

CASE NO. 24

HA-PAN

Proceedings of a Military Commission
convened at Camp Release opposite the
mouth of Chippewa River by virtue of the
following order

Order No 53:

Head Quarters. Camp Release
September 28th 1862

A Military Commission composed of
Colonel Wm. Crooks of the 6th Regiment Lt Col
Marshall of the 7th Regiment. Captains Grant
& Bailey of the 6th Regiment & Lieutenant
Oliver of the 3^d Regiment will convene at
some convenient point in camp at 10
o'clock this morning to try summarily
the Ojibwa and Indians or mixed
bloods, who may be brought before them
by direction of the Colonel Commanding
if found guilty of murders, or other
outrages upon the whites during the
present state of hostilities of the Indians
the proceedings of the commission to
be returned to their Head Quarters,
immediately after their conclusion
for the consideration of the Colonel
Commanding

The Commission will be
governed in their proceedings by
Military Law & usage

By order of the Colonel Commanding
Military Expedition

(Signed)

J. H. Fowler
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Camp Nelson opposite the
mouth of the Chippewa River

Oct. 3rd 1862

The Military commission met
pursuant to the above order

Present

Colonel Crooks	6 th	Regiment	W V	Members
Lt. Col. Marshall	7 th	"	"	
Captain Grant	10 th	"	"	
" Bailey	1 st	"	"	
Lt. Olin	3 rd	"	"	

Judge Advocate

Adjutant Heard W. Phauls mounted
Rangers -- Recorder

The Military commission was then
duly sworn and (Ha-pan-son of
Pa-shan me ni) a Sioux Indian was
arraigned on the following charge and
specification viz

Charge and Specification against
Ha-pan-son of Pa-shan me ni
a Sioux Indian

Charge
Murder

Specification. In this that the said Ha-pan-son
a Sioux Indian did on or about the 18th
day of August 1862 participate in the
murder of Francis Potville a white

Citizen of the United States between Fort
Ridgely & New Elm. Minnesota

Charge 2. Participation in the
murders & robberies committed by the Sioux
tribe of Indians on the Minnesota frontier
Specification. In this that the said Ha-
-pan. a Sioux Indian did between the
16th day of August 1862 and the 28th day of
September 1862 join with & participate in the
various Murders & Robberies committed on the
white citizens of the United States residing
on the Minnesota Frontier

By order of Colonel H. H. Sibley
commanding Military Expedition
Witness } signed S. H. Fowler
Ta-zoo }
Indian }

The charge & specifications being read
to the prisoner & he asked what he
had to say

Answered

I have been in all the fights. I don't
remember of killing a white man and
that is the reason I am here. I was at
the Patville murder & caught hold
of the woman, Tazoo. Had hold
of - to save her life. I saw the woman
in camp; she was the same one
Ta-zoo had hold of (Miss Williams)
I got this ring of Hun-re-re-ne

Ta-zoo states (not in oath) I know
Ha-pan. He was out hunting &

joined the party at the time of the
Patoville murder. I & prisoner were in
the hind wagon - When we saw
the white people coming we all
jumped out & ran towards them -
When we got up the firing had
commenced. The prisoner didn't go
to where Patoville was killed. but
ran after a girl & caught her by the
arms. Another Indian (my brother
in law) had her by the other arm

And thereupon the Court found
the prisoner guilty and sentenced
~~him to be hung by the neck until~~
~~he is dead~~

was cleared and proceeded
with their finding and sentence -

The Military Commission
after due deliberation find the said
prisoner as follows -

Guilty of the specification,
Guilty of the charge and
sentence him to be hung by the
neck until he is dead.

D. B. Heard

Reader -

Wm. C. Cook

R. C. Clun Sr. 2nd Min. Vol. } Col. 6th Min. Vol.
Judge Advocate Mil. Com. } Pres. Mil. Com.

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Charges testimony re

vs.

Ha-pan

Sentenced to be hanged