

Interstate Commerce Commission Jany.28,1887

Henry W. Minot to John S. Kennedy

Re possible course dictated by the Int.Commerce Bill in matter of our pools with Northern Pac. Road:"There is much railroad legislation being formulated in Minnesota and Dakota,embodying features of the Reagan-Cullen Bill,such as the long and short haul clause, and also proposing arbitrary rates.It is too early yet to judge wiether any unwise and troublesome laws will be enacted or not.Mr.Thorne's friend,Mr. Merriam, obtained the Speakership in the House, and gave the chairmanship of the rialroad Committee to Ignatius Donnelly, as the result of a political dicker."

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