Newark July 29th 1846

Mr W. Gooding

Sir

Although personally unacquainted with you, I am desirous to know if there is any prospect for work on the Michigan Canal of which you are Chief Engineer, I have lin in the way of Contracting and at present am engaged on Morris Canal and will finish my Contract by the 20 of August, and should be pleased to visit your part of the Country if there is any encouragement for a good contract, I can bring with me one hundred men and more if wanted,

You will please give me the desired information what amount of contract and the going prices and specification if this should meet your approbation on the receipt of this and oblige yours

Respectfully

C. L. Dennan & Co

William Gooding Esq

C. E. of M. C.

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Satisfactory reference to Character and capability if required

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