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South.

I marched down Beaver Creek, North side, met another party of 3 hunters. These reported that a party of Indians crossed South a week ago. This was White Head's band returning to their camp. I continued the march down Beaver Creek to a point opposite the lower springs on the Cimarron, here met another body of hunters, crossed the divide to the springs, thence to Crooked Creek up to Crooked Creek by the Bascom trail to Fort Dodge, which I reached on the 26th inst. I patrolled the Cimarron River from the Springs (Wet Cimarron) to the Camp Supply road—marched 330 miles and did not see the least indication of a trail running North except that made by White Head's band.

I respectfully submit the map and journal recorded by lst Class Pvt. A. C. Kelly, Battl. of Eng., U. S. A.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant
Joseph Kerin
Capt. 6th U. S. Cavalry
Comdg. "F" Co.

A true copy
Thomas B. Nichols
2nd Lieut. 6th Cavalry
Post Adjutant

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## Memorandum of Scout

## March

No. 1-It. Nichols and 15 enlisted men of Co. "G" left Fort Dodge March 13, 1873, returned March 24/73. Medicine Lodge. Distance marched 168 miles per S. O. 31, Ext. II, March 12/73, under the personal command of the Post Commander.

## April

NO. 2-Captain T. C. Tupper and 35 enlisted men of Co. "G" left Fort Dodge April 20/73 in obedience to S. O. 45, Ext. Scouted in South Easterly direction from pond near southern line of State. Distance marched about 190 miles.