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Record of quorum meetings held in Pottawattamie County, Iowa, January 1848-September 1851, as well as business matters and ordinations. Record begins 2 January 1848 with reorganization of quorum. James Sloan was newly appointed clerk. William Snow acted as president until August 1850. Lyman Stoddard served as president pro tem from then until February 1851, when George Coulson became president. Most meetings seem to have been held at Blockhouse Branch. Meetings were discontinued shortly after February 1851, per note of James Sloan at end of record. At back of the volume is roster of quorum members, listed by branch, with occasional notations regarding disciplinary actions, deaths, and removal of individuals to other places. Minutes report remarks of numerous church leaders, including Orson Hyde, George A. Smith, Ezra T. Benson, and Almon W. Babbitt, as well as remarks by Oliver Cowdery when he requested rebaptism on 5 November 1848 (pp. 9-10).

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in trade &c, and all is well. Mormonism is not so. I wish to

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have the same face & actions on the week days as on Sundays.

coming to us. I dont say they were cut off for their unwor=

The train were conselled to come back in the fall, to rest &

=thiness, for the adversary has power now, but will be soon

feed on Sundays, unless feed bad, then travel on Sundays &

bound up, but is now prowling abroad,& all Europe & every

rest on monday. We should have the Spirit which the teach=

other place almost are up in arms, & eager for Blood.

=ings & doctrine were given in, to discern them. A man should

Ezra T. Benson. It will be an uphill business to go against

know he is right, then go a head. I never had a doubt of Mor=

the Counsel of the authorities of this Church. If a man is weak

nonism being true. Testimony being of god has an ascen=

& faulters, whether there is a God in Mormonism or not, let

=dancy over the Spirit of the adversary. If your circumstan=

him prove it. A sectarian can have his property in one hand

ces are not so good, be patient & we will get through, we must

& his religion in the other, go to meeting, put on a long face in

endure so as to know good from Evil. Hold on, & we will receive

presence of the minster& Deacon, make all the gain he can

blessings when we least expect it. See & keep the Spirit

that you had in old England & Wales when the
Elders prea=

=ched unto you be the Spirit & power of God. People have to

sustain themselves & those they bring to the Valley but some

fear. lest the grass dont endure,, but I will go, God willing,

settle my family there, & go elsewhere as my duty requires.

I want men to have faith & go on, not be disheartened &

clog the wheels, the country so wide, if necessary we will make

new roads in the summer, & not in winter like col
Fremont.

We will excuse some if they give their Teams, or part to bring

others on. A man who settles down to make a farm and

enrich himself will lose the Spirit of the Lord. In a private

Letter from Presdt Young, he wished men to stay away from the Valley unless they will work to support themselves,

family,