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**TO: R. S. Stevens**  
**FROM: W. H. Harris**

OFFICE OF  
The Kansas Rolling Mill Company.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov 15 187 5

R. S. Stevens  
Manager, Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

Though I have not heard anything about it, it has occurred to me that perhaps our Mr. A. B. Stone has made some trade with you for steel rails or otherwise by which we might get possession of part or all of old rails which you have to dispose of. Being in want of old rails I telegraphed Mr. Stone last Friday asking him if he could furnish us old rails from the H. & St J. Road & he replied "Can give you 300 tons, Do you want them?" He don't say they are on your Road but I infer so. I do want 500 tons if I can get them at once & I have so told your Mr. Fagan this morning. Any arrangement that can be effected by which we get the old rails now & at reasonable price will be very agreeable to me. Are you not going to need some rerolling soon?

Yours truly,  
W. H. Harris  
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<sup>1</sup>FROM: 1875 Book of Letters to R.S.S.