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Mr. George Bird Grinnell
238 East 15th Street
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Dear Mr. Grinnell:

My new book, Warpath, is now on the Houghton Mifflin press and will appear next autumn I hope. It is a history of the Sioux wars within living memory, 1857 to 1876, told as a biography of Chief Joseph White Bull, Sitting Bull's nephew. In the book I shall include a calendar he gave me. In this calendar the year 1831 has the name "The winter when the Wa-ta-pa-hato fought among themselves." The Chief explained that this referred to a feud in a certain band of Cheyenne Indians. I thought it possible that the name Wa-ta-pa-hato is the Sioux spelling for the Cheyenne Wuh-ta-piu. I should be very happy to have your comment. Do you know of any feud in this band at that time. If it is mentioned in your works anywhere I shall be happy to insert a footnote if you will give me the reference. Your friend Chief Ice of the Cheyennes is mentioned a number of times in my forthcoming book, which will include eye-witness accounts of the Fetterman and Wagonbox fights. Please help me if you can.

Yours very cordially,

W. S. Campbell.