

Baldwin's Original Report of Redwater Fight

Following is a copy of General Baldwin's original report of the Redwater fight with the Indians and according to Brig. General W. C. Brown of Denver, it has never before been published.

To commemorate this battle a monument and marker will be unveiled there next Saturday, June 11, when people from all parts of Prairie county and elsewhere will celebrate at the point near Olanda

Headquarters, Batt. 5th Infty.

Camp on Cedar Creek, M. T.

Dec. 19th, 1876.

General N. A. Miles,

Com'dg Troops on the Yellowstone.

Sir: I have the honor to report that after leaving Wolf-Point, I marched in a S. E. course striking Red Water about twenty miles from its mouth, following up said river to its head. Yesterday at one o'clock, P. M. when within six (6) miles of the head of Red Water, I discovered a camp of hostile Indians which was attacked and routed. There were about one hundred and fifty (150) warriors, with many families, and three hundred (300) to four hundred (400) ponies, in their flight everything belonging to an Indian camp outfit was abandoned and sixty ponies; the camp outfit was destroyed and ponies either shot or driven along. The Indians were all mounted, not getting away with but few if any lodges, and travoise, they scattered to the north and northwest, sugar, coffee, tobacco, tea, etc. etc. was found, showing that they had either drawn them from the agent, or the Yanktonais have been trading with them.