

closed a family by the name of Holy Eagle came down. They were related to SB. He went up with SB and remained up there during all the time until 1914 when he came down.

Black <sup>Ball</sup>, a minor chief at Cannon Ball.

'77-'78 - the winter the horses died. Only thing I remember about Canada was crossing the Canadian line. They told us that this line was considered holy. They called that a holy trail. They believe things are different when you cross from one side to another. You are altogether different. On one side you are perfectly free to do as you please. On the other you are in danger. The Indians called the Queen of England grandmother, the president of the U.S., grandfather. This grandfather is a title given to the head of any organization that has the power to preside over the meetings. The presiding officer it is understood is older and therefore knows more than those under him. Just like the chiefs. While they don't call them grandfather they address them as chief and consider them as men who know more than others. Washington is "the President's town." An agent is called "father." The origin of this was that Father de Smet was the first agent at Standing Rock so all his successors were "father". Queen Victoria was queen at that time. To this day when they allude to Canada they say "the Queen's territory.

A council may be called by the camp or community council. It is presided over by some of the minor chiefs or head men. The chief does not preside unless there is no one else to do so. He sits in the council and is supposed to listen. Questions can be referred to him. He does not talk much. When he does talk it seems its got to go. That's where his influence is felt. He does not say very much but when he does speak it means he has fully made up his mind. He is about the last to speak. If it was any important question coming up generally he has the first chance to speak. It takes some time to tell the Indians his views. If the chief is asked to present a matter before the council the chief will do so. There is a body of men called Wakechunza(?) (Resolved-to-do-things), a sort of a standing committee who are interested in all tribal affairs. If they saw fit to call a council and discuss things they would do so with the sanction of the chief, but these committees are the ones who have