

Spec Dept Ind Affs
Office of the A.S. Sec 17th 1855

Sir

Having in view the safety and well being of the friendly Indians in the Oregon River and Unkpege valleys, as well as the peace and security of our own citizens - I have deemed it necessary to remove the Indians of these valleys to a tract of country on the head waters of the South Fork of Yam Hill River commonly known as the Grand Bend, for a winter encampment. The hostile attitude of a large portion of Indians congregated in the Oregon River valley - the excited state of feeling among our own citizens - rendering necessary to collect the friendly bands at the Garrison - thereby preventing the prosecution of ~~any~~ work upon the reservation - on the usual means of procuring subsistence - necessarily requiring the Government to furnish nations ^{to them} friendly hostilities. The encampment of the Indians in the Oregon River valley for a suitable supply and the expense attending transportation ~~of the~~ during the rainy season - has been among the reasons inducing this step. Instructions have been prepared, and are intrusted to you care for Agent Ambrose, directing him to carry into effect the contemplated removal and you will proceed without delay in this agency and aid Agent Ambrose in the performance of this duty. A full train to aid in this matter ^{under the agency of} will follow immediately.

Dayton Oct

Dear Sir

A man named Sutton belonging to

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of date to or to check
on subject of record
of business

Any additional transport ~~to be~~ ^{required} ~~will~~ ^{be} employ in such manner as the Genl & Capt Ambrose may deem the most economical and suitable to speedily affect the object

When necessary Mr John Meymies ^{in 50th ~~century~~} the direct route to the designated encampment diverges from the main road. The distance to which from that point may be reached at about the same as from this office I would therefore advise taking that route

[Faint, illegible handwriting]

[Handwritten initials]

\$500.—

Dayton O.S. Nov 14th 1855.

On or before the 30th day of June next I promise
to pay the sum of five hundred.