

for sending the European news on the 1st May instant. To your determination on this point we have made no objection and have none to make. Your assertion that you broke off with us because we would not act harmoniously or because of any improper or discourteous language to you is entirely destitute of truth as what I have before stated proves conclusively. It strikes me that gentlemen of honor occupying the highly responsible position you and your associates do, would hardly stoop to the trickery you openly acknowledge to be your future management of your lines; for ourselves we scorn to follow your base example. Our arrangements are now, as they before have been, open and above board. We shall endeavour to place the steamers news in your office in advance of all other parties for the future as we have done for the past ten years, and we expect that you will send it ahead. We have no favors to ask of you, and would scorn to accept from a telegraph company so lost to every sense of decency as to declare publicly, at least in effect, that it will discard all honorable and open rules and usages, known among telegraphers, and resort to trickery and the Peter Funk game. In conclusion I will say that we ask only for justice and fair and open competition, this we shall try to secure even from you and your company, and if we fail utterly it will be some time hence and not until we shall have exhausted every legal and business expedient open to us.

D. H. CRAIG

*Note to Mr. Cooper*

[The foregoing was answered by merely acknowledging receipt of it, by telegraph, and more fully in Mr. Cogswell's letter of 2nd instant to Mr. Craig, which he is at liberty to show you if agreeable. As specimens of Mr. Craig's style, which he considers "*courteous and respectable*," &c., the following telegrams from him are submitted.]

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(Tel.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 2, 1859.

D. H. CRAIG to F. N. GISBORNE.

One of the Fog Smith thieves has reported that you have assured your Boston friends that the Newfoundland company have violated their contract with the Nova Scotia company, and that the agreement of 1855 has been superceded. Now you and the stupid people who are putting you forward to make a fool of yourself, know that that statement of yours is a base lie and you may be sure that the Boston people have now got their eyes open and will not take your word or More's. So come down with your documents. Fog Smith has been here several days, and is trying hard to have American company take his Boston line. Fred, you are surely and most damnably fooled.

D. H. CRAIG.