

Boonville. Oct: 5th - 1838.

To his Excellency, Commander in Chief
Sir - I have just received by express, a
communication from Brig: Genl: Parks -
a copy of which I herewith transmit.
It seems sir that the Mormon diffical:
ties are not brought to a close. In Carroll
County the Citizens are in arming for the
purpose of driving the Mormons from
that County. I have authorized Genl: Parks
if he deems it necessary to call for the
troops, raised in the 1st. Brigade, 3rd Div.
under the order from your excellency, or
as many of them as are deemed neces:
sary - The following is a copy of Genl:
Parks communication -

Head Quarters 2nd Brig: 3rd Division
Richmond 3rd. Oct: 1838.

Major Genl: David R. Atterison.

Dear Sir - I received this
morning an affidavit from Carroll
County - The following is a copy -

"Henry Root, on his oath states, that on the
night of the 1st. of October, there was collected
in the vicinity of Devitt, an armed force con:
sisting of from thirty and fifty persons, and
on the morning of the 2nd. October, came in

the Town of Dewitt and fired on the ^{civil} inhab:
itants of that place. Thirteen of said in:
dividuals were seen by me in that place,
& believed there is ~~actually~~ an insurrection
in that place
Signed.

Henry Root "

Subscribed and sworn to this 3rd day
of October 1838.

William B. Morton -
J. P. U.

In consequence of which information and
belief of an attack being made on said place,
I have ordered out the two companies raised
by your order to be held in readiness, under
the command of Capt. Bogart & Houston, to
march for Dewitt in Carroll County, by
8 o'clock tomorrow morning, armed and
equipped as the law directs, with six days
provision and 50 rounds of powder and
ball. I will proceed with these troops in
person, leaving Col. Thompson in command
on Grand River. As soon as I reach Dewitt
I will advise you of the state of affairs
more fully. I will use all due precaution
17 in the affair & deeply regret the necessity
of this recourse -

H. G. Parker Brig. Genl:
2nd. Brig: 3rd. Div:

(over)

P.S. I will thank you to write me
by Mr. Woods and give me any advice
you may deem necessary in this affair

Yours &c.

H. G. Parkes

In the County of Daviess every thing
is quiet at this time, & it is supposed
will remain so. I have ordered Genl
Parkes to discharge the troops in that
County so soon as thirty days shall
have expired from the time they were
mustered into service

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I have the honor to remain &c.

D. R. Atchison

Major: Genl 3rd. Div: 16th

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Genl. Atkinson

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