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Ft. Lapwai Idaho.

Oct. 2, 1890.

Hon. Commission of Indian Affairs:  
Sir:

It is necessary to have a man to go out and notify the Indians of the whereabouts of the Surveyor that they may be on hand to see their lands run out and establish their corners, as well as designate what lands they wish to take for their families. The Indians are scattered up & down the valleys of the creeks almost none living on the land where they can take their full allotment. I had hoped to secure this service from the Indian police, but the Agent tells me that while he is anxious to assist all in his power, he has but four policemen for this large area, and two of these he has sent to the mountains, and of the other two he cannot spare one for this service. I have authority to employ extra assistance, but I have hitherto only availed myself of it when in remote regions. I thought it proper to inform you why I have had to hire the extra man for a week or two in gathering the Indians, so as to hasten the work by any means

Respectfully

[[signature]] Alice C. Fletcher [[/signature]]  
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St. Joseph, Idaho.  
Oct. 2, 1890.

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