

Will Bro. please read this sheet to the Board at their next meeting, and greatly Oblige his old friend J Lee?

Rev. and Dear Brethren

In correcting the report of the statements I made before the Board, I have found several gross mistakes, and very many of minor importance. So much so, that those who probably heard the uncorrected report read in the Board must have received many erroneous impressions. For instance, I said \$250. worth of cattle fell into my hands. The report says "150 head". The report says, "Bro. Stearnethy told him (Mr. Lee) that he (Mr. A.) cleared on his small goods \$10,000 in one year." I said no such thing. These are only specimens, taken from among many. And I will add, that I found it difficult to make a correct copy without rewriting it, and this I did not feel authorized to do. When there was but a shade of difference, I have let it pass; and also some things of a different meaning, if they were true. And have in every instance inserted the qualifying word I used.

Something was said about printing that report, I hope, it will not be done. I think more evil, than good, will come of it. You would not, of course, think of publishing it, without the resolutions, and documents, which gave rise to it.

For even the extracts I read are not all correctly quoted in the report. And to give all these things to the public I think would be injurious. Some extracts might be profitable. It will be a gratification to me if the Board will allow this sheet to be filed with the report.

New York July 23. 1844

Yours Truly
Jason Lee

Rev. Jason Lee's
Statement made
to the Board, after his
Return from Oregon
in the Spring of 1844