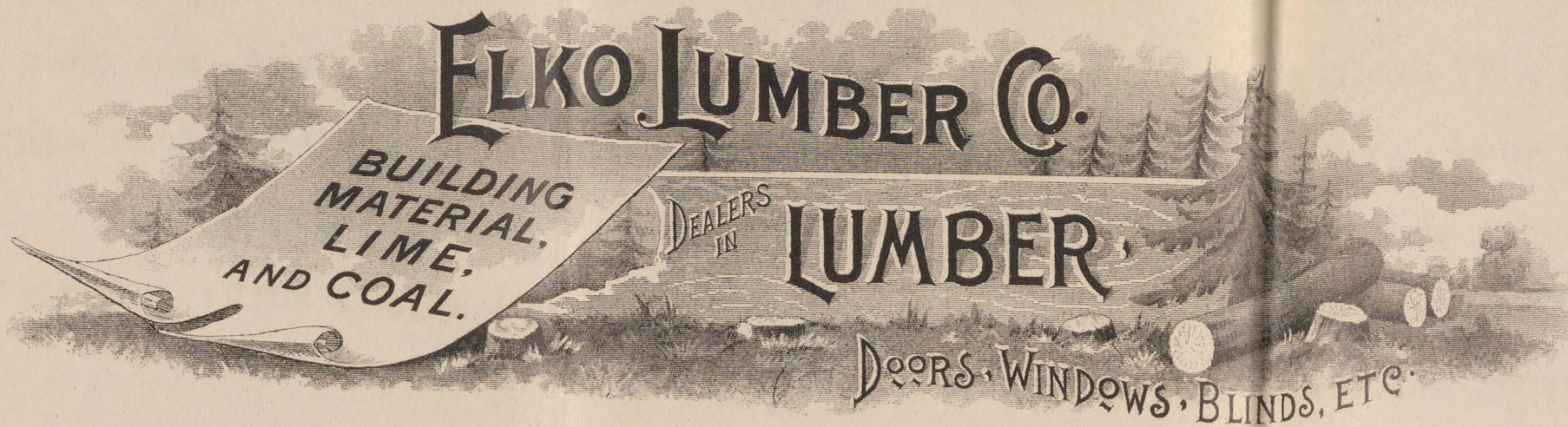


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Dear Chas:-

Have been over in Ely for the last two weeks and I did not get to see any papers while over there and upon my return I learned of your fathers sickness and I am very sorry indeed to hear it and I hope it will not be very long before I hear that he is well again.

Well Chas old man I have at last landed the people I wanted to take our power or I feel sure they will take it .

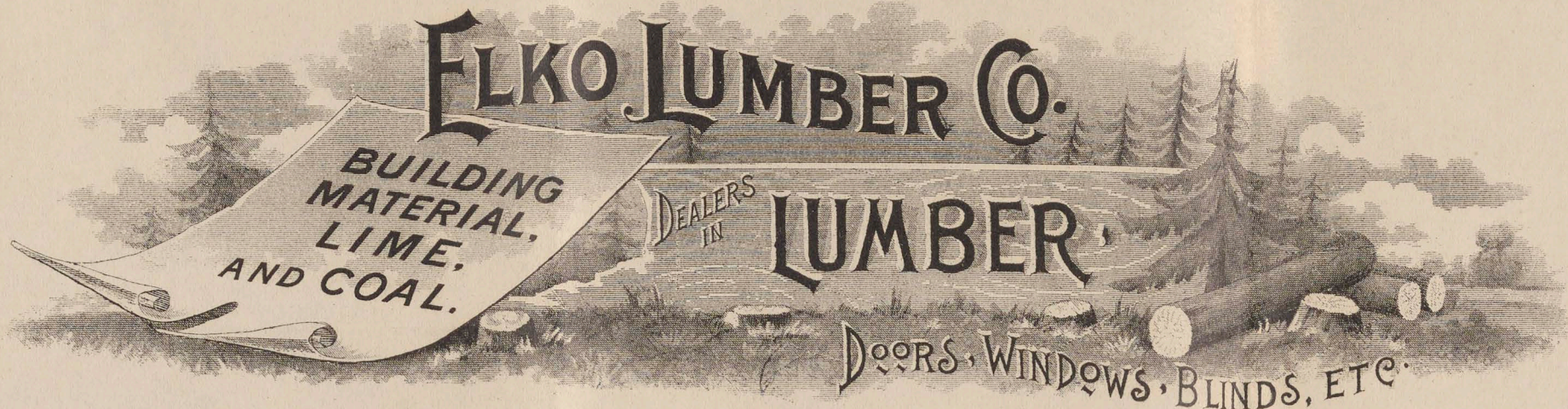
They want me to state the cash terms that I want for it and want the maps etc. I will go out there as soon as I can get the camp ready and I do wish you could come along .

I want to tell you how I will have to do in order to get a little cash . I am going to give some one an interest if they will furnish the cash to let me go ahead with the work now so I can get it fixed up before I go South as I will go about the end of the month. I do not want to do so unless you are willing but you told me once to go ahead and I surely have been working it up all I could.

The smelter people have to have power and we have it for them and they can afford to pay for it.

If your father is well enough so you can come out I wish you would Another thing I wish you would attend to is another power.

The power mentioned is on the other side of the range and is a dandy The people may have let it go and if they have we want it and we must keep our eyes open so we can if they do let it go. The stream is Overland Creek on the East slope of the Ruby Mts. So if you can find



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out if they do not intend to go on with it you want to put in your application for it as soon as they let it go so I will leave that with you to look after.

You see I want to get the Lamoille fixed up so we will not loose out on account of my going away and I will let you know just how I have left it before I go.

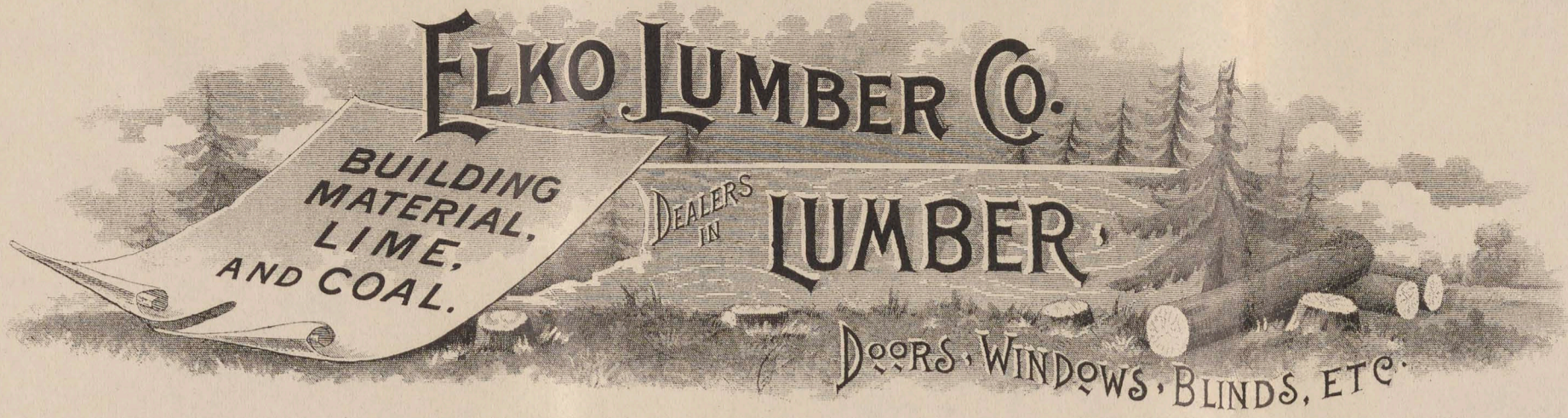
There is a man out on South Fork now and I will take him out there to look at it as we can not have to many look at it as we will stand a better chance to sell it then. I have had some pretty blue hopes at times and all at once something good comes up and so it has this time but this seems the best yet if I can only make a go of it .

The people who started to put a plant up there still think they have a chance and we want to be very sure that they havent before I try to Mr. Yateman ,the managing director for the smelter and mines at Ely has promised me that he will take it up with his people as soon as I send the maps so you see I do not want to waste any time.

W.T. Smith of Elko is very much interested in our plans and he is worried for fear we will bring it here. He has tried his best to discourage me in it but I will hang on until I see for my self that there is no chance and that will be for some time to come.

If I cant get them to take it to Ely it will pay big money to bring it here. And I feel sure we will be able to get the money .

To make sure of our papers I wish you would see Nicholas some time and see when he will be out here again for I would like to see him.



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He expected to go to Ely some time soon and I could meet him at the train if he comes before I go to Lamaille.

Well Chas. I do hope your father is much better and I know you do not have much time now and if you do have time for only a line I will be glad to hear from you and to hear how your father is.

This is a pretty good letter for me so I will close now.

Fraternally yours,
B.G. McBride.