

St. Paul-Banks

February 29, 1884

William Bickel to Jas. J. Hill.

"A German bank (with some prominent American stockholders) will be started on Wabasha Street about May. I worked it up and have secured about 200 German merchants as stockholders and will be able to secure about two hundred more."

"Such men as Chas. Friend, Adam Decker, Ernst Albrecht, Anthony York, Martin Bruggeman, Geo. Benz and a large number of equally good men would not go in it, unless they knew it would be safe...Having often

befriended me I consider it my duty to give
you a chance to take a look.."

General correspondence by date