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Dear Professor Campbell:

In going through an accumulation of letters which have piled up in my library for the past twenty odd years I recently ran across a letter you had written me long ago in regard to the findings Mr. De Land and myself had made at the Slim Buttes Battlefield near Reva Gap in South Dakota.

At the time I received your letter, if I remember correctly, we had not made our final survey and exploration of this particular Battlefield. But, later with the help of an old Indian, who had been in the Crazy Horse Band under Sitting Bull, we made a survey of this Battlefield and also the point that we were particularly interested in was locating the site where Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse were encamped when they came to the assistance of American Horse after the attack made on the village by General Mills. We had with us a very competent interpreter, one Mrs. Josephine Waggoner of Keldron, North Dakota. The Indian in question was named Moses Old Bull, who had been in the Crazy Horse Band all his life. He was an Ogallala and later became Tribe Historian for the particular Band with which he was associated.

We had a very interesting trip. We surveyed the Battlefield and I have in my notes all the data from the Indian side as to the charges and retreats that were made. He then directed us in a northwesterly direction some twenty odd miles over the prairie, fording streams, going around Buttes, etc. until we finally came to the spot where he definitely located the site where Sitting Bull had been encamped. On this site was to be seen several large rings formed by the warriors riding around in circles preparatory for battle. These are well defined even at this late date as the ground has never been broken. Also there were many tepee rings outlined. We spent a few days in this particular vicinity picking up quite a few artifacts of the old village. This spot is not far from Cave Hills, South Dakota. We later found the site to be fifteen miles north of the present city of Buffalo. We could have approached it by good highway, had