WASHINGTON, D.C.

July 11, 1934

Mr. W. S. Campbell,
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My dear Mr. Campbell:

This Section has received a letter from Brigadier General E. A. Garlington, U.S.A., Retired, asking for certain authentic data concerning Sitting Bull's ancestry and early life. A copy of his letter is enclosed herewith for your information. The information at hand is so conflicting that we desire to be as positive of the facts as possible, before making reply.

Knowing that you have made a serious study of this subject and judging from your recent publication ("Sitting Bull," 1932) that you must have accumulated a mass of data which you did not include in your book, we thought it possible that you might be able to make some helpful suggestions regarding the points raised by General Garlington.

If it is not too much trouble, we would appreciate your giving us your opinion and conclusions with reference to the matter.

Very truly yours,

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