

Capt. E. B. Kirk to Gov. Osborne. Ft. Dodge, Kan. April 29, 1874.
Calls attention to earlier letter; asks to be informed whether Osborne can and will help in defense of Dodge in civil action resulting from Taylor murder affair at Dodge City last summer; Since Dodge is in Arizona he cannot defend himself. 1873
3 pages.

Col. Richard I. Dodge to Gov. Osborne. Ft. Whipple, A. T. June 2, 1874.
Thanks Osborne for prompt action in matter of earlier letter; notes information from War department that U. S. Atty. Gen. has directed U. S. Atty. for Dist. of Kansas to defend him in suit; being detained on road by snow gives little time to prepare defense; papers the Governor has sent to Dist. Atty. and evidence of John Foster (called Joseph Foster) ought to quash proceedings easily; unable to furnish additional evidence; will forward all papers as soon as found.
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Gov. Osborne to Co. Atty. of Ford Co. June 9, 1873.
Notes that Dodge has written for authority to arrest ~~civilians~~ and that such has been granted because there is no civil government; also, that those arrested in connection with the Taylor murder are still in custody; unofficially informed that elections have been held; expects better law enforcement and every effort to bring culprits in Taylor murder to trial.
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Gov. Osborne to Co. Atty., Ford Co. July 9, 1873.
Understands that some of the newly elected officers are not doing their job in preserving law and order and requests a report on state of affairs
1 page.

Gov. Osborne to Maj. Richard I. Dodge. July 9, 1873.
Acknowledges Dodge's letter on conditions in Dodge City and thanks him for same.
1 page.

C. Morris, Pvt. Secty. to Gov. Osborne, to Capt. E. B. Kirk. April 3, 1874.
Acknowledges letter of 27th about civil action against Dodge; it will be submitted to Osborne when he returns in several weeks.
1 page.

Gov. Osborne to William Belknap, Secretary of War. April 29, 1874.
Encloses copies of correspondence between himself and Dodge in relation to Dodge's arrest of men believed to be guilty in the Taylor murder along with Dodge's letter to Osborne reporting civil action; recommends U. S. Dist. Atty. for Dist. of Kansas be instructed to defend Dodge.
2 pages.

Gov. Osborne to Sen. John J. Ingalls. April 29, 1874.
Explains situation in action against Dodge and asks for support for Dodge in Washington.
2 pages.