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TO: R. S. Stevens
FROM: James H. Legate

OFFICE OF THE
Alliance Mutual Life Assurance Society

OF THE UNITED STATES

Office: Leavenworth, Kansas

July 12th 1875

Dear Sir:-

In the winter of 1874, while at Topeka, my services were engaged by Mr. Sears to aid in the passage of what [known] as the "Preferred Stock Bill." He agreed to give me five hundred dollars. I did all he asked me to do. The Bill became a law and he sent me by Express four hundred and promises the other hundred as often as I ask him for it, but it is at sometime in the future. You can get it for me if you choose. Will you do so? One hundred dollars is a good deal of money to me just now. He charged the charges for it and promises payment but never pays.

Truly Yours,

James H. Legate

¹ FROM: Book of letters to R.S.S., July 1875 to April 1876.