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Correspondence with reference to Morris Huff, outing pupil
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Hon. Cato Sells,

"Commissioner Indian Affairs"
Washington, D.C.

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My dear Sir:-

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Thank you very much for your kind letter of February twenty-sixth. Morris Huff, Mr. Hartman, and I desire to express our gratitude and sincere appreciation to you for your trouble, and manifold kindnesses, and help, in regard to the

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Settlement of Morris Huff remaining
with us, at our home.

Our one desire is that Morris' people will not need him at his home until he has graduated here. We hope to see him grow to be a good educated man.

Thanking you, most sincerely
for your help,
Very truly,

Mrs. J. M. Hartman.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

March 2, 1914.

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OUTING SYSTEM
MRS. ROSA B. LAFLESCHÉ, Manager.
MISS LIDA M. JOHNSTON, Girls' Agent.
MR. D. H. DICKEY, Boys' Agent.

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The Honorable

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

Replying to Office letter, dated the 26th ultimo, relative to Morris Huff, will say that on the 19th of February, I sent a letter to Mrs. J. M. Hartman, Yardley, Pa., as follows:

"Regarding the status at this school of Morris Huff, will say that early in January 1914, he was re-enrolled and taken up as an "Outing" student, and I wish to say here that I am this day taking his name off our student roll. He will, hereafter, be considered only as an ex-student."

I am this day returning to Morris his enrolment paper.

Very respectfully,

LaF.

W. Lipps
Supervisor in Charge.

*No ans necessary
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Mr. Morris Huff,
Yardley, Pa.

My friend:

Answering your letter of February 9, you are
advised that I have told Mr. O. H. Lippe, Supervisor in
Charge of the Carlisle School, that inasmuch as you are
so unwilling to remain on the Carlisle outing roll, that
he may consider your name dropped from the list.

Your friend,

(Signed) Cato Sells
Commissioner.

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Mr. O. H. Lippe,

Supervisor in Charge, Carlisle School.

Sir:

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Referring to recent correspondence concerning Morris Huff, the Indian boy who is living at the Harman home in Yardley, Pennsylvania, the Office is now in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Hartman dated February 3, and one from this Indian boy protesting against the action of Mr. Dickey, outing agent of the Carlisle School, who, they say, compelled Morris to sign the outing roll by telling him if he did not do so they would take him to the constable or call the constable and send him back to the reservation. This action, if true, was unwarranted on the part of Mr. Dickey. It was understood here that a copy of Office letter sent to Mr. Hartman January 14 was enclosed to the Superintendent of Carlisle School in which Mr. Hartman was told that if Morris positively refused to re-enroll he could not be compelled to do so. A copy of this letter is herewith sent you.

Under the circumstances it is believed that Morris Huff should not be included in the list of outing pupils, and you may consider his name dropped from the list. Please have his application of re-enrollment returned to him.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

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FEB 26 1914

Mrs. J. M. Hartman,
Yardley, Pa.

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My dear Madam:

I have your letter of February 2, in which you say that Mr. Dickey, the Carlisle outing agent, compelled Morris Huff, the Indian boy who is living with you, to sign the re-enrollment papers of the Carlisle School.

It was understood here that a copy of the letter sent you January 14 was enclosed to the Superintendent of the School. It appears however that he did not receive instructions to the effect that if Morris Huff positively refused to re-enroll he could not be compelled to do so.

I am instructing Mr. O. H. Lipps, Supervisor now in charge of Carlisle Indian School, that inasmuch as Morris is unwilling to remain on the Carlisle outing roll, that his name may be dropped from the list.

There has been no intention to remove Morris from his good home with you, but it was thought that he would be willing to accede to the customary rules of the Carlisle School in regard to the outing pupils. There is no reason why your name should be removed from the list of patrons of the Carlisle School.

Very truly
(Signed) Cato Sells

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My dear Mr. Difenderfer:

The Office thanks you for the information furnished in your letter of February 5, and the copy of your letter of December 2, which you enclosed, with reference to Morris Huff, outing pupil of the Carlisle Indian School.

Respectfully,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

Assistant Commissioner.

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Hon. R. E. Difenderfer,
House of Representatives.

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Yardley, Pa.

Feb 9 1914



Hon. Cato Sells,
Washington, D.C

Dear Sir

Pardon me for troubling you but will you please give me written permission to stay here "free." For five years I was a pupil at Carlisle Indian school and I became free last August having served my full time there. I went to my home in New York and while there obtained my mother and my Reservation agents permissions to return to Mr. and Mrs. Hartman's home Yardley Pa., where I had lived while under Carlisle. My home in New York is a poor one, I have a

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good home here and attend the
High School punctually and regul-
arly. I shall be 21 in March.

People have testified to my conduct
and I want to do right for the sake
of freedom. I did not want to sign
to be under Carlisle again. As
soon as Carlisle knew I was here
they wanted me to sign to be
under them, I refused many times.

I have earned my freedom and
do not disturb the outing boys.
Three families around here have had
free Indian boys and boys from the
Carlisle school living with them at
the same time and Carlisle never
troubled the free boys nor asked them
to sign. One free boy Simon Johnson
lived with the Pecks sisters at
Tullytown near here for seven years
and Carlisle never bothered him to sign.

Now. Cato tells I know I am a
ward of the Government and I want to
be a good one but why was I compelled
to sign when other boys are allowed
free around here? It is unjust I have
not been treated right. I saw in the
paper where you said white people
made Indian drunk and then had
them sign their lands away. When
Mr. Dickey the outing agent made out
the paper for me to sign he said,
"The just must suffer for the unjust."
He also said if I did not sign to be
under Carlisle, he would take me
away and cross Mrs. Hartman's
name off their book for having a free
"boy" Was that right? My Indian
agent Mr. Murphy said as long as
I behaved my self I could stay
here forever and no one could trouble
me. Could I have been taken away
when I was doing no harm?

Was it right for me to be compelled
to be under Carlisle in order to live
in a free country when other boys are
free here? Why does Carlisle show
partiality? Please grant me the
request and I shall be very grateful

Morris Hoff

M. FRIEDMAN, A. M., Litt. D.,
SUPERINTENDENT



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

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Morris Huff.

The Honorable,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

I respectfully transmit herewith the original of Hon. R. E. Difenderfer's letter of December the 2nd, last, as was requested in the Office's communication of February the 4th.

It had been placed in our files with the other correspondence in regard to the matter.

Very respectfully,

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Superintendent.

*To Mrs. M. Friedman
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House of Representatives U. S.
Washington, D. C.



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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Pension Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear sir:-

I am enclosing herewith letter from J. H. Hartman, of Yardley, Pa., in whose family Morris Huff, an Indian, (whose residence is Versailles, N. Y.,) has been residing for the past two years; he has been treated as one of the family while residing with Mr. Hartman and has been attending school at this time being in the 9th grade of the Yardley High School. He is very desirous of securing an education in order to be a teacher, and in this home has every possibility, as Mrs. Hartman is a teacher in the public schools of Bucks County.

Morris Huff has served 5 years at the Carlisle Indian School, and was returned to his home and mother. His mother gave her permission for him to be placed in the family of Mr. Hartman for educational purposes. Now, the Carlisle School thinks the young man should belong to them and sign to stay under the school if he does not want to remain at home. Morris Huff will be 21 years of age in March, 1914.

Case His home at Versailles, N. Y., is not pleasant, owing to drinking, etc., and the young man desires to remain with the Hartmans until such time as they may find his presence no longer desirable.

I trust that you may be able to give a decision in favor of the young

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man so that he can remain with the Hartman family.

For my own information, I should like to know "why or how the Indian School can make claim upon a young man who has served his five (5) years at that Institution, when they returned him to his mother?"

How can they claim him after such return to his family, when his mother gives her permission for him to enter another home for educational purposes? Does not the fact of the School returning the boy to his mother release him from any obligations to the School? That is, so far as being under their jurisdiction?

Thanking you for your courtesy, and with the hope that you will give this matter immediate attention as the matter is urgent, I have the honor of remaining,

Yours very respectfully,

R. E. Wifenderfer
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Enclosures also, letters of Morris Huff and S. S. Shearer, Principal of the Public Schools, Yardley, Pa.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON, D. C.



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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

FILED BY S. P. F.

My dear sir:-

Your favor of the 4th inst. is at hand, and contents noted. In reply wish to state that in looking over my files, there is not among the papers in the matter of Morris Huff, my letter which was written you and dated the 2nd of December.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter for your files.

Yours very respectfully,

R. E. Diferferfer
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Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Pension Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

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Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) R. E. Difenderfer.

Enclosures also, letters of Morris Huff and S. S. Shearer, Principal of the Public Schools, Yardley, Pa.

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Morris Huff

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My dear Mr. Diferferer:

On December 20, 1913, the Office wrote you with reference to the enrollment of Morris Huff as an Indian pupil in the outing system of the Carlisle Indian School.

Your letter of December 2, to which reply was made is missing here, and it may be that it was inadvertently inclosed to you. If so, please return it to the Office in order that it may be filed with the case in question.

Respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke

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Second Assistant Commissioner.

Hon. R. E. Diferferer,

House of Representatives.

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Morris Huff.

FEB -4 1914

Mr. Moses Friedman,

Supt. Carlisle School.

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Sir:-

On December 22, 1913, the Office wrote you with reference to the enrollment of Morris Huff as an Indian pupil in the outing system of your school.

The letter of Hon. R. E. Diefenderfer of December 2, in reference to this matter is missing here and it may be that it was inadvertently inclosed to you. If so please return it to the Office in order that it may be filed with the case in question.

Respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke

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Second Assistant Commissioner.

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Yardley, Pa.,
Feb. 2, 1914.

Hon. Cato Sells
Asst. Comm., E. B. Meritt,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of Jan. 14th received in which you stated if Morris Huff positively refused to re-enroll, he could not be compelled to do so. I wrote a letter to you but it was never answered.

"Our boy" feels so hurt. Mr. Dickey the Carlisle outfit agent compelled Morris to sign by telling him if he did not sign he would take him to the constables or call the constable and send him back to the reservation. Morris cried and cried and did

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not want to sign. Then, I coaxed him and rather than be sent away, he signed. Was this right? I believe in justice! Could Mr. Dickey have sent Morris back to the reservation without your permission when Morris had done no wrong?

Gentlemen, I want only justice. Will you please tell me why some boys are allowed here "free" and others not. If it is not compulsory why was Morris made to sign through fear against his will and if it is compulsory why was Mrs. Headley here in Gardley allowed to have Moses Stern her Indian boy from New York - Mr. Neely & Mr. Scarborough of Penn's Manor allowed to have their Indian Noah - and the Peck sisters of Tullytown allowed to have Simon Johnson for seven years free?

I know all of these boys and all of these people and have talked with them and all these families say Carlisle never made any fuss about their boys nor asked them to sign. Mr. Dickey saw these "free boys" at the different places and talked to them and Carlisle sent them school boys to work with these "free boys" at the same time. These "free" boys caused no trouble whatever to Carlisle neither will Morris. No, yet, Mr. Dickey told me if I did not coax Morris and have him sign the school would cross me ^{name} off their books for having a "free boy" at my home. Is this graft or what? In what way are the other boys better than Morris or the other patrons better to have "free boys"? Why is this partiality shown? I cannot under

stand why Morris and we have been treated this way. We have always been good patrons, have lived up to every rule and made our boys do so.

Morris has a poor home and we think a great deal of him and wanted to locate him as he liked it here. This meant home to Morris before he signed, he was so contented. He is a Seneca and the agent says those Indians have been allowed all over the United States the same as white persons.

Morris feels so unhappy now and his eyes fill with tears when he thinks of being compelled to "sign" as if he could not be trusted to be "free" when other boys around here have been "free" for years. Morris is thoroughly civilized, will be 21 in March, and is far more worthy than many voting citizens.

Morris was also an officer over other boys at Carlisle school, why then should boys in the "outing district" be jealous of him, when he was over them at Carlisle? Miss Peck's boy Simon Johnson was an officer at Carlisle too and returned to her "free" from Carlisle and staid seven years, and Carlisle never troubled him.

Five long years, Morris worked under Carlisle and showed them he could do right. Has he not earned his freedom? He is a quiet boy and attends to his own business and interferences with no one. I have sent you letters in which several persons have testified to Morris' good conduct, It seems to me like holding back a graduate or a college man because some persons in the sixth or seventh grade does not want him to graduate. Other

boys are allowed "free" why is not Morris allowed the same privilege?

We have had Indians for many years & are very fond of them, Mrs. Lenny at Carlisle who used to be the head of the Outing Dept. there is an Indian and knows me well. I graduated in the same class with her at "West Chester State Normal School", West Chester, Pa. she can tell whether or not we are not good to our boys. I have not written against the school particularly. I am only asking for justice to Morris and boys - treatment that others have had is all I ask. I have never known of a case like this before - I know of two other families farther away who also have had "free boys" return to them and they had no trouble either. Mr. Scarborough who had the "free boy" Noah - at Penn's Manor said

"Carlisle would be glad to think an Indian brought enough of his country home to return and not go down to drink and despair on the Reservation". I feel so sorry for Morris. He came from his New York home with his mother's and reservation agent's permissions and he wants so much to be "free" and live a good life. It hurts Morris to think Carlisle does not trust him and wants to bind him when other boys not nearly as good have been "free".

Honorable Cato Sells, I have read where you do so much for the Indian. Please may I talk to you for a few minutes in a week or two. I have never known of a case before where a boy returned from the reservation to his country home and was made

to be under the school after he was "free" from it.

We all want to do right but why should we not be allowed what others have done not a half a mile away in this same town? We want to be friendly with the school but why should my name be crossed off their books for not coming to buy to "sign" when other patients have had "free boys" and boys from Carlisle at the same time? Why is partiality shown and where is the justness of this threat? Is there a law that an Indian cannot leave his reservation unless he is under a government school? Is it right for a person to be compelled to sign through fear and threats? Please give Morris written permission to remain here "free" as long as agreeable to him and his and may we be treated

The same as other patrons, please.

Before Morris was compelled to sign that paper, he was so contented and happy here. His mother does not want him to be under Carlisle school and now he feels that Carlisle does not want him here like they have allowed other "free" boys to remain and that he must get away from the people who like him and care for him, in order to be "free".

Hon. Cato Sells, we care for this boy. Must we see him go back to the reservation to sin and despair and leave all his educational benefits here in order that he may be "free" from the school when other boys have roamed all over here "free" from the school and not a word from Supt. Friedman nor any compulsion to "sign"? It is not right. The are very

much attached to this boy. God measures our lives as we measure for others.

Carlisle starts the education and then the Indians are sent back to the Reservations and they are only one of the few educated and domesticated and they fall into the ways of their fore fathers and go down in their environment. The few cannot pull up the many.

Please trust Morris and let him have a "free" trial here in good environment. We do want to help him to become a teacher, then he can go and lift up his

fellow men, and he will have an education with which he can work. We are doing all we can for the good of the boy and we ask for him "free" as others have been helped

him. Please grant us these requests for the sake of justice. We are very much attached to Morris. Please keep us from drink and despair at the reservation by allowing him to live here "free" in good environment. Morris is a good boy and his living here "free" will in no wise effect other boys or Carlisle school. I beg you to look into the matter and trust this boy for the sake of justice and humanity. Very sincerely,

Mrs J. M. Hartman.

Please let me talk to you, as soon as I am out of doctor's care. I am writing this in bed.

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Morris Huff.

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Mr. J. M. Hartman,
Yardley, Pennsylvania.

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Sir:

Referring to recent correspondence and your telegram of January 12, concerning Morris Huff, the Indian boy who is making his home with you, you are advised that Superintendent Friedman has been instructed to communicate with you, and effect, if practicable, an understanding with reference to a satisfactory arrangement by which the boy may continue permanently with you if you wish to keep him. Of course, you understand that should Morris positively refuse to re-enroll, he could not be compelled to do so. However, it is hoped that his regard for the welfare of the school which had done so much for him would cause him to readily accede to the reasonable requests of the Superintendent.

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Respectfully,

(Signed) E. B. Meritt

Assistant Commissioner.

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Yardley, Pa.,
Jan. 13, 1914



Commissioner Cato Sells or Commissioner E. B. Meritt,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Sir:-



yesterday, I sent a telegram to you asking if it is compulsory for Morris Huff to sign Carlisle outing rules to be under them when Morris does not want to sign and after his New York agent gave him permission before Christmas to stay here and states in a letter home that the Seneca's are allowed to go anywhere in the United States like white persons.

The outing agent, from Carlisle, tries to compel Morris to sign by telling him if he does not, he will call the constable and have him sent back to reservation. Mr. Murphy, the New York agent, said during good behavior, Morris could stay here and no one could move him unless there was a cause from misbehavior. The outing agt. also tries to compel me to coax and make Morris sign by telling me if I do not have him sign, Carlisle will cross my name off their books as a patron and not allow me to have other pupils because I have a "free boy" in my home instead of one of their boys. Two other families I know, have had a "free boy" and a boy from Carlisle working at their home at the same time. Please give us justice. I want only what is right. As the Commissioners, I ask for justice to our Indian and bond. The boy is good and he wants to do right. Poor

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Morris, has cried & cried. I have witnesses who can testify to the truth of this. In a free country, must a person be compelled to sign to live in a certain place when others are not all made to do the same thing? Morris is living a better life than many American citizens. Please give us justice.

I have been a patient of Carlisle Indian school for years and have had no trouble in any way. I have lived up to every rule. Now, I am willing to send reports to you at Washington and tell his agent of him as long as he is here but if Morris as a Seneca is allowed to go anywhere in the United States why may he not stay here "free" from Carlisle school? If you will designate a time next week or as soon as I am out of Doctor's care for pleurisy, I would be glad to talk to you. I want only justice but I cannot bear to see a human being treated differently from another in the same town. Mrs. Headley, a half mile from here in this town had her Indian boy from New York return to her from his home. He lived with her one year. Mr. Dickey saw him at her home & no attempt was made to have him sign Carlisle rules or to return him to Reservation.

Why must Morris sign to be under the school when he does not wish to do so and other boys in the same district have not been compelled to? Why must I coax him and make him sign or be crossed off their books as a patron? If Morris should sign under compulsion being made to do so through fear, that signature would be unlawful would it not? Morris feels so badly & so hurt. Forgive me, if I trouble you too much but if you could see how hard Morris has tried to be "free" (He has been at Carlisle and served his full term five years) and how badly he feels to give up the few privileges and the little freedom he now has, you too would feel that a life that is not "free" is a hard one. He is human & feels that so many of the voting citizens drink & carouse and loaf and because he is trying to do right, he cannot be "free". If this country stands for justice & freedom, why must he be compelled to sign against his will?

Will you please let Morris stay here "free" during good behavior? I know - he is a ward of the Government but other wards go where they please, why may he not do so too? I have always been a friend of the school. I have enjoyed visiting it but I want to be treated as the other patrons have been. I want Morris treated as he feels and knows other boys have been, these different patrons very near here have had "free boys" and Carlisle boys at the same time and there was never any mention made of it. He want only what is right and we want to do right - he treated as others have been. Why should Carlisle want to compel us to do things that others in this same place have not even been asked to do and their "free boys" in some instances were not as good as Morris. Please give us justice and let our boy be "free". Thanking you,

D. S. Hartman
(Mrs J. M. Hartman)

Yardley, Pa.,
Dec. 26, 1913.

Commissioner Cato Sells,
Washington, D. C.



My dear Sir: -

About two weeks ago, I wrote to the Secretary of Indian Affairs in reference to a "free Indian" Morris Huff. In this letter, I enclosed letters from S. S. Shearer, Principal Yardley High School, J. W. Insiviler Chief Burgess of Yardley Borough telling of Morris' good conduct, and from Morris Huff. From that letter, I have received no answer.

Hon. R. E. Diefenderfer has sent me the letter you wrote to him in regard to the matter. I note that the letter from Chief Burgess Insiviler telling of Morris' good deportment was not mentioned though the others were.

Morris Huff, the Indian will be twenty-^{one} years old in March. He has lived with us two years. He attended "Carlisle Indian School" for five years and served his full time there. Carlisle school returned him to his home Versailles, N. Y. a "free boy" in August. He returned to us, with his mother's permission, in September and has been working for us and attending school here.

There are several "free boys" around here. Three families whom I know well have had "free Indian boys" and yet Carlisle has never troubled them. Why are they allowed to be "free" and Carlisle wants to make Morris sign to be under them again? Your letter states that Supt. Friedman of the "Carlisle Indian School" thinks it is unsatisfactory to permit Indians not under the "outing system" to remain in a district where "outing pupils" from the school are sent. Other boys may not have done right but that is no reason Morris will not. - Please Commissioner, sell, give Morris a chance. He does not drink like many of the "free boys" have done neither does he even use tobacco. Please let him be "free" until he does do something wrong, then there might be cause for "signing" but as long as he is "good", please let him alone. We are very careful of "our boy". He is not allowed to carouse around and run out at nights. He studies and spends his evenings to good advantage; Morris' mother does not wish him to sign to be under "Carlisle Indian School".

Last week, Morris visited his home in New York and while there, he and his uncle were told by their Reservation Agent, Mr. Murphy, that as long as he behaved

himself and liked his home here, he could remain and not be disturbed. When an Indian is "free" from an Indian school, may he not live anywhere in the United States as long as his conduct is good? Did not Mr. Murphy know when he gave Morris and his uncle the permission?

Morris would go down at his home, there, he can go on with his work and school work and graduate and he has all the advantages that an intelligent home can give him.

Commissioner Sells I beg that you will kindly let him remain with us "free" as long as agreeable to us and to him. He does not nor will not interfere with the "outing boys" nor Carlisle school. Other "free boys" may do wrong but anyway, they are not troubled and the people with whom they live have told me Carlisle never even asked them to sign to be under them. Is it because Morris is a "good boy" and does nothing to trouble them that they want him? I have known cases where some "free boys" did not do right but were not even censured or mentioned by that school. They were simply let alone. I am sure Morris will cause no trouble to any one. Please, let him remain here "free". I plead fifth you. I shall call to see you and talk about this matter, if you deem it best. I enclose copy of letters which I hold

from Thomas F. Murphy, Indian Agent at the Reservation
where Morris lives at home, S. S. Shearer, principal
Yardley High School, and J. W. Insweiler Chief Burgess.
I am afraid to send the originals because I have sent
some before and they have been either mislaid or lost.
I have certified to these copies before Notary Public and
hope you will think best to let Morris remain with us
"free" during good behavior as long as agreeable to him
and his. He is troubling no one and I can get
more recommendations from people of our borough
if necessary. I shall thank you most sincerely
if you will give the written permission.

Very respectfully & hopefully,
J. M. Hartman.
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Exact Copy

Dept of the Interior
U. S. Indian Service
New York Agency.

Salamanca, N. Y. Dec. 23, 1913.

J. M. Hartman, Esq.,
Yardley, Pa.



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Dear Sir:-

I have received your letter of Dec. 20, asking that I give written authority for Morris Huff to remain with you as long as agreeable to him and to you.

No attempt has been made to require Indians of New York state reservations to remain on the reservation, and although they are wards of the Government, they have gone any where in the United States they wished; the same as white persons.

You are undoubtedly thoroughly familiar with the outing system under the management of the Carlisle Indian School, through which Indian boys and girls are placed with white families, under the usual school restrictions and discipline. The entire question is whether or not Morris Huff

wishes to assist the Carlisle School, of which he was formerly a pupil, by enrolling with them merely to come under the outing system and thereby avoid dissatisfaction among outing pupils living near him, by reason of his having more privileges than they.

Any written authority for Morris Huff to remain with you must come from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,
Thomas F. Murphy
Special Indian Agent
in Charge.

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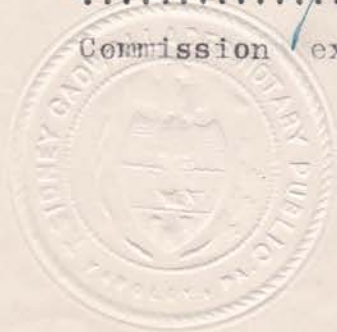
Personally appeared before me this 29th day of December A.D. 1913.

Susanna Hartman, who deposes and says that the above is a true copy.

X S. S. Hartman

Sidney Cadwallader Notary Public.

Commission expires Jan 21st 1915.



Exact copy.

Gardley, Pa., Dec. 10, 1913.

To Whom It May Concern: -

It is understood that the authorities of Indian Affairs at the Carlisle Indian School wish Morris Huff, an Indian boy of our Community to place himself under their obligation or return to the reservation.

Morris dislikes very much to do either of these. He had been at the Carlisle School some time and, therefore, knows somewhat of the environment there; he has been here at this place also for some time where he has established a record of good conduct, where he is a good home and is being taught those things which any one may desire for any boy, and where he is given what privileges are given any one in the educational lines. He is doing good work in our High School, ranking high in his class, and takes advantage of and does active work in all the school functions.

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I plead with you to use your influence in allowing him to remain with us.

Personally appeared before me, Susanna Hartman this 29th day of December A.D. 1913, who deposes and says that the above is a true copy.

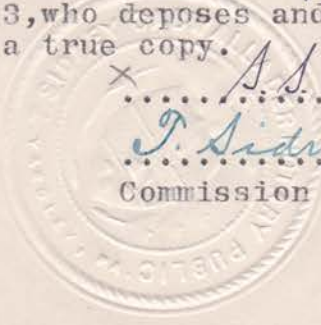
Very sincerely yours,

A. S. Hartman

S. S. Shearer,

Prin. Public Schools.

J. Sidney Leavander
Notary Public.
Commission expires Jan 21st 1915.



Exact Copy

Yardley Pa.,
Dec. 21, 1913



This is to certify that Morris Huff, a "Indian" living at the home of Mr. Mrs. J. M. Hartman has in no way interfered with the rights of our borough. He is never carousing on the streets at evening time or standing on the corners for it is so directed by the people with whom he lives that he be honest and upright.

His conduct is excellent. He has good habits and attends school punctually and regularly. He is living with a very good family. Both Mr. + Mrs. Hartman were teachers and can aid him in his school work.

I trust you will deem it best to let Morris remain with them for his home in New York is a poor one and he would eventually go down with it. Mr. + Mrs. Hartman are very much attached to this boy and are doing the best they can for him.

Personally appeared before me, Susanna Hartman, this 29th day of December A.D. 1913, who deposes and says that the above is a true copy.

S. S. Hartman

J. Sidney Cadwallader Notary Public.

Commission expires Jan 21st 1915.

(Signed) J. M. Insweiler
Chief Burgess
Yardley Borough.

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THANK YOU TELEGRAM RECD THAT MORRIS BOFF MAY REMAIN AT HARTMAN'S AND
DESIRE EXPRESSED AS CUSTOMARY TO SIGN CARLISLE RULES IS IT CUSTOMARY
FOR MORRIS TO SIGN WHEN NEWYORK AGENT GAVE HIM PERMISSION TO COME
OTHER INDIAN BOYS HERE HAVE NOT SIGNED AND CARLISLE KNEW IF WE WANT
ONLY JUSTICE

J M HARTMAN.

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Telegram

JAN -3 1914

I. S. Hartman,
Yardley, Pa.

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Your telegram today. Office has telegraphed
Groy M. Hartman, Yardley, name as received over phone,
its willingness to have Morris Huff remain at Hartman
home without hindrance, but expressed desire that he
enroll under Carlisle outing system as is customary.
No intention to remove him from present surroundings.
We simply desire to keep track of his work and advance-
ments.

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COMMR INDIAN AFFAIRS

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PLEASE WIRE IMMEDIATELY INDIAN MORRIS HUFF PERMISSION TO REMAIN AT HOME J M HARTMAN YARDLEY PA IS IT BEST TO BOND HIM OR CAN HE BE FREE AGENT THOS MURPHY FROM CATAURAGUS RESERVATION GAVE HIM PERMISSION I WROTE TO YOU IN DECEMBER AND TELEPHONED THIS MORNING

I S HARTMAN

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Croy M. Hartman,
Yardley, Pennsylvania.

Office and also Superintendent Carlisle quite willing Morris Huff remain with you without hindrance, but it is very desirable he be enrolled under Carlisle outing system in order that some supervision may be exercised if necessary as uniformly the practice in all cases.

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(Signed) E. B. Meritt

Assistant



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Morris Huff.

Lewis R. Bond, Esq.,
Attorney at Law,
Morrisville, Penna.

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Sir:

Referring to your letter of November 29 in behalf of Morris Huff, a free Indian, formerly of the Carlisle Indian School, you are advised that the Office has had some correspondence in regard to this matter. Superintendent Friedman has reported that it is very unsatisfactory to permit Indians not under the control of the Carlisle School to remain in the district to which their outing pupils are frequently sent. There could be no objection to Morris Huff's enrollment at Carlisle as an outing pupil, of course remaining in his present home, being visited by the outing Agent for that district and submitting casual reports to the Superintendent with reference to his progress, earnings, deportment, etc. Superintendent Friedman has been instructed to communicate again with Mr. Hartman and effect, if practicable, some sort of an understanding with

reference to arranging for the enrollment at the Carlisle School of Morris Huff, to continue him in the outing system, thus allowing him to remain permanently with Mr. Hartman.

Respectfully,

(*Signed*) *E. B. Meritt*

Assistant Commissioner.

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Mr. M. Friedman,

Supt. Carlisle School.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

In answer to your letter of December 9, I am sending you herewith a copy of a letter addressed to Hon. R. E. Difenderfer, with reference to the enrollment of Morris Huff in your Outing System.

I believe your position with reference to the control of Indians in your Outing District is correct, and I wish you would take up again with Mr. Hartman this matter, and effect an adjustment, making it very plain to him that the enrollment in the Outing System is necessary for the proper discipline of the pupils of the Carlisle Indian School, and will in no way interfere with the plans of Mr. Hartman as to the education and training of Morris Huff. If Mr. Hartman does not consent to such reasonable arrangements as you may suggest, you may report the matter further to the Office.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

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Hon. R. E. Diefenderfer,
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Diefenderfer:

I have received your letter of December 2, with reference to the enrollment of Morris Huff as an Indian pupil in the Outing System of the Carlisle Indian School, and with which you submit letters from Mr. J. M. Hartman, of Yardley, Pennsylvania, and Mr. S. S. Shearer, Principal of the Yardley Public Schools.

From the statement of the case made in these letters, and also from the report made by Superintendent Friedman, it appears that it will be very desirable to allow Morris Huff to remain as he is with Mr. Hartman, and attend the public schools of Yardley. However, Superintendent Friedman says that it is very unsatisfactory to permit Indians not under the control of the Carlisle School to remain in the district to which other Outing pupils are frequently sent. I feel that the Superintendent's position is correct in this respect, and desire that the difficulty which he points out that

might occur from allowing Morris to remain with Mr. Hartman and not enrolled in the school be obviated by some sort of an agreement between Mr. Hartman and the Superintendent.

There could be no objection to his being enrolled at Carlisle as an Outing pupil, of course remaining in his present home, being visited by the Outing Agent for that district, and submitting casual reports to the Superintendent with reference to his progress, earnings, deportment, etc.

I am sending to Superintendent Friedman a copy of this letter to you, and will ask him to communicate again with Mr. Hartman and effect, if practicable, some sort of an understanding with reference to arranging for the enrollment at the Carlisle School of Morris Huff, to continue him in the Outing System, thus allowing him to remain permanently with Mr. Hartman. If this matter cannot be arranged between them, I shall ask the Superintendent to report the matter further to the Office.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells
Commissioner.

Inclosure of letters from
Morris Huff, J.M. Hartman,
and S.S. Shearer.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.

December 9, 1913

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OUTING SYSTEM

Mrs. ROSA B. LAFLESCHÉ, Manager.

MISS LIDA M. JOHNSTON, Girls' Agent.

Mr. D. H. DICKEY, Boys' Agent.

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The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Commissioner:

I am in receipt of Office letter, dated Dec. 4, 1913, relative to Morris Huff, an Indian young man, 20 years of age, attending school at Yardley, Pennsylvania, and I have the honor to report as follows:

Morris enrolled at this School September 1908 for a period of five years. Last June he severed his connections with this School and went home. After spending a short time with his parents he returned to the home of Mrs. J. M. Hartman, with whom he had lived a couple of seasons under our "Outing System." When we learned that Morris had returned to Mrs. Hartman he was advised by this office that if he wished to remain in Carlisle's Outing District it would be necessary for him to re-enrol for another period as we had refused others the same privilege that he was seeking, and that we could not establish a precedent in his case. We have learned by sad experience that it is not advisable to allow free Indians to occupy our "Outing District." They will associate with their own race and the habits of the free Indian

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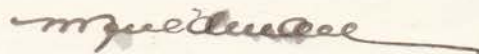
make our "Outing" pupils chafe under the restraint which the School Rules require of them for the protection of the pupil, the patron and the School, and sooner or later there is trouble.

There is no desire on the part of this office to return Morris to the School here. He would be allowed to remain where he is, under the "Outing", as a number of our pupils are doing right now and go to school, but as a free Indian he should go elsewhere. While a student of this School Morris enjoyed all of the privileges that it had to offer, as all other students do, and when their periods of enrolment have expired and they have severed their connections with the School they should have enough appreciation for what it has done for them and respect its rules. Carlisle's Outing District comprises only a very small territory in the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey and it does not seem just for the free Indians to come in and occupy this territory when they have the rest of the world in which to grow.

As the case now stands Morris Huff is a free Indian occupying one of the homes of a patron of this School for a number of years and is not an "Outing" pupil as your letter indicates. It is the desire of this office to make him a pupil so that he can continue to enjoy the privileges he now enjoys.

Very respectfully,

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Superintendent.

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UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL

CARLISLE, PA.



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December 11, 1913.

Mrs. J. M. Hartman,
Yardley, Pa.

Dear Madam:

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I have just had a talk with Mr. Dickey, who has returned from visiting the outing homes, with reference to Morris Huff. He informs me that the only thing that you object to is the possibility of the boy being taken away. I desire to assure you at this time that the school has no idea of taking the boy away from your home or depriving him of the opportunities which you have to offer him through a residence in your home and by attendance at a public school. It is our purpose to allow him to remain there.

Mr. Dickey has explained your plans for the boy, including his being sent to the West Chester Normal School, and this will be entirely agreeable to me. I desire to assure you further that it is the aim of the school to cooperate with you in every way, and for the best interests of the school and its students it is necessary that the boy fill out his application blank for proper enrollment. From my talk with Mr. Dickey, I take it that nothing will now stand in the way of the entire matter being promptly adjusted.

Very respectfully,

MF:SR

Superintendent.

Nov. 29 -

Letter of L. R. Bond Attorney
Yorkly, Pa.

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Letter from Morris Huff

" " Mr. Hartman

" " S. S. Shearer
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Letter from Hon. P. C. P. E. Diffenderfer
including letters from
Morris Huff, Mr. Hartman
and S. S. Shearer -

Letter from J. W. Dmewitz -
Chief Burgess
Yorkly, Pa.

Dec-4- Letter to Carlisle asking
for a report.

Dec. 9- Letter from Carlisle -

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Morris Huff 20 years -
served his full time ^{5 yrs} at
Carlisle and was returned to
his home. In Sept. 1912
he went with his mother's
permission to live with Mr.
Hartman for the purpose
of attending the Yeadly High
School. His home sur-
roundings are poor, and
these people are anxious
to help him.

Mr. Friedman reports
that he told Morris if
he wished to remain
in Carlisle's Outing District,
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him to remain at Carlisle
for another period as others
had been refused the
same privilege, that they
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Indians to occupy the
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He wishes to enroll
Morris that he may
continue to live with
Mrs. Hartman.

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Mr. M. Friedman,

Superintendent Carlisle School.

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My dear Mr. Friedman:

The Office has received a letter by reference of the Department of the Interior from Mr. S. S. Shearer, Principal Public Schools, Yardley, Pennsylvania, with reference to Morris Huff, who is now attending the High School.

Mr. Shearer says that he understands that the authorities of the Carlisle Indian School desire to return Morris either to his home or to your school. It appears that this boy does not wish to have his studies at the High School interrupted, and that he has a comfortable home as an outing pupil, and enjoys all the advantages and privileges which his patrons provide for him. It also appears that he is doing good work as a pupil and giving satisfaction generally. The Office is inclined to favor the request that he be permitted to remain undisturbed in his present position, provided there are no special reasons to the contrary. Please report on this matter at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Cato Sells

Commissioner.

Yardley, Pa.,
Dec. 2, 1913.

Sec. of Interior
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.



Dear Sir: - FILED BY C. P. F.

This is to certify that Morris
Huff a free Indian living at the home
of J. M. Hartman has in no way
trespassed against any of the laws of
our borough. He never runs out at
night nor carouses on the corners for it
is so directed by the people with whom he
lives that he be honest and upright.
He has good habits and attends

Each

school punctually and regularly.

He is living with a very good intelligent family who are educating him. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hartman were Teachers and I trust you will deem it best for him to remain with them as his home in New York is a very poor one. Mr. & Mrs. Hartman are very much attached to this boy and are doing the best they can for him.

Trusting you will allow Morris to remain with this family, I am

Very truly yours,

J. W. Insull.

Chief Burgess

Yardley, Pa.,

Dec. 1, 1913.



Sec. of Interior,
Dept. Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

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We have had an Indian, Morris Huff living with us for nearly two years. He will be twenty-one years old in March and is a free Indian, having served his full time five years at "Carlisle Indian School" and was returned to his home by that school. He returned to us last September from his home Versailles, N. Y. (with his mother's permission) to be educated.

There are many free boys around here and some working in Harrisburg, Phila, etc. One free boy lived near here for seven years and no one seemed to trouble him. As long as an Indian conducts himself properly and lives with some one, is he not free to visit all parts of the U. S.? "Carlisle Indian School" thinks Morris should belong to them and sign to stay under the school if he does not want to remain at his home. Can they make him do this? Is he not free to live with us if we take care of him? Must he sign against his will? Morris has been attending our "Jardley High School" here for 2 years and is in the Ninth grade. The principal of the School will testify to his regular attendance etc. He has a good home with us and is not allowed

to run out at nights nor be with bad companions. His evenings are spent studying or attending school lectures or something to benefit him.

He has expressed himself as desirous of being a teacher and is studying as a means to that end. He is in school a whole day at a time and every day; while at Carlisle, he was in school only a half day each day. He uses his money to the best advantage and I enclose a letter from Morris and one from Mr. Shearer the principal of the school where Morris attends. I also refer you to W. P. Roberts of Ardley, Pa., Dr. Mrs. H. Fox, Morrisville, Pa. and to the Representative from our district R. E. Diefenderfer.

We are very much attached to Morris and he is like a member of our family. Is it not better for him to be in an

intelligent home than at home among
drunkenness and crime? His brother was
shot in a quarrel at his home last winter,
and I understand from Morris that his home
is very rough and low. This can be verified
through the agency for Versailles, N. Y.

Here, he had every advantage that an
intelligent home can give him.

I beg that you will kindly allow
us to keep him as long as agreeable to him
and us.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Hartman.
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Yardley, Pa.,
Dec 1, 1913.

Sec. of Interior,
Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

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Will you please give me permission to remain at this place. Some one has said that I ought ^{not} to be in this part of the country but I know another free Indian who lived near here for seven years and there are many other free boys all around the country.

I have lived at this place nearly two years and I would like to stay at this home. I was at Carlisle Indian School five years and I am free from the school. They returned

me to my mother and I came
back here with her permission to be
educated. This is a good home and
never have I had better care at Carlisle
nor at home than I have had here.

I cannot be educated at my home
as I can be because the people at
my home drink so and so rough
that I cannot be educated there.

Here at this home I go to school
every day from the first day of school
until the end of the term, I have good
attention when I am sick, I dare not
run out at nights I have to stay in
and study then, I am in the ninth
grade in the High School and would
have no better care no attention if I
were a member of the family, I want to
stay at this home as long as it is
agreeable to the family, and to me and
I beg you please allow me to stay
I shall be 21 in March

Very respectfully
Morris Huff.

Cm Seels

Yardley, Pa., Dec. 1, 1913

Sec. of Interior

Dept. Indian Affairs
Washington, D. C.



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My dear Sir, - I understand it is the desire of the authorities at the Carlisle Indian School that one of the boys, - Morris Huff - who is now attending the Yardley High School here, either return to his home in New York or sign to be under obligation to the school at Carlisle again.

Morris is unwilling to return to his home, for he has a poor one, and is more unwilling to place himself again under the obligation of the school at Carlisle.

As it is very probable that Morris will do neither, I plead with you to use all your influence to have it brought about that he be allowed to remain where he now is in order that he may continue his work in our schools.

As a pupil Morris does very good work here, ranking above the average of his class; his conduct in school and out is excellent; it is his desire to be educated as a teacher and he is being assisted with that end in view.

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He has an excellent home here. I lived for three years in the family in which he is and I'm sure he has there given him all the advantages that he may expect anywhere. He is allowed to attend school regularly from Sept. to June; has a regular study period each evening and he uses it properly for it is so directed by the people with whom he lives; and he is allowed to attend lectures, recitals, concerts, and whatever is given for educational benefit. He is likewise given time to engage in the various games that boys need.

Hoping that you will use your influence to allow him to remain with us, I am,

Very truly yours,
S. S. Shearer,
Prin. Public Schools

LEWIS R. BOND,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR-AT-LAW,
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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THADDEUS B. FOWLER,
GENERAL BUSINESS AGENT,
INSURANCE.

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BELL PHONE 4437-A.

MORRISVILLE, PA., November 29, 1913.

Department of the Interior,
Secretary of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

FILED BY C. B. F.

Dear Sir:

Morris Huff, a free Indian, formerly of the Carlisle Indian School, after his return to his home in New York in August 1913, came back to Yardley, Pa., to the home of Mr. and Mrs Hartman with whom he is now staying.

He has excellent habits and as both he and his mother are desirous of having the Hartman's keep him and permit him to continue his education, I am writing you in his and their behalf to ascertain whether or not you can arrange that he continue with them.

They have a small farm or lot and his duties are not of a strenuous nature and ^{as} both Mr. and Mrs. Hartman have been School principals the home atmosphere is a most healthful one.

The young man himself has most excellent habits as many of the best people in the community will bear testimony, and it is certainly a matter of great regret if he must be denied the privelege of remaining in his present home.

Trusting you may be able to arrange this matter agreeably to all concerned, I am,

Lewis R Bond
Very truly yours,

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