THE INDIANS ARE FEARED

The inhabitants of the west side of the Mississippi are complaining loudly of the Indians, who in emigrating west to the district of country allotted them by the government, have squatted down among them. These are the same Indians we alluded to last winter as hunting on government lands. They are at present, as we are informed, extremely insolent, and in many instances have threatened the lives of the settlers. They say that it is their intention to plant corn on the Maquoquita this season, and to drive the whites off from the lands and compel them to take refuge on this side of the Mississippi. The settlers in consequence are alarmed, and in one or two instances have brought their families over to this side. Disagreeable results will shortly happen if there is not something done on the part of the government agents to check the lawless propensities of the Indians and to remove them from the lands. It is said to be hazardous for the settlers to leave their cabins, as the Indians will enter them in their absence, and carry off anything to which they may take a fancy. If there is no other resort the settlers will be obliged to band together for mutual protection and safety.—Western Gazette and Galena Advertiser, Galena, Wisconsin Territory, April 8, 1837. (In the Newspaper Division of the Historical, Memorial and Art Department of Iowa.)
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