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THE BEST APPOINTED HOTEL IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

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A.C. BILICKE & CO.

Sacramento, Calif., Tuesday, 1892.

My darling

Just a short note, to catch
the 4.20 train back to S.D.

I think we had better offer
~~to~~ the city that in the event
of their voting us their bonds
we will give them the same
amount of bonds of our
company. The interest to
begin ~~pay~~ in 5 years from
now. We can well
afford to make such terms
with the city because if
we raise the money from
outside parties we get
no ~~the~~ money but have not
only to give bonds in exchange
but also a large block
of stock. I hope I make

my meaning plain.

To repeat: We sell ~~\$~~ 1000
inches water to city and
deliver same in city limits
and deed the area of reservoir
inside the 1000 inch contour
line. And we also give the
city bonds of our company
to the extent of \$1000 000. The
interest though not to begin
for four years — in consideration
of \$1000 000 city bonds. This is
the only method that will give
us the contract with the City.

If we get the money from
the City for the scheme as
will do for our bonds (with
interest starting at once) and
a big percent of stock.

Tell this to Cook & Peatman
for and uses. In just
keep the press

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Los Angeles, Cal. Dec 17 1894

I, James R. Grant of Arizona hereby constitute
and appoint U.S. Grant Jr of San Diego
Calif my true and lawful attorney for me
and in my stead and behalf interests and
purposes as though I did the same myself
to sign, execute and deliver any
and all bonds to be furnished by me as
as one of the vendors of water for irrigation
and other purposes in the San Luis Rey
Valley and lands adjacent thereto as per
proposition of George Puterbaugh of San
Diego Calif and myself to residents
and owners of the lands in the said Valley
and to the residents and owners of said
lands adjacent thereto. Henry con-
firming and ratifying all my said
attorney may lawfully do in the
business.

James R. Grant
L.A.
W.W.

Dear Buck

In Brett and possibly the City
Business will be here this evening
at 7.30. If convenient you had
better come. Mr Scripps contemplated
advertising "books" or "the scheme"
Will you send by Wells the
paper left on your desk this A.M.
and also the notes Judge Patterson
made a couple of days ago bearing
on the last question, i.e. the guarantee
to the city that the supply will
be permanent.

Jess.

1894

Having no intention of developing the
San Luis Rey water system without the
sale to the City by us of 1000 meters of
water upon the lines indicated in our
last proposition we have not acquired
any property pertaining to the system.

If assured of the sale we will purchase
the reservoir site and begin construction
of according to any reasonable specifica-
tion demanded by the City.

As such maps as we have will
be presented to the Council in the
course of the week

Resolved that the Great Powers ~~further~~
requested to furnish this committee with an
Abstract of Title to Morris Ranch, brought
down to date, or in the event they do not
wish to furnish an Abstract they deposit
a certified check for the sum of ~~one thousand~~^{* \$1000}
to be forfeited to the city if it succeeds
in their proposition and they fail to pro-
vide a perfect title in fee simple
clear of all encumbrances to the portion
of the ranch known as the San Luis
Ridge and side.

To the Joint Water Committee
of the City of San Diego:

We offer now to sell and
deliver within the City limits at such points as may
be agreed upon by us and the City of San Diego,
thousand, inches of perpetual flow
and furnish with that area of the main
Storage reservoir included within
the thousand inch contour and
the dam impounding the
same, and the conduit from
the said dam to the City of
San Diego with the rights of
way necessary for the same,
and keep — reserving however the right
and conduct to use such reservoir above
at all times the one thousand inch con-
tour for the impounding
any expense
to the City
whatever
of additional water ^{and also} ~~and~~ ^{and} having
an easement in the conduit
from the dam to the City for
the purposes of conveying other
water to lands ~~and~~ ^{and} districts
outside the city for irrigation
and other useful purposes
which may be ~~conveyed~~ ^{conveyed} ~~than~~
in excess of the one thousand
inches — all for the sum of nine
hundred thousand dollars in five %
40 year bonds of the City of San Diego
without any annual rental or
other additional payment, the
said bonds to be placed in escrow
and to be delivered upon our delivering
the said thousand inches ~~at the point of sale~~
point within the City limits and to
remain a point ~~at the~~ ^{near} ~~point of sale~~

1 It is our desire to encourage the
2 improvement of all lands along
3 the San Luis Rey Valley to Oceanside
4 and from thence to the City of San
5 Diego, and to that end it is
6 our intention to sell water at low
7 rates and on easy terms of pay-
8 ment to any municipality or land
9 owner desiring the same, and as
10 an evidence of our good faith in
11 this, we will agree, should it be
12 desired, that in case the city
13 purchases 1000 inches of water,
14 we will sell water to land
15 owners along the line of conduits
16 outside the city-limits and of
17 Irrigation Districts; at a rate not
18 exceeding a valuation which
19 would be equivalent to an
20 annual rental of \$40. an inch

title
~~to~~

The city a perfect to the dam, reserving
rights of way and conduit such
title to be passed upon by an Attri-
bute of the city's own selection.
We further agree to sell to other
city of San Diego and convey
to the city limits at any time
within five years an additional
one thousand annins inches
perpetual flow of water at
an annual rental of \$40 =
per inch and, within eight
years an other additional
1,000 annins inches per-
petual flow of water for
a like annual rental of \$40 per
inch.

Our hope is in making this
modification of our form off that
the City of San Diego will be satis-
fied for the present with the
deliveries of say five hundred
thousand inches of water South of
the ~~boundary~~ of the San Diego
River leaving ~~leaving~~ the
remaining amount of water
for use in the development
of the lands north of within the
city limits North of said river.

Mr H.S. and James R. Grant.

1 I call your attention to
Par 1 of proposed contract.
The delays so far have been
greater than expected, so
March 1st is rather short time.
If agreeable to the Committee the
time fixed should be March 15th
or 31st.

2 Also to Par 8/ From this
paragraph it would seem
that the plans and specifica-
tions of the City Engineer, con-
template that you should
acquire reservation rights and
rights of way within the City-
limits. This matter should
be examined into, for if special
points are indicated for such
reservations, then unless some
arrangement has been made
for preserving title, that is as
to price, etc., you would be
at the mercy of the owner.
In some cases the same applies
to rights of way.

P.S. I am now informed that the plans
have got to the City to acquire the
reservations and rights of way.

3

Also to Paros 11 and 12.

The conditions of these requirements are right-in their true spirit, but it seems better if the Contract-itself were recorded, then all persons would have constructive notice of the City's prior rights;

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Also to Par 13, beginning with line 23 on page 9

Here you seem to be required to pay accrued interest, yet elsewhere you agree that no interest accrues to your benefit until the entire plant is completed and accepted by the City.

In this way you might be required to pay interest-for the City's benefit before you received interest.

I don't think this is intended but it seems to me, the above might be the result if the contract were literally construed.

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Also to Par 14 -

This paragraph and Par 13 seem to have inharmonious and conflicting provisions.

If the bonds were not to be sold
under the Contract until the
works were completed, and ready
for the City's acceptance, or
some other plan adopted whereby
there would be no possible
conflict, I think it would be
well. Believing that the in-
stitutions are all right - and
the provision for the City's pro-
tection, as to the payment of
interest, being in the proper spirit
I do not know as these suggestions
are so important. And if pos-
sible certifying missions
should be avoided.

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Also to Part 16

Responsible conditions for
depositing the check.



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TELEPHONE No. 232.

San Diego, 29 1895

Mr. U. S. Grant, Jr.
San Diego.

Dear Sir

Will it be convenient
for me to call at
2 P.M. to day

Yours truly

Ralph Goanger

Ed Fletcher Papers

1870-1955

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**Writings and Interviews - Water History - Papers
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