

accustomed to civilization have different wants: this incongruity of character must necessarily expose you to the dangers of discordant counsels and views, and much wisdom will be required to preserve that general harmony and concord which will be essential to your happiness.

Brothers, As we have already remarked, although your removal to the West will probably dissolve the immediate connection which has so long subsisted between us, yet it cannot extinguish nor lessen our solicitude for your welfare, we should therefore be unfaithful to our feelings, did we not on the present occasion speak with entire freedom to you upon these matters, which we apprehend are intimately connected with your security under the new circumstances in which you are about to be placed.

Brothers, We believe that when you become settled in your new habitations, it will be of great importance to you to have the privilege of sending a delegate from amongst your own people to represent the interests of your Nations, in the general Council or Congress of the United States, and who being well acquainted with your situation and wants would be able to explain them so as to procure redress, should you at any time be aggrieved.

Brothers, We think this privilege would be of the utmost consequence to you, and that in ceding your present reservations you ought to insist upon its being secured to you. Your very remote situation will place you far out of the sight of your Father the President of the United States, and we perceive no way by

which the American Congress will be able to come at a true knowledge of your wants, or any of the abuses you may suffer, but through such a delegate. If you choose a wise good man he will gain an influence which cannot fail to be of great benefit to you.

Brothers, You have many warm friends amongst the white people who are desirous of knowing what would really be useful to you and would give all their influence to promote it. The Government of the United States is also sincerely disposed to be kind to you. Many of the injuries you have received, and which have not been redressed, have been brought upon you by bad men, who have deceived the Government, and have not permitted the truth to be told to it.

Brothers, Your Delegate in Congress would be able to make a true and faithful representation for you, and what he might say would be heard by the Government, and by the people of the United States, who would listen to him and endeavour to do you justice.

Brothers, You ought, on taking possession of the Country now about to be occupied by you, also to insist on a positive stipulation and agreement guaranteed by the most solemn forms, that it shall never, upon any pretext be taken from you, and that you will never be asked to surrender one inch of it.

Upon this stipulation may depend the preservation of your whole race from destruction. This consideration will at once fix upon your minds the importance of such an engagement to you.

Brothers, We have so many times and so earnestly endeavoured