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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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cut off , only as we may send it to them. their anxiety must be

Meeting called to Order. sung on page 55.- Prayer by Elder,

great to hear from us, to know what we are doing, & our prospects

E. T. Benson. After which sing on page 108" Let Sinners take their course,"&-- Presdt Wm Snow them opened the meeting, as Presdt of the

for the future. The Lord has put the management of his kingdom

high Priests quorum. make some preliminary remarks, & thought

into the hands of his servants, & they wish to send a mail to the

it best, as the time for then general conference was so near at hand,

Valley, it is now for us to fit the men out. there are three men ready

and the business to be bone, it was best to dispense with the business

to start if they can be fitted out. Presdt Geo A. Smith got up and

of the quorum, & proceed to the business necessary to be done. We

remarked, " if all feel as I do about sending to the Valley, there is

are all aware that Presdt Young left us last June with a large

no difficulty on the subject, the Mail will be sent. We all feel an

company of Saints with him. Shortly after he departed, Elders

anxiety to hear rom the Valley & the anxiety by those in the Valley

Richards & Lyman left with a company of Saints. You know the

is much greater. I have conversed with many relative to going

anxiety they have to hear from us, & the communication here is

at this season; they say there is no danger. We expect to receive a

Mail from the Valley now soon, & the probability is,

we may reckon

hearing from them three times this season. It is necessary to have

an expression if the people relative to our sending the Mail."Question

put by Elder Snow & carried by an unanimous vote of those present.

Elder Benson then arose & said, it is the mind of the people to send

the mail,& those that are going are poor & must be assisted off, &

all that are disposed to help must come & help this day, if possible,

in order that the men may be ready to start as soon as conference

is over. Elder E. M. Greene got up and read an Epistle from Elder

Hyde, (presdt of the Quorum of the twelve,) Elder G. A. Smith arose & said,

he recd yesterday. letters that had been on the road for a long time. It

seems to be unfortunate for me to be a Smith. I however received a

letter yesterday, a letter published in Kirtland Ohio, by Wm E. Mc Lelland

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