

it does not compare with the Cheyenne River.

That the Indians now occupying farms south of the Cheyenne River are not yet fitted to enter and hold their lands under the homestead laws; were they thus fitted the proposed change might be taken advantage of.

That thinking men of our country, newly awakening to an interest in these matters, cannot but regard the subject which calls forth my letter as "another wrong" to Indians and a disgrace to the service.

I have the honor, sir, to be, very respectfully, yours,

T. L. Riggs, Missionary.

Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.