

The Liahona

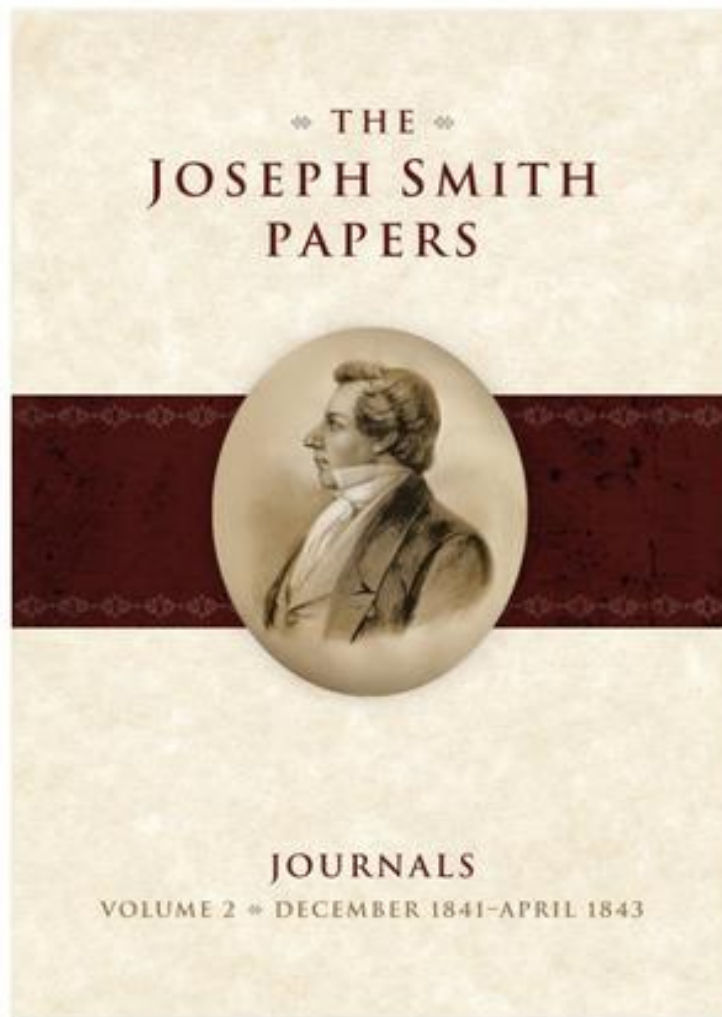
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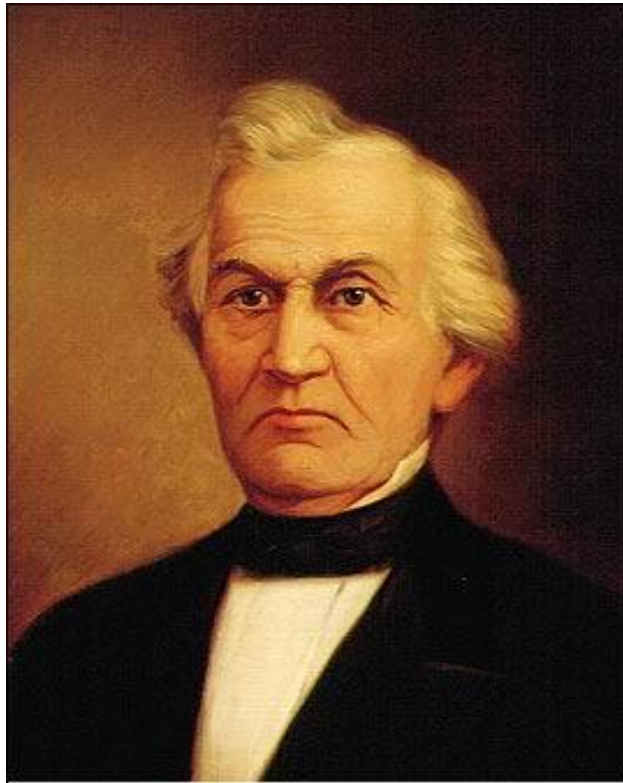
Joseph Smith Diaries and Journals

From what I have found in examining the Diaries and Journals of Joseph Smith, the only mention of the Liahona comes from a June, 1829 entry which is now part of section 17 of the D&C. In this section the 3 witnesses were promised to see QUOTE "the miraculous directors given to Lehi"



The Three Witnesses view the Plates & also the Liahona?

The three witnesses that were allowed to see the Liahona were Oliver Cowdery, Martin Harris, and David Whitmer. Of the three witnesses, the only remarks on the Liahona that we have come from David Whitmer.



David Whitmer

1878 saw "the directors"

David Whitmer was interviewed by Joseph F. Smith & Orson Pratt in 1878. On that occasion Whitmer said he saw QUOTE "the directors." He said QUOTE "I saw them just as plainly as I see this bed."

When David Whitmer was interviewed by David Kelley of the Reorganized Church in 1882, he referred to the Liahona as QUOTE "the Ball of Directors" He used the same words in a subsequent interview in 1884 by Elders Briggs & Etzenhouser of the Reorganized Church.