

Head Quarters Nauvoo Legion  
Adjutant General's Office  
Great Salt Lake City, Aug 13. 1857.

Col. W. A. Dame  
Irony Co. Ind.

Sir,

You are hereby instructed to keep one or two  
tens out in the mountains upon the approaches to the settlements  
as a corps of observation that we may not be taken at any  
point by surprise.

Get the Indians in your vicinity also to watch &  
take the most effective measures to be in readiness & to have  
all the grain secured. Be careful that not a kernel  
is wasted. Do not have it foolishly and needlessly fed to  
horses, but let it be preserved, and instruct the people to be  
economical in using it, use potatoes and vegetables that can  
not be preserved and instruct the people to be economical in using  
it, ~~at~~ save the grain; have your eye out for good safe places  
in the mountains where grain can be cached and where women  
and children can be safe in case we have to take to the moun-  
tains. Drop other business and thrash out the grain and  
secure it the first thing. Off in the first of the month.

care of our property and not let anything go to waste.  
Instruct the Indians that our enemies are also  
their enemies & how they are continually fighting against  
them somewhere and that it will come upon them as well as the  
Sioux & Chyennes in due time, that they must be our friends  
& stick to us for if our enemies kill us off, they will  
surely be cut off by the same parties.

Find safe retreats in the Mountains for Stock as  
well as families, and cache <sup>some</sup> grain to learn how to do it so  
it will keep, a little "practice you know makes perfect" & it  
is well to be preparing.

Advise with this Office and keep us posted with  
every important item of reliable information which you  
can obtain. Be vigilant and active.

Daniel H. Wells  
Lieut. Gen. Commanding  
Navajo Legion