

superintended in the Camp by them, and now with a view to their Civilization, the numbers and distances of the Resident- locations impose the necessity of a sufficiently numerous department to overlook them, if Government Agents are to be employed in that work. The foregoing sheets will exhibit the important and multifarious duties devolving on them at several principal stations, and I do not perceive how the present establishment is to be reduced unless it is determined to leave the Indians to themselves under care of the Missionaries, in which event several reductions might of course be made.

Mr. Jarvis suggests that their Uniform should be scarlet as formerly, that colour being most imposing and attractive in the eyes of the Indians and from its Military associations inspiring them with higher respect for the wearer than any other.

The Government should now decide definitely upon the department to be maintained, and then the Chief Officer should take measures for distributing and assigning their duties to those placed under him. Each one should be furnished with copious written instructions and whatever was enjoined should be strictly exacted of course their labours and usefulness must in a great degree depend upon the encouragement and pecuniary aid afforded by the Government in providing for the Indians and training them to settled habits.

Your Excellency is much better able to judge than I am whether a Chief Superintendent at the Seat of Government could be dispensed with. I should suppose not, and he should in my opinion be allowed a good clerk to assist him in the correspondence of his office and in keeping the Books of record, Account and Entry, necessary to prevent confusion and mistakes in the
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