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Office of the Dept of War

Washington D.C. Aug 21st 1856

The effects of a few opponents to the position, and the demagoguism as exhibited by the recent action of the Legislature of several of this Territory, apparently in fact of defiance the laws of Congress and instructions of heads of departments at Washington City, and the effect to incourage a spirit of resistance among the people against the adoption of such measures as have been deemed requisite to restore our Indian relations to a state of quietude, in accordance with treaty stipulations, and instructions from the department of Interior; makes it my duty to employ such persons in the service of the Indian department, as are wholly disinterested and uninfluenced by local parties and such only as may tender efficient aid in consummating the plans of the government in their efforts to civilize the aborigines of this Territory. I have therefore to inform you that I have no longer any need of your services in the office of the Dept of War.

Respectfully

Yours

Genl Palmer, Dept of War

In the Dept of War
Washington D.C.



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