

# TAMIAMI RAILWAY

*Ocean to Gulf*

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Mr. C. H. Hartley, Vice President  
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Florida.

My Dear Mr. Hartley:

Am enclosing a copy of of letter written today by me to Mr. Jones which is really self explanatory.

Of course the Florida East Coast Railway are seeking a way to secure to them as much of the business originating on and destined to West Coast points as possible, and I trust you can come to Miami and meet Mr. Rodenbaugh, General Manager of Florida East Coast Railway when he returns to Florida and sets the date for a conference with you.

We have been offered three million dollars (at 85) for a like amount of Tamiami Railway bonds, but I am thoroughly convinced that we should have the financial and moral backing of either the Seaboard Air Line Railway or the Florida East Coast Railway.

This whole proposition can not however delayed too long as even now small town sites are springing up all along the route of the proposed Tamiami Railway and if they become established we will of course have to serve them; thus the profit from the sale of such town-sites and sub-divisions will accrue to the promoters and not to the Railway who should really be the beneficiaries from such sales.

I do not beleive you can appreciate how fast Miami is growing and how immediate our railroad proposition should be, as the longer we delay the greater our loss in concessions, priveleges, and opportunities.

Am enclosing a new map, also a "clipping" as to Seaboard Air Line's activities and extensions.

Personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours

JFJ/n.

J. F. Jaudon.