

PLUNDERED BY INDIANS.

An Episode of Brown's Settlement on the Ogden
Today—Trailing the Red Men.

In September 1890, a large party of about 100 men under the command of General H. S. Hodge arrived at Farmington where the winter term resided, about 100 miles from Salt Lake City. They came from Salt Lake City and other places near by, and were on their way north to the region of settlers living in what was known as Brown's settlement—now Ogden. An express brought word to Salt Lake City that the men had been killed and houses plundered and burned, and that unless help could speedily come the settlers were in danger of extermination. More men being called for, with others in Farmington got ready as quickly as possible taking nothing but horses, saddles, a single blanket, a rifle and powder and bullets—no provisions, tents or baggage of any kind—and started on about midnight. Arriving at Brown's settlement just before sunrise we found the settlers from the scattered farms gathered at Captain Brown's place with such few things as they had taken from their houses in their flight, and all in great alarm. A white man, U. V. Newell, had killed White Cloud, a big chief of some northern tribe, for taking some green corn in his lot. The Indians in revenge had killed one white man—another narrowly escaping death—had plundered and burned some houses and had gone, taking nearly all the horses of the settlement.

Stopping only for a hasty meal we pushed on in pursuit, hoping to recover the horses stolen, but the Indians had too much the start, and we could not overtake them. Their trail was plainly marked by the plunder they threw away to lighten their loads. The pursuit was finally abandoned at the crossing of Bear river, north.

On the return march Lieutenant James Ferguson put us through the drill morning and evening. Captain Barton also putting us through our paces. On the morning of the day we expected to reach Brown's, Nelson S. Hollingshead was sent on in advance to have provisions made for us upon our arrival, while the detachment came on more leisurely, marching in columns of two's and strong out nearly half a mile, clashing, telling stories and singing songs. Peter Neibeker was regaling Lieutenant, Harlan McElhiney, myself and others with a song at the extreme rear when we suddenly saw the head of the column strike out on the run, and word came back along the line to prepare for business. Those in advance, on cutting in the brow of a slight ridge saw our messenger about a mile ahead of us pursued by a party of fifteen or twenty mounted men, and he running his horse for dear life. Of course we wanted to save our comrades, and raced at the top

the purpose, over the tracks made by the men, making it appear that cattle had passed that way but no Indians. In reality, however, they crept from close to some tall lupine bushes, thus leaving no trail at all, and horses were sometimes lost in finding their way again.

In our march many a white horse became expert rider, and would follow closely on the trail of an Indian when an experienced eye could not perceive the slightest indication of a footstep. A number of green horses in fact, a great state captured, were being broken, were all fresh signs, in the excitement of combat, whose parents had been broken by white men, were being broken by white men.

INTERESTING TOUR.
By the way, a party of us, Capt. Brown, and I, went on a tour of inspection, June 25, 1896.

To the Editor:
A few lines in regard to our labors in the Penitentiary conference were printed in your esteemed paper, which we always read with pleasure and profit.

We were with much joy the progress of God's work not only in this land but in other lands, as we knew that it is destined to gather the alien from all nations and bring them to God with songs of everlasting joy.

I left my home in Plain City, April 12, to take a mission to the Northern States. I arrived at Littleton, West Virginia, April 15th, and met with George B. Mason, president of the conference, and Elder Charles Martin. On the 16th I was welcomed in town with Elder Martin in Randolph county. We arrived at our first labor on the 21st and on up at the hotel kept by Mr. Clay Crisp. After we had dined we took our baggage and our tent and started out to western work where we could find anyone that would let us in and where we could make our headquarters. We were not long in finding a place that had joined the Church four years before. There we were received very kindly. We put out our tent and started out on our first mission, and taking to the people wherever they were and wherever we went. We held our first meeting May 11th at Valley View. We had a large turnout. We presented the first principles of the Gospel to them and when we got through the people would come out by their tent, they thought that would be the best place for us to go, as they felt as if we were without any place to stay at night. We raised four men and Mrs. Nell Carter, who kindly received us, and we stayed with them all night. He was the foreman of the ground jury and owned the wealthiest man in the county. After holding thirty meetings in the county the people began to shake for themselves, and we were there their Bibles were sold if what we were preaching was in the Bible. They never saw a Bible and would bring their Bibles for us to use, as they thought our Bible was not like theirs. They were soon convinced to the truth.

On August 14th we had a very large turnout at the 13th and 14th, and we were very successful.

On the 15th we had a very large turnout at the 15th and 16th, and we were very successful.

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On the 17th we had a very large turnout at the 17th and 18th, and we were very successful.

On the 18th we had a very large turnout at the 18th and 19th, and we were very successful.

On the 19th we had a very large turnout at the 19th and 20th, and we were very successful.

On the 20th we had a very large turnout at the 20th and 21st, and we were very successful.

On the 21st we had a very large turnout at the 21st and 22nd, and we were very successful.



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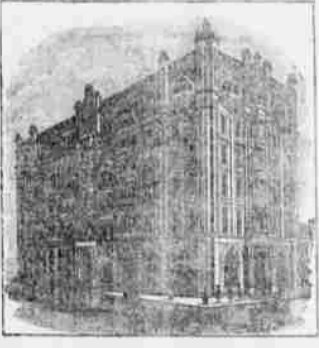
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