Great Salt Lake City  Nov 29. 1851

Dear Brother,

Your letter dated Sept 16 is received, am glad to hear of your successful and speedy trip across the plains.  I should be most happy to accomodate you in the matter of $1.000.- were it in my power to do so.  The Public Works have drawn so heavily upon my resources that I find it utterly impossible to more than meet our many liabilities.  The matter of the draft I presume is all right before this as we paid and sent on all that was required.  Marshal Eldridge informs me that as yet he has not been able to make any collections but will continue to do the best he can.

If your brother should send or bring on a turning lathe let it be a large size traveling Engine lathe of sufficient size to turn the largest size Mill cranks.  That kind of a lathe is the only one that would be of much use as we have plenty small ones.  And if connected with a plaining machine an machinery for making doors sash he might do well in some of the fine pine that is now found in Parley's Park and other Kanyons when if Men of energy & enterprise would fix themselves for the business and work all winter and bring in the products of their labor in the spring when the roads become good might not only do well for themselves but be an accommodation to the public.

From the "Deseret News" you will learn the particulars of our trip south and matter of general interest.

My own health is not very good but am rather on the gain.--Blessing you in the name of the Lord I remain your friend and brother in the gospel.

Brigham Young

Mr. Miles Beach

St Louis.