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TO: D. C. Brooks
FROM: R. S. Stevens

Personal:

Oct. 5th, 1875

D. C. Brooks, Esq.
Chicago

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 27th to hand.

Judge Sears and all parties who could consider your account are now absent in N. York - both the Judge, and Mr. Bond, Receiver, are expected back this week.

The more I have thought over your matter, the more I am inclined to think that the true way to get a settlement is by application to Mr. Bond, giving him full explanation, and there is no doubt, upon his becoming satisfied of the equity of your claim, but what he will arrange for your payment.

Upon their return I will advise you. By the way, I am called upon by some parties in Europe to write up a careful report in reference to a line of railway, some fifty miles of which are already completed, and some eighty miles still to be built. This report is for the use of the present owners of the road who are trying to effect negotiations for the money to be raised upon its bonds.

Parties in London say that a report written by me will be quite satisfactory. I am exceedingly busy and cannot have time to devote to it. How would you like to come here, and devote a week's time to it? While the pay will not be enormous, yet it will be something, and I have no doubt will be satisfactory.

In any event you would be justified in, as far as pecuniary considerations are concerned, in devoting a week's time to this subject. Please write by return mail, or telegraph me what you will do.

¹FROM: Letter Book, "FROM R.S.S. - 1875-1876."

I now expect to leave here next Monday for the West, with some eastern parties - shall probably be here next Sunday. Write me what your conclusions are in this matter.

Truly yours,

R. S. Stevens