

SPOTTED TAIL'S DAUGHTER.
Falls in Love with a Soldier and Dies
of a Broken Heart.

[From the Louisville Courier-Journal.]
A sad story is told of the daughter of Spotted Tail, a noted Indian chief, which illustrates most forcibly the truth of the oft-quoted remark: "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin." During the latter years of the recent war, the family of Spotted Tail resided at Fort Laramie, and among them was his favorite daughter, a young girl just emerging into the mysterious realms of womanhood. The fort was garrisoned by a regiment of Ohio volunteers, and among the officers was a young man of good address and handsome appearance, with whom the young Indian girl became infatuated. Her passions were not reciprocated by the officer, who had honor enough to tell the child of the forest that he did not and could not love her or marry her. She, a princess, and daughter of the haughtiest Indian chief in the West, could not be made to understand why she was not a fitting bride for any one. Day after day she would dress herself in her most gorgeous apparel, and, going to the fort, would sit down upon the doorstep of the young officer, content with being near him and happy when her eyes rested upon him. Spotted Tail was absent, but when he heard of the sad story of his daughter's infatuation, he came to her and remonstrated, but to no avail. Finally he had her removed to the Rocky Mountains, where she might not see her soldier lover. Soon a messenger came to her father. The daughter was dying of a broken heart. He hurried to her side and heard her, with all the simple eloquence of her race, plead that he would remain at peace with the pale-faces, because the one she loved was one of them, and they could not be bad. She wanted her body buried to Laramie and buried near the fort, that in death she might lie near him for the love of whom she died. Thither they bore her and laid her in the grave as do the pale-faces their dead; and this the story of Spotted Tail's daughter is told to-day around the camp fires in the great West.

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