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Hill to Senator Davis

There is a great abundance of coking coal of very superior quality on Puget Sound close to "some of the largest & best deposits of iron ore I have ever known." Will soon be used for Asiatic trade through facilities of the Japanese Steamship Co. now running to Puget Sound. Has just written Sen. Hansbrough in re Asiatic market for our American wheat, already raising price of wheat in Minn. & Dakota. Also in re political situation in Minn. "Saved" Minnesota in crises in the last 2 elections for the Republican Party. I helped you win because you would serve the state better than any other person, but Rep. Party in Minn. is worse than

the Populist & there must be a thorough reorganization. Makes a [redacted] thereupon for Stanford Newel as against Hubbard supported by Senator Davis. Tells of Hubbard's misdeed. Hill has just persuaded the editor of one of our newspapers not to publish loss by Hill's friends of large sums on Hubbard's certificates of elevator grain who "were disposed to prosecute Hubbard & send him to Stillwater [penitentiary] for his connection with the transaction. The story is known to any number of people here & is being used to your disadvantage. Then Hill "plugs" ~~it~~ for Stanford Newel. Then takes up matter of Halvor Steeneron of Crookston for U.S. Dist. Atty. He is totally unfit .

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