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Head quarters of all the forces  
against the Mormons

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Brig Genl Parks

Sir I received  
your communication of this  
day per express and can only  
say you did right in obeying the  
orders of Genl Lucas although  
they were ~~not~~ without authority  
so far as he was concerned you have  
I suppose <sup>taken</sup> the whole of the men of the  
Mormons prisoners if not you will  
do so and place <sup>such</sup> a guard around  
them and the town as well to  
protect the prisoners ~~and~~ to secure  
them until they can be ~~detected~~  
dealt with properly also the property  
must be protected from plunder  
and waste as far as practicable  
~~in relation~~ <sup>in relation</sup> to the property of  
the citizens you will give notice  
that as soon as I get things settled  
here I will repair to that place  
with a sufficient force to place  
the citizens back on their homes  
and that then all their property  
that can be found will be delivered  
up to them and also the best  
means adopted to have them  
paid for the damage they have  
sustained till which time (to wit  
my arrival) all their property  
as well as the Mormons must be held  
in Custody this is done in order  
" that justice may be done in its

distribution all the citizens  
who have been moved can  
now move back with perfect  
safety as my forces will not be  
discharged until they who chose  
to have moved

If you think 60 men or one  
company enough without doubt  
to leave at that place to secure  
the prisoners and afford protection  
& you are at liberty to do as you  
have suggested but you <sup>must</sup> select  
a company in whom you can  
confide to execute your order  
and charge them to be strict that  
no outrages are committed prisoners  
must be protected if you move  
your forces ~~now~~ here all but one  
company you had better do so  
immediately I will wait <sup>here</sup>  
until you have time to come  
before I make any further order  
about Adam

I am Sir yr obt<sup>o</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>  
John B Clark  
Major Genl of Camp