

no large army as you said we would. The man (Col. Hamilton) whom you sent with us did not use us well, and we turned and came back to you.

Father!—We saw a man with much beard, (General Dodge) who had killed eleven Sacs—he is a brave man, and there are brave men along with him; but they are very few. The Sacs and Foxes have killed a great many white men, and are still killing them. More than a hundred have been killed already.

GEN. STREET:—You have not answered the principal inquiry I made of you. What brought you back, and do you mean to return? If you are tired, some can ride, as these white men (Capts. Estes and Jones) are going to take horses for Gen. Dodge. He will shew you the large army I told you was on Rock river. You did not go far enough to see it. The white people that have been killed are less than your fears suggest.

It was not that your Great Father wanted help from you, that I told you to go to war. It was to give you an opportunity to revenge your slaughtered friends. Your Father has penned those Indians up, and he means to kill them all; and had you remained, you would have seen how his white children rush upon, and kill their enemies. He does not ask you to help him; but if you want revenge, go and take it. This is what I said to you. And I now repeat it—if you want to kill the murderers of your friends and families, go now and do it; for your Great Father has devoted these Indians to death. He cannot reclaim, and he will kill them.

What I said, was to explain to you how you came to go down, and remind you of your great anxiety to go against the Sacs and Foxes. I do not mean to take any notice of any part of what you have said, except what relates to this business. I want a direct answer. What brought you back, and what do you intend to do?

LARK:—Our feet are sore and our moccasins worn out; we want to see our families. We have come thus far, and I think shall continue on home. Six of our people have remained with the little man (Col. Hamilton); some went by Galena for our canoes; three of those who went to Galena have just