

Distance travelled two hundred and thirty two miles.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
A.M.C. Guard
2nd Lieut 19 Inf.

February 25, 1879

Sir:

I have the honor to make the following report of the operations of Co. "G" 19 Inf. (Mounted) while in search of Southern Cheyennes.

The company, 2 commissioned officers, 23 enlisted men, 1 guide, and 2 civilian teamsters, with their six mule teams, left Fort Dodge Kas about sunset on the 11 instant, in obedience to Special Orders No. 14 Hdqrs. Fort Dodge Kas Feby 11, 1879. Copy of which is herewith enclosed. marked "A" and proceeded to Dodge City Kansas, where it camped for the night. During the night a cold norther came up.

February 12, the company marched by the well defined trail to Gantz ranch, on Crooked Creek, about a mile above Walkers Timber. Direction from Dodge City S.S.W., the trail leaves the Supply road about 5 miles from Dodge City.

The country travelled over high rolling prairie. At Gantz Ranch, water abundant, little wood, no grazing on account of the number of Sheep there. Day cold and unpleasant. Distance travelled about 25 miles.

February 13, Left Camp about 8 A.M. and marched in a direction a little west of south, down Crooked Creek for about 25 miles, then turned to our left and marched in a south easterly direction for about 10 miles. Made a dry Camp in a ravine running into Crooked Creek at 7:30 P.M. The day very cold, snow came toward evening and continued during the night. Country travelled over, high rolling prairie. Total distance travelled 35 miles.

February 14, Remained in Camp sending out parties to find Lovells main ranch at which point news was expected of the Southern Cheyennes. The ranch was reported found at about sunset. Wood and water, in sufficient quantity for the command, were found early in the day. Weather warm and bright, snow melting rapidly.