G. S. L. City May 6th 1854

Bro. Hyde

Dear Sir:

I have no recollection of making the remark to Bro Appleby, which you allude to, but if I did, it must have been upon the principle, that it would be almost, or quite impossible for you to let Lawing alone, on account of your peculiar temperament.

I did suppose, that from your own reflections on your position, & from my conversation & remarks to you, that you knew my feelings in this matter, & I have seen no reason for altering them.

Still it may be very inconvenient & unpleasant for you to let Law entirely alone in Green River County, but in case circumstances should require you to dip into it a little, you certainly do know, that your position, & the feelings of your Quorum, & your Brethren require you to do so, only as a Peacemaker, & with a view to prevent litigation so far as in your power; in this way, and in this only, so far as I can discern, can you engage, & come off without the smell of Fire upon your garments."

Respectfully

Yours in the Covenant

Brigham Young