

# THE OMAHA HERALD

## Judge Dundy's Decision.

The St. Paul Pioneer Press says: If the decision of Judge Dundy, of the United States court of Omaha, to the effect that Indians have the legal rights of citizens, is sustained, the Indian policy of the government will undergo a revolution. A Washington dispatch refers to the decision as an unexpected blow, and a serious embarrassment to the government in dealing with the tribes. It may be questioned whether it does not bring as much good as evil in its train. Any comprehensive and rational Indian policy contemplates the ultimate civilization of the savages. This involves, sooner or later, their recognition as citizens as full legal rights. On the one hand, it may be said the time for this has not arrived, while a large part of the savages are in a state of barbarism. On the other, it may be urged that the possession of the rights of citizens will hasten fitness for citizenship. This argument should be as good for Indians as negroes. The protection of *habeas corpus* is not superfluous for any class under government.

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## Military Affairs.

WASHINGTON, May 17 – General Sherman says military affairs were never so well arranged in the west as now, and General Sheridan has reduced everything to an admirable and effective system.

Captain Lincoln, Tenth Infantry, not Captain Lawton, Fourth cavalry, shot a soldier of the 22nd infantry at Fort Griffin, Texas, mutiny.