June 15, 1883 Valentine, D. H. Hill to Valentine I have advanced to you to date \$97,560.22 (land purchases \$52,780.12, other \$44,777.00) Contract says you are to have for all the purposes "other than land purchases" \$50,000, of which you have had \$44,777.10. having still fo other purposes than land purchases \$5,222.90. Anticipate the amount still dur the St.P.M.& M Co.: a/c Principal and interest 79,645.95. Total 182,429.07. I do not wish the total dis bursements to exceed the sum of \$200,000, with which to comply with the provisions of the con tract in regard to getting land in compact shape etc. You may no find it necessary to disburse all of the \$17,570.93 & you may deem

it advisable to disburge more than that... Of course it is of great contance to the interest of the enterprise to secure further tracts of land within the limits of the present purchases."

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