values, from 1c to \$3. The amount already sold is \$166,659, of which about \$82,000 for cash and the balance through the Post Office Department, charged against it. The actual cash receipts for the five months, however, has been over \$100,000. But there is not likely to be so large a demand in future. Some of the banks and other commercial institutions have laid in stocks which will last them a year, in some instances several years.

The law stamps are uniform all over the Province done in anti-forging green. They bear a beautifully engraved figure of justice. In Upper Canada, however, to distinguish the funds for the benefit of which they are issued they bear in red ink the initials C. F. [for consolidated fund], F. F. [for fee fund] and L. S. [for law society fund.] During the four months ending January 31 there were \$20,000 of the first kind, \$3700 of the second and \$13,000 of the last issued. In Lower Canada again there are several district funds also, the Fee Fund, the Building and Jury Fund and in three districts a special Court House Fund. They are cancelled by four separate officers as they are attached to different legal proceedings. Thus in Montreal the returns for the four months are nearly as follows:

	Fee Fund	Building & Jury.	Crt. House.
Cancelled by			
Prothy.....	\$5770 40		\$2196 40
Clerk of Court...	5715 00		1876 70
Clerk of Crown.	89 10		
Clerk of Peace...	36 40	\$61	
Sheriff.....	754 50		30 80

The total sold by stamp distributors for Montreal (excepting 1 note of Sheriff not retired) \$14,335.70, more than half the total, the remaining districts only yielding about \$13,600. The result is a considerable increase of revenue in Upper, and an increase also in Lower Canada. In olden times, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners for small causes were obliged to pay a tax of five cents on many of their proceedings, which, however, were never handed over, being thought too petty. Now the Commissioners courts seem to be using the stamps with regularity; but some of the Justices instead of putting on the stamps, and so connecting them, have, in several instances returned the stamps to the government unconnected, or in some instances, sent in the money, in one instance a ten cent bit.—

M

Maybel, Robert Mrs
Mearnes, Mrs
Metzler, V R Mrs
Monckford, Miss
Morgan, Mrs
Morrison, Mary

Morrison, Sarah
Morrogh, Anne
Muldoon, Mrs
Murphy, Mary
Murphy Margaret

Mc

Mack, Bridget
McClelland, Nini
McCluskey, Margaret
McCormick, Ann
McCrea, Ann
McCuaig, Hellen
McDonald, Christy
McDonald, Catharine

McDonnel, Mrs
McFadden, Widow
McFadden, Ann
McInnes, Maggie
McLellan, O D
McMartin, Mary
McRae, Harriet
McRae, Janet

O

O'Brien, Ellen
O'Brien, Maria
O'Brien, Mary

O'Lary, Mary
O'Neal, Elizabeth

P

Porter, Clarence D
Preston, Margaret
Preston, W W Mrs

Preston, M W Mrs
Preston, Mrs
Pringle, Ellen

R

Rose, Mrs
Ross, Mrs

Russell, Jane

S

Savage, Alice
Scholes, Robert Mrs
Scott, Paulina
Shand, Mrs
Sheldon, Margaret
Sinclair, A

Smith, Louisa
Smith, Neill Mrs
Smith, S
Smith, Elizabeth
Somerset, Elizabeth
Stewart, J M Mrs

T

Taft, Mary Mrs
Taylor, W S
Thacker, Mrs

Thomas, L Mrs
France, Margaret

W

Wald, Mrs
White, Elizabeth
White, Eliza Mrs

Wilne, H C Mrs
Wilson, E Mrs
Wright, Mrs

Y

Young, Jane Mrs

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

A

Abbott, D C
Adams, C J T
Adams, J
Adams, J
Adams, Press
Adams, Wm
Akin, James

Anderson, Richard
Andrews, Randall
Antrobus, A G
Arnold, George
Austin, G F
Austin, Wm
Avery, Addison

B

Bailey, John jr
Baillie, W & Co
Bain, Farquhar
Banting, Charles
Barnard, J F
Barney, Edward
Barrey, John
Barsalou, Lieut
Battey, Oscar
Benson, N
Berey, James
Blyth, David
Boardman, G S (2)

Bogue, W L
Boles, G W
Bolton, C
Bresnahan, Denis
Brock, W R
Brothers, J Capt
Brown & Mitchel
Brown, J C (2)
Brown, John (3)
Bryan, J M
Buchanan, W A
Byrns, Michael

C

Callaghan, Timothy
Calven, A
Campbell, Wm
Campbell, S S
Candee, W A

Clarke, Arthur
Clark, Ashville
Clark, A
Clarke R Dr
Clouston, Wm

Send to Montreal.

specimens hard finish B. & S paper

proofs of plates for Pat Med
labels - RR tickets - Boards -
diplomas - billheads &c

Drawing to be sent to NY

Correct Paper charge to 16. currency 105
" " " " 110

"Getting" Perforator to Canada \$50 -

Flat Cap - \$10.00 -

Inv. Bill Plates - \$50. if sent -

AMERICAN
BANK-NOTE COMPANY,
OFFICE NO. 66 ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER STREET,
MONTREAL.

The undersigned begs to give notice that the American Bank-Note Company continues to engrave and print STEEL PLATES for BANK-NOTES, BONDS AND COUPONS, CERTIFICATES OF STOCK, DEPOSIT CERTIFICATES, DRAFTS, BILLS OF EXCHANGE, DIPLOMAS, LETTER-HEADS, POLICY-HEADS, LABELS, &c., at its office in Montreal.

Any orders from the Banks, Corporations, and Business Houses of *Canada* will receive particular attention, and will be executed promptly and in the excellent style for which the work of this Company has been noted.

GEORGE MATTHEWS,

AGENT of the AMERICAN BANK-NOTE Co. in Montreal.

GEORGE W. HATCH, President, {
WILLIAM R. BLISS, Secretary. }

Law Stamps

8 single plates - from "5cts" to "80cts" — \$300-

5 double plates - n "1." to "5." — \$400-

printing - paper &c per 1000 sheets } \$60.
from single plates — }

n " double plates — \$100.

2400
2000
4400

Oct. 27

2400
2000
3500.

1200
9100
1622

2500
1

2000
5

\$10.72

Bill Stamps

14 single plates \$250 {

3 double " \$400 - }

printing single plates per 1000 sheets — \$50 —

" double plates — per 1000 sheets — \$100. —

Proposal of
Geo Matthews inventor
of a "decal" postage
stamp ink
w/ samples

Formula in
premium notes?

Also many
addl. letters

Montreal 13th Feb 65
W. R. Bliss Esq^r Recd. 15th
Sir,

Enclosed you have
first proof of information sent
you some time ago & not acknow-
ledged - Mr Honey called & asked
me how we were getting on with
the go & go Anti-Slavery stamps, which
he had been officially informed were
ordered, & telegraphed you - & since
have written to Luckin, but rec-
no answer to it. I have how-
ever satisfactory assurances as
far as I am personally concerned,
as to the future - You will keep all
the plates subject to my order -
there are no instructions from
head quarters. - I am confined
to my house & have been for
three weeks - nearly half the

in bed with inflammation of
the lungs, & my doctor
says shall be obliged to keep
in the house for some
days yet — I am very
weak & can hardly pen
this. —

Yours faithfully

Matthews

The Models for Royal Ca-
nadian Bank send as soon
as you can — to B. B. Ho-
with a request that they call
on ^{me} for instructions, or it may
get astray. —

I have a new box in the
Post Office — No — 788 1/2
did they send my note with them

The Models for alterations &
order for \$10. plate

G. Matthews,
Montreal Feb 13
1865

Montreal 16th Feb 1863

Dear Sir, Yours of the 13th rec^d.
I no doubt by this you have mine
of same date; I note all your
say & agree with most of it.

I do not however see that you
have any right to "suppose" that
I would see the Emittance you
speak of sent you promptly -

I have no authority or power
to do this, & what little I had,
you nullified by leading Messrs.
B. & L. Ho - a letter instructing
"them" to collect acc^{ts} & out
of the same first to pay me a
small balance of some 70 or 80
dollars, & then remit you & c. &c.
clearly by that act making them
the responsible parties, & which
by their agreement with you they
certainly are. - That letter they
showed me with a triumphant
air - & of course which they
carefully retain. (over)

They duly paid me the £30
due me Jan 4th & according
to "orders from you" as
they say. Now it is quite
clear all can't give orders, &
those who do, are naturally supposed
to give the orders to those whom
they intend to execute them.
You know I am disappointed
in Mr. B. - I would not, had
I known him as well before as
now, given my affairs so long
under his control, much less
have recommended him to his
present position, this of course
is now too late to mourn over
& the only way to manage him
is to get fairly with him &
insist upon what is right. I trust
I as far as I have your, you
can well understand I shall
be, as far as I have a right,
ready at all times to help you.
And your interests will
be as always by me, Religiously

watched. I shall continue my
name before the public as your
representation & agent, & as far
as is practicable exercise a
general superintendence over the
Office in Montreal - shall
at all times when required give
the Co. the full benefit of my
experience, & reputation, & more
"Will not see you wronged
in any way whether by igno-
rance - or design - I will
if needs be work night & day
to frustrate any scheming
that may or should come to
my knowledge, against your
interests. - but with regard
to your money matters, as they
now stand, I will not inter-
fere - other than what may be
a personal matter as for instance
the late stamp job
Yours faithfully

Matthews,
W. R. Bliss Esq. - / I am mending /
in health & so

J. Matthews
Montreal, Feb. 16. '68.
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Montreal March 1 1865

W. R. Bliss Esq

Dear Sir

Herewith is our monthly statement for February, a very meagre one we regret to say

We should be glad to be favored with a statement from you of work performed on Montreal account since yours last that we may know what to remit you

We have your favor in reference to the paper for which we are obliged

Yours truly
Burland Lafricain & Co

Montreal ~~the 11th~~ 18th
March

Dear Bliss -

My friend Mr Woodside
of the New Bank - will call
upon & give you orders
for the plates - he says he
prefers it, as he can look
over your specimens & get
your ideas &c. &c.

Mr. B. & Co - are
apparently afraid that I
desire to do them an injustice.
They have (forg. me) Mr W's
letter, & I desire you to
be particular as to the whole
matter, as I now, as always,
simply desire ^{to do} what I con-
ceive to be right to all.

Yours &c. &c.

Is there any back Patent fees
due me - please say -
no letter for a long time from you

All reverse

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

QUEBEC, WEDNESDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1865.

Seventeen Petitions were brought up, and laid on the Table.

Petitions received and read —

Of *C. E. Courteau*, M.D., and others, of the Parish of St. Roch de l'Achigan,—of *A. Deschamps* and others, of the Parish of Repentigny,—of the Municipality of the Parish of L'Assomption,—of *Peter Robinson* and others, of the Parish of St. Henri de Mascouche,—of *J. Laurier* and others, of the Parish of Lachenaie, all of the County of L'Assomption,—of *V. Perras* and others, of St. Michel Archange,—of *A. Provost* and others, of St. Philippe,—of *M. Ménard* and others, of St. Jacques le Mineur, all of the County of Laprairie,—of *J. B. Lafleche* and others, of the Parish of St. Roch de Richelieu,—of the Reverend *J. B. Bélanger* and others, of St. Ours, both of the County of Richelieu,—of *A. Trudeau* and others, of the Parish of St. Bruno, County of Chambly,—of *B. Perrault* and others, of the Parish of St. Paul, County of Joliette,—of *P. Benoit* and others, of the County of Napierville,—of *G. T. Dessaulles* and others, of St. Hyacinthe and other Parishes, County of St. Hyacinthe,—of *J. F. Legendre* and others, of Ste. Cécile de Milton, County of Shefford,—and of *A. Lamoureux* and others, of the Parish of Boucherville; severally praying that any measure having for its object the Confederation of the Provinces of British North America, may not become law.

Of *J. Duncan* and others, of St. Germain de Grantham, County of Drummond; praying for the redress of certain grievances connected with the subject of Protestant Education in Lower Canada.

Of *G. W. Malloch*, of the Town of Brantford, County of Brant; praying that the Bill to legalize and confirm an agreement made between the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada and the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railway Company, may not become law.

Of *F. Lemonde* and others, of the Parish of St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville; praying that no constitutional change may be adopted until the people shall have been consulted, either by a dissolution of the Legislative Assembly, or by any other mode Parliament may be pleased to adopt, and shall have approved of the project.

Of the Reverend *P. D. Laurent* and others, of Amherstburg and other Townships; praying that the Roman Catholic minority of Upper Canada may enjoy the same privileges (with respect to education), as may be granted by the General Government to the Protestant minority of Lower Canada, in the event of a Confederation of the Provinces of British North America.

Of the Children's Industrial School of the City of Hamilton; praying for aid.

Of *A. Dubé* and others, of the Parish of Detour du Lac, County of Témiscouata; praying aid for the Témiscouata Road.

Of *A. Dubé* and others, of the Parish of Detour du Lac, County of Témiscouata; praying aid for a Road in the said Parish.

Of the Municipality of the Township of Artemesia, County of Grey; praying for amendments to the Assessment Act of Upper Canada.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of London, C.W.; praying that a Central Prison may be established in the said City.

Of *J. McMurich* and others, of the City of Toronto; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *F. H. Medcalf*, Mayor of the City of Toronto, on behalf of the Citizens, and of *Marcus Rossin*, on behalf of the Directors for the re-construction of "The Rossin House," for an Act to exempt the Hotel portion of the "Rossin House" from the imposition and payment of taxes for the term of five years, may not be granted.

Of *Alexander Guill*, of the Township of Ramsay, County of Lanark; representing that during the year 1855, he had, under the protection of the Government Boom, which is stretched across the mouth of the Mada-waska River, a quantity of saw-logs, and that on the 26th April of the same year, a storm arose which had the effect of loosening the said Boom, and driving the saw logs down the River Ottawa, so that they could not be recovered,—and praying that a Committee may be appointed to inquire into his claim for indemnification from the Department of Public Works, for the defective state in which the said Boom was kept.

A Message was received from the Legislative Council, agreeing to the following Bills, without amendment No. 95. To amend the Act passed in the 26th year of the Reign of Her Majesty, relating to the Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company.

No. 117. To incorporate the Ottawa Skating and Curling Club.

Also, with the following Bills of their own, to which the concurrence of this House was desired:—

Bill [No. 203] intituled: "An Act to provide for obtaining Statistical Returns from Insurance Companies."

Bill [No. 204] intituled: "An Act to facilitate prosecutions under the Act respecting Tavern-keepers and the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors."

Bill [No. 205] intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Doon and Galt Railway Company."

The said Bills were severally read the first time.—Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Holton* introduced a Bill [No. 206] to incorporate the Montreal Homœopathic Association.—Second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Powell*, from the Select Committee appointed to take into consideration the contents of the Return to an Address of the 23rd April, 1863, in relation to the Office of Supervisor of Cullers, presented the second Report of the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Morris*, the Select Committee on the North Riding of the County of Waterloo Election Petition, obtained leave to adjourn until the third day of the next Session of Parliament, at noon, at the request and with the consent of both parties.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald's* motion of Friday, the 3rd ult., That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of uniting the Colonies of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island in one Government, with provisions based on certain Resolutions which were adopted at a Conference of Delegates from the said Colonies, held at the City of Quebec, on the 10th October, 1864,—and upon the motion for the Previous Question, —That that Question be now put.

Mr. Speaker, in conformity with Chapter 4 of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada, called upon Mr. *Smith*, Member for the East Riding of the County of Durham, to take the Chair during his temporary absence. After some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And The House having continued to sit until 12 o'clock, midnight.,

THURSDAY, 9th March, 1865,

And the Debate continuing,

On motion of Mr. *Jones* (South Leeds), the Debate was adjourned.

Hon. Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* moved that the Debate be resumed at the next sitting of The House this day, as the first Order of the Day, after Routine business; which was agreed to on a division.

The House then adjourned.

LEWIS WALLBRIDGE,
Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Monday next—ADDRESS to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, copies of any correspondence respecting the printing and engraving of the Stamps required for the use of the various Departments, and of any Departmental or other orders on the subject.

Hon. Mr. *Rose*—On Monday next—ENQUIRY OF MINISTRY whether the Government have received offers from competent parties in the Province to execute the work of printing and engraving the Revenue Stamps for the Department of the Minister of Finance, the Post Office Department, and the Law Stamps; and whether it is their intention to continue to procure such stamps from, and to cause them to be executed in, the United States.

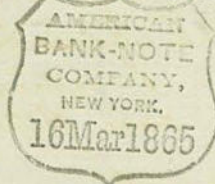
Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*—On Friday next, or whenever the motion can be made—That during the remainder of the Session there shall be two sittings on each day, the first to begin at 3 o'clock P.M., and end at 6 P.M.; the second to begin at 7.30 P.M., and continue until the adjournment, and that on such sittings Government measures shall have the precedence.

Mr. *Powell*—For printing Report of Select Committee on the Office of Supervisor of Cullers.

March 8th

W. R. Bliss Reg
Secretary
Am. B. N. Co.

Montreal, March 10 1865



Dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of yth inst. we beg to say that we did not remit you because we did not know what work had been executed in New York on Montreal account and we thought it very probable that when your statements came to hand they would render remittance unnecessary.

You inform us you have received no money nor rendered any accounts since December. But we do not see why we should not have statements from you of work done, similar to those we send you whether we receive money or render accounts or not and we trust you will forward us an account accordingly.

We now enclose proceeds of \$1000. Canada currency and return the letter we omitted to sign

Yours truly
Orlando L. Lefebvre & Co

We are in daily expectation of the plates for the New Bank at Toronto. Mr Woodside in a letter of 3^d inst. mentions his intention of going to New York to facilitate the engraving. As soon as we are applied to on the subject & requested to have the plates in as quick as possible. Please give this your best attention.

B. L. L.

Montreal 18th March 1865
Dear Phil

Enclosed Note
See, Mark & inwardly dejected
I receive no commun-
-ication of any sort from
you - I therefore suppose
you are as you said in
your "last" watching
events.

I am better in
health but am troubled
with Rheumatism so as
scarcely to be able to write
of this "damned" Cli-
-mate

Yours &c &c

Wm

Canada Bill Stamps

23,000 Sht	1 color	@ 50.	-	\$1.150
400 "	2 "	100		40
				1.190

Canada Law Stamps

15,500 Sheet	1 color. & type	60	\$930.
1,400 "	2 "	" 100	140
			1.070

March 17. 1865.

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New York July 12th 1865

Gentlemen,

Since the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Mr Pauland of the firm of Pauland, Lafracain & Co. Agents of this Company at Montreal, has visited this City for the purpose of preparing the way for a new arrangement with his firm, the effect of which he contends would be advantageous to all parties.

On repeated interviews with him the officers of the Company have obtained an account of the position of our affairs in Canada, and it is deemed proper to communicate to you an account of the same —

In August 1861, the American Bank Note Co. entered into an agreement with Mr Geo. Matthews of Montreal, which agreement is herewith marked A, and was assigned to Mess Pauland & Lafracain in December 1863 (document marked B.) and is still in force, with the exception of an arrangement made in March 1865, (as marked C.) whereby Mr Matthews was released from all connection with the Company, Mess Pauland & Lafracain now solicit our entire new arrangement, matters having assumed such a shape there lately as to make it necessary to have a more perfect understanding,

and for this purpose they have submitted the form of an agreement, marked D. for your consideration, and have also desired that their statement in regard to our affairs in Montreal may also be brought to your notice. Concisely as possible their statement is as follows, In the summer of last year, learning that the Government of Canada proposed issuing Revenue Stamps, they sent for Mr Matthews and requested him to go to Quebec as the Agent of the Am. Wh. Note Co. and to use his influence to procure said work for the Montreal Office, Mr Matthews complied with their request so far as to go to Quebec, but on his return, stated that he had secured the order, not for ~~xxxxx~~ the Am. Wh. Note Co. but for Geo. Matthews, that he had contracted to furnish the Stamps in his own name, had given \$80,000. security, and could give the order to whom he chose, at the same time offering to give Messrs B & L. the work to do in Lithography, provided they would give him 20% commission, they refusing this, he (Matthews) then sent the order to engrave to the N.Y. office, but intended to have the printing done in Montreal, the printing however, was all done in N.Y. with the exception of a few of the Bill Stamp plates lately sent to Montreal, Messrs B & L.

believing that the Company here were sustaining Mr M. in his position, took measures, through their friends, to bring about Governmental influence, and succeeded so far as to have a motion introduced in Parliament calling upon the Crown officials for the reasons why this work was or is not done in the Province? which motion will come up for discussion very soon if allowed to take its regular course, Knowing also that Mr Matthews did not control the work and had not given personal security as alleged, they claim to have been the means of having the last order for Stamps sent direct to N.Y. without the interposition of Mr Matthews - They now propose, as will be seen in their draft of an agreement, to interpose no objections to Canada work being done in N.Y. if the parties so desire it, if they can be allowed a percentage on the profits of the same, equal to what they claim if done in Montreal, and also that plates made for Banks or others in Canada shall contain the Montreal imprint, They also desire a modification of prices for Engraving done at the Montreal office and of the tariff for printed work done by them, alleging that the latter is now done at a loss - It is proper to state that the printing of the Revenue Stamps here in the first

assistance was for the purpose of expediting the work and has since been continued at the suggestion and request of the Government officers most directly interested. How far however, Messrs B & L. may be correct in saying that officers superior to these may order to the contrary, is a matter to be ascertained -

Messrs B & L. urge a new arrangement upon the ground of mutual benefit irrespective of where the work is done, and for the purpose of preventing a conflict in the Province between the Company in New York and its agents in Montreal. They also wish it to be understood that if the Company decline a new arrangement they will continue to carry out in good faith the present agreement which terminates as they believe in December of next year. The original contract with Mr Matthews however, is until Dec. 1867. The assignment to Messrs B & L. reads for the "term of five years" commencing 1st Jan'y 1863. and in another part refers to its termination as in Dec 1867. which would be six years. This is a clerical error no doubt, but is one which ought to be understood by both parties - They would prefer that the new arrangement, if any is made, should be perfected in time to take effect Jan'y 1st 1866. although in the matter of premises, which will be explained by the Vice President, they urge a speedy decision for reasons which will be given by him -

Respectfully
J. S. Angus



Dec 1, 1866

Montreal December 22 1866

C. L. Fausaudt Esq.
Am. B. & Co.



Dear Sir,

We are very desirous to get
your half yearly statement so that we
may close the Compaings Books by the
31st instant.

In a few days we will send
you a tint plate, Quebec Bank, for re-¹¹¹¹¹entry
and you will observe that part of the
work is very good and the rest quite
gone, only about one half the guaranteed
number has been obtained from this
Plate. The Bank, is very urgent and we
will be obliged by your giving it your
best attention.

It has come to our knowledge
that certain persons are about organizing
a Bank note Company here under a
Canadian name. We think it proper

to inform you of what we have
heard so that you may act as you
consider best. The opposition if
organised might of course seriously
affect us and you

We hope in a week or so
to send you an order for the Union
Bank of Lower Canada, one of the
new Banks we wrote you about
some time ago. We are making a
few rough models at present and
have asked for three months before
delivering the notes which the
Cashier thinks will be too long.

Please let us know what is the shortest
time we can promise in. There will
be we think a new vignette either
a portrait or Arms

Yours truly
Dwight F. F. H.



Ans



Montreal, January 8 1866

*C. L. Vanzandt & Co.
Secretary A. B. W. Comp.
New York*

Dear Sir We have already informed you that we have heard of the contemplated organization of a company with a Canada or British name and we note your request for further information on the subject.

We have been for some time convinced that some change should be made here for the Company to retain present work and to obtain a good deal we believe to be in prospect. And we have already made suggestions to you as regards the enlargement of premises, the adoption of a

Canadian title and otherwise

Such information as has
come to our knowledge we hold
ourselves ready to communicate
but the subject is very important
and we are convinced it cannot
be discussed by letter

We wish some gentlemen
could be delegated by your ~~camp~~
to proceed here and enter into
the matter with us. We think
action should be taken at once
and these gentlemen being in
possession of your views and in-
tentions would be able to decide
with us as to the course to be pur-
sued, and at the same time have
an opportunity of inspecting your
business here. If this is im-
practicable (we trust it is not) our
Mr. Barland would visit you
if informed of a time when
he could rely on meeting

your board.

We remain

Very respectfully

Orlando Lyman Jr

P.S. Your favors of the 29th & 5th
of January are to hand

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CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec'y. MARSHALL LEFFERTS, Eng. E. S. SANFORD, Pres't.

2 Dated *Montreal* 26 1866.

Received at

Feb 26

To *C. L. Van Sante*

Secy Am Bank Note Co

*I has samples before
Government offers to build
and work under Government
control what is to be done you
are keeping our hands tied*

Burland Lafricain

24 Coll 218



Wms

Montreal February 27 1866

C. D. Van Laundt Esq
Ave. B. N. Bay
New York
Dear Sir,



The cashier of the Union Bank has just called to see what he will get some notes. He is very urgent and wanted ~~us~~ to promise him a supply in 2 weeks. The Bank would go into operation if they had a small supply. Pray urge them forward and let us know when we are likely to get the plates. Please send by return mail the drawing of the Arms and save us the trouble of making another one.

We telegraphed you yesterday the progress our opponents are making and the position they are willing to assume to carry out their plans. We believe matters to be more serious than your Board think for and our friends blame us on all hands for not being prepared with our arrangements and plans to forestall their efforts. Your

Telegram we received. It is our opinion
that your Committee ought to bring on
a supply of best samples of British
American stamps, Bonds & with other
choice work. We understand the recent
or latter work of Mrs. L. is considered
beautiful

Yours truly

Burland Lapicain & Co

We enclose our monthly Statement.
And draft for \$ 50-25 to cover Invoice from
you for Black

Montreal statement, February 1866

Expenditures on to Engraving & Printing

Quebec Bank

Stamping 7000 sheets, Toronto	87 50	
Printing 4000 1111 face	100 00	
" 4000 tints	80 00	
" 4000 backs	80 00	
Numbering 4000	20 00	
Engraving Title plate 1111	100 00	467 50

Outeris Bank

Printing 4000 sheets 55510 face	100 00	
" 1000 . 2222 .	25 00	
" 5000 . tints	100 00	
" 5000 . backs	100 00	
Stamping 1000 . 55570 Envelope	12 50	
Numbering 5000 . 2 nos each	50 00	387 50

Bank of B. N. America

Printing protectors on 24,000 notes	105 00
	960 00

Quadrilles do to Bank note paper

Quebec Bank, 2000 sheets	45 00	
Ontario Bank, 2500 "	56 25	101 25

Engraving & Prg. Dr to Burland, Lafrancini & Co

Stamping 7000 sheets, Toronto	Quebec BK	52 50
Printing 4000	1111	44 00
" 4000	tufts	44 00
" 4000	backs	40 00
Numbering 4000		8 00
Printing 4000	55510 Out. BK	44 00
" 1000	2222	11 00
" 5000	tufts	55 00
" 5000	backs	50 00
Carried over		348 50

<u>Engraving & Pig. in to Burland, L. & Co. cont.</u>	348 50	
Stamping 1000 sheets	7 50	
Numbering 5000 " 2200	20 00	
Printing Protectors on 24000 notes B. R. N. A.	54 00	430 00

Cash dr to Commercial Bank

3 For this amount		330 00
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Surpluses dr to cash

3 Sur. B. N. Compy, draft	1500 00	
rent	58 33	
<u>Expense, express</u>	" 75	1559 08

Statement of Business

Engraving & Printing for month		960 00
Cost of doing same	430 00	
Paper used during month		101 25
4500 sheets, costing	72 00	
Expense	" 75	
Burland, Lafricaine & Co, 1/4 H & W	139 62	
	642 37	1061 25
		642 37
Am. B. & Co's share		418 88

Montreal
Statement
Feb'y 1866

Ottawa March 18th

My dear Sir

You are probably already
aware that Mr. Gault has not received
his ~~fixed~~ ^{fixed} Consequently there will
be no Meeting of the Ministry today
~~but~~ ^{and} as the Movements of these gen-
tlemen are very uncertain it is im-
possible to say when or where they may
hold their next gathering - it could
be I presume ^{be} ^{enough} satisfactory, if it ~~should~~
~~not be here~~ for some time ~~settled~~
~~in that event~~ ^{as it will be enough to} ~~hope~~
that your remonstrances will have
some weight, but the knowledge
I have obtained since I reached
here has in a measure interfered with
that the thing is a fore gone Conclusion
Langton is not here and one ~~some~~
~~object~~ ^{fact} his being in Toronto others
that he may be here in a few days

It was very evident both from
Pouchette's Manner and Conversation
that he was hearty in the thing
and from his reply to my direct ques-
tion, "if the matter had been actually
consummated" it was plain that
he considered it so. — I spoke ^{directly} ~~plainly~~
about the French Ponds and what I
~~deemed~~ ^{knew of} Miller & his friends con-
cerned in erect them. as they missing
the fact that while he was charged with
the making of them the fact was
that they was dealing with the
educated parties whose abilities
was used in their production
I think this ^{quite annoying} ~~annoyed~~ Pouchette very
much.

American Bank Note Company

GEO. W. HATCH, PRES.

C. L. VAN ZANDT, SECY.

New York, *Nov. 7th* 1866

Dear Sir,

Your favor of 6th inst. is just at hand and I hasten to answer it. There must be some mistake in regard to delay in furnishing stamps. The only order we have on hand unfinished is one received Sept. 28th 1865. for 58,500 sheets Postage stamps of different denominations, all of which have been delivered except 12,000 sheets, which will be sent next week - This order was received while we were engaged in a previous order and it has been customary for the P.O. Dept. to keep us supplied with orders in advance, and we have sent them stamps from time to time

have not received the first shadow of
complaint lately in regard to delay,
in fact we have been more prompt
with stamps the past year than
ever before. However, there need be
no complaint, if they want them
faster they can have them, we
suppose we were supplying them
as rapidly as they wished -

Matters are going on as usual,
Mr Liffen has decided on the \$5.
Louisiana notes and have also arranged
the terms for him, expect to have
the whole thing settled when he
comes back from Washington the
last of this week -

"Navia" has sent a fine
letter, expect we will have trouble
there -

I can imagine J. D. B. in
Burlington over Sunday -

American Bank Note Company

New York, 16th March 1866

Confidential

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of
pretty direct information, that Mr. Smilie
asserts to his ^{friends} ~~confidentially~~ that when he
was last at Ottawa he consummated
an agreement ^{in writing} with the Government of
Canada which secures ^{exclusive rights} ~~their~~ for
10 years. Should this be the fact it will
complicate the negotiations in ^{prejudice}
Messrs. Putnam & Lufkin & Co. and the American
Bank Note Co. as the ^{of the Bank Note Co.} trustees will be ^{rather} ~~greatly~~
^{that} disappointed. The person friend ~~son~~
confidentially relied upon by Messrs. B & L
among the Government officials should
have withheld so serious and important
a fact from ~~these~~ ^{Messrs. B & L Co.} ~~these~~ ^{House of} ~~the~~

So energetically aided & their Board.
 I am the clerk of the Committee
 Sir Board and the Trustees
 individually have spent much time in
 the discussion of ^{their} ^{connected} ^{particular} ^{business} matters. ^{they}
 very desirous of consummating ^{any}
~~a satisfactory result~~ a satisfactory
 arrangement. ^{will} ~~A~~ You ~~would~~ ^{would} greatly
 oblige me by telegraphing me if you
 have any information that disproves
 the allegations of Mr. ~~Dr. L. L.~~
 and that may permit you to accept

You will surely say, "How
 & happy if you have found
 information that would do
 more the work of the
 as it is my intention to show
 three —
 I have had the honor to
 the A. R. C. by next afternoon.
 the hour etc. such as the
 and a measure that it will
 be satisfactory to know, the
 will be the best piece
 they will be made in the
 J. H.

American Bank Note Company

New York. 16th March 1866

Confidential

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of pretty
much information that Mr Miller asserts
to his Confidants that when he was last
at Ottawa he consummated an agreement
in writing with the Government which
secures their work for 10 years. - Should
this prove true it will complicate the
present negotiations in progress with ^{Messrs} Rudin
Lafleur & Co. and the A. B. & Co. as they ^{shall} ~~will~~
be greatly disappointed that the personal
friends ~~you~~ so confidently relied on
among the Government officers should
have neglected, or ^{missed} important and vital

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Fry.	14.75	20.00
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April		200.00

Yr. 7159 - 57	}
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<u>15,946.64</u>	

Amount received of B. & L.
as then shown of Stamp - \$1000 Gold

March 30.54

June 2990.85

Sept 946.17

Dec 1257.96

1865

\$1306.38 5225.52

June 1858.09

Dec. 6659.84

1864

8517.93

\$2129.48

Dec 1399.35

June 3741.37

1863

5140.72

\$1285.18

Q 12

In the printing we prefer putting
the price for the labour & Materials
at Cost. as that seems to be the
Spirit of the present contract
with the Company -

This would appear to be most in
harmony with the Spirit of the
Contract and ensures an Equity
in the Change in prices be what
they may -

Let the same Spirit prevail in
regard to machinery etc -



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2850

2850

1900

7600

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380.00.

1000 .. 12.00.

Faces

" 10.00

Tails

" 10 00

Backs

32.00.

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CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec'y. MARSHALL LEFFERTS, Eng. E. S. SANFORD, Pres't.

8 Dated Montreal 19 1866.

Received at

Nyack 19
To John Elgar
Am Bank note Co

Not possible but
cannot disprove it would
it not be well to come on

G B Burland

14 Oct 148



Montreal, March 20 1866

Dear Sir

The subject of your
note surprises me more than
a little I cannot think it true
because Mr. Langton is in Europe
but in the event of such a misfortune
happening no I must protest against
your putting the blame on us
you well know that for a
long time we have unsuccessfully
pressed you to take steps to meet
the opposition spoken of, or give us
the necessary power to do so
We did not neglect to press
the subject on the attention
of our friends, but we labored
and still labor under the dis-
advantage of not being ^{able} to make
the same propositions as our opponents
We could not offer to work

under for supervision, nor to
come out as a Canadian
Institution. These disadvantages
you know we have had. We
pressed them on your attention
week by week, wishing to become
in a position to go to the
fore with the same proposition
as our opponents - backed up
by your reputation and standing.
You know that my fears were
not considered of sufficient
importance to move you in
the matter nor is the circular
I asked for last day showing
our position and what we
were prepared to do out yet.
Although we have confidence
in our friends we told you
we did not wish to rely solely
on that, hence our frequent
appeals that you looked
upon as premature, because

you had the connection
of years talent - and friends
to back you. We do sincerely
hope that the report is not
true, and it takes us completely
by surprise. The Union Bank
is pressing us every day to know
when they will get some notes
please hurry them up.

Yours truly
J. B. Brinkland

John E. Smith Esq
New York

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Dated *Montreal 21* 1866.

Received at *NY Nov 21*

To *John J. Garrit*

Am Bank Note Co

*Energy must be used a
friend strongly recommends
plates being sent & work
delivered from here you had
better come on immediately*

J. P. Burland

22/Dec 204

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Dated

Montreal

1866.

Received at

Mch 21st



C L Van Seandt
Secy Ann Bank
Note Co

Glorious success come
on at once vignette
must do dont delay
face plate answer

G B Burland

14 Ave 148

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6 Dated Montreal 22 1866.

Received at

Ny Noh 22

To: Secy American Bank Note Co

Another change subject
to be brought up again at
next meeting of Council -
No answer from you yet

Y B Ireland

18 Coll 176



Dear Sir,

New York March 27. 1866

Received telegram this morning as follows -
"Glorious success, Come on at once, vignette must do,
don't delay free plate, answer "G. B. Buland"

Assure that you would be in Montreal
Saturday -

This P. M. received the following -
"Another change, subject to be brought up
again at next meeting of Council," G. B.
Buland"

No time to say more -

Yours Truly,

W. M. Andrews

By

A. B. C. D.

Phila. Mich. 24/66

Dear Garrison

I learn that Henry Earle has taken a house in Montreal. Near the Lemittie's have a written contract for the Canadian work - This comes through Ronaldson - You had better see to it at once - Mr. Earle has also said that before Garrison & Bald came back from Montreal with plans in their ears, also that the Government have agreed to put up a building for the new Concern - Welsh tells me this, thinking that I had better write you.

Truly Yrs

J. D. Bald

Mrs. E. Garrison Esq.
N. Y. -

Matthews is in the



Montreal, March 27 1866

C. S. Parvaudt Esq

Secretary

Am. B. & Co.



Dear Sir,

The cashier of the Royal Canadian Bank is very much displeased with their notes, alterations having been effected with great ease; he wishes, before getting any more printed, our having the 5 and 10 ^{Titles} altered to Old English. You will also prepare new tint plates full green with the denomination in large letters and heavy shade lines: large cypher letters ^{or figures} across the counter but must extend over each side of the black. The figure at each side of the arms must be very distinct and much larger than the present ones. Let them be large enough to go in under the lion and unicorn so as to make it impossible to change them.

There is so much dissatisfaction expressed with the present notes that it will be better to send us a design for the tint

The face plate you will also change

to Montreal 1st May 1866. The Bank is very
urgent to get the alterations made and want
the notes positively before the 1st May so please
give the matter your best attention.

We have given Mr. Smith full
particulars as to what is really wanted and
thus hope to save the delay of sending a
design. We have also given him every
particular as to the state of our affairs here.
He left last night for Ottawa where he
will be detained a day or two and then
return to New York.

Yours truly,
Charles L. F. F. F.

P.S. Plate sent by this day Express.



Montreal March 29 1866

My dear Sir

Your favor is to hand
and you may rely on my continued
expectation I had a very cheering
letter from my cousin Hon & W Bull
who has seen Mr Howland Post-
master General. We must not
however take anything for granted
but work with a will I am writing
him by to day's mail on the same
subject - Mr Langton is at present
in Toronto at Professor Wilson's
where you can write to him if
you wish. He will not be home
until next week. The whole
matter is now fully before you
and we shall be glad to have
our hands strengthened in any
way you think best - Mr Griffin
has adopted Mr Sullivan's line

of reasoning and Mr Bouchette
as I feel you would be easily
affected with the Genian disease
Notwithstanding all we are full
of hope

Yours truly
S. B. Bouchette

P.S The face plate has been
received with joy. The link
Royal Canadian Bank
S. B. B.



Montreal, April 6th 1866

C. L. Fawcett Esq.
Secretary A. B. C. Company
New York

Dear Sir

Yours of the second
is to hand and we note its contents
with regards to the Royal Canadian
Bank & plate we received orders from
the Manager here who says he received
his instructions direct from the Cashier.
He now instructs us to continue print-
ing the Bank.

We must express our regret at not
hearing from Mr. Gavit since his return
to N.Y., this is the time for the Company
to give us any assistance in their power.
We feel tolerably certain that we will suc-
ceed or at the worst the matter will go to
competition on this subject. We must

fully understand one another in time
so that there can be no misunder-
standing or conflict more especially
as the whole matter now stands on
purely Canadian ground.

Our friends are proved indited in the
cause with determination and although
to use a common phrase there is
many a slip between the cup and
the lip we have full hope of ulti-
mate success.

Yours sincerely

Barland & Co.



Gus
Montreal April 10 1866

C. D. Lavoie & Co
Am. B. N. Co



Dear Sir,

We have received your Invoice of arms &c. for Union Bank. The price for the Portrait was to be only \$100 in accordance with the Tariff, and we cannot exceed that charge. What is the charge to this office for arms?

Our opponents are using every kind of means to thwart our efforts. They urge that Mr L. is a Canadian, selling a large amount of property to settle here. They desire a purely Canadian Company with Canadian Capital keeping the profits in the country. That we are in entire dependence on the American Bank Note Company, that they offered us a share in the new Company but we refused, being more desirous to build up

American interests &c. By this style of
reasoning you can see we have a pretty
hard time of it. The whole matter, as
Mr Savit knows is urged on purely
Canadian grounds. The matter is not yet
settled; we are doing all that we can
and have every hope of success.

We enclose draft purchased
with £1000 and have charged you
with same.

Please send us 10000 to 20000
sheets best bank note paper that can
be had. May be particular as to
quality. Paper is one of our great difficulties.

Yours truly
Durland Lefebvre & Co
1877



Montreal, April 11th 1866

Dear Mr. Faint -

I am very much surprised at not hearing from you and getting full particulars on the subject promised after your return home from Ottawa. We feel that the Company ought to give us more assistance and information than they have done. You will see by our letter to the Secretary, that the opposition are using every means to accomplish their object. The matter is not yet settled. We are doing all we can, and are very anxious to hear from you on this ~~subject~~ ^{matter}.

Yours truly
J. H. Burland

MONTREAL, 12th April, 1866.

SIR :

The undersigned, having been given to understand that a Report of the Board of Stamps, &c., upon an application of Messrs. Matthews & Smillie for the exclusive privilege of engraving and printing the Law, Bill, Postage and other Stamps, and the Provincial Debentures, and the execution of other engraving work for the Government, is now under the consideration of yourself and the other Members of the Executive Council, beg leave respectfully to submit certain reasons why work now in part executed by the undersigned should not be given exclusively to the applicants above named.

Mr. George Matthews retired from business at the end of 1863, and on the 1st of January, 1864, three of his employés formed a partnership as Burland, Lafricain & Co., Mr. Matthews selling them his stock, and, in particular, the good-will of his business—the last item at the price of \$5000. Mr. Matthews, at the same time, advertised the fact of his retirement, and recommended the new firm as men connected with his establishment for a great many years, worthy of confidence, of strictest integrity, and workmen of the highest order.

Notwithstanding this sale, Mr. Matthews thereafter solicited orders from the Canadian Government. The order for the new Bill Stamps was brought by him to Burland, Lafricain & Co., and by them executed to the entire satisfaction of the Department. Afterwards Mr. Matthews, asserting that he was so instructed by the Government, came and destroyed the plates for these stamps, and, claiming the position of Agent for the Government, gave the execution of the Law and Bill Stamps to be done in New York.

Government work was offered to B. L. & Co., by Mr. Matthews, if they would pay him 20 p. c. commission, which they declined to pay, urging that he was bound to hand it over to them, having transferred the good-will of the business. Eminent counsel here held that the law of the case was, in this respect, in favour of B. L. & Co. The first position taken in the matter by Mr. Matthews was, therefore, that of a broker selling his influence in obtaining government contracts at good prices for 20 p. et., or offering to sell at that price.

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because there other business gathered the best workmen and artists together. They have no difficulty in procuring the necessary inspection to secure safety from fraud. And surely there are officers of the civil service in the Customs, Excise, Post Office or Law Departments in Montreal competent to oversee the work, and the plates would be just as safe in the vaults of the Bank of Montreal, the Custom-House, the Post-Office, or the Court-House here as in any of the Government offices at Ottawa, or as they have been for the last twenty-five years out of the country altogether.

But to the undersigned it seems that His Excellency's advisers have other things to consider. First, to secure that the work shall be well and economically done, with proper checks to prevent forgery and fraud; and, secondly, that in as far as possible they shall give employment to Canadian industry and skill, without creating needless and unfair rivalry to private business enterprises already in existence. Nothing, they beg leave respectfully to urge, can be more unjust—(or a greater sin against the true principles of political economy) than this latter course. Yet that is what, it is understood, the Board asks the Government to sanction. It is proposed to create at Ottawa a large engraving company, *i.e.*, at a place where no amount of private business exists, which would justify the establishment of an engraver's shop on a larger than the most modest scale. That company must be dependent, therefore, for its very existence upon the monopoly of government work; yet the profits derivable from that may enable it in turn to compete unfairly with engravers at Montreal, Quebec, and Toronto.

It is said that the new firm is to be a British-American Company, with no connection with any American Company; and that it, therefore, deserves special encouragement, which Burland, Lafrcain & Co. do not. What are the facts? Burland, Lafrcain & Co. is a purely Canadian firm, which has found it necessary, as Mr. Matthews did before them, to form a connection with an American Company of the highest standing and repute, in order to secure at all times when wanted the highest class of engravers, for vignette and other very nice and difficult work. They employ all the other workmen required here upon the spot from among ourselves. Their staff is now from thirty-five to forty, entirely made up of our own people, trained in great part by themselves. But a vignette engraver is a rare and costly commodity which a town with less than half a million inhabitants can hardly afford to keep, nay he is a workman for a whole people or nation rather than any town. There is no demand for the work of an artist like that which would induce him to come to Canada to live. In the ordinary course of business, work could not be got here for him to do, any more than for a manufacturer of Sèvres porcelain or Gobelin tapestry. Certainly nothing short of the whole of the Government work and Bank work combined could support even the smallest staff of them. If Mr. Matthews and his partners bring in such a man, they bring him in at a loss for which the Government must pay in extras of some sort. In all other respects but the means to secure a supply of this peculiar and costly talent, B. L. & Co. are a thoroughly Canadian firm. They have at their command ample capital for all purposes of this as well as their own customers' work. They are prepared to give security in any amount required to indemnify the Government from any risk of loss. They have already been intrusted with the work of all the Canadian banks but one; and they have the exclusive right in Canada and in the other British Provinces to use the patent green and other colors patented here as safeguards against forgery—which Messrs. Matthews & Co. cannot use in doing Government work, nor give the Government this additional security against fraud. This fact of the exclusive use of the patented colors must continue to give B. L. & Co. the greater portion, if not the whole, of the Bank note work, and enable them sooner and on more favorable terms to secure the permanent establishment in Canada of vignette engravers, than any new company could afford to do.

Respecting the proposed Company, it is true that Mr. Matthews and Mr. Smillie are British by birth, but the latter and his family have long been residents in and naturalized

citizens of the United States. They must import all their labour from abroad to take the bread out of the mouths of our own workpeople who have always staid and labored among us, and helped to build up the country while these others were laboring for and enriching the foreigner. The undersigned assert, without fear of contradiction, that the new Company will have to import their whole staff from abroad immediately (there not being a bank-note engraver or printer in Canada, out of their establishment), principally from the United States, or make some similar arrangements with an American Company to those for which Burland, Lafricain & Co. are now condemned as not strictly Canadian. They cannot otherwise secure the talent they need, except, as stated above, at a loss to be made up out of Government work.

With all these circumstances fully before them, would it be wise policy, on behalf of the Government, or fair to the undersigned and other Canadian engravers, to force a Company into existence at Ottawa, where local business would never create one, and to set that Company up with Government patronage into unfair competition with existing Canadian firms? If Government work must be done at the Seat of Government, Burland, Lafricain & Co. offer to open a branch establishment at Ottawa to do it. They will do the whole of the work in the country. They have capital for the purpose at their command; and they are, assuredly, as desirous as Mr. Matthews and his partners can be, to establish a Company upon a purely Canadian basis, as soon as the legitimate demands of business enable them to secure permanently in Canada the services of artists of the highest grade. There is not a bookseller, or printseller, or publisher, who would not say that such a man must starve here now.

To whom, then, should this contract be given? To a well-established firm, which has done the work of nearly all our banks here, and earned their entire confidence? or to one still inchoate, to be imported bodily (with the sole exception of Mr. Matthews, who is understood not to contemplate doing any work as an engraver himself, but as a contract broker) from abroad, and then be passed off on the Government and people as an *exclusively Canadian Company*? In any case the undersigned claim, as a matter of simple justice, that they shall not be precluded from competing with others for the performance of the work.

We are, Sir,

Your very obedient humble servants,

BURLAND, LAFRICAINE & CO.

The Honorable A. T. GALT, M.P.P.,

Finance Minister, &c., &c., &c.

American Bank Note Company,

New York. 13th April 1866

Genl. In my last visit to Ottawa it
pretty clear to me that any measures
to be effectual and retard the
success of the new ^{as it were} Enterprise
~~these~~ must come through Parliament
based upon the certainty that the
Government was not likely to get
what they expected by an arrangement
with the new concern. - That a very
large expenditure was certain to re-
sult and in the present condition
of affairs the Expenditure ^{hundreds of} was ~~not~~ ^{an}
warranted - I was ~~pretty~~ well
satisfied that the Minister of Finance

they wanted the work done in Ottawa
under their own supervision by Citizens
of Canada. whose interests and future
was with them. They had no objection
to the American Note for except the in-
superable one that they were Foreigners
they would prefer the work done
in New York rather than in Montreal
in a Branch office of the Company, and
to the offer establishing a branch office
at Ottawa to be managed by Canadians
under their direct supervision, it was
replied "that could not help the
matter" The proposed New concern
was composed of British subjects
~~with~~ ^{of} superior ability who would

you will thus see that it is impossible
for us openly to do anything that ^{on the part of} will ^{change}
Matters ~~as they stand~~; all efforts on our
part would be considered an interference
with the future and prospects of Canada
The only way is to make it clear that
the expectations in this particular so
themselves put forward by these parties
^{the friends} is beyond their power to fulfill - that they
will have to get all their best work done
in the States and that the money will
no remain in Canada & that a por-
tion of the concern are not British
subjects neither by birth or inclination
What I would recommend you
especially, ^{to} direct your attention ~~to that~~

of a contract for a term of years, and
as very important to get a clause
inserted ^{in the agreement} that the Government "May at
any time when they think it for the
public interests suspend and abrogate
any contract they ~~make~~ May
~~hold~~ ^{have with their rights} - I am certain this is
the direction in which all
your ^{main} efforts should be turned
~~at the present moment~~ - & it
is one that your friends can
urge as one of simple caution
on the part of the officers.

Certain events are shaping here
that will let some light in as to
the facilities they may be able to be-
come - I am quietly becoming poss-
essed of the facts as they transpire
and shall communicate all to you
when they become of the proper
~~value~~ ^{importance} for the internal de-
cision to make. I am, &c.



Montreal April 14th 1866

Dear Sir

Yours of the 13th we
were glad to receive and entirely
concur in the views you take
of matters. We may say however
that we will feel much greater
pride in having the Bands of Thanks
Report set aside altogether and
have hopes that even yet, all will
be right. Our efforts are still
directed to prevent their obtaining
it at all, but certainly if they
are successful your suggestions
would be valuable and could
not be objected to. We will be
glad to hear from you as often
as possible and carry out any
instructions or suggestions you may
send us. I have every reason to
suppose that it will be settled
before the meeting of Parliament.

Therefore hope you will not
delay any information that will
benefit our cause to long
Yours truly
J. W. Burland

John E. Saville Esq
New York

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

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J. H. WADE, Pres't.

O. H. PALMER, Sec'y, Rochester, N. Y.

ANSON STAGER, Gen'l Sup't, Cleveland, O.

To Secy Amn Bx Note Co

No. 6

From

Montreal

Dated

8

Rec'd

Apr 8 1866 1 P M.

Will see you tomorrow hope to
meet full board.

J. B. Burland

Gaylord

American Bank Note Company,

New York, Apr 20th 1866

It is hereby understood that in the permission given under this date, by the American Bank Note Company to Messrs Burland, Lafontaine & Co. of Montreal, to form a new Bank Note Company in Canada, the present arrangement between the above parties, is in no way abrogated, but is to remain in full force for the term thereof, and that neither during its continuance or at its termination shall the permission now given be used to the disadvantage of the American Bank Note Company, it being expressly understood that the new arrangement is demanded by the exigencies of existing circumstances, and is entered into for the mutual benefit of all the parties interested —

Witness to the signature

John G. Wellstood

Burland Lafontaine & Co.



New York April 20th 1866

It is hereby agreed that Messrs Burland & Lafrancie are authorized and permitted to become parties to and donors in the proposed New Bank Note Company to be established at Montreal under the name and title of the British and American Bank Note Company (or such other name as may be selected) in the manner set forth to the offices of this Company by Mr George B. Burland, and that the American Bank Note Company will contribute and assist to make the said organization as complete as the circumstances may require

J. W. E. Gault

Per Pet

C. L. Pangborn et
Secu.

Seal

American Bank Note Company.

New York, April 20 1866

Copy
CL-VAN LAND-1867

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Witness to the signature

Strow 21 April 1866

Dear Friends -

I find the idea of a Canadian Company & Machinery but a Canadian Co. has taken firm hold here even among our Harriet friends, it is everywhere insisted on as a merit of Smiles that he is a British subject by birth and in sentiment - say they profess to believe that he is animated by patriotic notions in offering to establish this company - they pretend to think of Mr. Mathews then Smiles & can only say of getting to ~~the~~ condensed say there is by saying we are ready to accept S. as a partner -

They have no political influence and so resort to this clapnet about patriotism to bolster up their influence over the deputies & through them with the Human Committee, and undoubtedly it is that sort of Clapnet that might be made to go down with Parliament and then outside published -

We must then have a Canadian Co. with an offer to Smiles to go in - That is the only chance I see the game now. Nearly all the other Minutes have declared themselves formally in his favor - but then they don't like to own their fault in his own department - It is a sort of a struggle to let each rule his own. They all declare their desire to have you for a partner of the New Co. only the head that you could not be true to both Companies and to admit you either agent or partner of the A. Co. was all the difficulty, or they said so. In July. B. Chamberlain, Esq. B. Chamberlain Esq. member



Montreal, April 24 1860

Dear Mr Javit

I enclose you a note received from our mutual friend on my return. I send it for your perusal, as it will give you a better insight into the mode of operations our opponents - are carrying on. Than any thing I can say. On consulting with friends I found I found it - would be very imprudent to send any names not resident - here, at this stage of affairs hence we have made the application for letters patent - with the bare limit - the law allows. Please let me know immediately your views of the enclosed letter, more especially as to Mr S. If such an offer were made and refused a France point I feel satisfied friend would then be gained

I will continue to watch the
whole subject to the best of
my ability - and if nothing but
a concession will do, would
like to get your views on the
points as now developed
Please return the letter
yours truly
J. R. Burland



Private

Montreal, May 15 1866

Dear Mr. Jarvis

I have been expecting
a reply to my last note for some
time past. Together with the return
of Mr. Chamberlain's note. Our matter
one not yet settled, but we have
unwavered the whole ministry and
expect to have the whole subject
brought up again before the board
of Stamps, to be dealt with in a
more honorable way than that previously
adopted. There is every hope yet of
our turning the tables, notwithstanding
Mr. S. has actually taken a house
and has his machinery on the way.
We are positively certain that he has
received nothing more than a deputy
promise on the subject. Having
been requested by the Finance Ministry

to be on the 10th June with-
soon. I have been requested to join
the new firm and the Republic are
quite anxious that we should
do so. but I can't see it, and have
as many times refused, willing
as I told them to stand on my own
hoak, and requested them to do the
same and not be hounding me
over refusal. If we loose
it will be after an honorable
fight.

to put us a tender we have done
to 5 per cent less than theirs, and
guaranteed 5000 impressions more
from plates after retouching. This
more we think will help some of
the special pleading adapted for
the occasion. Your friend Mr
Langton is not at all pleased with
the present position of affairs, and
is decidedly the strongest opponent
we have to contend against.
You no doubt feel that I am foolhardy
to hold out against such desperate
odds, but such is the case, and as
yet, have confidence in our ability
to carry the day. Let us hope we won't
be disappointed. Please for Attama
in the morning please push on the
Attama and Royal Connection plates.
Yours truly
J. B. Burdett

P.S. Did I mention you to say
that your annual meeting was



Ans

5/24/66



Montreal May 24/66

C. L. Vandewater Esq.
Secretary A. B. W. Compf.
New York

Dear Sir

Your favor of the
17th is to hand with invoice of 1111 &
2222. First-plate Ontario Bank

We are very obliged by your pushing
on the Royal Canadian plates. The
Carrier is very impatient and
makes no allowance for the neces-
sary time in making or repairing
plates.

Our own matters are not yet
settled, and our Mr. Burlingame
has just returned from Ottawa.
He feels satisfied that we have
lost no ground, notwithstanding
our friends are working hard

have advertised for a charter and
actually because British subjects
as you will see by the notice. In
the event of our success and the
screws put on to test our ability
we hope you will hold yourself
in readiness to give us all the
assistance required for such
an event. One of their leading points
is that they have men, machinery
&c on the spot capable of doing
every thing required.

We remain
Yours truly
Barland. Lafontaine &c

P.S. Please tell Mr. Gavet that
Mr. Barland cannot sign the
papers as directed by him, without
the necessary power of attorney
so to do, and hope to hear from
him soon. P.L.C.

New York 28th May 1846

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of your
favour in regard to the progress
made in the formation of your new
Company. Also the Memoranda or far as
they have been developed by printers in
this City. ~~And it evidences your efforts~~
~~to aid Society~~ I am sanguine that
you will all shew the gravity
of the occasion and your able
measures to cope with them and
I am sanguine you will ^{surely will} get meet
with justice from your Ministry.
What you ask I think common
justice will sanction —

We have passed through our party
ideal and I still hold the office
of Director some circumstances has
prevented that free action which



Montreal June 6th 1866

C. L. Gannan & Co.
Secretary G. B. N. Company.
New York C.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the
25th & 28th was received in due
course as also your first plan
of G. B. N. Montreal but owing to
a little excitement with you
Finnish citizens we have omitted
answering them in proper time
We have received information
to the effect that our charter
will be granted, and the objec-
tions of your friends over ruled
This is so far well, your infor-
mat Finnish scoundrels has so
upset business that we do not

know when our other matter
will come up before council but
nothing has occurred as yet - to
alter your hopes as to the final
result.

We have great difficulty to please
Mr Woodside of late and now
enclose you 3 of his last letters
with our reply thereto. The
change is so remarkable that
the only way we can account for
it is that our friends have been
holding out great inducements
and that he makes the delay and
changes the principal point of attack.
You will also notice that he
orders the plates to be sent to him
and says he can get them printed
himself, his remarks about the
our order has nothing to do with
the new plates as you will see by
his letter of the 24th April but
refers solely to those now printing

for Upper Canada and previously
ordered. If it meets your approval
we will pay him a visit and
try to knock him down, he is the
most unreasonable man we
have had to do with for some time
and now says that he did not order
the new plates.

We regret to say that the one true
Ontario Bank was so badly fitted
that we had to get every opening
cut up by hand before we could
use it. We are also getting the
plates that were slightly rusted
overhauled and cleaned.

We remain
Yours truly
Durand Lefebvre

P.S. Please return W.B. letters as also
any memorandum you have about
the face plate, with the
necessary instructions as to what we are
to do in the matter. B.L.V.

Copy-

Montreal June 5th / 1866.

Woodside Bay

Cashier Royal B. Bank
Toronto

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 2nd June
to hand. You quite mistake our letter of the 3rd.
The plates for Montreal were ordered by yourself when
in New York and models approved of returned to
us on the 30th April. In our last letter we only
meant to draw your attention to the fact of
3000 sheets of paper being printed with
green backs ordered by Mr. Gaul - after
his return from Toronto and printed in
that color before the receipt of your order
for 247,000 dollars. The object being as we
understood at the time to have a distinction
between the Montreal issue & those for
Upper Canada. Your order of the 24th April
instructed us not to change the tint or green
of your present order 247,000 dollars but send

the order for these plates and that - we have
only followed your own instructions in the
matter. On receipt of yours of yesterday we
sent by Express 1000 sheets 553.00 and
will also send you another lot of 500 sheets
this evening. We are
Yours truly
Dwight L. A. C.

Montreal May 21st 1861.
F. Woodside Esq
Cashier of C Bank
Toronto.

Dear Sir We send you by this evenings
Express 500 sheets 1-2 & will continue to
send you in like numbers every evening until
your order is finished. We remain
Yours truly
D. L. A. C.

P.S. Since writing the above we have recd your
favor of the 19th. We regret to see that you are
somewhat impatient with us. We can however
assure you that we have not lost a moment
with your work, and if you will please re-
flect that we have only 1000 plates, and that

that we will be able to supply you daily
hoping this explanation will satisfy
you that we are not neglecting your
interests

Very remain

Yours truly

Durand & Appling



BANK-NOTE
COMPANY,
NEW YORK.

9 June 1866

Montreal June 7th 1866

L. L. Garman & Co.

Secretary A. B. W. Comp.

New York

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find
letters of Mr. Woodside mentioned
and inserted in our letter of yesterday.

Mr. Garman will greatly oblige us
if he will take the trouble to enquire
if we can get a first rate Lithographic
Artist in your City qualified to do
Map work, Engraving on stone and
general show cards and Label work
and on what terms such a man can
be secured. Early attention to this
matter will greatly oblige.

Yours truly

Burland Lafranc & Co.

We have again to ask your forbearance
for the monthly account.



Montreal June 25th 1866

C. L. Varnum & Co.
Secretary A. B. N. Co.
New York

Dear Sir

The letter enclosed will show you clearly how matters stand and your immediate answer will put us in a proper position to carry the matter through, It is of the utmost importance to get the names of a couple of workmen or those who intend to take stock in the A. B. N. Co. as also an answer to the question asked in our last. Can we rely on a sufficient staff being sent here in case of an emergency. These points may be very strongly urged on us for the purpose of forming a union with the

opposition - that we want the
excuse of having all our stock
distributed and a staff ready for
operations. Our own opinion
is that the Ministry are ~~not~~ afraid
to decide against us and they are
going to take this method to try
and get a union. We have
given them the slip on this
name, and we want to be in a
position to show that all our
arrangements are complete for
the present. These matters
being clearly understood we can
press onward without either
doubt or fear.

Mr Woodside has left for England
before we had an opportunity of
seeing him. If Mr Burland
is called away before we get your answer
by mail we will telegraph.

We remain

Yours truly

Burland Napier & Co

American Bank Note Company,

GEO. W. HATCH, PRES.
C. L. VAN ZANDE, SECT.

New York. 28th June 1866

Wm Bulman Lafleur Esq
Gent

I am just in receipt of
your favour of 25th Inst. and hasten
to repeat to you the assurance that
this Company will furnish you the
 requisite staff of workmen in our
 office at Montreal to meet any
 emergency forced upon you by
 the opposition in Ottawa - What
 we desire above all things, is that
 you have all that we can give
 to prevent defeat -

In regard to the names to take
 the stock you have Mr. Bald & my-
 self. if you prefer those of workmen
 write to that effect at once. with in-
 structions as to the required legal

from your former letter that you
had awarded to you the act
of Incorporation and the title of
"British American Bond Note Co." this is
pronounced false by Mr. Miller & his
friends, the asserting that the title
has been awarded to them - Also
that they have the contracts signed
and the whole matter settled -
Mr. Miller, last letter was "Certain
to that effect and conclusive" -

I am making effort to secure
you a Lithographic Engraving but
find that it is very different from
my what is the limit to wages
in your part. I shall send one if
I get any, competent for the best quality
of work

Truly yours O. J. S.
J. W. E. Gault

Ottawa 21st Jan

Dear Sir

I went the other day to argue
the case before Gault with Hartley &
When I had got done, he said he really
could not decide without both parties
before him and he would ask two of
his colleagues, to sit with him to decide
upon the case - It is now settled I
believe that Carter & Mc. Dowell will
do so and an early day will be named

Gault said when he heard me he thought
me right and when he heard the other
parties, meaning the Bond of Stamp
Trust, he thought them so - He must
have both at once - So Bruland
must hold himself in readiness to
come at a day noticed

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CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, Sec'y. MARSHALL LEFFERTS, Eng. E. S. SANFORD, Pres't.

Dated

Montreal

1866.

Received at 145 Broadway,

To

June 27
J. Van Zandt
Secy American
Bank Note Co

Please for Ottawa
tonight answer
immediately

G. B. Barstow

7.75



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32 Dated Montreal 1866.

Received at 145 Broadway,

To

C L Van Bant
Key Am Bank
Note Co



Meeting postponed
Will leave Monday
morning write me
in full

Wm G B Barland



Montreal June 29th 1866

John C. Davis Esq.
New York

Dear Sir

I have just received your favor of the 28th and have to express my thanks for the assurance contained therein. Your own name and Mr. Bald's is quite enough for stock purposes, and if we had the power of attorney to sign for you we would have published the names in our application for the charter. We wanted the workmen's names merely to be able to name them as men engaged for the purpose and show that we had arrangements made as well as Mr. Penillie with reference to the charter you

quality of the man in fact if we could get the right article we would give him a share in the business after we were satisfied.

I mention this fact to show you that we desire to get something good in character as well as talent.

Please bear in mind that it is not a mere engraver we require. If you are fortunate enough to find on a likely person we would like to get some samples of his work before any arrangement is made with him.

I remain
Yours truly,
W. B. Burland

you understood aright - notwithstanding anything Mr. F. may say to the contrary. We were notified to this effect by the proper officer and sent - chiefly for the amount of expense. Doubting we know to be at a premium but feel that it will have little effect in this case. We have not fought the good fight and kept the enemy back so long without being in a position to say that the rest of his statements are in keeping with this one. The contract as yet is neither legally settled nor signed. Mr. F. no doubt feels this position very keenly and does not wish it to be known that his conversion was based on such a premature movement. Their chances may be good backed as they are by such machinery, but we have

not seen anything as yet to consider ours any the weaker. The only thing I fear from this new move (the coming of three) is that a movement will be made for a union of both interests. If such should unfortunately be the case I am determined to resist it to the utmost of my power. You will see by a ^{sub} paper I send that there friends are getting desperate and have to rush into print 300 miles from the Capital to make their case popular. I leave on Monday morning for the Fenian encampment and hope before my return to rout the enemy.

With reference to the Lithographic artist we think that a good man ought to be had from \$20 to 25 per week our money but would not like to make a limit so much depends on the

The Western Union Telegraph Company.

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ANSON STAGER, Gen'l Sup't, Cleveland, O.

No. 3

From Montreal Dated 23

Rec'd July 23 1866 M.



Sec Amer Bank Note Co

Will Mr Gavit be in
New York tomorrow, if so I
have today answer immediately

J. B. Burland

(Copy) - N.Y. Aug 24. 1864

Gentlemen,

I am authorized to
state to ~~you~~ that as soon as
the necessities of your Canadian
business require that your
connection with this Company
should cease, ~~that~~ we shall
be prepared to release you from
all your engagements with this
Company - Respectfully

C. L. V. Z. Esq. -

J. E. S. Esq.

Wm B. L. & Co.
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Montreal Aug 2 1866

L. L. Gossman & Co.
Secretary & B. M. Gossman
New York

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 28th is to hand with invoice of tin - 4.5.5.10. We now enclose you our monthly statement but before making the correction in our balance sheet will feel much obliged by your replying us the date of the Draft for proceeds of \$10.000 mentioned by you, Our Affairs are still in a very unsatisfactory condition. To direct the Government view of the case we have had to make and receive offers for coalition but up to the

present every effort has failed
Our demands are considered by
our opponents as very arbitrary
and far to high a price demand-
ed. We on the other hand con-
sider we are very moderate and
that their demands are out of
the question in this shape the
matter now stands. We telegra-
phed Mr. Savitt to know if we would
buy their stock to get them out
of the field provided we could get
it at anything reasonable, the an-
swer we could not understand
"yes you shall have the stock"

We send you today tint plate
1. 1. 2. 2. Union Bank to repair
A customer has taken a fancy to
Mr. Joseph R. Bush's Exchange and
thinks he might get out like
it please send us a copy
Enclosed, please find
Draft for the proceeds of

\$1,000. in view of buying these
People out we would like
to know the value of such
stock as they have to sell,

Geometric Lathes 4000 -

Printing Presses. 75 each

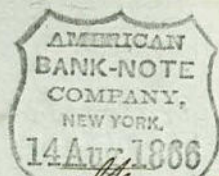
Transfer do. 1000 -

Hydraulic Press - 1500

Grinding Machine, Refracting, do.
these articles form the largest
item the balance of which will be
made up of sundries. To know the
balance of which, will be a great
help to us in our negotiations.

We remain
Yours truly

Burland Laffrain & Co



Montreal, Aug 13th 1866

C. L. Farnham & Co.
New York.

Dear Sir

We regret being obliged to inform you that owing solely to the action of our Government we have at the present hour being obliged to form a business connection or Joint-Stock Company with our opponents. In being thus obliged to close our business relations we feel compelled to say that to the utmost of our power we have in every way possible protected the interests of your Company and if any one should feel that we have not done so, we would be most happy to appear before them and explain our

account of our stewardship, There
is no doubt however on our mind
that if your board had clothed us
at an earlier day with the necessary
power, such an event as has now
happened could never have taken
place. The whole subject and
our position has been so open
before your Board that we feel they
will not now blame us for hold-
ing on to our position with the
Government more particularly
as Mr. Galt's Banking scheme would
do away with all bank & notes. We
are now completing the Union
Bank Notes which is the order
now on hand, please let us
know as soon as possible
how you want matters arrang-
ed and are quite prepared to
give you every assistance in
our power to the satisfactory
closing up of your interests.

committed to our charge,

We remain
Yours truly
Portland & African

Copy,

14 August 1866

Geo. B. Durland, Esq.

Dear Sir

I am just in receipt of your favor of the 13th inst. and have also perused that of your firm to the Secretary. I am greatly surprised at the announcement that you had gone over to the opposition, as I had the firmest conviction from the various interviews with you that no arrangement would be made without the knowledge and consent of this Company - An interview is certainly imperative in the present shape of affairs and I trust you will inform me by return mail the earliest moment I can see you in New York in order to have a fuller and clearer understanding of the position of the Company's affairs.

Yours ft.

(Signed)

Jno. C. Garib

W. P.



Montreal Aug 20th 1866

John C. Davis Esq
American B. N. Comp'y
New York C.

Dear Sir

I duly received your favor of the 14th and much regret its tone towards me. I kept you posted with every move I made and you were fully aware that my last visit to New York was to try and over-come new difficulties put in our way by the opposition ~~and~~ and sustained by the Government. We done every thing that human beings could do to continue our connection with your Comp'y and only consented to the amalgamation to save ourselves from losing everything, without saving

you. Tell you again that we never
would have amalgamated only
the Government told us plainly
after all our trouble that we
must do so which was urged
on as the only hope left, by those
friends who have assisted me and
stood behind me throughout the
whole struggle. I ask you dispa-
sionately to look at the whole
facts as you know they occurred
Look at the position of the Board
of Stamps. Look at the attitude
taken by the Finance Minister.
Look at a New Comp. on the spa-
claiming the fulfilment of the
promise made or damages from
somebody. Look at what we ac-
complished and what we would have
to only our friends in Government
and out-picked us at the eleventh hour
to adopt the only safe course open
to us. Look I say from your know-

ledge of the whole matter, and then
say if you can that we did not
stick out to the very last for your
interests. My last act was to
telegraph you for power to try
and buy them ~~stock~~ out. What
answer did I get "Yes you ~~can~~
have the stock" You certainly have
no right to complain of my action
in the matter. On the other hand
I positively assert that your board
is wholly to blame for putting us
in our present position for that
they done as I wanted months
before the opposition Comp. was
started such an event as has
now happened could never have
taken place. Look at the amount
of trouble and expense I have had
during the last 4 months to fight
against difficulties that you con-
sidered hopeless and such as I
doubt very much if even the

American W. A. C. would have
persisted so long. I am free to
confess that I never would have
yielded but for the pressure
brought to bear on our position
by the Gov^t and friends, and
I have erred can honestly say
that it was not of my own choi-
cing. You ask me to go to New York
to see you, I cannot do so at
present, besides I can state to you
when here any explanation I can
give you there. With respect to all
other matters we will be happy
to give you every facility to reach
satisfactory closing up of our busi-
ness relations. My feeling in the whole matter
is that I exhausted every resource I
had in my power to sustain our
connection with your cause and that
I have merited your thanks not your
blame. Hoping soon to get directions
from you as to what you wish us now
to do.

I remain
Yours truly
G. B. Brinland



Montreal, Sept 7th 1866

E. L. Van Randt,

Secretary A. P. N. Comp.

New York

Dear Sir.

We now enclose you
monthly statement and balance sheet
to the close of our business connection
31st August 1866. You will perceive that
we have debited you with the Government
Account, having only the details of our
small order it will be better for you
to collect the whole amount. The
last order in hands Union Bank has
been completed some time but not
yet delivered. We have waited some
time to know what you wish us to do
with the Materials and Stock now
in our possession and as we have a
strong desire to render the Company

every assistance in our power to close
the present business satisfactory.
We can if you feel disposed and
let us know at once, dispose of any
of the present stock you may wish
to part with, as also purchase a supply
of the Patent Green. Mr. Gavis ex-
pressed himself so desirous to see
you on one of his visits to this City.

We cannot close this letter with-
out returning you our best thanks for the
uniform attention and readiness
we have always received at your
hands. Hoping to receive all
necessary instructions from you
without further delay.

We remain

Yours truly

Burland Laprain



Montreal. Oct 9th 1866

L. L. Van Hook & Co.,
Secretary American Bank Note Co.,
New York C.

Dear Sir

Dear Sir We have just been
notified by the London & Liverpool
Insurance Comp^y. that the insurance
on your stock runs out on the 6th Per-
and we wish to know if you desire us
to renew it. The Royal L. Bank C. refuses
to pay for the Face & Int plates engr^d
for Montreal Branch. We would like to
know what ~~you~~ you wish us to do in the
matter. We enclose you proceeds of
\$500 in Gold and would be glad to
get an acknowledgment of our
last balance sheet and monthly
statement. 21

Yours truly
Burlingame

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