

Northern Pacific road

Oct. 7, 1878

Hill to Chas. E. Furness, Philadelphia  
N.P. board has appointed a committee (Wright,  
Billings & Cheney) to confer with St. P. & P.  
to see if permanent arrangement can be made  
for running trains to St. Paul & Minneapolis.  
"I am very strongly of the opinion that they  
do not want to agree with the St. P. and P.  
but are determined to build a line on the west  
side of the Mississippi to Minneapolis and  
thus connect with the Milwaukee & St. Paul .  
Men of latter at Minneapolis are both busy &  
anxious to try to get right of way thro' city  
over certain streets to north end of town.  
They have a large force of men getting ready

for a bridge at Sauk Rapids, which does not look as if they intend to make any arrangement with us.

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