

NOTE: The original of this document is in the Stevens Family Papers, #1210, at the Division of Rare and Manuscript Collections, Cornell University Library, Ithaca, New York 14853.

751123-A.TOR¹

TO: R. S. Stevens
FROM: Wm. H. Neilson

President's Office

of the **Hannibal and St. Joseph Rail Road
Co.**

78 Broadway

New York Nov^r 23^d 187 5

R. S. Stevens, Esq.

Dr Sir:-

I telegraphed to the Treasurer for information as to our passenger & freight business. You may well appreciate how anxious I am that we shall have remittances sufficient to pay the interest due Jan'y 1st.

I hope that you will use your influence to avoid every expense not absolutely necessary & see that every dollar in excess of the Current expenses be remitted to this office.

We cannot afford to enter upon any new work until we provide the money to pay for it - which we have some hope of doing in the future.

Please send me a statement of what are now the usual, unavoidable current expenses & a copy of the pay roll of officers & employees in Missouri & their compensation. I have changed my purposes with regard to my visit to the West at present, and am required to go in another direction.

I look to you to see that all jobbing is broken up, that our recpts may be raised to the maximum & our expenses reduced to the minimum.

Yours truly,

Wm. H. Neilson

President

¹FROM: 1875 Book of Letters to R.S.S.