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blanket was, time & again thrown upon him, while he continued to lash out in every direction & though foiled & brought up by the rope on every occasion, he would not give up, while his merciless persecutors continued to torment him by punching & striking him with long sticks, until after repeatedly throwing himself, he fell exhausted & lay quiet, whereupon the carrier was removed from him, we saddled up & started on, the pony docile by exhaustion being driven by one of the party, we reached the mountains, & finding a convenient stream of pure cool water about dark we encamped for the night.

The Wichita Mountains present from the south a much more bold & striking outline, than from any other point of view, Mt Scott ^{& Mt Sheridan} ~~is~~ ^{is} distinctly visible most of the day in the far North East, while the more southwestern peaks of the system, being near by, arose from the level ^{grass} plains in majestic grandeur,

The almost entire absence of timber, on these mountains of immense rocks, gives to the Wichitas a peculiarly sharp & serrated outline, in the distance, while a nearer approach, but enhances the rough & rugged contour, as the whole face of the mountains reveals, but the outline of rocks piled upon rocks for hundreds & hundreds of feet in altitude, some of which lifting their heads far above their fellows gives a jagged with the cavernous spaces between others which appear as though tumbled together in Nature's sportive moments, gives a jagged roughness to the whole mountain side