

I, a ~~an~~ Black Citizen of Daviess County do
State as follows, To wit, That on the 11th day of
October 1838. that Mr. Henry Lee were driven
from his house in said County, he stated that the
Mormons came to his house and ordered him
to leave immediately, or he would suffer, that
he were in danger, that there were a general
insurrection a war going to take place, and
he had better get a way, and Mr. Lee left
home on the 15th Instant. The Post rider
stated to the Citizens of said County, the Citizens
of Caldwell were paraded in Far West,
for the purpose of marching to Daviess County
to drive all of the Citizens out of that County
that were not friendly towards them.

on the 16th the Mormons marched
into said County, from two to five hundred
suppose to be. on the 17th They went to
several of the Citizens of said County and took
their arms and ammunition, and said they
intended to drive all of the Mob out of the
County, on the 18th They marched about one
hundred or more men well armed to Galatin,
and drove the Citizens of said town, and robbed
the Store, and Post Office, and burned the

Said Stone-House, and office, they went to G. Witherton's Post Master of said Office and drive out of his house, and robbed it, and burned it, they went to several other Citizens on the same day, and ordered them to leave the County against the next day, or they would take their lives.

on the 19th they marched thru the County and drive a number of the Citizens from said County and robbed their houses and burnt them.

My house were one amongst the rest.

About 12 o'clock the same ~~night~~, they were seen burning down 5 Houses in Gallatin, the County Seat in Daviess County, on the 20th they were seen marching 300 men thru the County all well armed, driving the Citizens before them, robbing their houses threatening there lives if they did not leave; the smoke were seen rising from several buildings, by the Citizens of Daviess County. 31st They marched about 400 to one Mr. William Osbern's in Daviess County, Mr. Osbern not being at home, they threatened the life of his wife, ordered her out of her house putting the muzzles of their Guns against her, and punching her with them, and shoving her out of her house, and told her to leave there, and plundered and robbed her house; they then marched across Grand River to the North side to Esquire Dryden's, and took two

Saddles, and one pair of Saddle-bags, took his
son and several prisoners marched to Mr. White
in Livingston County threatening in the presence of
Mrs. White if her husband was at home they
would take his life, plundered her house, took
a quantity of their clothing, several log-chains
and draw-chains, took and destroyed about 50
bushels of Oats threw down the fences, threw
threw his field of corn, and destroyed a quantity
of Corn, took five bee-stands: they plundered
two other houses in Livingston County, and took
two prisoners, a Mr. Lriday, and a Mr. Martin
as they were returning from preaching; they then
marched for Thare city in Sevier County, Adams
on deamow, and on thare way, they took five
other men prisoners in marching a short distance
they discharged three of thare prisoners, the Care,
to stay on about 12 miles, where they passed threw
a large co of footmen; thun they discharged
others of their prisoners, and one of thar prisoners
state when he returned thare were a company came
with him to Millport, to burn said place the lite
of the fire were seen, and next morning the smoke
were seen rising from 5 houses next morning by
Mr. Osburn it is also stated by Col. Fensiston it is
²⁶ burnt into ashes, 21th it is stated by Mr. Stone
and two other men, that they saw the mormons

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driving a large drove of Cattle from Daviess County
towards Caldwell County. Mr. Owen states he has
lost 41. or 42. head of Cattle, they have taken
several Horses from the Citizens, the amount not
known, they have also taken a quantity of Pork
Hogs, the amount unknown, it is supposed from
the best information, there is about 800. or upwards
well armed, imbedded in said County, and near
about all of the Citizens of said County have
left their houses, moved their families to
Livingston County. There are not a single Officer
left in said County, to execute the laws of our
Land. And in behalf of the Citizens of said
County, and in my own behalf, ask of the
Executive of the State, to be re-instated in
our homes, and the necessary and legal steps
to be taken to recover our property, and bring
the offenders to Justice.

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Adam Black