This is a form letter dated 4 April 1919 and sent to businesses in the lumber trade by the Wright-Dalton-Bell-Anchor Store Company at Poplar Bluff in Butler County, Missouri. The letter solicits business for Nicholson and Simonds brand files and saws.

The Wright-Dalton-Bell-Anchor Store Company sold at wholesale to other firms and at retail as “Dalton’s” to the general public. Officers of the firm were J. L. Dalton (Chairman of the Board), G. W. Dalton (President and General Manager), G. A. McKenzie (Secretary), N. B. Henry (Treasurer), and H. D. Mathews (Director). It dealt in hardware, furniture, queensware, shoes, mill supplies, and had a “mammoth 5 & 10 c. store in basement.”

The purpose of this form letter was to promote Nicholson Files and Simonds Saws, which were products of the Simonds Manufacturing Company of Lockport, N.Y. The letter also noted that “We carry a complete stock of bolts, valves, pipe fittings, rubber and leather belting and all kinds of tools used in the lumber manufacturing business.”