withheld his soldiers, will let loose his young men, and you will be swept away. We therefore propose to let the whole Siaux nation select their country up the Missouri River, embracing the White Sarth and Cheyenne Rivers, to have their lands, like the white people, forever, and we propose to keep all white men away except such agents and traders as you may choose. We want jou to cultivate your land,/p.2l0/build houses, and raise cattle. We propose to help you there as long as you need help. We will also teach your children to read and write like the whites.
"rhe Cheyennes and all southern Indians shall have similar homes in the country on the Arkansas, and if the Sioux Indians prefer to so down there, agreements have been made by people sone before us. We propose to stand by them, but I am afraid they did not make allowances for the rapid erowth of the white race, and you can see for yourself that travel across the country Thas increased so mach that the slow ox waggon will not answer the white man. We build iron roads, and you cannot stop the locomotive any more than you can stop the sur or monn, and you must submit, and do the best you can, and if any fof you want to travel east to see the wealth and power of the whites you can do so, and we will pay your expenses. Our people east hardiy think of what you call war here, but if tiey make up their minds to fight you they will come out as thick as a herd of buffalo, and if you continue fichting you will all be killed. We advise you for the best. Te now offer you this, choose your own homes, and live like whitemen, snd we will help you all you want. Ve are doing more for you than we do for white men coming from over the sea. This Commission is not only a Peace Commission, but it is a War Comission also. We will be kind to you if you keep the peace, but if you won't listen to reason, we are ordered to make war/upon you in a different manner from what we have done before.

