

Head Quarters 2nd Brigade 3. Division
Millport. September 25 - 1838.

His Excellency G. W. Boggs
Commander in Chief.

Sir - I received this morning, after my return from a tour in the upper part of this County, with a detail of the troops under my command, in assisting the Constable in bringing offenders against the laws to justice, your despatches to Major Genl. Stetison, which I took the liberty to open. The Major General left here with the troops from Clay and Ray, except 2 Companies from Ray, ordered to remain under my command, on the 18th. inst. - Since that time I have been employed in assisting the peace officers to execute the laws, & in bringing offenders to justice.

I am happy to inform you that there is not any necessity to use a larger force here at present - That now under my command, I deem amply sufficient for the present present purpose. Should occasion require it, I have thought I could detail a sufficient force from the Brigade under my command. Whatever may have been the disposition of the people, called Mormons,

before our arrival here, since we have made
our appearance, they have shown no dispos-
:ition to resist the laws, or of hostile intentions.

I deemed it my duty to visit their town in this
County, and as soon as they saw the Militia interpose
between them and the people of this and some of the
adjoining Counties, who had assembled in arms, they
went to work, abandoned their hostile attitude, &
at this time peace and tranquillity has every appear-
:ance of being restored. How long things may maintain
their present attitude, I know not. but if the Major
Genl: had not taken the field, with a sufficient
force, as promptly as he did, there is every reason to fear
a dreadful conflict would have ensued. On next
Saturday there will be brought to trial some 15 or
20 individuals of the Mormons before a Justice of the
Peace. A Committee has been appointed on behalf
of the Citizens of Daviess County to meet the
Mormons on tomorrow for the purpose of
proposing to buy or sell out to them. They will
meet at Adam-on-di-Shmow, where I will attend
with a force to ensure tranquillity. There has been
so much prejudice & exaggeration concerned
in this matter, that I found things on my arrival
here, totally different from what I was
14 prepared to expect.

It is true that a great excitement did
prevail between the parties, & I am happy

to say that my exertions, as well as that of
Major Genl Metisow, & the officers & men under
my command have been crowned with success.

When we arrived here we found a large body of
men from the Counties adjoining, armed, and
in the field, for the purpose, as I learned of as-
sisting the people of this County against the
Mormons, without being called out by the proper
authorities - These forces the Major General very

promptly prevailed on to return to their homes, &
left directions with me to see that they had done
so - I have the honor to say to you, that duty has
been promptly attended to, all of which I have ad-
vised Genl A. thereof - I have thought it neces-
sary to be thus minute in detailing to you our
operations since we took the field - for further par-
ticulars I beg your Excellency may refer to the
Major Genl, who I doubt not will commu-
nicate to you all the information in his pos-

session - In the mean time I assure you that
any orders given by you or the Major Genl: rela-
tive to this matter, shall be promptly attend-
ed to - I have the honor to remain

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your obt. servt.

S. G. Parky, Brig: Genl.

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P.S. Since writing the above, I recd. information that if the Committee do not agree, the determination of the Daviess County men, is to drive the Mormons with powder and lead. Should any further measures take place of importance, I will immediately advise the Major General of the Division.

I remain yours,

Id. G. P. B. Genl.

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