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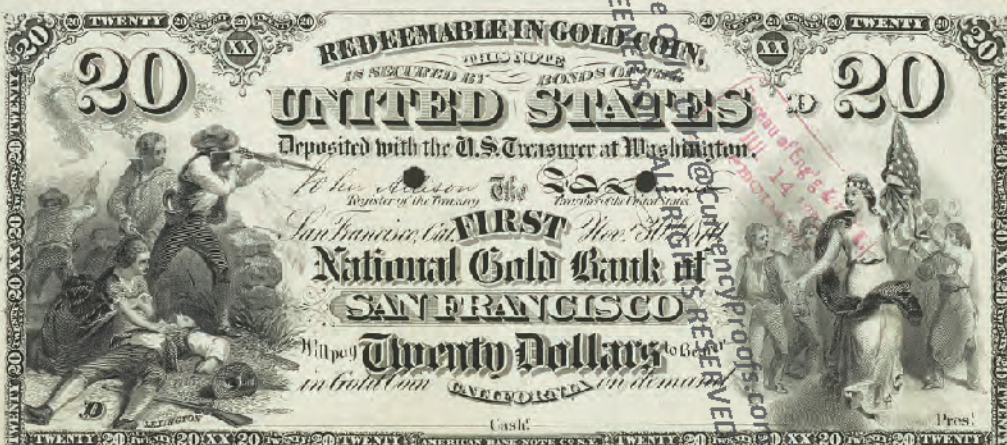
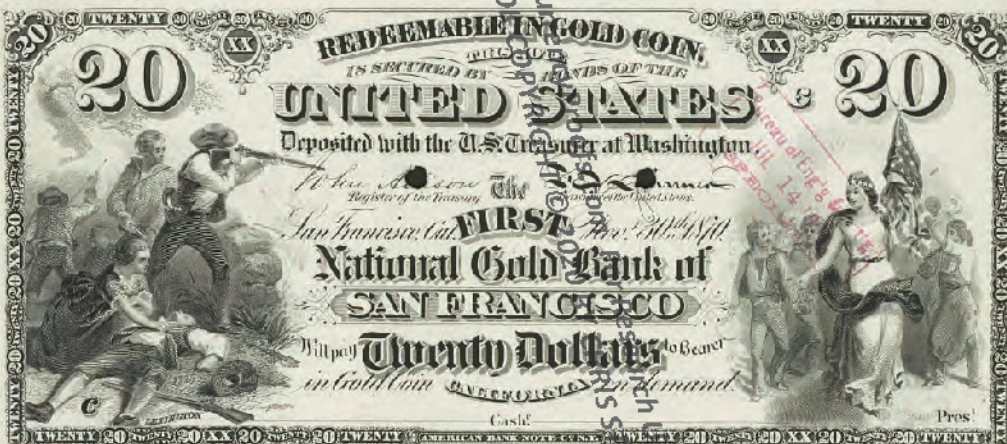
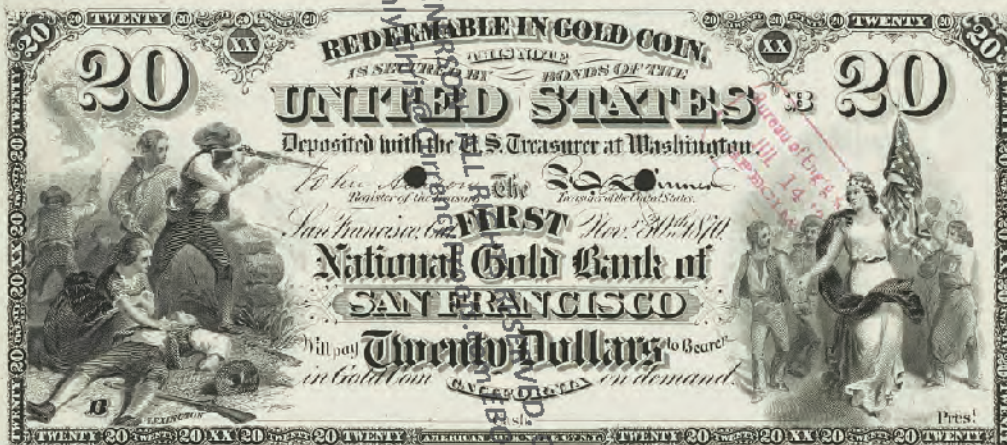
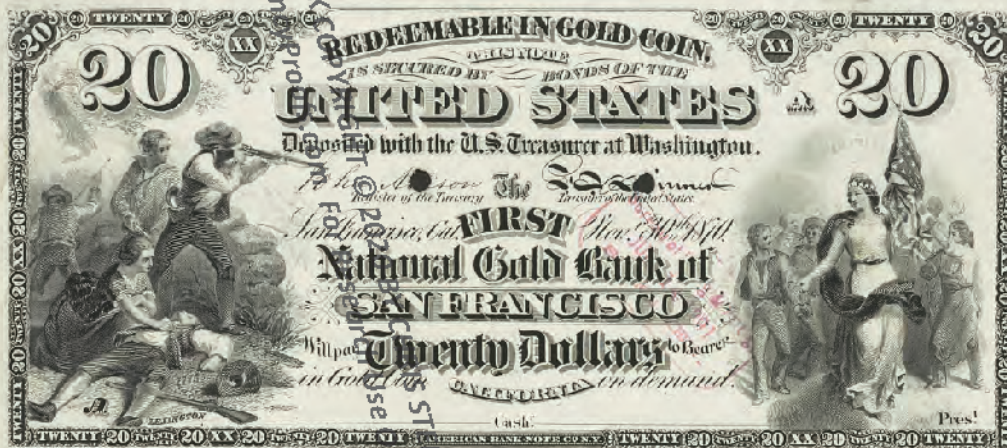
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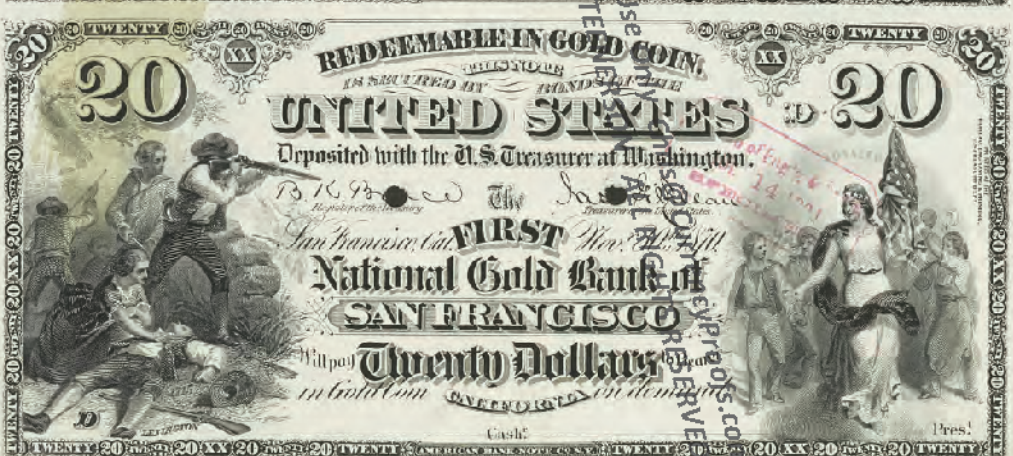
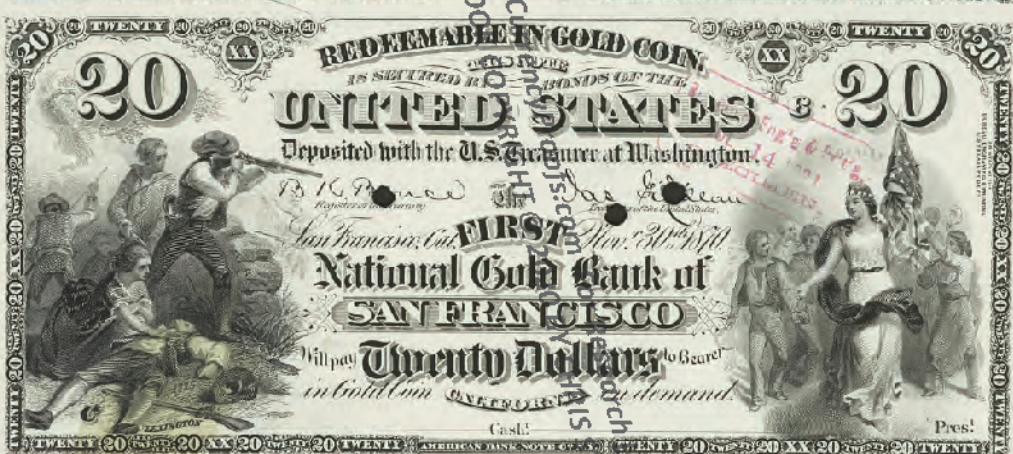
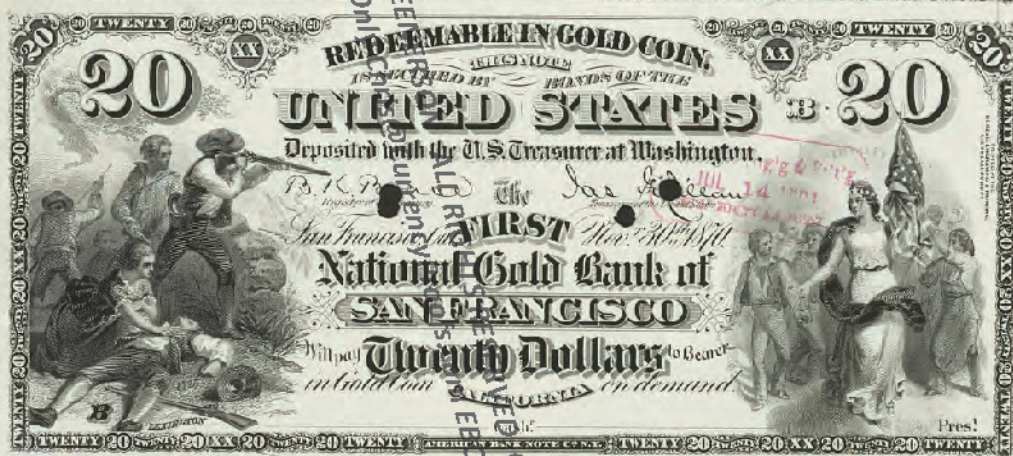
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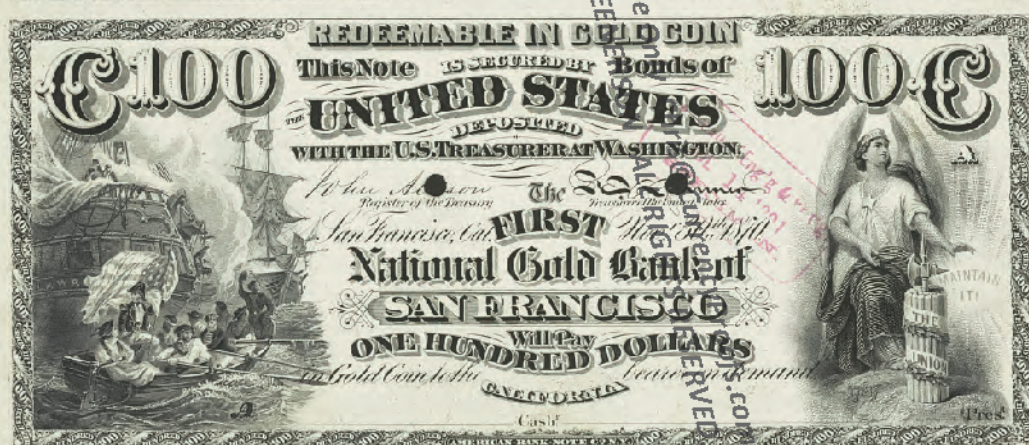
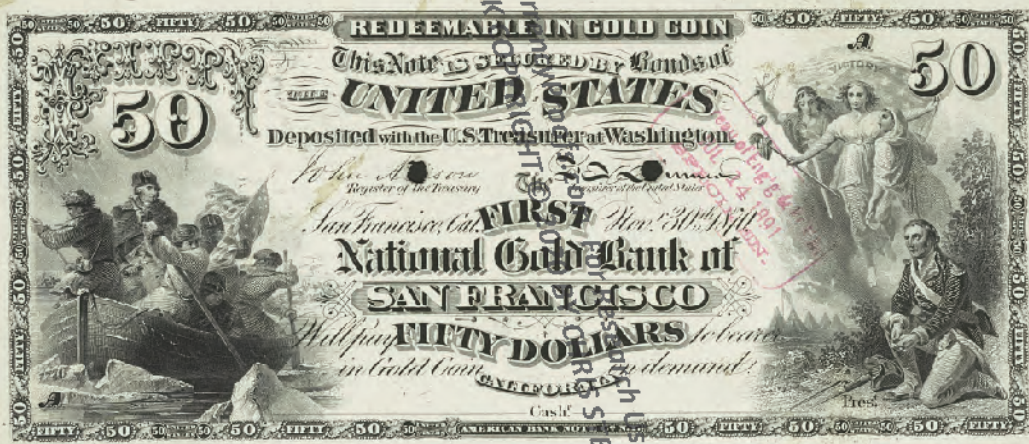
The state of California has 47 banks with Charters in 227 cities that issued national currency.

Charter	Name of Bank	City
1741	First National Gold Bank of San Francisco, California	San Francisco
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1741	Crocker First National Bank of San Francisco, California	San Francisco
1994	National Gold Bank and Trust Company, San Francisco, California	San Francisco
2014	National Gold Bank of D. O. Mills and Co. Sacramento, California	Sacramento
2014	National Bank of D. O. Mills and Co. Sacramento, California	Sacramento
2077	First National Gold Bank of Stockton, California	Stockton
2104	First National Gold Bank of Santa Barbara, California	Santa Barbara
2104	First National Bank of Santa Barbara, California	Santa Barbara
2104	First National Trust and Savings Bank of Santa Barbara, California	Santa Barbara
2158	Farmers National Gold Bank of San Jose, California	San Jose
2158	First National Bank of San Jose, California	San Jose
2193	First National Gold Bank of Petaluma, California	Petaluma
2193	First National Bank of Petaluma, California	Petaluma
2248	First National Gold Bank of Oakland, California	Oakland
2248	First National Bank of Oakland, California	Oakland
2266	Union National Gold Bank of Oakland, California	Oakland
2266	Union National Bank of Oakland, California	Oakland
2412	First National Bank of Stockton, California	Stockton
2431	First National Bank of Alameda, California	Alameda
2456	Santa Barbara County National Bank, Santa Barbara, California	Santa Barbara
2456	County National Bank and Trust Company of Santa Barbara, California	Santa Barbara
2491	First National Bank of Los Angeles, California	Los Angeles
2491	Los Angeles-First National Trust and Savings Bank of Los Angeles, California	Los Angeles
2491	Security-First National Bank of Los Angeles, California	Los Angeles [1929]
2794	Stockton National Bank, Stockton, California	Stockton
2938	Los Angeles National Bank, Los Angeles, California	Los Angeles
3050	First National Bank of San Diego, California	San Diego
3050	First National Trust and Savings Bank of San Diego, California	San Diego
3056	Consolidated National Bank of San Diego, California	San Diego
3136	First National Bank of Modesto, California	Modesto
3321	First National Bank of Fresno, California	Fresno



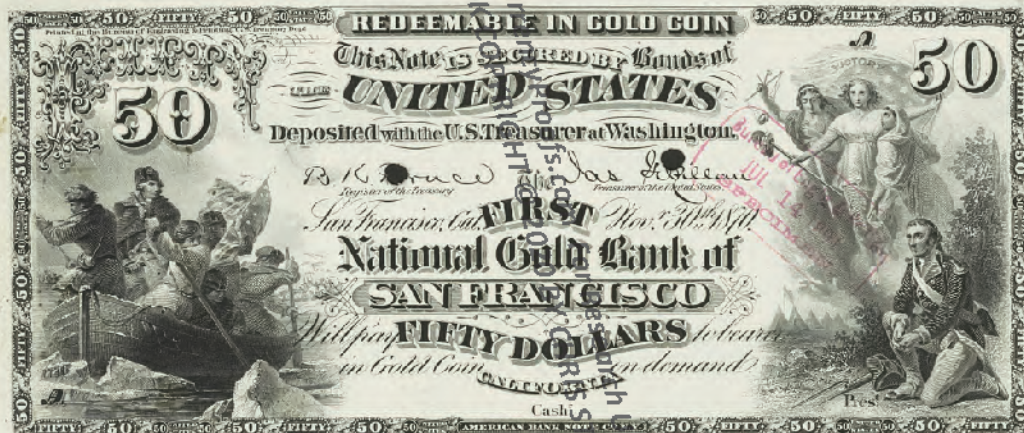


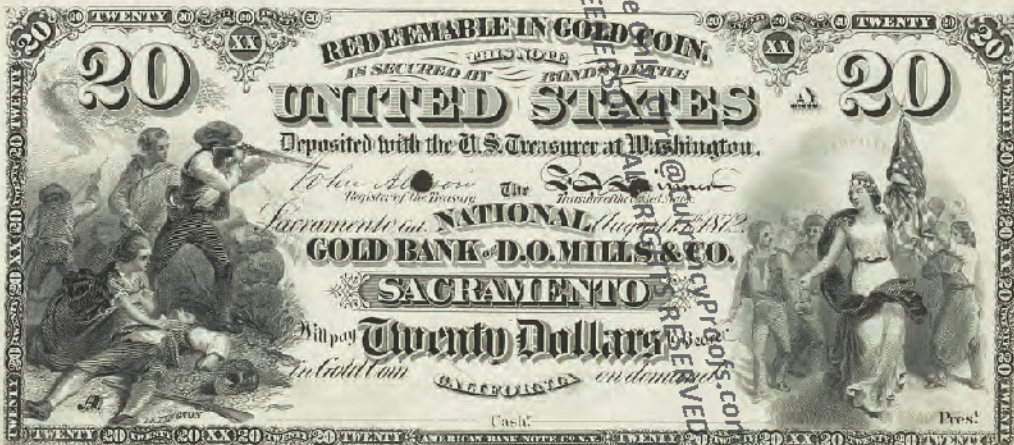
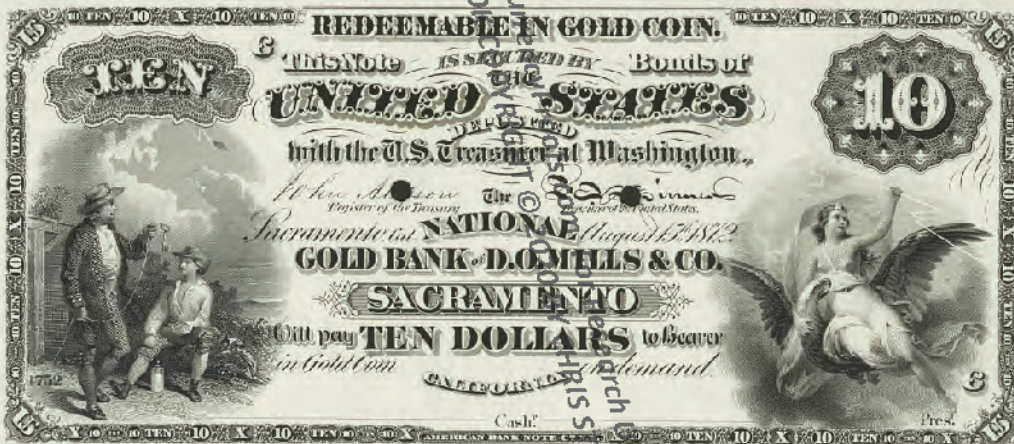
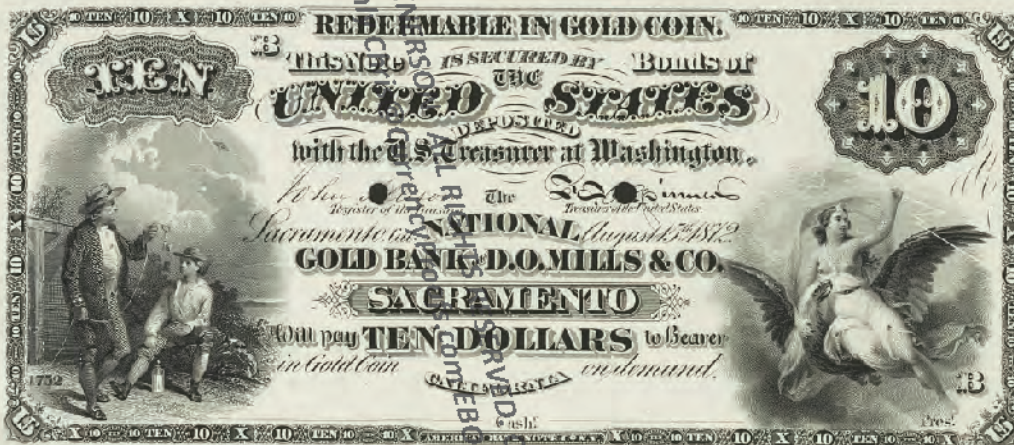
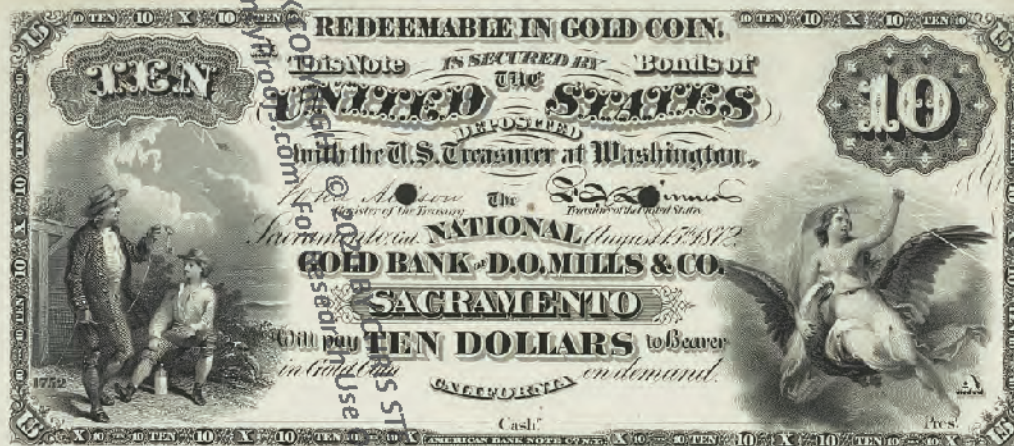
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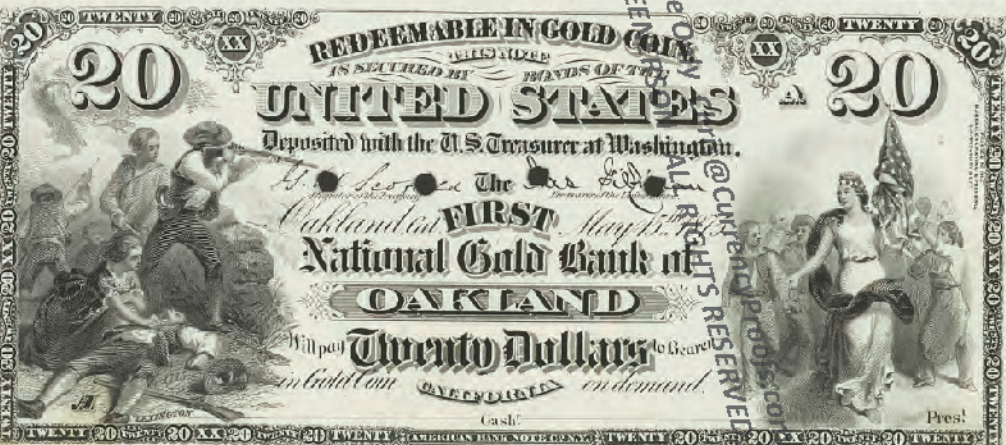
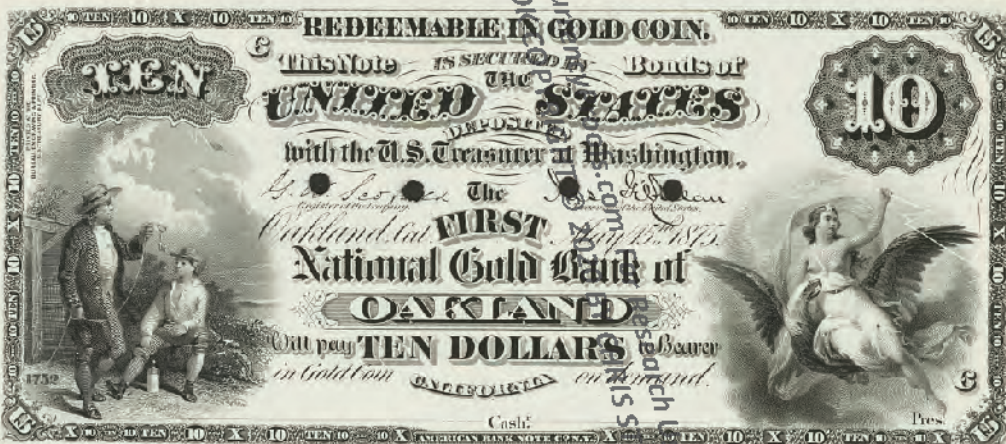
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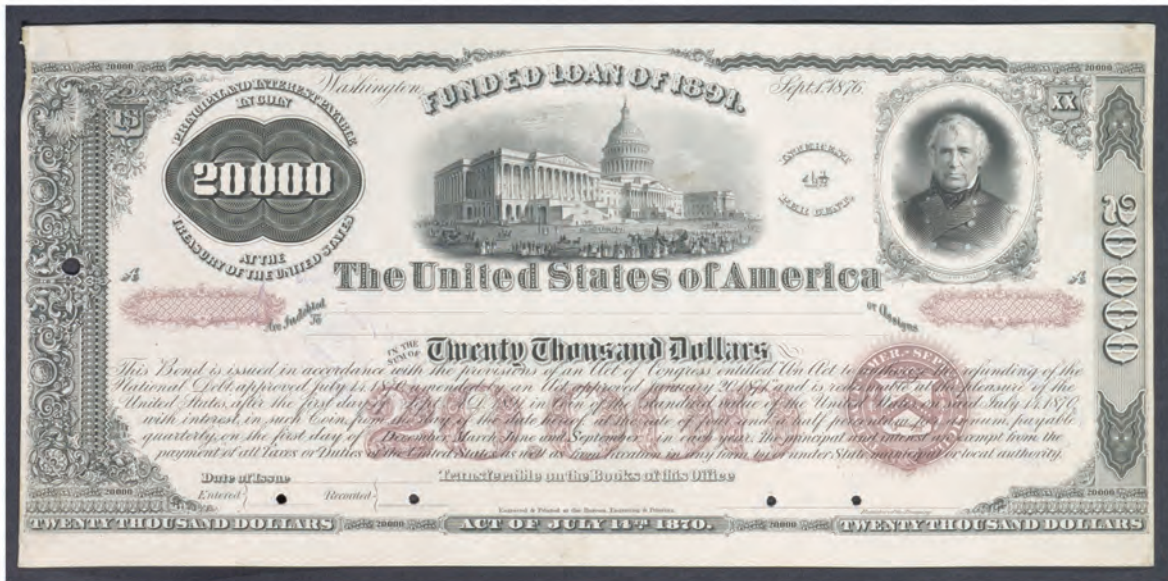


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