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INTRODUCTION:

The Mormon presence in nineteenth-century Missouri was uneasy at best and at times flared into violence fed by misunderstanding and suspicion. By the end of 1838, blood was shed, and Governor Lilburn Boggs ordered that Mormons were to be "exterminated or driven from the state." The Missouri persecutions greatly shaped the Latter-day Saint faith, culture, and mindset. Shortly after Joseph Smith proclaimed Jackson County as the site of the "New Jerusalem," Mormon settlers began moving to western Missouri, and by 1833 they made up a third of the county's population. Mormons and Missourians did not mix well. The new settlers were driven out of Jackson County and eventually compelled to relocated north to Caldwell County, but tensions still escalated, leading to the three-month "Mormon War" in 1838-- capped by the Haun's Mill Massacre --now a seminal event in Mormon history. Add to that the settlement of Far West, Missouri, envisioned as the site of a grand temple and its sacred ground for the gathering of the Saints in the Last Days makes Missouri an important location and sacred place for the Latter-day Saints still today. [Goodreads]

More than 180 years later, not only has time forgotten the sacrifice and slaughter of both Mormon and non-Mormon lives during this tumultuous period, but that this shameful decade of American history has yet to be documented-- only two scholarly historical books (Gentry & LeSueur) has been written about this time and era in Missouri-Mormon history and they only cover the last three years. If one wants to read and understand this decade, you will have to find and read over 35 different articles and consult several theses and dissertations to get the complete picture of this time and place— hence, this bibliography.

For ease of use, those sites, books or articles that will prove most useful to your history project or paper are marked with an **. This is not an exhaustive listing of all things Missouri-Mormon, 1830’s; instead, it is bent toward students’ needs from junior high to PhD, to adult learners. If a source has no educational value, I did not include it; if a source was later published as an article or into a book, I cite the most complete and current resource. Also included and separated out (for ease of bite-size sections) are ancillary articles and books. These are incredibly useful for providing the proper “background” which is important for correct contextual understanding of Missouri during this era, its peoples, frontier life, voting in a young Republic as well as the violence that was inescapable during this period. If the bibliography is posted digitally, use the “Ctrl-F” keys to search by topic or name. For further help, what follows is a chronological timeline of events during the Missouri-Mormon Experience (1831-1839).

CHRONOLOGICAL TIMELINE

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<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Significant Event</th>
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<tr>
<td>Sept. – Oct. 1830</td>
<td>Mission to the American Indians announced</td>
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<td>January 1831</td>
<td>Four LDS missionaries arrive in Independence, Missouri</td>
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<td>June &amp; July 1831</td>
<td>Joseph Smith and other Saints traveled from Ohio to Jackson County</td>
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<td>July 1831</td>
<td>Colesville (New York) Saints arrived in Missouri</td>
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<td>20 July 1831</td>
<td>Site for the city of Zion (the New Jerusalem) in Independence revealed</td>
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<td>02 Aug. 1831</td>
<td>Sidney Rigdon dedicated the land of Independence as a place of gathering</td>
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<td>03 Aug. 1831</td>
<td>Joseph Smith dedicated the temple site in Independence</td>
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<td>09 August 1831</td>
<td>Joseph Smith and others departed Missouri to return to Ohio</td>
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<tr>
<td>June 1832</td>
<td><strong>First edition of the Evening and Morning Star</strong></td>
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<td>Summer 1833</td>
<td>Approximately 1,200 Mormons (about one-third of the population) have moved to Jackson County</td>
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<td>July 1833</td>
<td>“Secret constitution” distributed by Jackson County citizens</td>
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<tr>
<td>20 July 1833</td>
<td>Printing house destroyed</td>
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<td>Local citizens demanded that the Saints leave Jackson County</td>
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<td>23 July 1833</td>
<td>Threatened with violence by a mob, the Saints agreed to leave the county</td>
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<td>20 October 1833</td>
<td>Church leaders announced their intent to stay and defend themselves</td>
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<td>legally against physical attack</td>
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<tr>
<td>31 Oct. 1833</td>
<td>Whitmer Settlement attacked by mobs</td>
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<td>04 Nov. 1833</td>
<td>Became known as “bloody day” of conflict</td>
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<td>07 November 1833</td>
<td>Saints began fleeing from mobs in Jackson County across the Missouri</td>
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<td>River and into Clay County</td>
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<td>Nov.–Dec. 1833</td>
<td>Saints expelled from Jackson County</td>
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<tr>
<td>Feb. 1834</td>
<td>High council in Kirtland sanctioned plan to organize army (Zion’s Camp)</td>
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<td>to help Missouri Saints</td>
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<td>Mar.–May 1834</td>
<td>Members recruited for Zion’s Camp</td>
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<td>05 May 1834</td>
<td>Zion’s Camp Departs</td>
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<td>(President Joseph Smith left Kirtland, Ohio, for Missouri as leader of</td>
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<td>Zion’s Camp to bring relief to Saints expelled from Jackson County</td>
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<tr>
<td>08 June 1834</td>
<td>Zion’s Camp obtained maximum numerical strength of 207 people</td>
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<td>09–15 June 1834</td>
<td>Governor Dunklin refused to cooperate with Zion’s Camp</td>
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<td>19 June 1834</td>
<td>Violent storm protected Zion’s Camp from enemies (while in Missouri)</td>
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<td>21–29 June 1834</td>
<td>Cholera overwhelms Zion’s Camp</td>
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<td>30 June 1834</td>
<td>Zion’s Camp breaks-up and heads back to Kirkland, OH; never reaching</td>
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<td>Jackson County</td>
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<tr>
<td>3 July 1834</td>
<td>Presidency and stake high council were created in Clay County</td>
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<tr>
<td>27 March 1836</td>
<td>Kirtland (Ohio) Temple Dedicated</td>
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<td>29 June 1836</td>
<td>Clay County citizens meet and resolve that the Mormons leave the county</td>
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<td>30 June 1836</td>
<td>A committee of Clay county citizens meets with the Mormons to inform</td>
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<td>them of their resolutions</td>
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<tr>
<td>01 July 1836</td>
<td>The Mormons agree to leave Clay county</td>
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<tr>
<td>02 July 1836</td>
<td>Clay citizens create a committee to assist the Mormons in finding a new</td>
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<td>place to settle</td>
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<td>07 July 1836</td>
<td>Mormons inform Governor Dunklin of their plans to settle in northern</td>
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<td>Ray county</td>
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<tr>
<td>23 July 1836</td>
<td>John Corrill informs Ray county citizens of Mormon plans at a general</td>
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<td>county meeting; Ray citizens agree to Mormon settlements in Northern</td>
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<td>Ray territory outside Ray county proper, if the older settlers do not object. The meeting appoints a nine-man committee to report at an August 3rd county meeting</td>
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<td>25 July 1836</td>
<td>Due to mounting opposition to new emigrants, the Mormons agree to move out of the Crooked River area in Ray County</td>
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<td>30 July 1836</td>
<td>John Corrill and John Murdock meet with the Ray committee. Corrill and</td>
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<td>Murdock mistakenly believe that Ray citizens will approve the Mormon move into northern Ray territory</td>
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<td>03 August 1836</td>
<td>The Ray committee and citizens meet and strongly oppose the proposed</td>
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<td>Mormon settlements in northern Ray territory. Ray citizens form a committee of vigilance and vow to stop Mormon settlements.</td>
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<td>08 August 1836</td>
<td>W. W. Phelps and John Whitmer purchase the site of Far West</td>
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<tr>
<td>30 September 1836</td>
<td>Daniel Dunklin resigns the governorship and is replaced by Lilburn Boggs</td>
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<tr>
<td>29 November 1836</td>
<td>Representative Alexander Doniphan of Clay county introduces the Saint’s</td>
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<td>petition to create Caldwell county for the Mormons in northern Ray</td>
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The proposed site of Caldwell county is cut by more than half due to opposition from settlers who do not want to be included in the new Mormon county.

29 December 1836 -- Governor Lilburn Boggs signs the legislation creating **Caldwell County**

November 1837 -- Joseph Smith briefly visited Far West

12 January 1838 -- Joseph Smith and Sidney Rigdon flee Kirtland, Ohio

14 March 1838 -- **Joseph Smith arrived at Far West**, Missouri

12 April 1838 -- Oliver Cowdery is excommunicated for disobedience and rebellion

19 May 1838 -- Adam-ondi-Ahman, selected for Latter-day Saint settlement

June 1838 -- Town of DeWitt is settled

17 June 1838 -- Sidney Rigdon gave his “**Salt Sermon**”

04 July 1838 -- **Sidney Rigdon** gave his “**Independence Day**” speech

14 July 1838 -- Citizens of Carroll County meet to condemn Mormon Settlement in their area – especially around DeWitt

06 August 1838 -- Election day **battle at Gallatin**

08 August 1838 -- Smith leads 100 armed men to Judge Adam Black’s resident “forcing” him to sign a pledge not to participate in any further mob action against the Saints

13 August 1838 -- Carroll County a committee of vigilantes’ orders the Saints to leave DeWitt, Saints refuse to leave.

20 August 1838 -- Armed vigilantes’ ride into DeWitt and threaten Mormon settlers, ordering them to leave town

07 September 1838 -- Joseph Smith and Lyman Wight were tried before Judge Austin King

1–7 October 1838 -- Battle of DeWitt

18–19 October 1838 -- Guerrilla warfare in Daviess County

25 October 1838 -- Battle of Crooked River (3 Mormon and one militia man dies)

27 October 1838 -- **Governor Boggs signed his now scandalous “extermination order”**

30 October 1838 -- **A mob massacred seventeen Latter-day Saints at Hawn’s Mill**

30 Oct - 06 Nov 1838 -- The Missouri militia laid siege to Far West.

31 October 1838 -- George Hinkle betrayed Church leaders to the state militia

November 1838 -- Joseph Smith and other Church leaders were held captive, first in Independence and then in **Richmond**, Missouri

01 December 1838 -- Joseph Smith and five others were transferred to **Liberty Jail**.

16 January 1839 -- In a letter from Liberty Jail, the First Presidency appointed the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles to temporarily manage Church affairs.

26 January 1839 -- A Church committee on Removal was organized by Brigham Young

**February 1839** -- Large-scale migration from Missouri began

**27 February 1839** -- A committee of citizens of Quincy, Illinois, passed a resolution to provide assistance and employment to the Saints

22 March 1839 -- Joseph Smith wrote from Liberty Jail urging Saints not to scatter

16 April 1839 -- Jailed since November, Smith and his companions were allowed to escape

22 April 1839 -- Joseph Smith arrived in Quincy, Illinois

26 April 1839 -- Apostles and others laid the southeast cornerstone for the Far West temple

30 April 1839 -- Joseph Smith negotiated land purchases in both Iowa and Illinois

**ONLINE RESOURCES:**
The online resources start with Missouri State documents then move to various institutional resources. Within this online section are the Joseph Smith Papers Project (JSPP) – this site is the most important online resource available today. Remember to use the JSPP online resource anytime you see a citation to a letter, Letterbook or any other “MSS” resource or any resource that is located in an
LDS Church/School repository or collection, you may be able to find it within the JSPP collection online. The online section ends with available periodicals. If a hyperlink does not work – just copy the URL into the search window and hit enter.

**Missouri State Archives -- The Missouri Mormon War**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/mormon.asp

**Archives - Research - Finding Aids**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/default#:~:text=Finding%20Aids%20include%20agency%20or%20organization%2C%20collection%2C%20or%20database%20information%20related%20to%20a%20specific%20topic%2C%20and%20may%20be%20used%20to%20identify%20citations%20for%20primary%20sources%20and%20other%20materials%20related%20to%20that%20topic.%20

**Guide to the Archival Collections at the Missouri Historical Society St. Louis, Missouri**  
http://www.krausehouse.ca/krause/archives%20guide%20a-z%20(wp).htm

**Office of Secretary of State, Missouri State Archives, Finding Aid 5.1, Missouri Mormon War Papers, 1837-1841**  
Papers (1837-1841) of the inquiry of the disturbances with the Mormons, including letters, witness accounts, and legislative materials. Governor Lilburn W. Boggs (1792-1860), including appointments, correspondence, and state bonds.  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/rg005-01

**Records of the Missouri Mormon War: Mormon War Papers, 1838-1841**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/rg005-01

This collection includes records such as the journal of the joint legislative committee that investigated the difficulties with the Mormons, the report of the complaints against the Mormons, letters relating to the movement of the militia, a petition to Governor Boggs from Mormons in Carroll County asking for protection, reports to the governor from the field, and evidence given in the trial of Joseph Smith, Jr. and others.

**Document Containing the Orders, Correspondence, etc. in relation to the Disturbances with the Mormons**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormonRecords/doc

Document containing the orders, correspondence, etc. in relation to the disturbances with the Mormons; and the evidence given before the Hon. Austin A. King, Judge of the fifth Judicial circuit of the State of Missouri, at the courthouse in Richmond, in a criminal court of inquiry, begun November 12, 1838, on the trial of Joseph Smith, Jr., and others, for high treason and other crimes against the State. From the collection of the St. Louis Mercantile Library Association.  
https://s1.sos.mo.gov/cmsimages/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormRecs/doc/Prefix.pdf

**House and Senate Journals, 1820-1899**  

***Search House Journals***  
https://mdh.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/housej/search/

***Search Senate Journals***  
https://mdh.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/senatej/search/

**Missouri Government: Journals & Voting Records**  
https://libraryguides.missouri.edu/c.php?g=28144&p=173483

**Governor Boggs' Extermination Order and Governor Bond's Rescission Order**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormonRecords/co

**Records of Thomas Reynolds, Office of Governor**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/rg003-07

**General Assembly of Missouri**  
https://searchapp.mo.gov/search-missouri/sos?q=disturbances%20with%20the%20Mormons

Petitions of individuals for property lost during the Mormon War, claims for payments of troops and militia leaders, and unnumbered bills for claims, petitions, and relief.

**Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives of Missouri, 1838-1839**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormonRecords/journals

**Messages and Proclamations of the Governors of the State of Missouri**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormonRecords/msg

**Soldiers' Records**  
https://s1.sos.mo.gov/records/archives/archivesdb/soldiers/

The Soldiers' Records is a comprehensive database abstracted from the individual service cards and listing more than 576,000 Missourians who served in the military from territorial times through World War I. Included in this database is a transcription of the service cards of soldiers serving in the Mormon War.

**County Records**  
https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/findingaids/miscMormonRecords/county
Court records found in Ray and Jackson counties

Libburn Williams Boggs, 1837-1840
https://searchapp.mo.gov/search-missouri/sos?q=lilburn%20bogg

Gov. Daniel Dunklin
https://www.nga.org/governor/daniel-dunklin/

Daniel Dunklin Papers, 1815-1877 (C0097)
https://collections.shsmo.org/manuscripts/columbia/c0097
http://www.centerplace.org/history/misc/soc/soc20.htm

*** Document Showing the Testimony Given Before the Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Missouri, on the Trial of Joseph Smith, Jr., and Others, for High Treason, and Other Crimes Against that State – dated February 15, 1841. [Copy of the testimony given before the Hon. Austin A. King, judge of the fifth judicial circuit in the State of Missouri, at the court-house in Richmond, in a criminal court of inquiry begun November 12, 1838.]
https://books.google.com/books?hl=en&lr=&id=oDhOAAAAYAAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PA1&dq=Treachery+and+False+Swearing+in+Missouri&ots=J34sU-dJC6&sig=C_GdvBjA8i-M3_D1BQEfdViw8RY#v=onepage&q&f=false

***Senate Document 189
http://olivercowdery.com/smithhome/1838Sent.htm

Missouri Digital Heritage:
This collection houses all the county histories (digitized) for the state of Missouri, searchable via topic, subject, name, etc.
https://www.sos.mo.gov/mdh/

Mormon War 1838:

(Mormon) County Histories:
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/mocohist

History of Boone County, Missouri
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/67360/rec/3

History of Caldwell and Livingston Counties, Missouri:
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/62024/rec/1

History of Carroll County, Missouri
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/35073/rec/1
http://carroll.mogenweb.org/history/history.htm
http://mogeneal.tripod.com/carrollco.html

History of Clay and Platte Counties, Missouri
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/16476/rec/2

History of Daviess County, Missouri
https://archive.org/stream/historyofdaviess00leop/historyofdaviess00leop_djvu.txt
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/ref/collection/mocohist/id/57818
https://daviesscountyhistoricalsociety.com/2004/04/21/whats-the-mormon-war/

The History of Jackson County, Missouri.
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/10896/rec/1

A History of Livingston County, Missouri
http://livingstoncountylibrary.org/history/county/1937/1937wars.htm
http://www.livingstoncountylibrary.org/history/county/roofv1/1913mor.htm

History of Marion County, Missouri:
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/ref/collection/mocohist/id/45960

History of Ray County, Missouri:
http://cdm16795.contentdm.oclc.org/cdm/compoundobject/collection/mocohist/id/15336/rec/1

History of Saline County, Missouri. St. Louis, Mo: Missouri Historical Co., 1881.
https://archive.org/stream/historyofsalinec00miss#page/960/mode/2up/search/mormon

*** Missouri Historical Review (1906-)
The Missouri Historical Review is a quarterly publication of the State Historical Society of Missouri. Issues from 1906 to 2019 are freely available online.
https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/collection/mhr [free to research and print]
State Historical Society of Missouri Digital Collections
The State Historical Society of Missouri Digital Collections provide online access to photographs, art, maps, diaries, letters, books, articles, and oral histories telling the story of Missouri’s history, people, and culture.
https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/

Historic Missourians
https://historicmissourians.shsmo.org/historicmissourians/index.html
Alexander William Doniphan
https://www.historicmissourians.shsmo.org/historicmissourians/name/d/doniphan/

Boone County Historical Society
https://boonehistory.org/

Caldwell County Historical Society
https://caldwellcountymohistoricalsociety.wordpress.com/

Carroll County Historical Society
https://www.carrollcountyhistory.org/

Clay County Museum & Historical Society
https://www.claycountymuseum.org/

Daviess County Historical Society
https://daviesscountyhistoricalsociety.com/

Jackson County Historical Society
https://www.jchs.org/

Marion County (Missouri) Historical Society
https://www.facebook.com/MarionCountyMissouriHistoricalSociety/?rf=116238498403449

Platte County Historical Society
https://pchs1882.org/

Ray County Historical Society Museum & Research Library
http://www.freedomsfrontier.org/Visitors/Sites/Comments.aspx?id=147

Saline County Historical Society
https://www.facebook.com/SalineCountyHistoricalSociety/?rf=116238498403449

Missouri Encyclopedia. SHSMO: The State Historical Society of Missouri.
https://missouriencyclopedia.org/

Lilburn W. Boggs (1792–1860)
https://missouriencyclopedia.org/people/boggs-lilburn-w

Collection of Manuscripts about Mormons (Chicago History Museum) plus a detailed description, date, and box/folder number of a specific item.
Descriptive Inventory for the Collections at the Chicago History Museum, Research Center
http://chsmedia.org/media/fa/fa/M-M/Mormons-inv.htm

The Joseph Smith Papers Project [JSPP]
Joseph Smith (1805–1844) was the founding prophet and first president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The Joseph Smith Papers Project is an effort to gather together all still existing Joseph Smith documents and to publish complete and accurate transcripts of those documents with both textual and contextual annotation. All such documents will be published electronically on this website, and many of the documents will also be published in print. See: Nathan N. Waite, "Using the Joseph Smith Papers Website: An Introduction," Religious Educator 20, no. 2 (2019): 104–121.
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/ [Use search term: “Missouri war”]

***Under the Joseph Smith Papers Project is an index of People involved***

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https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/reference/people?filter=a

Avard, Sampson, Biography
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/person/sampson-avard

Boggs, Lilburn Williams, Biography.
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/person/lilburn-williams-boggs

Dunklin, Daniel, Biography
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/person/daniel-dunklin
Hawn’s Mill Massacre
https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/history/topics/hawns-mill-massacre?lang=eng

Historic Sites in Missouri
https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/subsection/historic-sites/missouri?lang=eng

History, Resources with Latter-day Saint Content (LDS Church)
https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/article/mormon_content?lang=eng&groupid=81060630194374044680-eng

Joseph Smith Collection, 1827–1844
https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/record?id=a1e3-4366-84af-bf36c626da71&view=browse&subView=arrangement

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**Journals, Diaries, Biographies, Autobiographies and Letters of Some Early Mormons and Others Who Knew Joseph Smith, Jr. and/or His Contemporaries.**

Many journals and diaries from the Missouri period and especially Far West.

http://boap.org/LDS/Early-Saints/

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**The Church History Library** (LDS Church)

https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/blog/the-church-history-library

### Journal History Index

https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/training/journal-history-of-the-church

The 1830–1972 index of the Journal History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is a digitized card index. Once you have found the proper citation, you can find the relevant article within the Journal History collection itself here.


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Church Historian’s Office: General Church Minutes, 1839–1877
https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/record?id=0e53d608-5d7c-4f37-83d4-b6dd8fcdadf8&view=browse&subView=arrangement

Minutes collected or created by the Church Historian and Recorder’s Office.

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Extermination Order
https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/history/topics/extermination-order?lang=eng

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Sidney Rigdon
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/person/sidney-rigdon

**Extermination Order**
https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/paper-summary/appendix-3-discourse-circa-4-july-1838/1#full-transcript

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Joseph, Smith Papers: Richard Jensen and Missouri Mormon War
http://www.boap.org/LDS/EarlySaints/AStout.html

Allen Joseph Stout was born in Kentucky in 1815. His family moved to Ohio and on to Missouri about 1825. Later he traveled throughout the southern Midwest before being converted to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. In 1843 he married Elizabeth Anderson and they came across the plains with the early saints, settling in southern Utah eventually with his large family. He was the brother of Hosea Stout.

http://www.boap.org/LDS/Early-Saints/STout.html

Joseph Smith Papers: Richard Jensen and Missouri Mormon War: (A good introduction to the JSPP)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLi1yPZpi1c
Includes diaries, letter books, correspondence, financial papers, deeds and other legal papers, petitions, addresses, and certificates.

**Kirtland and Missouri Era: General Church History Research Guide** (LDS Church)
https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/training/general-church-history/kirtland-and-missouri-era

**Mormon-Missouri War of 1838** (LDS Church)
https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/history/topics/mormon-missouri-war-of-1838?lang=eng

**Missouri Persecutions and Expulsion**
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**Saints: The Story of the Church of Jesus Christ in the Latter Days**
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**BYU Library: Latter-day Saint Movement Studies**
https://guides.lib.byu.edu/mormonsthorptudies

***Studies in Mormon History***[an excellent search engine]
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ScholarsArchive is Brigham Young University’s institutional repository for the scholarly and creative content produced by the University. ScholarsArchive makes research, publications, data, and journals produced by BYU faculty and students available to a global research audience

**Theses & Dissertations database**
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[Scanned images of books, documents, photographs, and other materials, primarily from Special Collections, as well as research published by BYU faculty and students.]
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The leading web archiving service for collecting and accessing cultural heritage on the web
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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Church History Department’s traditional functions of acquiring, cataloging, preserving, and sharing materials include web content, such as web sites, blogs, social media, etc. The World Wide Web (Internet) is temporary by nature and web content can change, move, or disappear without notice. For this reason, the LDS Church History Department maintains “The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Web Archive Collection” (LDS Web Archive Collection) to preserve, not only official LDS Church produced web-published content, but also selected web-published content whose owner grants permission for inclusion in the LDS Web Archive Collection.
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Welcome to Joseph Smith’s History Vault

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Map of Missouri County Formations 1804-1889

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Lesson 8: The Place for the City of Zion

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By Common Consent (or BCC) was started in 2004 by a group of Mormons to provide a thoughtful, enjoyable, and reasonable place to post and discuss Mormon topics. Over time, we have added new contributors who share this vision. We seek truth, reason, and honesty with our perspectives on faith. However, BCC is a place of charitable discussion for everyone, including those who are not Mormon.
https://bycommonconsent.com/


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Moroni’s Latter-Day Saint Page
This page is dedicated to expounding the core beliefs, history, and doctrines of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (The Mormons, LDS Church, Latter-day Saints, etc.) — my religion by choice and testimony. My intent is to give people a better, and more accurate, understanding of the restored church of Jesus Christ. My hope is that this collection of articles, essays, perspectives, histories, artwork, talks, testimonies and photos will be informative and inspiring to the viewer. Each feature should establish and reinforce to the reader of my testimony that Jesus is The Christ, that Joseph Smith was His prophet, and that Russell M. Nelson is the Prophet that holds all the keys to Christ’s Priesthood on the Earth today. If people believe, come to believe, or do not believe but gain an outside appreciation for this faith tradition then that is great! If not, then that is fine as well. I would rather have someone disagree with the LDS Church based on a correct understanding of our principles instead of opposition based on foolish notions, mischaracterizations or outright nonsense.
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http://www.sidneyrigdon.com/dbroadhu/artindex.htm#MO

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St. Louis Missouri Republican
St. Louis Palladium
St. Louis Republican

The Illinois Digital Newspaper Collections
Newspapers.com
https://www.newspapers.com/
A fee-based service, the database is massive.

Online Newspapers (Current editions statewide)
http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/usstate/usmissou.htm

MORMON CONTENT PERIODICALS:

List of Latter-day Saint periodicals

*** BYU Studies Quarterly  1959- current.
https://byustudies.byu.edu/
[You may search and print for free – but please leave a donation]
BYU Studies quarterly, is dedicated to publishing scholarly religious literature in the form of books, journals, and dissertations that is qualified, significant, and inspiring. We want to share these publications to help promote faith, continued learning, and further interest in our LDS history with those in the world who have a positive interest in this work.
The mission of this publication is to be faithful and scholarly throughout, harmonizing wherever possible the intellectual and the spiritual on subjects of interest to Latter-day Saints and to scholars studying the Latter-day Saint experience. BYU Studies is both indexed and abstracted by ATLA and JSTOR.  https://www.jstor.org/

https://www.dialoguejournal.com/archive/
[You may search and print for free]
Dialogue is published quarterly by the Dialogue Foundation. Dialogue has no official connection with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Contents copyrighted by the Dialogue Foundation. ISSN 0012-2157. Dialogue is an independent quarterly established to express Mormon culture and to examine the relevance of religion to secular life. It is edited by Latter-day Saints who wish to bring their faith into dialogue with the larger stream of world religious thought and with human experience as a whole and to foster artistic and scholarly achievement based on their cultural heritage. The journal encourages a variety of viewpoints; although every effort is made to ensure accurate scholarship and responsible judgment, the views expressed are those of the individual authors and are not necessarily those of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or of the editors. JSTOR indexes Dialogue and is open access: https://www.jstor.org/

https://journal.interpreterfoundation.org/journal/
https://journal.interpreterfoundation.org/all-papers/
[You may search and print for free]
Interpreter: A Journal of Latter-day Saint Faith and Scholarship, the peer-reviewed journal of The Interpreter Foundation, a nonprofit, independent, educational organization focused on the scriptures of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Non-print versions of our journal are available free of charge, with our goal to increase understanding of scripture. Our latest papers can be found on our website.

***John Whitmer Historical Association Journal 1981- current.
https://www.jwha.info/publications/
[You may search and print for free – but please leave a donation]
John Whitmer Historical Association (JWHA) is an independent scholarly society composed of individuals who share a lively interest in the history of Community of Christ and the Restoration Movement. Members include
professional and “armchair” scholars from many walks of life and faith positions. Purpose of the John Whitmer Historical Association: 1) Create and encourage interest in Latter Day Saint history, especially the history of the Community of Christ; 2) Stimulate scholarly research and publication in the field of Latter Day Saint history; 3) Promote communication among scholars of Latter Day Saint history; 4) Provide an institutional vehicle for the dissemination of the fruits of scholarly research to members of the Latter Day Saint churches and other interested persons. The JSTOR indexes JWJH, fee to download and print, https://www.jstor.org/

***Journal of Mormon History 1974- current.
https://mormonhistoryassociation.org/
The Journal of Mormon History is an official publication of the Mormon History Association (MHA). MHA, organized in 1965, began publishing the Journal as a single issue in 1974. Since 1974, MHA has produced the Journal of Mormon History, an academic journal in the field of Mormon studies. From the founding of MHA until 1974, Dialogue: A Journal of Mormon Thought was a principal venue for articles on Mormon History written by MHA members. The JSTOR indexes the Journal of Mormon History, fee to download and print, https://www.jstor.org/

Latter-day Saint Historical Studies 1989- current.
https://ensignpeakfoundation.org/
https://ensignpeakfoundation.org/publications/
The Ensign Peak Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to identify, preserve, and commemorate sites, events, and people of significance in Mormon history throughout the world. Mormon Historical Studies is an independent periodical that includes essays, biographies, documents, book reviews, historical site descriptions, indexes, and archival listings relevant to subjects of general interest to Latter-day Saints, while striving for high scholarly standards. From 1989-1999 the periodical was published under the title Nauvoo Journal. From 2000-2020 the journal was titled Mormon Historical Studies. Downloadable PDF files of each article are available for all issues two years from the publication date. Hard copies of most issues are available for purchase from their site. The journal is NOT indexed or abstracted; you can only search, download and print from their site.

Sunstone 1975- current.
https://www.sunstonemagazine.com/magazine/?pn=7
[You may search and print for free – but please leave a donation]
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is a vibrant religious tradition with a diverse membership that has widely differing needs. For many Latter-day Saints, one of these needs is free and frank exploration of gospel truths as they relate to the complexities of today’s society. Some crave stimulating discussions of contemporary scholarship, literature, and social issues. Others find great comfort being able to read, hear, and share personal faith journeys, including all their twists and turns and occasional uncertainties.

Digitized Church Periodicals (LDS Church) [English-Language Periodicals]
https://history.churchofjesuschrist.org/article/church_periodicals?lang=eng
Conference Reports of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1880, 1897–2011
***Elders’ Journal of The Church of Latter-Day Saints, 1837–1838
The Elders’ Journal of the Southern States Mission, 1903–1907 (currently only 1903–1904 are available online)
***The Evening and the Morning Star, 1832–1834
https://catalog.churchofjesuschrist.org/record?id=3a8cb6b4-2f4d-413c-a89f-a3882ea18e3&compId=113582bd-2dd6-4197-9a9-66b6b03a3eab&view=browse
***Latter Day Saints’ Messenger and Advocate, 1834–1837
https://archive.org/details/latterdaysaintsm01unse/page/n5/mode/2up
The Latter-day Saints’ Millennial Star, 1840–1970 (later shortened to Millennial Star)
Times and Seasons, 1839–1846
Conference Reports of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1880, 1897–2011
The Contributor, 1879–1896
The Improvement Era, 1897–1970
The Instructor, 1930–1970
The Juvenile Instructor, 1866–1929
The Liahona, 1907
Liahona, the Elders’ Journal, 1907–1944
The Relief Society Magazine, 1914–1970
The Young Woman’s Journal, 1889–1929

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Library, Magazines
https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/magazines?lang=eng
[has the current copies of all four Church magazines back to 1971]

Digitized Church Periodicals  (RLDS Church/Community of Christ)
http://www.centerplace.org/
History of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
http://www.centerplace.org/history/ch/default.htm
Times and Seasons
http://www.centerplace.org/
Go to Library, then drop down to Church History, then to Times and Seasons

***Messenger and Advocate
http://www.centerplace.org/
Go to Library, then drop down to Church History, then to the Messenger and Advocate

***Evening and Morning Star
http://www.centerplace.org/
Go to Library, then drop down to Church History, then to the Evening and Morning Star

Saints’ Herald, 1860-
http://www.latterdaytruth.org/
Go to Periodical, then drop down to “S” then to Saints’ Herald

Journal of History
Published from 1908 to 1925, editor was Church Historian, Heman C. Smith.

JSTOR Data for Research  https://www.jstor.org/
is a subscription-based indexing and search capable database that makes available many Mormon content periodicals. Has citation, downloading and print services (pdf) available. JSTOR provides access to more than twelve million academic journal articles, books, and primary sources in 75 disciplines. We help you explore a wide range of scholarly content through a powerful research and teaching platform. We collaborate with the academic community to help libraries connect students and faculty to vital content while lowering costs and increasing shelf space, provide independent researchers with free and low-cost access to scholarship, and help publishers reach new audiences and preserve their content for future generations.
JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Artstor, Ithaka S+R, and Portico [from website].
https://www.jstor.org/action/doBasicSearch?Query=mormon+war+1838

Cambridge University Press, Cambridge CORE, Church History, Studies in Christianity and Culture, [search engine and database]
https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/chavardisurch-history/listing?q=1838+missouri+mormon+war&pageNum=2&searchWithinIds=1F2C13B2F24D6E0CBA796873B43F24F8B

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https://www.atla.com/research-tool/atla-religion-database/#:~:text=Atla%20Religion%20Database%2C%20also%2C%20also.their%20scholarly%20merit%20and%20scope.

MISSOURI COUNTY HISTORIES;

*History of Boone County, Missouri, Written and Comp. from the Most Authentic Official and Private Sources; Including a History of Its Townships, Towns, and Villages. Together with a Condensed History of Missouri; the City of St. Louis ... Biographical Sketches and Portraits of Prominent Citizens ...* Western Historical Company, 1882. 1144 pages.  
https://dl.mospac.umsystem.edu/mu/islandora/object/mu:417738  
https://archive.org/details/historyofbooneco01stlo

*History of Boone County, Missouri; Written and Compiled from the Most Authentic Official and Private Sources: Including a History of Its Townships, ... History of Missouri, the City of Volume 2*. 2013. RareBooksClub.com, 246 pages, ISBN: 1236981731.


*History of Caldwell and Livingston Counties, Missouri, Written and Compiled from the Most Authentic Official and Private Sources. ... St. Louis: National Historical Co., 1886.*  
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*History of Carroll County, Missouri: Carefully Written and Compiled from the Most Authentic Official and Private Sources, Including a History of Its Townships, Cities, Towns and Villages, Together with a Condensed History of Missouri ; the Constitution of the United States, and State of Missouri ; a Military Record of Its Volunteers in Either Army of the Great Civil War ; General and Local Statistics ; Miscellany ; Reminiscences, Grave, Tragic and Humorous ; Biographical Sketches of Prominent Men and Citizens Identified with the Interests of the Country*. 1881 Missouri Historical Company. 694 pages.  
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ARTICLES AND ESSAYS:
Articles and essays (chapters in books). If the source is difficult to obtain or find, an online link will be included (if one was available) – otherwise, check under periodicals where are listed the searchable and printable sources.


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[An excellent article that details early Mormon intimidation before the extermination order]


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https://digital.shsmo.org/digital/api/collection/mhr/id/8253/page/0/inline/mhr_8253_0


(Reminiscences, in part, on his memory of the 'Mormon War' in Missouri. Note: The 'second edition' of vol. 4 of the Nauvoo Journal reprinted material printed in the original publication, but in more accessible form. It was actually published in 1996, but the cover carried the original date.)  


https://byustudies.byu.edu/content/mormon-persecutions-missouri-1833

https://www.tolerance.org/classroom-resources/texts/no-promised-land


A Unitarianism Journal-- Numerous first-hand accounts of Mormon expulsion from Missouri; critical of Mormon religion but more critical of Missouri's treatment of the Mormons.  
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Jackson County Mormons and their graves and cemetery  

Describes the life of G.M. Hinkle including his short-lived organization, The Bride, the Lamb’s Wife (as named in the article). *Includes letter from George Hinkle explaining his actions in turning church leaders over to Missouri militia.*  

This excerpt contains Holbrook’s journal entries concerning various mob activities and the Saints’ methods of defending themselves.  

Howells, Thomas J. “The Expulsion from Missouri.” *Improvement Era* 3 (September 1900): 829-34.  
This is from an LDS Church magazine, written for its members.


Reminisces, in part, on his memory of the ‘Mormon War’ in Missouri.  


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Jenson, Andrew. “Caldwell County, Missouri;” “Daviess County, Missouri;” “Quincy, Adam County, Illinois;” “Jackson County, Missouri;” “Clay County, Missouri”; and “Haun’s Mill Massacre.” *Historical Record*, 8 (January 1888): pages 685-723; 724-732. Description of Caldwell and Daviess Counties in Missouri, and all that happened with regard to the Church. Describes geographical layout and resources of Caldwell County. Then the history of the county as it relates to the Church. Large section on Far West. Persecutions. Lilburn W. Boggs, George Hinkle, and David R. Atchison figure prominently. [extensive section on Danites.](https://archive.org/stream/churchencyclopae5_8jens#page/n709/mode/2up)


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https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/byusq/vol23/iss1/9/

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https://user.xmission.com/~research/central/resth11.htm


The author discusses the wisdom of leaders during social conflict in 1833 Western Missouri. Topics include Alexander William Doniphan, Justice of the Peace in Lexington; Sheriff Thomas Harvey Owen’s participation in a trial against defendant Thomas Sharp of Warsaw for the alleged murder of LDS leaders; Sheriff Robert Allen’s role in Rives County, and the US Civil War 1861-1865.


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Expulsion from Missouri.

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BIOGRAPHIES:
Within the book sections, are 1) biographies, 2) the Joseph Smith Papers Project [JSPP] publications, and 3) a small section on historical sites. I have also included with many book citations, its page count in order to give you an idea of the book’s size and thus, its worth to your project. For those books that might be hard to find or delineate from other sources, their ISBN (international standard book number) is included. If any book has an online presence, its URL is included as well.

   The most current and easiest reading biography written by a believer, tackles some of the big issues; but has no footnotes, endnotes or chapter notes— has a bibliography and an index – but no notes (publishers’ idea—not the author’s).


   The is a very full biography written by a believer, fails to properly address polygamy and other hard questions about Young’s tenure and actions as prophet and president of the LDS Church.


   This is volume three in a three volume biographical set about the LDS Church founder Joseph Smith.

   I normally do not recommend this volume as a standard academic study of the life of Joseph Smith, it has several flaws and biases, if you choose to use this resource you need to consult Newell Bringhurst’s book, Reconsidering No Man Knows My History, 1996, 192 pages, ISBN: 0874212146.


   A cultural biography written from a believer’s pen.


Typescript copies of a history of Call's life from 1839 to 1872. The beginning of the record focuses on the Call's Mormon conversion and the persecution he faced in Missouri and Illinois. It also includes detailed accounts of the ”martyrdom” of Joseph Smith, Call's "disgust" for John Taylor, and his following of Brigham Young. Much of the record focuses on Call's extensive travel, both westward from Missouri to Utah (including a description of Call's time with the Pawnee Indians and chief Buffalo Bull) and throughout Utah and Arizona as the leader of several expedition companies, and particularly focuses on his mission to Fillmore, Utah. It also describes the establishment of a Mormon enclave in Nauvoo and the organization of Iron County, Utah. The record also includes Call's observations on the purchasing of Indian children to raise in the Mormon Church and his participation in the burial of the victims of the "Gunnison massacre" in 1853. Several typescript pages of items from the Deseret News also appear, including a description of the death of Call's brother Josiah and his son Anson's obituary. The end of the record includes several pages of family history taken from Call's family Bible. [Hunting Library]


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Johnson, Benjamin F. 2009. My Life's Review. Archive Publishers. ISBN 1930679580 (Also available as an ebook) [Birth/death - 28 July 1818–18 Nov. 1905. Although written after the fact, – he joined the Church at Kirkland in the spring of 1835, moved to Adam-oni-Ahman, Daviess Co., Missouri, 1838. My Life's Review is an autobiography from pioneer patriarch Benjamin F. Johnson who served as Joseph Smith's secretary and as a member of the Utah State Legislature. His autobiography includes stories from his childhood, the formative years of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, his mission in Hawaii, experiences with the Native Americans in Utah Territory, and descriptions of pioneer life as he settled areas from Mesa, Arizona to San Francisco, California – from JSPP]


[The writer of this vivid and interesting autobiography was one of the earliest converts to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Living in Kirtland at the time the first missionaries visited in October 1830, she and her parents were soon
baptized. She became intimate with the parents of the Prophet Joseph Smith as well as with the Prophet, his brother, Hyrum, the Patriarch, and with all the early Saints. Her recital of those scenes of joy, of sorrow, of mobs and of constant moving’s and driving’s is one of the most detailed descriptions ever presented. She fills in the large gaps necessarily left by many historians who give space to causes and effects rather than giving intimate pictures of daily domestic difficulties. -Ogden Kraut]

http://www.boap.org/LDS/Early-Saints/MLightner.html
https://user.xmission.com/~plporter/lds/merlbyu.htm


Lilburn W. Boggs is most often remembered as the Governor of Missouri who issued the infamous "Extermination Order" during the Mormon War. But his life involved many of the important events of the early nineteenth century. He was a veteran of the War of 1812, a pioneer of the Fur Trade, a merchant on the Santa Fe Trail, and Governor of Missouri. He participated in one of the most significant wagon trains to California and became the Alcalde of Northern California. He was related by marriage to the Bent Brothers and Daniel Boone. He was also an associate of many of the legends of the early west.


Phelps, Morris Calvin. “Life History of [Morris and] Laura Clark [Phelps].” [Biography of Laura Clark, typescript, LDS Archives; Source: Biography of Laura Clark, typescript, LDS Church Archives. Grammar has been standardized.]

Morris Phelps was born Dec. 20, 1805, in Northampton, Hampshire county, Massachusetts, the son of Spencer Phelps and Mary Miller. He was baptized in 1831, settled in Jackson county, Missouri, the same year, suffered much persecution, filled several missions, was imprisoned in Missouri, together with Parley P. Pratt and others, settled in Illinois and came to Utah in 1851, died at Montpelier, Bear Lake County, Idaho, May 22, 1876, as a Patriarch in the Church.

http://www.morrisphelps.org/morris/bymorriscalvin.htm
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Joseph Smith’s bodyguard and the man accused of an assassination attempt of Governor Boggs.

"Born in 1807. Joined Mormon Church, 1836. To Kirtland, with family. Missionary preaching. To Missouri, 1838. Joined Danites. ("I considered this a good institution for the benefit of society and a blessing for this people.") To Nauvoo, 1840. The original journal of Shurtliff, a businessman, political and religious leader, Mormon missionary and patriarch, which tells of his early life in Ohio, religious revivals, conversion to Mormonism, marriages, missionary work, mobs in Far West, Missouri, expulsion from Nauvoo, Illinois, immigration to Utah, life in Weber County, Utah, and military preparations against Johnston's Army.

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Sirrine, Samuel D. 1878. *The Destroying Angels of Mormondom; or a Sketch of the Life of Orrin Porter Rockwell, the Late Danite Chief*. San Francisco: Alta California Printing House.


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This book gives you ALL the information about and from Lucy Mack Smith's Family Memoir. The volume clearly lays out the "original" manuscript (called the preliminary manuscript), unedited as dictated by Mother Smith. This is the manuscript that was commissioned and paid for by the Quorum of the Twelve, copyrighted by Lucy Mack Smith, with a copy given to her and to the Quorum of Twelve in 1845 (a year before the Saints left Nauvoo) by the Coreys, who took the dictation and wrote the manuscript.


This would be one of the better biographies written by a non-Mormon.

This is a volume in a three volume biographical set about the LDS Church’s founder, Joseph Smith, the volume takes a naturalistic approach to Smith’s religious experiences.


“The Book of John Whitmer,” originated when Whitmer was designated as recorder and historian for the Church on 8 March 1831. Whitmer’s account from 1830 to 1838 features copies of revelations and other documents, explained and contextualized with a connective narrative. Following the violent expulsion of the church from Jackson County, Missouri, in 1833, Whitmer’s record incorporated copies of letters that documented injustices against the Saints as well as attempts to obtain redress. Whitmer was excommunicated 10 March 1838 on charges of improper financial dealings, but he kept working on the history even after his separation from the church. Writing from Missouri after the Mormon community had regrouped in Illinois, Whitmer in his closing chapters openly criticized the church and its founder. He continued adding to the history until about 1847, three years after Joseph Smith’s death --from JSPP]

https://www.josephsmithpapers.org/paper-summary/john-whitmer-history-1831-circa-1847/36#historical-intro
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https://www.fairmormon.org/answers/Polygamy_book/John_C_Bennett/John_C_Bennett_Prior_to_Nauvoo


This classic work of frontier history recounts the process of U.S. expansion into the Far West during the mid-nineteenth century.


This is a wonderful and warmhearted story of how a community of strangers welcomed the ousted Mormons in the Winter of 1838-39.


The relationship between early Mormons and the United States was marked by anxiety and hostility, heightened over the course of the nineteenth century by the assassination of Mormon leaders, the Saints' exile from Missouri and Illinois, the military occupation of the Utah territory, and the national crusade against those who practiced plural marriage. Nineteenth-century Latter-day Saints looked forward to apocalyptic events that would unseat corrupt governments across the globe, particularly the tyrannical government of the United States—from text.


A wonderful primary source that paints a beautiful descriptive picture of this area of Missouri where the Mormon settlers came to settle.


Burnett served as a lawyer for Sidney Rigdon and Joseph Smith and did some defense work with A.W. Doniphan in Missouri. He describes the courtroom situations, the cases and the people involved. [https://archive.org/stream/recollectionsopi00burn#page/n3/mode/2up](https://archive.org/stream/recollectionsopi00burn#page/n3/mode/2up)


[Corrill, a careful observer, had enjoyed a close association with Mormon leaders, and consequently this account provides valuable insights into the development and structure of the early Church. He summarized many of the doctrines taught by Smith and provides detailed description of the conflict between the Latter-day Saints and other Missouri settlers. But his chronicle also relates his story of a personal spiritual journey into and then out of the church as Corrill came to disapprove of the church’s course of action in 1838 Missouri. Yet despite his estrangement from the church and his excommunication in 1839, he retained a degree of sympathy for the Saints and maintained some contact. He recounted frequent conversations with his “friends”—possibly colleagues in the Missouri House of Representatives—in which they asked why he ever associated with the Mormons and how he could have subscribed to their irrational “delusions.” Corrill wrote that he intended to use his history to answer these questions “for the satisfaction” of inquirers. His narrative would reveal the “true character” of the church and explain, as he put it, “the reasons of my own conduct.” He was thus explicit that he was writing history in the service of a personal apologia— from JSPP]

Cowdery, Oliver. Letter, Kaw Township, MO, to “Our dearly beloved Brethren” [Newel K. Whitney and other church members, including JS], [Kirtland Township, OH], 7 May 1831. Featured version copied [between ca. 27 Nov. 1832 and ca. Jan. 1833] in JS Letterbook 1, pp. 12–13; The Joseph Smith Papers, accessed October 27, 2020. [A letter from Missouri to Kirkland soon after the missionaries had established themselves]
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General history of the Missouri period, written from the Mormon point of view includes settlement, trials and expulsion from Jackson County, Law of Consecration under the United Order, temple sites in Missouri, main settlements after Jackson County, growth and development of Far West, the history and significance of Adam-ondi-Ahman, Joseph Smith during the Missouri period, extermination order, battles at Crooked River and Haun's Mill, and Liberty Jail.


Belief in the approaching Millennium dominated early Mormon theology and behavior. For their first sixty-year history the Latter-day Saints were zealous apocalyptic and frequently encountered trouble with non-Mormons, which they viewed as a necessary conflict prior to Jesus Christ’s imminent return. The nineteenth century ended with the church forced to conform to American values and abandoning hope of Christ’s return within their lifespans. [Goodreads]


A professionally written book using Gentry’s 1965 dissertation as its starting point and updating and renewing information and data from 1965. The book is well worth the money.
https://www.amazon.com/Fire-Sword-Latter-Day-Northern-Missouri/dp/1589581202/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=Compton%2C+Fire+and+Sword&qid=1598754094&s=books&sr=1-1


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An excellent series that traces the author’s family history (who were active Church members) through the generations combining both American history as well as Mormon history weaved into a true and professionally researched historical story — shows the human side of history: from a retired political science professor who knows his stuff — high marks!


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Hyde, Orson. 1845. *Speech of Elder Orson Hyde, Delivered before the High Priests’ Quorum, in Nauvoo, April 27th, 1845, upon the Course and Conduct of Sidney Rigdon, and upon the Merits of His Claims to the Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.* Liverpool: James and Woodburn, 1845.
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[Certainly not in the scholarly vein of others works, obviously written by a local history enthusiast; he gets most things right in this small booklet, but no documentation of sources given – his timeline of this time period is excellent.]


[From the Mormon Wars to the Border Wars to gangs of Bald Knobbers and Bushwhackers, Missouri’s reign of vigilant justice during the nineteenth century is unparalleled by any other state in the nation. Situated as the Gateway to the West, Missouri experienced an influx of new cultures, races, and political factions, while already home to a population of patriotic war veterans. The state marked the boundary of eastern civilization and was a stronghold of fierce independence, bordered by Bloody Kansas and Native American territories. Necessary Evil is the first book to chronicle the implications of vigilantism in Missouri, ultimately showing that the state could never have been settled without a healthy dose of rebel justice. See chapters one and two for the Mormon saga – from the text.]

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William Alexander Linn (born Sussex, New Jersey, 4 September 1846; died 23 February 1917) a non-Mormon, was a United States journalist and historian. He graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, in 1864, at Yale in 1868, and in 1883 was admitted to the New York bar. From 1868 to 1891, he was engaged in newspaper work, during part of that time being on the staff of the New York Tribune, and was managing editor of the Evening Post, 1891–1900, resigning to devote himself to literary work. He was a member of the New Jersey Commission of 1899 which secured the legislation under which the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, which has saved the Palisades front from destruction, was appointed, and was a member of the latter commission from its organization to 1913. He was a member of the National Geographic Society, the New Jersey Historical Society, Bergen County Historical Society, and trustee of the Johnson Public Library of Hackensack. Linn was a resident of Hackensack, New Jersey.

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Lisonbee, Dan A. and Janet L. Lisonbee. 2010. Far West, Missouri: It Shall be Called Most Holy. Springville, Utah: CFI.

Story of the settlement of Far West, Missouri, and its history and founding from a believer’s pen.


This study bridges the historical literatures on anti-Mormonism, the experience of religious outsiders in America, extralegal violence, and postbellum southern religion, politics, and culture, and contributes to the evolving scholarship exploring the complicated relationship of religion and violence; thus, it has many layers that overlay the actions and attitudes of Missourians in the 1830’s.


One of the best books on this topic and time period in Missouri.

“‘Militia Regiment’s’ Ledger, 1819-1835.” Archives of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City, UT. [see also: Illinois State Archives, Springfield, IL]

Missouri Office of the Secretary of State. Document Containing the Correspondence, Orders Etc. in Relation to the Disturbances with the Mormons: And the Evidence Given Before the Hon. Austin A. King, Judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Missouri, At the Courthouse in Richmond, In a Criminal Court of Inquiry, Begun November 12, 1838, On the Trial of Joseph Smith, Jr. and Others for High Treason and Other Crimes Against

The book looks at the massacre at Haun's Mill via a variety of eye-witness accounts.


[See chapter 6, an excellent chapter on the Danites]


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The six-volume Comprehensive History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints originally began as a series of monthly articles written by B.H. Roberts from 1909 to 1915 for the American Magazine. The articles were updated and put into book form for publishing in 1930 in commemoration of the church's Centennial Celebration. The volumes discuss in detail many of the developments and events throughout the first 100 years of Mormon History (1830-1930).

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Smith, Joseph. 1865. “Senate document 189: Photomechanical reprint: testimony given before the judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the state of Missouri, on the trial ... treason, and other crimes against that state.” Modern Microfilm Co. 47 pages.

For an overall introduction to the Missouri-Mormon Experience – this would be the book to start with. This anthology examines Mormon-Missouri history within the sociocultural context of its time (1830's). These nine essays explain why Missouri had an important place in the theology of 1830s Mormonism. The essays also scrutinize the interpretations of the killings and murders as well as the response of Columbia's & St. Louis’ more moderate citizens to imprisoned church leaders (suggesting that the conflict could have been avoided if Smith had instead chosen Columbia as his new Zion). Although, more than 180 years later, few Missourians today are aware of this history, many Mormons continue to be suspicious of the state despite the eventual rescinding of Governor Boggs's order. By depicting the Missouri-Mormon conflict as the result of a particularly volatile blend of cultural and social causes, this book takes a step forward in understanding the motivations behind the conflict and sheds new light on the state of religious tolerance in frontier America – [from Goodreads.]


Joseph Thorp (1804–1890) and his family were among the earliest settlers in Missouri, by the early 1820’s the Thorp family had settled in Clay County. In 1823, his father, Elder Thorp established the Big Shoal and Little Shoal Baptist churches in Clay County. Joseph Thorp went on to become a Justice of the Clay County Court in 1854.

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[In chronological order-- With the [JSPP] publications I have bold-printed the collection name (the type of contents of that particular volume) as well as the time period that it covers, in order to help you understand exactly what that volume contains]


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This volume is an author list of 2,894 diaries, journals and memoirs of the 19th and 20th centuries. Descriptive notes include the birth and death date of the authors, dates of coverage and the location of the holding institutions. This volume is the best guide for historical researchers requiring primary documents.


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[A history of Joseph Smith, Jr., over 1838 and 1839. This time period covers the life of the prophet's as he leaves Ohio to settle in Missouri and Illinois and when he was incarcerated in Liberty Jail, in Missouri]

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https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/etd/5145/


https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/etd/5161/

https://scholarsarchive.byu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=3909&context=etd


Mostly about the troubles and events of Jackson County (1831-1833); a good primer, but lacking in thought, adds nothing new, more of a senior paper than thesis; if you need more see: Jennings, Warren A. “Zion is Fled.”