George W. Scott papers

Section 43, Pages 1261 - 1290

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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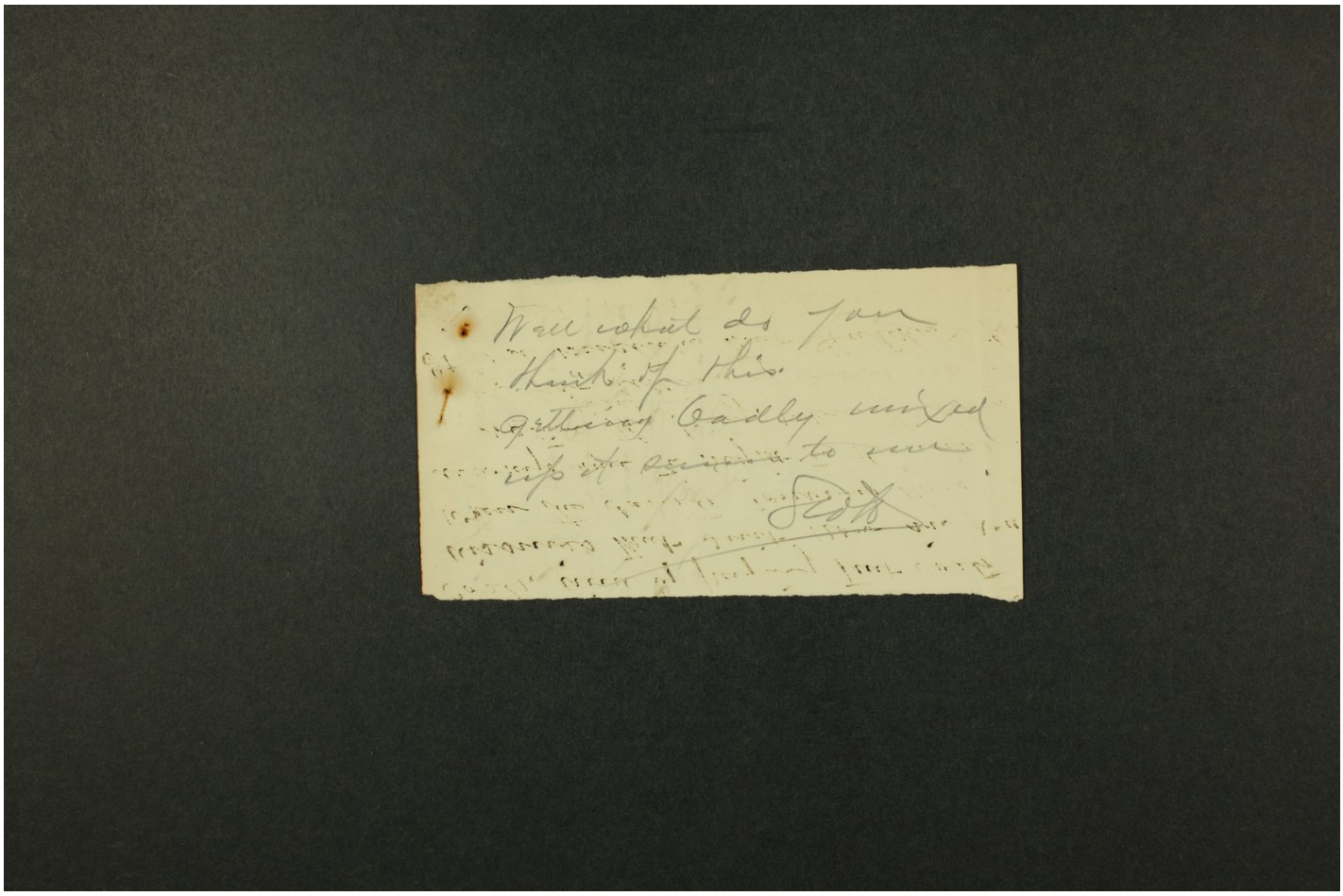
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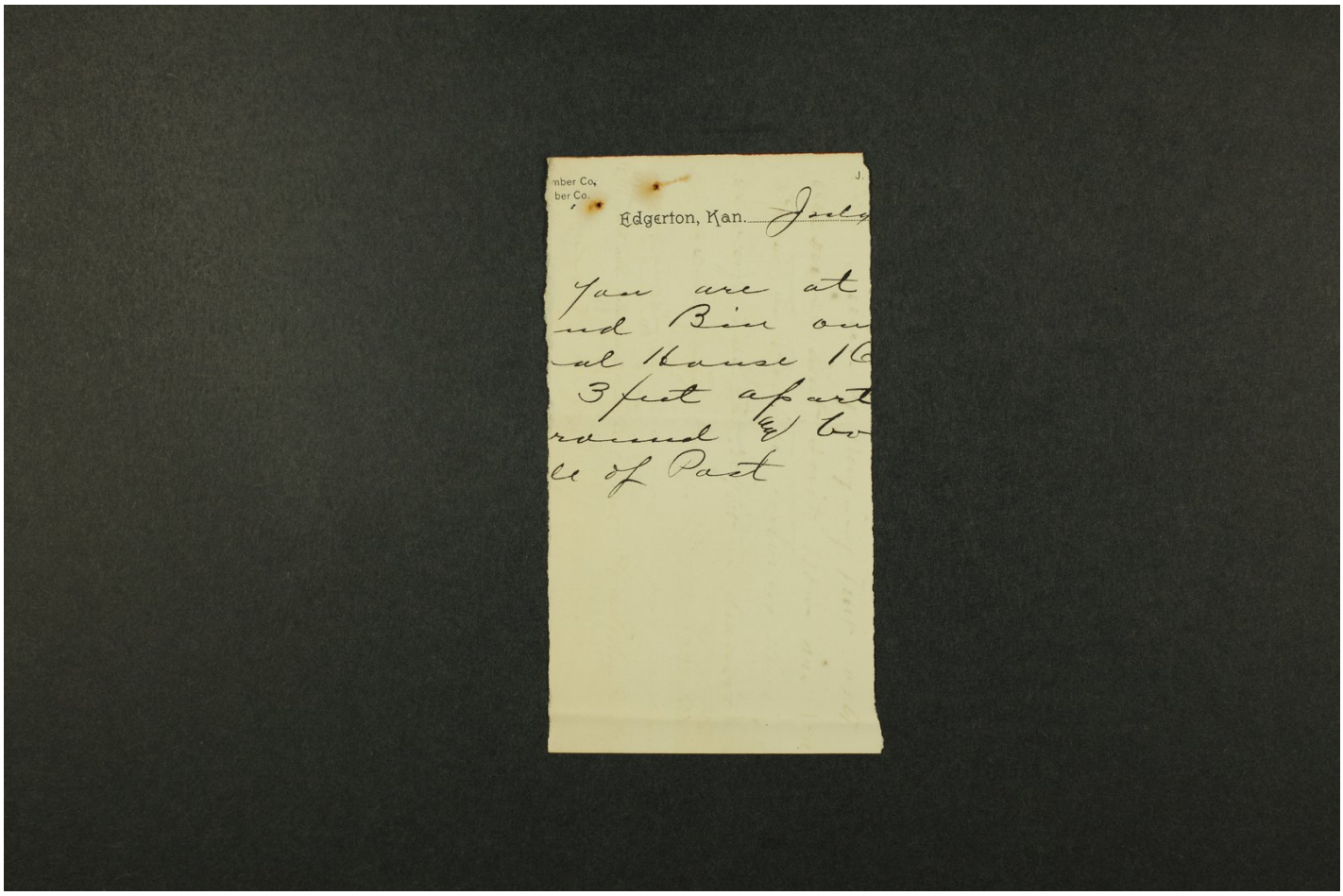
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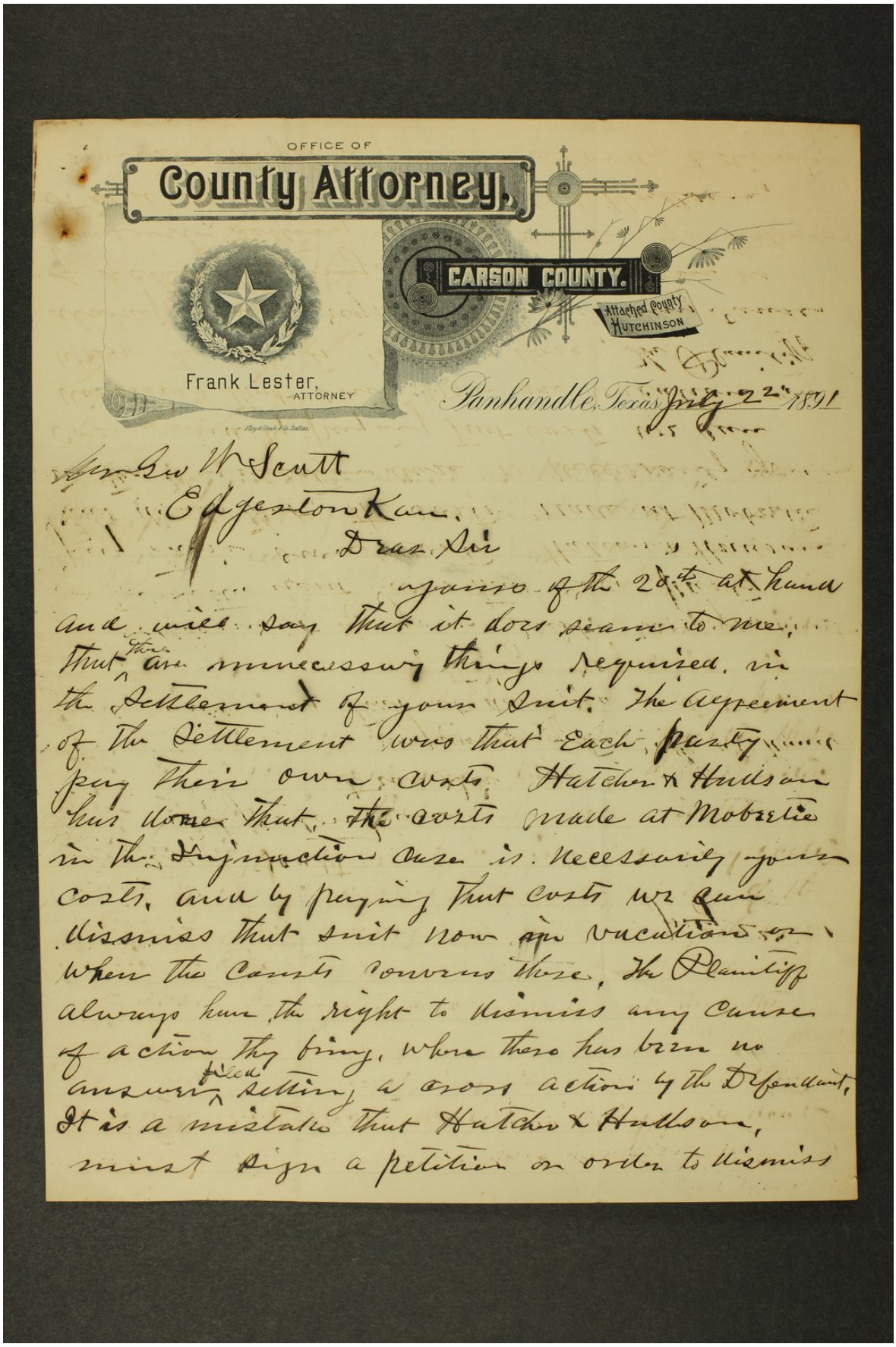
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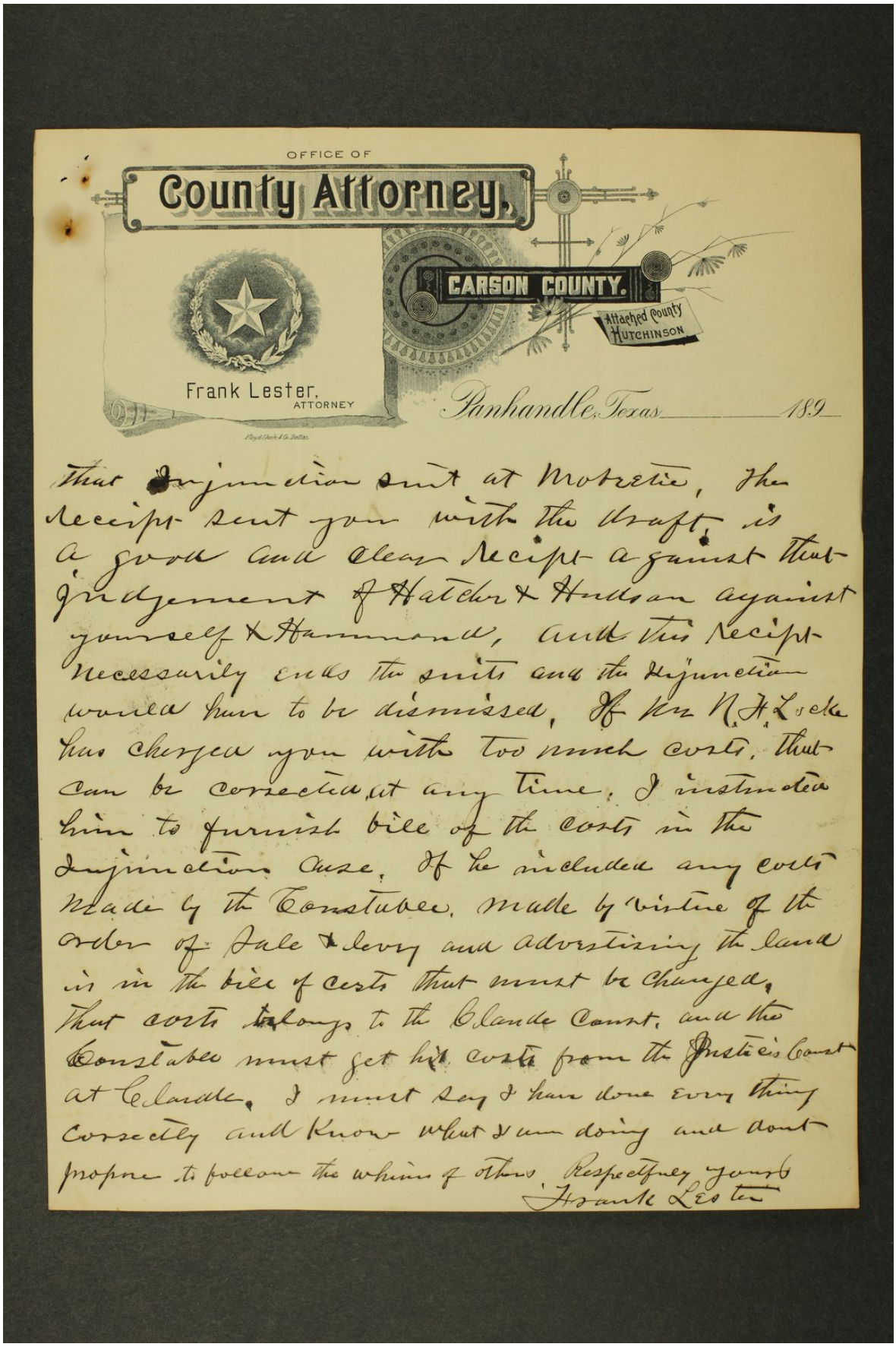
OFFICE OF
County Attorney,
CARSON COUNTY.
Attached County
HUTCHINSON
Frank Lester,
ATTORNEY

Panhandle, Texas, July 22nd 1891

Hon. Geo W. Scott
Edgerton Kan.

Dear Sir

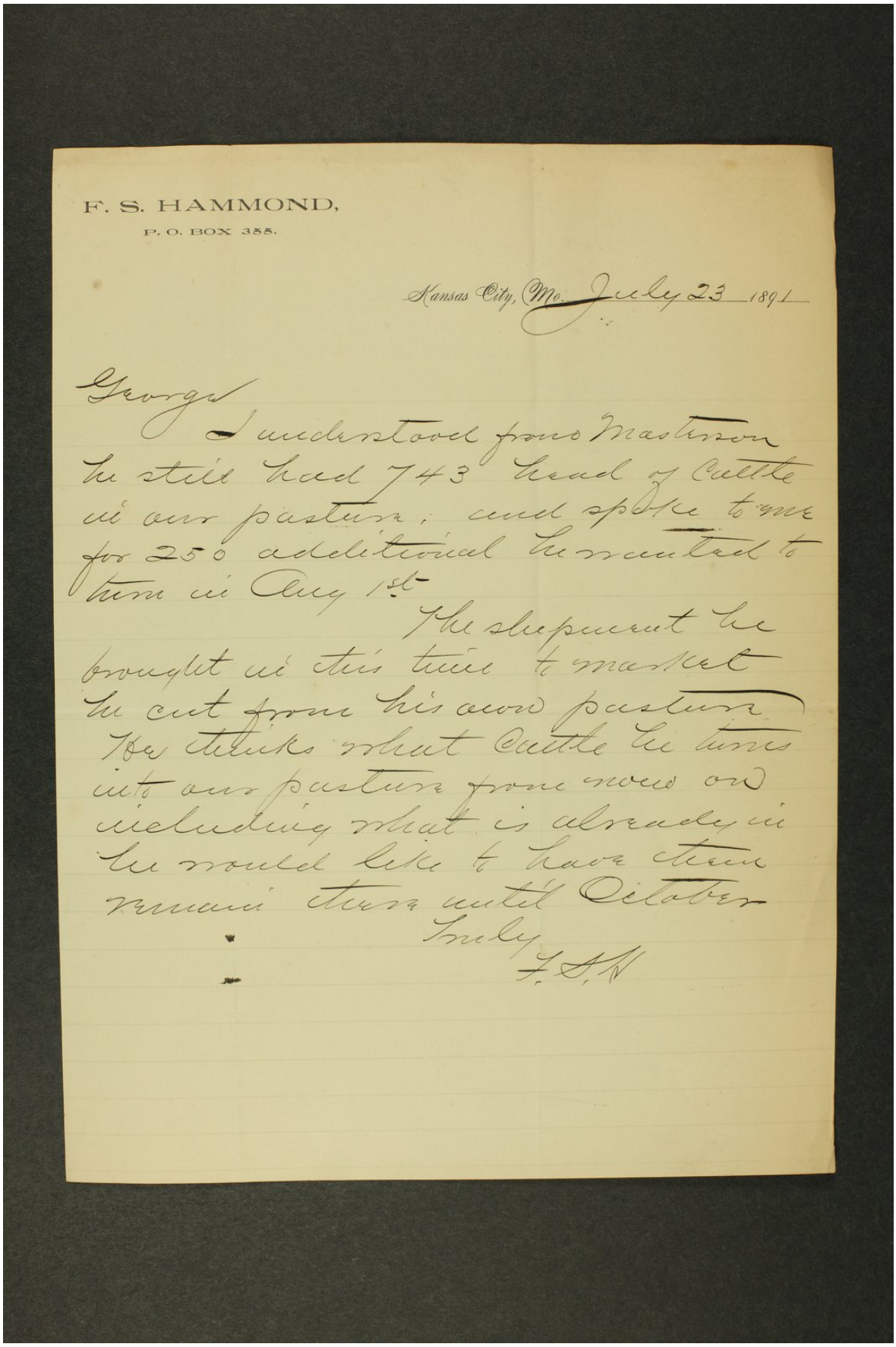
yours of the 20th at hand and will say that it does seem to me, that there are unnecessary things required in the settlement of your suit. The agreement of the settlement was that each party pay their own costs. Hatcher & Hudson has done that, the costs made at Mobeetie in the Injunction case is necessarily your costs, and by paying that costs we can dismiss that suit now in vacation or when the courts convene there. The Plaintiff always has the right to dismiss any cause of action they bring, where there has been no answer filed, setting up cross action by the Defendant. It is a mistake that Hatcher & Hudson, must sign a petition or order to dismiss



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Attached County
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Frank Lester,
ATTORNEY

Panhandle, Texas, 189

that injunction suit at Mobeetie, the receipt sent you with the draft, is a good and clear receipt against that judgement of Hatcher & Hudson against yourself & Hammond, and this receipt necessarily ends the suits and the injunction would have to be dismissed. If Mr N. H. Locke has charged you with too much costs, that can be corrected at any time. I instructed him to furnish bill of the costs in the injunction case. If he included any costs made by the Constables, made by virtue of the order of Sale & levy and advertising the land is in the bill of costs that must be changed. That costs belongs to the Olanda Court, and the Constables must get his costs from the Justice's Court at Olanda. I must say I have done every thing correctly and know what I am doing and dont propose to pollow the whims of others. Respectfuly Yours
Frank Lester



F. S. HAMMOND,
P. O. BOX 355.

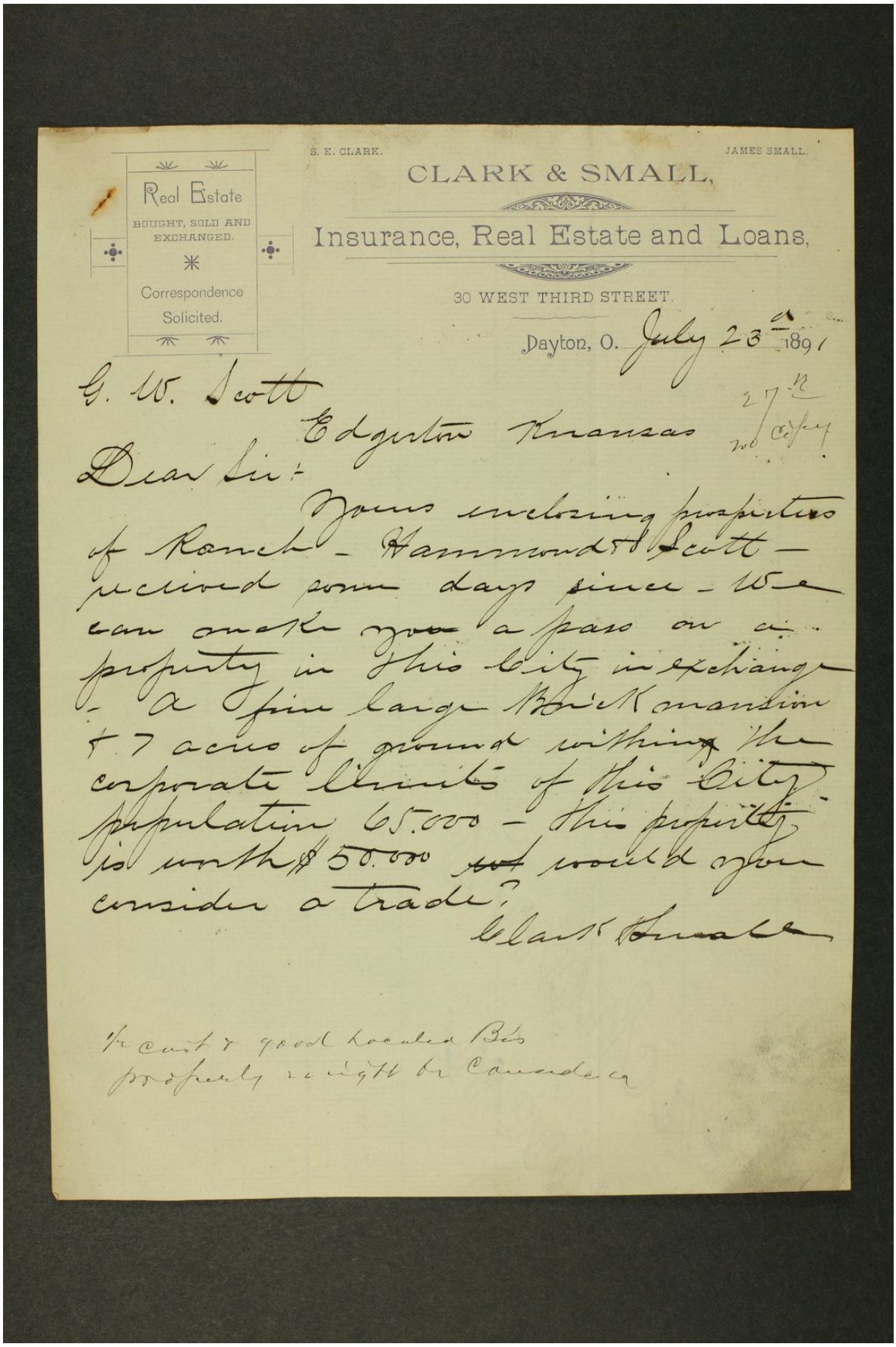
Kansas City, Mo. July 23 1891

George

I understood from Masterson he still had 743 head of cattle in our pasture, and spoke to me for 250 additional he wanted to turn in Aug 1st

The shipment he brought in this time to market he cut from his own pasture. He thinks what cattle he turns into our pasture from now on including what is already in he would like to have them remain there until October

Truly
F. S. H



S. E. CLARK. JAMES SMALL.

CLARK & SMALL,

Insurance, Real Estate and Loans,

30 WEST THIRD STREET.

Real Estate
BOUGHT, SOLD AND EXCHANGED.
Correspondence Solicited.

Dayton, O. July 23rd 1891

G. W. Scott
Edgerton Kansas

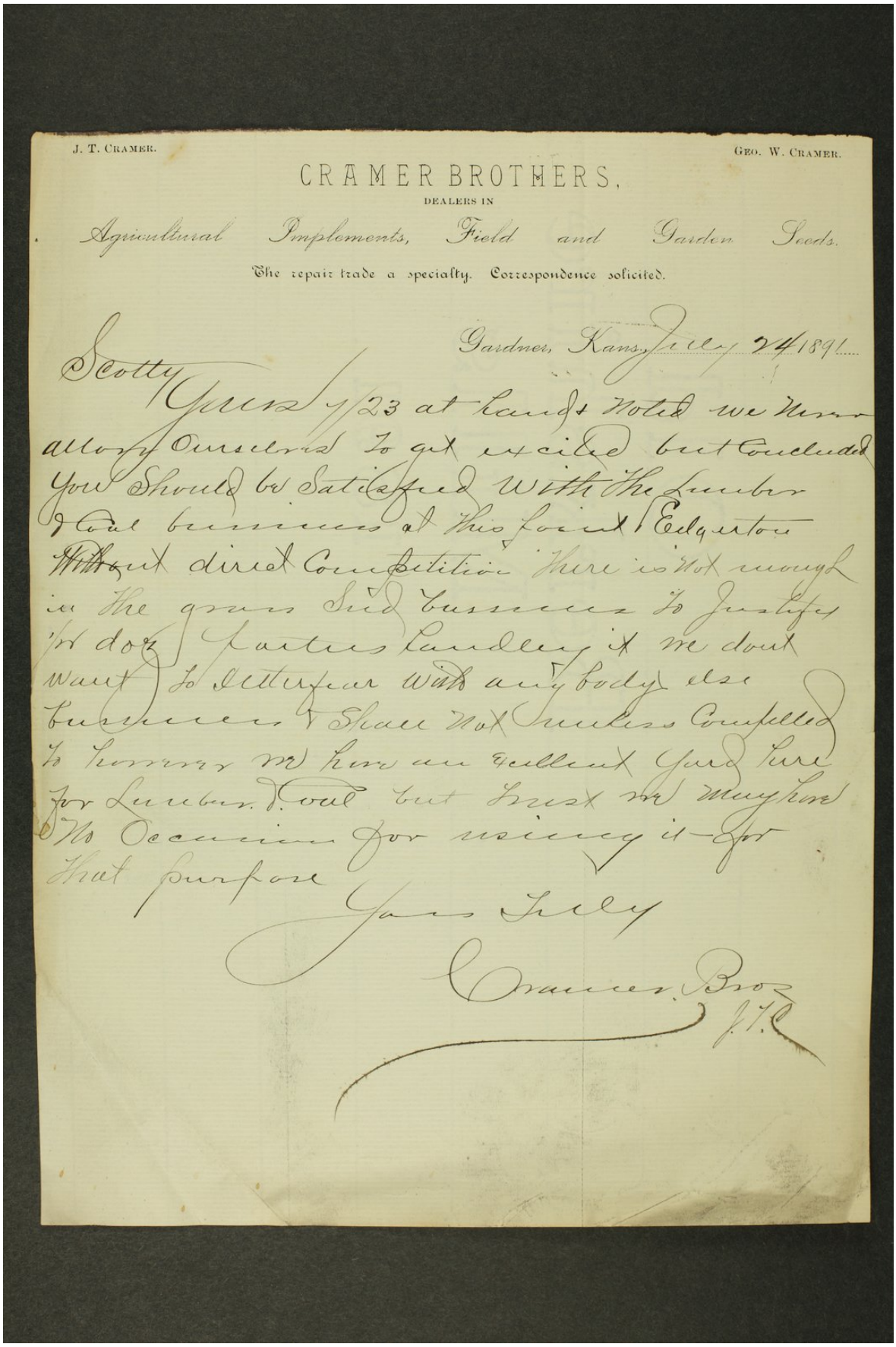
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Dear Sir:-

Yours inclosing prospectus of Ranch - Hammond & Scott - received some days since - We can make you a pass on a property in this City in exchange - a fine large Brick mansion & 7 acres of ground within the corporate limits of this City population 65.000 - this property is worth $50.000 ~~not~~ would you consider a trade?

Clark & Small

1/2 cut of good located Lots
property might be Considered



J. T. CRAMER. GEO. W. CRAMER.

CRAMER BROTHERS,

DEALERS IN

Agricultural Implements, Field and Garden Seeds.

The repair trade a specialty. Correspondence solicited.

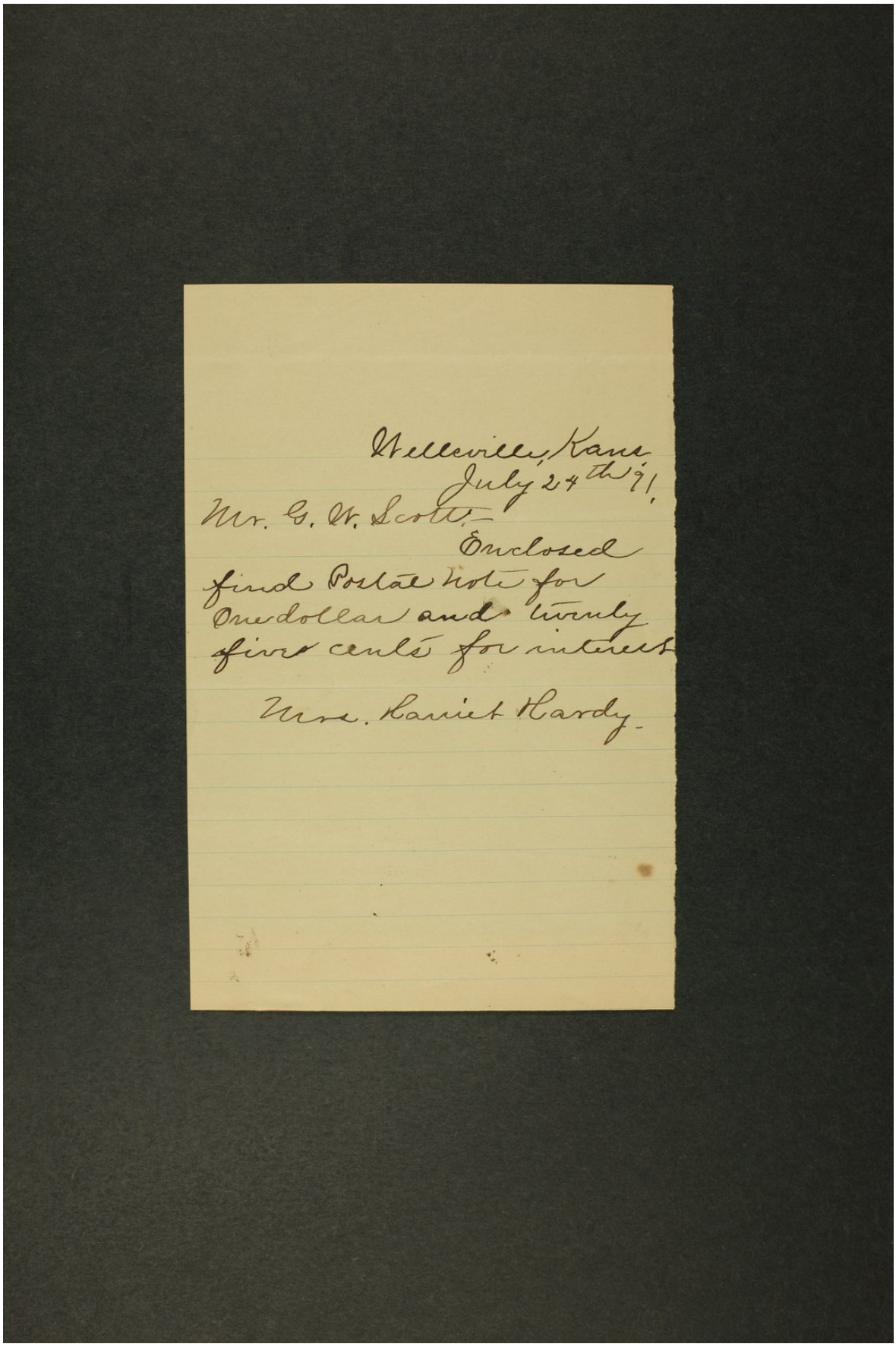
Gardner, Kans, July 24 1891

Scotty Yours 1/23 at hand & noted we Never allow Ourselves To get excited but Concluded You Should be Satisfied With the Lumber & Coal business at this point Edgerton Without direct Competition there is not enough in the grain Said business To Justify for doing Parties handling it We dont Want To Interfere With any Body else business & Shall not Unless Compelled To however We have an Outlet and Sure for Lumber & Coal but Trust We May have No Occasion for using it for that purpose

Yours Truly

Cramer Bro

J. T. C.

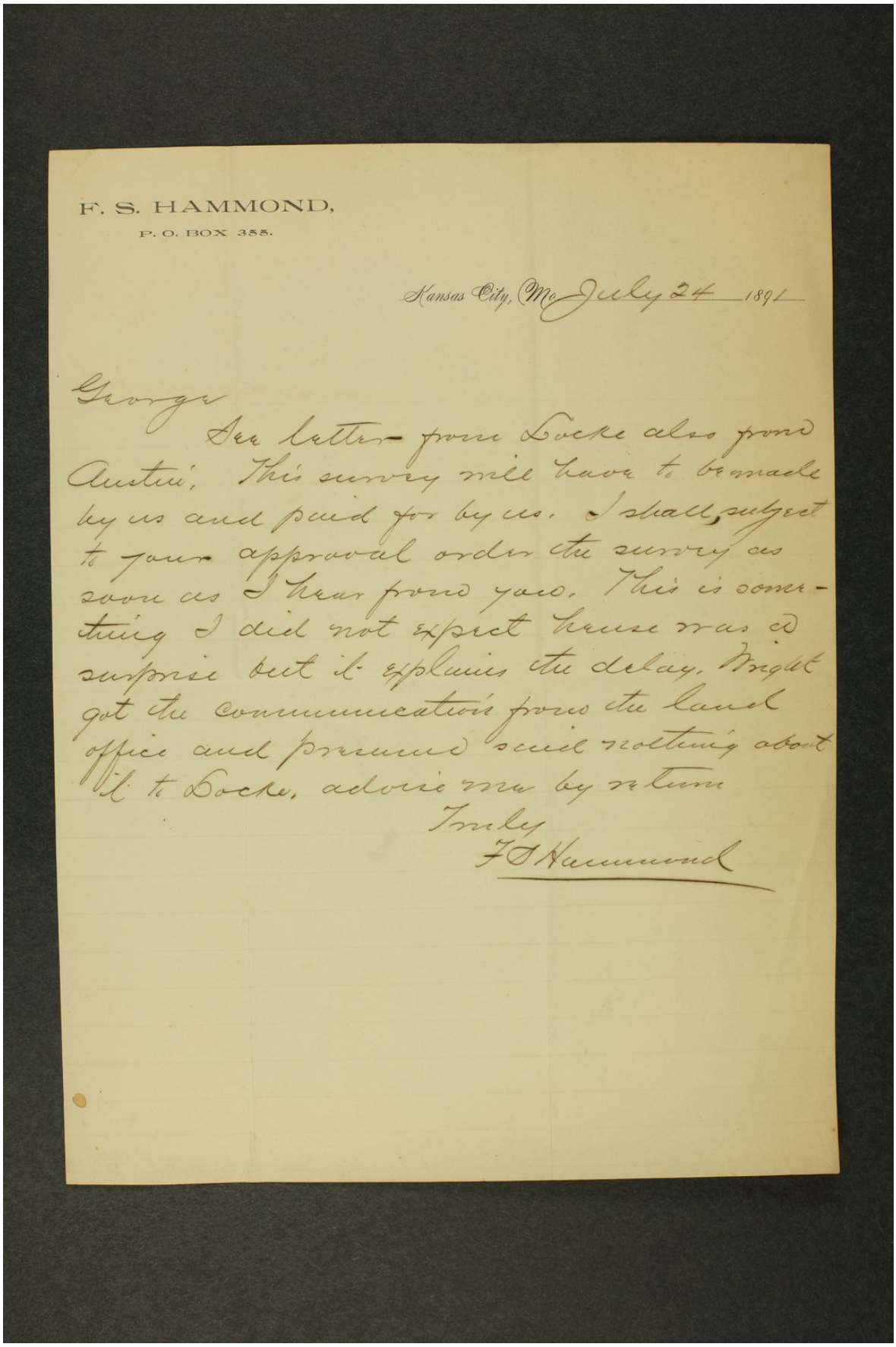


Hellerville, Kans
July 24th 91.

Mr. G. W. Scott.—

Enclosed find Postal Note for One dollar and twenty five cents for interest

Mrs. Harriet Hardy.



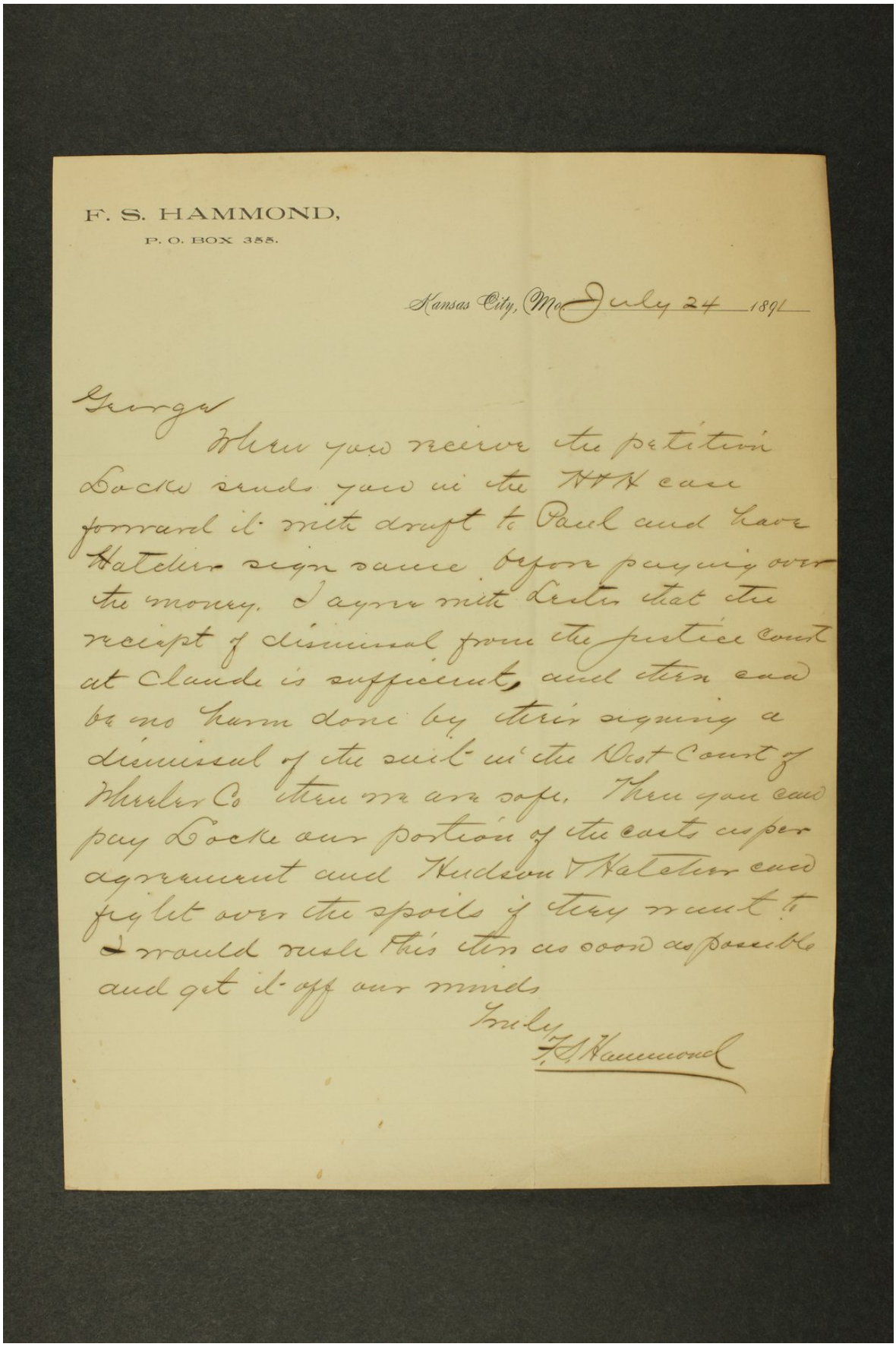
F. S. HAMMOND,
P. O. BOX 355.

Kansas City, Mo July 24 1891

George

Yes letter from Locke also from Austin. This survey will have to be made by us and paid for by us. I shall, subject to your approval order the survey as soon as I hear from you. This is something I did not expect hence was a surprise but it explains the delay. Might get the communication from the land office and presume said nothing about it to Locke, advise me by return

Truly
F S Hammond



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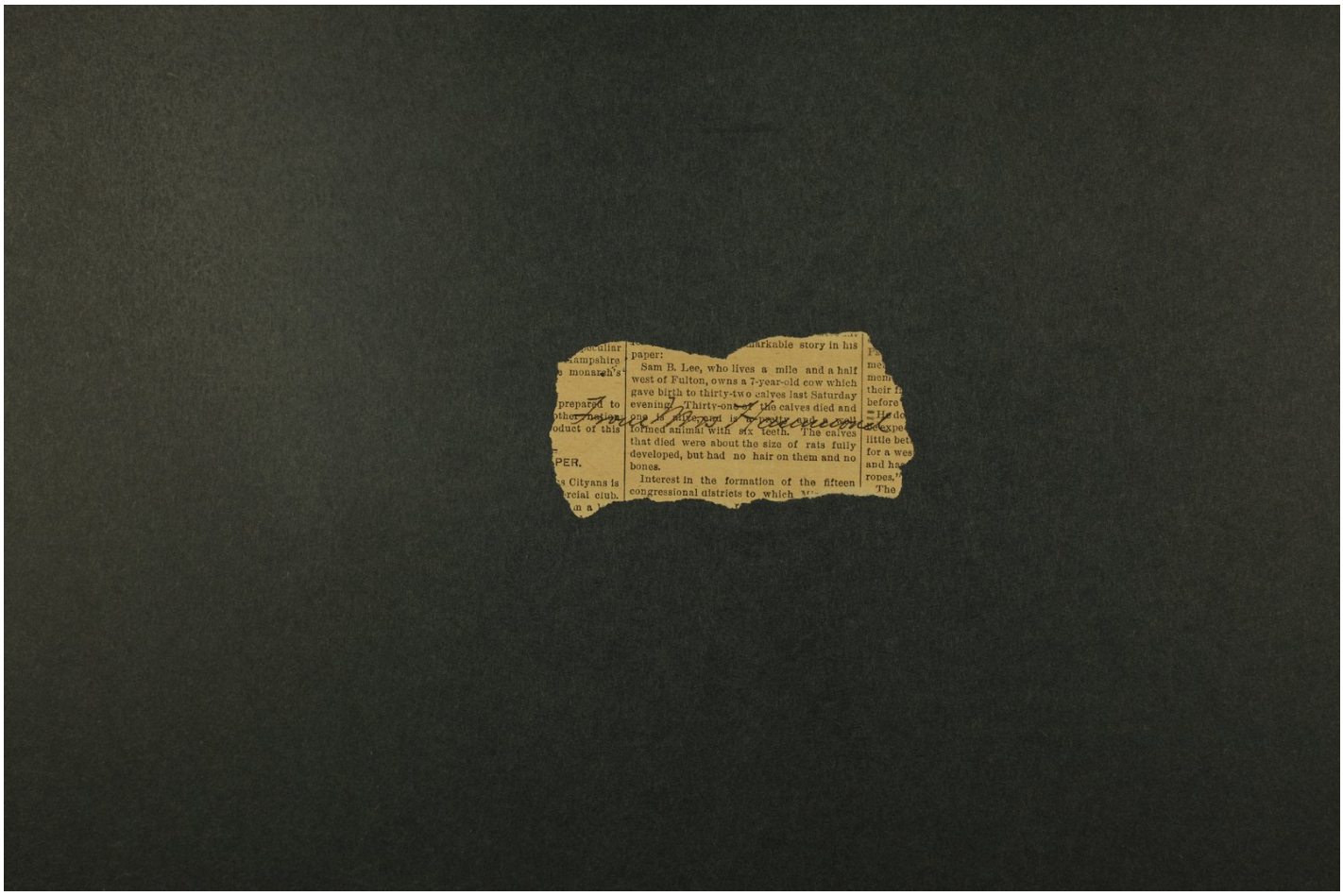
Kansas City, Mo July 24 1894

George

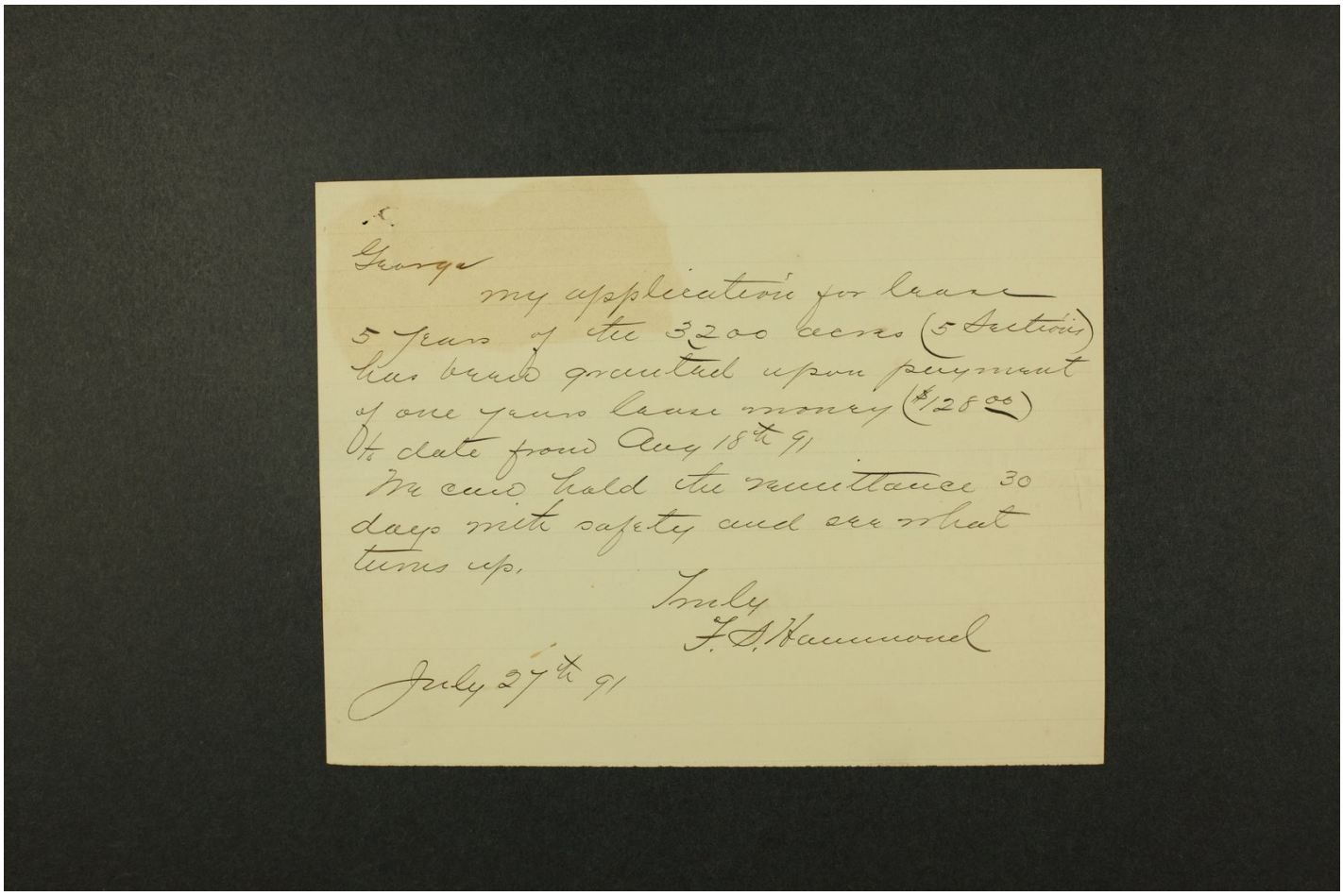
When you recive the petition Locke sends you in the W&K case forward it with draft to Paul and have Hatcher sign same before paying over the money. I agree with Locke that the reciept of dismissal from the justice court at Claude is sufficient, and then can be no harm done by their signing a dismissal of the suit in the Dist Court of Wheeler Co then we are safe. Then you can pay Locke our portion of the costs as per agreement and Hudson & Hatcher can fight over the spoils if they want to. I would rush this thru as soon as possible and get it off our minds.

Truly
F. S. Hammond

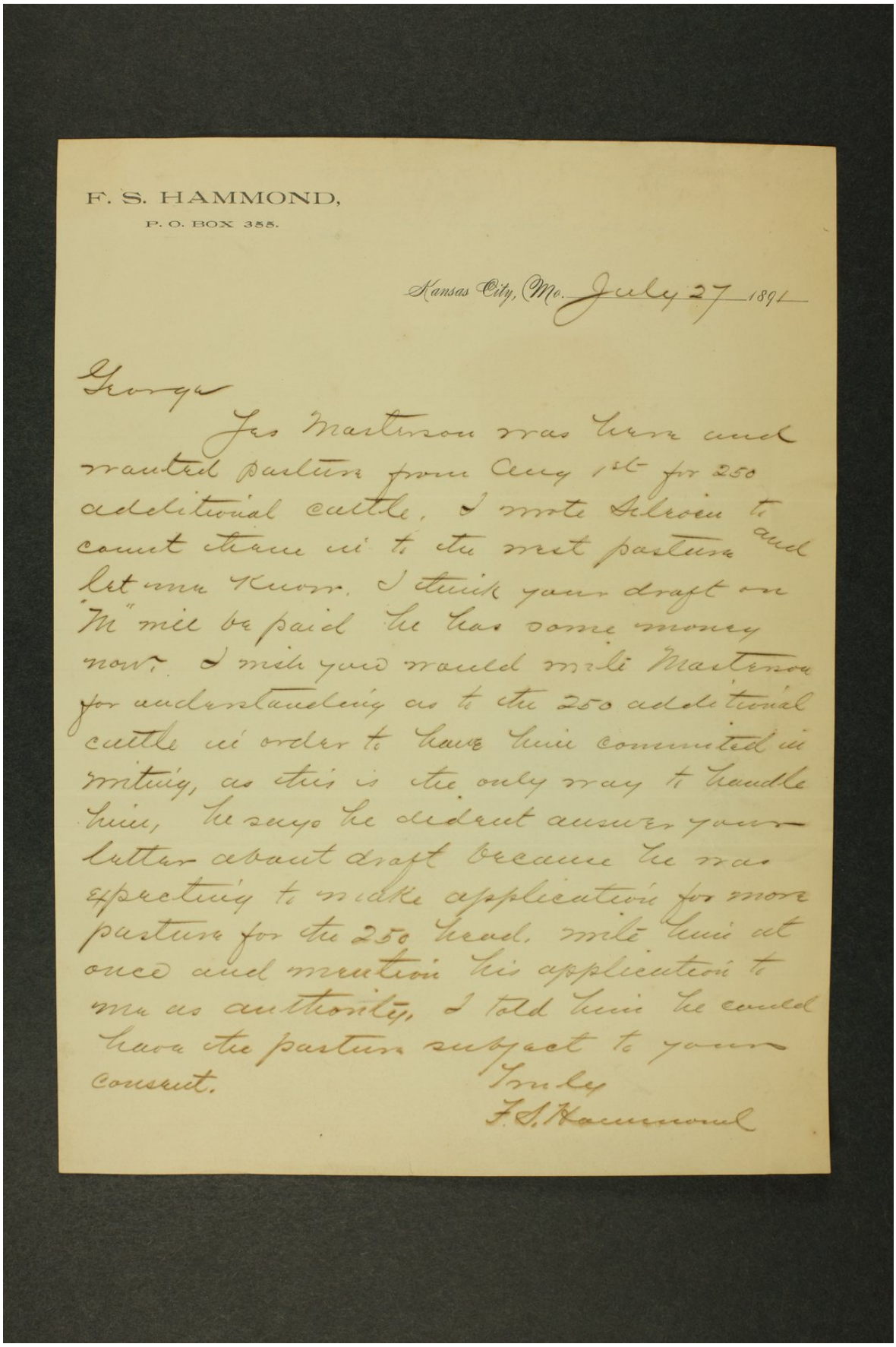
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Geo W Scott
my application for lease
5 years of the 3200 acres (5 Sections)
has been granted upon payment
of one years lease money ($128.00)
to date from Aug 18th 91
In case I hold the remittance 30
days with safety and see what
turns up.
Truly
F. A. Hammond
July 27th 91



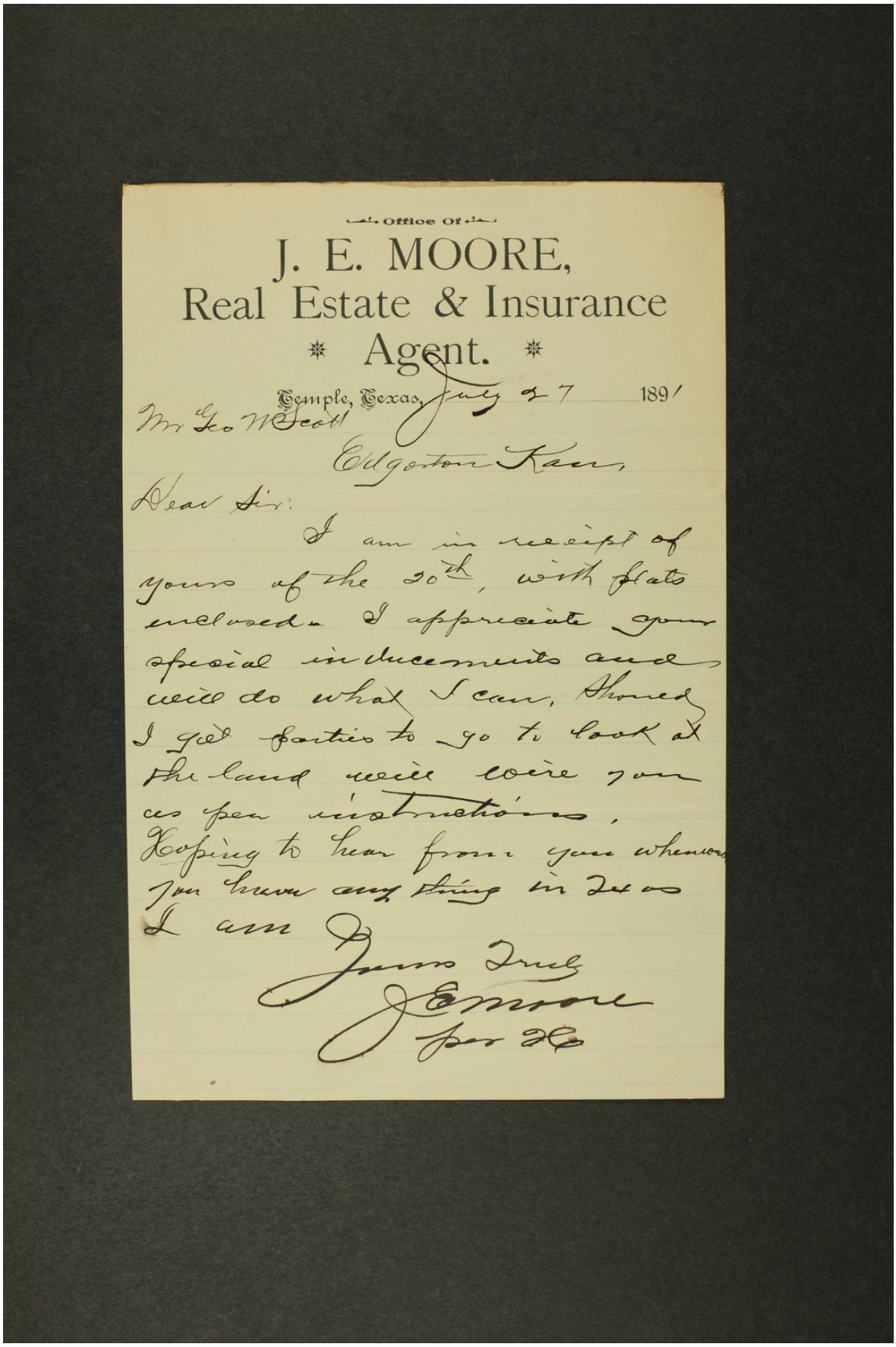
F. S. HAMMOND,
P. O. BOX 355.

Kansas City, Mo. July 27 1894

George

Jas Martinson was here and wanted pasture from Aug 1st for 250 additional cattle. I wrote Gibson to count them in to the next pasture and let me know. I think your draft on "M" will be paid he has some money now. I wish you would write Martinson for understanding as to the 250 additional cattle in order to have him committed in writing, as this is the only way to handle him, he says he didn't answer your letter about draft because he was expecting to make application for more pasture for the 250 head. write him at once and mention his application to me as authority, I told him he could have the pasture subject to your consent.

Truly
F. S. Hammond



Office Of

J. E. MOORE,
Real Estate & Insurance
* Agent. *

Temple, Texas, July 7 1891

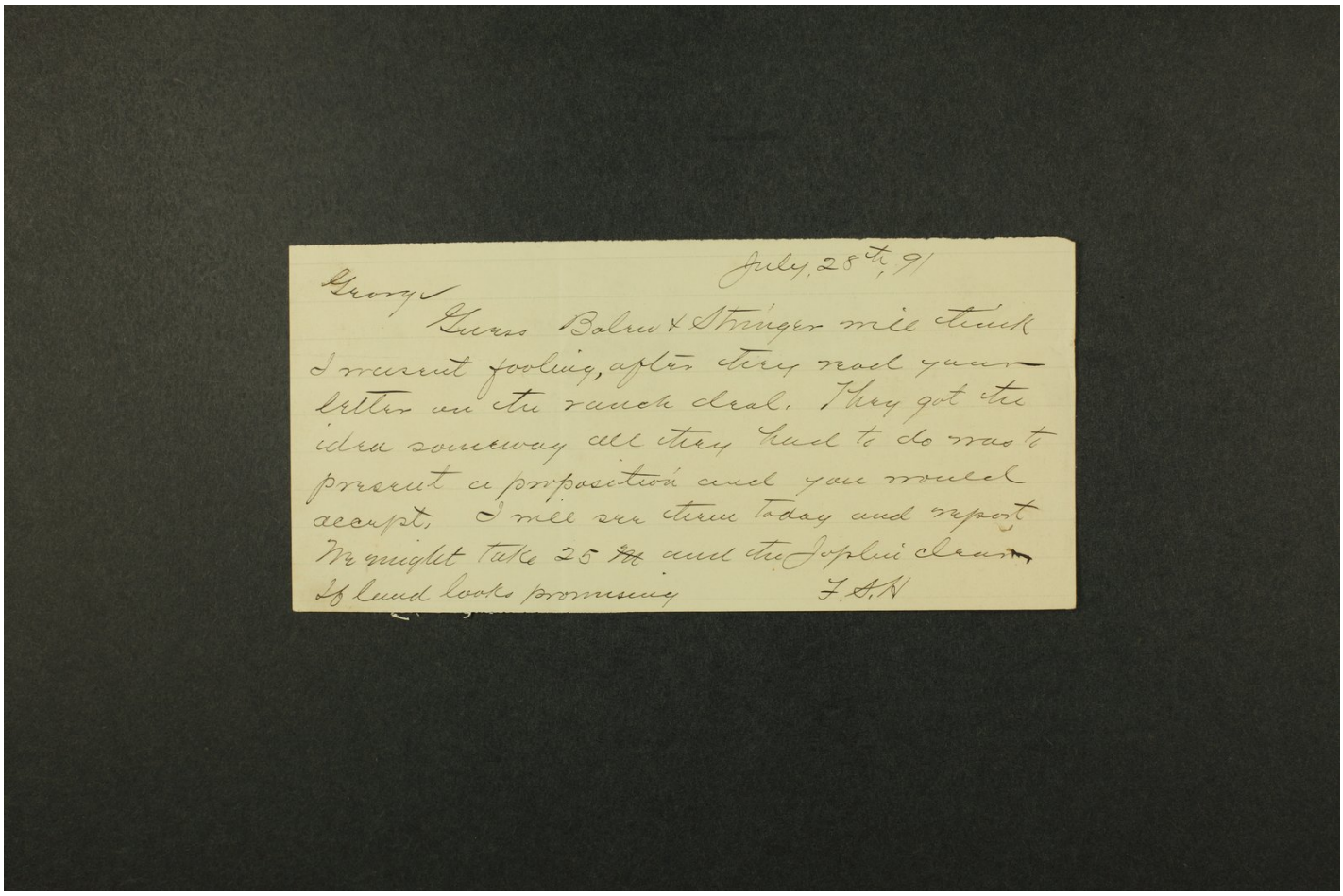
Mr Geo W Scott
Edgerton Kan,

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 30th, with plats enclosed. I appreciate your special inducements and will do what I can. Shall I get parties to go to look at the land will write you as per instructions.
Hoping to hear from you whenever you have anything in Texas
I am

Yours Truly
J E Moore
per JC

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July, 25th, 91

Georg

Guess Balm & Stringer mis think I meant fooling, after they read your letter on the ranch deal. They got the idea someway all they had to do was to present a proposition and you would accept. I will see them today and report We might take 25 ft and the Joplin claim If land looks promising F. S. H

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Kansas City Baby Carriage Co.

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—And Wholesale and Retail Dealers in—

Velocipedes, Express Wagons, Doll Carriages, Bicycles, Tricycles, Etc.

1325 MAIN STREET,

Kansas City, Mo., July 28th 1891

July 29th

Mr. Geo. W. Scott Dear Sir Yours in regard to prize Cab rec'd We mail you Catalogue and mark 4 Cabs with a X you can take your choice at 10 cts bal in advertising. The Cabs marked are to be in fine Silk Plush Satin parasols & Lace Edge We also mark two that we will furnish at 12 cts bal as adv The Jewell on page 7 we are just shipping out to Belton for the Cass Co Mo Fair It will be put on Exhibition in a store there to advertise the Baby Store

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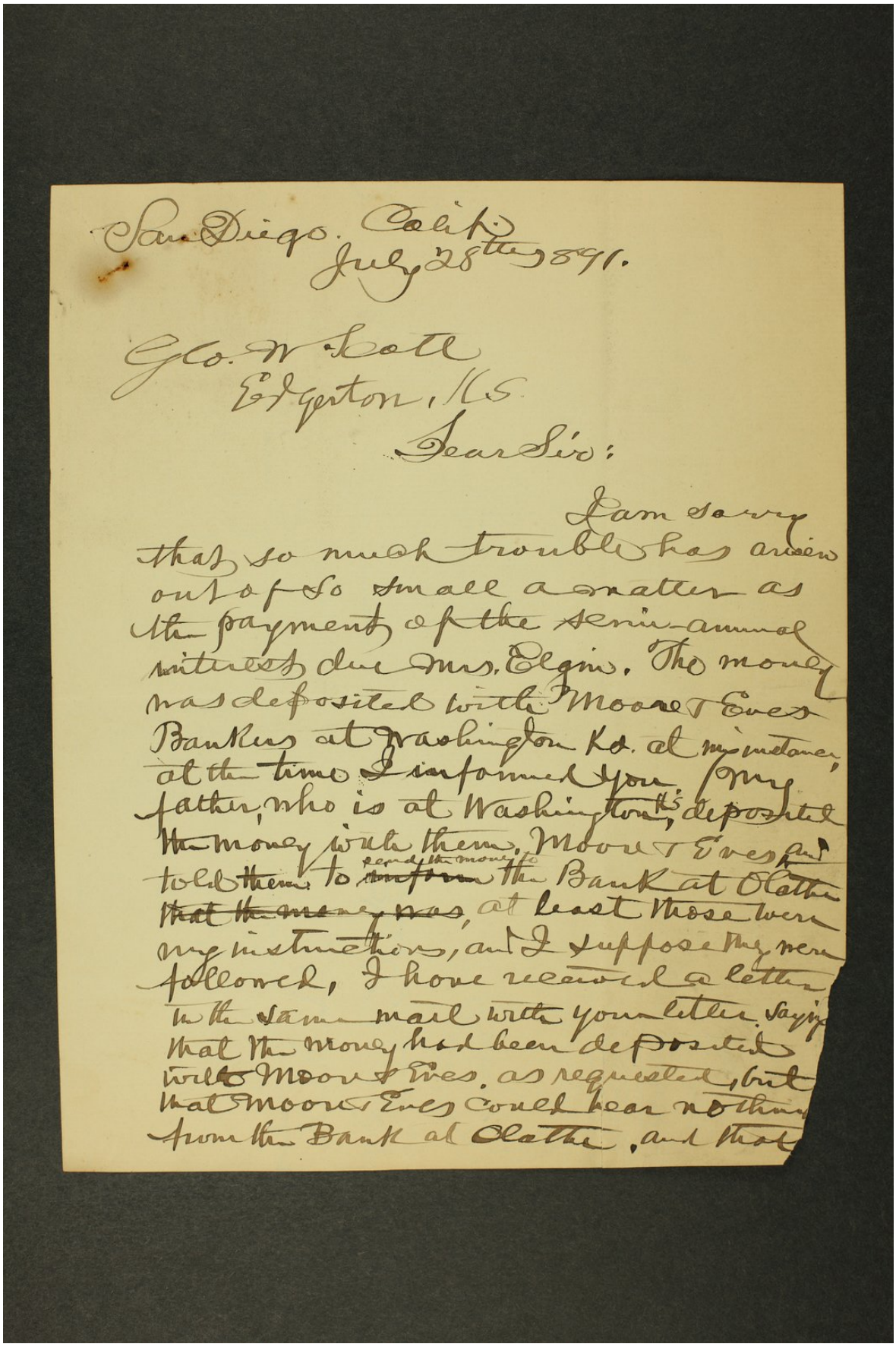


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1325 MAIN STREET,

Kansas City, Mo July 28 189

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Which is a good plan. they Pay us 15 per bal= in adver= the ours we have marked are all new patterns but 2 marked 12 per and they are among the best sellers we have. We furnish the fine Cab for the Kansas State fair this year as formerly ordered by Rogers & Rogers, Com= Co of K C Costs $65.00 and we also give a Handsome Twin Cab as a prize as we will make a fine display at Topeka will be glad to furnish you J W McCoy Secy

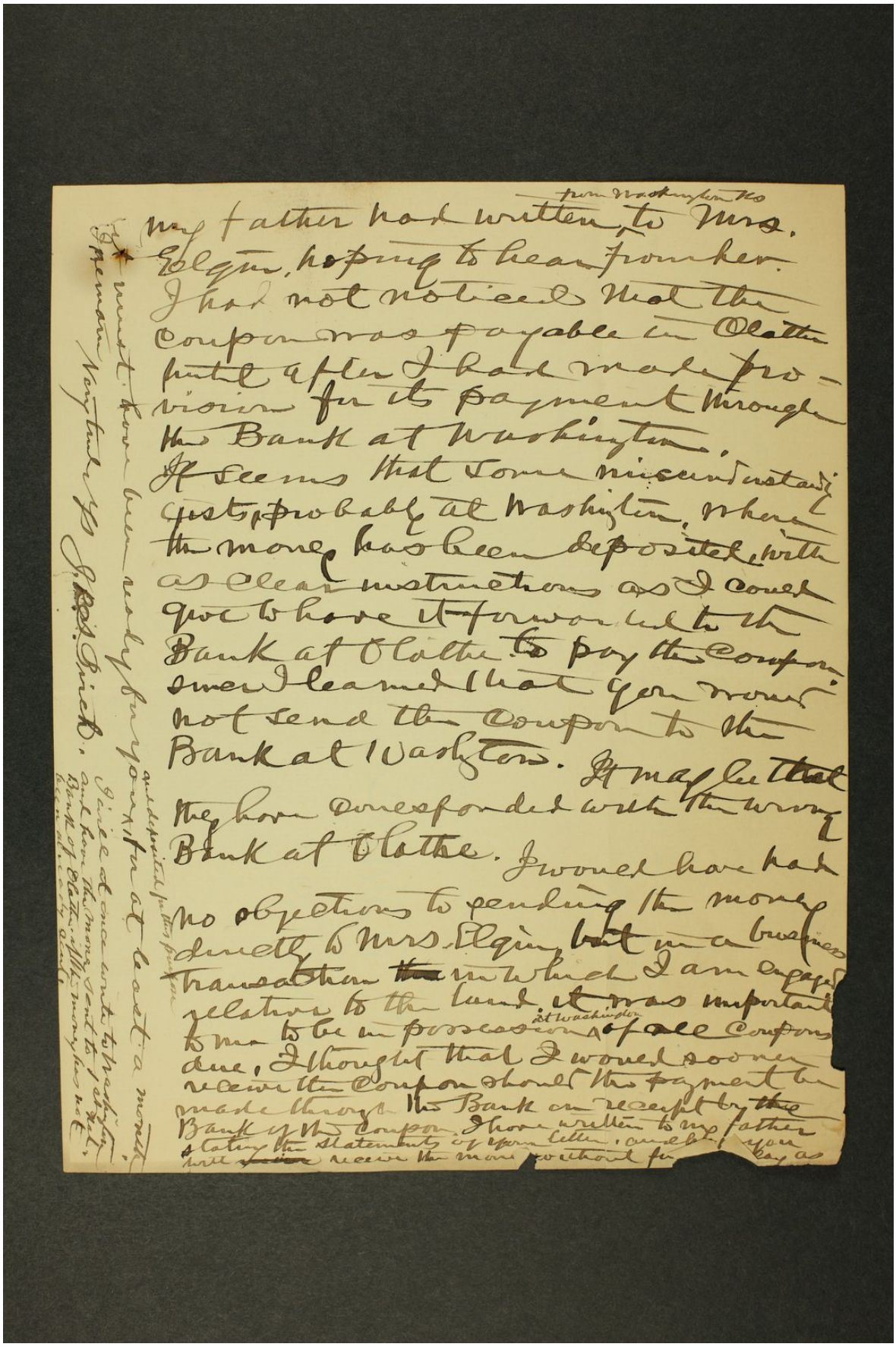


San Diego. Calif.
July 28th 1891.

Geo. W. Scott
Edgerton, Ks.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry that so much trouble has arisen out of so small a matter as the payment of the semi-annual interest due Mrs. Elgin. The money was deposited with Moore & Eves Bankers at Washington Ks. at my instance, at the time I informed you, my father, who is at Washington, deposited the money with them. Moore & Eves ~~told them to send the money to~~ the Bank at Olathe ~~that the money was~~, at least those were my instructions, and I suppose they were followed. I have received a letter in the same mail with your letter saying that the money had been deposited with Moore & Eves, as requested, but that Moore & Eves could hear nothing from the Bank at Olathe, and that



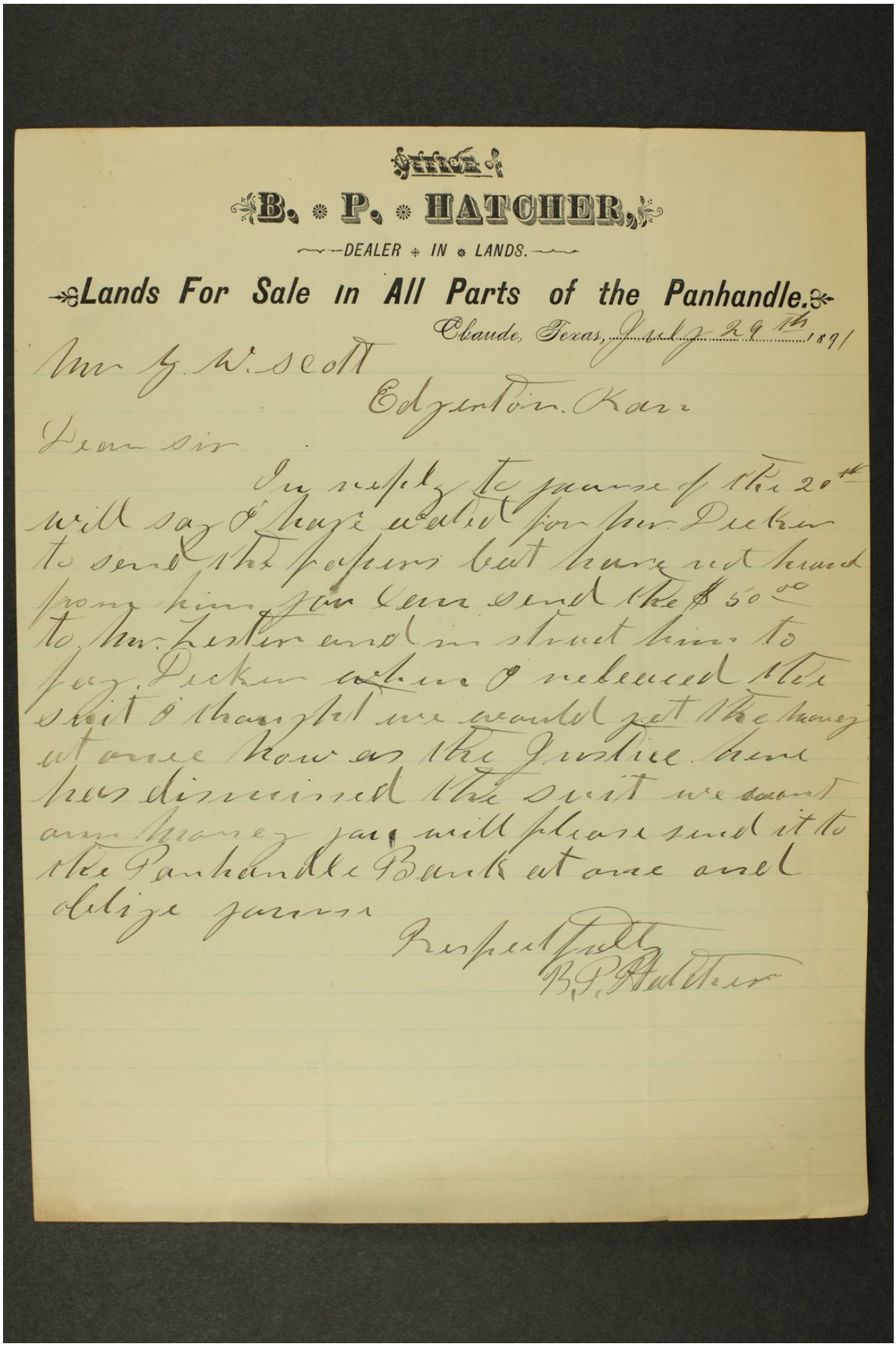
from Washington DC
my father had written to Mrs. Elgin, hoping to hear from her. I had not noticed that the coupon was payable in Olathe until after I had made provision for its payment through the Bank at Washington. It seems that some misunderstanding exists, probably at Washington, where the money has been deposited, with as clear instructions as I could give to have it forwarded to the Bank at Olathe to pay the coupon. I now learned that you would not send the coupon to the Bank at Washington. It may be that the have corresponded with the wrong Bank at Olathe. I would have had no objections to sending the money direct to Mrs. Elgin but as a business transaction in which I am engaged relative to the land, it was important for me to be in possession of all coupons at Washington due. I thought that I would sooner receive the coupon should the payment be made through the Bank on receipt by the Bank of the coupon. I have written to my father stating the statements of your letter, and he will receive the money without fu[illegible] as

Please at once write to the Washington Bank from the money sent to the Olathe Bank of Olathe will pay this coupon & let me know

quadruplicate patent papers

I must have your answer at least a month

Yours truly
G. W. Scott



B. P. HATCHER,

DEALER IN LANDS.

Lands For Sale in All Parts of the Panhandle.

Claude, Texas, July 29th 1891

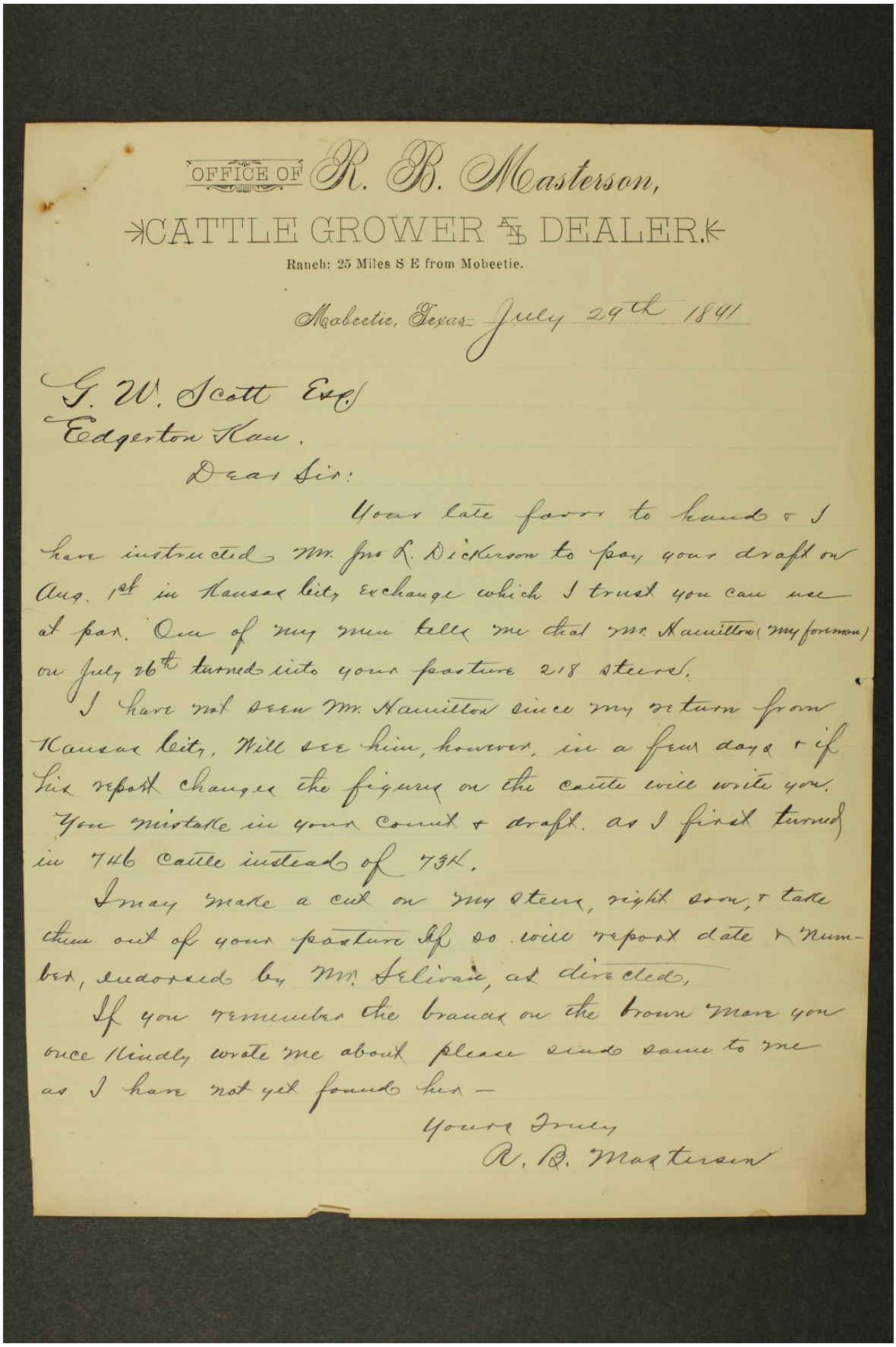
Mr G. W. Scott

Edgerton. Kans

Dear sir

In reply to yours of the 20th will say I have written for Mr Decker to send the papers but have not heard from him yet. You can send the $50.00 to Mr Lester and in short time to Jay Decker when I released the suit I thought we could get the money at once now as the Justice has dismissed the suit we cannot get money yet will please send it to the Panhandle Bank at once and oblige yours

Respectfully
B. P. Hatcher



OFFICE OF R. B. Masterson,

CATTLE GROWER AND DEALER.

Ranch: 25 Miles S E from Mobeetie.

Mobeetie, Texas July 29th 1891

G. W. Scott Esq
Edgerton Kan.

Dear Sir:

Your late favor to hand & I have instructed Mr. Jno L. Dickerson to pay your draft on Aug. 1st in Kansas City exchange which I trust you can use at par. One of my men tells me that Mr. Hamilton (my foreman) on July 26th turned into your pasture 218 steers.

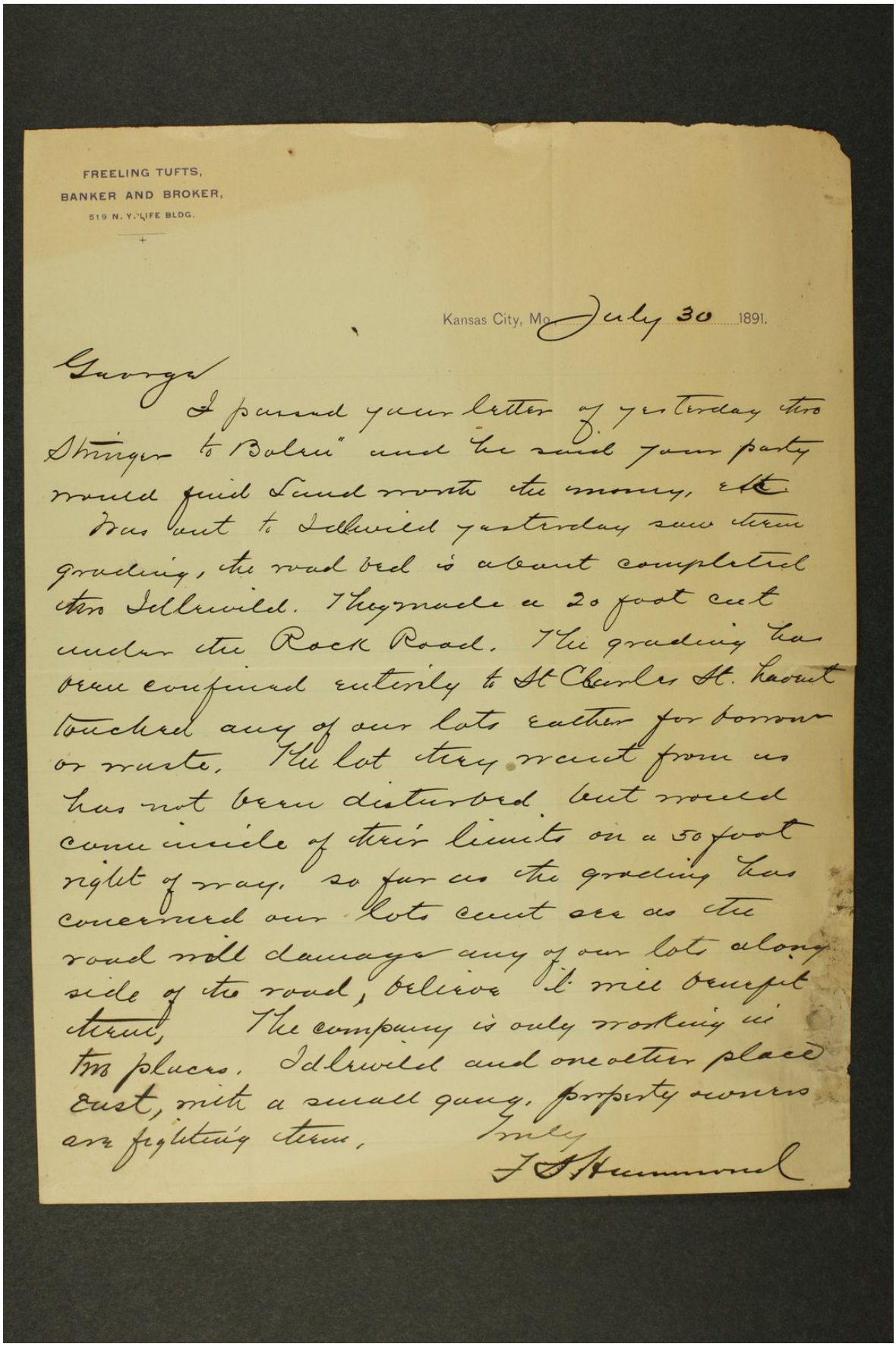
I have not seen Mr. Hamilton since my return from Kansas City. Will see him, however, in a few days & if his report changes the figures on the cattle will write you.

You mistake in your count & draft. as I first turned in 746 cattle instead of 734.

I may make a cut on my steers, right soon, & take them out of your pasture If so will report date & Number, endorsed by Mr. Sullivan, as directed.

If you remember the brands on the brown Mare you once kindly wrote me about please send same to me as I have not yet found her —

Yours Truly
R. B. Masterson



FREELING TUFTS,
BANKER AND BROKER,
519 N. Y. LIFE BLDG.

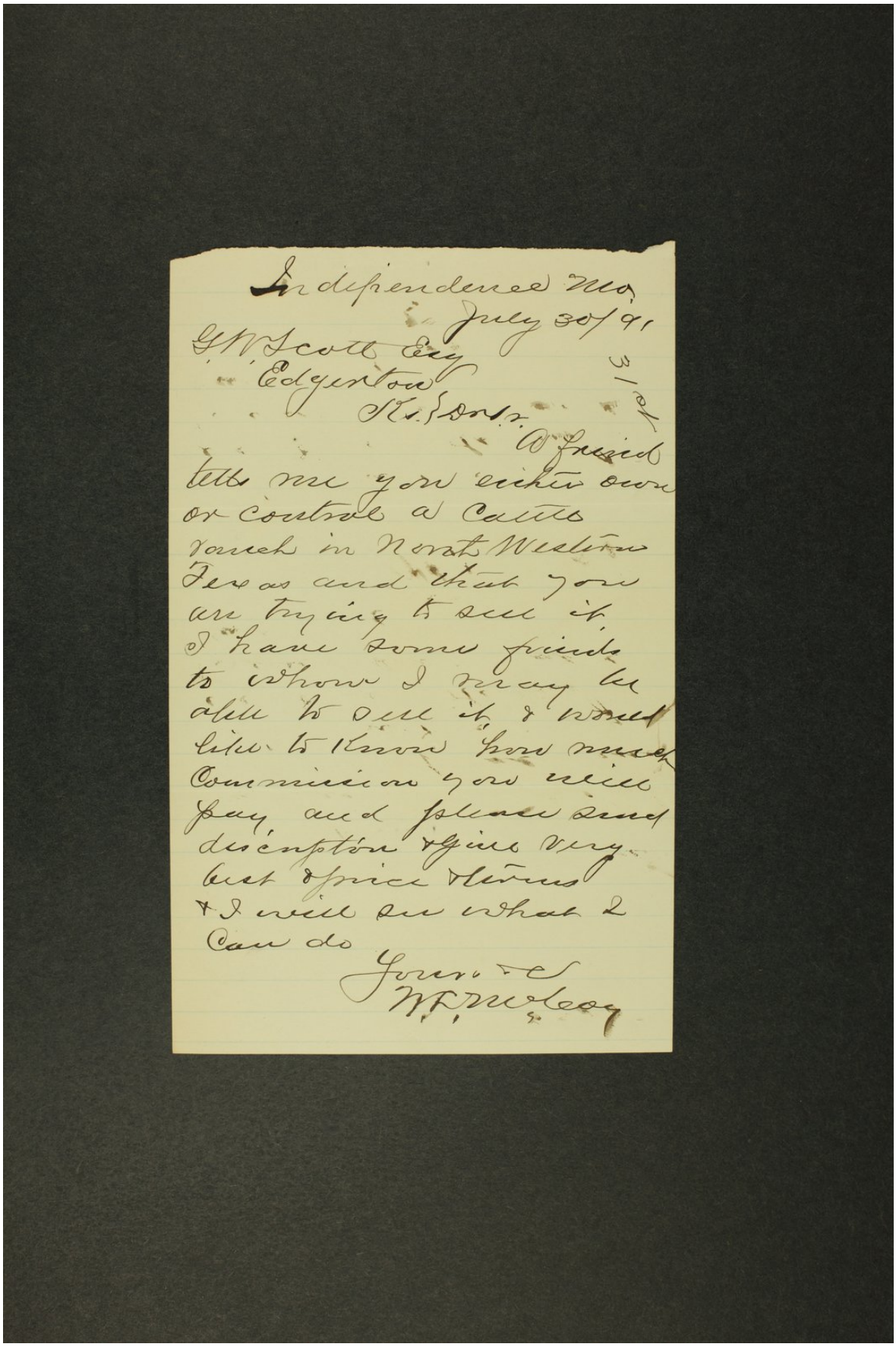
Kansas City, Mo. July 30 1891.

Georgy

I passed your letter of yesterday thro Stinger to Bolin and he said your party would pull & send north the money, etc

Was out to Idlewild yesterday saw them grading, the road bed is about completed thro Idlewild. They made a 20 foot cut under the Rock Road. The grading has been confined entirely to St Charles St. haven't touched any of our lots either for borrow or waste. The lot they want from us has not been disturbed but would communicate of their limits on a 50 foot right of way. so far as the grading has concerned our lots cut are as the road will damage any of our lots along side of the road, believe it will benefit them, The company is only working in two places. Idlewild and one other place East, with a small gang. property owners are fighting them.

Truly
J. S. Hammond



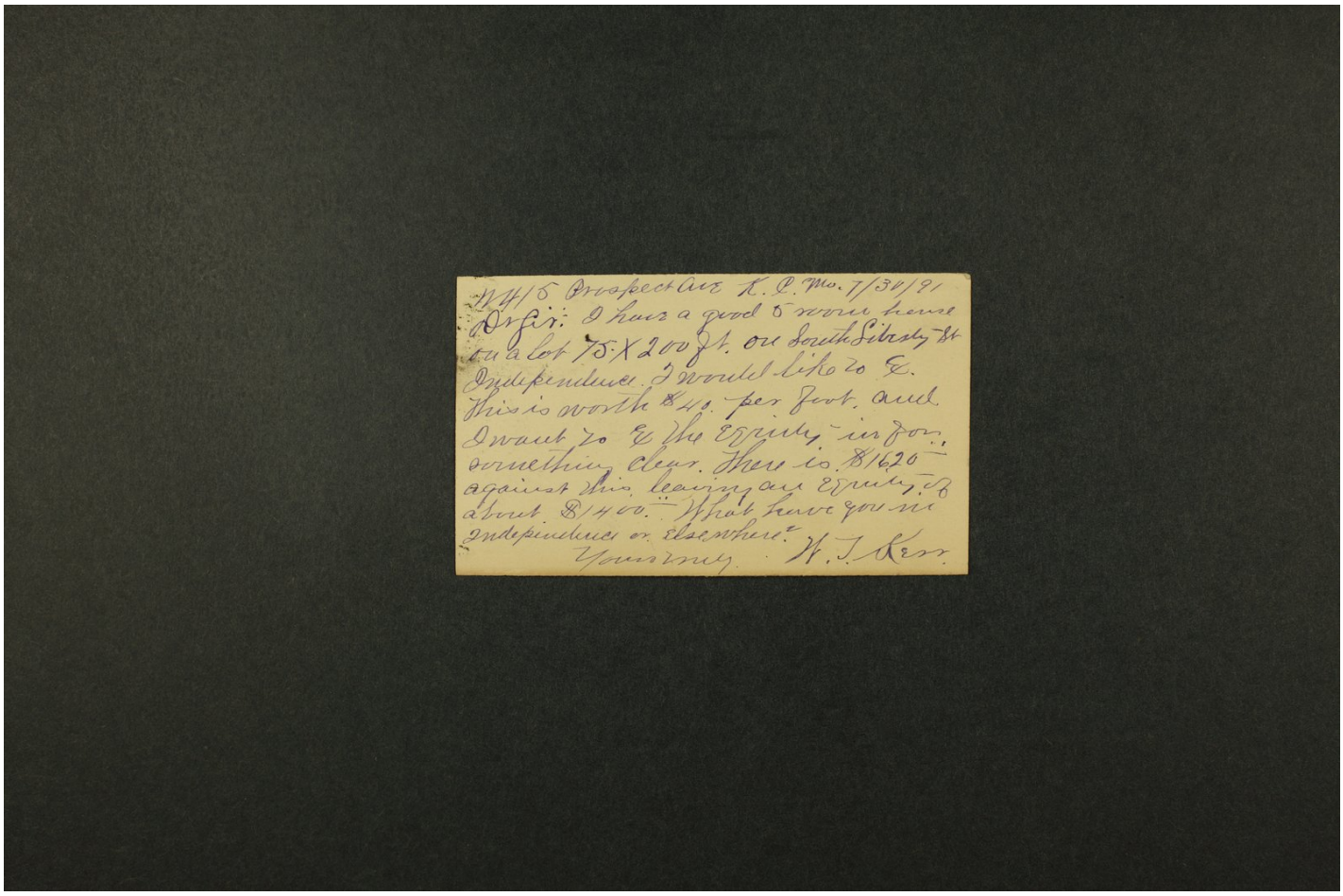
Independence Mo.
July 30/91.

G. W. Scott Esq
Edgerton
Kans.

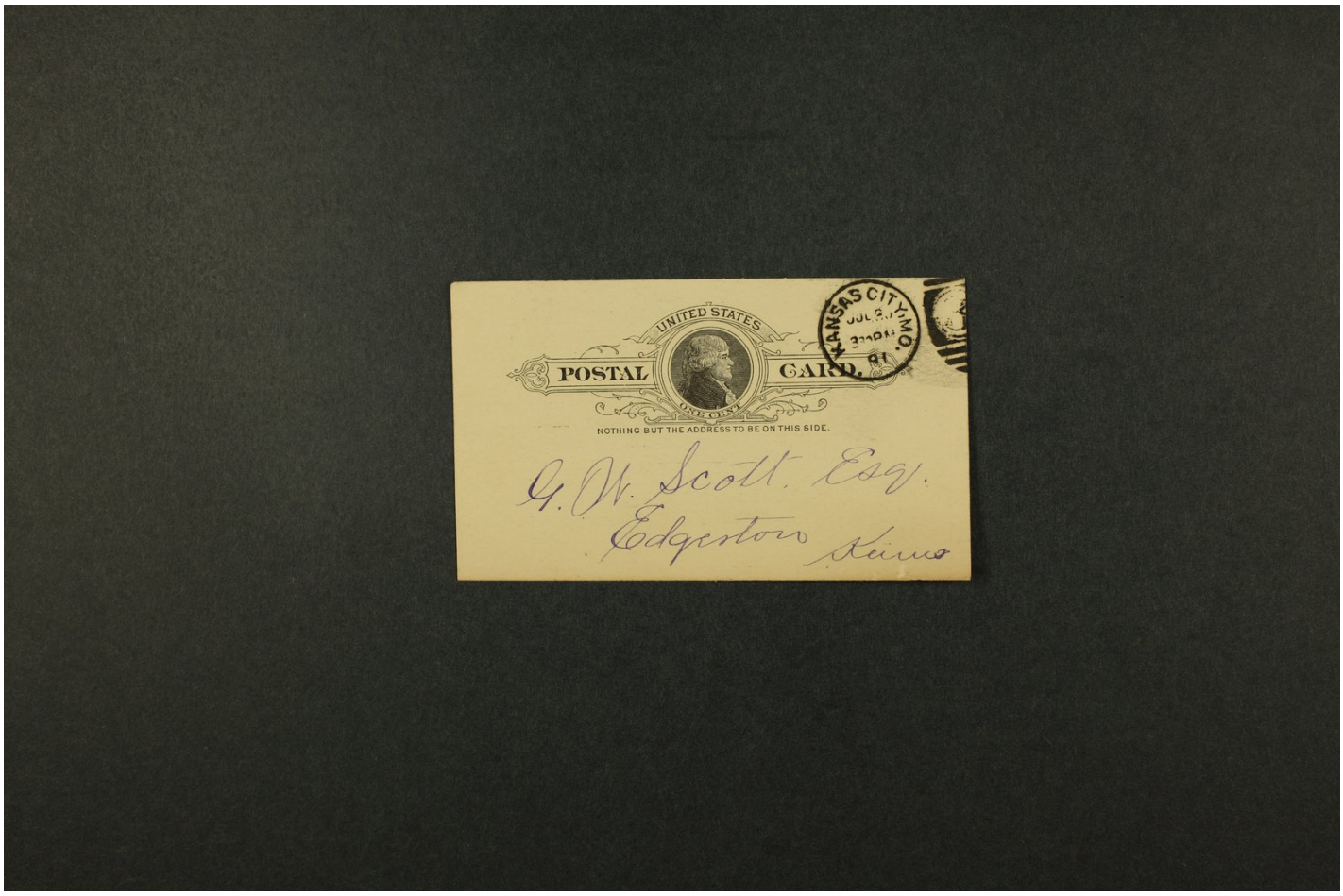
Dear Friend
Tells me you either own
or control a cattle
ranch in North Western
Texas and that you
are trying to sell it.
I have some friends
to whom I may be
able to sell it & would
like to know how much
Commission you will
pay and please send
description & give very
best & price & terms
& I will see what I
can do

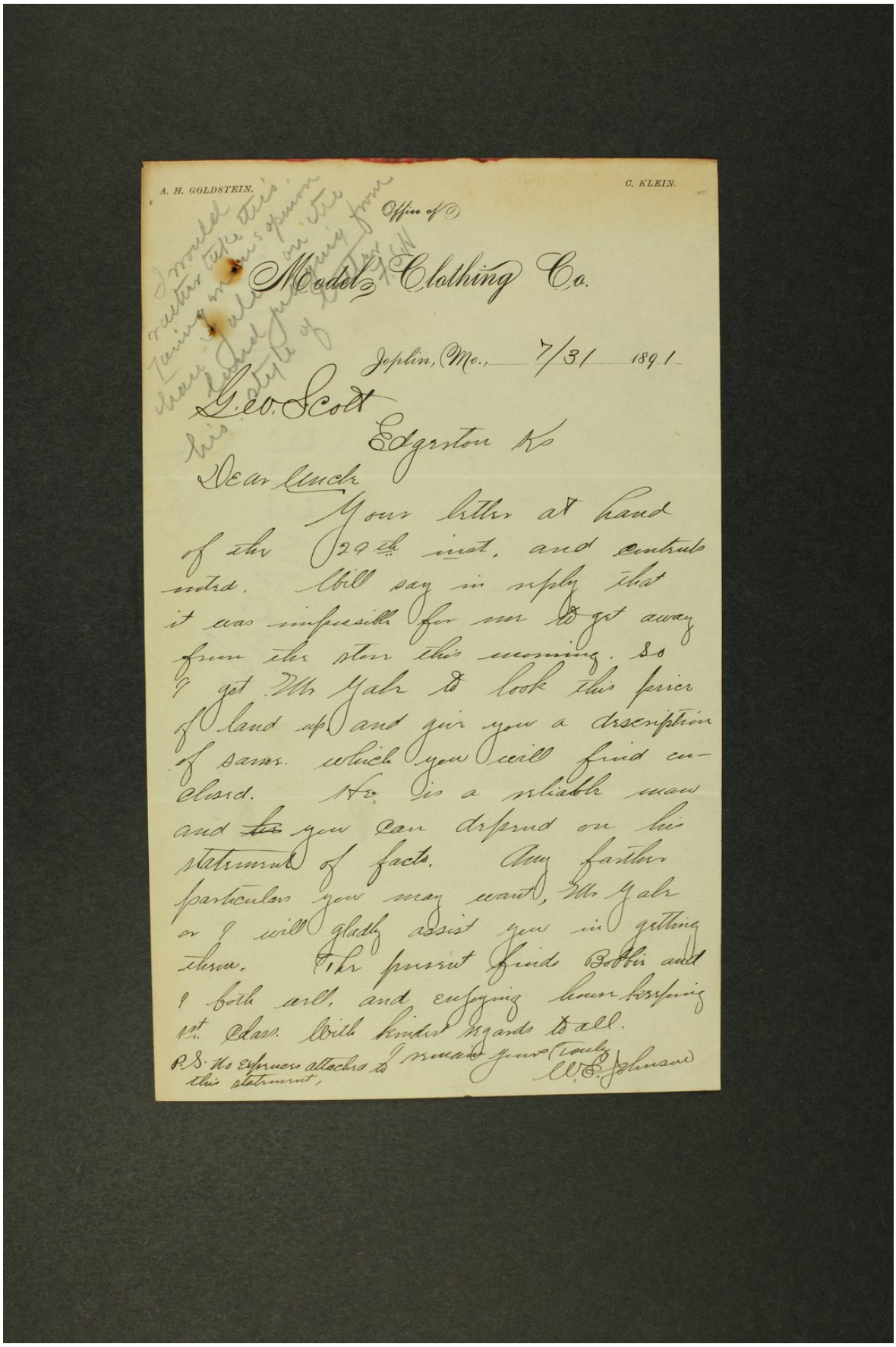
Yours &c
W. F. McCoy

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A. H. GOLDSTEIN. C. KLEIN.

Office of

Model Clothing Co.

Joplin, Mo., 7/31 1891

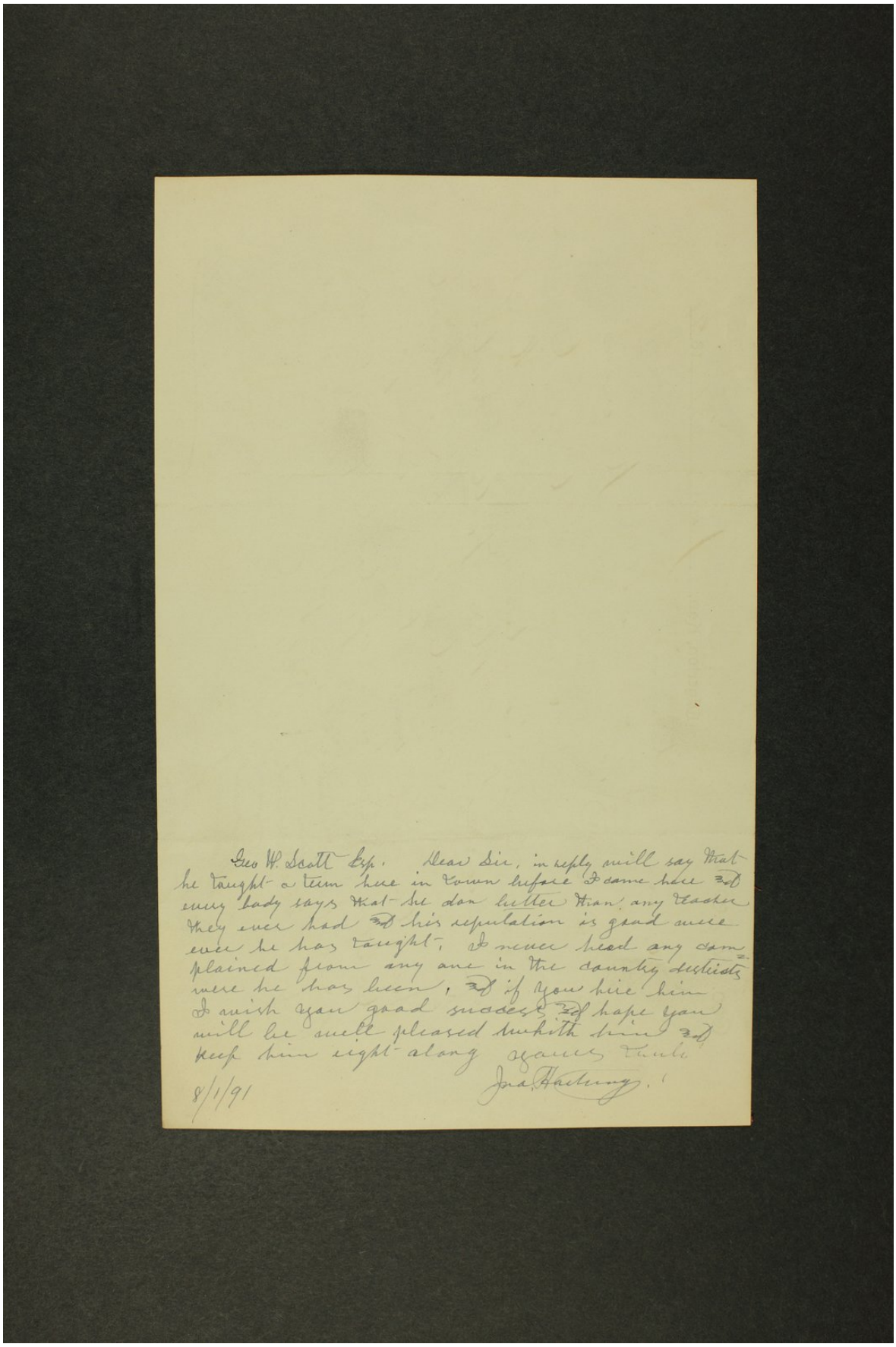
Geo. Scott
Edgerton Ks

Dear Uncle

Your letter at hand of the 29th inst. and contents noted. Will say in reply that it was impossible for me to get away from the store this morning. So I got Mr Gale to look this piece of land up and give you a description of same. which you will find enclosed. He is a reliable man and you can depend on his statement of facts. Any further particulars you may want, Mr Gale or I will gladly assist you in getting them. Hope you will find Bobbie and I both well, and enjoying home keeping etc. Edna. With kindest regards to all.

P.S. No expenses attaches to this statement.

I remain yours truly
W. S. Johnson

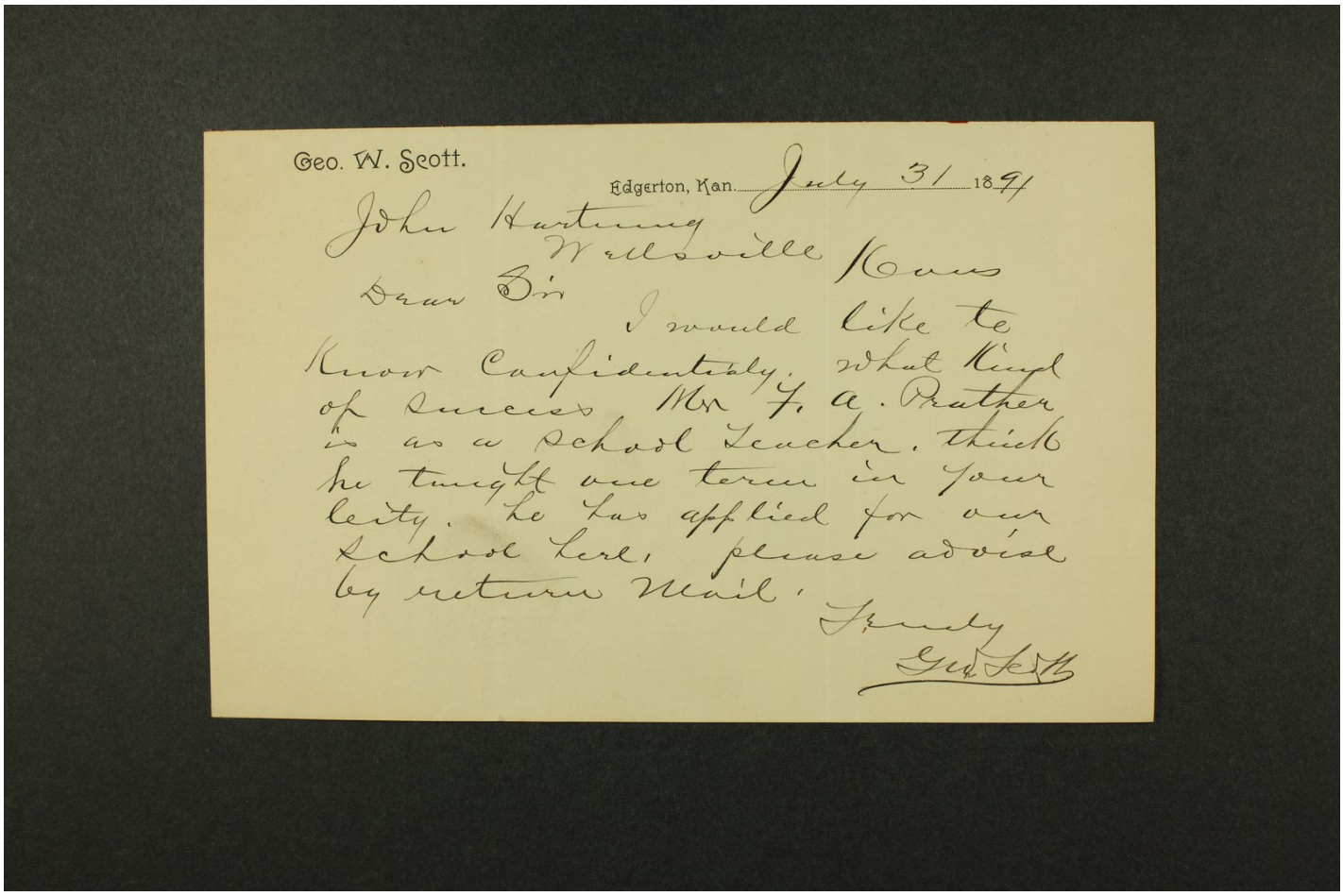


Geo W. Scott Esq. Dear Sir, in reply will say that he taught a term here in town before I came here & every body says that he can better than any teacher they ever had & his reputation is good where ever he has taught. I never heard any complained from any one in the country districts where he has been, & if you hire him I wish you good success & hope you will be well pleased with him & keep him right along yours truly

Jno. Hackney.

8/1/91

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Geo. W. Scott.

Edgerton, Kan. July 31 1891

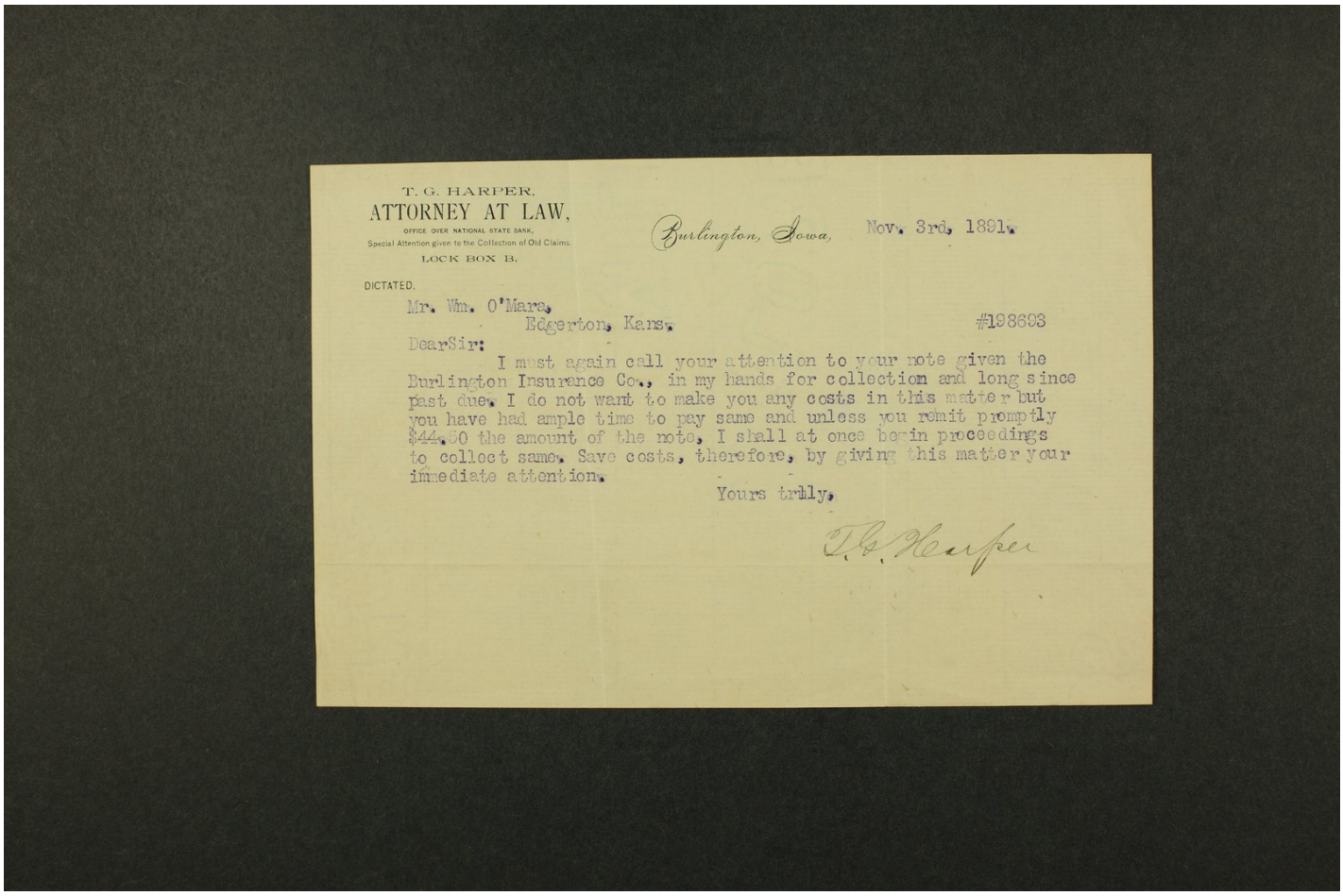
John Hartung
Wellsville
Kans

Dear Sir

I would like to know Confidentialy, what Kind of success Mr F. A. Prather is as a School Teacher. think he taught one term in your city. he has applied for our School here, please advise by return Mail.

Yours truly
Geo Scott

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T. G. HARPER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
OFFICE OVER NATIONAL STATE BANK,
Special Attention given to the Collection of Old Claims.
LOCK BOX B.

Burlington, Iowa, Nov. 3rd, 1891.

DICTATED.

Mr. Wm. O'Mare,
Edgerton, Kans. #188693

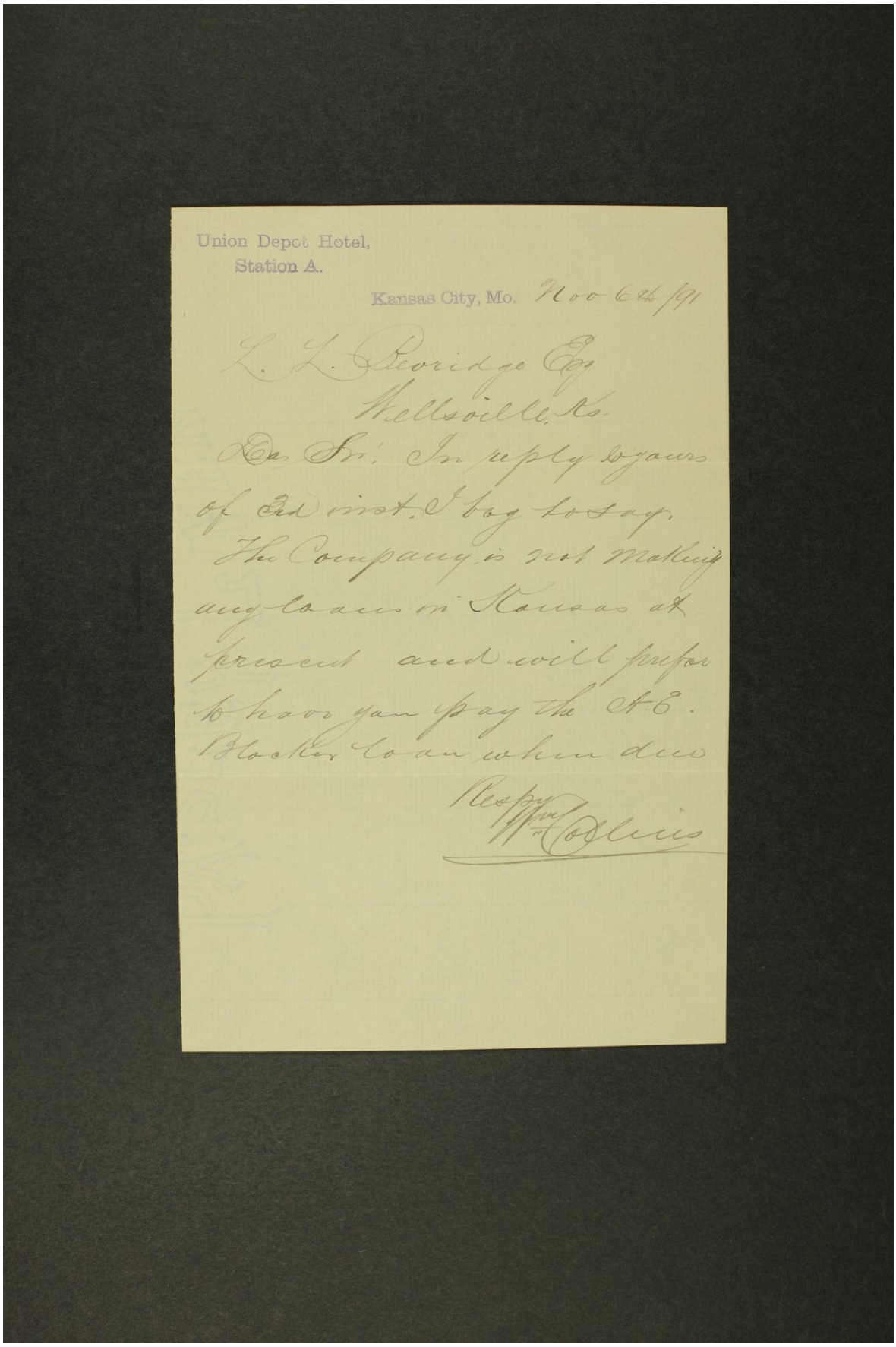
DearSir:

I must again call your attention to your note given the Burlington Insurance Co., in my hands for collection and long since past due. I do not want to make you any costs in this matter but you have had ample time to pay same and unless you remit promptly $44.50 the amount of the note, I shall at once begin proceedings to collect same. Save costs, therefore, by giving this matter your immediate attention.

Yours truly,

T. G. Harper

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Union Depot Hotel,
Station A.

Kansas City, Mo. Nov 6th 91

L. L. Rovidge Esq
Wellsville Ks.

Dr. Sir. In reply to yours of 2nd inst. I beg to say. The Company is not making any loans in Kansas at present and will prefer to have you pay the A. E. Block loan when due

Resp'y Wm. T. Scott