
DURKEE'S FERRY, KLAMATH RIVER,

October 8, 1851.

To all whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given, that on the 6th instant, at this place, a treaty of peace was concluded by the undersigned, on behalf of the United States, with the following tribes or bands of Indians, viz: the Hoo-pahs or Trinity Indians, twelve bands or rancherias; the Wech-peks, Ut-cha-pas, Up-pa-goines, Sa-vour-ras, Chama-ko-nees, Cock-o-mans, Chee-nas, Wich-sis, Cap-pels, Moo-ri-ohs, Ser-a-goines, and Pak-wans.

These tribes promise to live hereafter in peace among themselves and with all the whites, and to exert their influence with the Redwood and Bald Hill Indians and others, not represented at the council, to induce them to do likewise. All good white men will at once see the importance of this arrangement, and lend their influence to sustain it. Let it be faithfully observed on our part; let my promises to the Indians, that no more of them shall be shot at or killed, be fulfilled. This will inspire them with confidence in our truth. If any one shall be so inconsiderate as to kill or seriously injure an Indian, except in a clear case of self-defence, he should by all means be arrested and punished as an enemy to the country; for he not only commits a murder on the Indian, but thereby, according to their laws, insures the death of one, perhaps several, white men.

Although I believe the Indians are now well satisfied and will act in good faith, yet, as the Bald Hill and Redwood bands were not represented at the council, or parties to the treaty, it may not be safe for persons to travel through their country alone or unarmed for some time yet. Should any difficulty arise in my absence, let it be reported to one of the following gentlemen, who have kindly volunteered their good offices in settling all grievances on either side, viz :

C. W. Durkee, esq., Durkee's ferry, Klamath river; M. S. Thompson, esq., Gold Bluff, and mouth of Klamath river; Walter Van Dyke, esq.,

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Trinidad; H. F. Jaynes, esq., Union, Humboldt Bay; Jas. A. Patterson, esq., south fork of Trinity.

Let prudence and forbearance mark our conduct towards these wild ignorant red men, and soon all cause of disquiet and danger will pass away. What is passed cannot be recalled: the future depends mainly upon the packers, traders, and miners themselves.

REDICK McKEE,
U. S. Indian Agent.
