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North Yakima, W. T. Oct 5 1887.

Hon Thomas Priestly
Dineco W. T.

Dear Sir;

There is pending in this Court a cause entitled United States vs Taylor et al which involves the right of the Indians in your Reservation to fish at Tum-water in Klichitah County on the Columbia River. The Counsel representing the Government have requested me to invite you to have the witnesses at Court Oct 10

What they want are witnesses who know that this place has been used as a fishery by the Indians "So long that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary"

The older the Indians of intelligent

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no better. Also they desire Indians
who know of the interruption of the
fishing by Taghah and the
damages by them sustained
enclose subpoenas to come
that we know we want, and
you can doubtless find others. If
so and you desire to do so in
order to secure their attendance you
can fill in the blanks enclosed.
This is a matter of great im-
portance to the Indians. It was
instituted by Gen. Milroy and
as long as he remained in office
prosecuted it. You will therefore
understand the reason for making
this request of you. Oct 11. will
be soon enough.

Yours truly
Edward Whitson

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Oct. 5, 1887,

Eduard Whitson

Relating to sundry
witnesses on Fishery Quit.