

Journal continued

Sept. 13, 74

Crossed breaks of Mulberry creek marched N.E. following road to Dodge City where arrived 1:37 P.M. Crossed river over toll bridge roads very muddy and bad. Left road to right and marched across prairie. After 1 mile crossed trail leading S.W. and after marching another mile struck road which followed to Head breaks of Mulberry creek. Followed road towards Fort Dodge road wet all sloughs and hollows filled up by the heavy rains and bad to cross. From Dodge city following road to Fort Dodge where arrived 2:52 P.M. Road very bad mirey and wet.

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Sept. 15, 74

Left Fort Dodge Kas 10:30 A.M. and march to Dodge City where took car for Pierceville a station 38 miles west of Dodge City and which had been attacked by Indians arrived at Dodge City 11 or A.M. by rail to Pierceville where arrived 3:30 P.M. Indians had left. Left Pierceville and took Indians trail followed after crossing river S.W. over bluffs and over level burnt ~~prairie~~ prairie until it turned north. Followed trail which turns towards the Arkansas river until it grew to dark to see it camped on trail 740 p m no wood water and grass.

Sept. 16

Sent despatch to Cimarron Station asking for rations and reinforcements Followed Indian trail towards head of Crooked Creek passed lake after 14 miles where found wounded steer left back by Indians this Lake appears to be permanent. To head of crooked creek over level hard prairie nearing the creek the country becomes cut by breaks and ravines running towards the creek no timber at head. Along crooked ck. to Walkers timber 9 miles from head, timber begins from here to Walkers timber the banks of the creek are well wooded the valley of the creek is narrow road good and hard Bluffs on both sides low cut-by shallow ravines. Camped on Crooked Creek at Walkers timber 5 miles above the point here creeks bends to the South right cold wood and water plenty grass scarce

Sept. 17

Rations and Reinforcements which were expected during the night not having arrived left camp and Marched towards Fort Dodge halt on Mulberry creek. On Mulberry met Lt. Winchester