Sept. 17, 190[illegible]

Mr. W. W. Cole,

Pres. N. C. F. J. R. R.,

Elmira, N. Y.

Dear Sir,

I return herewith letters from E. H. Wilson & Co. and it is my opinion that these engines are probably in the same condition as most of the second-hand engines and that in six months we would again be in the same position for power as at present. In view of the fact that our engine is now in the Lackawanna Shops dismantled and they are working [illegible] repairs, I do not think it wise to change our decision in the matter, for I feel sure that our engine, after repairs are made, will give much better results than any engine we could get for the price [illegible] t costs to make the repairs. I have written Mr. Kilpatrick, Master Mechanic of the Kingsland Shops asking for report of the progress they [illegible] making with these repairs and urging him to hurry them as [illegible] possible. [illegible]dvise you further upon receipt of his reply.

Yours truly,