

Munro then asked, "Are you the Joe Smith that God appeared to and ordered you to dig up certain plates and translate and publish them to the World?"

Joe Smith replied, " I am that Joe Smith, Sir."

Munro then asked, "Will you please tell me how God appeared to you?"

To which Smith said, "God appeared to me by night and told me to go to a certain place, a sand bank, and dig for these plates. I did so, and found them."

Smith holding the Mormon Bible in his uplifted hand said, "This Bible is the translation from these plates."

Munro asked, "So you pretend to perform miracles, Sir?"

Smith replied, "I do, Sir." At that moment a man named Calkins who was much deformed through rheumatism appeared to be very much agitated over Smith's statement about performing miracles, and forcing his way through those standing close to the Mormon carriage he demanded to be healed. Smith asked him, "Do you believe I can heal you, Sir?"

Calkins replied, "Yes, Sir. Or I would not be here."

Smith then said, "I can't heal you here sir, but will appoint a place where I can meet you and will heal you."

Calkins replied, "I want to be healed now, sir. They used to heal the people before the multitude."