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RATIFIED TREATY NO. 329

DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE NEGOTIATION OF THE TREATY  
OF OCTOBER 12, 1863, WITH THE SHOSHONI-GOSHIP INDIANS

Map of N. S. C. S.  
C. S. D. N. S. C. S.  
G. S. C. S. N. S. C. S.  
Oct 21. 63

One treaty made with  
the Shoshone bands  
of the Snake tribe -  
also one with the Shoshone  
and Pimuck  
of the Shoshone (Snake)  
River Valley - will for  
ward copy for treaty  
expenditures &c.

ack Dec 4

Treaty sent to Sec  
of Ints  
of Sec Report  
Dec 30. 63

L. C. S. C. S.

The Hon<sup>ble</sup>  
Wm. B. Dole  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Territory of Utah  
Superintendency of Indian Affairs,  
Great Salt Lake City,  
October 21<sup>st</sup>. 1863

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Treaty with the Shoshone Bands of the Goship Tribe, which was concluded at Snilla Valley on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October. I had previously made a verbal Treaty of Peace (on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October) with the remaining portion of the Southern Bands who are connected with the Pahvant Tribe. They gave their assent to all of the provisions contained in this Treaty. The largest portion of these Bands have been killed by the Troops during the past season.

Also, a Treaty of Peace and Friendship with the Mixed Bands of Shoshones and Bannacks of the Shoshone (or Snake) river Valley, concluded at Soda Springs, in Idaho Territory, on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October. In the month of September, I advised Govr. Wallace by letter of the proposed Treaty, and of the time and place of holding it; and, as readily to your suggestion, invited him to be present, but received no answer. ~~from~~. I presume my letter did not reach him.

As many of these Indians, as also others with whom treaties have been made this season, have been engaged in hostilities, I deemed it proper that Genl. Connor who commands this Military District, and has been personally in the field against them, should unite with me in the Councils which have been held with them, and in forming the Treaties of Peace. He has rendered great service to the government in punishing and subduing them. By the rapid and skilful movement of his Troops and their repeated successful attacks, he has

been mainly instrumental in bringing the Indians to acknowledge, for the first time, that the "Americans" are the masters of this Country.

I hope these Treaties, and the Councils which have been held with the Tribes with which I was not authorised to make formal Treaties, will receive the approbation of the President.

My duties as Commissioner being now terminated by the Conclusion of Treaties with all the Bands of the Shoshone Nation, my accounts for Treaty expenditures will be prepared and forwarded as soon as possible.

Allow me to congratulate the Department upon the successful negotiation of these Treaties; and the restoration of peace with all of the Tribes within this Territory.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient Servant

James M. Doody  
Commissioner

Copy

To

A. J. Center Esq  
Treasurer Overland Mail Co  
New York

Great Salt Lake City Utah Terr.  
October 21st. 1863

Sir,

Treaties having been concluded with all of the hostile Tribes of Indians in this Country, and peace restored, we deem it proper to inform you of the fact, and to express the opinion that all of the Routes of travel through Utah Territory to Nevada and California, and to the Beaver Head and Boise river Gold Mines, may now be used with safety.

No fears of depredations or molestation need be apprehended from the Shoshone, Utah, Goship or Bannack Nations, judging from the feelings manifested by them, and their strong professions of friendship and desire for peace at the signing of the Treaties, the last of which was made with the Bannacks of the Shoshone river valley at Soda Springs on the 14th instant.

James Duane Doty Commissioner  
P. Edward Connor  
Brig. Genl. Cal. Vols.  
Comdr Military Dept. of Utah

Utah Sup. V. 463-64

(no. 4)

Goship Bands - Shoshones.

Copy.

Treaty of Peace and Friendship made at  
Twilla Valley in the Territory of Utah, this  
Twelfth day of October A. D. One thousand eight  
hundred and sixty-three, between the United  
States of America, represented by the undersigned  
Commissioners and the Shoshonee-Goshipe Bands  
of Indians, represented by their chiefs, principal  
men and warriors, as follows:-

Article I. Peace and Friendship is hereby established  
and shall be hereafter maintained between the  
Shoshonee-Goshipe Bands of Indians and the  
citizens and government of the United States, and the  
said Bands stipulate and agree that hostilities and  
all depredations upon the Emigrant Trains, the  
Mail and Telegraph Lines, and upon the citizens  
of the United States within their country, shall cease.

Article II. It is further stipulated by said Bands,  
that the several routes of travel through their  
country now or hereafter used by white men, shall  
be forever free, and unobstructed by them, for the  
use of the government of the United States and  
of all Emigrants and Travellers within it under  
its authority and protection, without molestation  
or injury from them -

And if depredations are at any time com-  
mitted by bad men of their own or other Tribes  
within their country, the offenders shall be im-  
mediately taken and delivered up to the proper  
officers of the United States, to be punished as



Their offences may deserve; and the safety of all travellers passing peaceably over either of said Routes is hereby guaranteed by said Bands -

Military Posts may be established by the President of the United States, along said Routes or elsewhere in their country; and Station Houses may be erected and occupied at such points as may be necessary for the comfort and convenience of travellers or for the use of the Mail or Telegraph companies.

Article III. The Telegraph and Overland Stage Lines having been established and operated by companies under the authority of the United States through the country occupied by said Bands, it is expressly agreed that the same may be continued without hindrance, molestation or injury from the people of said Bands; and that their property and the lives and property of passengers in the stages and of the employees of the respective companies, shall be protected by them.

And further it being understood that provision has been made by the <sup>Government of the</sup> United States for the construction of a Railway from the Plains west to the Pacific ocean, it is stipulated by said Bands, that the said Railway, or its Branches, may be located, constructed and operated, and without molestation from them, through any portion of the country claimed or occupied by them.

Article IV. It is further agreed by the parties hereto, that the country of the Goship Tribe may be explored and prospected for gold and silver or other minerals, and metals; and when mines are discovered they may be worked, and mining and agricultural settlements formed and ranchos established, wherever they may be required. Mills may be erected, and timber taken for their use as also for building and other purposes, in any part of said country -

Article V. It is understood that the boundaries of the country claimed and occupied by the Goship Tribe, as defined and described by said Bands, as follows -

On the north by the middle of the Great Desert  
On the west by Steptoe Valley,

On the south by Towelloe or Green Mountains. -

And on the East by Great Salt Lake, Tulla, & Bush Valleys

Article VI. The said Bands agree, that whenever the President of the United States shall deem it expedient for them to abandon the roaming life which they now lead, and become settled as Herdsmen or Agriculturalists, he is hereby authorized to make such reservations for their use as he may deem necessary; and they do also agree to remove their camps to such reservations as he may indicate, and to reside and remain thereon. -

Article VII. The United States being aware of the inconvenience resulting to the Indians in consequence of

the driving away and destruction of game along the  
Route travelled by white men, and by the forma-  
tion of agricultural and mining settlements, are  
willing to fairly compensate them for the same;  
therefore, and in consideration of the preceding  
stipulations and of their faithful observance by  
said Bands, the United States promise, and  
agree to pay to the said Goship Tribe or to the  
said Bands, parties hereto, at the option of the  
President of the United States, annually for the  
term of twenty years, the sum of One thousand  
dollars, in such articles - including cattle for herd-  
ing or other purposes - as the President shall deem  
suitable for their wants and condition either as  
Hunters or Herdmen.

And the said Bands for themselves and for their  
Tribe hereby acknowledge the reception of the  
said stipulated annuities, as a full compensa-  
tion and equivalent for the loss of game and the  
rights and privileges hereby conceded; and also  
one thousand dollars in provisions and goods at  
before the signing of this Treaty -

Witnesses

Amos Reed

Chas. H. Hampstead

Capt. & Chief Commissary

Dist. of Utah.

William Lee

Interpreter

Jos. A. Nelson

Interpreter

James Duane Doty, Commr

P. Edw. Connor

Brig. Genl. U. S. Col.

Comdg. Dist. of Utah

Tabby + his mark

Adaseim + his mark

Tintapa-gin + his mark

Harway-tup + his mark

In Executive Session, Senate of the United States  
March 7, 1864 -

Resolved (two thirds of the Senators present con-  
curring) That the Senate advise and consent to the  
ratification of the "Treaty of peace and friendship  
made at Tuilla Valley, in the Territory of Utah,  
this twelfth day of October, A. D. one thousand eight  
hundred and sixty-three between the United States  
of America, represented by their Commissioners,  
and the Shoshonee Goshop bands of Indians, rep-  
resented by their chiefs, principal men, and war-  
riors" with the following  
Amendment.

At the end of Article 7, insert a new Article as follows; -

Article 8. Nothing herein contained shall be  
construed or taken to admit any other or  
greater title or interest in the lands embraced  
within the Territories described in said trea-  
ty in said tribes or bands of Indians than  
existed in them upon the acquisition of  
said Territories from Mexico by the laws  
thereof. -

Attest,

D. W. Forney  
Secretary