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Major James Ferguson

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Commdg Green River Expedition

Dear Brethren,

Upon further consideration, as the Express has been delayed, that it will probably be best to leave Bridger's property undisturbed, except the articles mentioned as Counterband to Wit: Powder, Lead, Caps, Liquor, &c at Bridger's and Green River. If we persue a policy it is more than probable that Mr Bridger will stay, and we may have a good chance to get him, by throwing him off his guard, & abandon any further persecution at present.

You will therefore have enough to secure our emigration from Molestation, and return and not wait for him any longer than necessary to accomplish your other business at the before mentioned places.

Respectfully as ever

Yours Brother &c

Brigham Young