

Chihuahua, Mex., Oct 22nd, 1899.

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Dear Sir:--

For the present do not make the King cross cut too long that is, pending trial of Stem Winder case, do not have a show of ore here too far from the foot wall. Of course your foot wall and ^{Tiler} West drift can be pushed ahead with all possible speed.

I have your letter of the 9th inst. regarding Bartlett Sinclair's suggestion that we put in a claim for our loss, on the county. I think there is more sentiment than business in this. If we have no legal ^{claim} plan, the county is not going ^{to} play the charity act in our favor; however, we can talk about this when we meet.

I notice the cordial relationship existing between you and the Wardner Industrial Union. Keep this up and you will have a club in your hands that Sweeney can never take away from you. I am sorry to learn that you have no news yet from the new Nordberg Compressor. Wilde wrote me a personal letter about the business, and I find that he is a very touchy individual. You will have to swallow your pride a little in dealing with him, because we want the Compressor first and can fix up personal matters with them afterwards. Please try and learn when, if at all, they are going to ship our Compressor.

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If they are not going to ship it at all, we should immediately take steps to get one from some other source. In that case we would lose considerable money on foundation preparations, so it is better to be patient and try to get the Nordberg Compressor shipped as soon as possible.

Yours truly,