

so-wanted I expected, that this rebellion should be suppressed and the Mormons compelled to yield submission to the government and the law. In order to accomplish this object, I informed you in my last annual message, I appointed a new governor instead of Brigham Young, and other federal officers to take the place of those who, notwithstanding personal safety, had found it necessary to withdraw from the Territory. To protect these civil officers, and to aid them, a new power committee, in the name of the law, in case of need, I ordered a deputation of the army to accompany them to Utah. The necessity for adopting these measures is now demonstrated.

On the 15th Sept., Gen. Young issued his proclamation, in the style of so-called "protection," amounting in his purpose to resist by force of arms the entry of the U. S. troops into our own Territory of Utah. By this he required all the forces in the Territory to "hold themselves in readiness to march at a moment's notice to repel any and all such invasion," and established martial law from its date throughout the Territory. These proved to be no idle threats. Fort Bridger and Supply were vacated and hurriedly the Mormons, to deplore our troops of shelter after their long and fatiguing march. Orders were issued by D. H. Wells, riding himself! Lieutenant General, Nevada Legion, to stampede the columns of the U. S. troops to their horses, to fire to their brains, to burn the grass and the whole country before them and in their tracks, to keep them sleeping by night surprise, and to blockade the road by felling trees and destroying the bridges of rivers &c &c.

These orders were promptly and effectually obeyed. On the 1st October 1857, the Mormons captured and burned our Green river, three of our supply trains, consisting of 70 wagons loaded with provisions and tents for the army, and drove away several hundred animals. This diminished the supply of provisions materially that Gen. Johnson was obliged to reduce the rations, and even with this provision there was only sufficient left to sustain the troops till the 1st of November.

The late army behaved creditably in their engagement at Fort Bridger, under Major Long's command. In the midst of the multitude, with infinite skill and ability, in conjunction with the Russian plumbocracy, he has peacefully co-operated with the English and French plumbocrats; and each of the four powers has concluded a separate treaty with China, of a highly satisfactory character. The treaty concluded by our own plumbocracy will immediately be submitted to the Senate.

I am happy to announce that, through

the energetic intercession of our naval general in Japan, a new treaty has been concluded with that empire, which may be expected materially to augment our trade and interests in that quarter, and remove from our countrymen the disabilities which have heretofore been imposed upon them by the Chinese.

The Army of War employed all its energies to reward them the necessary supplies, and to muster and send such a marching force to Utah as would render ready

as the part of the Mormons helpless, and thus terminate the war without the effusion of blood. In its effects, he was of course apprised by Congress. The

gracious approbation sufficient to cover the deficiency thus necessarily created, and also provided for raising two regiments of volunteers, for the purpose of quieting disturbances in the Territory of Utah, for the punishment and suppression of Indian hostilities on the frontier. Happily, there are no longer any difficulties in all these respects and services have been fully rendered in quieting those, as great as the number of our brave and patriotic citizens anxious to serve their country in the present and apparently dangerous condition. This it has ever been, and thus may it ever be.

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