

Mr. Higheagle's papers.

Sun Dance Song - The last song translated in the note book is a song to the sun. I afterwards learned that he didn't ask to become famous but to be a help to his people. This is in connection with Bear Necklace. Bear Neckalce is quite old. However, I have an idea that the Bear Necklace living now is the son of the Medicine Man. Charging Thunder is the brother of the old Bear Necklace.

Two songs SB used in practicing madicine. One Bull sang one of these songs.

Whenever you see "bull" it means buffalo bull. These songs should be numbered #1 instead of 191. Song #1, Densmore's Book. This man that it refers to here is the sacred stone and mentioning this animal here, the elk, is what the medicine man dreamed about and therefore the elk became his friend. Tribe is the sacred stones which they class as a tribe. Therefore SB regarded an elk as one of his helpers. He must have belonged to the Elk Society. There was a disagreement in these songs that One Bull sang. They thought SB never sang those songs. A medicine man by the name of Fat Bear thought he never did. He said they were One Bull's own songs. One Bull was not always considered a reliable authority on such things. He plays a sort of a medicine man since his uncle died. He has some of these herb and root medicines that SB used to keep. At times he uses them on sick people with very good results. From that, every now and then he considers himself a medicine man. He went so far as to use these medicines on the diseases of horses and other animals. A song like this might be used on herb and root medicines but would not be appropriate because this is a real medicine man's song. It expresses an elk. It is supposed that these sacred stones are most of the time in the air and won't come down unless you ask it. The song is so worded that it sounds just like some medicine man singing, it being