

From Fort Baker.

We have received a letter from our special correspondent at Fort Baker, but owing to the press of glorious news from the East this week, we are obliged to leave out much of the letter. We publish the following extracts which will show that Company A is doing good service:

The parties of scouts alluded to in my last, have returned. Lieut. Geer, who commanded, reported having traveled over a large space of country, but it seems that the Indians knew who were against them and were constantly on the alert, "skedaddling" whenever our boys were on the scent. But they were not entirely unsuccessful; two of the men while out scouring observed a digger coming toward them, and as they could not capture him, why, of course, they gave him a free passage to the "happy hunting ground." They saw plenty of sign, but as the diggers had sentinels posted all around, they managed to escape. Our men are in good spirits and are ready and willing at all times to leave on a scout.

Lieut. Beckwith, with his party, scouted in Larabee Valley; they reported no signs, and think that there are no Indians there at present.

On the 22d ult., Lieut. Geer took the field with forty men to scout in the Yager Creek country. They surprised two camps but did not succeed in getting any Indians; they were divided into two squads and scouted toward "the centre" in order that their chances of success might be the better, but the Indians eluded their vigilance and got away. At one place they passed on South Fork Mountain they came upon from seventy-five to one hundred head of cattle of various brands, that had evidently been driven there and herded by the Indians.

On Friday, 26th ult., two of the men while out hunting the cattle, came upon some dried beef; near by they found Indian arrows with marks of blood on them. They brought them in and reported to Capt. Long, who dispatched Ser-

gent Bradford with ten men, to scout in the vicinity. They left Camp Friday morning, and soon after struck sign on Yager Creek; they returned on Monday, bringing with them one squaw prisoner and reported killing three bucks. His arrival created a good deal of excitement, and as he had achieved the first substantial success, cries of "Bully for Brad," were heard all over the parade ground. Monday was quite an eventful day in Camp Life. Lieut. Geer's command arriving; next in order came Brad and his dusky prisoner, and last, but not least, the pack train, bringing among other good things from town, several copies of the Times, which is our ever welcome guest, giving as it does a general synopsis of passing events.

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