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Dr. Ralph H. Ross,
General Delivery,
Winslow, Arizona.

Dear Dr. Ross:

Since I wrote you last I am progressing rapidly in my research regarding Sitting Bull and believe that with a little more good luck I shall have the materials for a real contribution to the history of the West. But I always prefer first-hand information to printed stories. I am going to ask you to give me a little more help.

I have run down a good many records of the War Department and the Department of Indian Affairs and am gaining a fair idea of Sitting Bull's trouble-making at the agency, but I need more incidents and more facts. I am sure you must know stories about his relations with the whites and with the Indians which would be of tremendous value to me. Please help me. What the man said, what he did, what others said and thought of him, will be extremely useful.

Since I wrote you last I have learned a good deal about Mrs. Weldon and her relations with Sitting Bull. How long was she out there, anyway? One story I have tells that she was the mother of one of Sitting Bull's sons. Is there any truth in this? Please let me have some of the stories current at the time about these two. If you prefer, I shall not quote you at all. As a historian my aim is to publish only the truth, but I often find that the smoke leads one to the fire. I shall be very grateful if you will give me the benefit of your experience in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

W. S. Campbell.