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Rev. Edw. F. Wilson  
Letters of introduction  
and recommendations  
his favor from Capt.  
R. H. Pratt, and L.  
Van Koughnet.

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Letter of introduction to agents  
transcribed in book of Asst. Comm.

Asst. Comm. Pratt  
Van Koughnet

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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> 1888

Hon. Geo. H. Merle

Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir-

Rev. Edward F. Wilson of Lault  
Ste Marie Ontario, who hands you  
this, is at the head of one of the series  
of Indian Educational Institutions in  
Canada. I have long and favorably  
known of him and his work, and have  
known him personally by correspondence  
the past two years.

He will explain the object he has  
in view in his visit to the States and  
I solicit for him your favorable  
introduction to the Agents and  
employes of the Dept. at such Agencies  
as he may visit.

Very respectfully  
R. H. Ball  
Capt. & Sup't.

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Ottawa, 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. 1888.

My dear Sir:-

At the request of the Rev. Edward J. Wilson, who is the Principal of two Homes for the education and industrial training of Indian children at Sault Ste. Marie in the District of Algoma, Province of Ontario, and who will present this letter to you

you, I have the honor  
to inform you that  
Mr. Wilson proposes to  
visit the Indians of  
the Southern and Western  
States during the present  
month, proceeding first  
to Carlisle, then  
Westward on a visit  
to the Ohio grounds,  
South to Indian Territory,  
then into Arizona and  
New Mexico, to visit  
the Pueblos, Zunis,  
Inoguis and Navajoes,  
and to examine the  
ancient

ancient ruins in the  
Chaco Cañon, then to  
Denver, returning by  
way of St. Paul, Minn.:

Mr. Wilson desires  
that a request be made  
of you, to kindly instruct  
the Agents of your  
Department on the route  
which he proposes to  
take to facilitate him  
getting about.

I beg to state  
that

that anything that you  
can do to meet the  
Rev. Mr. Wilson's views  
in this matter will  
be duly appreciated by  
this Department, to  
which he has been  
long and favorably  
known as an earnest  
and successful  
educationalist of Indian  
youth. Mr. Wilson's  
object in making the  
tour

Your tour is to work up a  
 general history of the  
 North American Indian, and  
 to make personal acquaintances  
 with parties with whom  
 afterwards he might wish  
 to correspond on the  
 subject. He proposes  
 starting about the 20<sup>th</sup>  
 October.

The Honble  
 The Commr of  
 Indian Affairs,  
 Washington, D.C.

Believe me to be,  
 Very dear Sir,

With much respect  
 Yours sincerely  
 H. Haukoush  
 Dy Supt. General  
 of Indian Affairs.