

humbly I transmit an estimate of funds for comp. into effect
the Treaty of 11th August 1855. With the cost of sales. An early
transmission of funds for the objects specified may enable
us to maintain in good faith the provisions of that Treaty - as
yet all the bands induced their own upon friendly terms with
the settlers. But unless the bands be speedily removed from
the distinct bordering our southern boundary, they will be
driven into a hostile attitude. They have, like the bands
in the Muzumbe District given ~~me~~ every assurance of
their friendly disposition. And like them they are ~~not~~
surrounded by a restless population who regard the
possessions of the United States a legitimate subject of
murder and if for no other reason than the expedite
of large sums of money, they would strive to
plunge their government into a war with these Indians.

From recent advice it is presumed that the brutal
atrocities committed from time to time upon the Indians
within the last few years has, resulted in a concerted
movement from North to South among the various
~~tribes~~ ^{tribes} to engage in a war of extermination against
the whites. And it is not at all improbable that
the bands in this valley, are contributing towards
the ranks of the enemy. At all events such is the
impulse of our citizens, and the least improper
movement of any of the members of these ~~bands~~ would

burst the bubble ~~and~~ and deluged the
settlement in blood -

The Agents in the Indian department
are almost powerless to do good - with a military
command of ~~some~~ hundred men to protect encampment
the friendly bands might be collected and kept
out of the fight - but otherwise it is greatly
feared they may all unite in hostility against
us. Almost every day brings intelligence of
the desertion of bands heretofore friendly - and
the commission of some horrible outrage upon
our citizens - we need a strong and well
disciplined military force in the country - first to
fight and whip the Indians to submission and
then ^{to} aid in purging the community of lawless
rascals who have provoked this state
of affairs

Enclosed Draft of letter
to Department on the subject
of removing the Indian force
Major Price to east
rearrangement, and the
purchase of ground and

but if called in, how are we to feed them; our
 harness will not be fit for cutting in less than two or
 three weeks and much of it six weeks - and when
 the wheat is harvested we have no mill to
 manufacture into flour nearer than Kings Valley
 by trail thirty miles - and by ^{wagon road} ~~about~~ ^{over} fifty miles -
 it is true they can boil wheat, ~~and~~ pound it up in
 hand mortars - but such a process is not favorable
 to an advanced civilization - Early planted potatoes
 are coming forward finely but it is unprofitable to
 dig many of them yet for you are aware the
 crop is much later here than in the Willamette
 valley - A goodly number might be engaged in taking
 smelt at the mouth of the Selkirk River where that fish is
 now making its appearance - others could be profitably
 employed in making roads - and if allotment of lands
 were made improvements of their own could be
 pushed forward advantageously - but whatever they
 engage in upon the reservation, they would have
 to be fed by the government until after their
 harvests - As it now is, those outside support themselves
 but whilst I am constantly receiving applications from
 settlers for laborers, both male & female, a dreadful
 clamor is set up by whiskey blots and their
 supporters about keeping the Indians upon the
 reservation and yet that class are doing more
 to entice Indians away from the reservation than any
 others and when once among them they are used
 as slaves and brutes and regarded as having no
 rights that are to be respected by a white man

