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men cannot do. The way SB had attained the station, he was a man medicine seemed to surround some way. He was successful. In this way he might be regarded a medicine man. On the other hand a medicine man is a man who conjures, administers herbs, etc. SB was not this kind of medicine man. He was not classed as a doctor. The source of the supernatural power was through dreams and visions.

Charge-~~the~~^{WMA}-Thunder was ~~the~~ dreamer of sacred stones. Many times he sees things if he shuts his eyes - kind of visualize. Every medicine man cannot do this. SB was great for this. Often times he would talk to himself. This was why. (wahpiya?) Fixing up. This type of medicine man used ^{WMA} dreams. There are others. (wahkaha? - a sacred performer.) This refers to medicine men who use prayers. Sometimes he would pray to sacred stones or some animal he had dreamed about. There is another one - medicine giver. This is the commonest kind of medicine man. He doesn't go through any performance. He is just a doctor. These are the three classes. SB probably comes under the last and maybe the second also. A man who could prophesy would come under the second.

Asked stepson of SB if SB gave some presents when he married his mother and her sister. He said, "Lots." What were they? "Horses, robes, guns." But SB wouldn't be apt to do this - give presents like this to his wife. SB would very probably not have given any presents because that would have been buying his wives. It is supposed that when a man is of any standing at all he would win his bride through his own efforts and not through someone else. After the marriage they can exchange gifts if they want to. If a man wants a girl and cannot win her he has to resort to buying her with gifts.

It was customary in old times that when older sister married the younger sister voluntarily wished to become the second wife. Generally wives are related some way if not sisters. In very rare cases women that were not related at all were married to one man. SB married these two sisters at the same time. He would woo the older sister and the younger would go with them. The younger was the mother of this William. The younger sister had been married before. SB had also been married before. SB was married several times before he married the two sisters. William

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