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Description: Horatio Jose wrote to George F. Shepley following up on a previous letter in which Jose tried to interest Shepley in the planned National Bank in Portland.

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