

August 21, 1929.

MR. A. B. WELCH,
MANDAN, N.D.

Dear Mr. Welch:

The drawings arrived O.K. and are very interesting. I will send you the money as soon as the publisher comes across. That won't be long, but there is a certain amount of red tape in those old eastern firms.

I had hoped to drive up to Dakota this summer, but it looks as if I can't get away. However, don't be surprised if I should turn up unexpectedly the last few days in August. I would like to see your collection and see if perhaps there is not some way in which we could agree to let me print one or two of those old records of the Indian Agency.

Old Bull's story is splendid. I hope you can overcome his dislike for talking about Sitting Bull's coups and get such a story for some of the other drawings. I am afraid the publisher is going to be disappointed if we do not have a few dates and details to show him. Some of those could surely be dated- such as the death of SB's father, couldn't it? I got the publisher to buy them to use as illustrations, and illustrations cost a ~~small fortune~~ ^{small fortune} especially in color- and he will want to hang a good story on those illustrations. I'll appreciate it if you'll do your best to get more information.

Cordially yours,

W.S. CAMPBELL