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Aso Habbas band of Pennelethas Comanches are encamped in the direction, the trail was leading.

In the evening, four Comanches of Aso Habbas band came in, — very hungry of course & horses tired out, — after partaking of a hearty supper, they informed that they had been in the vicinity San Antonio & — as I understood had had hard work to keep clear of the soldiers, Kicking Bird said but little to them, further than to discourage their going into Texas on any pretense whatever; — after supper they soon left.

15<sup>th</sup> of the day, Clear Very Windy last night

Lodges all down against 8.30 A.M., but movements being regulated for slow work did not get under motion until about 10, o'clk, but camped about noon on Rainy Mountain Creek

Shortly after going into camp, three of the Chiefs talking together spoke of the Comanches, not being friendly to my being in the Kiowa camp, & that they might be disposed, if they saw me out anywhere, to put me out of the way, telling me I might see some of them tomorrow. Sun Boy rising up bade me follow him, which I did. We went some distance into the thick brushy wood, where he had caused his medicine shield to be placed by a large oak tree; there stopping he bade me remove the covering from it, which consisted of a blanket, I did so, & found that the shield itself, had still another covering of buckskin, having a painted Sun in the