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Refer in reply to the following

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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON,

July 1st, 1882.

J. H. Wilbur Esq.

U. S. Ind. Agt.

Yakama Agency, W. T.

Sir:

I enclose herewith extracts from a letter of 25th April last, from Governor John B. Weil, of Idaho; a copy of the letter therein referred to from Milton H. Presby, Postmaster at Castle Creek, Idaho; and extracts from a report dated August 4th 1881, by this office, to the Hon. Secretary of the Interior, all relating to Pinte Indians who are in Bruneau Valley and Owyhee County Idaho. These will apprise you of the condition of these Indians, and of previous actions taken to secure their return to the Western Sho-

show reservation, or their peaceable settlement
 over their public lands, both of which ef-
 forts have been unsuccessful. I now desire
 that the effort be made to induce them to
 locate permanently with the other Piutes
 on your reservation, and to this end I
 suggest whether it is not practicable for
 you to send one or two of your most trust-
 worthy Piutes to find these Indians, and
 endeavor to induce them to settle on your
 reservation, promising them the same ben-
 efits accorded to the Piutes who are with
 you. If practicable, you will act upon
 the suggestion at once, and report your
 action with such suggestions as you may
 deem proper.

The Agent at Western Shoshone (Duck
 Valley,) Agency, has been directed to com-

municate with these Indians and to use every effort to induce them to join your Putes, and has also been advised of this letter to you.

(sgd)

Very respectfully
H. Price

Commissioner

(Steele)

July 1st 1882

G. H. Price Comms

Relative to Efforts to settle
remaining Putes to Yakama
Reservation