Henry Kuhn collection letterpress books

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Copies of correspondence both received and sent by Captain Henry Kuhn dating from after the Civil War until shortly before his death in 1898. Some of the letters are illegible. Much of the correspondence regards Kuhn's banking and other financial interests, particularly in Leavenworth, as well as other business and personal affairs, including during his time as an Indian agent in the Oklahoma area. Kuhn was county surveyor and township clerk in Atchison County, Indian agent in the Indian territory, publisher of a Marion County newspaper, and was otherwise a prominent Kansas citizen of the nineteenth century.

Creator: Kuhn, Henry, 1830-1900

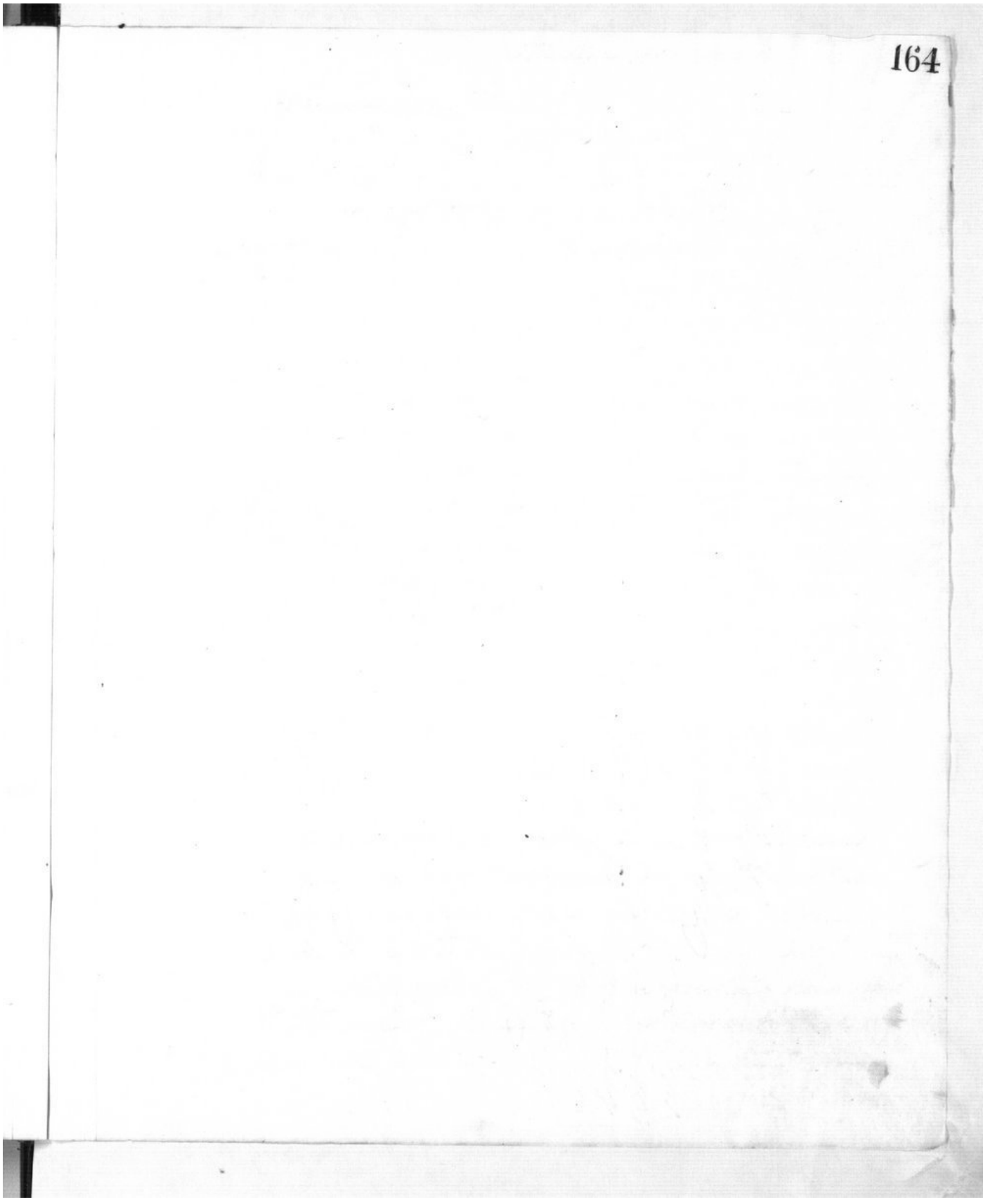
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W. L. Pickford Esq.
Leavenworth. Kan

Dear Sir:

I have been impelled to postpone writing from day to day, hoping to get matters in shape but every day seemed to bring about new developments. The Council held at the Church last Tuesday, resulted in nothing more than a conflict. McKinney and the Leonard interest had been to work and McKinney was also at the Council and having had worked up the Caddos against leasing to Shirley. And the new Preacher a Seminole also took a hand and counseled against any lease. And the latter influence will be difficult but not impossible to overcome. McKinney is now really working for a lease but he wants Mumford Johnston to have it. I have merely outlined the situation but the work is still being pushed. And Shirley is quite as sanguine of succeeding as at any time. At all events if he does not succeed it will be doubtful if any one else can. There are resources to be tried the very moment I feel that Shirley can not succeed and I am pushing him now to the end of his string. I can not finish out [illegible] will come.

Very truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I. T. June 22nd 3

Dear Mr Rhodes:

Yours of June 4th was duly received but owing to the absence of the Agent in Washington for a month past I have had my hands full, especially because we are also getting ready for hay contract &c.

Harry is in Caldwell with two 6 mule teams after supplies, and before he returns Mr K and Mary will be on their way out of the Territory. They expect to start next Wednesday from Ft Reno, arriving at Caldwell next day at noon. Leave that evening for Hillsboro where they should arrive Friday Morning. And will hire conveyance to go out to your place if any can be had.

I return one case and Billings letter. I think your plan of declining to sell on such long time a good one and that there can be a division made of the unsold land next Spring or any time there after and thus make you to settle up the estate.

What do you think about me having the new [illegible] put in wheat? If I can get a man who would undertake it in good season (early) and put it in well. I would be willing to pay a little extra.

It will take me about two weeks here to close out My Office work and then I go to Lill about 35 miles nearer Texas. And shall be there until we get done with Hay 300 tons.

With love to all

Anadarko I.T.
June 30. 1883

A. T. & S. R.R.
For Sir, &c.

Sir:

I will be ready to commence the delivery of hay on Fort Sill under my contract by the 25th proximo and sooner if required.

Very respectfully,
H. Kuhn

Anadarko June 30 3

A. J. Reynolds Esq
Anadarko I.T.

Sir:

I inclose order of C.R. McKinney for $67.25 for acceptance and credit my account and oblige

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Kiowa, Comanche and Wichita
Anadarko I. T. June 30 3

Judge F. G. Adams
Topeka Kansas

Dear Sir:

I do not want you to think that I have been unmindful of you when on the contrary I have been trying to find out something about the Cedar Elms, but I give it up. We have plenty of white and some Red Elm in this part of the Indian Territory and one variety of the Red Elm that I do not remember of having seen in higher latitudes - in one respect it fills your description of the Cedar Elm - it affords a very dense shade, and is decidedly the best known tree we have here - its branches are long and pendant and the growth very symmetrical producing a very handsome tree, with its spreading branches sometimes covering a radius of 25 feet or more, with the small pendant limbs nearly touching the ground at the outer extremities - I am not certain when it blooms and seeds. - I will endeavor to watch in Aug. & Sept. & send you some. I am

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T.
June 30. 1883

Cashier
1st Nat'l Bank
Leavenworth, Ks.

Sir.

Herewith I inclose for collection and credit the following on U.S. Asst Treas' St Louis, Mo.

Check #30481 - (Wair) $32.76
" #6023 (Interior) 130.00
$162.76

by endorsement payable to your order.

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko, I. T. July 2nd 3

Dear Mr Bickford:

I would not have you think that you are neglected, though I have not written you for some time.- The lease business with the Indians has assumed as many different shapes as the Mathematical lines of a Kaleidescope - and unforseen obstacles has sprung into existence where they were least expected, but I have not been so sanguine at any time, as I am now of a speedy completion of the business and when in a week from now if I do not report the consummation of the lease I shall at least tell you some thing of the work that has been done and which will satisfy you that all has been done that could have been done.

The Agent has given "Shirley" Carte blanche to day - and I think the latter part of this week the lease will be signed.

Yours truly

H Kuhn

Anadarko I.T. July 3. 83

Cashier
1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth Kans

Sir:

I inclose herewith for collection and Credit

Brunis Check - Bank of Kansas City #161.00
Williams " Commercial Bank St Louis. 14.22
Hunt " Ass't Treas St Louis 65.93
Hinton " 1st Nat Bank Leavenworth 46.76

#287.91

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko. I. T.
July 5. 83

Capt P. Cusack
U. S. Army
Fort Sill Ind. T.

Sir:

Herewith I inclose my Check on Leav. 1st Nat. Bank, payable to your order for $42.25 with Exchange. in payment for Bacon and Coffee as per your Bill rendered June 26.

Will you be kind enough to have the Bacon and Coffee stored for about 10 days, as I can not get down before that time. You can either inform Mr. Howitt in the Q. M. Office when I will find it or you can drop me a Postal

Very truly Yours
H. C. Kuhn

Anadarko, I. T.
July 11 - 83

A. Graff Esq
Wellington, Kans

Dear Sir:

Please send me 3 Pitman Rods for New Buckeye Mower, (bought from you last season) and one box mixed Section rivets -

Send by Express to Fort Sill, Ind' Ter'y

Very Truly Yours
H. O. Kuhn

Anadarko I T
July 23. 1883 -

Cashier 1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth, Kans

Sir

For collection and credit
My Account
Sundry Checks
Bank of Kansas City $63.
10.50
$73.50

Very respectfully
H. Kuhn

Dr. Wm. Hornaday, Supt. Zoo.
F. G. Adams, Sec. Kansas State
Hist. Society - & others
I would be willing to pay
all expenses and meet the two
at Topeka, Kansas - I would
expect them to be healthy
Children

Very respectfully
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T.
July 31st 1883.

Cashier
1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth, Kans

Sir:

Herewith inclosed please find Interior draft #6071, on Asst Treas St Louis Mo. endorsed payable to your order and for credit my Acct,

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T.
Aug 1. 1883

H. J. Reynolds Esq
Anadarko I.T.

Sir:

Please credit my Account $150.00 - Check inclosed, and oblige

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I. T.
July 31st 1883

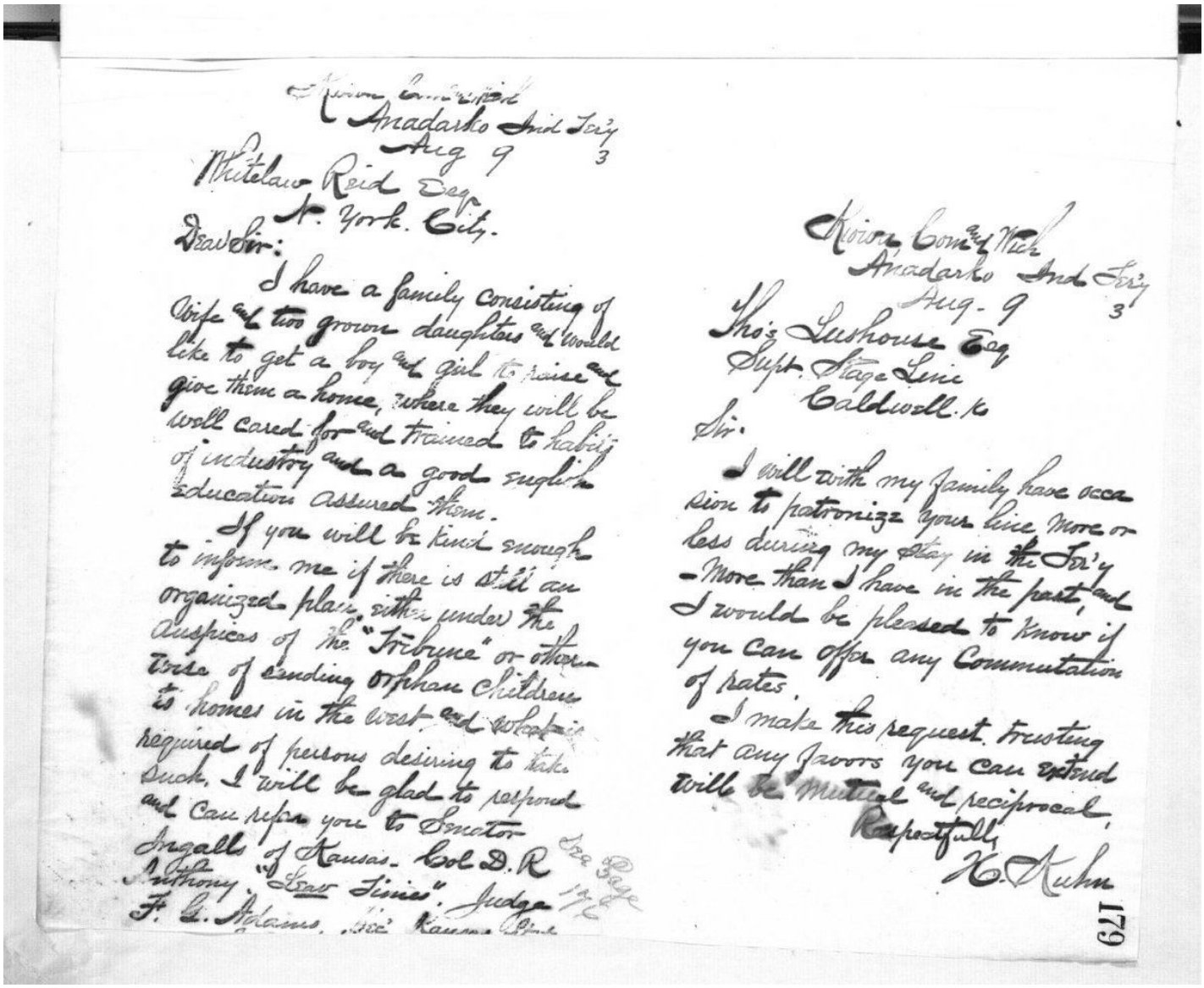
Chas H. Moore Esq
Cashier
Stock Ex. Bank
Caldwell, Ks

Sir:

I inclose check on 1st Nat Bank Leav. payable to your order for $65.00, in payment of Keystone Mfg Co's draft on me for that amount. I have been absent some time hence the delay, in responding to your Notice.

Respty Yours
H. Kuhn

In reply to your P.S. I have to say that my business transactions are so inconsiderable that it would be no object to a Bank to have them. It would certainly be more convenient for me to do my business at Caldwell and if I remain in this Country, will be glad to do so.



Kiowa County Nat'l
Anadarko Ind Ter'y
Aug 9 3

Whitelaw Reid Esq
N. York. City.

Dear Sir:

I have a family consisting of wife and two grown daughters and would like to get a boy and girl to raise and give them a home, where they will be well cared for and trained to habits of industry and a good english education assured them.

If you will be kind enough to inform me if there is still an organized plan, either under the auspicas of the "Tribune" or other wise of sending orphan Children to homes in the west and what is required of persons desiring to take such. I will be glad to respond and can refer you to Senator Ingalls of Kansas. Col D. R Anthony "Leav Linie". Judge F. G. Adams. etc Kansas

Kiowa County Nat'l
Anadarko Ind Ter'y
Aug. 9 3

Tho's Lusthouse Esq
Supt. Stage Line
Caldwell. K

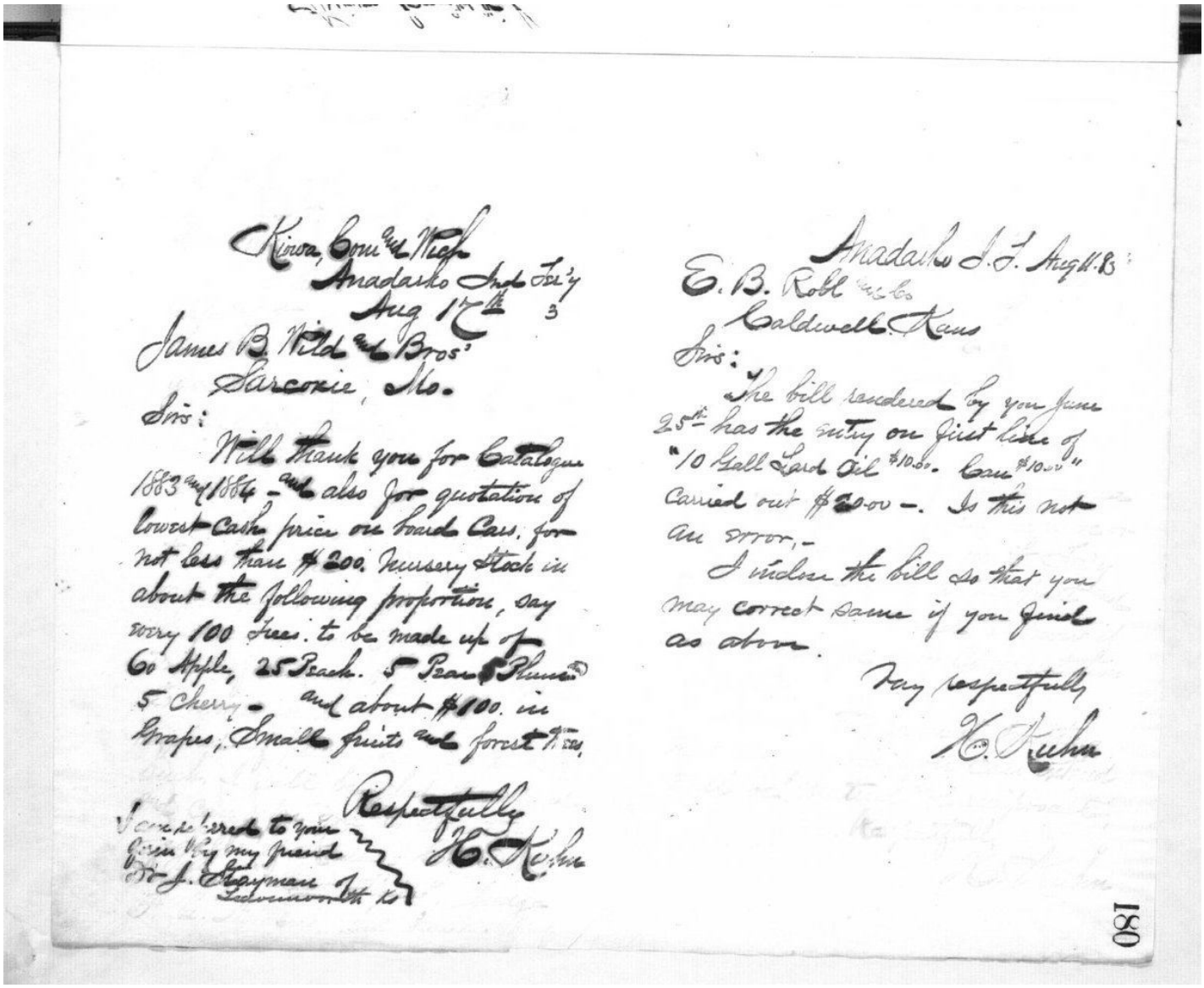
Sir.

I will with my family have occasion to patronize your line more or less during my stay in the Ter'y - More than I have in the past, and I would be pleased to know if you can offer any Commutation of rates.

I make this request trusting that any favors you can extend will be mutual and reciprocal.

Respectfully
H. Kuhn

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Kiowa, Comanche & Wichita
Anadarko Ind. Ter'y
Aug 17th 3

James B. Wild & Bros'
Sarcoxie, Mo.

Sirs:

Will thank you for Catalogue 1883 & 1884 - and also for quotation of lowest Cash price on board Cars, for not less than $200. Nursery Stock in about the following proportion, say every 100 Trees. to be made up of 60 Apple, 25 Peach. 5 Pear & Plums 5 Cherry - and about $100. in Grapes, Small fruits and forest Trees.

Respectfully
H. Kuhn

I wrote direct to your firm by my friend Dr. J. Chapman of Lawrence Kas

Anadarko I.T. Aug 16 83

E. B. Robb & Co
Caldwell Kans

Sirs:

The bill rendered by you June 25th has the entry on first line of "10 Gall Lard Oil $10.00. Canc $10.00" Carried out $20.00 -. Is this not an error, -

I inclose the bill so that you may correct same if you find as above.

Very respectfully
H. Kuhn

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Anadarko. I. T. Aug 15 78

Dear Mr Rhodes -

Yours of 5th inst recd while I was at Sill from which place I returned last evening - We are having the worst Hay Weather I ever saw, and have only got in about 200 Tons - but if the weather settles we can put in 20 Tons a day or more - I was intending after it was about half in, to come up, but it is probable I will not be able to get away for at least twenty days yet.

I return you herewith McDonells Letter - I am of the opinion that it will be best to put business east in his hands - but I see no reason that there should be any haste in selling, unless it can be done to good advantage - I presume the land will have to be sold on time, say one, two and three years, and perhaps the Stock in Woolen Mill will sell best by giving time -

In regard to putting in broke ground in Wheat I would like to get it done, and if you will see to having it done, I will settle when I come up - With love to Family and kind regards to your brothers and Mr Myers I am very truly yours H Kuhn

Anadarko I.T. Aug 15/83

Dear Mr Bickford

I returned last evening from Sill and this Mornings Mail brings your letter of the 10th from Darlington - Have about 200 Tons hay in but have done scarcely any thing for two weeks - Can put in twenty five Tons a day in good weather - It has rained every day or two for some time - I am going to fight it out at Anadarko for some time and will not yet abandon the lease matter, though the bungle Shirley has made of it will necessarily lose me the chances - In regard to work Cattle only a few have been offered and at about the price paid for beef at the Agency - that is if weighed they would average about 3½ gross - 2 Yoke of Cayo Wall broke Wheelers, were offered a few days ago, but the price Asked was $[illegible] per Yoke - They are now at Sill in the Hay - There are 24 Yoke of Oxen at Work at Sill but I do not know if any of them for Sale or at what price - I write to Henry to night to find out - How long will you remain at Darlington - How far do you have to haul wood and what price Can you pay - I think there should be no difficulty in getting teams after hay is up - With regards H. Kuhn

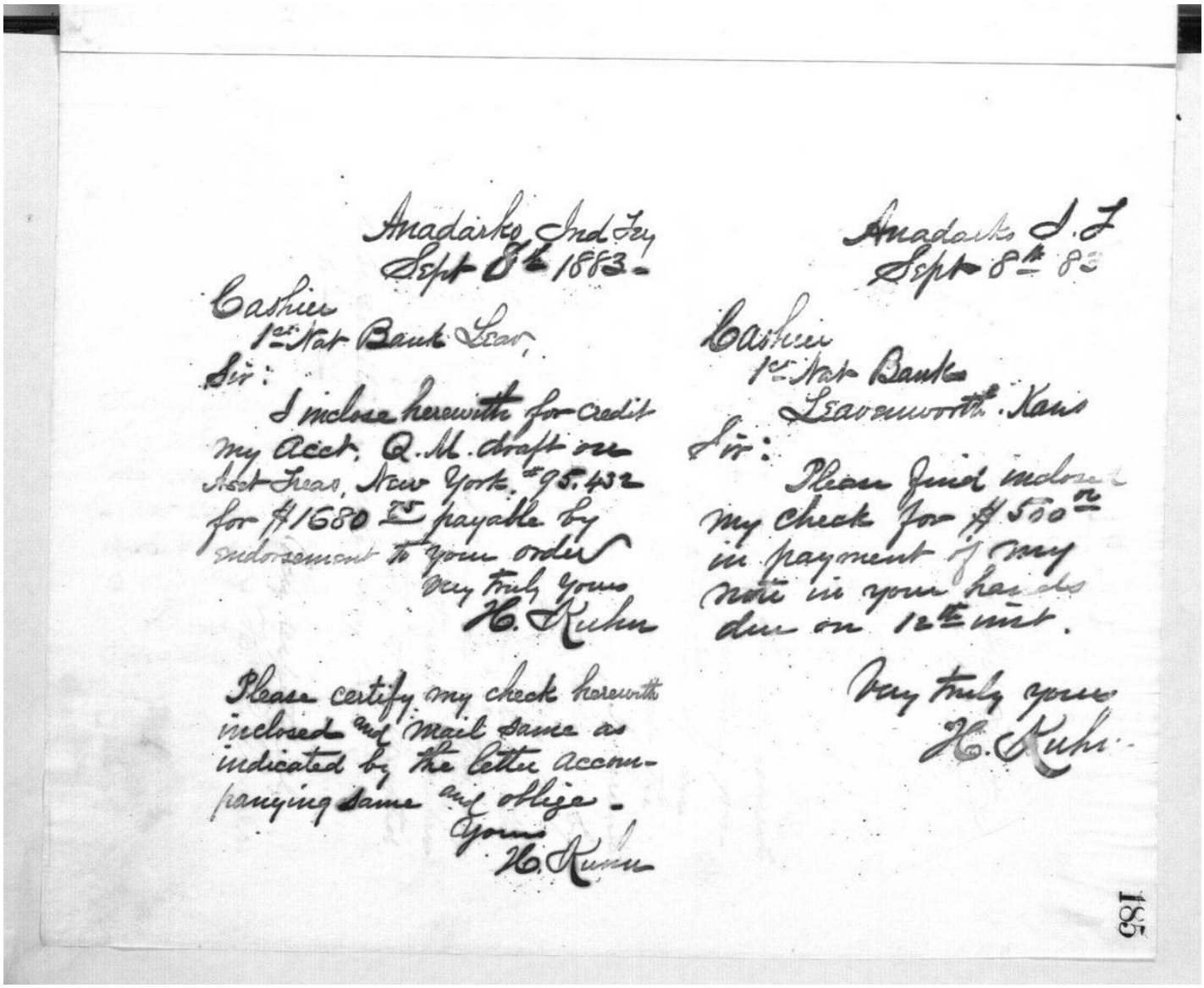
Anadarko Ind' Territory
Sept 11th 1883

To the
Hon Commissioner of Ind Affairs
Washington D.C.

Sir

In pursuance of the requirements of your advertisement inviting proposals for the Construction of an Industrial School building at the Wichita Agency Ind' Ter'y, I herewith inclose Check for $888.00 certified by 1st Nat Bank Leavenworth Kansas, a United States Depositary, to be filed with my bid, which I forward by this days mail. Check to be returned to maker if my bid is not accepted, or if accepted, to be so returned when my bonds are approved.

Very respectfully
H. P. Plumer



Anadarko Ind Ty
Sept 8th 1883.

Cashier
1st Nat Bank Leav.

Sir:

I inclose herewith for credit my Acct. Q.M. draft on Asst Treas, New York. #95.432 for $1680 00 payable by endorsement to your order

Very truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Please certify my check herewith inclosed and mail same as indicated by the letter accompanying same and oblige.

Yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T.
Sept 8th 83

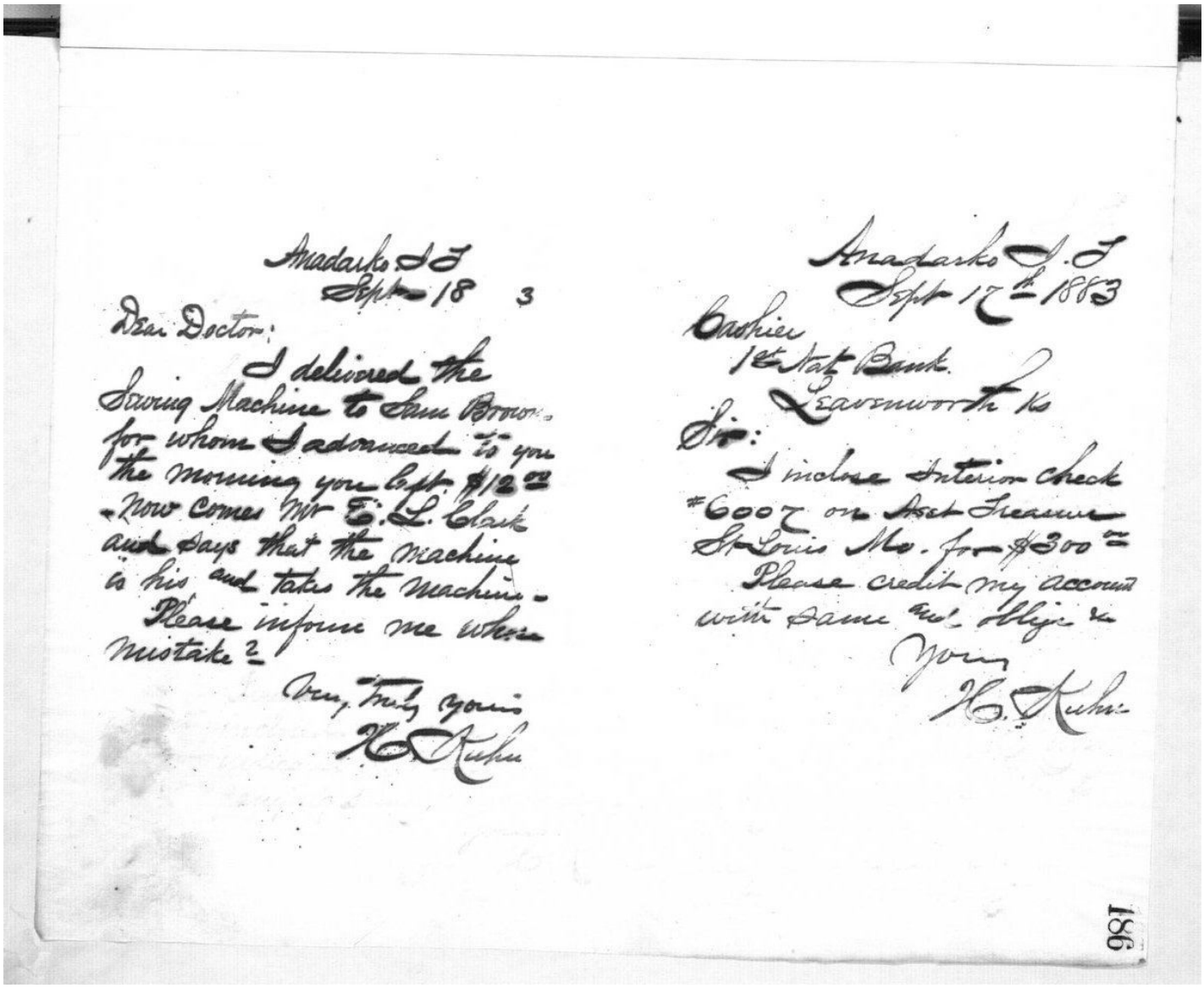
Cashier
1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth. Kans

Sir:

Please find inclosed my check for $500 00 in payment of my note in your hands due on 12th inst.

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

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Anadarko I.T.
Sept 18 3

Dear Doctor:

I delivered the Sewing Machine to Sam Brown for whom I advanced to you the morning you left $12.00 - Now comes Mr E.L. Clark and says that the machine is his and takes the machine - Please inform me where mistake is.

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T.
Sept 17th 1883

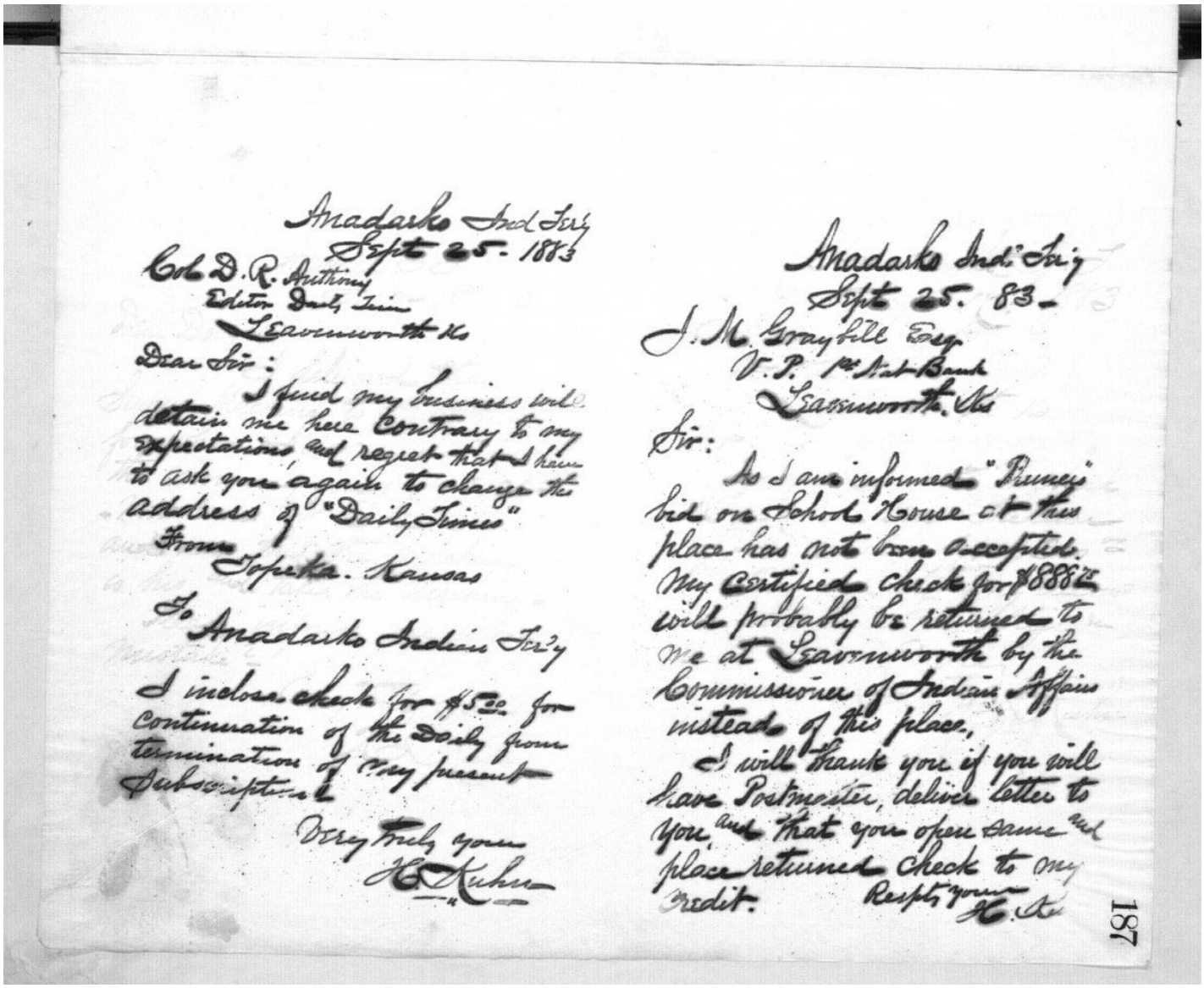
Cashier
1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth Ks

Sir:

I inclose Interior check #6007 on Asst Treasurer St Louis Mo. for $300.00 Please credit my account with same and oblige

Yours
H. Kuhn

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Anadarko Ind Ter'y
Sept 25. 1883

Col D. R. Anthony
Editor Daily Times
Leavenworth Ks

Dear Sir:

I find my business will detain me here contrary to my expectations, and regret that I have to ask you again to change the address of "Daily Times"

From Topeka. Kansas

To Anadarko Indian Ter'y

I inclose check for $5.00 for continuation of the Daily from termination of my present Subscription.

Very truly yours
H Kuhn

Anadarko Ind. Ter'y
Sept 25. 83.

J. M. Graybill Esq.
V. P. 1st Nat'l Bank
Leavenworth. Ks

Sir:

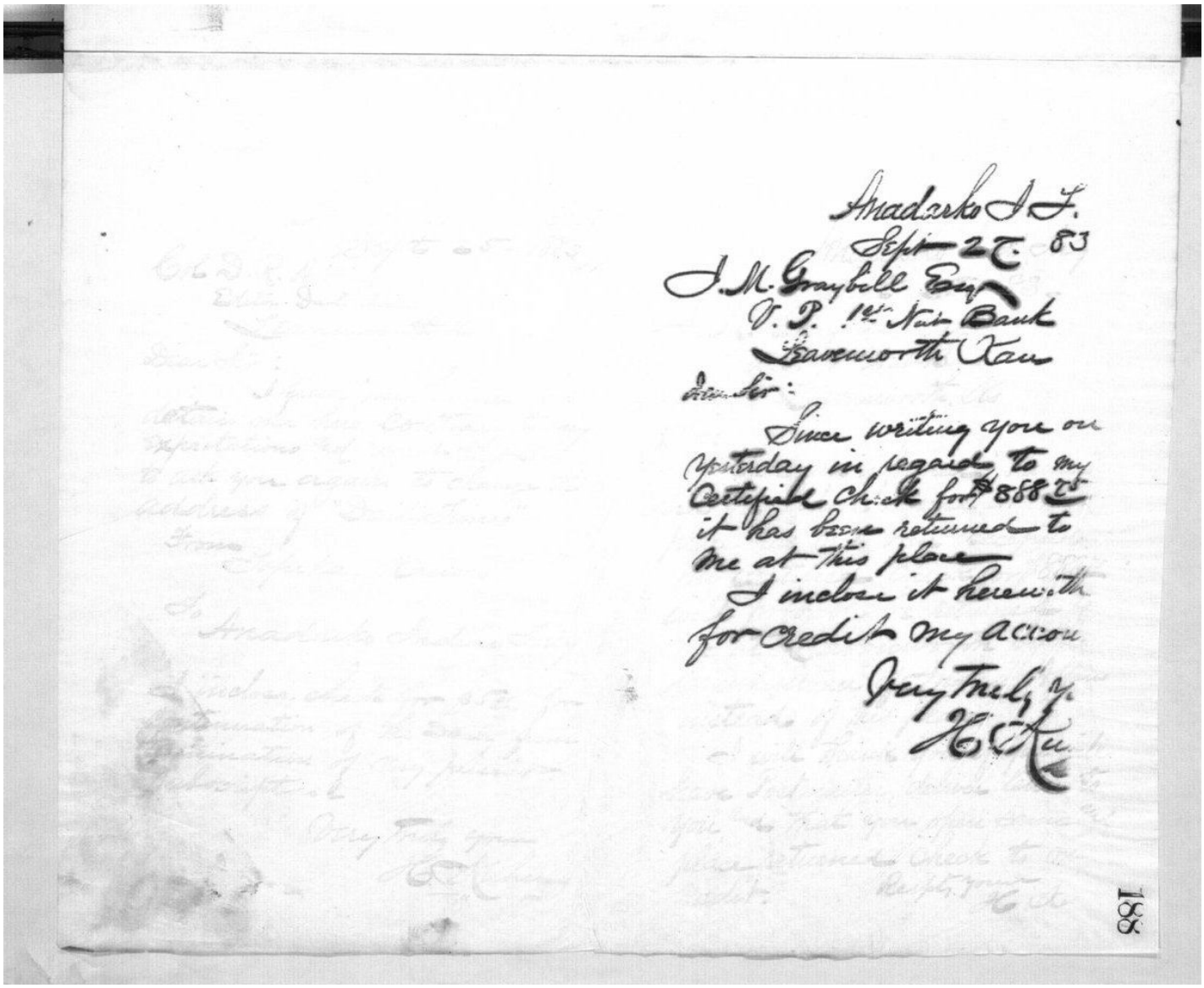
As I am informed "Finney" bid on School House at this place has not been accepted. My certified check for $88.25 will probably be returned to me at Leavenworth by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs instead of this place.

I will thank you if you will have Postmaster deliver letter to you and that you open same and place returned check to my credit.

Respt. yours H. K.

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Anadarko I. T.
Sept 27 83

J. M. Graybill Esq
V. P. 1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth Kan

Dear Sir:

Since writing you on
yesterday in regard to my
Certified Check for $888 25
it has been returned to
me at this place
I inclose it herewith
for credit on my account

Very Truly Yr.
H. C. Kuhn

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Anadarko Ind Ter'y
October 5th 1883

To
U. S. Ass't Treasurer
St Louis. Mo

Sir:

A question has arisen regarding the payee, by order or assignment of Interior Dept check # 8175, issued by P. B. Hunt, U.S. Indian Agent, Feb 21-83- made payable to order of D. F. Brown for $50.00

Will thank you for the name of Brown's assignee and the names of subsequent assignors, if any.

Very respectfully
H. Kuhn

Anadarko Ind Terry
Oct 6. 1893.

Cashier.
1st Nat Bank
Leavenworth, Kansas

Sir:

I inclose herewith, for credit my account.

War Dept chk 126,104. New York — $1680.75
Montgomery 2nd Chas. chk. Bank of Kansas City 132.90
Total $1813.65

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko I.T. Nov 2 3

Capt- C.J. Hawks
Fort Sill I.T.

Dear Sir:

On my return from Leav. Yesterday I find among my mail, the enclosed B/L. and in the absence of Harry I am not informed as to where or by whom payment will be made.

The 55# bullets (marked short) the driver claims were not loaded on Wagon at Sill, but was overlooked.

The total amount less (55# short) shortage is 7552#. which I notice is billed at 50¢ - but which should have been 4¢ per cwt.

Please Collect

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Anadarko Ind Ter'y
Nov 3. 83

Messrs.
Rice and Musser
Fort Sill, I. T.

Sirs:

I inclose you exchange on Leav. 1st Nat Bank for $18.75 on account of order J. M. Jones Esq. to you for Stage fare. and which should have been paid you before now but for my absence and Mr Jones is in no way responsible for the delay -

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn

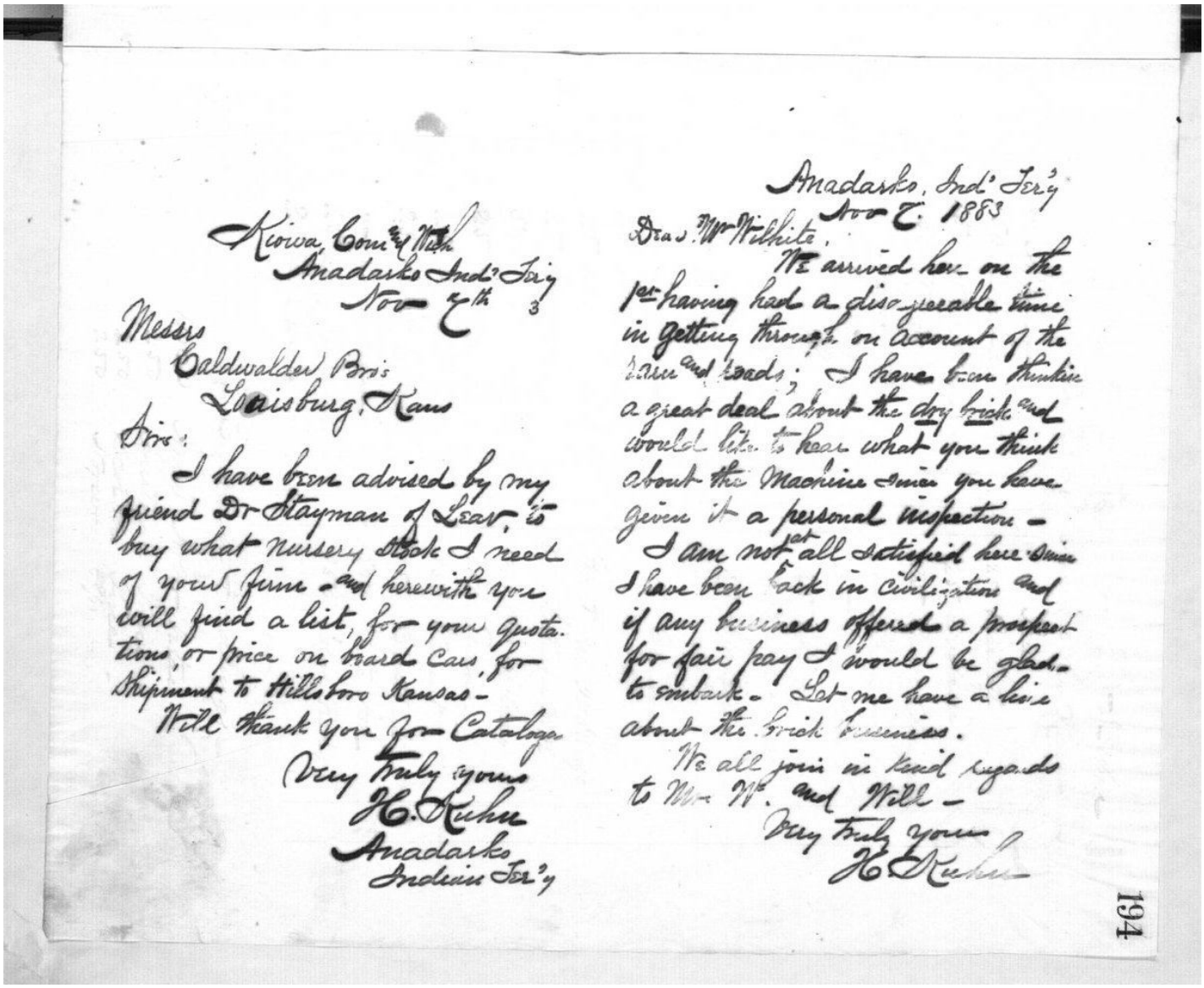
List of Trees for H. Kuhn
Hillsboro, Marion Co. Kansas

— Apple —	Pears
150 Ben Davis	25 Bartlett
150 Wine Sap	25 Duchesse
50 Willow Twig	25 Beurre Clairgeau
50 Missouri Pippin	— Plum —
50 Rawles Jenet	25 Wild Goose
25 Jonathan	25 Miner
25 Rambo	
25 Maiden Blush	10 Apricot
25 Early Harvest	
— Peaches —	10 Quince
25 Amsden June	
25 Alexander Early	Forest Tree Seedlings
25 Crawford "	5000 Catalpa W.H.
50 " Late	1000 Rus. Mulberry
25 George IV	150 Pecans.
25 Stump the World	150 Walnut
25 Heath Cling	150 Chestnut
— Cherries —	1500 White Ash
25 Early Richmond	150 Elm, Red,
25 English Morello	

— Evergreen Seedlings —

1000 Amer Arbor Vitae —
250 Austrian Pine —
250 Scotch Pine —
250 Norway Spruce —

Henry Kuhn collection letterpress books



Kiowa, Com'y Kan.
Anadarko Ind'n Ter'y
Nov 7th 3

Messrs
Caldwalder Bro's
Louisburg, Kans

Sirs:

I have been advised by my friend Dr Stayman of Leavenworth to buy what nursery stock I need of your firm - and herewith you will find a list, for your quotations, or price on board cars, for shipment to Hillsboro Kansas -

Will thank you for Catalogue

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn
Anadarko
Indian Ter'y

Anadarko, Ind'n Ter'y
Nov 7 1883

Dear Mr Wilhite,

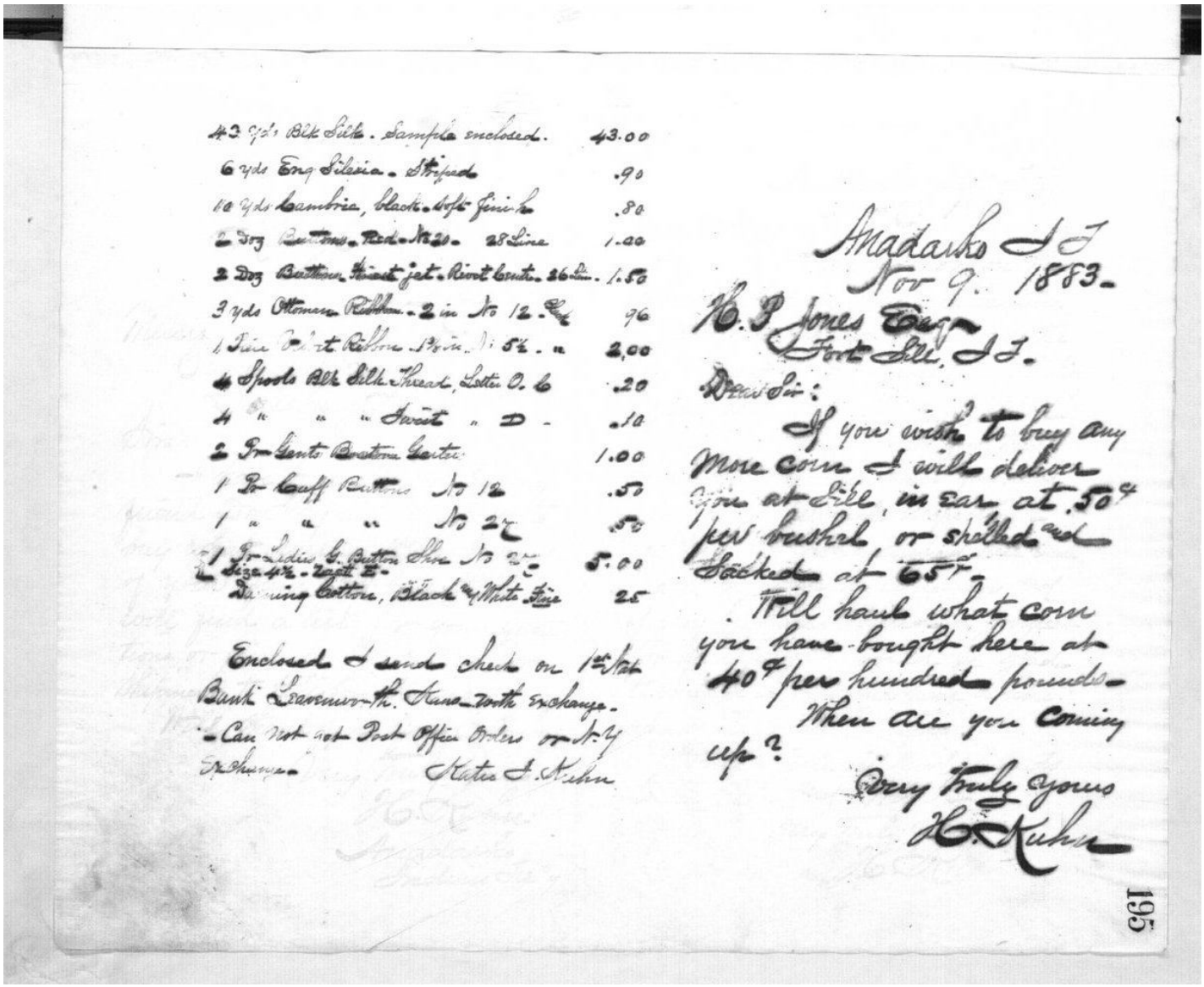
We arrived here on the 1st having had a disagreeable time in getting through on account of the rain and roads; I have been thinking a great deal about the dry brick and would like to hear what you think about the Machine since you have given it a personal inspection -

I am not at all satisfied here since I have been back in civilization and if any business offered a prospect for fair pay I would be glad to embark - Let me have a line about the brick business.

We all join in kind regards to Mrs W. and Will -

Very truly yours
H Kuhn

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43 Yds Blk Silk. Samples enclosed. 43.00
6 yds Eng Silesia. Striped .90
10 Yds Cambria, Black. Soft finish .80
2 Doz Buttons. Red. No 20. 28 Line 1.00
2 Doz Buttons. Vienna jet. Rivet Cents. 26 Line. 1.50
3 Yds Ottoman Ribbon. 2 in No 12. Blk .96
1 Piece Velvet Ribbon. Brown. No 5½. " 2.00
4 Spools Blk Silk Thread, Lester O. 6 .20
4 " " " Sweet " D. .10
2 Pr Gents Boston Garters 1.00
1 Pr Cuff Buttons No 12 .50
1 " " " No 24 .50
1 Pr Ladies G. Button Shoe No 2½. Size 4½. Last E. 5.00
Darning Cotton, Black & White Fine 25

Enclosed I send check on 1st Nat Bank Leavenworth. Kans. 10th exchange. Can not get Post Office Orders or N.Y. Exchange.

Katie J. Kuhn

Anadarko I T
Nov 9. 1883.

H. B. Jones Esq
Fort Sill. I T.

Dear Sir:

If you wish to buy any more corn I will deliver you at Sill, in car at 50¢ per bushel, or shelled and Sacked at 65¢.

Will haul what corn you have bought here at 40¢ per hundred pounds.

When are you coming up?

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

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Kiowa, Com[anche] and Wich
Anadarko I.T. Nov 17th 3

J. A. Covington Esq
Caldwell Kans

Dear Sir:

I inclose you Lear. Exch $15.12 in payment of "Dowell" Blacksmith bill. Teams have not arrived yet.

A party here requests that I should ask you if a Mitchell 3/4 Wagon or any other good brand, with California brake, (attached to running gear) could be bought or had in Caldwell and at what price without double and Single Trees, or Spring Seat.

Remittance on account of Collections Indian Freighters, when Agent returns, he is now in Texas.

Thanking you for favors I remain Very Truly Yours

H. Kuhn