



Ex. "M.I."

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

February 20, 1914.

Telephone message to the Treasurer Carlisle Trust Co requesting information regarding the Peale and Ropes Funds. The Treasurer advised that all information could be secured from John W. Wetzel, a trustee of both these funds. The following information is ventured by Mr. Wetzel.

Trustees for the Ropes Fund.

John Rhey of Carlisle, Pa.

John W. Wetzel of Carlisle, Pa.

The principal of this fund is invested in bonds, etc.

The balance of the income on the principal today is \$290.08

The books are in the hands of Mr. John Rhey, one of the Trustees.

Trustees for the Peale Fund

John Lindner, of Carlisle, Pa.

John Wetzel, " " "

M. Friedman, Supt. Carlisle Indian School.

The principal of this fund invested in bonds, etc.

The balance of the income on the principal today is \$140.58

The books are in the hands of J.W. Wetzel, one of the trustees which can be inspected at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Clerk.

Mary P. Ropes, Salem, Mass., died in 1903, willed to the Carlisle Indian School, as per provision of the will; "To the Carlisle Indian School, Pennsylvania, I give \$2500.00."

Eliza O. Ropes, Salem, Mass., died April 10, 1907, provision of the will states "To the Carlisle Indian School, Pennsylvania, I give \$2500.00."

First payment on legacy under will of Mary P. Ropes, Apr. 15, 1908, -\$1250.00. Amount deposited Merchants National Bank, Carlisle, Pa., to await further instructions from Indian Office and administrators of the estate, relative to appointment trustees.

Payment under will of Eliza O. Ropes, April 15, 1909, ----
\$1500.00. ~~\$1164.03~~ = ~~\$2664.03~~

Balance under will of Eliza O. Ropes, June 8, 1909, ----
\$1164.03, same being balance of legacy and interest on legacy for \$2500.00.

Balance of legacy under will of Mary P. Ropes, sister of Eliza O. Ropes, on account of deficit in the estate and certain questions of law arising, will probably not be settled for some time. (See letter Chas. W. Richardson, June 8, 1909.)

"I thank you for your advice on the matter of the legacy from Miss Mary Ropes. I have taken the matter up with Judge Wetzel, and the court will probably appoint the Merchants National Bank of Carlisle as trustee of the fund, provided there are no legal difficulties in the way. Your suggestion that only the interest be used and that it be given to deserving students in the nature of a loan is a good one, and I shall be guided by it."

Extract of letter written to former
Commissioner Francis E. Leupp, June
26, 1908. by Friedman, Supt.

WILL of Anna E. Peale of Philadelphia, who died
December 7, 1905.

"Fifth: I give and bequeath to the United States Indian Industrial School at Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, the sum of Three thousand dollars in trust for the maintenance and education of Indian girls at the Training School at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, and I direct that the said sum be paid to Dr. C. R. Agnew of New York City, Captain R. H. Pratt of the United States Army and Bishop William H. Hare, whom I constitute and appoint Trustees to manage and apply the same in such manner as they may deem best for the purpose above mentioned and in case any of the Trustees should fail to serve or from any cause whatever by death incapacity or otherwise be unable to do so, I hereby authorize the remaining trustee or trustees to fill the vacancy by the appointment of such person or persons as they may deem fit or failing any such trustee or trustees willing or able to act then I authorize the proper Court of Cumberland County aforesaid to appoint the needful number of trustees to carry out the purposes of this trust."

Dr. Agnew is dead, Bishop Hare declines to act, General Pratt resigned trusteeship.

Appointment of Mercer, Supt., John Lindner and J. W. Wetzel, Trustees, as per the following:

ORPHAN'S COURT begun on Tuesday, 7th day of May, A.D., 1907, and holden at Carlisle, in and for Cumberland County, before the Honorable W. F. SADLER, President and Sole Judge, the following proceedings were had, to wit:

THE PETITION:

of W. A. Mercer, for the appointment of trustees of the fund of Anna E. Peale, deceased, the Court made the following order.

Order of Court.

And now 7th May, 1907, the Court having heard the foregoing petition and after due consideration do hereby appoint Messrs. W. A. Mercer, John Lindner and J. W. Wetzel, trustees, successors to the trustees named by the testatrix Anna E. Peale to receive and manage the trust fund bequeathed by her to the United States Indian School at Carlisle, Penna. for the maintenance and education of Indian girls at said school, in accordance with the terms of the said bequest, bond with surety in the sum of \$5000, for the faithful performance of the duties of the trust is required to be filed and submitted for approval.

By the Court,

W. F. Sadler, P.J.

Attest

W. A. Lepperd, Depy. Clerk.

Upon the relief of Major Mercer, the trustees are as follows:

M. Friedman, John Lindner, J. W. Wetzel.