Carbon. J. J. Hill to E. T. Nichols. (Confidential)

Re purchase of the Le Roi Mining Co. stock. "For some time past there has been a plan between some Canadian mine owners at Rossland and the Canadian Pacific Railway to consolidate the Rossland mines and the smelter at Trail which is now owned by the Canadian Pacific along with some other mining properties controlled in their interest. To carry this into effect all depends upon their acquisition of the Le Rc nines and the North-port smelter. By buying Le Roi shares, as

outlined in letter att 'hed, we will be able to prevent the consummation of the scheme and hold control of the Le Roi property, which really controls the Rossland camp, and prevent practically the wiping out of the business of our Red Mountain and Northport line which represents the main business of the Spokane Falls & Northern Railway."

General correspondence by date