

Civil Agent in charge at all the Agencies except Pine Ridge.

(g) The unfortunate but patent truth, impressed upon all minds, that it was the hostile demonstrations of the unruly element only which secured both for themselves and the rest some tardy redress of wrongs, e. g., better beef contracts and pay for beef cut off. Little Wound said: "We could not make our Great Father hear us, until we all got out and made a big hoise."

(h) The impression given by handling of "prisoners" and dealing with hostile leaders during the war, that the Government bestows rewards upon those who make it trouble, and is indifferent to those who do not.

(i) Discouragement, especially at Pine Ridge and Rosebud, owing to the destruction of property and the set-back given to all progress.

(j) Demoralization caused by ghost-dance craze, weakening the faith of many in the true Christ.

(k) Demoralization resulting from free introduction of use of liquors by military during war and on Indian reservations.

(l) Bitter feeling caused by killing women and children at Wounded Knee, and failure to punish white settlers who killed White Horse and Little Bull before the war began, and Few/p.30/ Tails after peace was made, while on the other hand active steps were at once taken to arrest and punish Indians who killed Lieutenant Casey and the herder, Miller, though these were done during and may be fairly regarded as acts of the war, on same footing with the killing on both sides at other places. Army officers took the view and openly expressed it to the Indians.

(m) Bitter feelings toward each other by Indians--mutual recrimination--chagrin and dumbfounding of friendlies by the conduct of army toward hostiles, and failure of Government to keep treaties.

(n) Alarm kept alive by continued talk of disarming, a step which they always believe is only preliminary to dismounting, or taking all horses from them, when arms are as safe in their hands as in the hands of settlers,