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It is my opinion their families have gone South to the Witchita mountains. Two columns of troops kept in the field, if they do not succeed in getting a decisive action, will keep those indians moving, and so uncomfortable, that, they will be glad to make peace on any terms.

In the late affairs the Officers and men all behaved as well as any one could wish; their only anxiety appeared to be to get into action.

I am happy to say my loss is small, three killed and six wounded. Several horses and mules were killed.

As regards the loss on the part of Indians, it is impossible for me to make any accurate estimate, but I think I can safely say that, at least 20 or 30 were killed and as many more wounded. I myself saw many fall from their horses and carried off; other officers have reported what they saw. Our different affairs happened at the same time and some miles apart. It is too much the custom to report a very large number of the enemy killed, but the above is far within the limits of what is supposed to be the actual loss.

I have the honor to be, Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant
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