

Indians who have been out in the Bad Lands are coming in under convey of Colonel Henry's command. This will wind up all the rebels except Two Strikes' men.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—The *Inter-Ocean's* special from Pine Ridge tonight says a courier brought in word this afternoon that a Catholic mission on White Clay Creek was on fire. Hopes are entertained that the priests and sisters have not been killed, but there is no definite means of telling yet. The Seventh Cavalry immediately started for the scene. The smoke can be seen from the agency. The correspondent says as he writes that he hears the boom of Hotchkiss guns in the direction of the mission, indicating that the troops are engaged in a fight there. It is impossible to get any further particulars this evening. No fears are entertained for the safety of Pine Ridge agency, now that the main body of troops are returned there. Besides, Two Strikes, Little Wound, Big Road, Short Bull, Kicking Bear, Jack Red Cloud, son of Old Red Cloud, have vanished from the agency with most of their warriors.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31, 3:30 a.m.—The *Bee's* correspondent at Pine Ridge sends the following: It is reported to General Brooke that six more of the Seventh cavalry have been killed and many wounded at the Catholic Mission. Particulars are not obtainable tonight.

OMAHA, Dec. 30.—The *Bee's* Rushville, Neb., correspondent says: Colonel Henry is coming into Pine Ridge with 700 Indians captured in the Bad Lands. This is believed to include all the remnant of the rebels on the reservation, and hopes are entertained of a speedy settlement. It has cost the lives of about 250 Indians and twenty-five or thirty soldiers to effect this result, if, indeed, peace is established.

Rushville is crowded with settlers. The churches and all public rooms are thrown open, and no effort is being spared to make the refugees comfortable. They are here, as previously reported, on the advice of General Brooke. They are not only ready to defend their homes, but many are anxious to enlist with the regulars if further fighting should occur.

OMAHA, Dec. 31.—In the course of a story sent to the *Bee* from Pine Ridge late tonight the correspondent says, besides some who fell in the gullies, 118 warriors and forty squaws are lying dead on the ground at Wounded Knee yesterday. The squaws were not killed with particular intent, but because they were mixed up with squads of buck. The squaws also busied themselves running around with scalping knives, trying to stab wounded soldiers.

Referring to the attempt of Two Strikes to capture a wagon train this morning, this correspondent says seven of the Indians were killed and many wounded. The correspondent has no news from the trouble at the Catholic mission. When Two Strikes' men were running away last night from the agency they compelled old Red Cloud, under threats of death, to accompany them.

OMAHA, Dec. 31.—A *Bee* special from Rushville says that a blinding snowstorm which is fast assuming the proportions of a blizzard has been raging here and at the agency since 9 o'clock this morning. The advises are that the desultory fight was kept up nearly all night at Battle Grove within a few miles of the agency until, by reason of the suspicious actions of the alleged friendly Indians in the camp near the Agency, the troops were called in from the field.

The question on every hand is: What has become of the supposedly large number of the friendly bucks located south of the Agency until yesterday? A halfbreed courier who was through that camp last night reports that nearly every able-bodied Indian in this outfit had quietly slipped away after dusk and joined the hostile forces. The friendly Indians at Pine Ridge now, he says, are principally squaws and those not able to fight. Up to 11 o'clock this morning, however, everything is quiet, both sides resting on their arms and each awaiting some move from the opposing forces. That

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will occur there seems no doubt. If the Indians should make an onslaught during this storm they would undoubtedly have a great advantage, as they are in their element at such times. The danger is that the Indians will now break away to their strongholds in Bad Lands and that they will be reinforced by the Rosebud, Standing Rock and other Indians. Eight more dead soldiers were brought to the agency after dark last night, being a part of yesterday's fatalities.

The losses to the Indians are known to have been great, but the definite number has not as yet been ascertained. Two strangers were found murdered within two miles of the agency. They are now believed to be the teamsters from Rushville. Indian signal lights were again plainly visible last night in the rough country twenty miles to the north. It has been repeatedly suggested here that in the event of further hostilities, a part of the State militia might be used to good advantage in the small towns nearest the reservation, to guard against the straggling bands, inasmuch as in a general fight, the regular troops would undoubtedly have all they could take care of at the seat of war.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—General Schofield this morning received the following telegram from General Miles, dated Chadron, Nebraska: "Dec. 30.—I reported yesterday the statements received from Colonel Forsythe through General Brooke. I am now informed that the losses in that affair were Captain Wallace of the Seventh Cavalry, and twenty-five men killed. Lieutenant Garlington and thirty-four men were wounded."

Lieut. Hawthorn of the Second Cavalry and about three hundred Indians that were at or near the agency at the time are now here.

Gen. Brooke reports that he expects that some will return. About 5000 men now belong to the hostile element. I expect to be at the agency tomorrow morning and report more in detail.

OMAHA, Dec. 31.—A *Bee* special from Pine Ridge says: Lieutenant Herman Krantzberg, company A, Seventh cavalry, shot at Wounded Knee, died last night. Several others are in a critical condition. The Episcopal church, is turned into a hospital and contains thirty-eight wounded hostiles, most of whom are squaws, and a majority will die. In addition to Carr's command the Seventeenth infantry and all the cavalry from Rosebud will be here tonight. General Miles will also come today.

When the Seventh and Ninth cavalry responded to the alarm from the mission yesterday they found it was not the mission on fire, but the day school. On this side and in the vicinity there were fully eighteen hundred hostile bucks, but few of whom showed themselves at the time. The commanders feared an ambuscade, and as they were greatly outnumbered, returned to the agency after a sharp skirmish. Six soldiers were killed and several wounded. A number of Indians were killed. In the evening a scout brought in word that the hostiles, emboldened by the returning of the soldiers, had planned to attack and burn the agency with fire-arrows, then stampede the troops and massacre the inhabitants. The report was proven true to some extent, but heavy lines of pickets frustrated and stopped the scheme. A terrific blizzard struck the agency this morning. The air is filled with blinding snow, and the mercury is falling.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 31.—Governor Thayer today received a telegram from the sheriff at Chadron, Neb., asking him to order out the militia and send arms, as the Indians have been fighting there for two days, and that the city is filled with women and children. The governor immediately replied by ordering company E, Second Regiment, Captain Smith commanding, at Chadron on duty for protection of the people in the town and country. It is understood that roving bands of hostiles have renewed the depredations along the Nebraska-Dakota border.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 31.—The *Journal's* Pine Ridge special says: The list of dead was augmented today by the death of Private Shettle, G troop, Seventh cavalry, and Private Kranberg, troop A. This makes a total of thirty-five fatalities for the two battles. Forty-one seriously wounded are in an improvised hospital at the agency, many of whom will die. Little hope is expressed of the recovery of Father Craft, the Catholic priest, stabbed at the battle at Wounded Knee.

OMAHA, Jan. 1.—A *Bee* special from Pine Ridge: Amid a wild and bitter storm the bodies of the thirty brave boys who fell at Wounded Knee were laid away to their last rest. The cortege, headed by Col. Forsythe and Major Whiteside, was