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**TO: A. N. Towne**  
**FROM: R. S. Stevens**

10/5<sup>th</sup>, 1875

A. N. Towne, Esq.  
Gen'l. Supt., C. P. R.R.  
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:-

Your very kind letter of 26<sup>th</sup>, ult., with enclosures, came to hand during my absence east, whither I had gone for the purpose of recuperating from injuries received August 11<sup>th</sup>, while en route for Kansas City. I am now back and at work. Permit me again to thank you for your great courtesy in sending me passes. The parties using them have returned and expressed themselves gratified by the pleasant call you made them, and the additional courtesies extended.

The kindest relations have always existed between your brother and myself, and I am gratified to know that the change was a pleasant one. The condition of this Road during the last few years has been peculiar - passing thro' the hands of one party to another so frequently that the most disastrous complications were quite likely to result.

A new organization is now being talked of and I think with some possibility of success. If this is effected, it will bring in quite a number of good, strong men -- those possessing character at home, and influence abroad. This being done, the prospects are that I will remain during the year, within which time, I very much desire to make a visit to California, taking with me my wife and son and in that event rest assured I shall take pleasure in seeing you and thanking you in person.

Wishing you all success officially and personally,

I remain,  
Yours very truly,  
R. S. Stevens

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<sup>1</sup>FROM: Letter Book, "FROM R.S.S. - 1875-1876."