

IN THE FORTHCOMING "LIST OF ENGAGEMENTS" THE FOLLOWING WILL APPEAR AS THE "INTRODUCTION"

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Subsequent to the Winter Sioux Campaign of 1890-91 the Adjutant General's Office in Washington, D. C., published in the form of a 65 page pamphlet (indexed) a "Chronological List of Actions, Etc., With Indians from January 1, 1866, to January, 1891," as Office Memoranda.

This in the Military Division of the Missouri had been preceded by a 112 page pamphlet entitled "Record of Engagements with Hostile Indians within the Military Division of the Missouri from 1868 to 1882," compiled by direction of Lieut. Gen. P. H. Sheridan. This was in narrative form and contained considerable more data for each engagement than the tabulated Office Memoranda of the Adjutant General's Office, and was reprinted by the "Cavalry Journal" in their issues from July, 1903 to April, 1904.

All the foregoing have **long since been out of print**, and second hand copies obtainable only with difficulty, and at high prices. These, while valuable, were incomplete, and a few years ago similar data was secured from the Historical Section, Army War College, covering the period from January 15, 1837, to December 11, 1865, which is now included.

That which is now presented covers a longer period than any of the previous lists. Data for any particular engagement is as quickly found as a number in a telephone book, and covers: (1) Date, (2) Place, (3) Troops Engaged, (4) Name of Commander, (5) Tribe of Indians, (6) Casualties, both as to Troops, and, where known, that of the Indians.

This has recently appeared serially in "Winners of the West" from October 1936, to December 1937.

It is here presented in book form for Library use, and for the convenience of those engaged in historical work. In a compilation of so much detail it is inevitable that errors will be found, and, if reported to the publishers, effort will be made to give suitable publicity for the benefit of purchasers of the List.

It should be remembered that what is here presented concerns only actions in which troops of the Regular Army have been engaged, and regarding which data has been kept. As is well known there have been numerous and hard fought engagements in which the whites have been represented by volunteers; by emigrants in crossing the Great Plains; by others who for various reasons had unlawfully trespassed on Indian Reservations where whites by treaty stipulations were forbidden. Again they were fought by settlers in defense of their homes.

Unfortunately data regarding all save where Regulars were engaged is either non-existent or practically unobtainable.