George W. Scott papers

Section 57, Pages 1681 - 1710

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.

Creator: Scott, George W., 1850-1920

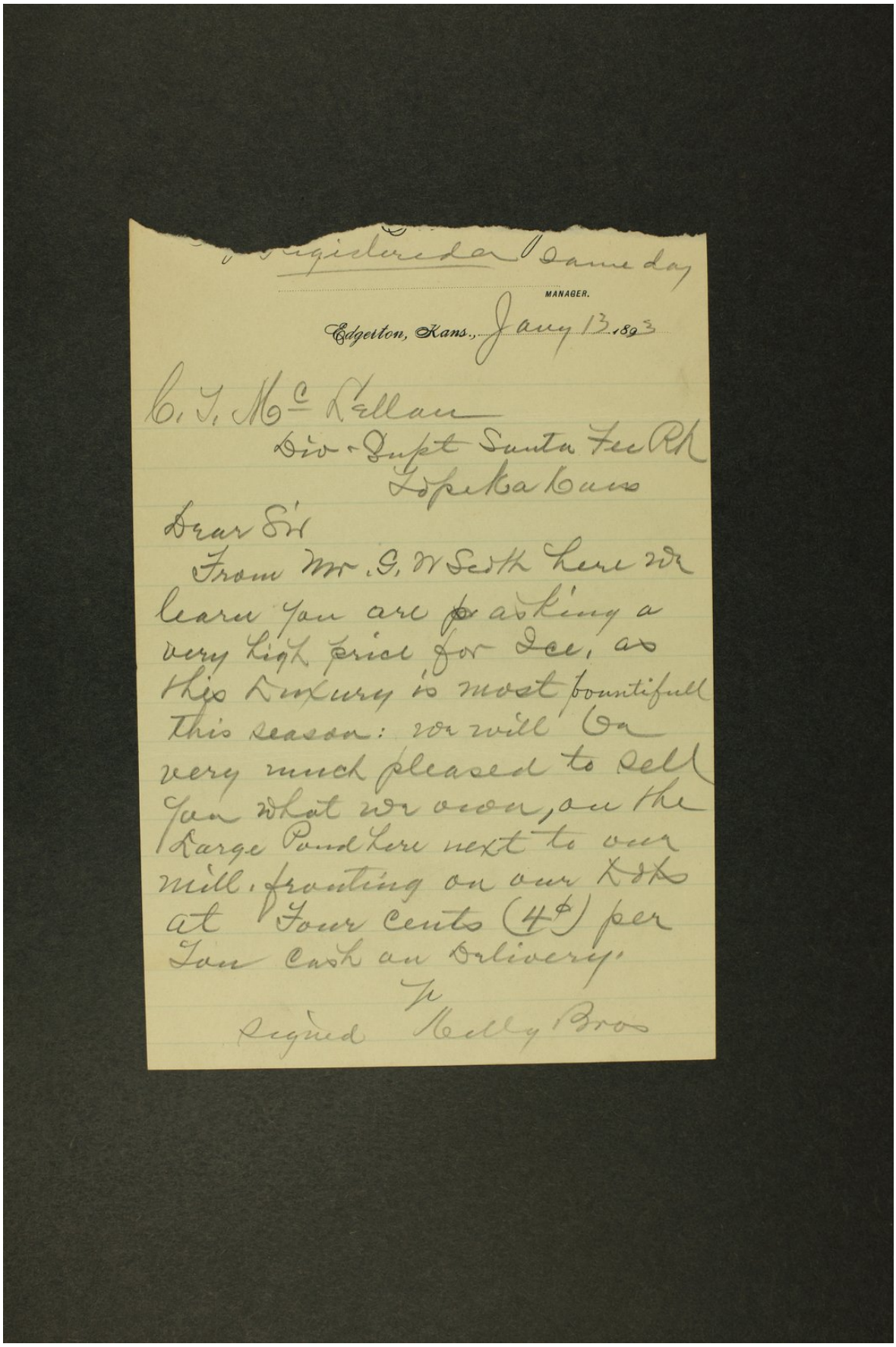
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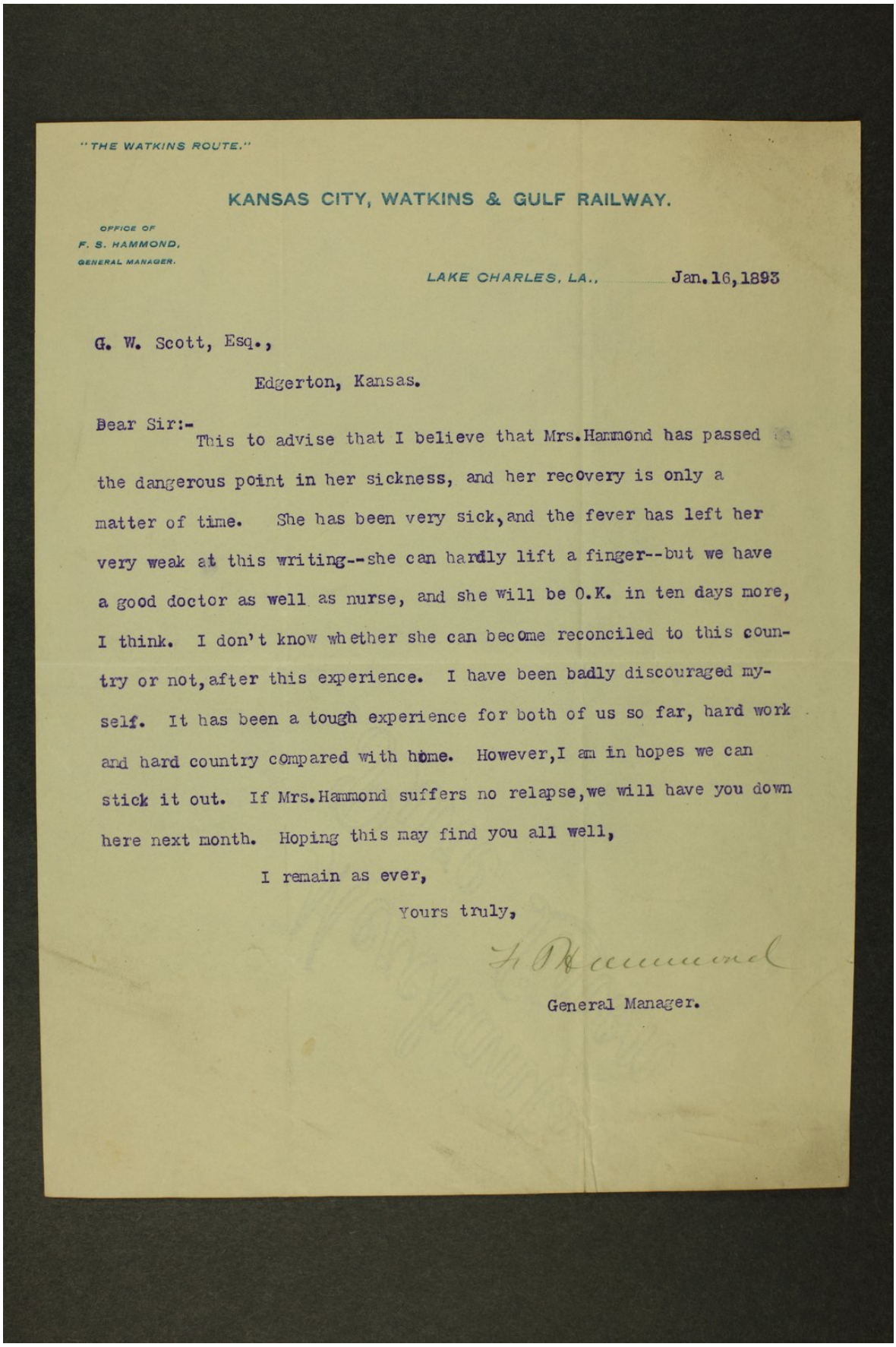
Edgerton, Kans., Jany 13 1893

C. T. McClellan
Div. Supt Santa Fe R.R.
Topeka Kans

Dear Sir

From Mr. G. W. Scott here we learn you are asking a very high price for Ice, as this luxury is most bountifull this season: we will be very much pleased to sell you what we own, on the Large Pond here next to our mill, fronting on our R.R. at Four cents (4¢) per Ton Cash on Delivery.

Yr
Signed Kelly Bros



"THE WATKINS ROUTE."

KANSAS CITY, WATKINS & GULF RAILWAY.

OFFICE OF
F. S. HAMMOND,
GENERAL MANAGER.

LAKE CHARLES, LA., Jan. 16, 1893

G. W. Scott, Esq.,

Edgerton, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

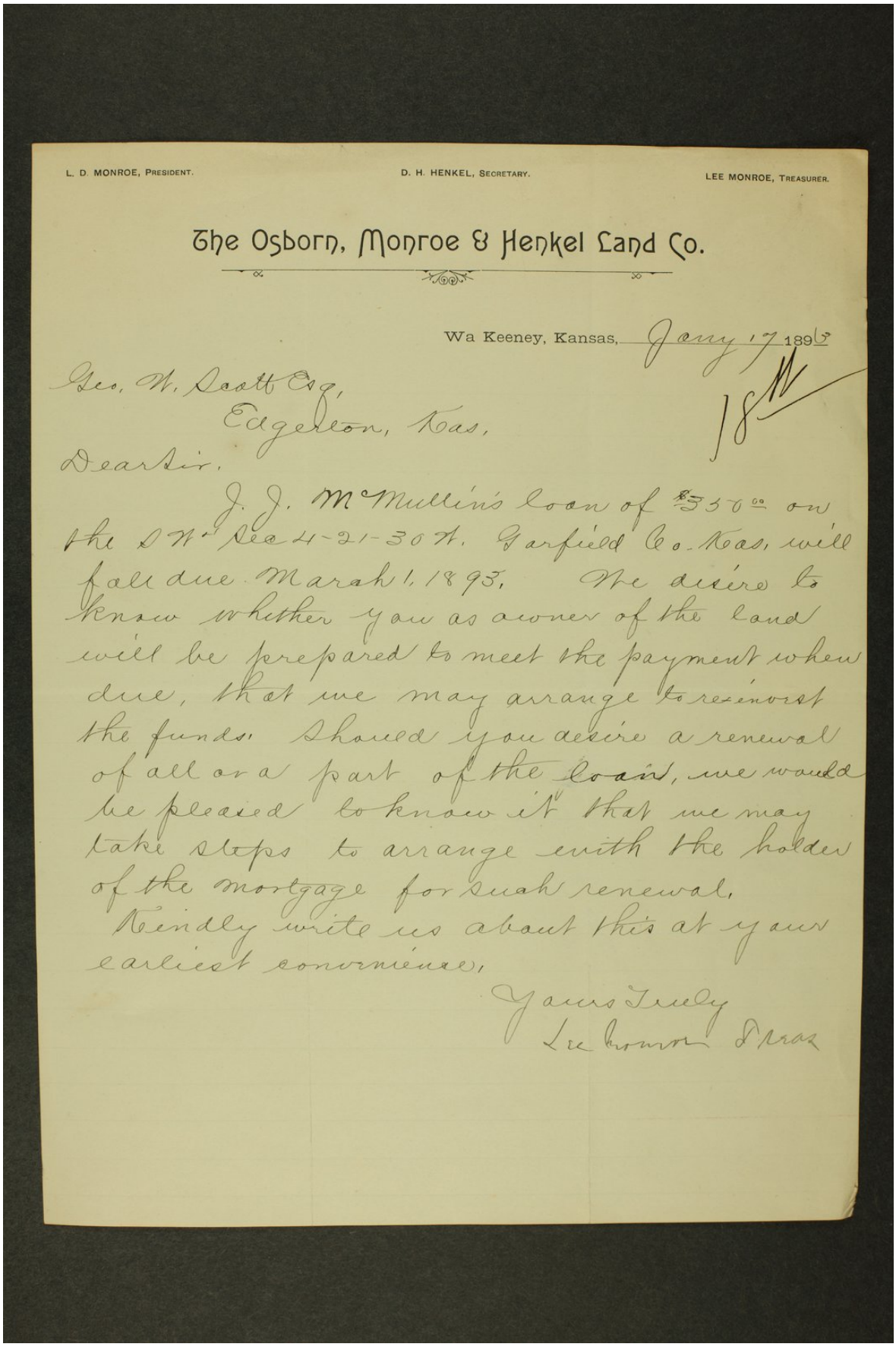
This to advise that I believe that Mrs. Hammond has passed the dangerous point in her sickness, and her recovery is only a matter of time. She has been very sick, and the fever has left her very weak at this writing--she can hardly lift a finger--but we have a good doctor as well as nurse, and she will be O.K. in ten days more, I think. I don't know whether she can become reconciled to this country or not, after this experience. I have been badly discouraged myself. It has been a tough experience for both of us so far, hard work and hard country compared with home. However, I am in hopes we can stick it out. If Mrs. Hammond suffers no relapse, we will have you down here next month. Hoping this may find you all well,

I remain as ever,

Yours truly,

F. S. Hammond

General Manager.



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The Osborn, Monroe & Henkel Land Co.

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Geo. W. Scott Esq,
Edgerton, Kas,

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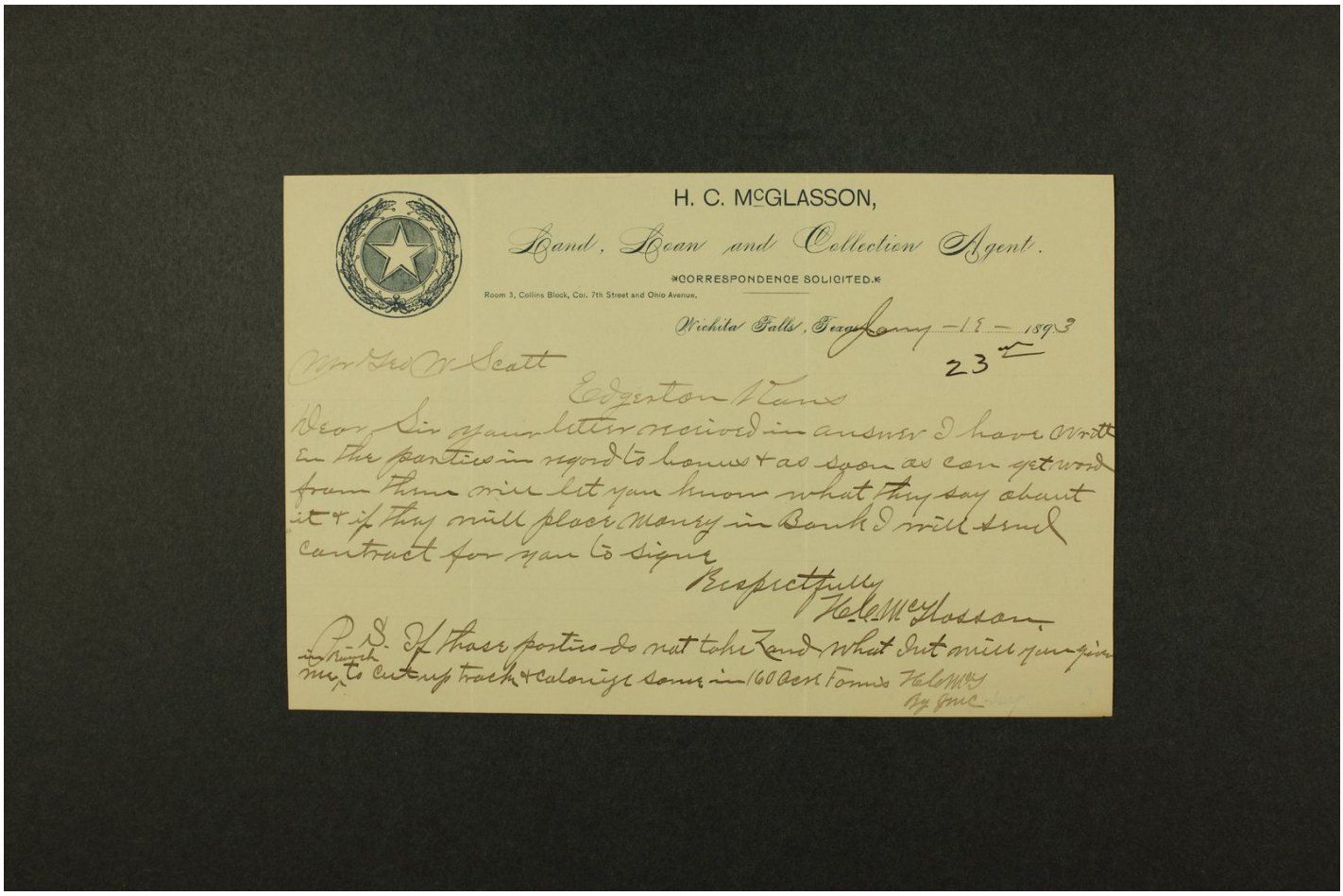
Dear Sir.

J. J. McMullin's loan of $350.00 on the SW¼ Sec 4-21-30 W. Garfield Co. Kas, will fall due March 1, 1893. We desire to know whether you as owner of the land will be prepared to meet the payment when due, that we may arrange to reinvest the funds. Should you desire a renewal of all or a part of the loan, we would be pleased to know it that we may take steps to arrange with the holder of the mortgage for such renewal.

Kindly write us about this at your earliest convenience.

Yours Truly
Lee Monroe Pres

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H. C. McGLASSON,

Land, Loan and Collection Agent.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

Room 3, Collins Block, Cor. 7th Street and Ohio Avenue.

Wichita Falls, Texas Jany 12 1893

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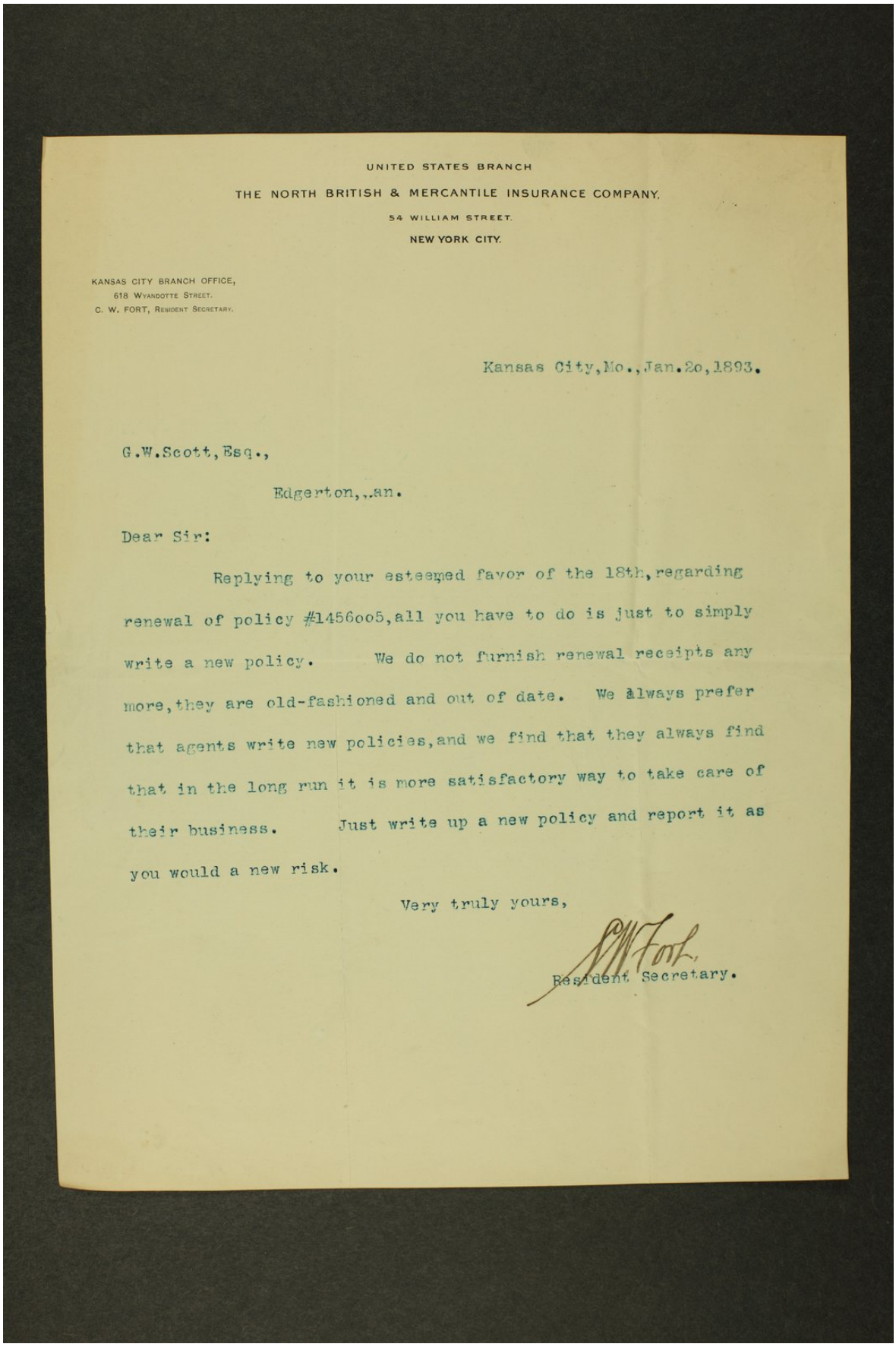
Mr Geo W Scott

Edgerton Kans

Dear Sir your letter received in answer I have written the parties in regard to bonus & as soon as can get word from them will let you know what they say about it & if they will place Money in Bank I will send contract for you to sign

Respectfully
H. C. McGlasson

P. S. If those parties do not take land what lot will you give me to enter & locate some in 160 acre Forms H C McG
By Enc



UNITED STATES BRANCH

THE NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

54 WILLIAM STREET.

NEW YORK CITY.

KANSAS CITY BRANCH OFFICE,
618 WYANDOTTE STREET.
C. W. FORT, RESIDENT SECRETARY.

Kansas City,Mo.,Jan.2o,1893.

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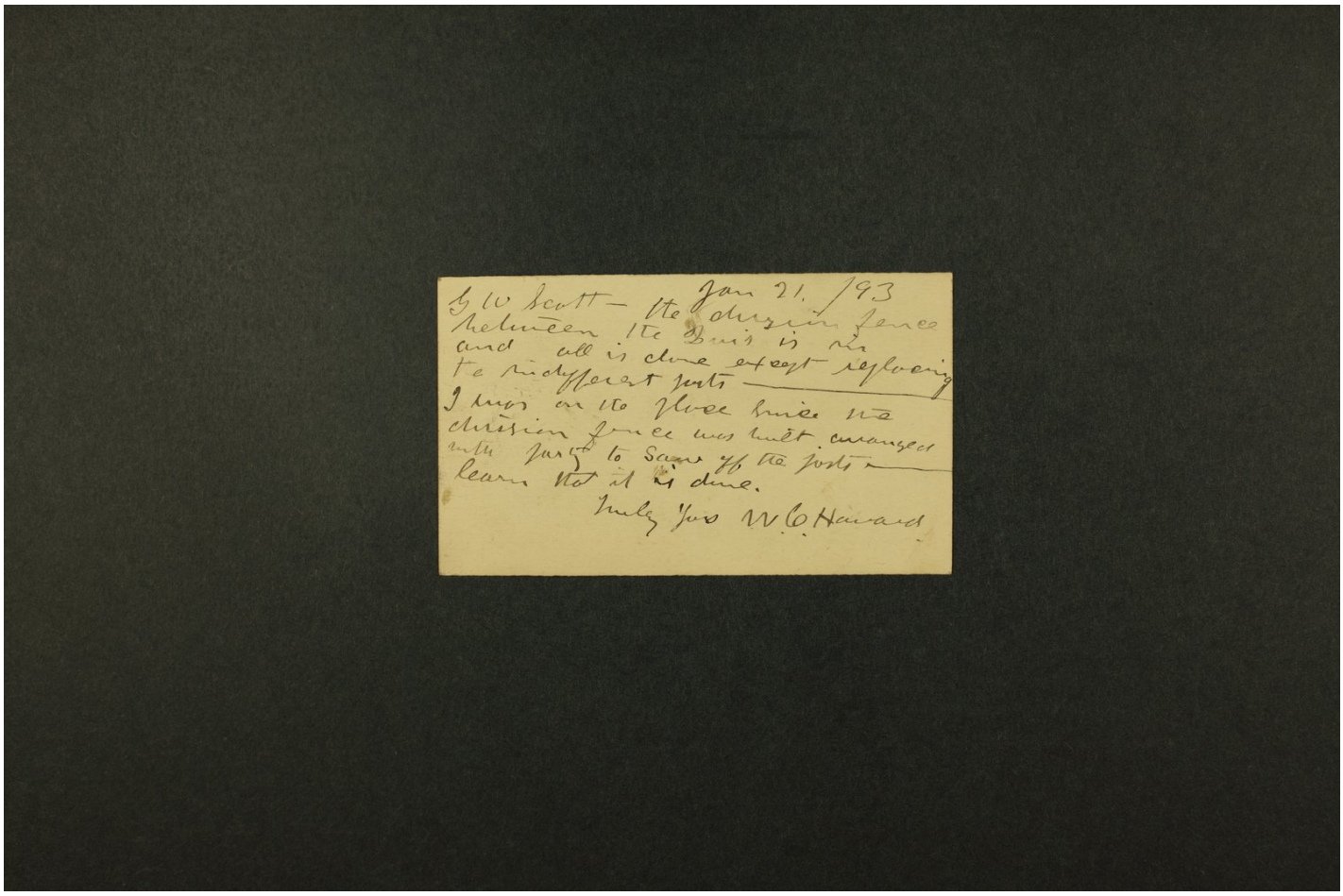
Replying to your esteemed favor of the 18th,regarding renewal of policy #1456oo5,all you have to do is just to simply write a new policy. We do not furnish renewal receipts any more,they are old-fashioned and out of date. We always prefer that agents write new policies,and we find that they always find that in the long run it is more satisfactory way to take care of their business. Just write up a new policy and report it as you would a new risk.

Very truly yours,

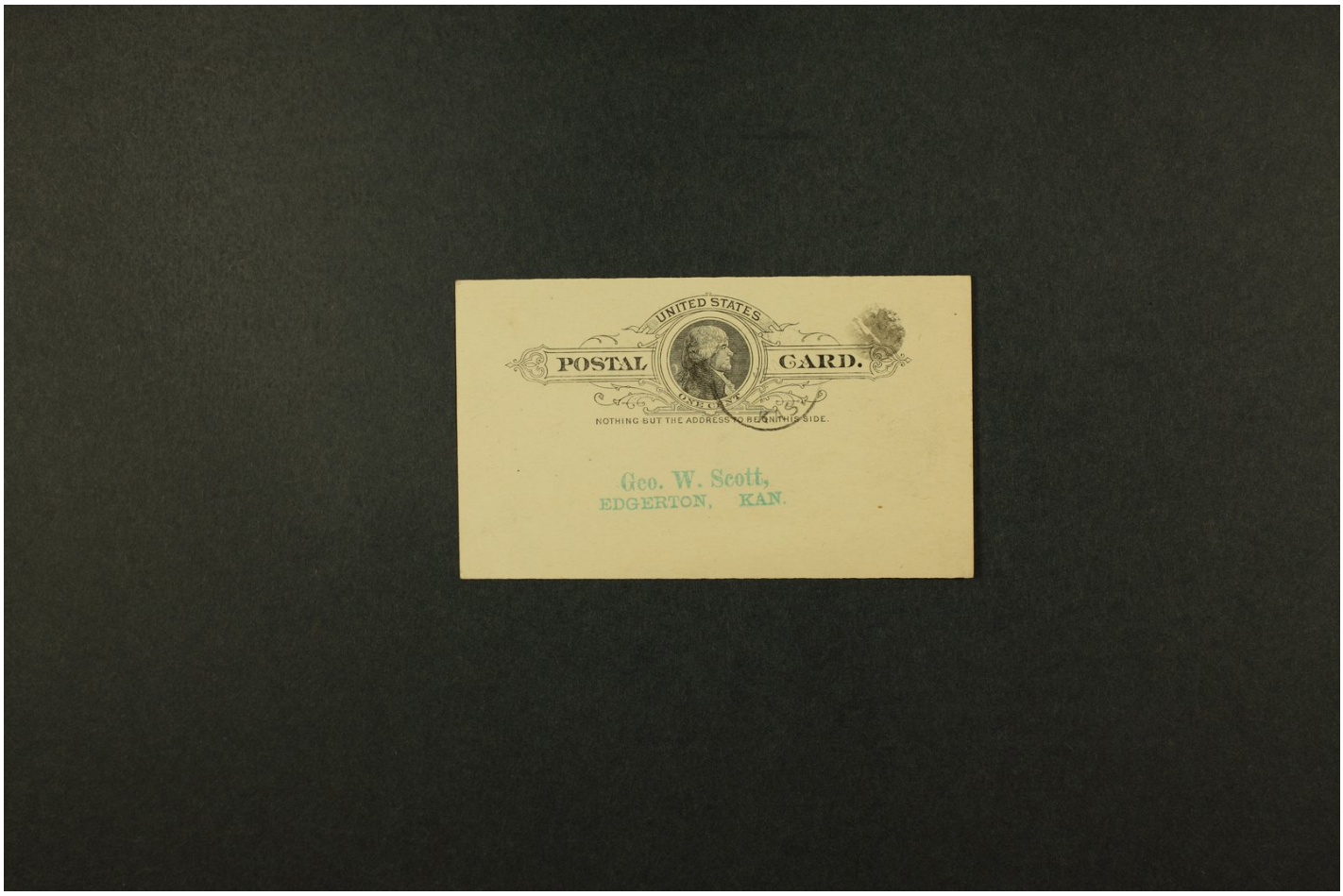
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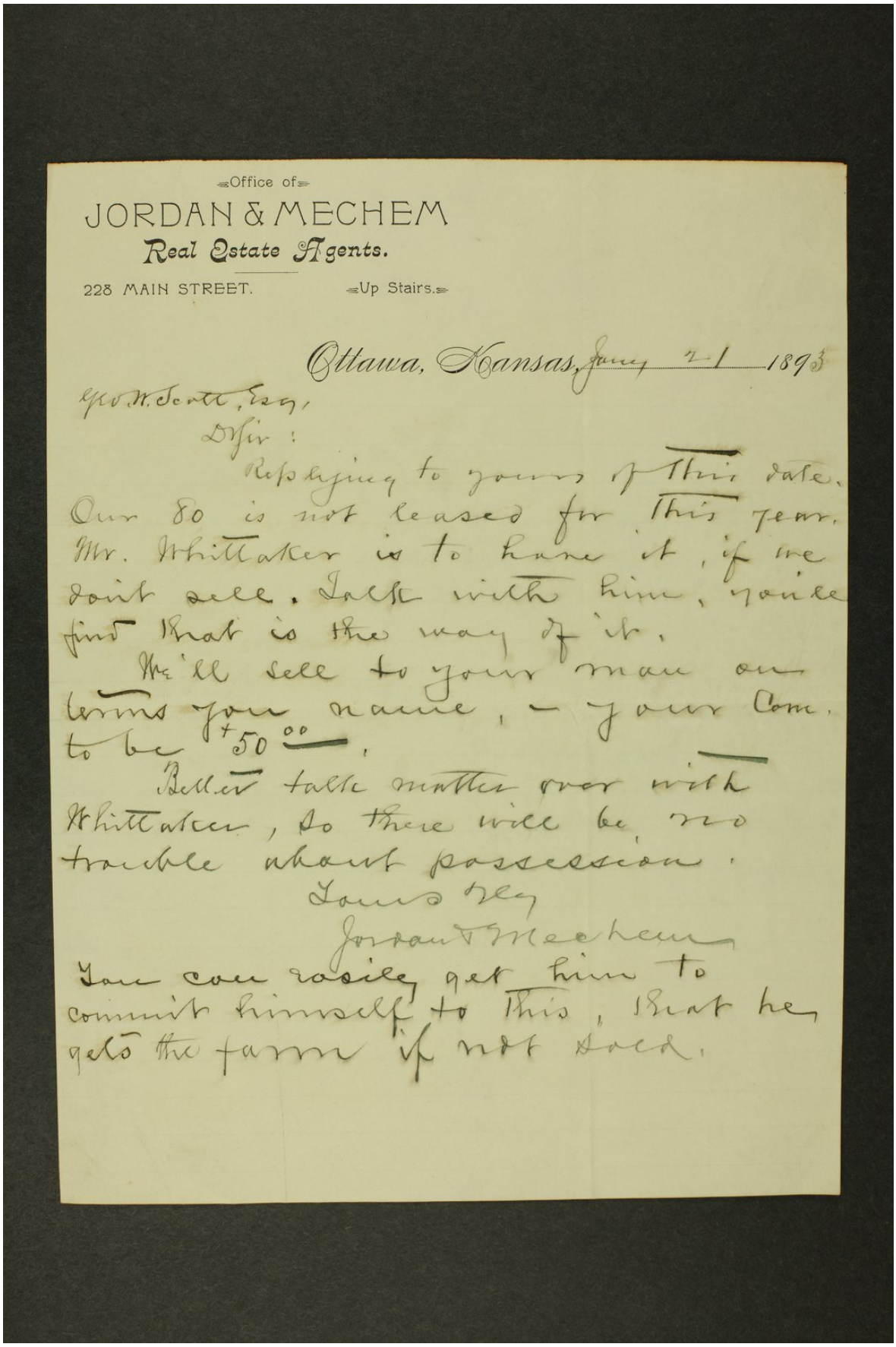
Resident Secretary.

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228 MAIN STREET. Up Stairs.

Ottawa, Kansas, Jany 21 1893

Geo. W. Scott, Esq,
Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of this date. Our 80 is not leased for this year. Mr. Whittaker is to have it, if we don't sell. Talk with him, you'll find that is the way of it.

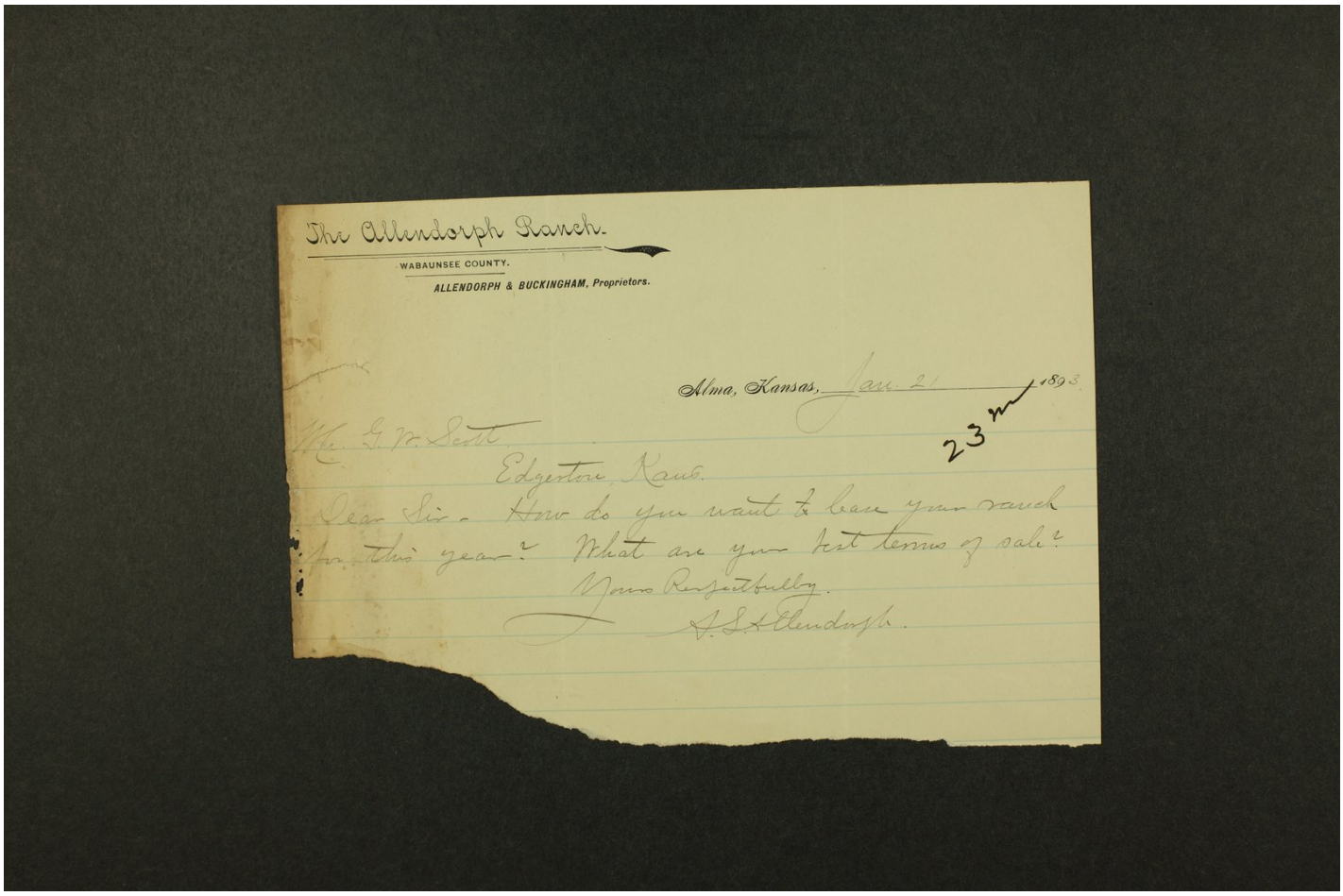
We'll sell to your man on terms you name, — your Com. to be $50.00.

Better talk matter over with Whittaker, so there will be no trouble about possession.

Yours Very
Jordan & Mechem

You can easily get him to commit himself to this, that he gets the farm if not sold.

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The Allendorph Ranch.
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ALLENDORPH & BUCKINGHAM, Proprietors.

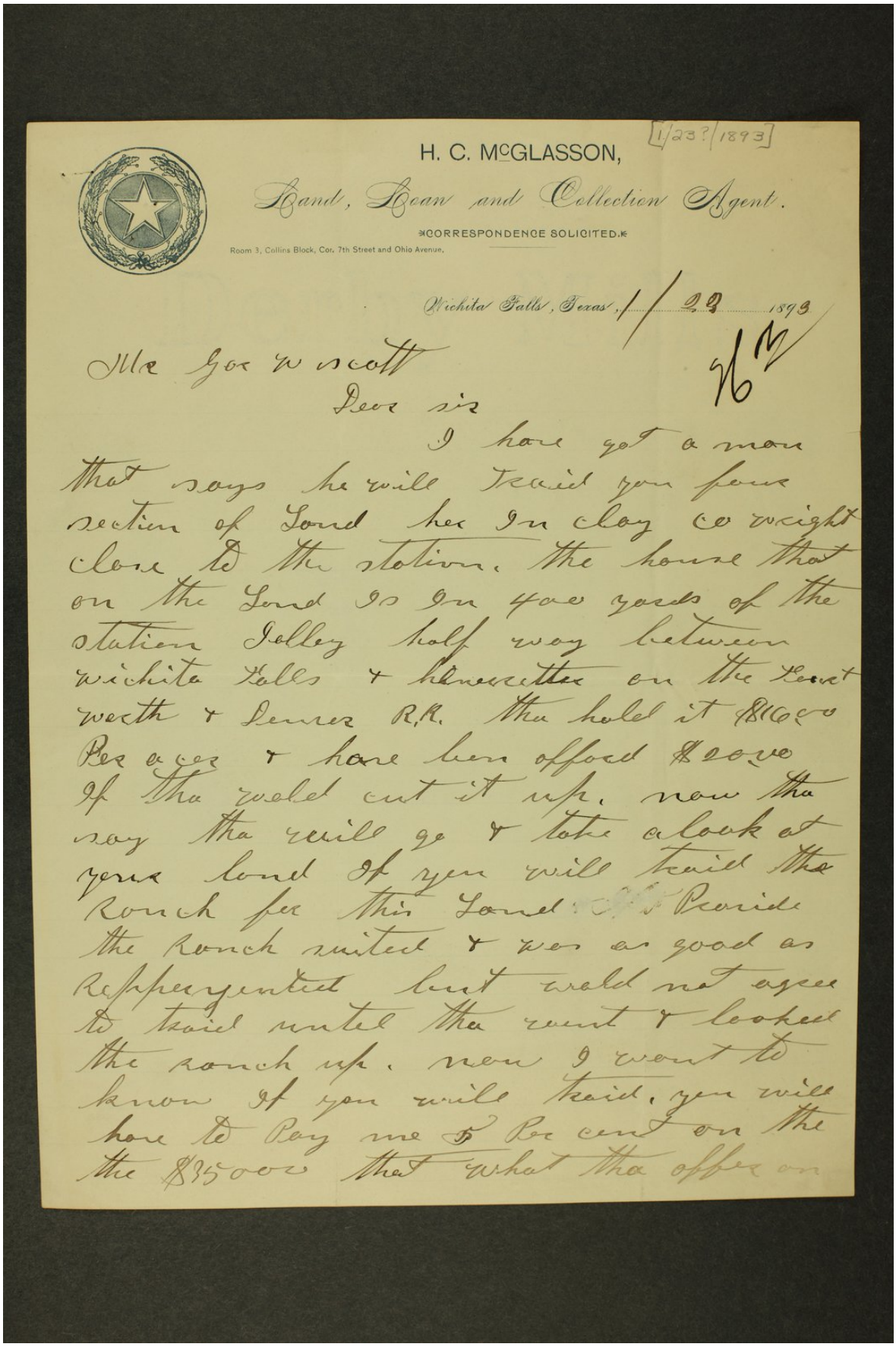
Alma, Kansas, Jan 21 1893.

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Wm G W. Scott.
Edgerton, Kans.

Dear Sir - How do you want to lease your ranch for this year? What are your best terms of sale?

Yours Respectfully.
J. S. Allendorph.



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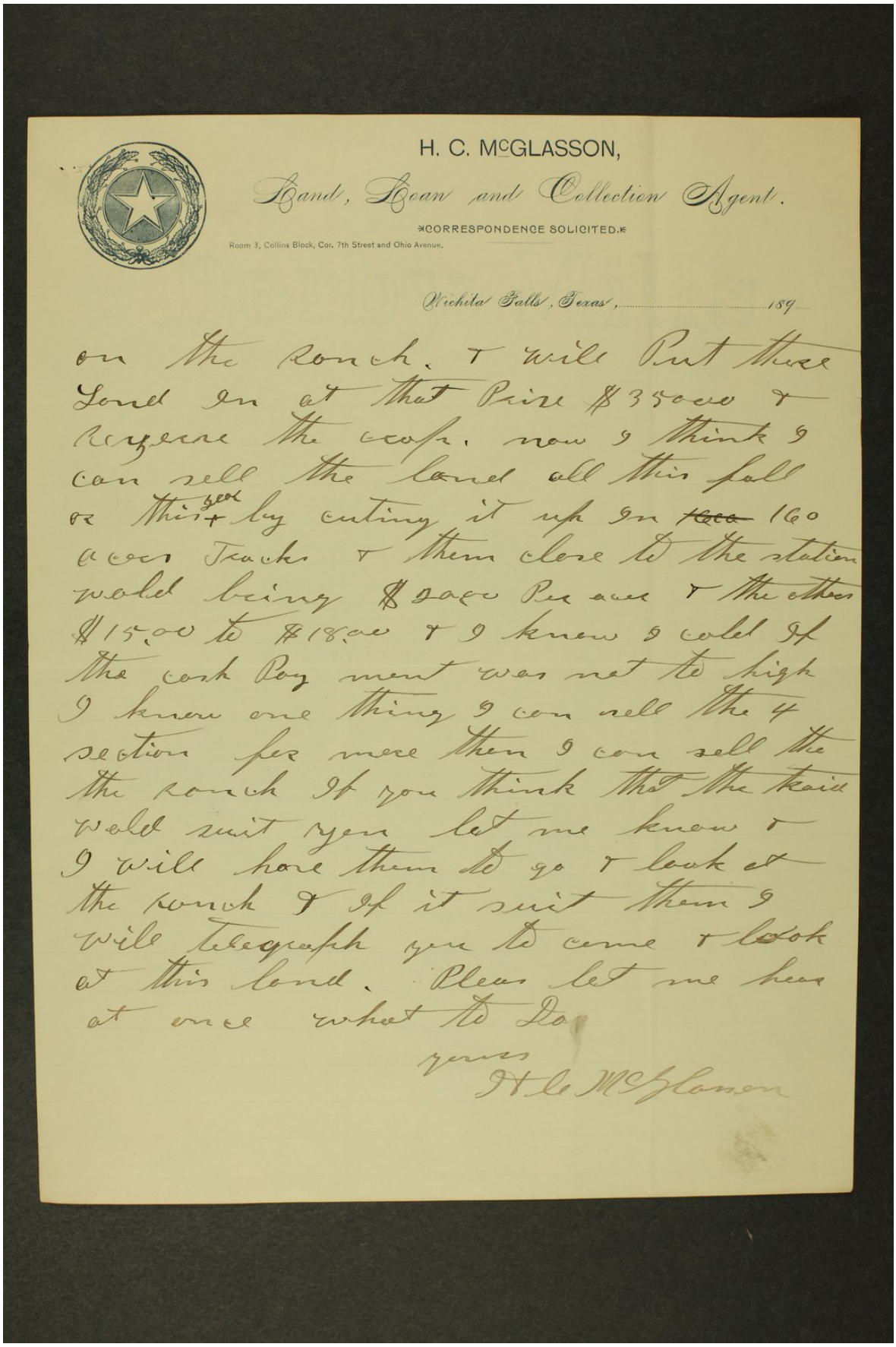
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Wichita Falls, Texas, 1/23 1893

Mr Geo W Scott

Dear sir

I have got a man that says he will trade you four section of land her in clay Co wright close to the station. the house that on the land is in four yards of the station Jolley half way between wichita Falls & Henrietta on the Fort worth & Denver R.R. the hold it $10 00 Per acre & have ben offerd $8 00 if the wold cut it up. now the way the will go & take a look at your land if you will trade the Ranch for this land & Provide the Ranch suited & was as good as Represented but would not agree to trade until the rent & looked the ranch up. now I want to know if you will trade. you will have to pay me 5 Per cent on the the $3500 00 that what the offer on



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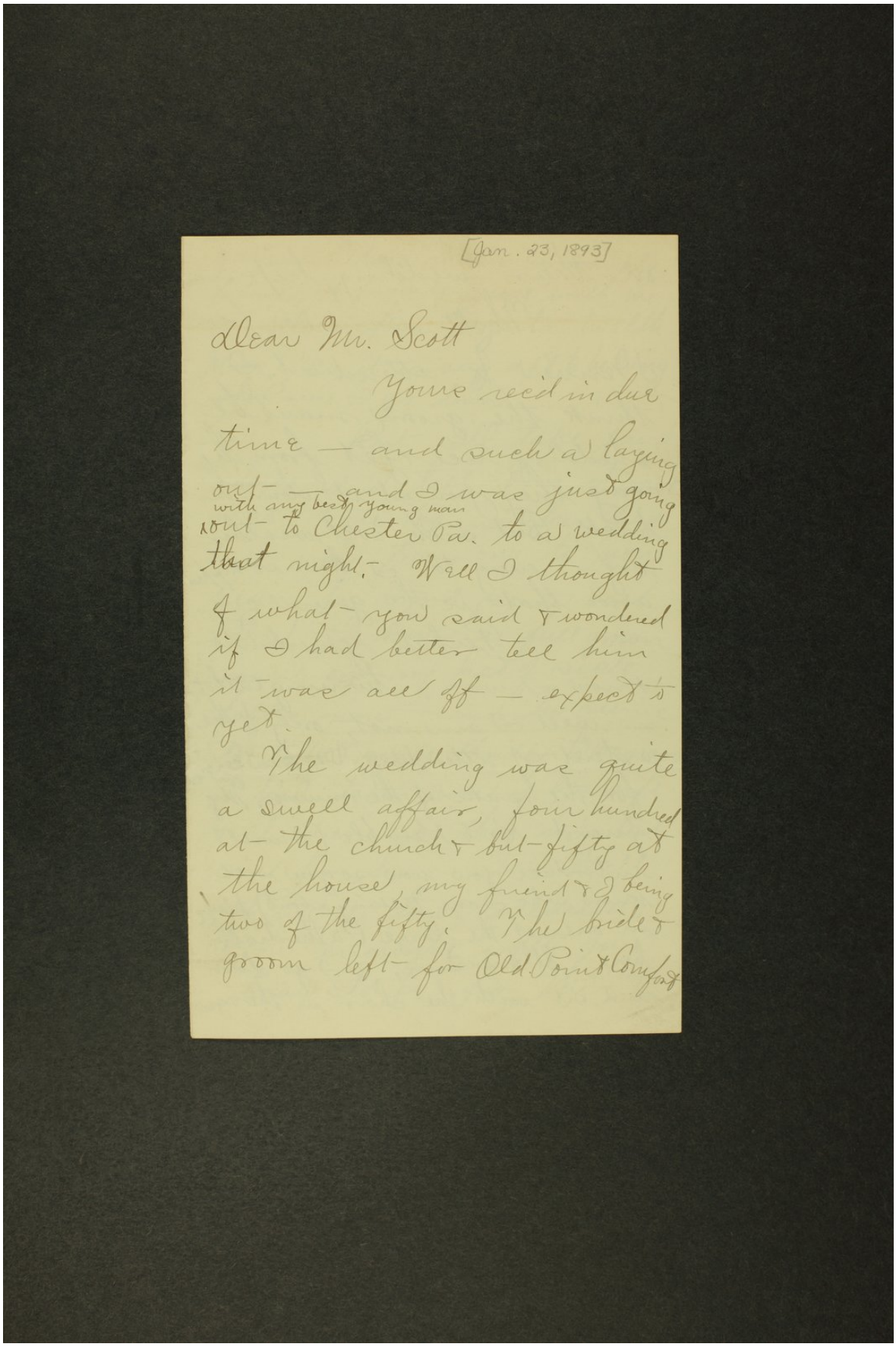
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on the ranch. I will put these
land on at that price $3.50 an
acre the cash. now I think I
can sell the land all this fall
or this ~~year~~ by cuting it up in ~~160~~ 160
acres tracts & them close to the station
would bring $5 an acre & the others
$15.00 to $18.00 & I knew I could if
the cash Payment was not to high
I know one thing I can sell the 4
section for more then I can sell the
the ranch If you think that the tract
would suit you let me know &
I will have them to go & look at
the ranch & if it suit them I
will telegraph you to come & look
at this land. Please let me here
at once what to Do

yours

H C McGlasson

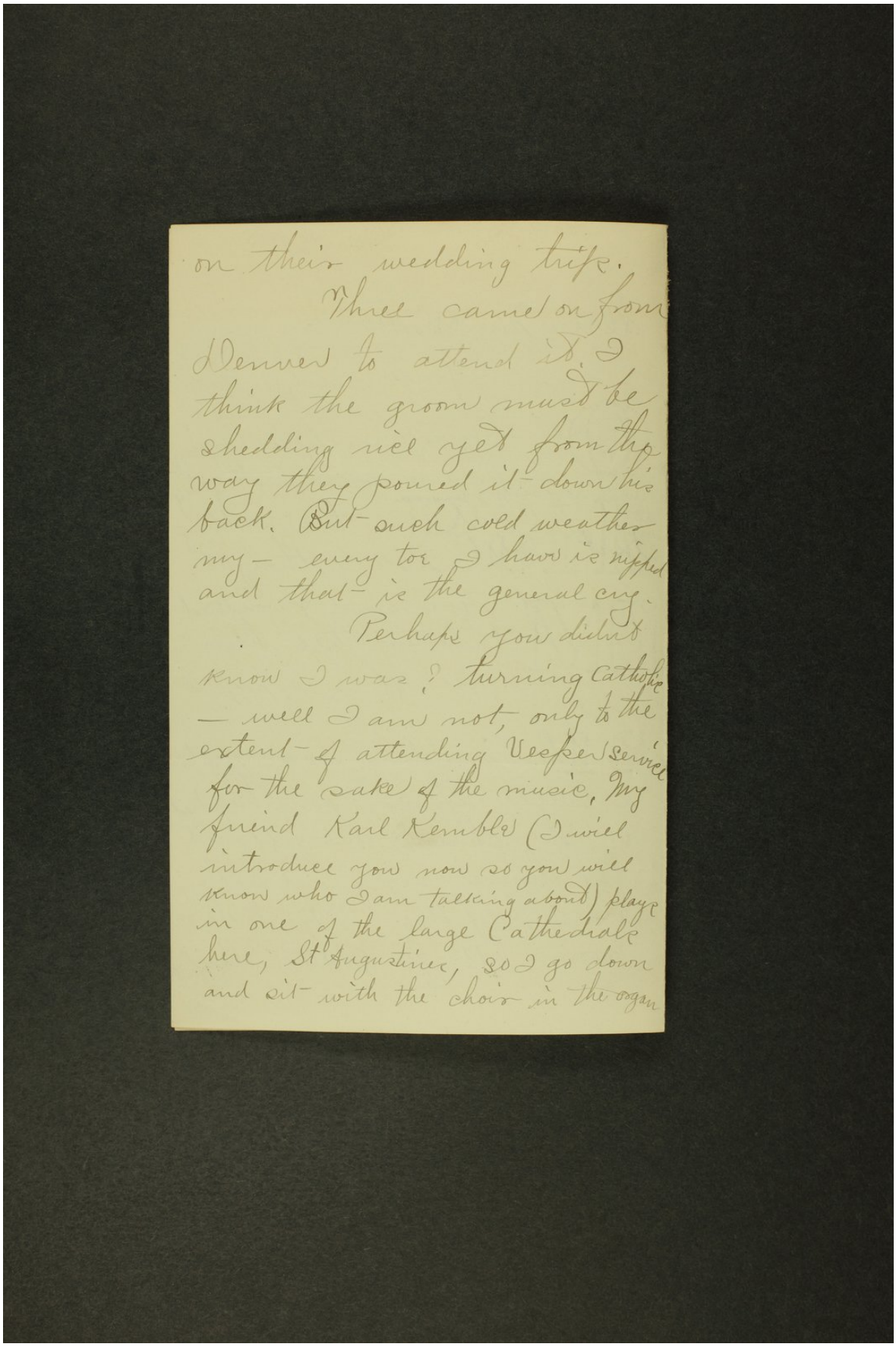


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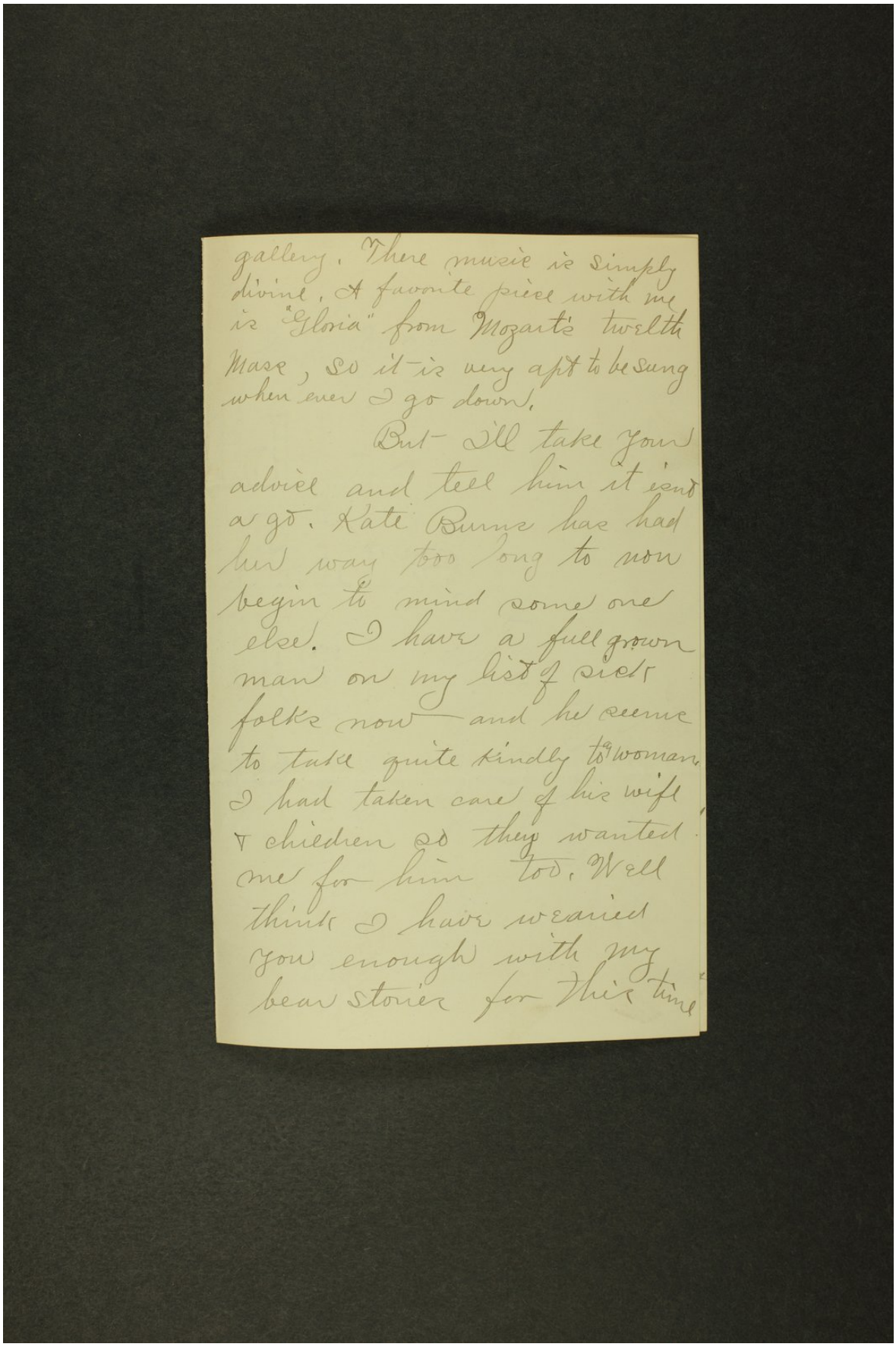
Dear Mr. Scott

Yours recd in due time — and such a laying out — and I was just going out — to Chester Pa. to a wedding with any best young man that night. Well I thought & what you said & wondered if I had better tell him it was all off — expect it yet.

The wedding was quite a swell affair, four hundred at the church & but fifty at the house, my friend & I being two of the fifty. The bride & groom left for Old Point & Comfort



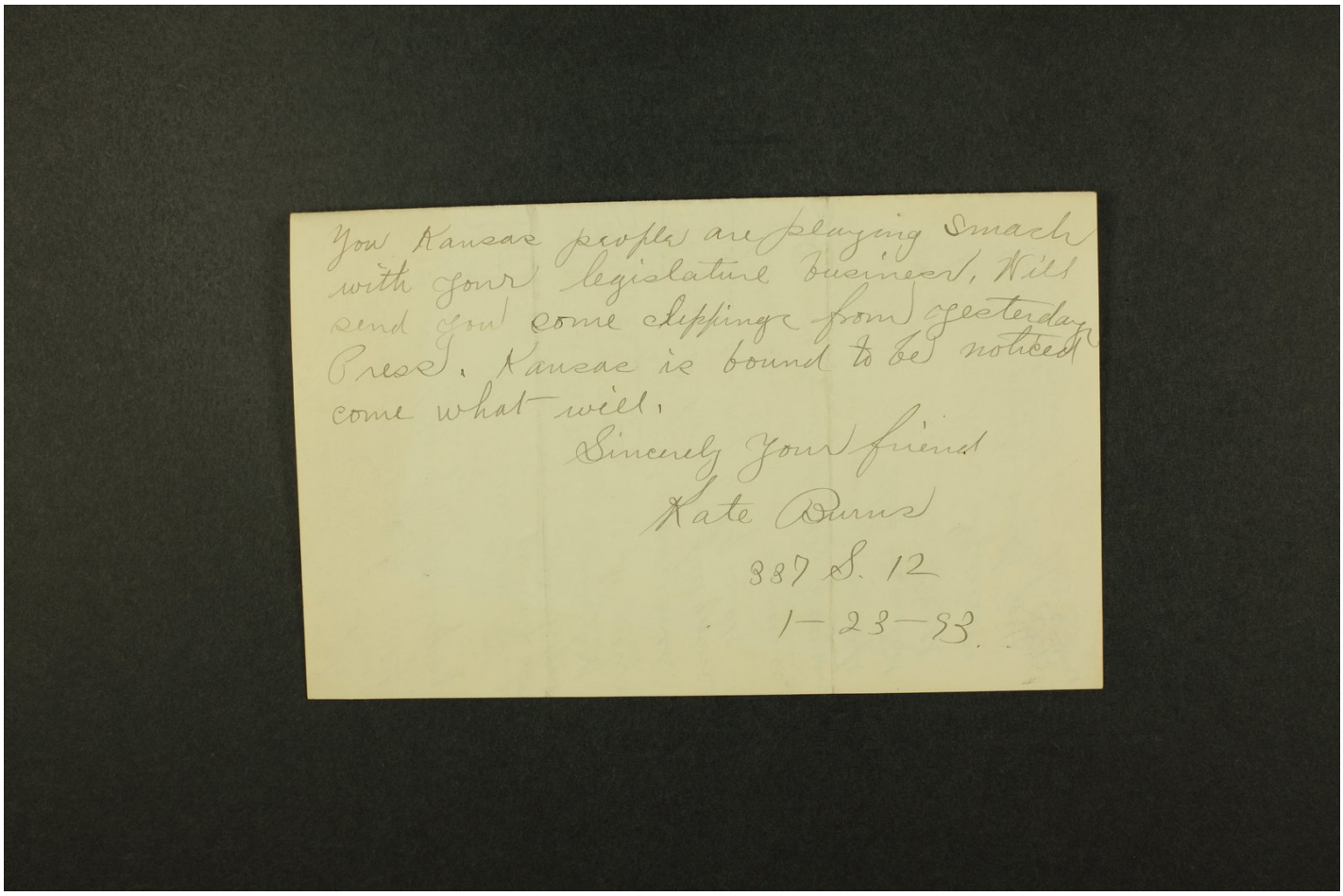
on their wedding trip.
Three came on from
Denver to attend it. I
think the groom must be
shedding rice yet from the
way they poured it down his
back. But such cold weather
my — every toe & hand is nipped
and that is the general cry.
Perhaps you didn't
know I was turning Catholic
— well I am not, only to the
extent of attending Vesper service
for the sake of the music. My
friend Karl Kemble (I will
introduce you now so you will
know who I am talking about) plays
in one of the large Cathedrals
here, St Augustine, so I go down
and sit with the choir in the organ



gallery. There music is simply divine. A favorite piece with me is "Gloria" from Mozart's twelfth Mass, so it is very apt to be sung when ever I go down.

But I'll take your advice and tell him it isn't a go. Katie Burns has had her way too long to now begin to mind some one else. I have a full grown man on my list of sick folks now — and he seems to take quite kindly to woman. I had taken care of his wife & children so they wanted me for him too. Well I think I have wearied you enough with my bear stories for this time

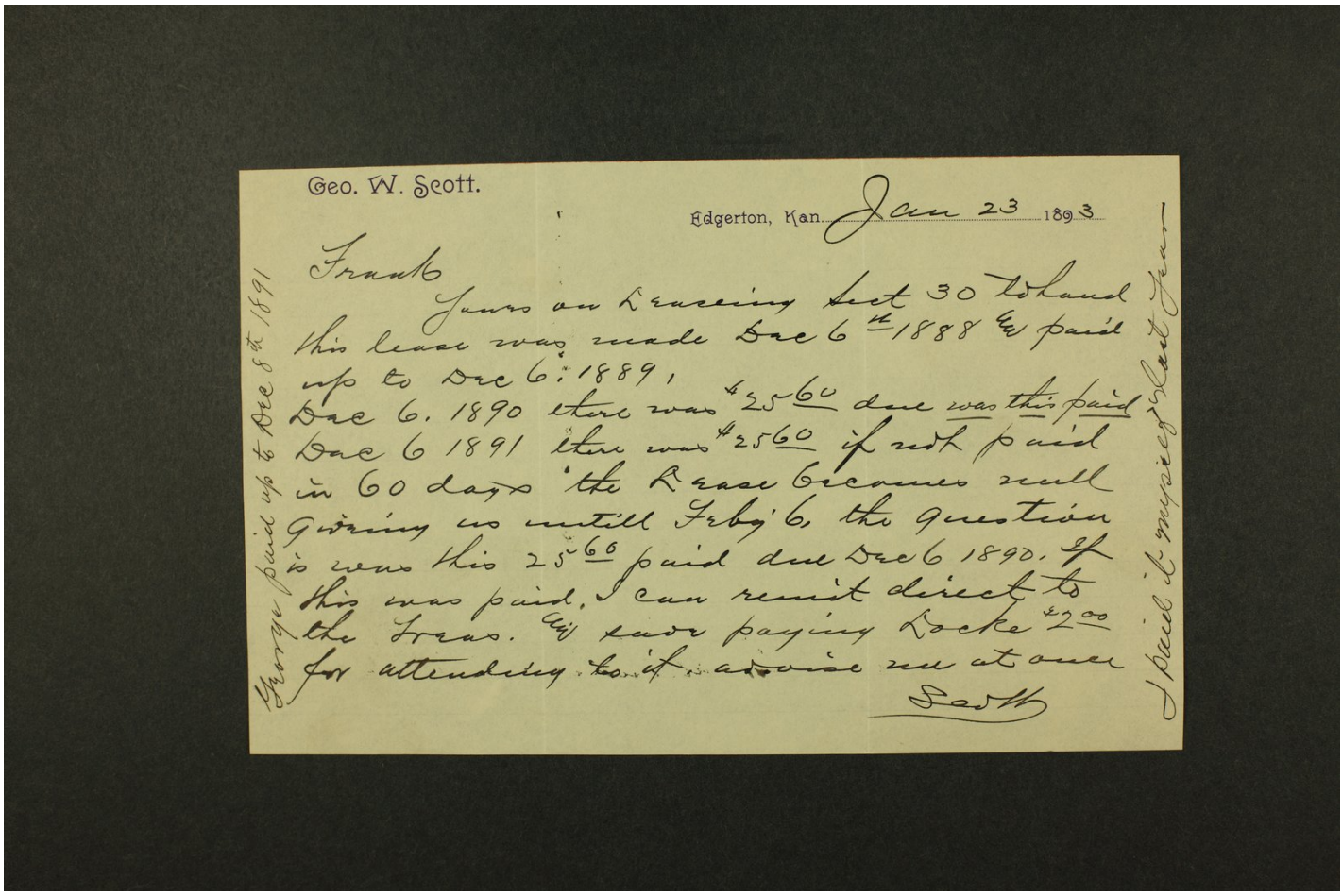
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You Kansas people are playing Smash with your legislature business. Will send you some clippings from yesterday Press. Kansas is bound to be noticed come what will.

Sincerely Your friend
Kate Burns
387 S. 12
1-23-93.

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Geo. W. Scott.

Edgerton, Kan. Jan 23 1893

Frank

Yours on receiving last 30 to hand this lease was made Dec 6th 1888 & paid up to Dec 6. 1889, Dec 6. 1890 there was $25.60 due was this paid Dec 6 1891 there was $25.60 if not paid in 60 days the Lease becomes null giving us until Feby 6. the question is was this 25.60 paid due Dec 6 1890. If this was paid, I can remit direct to the Treas. & save paying Locke $2.00 for attending to it. advise me at once

Yours

George paid up to Dec 6th 1891

I paid it myself last Jan

C. W. GANO. EST. OF J. T. GANO.

GANO BROS.,
REAL ESTATE AND LOANS.

DALLAS, TEXAS, January 23rd. 1892.

G.W.Scott Esq.

Edgerton

Dear Sir :-, Kansas.

Yours of the 20th. inst, received.

We were under the impression that we had informed you that we would va
-cate the pasture on or before the 1st of January '93.

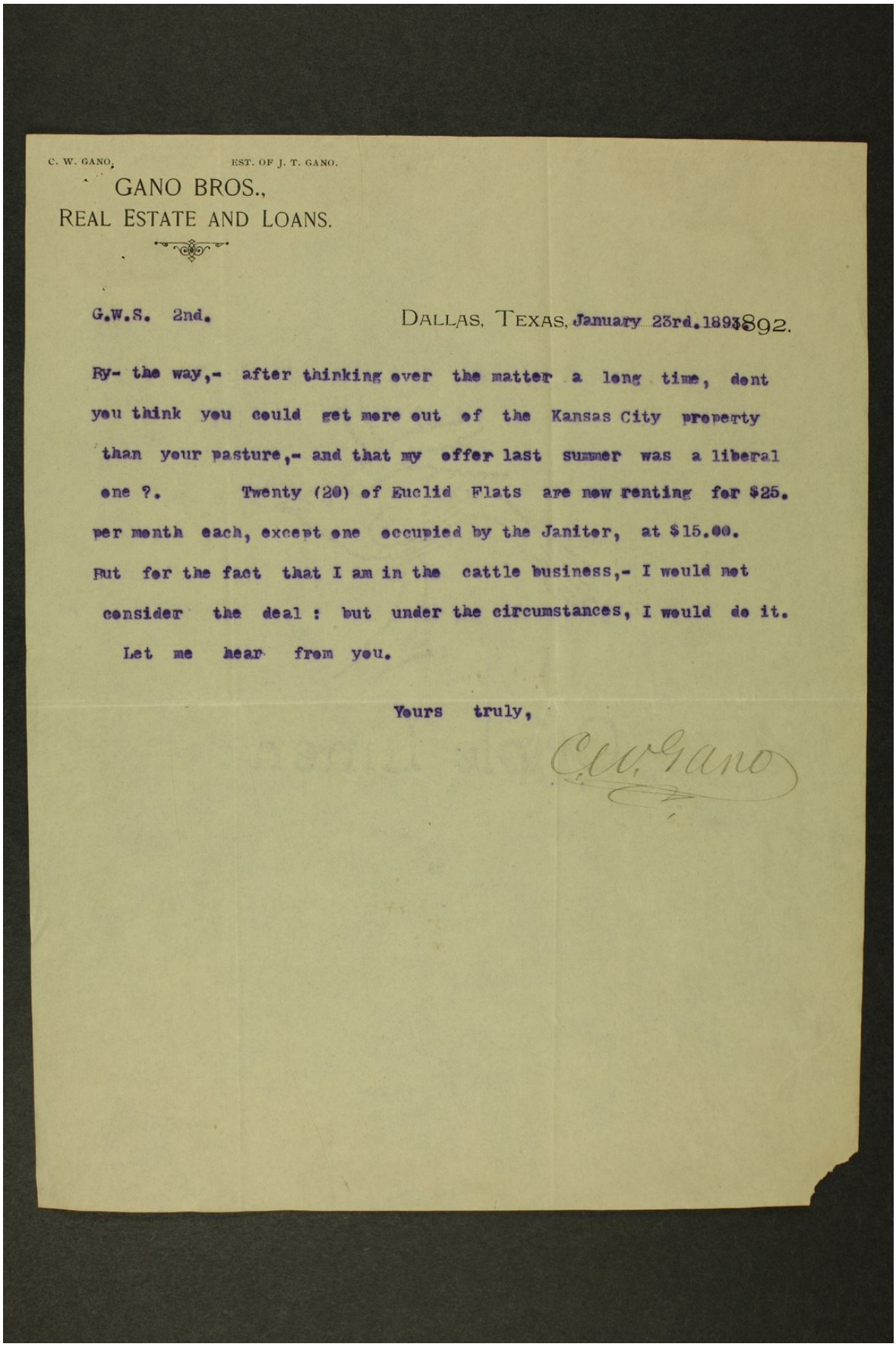
I know it was my intention to write you to that effect, soon after our Company's meeting in December.

I now have to say, that our cat-
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-tle were sold and moved out, on Dec. 16th. last.

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Moody of Cannadian City, offering the pasture for the present year, at $1750.00.

This is most too stiff for me, and indeed I do not think the pasture is good for anything but summer grazing, & consequently could only be used about six months in the year.

My cattle failed to fatten there last year, but this I attribute partly to the flies, which were very bad last year ; and I might consider it on something like the ~~ter-m~~ terms of last years lease. I am figuring on an other pasture, att present, but may not get it, so let me know what is the best you will do on yours.



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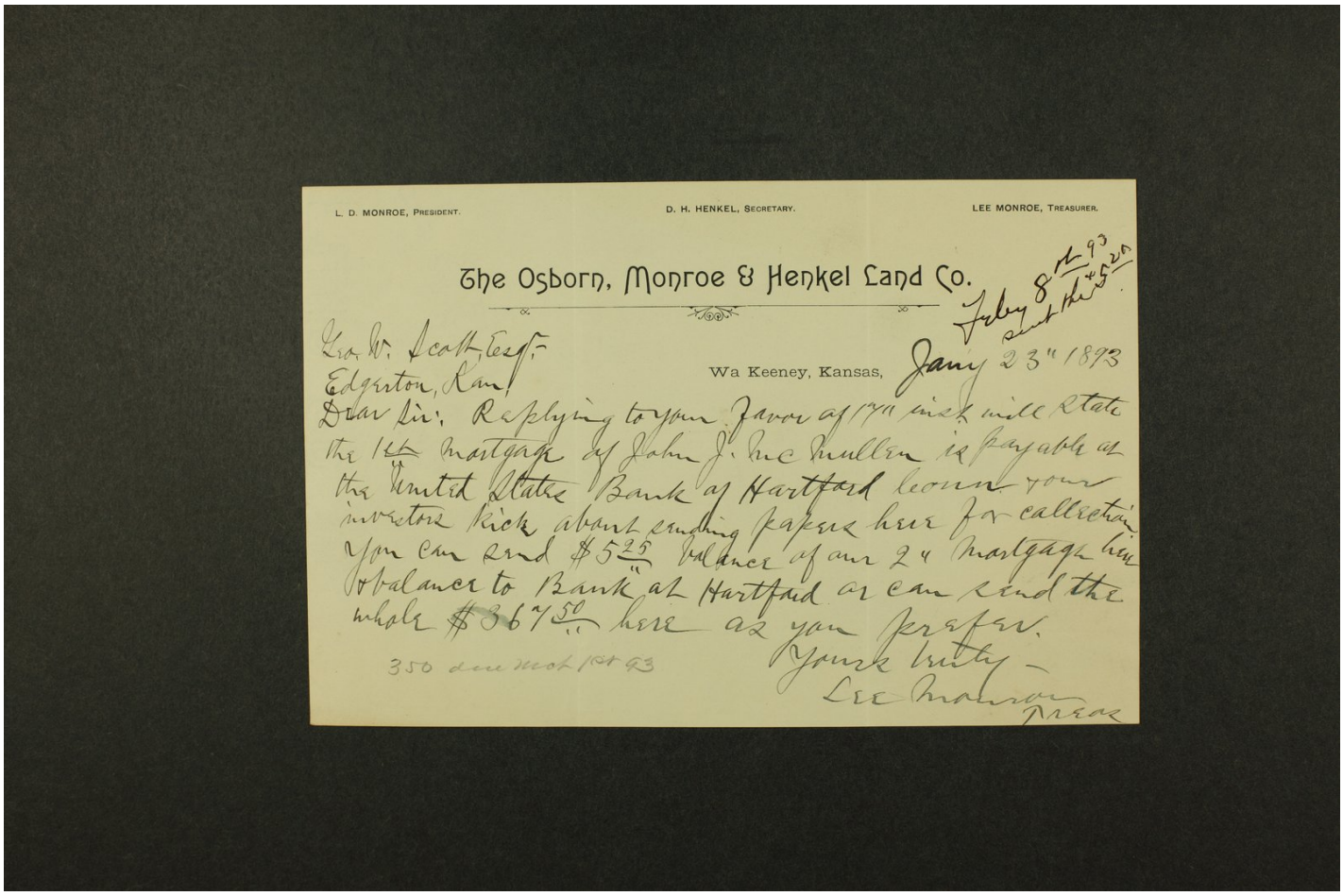
By- the way,- after thinking over the matter a long time, dont you think you could get more out of the Kansas City property than your pasture,- and that my offer last summer was a liberal one ?. Twenty (20) of Euclid Flats are now renting for $25. per month each, except one occupied by the Janiter, at $15.00. But for the fact that I am in the cattle business,- I would not consider the deal : but under the circumstances, I would do it.

Let me hear from you.

Yours truly,

C. W. Gano

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L. D. MONROE, PRESIDENT. D. H. HENKEL, SECRETARY. LEE MONROE, TREASURER.

The Osborn, Monroe & Henkel Land Co.

Feby 8th 93 sent the $5.25

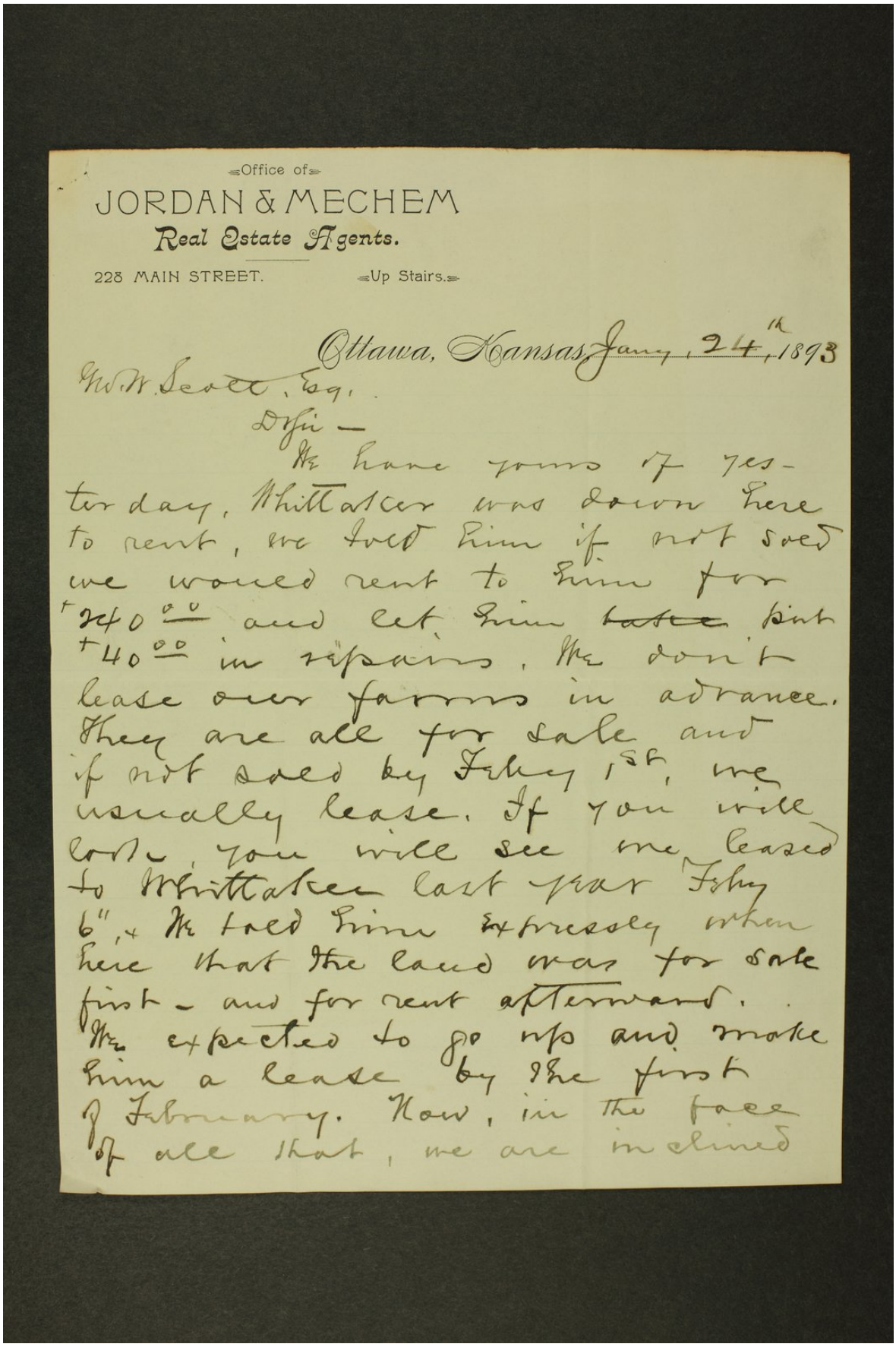
Wa Keeney, Kansas, Janu 23" 1893

Geo W. Scott Esq.
Edgerton, Kan.

Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of 17th inst. will state the 1st mortgage of John J. McMullen is payable at the United States Bank of Hartford. Soon as our investors kick about sending papers here for collection you can send $5.25 balance of our 2d mortgage here & balance to Bank at Hartford as can send the whole $367.50 here as you prefer.

350 due Mch 1st 93

Yours truly —
Lee Monroe
Treas



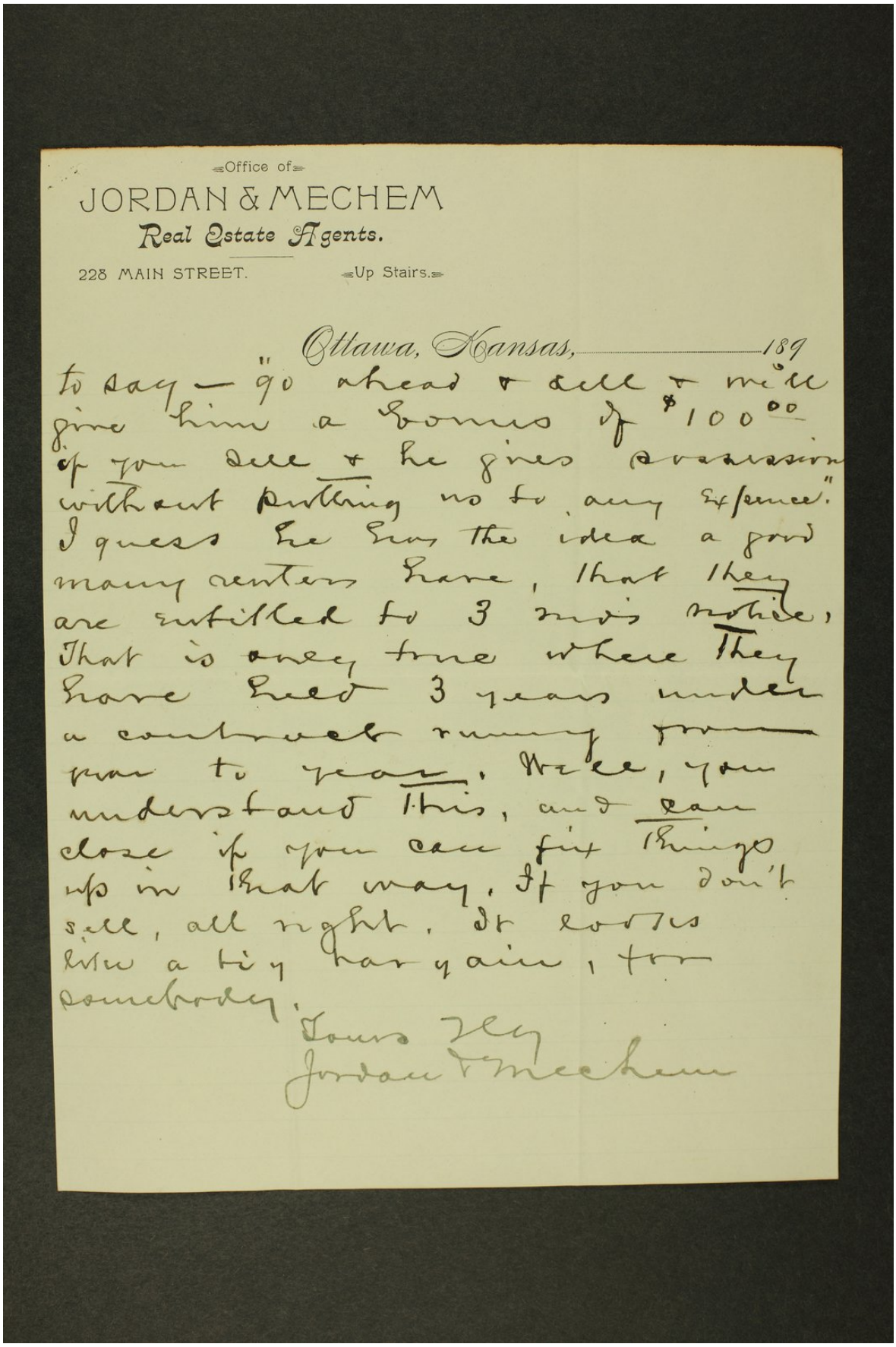
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Ottawa, Kansas, Jany. 24th, 1893

G.W. Scott, Esq.

Dear Sir —

We have yours of yesterday. Whittaker was down here to rent, we told him if not sold we would rent to him for $240.00 and let him have $40.00 in repairs. We don't lease our farms in advance. They are all for sale and if not sold by Feby 1st, we usually lease. If you will look, you will see we leased to Whittaker last year Feby 6th. We told him expressly when here that the land was for sale first — and for rent afterward. We expected to go up and make him a lease by the first of February. Now, in the face of all that, we are inclined

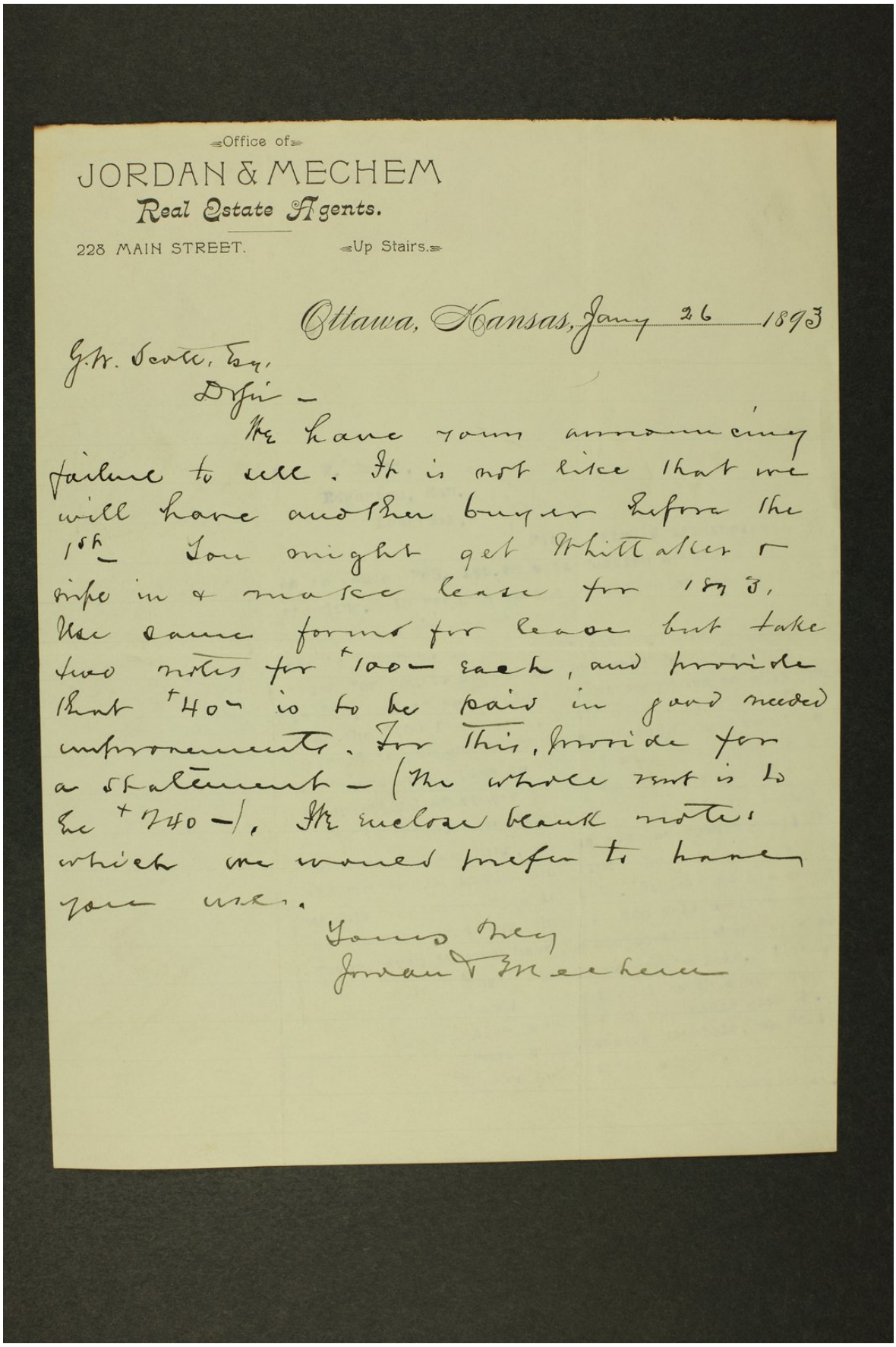


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to say — "go ahead & sell & we'll give him a bonus of $100.00 if you sell & he gives possession without putting us to any expence." I guess he has the idea a good many renters have, that they are entitled to 3 mos notice, That is only true where they have had 3 years under a contract running from year to year. Well, you understand this, and can close if you can fix things up in that way. If you don't sell, all right. It looks like a big bargain, for somebody.

Yours Truly
Jordan & Mechem



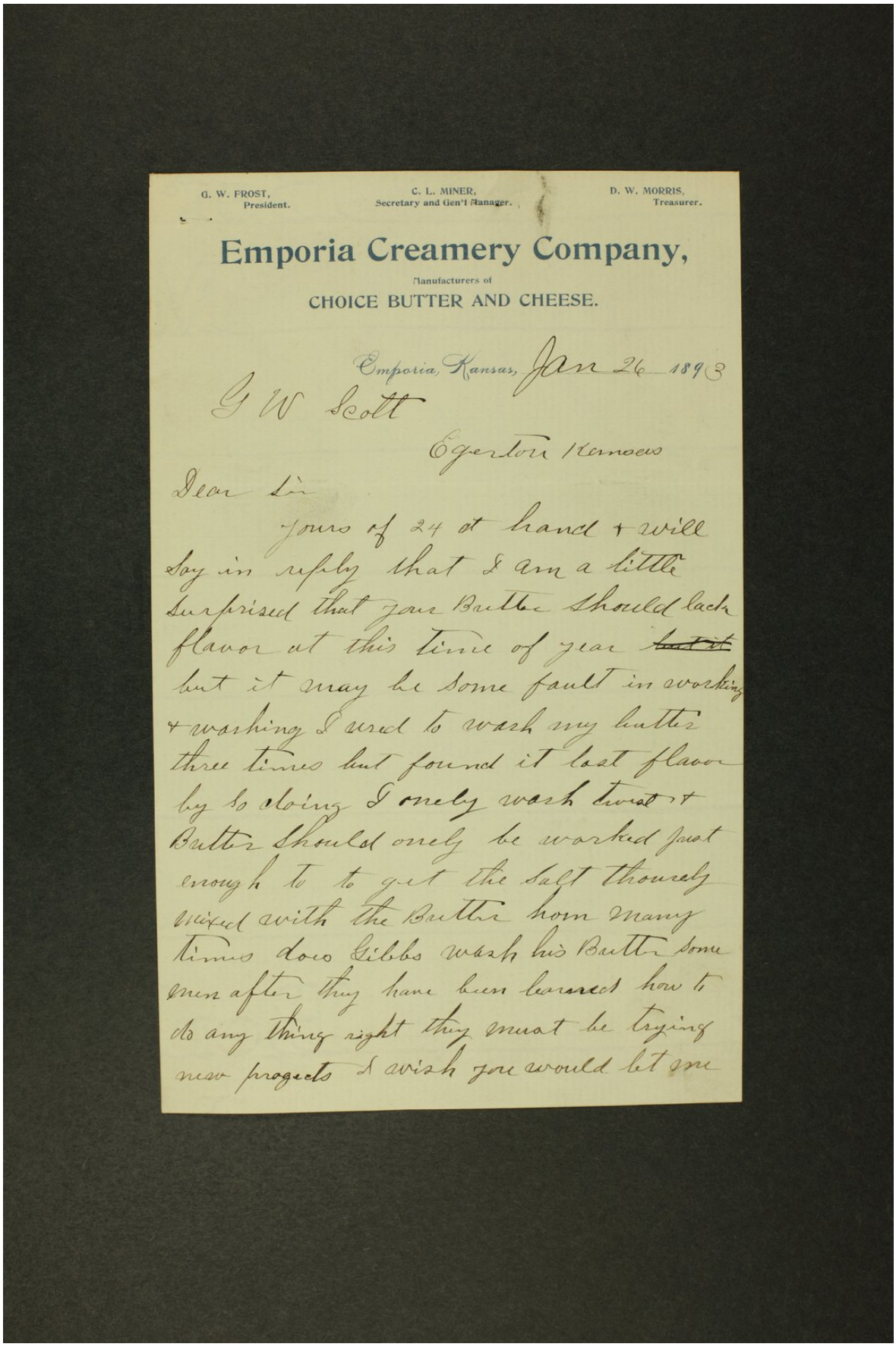
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Ottawa, Kansas, Jany 26 1893

G.W. Scott, Esq.
Dear Sir —

We have yours announcing failure to sell. It is not likely that we will have another buyer before the 1st — You might get Whittaker to sign in a March lease for 1893, the same terms for lease but take two notes for $100 — each, and provide that $40 — is to be paid in good needed improvements. For this, provide for a statement — (the whole rent is to be $240 —), We enclose blank notes which we would prefer to have you use.

Yours Truly
Jordan & Mechem



G. W. FROST, President. C. L. MINER, Secretary and Gen'l Manager. D. W. MORRIS, Treasurer.

Emporia Creamery Company,

Manufacturers of

CHOICE BUTTER AND CHEESE.

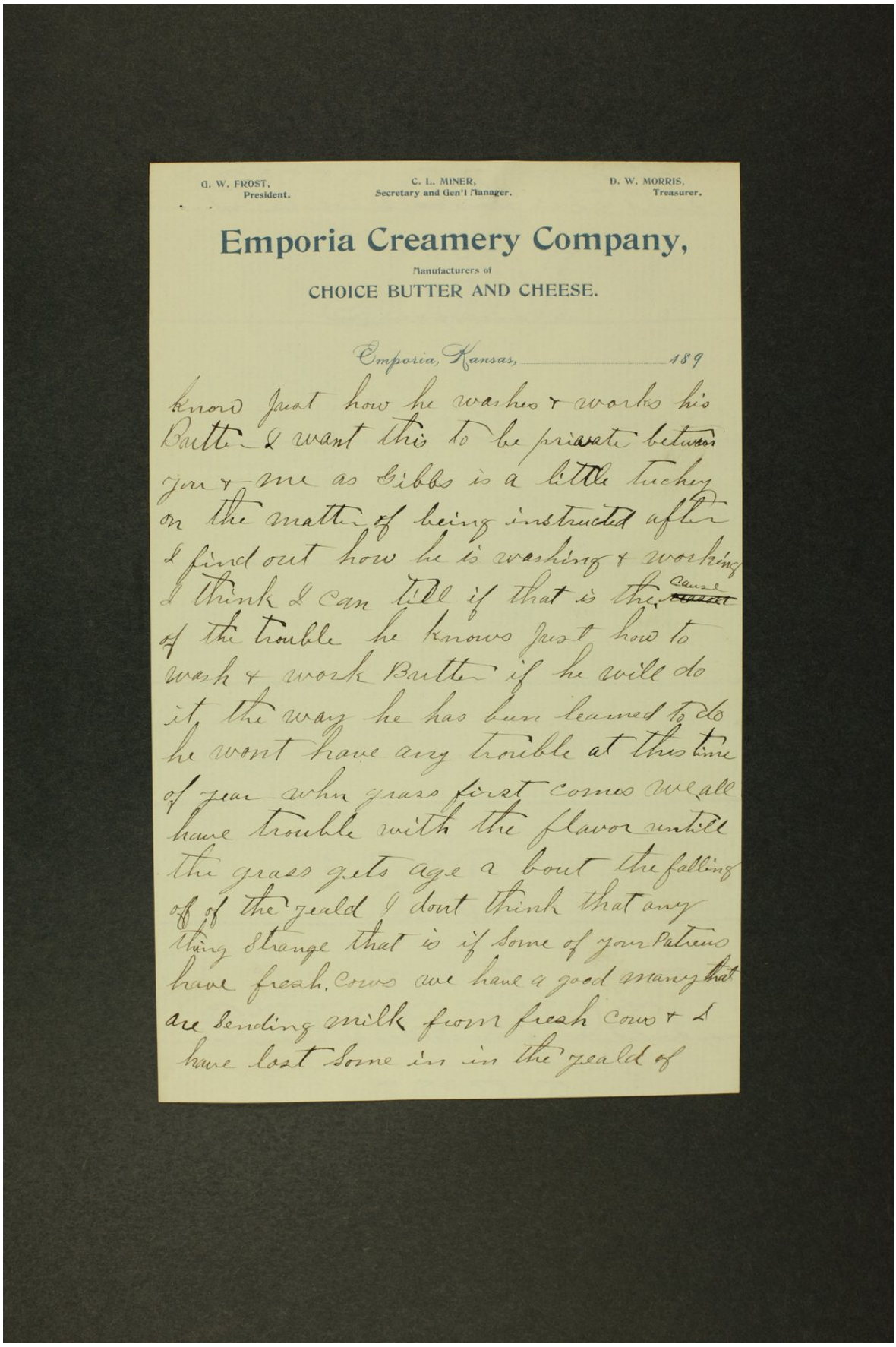
Emporia, Kansas, Jan 26 1893

G W Scott

Egerton Kansas

Dear Sir

Yours of 24 at hand & will say in reply that I am a little surprised that your Butter should lack flavor at this time of year ~~but it~~ but it may be some fault in working & washing I used to wash my butter three times but found it lost flavor by so doing I only wash twice & Butter should only be worked just enough to to get the salt thourely mixed with the Butter how many times does Gibbs wash his Butter some men after they have been learned how to do any thing right they must be trying new projects I wish you would let me



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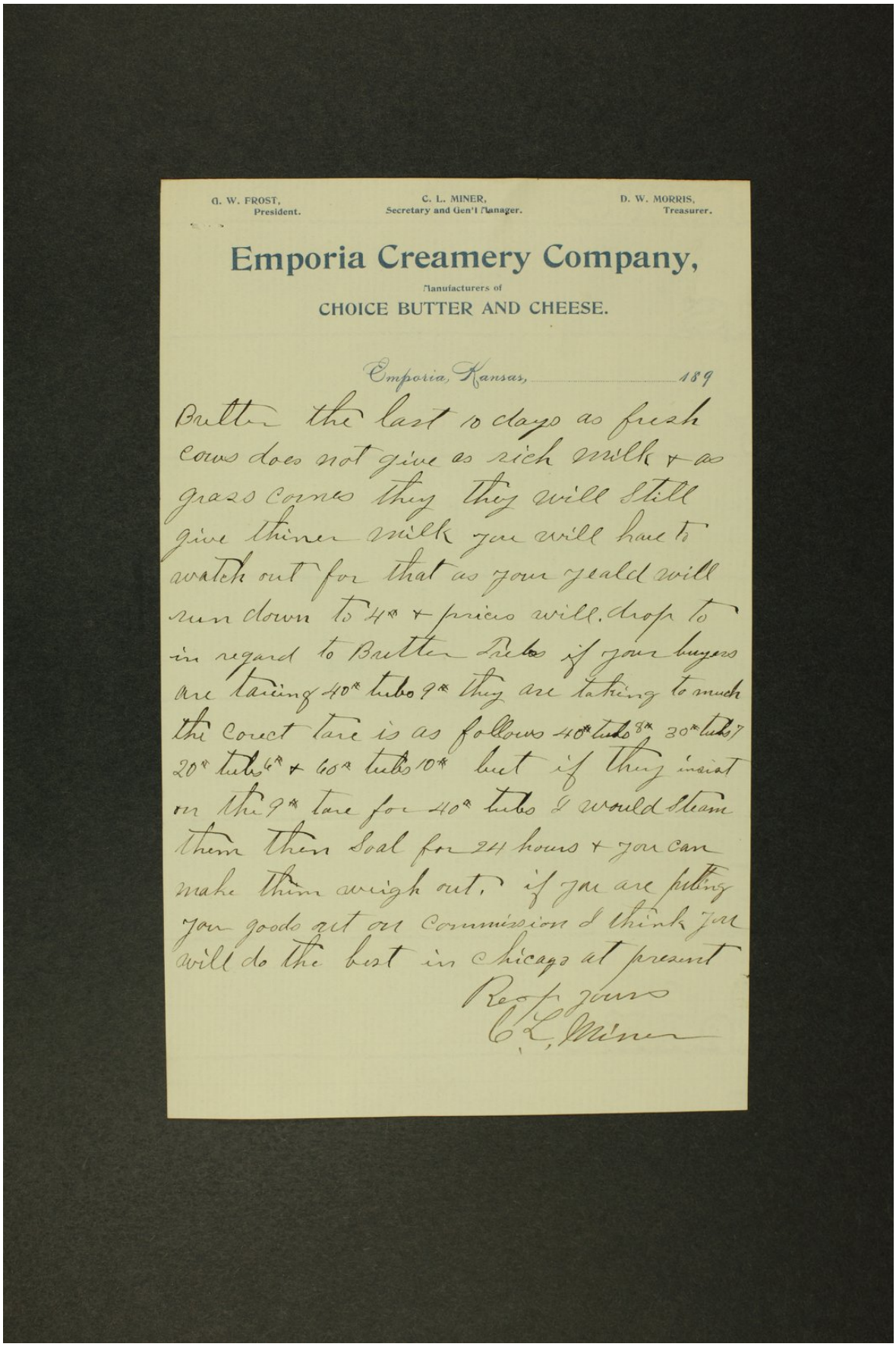
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know just how he washes & works his Butter & want this to be private between you & me as Gibbs is a little touchey on the matter of being instructed after I find out how he is washing & working I think I can tell if that is the ~~cause~~ of the trouble he knows just how to wash & work Butter if he will do it the way he has been learned to do he wont have any trouble at this time of year when grass first comes we all have trouble with the flavor until the grass gets age a bout the falling off of the yeald I dont think that any thing strange that is if some of your Patrons have fresh cows we have a good many that are sending milk from fresh cows & I have lost some in in the yeald of



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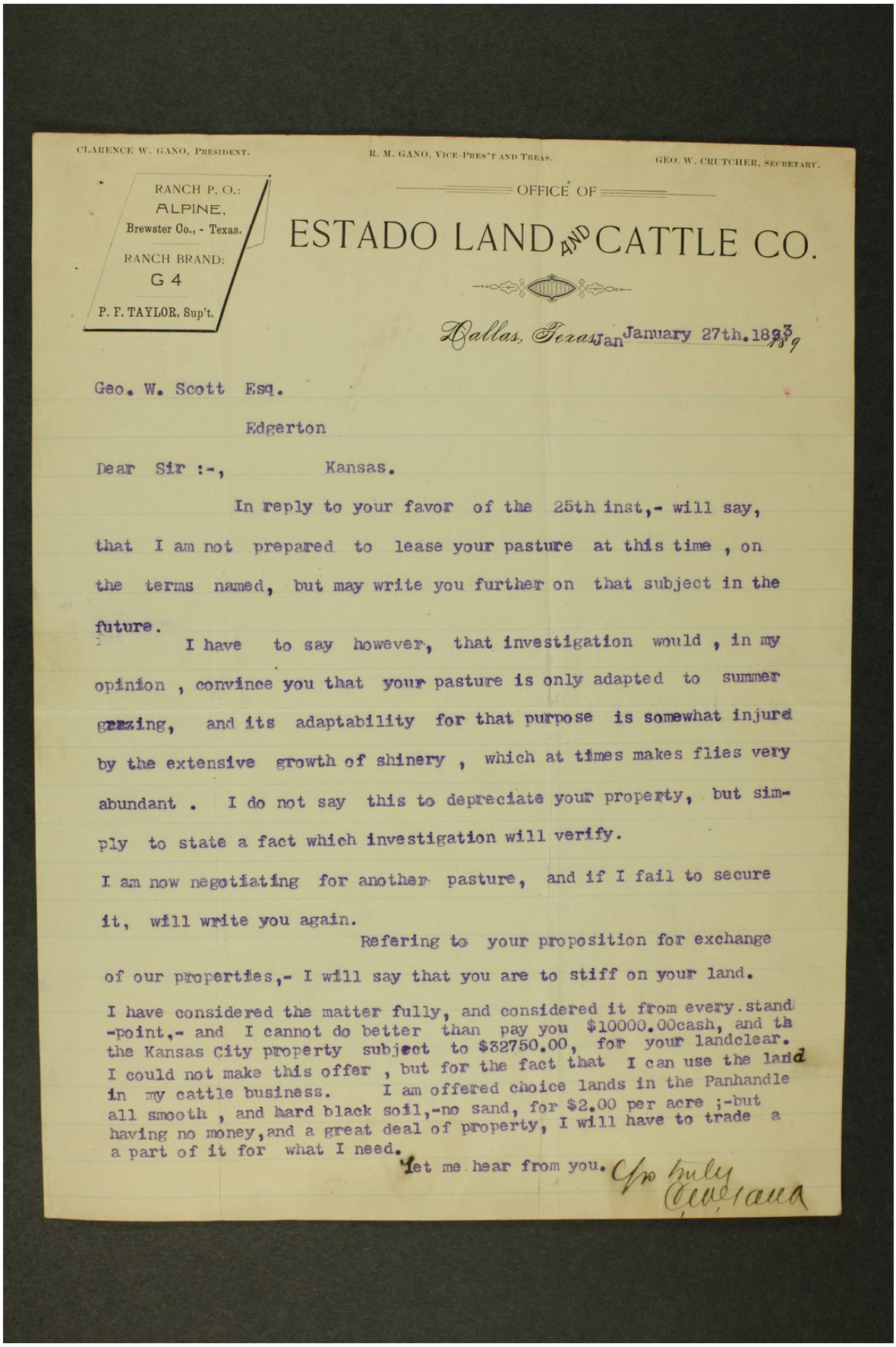
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Butter the last 10 days as fresh cows does not give as rich milk + as grass comes they they will still give thiner milk you will have to watch out for that as your yeald will run down to 4# + prices will drop to in regard to Butter Tubs if your buyers are taking 40# tubs 9# they are taking to much the corect tare is as follows 40# tubs 8# 20# tubs 7 20# tubs 6# + 65# tubs 10# but if they insist on the 9# tare for 40# tubs I would steam them then soal for 24 hours + you can make them weigh out. if you are puting your goods out on Commission I think you will do the best in Chicago at present

Resp. yours
C. L. Miner



CLARENCE W. GANO, PRESIDENT. R. M. GANO, VICE-PRES'T AND TREAS. GEO. W. CRUTCHER, SECRETARY.

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ALPINE,
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P. F. TAYLOR, Sup't.

OFFICE OF
ESTADO LAND AND CATTLE CO.

Dallas, Texas Jan January 27th. 1893

Geo. W. Scott Esq.
Edgerton
Dear Sir :-, Kansas.

In reply to your favor of the 25th inst,- will say, that I am not prepared to lease your pasture at this time , on the terms named, but may write you further on that subject in the future.

I have to say however, that investigation would , in my opinion , convince you that your pasture is only adapted to summer grazing, and its adaptability for that purpose is somewhat injured by the extensive growth of shinery , which at times makes flies very abundant . I do not say this to depreciate your property, but simply to state a fact which investigation will verify.

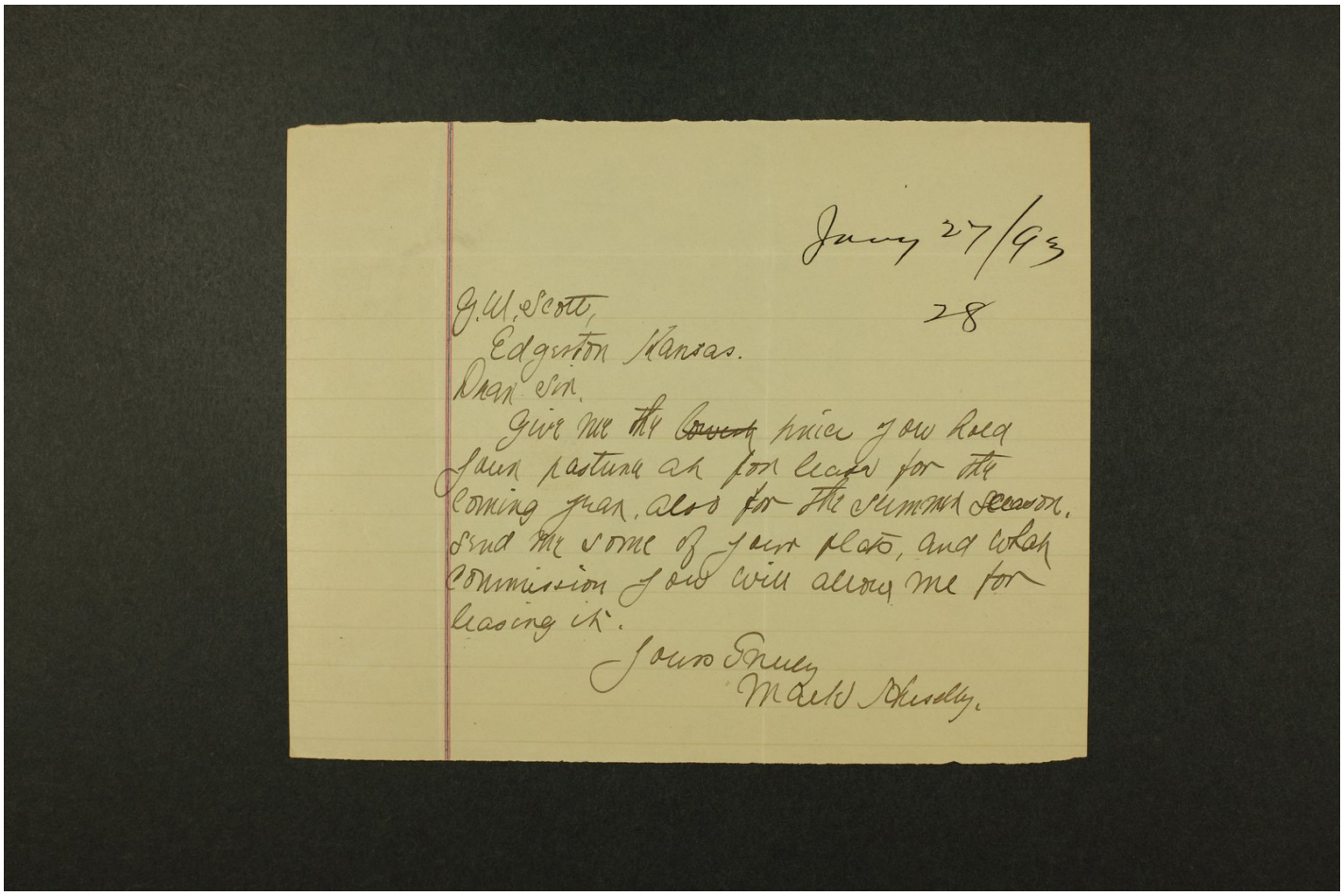
I am now negotiating for another pasture, and if I fail to secure it, will write you again.

Refering to your proposition for exchange of our properties,- I will say that you are to stiff on your land.

I have considered the matter fully, and considered it from every stand-point,- and I cannot do better than pay you $10000.00cash, and th the Kansas City property subject to $32750.00, for your landclear. I could not make this offer , but for the fact that I can use the land in my cattle business. I am offered choice lands in the Panhandle all smooth , and hard black soil,-no sand, for $2.00 per acre ;-but having no money,and a great deal of property, I will have to trade a a part of it for what I need.

Let me hear from you. Yrs truly Estado Land & Cattle Co.

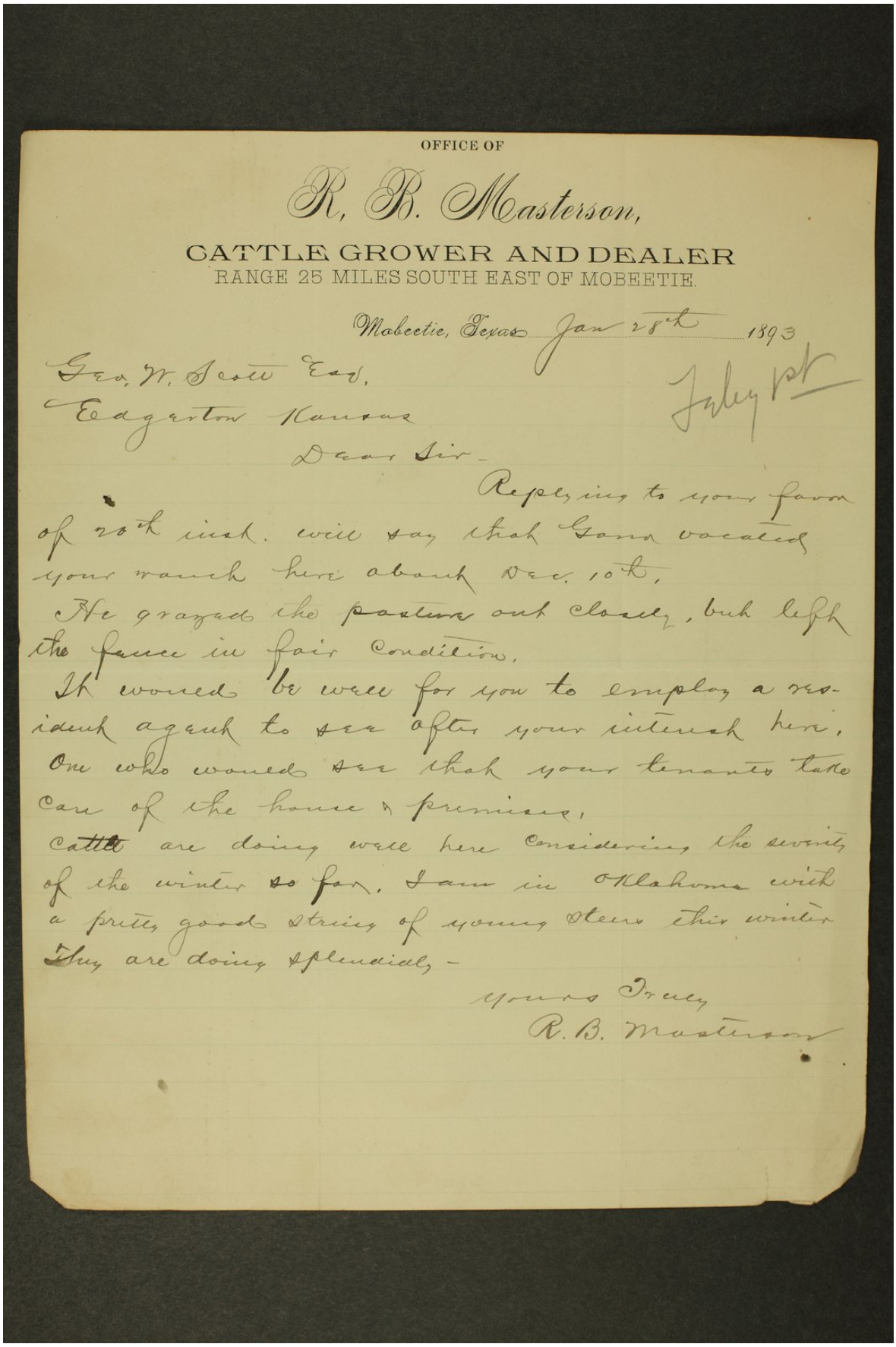
George W. Scott papers



January 27/93

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G. W. Scott,
Edgerton Kansas.
Dear Sir.
Give me the ~~lowest~~ price you will take
Land pasture ch for cattle for the
coming year. also for the summer season.
Send me some of your plats, and what
commission you will allow me for
leasing it.
Yours Truly
Mark Thresly.



OFFICE OF

R. B. Masterson,

CATTLE GROWER AND DEALER
RANGE 25 MILES SOUTH EAST OF MOBEETIE.

Mobeetie, Texas Jan 28th 1893

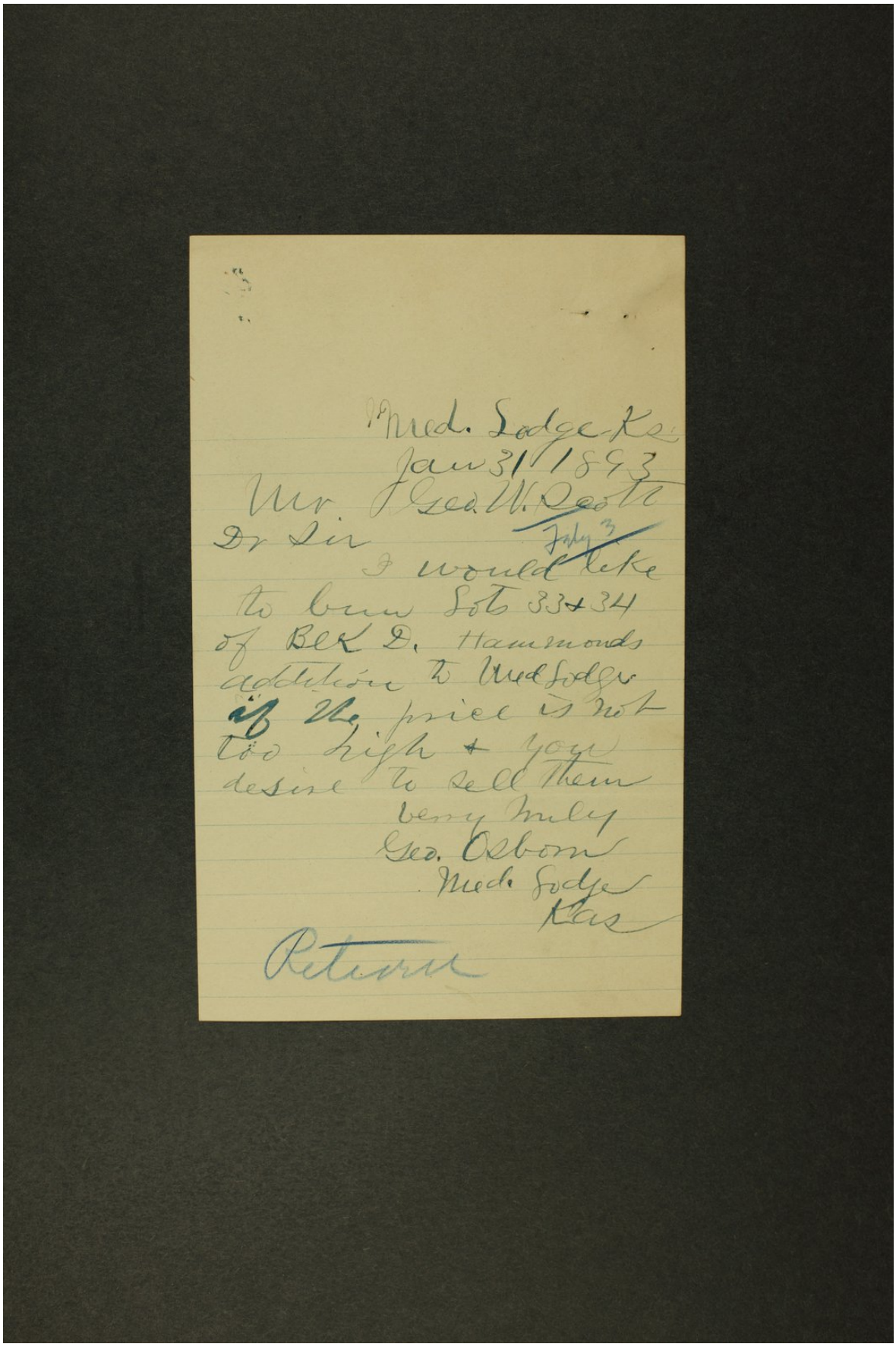
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Edgerton Kansas

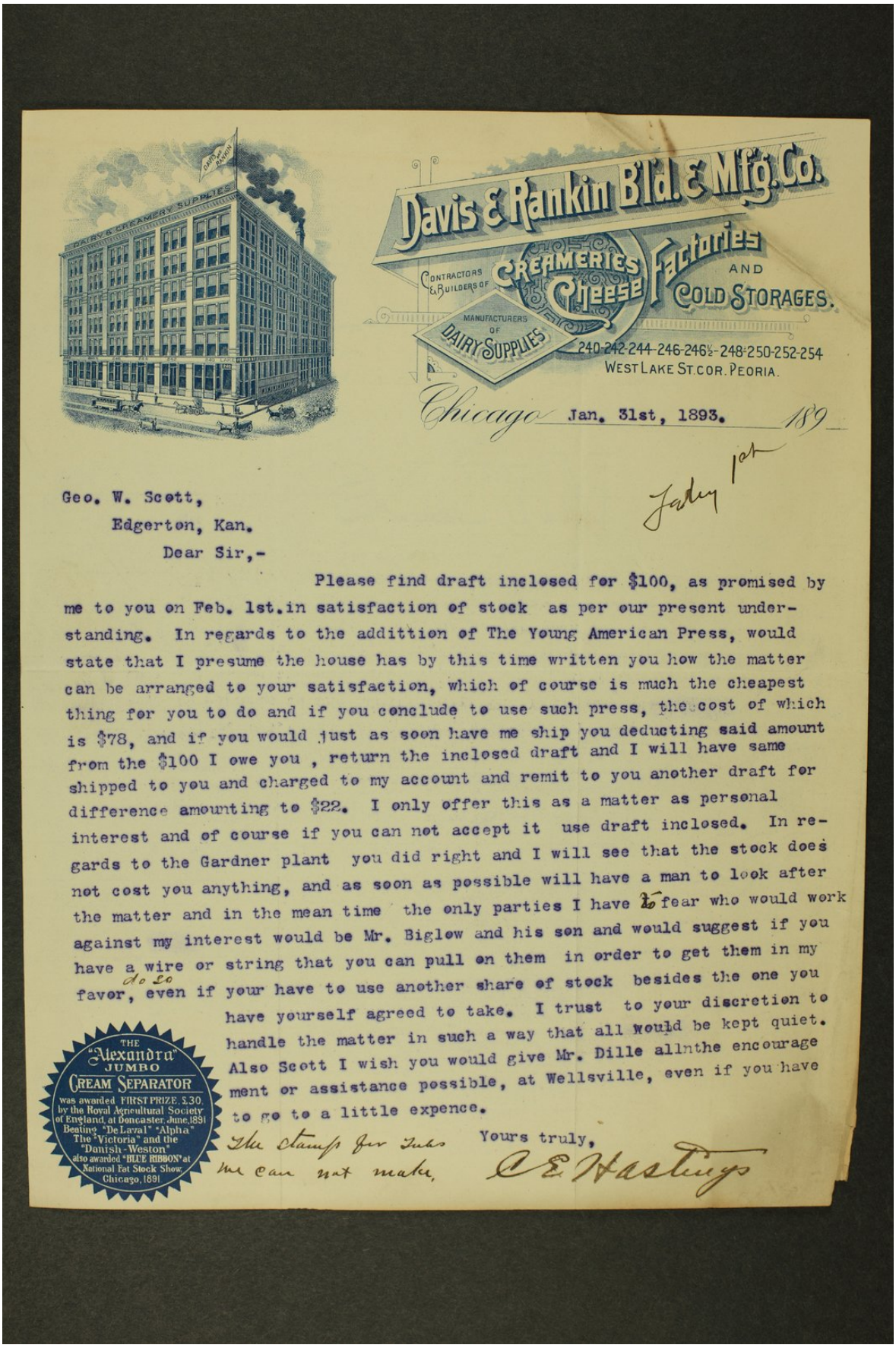
Dear Sir -

Replying to your favor of 20th inst. will say that Sam vacated your ranch here about Dec. 10th,
He grazed the pasture out closely, but left the fence in fair condition.
It would be well for you to employ a resident agent to see after your interest here, One who would see that your tenants take care of the house & premises.
Cattle are doing well here considering the severity of the winter so far. I am in Oklahoma with a pretty good string of young steers this winter They are doing splendidly -

Yours Truly
R. B. Masterson



Med. Lodge Ks
Jan 31 1893
Mr. Geo. W. Scott
July 3
Dr Sir I would like
to buy Lots 33 + 34
of Blk D. Hammonds
addition to Med Lodge
if the price is not
too high + you
desire to sell them
Very Truly
Geo. Osborn
Med. Lodge
Kas
Return



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Chicago Jan. 31st, 1893. 189

Jany 1st

Geo. W. Scott,
Edgerton, Kan.
Dear Sir,-

Please find draft inclosed for $100, as promised by me to you on Feb. 1st. in satisfaction of stock as per our present understanding. In regards to the addittion of The Young American Press, would state that I presume the house has by this time written you how the matter can be arranged to your satisfaction, which of course is much the cheapest thing for you to do and if you conclude to use such press, the cost of which is $78, and if you would just as soon have me ship you deducting said amount from the $100 I owe you , return the inclosed draft and I will have same shipped to you and charged to my account and remit to you another draft for difference amounting to $22. I only offer this as a matter as personal interest and of course if you can not accept it use draft inclosed. In regards to the Gardner plant you did right and I will see that the stock does not cost you anything, and as soon as possible will have a man to look after the matter and in the mean time the only parties I have to fear who would work against my interest would be Mr. Biglow and his son and would suggest if you have a wire or string that you can pull on them in order to get them in my favor, even if your have to use another share of stock besides the one you have yourself agreed to take. I trust to your discretion to handle the matter in such a way that all would be kept quiet. Also Scott I wish you would give Mr. Dille allnthe encourage ment or assistance possible, at Wellsville, even if you have to go to a little expence.

THE "Alexandra" JUMBO CREAM SEPARATOR was awarded FIRST PRIZE, £30, by the Royal Agricultural Society of England, at Doncaster, June, 1891 Beating "De Laval" "Alpha" The "Victoria" and the "Danish-Weston" also awarded "BLUE RIBBON" at National Fat Stock Show, Chicago, 1891

The stamps for Subs we can not make,

Yours truly,
C E Hastings