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children, came in from Mulberry Creek for rations and returned to the same place.

On the 6th "Poor Bears" band of Apaches, numbering 27 men, 40 women and 93 children, coming from Fort Larned, "Powder Faces" band of Arrapachoes numbering 11 men, 14 women and 29 children and Roman Nose's band numbering 75 men, 50 women and 103 children, came into this Post.

On the 7th "Little Raven's" band of Arrapachoes numbering 89 men, 100 women and 256 children, and "Sore Backs" band of Apaches, numbering 23 men, 40 women and 52 children, came in, and are also encamped in the immediate vicinity of the Post, more are expected to day.

It has just been reported that a number of the Cheyennes are encamped within 4 miles of the Post.

I am very Respectfully
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W. Douglas
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Head Qrs Fort Dodge Kansas
August 10th 1868

Bvt Major E. A. Belger
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Major

There are a large number of Indians congregated near this Post, and I have not enough men for duty to give a sufficient guard. Most of the men being on extra duty in Q.M. Dept. I cannot relieve them without stopping work.

I would respectfully request that the Cavalry Company belonging to this Post, be directed to return, for I think that their presence here is necessary.

A band of Cheyennes and Sioux are said to be on their way to this

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