

Head Quarters of the Militia  
City of Jefferson  
Oct 27 1838

Sir

I send the order of this morning to you directing you to raise 400 mounted men to be raised within your division I have received by Amos Rus Esq of Ray & Mil. to William one of my aids information of the most appalling character which entirely changes the face of things and places the Mormons in the attitude of an open and avowed defiance of the laws and of having made war upon the people of this State your orders are therefore to hasten your operations with all possible speed The Mormons must be treated as enemies and must be exterminated or driven from the State if necessary for the public peace their outrages are beyond all description If you can increase your force you are authorized to do so to any extent you may consider necessary I have just issued orders to Major Genl Willock of Marion Co to raise 500 men and to march them to the northern part of Davis and thence unite with Genl Donphow of Clay who has been ordered with 500 men to proceed to the same point for the purpose of intercepting the retreat of the Mormons to the north. They have been directed to communicate with you by express, you can also communicate with them if you find it necessary Instead therefore of proceeding as first directed to re-visit the Citizens of Davis in their homes you will proceed immediately to Richmond and there operate against the Mormons Brig Genl Parks of Ray has been ordered to have four hundred of his Brigade



in readiness to join you at Rahmond  
The whole force will be placed under your  
Command

I am very respectfully  
Yr Obedt St  
Lilburne Mr Boggs  
Com in Chief

To  
Gen John Blount  
Haystack No Co.