

with some Apaches residing among the mountains west of the Pecos River, were pursued from that state by United States troops, who followed them across the Rio Grande to their encampment, and captured fifty or sixty of their women and children. These captives have not yet been returned to them, but promised on condition of their coming and settling down on a reservation on the south-west side of the Arkansas River. This reservation was granted them in part payment for land once occupied by them in Kansas. Their agent, Andrew Williams, has been for some time waiting at the Kiowa Agency for the commissioners, (who prevailed upon them to leave Mexico, one of whom has gone to Washington), to deliver them into his hands. They have now been five or six weeks on this reservation, and still do not go to the Agency. The commissioner, who is getting a heavy salary, with expenses borne, is sitting quietly at Fort Sill, making no very vigorous exertion towards getting such a source of revenue off his hands, by bringing them in and turning them over to their agent. The latter is anxiously awaiting that event, in order to conduct them to their reservation, so as to be able to provide for their winter quarters. Their women and children, who were captured in the early part of summer, are already on their reservation, awaiting their arrival.

The object of the Kiowas in making this visit is the renewal of friendship, by exchanging presents, and to trade for some Mexican blankets, which, being waterproof, are more highly esteemed by the Indians than the



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