

CLIPPING FROM THE SAGINAW EVENING NEWS

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SITTING BULL

A Chat With the Old Warrior -- His Version of the Custer Massacre -- The President's Policy in Treatment of the Indians and Other Topics.

After the Buffalo Bill entertainment was over yesterday afternoon a News reporter sought the lodge of the noted chieftain, "Sitting Bull", well knowing the public would feel interested in the historic savage, his reminiscences, opinions and thoughts on the current events of the day from an Indian standpoint. Being directed to a large tent, the entrance to which was carefully covered up, Mr. Halsey, the interpreter, who takes care of "Sitting Bull", came to a small opening in the tent and inquired what was wanted. On hearing the "open sesame" word, "the press", and seeing the ubiquitous reporter standing in a prayerful attitude outside, he courteously pulled the folds of the canvass aside and invited The News man in. "Sitting Bull" was not sitting on the writer's entrance, but stretched lazily out at full length on a comfortable shakedown of blankets and quilts and trying to woo the drowsy god. Mr. Halsey threw a collection of consonants at him and also at Mr. Crow Eagle, who lay beside him, and both gentlemen then came to a sitting posture. "Sitting Bull" smiled in his most amiable manner and taking a seat the writer commenced a conversation through the medium of the interpreter which will be in more readable form in a running narrative.

The old chief commenced by stating that he was now 50 years old, had two wives with him as also had his friend Crow Eagle. This individual had accompanied him in all his wanderings, and it seemed as though a "Damon and Pythias" affection existed between the two. The way Crow Eagle listened,