This was a long time ago.

Where he mentions about SB's belief in the church. That is something that has never been mentioned but it is so. It seems that he was inclined to believe the Catholice denomination although there was a Presybeterian minister, Reed,_____near SB a year or two before he was killed, but he didn't seem to have any invluence. Congregationalist. SB was baptized by Father de Smet before the time of the treaty.

Beede says, "They did not consider the Yanctonai as any part proper of the Sioux nation." Santees should also be included in that. The Yanctonai were part of the Santees. Yanctonai made the Sioux very indignant over their action in getting a claim on account of Pipe Stone Quarry. This is supposed to belong to the old Sioux nation and other tribes. The Yanctonai put in a claim for it and got a payment for it.

Letter of Cronau - The first part of this letter sounds like him. His experience in Canada taught SB something different that he had never thought of before. Before the Custer fight he could always make a living rations or not. But after he was in Canada and suffered with his people as he did and was confined in close quarters as a prisoner he might have been different. Though after he got back to Standing Rock his independent way of thinking was the same. He made efforts to raise a garden and support himself. He would probably rather have been independent as a farmer because the Indians were never satisfied with the rations or annuities because they had expected things to be of a certain quality which they did not get. When they expected woolen blankets etc. all they got was cotton. The subsistence supplies were quite poor and for a long time they refused to eat the rations issued like bacon and red flour. I don't believe it is true that he would like to live on Cannon Ball River. He probably meant the Grand River.