

Can.Pac. Road - Coal supply      June 17, 1882

Hill to W.C.Van Horne

Uncertainty of navigation of upper Missouri R. for Shepard's supplies for C.P.R. Better rely on end of track route."I see that Sir Jno.McDonald says the Govt. will have the line to Thunder Bay connected. As soon as this is done, I think it would be well to prepare some dock facilities at Thunder Bay as you may find it necessary to lay in a reserve of coal at that point.We are doing the same thing at Duluth,as we do not feel safe in relying entirely on the Min[neapolis] & St.Louis Ry for our supply notwithstanding our mine have a capacity of 800

tons a day. The great uncertainty is the transportation."

St.P.M.& M.Ry.LetterBook 6:238(3/24/82-4/23/83)