

4th Mo 1873

10th 5th day Clear & Pleasant

Issued rations to the Indians

Remained at the Agency

11th 6th day Clear & Pleasant

Kicking Bird who came in yesterday, not being ready to go out remained at the Agency. The new Agent has dismissed the military guard from about the house, & commissary issuing without the aid of a guard, but retaining a night watch, I might have mentioned also that his wife & son, with several new employees have arrived, & that Agent Tatum & Wife had left for home.

So far as I can discover the Indians appear to be very favorably impressed with Agent Hayworth & his Wife, being particularly pleased with his dismissal of the military guard from about the house & Commissary.

Several of the Comanches are having farms broken, this season, but as yet none of the Kiowas are ready for that, & I doubt whether all the Comanches who are getting farms made at government expense will stick to them.

12th 7th day Clear & Pleasant

Returned to camp, with Kicking Bird, arriving just before sundown.

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13th 1st day of Week Cloudy & a high wind. Dined with Ah'-vel-laghts (Feather head).

14th 2nd day Clear but windy

A shower last night accompanied with lightning, thunder & high wind, so most of the camp is moving away to day, leaving but few lodges.

Dined to day upon a ^{to me} new vegetable ^{root} ~~from~~, Kiowa name Ti-ko-tad-de which had it been properly seasoned would have been very good.

15th 3rd day Clear but cool & very Windy

Too windy to move camp or do anything else.

16th 4th ~~Clear~~ Cloudy & still a high cold wind. I do not see what we are to do if we cannot move & rejoin those who left us some weeks since as most of our provisions were sent out with them on the last day of issuing rations, with the expectation of our rejoining them the day following the one we left the Agency.

17th 5th Clear & Pleasant

Moved our encampment to the place where Stumbling Bear is encamped. Got my tent up once more. It having been down four weeks to-day during which time I have when in camp slept in Coragouet's lodge, I like the appearance of my