

Cleveland WY Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 1884

R. H. Murray Esq

Dear Sir

I have just rec<sup>d</sup> yours of Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 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 went to the expense of building on account of a corral (Bear coyotes and other vermin's destructive to sheep. The next day after I wrote you my herder 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 at the corral - and scattered the sheep, and that night wound up with a loss of 64 sheep - would have written you sooner but 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 heavy loss in sheep -



my old header was cowardly  
and told me he would not  
header there so I was compelled  
to take them a way at once - he  
would not header in the reservation  
I wanted to keep my sheep there  
the weather is so dry - I send  
the permit back as I cant use the range  
It was the range between head of  
Pine and Gakarrak - If I live next  
season I will go with my header  
so as to see all things as right -  
or have two headers.

Yours Very Truly  
J. D. Butler

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P.S.

I did not object to your  
turning - next season if you will  
give me the same offer I will  
see that my sheep is kept  
there - no use of trying to get  
a header to stay there, he thinks he  
might be killed and eat up - My  
sheep are at home over ten days  
ago on dry bunch grass