

H. C. HODGES. 1853.

Captain George McClellan made the trip to Colville with sixty-six men and 173 horses and mules. He used the Klickitat pass, south of Mt. St. Helens and Mt. Adams. When he reached the Yakima valley, he sent Lieutenant H. C. Hodges through the Naches pass to Fort Steilacoom, with fifty pack horses, for provisions.

Word came back from Hodges that he had lost sixteen of his horses and could not find enough pack animals to carry all the supplies. As the Indian troubles which McClellan feared had not developed, he reduced his force, sending back the military escort.

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