kill white men as to try to be good Indians, for they got no protection or extra reward for being good." Whon I told them these Sloux would be punished, they said, nWe have heard that before. We'll wait and see." While I an not disposed to be needlessly alamed, and do not agree with the writers of articles published in numerous Territorial papers, of a sensetional character, on this subject, yet I think there is danger of some of the young warriors from friendly Tribes felling off and joining With these hostile bands, until with these accessions, they would be somewhat formidable and micht make a aimultaneous attack on the white settlers in sone localities if they are thus allowed to gather head.

The true policy, in my judgemont, is to send troops against them in the winter, the sooner the better, and whip them into subjection. They richly merit the punishment, for their incessant warfare on friendy Tribes, their continuous theiving and their numerous murders of white settlers and their families or whitemen wherever found, unarmed.

The Cov't owes it, too, to these friendly Tribes, in fulfiliment of Mreaty stipulations. It owes it to the Agents and employees whom it has sent to labor anong the Indians at remote and almost inaceasible places, beyond the reach of aid in time to save. It owes it, too, to the frontier settlers who have, with their families, braved the dangers and hardahips incident to pioneer life. It owes it to civilization and to the cormon cause of humanity.

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