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**TO:** R. S. Stevens  
**FROM:** Lonergan & Thiel

AMERICAN DETECTIVE SERVICE,  
Lonergan & Thiel,  
MANAGERS.

*St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 187 5*

R. S. Stevens  
Gen Mgr H. & St. J. R.R.  
Hannibal, Mo.

Dr Sir,

Upon a further examination of the memoranda furnished our Mr. Thiel, we find that the days & trains upon which the Conductors run on the main line are not given.

This is very important to enable us to give instructions from here on what days our operatives shall do their trips, so as to avoid striking the same man a second time in too rapid succession. This will however necessitate inquiry into details on your part that may lead suspicion of your object, and if so we will try to get along without it, and while on this subject, will remind you to send the tariff.

Please send this information, if you can by return mail. The operatives left tonight for the line of your road.

Very Respectfully,  
Lonergan & Thiel

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<sup>1</sup>FROM: 1875 Book of Letters to R.S.S.