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Aug 27th 1878 Lake City, Modoc Co.
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Mr. Katzenstein, Dear Sir and Brother

I have circulated two petitions and
send them to you. One I had the women
sign. This is the one. The other the men
signed. The male paper is very dirty but
I could not help it for I had to go shore
they were heading and threshing. Have
succeeded beyond my expectations. Could
have done better if I had got the papers sooner.
I did not know whether it was intended for
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