decision you have given to-day, not only for yourselves but for your women and children. I hope you have considered the matter well with reference to the buffalo. After the buffalo are all destroyed you will have to seek some other method of living, as all that you can expect to get from the Queen's Government is protection from your enemies, and that only as long as you behave yourselves. I will report to the Queen's Government all that transpired to-day, and when the answer comes back I will have it sent to you. I want now to find out from you what are the grievances you complain of having received on the other side of the line. I want to take this down so that I can let the Queen's Government know what grievances you have and what has caused you to leave your country.

"Sitting Bull" then rose, and having shaken hands with the Commissioner and Inspector Walsh, said:-

My fathers you know well how the Americans have treated us, and what they have done to us; they took me for their son, but they have come behind me with their guns. The first time our nations learned to shoot with the gun, to kill meat for our children and women, it was by the English we were taught; since that time I have been in misery. I tell you the truth; since I was raised I have done nothing bad. The Americans tried to get our country from us; our country was full of gold, I mean the Black Hills country. They knew that the gold was there. I told them not to go to it. I did not wish to leave my country full of gold. I did not give them the land, no more than you have given it. The Great Almighty and the Queen knows that there us no harm in me, and that I did nothing wrong. At the present time, my ouw country, my people suffer from the Americans. I want to live in this country and be strong, and live well anf happy. I knew that this was our Great Mothers house, when I came here with my people. I was not raised with arms in myhands. The Americans kill ten or twenty of my children every day for nothing. I like to see my children alive, and come to this country. You will see soon some more come across the line. God Almighty gave us lots of buffalo to live long. I wish there be lots og buffalo for a long time to come. I was glad when I knew I wwas on the Queen's land. Now, I see plain, there are no more deer, elk or buffalo on the other side of the line. God Almighty gave us lots of buffalo to live on long. All is blood. I don't believe that you will help the Americans to do me harm as long as I behave myself. To-day you heard the sweet talk of the Americans; they would give me flour and cattle, and when they get me across the line they would fight me. I hope they will not come here a second time. If I say anything wrong now, our mother will know of it. I don't want to disturb the ground or the sky, I come to raise my childrenhere. God Almighty always raised me buffalo meat tolive on; we will pay for what we want here; we asked the Americans to give us traders, butinstead we got fire balls. All of the Americans robbed, cheated and laughed at us. From the other side of the line their smoke passed over after us. Now I tell you all that the Americans have done to us, and I wish you to tell our Great Mother about it all; I could never live over there again. They never tell the truth. They told me that they did not want to fight, but they commenced it. Everything that was bad always began with them; I have never heard a good word of them, where I now am I hear nothing bad. If they liked me why did they drive me away; for my part they can stop on the other side of the line with their guns, I stay on this side without being afraid. At present, I feel as if I weretalking with our Grandmother, and I am glad I came here. I want

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you to tell our mother of the cold in the country we were driven from. You heard that squaw talk today, we want to raise children, we want to be big friends with all while we are here, and live in peace with all the Indians; there is no fear for them, they can come to our camp at any time; we like you and the Police very much, and it is only for this reson we came to see the United States Commissioners, and hear what they had to say.

Little Knife:-I have much to say; I have traded all over the country; the talk to-day has pleased me well; I have been 12 years in this country; I heard all the talk to-day and my heart is glad; I was raised trading, and want to see traders come and visit us as long as we behave ourselves.

Bear's Cap:-The Americans I asked to trade with me, but instead of this they shoot at me all the time; I am now an old man; I never went to the White Man's country to fight with them, but they came to our land to fight with us; the Americans have nothing but bad lies, and their pockets are full of them; the Americanswere not afraid to come in here, on account of the Police; the Americans have no sense, there is no sense in what they say; look at me and have pity