

engaged in deadly fray, — running, jumping, fleeing, dodging, brandishing their long knives, plunging their swords, striking with their tomahawks and war-clubs, drawing their arrows in their bows, being enacted before his eyes; — while his ears are filled with the most unearthly combination of noises — the twanging of bow-strings, beating of drums, jingling of bells, piercing, angry shrieks and yells, — in order to form even a faint idea of these heathenish practices.

15th. — On account of having so many Pawnees (forty-five) and for so long a time, our rations so far gave out as to necessitate some arrangements for our living, other than that issued by the agent. After seeing a young colt dressed and brought in for food, I was willing to accept of the proposition of Kicking Bird to go into the Agency for a while. Yesterday I took several Kiowa chiefs to visit the school, see how the children are fed, clothed, sleep, and are cared for generally; informing them that their children, would they but send them to school, would not only learn as those children are being taught, but they would be taken care of in all respects as these were.

What the effect may be on their minds I know not, and must leave for the present.

Last evening, Agent Richards and wife came here from the Wichita Agency, and to-day I accompanied them on a visit to Mount Scott.

We passed through some beautiful valleys, arable, and clear of stone, bounded by mountain ridges, so that, but

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