

In Camp, Tahoe City, California,
July 21, 1920.

Dear Mr. Heathcote:

I have been looking daily for a check from the Engineering Department of the State of California, but in balancing up the account I find your credit of \$23.99, June 18 (Designated "Our inv. 2/2/20")^{is} only half of the total amount of tubing returned and amounting in our estimate to 162 feet or \$41.86.

I am wondering whether your New York house reported on only one crate. I shipped 2 crates, for which I hold Southern Pacific Receipt dated March 10. Has only one crate arrived. Recently a phone message from the local freight office stated that the shipment had been traced to the Pennsylvania Railroad. I thought, however, that this was a belated report, for you had already written me of the arrival of the tubing at New York.

The memorandum of our return shipment is as follows:

"We are shipping to your New York store

(1) Your consignment No. 33770 dated 12/3/19 1 3/4 O.D. Gage No. 18 instead of No. 20 - 6 pieces as follows 12.2, 13.0, 12.0, 11.8, ^{10.3} 10.3 ft = 70.5 ft.

(2) Part of consignment No. 36977 dated 12/18/19 1 3/4 O.D. Gage NO. 20 but rusted, pitted or dented. 10 pieces as follows: 8.9, 6.6, 7.7, 9.4, 8.7, 9.8, 9.3, 9.5, 11.7, 9.9 ft = 91.5 ft.

Total returned 162.2 ft.

The total bill for the five separate shipments was \$116.39

Retd by us \$41.86

Paid on acct

by Nevada \$11.63

\$53.49

Balance due.....\$62.90

Your balance is.....\$83.77

The question of credit for \$12.83 freight and cartage on the outward shipment of the tubing returned will be waived, and we will pay it, for the delay in settlement of this bill has been so long drawn out that we should pay you interest on overtime.

Pending the receipt of the second crate and credit for total tubing returned, I will send check for the undisputed balance as soon as California check arrives.

Would you please inform the claims Department of the present status of the transaction. Freight blockade and particularly the long illness of Major Norboe, chief Assistant Engineer of California, have created an unprecedented delay in settling our accounts.

Very sincerely,

358 Washington St., Reno, Nevada
April 5, 1920

Edgar T. Ward's Sons Co.,
Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of March 23d regarding a letter of March 5th was duly received, but owing to my absence on snow surveys could not be answered until the present time.

Since my return your letter of March 5th has been received, postmarked "Boston, March 29", possibly held in Boston awaiting the arrival at Reno of the shipments. This will account for my failure to answer the letter to which you referred.

Regarding this account please see the letter of Mr. Heath Manager Tubing Department dated February 27 and my reply to your Firm dated March 9th. You will notice that you have accepted the return of ~~7~~ 198.7 feet of tubing rejected, on which I paid a total of \$12.83 for freight and cartage. I have been awaiting your suggestion regarding the allowance of the \$12.83 before making further remittance. However, I leave this matter to your generous consideration.

The last consignment made February 13, has just arrived and will be opened tomorrow, when I will write you regarding the acceptance of the shipment. Please let me have an early decision, so that I can present the account to the State of California and of Nevada for settlement.

Very sincerely,

EDGAR T. WARD'S SONS Co.

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NEW YORK

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SUCCESSORS TO

EDGAR T. WARD'S SONS

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44 FARNSWORTH ST.

BOSTON, MASS.

Feb. 27, 1920

FORMERLY
EDGAR T. WARD'S SONS, BOSTON
GEORGE NASH COMPANY, NEW YORK
DILWORTH, LOCKWOOD & CO., NEW YORK
DILWORTH, LOCKWOOD & CO., NEWARK
GEORGE NASH COMPANY, CHICAGO
FIELD & CO., INC. PHILADELPHIA



PHONE
MAIN 7770

MARK REPLY ATTENTION OF:

J. E. Church, Jr.,
358 Washington St.,
Reno, Nevada

Dear Sir:-

Your communication of the 18th instant at hand, and we regret very much indeed to learn that part of the material which you received from us, was badly rusted and pitted, rough Etc.

We beg to advise that we have taken this matter up with our New York store, and they state that it will be entirely satisfactory to return any of this material which was received in poor condition direct to them, by freight. Address: E. T. Ward's Sons Co., 304 Hudson St., New York, N.Y.

We kindly ask you to advise us just how much of this material you are returning to our New York store.

Trusting that we may hear further from you by return mail, we remain

Very truly yours,
EDGAR T. WARD'S SONS CO.

B. P. Heath, Jr.
Mgr. Tubing Dept.

EMH/MMM

March 9, 1920

Edgar T. Wards Sons,

Boston, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We greatly appreciate your letter of February 27.

We are shipping to your New York Store

(1) your consignment No. 33770 dated 12/3/19

^{1 3/4 O.D.}
Gage No. 18 instead of No. 20 - 6 pieces as follows: 12.2, 13.0, 12.0, 11.8, 11.2, 10.3 ft = 70.5 ft.

(2) Part of consignment No. 36977 dated 1/18/19

^{1 3/4 O.D.} Gage No. 20 but rusted, pitted or dented. 10 pieces as follows: 8.9, 6.6, 7.7, 9.4, 8.7, 9.8, 9.3, 9.5, 11.7, 9.9 ft = 91.5 ft.

Total returned 162.0 ft. @ \$25.84 = \$41.86

Retained 122.2 ft

Shipped but
not yet rec'd 76.5

Total 198.7 ft. @ \$25.84 = \$51.34

Paid freight on tubing - on part being ret'd

No. 33770 \$4.38

No 36937 (6070) \$8.45 Total \$12.83

Very truly,
J. E. Church, Jr.