

You have told me a great deal about Sitting Bull's last days and the troubles of the Ghost Dance time. I believe you know more about that than anyone else. Now, you understand that if I am going to kill the lies in McLaughlin's book, I must get the whole story about Sitting Bull and McLaughlin, and all the trouble there was between them and their friends. And please tell when and where it was. I want you to take time to sit down and write the whole story as it happened, starting at the start, and telling all you know about their troubles and what caused them. Please take plenty of time and write it all out. I find that when my children keep me from writing, the only way I can do my work is to wait until they go to sleep. Maybe it is the same with your grandchildren.

I would like to know all about this. What happened every time SB went to McL. What was said or done whenever McL. sent a message to SB, or went to see him. What did McL. say about SB. What did SB say about McL. Please tell me the whole story of their trouble, beginning at the start. Please don't leave anything out.

I am going to make you a present of that book by Grinnell, THE FIGHTING CHEYENNES, now. And if you will help me with this story from start to finish, I will send you five dollars as soon as I get your letter.

I would send more, but my little girl has been sick again, and the doctor bill has left me flat.

I am sending you plenty of paper, and a stamped envelope to send it back in.