

5th Mo 1874

clearing the Kiowas, White Horse & other
Quahada Kiowas are now in camp, having
come in to trade

- 19th 5th day Cloudy. Remained in camp
20th 6th day Cloudy Remained in camp
21st 7th day Cloudy Remained in camp
22nd 1st day Cloudy Sick Remained in camp
23rd 2nd day Cloudy Sick Head Kicking

Bird send for my mules from ^{the} herd in or-
der to go in to the Agency, but not getting
them in time to go in to day I had to lay
by another day

- 24th 3rd day Cloudy & cool In company with E
Buckley Came in to the Agency

After crossing Sulphur Creek, having an
idea that a sulphur ~~good~~ spring must be
near I stopped & searched for it, soon
found it, a spring of beautiful clear
water, warm (probably about 90° of heat) & very
strongly impregnated not only with sulphur
but other mineral substances, which encrust-
ed the stones, grass, leaves, & small sticks
which dipped into the water with a cream
colored crust, while a slimy sediment of
of a deep scarlet adhered to the stones

This spring is at the base of a rocky
mound several hundred feet in height, & is
a strong current of water, affecting the whole
with a ^{strong sulphur smell} creek, into which it flows, through its whole
subsequent course to the Washita river, perhaps
twenty miles. I secured a bottle of this
water from this spring, which I intend
to have analyzed. Arrived at the
Agency about sundown, found a letter
from ^{home} awaiting my arrival. Also one
from my daughter Ruth