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Lysander Spooner Esq.

My Dear Sir:

Absence at the West has prevented my receiving your note of the 29th of April, until yesterday. Hence the explanation of my apparent neglect. The pamphlets referred to, have also come to hand. Please accept my thanks for the same, I will agree to read them carefully in the course of the summer: as I am expecting to have, what of late I have not had—time leisure during the next three months.

I am about as "hard money" in my ideas as Mr. Wilker(?), though I have not arrived at that condition in which I cannot learn and I am ready at any time to change my opinions where I can see good reason for the same.

Have you seen by rebut to the N.Y. Legislature on Local Taxation. If not I wish you would call on Mr. Edward Atkinson. No. 40 State Street & ask him from me to give you a copy. He has a supply for distribution.

I am Yours most Respectfully, David A. Wells