

## THE FLEEING CHEYENNES.

### THE PURSUIT TO BE CONTINUED—FEELING AMONG THE SIOUX AT PINE RIDGE AGENCY.

FORT ROBINSON, Neb., Jan. 15.—There has been a temporary lull in military movements the past 10 or 12 hours. The fleeing hostiles intrenched themselves on a mound on the White Clay, foiled the troops, and at night, there being no adequate force either to compel them to submit or to keep them from running away, they escaped. When the troops next came up with the desperate band, the latter had taken possession of natural mounds of protection on the North Fork of Indian Creek. Here the troops abandoned pursuit yesterday, returning to Fort Robinson to-day. Gen. Crook sent positive orders that the pursuit of the Cheyennes should be continued, and Company E, Capt. Lawson commanding, started for the front. To-morrow Company H, Capt. Wessells commanding, will go forward, join the forces, and, under the command of the last-named officer, the pursuit will be resumed. The troops will be supplied with six days' rations.

There are 52 warriors, two squaws and children in the fort prison. Of these there are 14 wounded. One old squaw is dying to-night from the effects of six gun-shot wounds. The captives state that, while they had no hand in planning the escape, they are yet opposed to returning to the hated southern reservation. Here, they claim, they were told when surrendering they could remain, and here their parents are buried and their children were born. Five soldiers have been killed or have died from their wounds, and eight were wounded at the time of the flight. Thirty-two Indians, of which 22 were men and the remainder women and children, have been killed, and 26 were buried in one common grave. It is believed that about 50 Indians, including Dull Knife, have escaped. Wild Hog, Old Crow, and one other savage are in irons in the camp one mile from Fort Robinson. The Sioux at the Pine Ridge Agency have as yet made no demonstration other than in the indulgence in an exhibition of grief over their slain relatives. It is not believed among Army officers here that an outbreak will be made, but if no better management prevails in restraining the Sioux from an indulgence in a war-dance than was exhibited in the capture of the Cheyennes, there can be no safe predictions as to the result. The Sioux say they can feed the Cheyennes, if the Government cannot. Companies B and D, of the Third Cavalry, started for Laramie this morning, commanded by Capt. Johnson. They are accompanied by a pack train. They will endeavor to intercept the Cheyennes.

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