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Mr. W. S. Campbell,
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Dear Sir;

We have your "Sitting Bull", "Warpath", and "New Sources" and have enjoyed them. My brother-in-law, Mr. W. A. Jordan is a son of W.B. Jordan, who was one of the partners in the firm of Leighton and Jordan, post traders at Ft. Buford and owners of several boats like the "Batchelor" and others which plied the Missouri in the old days under Captain Grant Marsh and others.

I wrote the University of Oklahoma Press and asked them if you would like to hear from me and they said you would so I am writing this letter. I have been writing a column in the Sioux City Journal called "Driftwood" on Mondays for a year. I am not paid for it but am interested in the improvement of the Missouri River to cut our freight rates and have been trying to make publicity to counteract the railroad propaganda which is so prevalent. To make it a little more interesting I have mixed in Dakota Indian stories and others like the enclosed about Chief Joseph.

Now about LeGare and Sitting Bull. It is hard to get Mr. W.A. Jordan to talk very much about the old days but after he read "Sitting Bull" I got him started and he told me the following which you can depend on.

Brotherton was in command at the post and had employed several so-called scouts like "Fish Allison" and others to try to get Bull to