

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the above mentioned business. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the arrangement made with the Hamiltons. I will be glad to make any arrangement with you that may be agreeable to you. I have no objection to your making any arrangement with the Hamiltons, and if they do not do more, you shall cancel our arrangement with them. If you do so will give you our terms and the first chance to do our Rochester trade.
 Yours truly,
 Wm. R. Phelps
 W. R. Phelps & Co.

July 2nd 3

Knapley, Allen & Co.
 100 S. Main St.
 Rochester, N.Y.
 Gentlemen

Your favor of 20th July inst. is recd. In reply will say that Hamiltons & Matthews are doing our Rochester trade just now, but we are not at liberty to make any arrangement with you. They have been coming to us with a bundle business though they say if they do not do more, we shall cancel our arrangement with them. If you do so will give you our terms and the first chance to do our Rochester trade.
 Wm. R. Phelps
 W. R. Phelps & Co.
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