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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON,

March 10th, 1881.

James H. Kilbur,
U. S. Indian Agent,
Care of Dr. J. M. Reid,
805 Broadway, N. Y.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a telegram dated 2d. inst. from the Military Commandant at Fort Vancouver, who states that General Howard, when in this City in December last, telegraphed him, that the Indian prisoners at Fort Vancouver (Sheep Eaters) would be sent to Warm Springs reservation early this spring. As these prisoners were not sent to Yakima, by reason of the protest made

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by you, September 4th. 1899, it is presumed, that you are in possession of information in regard to them, which may be of service to the office, in its recommendation to the Department, and the instructions necessary to be given in disposing of them. Will you please communicate to the office, such facts as you may have obtained from General Howard, or otherwise, respecting their number, condition, &c, as early as practicable.

Very respectfully
Thos Mitchell
Acting Commissioner.

(C. L. S.)

March 10th 1881
Thos M. Nicol
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Enclosing telegram from
Commanding Officer at
Vancouver in reference
to Private Prisoners
