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Letter from John R. Johnson to John Yale

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Newport
R.I.

Sep 12th 94

John Gale, Esq.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find contract signed by
Hitchings & Co, through their representative, H.W. Gibbons,
also specifications of work they propose to do, in
connection with the erection of houses, also, copy of
contract for Mr Golets signature. I have had
their ^{original} specifications revised, and suitable alterations,
and additions made, and am satisfied with the same
as revised and presented herewith, the houses built
as suggested according to enclosed specification,
will be the best of their kind in every respect,
both in construction, and arrangement, perfect in
utility and design, they agree to build the entire
range complete for \$10,530 including \$170.00 for additions
made as shown in specifications, being \$2970, less
than Lord & Burnham's estimate for precisely the
same work. ~~Acting under the~~. I therefore told them
to-day to commence the work at once, the foundations
will be commenced this week. They agree to erect
the range complete in sixty days, under penalty

of \$100, for each and every week, they may exceed that time.

There is one other item I wish to mention and explain, and that is, an additional item for mason work, other than shown on ~~each~~^{either} plan, caused by the grades of the grounds, according to measurements & levels given by M^r Bowditch, this would cost \$328, according to Hitchings and Co's estimate, I thought it best to keep this as a separate matter, as both firms figured on the level, I will get M^r Bowditch's engineers to ~~give~~^{show} extra ^{mason} work required and send it on with Hitchings estimate, I would like to mention that I have got two more feet added to passage ways, making them twelve feet instead of ten, Hitchings agreeing to do this without extra charge. Trusting every thing will be satisfactory I beg to remain

Yours Respectfully
John R. Johnson

P.S.

also please find accompanying plan separate. which will be posted same time

1894

John P Johnson

Sept 12th