

spoke of being hurt in the Yellow Hand affair, but just how I do not know, probably from a fall from his horse.

Now the important item herein--Sitting Bull. According to this S.B. was not with the show in Europe, yet I have a memory--still personal memory is often mixed or uncertain-- that I was told by the Cody's that he--S.B.--was. But the dates seem to indicate that S.B. was with the show only in the U.S. This could be verified, one way or the other, no doubt, in the Cody records, but I have no means of seeing them now.

So I suggest that, if you mention the incident in your book, about S.B. selling his signature for \$1 each that you leave out the place, as "in Europe." It is not important in anyway, and if incorrect to have him with the show in Europe would of course cause future embarrassment to each of us. As I said, exact history seems almost impossible.

The account herein of how Cody lost his show is not correct, from what I know of the inside story. It is a sordid affair, financially, wherein Cody was crushed out without warning, by the Sell's Floto Circus --backed by Tamman-- buying up Cody's over due bills and suddenly attaching his show here. Odd, but I happened to attend that last performance myself. Cody was penniless from then on, hence his being traded around from the S-F. Circus to the "101" etc, for his bread and butter. When he went to his sister's house here, helplessly sick but still holding his bluff to the public, he was utterly helpless and dead broke.

The reference to Cody's hair is perhaps partly correct. When I saw him the last time his hair, silver white, hung over his shoulders, loose, same as ever, but he was partly bald in front, where no doubt he used a topee in public. The morning after he died Sister Julia and I went up stairs together and looked at the corpse. Often a dead body is discolored, but Cody looked like carved from ivory. And his white hair lay spread over his shoulders then. We stood in silence, till I said--"The king of friends and the friend of kings"--then without another word we went down stairs.