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Dear Dr. Campbell:

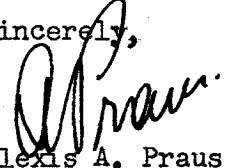
Your two letters received with thanks and appreciation. I had made notes of the description of Sitting Bull's shield with the hope that I might see it some day in a private or museum collection. The bullet hole in it should be a diagnostic feature.

Since you are so busy, I hesitate to ask the following, but hope you can oblige me. Can you send me the events that come with the calanders you possess? Photostatic copies would no doubt be a quick way of reproducing them. Ownership, Band involved, size and material also needed. I find that other calanders often give a clue to the events involved in the Winter Count upon which I am working.

Turtle-Catcher (or Catches Turtle) who died in 1850, appears in several Winter Count's and must have been an important person. So far, I have not been able to find any information about him. Can you give me any references that tell about him?

Enclosed is a print of the Winter Count I am studying. I can't help wondering if you recognize its authorship.

Sincerely,


Alexis A. Praus

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Enclosure