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Sept. 16-1908

Hart Gibson Foster, Esq.,

#11 Bancroft,

Endover, Massachusetts.

My dear Gibson:--

Enclosed you will find letter which was sent to Arcola.

Hope you had a pleasant trip and enjoyed your day in Chicago. Do not fail to write us all about it.

We stayed in town again last night. Your mother expects to get the house in readiness by this evening, and we are to take dinner with the Hixons at the Club this evening. Addison reports all well at the Lake.

With lots of love, I am,

Affectionately yours,

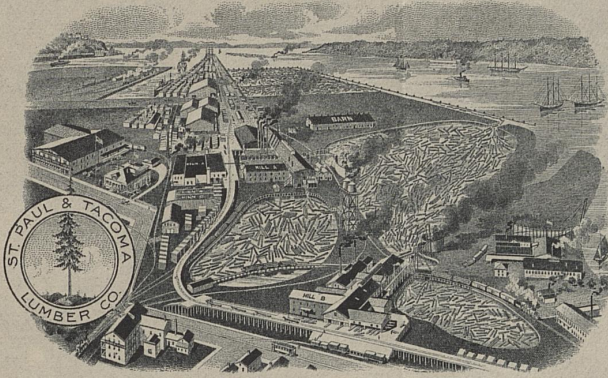
*Deb*

*Uncle Annie left for Tacoma this morning.*

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*Minneapolis, Minn. 9/22/08*

*How do you like  
your name?*

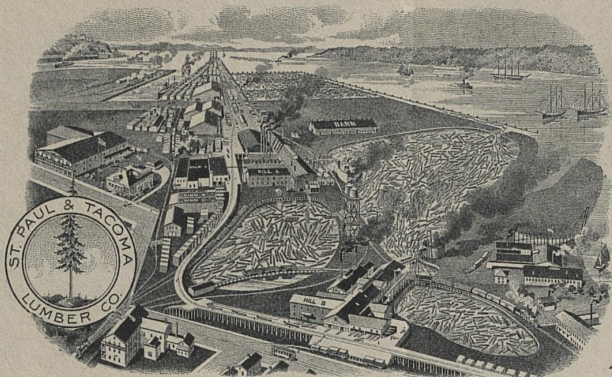
*My Dear Gibson -*

*We expect to come in from  
the Lake Wednesday Sept 30th. Ida is going  
to be married in October & your mother wants  
to get settled in town in order to get another  
servant. Weather still hot. Had a thunder  
shower this morning which cooled off the  
atmosphere some. The group picture was  
fine with the exception of your grandmother.*

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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Who will you room with this year?

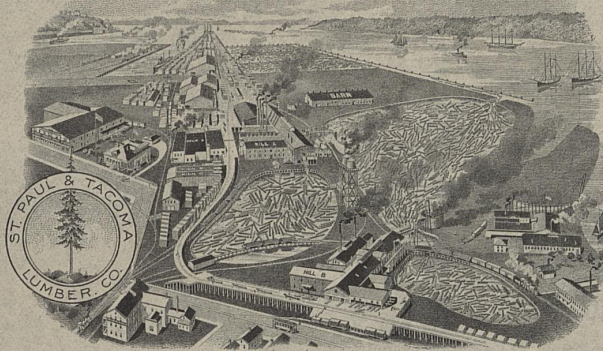
Hope you will get a good start & feel better this year. Don't fail to give my regards to Mr. Stearns.

Mr. Davis expects to be married on Oct 10<sup>th</sup>. Keep yourself in good condition physically above all. & don't get nervous. Cool off & don't get rattled. All sent lots of love affectionately your dad.

*Remember me to Mr. Jones.*

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*Minneapolis, Minn.* Sept. 21-1908

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My dear Gibson:--

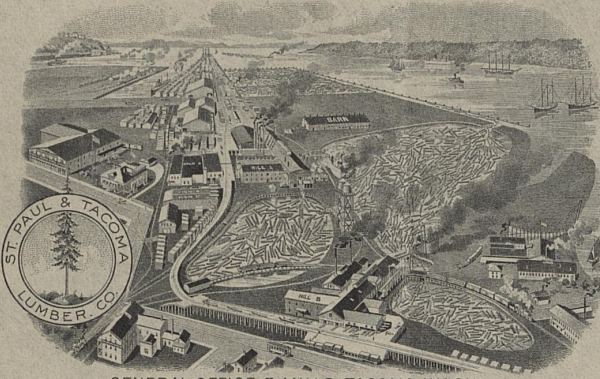
We were glad to receive your wire and know you had a fine time in Chicago. Since you left we have had very hot weather and it is still hot.

Mr. Jones, George Jones' father, was at the Lake Saturday and wished me to thank you for what you had done for George. Trust you got located in good shape and that everything will go along swimmingly this year.

Nels cleaned up the Launch in fine shape; got things in their accustomed position, and we went out for run last evening. After working with the clutch, which slipped, it started off in good shape. Mrs. Seeley is with us. She, your mother and grand-mother and your sister went out in the Hixon's automobile for a ride yesterday afternoon, stopping at Casco Point. Cousin Preston came out yesterday and remained until today. They all went into St. Paul for the day.

Give my regards to George Jones. Understand there is quite a crowd of Minneapolis boys going on there this year. I suppose you met quite a number on the train and had a good time.

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*Minneapolis, Minn.*

What did you think of Cousin Preston?

*Cowley*

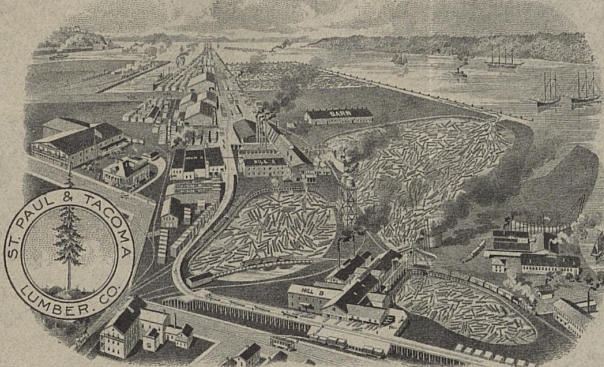
Hope to receive a letter from you shortly telling about your trip and how you have gotten started. Also hope you will enjoy your new quarters and that your room mate will be congenial.

We are all well and send lots of love

Affectionately

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*Minneapolis, Minn.* Sept. 24-1908

Hart Gibson Foster, Esq.,  
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Andover Mass.

My dear Gibson:--

I am sending you today, by mail, the pipe which you left. I forgot to bring in your Base Ball mit, but will send it tomorrow.

Received your letter and glad to know that you are getting located. Your mother wants to know how many curtains you want, and to please measure the windows from where the curtains will be hung to the window sill, and she and Mrs. Seeley will be pleased to make them for you.

We are still having warm weather, although not quite as warm as two or three days ago. We have had one or two thunder storms which have cleared off the stmosphere.

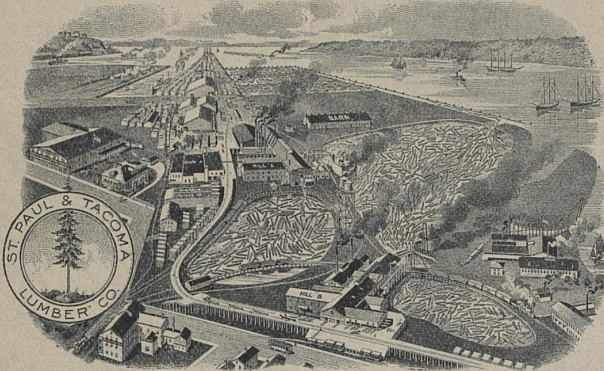
Do not forget Pelham Turner, - Mr. Paschall's nephew. Look him up and extend the glad hand. Your mother is going to have a luncheon at the Lafayette Club tomorrow for Mrs. Seeley and your grandmother. Glad you had such a fine time in Chicago.

Affectionately yours,

*Dad*

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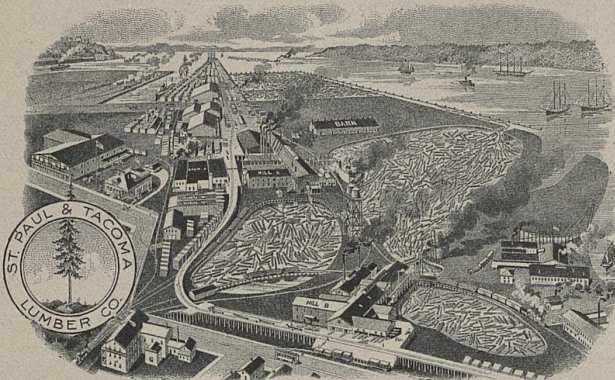
*Minneapolis, Minn. Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 08*

*My Dear Libon - We have moved in from the lake  
& find 290 Laurel very comfortable. I will send  
your base ball suit to day. Your mother has  
been constantly occupied & unable to write  
you, which she will do directly she has a  
moment to spare. I ordered the Daily &  
Sunday Pioneer Press sent you. If it does  
not put in an appearance let me know.  
We are all well with the exception of*

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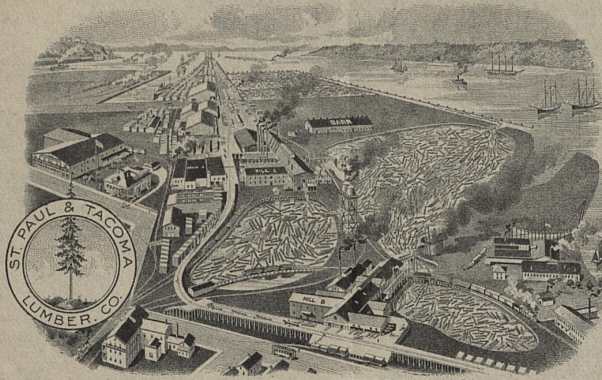
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*Minneapolis, Minn.*  
 Mrs Seely, who has a touch of rheumatism  
 The weather is better not so sultry. Expect to  
 go out to the lake Sunday & bring in some  
 green tomatoes for pickles. Glad you are  
 getting along o.k. Keep yourself in good  
 heart. Do not sit up at night & consume  
 your strength. Hope your room mate will  
 turn out to your liking. Are you taking  
 German? You said you would only speak  
 French. All send lots of love. Affectionately  
 Dad.



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*Minneapolis, Minn.* October 7-1908

Hart Gibson Foster, Esq.,  
 Andover, Mass.

My dear Gibson:--

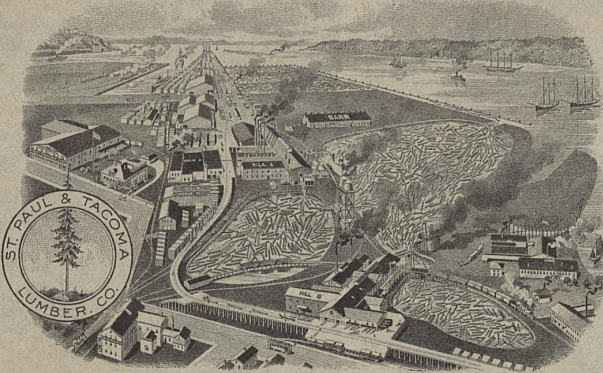
Enclosed you will find draft on New York for \$50.00, which please acknowledge.

I am sending you by this mail, at the request of your mother, a Tape Measure, so that you can measure anything you wish in the way of curtains, rugs or anything else. In your letter you stated that you had no ruler to measure them by, and did not state how many windows there were in the room, and what kind of curtains you wanted,- whether you wanted double curtains or single curtains. Your mother told me she wired you today to send the measurements, so I hope you will get matters adjusted shortly.

We had some ducks last night which Cousin Preston brought over. Addison and I went out to the Lake Sunday, but could not get the crank to catch; have not had it fixed yet. You spoke of a young Moon from California. The Moon whom we saw on the train coming from Heron Lake died. He lived in San Jose. Your Uncle Charlie knew two or three Moons from Eau Claire, Wisconsin. If this boy is the son of the man we saw, his Uncles were the boys at Andover when your Uncle Charlie was there. Write me what

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you think of Pelham Turner. Glad to hear George Jones is getting along nicely. Do not forget to send Addison a cap to take the place of the one I gave you which I got for him. He is in need of a cap.

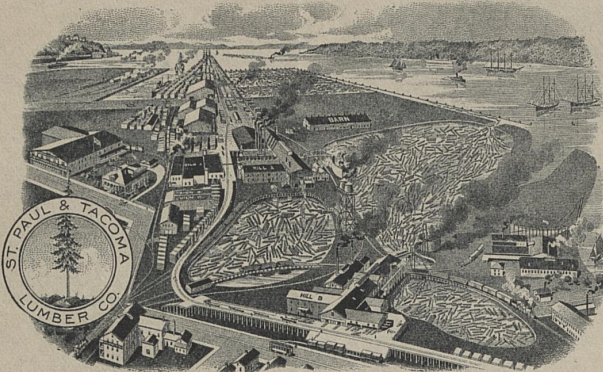
The pictures turned out very well. Your mother will probably send you some later on. Mrs. Seeley is still laid up with siatica. I think she will leave the latter part of the week. Your mother may go down to Mudlavia and from there to Lexington for your grand mother's birthday, early in November. No definite arrangements have been made as yet.

Affectionately yours.

*Excuse  
dictation but was  
in a hurry  
over your letter for your  
Spelling was poor, some words  
left out + wrong words used.  
Probably you were tired &  
sleepy.*

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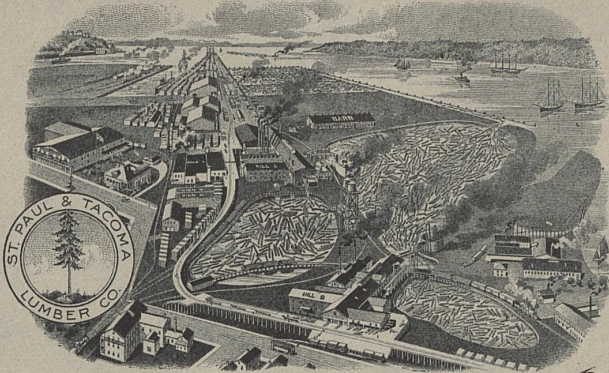
*Minneapolis, Minn. 10/19/08.*

*My Dear Libron*

*Excuse delay in writing  
but I have been very busy & so has your  
mother. In the first place we have  
been trying to get a cook, succeeded  
& fired her inside of a week. Then  
I'd decided not to get married  
& we got a house maid. who will leave  
15 days I think. We are now looking  
for a cook. Your Grandmother &  
I went to Chicago where I put her  
on the train for Cincinnati. She  
was impressed by her visit. We went  
out to the Lake yesterday & dined at  
the Club. Delightful day. Where did  
you put the red lantern belonging to*

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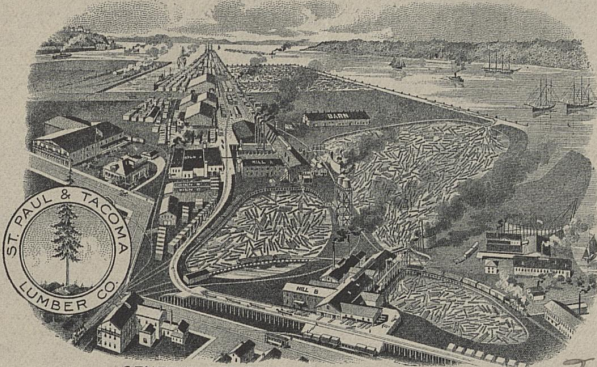
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the Laurel. We have looked everywhere for it for some time. I intended writing you before. Your mother had some customs etc sent you. Hope they are what you wish. I see Anderson won from the Princeton freshmen so also did Exeter. We attended Lillian Rannys wedding + all asked for you.

Hope you are keeping well + got the instructors you like this year. Read over your letters after writing them for you make a number of mistakes also from your letters so anyone can tell what they are. Your Capital I's are like a small one t. See?

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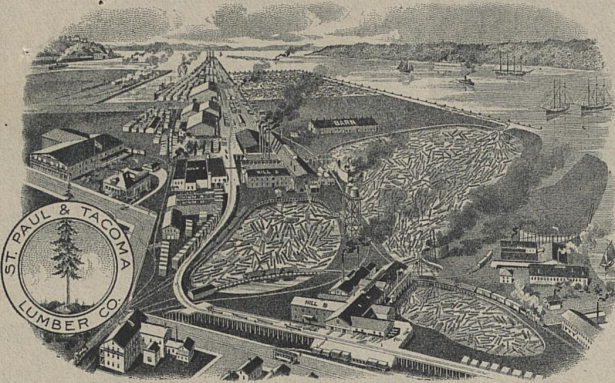
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*3*  
Mrs Nudge has returned + said Dudley  
is doing well + enthusiastic over  
Hotelman. All well + send lots  
of love. Remember me to Geo Jones  
& tell me what you think of  
Pelham Turner. Affectionally  
your dad.

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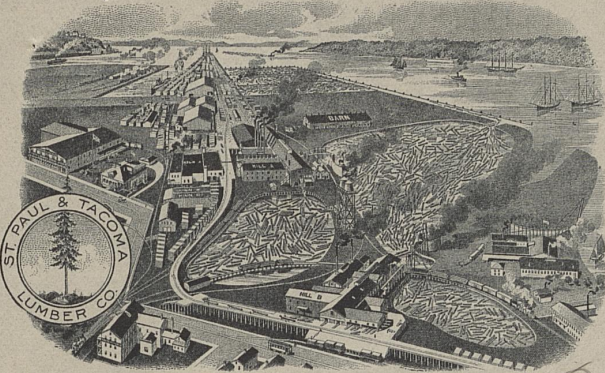
*My Dear Gibson - Enclosed you will find  
New York draft for fifty dollars (\$50.00)*

*I sent you one for the same  
amount on the 7th but you have  
not acknowledged the receipt of it.*

*If you did not get it wire so  
I can stop payment. Never fail  
to acknowledge receipt of money  
the same day you receive it. If  
you have only time to just say "check  
received" with the amount then I  
will know that you have received  
it + only common courtesy demands  
it. You surely can spare five minutes*

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*2. Minneapolis, Minn.*

*Sometime during the day.*

*Jim Druidson is here + he has a dress suit which if you see him about 100-10th he will make to fit you for 50% off. + can have for the holidays. You might look at it*

*but do not take it unless you want it. I messaly thought I would let you know. We went to see*

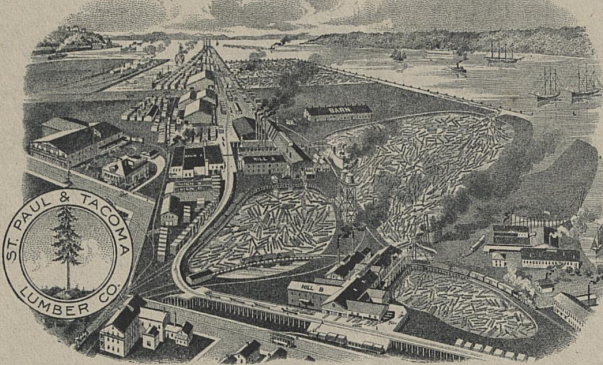
*Ethel Baymore in Lady Fredrick last evening. it was good*

*all well + send lots of love*

*Affectonately  
 Your Dad*

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*Minneapolis, Minn. 10/26/08*

*My dear Gibson*

Your letter addressed to my office came and I am glad to hear that you have taken up the boy's lessons for I know it will be a source of great pleasure to you.

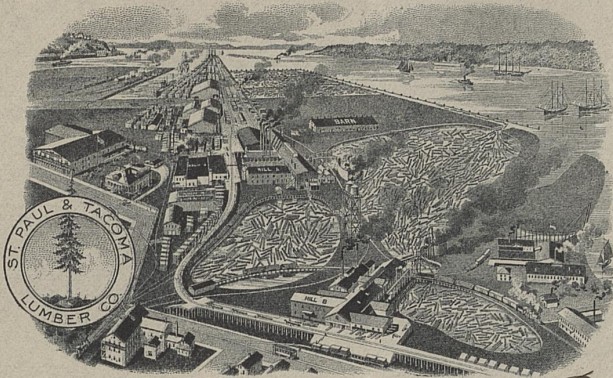
I will say nothing until you tell me to. I hope this has had nothing to do with your mark of E in English and Greek History. Above all keep yourself in good health & keep from worry for that makes you nervous & in turn that affects your health.

Systematic work is the thing & schedule yourself so you can have some recreation. Alfred called last evening & he told me



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2 Minneapolis, Minn.

He has 35 hours per week. He is looking first rate & said he was anxiously awaiting a letter from you.

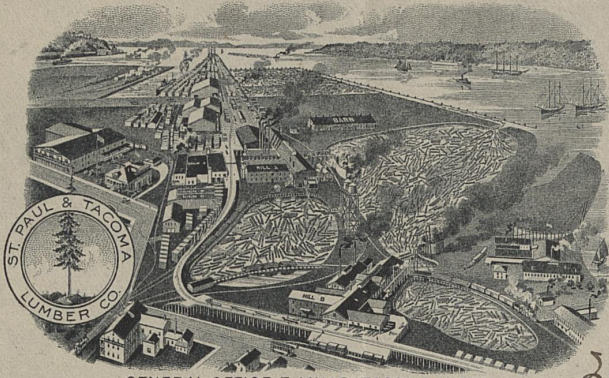
With regard to the dress suit. I did not order it & so you will not be obliged to cancel it. Mr. Jensen only said he would give you the opportunity if you wished to take advantage of it.

You will probably spread out some this year & may not be able to wear it next year. You are the best judge so decide for yourself.

I am very glad you called upon young Turner for you know how it was with you last year & especially

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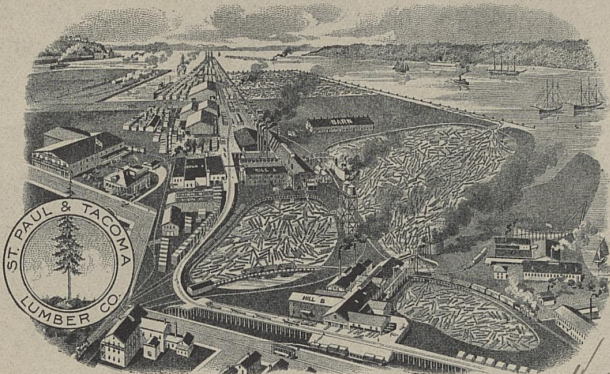
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3 Minneapolis Minn.  
 when an older fellow seemed to take some  
 interest in you. I remember when I first  
 went to New Haven some of the seniors  
 in Yale were especially nice to me  
 & it gives me the satisfaction of knowing  
 he can call on you when in need of  
 advice etc. although that time may never  
 come. Just because he is younger  
 don't neglect him or George Jones. A few  
 kind words from you would strengthen  
 you more than you have any idea of.  
 I am very glad you have your  
 room mate & that you have comfortable  
 & cosy quarters. We are called upon  
 Mr. & Mrs. Perkins Davis yesterday. He  
 was not there. Senator took her a bunch

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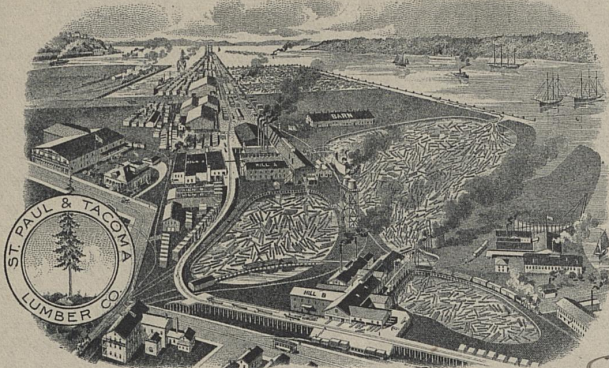
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4 Minneapolis, Minn.

I wrote. Am glad you called upon  
 Mr. Davis Sr. + wish you would present  
 my compliments when next you see him.  
 I will see Mr. Johnston about the red light  
 I took the "widgeon" down to Moor's last  
 week. Campbell will overhaul the engine  
 I think her engine is badly worn.  
 I see that Andover won from the  
 Harvard freshmen. Don't get our confidence.  
 Is young Ethan Allen playing on the  
 Excelsior team? You remember Mr. Lewis  
 Bigelow told you he was the best  
 back been on earth. Send me a  
 Phillipian or you had better subscribe for  
 the Phillipian for me so I can see what

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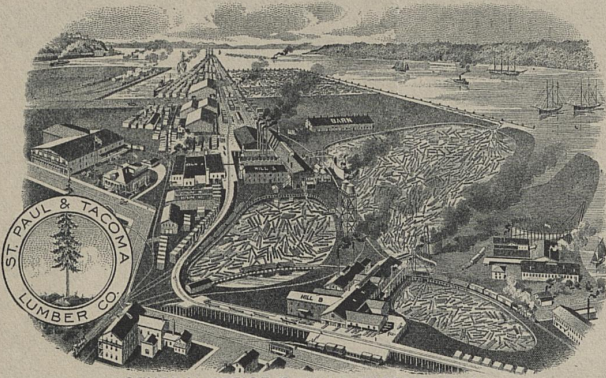
*5 Minneapolis, Minn.*  
 is going on. Pay for it + let me know  
 how much it is + I will send you  
 the amount. We are all well. The  
 baby has been ailing but is getting  
 along all right now.

Ethel Barrymore sent Addison  
 a box for the Matinee here Saturday.  
 He took four of his friends + they  
 met Miss Barrymore. They all enjoyed  
 it very much. Good bye. Am mighty  
 glad you are taking up the baby.  
 Have you gotten a good baby?

All send lots of love  
 Give my regards to Les Jones.  
 Affectionately  
 Your Dad.

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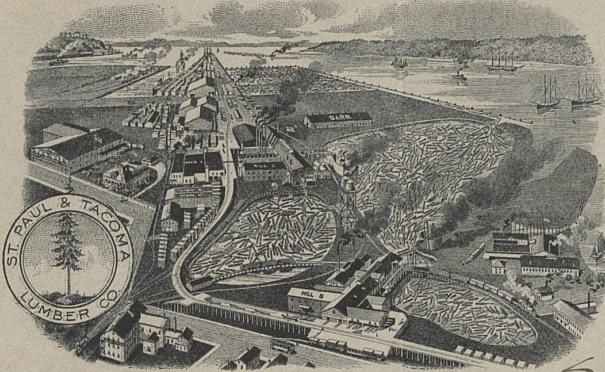
*Minneapolis, Minn. 11/3/08.*

*My Dear Libson -*

*I wrote Cecil Bancroft to allow you to spend the Thanksgiving recess with friends any old place so long as you did not leave before the schedule time & returned by the time required. Your mother left with Sunster Sunday & is due in Lexington this morning. Madam von Engelken is supposed to be in Chicago after which she will go to Ky. Your mother will return about Nov 16<sup>th</sup>. Preston may come back via Lexington & return with them. Baby was very much pleased to go to Ingle's to see the new baby girl at the Lodge gate.*

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*2 Minneapolis, Minn.*

Addison + I are getting along all right  
I entered the billiard tournament  
at the Minnesota club + expect to  
get trimmed, but want the practice  
+ experience. I think you had  
better get that dress suit if you like it.

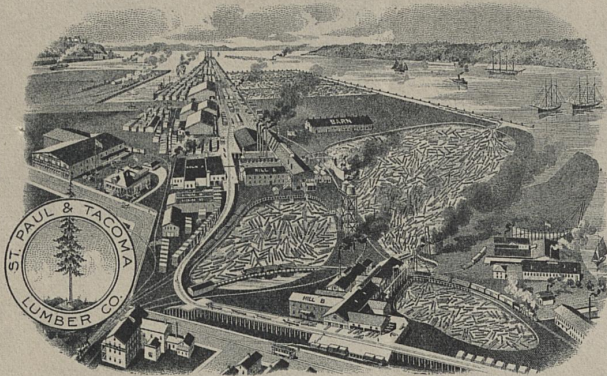
Addison's cap armoed, is somewhat  
large, but he seems very proud of it.  
Did you order the Phillipian for me?

Addison joins in love + hope you  
are taking care of yourself + getting  
along all right. Affectionally

Addison + I took in the  
fire the other night at Shes  
Lenny Stable. 68 horses roasted  
great sight. The Angus people badly scared.

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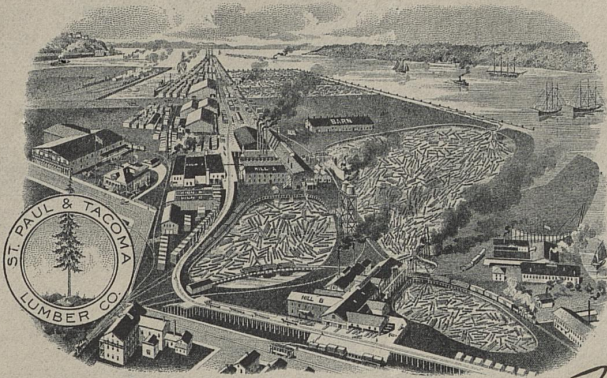
*Minneapolis, Minn. 11/5/08.*

Dear Gibson —  
 Enclosed find draft on the  
 National Bank of Commerce of New York  
 for \$5000. Do not fail to acknowledge  
 the receipt of this draft.

Was glad to receive your letter, but  
 sorry to know that you were under the  
 weather. Hope you will take care of  
 your self + have a speedy recovery. Do not  
 fail to wrap up when it is chilly.  
 I saw by the paper that the Yale freshmen  
 beat your team. I understood that  
 Hottelkiss played a close game with  
 them. Received word from your mother  
 that she arrived in Lexington safely.

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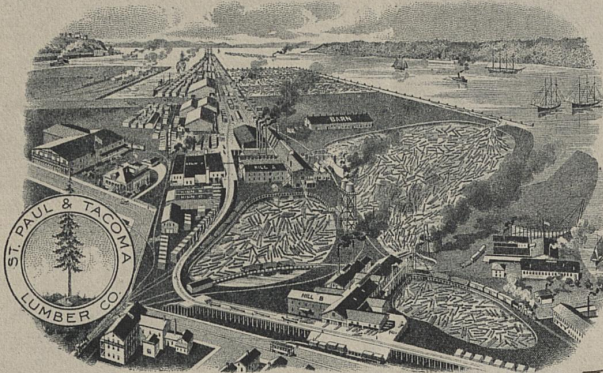
2. Minneapolis, Minn.

Taft seems to have carried the country to the satisfaction of his admirers & Bryan has again been relegated to the ranks of a private citizen. The people were wise and they will find the new President more conservative than Roosevelt & a man who will not be as likely to plunge us into debt & trouble. Minnesota will retain Johnson as Governor. He is the better man & one whom the people will not be obliged to make excuses for. Jacobson looks like a Simian. One man remarked when looking at his picture. "How did they manage to capture it & put clothes on it?" The election throughout seems to have been satisfactory. Addison is getting along somewhat better, but I think Smises Dudley & the other boys who



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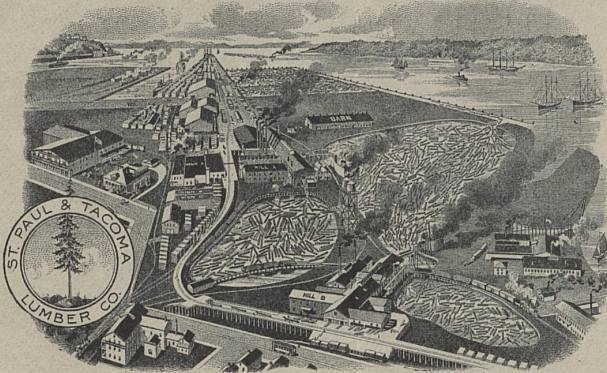
has gone away to school. We are going to hear Burton Holmes lecture upon Paris tomorrow night they say it is good. Sunday we go to the lake. I am having some improvements done at 290 at Mrs. Riley's expense while your mother is away.

Hope you are enjoying your term + making some good acquaintances. Did your friend Rockwell return? What became of Berne? Lots of love from your Dad.

If you get that dress suit from Lucas put it on my bill for you will need your allowance.

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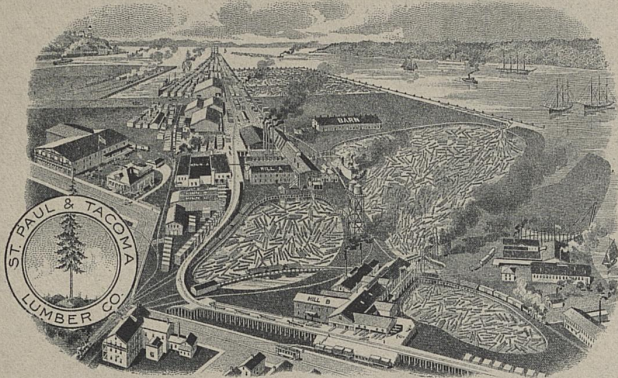
My Dear Gibson - Was glad to get your letter with Phillipian enclosed. I had already gotten the Boston Herald with accounts of the game. Andover evidently played better of their feet. Did you meet Horace Allen? He evidently was not on the team.

Your mother + Junster will be here Tuesday morning. Glad you have gotten rid of your cold. Weather is getting colder but very little snow. Addison + I are getting along just rate expect to go to the lake Saturday + open some fish - affectionately your dad

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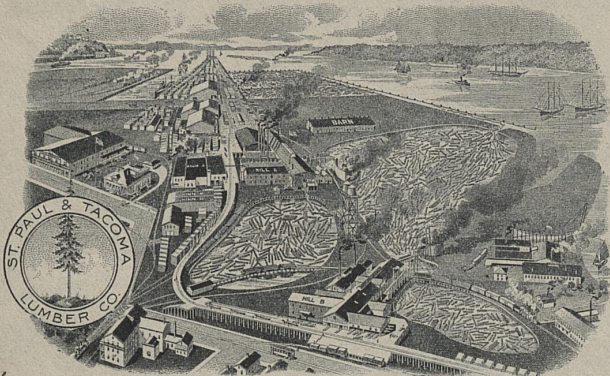
*Minneapolis, Minn. 11/18/08*

*My dear Gibson -*

*Enclosed find draft on New York for \$500. I have carried this around for two or three days. Please acknowledge receipt promptly. Your mother & daughter arrived home Monday morning both well. Gustav will return Thursday he writes. Only one month more & you will be with us. Make Ray in the mean time & apply your self to the work. Last evening your mother Lilly Mudge*

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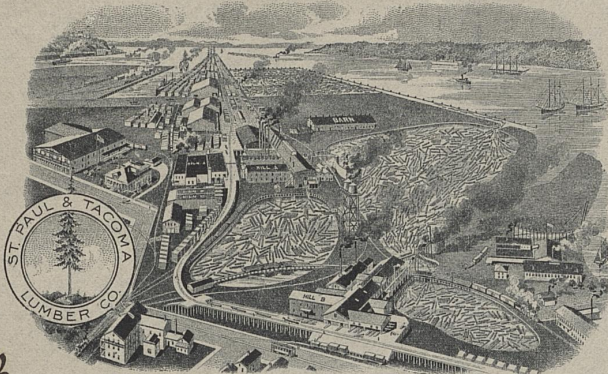
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*Minneapolis, Minn*  
I went over to Minneapolis to hear Charminade perform on the piano, her own composition. It was very enjoyable. Addison + I are going to see the Indians play Minnesota Saturday. The Harvard-Yale game in New Haven will be the event in foot ball this year with the chances in favor of Harvard except Yale is playing on her own grounds. Did you see the Harvard-Dartmouth? Hope you did not catch cold. Perkins Davis said he could get you tickets for the Harvard-Yale game next year.

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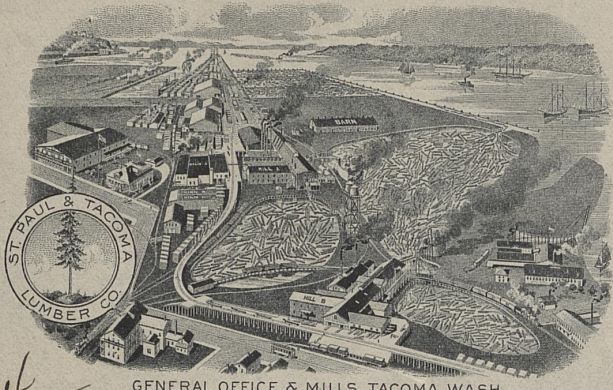
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at Cambridge + could have gotten some for you for  
 the Howard-Dartmouth had he thought of it.  
 Don't forget to speak about it next year.  
 your Aunt another + Big Aunty shoud be in Florida  
 today or tomorrow. Addison + I were out to the  
 lake Sunday. had lunch with the Gipsons  
 + called on the Horn's. Miss Wood is filling  
 in about 2 acres of low land on Huntington's  
 point with Johnson's suction dredger. It will deepen  
 the channel of the point. Lyman is putting up

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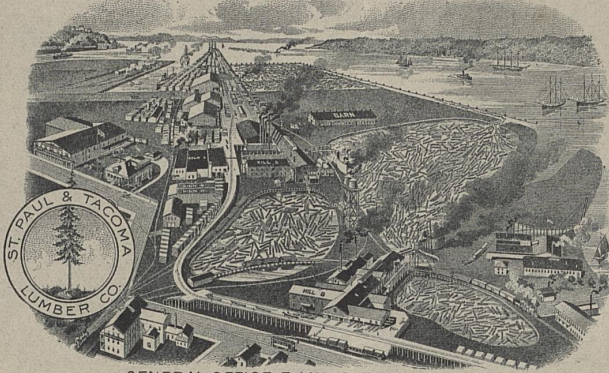
a substantial home next the Jones place -  
 Stone foundation regular city house.

All well + send lots of love. Have you  
 played any tennis this fall? Much  
 obliged for the account of the Andover-  
 Exeter game. Does young Stum bid play  
 on the Princeton team? I hear "Sub"  
 Johnston has been doing mighty well.

Affectationally your Dad

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*Minneapolis, Minn. 11/25/08.*

*My Dear Gibson -*

*Enclosed you will find Card sent  
me by Cecil Bancroft giving you an F in  
English from this it looks as if the mark  
shows your stand so serious it does not seem  
probable that you can regain your standing.*

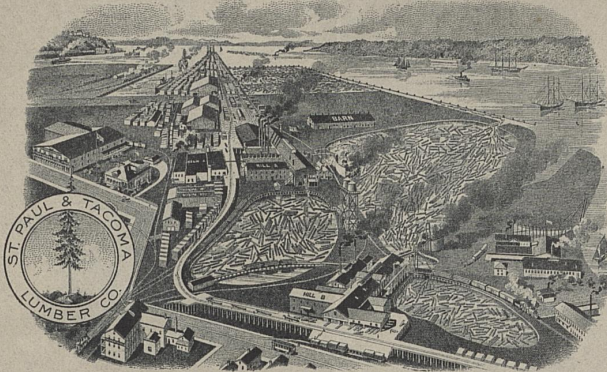
*Where in does the fault lie? I  
notice in your letters you leave out words,  
use the ~~same~~ wrong words & misspelle  
but it usually is of the most simple kind  
& I think is due to carelessness. You  
think faster than you write & then do not  
take the time to read the letter over.*

*Has this anything to do with it? You should  
be able to correct it for I know you have  
the ability if you concentrate your mind upon  
your work. You are all right. Conduct with*

*Factor in English if you need it.*

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The Yale Howard game must have been great.

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your instructor in English + take his advice in the matter. <sup>Minneapolis, Minn.</sup> Tomorrow (Thurs. going) Mr. Cymun, Cousin Preston + Mr. Hixon will eat turkey with us. Preston did not get down to Oly. because his mother was ill.

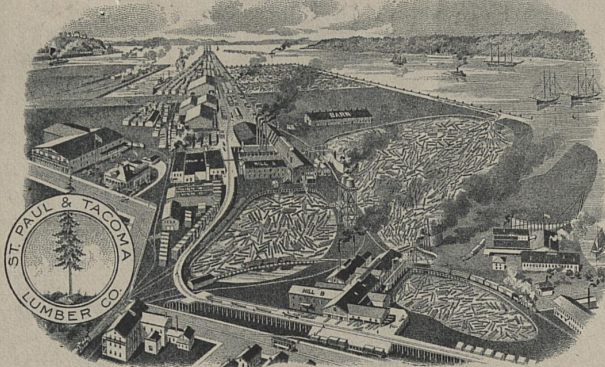
Saturday we saw the Minnesota team beat the Carshli Indians. I never saw such reversal of playing. The Minnesota team opened up its plays + the passing was fine. Sunday I went out to the lake. No, see yet. Took dinner at the Horns. Regular Puget Sound weather here. Did you see Howard Johnston or young Judson in Boston? Let me know at once if you will need any extra money.

All well + send lots of love. Affectionately your dad.



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*Minneapolis, Minn. 12/7/08.*

*My Dear Gibson - Enclosed you will find New York drafts for \$2000. With this you can pay off everything & get home, also buy your canoe - \$50<sup>00</sup> if this is from your Cappa. He sent me a check & I thought you would prefer the money.*

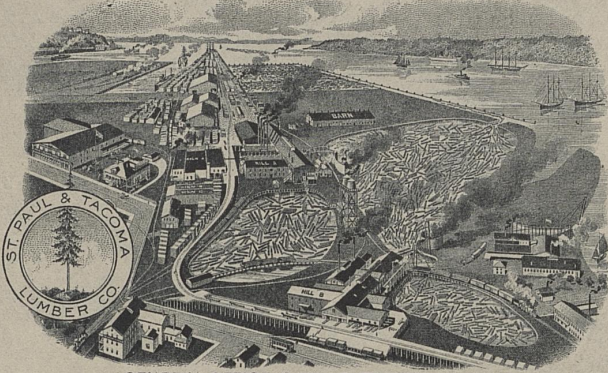
*Miss Edith Forpangh died last Friday night.*

*It was very sudden. She will be buried day after tomorrow. Your mother has been helping them out. We are all well and hoping to see you are well when you return.*

*From your letters, I take it that you will arrive here Saturday morning Dec 19th you mentioned no date in your letter. Am glad you had a good time Thanksgiving. Bring no one with you unless you absolutely want him. We are under no obligations to any one & only want whoever you wish.*

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Minneapolis, Minn.

I am very glad to hear that you have gotten off your English condition. I want to show you the letters you have written me so you can see where you fell down. You surely do not read your letters over after writing them. You write too fast, jump words + leave out letters. Take your time. It is much better to have what you do done well than to mess over a lot. Write the day you will arrive + if you stop over in Chicago. I forgot, you stated you would arrive in the afternoon + take the night train for St Paul. Your Grandmother is now in Florida with Big Aunt. Appa expects to be here about Jan 1st. All well + send lots of love. Hope you will get through all right.

Affectingly  
Your Dad.