Great Salt Lake City

June 14th 1853.

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Bros. Lyman & Rich,

  Dear Brethren,  Since your departure                                                 no matters of

very great importance have transpired

We desire to keep you informed in the advancement

in the business items which  concern you

The weather thus far has been unusually cool, cloudy and

showery and the Lakes and streams higher than at any time since our arrival here, doing much damage in the City and County

but they are now abating                  the bridge at

been swept off and the wife of

(ames not reported,) have been drowned in trying to cross Weber River, and a child of John T. Smiths, aged 3 years has been

drowned in this City in City Creek.

The Grasshoppers  have seriously injured the crops in the

Big field, and at a few other places,  still our fields in general bid

fair to yield an abundant harvest.

A few emigrants have began to pass through our

City from the East & West.  Peace & prosperity and in all our

borders, and we are urging on the public works with all

the force at our command praying constantly for an

increased amount of means for those works,       and the emigrating fund, that we may the sooner enjoy the privileges      of a Temple, and the more rapidly deliver the honest in      heart from oppression.

Should circumstances warrant my visit to San Bernard. in

the fall I shall send

you to make every reasonable exertion

and the emigrating fund

by that person

Please pay Elder Henry G. Sherwood                                                            one

hundred dollars out of the tithing in the way it will best suit

him to receive it.  As to your            City                    and survey it to please yourselves

lots therein as will best accord with  your judgment

Bro Bernhisel is not      in good health & spirits

on a/c of his past faithfulness

to  re--elect him.

Bro John M. Cor

to him and writes that you may pay

on the amount, provided you

to apply on his Tithing,

amount before named.

We have learned of                                    officers

except that Mr. Holeman has been removed and E. A. Bedell is

appointed Indian Agent, you                      that Bedell was

friendly to us in our difficulties at Nauvoo while I was Post

Master at Warsaw.

I remain as ever

Your Friend & Bro.  in the Gospel of Salvation

to                                                                                                         Brigham Young

  Majors Lyman & Rich

San Bernardino

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