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

AMERICAN DETECTIVE SERVICE,  
Lonergan & Thiel,  
MANAGERS.

*St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 187 5*

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

Dear Sir:-

We today send you by American express the reports of our operatives H. M. L., J. H. & H. B. N. on a set of freight runs from Quincy West. There are three reports in the enclosure.

If you can conveniently send us your draft for \$300.<sup>00</sup>, toward covering expenses for fares, upon receipt of this we will be much obliged, as it will save us making a discount.

Respy Yours,  
Lonergan & Thiel

P. S.

Have you made any comparisons yet &, if so, how do the conductors come out?

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