

Washington by a Commissioner, to be appointed by the General Council of the Indian Confederacy in the meantime, until the state of intelligence among them should require a more intimate connection with the Federal States—then, if deemed proper, to form one of the States of the Union.

9. Schools to be supported by a general fund, which will accumulate as they cede their present lands to the Government, and those schools to be connected with the education of the plough, and the tillage of the soil.

Next of importance is the *location*. The place I have named is the unsettled land known as the West of Minnesota, next to the banks of the Missouri. The great Sioux River, from its junction to its source, to become the Eastern boundary—from the source of the Sioux River, draw a line Westward to the Missouri River, to become the Northern boundary. Next, the channel of the Missouri River to the place of beginning, would constitute a territory large enough for all such purposes.

The reasons why I have named this as being the most suitable for them are the following :

1. The *great national* highways, which will soon be opened by the demands of enterprize of the West, must be South of this, and thereby would not come in contact with the Indian population.