

Hughes, Ferd. D.

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Hughes to Hill, a long letter written in a copy book and filling it with reminiscences and ramblings about events in and near Bismarck, N.D. circa 1885, when Hughes manipulated the Dakota legislature in a political contest between Collins and Walsh. Hill (and Manvel) wanted Walsh elected and secured his election through Hughes. Persons mentioned: "Dud" Hersey [of the Stillwater lumber family?] of the firm of Hughes and Hersey. The purpose of Hughes' letter: to be recompensed for "some work for the Manitoba Road, wherein I had expended nearly Three thousand dollars, for which I had never been paid," for dinners, liquor, and other inducements to vote for Walsh. He reveals with many illustra-

tions how people were won over: among others,
G. S. Barnes, Capt. Ale Griggs, - Winship,
La Moure, etc. Mention of Alexander MacKenzie,
W. P. Clough, etc.

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