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TO: R. S. Stevens
FROM: Angell Matthewson

R. S. Stevens, President
Angell Matthewson, Cashier

Authorized Capital, \$300,000
Capital Paid in 75,000
Organized March 2d, 1872.

First National Bank,
Parsons, Kansas, Dec. 1st 1875

Hon. R. S. Stevens
Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter from Attica, received. I intend to come to Hannibal and see you next week, unless you are coming here soon, as I wish to confer with you in regard to two or three matters.

B. F. Hobart, banker, of Oswego, was in New York while you were there, on R. R. business, and he wrote back that he had a conversation with Seligman and others and that matters looked "brighter" for the completion of the Memphis, Carthage & Northwestern R. R. to Oswego. I understand that he went purposey to counterbalance any effort that you might make in behalf of building the road to Parsons, and I sincerely hope that he did not get any positive assurances, for we must have that road here. Please write me when you get leisure more fully.

I shall prepare to go to N. Y. in January, as you suggest and will make the time to suit your convenience, as I am sure that you can accomplish more in a day than I could, unaided, in a week.

Yours Truly,

Angell Matthewson

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