

smoked all round, and then he assigned them a camp ground near his own, and invited the Chiefs and principal men to attend the Council that morning. The young men now took charge of the horses and the preparations of the camp.

IN COUNCIL.

The Indians were late in assembling, and it consisted of nearly the same persons as previously noted. - The Crow chiefs were assigned a place within the circle, and soon after they were seated, most of the chiefs and principal men of each tribe came up and presented the pipe and smoked with them.

Colonel Mitchell then informed them, through their interpreters, that he had submitted to them all the propositions he had to make, and he was now prepared to hear what they thought of them - if they had talked and smoked the matter over among themselves. He would first hear from the Sioux.

Terre Blue, ^{an} Brule, an old but very good chief, after selecting his interpreters, addressed the commissioners.

"Father, you and the whites have a great deal of sense, and you and our Grand Father have put yourselves to a great deal of trouble to come out here to see us. But we are all glad in our hearts that you have come. We know you want to do us good, to make us be at peace with each other and the whites, and we want to be at piece. I and my band, the Brule's, have heard all you have said, and we have talked together about it. Some things you propose are very well, but in some things we don't agree with you. - We are a large band, and we claim half of all the country; but, we don't care for that, for we can hunt anywhere. ^(in Sioux land) But we have decided differently from you, Father, about this Chief for the nation. We want a Chief for each band, and if you will make one or two Chiefs for each band, it will be much