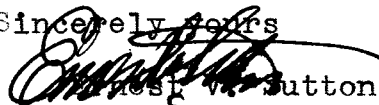


will be able to get along just the same as foreigners coming into our country. Give them full citizenship with a right to live as others do and subject to the same laws, and in ten years there will be no Indian problem. I am glad to learn about Crow Foot, and maybe, after all, I was right about his opening the door. I agree with you in saying Sitting Bull was always fighting for the rights of his people and that was why he was hated so. As I remember, and I lived in his immediate territory, he was known as a "Medicine man" which meant that he was a sort of adviser or lawyer, not that he was a doctor. Am I right in this? "The Gaul", Two Moons and possibly Crazy Horse seemed to me were the leaders at "The Big Horn" and that Sitting Bull is never spoken of as taking part in the fight proper. Is that so?

I have a good photograph of White Bull taken at the end of the year 1890. I think Mc Laughlin's book is the bunk, so far as I can size it up. I talked with an Indian named "Black Elk" at a Sun Dance that took place near Rapid City in 1941 (by special permission of the Indian Bureau) and also with a man claiming to be a grand son of Sitting Bull, and they both told me that Sitting Bull did have marks from the small pox and that his eyes were a light color. What color is the lock of hair you have? It is most interesting to receive information from a man who really knows what he is talking about from actual experience. Today there are so many writing only from research, which really not always true. I don't want to intrude too much on your time, but do wish you would drop me a line concerning your views on the Indian question,

Many thanks for your kind letter

Sincerely yours


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