Saunders Brothers business letters and promissory notes

Descriptive Summary

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Biographical/Historical Note

The Saunders Brothers were owners of a timber mill in Alexanderville, Madison County, Georgia. They supplied milled timber for Dale, Dixon, and Company, located in Savannah, Georgia. Dale, Dixon, and Company was a wholesale dealer and manufacturers of yellow pine lumber. In addition to supplying lumber, Sanders Brothers leased acreage for the turpentine industry. Sanders Brothers is believed to have sold their mill in Alexanderville in 1894.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of sixteen business letters and two promissory notes. The correspondence was sent by F.W. Dale and M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company and concerns supplies such as iron, spikes, bolts, fish plates, and timber. The promissory notes, for $128.00 and $193.00, are partial payments on a lease of turpentine lumber from J.L. and Walter Swearingen.

Index Terms

- Business letters.
- Dale, Dixon, and Company (Savannah, Ga.)
- Lumber trade--Georgia.
- Mills and mill-work--Georgia.
- Promissory notes.
- Saunders Brothers (Alexanderville, Ga.)
- Turpentine industry and trade.
- Yellow pines.

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Container List

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1  Item 1: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 October 13 (Typed.)
   Concerns supplies bought by Saunders Brothers.

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1  Item 2: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 October 17 (Typed.)
   Concerns payroll money to be sent to Saunders Brothers and a shipment order for lumber.

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1  Item 3: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 October 27 (Typed.)
   Concerns incomplete orders being shipped.

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1  Item 4: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 October 30 (Typed.)
   Concerns shipment of iron, spikes, bolts, and fish plates to Saunders Brothers.
Item 5: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 November 3 (Typed.)

Concerns statements previously requested being received, covering amount of iron received by Saunders Brothers. Handwritten note at bottom shows calculation of total bars of iron, struts, kegs of spikes, and kegs of bolts.

Item 6: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1890 November 11 (Typed.)

Concerns the ordering of goods due to intentions of increased mill production by Saunders Brothers.

Item 7: Promissory note by Saunders Brothers to pay $128.00 for a part payment on lease of turpentine timber from J.L. and Walter Swearingen to be paid on January 1, 1893. Dated, 1892, February 3 (Handwritten.)

Partial payment written in of $65 on January 21, 1893. Note marked paid in full, March 9, 1894, and signed J.L. Swearingen and Walter S. Swearingen.

Item 8: Promissory note by Saunders Brothers to pay $192.00 for a part payment on lease of turpentine timber from J.L. and Walter Swearingen, to be paid on June 1, 1894. Dated, 1892 February 3 (Handwritten.)

Note marked paid in full, March 9, 1894, and signed J.L. Swearingen and Walter S. Swearingen.

Item 9: M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 April 23 (Typed.)

Concerns an order for timber to be completed and placed on a vessel for transportation.

Item 10: M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 April 30 (Typed.)

Concerns Dale, Dixon, and Company giving permission to Saunders Brothers to accept orders for cross ties from Stillwell, Millen, and Company to help alleviate lack of orders.
1 Item 11: Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 May 11 (Typed.)
   Concerns renumbering of lumber order.

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1 Item 12: M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 May 3
   (Typed.)
   Concerns the honoring of a draft of $96.05 and order to be placed on the schooner Jennie
   Thomas. Stillwell, Millen, and Company also mentioned.

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1 Item 13: M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 May 5
   (Typed.)
   Concerns the placement of new orders for lumber. Also contains cost breakdown of Stillwell,
   Millen, and Company's order for cross ties. Closes with warning not to accept orders from Smith
   and Company who are expected to go out of business in debt.

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1 Item 14: M.W. Dixon of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1892 May 10
   (Typed.)
   Concerns protecting a draft of $8.27 and orders for timber.

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1 Item 15: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1893 February 2
   (Typed.)
   Concerns shipment of 10 kegs of railroad spikes to Saunders Brothers.

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1 Item 16: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1893 February 11
   (Typed.)
   Concerns shipment of lumber to Live Oak, Florida, and Louisville, Georgia.

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1 Item 17: F.W. Dale of Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1893 February 9
   (Typed.)
   Concerns current and future orders of lumber.
Item 18: Dale, Dixon, and Company to Saunders Brothers, 1894 February 23 (Handwritten.)
Concerns the sale of Saunders Brothers mill.