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Hill to J.S.Kennedy & Co.

Re ties for the CPR."Of the above 400,000 ties over 30,000 are now alongside the track of the Thunder Bay Line and the balance are being put there. This gives us ties enough for 150 miles

of road, which will I think be all he [Stickney] can build in addition to getting the first 100 miles west of Winnipeg which was so badly built by the Govt. into shape so that it can safely be operated." All locomotive works are filled with orders until Jan. 1882. "The Engines on the Canadian Pacific are mostly old and badly out of repair... I have 17 ew Engines coming between now and May 10th.... and we may have to

help the Can. Pac. out which will leave us very close." I am to go cor the [St. Paul and Duluth) Ry with Mr Porter tomorrow... I hope we can close the trade up without delay after he [Merrill] arrives."

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