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Mr. R. H. Wright,  
Astor House, New York City.

*Lynchburg, Va.* Jan. 17, 1889. 188  
3 P. M.

Dear Sir:

I regret to have to cite a sad occurrence which happened in the factory about an hour ago. Little Russell Candler, the boy who ran the splitter, was caught in the belt of same, and thrown around until killed, his neck, arm and legs were broken. I do not think that we were in any way to blame whatever, as he tried to throw the belting off the pulley while in motion and twisted same around his arm, as we found that he was tied up on the shafting by the belt. I have just returned from carrying his body home. Unfortunately he lost his mother only a few weeks ago, and his father is in very destitute circumstances. I have made arrangements for his funeral and charged same to myself, which I think of course the board will deem proper and reimburse me to some extent. I was sitting in the office and heard the screams of the girls and without waiting to ascertain what was the matter, I jumped through the rear window of the office and ran down stairs and had the engine stopped at once, and did not know until my return upstairs, (which was as rapidly as possible) what was the matter. I then called the boys up and had the engine reversed slowly so as to unwind him sufficiently so as to get him down. He lived about 5 minutes, but was not conscious. He was thrown over the shafting, from what I can learn from the young ladies, about 30 or 40 times before we could stop the machinery. Of course the factory was in an uproar, but I succeeded in getting all the girls in the dressing-room as soon as possible and sent them home and shut down the factory for the day. Of course it remains to be seen as to what the result will be relative to damages. We are, we feel assured, in no danger of suffering any loss pecuniarily, for the Coroner, whom we called in to view the body, said it was not necessary to hold an inquest, as it was an accident for which we were not responsible. We will resume work in the morning, I think. We succeeded to-day in closing with Egbert at \$1350.00 per year subject to 30 days notice if we choose to dispose of his services, and have signed a contract to this effect to-day. He is crazy to get the large photographs as soon as possible, so I trust you will see Hill at the earliest possible moment and have a liberal shipment made us; also make a further selection of subjects, as I do not think we have enough variety; also write us as to when we may

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expect the photographs for the Straight Cut boxes, as well as the large panel ones; also please hurry forward paper, and report your action relative to having the Mertens cards tinned. Egbert will not start on his trip until February 1st as he does not wish to go until the pictures are shipped to him at Kansas City so that he may have them to take with them. Will write you again-to-morrow.

Yours very truly,

LONE JACK CIGARETTES

*R. H. Wright*

*I have sent your Diamond contract  
also copy locked up in out-  
your safe.*