

war is now carried on solely on account of the Indians, and I wish you to take every opportunity in public as well as private to impress this highly important fact upon the minds of the Sioux. In short I wish you to say everything likely to confirm their attachment to us, and increase their exertions in the common cause. Mr. Vertefeuille goes to Lake Pepin to kill and salt wild fowl for the Garrison. give him all the assistance you can.

A. BULGER, Captain

Commanding on the Mississippi.

FORT MCKAY, 8th April, 1815.

FROM MAJ. TAYLOR BERRY.

OFF MOUTH OF ROCK RIVER,

Gun-boat Gov. Clarke

April 10th, 1815.

SIR,—Enclosed you will find received a letter from the Commanding Officer of the 8 United States Military District. Finding Captain Duncan Graham of the British Service at this place, who has promised me to convey this letter with the accompanying dispatch to you without delay, renders it unnecessary for me to proceed further. Permit me to assure you, that it is the sincere wish of my Government, as well as the Commanding Officer referred to, That hostilities should immediately cease in this quarter with the Indians, but should they repeat their aggressions, it will be considered as a violation of the Peace, and they will forfeit the rights and immunities guaranteed to them in the Treaty of your Government, and will be left to make their own peace, on such terms as the American Government may grant them.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

TAYLOR BERRY, Major,

Commanding.

To

The Commanding Officer

Of His Britannic Majesty's

Forces at La Prairie des Chiens.