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A biographical sketch of James J. Hill apparently written by himself.

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"Written for the American Banking Financial Achievements" work, published by the New York and London Press Association....Sketch mailed to them on March 16, 1914." Filed with Chas. Elley Hall, V.p. of the Assoc. to Hill, March 3, 1914, and attached to Hill's reply of March 16. "...The great success shown by the first two years' operation of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba gave new life to a project to complete the western end of the Canadian Pacific through to the Coast. In the summer of 1880 a syndicate for for that purpose was formed. At the head of it were the men who now had knowledge and confidence to push it; Mr. Stephen, Mr. Smith and Mr. Hill. To the last-mentioned on account of

his knowledge of the country, was assigned, when work began in 1881, the selection of the route and the direction of engineers in the field. He carried this work, in addition to the management of his own company, for a couple of years; when, his essential part in it having been completed and the burden of the double duty becoming too heavy, it was turned over to other members of the syndicate."

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