Headquarters Military Division of the Missouri,

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Asst. Adj. Gen., Head Qrs. of the Army,

Washington, D.C.

Maj. Gen.

I have received the copy of Colonel Parker, letter of March 24 from Omaha, and wish General Grant may be satisfied by it. I will repeat what he has been seen upon the fact that General Hancock is not operating against the band of Indians who are now between the Platte and the Republican, but against the Chignagoon and Comanche, Kiraiy, and Comanches south of the Arkansas.

As to General Terry, as soon as the Missouri River opens he will go in person to the Missouri River and endeavor to lay plans where his presence may be necessary. He has had both his orders given him.
In support ofCarver's claims to carry on in war against the Sioux from the
Missouri River. The Indians are to great that we cannot keep them
distant against a Clear line. The
situation in and will necessarily
be as great that the Sioux can
and will pass between the Posts in
any event any campaign will be
inconclusive and we can only
check the hostile Indians in order
to detrimental efforts.
As soon as the Commission Report
we will be ready to take them Indians
in hand. But I have no hope that
we can be prudently anything as long
as our action must be kept behind
until to the Indians and interests
of Indian Agents.

With great respect
W.P. Sherman
Wine Camp