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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, Nov. 1st 1875

Hon. R. S. Stevens
Hannibal, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 29th ult. is at hand and its tone is most encouraging.

I note what you say about Parsons & Memphis R. R., Scullin's stock, coming here and going to N. Y.

I have called a meeting of the Directors of the Parsons & Memphis R. R. for Saturday, Nov. 6, at 2 o'clock, P. M., and I sincerely hope you can make it convenient to be here; but if not, please make the customary form of oath & send to me, as we wish to make you Pres't.

The R. R. feeling is still at fever heat, here and all along the line, and the fact that your name is connected with it gives it great popularity and strength. It would be a good point if you could be here on the 6th.

One of the Studebaker Bros. will be here next week to look over the ground and make arrangements for the new ware-house provided they can get that Block 50. Individually, I should be very much in favor of letting them have it. The Studebaker Bros. Mfg. Co. and Messrs. E. H. Edwards & Co. of this city will join together and put up a large Brick ware-house for a Wagon and Agricultural Implement Depot.

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

If you cannot come on the 6th, be sure and send the Directors' Oath, and let me know about Studebaker matter, if possible, as they are very anxious to have definite reply.

I will ride out and look at your land and fix price for Dr. Kennedy and notify you.

Yours Truly,
Angell Matthewson