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TO: A. B. Meeker
FROM: R. S. Stevens

Oct. 21st, 1875

A. B. Meeker and Co.
#92 Washington St.
Chicago

Gentlemen:-

Your favor of the 20th inst. with inclosures at hand. Your price for new steel and old iron rails, is quite satisfactory, save that you are about two dollars too low on old rails.

If the "C. & A." should insist upon rates for freight named, it would prevent a trade, as we can do better. I am, however, about ready to submit the various propositions tendered me for steel to our directory, and will be governed by their decision in the matter. It is true, they have left the entire matter with me, but before committing the Company to any indebtedness, I prefer to receive their views, upon this subject especially.

My impression is, that we will desire a little longer time on the part of the deferred payments.

Do not make any calculations on receiving this order, at least at an early day. But when our Board have decided what they will authorize me to do, I will confer with you further before contracting.

Respectfully Yours,
R. S. Stevens
Genl Manager

¹FROM: Letter Book, "FROM R.S.S. - 1875-76."