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W. L. B. JENNEY.

ARCHITECT AND

LANDSCAPE ENGINEER,

LAKESIDE BUILDING,

6. W. COR. CLARK & ADAMS STS.

Chicago, Ill., Sep. 27 1884

My Dear Mr. Wheeler

Unfortunately I am
only just making application to
become a fellow — I have
long been an "Associate" — but the
limited number of fellows 70 —
did not admit of advancement
except by the death of a fellow

I have labored for 2 years
with several others to have this
changed which was done last
meeting — Now the number of fellows is unlimited.

The only 2 fellows in
Chicago are A Brown &
Myr Millen

The By-Laws require that
the application be endorsed by
2 fellows — I am sorry
I did not make my own application
sooner than I might have had the
honour to be one of your sponsors — Very Sincerely
W. L. B. Jenney.

A.S.A.
Whitehouse

W. L. B. Jensen
of Chicago, Ill.

F. M. Whitehouse
of Chicago, Ill.
Sep 27/84

W. L. B. JENNEY.

ARCHITECT AND

LANDSCAPE ENGINEER,

LAKESIDE BUILDING,

8. W. COR. CLARK & ADAMS STS.

Chicago, Ill., Nov 17 1884

Geo. H. Moore Esq
Secretary. American Institute
of Architects.

Sir:

I was much pleased to have the
expression of great kindness in my
election as Secy of Foreign Correspondence
I will do the best I am able
I trust however, I shall have no time
to write - in Russian or Chinese

The meeting at Albany. unfortunately
occurred at a moment when I
could not leave. I anticipated attending
up to the last.

The Convention here was a
grand success - some 150 architects
present -

Several of us did our best to keep
the Institute in memory - The met
no opposition - only - there is as yet
no arrangements for making the two.

I send you the Chicago Summer ocean
Key Successes W.B. Jones

W.B. Jones
Chicago
Nov 17/94

W. L. B. JENNEY.

ARCHITECT AND

LANDSCAPE ENGINEER,

LAKESIDE BUILDING,

8, W. COR. CLARK & ADAMS STS.

Chicago, Ill., Dec 29 1884

Bro C. Mansfield Esq
Secy to Gov of Arkansas
Mont. R. S.

Sir:

I am much pleased
to acknowledge the high Compliment
of Mr Boardman - electing
me a fellow of the Institute.

I am ever pleased will
permit me to meet you all
next year.

Very sincerely & respectfully
Yours
W. L. B. Jenney

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OFFICE OF
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AND LANDSCAPE ENGINEER.

LAKESIDE BUILDING,
S. W. CORNER ADAMS AND CLARK STREETS.

CHICAGO, ILL., 28. Ap - 1890
C. L. MARSH, BUSINESS MANAGER

Mr. J. M. Rook
Secy. Am. Institute

Sir:

Presumably I am
well pleased with the action of
the Ill. Chapt^r - in going into business,
with the contractors and manufacturers
of building appliances &c -
I believe it foreign to the objects
of the organization - and to the
spirit of the constitution -

Would you kindly lay the matter
before the Trustees of the Institute.
If it is presented in I think it
will disgruntle the Chapter,
and reflect on the Institute.

Very Respectfully
W. L. B. Jenney

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W. BRYCE MUNDIE, ARCHITECT, IN CHARGE OF OFFICE,
C. L. MARSH, BUSINESS MANAGER,
TELEPHONE 589.

CHICAGO, ILL. 21 May 1890.

Answer to you of 20th

My Dear Mr. Park —

I don't like to be disagreeable in the matter of the Pl.-Chop^r & Book Mailing Contractors & Man^y of Build^g appl^{cs} — but I believe the question had better be settled by the Trustees of the Institute — the business is so foreign to the objects of our association — so certain to be looked upon badly and we are so sure of being accused of Book-Mailing — by getting and all the developments heretofore in our line considered as the sole property of Trade Unions — that it seems to the best that we should wash our hands of it. at earliest moment,

Very sincerely
W. L. B. Jenney

P.S. If the Business is pursued
in. I shall propose another
Chapter - A revival of the old
Chicago Chapter = "Old Copy"
and to drop the many figures
New born - etc

J.

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W. B. MUNDIE, } ARCHITECTS.

Home Insurance Building.

Chicago, October 3, 1891.

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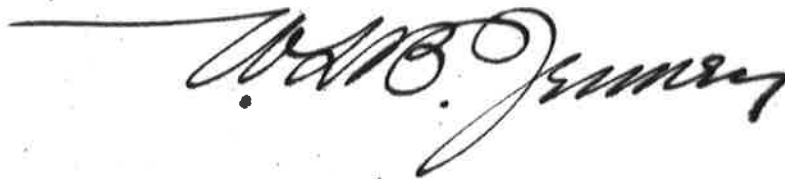
Mr. D. Adler,

Dear Sir:-

Your very flattering request that I should read a paper at the next convention, duly received. I will do the best that I am able.

I have been away from the city for some time and am unable to find any statement of the date and place of said convention. Has it been determined? If so will you kindly inform me.

Very respectfully,



W. L. B. JENNEY, }
W. B. MUNDIE, } ARCHITECTS.

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Home Insurance Building.

Chicago, December 26th, 189

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Mr. Dankmar Adler,

Sir:-

Yours of the 23rd at hand. I like January the 9th much better than the other date, and will be there at that time. On the 8th I shall be more than half way to New York, and shall be at Kinsley's on or before the morning of the 9th and will be at the Board meeting at 2 o'clock as proposed.

Very respectfully yours,



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W. B. MUNDIE, } ARCHITECTS.

Home Insurance Building.

Chicago, December 5th, 1892,

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Telephone 569 Main.

Mr. D. Adler,

The Auditorium,

Dear Sir:-

Kindly keep in mind that we count upon you to lead a conversation on the subject of pile foundations for Chicago buildings after the dinner of the Illinois Chapter of A.I.A., Monday, the 19th December.

The Chapter has invited General W. Sooy Smith and Mr. Coolidge to dine with us and join in the conversation.

Yours very truly,



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C. L. Marsh, Business Manager.
Telephone 569.

Chicago. Jan. 13, 1894. 189

Mr. Alfred W. Stone,
Sec'y Am. Institute of Architects,
Providence, R.I.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of notice of my appointment on committee to report on the relations of the Chapters to the Institute.

I shall be pleased to accept and will meet the gentlemen when and where they elect.

Very respectfully yours,



W.L.B. Jenney.

W.B. Mundie.

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Chicago.

October 1, 1894. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sec'y, A.I.A.

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 26th, giving the following programme for Tuesday evening, October 16th- Discussion of High Buildings- Hastings- High buildings in good architecture- Clark- Fire Protection. Followed by discussion lead by Post, Blackall, Robertson and Jenney.

I intend to be present and certainly am willing to contribute my mite, but I am a little in doubt as to the special subject for discussion, to be lead by Post et al. Is it to be confined to a discussion of the previous papers by Hastings and Clark, or is it intended to be a general discussion on high buildings? In any case you may count me in for what I am worth, still I would be much pleased to learn more definitely what will be expected.

Very respectfully yours,



W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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October 24, 1894. 189

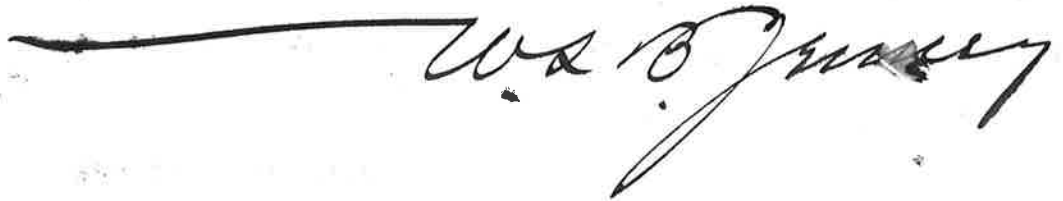
Mr. Alfred Stone ,
Sec'y A. I Architects,
Providence, R.I.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of your notice of my election as Director. That must have happened when I was out of the room, for it is quite a surprise to me having had no intimation of it before.

I fully appreciate the honor, and also feel that it will, from time to time, afford me the opportunity of seeing you and other of my Eastern friends.

Very sincerely yours,



W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago.

October 26, 1894.

Mr. Alfred Stone, Secretary,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

Referring to yours of the 24th, asking if I have any objections to the publication by the Iron Age of my paper on Wind Pressure. No, I have not, and you are quite at liberty to do anything with that paper that may seem to you advisable.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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W.B. Mundie.

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Chicago. December 31, 1894. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone, Sec'y,

American Institute Architects.

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I return the corrected report.

Should it be convenient for you to do so, would you kindly send me the proof-sheets of my paper on Wind Pressure. I see the subject is attracting the attention of engineers and architects. It would seem from the Journals that they are doing better in the West than they are in the East.

The matter received serious consideration here in the first tall skeleton construction- the Home Insurance Building, Chicago, '83 and '84, and has never, as far as my own practice goes, been lost sight of.

Very respectfully yours,



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Chicago.

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C. L. Marsh, Business Manager.
Telephone 569.

February 12, 1895/89

Mr. Alfred Stone, Secretary,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I have sent the Proceedings to Van Brunt as the party most interested, after making my own corrections, with the request that he should correct and send to R. W. Gibson, 18 Wall St. New York, with the request that he should correct and forward same to you direct without delay. The other copy of the Proceedings, as far as it goes, I have sent to Link in St. Louis, with the request that he correct and send to Cass Gilbert and have written to Cass Gilbert asking him to correct and forward to you direct with as little delay as possible.

This is the best I can do without slighting the Committee.

I would recommend that you should use in preference the full proof that has passed through the hands of Van Brunt and Gibson. Mark corrected by J., V B., and G.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney
Ch. Care on Sub + Library

W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago. February 15, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sec'y A.I.A.

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 11th Feb'y enclosing Schedule of Charges.

In regard to Sections marked 1, 2 & 3, I would make the following suggestions:

Sec. 1, in regard to "the appointment of an architect". I think that should be printed with the schedule as it is valuable information to owners and committees and on which I believe we unanimously agree.

I am also of opinion that everything within our power should be done to discourage gratuitous competitions. It always leads to vexations and disappointments, and an expenditure on the part of many, of more than they can afford to risk in that way. It is gambling and nothing better with a serious loss to a large number. In my mind it is much worse than buying options on the Board of Trade because the risk is very much greater.

In regard to Secs. 2 & 3. I do not think they should be published with the schedule for they are matters of professional practice that do not concern our clients, and had better be omitted.

In regard to sec. "Drawings & specifications, as instruments of service, are the property of the architect" - I regret that we did not bring that up in Convention, or with the Directors, as it is a dead letter.

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2/15/95.

The English courts have decided that an owner is entitled to the drawings if he wants them. In all my own practice I furnish a set of drawings to the owner and hold the others subject to his orders. They are of no value to the architect unless called upon to make alterations in the building.

I do not however feel authorized even to suggest it should be omitted from the printed schedule unless there has been some action to that effect at least by the Board of Directors.

Very respectfully yours,



(1 enclosure)

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C. L. Marsh, Business Manager.
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Chicago.

February 28, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

Your telegram in regard to Yost paper received. It is a matter about which I do not feel I have any authority.

Mr. Burnham is at the Iroquois Hotel, Buffalo, N.Y. If you think I have any authority in the matter, I would say, read the paper and if it is of value to the members of the Institute, publish it, if not, discard it.

Very sincerely yours,



W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago. March 5, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,
Secretary.

Sir:-

The proofs received and forwarded to Gibson with my comments, with the request that he send them to you at earliest convenience.

Under the circumstances I do not think that the delay necessary to the sending of the proofs to the other members of the committee would be justifiable, most particularly as the matter in question is of such trifling importance, being merely discussions that it would have been best should never have occurred, as you express it, simply took up the time of the Convention to no purpose."

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago.

March 5, 1898. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone, Secretary,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:—

As Chairman of the Committee on Library and Publications I am in receipt of the proofs, pages 35 to 59.

In my opinion there is very little in these sheets worthy of publication. It is of no interest whatsoever to any one, and in my opinion had best be reduced to the simplest possible expression, giving the facts and omitting all the discussions.

I have sent the matter to Mr. Gibson with the request that he forward all the papers to you with his opinion at earliest convenience. The time, as you state, is so short that it does not admit of consultation with the other members of the committee, but the matter is of such trifling importance that under the circumstances they can scarcely feel that they have been neglected, especially as our position in these matters is simply advisory. The matter is finally left entirely in your hands, you being expected to do the best possible under the circumstances.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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W.B. Mundie.

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Chicago, March 7, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

Two new proofs received and sent to Mr. R.W. Gibson with the request that they should be returned to you at earliest moment.

I am still further of opinion that all that rambling discussion made without forethought had better be entirely omitted. Mr. Gibson's remarks I have asked him to kindly correct and I would recommend that they be published as they cover the ground and are matters of information. They were the result of some study that he had made at the time of preparing the report in Committee. All the balance I would recommend should be reduced to the simplest form of expression, such as "on motion," etc. "after discussion", and the result.

very respectfully yours,

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March 7, 1895. 189

Mr. R. W. Gibson,

18 Wall St. New York.

Sir:-

I send two more sheets of proof. I am still further of opinion that the rambling discussion, made on the spur of the moment, without any preparation or forethought, had better be entirely omitted, and the facts only published. Your remarks are direct to the point, and should be preserved, but all that precedes and follows should be reduced to the few motions and the remark ["]after some discussion, ["]and then give the result.

For economy it is proposed to reduce the papers to those called for officially. There certainly was no paper read that was not of far greater interest to the members than this desultory discussion, much of which had better have been left unsaid. I would propose to preserve your remarks as they cover the ground entirely, leaving it to you to make any changes therein you desire and reduce the balance to the simplest form of expression.

Very respectfully yours,



W. L. B. Jenney.

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Chicago. March 9th, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of copy of Gibson's letter to you of March 7th in which I concur entirely, and do not think it necessary that you should send us any further proofs but act upon them entirely yourself, as we have nothing further to say on the subject.

The one just enclosed, March 7th, I return to you through Gibson because his name appears quite prominently in one of the discussions, which he might like to look over.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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Chicago.

March 11, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I return to you one of the two sheets received this morning. I have corrected my own remarks. When a stenographer takes down one's remarks made unexpectedly, instead of a paper which he expected to read, he is astonished at the number of corrections he desires to make, i. e. I am.

I note your remarks in regard to the vanity of those who take part in the debates, in desiring to see themselves in print, but do not think that the Institute should incur the expense on that account, and what is still worse encumber their proceedings with a quantity of unreadable, useless words. As Mr. Gibson remarks, we will try at the next Convention to get an expression on this subject, and I would also suggest that we should try to cut short these discussions. Half the time at conventions is wasted in this way. The time could be much better employed in social intercourse or in visiting places of interest.

I desire to make so many corrections in the proof of my own remarks, that fearing they would not be understood I have written them out as I would like to see them printed, and ask if you would kindly do the best you can with them. (See General note "Print entirely")

If you propose to publish the paper I handed you, which was what I intended to have read the next evening, when it was a part of the programme, and only substituted these impromptu remarks because of the fail-

Alfred Stone---2.

3/11/95.

ure of the party who was to furnish the lantern to illustrate the paper of the evening, I would suggest that you omit my remarks from this place entirely and substitute the paper therefor, as far more useful to the members as it was prepared with some care. The matter is new and useful and has attracted considerable attention.

I saw directly after the Convention adjourned, this method of Wind Bracing employed in a building under construction in Boston, so that others must have reached a similar solution of the problem at about the same time as I did. Certainly you should not publish these remarks if you publish the paper as they are but an unstudied synopsis.

Very respectfully yours,



P.S. The proof sheet- Rev. 87-91, is mostly Van Brunt's remarks. I have sent it to him asking him to correct and return direct to you at earliest convenience.

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March 14, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone, Secretary,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir: -

Your favor of the 11th at hand. Mr. Gibson and I both agree that the only function of our Committee is to assist you and that in all such matters as you refer to, you must do what you deem to be for the best, considering all the circumstances.

We both agree also that you are in a position to know better what is wanted than we are, and therefore will you kindly abide by your own best judgment.

Will you kindly eliminate from the published report all that I said orally in regard to tall buildings. Looking it over again I find it to be utterly incomprehensible, therefore please omit it. As you remember it came up entirely accidentally.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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Chicago, April 10th, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:

I sent you by mail today a roll received in my morning's mail. Evidently it is being generally circulated among prospective patrons. Kindly put it in your files for presentation at the next meeting of the Directors.

When it was first proposed that the Illinois Chapter should receive from Mr. Gay as a gift the Institute of Building Arts, provided they would agree to conduct it, I opposed it in the strongest terms. I wrote to Mr. Root and Mr. Burnham. Received from Mr. Root a letter endorsing my position but saying that he was the Secretary of the Institute and could do nothing more than protest as it would not be proper for him to resign. Mr. Burnham replied that he was so much opposed to it, that ~~if~~ in case they should accept he would resign which I understand he did.

This Institute has been very well conducted; is a paying Institution and contributes a revenue to the Chapter; at the same time I cannot believe that their position in regard to this Institute of Building Arts is in accord with the spirit of the Constitution and By-laws of the Institute but will leave that matter with the Directors.

In regard to the fellow who tendered his resignation because he could not comply with the recent promulgated decision of the Directors that soliciting work was unprofessional. I am of opinion that that paragraph should be re-considered, for should all of the fellows be equally

JENNEY & MUNDIE,
ARCHITECTS.

CHICAGO,

April 15, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, Rhode Island,

Sir:

I return corrected proof. In regard to the paper on Wind Pressure - Please put that wherever you think best. Will you kindly see to it that my verbal remarks on Wind Pressure are entirely omitted. The paper takes their place entirely.

Very respectfully yours,



(Enclosure)

W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago, April 19, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sec'y A. I. A.

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:

Referring to Longfellow's paper. I do not recall the paper at all. Possibly I was not present as I went out at one meeting for a couple of hours with Mr. Post to visit Mr. Huntington's house.

I would say this- that if Mr. Longfellow's paper was one of those officially called for it should certainly be a part of the transactions- if not, and it was used as one of the paid contributions to the Record I think you have done just the right thing in omitting it.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

P. S. It occurs to me that the remark that Mr. Longfellow wished to reserve his paper for his own use had best be omitted and say nothing other than the fact that a paper by Mr. Longfellow was read.

W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago.

May 8th, 1895.

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Mr. Alfred Stone,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

Referring to yours of the 6th May, I do not feel that I have any authority in this matter, but it is my opinion that we should not publish the reports of the chapters unless they contain something of very particular interest, in that case, I would simply publish such portions.

In regard to publishing a list of the members of each chapter I do not approve of it. If they are members of the Institute their names appear in the proper place whenever such lists are published; if they are not members of the Institute their names should not appear in the transactions. You certainly shall have my approval in omitting both the lists of chapters and all portions of chapter reports that are not of very exceptional interest; matter that is not to be procured elsewhere and that it is necessary for members to know.

I believe that it should be a principle governing the publication of the transactions of the Institute to eliminate everything other than that which it is essential should be published.

Very respectfully yours,



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Chicago.

Sept. 16, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 14th informing me that a written report will be expected from me as chairman of Committee on Publication and Library.

The only thing that I know of that said committee has done is to obtain from the president the instructions to assist the Secretary on matters pertaining to publication. I have no copy of the instructions. Will you kindly furnish me one.

Also that a written report is expected from me as Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

After the acceptance of Mr. Hunt's resignation and my appointment, I wrote to Mr. Hunt asking if he would kindly send me ^{the} letter copy book and any information as regards unfinished business. His son replied that his father was sick in Newport and that the matter would necessarily be delayed. Recently I received another letter stating that there was no letter book as far as known in Mr. Hunt's possession and no information as regards unfinished business.

There was a letter book which was once in my possession some years ago when I was Secretary of Foreign Correspondence. When I was relieved by Mr. Longfellow I think, I sent the letter book to him. It is

A. Stone---2.

9/16/95.


undoubtedly in existence. Would you kindly endeavor to have it found, as it certainly should be preserved.

I also wrote requesting information in regard to the ^{//}return to foreign architects of their drawings for the Grant monument, ^{//}and was informed that the matter was in proper hands and there was nothing to be done at present, therefore there will be no report from the Committee, unless something transpires between now and October 15th other than the above facts. Do you ^{know} anything further?

Very respectfully yours,



Kindly give me the list of
the acceptances of the trusts
reynolds and my
appointment as chairman



W. L. B. Jenney.

W. B. Mundie.

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Chicago.

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Sept. 20, 1895 S. 9

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 18th. With your assistance I think we can trace the letter book and files of papers pertaining to foreign correspondence.

Some years ago I was elected "Secretary of Foreign Correspondence". I remember that I made my first report at Nashville, Tennessee. I held the office two or three years and was succeeded as I remember by A. W. Longfellow Jr. of 6 Beacon St. Boston, Mass. I remember distinctly of expressing the letter book and files of papers to my successor. Will you kindly look up your records and see if I am correct in the name of my successor. Whoever he was, he received from me the letter book containing the copies of all letters sent and files of all the papers received.

I have written to Mr. Longfellow asking him if I am right in my remembrance and if so if he can assist us in tracing the book and papers.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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Sept. 30, 1889.

Mr. S. A. Treat,

Treasurer.

Sir:-

Secretary Stone instructed Bloor to send me the archives of the Foreign Correspondence if they could be found, I having been appointed chairman of said Committee at the last meeting of the Directors. I am just in receipt thereof and enclose the papers to you. The treasury owes me 95¢.

Very respectfully yours,

(Enclosure)

Please send your bill to Mr Stone
He will approve I said to Mr Boardman
he will send to me then I will pay

J. S. Boardman

JENNEY & MUNDIE,
ARCHITECTS.

CHICAGO, October 2, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I am in receipt from Bloor of the archives of the
Department of Foreign Correspondence, A.I.A. on which I paid expressage.
Please note enclosed correspondence.

Very respectfully yours,



(Enclosures)

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October 7, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I send you my reports as chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and on Publication & Library.

It certainly was my intention to be in St. Louis at the meeting and still hope to be there, though matters have just occurred that may prevent, but not if I can help it. In case of my absence would you kindly read my reports and express my sincere regrets.

I have sent a copy of the report to each of the other members of the committees asking them to notify me immediately of any changes or additions they might desire to make.

The Institute is to be congratulated upon having discovered the archives of foreign correspondence. I see Bloor estimates the minimum value \$200.00 and it was so stated on the express receipt. Unless the correspondent shows greater activity than heretofore, their value will not increase rapidly.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

(Enclosures)

It now looks as if I can be with you
in St. Louis. Mindy morning.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY,
DEPARTMENT OF
CIVIL ENGINEERING.

Received, *Nov. 6* 1895
Answered *Nov. 6* 1895

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 2nd, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Secretary American Institute of Architects,

Providence, R. I.

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with my agreement contained in my last letter to you, I send you herewith a communication on the subject of the United States Timber Tests, and such conclusions as can be based upon them, together with an additional article on "The rational Designing of Flitched Beams".

A number of the members of the Institute at the time of your visit to my laboratory asked me in regard to this matter of the proper designing of Flitched Beams, and requested me to prepare a discussion on the subject. As I have never seen a rational discussion of this problem in print, I offer the enclosed as such a discussion with the thought that you perhaps would wish to include it in your volume of proceedings.

Mr. W. L. B. Jenney requested that I send these papers to him directly, as Chairman of the publication committee, but it seems to me more regular to transmit them through you. I will, therefore, send Mr. Jenney no communication on the subject, relying on you to make such disposition of both of these documents as you may see fit.

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I have given the mathematical derivation of the

equations used in the Fitched Beam discussion, thinking your
members would care nothing for the development of these equations,
but would probably use them on my authority.

Very truly yours,



Boston Recd Nov 12 1895
Copy made Nov 20 95 - ref.
W. B. Jenney
Forwarded to Mr J. C. Link

W. B. Jenney

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Received, Dec 4 1895

Answered, _____ 1895

Chicago, November 8, 1895.

Mr. Cass Gilbert,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sir:-

I am just leaving the city for ten days absence. I enclose proofs received from Stone of the first issue of the Proceedings, Part No. 1. You know it was proposed to print them in several parts.

Will you kindly take charge of this matter and communicate directly with Link, asking him to send it to Van Brunt, with the request that Van Brunt send it to Gibson, requesting Gibson to forward to Stone, so that none of the Committee shall be ignored. Make such corrections or accompany the papers by such recommendations as you desire. My own views are to omit all that is not essential.

Stone also sent me Johnson's revised paper on preliminary conclusions drawn from the use of timber tests, etc., suggesting that they be printed in full with extra copies for Johnson and also extra copies for the Fellows of the Institute, as the extra printing will amount to very little. I have taken the liberty to approve his suggestion and to return the paper direct, fearing it might be lost, and that we might have the printed copies for use at the earliest date practicable. Of course Prof. Johnson will correct his own proof sheets. This paper is of decided practical value.

Very respectfully yours,

(Enclosures)

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Chicago, November 8, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone,
secretary.

Received, Nov 11 1895

Answered, Nov 11 1895

Sir:-

I am in receipt of proofs. Prof. Johnson's paper I return to you direct, fearing it might get lost and also to save time. I do not think I run any risk in assuming the responsibility of endorsing your suggestions most fully. Print the Proceedings in full by all means and send the proof to Prof. Johnson for correction. Print some extra copies for Prof. Johnson and also extra copies for the use of the Fellows of the Institute. In my opinion it is the most valuable paper that we have had for some years, and contains some information quite new.

I am just leaving town for ten days absence and was obliged to send the ^{other} proofs to Gilbert, requesting him to send them to Link; Link to Van Brunt; Van Brunt to Gibson; Gibson to you, and to hurry them forward as rapidly as possible. The Committee is too large.

Very respectfully yours,



WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY,

DEPARTMENT OF
CIVIL ENGINEERING.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 9th, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone, Secretary A. I. A.

Providence, R. I.

Received, *Nov. 11/95* 1895

Answered, 189

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your kind offer of the 6th, to furnish me extra copies of my articles for my own use, I will say that I would thank you very much for one hundred extra copies of the three articles, bound together, with a suitable cover. These I might use in answering occasional inquiries on these subjects.

I should also be glad to read the proof of all these articles, if it is convenient for you to send it to me.

Very truly yours,



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Chicago, November 18, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Received, Nov. 20 1895
Answered, 189

Sir:-

I have just returned to Chicago from a most glorious trip to Atlanta and other southern states, with the state and city officials, the 1st Illinois Infantry and the Union League Club, and find your favor of the 11th. I have written to each of the committee asking their authority to act for them as you propose, enclosing a copy of your letter and telling them that there would be very little to do other than to approve what you had done: That I had requested you to send the proofs of all the papers of which you have the manuscripts direct to the respective authors for their correction, and that the proofs of such papers would not come before the committee. Will you kindly do so, as it will save time and certainly the committee does not propose to correct the proof of a carefully prepared paper when the author can be reached.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney
J. B.

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Chicago. Nov. 25, 1895. 189

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I wrote to each one of the Committee on Publication & Library, copying your letter stating that papers read at the Convention would be sent direct to their authors for correction, and asking if they would trust the other matters to you and me.

I am in receipt of the two enclosed replies only; Gilbert and Van Brunt not heard from. I send you the originals as they are best preserved in your hands should any questions ever be raised.

Very respectfully yours,



(2 enclosures)

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Chicago.

November 26, 1895

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I am in receipt of letter of the 11th Nov. from Louis Rogniat, Genl. Secy. Société Académique D'Architecture de Lyon, informing me that the American Institute of Architects had been placed upon their list of Foreign Societies with whom they were in correspondence.

I have assured him that it would be a great pleasure to the Institute to place them upon our list of foreign correspondents. Will you kindly do so and especially be sure and send them the next issue of our Proceedings.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney
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Dic. by W. L. B. J.

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November 29, 1895

Alfred Stone, Esq.,

Providence, Rhode Island.

Sir:-

Yours of the 27th at hand. I am in receipt of letter from Van Brunt enclosed herewith, authorizing me to act for him. The proofs I sent Nov. 8th to Mr. Cass Gilbert asking him to send them to Link; Link to Van Brunt; Van Brunt to Gibson; Gibson to you. They were in the hands of Cass Gilbert Nov. 21st. He was out of the city and he received them in Boston. This is probably the cause of the delay.

I have written to Van Brunt asking him when they reach him to send them to you at once. Hereafter I will return them direct to you without sending to the others.

For papers read before the Convention, please send proofs direct to the authors asking them to return them direct to you.

Mr. Gilbert suggests that you should do the same with reference to reports of committees of which I heartily approve.

Very respectfully yours,

(Enclosure)



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Received Dec 4 1895

Answered 189

Chicago, November 29, 1895.

Mr. Henry Van Brunt,
Kansas City, Mo.

Sir:-

Yours of the 20th received authorizing me to act for you in reference to the publications of the proceedings. This has become more necessary even than we anticipated. I am just in receipt of letter from Stone saying that the first pages of the proof that I sent around to the different members of the committee, requesting that they should send from one to the other, and finally to Stone, delaying the least possible, has not yet been received by Stone which is a rather serious matter, as the printer is much disturbed and annoyed, he being obliged to hold his type in form so long, and is not able to make any use of it.

If the proofs come to you kindly send them forward to Stone direct with the least possible delay.

Very respectfully yours,



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Chicago. December 18, 1895.

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:

Received, Dec. 20, 1895

Answered, " " 1895

I am in receipt of notice of meeting of Board of Directors, A. I. A. in New York January 10, 1896.

If I am correctly informed the Institute pays the traveling expenses of the Directors to these meetings. Is it so?

If so, is it not desirable, as there is no important business, that the number of Directors attending the meeting should be reduced to the minimum. Would this be good policy? If so who can you depend upon to be present. I am quite willing to be one of those to stay at home.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

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Chicago, February 3, 1896. 189

Received, Feb 5, 1896

Answered, " 5 1896

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I return proof sheets with the few additional corrections that seemed to me desirable.

~~Unless discussion is indicated on title page~~ It is my opinion that the publication of our Proceedings is for the purpose of preserving and for distributing among the members important transactions and the papers read at the Convention. Whenever discussion contains information worth preserving it should certainly form a part of our Proceedings, but this is rarely the case. Much of these discussions is not interesting at the time, and is certainly not like whiskey and wines, improved by age. You have acted wisely in the selections you have made. I can suggest no improvement unless the whole ^{discussion} is discarded.

Will you kindly inform me what we are expected to do at the League Dinner on the 13th. The Directors' meeting is called for the 14th and not a word said about the League Dinner in the later notices. It so happens that on the 12th, Lincoln's Birthday, the Loyal Legion hold their Annual Banquet in Chicago. Being one of them I desire to attend as it is a very enjoyable affair. I fear the dates are going to trouble me.

Very sincerely yours,

Have sent Proof-
under another cover
as "Proof sheets" &c.

W.L.B. Jenney

JENNEY & MUNDIE,
ARCHITECTS.

CHICAGO, March 14, 1896.

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 11th. I agree with you exactly that it only makes delay to send out proofs for correction except to authors.

I wish I could have been with you in New York.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. S. Jenney", is written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned to the right of the typed closing "Very sincerely yours,".

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Chicago. May 11th, 1896.

Mr. Alfred Stone,
Sec'y.

Received, May 14 1896
Answered, 100

Sir:-

Yours of the 7th received. I also received from Pres. Post an announcement of the death of Mr. da Silva, cut off in the bloom of his youth, and wrote to his eldest son, as Secretary of Foreign Correspondence, so that the family are now sufficiently consoled with.

I am in receipt of Johnson's paper on Timber tests which I deem the best thing which we have at this moment on this subject.

Very respectfully yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

Dictated.

PROVIDENCE, Sept. 24 1896..... 189.....

Mr. W. L. B. Jenney,

Dear Sir:

Mr. Frank Miles Day, Chairman of the Committee on Publication and Library, has sent me his report to be submitted to the Convention at Nashville, and has asked me to forward the same to the other members of the Committee for their approval.

Will you kindly read it and forward it with your signature to Mr. T. C. Link, Union Trust Bldg., St. Louis, Mo., and ask him if he will forward it to Cass Gilbert, Endicott Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. I will write to Mr. Gilbert and ask him to forward it to Mr. Briggs.

Yours truly,

Walter Dill
Secretary,

Am looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you at Nashville.

*Handy. Carry out Mr Stone request } Thro of Link
to Mr Jenney }*

W. L. B. Jenney

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Chicago

October 8, 1896

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My dear Mr. Stone,

I certainly fully intended to attend the Convention at Nashville and had counted upon a very enjoyable and instructive gathering, but singularly enough after three years of stagnation our business has suddenly started, owing to the conviction in Mc Kinley's election and the desire to award contracts at the Bryan scare prices and then come in for revenue on the Mc Kinley boom. Time seems to be the most important element. Drawings must be made and contracts let in an almost impracticable short space of time, so that I am forced to stay at home and work and deny myself the pleasure that I have for the past year anticipated at Nashville.

Very sincerely yours,

W. L. B. Jenney

Mr. Alfred Stone,

Providence, R.I.