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January 6, 1931.

Mr. Eugene Burdick, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Burdick:-

On behalf of the Minnesota
Historical Society I want to thank you for depositing with us for one year the Sioux squaw's dress
made of elk's hide, heavily beaded by Mrs. Bull
Head, Standing Rock Reservation, which your father,
Mr. Usher Burdick brought to the museum last week.

We are very glad to have this dress in our collection, and appreciate your placing it here. Thanking you again, I am,

Welling Thy M. Barech

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Among the objects recently added to the society's Indian collection are a model of a grand medicine society lodge and a frame and appurtenances of a sweat lodge from Grand Portage, presented by Mrs. Harry Palmer of St. Paul; a full-sized bark tepee and a dog sledge of the Grand Portage Chippewa, received from Mrs. Effie M. McLean of Grand Portage; a birch-bark basket made by the Wisconsin Winnebago and given by the Misses Margaret and Frances Densmore of Red Wing; and a heavily beaded dress of a Sioux woman of the Standing Rock Reservation, received from Mr. Eugene Burdick of Minneapolis.