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Nome, Alaska May 21 1917

W. H. H. H. H.

Nome, Alaska

Dear Mrs. Sage,

My last trip was a very pleasant one, although not an easy one on account of the bad trails. Upon my return two weeks ago I found a great deal of work waiting for me and I had to very hurriedly for me to attend to even the pressing matters in due time. I have collected all the letters from clearing very carefully, and shall send you this letter to you in reply to them all.

I was especially glad to get your letter regarding the article in the local paper. That article was shown to me after my return and I soon found out that the source of both articles was Mr. [Name] and [Name]. At the same time reports came from Councils as to the excitement among the natives there, and even up at Shishmaref I heard some very wonderful accounts of your "Fair Powers" etc. I was able to contact [Name] however, I see the editor of the Industrial Worker, who, while always against all church work, was still fair enough to wish to publish whatever I would request. When your letter came I had him publish part of that. The clipping is enclosed, and believe you are [Name] [Name], will find it satisfactory. All Government and Mission [Name] have to learn to be very thick skinned when it comes to the

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... I have had my share and I suppose will not be  
... which has now been detected, to cause you any worry.

In regard to the lawless state of affairs at Dearing,  
... which was the best course to pursue ... is to see that the  
... the trouble is stopped. The District Attorney and myself  
... in connection with these matters and I told him how matters were  
... at Dearing and that the cause of the whole trouble was the saloon.  
... he assured me that he would take the matter right up and I have  
... every reason to believe that there will be no saloon at Dearing this  
... if something should turn up that would cause the judge to  
... he would allow the license after all I am sure that the  
... to the saloon men will be so strict that there will be no  
... trouble with the natives in connection with it. However, I am  
... sure that there will not be another saloon in Dearing. Until  
... the town people receive a letter from the court this matter should  
... mentioned outside of the rented building. After it comes out this  
... the only way to avoid for these fellows to know my connection  
... the situation.

I do not know how to get at the main question. The  
... way will be to wait until the next summer. I will see  
... the matter and some knowledge of the situation and she may be  
... to help out in that. What question is the burden of all.

With best wishes to you all,  
Very sincerely,

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