

Mellen, Chas. S.

Feb. 18, 1898

C.S.Mellen to James J. Hill.

Encloses copy of his letter to Edward D. Adams re Oregon R.R. & Nav. Co. matters. Mentions "Our purchase of C.B.Wright's road" [copy to Adams, enclosed in this letter states that Wright's road was in Oregon and Washington]. Believes "it is inevitable that the Union Pacific is going to take direct charge of the Short Line and that of the Navigation"[Co.?] "and that in no great while- It seems to us therefore what we do with navigation [Co.] must be done soon or our chance is gone." Gen'l Corres. by date