"The half-breeds lately bought seven horses from the Sioux. I have no doubt in my mind some were paid for in powder and lead. One of the Sioux accompanied the half-breeds to their camp. He is sent as a runner to the Santees, who are camped near them on the waters of White river. It is rumored they intend crossing the Missouri to join the Yanctonnais, Unkpapas &c.

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