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My Dr Sir,

I have just recd the enclosed and as I think the value of the stock will depend much on the Board of Directors [?] I propose to go up. Do the papers I hold give me the necessary power to vote the stock (Mr. Lee has an old Power of Atty from Mr [sic]Lane)

Please send the proxy to vote the stock if one is needed. I do not know which of the parties it will be for our interest to go in with, but will go up the day before and investigate the matter fully. If Schugh will take us in equally with them & take no advantage of the - as [?] truly called - unheard of legislation - I will act with them. Mr. Lee is very bitter and obstinate and may do us injury by quarrelling with them.

Yours truly H. R. Riddle

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