

Pearl, J.W.

Was agent for J.A.Armstrong (partner of J.J.Hill's) at Mound in 1876. Pearl bought wood for Hill and Armstrong's fuel business and sold or exchanged many items such as groceries, clothing medicine and tools. He bought wheat, fish and hides and shipped them to St. Paul to Hill and Armstrong. Pearl's letters, which he wrote frequently to Armstrong, shed much information on the lumber camps on Lake Minnetonka, prices paid to the wood choppers, the bartering that was carried on, the groceries and supplies sent from Hill and Armstrong for the lumber

camps, and prices paid for them. He frequently mentions the Germans and German settlement on the Chaska road. Pearl was succeeded by Henry C. Carlisle.