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the River. I sent Lt. Hensly with a party of men and the interpreter Romeo to ascertain who they were. The Lt. returned with two Indians of the Cheyenne tribe who informed me that White Head, a Cheyenne chief, was encamped about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles East of me. I sent the interpreter to White Head to tell him to come to my camp the next morning. It was then too dark to permit Indians to enter my camp. At 7 a.m., 12th inst. White Head with 15 of his tribe came to camp and informed me he was out hunting or looking after Buffalo, he came across from his permanent camp, that he had with him about 80 young men, that "One-eyed Bull" had charge of 50 or 60 and that they were following him, that he had no permission to be off the reservation, but as whites were hunting Buffalo on the reservation he came across the Cimaron River; that "One-eyed Bull" was to join him at the Springs about 4 miles above my camp, that the women and children of his band were moving down to Beaver Creek for the fall hunt, that parties of white men were then hunting on Beaver Creek and far into the Indian Territory. He reported that a party of 3 white men shot one of his ponies on the 11th inst. He did nothing to these men for that rascally act. I asked him what the Kiowas were then doing. He replied, "They are hunting on the Wichita River, South of the Wichita Mountains." He said the Kiowas were not on the warpath, but some of the young Kiowas warriors asked some of the young Cheyenne warriors to go with them to Texas--if Santa and Big Tree were not released. He declined to go to Washington with Whirlwind as his medicine was not good. White Head is one of the principal chiefs of the Cheyenne tribes, his statement can be relied on. At 10 a.m. he left my camp to go to the Springs, there to await the arrival of "One-eyed Bull", and I proceeded down the river for 5 miles and went into camp. I sent out reconnoitering parties East and South--at 1 p.m. 6 Indians were brought in. The Interpreter recognized them as Cheyennes and belonging to White Head's party. At 2 p.m., "One-eyed Bull" with 56 Cheyennes came to my camp. I put these into camp about 1 mile above mine. They were armed with bows and arrows, no shields or lances, and only 6 Remington revolvers in the whole band. "One-eyed Bull" confirmed White Head's statements. With this party was a large number of Cays. I permitted them to enter my camp. ~~Whirlwinds son, a~~

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