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To the President and Governier of this
Kingdom and Territory of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

Brigham young. Dear brother
it is with feelings of grattitude to my
heavenly ^{father} that I take this opperun-
-ity to write to you concerning my
explorations. Last fall I learned
from the spaniards by Genie que
that there was a lead mine in the
mountains west of this vally
Some where and i went in search
of it and found it not and so again
and again and again with out success
untill last week on Tuesday i started
in the morning rode 40 miles south
west camped on summit creek on the
riva of the bason 5 o'clock seched down
the creek to the road 3 miles and back
next morning i went a foot to the
of the mountain up a canyon back
to camp took breakfast seched 4 cany-
ons to the summit went over the rim
and seched one canyon went on top
the hiest mountain and viewed the
country all around followed the de-
-ive 4 miles discovered a large boddy of
pine timber 8 miles in length on
the water of ^{the} river. then cross'd
2 mountains and rode 20 miles north
west camp'd at a spring the next morn-
sartid sun rise 3 wes a cross the vally
then up a canyon 1 1/4 mile and found
the ore which i send you a sample of
which is verry plenty and then
home the next day i rode to Cester
city brother James James and i tried
it with acids and found it good

then i rode up the canyon 8 miles
to obtain coal to try it and on the 4th
while the bretheren were taking their
pleashure i and my boys were blow-
-wing the bellis to try it which we
did with the help of brother James
and it is an excellent article of mettle
for all nos anny uce i send you a
sample no asids will eat it

Now brother Brigham with your
permission i will go to work and
git out enough to make a 6 feet
-ender with in 2 months an my
one hook' never the less i am at
your dis pose for the best good to the
building up of this Kingdom
please rite and send it by the beare
and also your wishes about the
isen glass i sent you last summer
No more at present but remain
your friend and brother in the
bonds of the new and everlasting
covenant of our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ