Mr. Frank B. Zahn, Indian Field Service, Fort Yates, North Dakota.

My dear Sahn:

Thanks very much for your kind letter of September 22 containing a list of Indian names for the rivers in your country. That will help a great deal. What you tell me about Sitting Bull's manner of greeting white persons is delightful. That is just the sort of information I need. History is made up of dates and battles and treaties, but I am writing a life of a man and it is the little ways of the man which make my best material. His sayings, his doings, and the manner in which he did things are of great value to me. If you think of anything more of this kind please let me have it.

What you tell me of the trouble between Sitting Bull and Bullhead is very interesting. Could you find out for me what this trouble was about, where and when it occurred? I need that story very badly. I would like to know if possible just what they said and what the trouble was about and find out where it happened.

Can you tell me more about the quarrel between Bullhead and Catch the Bear when the Indians were getting rations? I would like to know all about that too, just what was said and the year in which it happened. I assure you I greatly value your assistance in this matter. I am very anxious to make my book an honest piece of work and I rely upon you to help me. With kind regards and cordial friendship,

Your Kola,