

in ever look and gesture. I have made weekly issues of rations to all the Indians since the 1st of February of about three rations per week." He also says: "Omahocta, a chief of the Lower Yanktonais, is camped at Dirt Lodges, on James river, but cannot say how many are with him. The snow is now fast going, and I shall drive away these Indians in a few days."

So far as I have been able to learn the Brule Sioux are not regarded as of a friendly disposition and are looked upon with suspicion, but the other Indians seem anxious to preserve their amicable relations and treaties in every respect. As it is now difficult to transport provisions, it would be impossible to do anything for their subsistence before the time comes that the Indians can take care of themselves. In a short time the snow will have melted away sufficiently to enable them to go out and hunt buffalo.

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