Cleveland, WY Sept 18th 1884

R. H. Natney Esq.

Dear Sir,

I have just received your letter of Aug 14th 23 and have to say that I am very sorry indeed that it happened that my sheep could not

Stop on the reservation—not even one week after I had spent the expenses of building a corral, (bear, coyotes and other vermin destructive to sheep). The next day after I wrote you my header sent me word that he could not stay there, that a bear had

broken in the corral in the night when he could not see, and drove out one third of the band and killed seven out side of the corral—and scattered the sheep, and that night wound up with a loss of 6 or 7 sheep—would have

written your soon—bist have been hunting the sheep—but did not find any alive—found a few dead had been killed—so you see my five or six days trip over there cost me a healthy loss in sheep
my old header was cowardly and told me he would not hearde the sar. So I was compelled to take them a way at once - he would not hearde an the reservation. I wanted to keep my sheep there, the weather is so frier - I find the permit back as I cant use the range. It was the range between head of Pine and Yakama - if I live next season I will go with my header so as to see all things right as have two headers.

Yours very truly

B. B. Brittain

PS

I did not object to your turns - most kind of you if you will give me the same opreat I will set that my sheep is kept there for use of Frying. To get a header to stay there but I thinks he might be killed and eat up - My sheep are at home over ten days ago on day bunch grass.