

the way of aids to their people as it has ever been my misfortune to encounter. When these two old men shall have been gathered to their fates we can truly speak of them as good Indians, and only regret that providence in inscrutable way has so long delayed their departure." McGilllicuddy broke up the eleven bands on his reservation into thirty and did his best to help each family accumulate property and so throw off the authority of the chiefs. At first he found difficulty for Spotted Tail dictated the membership of the police force and prevented the orders of the agents from being carried out. McGilllicuddy, however, was a man of high nerve and when he learned that Spotted Tail had given orders that no one should trade at a certain store in the agency he went there with his interpreter and with the help of one Indian policeman persuaded the police to withdraw and Spotted Tail. Finally Spotted Tail give in and apologized by saying that he had been agent so long that he forgot the Great Father had sent him one.

One of McGilllicuddy's difficulties lay in the fact that his police had been equipped with Confederate uniforms which the Indians resented as the uniforms of the Great Father's late enemies. They also wished to be paid at the same rate as soldiers.

At Standing Rock Father Stephan found his greatest difficulty in the drunken soldiers from the army post who went into the camps looking for women. By a system of many particulars he managed to control this abuse. On the Cheyenne reservation in Oklahoma the problem was more difficult than elsewhere owing to the fact that the dog soldiers were not only a war society but also a band. About a century ago all the men