DUTIES OF THE SAINTS, ETC. 119

to the ox-train telegraph, or whatever
you may choose to call it. Is this the
Gospel of Jesus Christ that I am allud-
ing to? It is because it is in relation to
the gathering of Israel, and that which
will accomplish the gathering of Israel is
the salvation of the people; and for this
reason I was pleased with what I heard
from the President, and also from Bishop
Woolley and Elder J. W. Young. The
President observed that he did not often
make a requirement of the people with-
out giving a reason for it. I thought yes-
terday that the reasons were very good,
great, and numerous, why he should re-
quire the Saints to furnish two hundred
wagons and teams to go to the States
and bring home the poor and meek of the
earth.

We hear of the great and glorious
things of the kingdom; but when we go
home, do we look about ourselves and
look after the interests of the cause of our
Redeemer? Will we receive the teachings
which we hear from this stand? Will we
put forth our hands to enable the Presi-
dent to roll forth this great work? This
is for us all to answer and act upon.
Will the Bishops bring forth those wag-
on and teams, three or four yoke of oxen
to each wagon? If they will, we can
then accomplish much towards bringing
the poor to these valleys next year. Will
the Bishops answer this call from Bishop
Hunter, and he from the President? The
President is the Lord’s mouthpiece, and
it seems to me that he should only have
to say to Bishop Hunter, We want two
hundred wagons and teams to go to the
Missouri River, and it should be done. I
feel in my heart that this will be done. I
believe the brethren will take an interest
in the matter. I feel satisfied that there is
cattle enough in the country, and we can
easily do this. We only need to be united,
and the work will be accomplished.

There is another matter of vital im-
portance for us to consider. The Lord’s
storehouse is almost empty, and we
should see to this, for the President
says he wishes to begin to fill up that
house, that in the spring he may be-
gin to build up the walls of the Temple.
To carry on this work, much means will
be needed, and we shall expect that the
Lord’s storehouse will be filled up with
grain and provisions for the sustenance
of the hands that will be called to work
upon the Temple. Let us be gathering
things together this fall and winter, for
these are things that are necessary to
help in sustaining this kingdom, and ac-
complishing and bringing about the pur-
poses of the Lord.

It is meat and drink to me to see the
work of the Lord roll forth and prosper. I
have no doubtful feelings in regard to the
glorious future of the kingdom to which
we belong, but I feel assured that all
things that have been spoken concerning
it will come to pass. I have no fears in
regard to the blessings promised to the
Saints, nor anything that pertains to the
welfare of the kingdom of our God. I
shall get all the blessings I deserve, and
in all probability a great many more, for
I have some confidence in the goodness
of God, and I think that he will not only
give me all that I deserve, but a great
deal more.

I feel to be active and energetic
in the discharge of the duties I have
to perform, and not let the time and
opportunity pass without accomplishing
those things that are required of
me. If we omit anything that we
can do, it is an opportunity let slip
that will not return. In order to get