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Robert P. High eagle, Esq.,  
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Dear Mr. High eagle:

I am enclosing the twenty-five dollars due you. I hope you will go ahead and gather more material on Sitting Bull.

I have one or two questions to ask about the stories you sent me. You say that Grey Eagle captured the Assiniboine boy, and then Sitting Bull adopted him. I heard that Sitting Bull captured the Assiniboine boy in a fight, and saved him from being killed. Do you know anything about this? Was there a fight against the boy when Grey Eagle brought him back? Or was this another boy?

One story is how Sitting Bull was named. I heard that his father gave him this name when he went on the warpath the first time. What is the name his father gave him at that time?

One story is about seeing a Crow Indian in a spoon. That is a good story. I have heard a story like that before- but not about Sitting Bull. Is that story common among the Sioux?

They tell me that an Indian boy, when he is about to become a man, goes off alone and tries to get supernatural help. Did Sitting Bull do so? I would like to get the true story of that vision of Sitting Bull, if he had it. The first one.

Did Sitting Bull ever make the Hunka ceremony? Did he ever make the waki cagapi? (spirit keeping ceremony)? Or alomapi ceremony?

If you can talk to Grey Eagle, please try to find out about how Sitting Bull married his sisters, what presents Sitting Bull gave, and when and where. I would like to know something about these women, and anything story you can find out about them and Sitting Bull and his children.

Yours truly,

W.S.CAMPELL