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Mostly correspondence of Judge J.P. Kidder, agent of the Dakota Railway Construction Co. (H.W.Cannon, pres.) with officers of the Dakota Terry, railroad and others, including Hill, relative to the organizing, surveying & construction (by Foley Bros.) of a railroad planned for absorption by the Manitoba Raod as soon as conditions were right. Townsite speculation was a part of the plan. Other officers were C. A. Jewett and F. H. Hagerty; chief engineer was Samuel Rockwell. The president of the new railroad was hn T. McChesney, also pres. of the Aberdeen Nat'l Bank. Other correspondents were: Henry Minot, Allen Manvel, E W. Cummings, H.H. Wadsworth, J.F. Healy, George M.L. Erwin, D.B. Huff, and H. W. Campbell. Byron M. Smith, dealer in land scrip in Minneapolis, was an early correspondent. There is material on Dakota Midland Railroad, Ellendale and Wahpeton road, Columbia & Dakota Midland Rr.Co.. & the Dakota Land Co. There is also a printed form of Homestead, Preemption & Commutation with testimony of a claimant.

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