

*Memo.**Visit to the "White Horse Plains."*

TUESDAY EVENING, October 26th, 1869.

Came from the road from Mangus Buston's, and go to bring the horse from the church to the water. The nuns see him water his horse—they run to him, and ask him, "Did you come from St. Vital? They said to him, "to join the people, and do not let the Governor cross the lines, or come into the country; he will speak and say many things to please you; fill his mouth with sugar, but he will do you much harm when he gets in."

They told the people to get their arms, and take them with them. I supplied them with provisions, bags of pemican, &c. They got arms from Cowley. About 28 or 40 people.

\* Priest *Cabina*\* spoke against \* \* \* \* letter to Buston, saying that \* \* \* \* wanted to blind the people.

Note—Knows about, this to ask him. Heard the priest and nuns declare, both, that the bishop had sent letters from Canada, that the Governor was not to be allowed to come into the Territory.

*Honorable Wm. McDougall.*

F. F. (Private.) MY DEAR MR. MCDUGALL,—The enclosed will bring matters up to last evening. This morning Mr. Dease has been with me to say that Governor McTavish has decided to make an appeal to the people, to obtain a large unarmed party to go down and escort you through. In which case it will no doubt be responded to generally, but this may take two or three days, as some parts of the Settlement are so distant.

In the meantime, till further fully advised to the contrary, you would only prejudice the chances of a quiet settlement of affairs by endeavoring to force your way on.

I will endeavor to keep you informed every day in some way or other, and you need only be patient, if you can.

The bearer, who is reliable, will give you an accurate account of the state of things on the road.

Most truly, yours,

J. S. DENNIS.

If I find I can be of less use here than with you, I will at once go down to meet you.

October 27th, 11 A.M.

J. S. D.