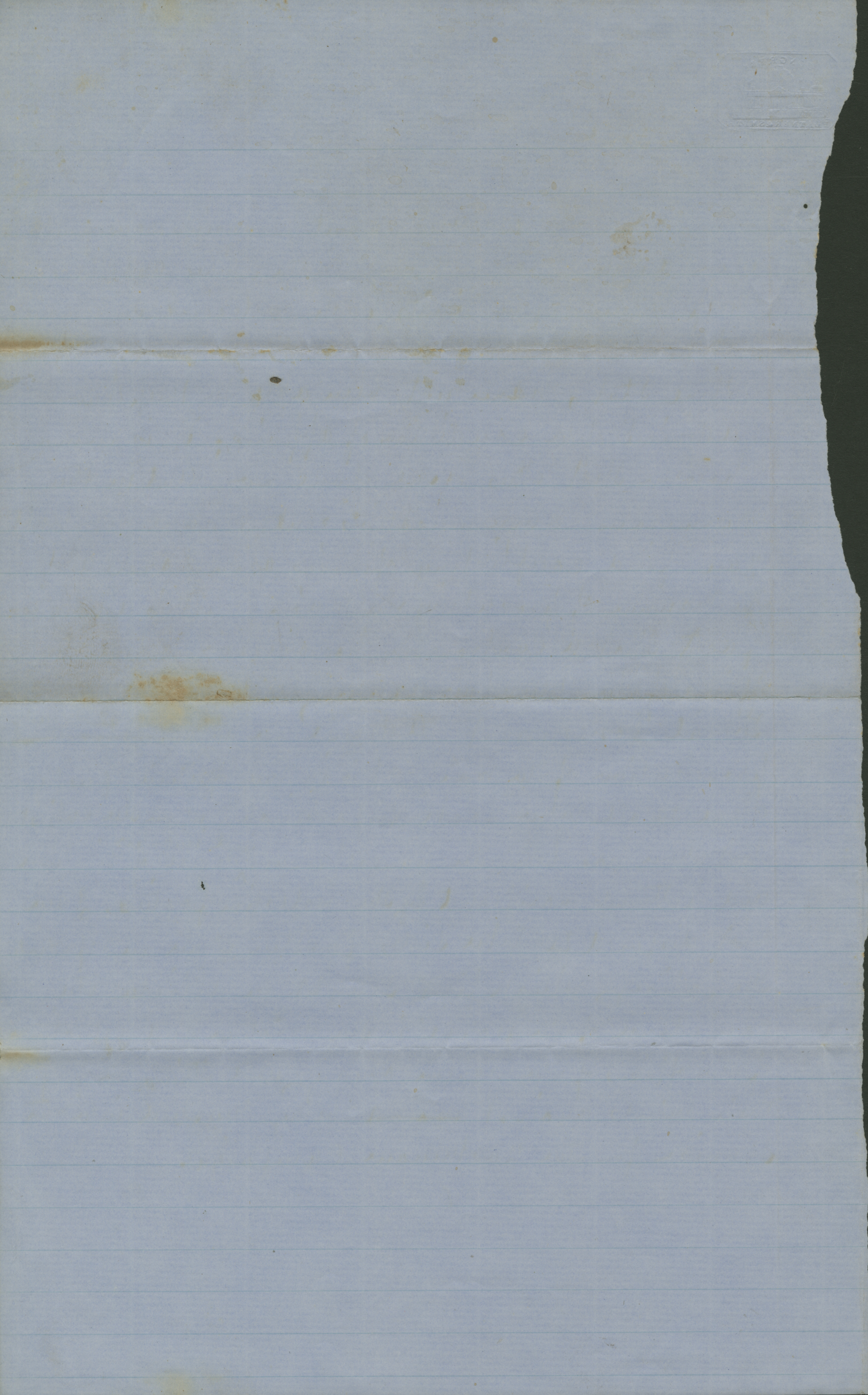
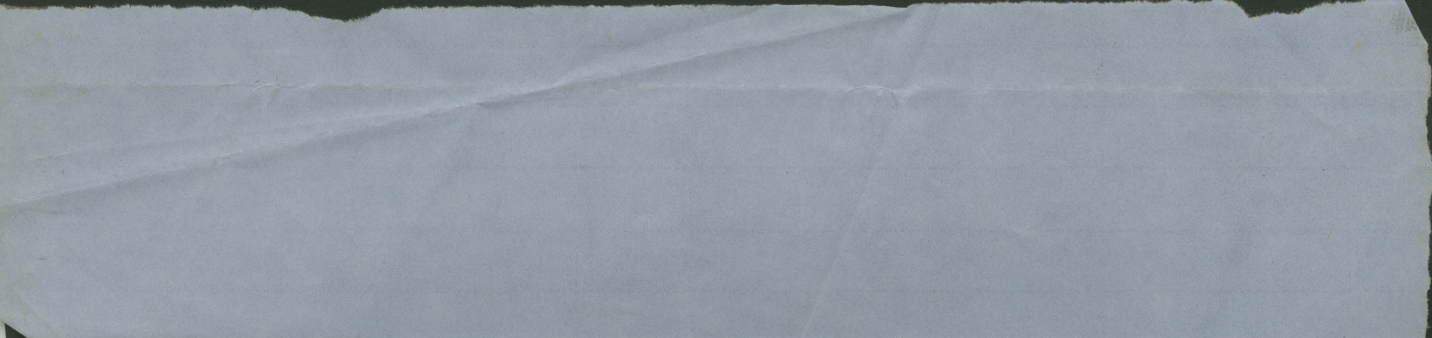


Dear General

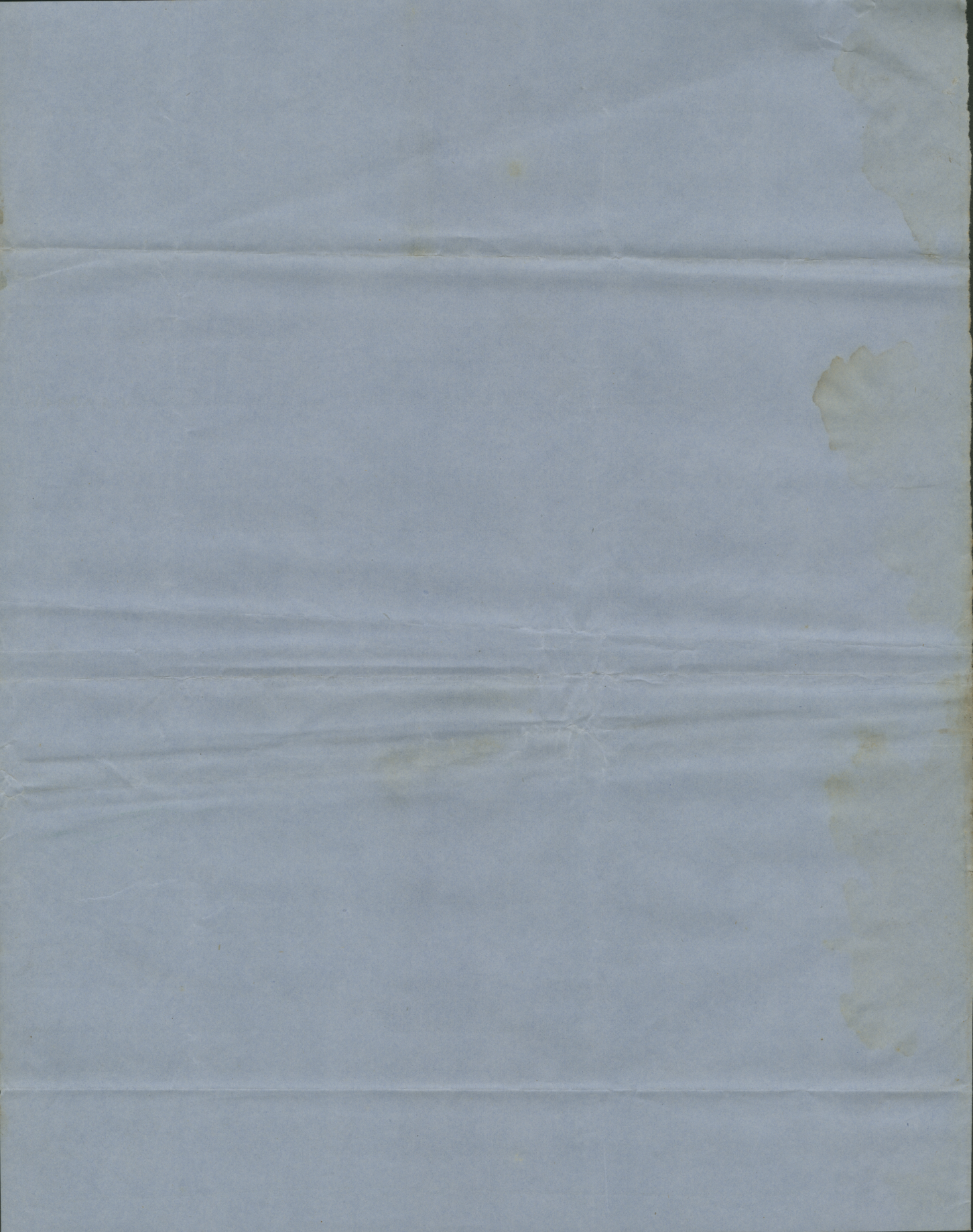
The increased amount of business consequent upon a state of war with our India allies - and efforts to keep within proper limits ^{and protest} such as desired to remain at peace with us, has consumed so much of my time that I have not been able to keep you advised of the condition of affairs; it is presumed however that others have done so - And in the numerous communications sent, I have no doubt you find conflicting opinions as to causes and the manner of prosecuting the war. It is a notorious fact that a contrivance has arisen between the offices of the regular Army and those of the Provisional Government - Addressed to ^{a successful study} ~~an energetic~~ prosecution of the war - It is in my opinion equally clear to all who look dispassionately upon the subject that there has been an unselfish ^{and improper} degree of violence and bitterness manifested by the respective parties. I am not disposed to ~~take~~ sides further than to repudiate the policy which first sought to alienate the confidence of the people in the devotion and patriotism of the officers of the regular Army and ~~to~~ ^{to} prejudice their minds against ~~against~~ being mustered into the service for the Guchman Campaign.



I rely with confidence upon the cordial action
of congress in the enactment of such laws and the appropriation
of the requisite amount of funds to extinguish the public debt
to the lands in Oregon west of the Cascade mountains
and the establishment of some permanent system of



or policy for the management of these Tribes as
 will secure peace and remove the many annoy-
 ances to which the Settles are daily subjected to
 and the fulfilment of those obligations which Justice
 and humanity demand towards these weak and
 and numerous Tribes. Nearly every thing done
 by us ~~to~~ ^{of the same} must of necessity be of a temporary char-
 = ter. but should look to their ultimate
 civilization and enlightenment. Judiciously
 to instill into the minds of the Settles a spirit
 of forbearance in their treatment towards the Indians,
 and altho' we have among us persons who some-
 times upon ~~their~~ ^{the rights} ~~rights~~ ^{of the Indians} yet that our great Chief the
 President and Congress of the United States are good
 thro' South end as a duty imposed upon us as agents
 of the Government who have been designated to watch
 over the interest of these Tribes. You will, at the next
 sitting of the Term of Court to be held in your county
 meet in the Grand Jury all persons ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~county~~ ^{county}
 on behalf to have been engaged in violating the
 laws and laws of the country by killing the Indians
 two Indians at Mittle creek last fall - and the
 Indian and Squaw on Cow Creek about
 the same time, and the Indian and Squaw
 on Mittle Creek during the last winter - and
 the murder of the 16 Indians at Copake and

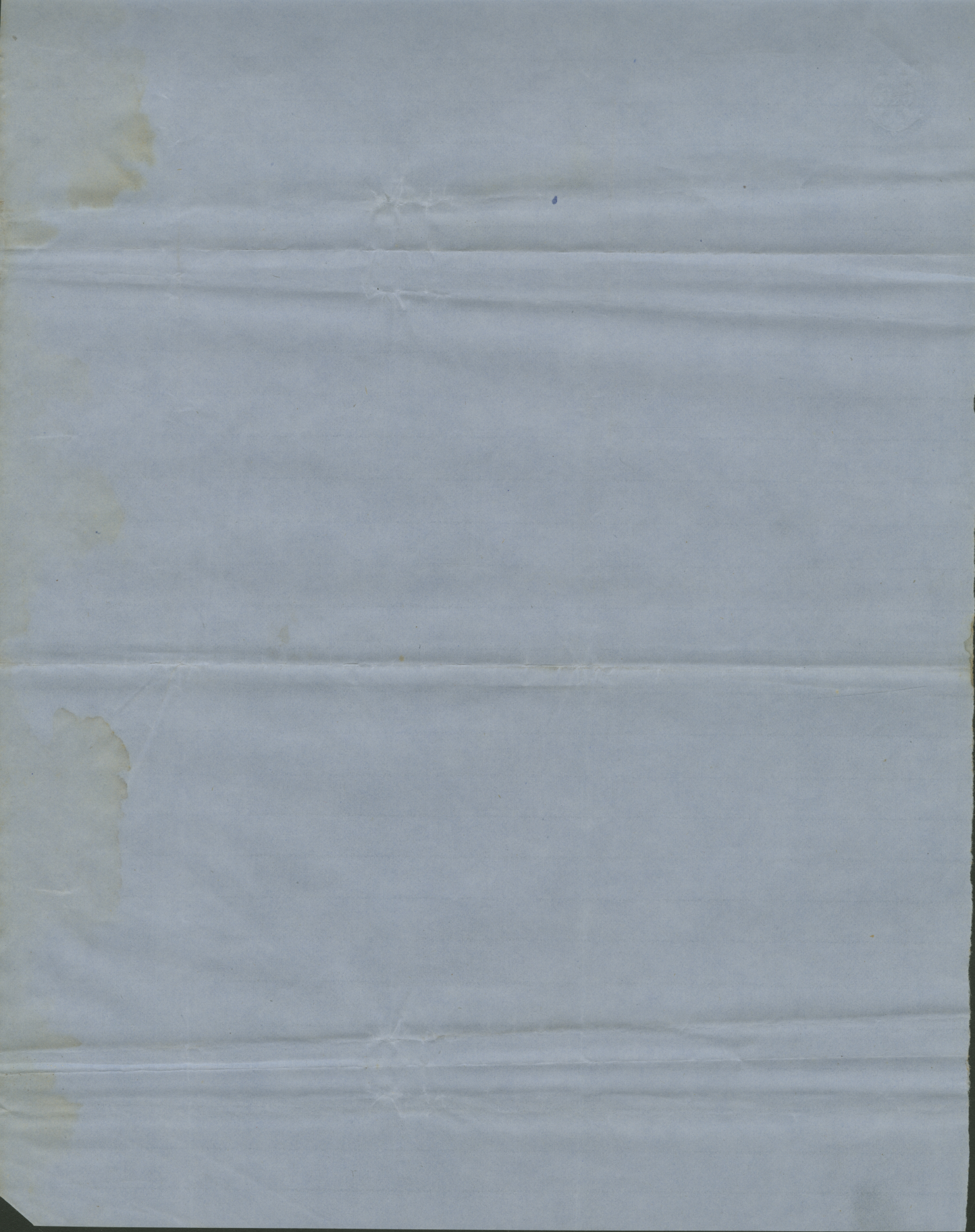


~~The 4 or 5 - of case by this spring~~

Mr Wright who resides at Murtle creek will give you the names of ~~any~~ several persons engaged in the murder of that place - and Mr Nicholas Long on cavern will give information in relation to the murder on cow creek.

You will also aid Mr J L Passick in causing to be brought to trial all persons engaged in killing the 16 Indians on Coquill and the 3 killed on case ~~by~~ this spring - ^{together with the} and the one killed by Mr Rowland on the Coquill - These violations of law and order ~~and~~ and of humanity ~~and~~ demand prompt action on our part and you will take all necessary steps to cause the perpetrators of these ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~tried~~ ~~and~~ ~~punished~~ ~~in~~ ~~order~~ ~~to~~ ~~prevent~~ ~~and~~ ~~such~~ ~~associates~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~laws~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~county~~

In order to insure the allowance of your accounts for ^{expenses} incurred in the discharge of your duties, you will be ^{required} to take vouchers for ~~to~~ all expenditures, each voucher should ^{show} on its face the objects for which the amount is paid, with the date of payment - and must be certified to by you as having been actually expended in the discharge of your official duties. You will make returns ~~quarterly~~



In abstract form
 of all ~~expenses~~ to the office of Superintendent of Indian Affairs
 for Oregon Territory Quarterly of all expenses incurred. An abstract
 and an account current ~~should~~ should always accompany
~~the return~~ showing the date of payment - To whom
 paid - for what paid - No of vouchers - and amount
 Blank forms will be furnished you by ^{the} acting Superintendent
~~at this~~ who will also supply you with a copy of the rules &
 regulations of the Indian department and a trust complica
 with its requirements is expected. You will inform
 the Superintendent from time to time of the condition of
 the Indians in your district, and give such information
 as may best ~~that office~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~interest~~ of such facts as may tend
 to promote peace enable him to adopt such
 regulations as will carry out fully the humane policy
 of the Government towards the Indian Tribes, and prom
 peace. Should an emergency arise requiring
 additional instructions before my return, you will
 address the acting Superintendent at Dayton, Yamhill
 County O.T.

Leel Palmer
 Superintendent

