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Hill to George Stephen

[W.E.] Wellington's movements seem to have been known to Farley before you spoke of it to him. He was very irritable on receiving your note & asked me to his office alone - then got more and more excited about not having been made a director. I told him that he had been planned a member last year when number of directors planned was 13, but charter allows only 7 & that quorum "at each end" has to be planned. "Farley" went over a great deal of ground and showed more feeling of animosity than I ever knew him to do before. He at one time said he would make the whole property cost more money, &c. In fact the whole interview was I thought for the pur-

pose of intimidation. I took it very quietly and when he made statement that I could answer without making him worse by hurting his vanity I tried to cool him down." "I was told today that Sahlgaard had ordered another small lot of bonds from Holland hoping to make us buy him off to avoid delay." Smith comes in this morning. Ross has just returned and we must set him to work with the shovel.

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