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My dear friend Mark.

I am sorry to take your time with any notes. But as there may be a misapprehension in regard to the Willard case with Messrs. Hoagway & Parkhurst I wish to say that perhaps the latter paid paper beyond the nominal value for the gold placed in their hands by Mr. Willard. I do not know that this was the case. nor that they did not, as with me, take full advantage - and more - of the law - I know that they have done this with others as well as with myself.

It would seem however, almost too flagrant a thing to go so far with a stranger - only a few days in Florida - and I think it more probable, that they gave paper at Bankers premium on Gold, thus subjecting