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Dear Mr. Campbell:

You will please pardon me for not being able to reply to your letter of March 23, earlier. I have been in the north for sometime where I could not receive any mail.

Regarding your enquiries about Sitting Bull, if you will write for a Cosmopolitan Magazine of June, 1927, you will find a story which I wrote about him and the 'Massacre', which will give you about all I know about him.

There is no record, so far as I know, of his having tried to persuade the Canadian Blackfeet to join him in attacking the White Man. In fact, the facts that I know are quite the reverse. He was a model Indian during everyone of the four years that he spent on the northwestern plains. He gave his word to the 'Red Coats' - Mounted Police - that he would be good in Canada, and all records of the Northwest show that he kept that word. Naturally, I have many times talked with our oldest people about Sitting Bull and his actions in our country, but I have never heard that he ever tried to persuade the Blackfeet to join him in any way, for or against the White Man. This holds true also regarding the Crees, Assiniboines and the Minnesota Massacre Sioux in Northwestern Canada - all of whose records I know personally and well. Apparently Sitting Bull had little time to devote to uprisings there, his greatest worry having been to get enough food to live on, and he barely was able to do that, owing to the fast disappearance of the buffalo and the restrictions which prevented him from hunting on Blackfoot or Cree Territory