Henry Kuhn collection letterpress books

Section 62, Pages 1831 - 1860

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

Date: 1867-1898

Callnumber: Henry Kuhn Coll. #411, Box 2 Folders 1-4

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April 10th 97

Jno Sebastian,
General Pass'r & Ticket Agt
C.R.I. & P.R.R. Chicago Ill

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to return (3 enclosures herewith) unused transportation as follows

425 miles. Taylor Riddle.
410 " H. Kuhn and Wm C. Kuhn. Topeka & return
540 " H. Kuhn. Marlow I.T. & return.
1375 " Total

Mr. Riddle is no longer employed in this office, and the other lapsed on account of sickness intervening in both instances.

Please issue in lieu of the above 1000 Mile Book to my wife Ann C. Kuhn and credit "Time" with balance.

At same time please issue 1000 Mile Book to H. Kuhn, account of Contract 1897. Thanking you to oblige

Very truly yours,
H. Kuhn

Dear Sir: Your favor of 10th inst is to hand. You have been placed on our exchange list.

The first six columns of Plate was duly received & two columns of same should have appeared in issue of the 6th but the Kellogg Co omitted to send boxes for same without which the plates were useless.

The boxes were duly impounded by the Omission and the boxes were accordingly forwarded but received too late for our issue of the 13th.

We will begin with our issue of the 20th with three columns and continue three columns each week until we get even.

Respectfully Yours

H. O. Kuhn

29th

Hon Lucien Baker
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

The controversy over the Topeka Pension Agency seems to have narrowed down to Major J. S. Anderson and Cyrus Leland.

The latter it is alleged, for purposes best known to himself caused press reports to go out to the effect that Major Anderson had withdrawn and was not now a Candidate.

Now a few of the "Old Soldiers" of Kansas who are friendly to Mr Leland are almost unanimously in favor of Major Anderson for the place and feel like resenting this mode of warfare.

Concealing as it is generally believed that you can defeat the confirmation of Leland should the President be induced to send his name to the Senate, it would be in my judgment political suicide if you hesitate to [illegible] this service.

I trust however that no such contingency will arise and that Anderson will be named for the place.

Very respectfully, Yours. H. C. Kuhn
Col 2d Kans Vol

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National Sewing Machine Co -

June 5 – 97 -

339 Broadway N Y -

Gentlemen:

A type written circular received several days ago from your Company enclosing Catalogue Lists of Buggies, Surreys & Bicycles with prices, proposing part payment in adv' has been mislaid

If you will duplicate same, it will receive immediate attention.

Very respty

H. C. Kuhn

Kansas City Paper House June 12 [illegible]

Gentlemen:

Please add to order of last week through you Mr — — the following and oblige &c

25 Sheets. 3 Ply White Board, 22×28 - Sample Enclosed
25 " 6 Ply Railroad. 22×28. Yellow
25 " 6 " " " " Cardinal
25 " 6 " " " " Ja 2 Lilac

and

1 Ream, [illegible] - about quality as sample enclosed. for Bank debit slips.

Respectfully Yours

H. Kuhn

June 13th

A. Walk Esq
Dear Sir:

I have in contemplation the issue of a special edition next week (12th) of about 2200 copies, instead of the regular issue, and if possible on slightly heavier paper, but with equally as good finish. I had purposed going down to day to see you in person, but have been called to the northern part of the County to morrow and will have write you instead.

The following is a copy of letter recd to day from your Kansas City branch in response to an order for $80, worth of old type, for use in Spcial edition, to be paid for in 15 days, giving ample time to realize on the Special edition.

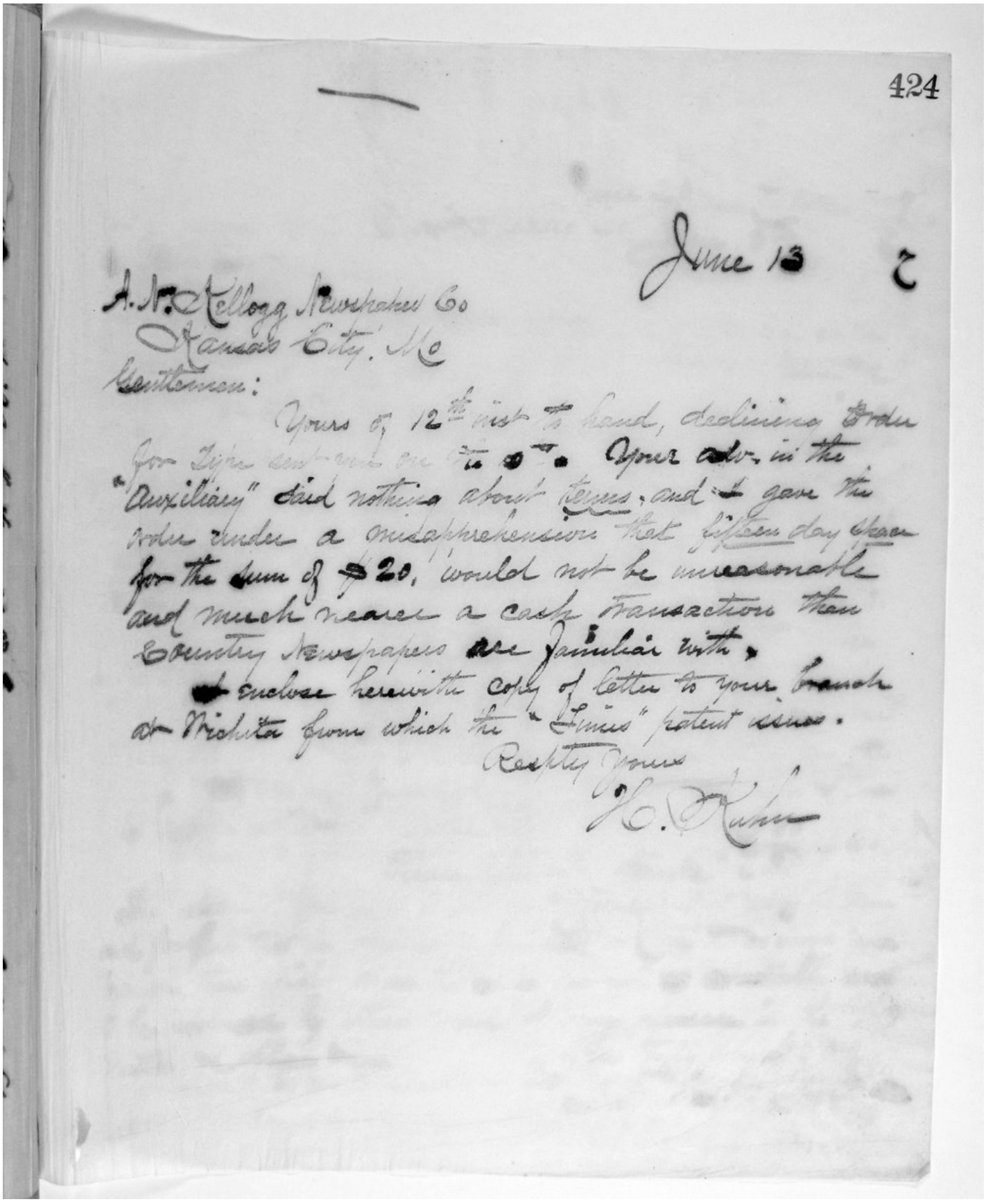
Kansas City Mo. June 12-97

Dear Sir: We have yours of 10th and in reply will say our terms are cash with order, and we could not sell it in any other way. If you will forward draft for $80, will ship Type and Cases by freight same day draft is rec'd.

(Signed) A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co
Cashier

The refusal of your firm to fill my order will not delay the issue and for fear that in ordering a hundred or more quoins from your branch, there might arise the same distrust, I respectfully request to be informed by return mail, of your pleasure in the matter and oblige

Very truly yours
H. Kuhn



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June 13 [illegible]

A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co
Kansas City, Mo

Gentlemen:

Yours of 12th inst to hand, declining Order for Type sent you on the 9th. Your adv. in the "Auxiliary" said nothing about terms, and I gave the order under a misapprehension that fifteen days time for the sum of $20. would not be unreasonable and much nearer a cash transaction than Country Newspapers are familiar with.

I enclose herewith copy of letter to your branch at Wichita from which the "Times" patent issue.

Respectfully Yours

H. O. Kuhn

June 28 7

Swift Specific Co

1897
Jany 7 To 12 long Adv begin Oct 22 96
ending Jany 7 - 97 $ 4 50
Oct 22 1896 "First a Mole then a Cancer"
29 "The Curse of Mankind"
Nov 6 "Dreadful Rheumatism"
12 "Deaf from Catarrh"
19 "Internal Cancer"
26 "Internal Cancer"
Dec 3 "Contagious Blood Poison"
10 "Torturing Rheumatism"
17 "Offensive Catarrh"
24 "Bottled up"
31 "Helpless Rheumation"
Jany 7 1897 "Abominable Catarrh"

Mar 25 To 3 mos Adv ing
Contract Feby 97 - 3 00

Please remit $7 50
Any obliged
H. Kuhn

June 28. 7

A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co
Chicago. Ill.

Gentlemen:

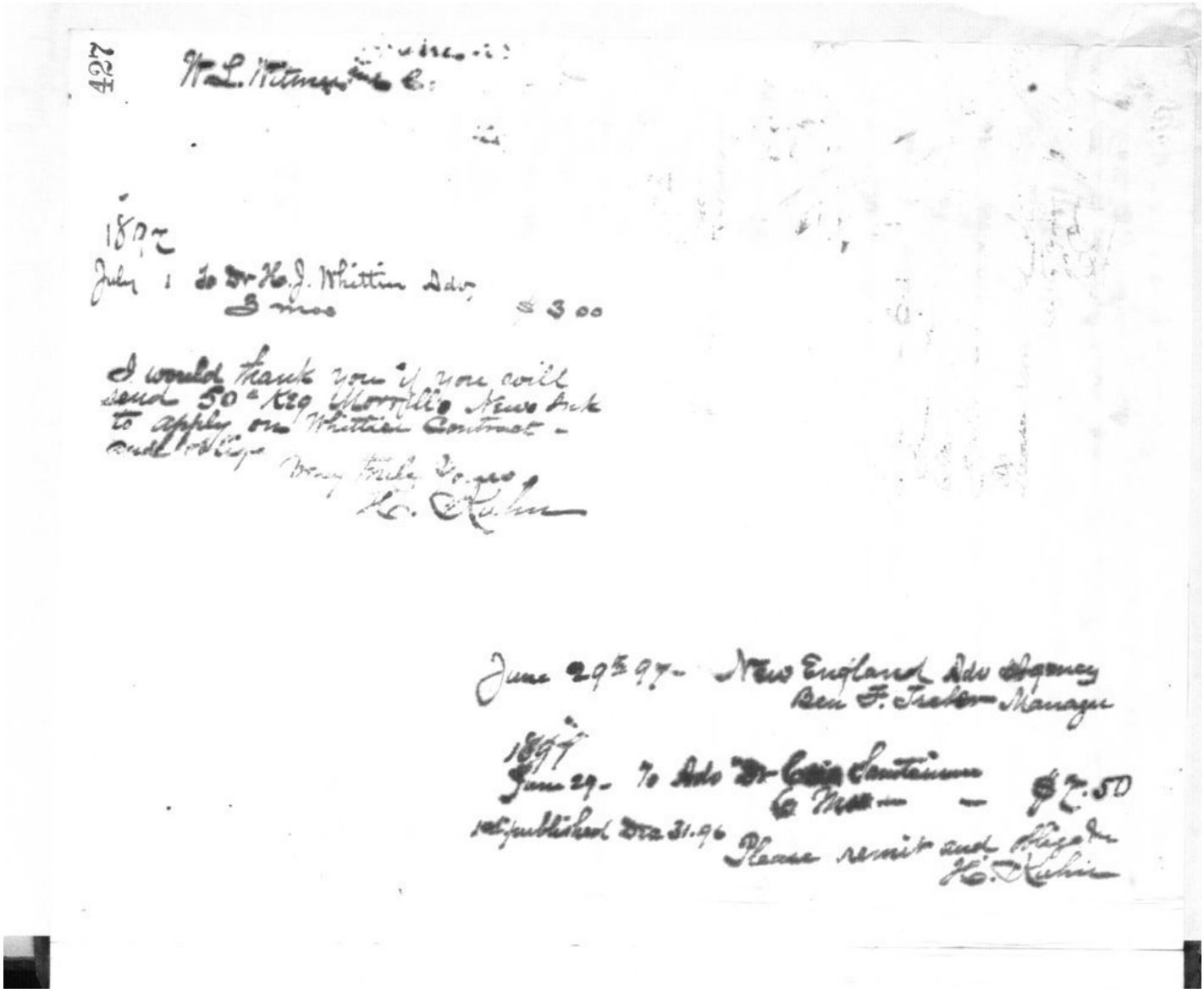
March 1st I sent statement of account with W. J. Bailey, Advertising Agent, 1049 N. Clark St., Chicago for one years adv "Peffer Med" terminating Jany 1. 97 for which payment was to have been made in "Climatic News Bak - $7.50, and a month or six weeks later sent him a duplicate and requested shipment, but no response has been made to either.

Kindly advertising rates as a ... Your New York House advised your ... to ask for information on this line, and I have taken the liberty to address you as the nearest.

Respty Yours
H. Kuhn

The "Pacific States Adv Bureau
Palmer and Ray Branches
405-407 Sansome St. San Francisco

Delinquent and evade payment for Dabol Med Co. and Scotts Emulsion. one year. — What of next year —?



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W. L. Whittier &c.

1897
July 1 To Dr H. J. Whittier Adv
3 mos $3 00

I would thank you if you will send 50 ± Kan Morrill's News Ink to apply on Whittier Contract - and oblige

Yours truly Co. per
H. C. Kuhn

June 29th 97 - New England Adv Agency
Ben F. Trabue Manager

1897
June 29 - To Adv Dr Cole Cantaloupe
& Mus — $7.50

not published Dec 31.96 Please remit and oblige
H. C. Kuhn

June 28th 97

M. D. Steiner Esq —
McPherson. Kans
Dear Sir:

Mr A. P. Leavitt a section foreman on the Santa Fe, formerly of Marion, was changed to McPherson last [illegible] Fall. Leavitt was an subscriber to the Times from May 26. 1887, but is delinquent for the whole time until I stopped the paper last month.

In December last I mailed him a bill for 10 years @ $1.00 a year when not paid in advance) carrying him to May 26. 1897. offering him a discount of 50 per cent if paid promptly or by a certain date long since past.

If when you have a day off at home I believe you can effect a settlement with him, and if you will undertake same I will forward statement soon to, and your commission will be what you get over $5.00.

I enclose herewith papers pertaining to an Account against H. H. Friesan a Clerk in the Racket Store at Newton, for Collection.

Fraternally yours J. D. Kuhn

June 30 [illegible]

W. J. Black,
Pass'r Agt
A. T. & S. F. R.
Topeka Kans.

Dear Sir:

I return herewith for extension or renewal Editorial Pass. No 332.

Very respectfully
H. Kuhn

July 1st 1

Messrs Scott & Bowne
Nos 409 - 415 Pearl St
New York.

Gents:-

I enclose Invoice - - - - - not as requested - Under contract with the "Pacific Coast" Agency, American Type Founders Co, Proprietors of this agency, the "Times" has been mailed to your firm

March 1st I forwarded Statement to the Pacific Bureau, for Advr. "Davol Med Co" which had been completed, but have had no response, but have learned since that the business of the Bureau in Chicago Co Pacific Agency had been transferred to some other agency. On completion of "Scotts Emulsion" Contract I will forward account to the "Bureaus" at San Francisco but in the meantime would be glad to have you advise in the matter, as to whom I shall look for payment.

Respty Yours H. Kuhn

July 5- 7

F. H. Lord
General Passenger Agent
Chicago. Ill.

Dear Sir:

I fully recognize that transportation given by Railroads to Country Newspaper Publishers, ostensibly on account of advertising, is in most cases an act of courtesy rather than for any benefit derived from the advertising.

Myself and wife will visit St. Paul in August for a few weeks and would like to secure return transportation over the "Maple Leaf" to Kansas City and could be glad to tender the advertising service for same and endeavor to make it satisfactory and as far as possible of some corresponding value.

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Very respectfully

H. Kuhn

[illegible]
General Passenger Agent
Topeka Kans

Dear Sir:

My wife intends visiting friends in St. Paul, remaining five or six weeks, and leaving here about April 10,

She has transportation from Kansas City to St. Paul & return and it would be esteemed a great favor if you will issue to her a round trip pass from Marion to Kansas City for which I would be glad to render you such advertising service as you might see fit to order.

Respectfully Yours

J. C. [illegible]

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(Sub rosa)

An interview with Chairman Riddle of the Pop State Com^te as reported by the K. C. Journal of the 22nd ult^o disclosing certain facts regarding the certified election returns of 1896 from 46 Counties of this State to which my attention was called to day (having been absent for a month) and which you may have noticed at the time of publication and perhaps long before knew of what had been done in the matter, and to which I invite your further notice.

The Chairman and Secretary of the Pop^l Co. Com^te to day filed with the County Clerk the certificate of the nomination for the several County Offices made by the late Con^n & Convention duly sworn to and signed by its Chairman and Sec'y, and in referring to the facts of record concerning the 1896 certified election returns, the Chairman and Sec'y were astounded to find that there had been no Populist vote cast in Marion County in 1896, which under the law would debar the Populists from placing upon the ballot and over the election boards.

The Pop^l Com^te are considering the strange delinquency

and will probably require legal advice
There is no populist lawyer in the County
Judge Dostes of course is precluded because
of official position and McLean has located
Vic Shirple and resides in Paola and the
Committee distrust lawyers with Repub. proclivities
so that if the necessity arises to employ an
Attorney advise the matter will fall
upon your shoulders if you will accept
The situation in Linn & Marion is
Concerned as that the populists at
their Convention in Pol. nominated a full
County ticket and the Democrats at a Mass
Convention held subsequently nominated
the same ticket and both claim position on
the ballot under the designation headings and
when the township and ward returns
returns were made duly certified all but
4 or 5 precincts gave the total vote cast for
both tickets as populists and these set forth the
Number of Votes cast by each of the two
factions for the respective candidates
The County Clerks however certified to the Sec of State
the total vote of both factions as Democratic
The law provides a penalty for wilful fraudulent
manipulation of the ballot by Returning Boards or Clerks
Would you undertake the prosecution and if so, I will so inform the
Committee together with such suggestions You may offer
Yours &c K

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Sept 15th

Gen Sebastian
General Passenger Agt.
Chicago Ill.

Dear Sir:

In lieu of mileage transportation due
me on contract, also for such further service as
you may deem necessary I have the honor to
request a trip pass from Marion to Hoboken
and return Thomas D. Mallock, Real Editor
and Foreman of the Times and his wife
good [illegible] 30 days from Oct 1st and oblige
Very truly
H. D. Kuhn

Sept 1st

G. Ward Esq.

Dear Sir;

A few weeks ago I called at the A. T. & S. F. Freight office to see you. And was told you were over with the Santa Fe and Gulf people but did not hope to be so soon. The Wichita Branch are not burning the wires. Your affairs appear bad indeed and the town are filled with Cheap Pianos and [illegible]

I have expostulated with [illegible] and if I [illegible] I [illegible] have at least one [illegible] from the Medical [illegible] interested in doing is the [illegible] stuff I get in hire it out [illegible] to take up the pieces" when you will [illegible] the times goes in your affairs [illegible]

Truly Yours

H. Kuhn

Sept 15th 7

K. & O. Ry.
Genl Pass. Agt
Kansas City Mo

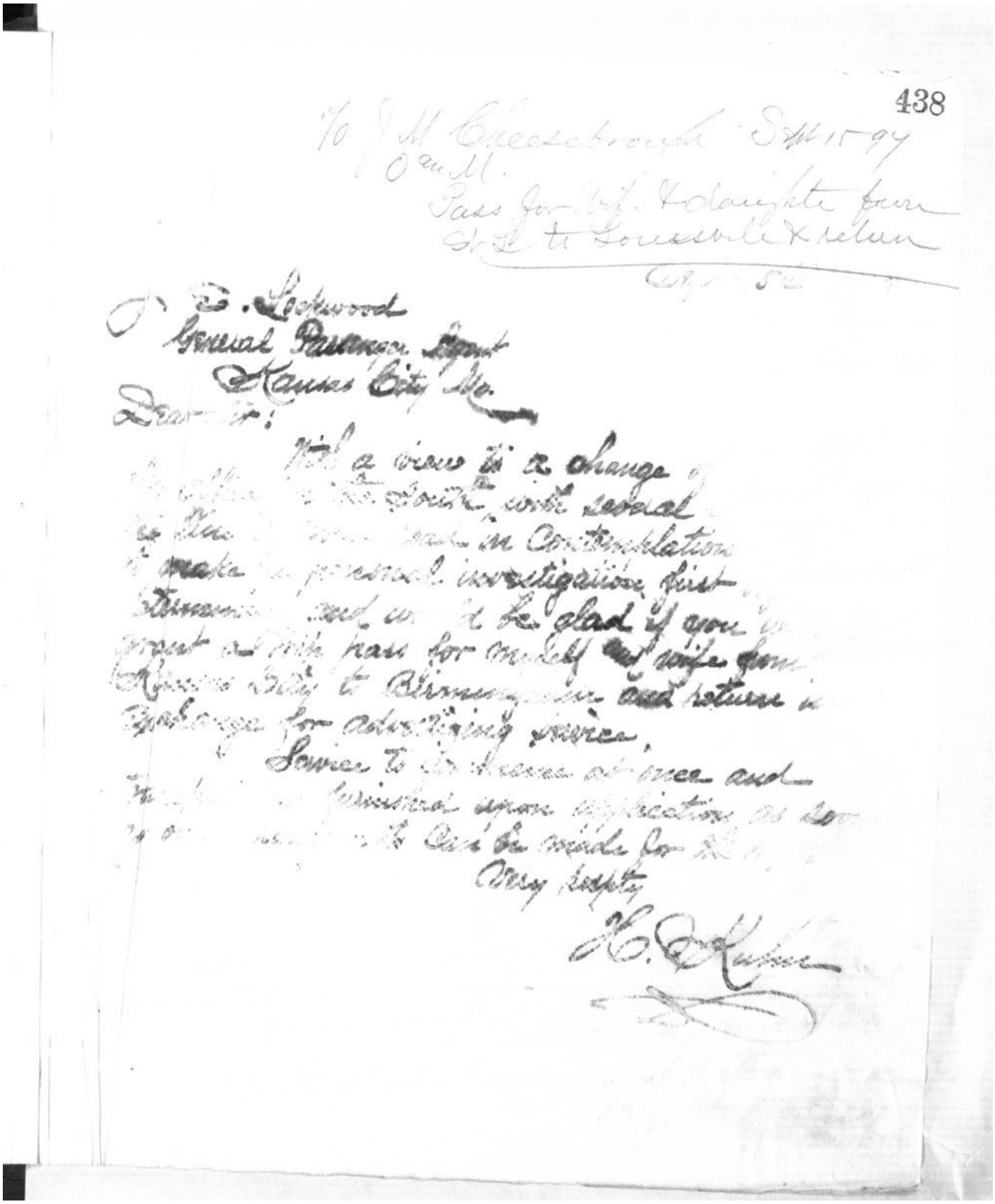
Dear Sir:

Note to sign is a change of location of this Office somewhere on the line of your road south of Kansas, I would be glad to make a personal investigation of several points contemplated if you will grant a trip pass for myself and wife from Kansas City to [illegible] and return, in exchange for advertising service.

Desire to commence at once, or at such time as you may name, and transportation furnished upon application as soon as our arrangements can be made for the trip.

Respectfully yours

H. D. Kuhn



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To J M Chesebrough Sept 15 94
O and M.
Pass for Wife & daughter from
St L to Louisville & return
Sept 5th

O. D. Lockwood
General Passenger Agent
Kansas City Mo.

Dear Sir!

With a view to a change
[illegible] route, with several
[illegible] in Consideration
[illegible] personal investigation first
[illegible] and would be glad if you
[illegible] with pass for myself & wife from
Kansas City to Birmingham and return in
Exchange for advertising space.

Space to be chosen at once and
[illegible] upon application as to
[illegible] can be made for
Very truly
H. Kuhn

Jno. Sebastian Sept 23 97

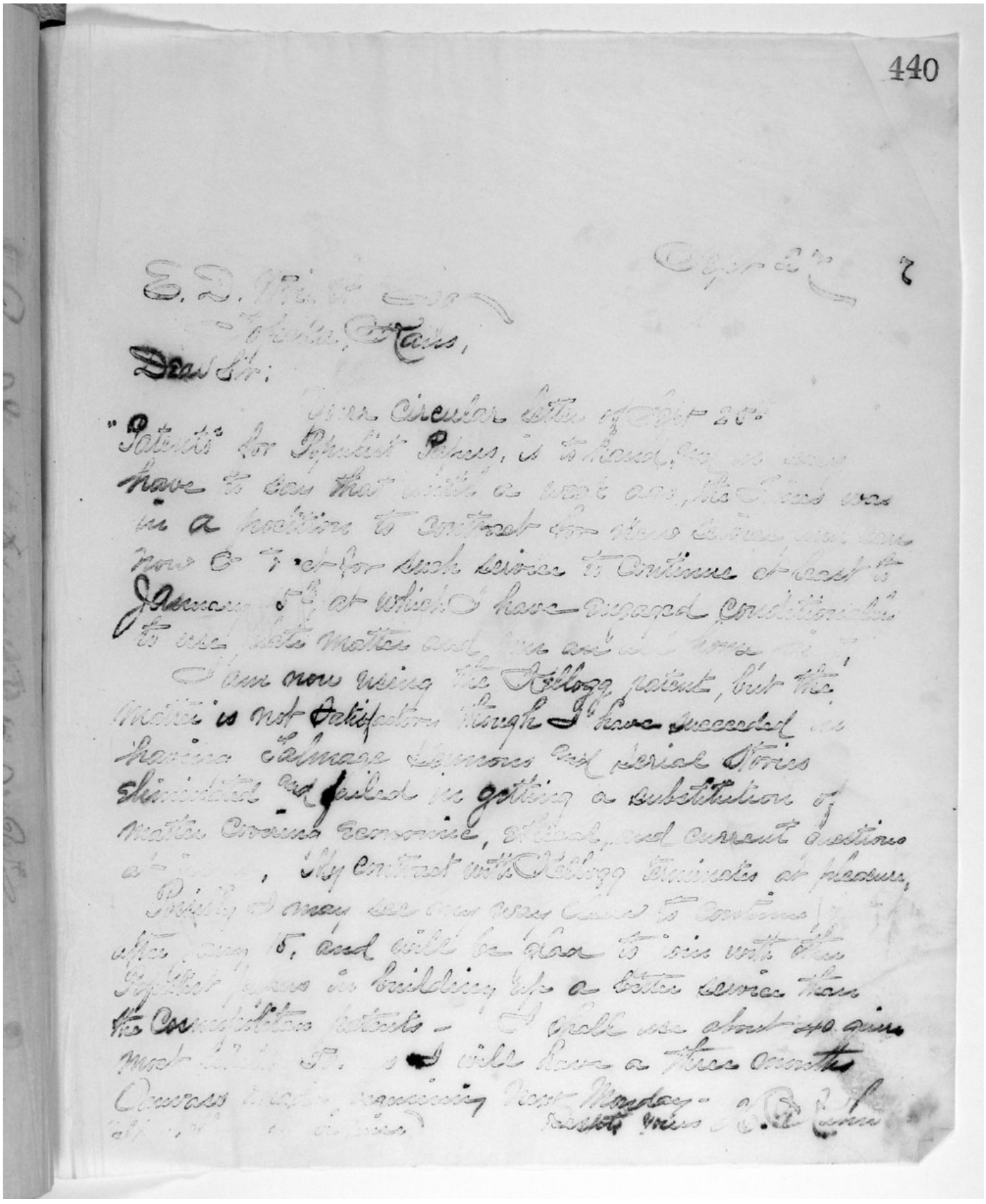
Yours of 20th inst to hand advising me that according to the records of your office "the entire amount of consideration due on 96. has been issued and in addition an overdraft."

Apl 10. 97 I forwarded to your Office a Statement ~~of~~ Act for 1896. based upon the transportation furnished this Off. for that year, and of which amount 1425 miles was returned to your Office unused, a copy of which Statement I enclose herewith.

Supposing the statement rendered to be correct there would still be an overdraft of about 400 miles if you issued the Matlock transportation and in such event I will be glad to receive your additional advices to cover the overdraft.

The request was for Thos B. Matlock and his wife Pattie D. Matlock to Keokuk Iowa and return.

Very Respt.
W. Kuhn



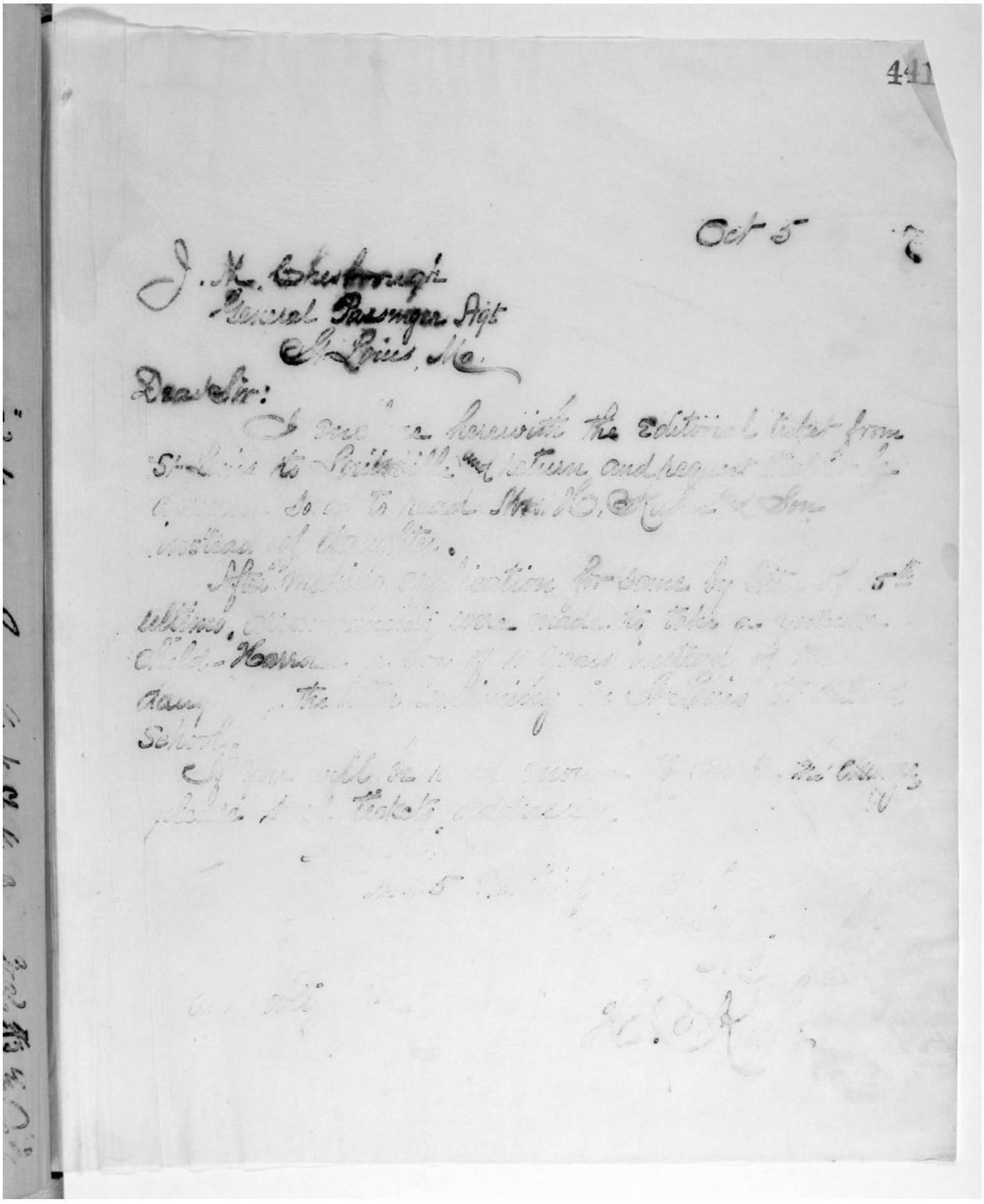
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E. D. White
Topeka, Kans,

Dear Sir:

Your circular letter of Sept 20th "Patents" for Populist Papers, is to hand, in reply would have to say that while a host are, the Times was in a position to contest for them several years ago, we are now & for such service to continue at least to January 1st at which I have prepared conditions to use said matter and we are [illegible]

I am now using the Kellogg patent, but the matter is not satisfactory though I have succeeded in having Sermons and Serial Stories stereotyped and failed in getting a substitution of matter covering economic, political, and current questions a [illegible], My contract with Kellogg terminates at present, Jan 1st, and will be glad to see what can be done to continue after Jan 1, and will be glad to join with the Populist papers in building up a better service than the Co-operative patents - I shall use about 250 inches most [illegible] I. I will have a press over the Kansas [illegible] beginning next Monday - a [illegible]



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Oct 5

J. M. Shurtleff
General Passenger Agt
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I inclose herewith the Editorial Ticket from St. Louis to Topeka and return and request that you issue to [illegible] Son Instead of Chapman.

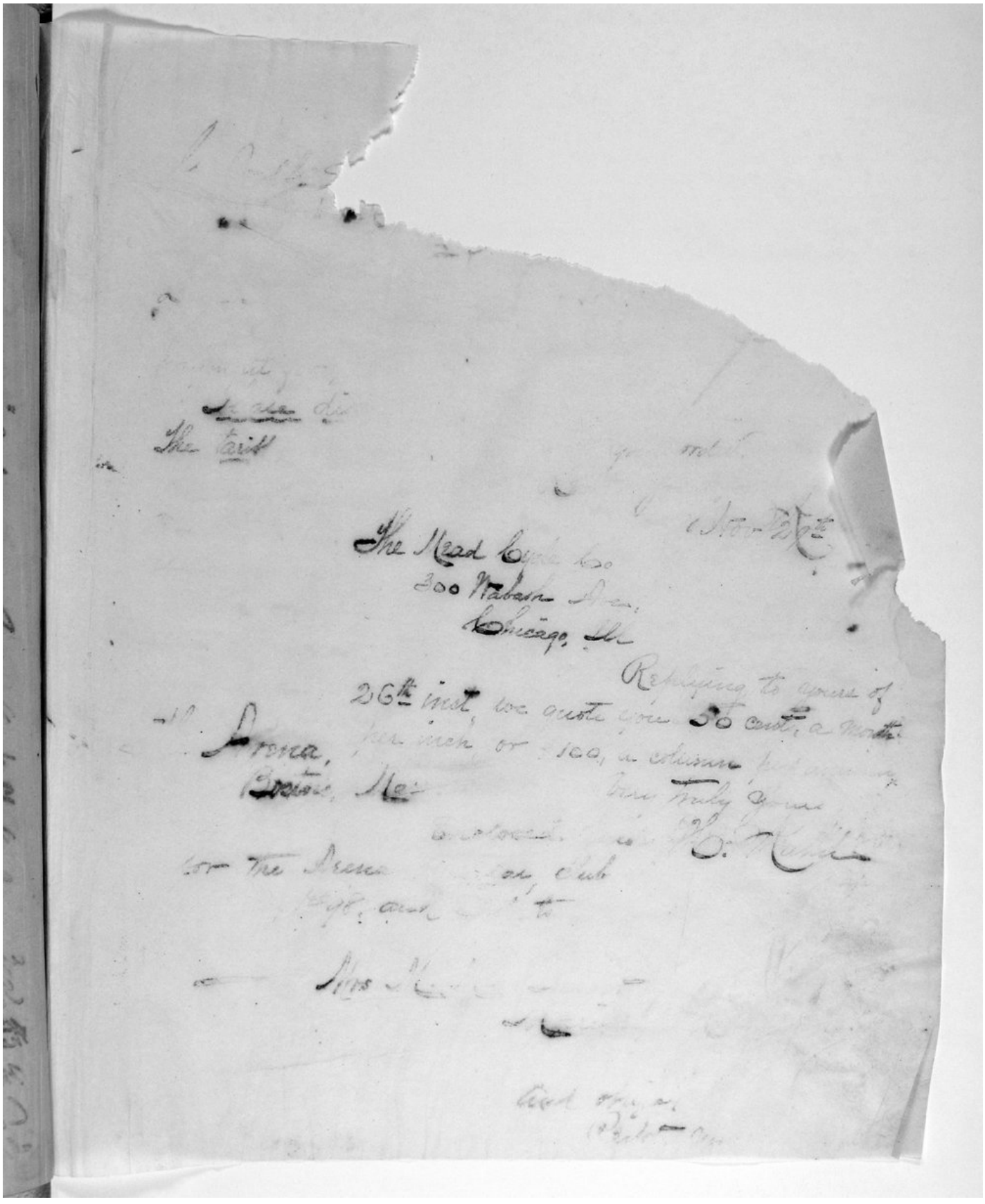
After making application for same by Oct 5th [illegible] were made to take on [illegible] Kansas [illegible] Schools.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Henry Kuhn collection letterpress books



Dec 14th 97

The Meyer Burgess Paper Co
Chicago Ill.
Gentlemen:

If you will forward enclosed list made up partially from your "Paper Talk" Vol 1. N. 2. Oct 9. 1897, by freight, care of 1st State Bank Marion, with sight draft accompanying B/L, you will oblige, &c,

Send Invoice direct to me, or if you will send itemized statement of amount of bill will send draft before shipment.

Very Truly Yours
H. Kuhn

Dec 14 -7

2 Bundles Posters - Asst Colors -
10 ″ Dodgers 6 x 9 ″
Lot 156 - 3 Reams - Type Writing Linen 8 x 13
-3- 2 Reams, Machine finish Book 25 x 38 = 35#
1 ″ ″ ″ ″ 50#
5 ″ Letter Heads 12#
5 ″ Hotel Note 8#
5 ″ Packet Note 6#
3 ″ H and J. Statements
3 ″ Statements 6#
2 ″ each - Infant - Gem, Square and Yankee
2 ″ R. L. Cards No 63 - and 2 ″ No 48
1 ″ Persian Bond Envelopes 6¼
Lot 143 5 ″ No 2 Rag White Laid ″ 6¼ and 2 ″ Eo - Rag 6
Lot 150 3 ″ Manilla Env. 6¼ - (Lot 145) 1 ″ Azure Wove 6¼
5 ″ Tags - No 5
Lot 1104 50 Sheets ″ Translucent Bristol Board 8 Ply Rose
50 ″ ″ ″ ″ 8 ″ Buff
100 ″ Bogus Bristol each White, Pink, Cherry, L. Blue and Buff
Lot 58½ 1 Ream Cover Paper Asst'd

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Dec 20th 7

Topeka Linseed Oil Works
Topeka. Kans.
L. L. Roby. Manager!
Dear Sir:

Your favor of 18th inst. to hand. and in reply to which beg to say that I will run your two inch Electro, giving it good position, for three months, for $12.

A year ago you adv'd in this paper, and the paper was sent to you during its Continuance. Will send you Copy of paper.

Very respty
H. Kuhn

Dec 23d 448

B. Flaherty
Topeka Kan

Dear Sir:

I find my purpose to visit Topeka this week thwarted. Will sell you plant and franchise of the Times for $2200. One fourth Cash and balance in 6 mos, 12 mos & 18 mos - 8 percent or I will sell you one half interest in plant for $900. One third Cash & balance in 6 and 12 mos as above. The latter proposition predicated upon a division of the Job Work, and You to publish a paper. There is an abundance of Material to publish two 6 column Quarto papers, and all the appliances & facilities needed. The rooms will be enlarged by removing part of a partition wall. This is now contracted for.

Very truly Yours

E. Kuhn