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Movements of the Horse Thieves...Two Shot and Two Hung... Chummy Jones and "Skip Charter"......A Camp of Horse Thieves..... Troops on the Hunt..Items of Interest., &c.

News has just reached this post that a camp of horse thieves are well baricaded and provisioned some 55 miles southwest of this post, and about the same distance from Fort Elliott. They were followed and discovered by a Mr. Ivey, formerly a soldier of the 4th Cavalry, but more recently an employee in the Quartermaster's Department.

It appears that Ivey, owing to his knowledge of the country and experience as a scout was employed by Lee & Reynolds to hunt for their horses recently stolen. Ivey, with three other men, got on their trail, and followed them to where they found them encamped, as above. When the thieves saw Ivey and his party approaching, they motioned him to go back and not approach any nearer. Ivey put down his gun and threw up his hand in token of an interview. One of the thieves did the same and they advanced until meeting half way. Ivey insisted on them delivering the horses stolen from Lee & Reynolds (including George Thomas') but the thief replied that if they thought they could take them, they were-- "take them if you can." Ivey noticed seven heads looming up from behind the barricade, and had no accurate idea as to how many more might be stowed away in close proximity, concluded to retreat.

Ivey then came into this post for sufficient troops to capture them, leaving a guard to watch their movements. The commanding officer immediately sent a detachment of Co. "I," 4th Cavalry, under command of Lieut. M. Leeper in pursuit of them, which are at the present writing still out.

One of the thieves was recognized by Ivey as a man who had two ponies picketed

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