

templated raid, they should kill their horses, tear their blankets, and let them go raiding naked and on foot — a condition in which they will not be very likely to go.

Not the least remarkable of events is this determination of these wild people, who have always hitherto been ready to join in, if not to lead, any hostile enterprise, now to stand firmly against all the influences of their old friends and allies, the Cheyennes and Comanches. The former of these have not been wanting in endeavors the past winter, as well as this present spring, to induce the Kiowas to join them on their war-path against the Agencies, while the latter are now endeavoring to seduce their young men to join them in their raiding expeditions, in order to renovate their stock of mules and ponies. But there is One who rules in the hearts of the children of men, and whose power is sufficient to bring under control the heathen who know Him not.

28th. — Arrangements were made, on the morning of the 19th instant, for me to come in to the Agency in company with a brother of Stumbling Bear, who, with several others, was going in after rations, while the main body of the tribe should journey on towards the north-west, to some place understood among themselves. It was also arranged for me to go to the Wichita Agency, there meet with Tofe-ko-ne^g Kiowa, and return to camp with him, — our camp being now about one hundred miles from the Agency. Accordingly I came in, and in due time proceeded to the Wichita Agency, where I visited both

schools. These are in a flourishing condition, particularly the one for the Caddoes, which is really an interesting institution.

The one for the Wichitas being a day school, and the scholars going home every night, they are irregular in their attendance, which adds to the labor of the teacher, while it retards the progress of the children. Home influences being naturally strong, the children under our care should be removed as much as possible from them, in order to make much improvement in the ways and arts of civilized life. It cannot be expected that a stranger, in whom they have very little confidence, can successfully counteract the superstitious customs and heathenish practices in which their parents instruct them.

The Caddoes have opened several new farms this summer; their corn looks well, and many of them are turning considerable attention to raising cattle and hogs.

The wife of Tofe-ko-ne^g Kiowa being sick, he could not come in according to his expectation, and failing to meet him, I returned to the Kiowa Agency, to meet with Lone Wolf, who, I understood, was there, in order to return to camp with him. But he having gone before my arrival, I was, consequently, left at the Agency.