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Kissimmee, Fla., Jan. 15, 1916.

Mr. M. K. Sniffen,

995 Draxel Building, I
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Sniffen:

I am just in receipt of a letter from my friend, Willson Tiger, the Seminole Indian living near Stuart, Florida. This letter is in reply to one I wrote him, asking if he would go hunting with a friend of mine. His reply is quite satisfactory, and he says he will go hunting with you any day.

This, I believe, you will find to be a very good plan for your trip. After coming to Kissimmee, I believe I would suggest that you then go on to Stuart, and I believe you will find Willson Tiger a splendid guide and helper for all of your trip.

I know of Mr. Frank Brown, of St. Myers, and I know another white man at St. Myers, who is also a guide and friend of the Seminoles; and I also know a white man living at Hungry Land, but I believe Willson Tiger would probably be the best plan. Then, if necessary, you could have these three white men to fall back upon in case you need them.

Some years ago I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Alanson Skinner, soon after his return from the Everglades. He showed me the collection he made, and also quite a number of photographs taken. I found him a most interesting person.

I do not believe it would be necessary for you to make the trip to Tallahassee in order to get a copy of the Seminole Land Bill which was vetoed. If you do not get a copy of it before you reach Jacksonville, I will suggest that you call upon Mr. P. A. Vans Agnew, Attorney at Law, at the Heard National Park Building, and he might be able to give you some information. You will find Mr. Vans Agnew a very staunch friend of the Florida Seminoles; and if you will introduce yourself by saying that I sent you, to talk Indians, I believe that will be all the introduction you will need. Mr. Vans Agnew used to live in Kissimmee, and has always been very active in behalf of our Seminole Indians. He was one of the main originators of our Society of Friends of the Florida Seminoles. A copy of the constitution, I beg to enclose herewith for your information.

Mrs. Willson and I are looking forward with much pleasure to meeting you, and are anxious to help you in any way possible to make your trip a great success.

With kind regards, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

JMW-RP
Enclosure