

continued

will be much damage done to the indians. In the various combats which took place up to fight of General Sully on the North Canadian there had been thirteen indians killed. This estimated that from seventeen to twenty-two were killed in Sully's skirmishes. General Bankhead reports eleven killed by Graham on Big Sandy and Forsyth reports thirty-five killed on Dry fork of the Republican. This makes in all, and I think will not be far from the truth, Seventy-six indians killed so far, not including eleven killed near Latham in Colorado reported to me by the Governor.

I am, General,
Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servant,
P. H. Sheridan,
Major General U. S. Army

Official Copy.

Respectfully furnished Headquarters of the Army, Washington, D. C.

W. A. Nichols
Assistant Adjutant General

Headquarters in the Field. District U. A.
Camp on Bluff Creek, Kansas
September 16th, 1868

Brevet Brig. Gen'l. Chauncey McKeever,

Assistant Adjutant General, Dep't. of the Mo.
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

General,

I have the honor to state that, in pursuance to instructions, I left "Fort Dodge" with my command, consisting of nine companies of the 7th Cavalry, and one company of the 3rd Infantry, and crossed the Arkansas about two miles west of "Fort Dodge", on the evening of 7th Instant, and took up my line of march, until we reached a branch of Crooked Creek, distance from "Fort Dodge" twenty-five or thirty miles, here we remained until 7:12 o'clock, on the morning of the 8th instant, when we de-camped, taking up our line of march South and South-East towards Goose Creek, a branch of Crooked River, where we arrived at 2 o'ck p.m. Here, we struck the old