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Gen'l P. H. Sheridan  
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You may count upon my using every effort and all the means I have to stop the Indians and capture them Lewis has at his disposal along the arkansas something over two hundred and fifty men one half cavalry on the Kansas Pacific Road between Buffalo Station and Wallace and at Wallace are two hundred and fifty ~~men~~ men about one hundred of them mounted Infantry Lewis & Dodge are as you know competent and active officers familiar with the country and the Indians Dodge is at monument station on Kansas Pacific they are impressed with the necessity of the case and each has force quite ample to deal with these Indians if they cross Arkansas Lewis will follow them closely so that they may be placed between Dodge and himself the misfortune is that we have no sufficient cavalry force the two cavalry companies at Elliot are ordered to Dodge by rapid marches and will I trust be there in two or three days the Indians appear to be beating round to the west of Dodge as soon as Lewis gets the three cavalry companies together he will take the immediate command himself

Jno Pope  
But Maj Gen Candy

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Three Centimeters

