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**L. K. Parkhurst,**  
 PRES. FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
 OF REED CITY,  
 REAL ESTATE AND LOANS,  
 REED CITY, MICH.

June 17-1893 - 6

Mr. Cobb, Esq, Acting Supt U.S. Mint,  
 Philadelphia, Pa.

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Yours truly

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 Pt. Natl Bank

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 Attn: Nat Bank

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[Letter one:]

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