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Dr. Raymond A. Burnside  
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Dear Doctor Burnside:

Thanks very much for your kind letter of July 20. I am delighted that you have mapped and studied this field so completely and wish to thank you for your kind offer of materials.

I was much interested to learn of your proposed trip to Slim Buttes in the company of old Indians and Mrs. Wagoner. I have been planning an expedition myself this summer of a similar nature in which I wish to map the principal Indian battlefields in Montana and Wyoming, in the company of old warriors who took part in the fights. Very few of these seem to have been mapped accurately. If you have accurate maps of any other fields other than the Guster battlefield and Slim Buttes, I shall be pleased to know of them so as to avoid unnecessary duplication. The War Department has already mapped the Fetterman battlefield and a simplification of that map together with an eye-witness account of the Fetterman massacre will be found in the current issue of the Bluebook Magazine.

I think it most important that these fields be mapped at once while Indians live who can indicate troop movements and positions on the ground. If on your return you care to lend me your photographs of the sites you visit, I shall be happy to see them and undertake not to use anything of yours without your permission. If you care to send me your itinerary with approximate dates, I shall try to meet you somewhere if possible.

Yours very cordially,

W. S. Campbell.

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