

- Q. What did you mean by putting your name to the paper? What did you suppose you had done? - A. Those men fairly made my head dizzy, and my signing it was an accident.
- Q. How did they make you dizzy? - A. There was so much talk by Indians and white men that I didn't stop to consider whether it was right or wrong, but signed the paper without giving it the proper thought.
- Q. What did those white men say to you to get you to sign the paper? - A. We talked with them about the land they wanted, and they said they would give us cows; and I argued with them because I was looking to the benefit of my people in the future; and I wanted them to keep their land. When I was talking to them the Indians all at once rushed up from behind me and signed the paper, and everything was so mixed up, I didn't know what I was doing until after I had signed the paper.
- Q. Did you expect to have the land and the cows both? - A. No; we wanted nothing but our land.
- Q. You did not want the cows at all? - A. Of course we preferred to keep our land, It would not be right to expect anything else.
- Q. Which would you rather have, the 25,000 cows or the land? - A. We prefer the land.
- Q. What made the Indians behind you rush up to sign the paper if they did not want to give up the land for the cows? - A. The white men talked in a threatening way and the crowd of Indians behind me got frightened and rushed up and signed the paper.
- Q. What was the threatening way in which they talked to the Indians? - A. The man for whom we have a higher regard than for any other white man is Bishop Marty; and he stood before us and told us if we did not sign it we might as well take a knife and stab ourselves; the consequences would be equally as bad. That is what frightened the Indians; and he told us, also, if we did not sign the paper we would be displeasing God. If you were talking for your people, and they got frightened, and committed an act because they were frightened, how could you stop them?
- Q. Do you think that is the reason so many Indians at Standing Rock signed the paper? - A. All these men present know that was the reason they went up and signed that paper.
- Q. What did the commissioners say to frighten the Indians? - A. They told us they