

ject to his inspection? Such a thing could not have occurred with us. I think Mr. Cooper is bound for his own sake to discover who has been tampering with his private correspondence. In the meantime, as he denies all knowledge of the affair, I shall assume that your company does not keep its messages secret, and that, if its offices are open to Mr. Craig, whom you persist in speaking of as a stranger, they are open to any speculator, although you profess so cautious avoidance of such persons. Mr. Craig must have some strange power over your company if he has dared to take such a liberty with its President.

JAMES C. COGSWELL.

(Tel.)

NEW YORK, May 30, 1859.

W. H. ABEL to J. C. COGSWELL.

Your telegram of 26th received. The directors of this company regret that you are so willing to impute improper motives to them or their employees. Mr. Craig was furnished with a copy of the correspondence as the agent of the Associated Press, the party most interested in the establishment of the rule that messages should be sent in the order of their reception. In this respect, we merely anticipated your request to lay the correspondence before the editors. Mr. Craig published a portion of correspondence on his own responsibility, without any consultation with the directors. Your formal request will, however, probably lead to the publication of the whole correspondence.

W. H. ABEL, *Secretary, pro tem.*

(Tel.)

HALIFAX, May 31, 1859.

J. C. COGSWELL to W. H. ABEL.

Yours of 30th received. We find it difficult to separate you and Mr. Craig. At one time you tell us that you cannot be responsible for anything he says or does; at another we find that you furnish him with all the documents passing between us, and that he makes an improper use of them by publishing only parts appended to libelous attacks of his own upon this company. We asked you to lay the matter before the Associated Press, that they might judge between us and their agent. Instead of doing so you give *him* the papers, and you see the use he makes of them. We are now publishing the whole of the correspondence, being willing to abide by the verdict of the public. We shall send copies to the editors of the Associated Press, if such a body can be found,—at least we shall send them to all the editors of the New York Press. We wished you to call them together, and ask their opinion as to their agent's behaviour. You have not done so; and now we must wait till the matter is laid before them by ourselves. Everything is to be published, down to this telegram, without note or comment.

JAS. C. COGSWELL.