



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

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December 13th, 1909.



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Health of
Mary Silas.

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

Sir:

I respectfully transmit herewith a letter from Mary Silas. In view of the fact that this girl has reached her majority and that repeated examinations have shown her to be in good health, her wishes will be respected and she will be retained at this school until her term of enrolment has expired.

Very respectfully,

M. Hedman

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Superintendent.

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M. FRIEDMAN, SUPERINTENDENT.

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO FILE

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UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,

CARLISLE, PA.



DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC,
CLAUDE MAXWELL STAUFFER, DIRECTOR.

Supt. Friedman
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In regards to my
parents letter I wish to say that I
would rather finish my term before

I go home. I have only a little
over a year yet and am getting
good training. I think my parents
can get along without me during
that time.

Respectfully

Mary L. Silas.



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To Commissioner of Indian Affairs

In regards to
to my daughter's health report from Mrs
Friedman I wish to say that in correspondence
with my daughter Mary Silas, she complains
about her injury to her back while attending
Hampton, Virg. school, she fell off the
a stairway and received her injury
which she did not report to the school
authorities until 2 or 3 weeks after the fall
when the pain was so intense that it
was noticed by her teacher during
school hours and was asked by the teacher
if she was sick to which she explained
her injury. As the teacher examined her
and that same day it broke in 2
places of the bruised places so that
matter kept running for some time

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after a time the sores healed but she has a return of the pains the the injured part of her back. Now I presume when the school doctor examined her he might have felt her pulse and pronounced her in good health but not wishing to dictate how the doctor should examine his patients I have every reason to believe the girl to be right in her complaints to her back as sitting in one position in school at any length of time returns the pain to her back. Now as a parent of said Mary Silas I humbly ask her release from school I would be more gratified to have her return and allowed home treatment and if her case turns worse I would have the satisfaction of doing all a parent can do to

loving members of his family not wishing
to cast anything against the man-
agement of the Institution, I have
already lost two members of my family
attending at various schools and
I beseech you to the release of
my daughter to my care

Yours humble servant

William Dilas

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Health of
Mary Silas.

FOR FILE

Moses Friedman, Esq.

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

The inclosed letter is sent for your consideration. Inasmuch as Mr. Silas insists that his daughter is suffering from an injury received before her enrollment at Carlisle, it is suggested that Mary be released and sent home unless there is some special and urgent reason against such action.

If the physician's certificate made after examination shows her to be in sound health the father should pay her return expenses; otherwise, her transportation home will be properly chargeable to your school fund.

Please return the letter with report of action taken.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke.

Chief Clerk.

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Mary Louis Silas.

FOR FILE

Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

The Office has received your letter of October 14, in which you quote the school physician's report on the health of Mary Louis Silas.

Mr. Silas has been told that his daughter is in excellent health and it is hoped that he will allow her to remain without interruption at the school until her term expires.

The application blank inclosed in your letter of September 23 is returned as requested.

Very respectfully,

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Chief Clerk, C. H. Hanke,

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Return home of
daughter.

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FOR FILE

Mr. William Silas,
Route No. 2,
West Depere, Wisconsin.

My friend:

In further answer to your letters of August 31 and
September 15, concerning the return home of your daughter from
the Carlisle School, you are advised that Mr. Friedman has
had ~~Miss~~ Mary examined by the school physician whose report
shows that she is in excellent health and that she has not
been ill or in need of hospital treatment since she has been
enrolled at Carlisle.

I hope you will, therefore, be satisfied to allow her
to remain there until her term expires.

Your friend, fully,

(Signed) C. F. Hauke,

Chief Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.



SUBJECT:
Report
concerning
Mary Silas.

October 14th, 1909.

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

Sir:

Referring to Office letter of October 5th, 1909, marked "Education - Administration, 70980-1909, 75064-1909, 76790-1909, A.V.S.", and relative to an inquiry that has been made concerning the health of Mary Silas, I beg leave to quote you the following report from School Physician Dr. Shoemaker, under date of the 13th instant:

"Mary Silas claims she injured her back in some way several years ago (possibly a sprain or wrench) and occasionally feels it yet, especially when she sits all day as would be necessary if she were in the sewing room.

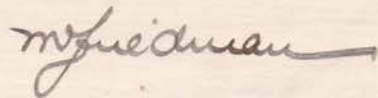
She has never consulted me about this and has never had any treatment for it here. In fact, it does not seem to need treatment. Aside from this she appears to be in excellent health and has never received Hospital treatment. She has been here three years."

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Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

As the physician's examination has disclosed the fact that this girl is not ill and has never been ill while enroled at this School, I again recommend that the parents should be required to keep the contract they made when the girl was enroled at this school.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. Friedman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

HKM.

Superintendent.

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Return home of
 daughter.

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Mr. William Silas,
 Route #2, West Depere,
 Wisconsin.

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My Friend:

The Office has received your letter of ^{Aug.} October 31 and September 15, requesting that your daughter be returned home from the Carlisle School.

The consent blank signed by you and Mrs. Silas shows that Mary was enrolled for five years, consequently her term has not yet expired.

Mr. Friedman says that she is doing very well in her studies and she does not wish to return home. However, as your last letter indicates that you think your daughter is not well the Superintendent will be requested to have her examined by the school physician, and if it is found that her health requires that she should be released from school you will not be required to keep your contract. If Mary's health will permit her to complete her course at Carlisle, it is hoped that you will be satisfied to allow her to do so. No doubt you will be gratified in the end.

The Office will write you again when Mr. Friedman re-

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ports on Mary's health.

Yr. Your Friend, *My,*

(Signed) C. F. Hauke,
Chief Clerk.

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OCT 5 - 1909

Return home of
Mary Silas.

Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

The Office has received your letter of September 23 enclosing the enrollment blank of Mary Silas, recommending that her father be required to keep his contract and that the girl should complete her term of five years at Carlisle.

There is now enclosed another letter from Mary's parents. They seem to be concerned about her health. Please have the girl examined by the school physician, and if he decides that she should be allowed to go home on account of her health, you may be requested to release her.

Please make a full report so that the Office may be able to give the parents a decided answer to the enclosed letter which you are requested to return with your report and recommendation.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) C. F. Hanke,
Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

SUBJECT:
Relative to
a request for the
return home of Mary
Silas.

September 23rd, 1909.



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

Sir:

Referring to Office letter of Sept. 18th,
marked "Education - Administration, 70980-1909, A.V.S.",
with an enclosure from Mr. William Silas, stating that
his daughter's term of enrolment has expired and that
he desires to have her returned to her home, I have
to report that the daughter was enroled here on Aug.
17th of 1906 and that her term of enrolment has not
expired as is evidenced by the application for enrol-
ment enclosed herewith.

Students are not detained at Carlisle when they
have completed their term of enrolment except they file
an application for re-enrolment.

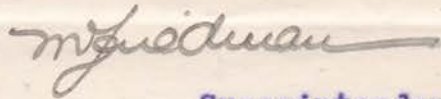
This girl is doing well in school and does not
desire to return to her home and for this reason I
recommend that the father be required to keep his con-
tract and that the girl should not be allowed to return

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home before she has completed her term of enrolment.

Kindly return application blank enclosed, so that the same can be returned to the office files.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. J. Quinn", written in dark ink.

HKM.

Superintendent.



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Brown Co. Wis.



Sept. 15. 1909.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs
Washington
D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I write this letter
to plead with you.
My daughter, Mary Silas
is at Carlisle and is not
well, but the matron
there won't believe her
because she is large
and fat.

But I tell you when
she was at Hampton
she fell down the
stairs and got hurt

on her back, and she never told about it until it broke out in several places.

Then she had some medical attention after that.

But she came home shortly after that. And in a short time she went to Carlisle and she has been there since, that is three years.

She has been suffering some all that time until now it is unbearable. Will you see that she be examined thoroughly

and see that she is hurt.
What would be the use to
keep a crippled up girl
there, she is no good to
herself.

It hurts her when she
sits so long in the
sewing room. It hurts
her back when she
walks so much and
they do so much walking
at school.

Some times they have to
go to town on foot.

So please send her home
and consider yourself
in our places.

Yours Respectfully
Mr. & Mrs. William Selas.

P.S.

I am not a wasteful man, nor a drunkard, but I am sickly and not able to make much money a head. Of course I support my family in a decent way and we're not starving either, but I want you to pay her way back.

Write soon!

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Requesting
pupils return
home.

FOR FILE

Moses Friedman, Esq.

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

There is inclosed a letter from Mr. William Silas, requesting that his daughter, Mary, a pupil of your school, be allowed to go home in order to help her mother.

If, as claimed by her father, this girl's term has expired, it appears that she should be allowed to go home at once.

Please return the inclosure with your report and recommendation.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) E. B. Merritt.

Acting Chief Clerk.

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Oneida, Wis.

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Dear Sir:-

We are in need of our
my daughter Mary Silas, she is
at Carlisle Indian School, Penna.
When she left she was promised
to return in three years and
signed for the same.

My wife is not very strong
and needs her to home.

Mary's term at Carlisle is ex
pired.

Will you please write and
let me know if you will see
to her coming home at once.

Hope to hear from you soon.

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Yours truly,
Mr William Silas.

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