George W. Scott papers

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Business correspondence, arranged chronologically, of George W. Scott, one of the first residents of Edgerton, Kansas. A large portion of the collection is correspondence between Scott and Frank S. Hammond, Scott's partner in a 20,000 acre ranch in the Texas panhandle. Much of the correspondence deals with their attempts to raise cattle, lease the land, and sell or trade the property. Hammond worked as a general manager for several railroads (Kansas City, Fort Scott, and Memphis Railroad Company; Kansas City, Shreveport, and Gulf Railway Company; and the Kansas City, Watkins, and Gulf Railway Company) that were in the process of expanding their lines, and mentioned these activities in his letters. Due to their real estate investments in Texas, many letters come from banks, insurance agents, and land surveyors in the panhandle. Scott also served as secretary for the Johnson County Fair Association and owned the Gardner Lumber Company. Scott frequently corresponded with creameries, dairy farmers, wholesale dry goods retailers and seed merchants, including the Kansas Seed House owned by Frederick W. Barteldes in Lawrence. Also included are invoices, checks, contracts, and inventory lists from various businesses.

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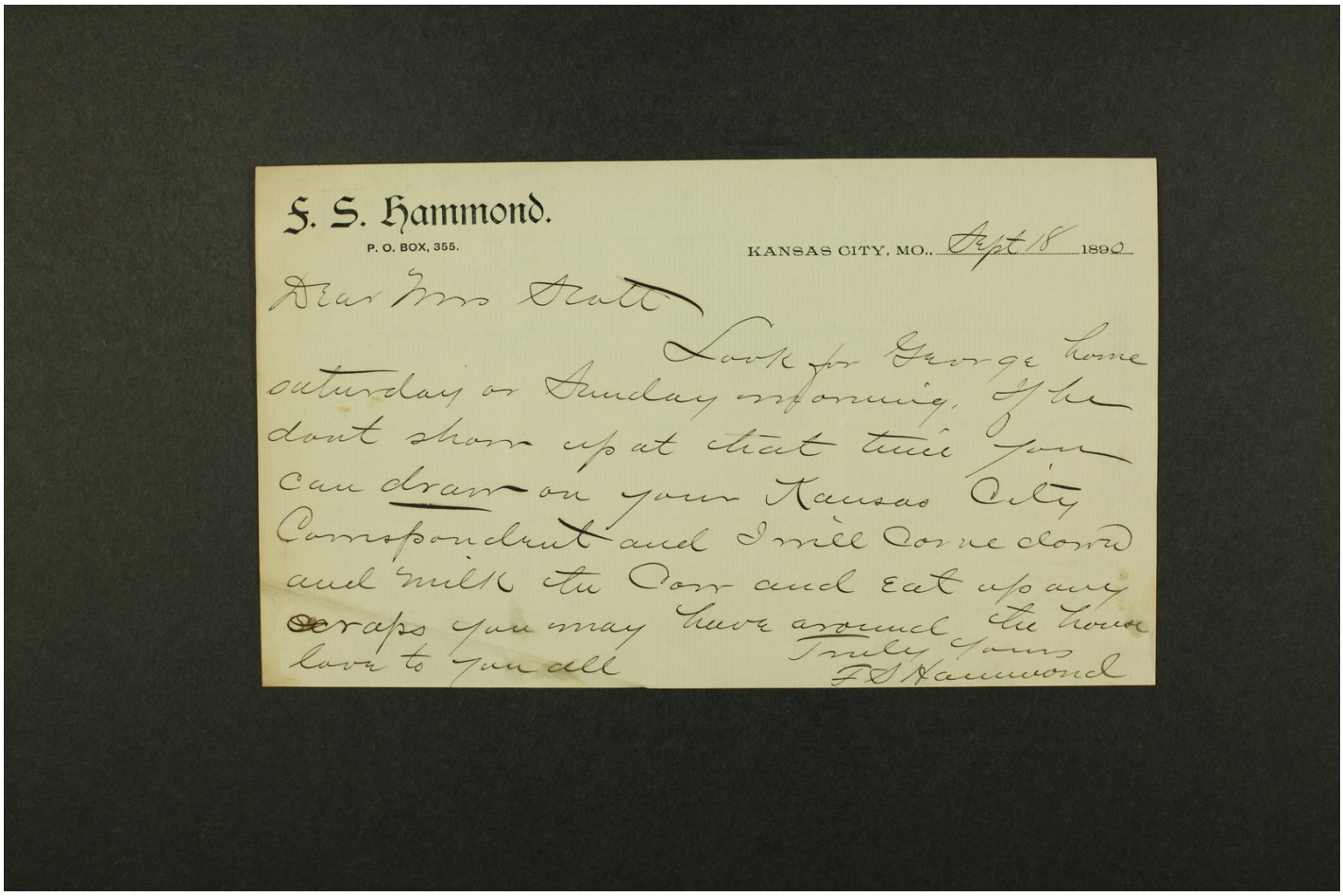
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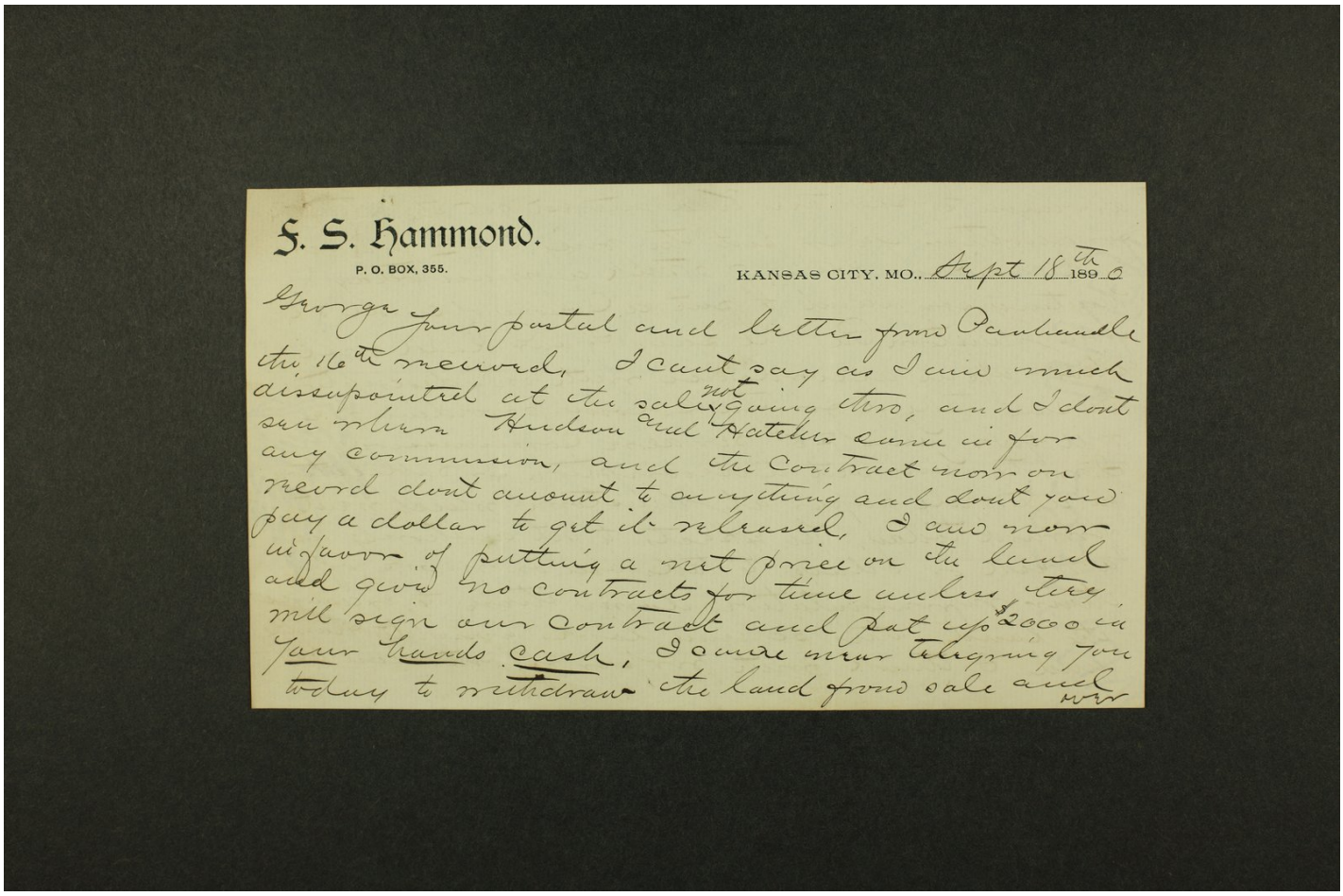


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P. O. BOX, 355.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 18 1890

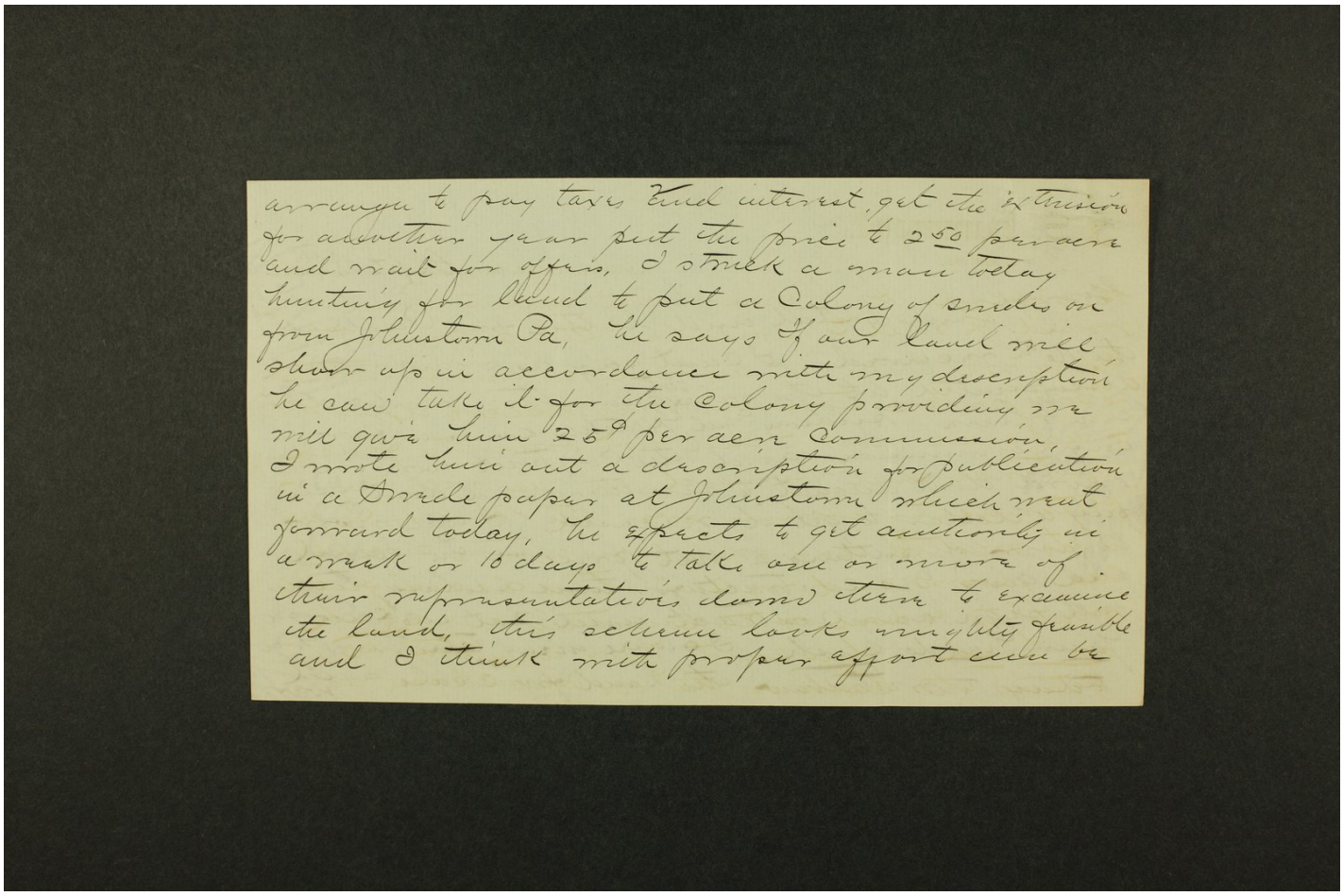
Dear Mrs Scott

Look for George home
saturday or Sunday morning. If he
dont show up at that time you
can draw on your Kansas City
Correspondent and I will come down
and milk the Cow and eat up any
scraps you may have around the house
Truly yours
love to you all
F S Hammond

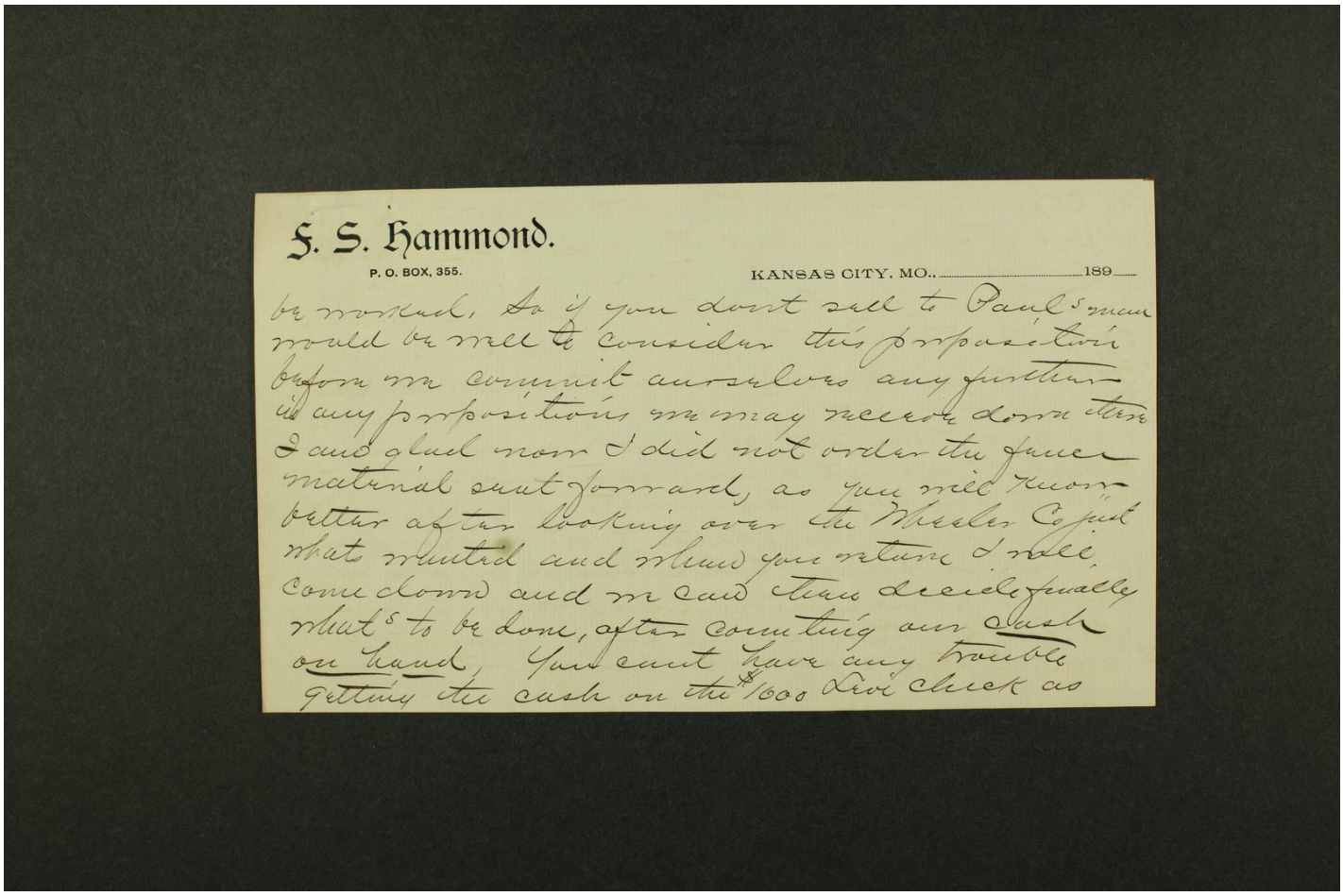


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George Your postal and letter from Parkville the 16th received, I cant say as I am much disappointed at the sale not going thro, and I dont see where Hudson and Hatcher come in for any commission, and the Contract now on record dont amount to anything and dont you pay a dollar to get it released, I am now in favor of putting a net price on the land and give no contracts for time unless they will sign our contract and put up $2000 in your hands cash, I came near telegraing you today to withdraw the land from sale and now



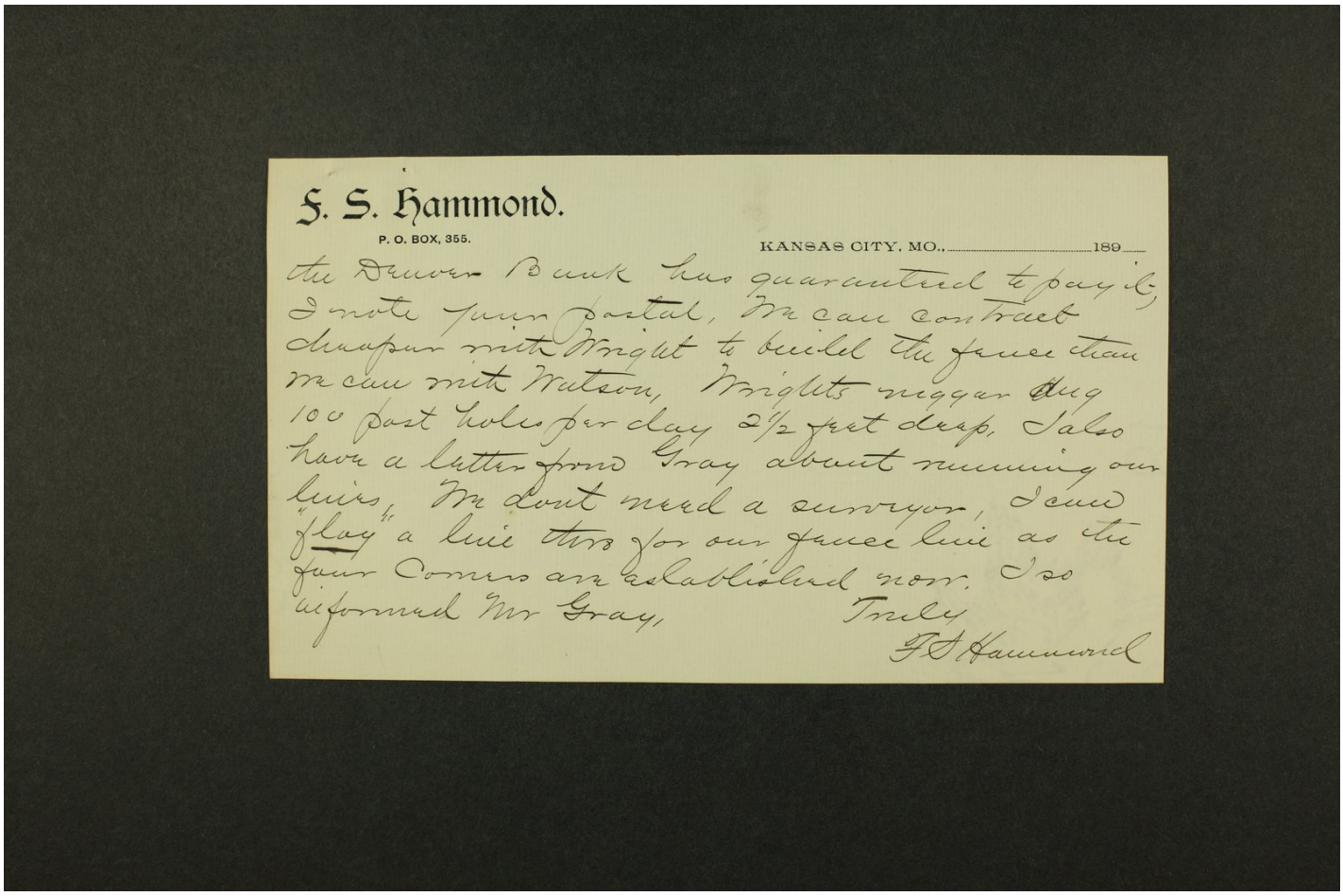
arrange to pay taxes and interest, get the extension
for another year put the price to 2.50 per acre
and wait for offers, I struck a man today
hunting for land to put a Colony of mules on
from Johnstown Pa, He says if our land will
show up in accordance with my discription
he can take it for the Colony providing we
will give him 2.5 per acre Commission,
I wrote him out a discription for publication
in a Trade paper at Johnstown which went
forward today, he expects to get answers in
a week or 10 days to take one or more of
their representatives down there to examine
the land, this scheme looks mighty feasible
and I think with proper effort can be



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be worked, So if you dont sell to Paul's man would be well to consider this proposition before we commit ourselves any further. If any propositions we may receive down there and glad now I did not order the fence material sent forward, as you will know better after looking over the Mosler Co. put what wanted and when you return I will come down and we can then decide finally what's to be done, after counting our cash on hand. You cant have any trouble getting the cash on the $1600 Levi check as

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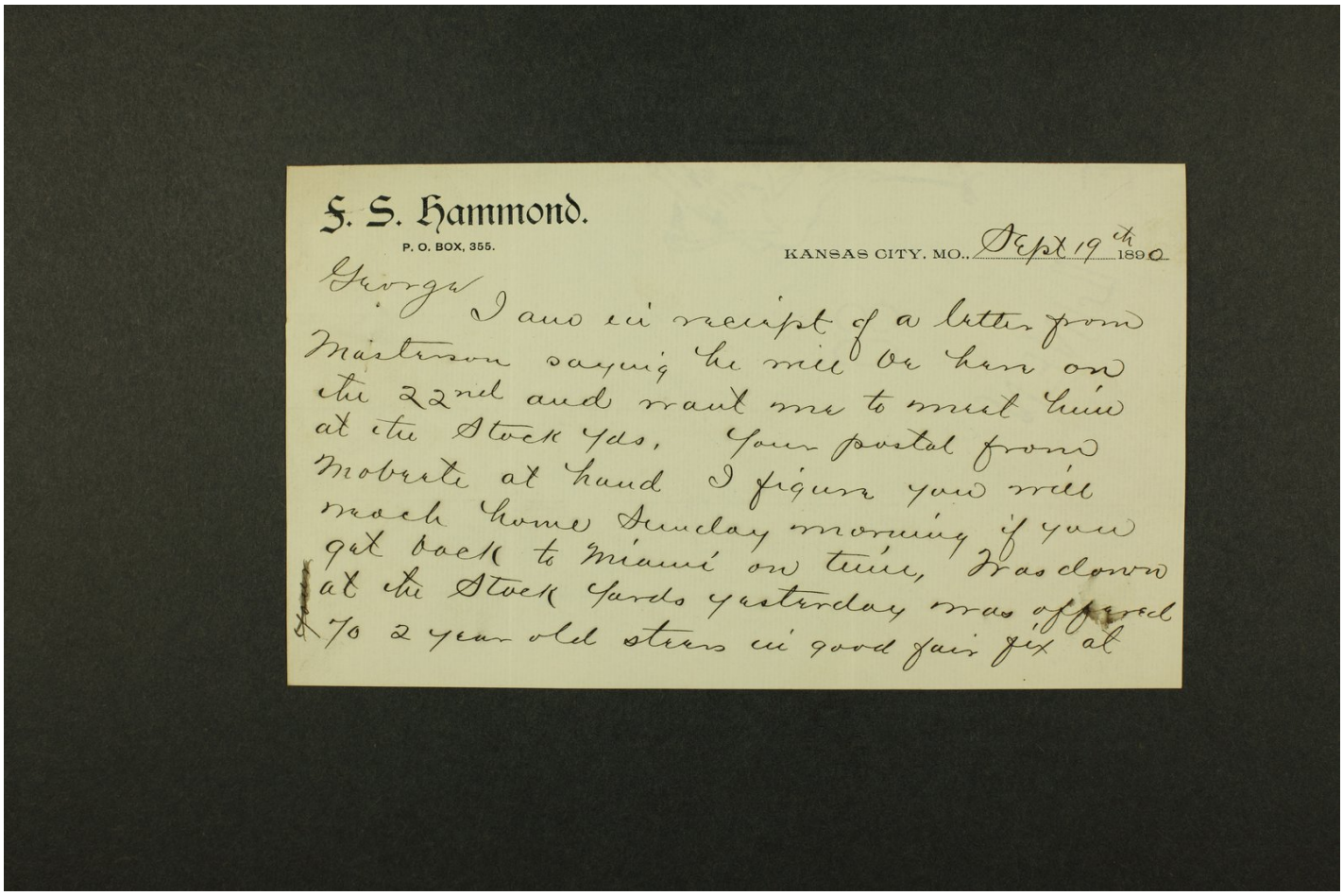
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the Denver Bank has guaranteed to pay it,
I note your postal, We can contract
drainage with Wright to build the fence than
we can with Watson, Wrights nigger dug
100 post holes per day 2½ feet deep, Also
have a letter from Gray about running our
lines, We dont need a surveyor, I can
"flag" a line thro for our fence line as the
four Corners are established now. I so
informed Mr Gray,

Truly
F S Hammond

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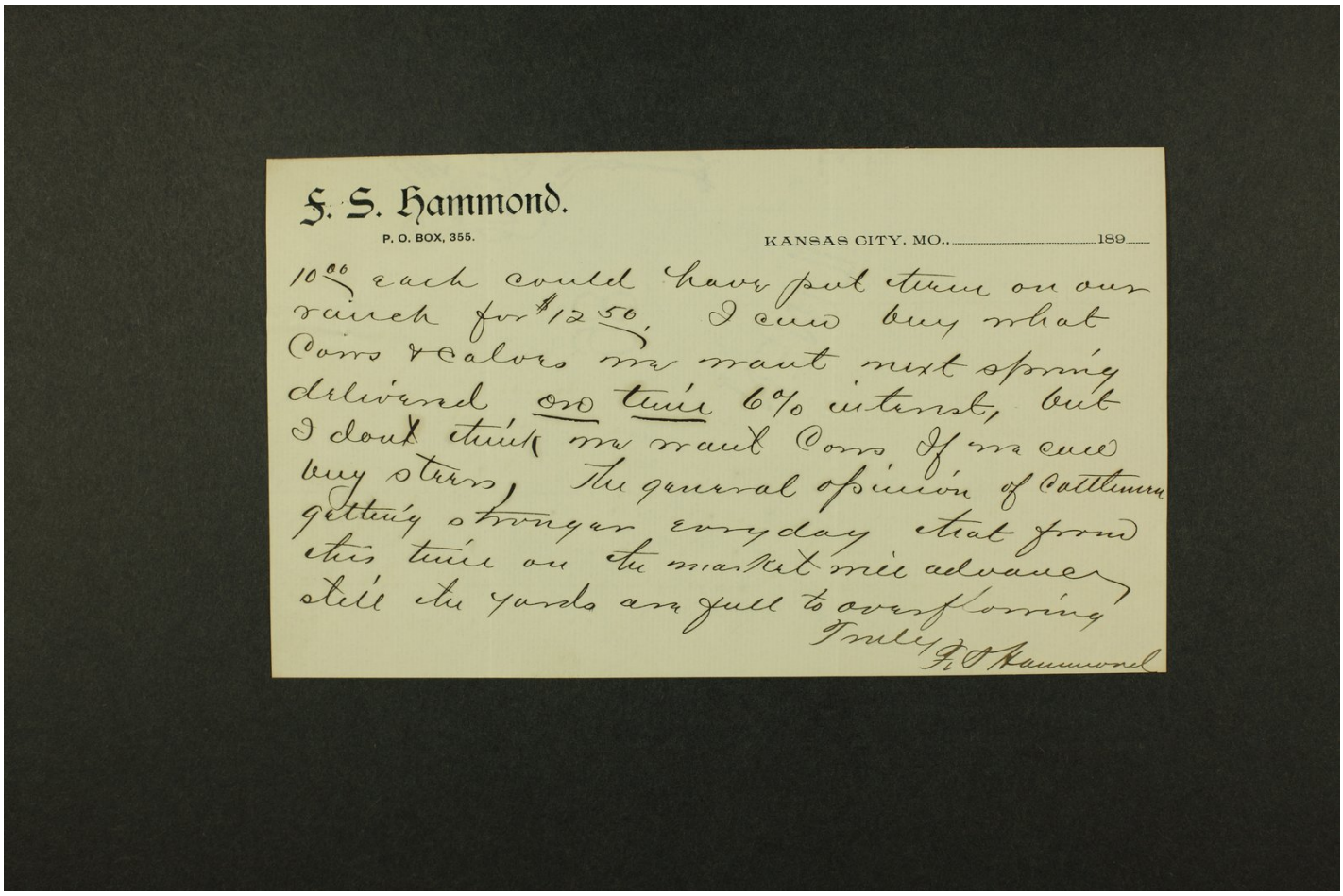


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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 19th 1890

George I am in receipt of a letter from Mistrum saying he will be here on the 22nd and want me to meet him at the Stock Yds. Your postal from Mobrite at hand I figure you will reach home Sunday morning if you get back to Miami on time, I was down at the Stock Yards yesterday was offered $70 2 year old steers in good fair fix at

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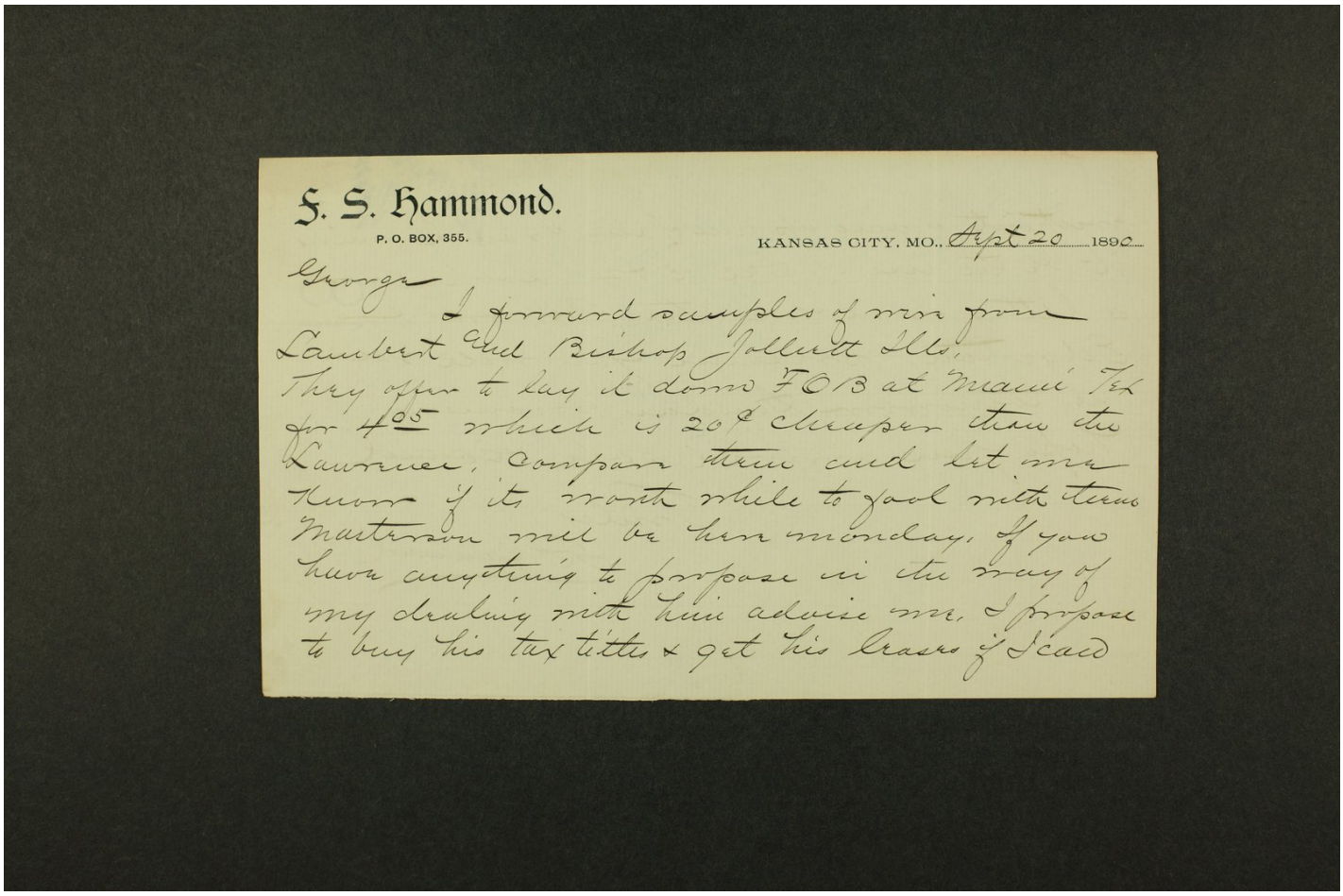
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10.00 each could have put them on our ranch for $12.50. I could buy what Cows & Calves we want next spring delivered one time 6% interest, but I don't think we want Cows. If we could buy steers, the general opinion of cattlemen getting stronger everyday that from this time on the market will advance. Still the yards are full to overflowing.

Truly F. S. Hammond

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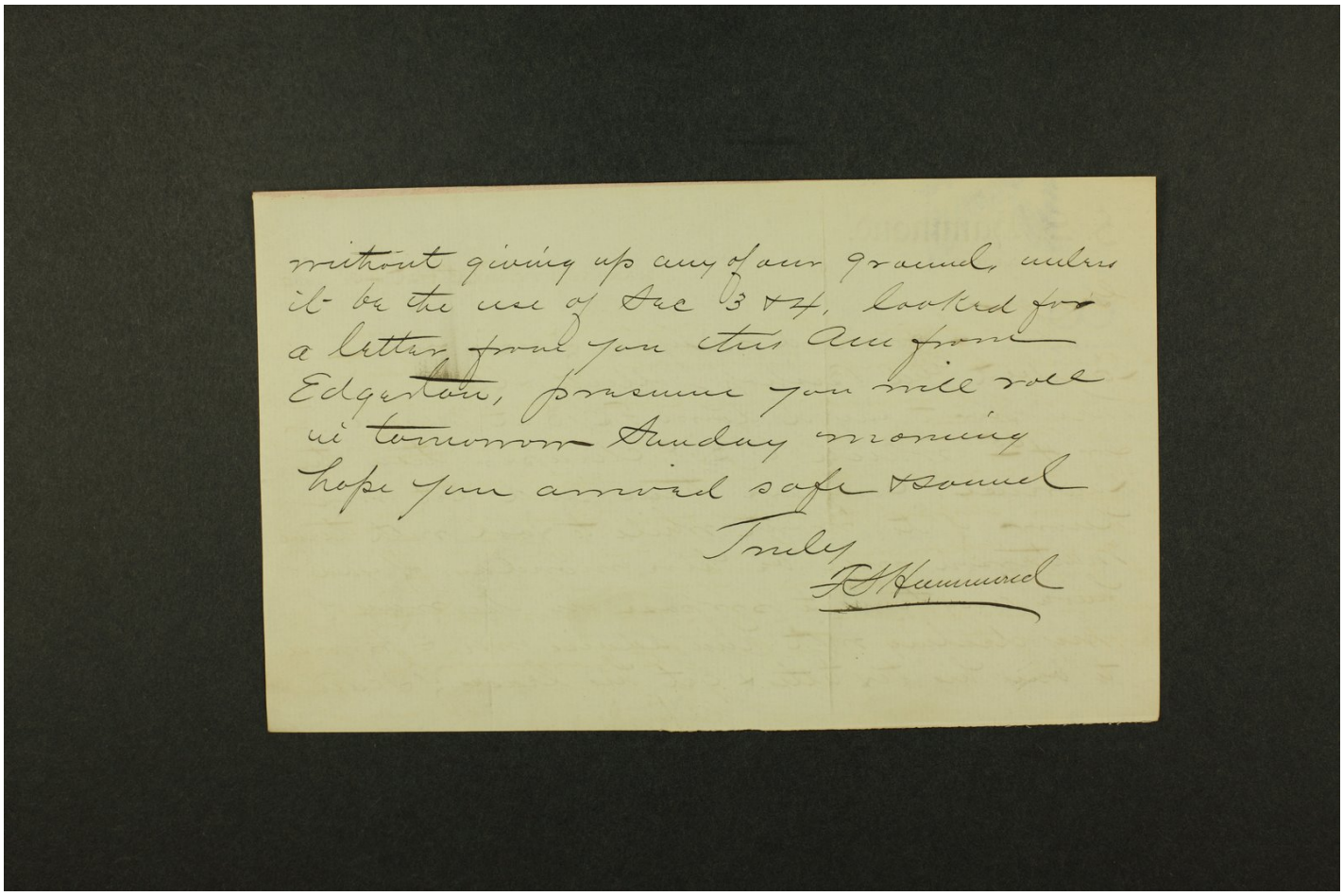
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George

I forward samples of mix from Lambert and Bishop Joliett Ills. They offer to lay it down F.O.B at Miami Fla for 40c which is 20¢ cheaper than the Kammer. Compare them and let me know if its worth while to fool with them Masterson will be here monday. If you have anything to propose in the way of my dealing with him advise me. I propose to buy his tax titles & get his deeds if I can'd

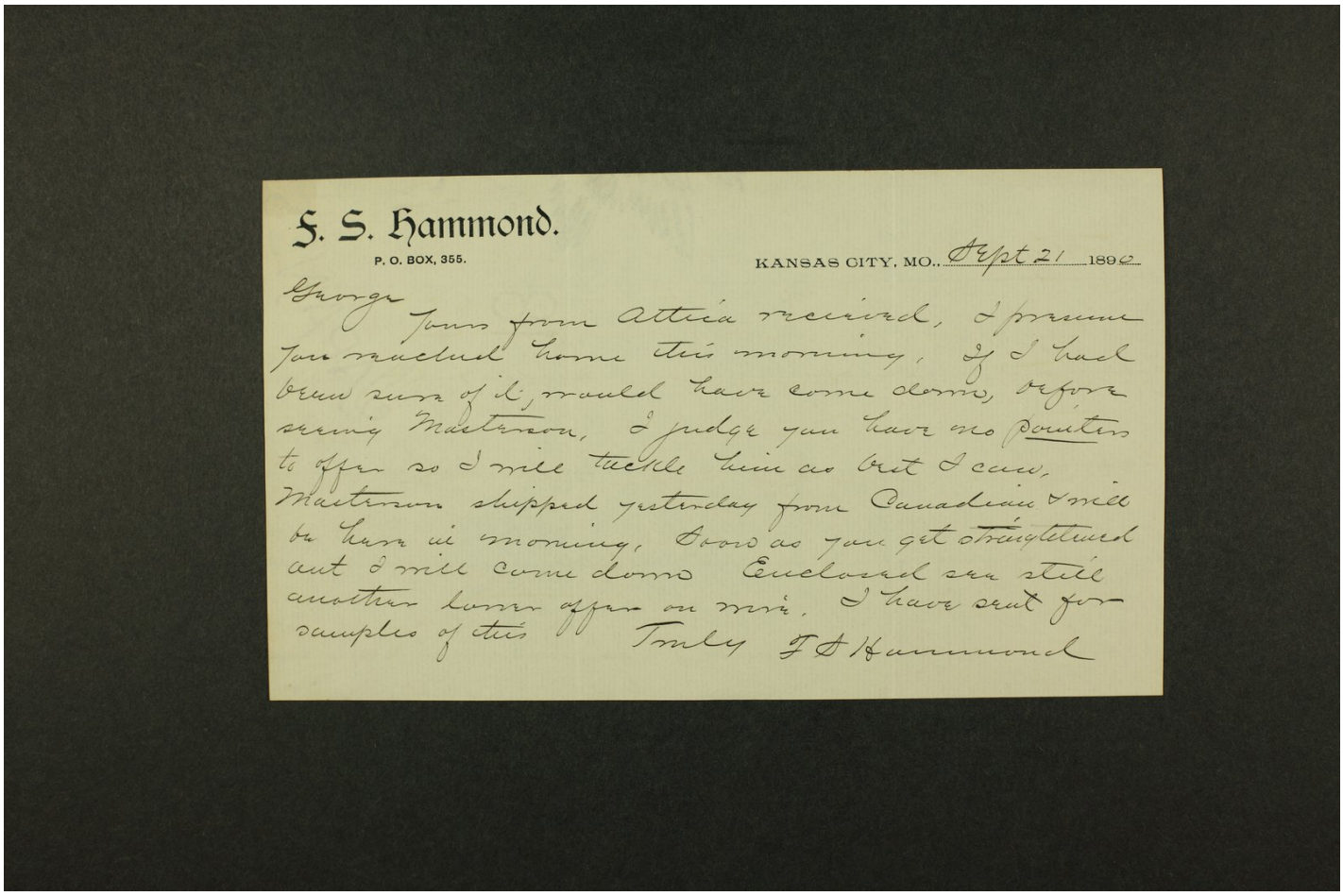
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without giving up any of our ground, unless it be the use of Sec 3 & 4, looked for a letter from you this AM from Edgerton, presume you will call in tomorrow Sunday morning hope you arrived safe & sound

Truly
R. H. Hammond

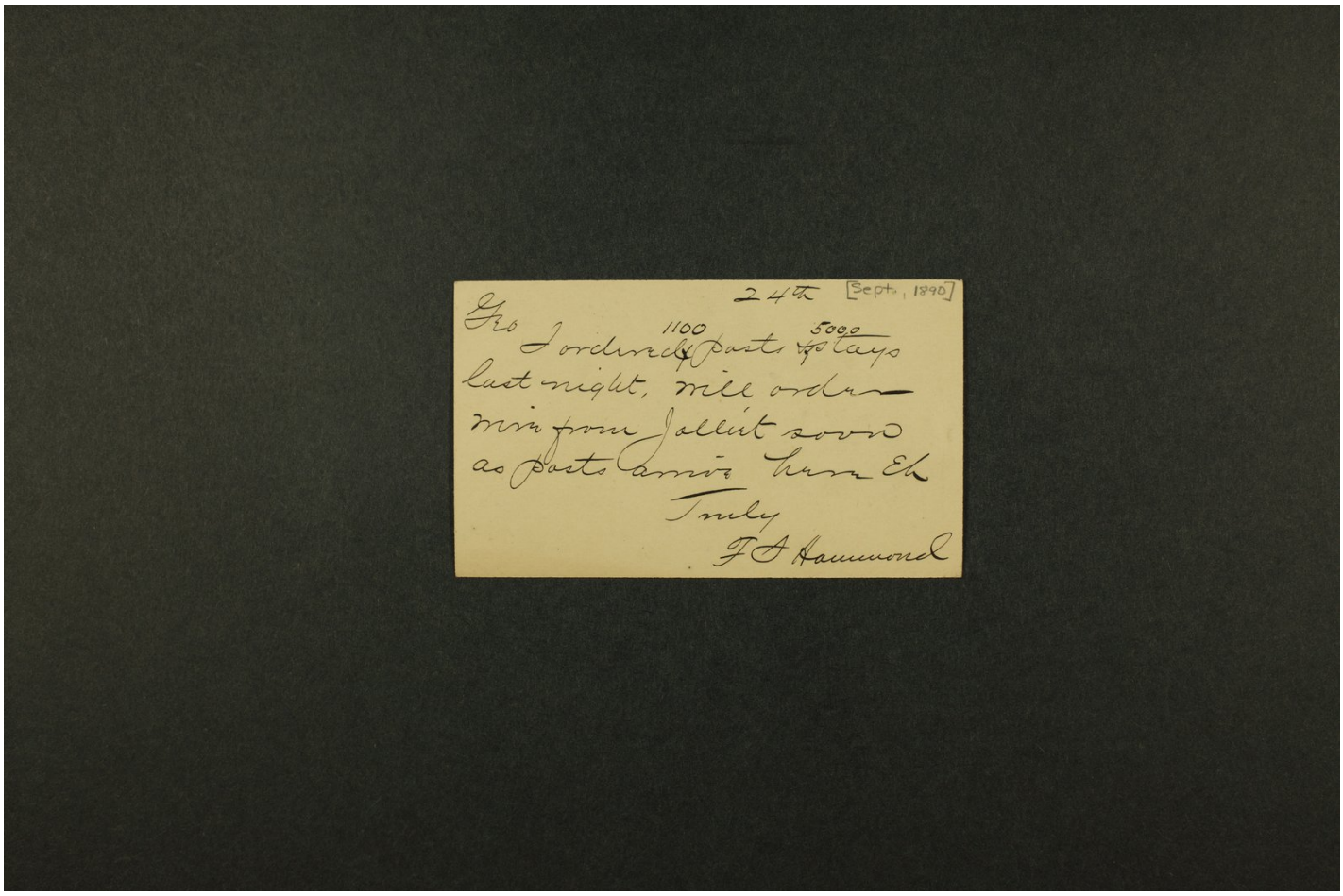
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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 21 1896

George
Yours from Attica received, I presume you reached home this morning, if I had been sure of it, would have come down, before seeing Matteson, I judge you have no pointers to offer so I will tackle him as best I can, Matteson shipped yesterday from Canadian & will be here in morning, Soon as you get straightened out I will come down Enclosed are still another loose offer on mix, I have sent for samples of this
Truly F S Hammond

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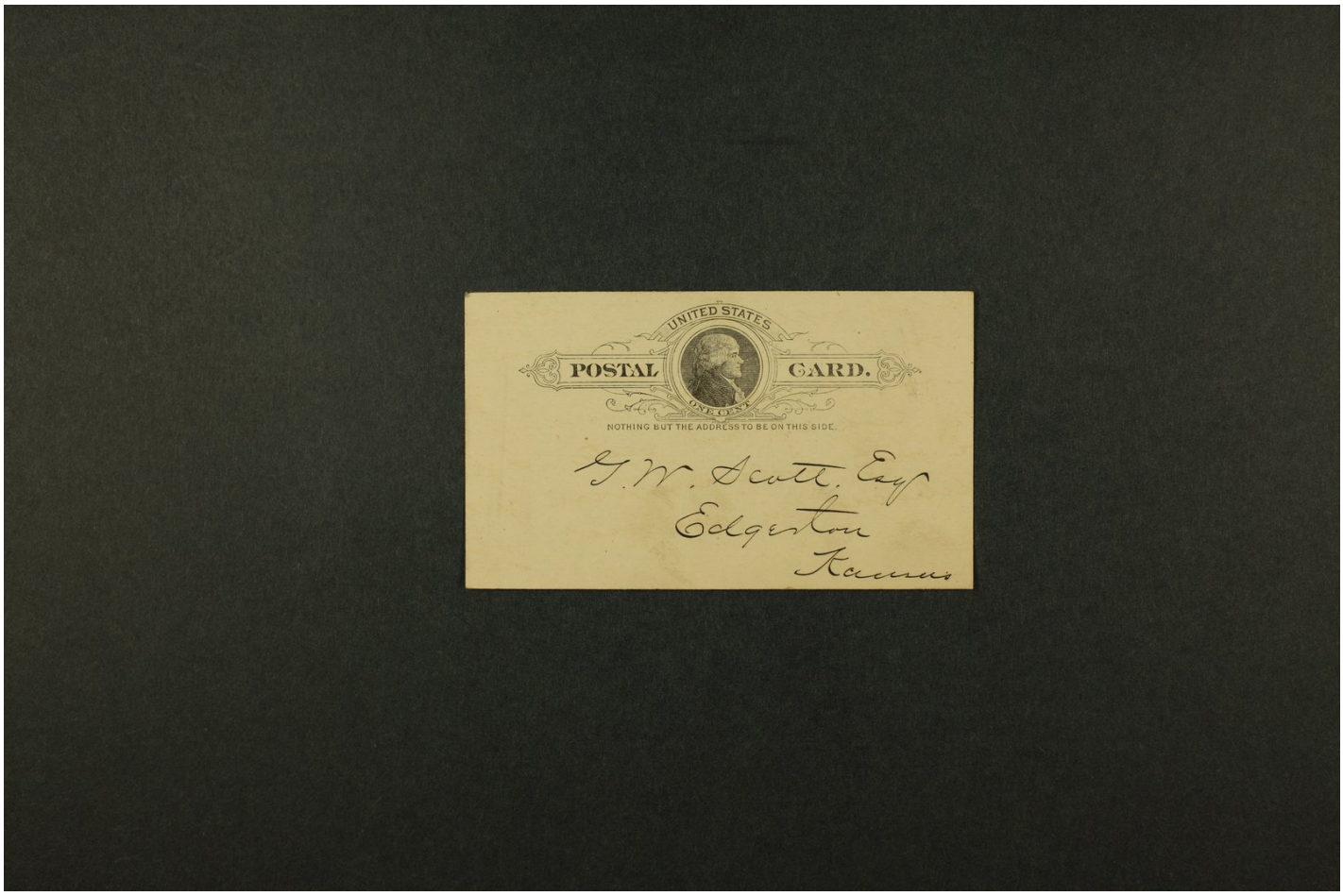

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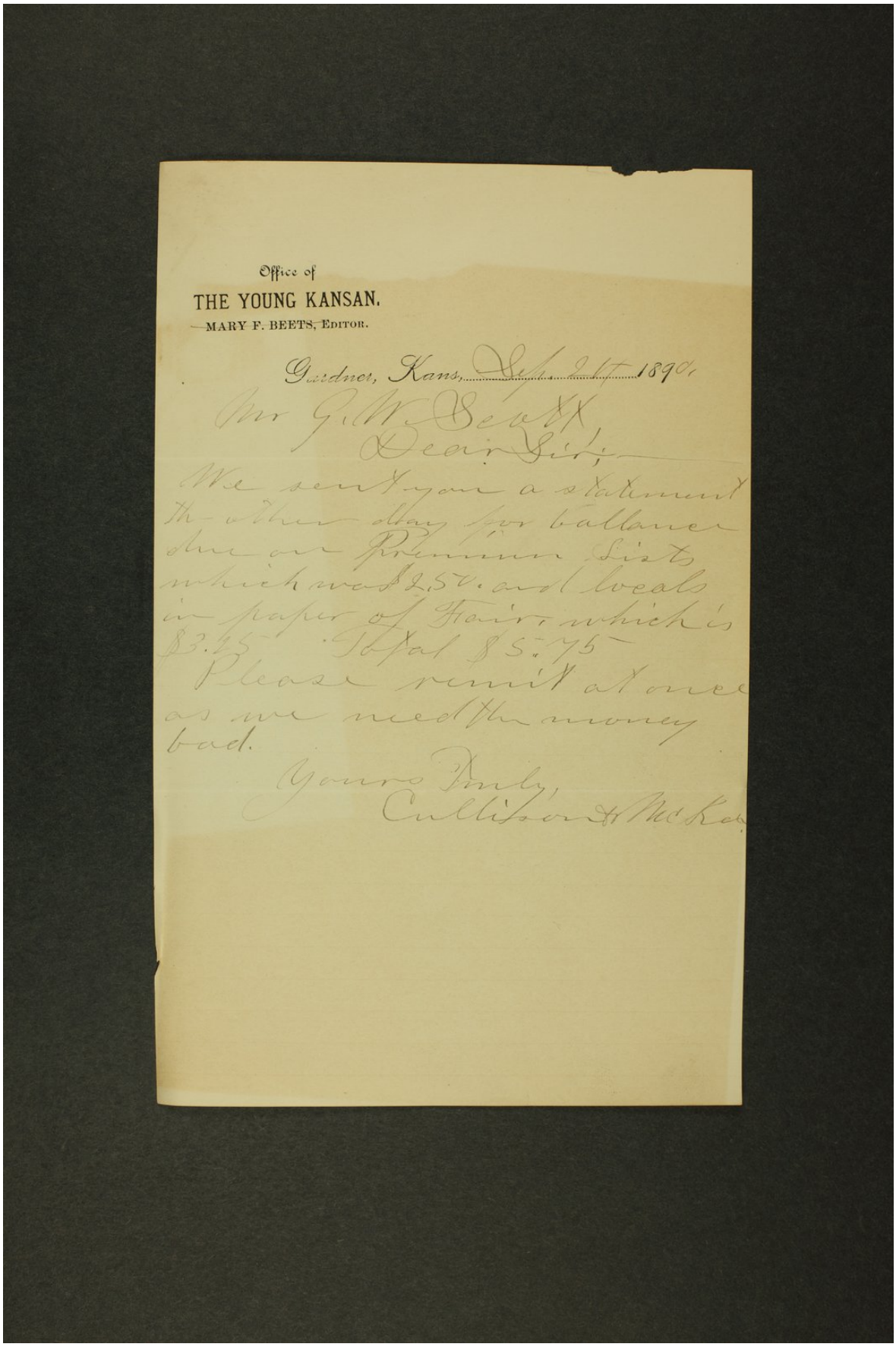
Geo I ordered 1100 posts & 5000 lays last night, will order more from Jallet soon as posts arrive Yours Ed

Truly

F A Hammond

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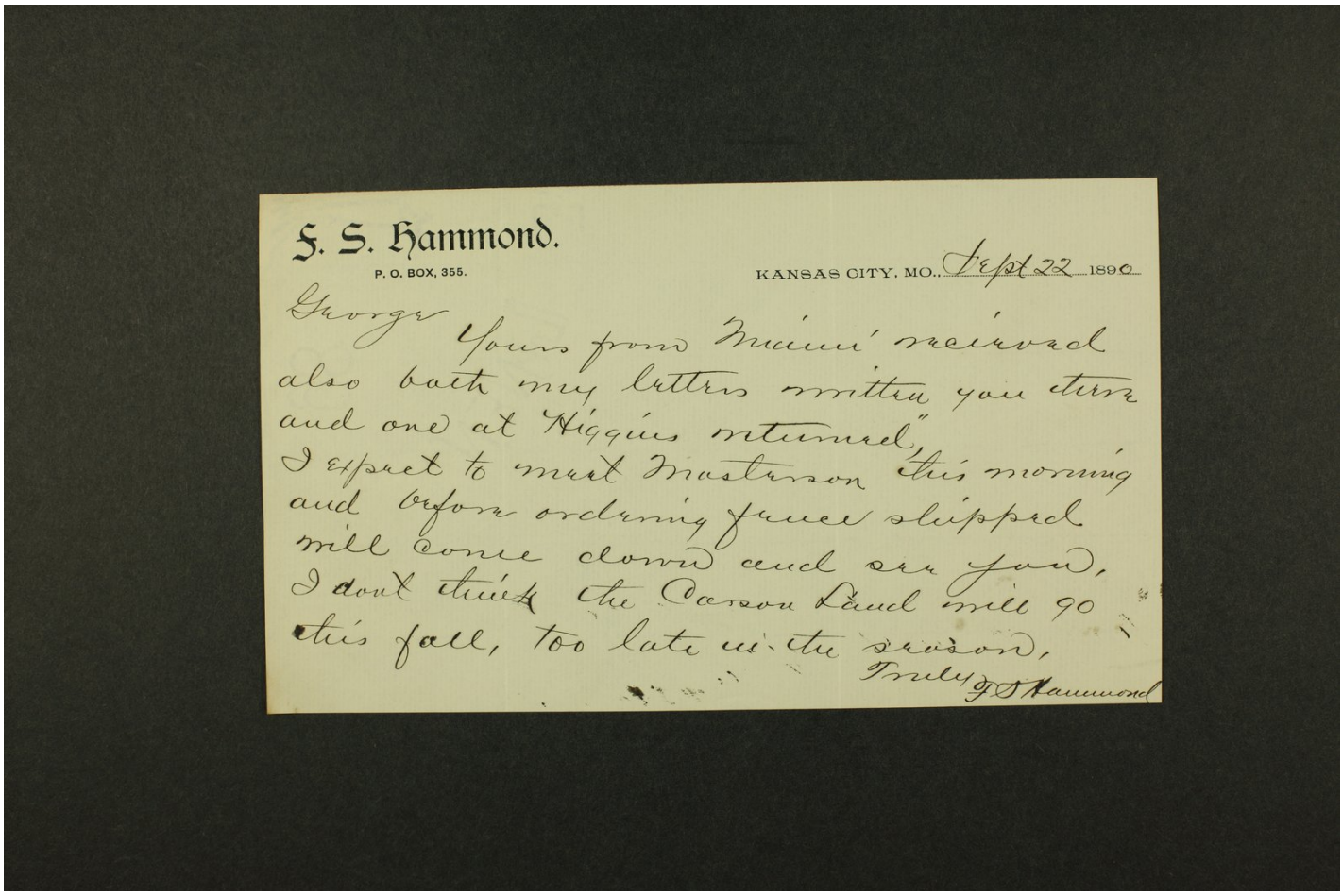
Gardner, Kans, Sept 24th 1890.

Mr G W Scott
Dear Sir,

We sent you a statement the other day for ballance due on Premium Lists which was $2.50 and bills in paper of Fair, which is $3.25 Total $5.75
Please remit at once as we need the money bad.

Yours Truly,
Cullison & McKee

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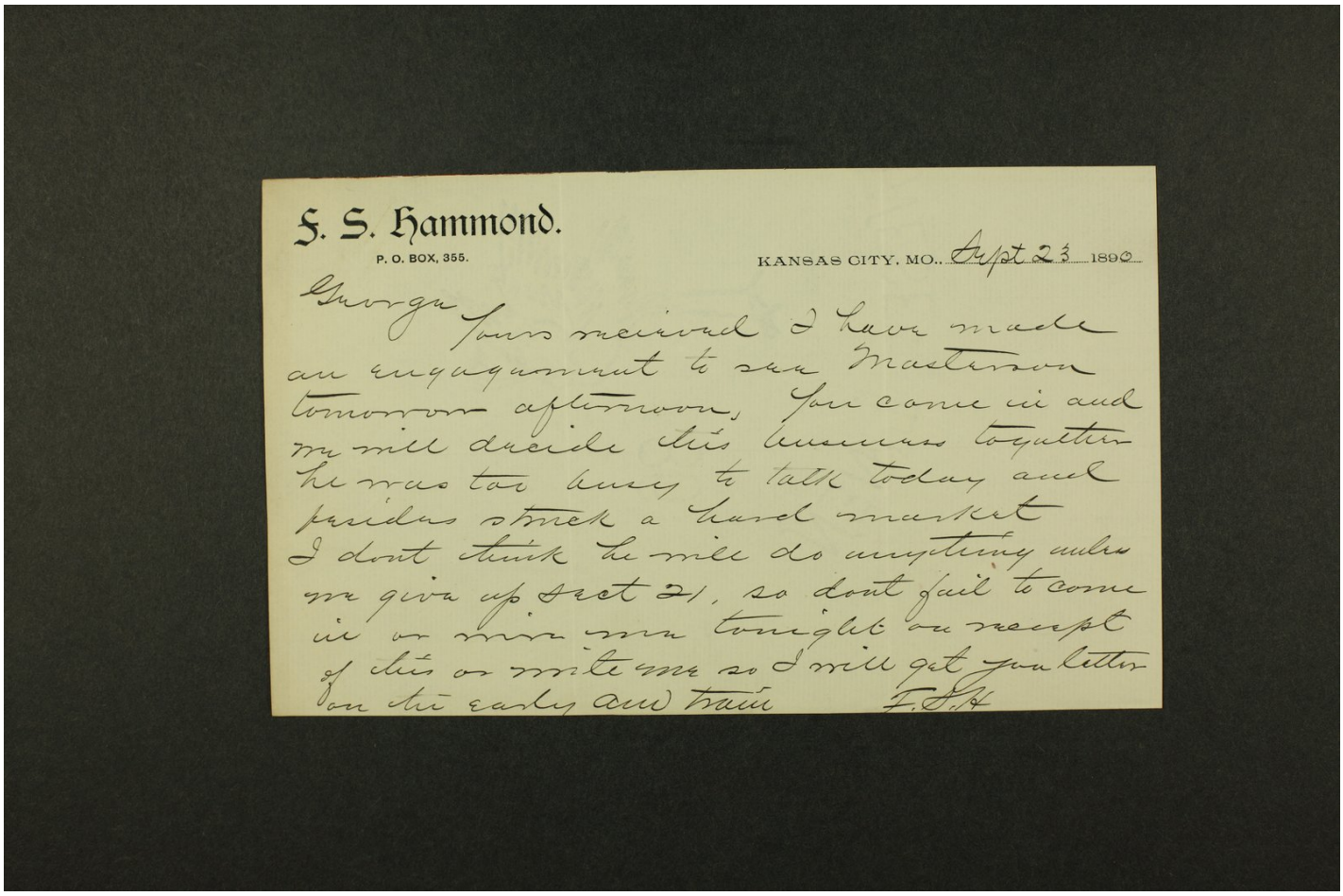


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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 22 1890

George Yours from Miami received also both my letters written you there and one at Higgins returned, I expect to meet Masterson this morning and before ordering fence shipped will come down and see you, I don't think the Carson Land will go this fall, too late in the season,

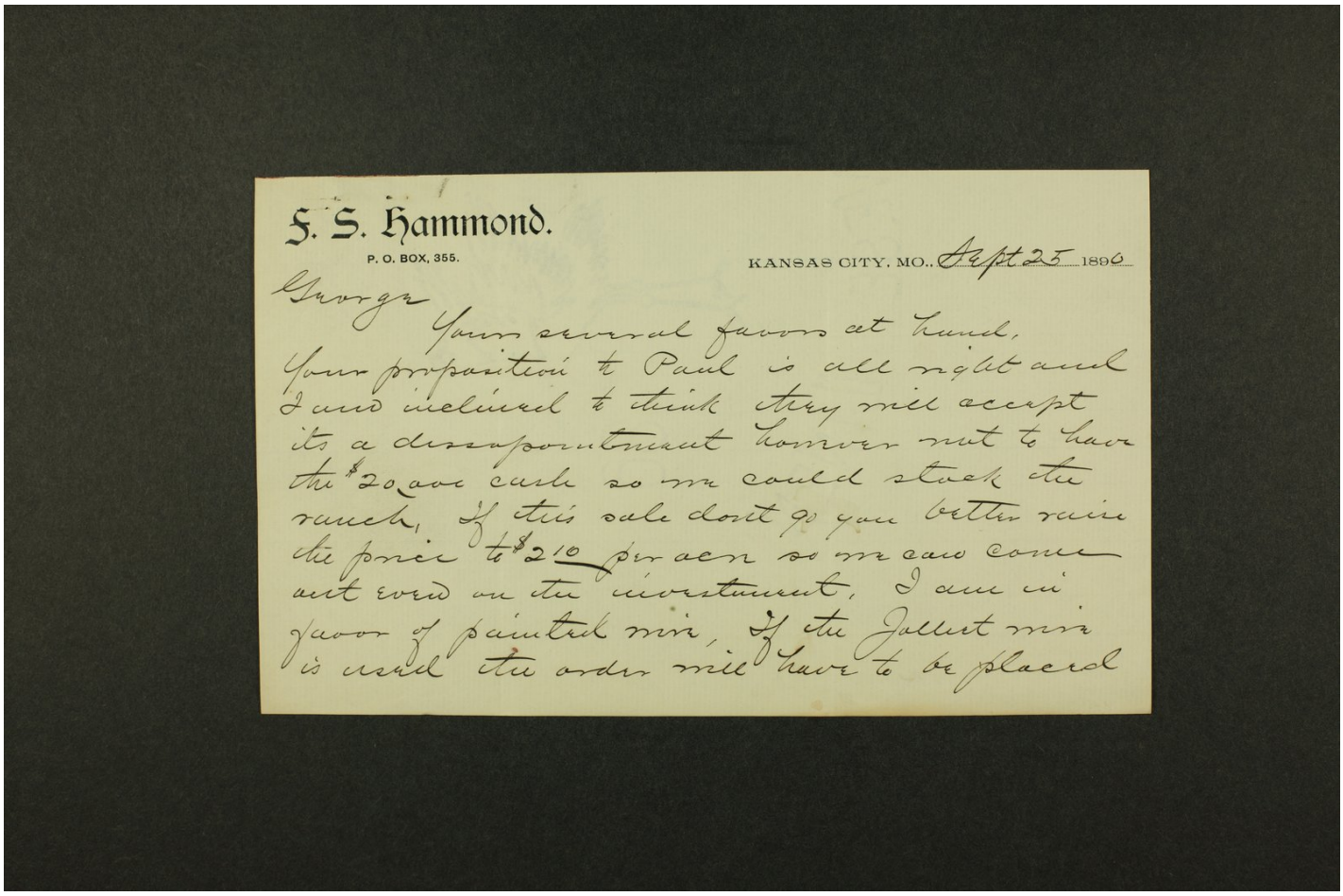
Truly yours F S Hammond

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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 23 1890

George Yours received I have made an engagement to see Masterson tomorrow afternoon, You come in and we will decide this business together he was too busy to talk today and besides struck a hard market I dont think he will do anything unless we give up Sect 21, so dont fail to come in or write me tonight on receipt of this or write me so I will get your letter on the early mail F. S. H.

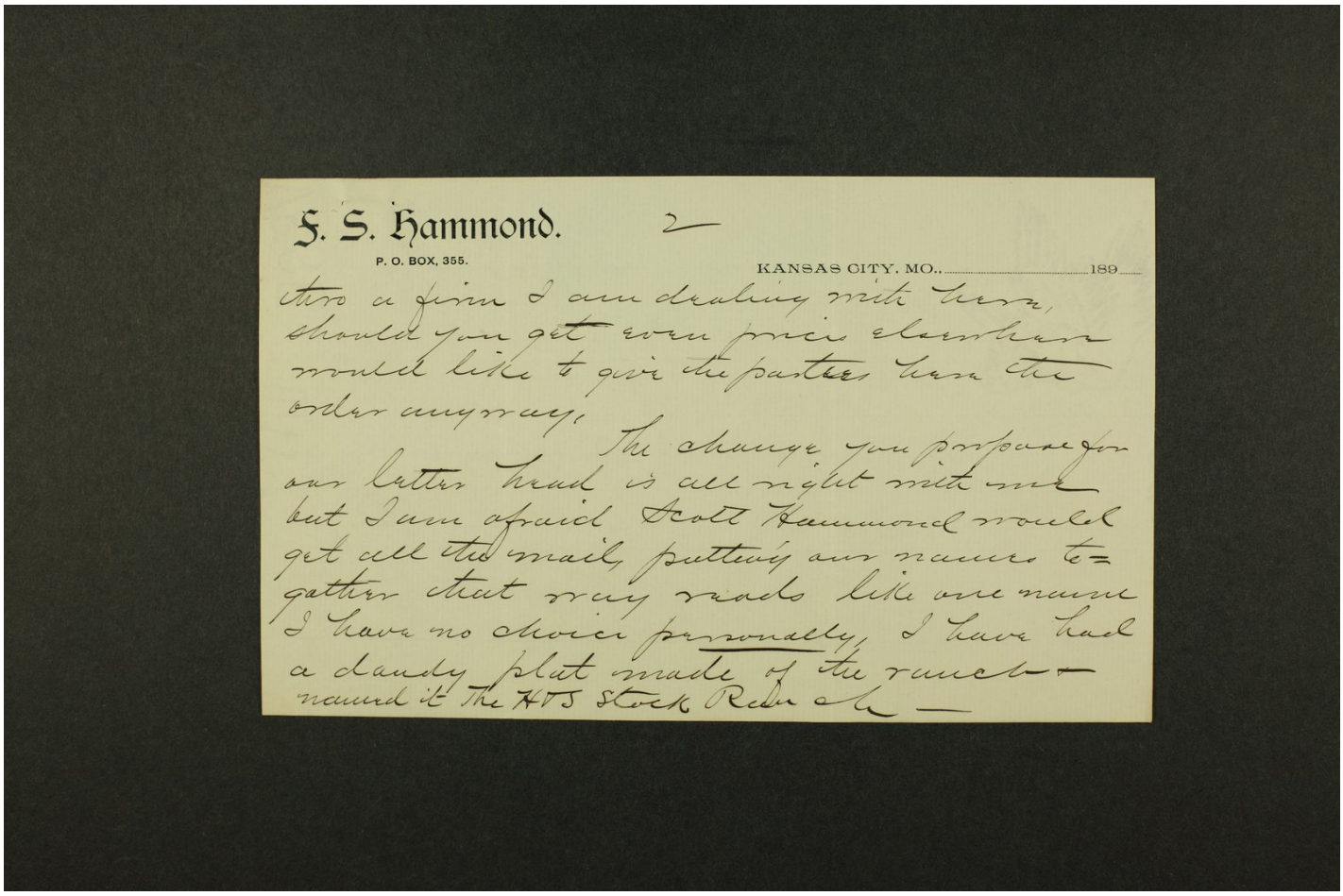


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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 25 1896

George

Your several favors at hand, Your proposition to Paul is all right and I am inclined to think they will accept its a disappointment however not to have the $20 per cash so we could stock the ranch, If this sale dont go you better raise the price to $2.10 per acre so we can come out even on the investment. I am in favor of painted mix, If the Jollet mix is used the order will have to be placed

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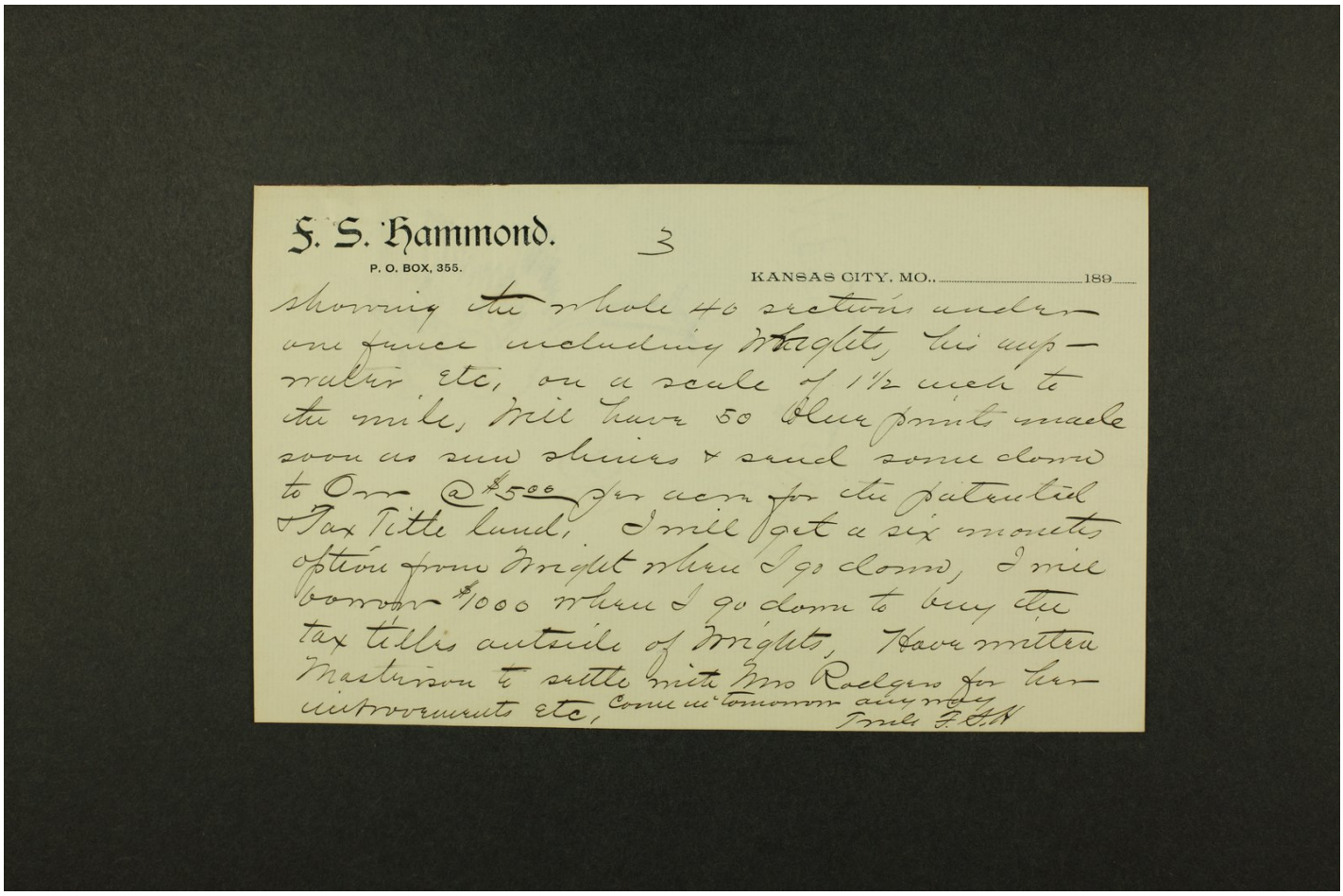
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thro a firm I am dealing with here, should you get your price elsewhere would like to give the parties here the order anyway.

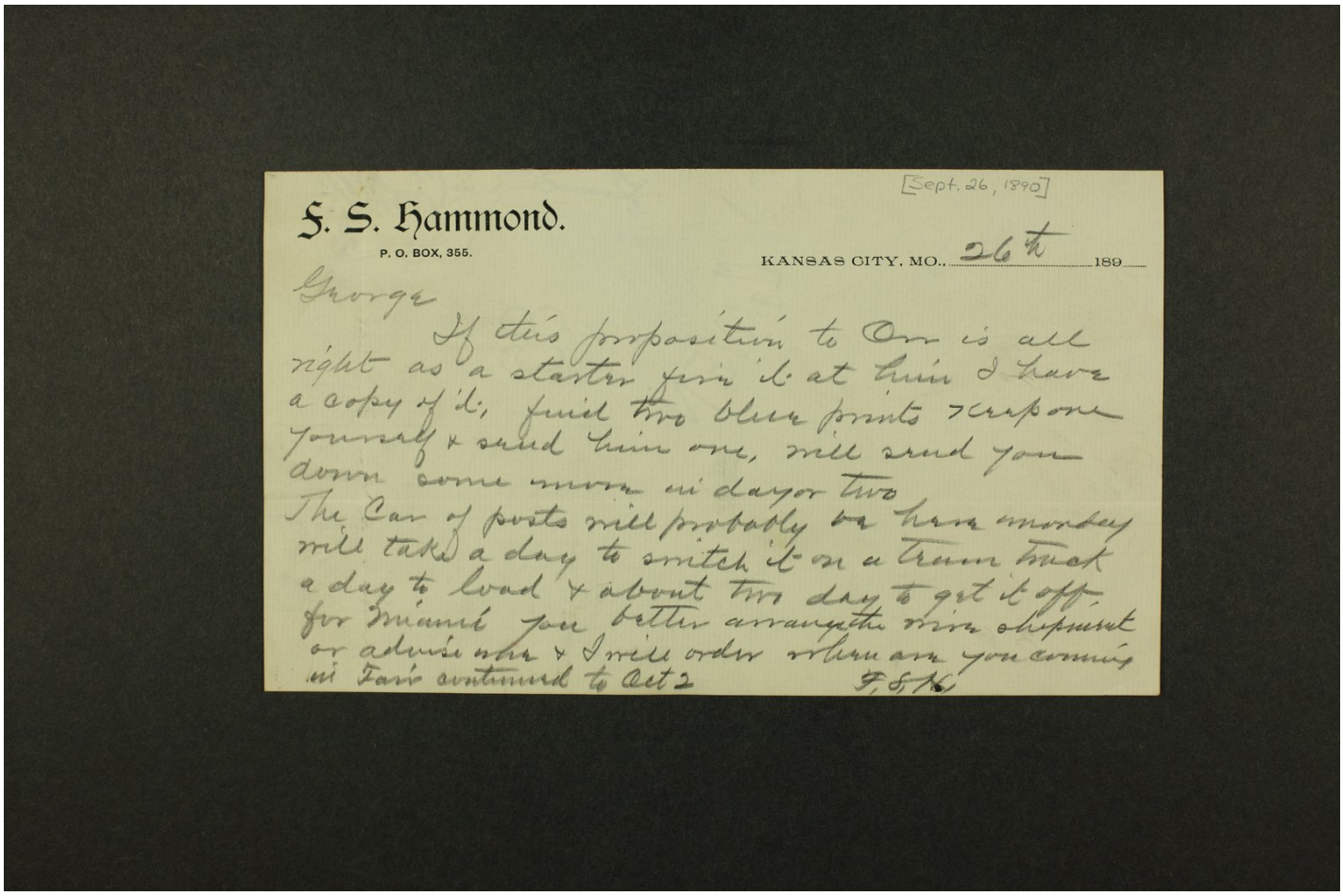
The change you propose for our letter head is all right with me but I am afraid Scott Hammond would get all the mail, putting our names together that way reads like one name I have no choice personally, I have had a dandy plat made of the ranch — named it the H-T-S Stock Ranch —



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showing the whole 46 sections under one fence including Knights, his improvements etc, on a scale of 1½ inch to the mile, will have 50 blue prints made soon as sun shines & send some down to Orr @ $5.00 per acre for the patented & Tax Title land, I will get a six months option from Knight when I go down, I will borrow $1000 when I go down to buy the tax titles outside of Knights, Have written Masterson & settle with Mr Rodgers for instruments etc, Come up tomorrow any way

Yours Truly



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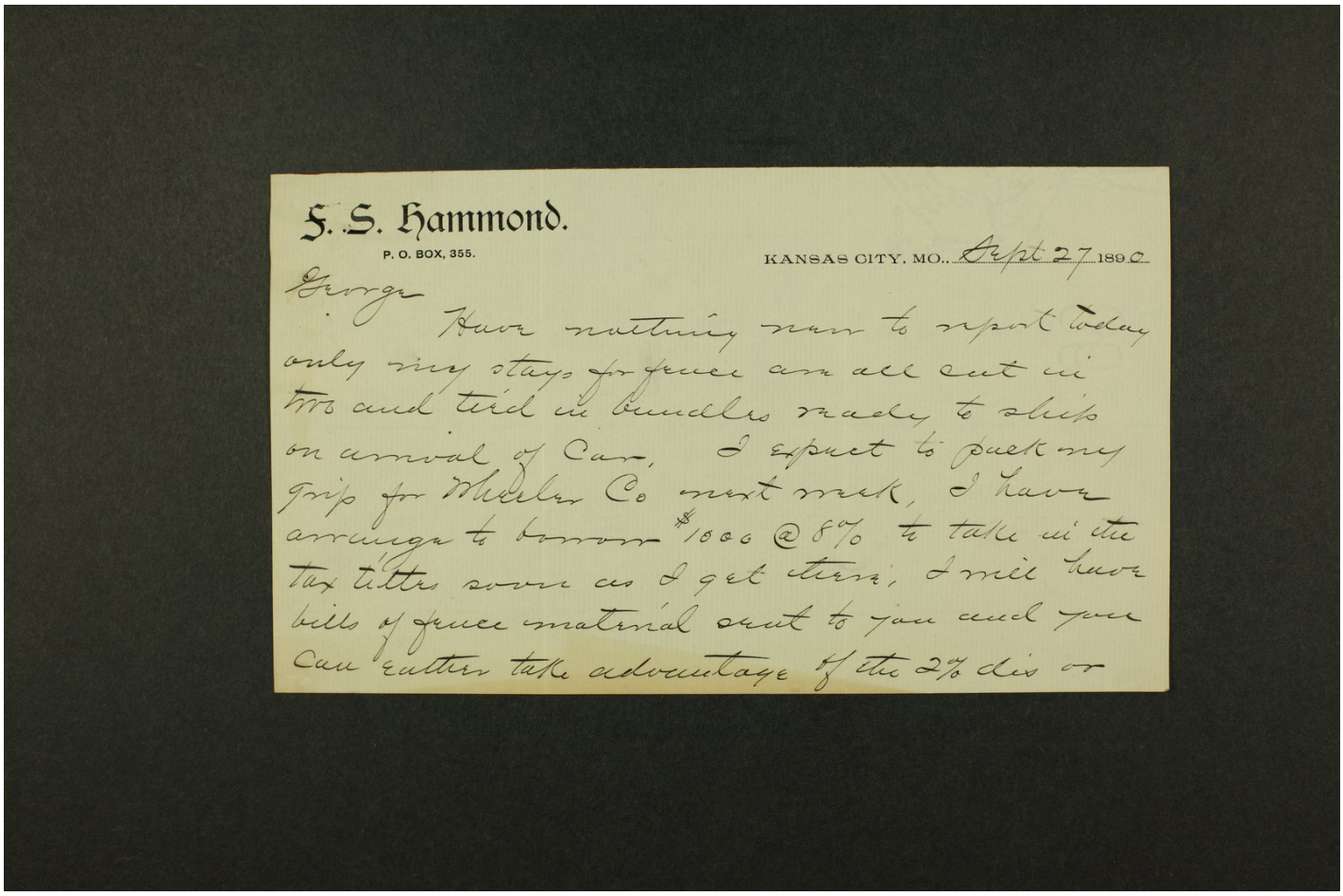
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George

If this proposition to Om is all right as a starter fix it at him I have a copy of it, find two blue prints & expose journal & send him one, will send you down some more in dayor two

The Car of posts will probably be here monday will take a day to switch it on a train track a day to load & about two day to get it off for transit you better arrange the min shipment or advise me & I will order when are you coming in Fair continued to Oct 2

F. S. H.



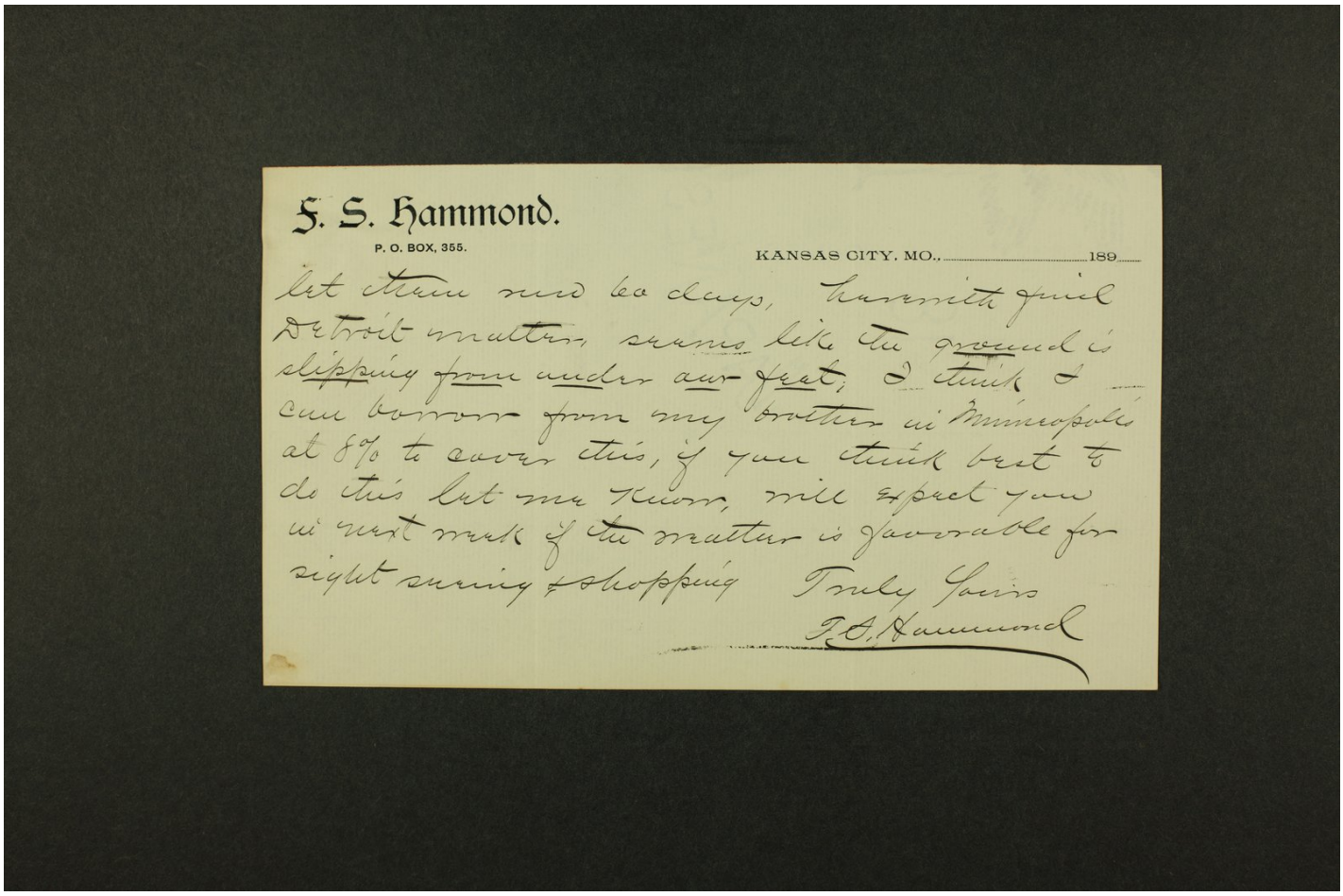
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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 27 1890

George

Have nothing new to report today only my stays for fence are all cut in two and tied in bundles ready to ship on arrival of Car. I expect to pack my grip for Mickles Co next week, I have arranged to borrow $1000 @ 8% to take in the tax titles soon as I get them, I will have bills of fence material sent to you and you can either take advantage of the 2% dis or

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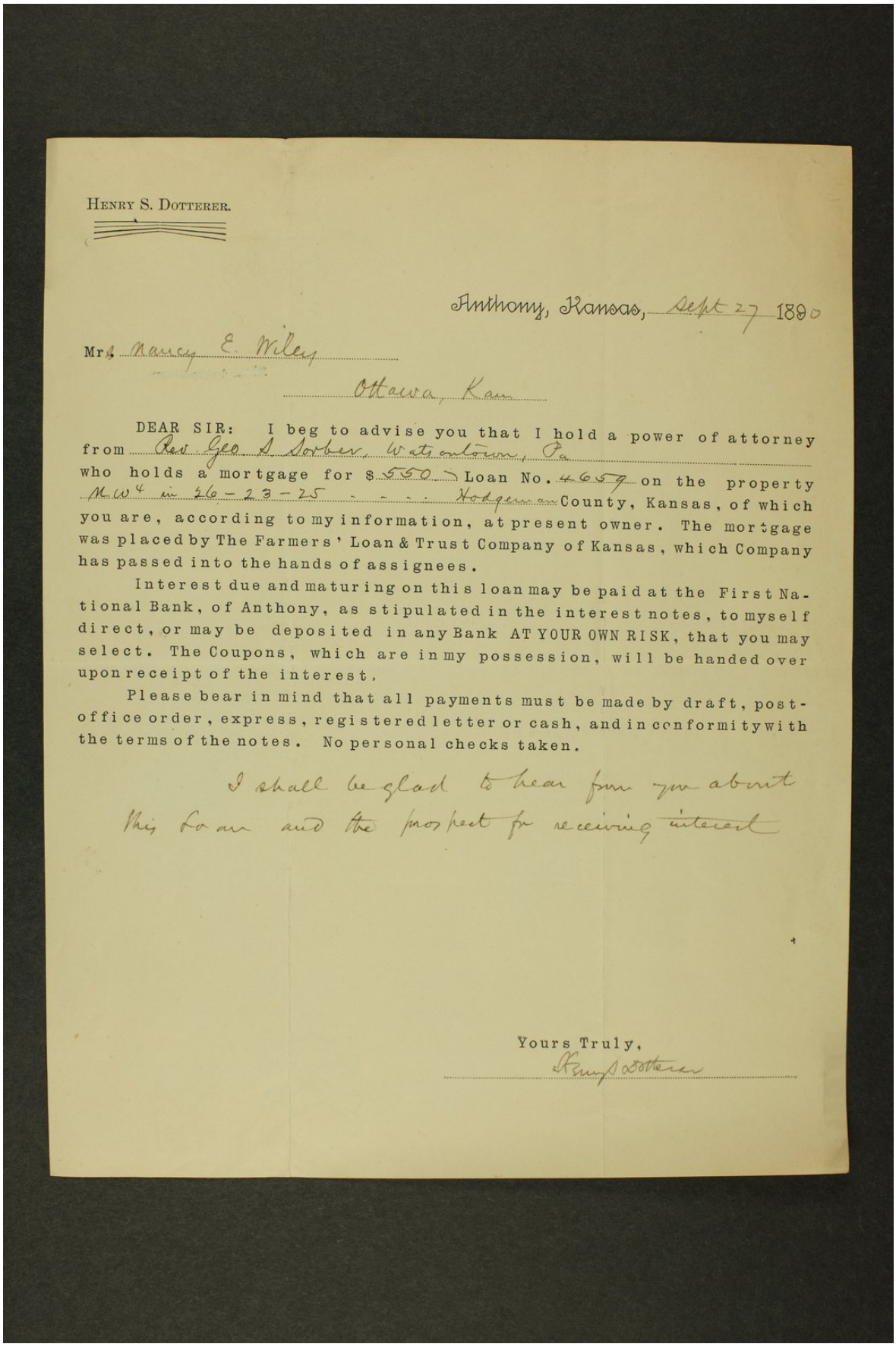
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let them rind ten days, hammith final Detroit matter, seems like the ground is slipping from under our feet, I think I can borrow from my brother in Minneapolis at 8% to cover this, if you think best to do this let me know, will expect you in next week if the matter is favorable for sight seeing & shopping Truly Yours

F. S. Hammond



HENRY S. DOTTERER.

Anthony, Kansas, Sept 27 1890

Mrs. Nancy E. Wiley
Ottawa, Kan

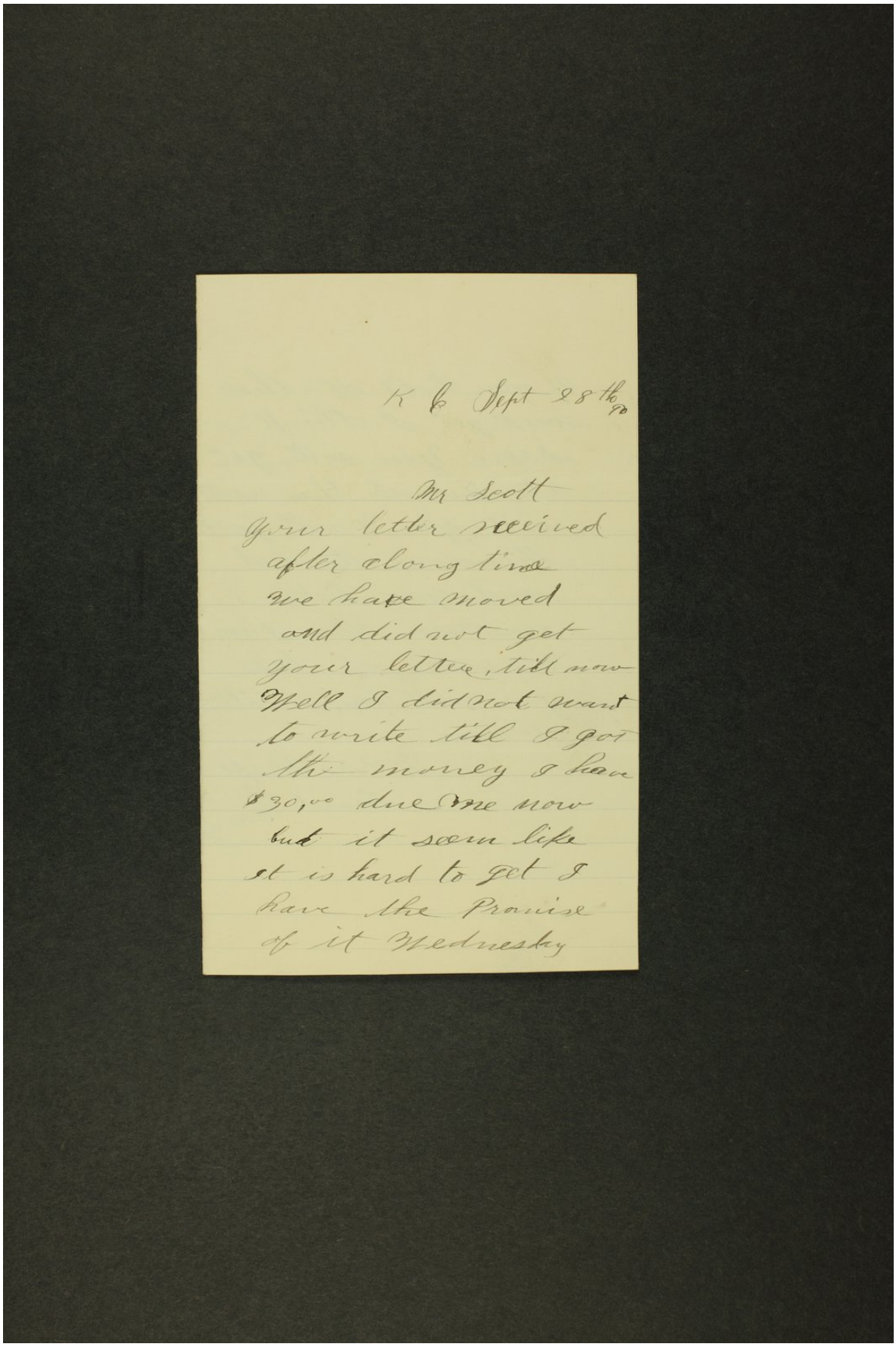
DEAR SIR: I beg to advise you that I hold a power of attorney from Rev Geo A Sorber, Watsontown, Pa who holds a mortgage for $550 Loan No. 4659 on the property NW4 in 26-23-25 - - - - Hodgeman County, Kansas, of which you are, according to my information, at present owner. The mortgage was placed by The Farmers' Loan & Trust Company of Kansas, which Company has passed into the hands of assignees.

Interest due and maturing on this loan may be paid at the First National Bank, of Anthony, as stipulated in the interest notes, to myself direct, or may be deposited in any Bank AT YOUR OWN RISK, that you may select. The Coupons, which are in my possession, will be handed over upon receipt of the interest.

Please bear in mind that all payments must be made by draft, post-office order, express, registered letter or cash, and in conformity with the terms of the notes. No personal checks taken.

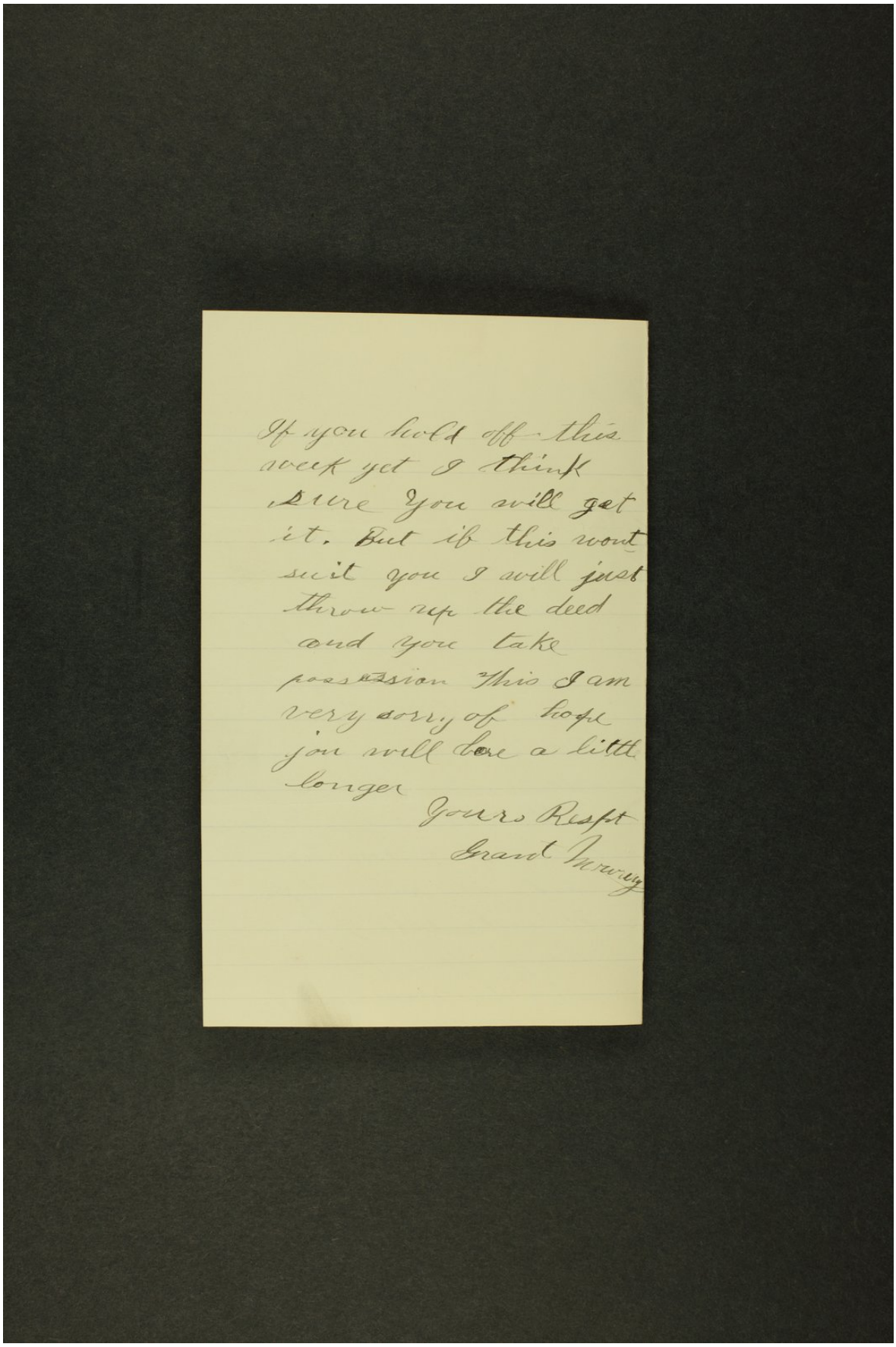
I shall be glad to hear from you about this loan and the prospect for receiving interest

Yours Truly,
H S Dotterer



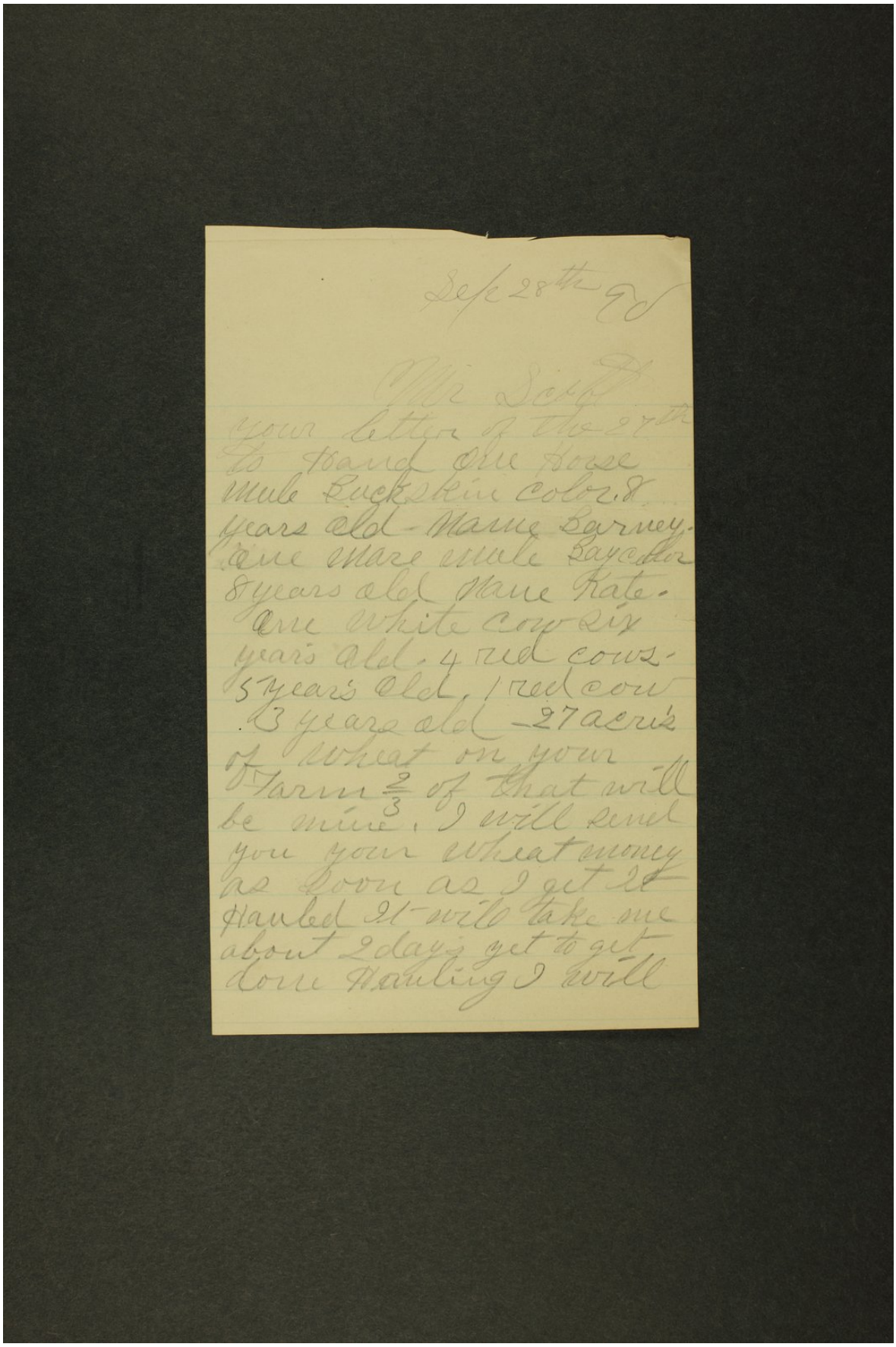
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Mr Scott
Your letter received
after along time
we have moved
and did not get
your letter till now
Well I did not want
to write till I got
the money I have
$30,00 due me now
but it seem like
it is hard to get I
have the Promise
of it Wednesday



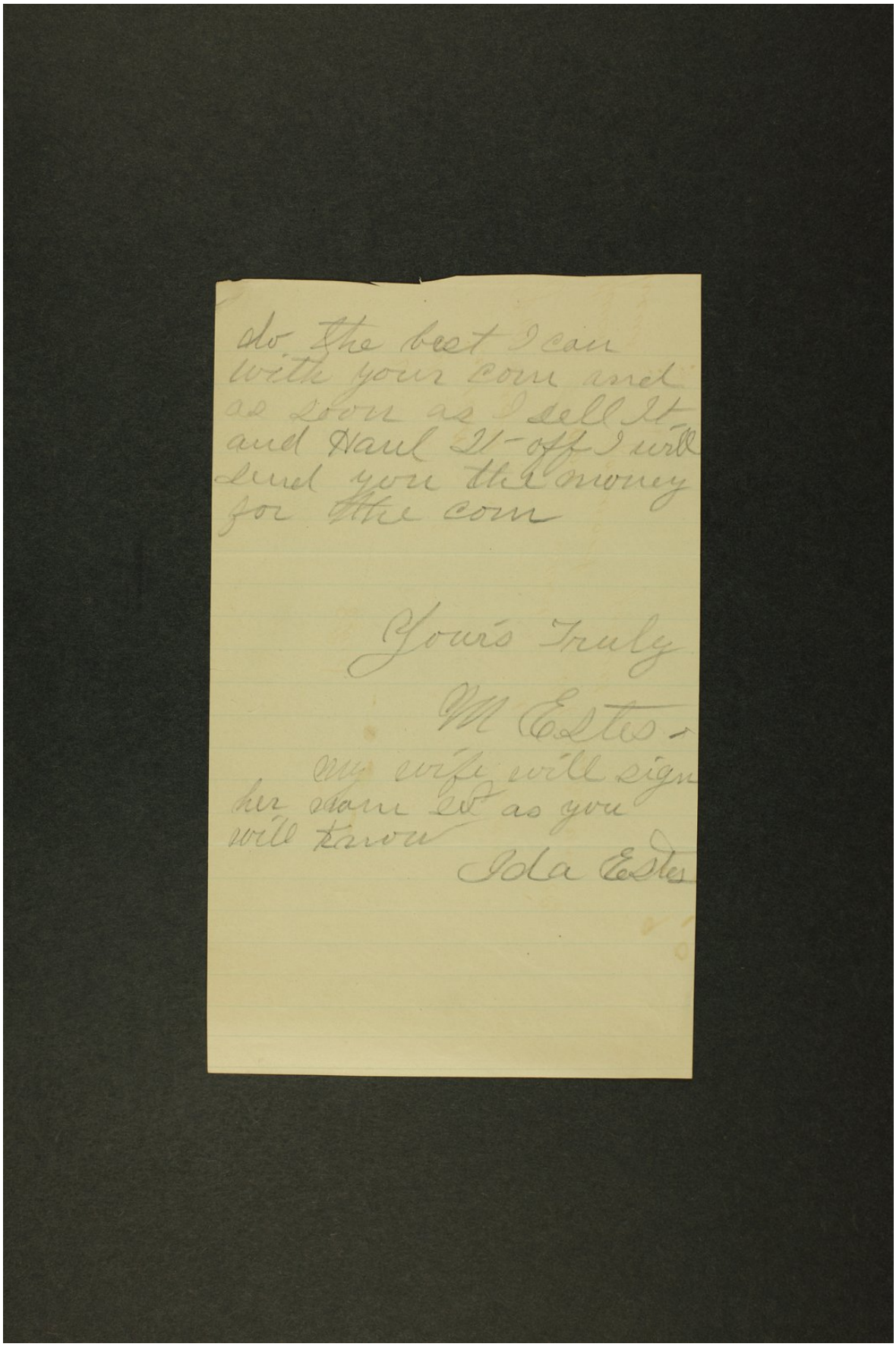
If you hold off this week yet I think Sure you will get it. But if this wont suit you I will just throw up the deed and you take possession This I am very sorry of hope you will bare a little longer

Yours Respt
Grand Norway



Sept 28th 95

Mr Scott
your letter of the 27th
to hand Our horse
mule Buckskin color 8
years old - Name Barney.
One mare mule Bayard
8 years old Name Kate.
One white cow six
years old. 4 red cows -
5 years old, 1 red cow
3 years old - 27 acres
of wheat on your
farm 2/3 of that will
be mine. I will send
you your wheat money
as soon as I get it
hauled it will take me
about 2 days yet to get
done hauling I will



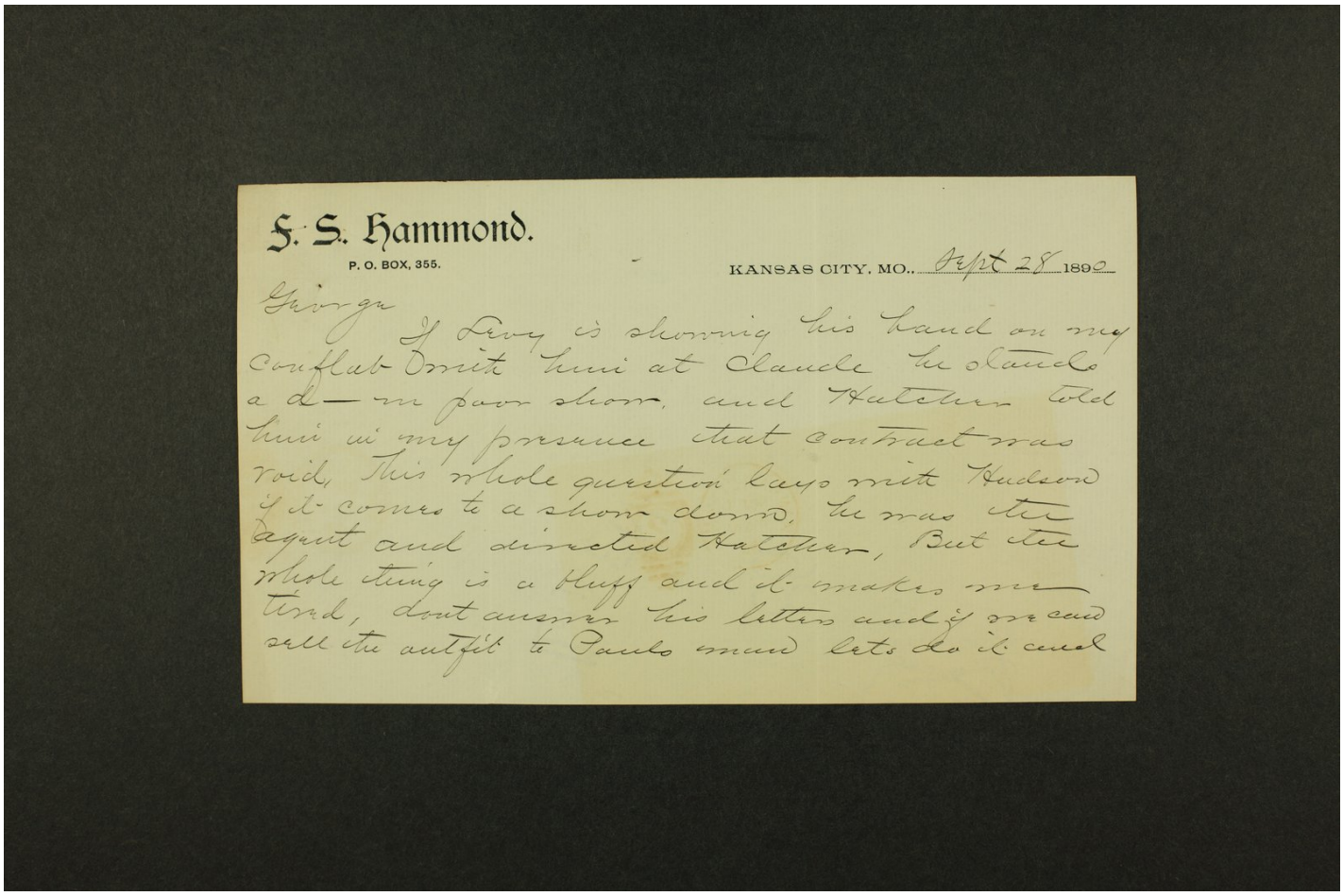
do the best I can
with your corn and
as soon as I sell it
and haul it off I will
send you the money
for the corn

Yours Truly

W Estes -

my wife will sign
her name to it as you
will know

Ida Estes

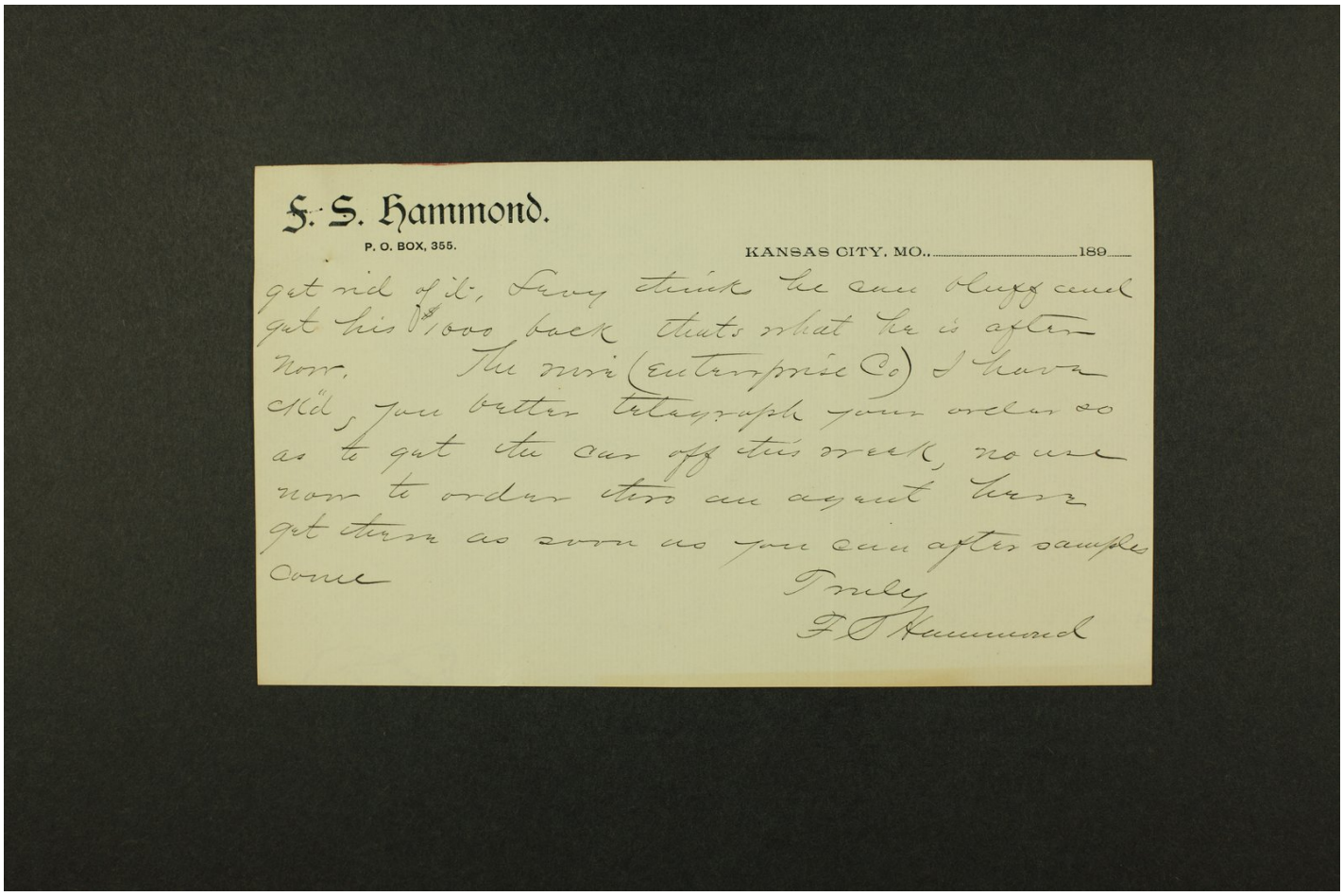


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KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept 28 1892

Gaines

I Levy is showing his hand on my Conflab-Smith suit at Claude he claims a d— on pavement, and Hutchins told him in my presence that contract was void, This whole question lays with Hudson if it comes to a show down, he was the agent and directed Hutchins, But the whole thing is a bluff and it makes me tired, dont answer this letter and if you send all the outfit to Paola mind lets do it cheap

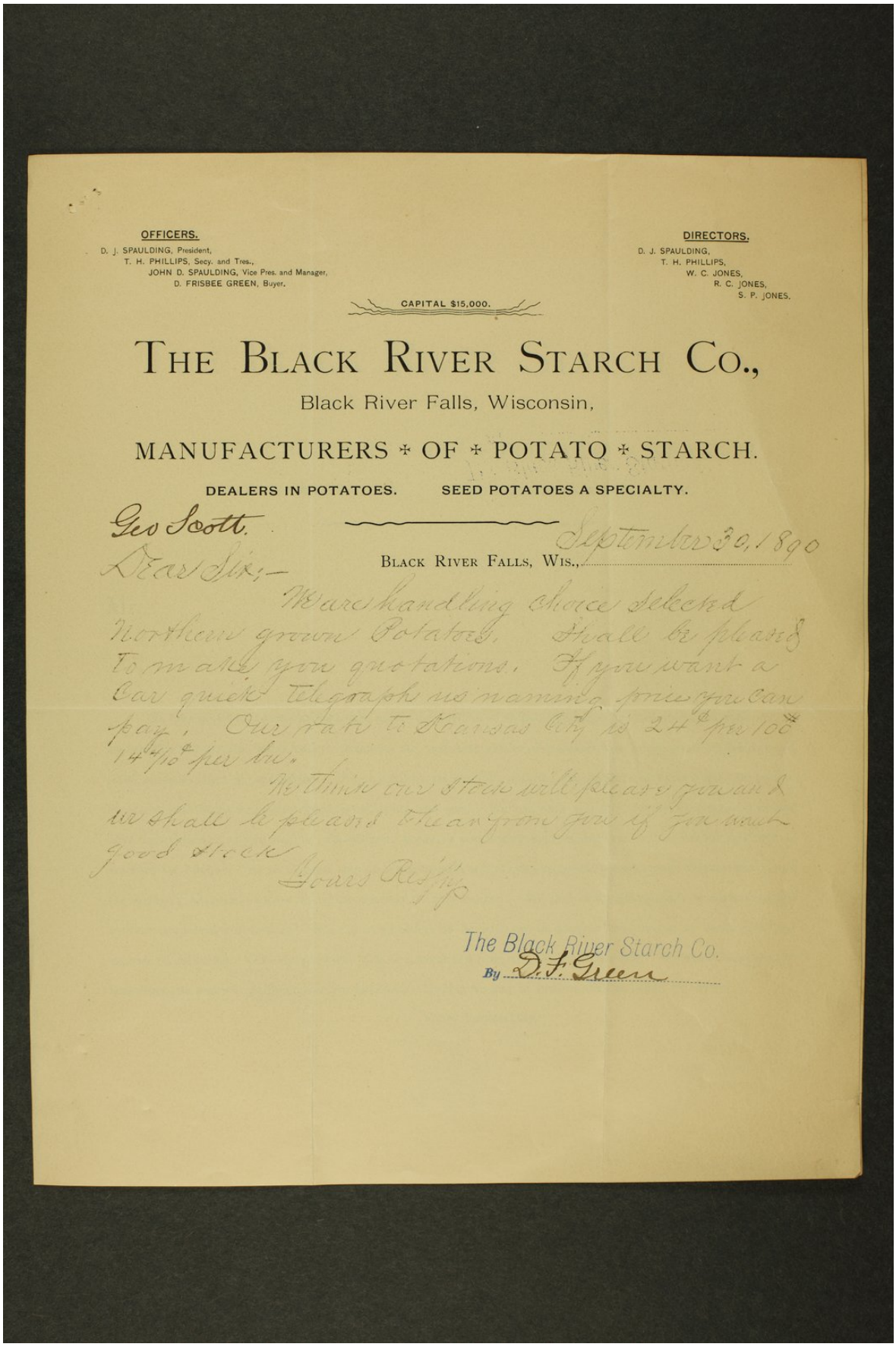
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get rid of it, Fay thinks he can bluff and get his $100 back thats what he is after now. The mis (enterprise Co) I have told you better telegraph your order so as to get the car off this week, no use now to order this an agent have get them as soon as you can after sample come

Truly
F S Hammond



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Geo Scott.

BLACK RIVER FALLS, WIS., September 29, 1890

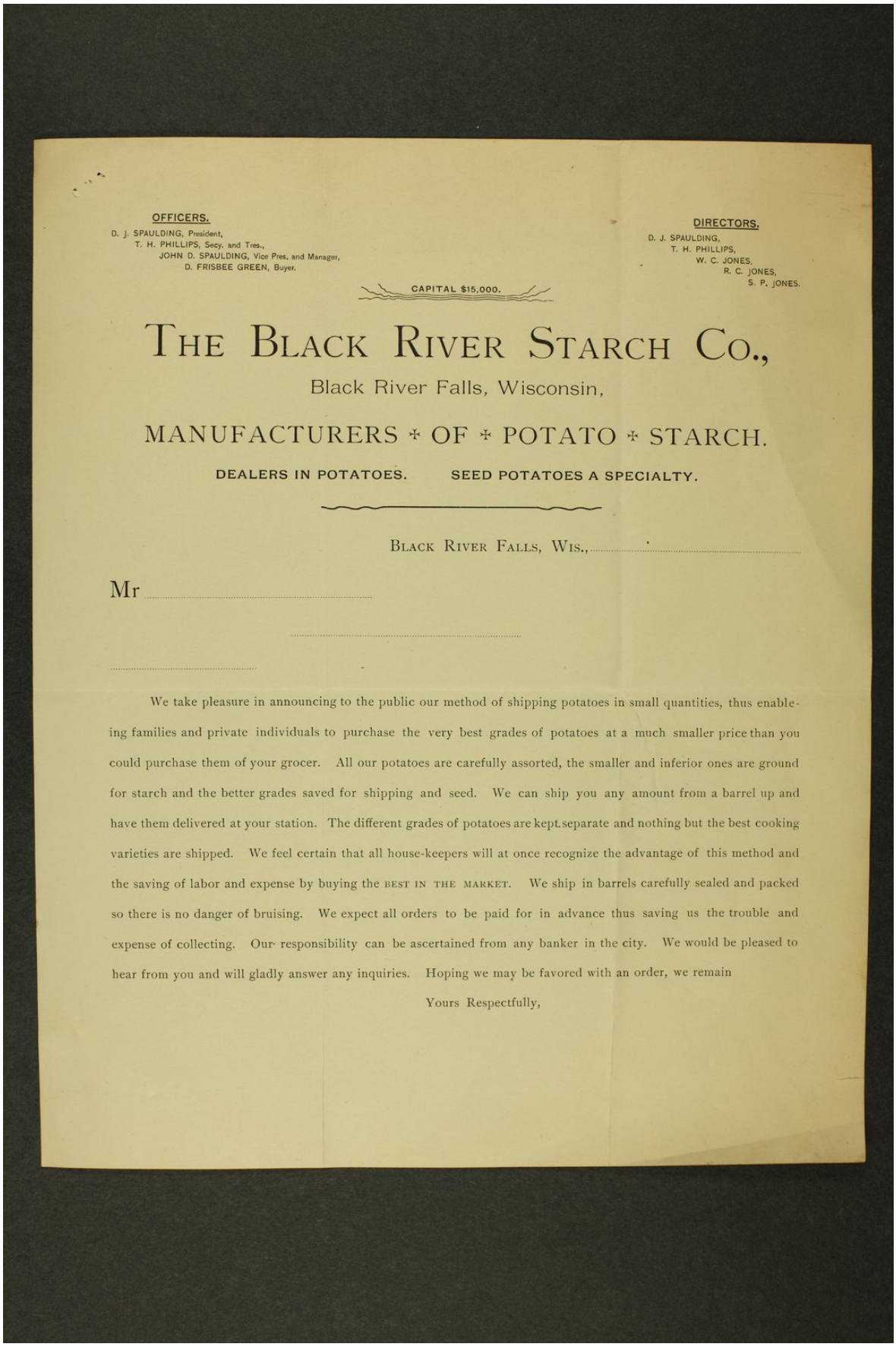
Dear Sir,—

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