

July 29, 1929.

Mr. Robert P. Higheagle,
Allen, S.D.

Dear Sir:

My friend Miss Frances Densmore, who worked with you to gather the songs of the Dakotas, has told me that you know a great deal about the old ways of your people. I am now trying to learn something about the famous Indians in your country, and this summer I want to get some facts about Sitting Bull. I see in the book by Miss Densmore that there are many songs which Sitting Bull made, and other songs which he sang but did not make. I wish to get the words of these songs he made. Then, when I write my book, I can put those words of his songs into my book.

Will you help me to get these songs? I want the Dakota words
(translation)
written out, and then the English words of the same song. I do not need the music. If you know what the song was used for, or when it was sung, I would like to know that, too. But the words are what I want most of all.

I am willing to pay two dollars for every song you send me, if you are sure it was made by Sitting Bull.

Please let me hear from you soon.

Faithfully yours,

W.S.CAMPBELL