

Dear Mr. Vestal

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I have just finished your book, "Sitting Bull". Though I have not read a great many biographies, none that I read approached, and I cannot imagine one that would for suspense, in interest or readability, your book.

I was saddened almost to tears ~~of~~ at some of the evil deeds ~~debt~~ this noble man. When I had finish I felt that warm glow that accompanies a glimpse at a little know truth.

I purchased my copy of Sitting Bull for reference material for a term paper in American History. I had originally intended to write on the maltreatment of the American Indian. It didnot take too much research to realize that writing on the complete story was not a job for a term paper.

Helen H. Jackson's book, "Century of Dishonor", though it was written while Sitting Bull was still in Canada, gave me a good strong hint as to what might be found on further investigation of the Scout. I plan to purchase Mr. Hyde's book, "A Sioux Chronicle". I would appreciate any suggestions you might be able to make as to other pertinent reference material.

Thank you for you courtesy.

Yours truly,  
John L. Steward