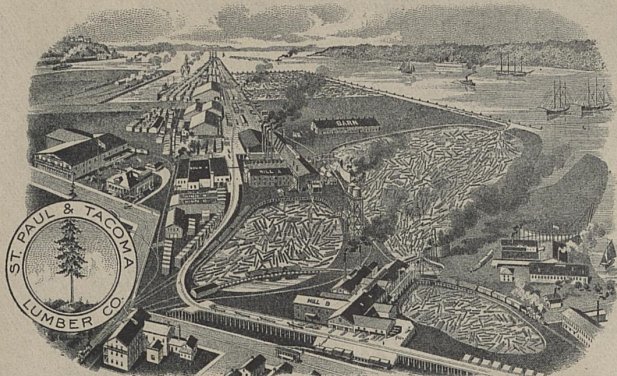


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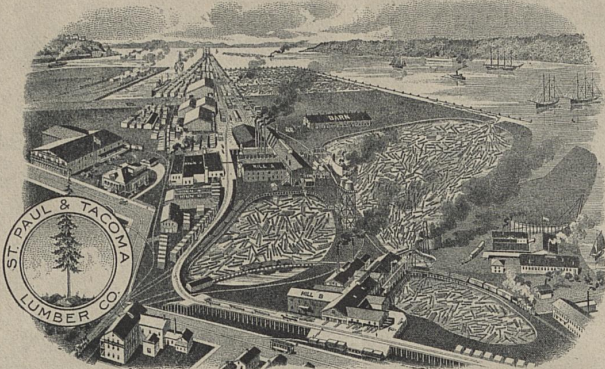
*Minneapolis, Minn. 9/15/06.*

*My dear Gibson - Addison arrived here this morning looking fine. The Dudley Carroll Smith, Jack Snyder & others came on together. He told me that he pressed off his lathe & could go back all right. I have not heard from the King (Mr Buckler) or Mr Estee yet. I ordered a pair of tan cow shoes from Corst Young to be sent to Tacoma. If you happen in there tell them I don't want tennis shoes but leather shoes. I got a pair of tennis shoes from them when I was with you & they fit O.K.*



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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

*Good luck. All send love*

*Affectingly*

*Dad,*

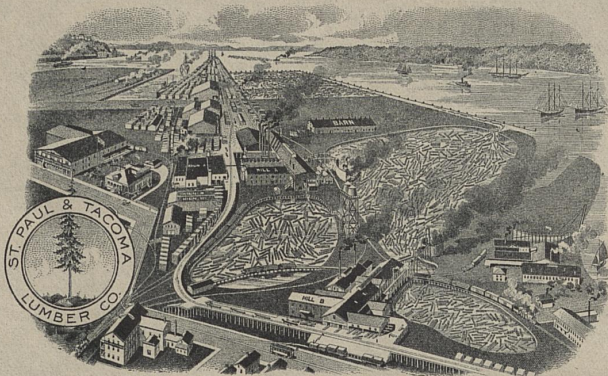
*Alfred is going out to the  
Lake to spend the night with us*

*Do you know Thomas L. Bayne Jr of  
your class. His father & I went to  
Hopkins Grammar school together  
& were good friends. His Grand father  
was in Yale with your Grand father &  
Uncle Randal Lee They were from New Orleans.  
Get acquainted & tell him to tell his father  
I send my compliments & glad you are together  
all the time.*



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*Minneapolis, Minn. 6/17/06.*

*My Dear Eben - Enclosed you will find  
New York draft for \$500. I expected  
to leave Saturday & engaged both but  
I got a wire from the Company to go  
to Chicago on business & will leave  
to night. This will defer my starting  
until next week. Probably Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>.*

*All well & hope you are making  
hay & keeping a stiff upper lip. Don't  
get down. Brace up & you are all  
right. All send lots of love. Alfred  
stayed all night with us night before  
last.  
Affectionately Dad.*



Hetherlands  
Dorchester Street,  
Boston.

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9-30A  
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19 07  
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The Netherlands  
Dagston Street,  
Boston.

Friday  
Sept 20<sup>th</sup> - 87

My Dear Boy,

I will get  
away this afternoon. Do  
not fail to write Aunt  
Fannie. After you  
get your schedule of  
lectures you will find  
you will have lots of time  
for exercise writing etc  
Do not fail to let me  
know how you came out.



The Netherlands  
Dorchester Street,  
Boston.

in your exams - & do  
not fail to send me  
a catalogue. I am  
mighty glad you like  
your boarding place  
& think you will like  
the Farrar House.

Tell us all about the  
boys, who they are, & how  
you like them. Above  
all things be careful  
of your health for that  
is the main thing in  
order to succeed. If you



The Netherlands  
Dorchester Street,  
Boston.

Should happen to get ill  
do not forget Aunt Fannie +  
you had better write Pappa  
after you get settled +  
tell him how you are getting  
along + how you like it.

I hope you have enough  
money to pull you through  
when you wish for anything  
do not fail to write me. Be

modest in your choice of  
clothes choosing the best  
but neat - not gaudy.  
Good bye old boy, Brace up you are  
all right + I know will make  
a good showing your  
affectionate  
Dad.





Paul Gibson Foster Esq<sup>r</sup>

c/o -  
"Tamar House."

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I send you the Sunday  
Pioneer Press Today +

Take care of yourself  
+ go to bed early not  
forgetting your exercise +  
All send lots of love.

Affectionately  
Your Dad.

HARRISON G. FOSTER  
MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN.

Sept 23/07

My Dear Gibson -  
I arrived  
yesterday morning + found all  
well. Hope you are getting  
your bearings + will like the  
place. Mr Davis said if  
he had the time he would  
run up + see you. He  
expects to leave for the west



next Friday. I came through  
via Albany on the Boston & Albany  
& Michigan Central, but if I  
was going to do it again I think  
I would come over the Soo line  
& Canadian Pacific. The dining  
car service was bum & the care  
duty. Addison tells me that  
Harold Freeman is going to  
Audover this year. Nell brought

in a lot of vegetables from the  
lake & the muskmelons are fine.

Mr Rice is here & called yesterday.  
Dunster is very much diverted at  
the frog. & thinks the blue doll  
fine. Addison is doing better  
& is catching on to his Algebra  
first rate. Good luck old boy  
& tell me all about your self  
friends & how you are getting along.



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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

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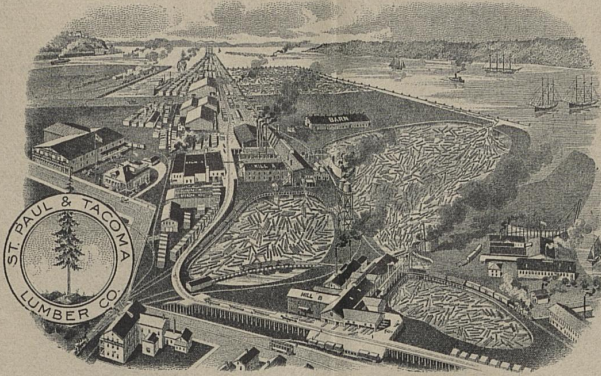
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*Minneapolis, Minn. Sept 27/07*

*My Dear Gibson,*

*Your mother told me that she forwarded a letter or statement from the Boston on to you. If it is the statement do not fail to send it to me. We are all well.*

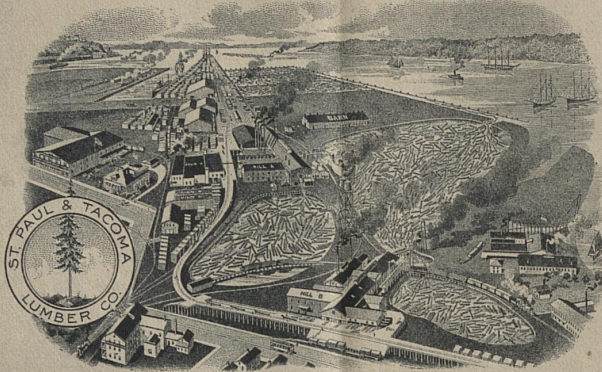
*We had some of Mr. Rice's friends in last evening to meet him.*

*Addison + I will go out to the Lake tomorrow + on Sunday we will all go out. Do not fail, sometime while in Boston, to see the navy yard.*



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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

The old Charleston is there + a number  
of barge ships. They make rope +  
the process is very interesting. Also  
see old North Church. Mr. Davis  
took me all around those places  
just before I left. Have not seen  
any of your friends yet.

Hope you are enjoying your new quarters  
also the boys + instructors. Remember me  
to Bume + Rockwell. All send lots of love  
+ hope you will take care of yourself.  
Affectionately  
Jim Davis.



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MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.



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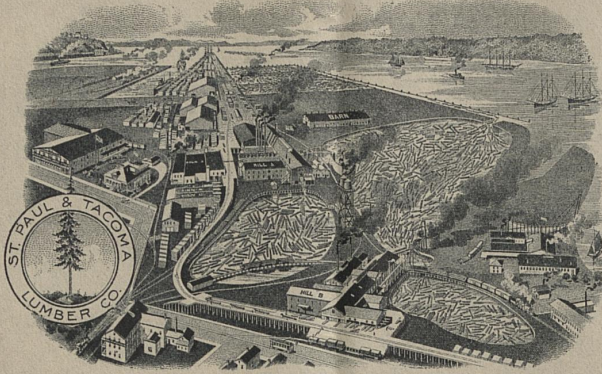
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*Minneapolis, Minn. Sept 30, 07*

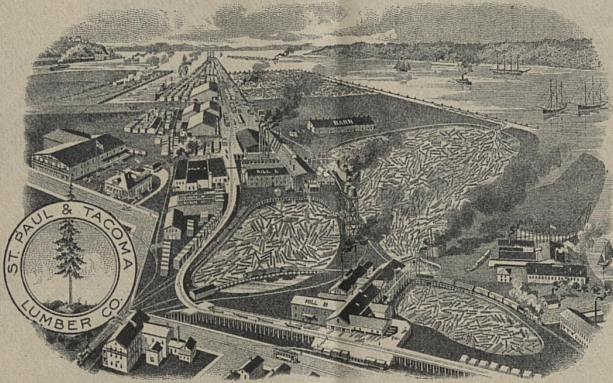
*My Dear Gibson -*

*I am waiting for the  
express man to come to move my office  
fixtures to 849+850 Security Bank Building  
+ as my ink is packed up am using a  
pencil. Was glad to get your letter  
to your mother + to know you are  
getting along all right. We all went  
out to the Lake yesterday + found  
everything looking first rate. We  
got 5 barrels of potatoes + the muskmelons*



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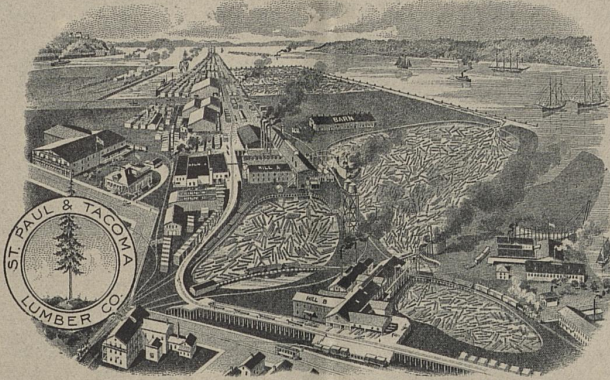
are fine. We also brought in a large bunch of Astors + they are branched. I am going out Wednesday to arrange for the mason work on the new part + will arrange to have a carpenter with help do all of the Carpenter work, which will take them all winter + help will remain.

I would suggest to you that you should read over your letters if you are inclined to leave



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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Out words. never write a letter with-  
out reading it over before you have  
finished. Have you written Aunt  
Sammy? Alfred called last

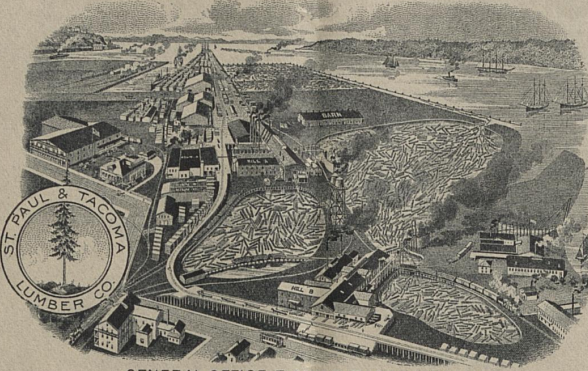
evening + said he had a letter  
from you. His family leave soon  
for the South + he will live here  
in Minneapolis. I saw Mr. Brooks

(Springer's father today) The weather  
is delightful but cool at night.

Adison is doing much better.  
Your mother will send your pillow case  
etc.



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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Will send you a check in a few  
days after I get in my new quarters.  
Will send lots of love & hope  
you will take good care of yourself

Affectingly  
*your dad*

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HARRISON G. FOSTER  
MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN.

Oct 7/07

My Dear Liben -  
Enclosed you  
will find draft on National  
Park Bank of New York #13668  
for \$100<sup>00</sup>. Do not fail to  
answer receipt of this at  
once. I was glad  
to get your letter + your  
mother will send your things  
at once. Yesterday I went



out to the lake & it was delightful.  
Nels is cutting down some of the  
trees which will be in the way  
when we put up the addition.

We hope to go out Saturday  
& stay over Sunday. Addison  
is working better & I am going  
over his algebra with him & he catches  
on in first rate shape. We are  
going to a coming out party at

the Town & Country Club for Miss  
Agnes Elmer tonight. Mr. Davis  
& Miss Alice & Edith Forspugh  
are going with us. Do not fail  
to write Aunt Fannie Swift.

Hope you are getting your  
schedule made out so you can  
have certain time to exercise  
& also some time to write or read.  
All your lots of love Affectionately  
Your Dad

How do you

like Mr. Dickson?

Received the catalogue



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will find it will work out  
to better advantage. Benjamin  
Franklin in his autobiography  
will give you a fine idea  
as to how he worked it.

We all hope you are  
getting along nicely &  
accomplishing what you  
wish, showing Mr. Stearns  
that you are not "rattle headed"  
Keep cool, be deliberate &  
don't get rattled. With lots of  
love from your affectionate  
Dad.

HARRISON G. FOSTER  
MINNEAPOLIS  
MINN.

10/9/07

My Dear Gibson -

I forgot to  
send you the Sunday paper  
today, but your mother said  
she would send it.

Yesterday Addiam was  
out visiting Lawrence Fiske  
so your mother & I  
I took a long drive out to  
Lake Como to feed the "ducky-lads."



+ sun fish. It was as warm as  
July + the country is beautiful -

Saturday I went out to the  
Willows + will go out again tomorrow  
to meet a man who is going to  
figure on the new part. Nell  
+ Johnson have cut down the trees  
which were in the way.

Mr. Drunson told me he would  
send the coat for your suit on

at once + Lucas will probably  
write you shortly. Mr. Davis  
told me he had written you  
so do not fail to write him  
thanking him for his kindness  
+ do it promptly. I hope you  
are getting your exercise + that  
you are enjoying it. Get your  
time thoroughly systematized +  
live up to the schedule + you



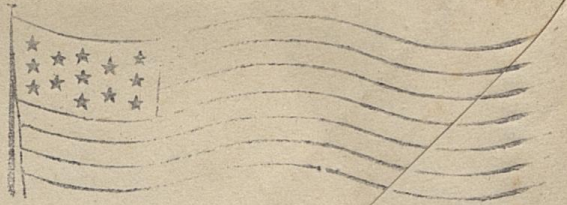
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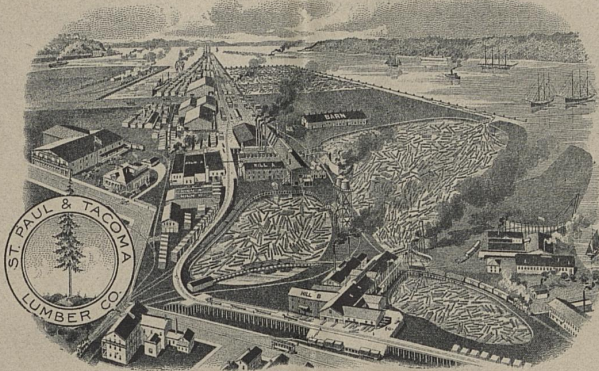
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*Minneapolis, Minn.* October 14-07

Hart Gibson Foster, Esq.,  
 c/o Farrar House,  
 Andover, Massachusetts.

My dear Gibson:--

Excuse my dictating this letter to you,  
 but it is late and I wish to get one off to you today.

Your mother received letter giving a  
 schedule of your work and I trust you have your time  
 systematized so that you can work to advantage. I  
 notice that most of this will be review work for you and  
 this should give you the rudimentary work necessary for  
 your examinations next June .

I also wish to compliment you on your  
 improvement in letter writing. The only thing I notice  
 is that you fail to read over your letters after having  
 written them and a few little mistakes creep in now and  
 then and the only way to obviate this is to read the  
 letter over.

I notice in the catalogue that you have a  
 number of lectures and concerts during the year. Is  
 it obligatory for you to attend? A great many of them



H G F--#2.

should be interesting, especially the lectures which are illustrated <sup>ed</sup> on travel, etc. I also notice the Kneisel Quartet gave a concert last year. Music of this class I am sure you would like and appreciate.

Mr. Davis' address is "Edward Perkins Davis, 410 Germania Life Building, St. Paul." His father is still up in Canada; he expected to be gone about a month, but any time you happen to be in Boston, do not fail to call for I am sure he would be pleased to see you and know how you are getting along.

I notice you only have a very short recess for Thanksgiving; this will give you just about time enough to go down to Falmouth Wednesday afternoon, returning Thursday evening, unless you can arrange to return Friday morning. I had an idea they would give you Friday and Saturday also.

Am glad you like Mr. Lillard. I wish you would take up the matter of sparring lessons with him and ask his advice. I am very anxious for you to go in for that for it is one of the best exercises you can take for the chest and it also exercises most of the muscles of the body and will be very beneficial to you. *It makes you quick on your feet*

How do you like Cicero? This will be fine training for you for your reviewing Caesar before your examinations. It is a long way ahead, but it seems to



H G F--#3.

me it would be better for you to remain at Andover and take the examinations because you will have a week for review work with someone, rather than come out here and take them in New Haven. If it is a possible thing, I want you and your mother, with Addison, to go abroad for two or three months next Summer, and in case you do that you surely will take your examinations at Andover.

We all went out to the Lake yesterday and had dinner at the Lafayette Club. It was a perfect day; all the leaves have turned and the foliage is beautiful. I have not had the launch out since you left because I have not had the time whenever at the Lake. I expect to go out tomorrow and if I have the time will run her down to Wayzata. Have had a considerable amount of trouble to get carpenters and masons to work on the cottage, but hope to get started within the next week or ten days. Everyone seems to be very busy. Nels is getting shaped up for the Winter. We have cut down five trees,- most of them Elms which the cyclone four years ago blew the limbs off of. You remember the one back of your mother's room and three back of the kitchen and one near the sun parlor that was pretty well rotted away. The grapes turned out first rate and we have had about 50 pounds off the vines. The ducks have grown to be quite large and we expect to have them for Thanksgiving; there are eight left and besides that we have the old rooster and the rabbit. Nels will probably remain until about Christmas time when he



H G F--#4.

will come in town until Spring. The pony is getting fat as a butter ball and the nights are very crisp.

I have the films for the last pictures you took and will send them to you. The groups did not turn out especially well, but the pictures of the Air Ship at the Fair were fine. I meant to send you these sometime ago, but neglected it.

Am glad to hear that Alfred will go to Florida with you and am sure you will have a fine time. I see according to the catalogue that you will have three weeks vacation. How do you like Mr. Bume, your room mate? I hope he is the kind of a fellow who puts in enough time on his lessons and will not bother you when you are trying to get yours. You will have a whole lot of reading to do and I see according to the catalogue the English requirements will be beneficial to you.

I received a letter from your Grandmother<sup>ma</sup> the other day and she wanted to know if you had received the pin which she sent you for a birthday present. Do not fail to write her.

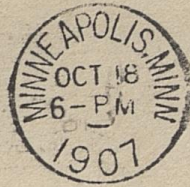
All send love.

Affectionately yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. H. Foster", written in dark ink on the bottom right of the page.



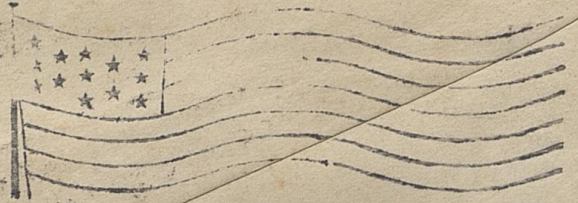
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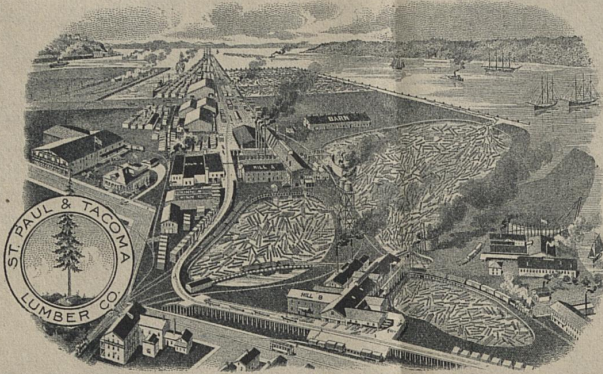
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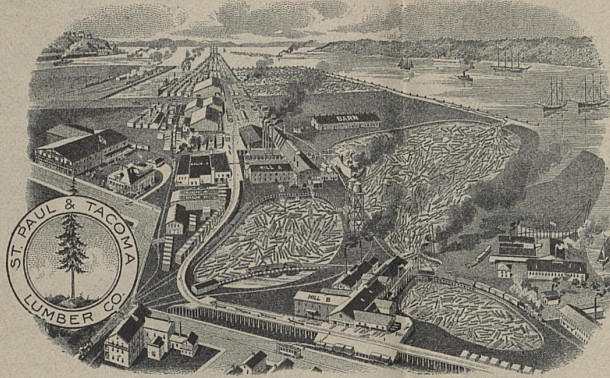
*Minneapolis, Minn. 10/18/07*

*My Dear Boy*  
Was glad to get your letter  
to your mother but sorry Mr Krisko is  
still preaching his long drawn out sermon.  
Mr. Charlie Anderson is here with  
us + we are going out to the Willows  
tomorrow to put up the bridge -  
He met a Dr Seelye + wife at  
Datura Florida last winter + we were  
wondering if it was the father + mother  
of your friend he met. If he  
goes home Christmas you ought to  
arrange to go on together. Your  
Big Auntie writes she is expecting



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3, Minneapolis, Minn.

you + your friend. Is young Finley  
of Washington at Andover this year?  
Miss Hask Thompson will be launched  
into Society tonight + your mother  
+ I expect to go over. Your mother  
has had a recurrence of her rheumatism  
+ I am anxious for her to go to  
Madisonia with Miss Alice Thompson.  
We are all well + hope you are  
taking good care of yourself.  
How is your stand for the first  
month? Have you written Aunt Sam.  
All send love from affectionately your dad.



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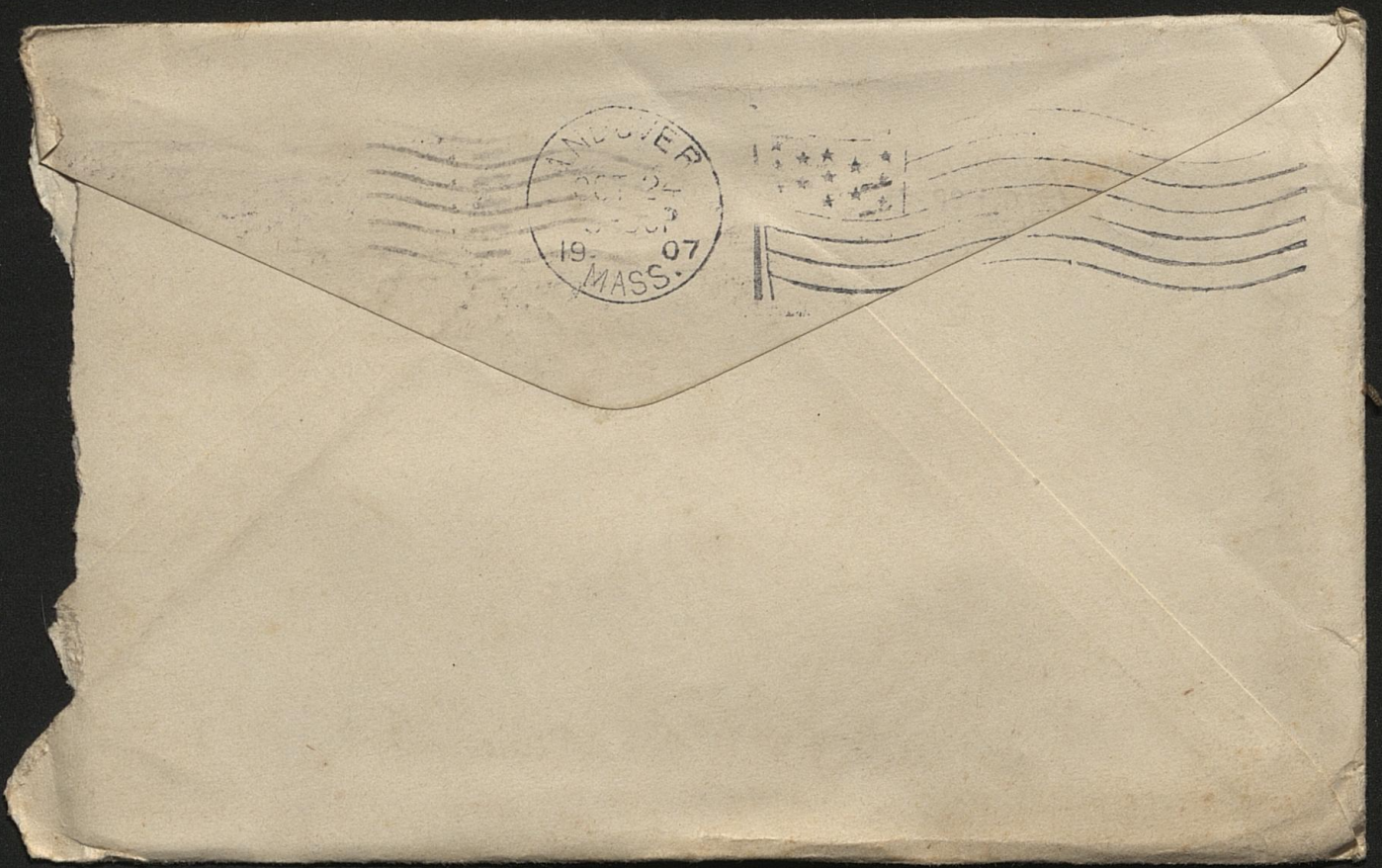
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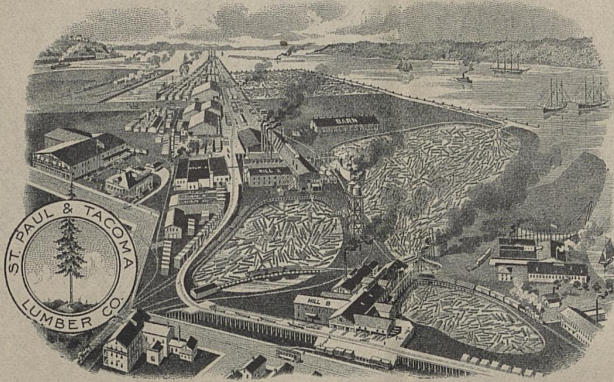






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*Minneapolis, Minn. Oct 22/07*

*My Dear Gibson*

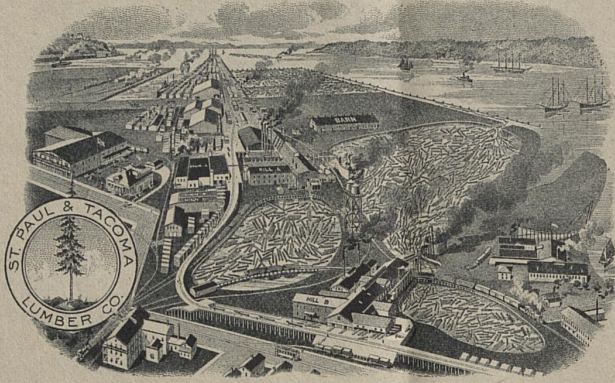
*I was pleased to get your letter + know you are getting along all right.*

*Saturday Charlie Anderson + I went out to the lake + had a fine run in the widgeon. Sunday morning your mother Addison + the baby came out. We took a run in the morning had dinner at the Lafayette Club then we ran*



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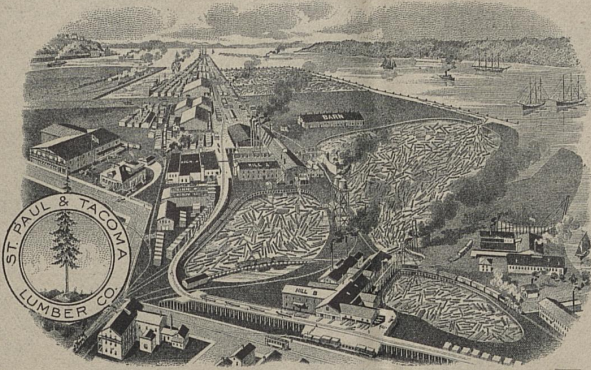
*2, Minneapolis, Minn.*

through the big lake to Wayzata.  
 Addison thought he would clean  
 the gear with some waste when it  
 caught & played hot with it.  
 We were off Spirit Island near  
 Breezy Point, but fortunately a  
 launch came along & towed us  
 to Moon's dock. We will have  
 to get some new gear. It was  
 fortunate he did not lose his  
 fingers, but I am sure he will



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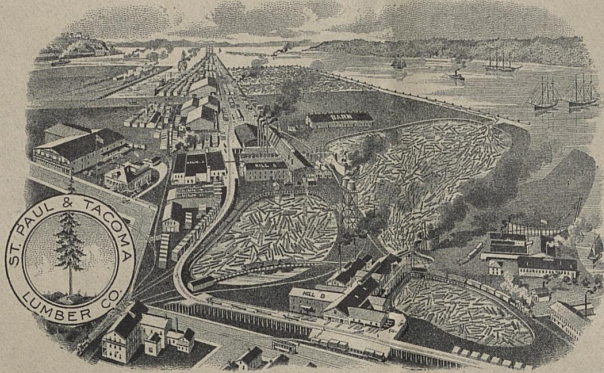
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try that experiment again +  
Today Anderson + I went out  
to see how the foundation is  
progressing, we walked to Excelsior  
+ came in on the car. The weather  
has been + is perfect + the country  
is beautiful. I brought in the  
rabbit + the old rooster. He's changed  
them +  
You speak of tract  
work. Don't you mean track work.  
Mr. Davis told your mother he had  
not heard from you. Do not fail



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*4 Minneapolis, Minn.*

*To write him + also tell him what  
you think of and over.*

*Have you written Aunt Fanny?*

*Why don't you answer my questions  
when you write. Am glad you are*

*forming some nice acquaintances  
Tell me who they are + their names.*

*Addison was B in algebra what  
do you think of that? He is getting  
along much better this year.*

*All well + send lots of love*

*Affectionately*

*Yours Dad.*