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TO: R. S. Stevens

FROM: D. Clark

St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern Railway Co.

GENERAL FREIGHT OFFICE.

A. C. BIRD,

General Freight Agent,

St. Louis, Aug. 26th 1875

R. S. Stevens, Esq.

Gen'l Manager, H. & St. J. R. R.

Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I have not heard anything from you since I saw you last & thought it was because of my being unable to report for duty as soon as you wished.

Since you were here I arranged with Mr. Bird to leave without any notice & now beg to say that I can report for duty at once, if you have not already filled the position.

I have thought seriously over the position you offered me and think it would be more agreeable than my present one. My connections with the offices of this road are of the most happy nature, but there is hardly business enough in this office to require the undivided service of a stenographer and in time I would be apt to lose my knowledge of stenography through want of sufficient practice and upon these grounds only would I desire to change my location.

Trusting I may receive a favorable answer soon, I remain,

Yours Respectfully,

D. Clark

¹ FROM: Book of letters to R.S.S., July 1875 to April 1876.