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Office, Supt. of Indian Affairs

Oregon City July 14, 1851

Sir:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I arrived here last evening after an absence of forty-five days having accomplished all and more than I anticipated. I established the agency house at what is called the Lower Crossing of the Utiila. This is on the emigrant road about sixty miles west of the summit of the Blue Mountains. It is near the western side of the Cayuse Country and about twenty five or thirty miles south from Walla Walla. I must defer the particulars of this journey with much statistical information until I forward my annual report.

There was a full investigation made of all things connected with the Mission claim on the government. A report will be made to you on this subject as soon as the immediate crowd of business on my hands will allow. ✓

I have the honor to be, respectfully your obt. servt.

Anson Dart

Superintendent.

Hon L. Lea     commissioner  
of Indian Affairs, Washington D.C.

Oregon City

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Office Superintendent of Indian Affrs.

Oregon City, July 20, 1851

Sir:

A strong desire to carry out the instructions of the government in all matters connected with my office duties prompts me often to ask your advice. The case before me and to which I would call your attention is this--A Mr. Craig having received a license to trade with the Indians at the Dalles of the Columbia informs me that he has lately received a notice from Lieutenant Wood now in charge of the public property there that he (Craig) must move off from what they call the military reservation--being one hundred square miles covering all the country upon which a trading post could be established (on account of timber) The reasons assigned for <sup>this</sup> order was that the sutler of the post had a right to all the trade on the reservation. The troops were withdrawn from the Dalles before Craig commenced trade there. I do not feel at liberty to advise in this matter without first learning your opinion. You are aware I suppose that the ~~entire~~ sutler claims the right to keep and sell liquor and this too without a license. Lieut Wood is the only officer at the Dalles and he is a temperance man and a gentleman of whom I have a high opinion.

I have the honor to be

respectfully your obt servt.

Amson Dart, superintendent

Hon L Lea commissioner

of Indian Affairs

Washington, D.C.



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Office Superintendent Indian Affairs  
Oregon City, Sept. 6, 1851

Sir:

In a treaty made on the 9th day of August last with the Lower Band of Chinook Indians, it became indispensably necessary in order to close the treaty that the government should agree to have you removed from the Indian lands. It therefore became part of said treaty, as written on April 2d, thereof, in these words---"and it is hereby agreed that a white man by the name of Washington Hall shall be removed from the lands ceded above."

Should this treaty be approved by the President and Senate of the United States it will then become necessary for you to be removed as specified in the treaty unless you can buy the peace and friendship of these Indians and get their consent to remain.

Respectfully yours

Anson Dart, superintendent

Washington Hall Esq.

At or near Chinook Point on the Columbia River

Uvilla Station

Sept. 14, 1851

Hon. Dr. Dart:

Sir: On my arrival here I went to Fort Walla Walla to procure my interpreter. But I could not persuade Baptiste to engage as such. He says he never gave any encouragement to that effect. So ~~addur~~ it turned out as I anticipated he would engage as herdsman. I have temporarily an Indian called Geary who has served me, he also has left for his country, "Spokane" for the present but will return in 6 weeks and aid me in that capacity. Should I not be able to procure one better qualified than he is for the post Mc Bane named to persons in the valley qualified Baptiste Dons' Brother, Antoin Placie--Mango--Antoine Cloceawia--these are persons I presume suitable yet you will see the necessity of making a good selection for the following reasons. You throwed on me the procuring of horses for my outfit this involves as experience has shown much care and trouble. I have had some times all my horses lost at others a part now 3, so that a man who can interpret and in some degree serve as horseman and packer, would be indispensable on a long journey. The Walla Walla, Nez Perce and Cayuse Chiefs have all been in to see me and I believe they went away much gratified--indeed Towity would not give the parting hand at leaving until he had first expressed his gratification at my reception. My first business is to make terms with the Indians and to do this I shall succeed I have no doubt. But of the evils growing out of the squatting traders beyond and this side of Fort Hall. Indeed some of the emigrants have made it a trade trip on a capital of twenty thousand dollars (a Mr. Smith) and now wish to stay this side the cascades to winter. I gave no encouragement to it being Indian territory--in my next I will lay facts (the many of which I have gathered from the emigrants) before you. One I will give you as



Owen (I or J)

I --- is spoken of by the emigrants as being appointed sub agent he had at his trade post on a sign "Brandy Liquor etc. for sale" and a gentleman by the name of Patrick told me he sold one Ely ten barrels of his personal knowledge--indeed all the upper country where the trouble has been has an abundance of liquor sold in it. The bearer stands impatiently over me waiting so I write in much confusion. Please excuse my not copying this my first.

Your obedient servt.

Elias Wampole

P. The building cannot be finished without one more keg of 10 penny nails, will you have them sent to the Dalls (sic) immediately

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Department of the Interior , Office Indian Affairs, June 7,  
1953

Sir:

I enclose herewith a copy of a communication referred to the office by the Secretary of the Interior from Brevt. Maj. Alvord U.S. Army respecting the importance of entering into treaties to extinguish the Indian titles to lands in Oregon and Washington Territories east of the Cascade Mountains.

Congress (Session 1851-53) Authorized negotiations on the subject to be entered into with the Indians in Oregon west of the Cascade Mountains and appropriated \$12,000 for that object, but there is no authority for, and no funds at the ~~disposal~~ disposal of the Department applicable to the object of treating with the Indians east of the Cascade Mountains. You are therefore directed to consider the ~~expediency~~ expediency of adopting the suggestions of B. Maj. Alvord, so far as they apply to the territory of Oregon, and report your opinion thereon, together with your own suggestions to this office, as early as practicable so that if deemed advisable the subject may be brought to the attention of Congress at the next session.

You will also submit an estimate of the amount of money which will be required for the negotiations of any treaties which you may deem necessary or advisable

Very respectfully your obt. servt.

Geo. W. Manypenny, comm.

Joel Palmer Esq.

Superintendent Ind. Affairs,

Milwaukie, Oregon Territory.



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Office Supt. of Ind. Affairs

Oregon City, Oct. 21, 1851

Sir:

I am sorry to inform you that serious charges are made against Elias Wampole Indian agent whose location is on the Uvilla River in the Cayuse country. I will as brief as possible state them in substance.

While Mr. Wampole was at the Dalles of the Columbia on his way to his post he refused to grant a license to a Jew to trade in the Indian country unless he (Wampole) was made a partner in such trade without furnishing any capital. The partnership was subsequently given up; by the Jew agreeing to pay Wampole two hundred fifty dollars, which payment was secured by a bill of sale of some twelve or fourteen head of cattle. This charge Mr. Wampole admits, but says the offer was first made by the Jew and that the trade was to be with the emigrants and not with the Indians. Another charge is that Mr. Wampole allowed four traders to go into the Indian country to trade on condition that they should each give him (Wampole) a good horse on their return, which they promised to do and did subsequently fulfill their promise. Mr. Wampole says in reply to this charge that he was merely joking with the men in the first place but afterwards accepted the horses as presents.

..... I am requested to state that Mr. Wampole promises hereafter to refrain from further acts of the kind should it be deemed prudent to allow him to remain in office..

I have the honor etc.

Anson Dart, superintendent

Hon Commissioner of

Indian Affairs, Washington D.C.