The First Presidency

Church of Jesus Christ

Latter-day Saints.

To Remee' G. Father on mother's side

9.0. Box B.

Salt Sake City, Utah, November 23rd, 1899.

Elder Orson Smith,

-Logan.

My dear Brother Orson: -

Your very welcome favor of the 21st inst. was duly received, and I was extremely pleased to hear from you and was grateful to learn that you had safely returned to us and to your home. I scarcely need say that you have always had my entire confidence as a man of honesty and pure and high intentions. lament your misfortunes and failures in business, but I admire your devotion to your family and to the cause of truth and the integrity of your character. You have had my sympathy from the first and when the secrets of men's hearts shall be known, it will be unnecessary for me to say that I have ever spoken in your vindication and in defense of your honor, and have plead for kindly feeling and brotherly patience towards you. I sincerely wish you success throughout your future life. I would admonish you to be very careful not to overreach, in any undertaking, the bounds of conservatism and prudence, and the Lord will help you to redeem your credit and restore confidence everywhere.

May God bless you and your family, and open up your way, is the humble prayer of

Your Brother and friend,

Jos. F. Smith