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Lysander Spooner Esq.

My dear Sir,

The first copy of your "______" came during my absence from home. The second soon after my return. I thank you for them. I am happy to find that you are still capable of your ______ rigorous & useful labors—still interested in business as well as ______ in hands as well as in ______ a plans of finance as well as places of luxury. I know no one else who can turn his hand to so many things.

I know that little of the machinery of Bankss. I have _______ little the advantages and disadvantages of Paper Currency.

I have just read 32 pages of your pamphlet. Thus far, the scheme looks well. Will provide an ______ & I should think a safe currency. The mortgage system in this State is discredited—& for the _____ you give. That worthless or doubtful mortgages could pass under the widely & tended _____, which you how providing, is not at all ______. All must be satisfied with your explanation of the demand for care, & of the great final cause for it ____ ______

Another cause why Demand would not serve for a currency is that the counterfits would be detected by so few.

In haste

Your friend

Gerrit Smith