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CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.  
DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT.

NUMBER 1073	ENGLISH NAME Perry Kennerly	AGENCY Pigaw			NATION Pigaw			
BAND		INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS Henry A. Kennerly					
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD		BLOOD	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.	FORCED EXPR.	SEX. M.
FATHER, <i>Living</i>	MOTHER, <i>Living</i>	<i>Half</i>	<i>10<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>4<sup>3</sup></i>				
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL <i>Nov. 12, 1889</i>	FOR WHAT PERIOD <i>5 years</i>		DATE DISCHARGED <i>June 22, 1894</i>			CAUSE OF DISCHARGE <i>Untractable.</i>		
TO COUNTRY	PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS						FROM COUNTRY	
<i>Apr. 2, 91</i>	<i>J. Satterthwaite Oxford Val. Pa.</i>						<i>Sep. 10, 91</i>	
<i>" 2, 92</i>	<i>J. Clayton Hulmeville "</i>						<i>" 9, 92</i>	
<i>" 1, 93</i>	<i>D. Wood Furlong "</i>						<i>" 14, 93</i>	

SHAW-WALKER MUSKOGON 5478

Months in school before Carlisle, .....

Grade entered at Carlisle, .....

Grade at date of Discharge, .....

Trade or Industry, .....

Church, .....

Box 543, Helena, Mont

June 15, 1911.

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M. Friedman, Esq.,  
Carlisle, Pa.

Esteemed friend:

Your kind favor of the 7th inst is received and caused me a deep feeling of pleasure and gratitude, especially as I noted the encouragement it contained.

As to the charges against me and to which you refer, I am pleased to tell you that I am innocent of the same, but they are the result of a tyrannical and malicious effort of a reservation Agent

to punish a man who possesses  
gumption enough to ask for  
fair play. - This is not my  
first experience as a victim  
of a malicious prosecution.

- Hounded almost to the  
point of desperation by the  
incumbent of the superintendents  
office at that time, I left  
the reservation more than  
six years ago, and took up  
my residence here in Helena  
where I was taken into the  
office of a prominent lawyer.

Seemingly, not being content  
with having caused me to leave  
my own country, the Agent at  
that time and his successors

would come to Helena and attempt to "black-" me among people whose respect and confidence I had acquired.

And upon almost every occasion that I go to the reservation, on business or otherwise, I fall a victim without any, or upon the least provocation to the unjust treatment of the Agent.

My experience and observations have given rise to the question, as to whether <sup>the use of</sup> an Indian's education must be restricted or limited. I have learned that so long as an educated Indian assumes an obsequious manner

and bows to the will of an Agent, he will get along.

But when he attempts to apply his knowledge for the benefit of his people and in the interests of right and justice, contrary to the will of such Agent, he jeopardizes his welfare, and makes himself a target for the Agent's spite.

I have made an indefatigable effort to prove myself a credit to my race, but these unfounded stories fabricated by an Indian Agent at last find their way to the press, which makes extensive

to moment not a day but an educated  
Indian," makes my progress  
hard indeed.

I dare say that no man  
possesses higher ambitions  
and aspirations than I,  
and were it not for my  
dogged determination to some  
day see my hopes fulfilled,  
I would have long ago  
given up in despair.

I have struggled under  
trying, adverse and discouraging  
circumstances, but these  
only tend to nerve me with  
a stronger determination to  
'make good.'

Owing to numerous

irregularities of the procedure  
and the inadmissibility of  
certain kinds of evidence,  
I cannot of course foresee  
with any degree of certainty  
the outcome of my troubles.

However, if the worst comes,  
I shall meet my fate like  
a man, secure in the belief  
that some day I shall  
be exonerated in the eyes  
of the public. I ask and  
expect no assistance from  
any source.

In conclusion I will  
say that I am moved  
beyond expression by the  
kind words of encouragement

conveyed in your news, and  
coming as they did at this time.

You may rest assured that  
my conduct and endeavors  
through life, in spite of  
persecution, will always be,  
to uphold, and reflect  
credit upon, dear old Carlisle.

Thanking you for your  
good wishes I have the  
honor to be,

Very truly yours

P. H. Kennerly.



June 7, 1911.

Perry Kennerly  
Helena, Mont.  
Dear friend:-

I have just had brought to my notice a clipping from the Daly Tribune, Helena, Montana, in which your name is mentioned, in connection with matters about which you know more than I do. Ever since taking hold of the work here at Carlisle as the superintendent of the school, I have made an earnest fight against newspaper stories regarding our Carlisle graduates and returned students when they have been accused of all sorts of wrong-doing. We have taken comfort in the fact that we could deny most of these stories. I hope that the charges against you are not correct but if they are, I want you to know that Carlisle and its present superintendent stands ready to help you as soon as you are ready to do the right thing and want to help yourself. If you have failed, do not give up entirely but as soon as you have gotten out of this difficulty, buck& down harder than ever and try to do the right thing.

With best wishes, I am  
Your friend

