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**TO:** R. S. Stevens  
**FROM:** Willard A. Smith

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Gen'l. Man'r., H. & St. Jo. Ry.  
Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I have just received the enclosed from Mr. Garner, Sup't of the M. K. & T. The adv't. of the M. K. & T. R'y. was in the Review, when I purchased it, as a "running adv't.," i.e., until ordered discontinued — as were all the other railway adv'ts. At least that was the representation made by Mr. Brooks. Mr. B., as he was entitled to do under our contract, settled with you up to Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, going to Sedalia for that purpose. He stated to me that no order was given for the discontinuance of the adv't. and none was ever received at this office, where it should have been, if ever made.

Under these circumstances, I, of course, allowed the adv't. to run, supposing there would be no question as to the <?> authority. Had it been otherwise, I should have at once applied to Mr. Dorwin for permission to continue it.

Am I not right, and is not the bill a proper one? Your answer will assist Mr. Garner in arriving at a decision and I trust will be to the payment of the bill ?that I cannot afford to lose.

Trusting your kindness for an early reply, which I can at once forward to Sedalia, I remain,

Your's Resp'y.

Willard A. Smith

Please return Enclosures

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<sup>1</sup> FROM: Book of letters to R.S.S., July 1875 to April 1876.