Ambrose W. Thompson
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No 10 Wall Street
New York Feby 18. 1856

John Lee Esq
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Your favor of 14th was rec.d only on Saturday and I could not communicate with the other parties in time to reply

I am now authorized to say that we agree to the terms of your letter as press for carrying through the Canal Purchase.

I will endeavour to send you the Bill drawn out for this purpose by tomorrows mail.

We shall wish to change the name to that of the "Potomac Canal Company" the present one is a misnomer - as it will never connect with the Ohio. - The one proposed is its original one, and will be better in every respect. - Giving it all the character of a new & vigorous enterprise which it certainly will be if it gets into our hands.

This letter agreeing to your terms, connected with yours, may be considered as a binding agreement between us. only you work a more formal paper, wherein due credit me immediately & I will draw it up & send it to you

Very Truly Yours
A W Thompson

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