

Bull Head and Shave Head had been wounded, and it was he who under circumstances requiring personal courage to the highest degree, assisted Hawk Man to effect his escape with a message to the troops.

After the fight no demoralization seemed to exist among the Police and they were ready and willing to co-operate with the troops to any extent desired. The attention of the Commanding Officer is invited to the celerity of this movement. In brief the command marched from here to Sitting Bull's camp and back to Oak Creek, in 17 hours. This with the ground covered in getting into position and the demonstration to the right by Lieutenant Crowder, made a total distance of at least 70 miles.

It must be taken into consideration that the movement back to Oak Creek, 18 miles, was made very slowly. Thus it will be seen that the march out, including the movement into position, were made at the rate of over six miles an hour. During the whole march the column moved steadily, without stretching out or closing up, a most satisfactory commentary upon the drill and discipline of the two troops composing my command.

To say less would be a want of appreciation on my part of the command under my orders.

(Signed) E. G. Fechet,
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Commanding.