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Mr. Robert P. Richeagle,
Red Rock, Oklahoma.

Dear Friend:

I suppose you are starting back to Dakota if you have not already done so. Now that Spring has come I hope that you will be able to get some of that information from the old men, from White Bull, de Roquebraine, No Flesh, Andrew Fox, and other old timers you know. I will pay you for true stories about Sitting Bull at the same rate - \$2.00 each. I would like to get this material in the next two months. I believe I advanced you a little money when you left, toward your expenses, but I will make you a present of that now and we will not figure it in the bill hereafter.

I want to tell you something that is important. Recently a white man published a book called "American". It is the life story of Chief Plenty Coups of the Crow Indian tribe. This book has made many people believe that this Crow chief is the greatest Indian who ever lived. I do not think the Dakotas ought to let this pass without a challenge. If I can get the truth about Sitting Bull I can show how much greater he is than any Crow Indian. Now is the time to strike. When my book is printed it will be too late. I want you to explain this to the old men and get them to help us and tell all they know about Sitting Bull, especially the matters we talked about while you were here. I would like to get two or three stories of hunts he took part in, two or three stories of war parties and councils during wars with the whites and the Crow Indians. I would like to know more about the captives he took and how he treated them, and all the things we talked over and the things you asked your friends about by letter last winter. Now my friend, please let me hear from you right away and please push hard and get this information without delay. You know better than anyone else what I am trying to find out and how to get it. Send the information to me here. Let me have it.

I am planning to go to Dakota this summer on my way to Canada and Washington, D. C. where I must look into the records of the Canadian government and the records of the United States government. I shall begin to write my book at the end of the