Great Salt Lake City, July 19th 1854.

Mr William W. Handlin

City of Mexico

Mexico

Sir,

Yours of March 20th came safe to hand and in reply I have to state that the perusal of a publication of the kind you mention, might be a source of gratification to me, but not needed as a confirmation to the doctrines of the Book of Mormon for I have known, for many years, that those doctrines are verily true.

Should you consider to publish the work you mention, I presume it would meet a profitable sale, and if it come convenient, I might purchase a copy.

Respectfully declining to have any connection with the publication of the work in question.

I Remain

Truly your friend and the Friend of all mankind

Brigham Young