Great Salt Lake City July 25, 1853

Bro Holms,

I have your

which you state your ability to make Gunpowder.  I am anxious that Gunpowder be made in this Territory as soon & as extensively as possible.

I am not acquainted with your circumstances, and present business

at Cedar City, but will state that I have a kettle, paper, Skins &

for making powder, which you are welcome to use either here  or any place

you may prefer.

I should be much pleased to have you go into the business at once, and if you cannot, I would like to know why,and in case you lack funds, I wish to know how much, what for, and what kind; at any rate I would like to have you come here and make a trial.

Please furnish me the required information      as soon as

convenient, & oblige your Brother in the Gospel.

Brigham Young

Mr. Wardman Holmes

Cedar City

Iron County