

Many people ask the question of why the mine has not yet produced any ore. This same question was asked by Bishop Koyle by Austin Fife, who wrote:

"If you ventured the question which you thought would be the most embarrassing to him--How do you explain the fact that although you have dug for forty years, the mine has not yet produced a single ounce of pay dirt? --you were surprised by an answer that betrayed neither embarrassment nor lack of hope. The mine is to produce only when the financial structure of the world is about to collapse. It will begin to produce just in time to save the saints from the economic ruin that will wreck the world." (Saints of Sage and Saddle, Fife, pp.283-84)

But regardless of presumptions, Brigham Young once explained about the resources of the earth:

"These treasures that are in the earth are carefully watched. They can be removed from place to place according to the good pleasure of Him who made them and owns them. He has his messengers at his service, and it is just as easy for an angel to remove the minerals from any part of one of these mountains to another, as it is for you and me to walk up and down this hall. This, however, is not understood by the Christian world, nor by us as a people. There were a great many treasures hid up by the Nephites.

People do not know it, but I know there is a seal set upon these treasures of earth; men are allowed to go so far and no farther. I have known places where there were treasures in abundance; but could men get them? No." (Journal of Discourses 19:37, 39)