

WM. H. JACKSON & CO.,  
DESIGNERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF  
MANTELS, OPEN FIRE PLACES AND GRATES,  
IMPORTERS OF TILES.  
UNION SQUARE (NORTH),  
NEW YORK CITY.  
FOUNDRIES AND SHOPS,  
EAST 28TH ST. & EAST 29TH ST.

New York,

July 15th, 1898 8

Mr. W. H. Mersereau,

32 Broadway, City.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 11th inst. was duly received and I am sorry to hear that you had been annoyed in any way. I have had the matter investigated and the facts are as follows:- Mr. Behrens' bill was received in February, made out as follows: "Brick used for fire places in A. D. Irving's house, 3000 selected Harvard brick at \$35.00 per M, \$105.00" It was impossible to check a bill made out in this way and we accordingly wrote him to give us the names of the rooms in which these bricks were used, and the number used in each room, as our bill to Mr. Irving did not include the brick fire places in every room. He sent us this information, but the settlement of the bill has been deferred on account of our mason, Brougher, being in North Carolina, and the bill was held until his return to have him refer to his papers and check it.

On May 31st, we wrote him as follows:-

"Mr. R. Behrens,  
Irvington, N. Y.

May 31st, 1898.

Dear Sir:-

Your bill of April 25th, 1898 for brick used at Mr. Irving's house we have been unable to pass, on account of our man who did the work at this house being in the South for a number of weeks, and he has just returned. He is uncertain as to some of the rooms you refer to and also according to his record there is a difference in the quantity of brick, so if you will kindly appoint a day when it will be convenient we will send a man up and you can together check off the bill at the house so the bill can be settled.

Awaiting your reply, we remain,

Very sincerely, Wm. H. Jackson & Co.  
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W. H. JACKSON & CO.  
MANUFACTURERS OF  
UNION SQUARE NORTH  
NEW YORK CITY  
TELEPHONE 4000  
EAST 40th ST. & 1ST AVENUE

New York, July 15th, 1902

Mr. W. H. Jackson,

33 Broadway, City.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 11th inst. has duly received and I am sorry to hear that you had been annoyed in any way. I have had the matter investigated and the facts are as follows:- Mr. Bennett's bill was received in February, made out as follows: "Brick used for five places in A. D. Irving's house, 3000 selected Maryland brick at \$35.00 per M. \$102.00" It was impossible to check a bill of this kind in this way and we accordingly wrote him to give us the names of the rooms in which these bricks were used, and the number used in each room, so our bill to Mr. Irving did not include the brick like places in every room. He sent us this information, but the assignment of the bill had been carried on account of our men, Brothman, being in North Carolina, and the bill was held until his return to have him refer to his papers and check it.

On May 1st, we wrote him as follows:-

May 1st, 1902.

Mr. W. H. Jackson,  
Irvington, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

Your bill of April 15th, 1902 for brick used at Mr. Irving's house was duly received and passed, on account of our men who did the work at this house being in the North for a number of weeks, and we had just returned. We do not recall as to some of the rooms you refer to and also referring to the report given in the quantity of brick, so if you will kindly appoint a day when it will be convenient we will send a man up and you can together check the bill as the house as the bill can be settled.

Awaiting your reply, we remain,

Very respectfully,  
W. H. Jackson & Co.

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To which he replied June 7th, "Do not trouble yourself about sending a man to Mr. Irving's, but settle with Mr. Mersereau, the Archt, at his office".

After waiting a few days expecting to receive further advices in regard to it, we wrote you on June 16th, as follows:-

June 16th, 1898.

"Mr. W. H. Mersereau,  
39 Broadway, City.

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with our letter to you in reference to Richard Behrens' bill for brick, we wrote asking him to name a date on which our man could go over the bill with him so we could pay it, and from his reply (which is not very clear) we understand that you will advise us in regard to the matter. We shall be glad to settle it as soon as it can be fixed.

Very sincerely,

(Signed) Wm. H. Jackson & Co. H. "

H. W.H.

And have heard nothing further from it until your letter to me. We have written Mr. Behrens again in accordance with your instructions, asking him to make an appointment for our man to go up and check the items with him, and assure you that we shall be only too glad to settle the bill as we do not desire any outstanding accounts to run.

In regard to the two 2nd story fire places which you wished filled in 4" at the back, we have referred this to our foreman and he tells us that he and Hart, the mason, called at your office some time ago and explained to you that the work had been done as you directed at the time, and that there was no danger from fire, and that he came away <sup>from your office</sup> under the impression that you ~~would~~ were satisfied to leave it as it was. We have however, directed him to arrange with you about it and

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NEW YORK CITY  
TELEPHONE 4000  
EAST 20TH ST. A. 1000

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To which he replied "No not trouble yourself about sending  
a man to Mr. Irving's, but settle with Mr. Hester, the Agent at his  
office".

After waiting a few days expecting to receive further advice

in regard to it, we wrote you on June 18th, as follows:-

June 18th, 1898.

"Mr. W. H. Hester,  
22 Broadway, City.

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with our letter to you in reference to Richard  
Behrens' bill for work, we wrote asking him to hand a date on which our  
man could go over the bill with him so we could pay it, and from his  
reply (which is not very clear) we understand that you will advise us  
in regard to the matter. We shall be glad to settle it as soon as it  
can be fixed.

Very sincerely,  
(Signed) Wm. M. Jackson & Co. N. Y.

M. W. H.

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asking him to make an appointment for our man to go up and check the  
items with him, and assure you that we shall be only too glad to settle  
the bill as we do not desire any outstanding accounts to run.  
In regard to the two and a half fine pieces which you wanted  
filled in "at the back", we have referred this to Mr. Hester and he  
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and do whatever you desired.

In regard to your request of May 27th to call at your office and estimate, we find that our man went to your office on May 31st taking with him our letter to you, which referred to the brick. You were not in the office when he called, but your young man in charge told our man that as you were not in we would have to send again, but that the job was in no hurry and that they would drop us another line when to call again, and see the plans, and we have accordingly waited for further instructions. We have directed our man to go at once and take off the items and wish to assure you that we appreciate all your favors and desire to please you in every way, and trust you will overlook wherever we have been delinquent in this.

very sincerely,

*William H. Jackson*

WILLIAM JACKSON & CO.  
MANUFACTURERS OF  
PAPER, BOOKS, AND  
PRINTING  
NEW YORK CITY  
FOURTH AVENUE  
EAST SIDE AT 121ST STREET

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for further instructions. We have directed our men to go at once and

take off the frame and give you what we estimate all your

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wherever we have been delinquent in this.

Very sincerely,

William Jackson