

Corvallis May 20<sup>th</sup> 1855

Mr Palmer Supt of Indian Affairs  
Sir The Citizens of Marys River and  
Kings Valley have been over run  
with the Klickitat Tribe of Indians  
and their Horses. and from time to  
time have had their Property destroyed  
Choice timber Cut Stock killed and  
many things Stolen; on the 9<sup>th</sup> of this  
month one of my Oxen was found dead  
and from all the Circumstances connected  
with the Case every Man in the valley  
gives his opinion that the Indians shot the ox  
I live in Marys River Valley, where most  
all the above named Indians live this Season  
The Citizens of Kings Valley have driven them  
from there; and now Sir if they are not  
removed at once there will be trouble indeed  
our Patience is exhausted and we cannot  
Put up with every thing. we have been  
Promised again and again that they would  
be removed. and we begin to think we will  
be compelled to drive them out by force, we would  
be glad to have you come up and do something  
for us; I think I should be paid for my ox  
Please answer this directly

Yours, Geo P Wren

Geo. P. Merrill letter  
respecting trouble with  
Wickatata

Recd—

Received Dec. 20th.

Geo. P. Merrill  
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