

April 23rd, 1922

C. M.

Mr. Thos. B. Sims,

New York, N.Y.,

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 23rd was duly received, and now as we have perhaps done as much experimenting as will be necessary until we can learn more about the possibilities of getting a uniform and satisfactory quality of Dahl Lead, we may as well let it rest for the present. We find the Dahl Lead received from Chicago varies a great deal in specific gravity, physical characteristics, amount of moisture, color and body. Some of it was extremely heavy, even heavier than Dutch Lead. Thus you can see why we were so hampered in making satisfactory tests, and also you will now see how to account for what seemed like mistakes in our tests. The first unfavorable report which was made was due to the fact that we used lead from some barrels which were not at all like that received last year, and we can safely say that if the lead could be furnished uniformly of as good quality and characteristics as that old sample, and as some of the barrels in this from Chicago, then we could make good use of it, so that the question with us is, Can the quality of the product be controlled enough to insure getting out the kind of lead desired? If there is liable to be this variation in the product, it would be useless to go on with the business.

I expect to be in our New York office a part of the day Friday. If you would like to see me there and could conveniently call about noon, shall be glad to meet you.

Yours very truly,

*Very truly,
C. M.*

(Dictated)

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