

Tilla Sielke Stelke?

Tilla McIntosh stuff

MS 9 III W noted

While on his trip thru the East, Sitting Bull was so impressed by the admiration lavished upon him by white women, that upon his return to the Reservation, he used to boast that he could cover the valley with the tepees of his white women (squaws). One white woman, a Mrs. Waldon, an artist and refined, came out there to live with him. Her infatuation was a bitter disgrace to the white women upon the reservation. She lived with SB and when the Ghost Dancers became more open in their expression of sweeping the white man away, and because of the bitter jealousy shown by one of the wives of SB, Mrs. W feared for her life and, possibly, disillusioned by the filth and primitiveness of real Indian camps, she left for the East. Her inordinate praise of SB (the old savage) may have been one cause of his dream of conquest. Upon her departure she left with him a revolver telling him to defend himself if he should ever be taken.

golden bull

messages from dead friends and relatives used to lure skeptical Indians into the movement of Ghost Dance..

old Indian woman calls white girl granddaughter. Said she was her grandmother and her grandmothers grandmother..

wrinkled, shapeless, clear-eyed toothless.. snow on October 10..

dug outs., sod houses, Russian brick (clay and straw mixed) log..with stove pipe chimney..

Sod roof, shack (log house)

no fences, tress, frame houses, crops, even in 1900

hills all about Bismarck

Indians never trot or canter..lope stoop and wiggle feet.. stoop forward (cf to cavalry- erect on saddle) can tell dif at distance.

Lakotas..

jealous women..

Indian mounds..thoroughbred..beauties..five or six per person nights that have fallen from heaven- stolen from heaven..

know feel of the prairie through moccasin soles..no heavy soles..

courting..big brother..gifts..(brag of number of presents given for her)

Indian agent grants divorce because girl forced to marry old man, vows to die if she lives with him, and agent expects it.

Indian makes a straight short trail in his wooing..not crooked like the white man..