us of millions of property, and driving
us cruelly from the land of our birth;
after violating every solitary law of the
government; in which many of the of-
ficers were partakers; expelling us into
the wilderness, where they thought we
would actually perish (and there is not
to be found in the history of the world,
a parallel case of suffering that this peo-
ple endured); while in the midst of this,
the cry of mad dog was raised, to finish,
as they thought, the work of destruction
and murder. Without a guide, without a
knowledge of the country, without read-
ing even the notes of any traveler upon
this earth, or seeing the face of a be-
ing whoever set foot upon this land, we
were led by the hand of God, through
His servant Brigham, threading the dif-
ficult passes of these mountains, until we
set our foot upon this place, which was,
at that time, a desert, containing noth-
ing but a few bunches of dead grass, and
crickets enough to fence the land. We
were more than one thousand miles from
where provisions could be obtained, and
found not game enough to support an In-
dian population. We set down here, and
we called upon God to bless our under-
takings. We formed a government here;
and a government has been in existence
in this Territory of Utah for five years.

I now want to ask a few grave ques-
tions upon this subject. It is customary
for the General Government to extend a
fostering hand and parental care to all
new territories. When we first settled
here, this was Mexican territory; but it
was soon after acquired by treaty, and
became U.S. territory. Four years and
a half a government has been supported
here, governmental laws and regulations
have been kept up.

I inquire, has the Government of
the U.S. ever expended one dollar to
support that government? No! with
the exception of the U.S. officers in
the Territory a little over one year;
20,000 dollars for the erection of public
buildings; and 5,000 dollars for a library.

Has the Legislative Department ever
received one dollar? No! And why?
Because they are "Mormons;" and fugi-
tive officers could run home to see their
mammy, and cry out "Bad dog, bad dog,"
"They are Mormons, they are Mormons."

What is the reason that a citizen of
this Territory cannot get a foot of land to
call his own? for there is in reality no
such thing. Why has not the Indian title
been extinguished, and the people here
been permitted to hold titles to land? Let
the people answer.

Why is it that the inhabitants of this
Territory have never had one dime ex-
pended to defray the expenses of their
Legislature? Four or five winters they
have held their session, and not one soli-
tary dime has been expended by the Gen-
eral Government, as has been done in all
other Territories. What is the reason?

What is the reason that the Oregon
land law was not extended over Utah,
which gives to the citizens who broke up
the new ground, a home free, for them-
selves, as was the case in other Territo-
ries? Why are these hardworking pio-
neers, who dug down the mountains, not
permitted a title to their homes?

Let me ask again. The people here
have sustained three Indian wars at
their own expense. Who pays for the In-
dian wars of Oregon? The Indian wars
in California? Or in New Mexico? For
the difficulties in Minnesota? And other
sundry wars and difficulties that have
occurred or may occur in the Territories?
Whose duty I ask, is it to pay for them?
It is the duty of the Government of the
United States.

Why has not Utah the same privi-
lege, the same treatment? Why is it
that these three wars have to be totally