

back to Washington and to the Great Father all that has been said by both the Indians and the white men; and the Great Father would be very glad to know that you want to become like white men; and we want to carry back to him the word from you Indians that you want to do just as white men do, so that you can live as white men live - in houses, and wear warm, comfortable clothing like they do. If you are willing for us to carry that word back we will be glad to do it, and if you are in earnest the Great Father will do all in his power to help you. You must act like white men, though, and they help themselves. If you will do as they do the Great Father will give you agricultural implements, and will do all he can for you.

Sitting Bull. I wish to say a word about my not being a chief, have no authority, am proud, and consider myself a great man in general.

The Chairman. We do not care to talk any more with you to-night.

Sitting Bull. I would like to speak. I have grown to be a very independent man, and consider myself a very great man.

Mr. Logan. You have made your speech, and we do not care to have you continue any further.

Sitting Bull. I have just one more word to say. Of course if a man is a chief, and has authority, he should be proud, and think himself a great man.

The Chairman. We do not care to have any further conversation with you in regard to your authority. The Great Father considers you like any other Indians here; and so long as you obey the law you will be treated well, but you have no more authority here than any other Indian; and you must understand distinctly that you have no right to give orders to the Indians. You must obey the authorities here or you must suffer punishment for disobedience.

(Here the interpreter said that Two Bears desired to say a few words to the committee, and permission was given.)

TWO BEARS.

Two Bears spoke as follows: I am a man who has charge of a certain portion of the Indians, and when good white men come here I do not wish to miss the opportunity