

Copy telegram.

Chicago, January 23rd 1879.  
Received 8:30 P.M.

To  
General Townsend.  
Washington, D. C.

The following telegram forwarded by General Crook just received here.

(signed) P. H. Sheridan  
Lieutenant General

"Camp eight miles north-east of Bluff Station, January 23rd, via  
Fort Robinson.

General Crook

Omaha Nebraska.

Affair with Cheyenne took place yesterday about two thirty P.M.  
at point eight miles east of telegraph line from Robinson to Hat Creek,  
and five miles north of stage-road. Cheyennes fought with extraordinary  
courage and fierceness and refused all terms but death. Officers and  
troops behaved with great spirit. Those engaged were Captains Wessells  
and Lawson, and Lieuts. Chase, Hardie, and G. W. Baxter, third Cavalry,  
and Lieut. J. Baxter, Ninth Infantry, and Doctor Pettis. Among the  
wounded are Sergeant Read, and privates Dubois, Co. "H" 3rd Cavalry.

Troops return to stations at once. Indians killed, seventeen  
warriors, four women and two children; and nine captured three of whom  
are wounded. One man of wounded will probably die.

(signed) Evans.

Commanding.

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