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Mr. A. McC. Beede,
Fort Yates, N.D.

Dear friend:

Thanks very much for your kind letter regarding Sitting Bull's grave, and for the newspaper clipping as well. That helps to round out the story very nicely. It is very gratifying to know that the skeleton is still intact, since many people erroneously imagine that quick lime will destroy a body, when as a matter of fact it dessicates it and often mummifies it.

After I saw you last I went into Canada, talked with the Crees, Saulteaux, Sioux, and others, visited the Mounties in Ottawa, and studied the national and provincial archives on the subject of Sitting Bull. Then- when ready to write- I came over here. For the fellowship granted me requires a residence outside the limits of the States, and my daughter could not stand a northern winter. So here we are, and I never found a spot where one could do more work. With any luck at all I shall be able to finish the book by early Spring. If you find anything else of interest, please do not fail to let me have it. Words fail me in trying to tell you how much I appreciate your aid.

Congratulations upon your return to office.

With all good wishes, I remain

Yours cordially,

W.S.CAMPBELL