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To

Gen. E. D. Townsend
Adj't. General of A.
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General Crook has obtained as yet but meager news of the details of the disturbances at Fort Robinson but has taken steps to have a full and exact report. It would appear from a telegram yesterday from Capt. Wessells, who is in pursuit, that the Indians are well supplied with arms and ammunition, which leads to the supposition that arms and ammunition were secreted in the cañon where they first made a stand. They left the place on the night of the tenth (10) but were again overtaken yesterday and surrounded, not however without some loss to the troops. They doubtless will all be captured and with the highest regard for humanity in doing so. The official reports make the Indians killed so far thirty (30).

(sg'd) P. H. Sheridan
Lt. Genl.

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