

Stephen, George

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Hill to Stephen telegram

Rate to Canadian Government 8 dollars St. Paul
to Pembina, same to Boniface when we operate
Branch. Think we can make rate from Detroit to
Boniface \$15.

JJH LetterBook, 4/11/78 - 1/16/79, p. 629

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Re through rate to Manitoba. I gave \$8.00 where as lowest before was \$10.00 not to "take business from Duluth but simply to show good faith to the Government. It is less than our own emigrant rate ~~St. Paul~~ to Crookston (160 miles less than to Boniface), "which should convince them that we are doing our share to take settlers into Manitoba and not to offer any inducement to have them stop in the States. It has been urged that Canadian Emigrants who came through the States were often induced to change their destination and settle here. Best protection is goods under bond destined by ticket to Manitoba." Then he is ~~obliged~~ to go ~~through~~

as he cannot get his goods until they are deli-
gered according to [REDACTED] bond."

JJH LetterBook, 4/11/78 - 1/16/79, p. 630

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Red River & Manitoba remittances for June -Oct are \$46,~~k~~56.70. More on George L. Becker. Flood of landseekers expected next summer. Finances in such excellent shape that "When I look at the possibilities of the road I am afraid that the Branch Line at least will be in shape to pay interest on every dollar it owes before another year." If we could start free on 1st of April or May I think we certainly could earn \$1,000,00 net in the following twelve months aside from the advantages it would give us and end of all anxiety.

JJH LetterBook, 4/11/78, 1/16/79, p. 633