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2nd setting

This morning I arise in the name of the Lord and with the Antient of Days take a stand a work to prepare for the comming of the Son of Man In the flesh The Antients have come to the Citty of Nauvoo and have taken a stand Gods will to do They speak of power to reinstate and to liborate the captive That sits in the Dark That sits a looking Desiring the time to arive for light and intelgance on him to rest But the people of the Citty first must be clensed or this noted stake of Zion of which much is said that light and intelgance may be the theme of the streams that put out from the fountain head This noted Citty is desined to fall with many of its Leaders by the Antient of Days Its fall is determined soon to be that will cause sorrow and sighing by many that is upright But alas they have to suffer because of the fountain head But let it be purified That all may be clean that a Kingdom may be reard in honour of God As Old Father Adam ~~has on Earth took a stand in~~ Council has set With his decendants to establish his order on the Earth His order is light and intelgance by the spirit of God It is honour and riches It is what will boy [buoy] up And strenthen the mind that the Gifts of the Gospel may make crooked streight The Antients have come In honour of God to bring about an order

3. The act of suffering a deep respiration; taking a long breath. *Noah Webster's First Edition of an American Dictionary of the English Language—Facsimile 1828 Edition*, s.v. "Sigh." Olney is using "sighing" as a sign of the anxiety and grief of the Mormons who, he believes, are following their leaders to destruction.

that the name of the Lord will be acknowledged They first have feelings with the weak to sympathise teach them and instruct them in paths of light They then will display the power of God that will cause Sorrow and sighing in all parts of the Land that the wicked will mourn because of their Lot as scourges will rest on them because of their works But the time will come that the wise and learned Will see their folly in what they have been doing As I am called upon by the Council of the Ancient of Days to consecrate to the Lord The temple⁴ Nauvoo house Also the house⁵ in which they sit That the foundations

4. Olney writes that the Ancient of Days have called upon him to personally consecrate to the Lord the temple, Nauvoo House, and the house where he has been living because it was there that the Ancient of Days had appeared to him a number of times. In the LDS Church, buildings are dedicated by an ecclesiastical authority offering a dedicatory prayer. Perhaps this is what Olney meant by consecrating these sites unto the Lord. The official dedications by Church leaders did take place. The cornerstone dedication of the Nauvoo Temple took place on April 6, 1841. During the construction of the Nauvoo temple, specific spaces were dedicated as they were completed. The baptismal font located in the basement of the unfinished Nauvoo Temple was dedicated on November 8, 1841. See Richard Neitzel Holzapfel, "The Nauvoo Temple," 421–36. On Sunday, October 5, 1845, a meeting was held in the temple. Brigham Young "opened the services of the day in a dedicatory prayer, presenting the Temple, thus far completed." See "First Meeting in the Temple," 1017–18. On November 30, 1845, Brigham Young and twenty others gathered in the temple to dedicate the attic story for ordinance work. See Richard O. Cowan, *Temples to Dot the Earth*, 63. "The corner stone of the Nauvoo House was laid by President Joseph Smith on the 2^d of October 1841." Dean C. Jesse, Mark Ashurst-McGee, and Richard L. Jensen, eds., Volume 2 of the Journal series of *The Joseph Smith Papers*, edited by Dean C. Jesse, Ronald K. Esplin, and Richard Lyman Bushman, 19. After many delays in the building process, there was another ceremony held on August 18, 1845, to mark the commencement of the brickwork for the Nauvoo House. On this occasion Heber C. Kimball "offered up a prayer, dedicating the works and workmen to the Lord and recommending them to his mercy and protection from accidents and sickness." William Clayton, *Journal*, August 18, 1845, Church History Library, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah. Only the foundation and part of the first floor of the Nauvoo House were completed during Joseph Smith's lifetime. Still incomplete when the Saints fled Nauvoo, it is unlikely that the Nauvoo House was officially dedicated. On June 11, 1842, Oliver Olney stood upon the foundation of the Nauvoo House "and consecrated it to the Lord." He also "consecrated the brick house belonging to Brother Nurse . . . that it might stand a witness that the Ancient of days condescended to meet in its loft and hold a council." Although he was also called upon to consecrate the Nauvoo Temple, Olney does not mention consecrating that building. See Oliver Olney Papers, fd. 6, June 11, 1842 (hereafter OOP). Thanks to Alex Smith and Lachlan Mackay for information about the Nauvoo House.

5. The house here refers to the home of Newell Nurse where Olney had been boarding. It was located "one street north of the temple about 1/2 mile East on the

shoud stand as a living monument that God had once had a people that he communicated himself to But alas they are fallen Because of their works They have broken their Covenant because of bad works They wander in paths of gloominess both Early and late and know not of Gods work As the work of the Lord is now to commence as is spoken that long since lived They on Earth had a standing in different ages of the world They rote their feelings should be to bring about the purposes of God They on the Earth have taken a stand the Latter day glory to usher in and took up their abode on Earth They first will purify and make clean At the same time make ready a foundation for a remnant of the Saints as a few will be preserved a testimony to bare of a fallen people that disgrased the name of the Lord that have long said to do his will

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I am agained caled in the chamber to take my seit with those of the antients that sets in council on the Earth as it is a time of Counciling by the messengers above Much is now to be accomplished in honour of God The day has ariven for light to shine that dark sayings may be streightend by enlightened minds By minds that are united God will to perform As the day star has risen the vale will be rent by the power of faith By man on the Earth Let a union be established amongst the few that is singled out from the mass Gods work for to do That the stone from the mountain may move ore the land And Create principals that have lain long in the dark There was once a people By faith and good works moved in the power and majesty of God They had power invested in them in order to move That threw them God manifested his power on Earth The time has ariven And the ancients have took their stand To bring about an order that the name of the Lord will be Aknowledged They first have feelings with the weak to sympethise teach them and instruct them In paths of light They then will display the power of God that will cause sorrow and sighing in all parts of the land That the wicked will Mourn because of their lot As scourges will rest on them because of their works But the time will come that the wise and the Learned Will se their folly in what they have ben adoining Being caled on by the Council of the Antient of days to consecrate to the Lord the Nauvoo house foundation that it mite be preserved for a people that should make their way here from the North the ten tribes of Israel Also consecrate to the Lord the house in which you meet in council that it may be seen in futer ages by a people that shall rear up this fallen Citty no more to be thrown down I took my course and stood upon the Nauvoo house and consecrated it to the Lord that it mite be preserved untill the time should come for it to be reard up Aagain

north side of the street." See OOP, fd. 6, June 11, 1842.