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Mormon War Papers, 1837-1841

[*Full-text transcription of:* Letter from General David R. Atchison from Headquarters, 3rd Division of Missouri Militia in Richmond, MO to Governor Boggs, Jefferson City, MO.]

Grand River at a place called Adam on
Diahmon – The numbers are supposed to be a:
:bout two hundred & fifty men. Citizens of Daviess
County, and from fifty to one hundred men,
Citizens of Caldwell County – Both parties have been
scouting through the Country, & occasionally
taking prisoners, & threatening & insulting each
other, but as yet no blood has been shed –

I have ordered all armed men from
adjoining Counties to repair to their homes – The
Livingston County men, & others, to the amount of
one hundred men, have returned, & there remains
now about one hundred & fifty, who will, I am
in hopes, return in a few days –

I have been informed by
the Mormons that all of those who have been
charged with a violation of the laws, will be in
today for trial – when that is done, the troops un:
:der any command, will be no longer required
in this County, if the [“troops” crossed out] citizens of other Counties will return
to their respective homes. I have proposed to
leave two companies of fifty men each in this
County, and discharge the remainder of the troops –
said two companies will remain for the pres:
:ervation of order, until peace & confidence are
restored.

I also enclose to your Excellency the
report of Genl: Doniphan, & refer you

for particulars to Maj: Rogers .

I have the honor to be yr. obdt: servt:

D. R. Atchison

maj: Gen'l: 3 D. M. M.

D. R. Atchison
to
Gen'l
Sept 17 1838
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