

Red Cloud and Man Afraid and the other chiefs of renown personally kept out of it, they connived in sending large bodies of the hostile Teton warriors to fight under the standard of the giant Cheyenne. The Tetons were with Roman Nose in force at the several fights in eastern Colorado in the autumn of that year, and particularly in the attack on Forsyth's scouts on the 17th of September.

Red Cloud signed the treaty on the 6th of November, drew his presents from the commissioners, and at once returned to the Powder River country, where he ranged unmolested for the next two or three years. Eighteen hundred and sixty-nine and 1870 were years of entire peace in the Dakota country, except a little attempt at stock stealing by some lawless Indians at Fort Rice. Not a single circumstance occurred to disturb the general quiet, though, of course, as General Stanley reported, the wild Indians were not agreeable in their relations with the officials at the agencies, and at any time would have enjoyed a little fight. Nevertheless under the advice and earnest desire of the responsible chiefs, the conditions of the treaty of Fort Laramie were faithfully observed. In 1870 Governor Burbank reported that there were 4,500 Indians drawing subsistence at the Whetstone agency, consisting of Brules, Oglalas and seceders from the other bands. "They are making some progress toward civilization and are attempting in a small way to till the soil but with imperfect success. They have settled down at no particular place, but spend most of their time at from within twenty-five to fifty miles of the agency." Red Cloud showed no disposition to settle down and it was deemed wise by the department to get him away from the wild and hostile influences and have him visit the east and learn something of the power and progress of the whites, and of the profits and advantages of civilization. Accordingly, in the summer of 1870 the old chief, together with seventeen of his head men and three of his³⁹⁶ squaws, and Spotted Tail and four other chiefs of the Brules, were invited to go to Washington to visit the president and to become the guests of the government. They arrived at Washington about the 1st of June. It was at once discovered that there was a bit of jealousy between the two great