

## SPOTTED TAIL'S DEATH.

HOW HE WAS KILLED BY CROW DOG AFTER  
A COUNCIL.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 10.—The official account of the murder of Spotted Tail was received here last night by Gen. Cook, Agent of the Spotted Tail Indians, from Acting Agent Lebar. It runs as follows: About noon on the 5th inst. Spotted Tail reported at the agent's office to receive instructions regarding his contemplated visit to Washington, he having been selected as one of the representatives of the Sioux nation at the coming conference at the national capital. He was urged to start at once, as a letter from the Indian Office directed him to report to Agent Andrews at Yankton Agency no later than the 8th inst., as the delegation from the Pine Ridge Agency was expected to reach Rosebud Agency on the evening of the 5th. Spotted Tail concluded to wait until next morning and go with Red Cloud delegates to Yankton Agency. This arrangement having been determined upon, Spotted Tail desired to have a talk with his people that afternoon and receive an expression of their views upon subjects to come before the conference.

Bidding Lelar "good by," and saying he would call at the office in the evening to receive any further instructions there might be, Spotted Tail left for the Indian village to confer with his people. An interview was held with the Indians. They had a big talk and a feast and the council broke up. Spotted Tail mounted his horse and started homeward. The Indians were scattering in all directions, with the noted chief somewhat in advance of the others, he being first out of the lodge. After leaving the council lodge, Crow Dog was seen approaching Spotted Tail. He had his wife with him. He got out of the wagon and was stooping down when Spotted Tail rode up to him. He suddenly rose up and shot Spotted Tail through the left breast. The chief fell from his horse, but rose to his feet and made three or four steps toward Crow Dog, endeavoring to draw his pistol. He then reeled and fell backward, dead. Crow Dog jumped into his wagon and drove off at full speed toward his camp, some nine miles distant. The acting agent at once issued orders for the arrest of Crow Dog, under a paragraph in the treaty of 1868, which renders him amenable to the white man's laws. In compliance with these orders, the Indian Police accomplished the arrest of Crow Dog, and he was sent to Fort Niobrara to await trial for murder.

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