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Carlisle Barracks, Pa.,
Capt R.H. Pratt 10th Cavry, Dept.

July 22, 1890.

Forwarding letters from
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INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
CARLISLE, PA.

July 22d, 1890.

Hon. T. J. Morgan,
Comm'r of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I forward herewith nineteen more letters from our returned students which, including those heretofore sent, are all we have received up to date.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient seryant,

R. H. Pratt

Capt. & Supt.

Julia Wheeler (Mrs. Porter)
Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE

Onida, Wis. 24

at Carlisle 4 yrs

Onida, Wis.

June 23rd, 1890

Mr. Thos. J. Morgan:

Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:

For the midst of my duties, I will stop a little and write you a letter, to inform you how I have got along since I have returned from Carlisle. I went to Carlisle in Nov. 1885 and remained there till July 1889. I studied Arithmetic, Physiology, Geography, Civil Government &c. I had quite

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Carlisle & could talk the English
Language. This I learned in
our family. I generally did
house work when not attending
school. While at Carlisle I
studied most of the time and
spend my vacation in the
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return from Carlisle, I have
never been out of work. I did
not have much of a vacation
when I first returned. But went
right to work and received
dollar a day. as clerk for Hon. D. C. Lamb.
Special Indian Agent. clerked for

him till I began teaching in
September. My school closes on
the 30th day of this month. I earn
\$25.00 dollars a month.

Few months ago I was married
to an educated returned
student from Carlisle. He is also
teaching school. We are getting
on splendid so far. We have
built a new frame house &
have 30 acres cultivated and
60 acres uncultivated. We have a
nice cosy little home. and in a
few years our home will be much
pleasanter. We have set out
numerous fruit trees of most

all kinds. Our people are all
civilized & have never seen any
one wearing an Indian clothes
in our country. Most all have
good homes. There are two Church
Denominations on the reservation.
Methodist & Episcopal.

The teachers & scholars are going
to unite on the 30th day of this
month and have a ^{school} Picnic & we
are looking forward to enjoy the
day. The scholars are learning
pieces & songs for that day.

Very Respectfully, Julia Wheeler

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Julia Wheelock (Nee Powlas)
Oneida, Age 24
At Carlisle 4yrs

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Very respectfully,
Julia Wheelock

Isadore LaBadie Miami
Department of the Interior, *Age 30 yrs*
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, *3 years*

Peoria Nation Indian

July 10, 189*0*

Capt. R. H. Pratt,

Dear Sir,

I could not answer your letter as quick as you wished me to, for I was away and just come home, I have been down among the Osages, I was twenty years old the 8 of July, and went to Carlisle in the year of 1886, stayed there three years, My studies were, History, Arithmetic,

Fourth Reader, Grammer
and Hygiene, I could read
before going to Carlisle,
and learnt my English
at home. I did not work
very much, but when I did it
was house work, and since
I came home, I do all of the
cooking, and housework,
while there, my work was
sewing and washing.
I live in a frame plastered
house, It is my grand
parents, I do not wear
Indian cloths, and never did,
I am not married, and do not

attend any church, for we
have none near, I have
got along very well, since
I came home. No trouble
what ever, I have a farm
of 75-acre under fence, and
125 not fenced.

I have one horse ^{and} four
head of cattle.

Very respectfully,

Isadore Labadie,
a Miami

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Isadore Labadie, Miami
Age 20 yrs
At Carlisle 3 years

Peoria Nation Ind. Ter.
July 10, 1890

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attend any church, for we have none near. I have got along very well, since I came home. No trouble what ever, I have a farm of 75 acre under fence, and 125 not fenced. I have one horse and four head of cattle.

Very respectfully,
Isadore Labedie,
a Miami

Nellie L. Num. (L. Num.)
Department of the Interior

Winnepago Agency
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,
at Carlisle 3 1/2 miles

Winnepago Agency.

June 23rd, 1890.

Capt. R. H. Pratt.

Carlisle, Penna.

Dear Friend:-

I have just received your letter with the enclosed questions. I have answered them as near as I knew how. I am 22 years of age, and went to Carlisle in Nov. 1883. I was a student there three years and two months. I have always talked English and could read before

going to Carlisle. I worked at
General housework before I
went and while there. I
returned home in Feb. 1887
and taught in the Winnebago
Industrial school until Dec.
1889. I was married in March
1889 to the Industrial teacher
at the school. We attend the
Presbyterian Church. I have
a little girl five months old.
We live in a frame house
on my step fathers land.
We own three horses, five head
of cattle and five pigs. I have
got along very well since

leaving school and the only
trouble I have had was the
death of my brother.

I have no land as there was
none allotted to me. I wish
I could have got land
but do not think I can.

I have written to the Sec.
of the Interior asking for
some but have not
received any answer yet.

Very Truly Yours
Nellie L. Munn.

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Nellie L. Nunn (Londrosh)
Winnebago, Age 22
At Carlisle 3 yrs 2 mo

Winnebago Agency
June 23, 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt
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Very truly yours,
Nellie L. Nunn

Department of the Interior, *Age 25*
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, *at Carlisle 2 1/2 years*

One Shakespeare N. Anupahod

Shoshone Agency

July 9, 1890

Capt. B. B. Pratt
Carlisle Pa.

Sir

Your letter has handed
to me By the agent.
you would like to know
I am got along since I
left Carlisle. I am getting
along very well. I got good
house. 41 head of horses. 2 good
milk cow cows. and every thing
that need round the house.
I am working at Mission

and get \$25.00 a month
I have 200 acres of land.

I am also a Indian Police
and get \$1000 month.

I am sorry that I am not
able to sit on chair long and
write for I am sick for

two weeks now so.

this is all

your

William Shakespeare

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Wm Shakespeare, N. Arapahoe

Age 20

At Carlisle 2½ years

Shoshone Agency

July 9, 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt

Carlisle Pa.

Sir

Your letter has handed to me By the agent. you would like to know I am got along since I left Carlisle. I am getting along very well. I got good house. 41 head of horses. 2 good milk ~~erow~~ cows. and everything that need round the house. I am working at Mission.

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and got \$25.00 a month. I have 200 acres of land. I am also Indian Police and got \$10.00 month. I am sorry that I am not able to sith on chair long and with for I am sick for two weeks now so this is all.

your

William Shakespeare

Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Florence Little Elk

*Chaylms, age
at Council 220*

June 20, 1890.

Capt. R. H. Pratt

Dear sir,

I am sorry to say that I am
Indian away all the times.
I cannot do answered questions.
and the other girls all go Back in
Indian away (too)

that is all.

Florence Little Elk.

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Florence Little Elk
Cheyenne age
At Carlisle 20

June 20, 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt
Dear Sir,

I am sorry to say that I am Indian away all the times. I cannot do answered questions, and the other girls all go Back in Indian aways (too).
that's is all.

Florence Little Elk

Lucy Day

Young Pine Ridge

Age 22 at Carlisle 3 yrs

Pine Ridge Agency - D. T.

June 25, 1890.

My dear sir Capt. Pratt.

I was very glad to get your letter last week. I am sorry because I did not answer your letter. I was not come in agent. so ofte. that's way I didn't get your letter. Now I will tell you how I am getting along. I was get all right. to get every thing to work. I lives in house. I do want to get Indian lives ways. I never forget what I learn in Carlisle. I always talk English what I see the white mans so my person was very glad for me that I talk white nicely.

I keep my house nicely can be. I had four ponies & 5 cattles. & hens. & turkes & I had two ducks, & I have no pigs and we lives just like

white mans farm. & we plenty
every thing that we have ^{to} eat the
foots I always remernber what
I study in Carlisle. we go to church
Mr. ~~Cook~~ every time. he is nice
man. Carlisle girls went to church
every evening. so I hope we never
forget to what we studies to
Carlisle. I heard that Rose
Bud. girls & boys they wears
Indian clothus. I went to see
my aunt. ~~case~~ sister & friends
last week Boarking school girls
come out. I want tell you some
thing that we going have another
Agent this summer. so this
Agent going ^{home} in fourth of July.
I guess. he did not take
good care of the people. the people
all dont want this agent keep
in here. they ^{pretty} ~~prettily~~ nere kill.

Now I must stop to say to you
this time I am very ^{glad} to write to
you so I hope you to get my letter
& answer me very soon as you
can. I always remember off
you all. Please left. I wish
you tell her. Miss Phillip write
to me very soon if she is remember
me. You must tell them
Miss Phillip & Miss Driven. I sent
my loves [&] to never forget them
I wish you [&] girls tell us when
some [&] boys come home this summer
My person told me to ask you
that. I shake hands with
you all. Good by write soon
From Lucy Day.

when I was sorry I always
said I wish in heartise
to day I say that way every time.
when I remember school girls & boys
tell Maggie Old Eagle. write to
me.

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Lucy Day
Sioux Pine Ridge
Age 22, at Carlisle 3 yrs

Pine Ridge Agency D. T.
June 26, 1890

My dear sir Capt. Pratt,

I was very glad to get your letter last week. I am sorry because I did not answers your letter. I was not came in agent so often. that's way I didn't get your letter. Now I will tell you how I am getting along. I was get all right to get every thing to work. I lives in house. I do want to get Indian lives ways. I never forget what I learn in Carlisle. I always talk English when I see white mans so my person was very glad for me that I talk white nicely. I keep my house nicelys can be. I had four ponies & 5 cattles & hens & turkes & I had two ducks & I have no pigs and we live just like

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white mans farm & we plenty every thing that we have to eat the foots I always remember what I study in Carlisle. We go to church Mr. C. Cook. every time. he is nice man. Carlisle girls went to church every evening. so I hope we never forget to what we studies to Carlisle. I heard that Rose Bud girls & boys they wears Indian clothes. I went to see my aunt, sister & friends last week Boarding school girls come out. I want tell you some thing that we going have another agent this summer. so this agent going home in fourth of July. I guess, he did not take good care of the people. the people all don't want this agent keep in here. they pretty nere kill.

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Now I must stop to say to your this time I am very glad to write to you so I hope you to get my letter & answer me very soon as you can. I always remember off you all. Please Capt. I wish you tell here. Miss Phillip write to me very soon if she is remember me. You must tell them Miss Phillip & Miss Iriven. I sent my loves & to never forget them I wish you tell us when some & boys & girls come home this summer. My person told me to ask you that. I shake hands with you all. Good by write soon.

From Lucy Day

When I was sorry I always said I wish in Carlisle to day I say that way every time. When I remember school girls & boys tell Maggie Old Eagle, write to me.

My. Ooyame
Laguna N.M.
Department of the Interior, *Age 20*
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, *at Clinton 5 yrs*

Laguna

June 29, 1890

My Dear friend

I am going to
write to a few lines to
this afternoon and
I have not much
time to write to you because
I get a letter to make to-
day for the school boy
he write to me. Because I
have no time even day
I have to busy when
the hay. and also will
coming, ~~the~~ ^{the} wheat

I have ¹⁵ who is in the
bard. Will last week
ago just get back
out the west. I have been
around cow boy about
4 months. I get a month
\$25. month. But now I am
going work my own farm
I have a farm I have
2 place great big place
farm. So this time
I am going stop the
cow boy. My father he would
let me anymore. My Dear
School father. Capt R. P. ¹⁸⁶⁰
I am very glad to see

you and also I am
very glad to come back
here^{at} the school house
My dear school father
My own father has
sent greet to you
and also sent My
best love to you all
your children I am
glad see them & also
glad see the band
at Leaside Band
and I send all ~~The~~ My
very best love to all school
boy. They be obey you
that is all I can

say, because I have
going to church so good
~~by~~ by good by
Capt R. H. Osatt.

From your school
Son Henry Dearyane

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Hy. Ocoyanne
Laguna N.M.
Age 20
At Carlisle 5 yrs.

Laguna
June 29, 1890

My Dear Friend,

I am going to Write to a few line to this afternoon and I have not much time Write to you because I get a letter to make today for the school boy he Write to me. Because I have no time ever day I have to busy why in the hay, and also will coming ~~wheat~~ the wheat

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I have to who in in the bard. Will last week ago just get back out the west. I have been around cow boy about 4 month. I get a months \$25 months. But now I am giving work my own farm. I have a farm I have 2 plice great big plice farm. So this time I am going stop the cow boy. My father he would let me anymore. My Dear school father Capt R. Pratt I am very glad to see

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you and also I am very glad to come back here at the school Carlisle. My Dear school father my own father he sent great to your and also I sent my best bore to you all your children I am glad see them & also glad see the band at Carlisle Band and I sent ~~all the~~ my very best love to all school boy. They be obey you that is all I can

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say, because I have going Church so good by good by Capt R. H. Pratt.

From your school
Son Henry Ocoyanne

Marion Pottle (Comanche)
Department of the Interior, *Age 26*
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE *at Carlisle 4 years*

Madako I. I.

June 30th, 1890

Capt. Pratt,
Dear Sir:—

I received your circular and have answered your questions. You will see by my answers, that I have been wearing blanket for sometime, but was not my fault. I have a large farm and working hard for the support of my small family I have cattle, pigs, horses and

miles. On account of
having no church near
us, I do not attend church.

I went to Carlisle in
1880 and remained
there four years.

I married a couple Indian
but I think, I am getting
along alright. This is
all -

I am your friend
Marcus Poko

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Marcus Poko, Comanche
Age 21,
At Carlisle 4 years

Anadarko, I. T.
June 30th, 1890

Capt. Pratt,
Dear Sit:

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I married a camp Indian but I think I am getting along alright. This is all.

I am your friend,
Marcus Poko

Department of the Interior;
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

F. H. Miller Pueblo
Age 18.
at Carlisle 4 years

I love you
going to see
them he
say and my
you
lead
I
no
they
I
I

Acama.
June 26th, 1890

Capt. R. H. Batt.

Dear Sir.

My regards of My attention
for I have at written to
you since three Months
because I have not been
at home for a time I have
always attention some
little business. So since
I cannot write to you
I will ask you my kindest
to please excuse me
you know how much
I miss my school. I have

always thought of you since
I left Carlisle school now
for a ~~three~~ month ago,
All my parents, & others, &
sisters are quite well no
sickness but have a great
comfortable in daily my
cattle, horses, busso, and
sheep all well too and
myself. I am just home from
the field at last the
message was received
it gave me great satisfact-
ion towards it, with my
great expectations is
rather dull during
I was surely get a letter

before July but then hold
on my great patience
for a good while. Until
the middle certainly —
excuse me probably I
cannot be on hand to
Ans as soon as

I am getting along right
well about my work I have
plant corn, wheat, oats,
and potatoes, It is with
great pleasure ~~to~~ to
tell you that I used
the Orosleaf P phosphate
on a very piece of garden
ground, and was aston-
ished I see its

wonderful effect in
making the plants to
grow & it is really the best
fertilizing phosphate
that I have ever used,
'crops are doing right
well indeed, I am enjoying
& myself doing the farm
work I farm all by myself
and see what I can do
the, I am always song-
around my field so the
crops it will be please
with it; Some ago the
old Indian come out
my field and ask me how
I plant potatoes and said
what I go to do with them

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J. H. Miller, Pueblo
Age 18
At Carlisle 6 years

Pueblo of Acoma
June 26th, 1890

Capt. R. H. Pratt.
Dear Sir,

In regards of my attention for I have it written to you since three months because I have not been at home for a time I have always attention some little business. So since I cannot write to you I will ask you my kindest to please excuse me you know how much I miss my school. I have

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always thought of ever since I left Carlisle school now for a three months ago. All my paths for others & sisters are quite well no sickness but have [illegible] comfortable in daily my cattle, horses, burro, and sheep all well them and myself. I am just home from the field at last the message was received it gave me great satisfaction towards it, with, my great expectation is rather dull during I was surely get a letter

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before July but then hold on my great [illegible] for a good while, until this minute Certainly excuse me probably I cannot be on hand to answer sooner.

I am getting along right well about my work I have plant corn, wheats, oats, and potatoes. It is with great pleasure to tell you that I used the odorless phosphate on every piece of garden ground, and was astonished I see its

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wonderful effect in making that plants to grow It is really the best fertilizing phosphate that I have ever used, crops are doing right well indeed. I am engaged myself doing the farm work I farm all by myself and see what I can do the, I am always song- around my field so the crops it will be please with it. Some ago the old Indian came out my field and asked me how I plant potatoes and said what I go to do with them.

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I told I am going to eat them he say are they good to eat I [illegible] him o sir they do not good to eat.

J. H. Miller

Laura M. S. Reed Bette
Department of the Interior

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Age 18 years
at Carlsbad 5 years

Albuquerque N. M.

July 3, 1890

Dear sir

I was very glad to
get your letter but I am at
working now I had been at school
but all the children gone home and
I am going to go home next
month for I am going to try to teach
Sunday school. Well and
I am trying to learn all I can and
I want to come back to Carlsbad again
so I hope some boys & girls are coming
home this summer. Well I hope
I will see you again and talk

to you and now I hope some
of you will come and visit in
now I do not know how to
glad to tell you that I am
trying to do well and trying
to be happy here but I am very
home sick but I hope to get
use it. I am going to see my
papa & mamma and all
the rest. Well I hope you
are all well here I do not
believe that my Picares
is dead & Harry Mormon
too I hope there are in heaven
well I have no time to
write a letter to no body

because I am working so
hard and they ~~but~~ ~~but~~ take
milk around the people.

I will write a nice letter to
you when I get home
because I have not time
so I will tell you a little about
my thing at home. We I have little
pony for myself and all each
got one and now low is

Dear old Carlisle getting
I like to see it very much
I wish I could go back to
Dear old school and stay
with her there and now I
think so many children

Laura M. J. Rice

When you write I will
want to come and I do
hope you Remember

me yet Dear school
how is all my maids
at school are they all
well I hope they had
good time and as I
will go home and
have nice time to help
my maids and I hope
I will see Dear school
again Well good bye
I will write again
when I get home and

more about it
tell you

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Laura M. S. Reid, Pueblo
Albuquerque N.M.
Age 18 years
At Carlisle 5 years

Albuquerque N.M.
July 3, 1890,

Dear sir,

I was very glad to get your letter but I am at working now I had been at school but all the Children gone home and I am going to go home next month for I am going to try to teach Sunday school. Well and I am trying to learn all I can and I want to come back to Carlisle again so I hope some boys & girl are coming home this summer. Well I hope I will see you again and talk

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to you and now I hope some of you will come and visit us now. I do not know how ~~be~~ glad to tell you that I am trying to do well and trying to be happy here but I am very home sick but I hope to get use it. I am going to see my papa & mama and all the rest. Well I hope you are all well here I do not believe that Mary Paisano is dead & Harry Marmon too I hope there are in heaven. Well I have no time to write a letter to no body

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because I am working so hard and they ~~back at~~ take milk around the people. I will write a nice letter to you when I get home because I have not time so I will tell you a little about any thing at home. The I had little pony for myself and all each got one and now. how is Dear old Carlisle getting I like to see it very much. I wish I could go back to Dear old school and stay with her there and now I think so many children

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want to come and I do hope you Remember me yet Dear school how is all my maids at school are they all well I hope they had good time and so I will go home and have nice time to help my mama and I hope I will see Dear school again Well good by I will ~~R~~ writ again when I get home and tell you more about at home from

you old school friend
Laura M. S. Reid

Roland Fish Apache
Department of the Interior, page 22
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, ~~service~~ 5/2/90

San Carlos,

July 2nd¹⁸⁹⁰, 1890

Dear School Friends,

Capt. P. H. Fall,

I am well.

and happy all
The time since I
came to San Carlos.

never get - sick. yet.

Capt. John S. Pullies

Says that - we must

do the Best - we

can and helping

to make the Indians

do the best they can
for themselves as long as
they live I have been
working for Capt Bullers
9 months.

35.00 each month.

Good Bye.

I must do the
best I can.

Respect:-

Poland Fish.

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Roland Fish, Apache

Age 22

At Carlisle 5½ years

San Carlos

July 3rd, 1890

Dear School friends,

Capt. R. H. Pratt,

I am well and happy all the time since I came to San Carlos, never get sick yet. Capt John L. Bullis say that we must do the Best we can and help him & to make the Indians

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do the best they can for themself as long as they live. I have been working for Capt. Bullis 9 months.
35.00 each month.

Good Bye.

I must do the best I can.

Respect.

Roland Fish

Frank Louk being age 24

Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

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Rosebud S Dak

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Department of the Interior, age 20
INDIAN SCHOOL SEATTLE
W. C. Colville 54 years

Cubero, Col Co., N. Mex

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to forgive me

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and every things about Bible
sure God will help me along
as long as I live in this
wicked world. Now I am staying
about six miles from my
home, working for Mrs
DeArmond, a spanish lady
I get 8 dollars a month from
her.

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go back in Indian ways.
no matter if any Indians want
to give me a house. No sir
I despises the Indians ways

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man ways also my sisters.

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Good-bye, A. Dias
from mattie Reid

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Good-bye, A_Dios
from Mattie Reid

Susie Young, Winnebago.
Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Winnebago Agency.
Nebraska, 189...

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I hope the children are all
well. teachers and officers.

Church every Sunday at
Indian Presbyterian!

Well I must close and
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Susie E. Young.

Edna Eagle Feather Orage
Department of the Interior, Aug 17
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, ^{at Carlisle 1 1/2 years}

"Ponemah"

July 21st, 1890

Dear Capt. Pratte

I have answered

all the questions I can.

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I have been at the Lincoln
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Very Respectfully yours
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Minnie A. Kennedy
Osage. Age 16 years
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Osage Agency
July 15/1896.

Capt. Pratt.

Kind Friend
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Littie Esau Omaha
Department of the Interior, Age 18.
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE, at Carlisle about 1 year

July, th _____, 189...

Dear Capt. Pratt

I was very glad to get your letter.

I can say well indeed, now, I will answer

those questions well. I am over eighteen

years old. I was in Carlisle, 6 years

ago. I remained over year.

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yes, I read. when I was home. I was school

in Omaha mission. I learn little English

here. Learn some more in Carlisle.

I was work in Omaha mission. help

wash clothes, dishes. I am work at ring

beans ~~and~~ ^{for} flicad..

I dont earn any money in a month
since I come home I was pretty near
die. God. helps me. so. I seen the day

I am working little for my self when
working little hard. I always so weak

I lease in Lodge house. I want to
lease ^{another} house. but. I havent any money

its my father house. I lease with my
father? No. I dont wear any Indian

clothes. but I wear moccins.

yes. I am married.

No. I dont think he is educated. perhap
he is so young soon he will be educated

he is 21 years old. but he is work in
all right

We have a church. but its to far

here. so couldnt go

I just have one child, its five
months old.

I am here all right, since I leaving
School.

The Reason why I trouble about
I am so trouble because I havent
any thing in my house.

I havent any farm. I live in
my father farm. I had Land. This
been broke but I save it for the
buy land ^{to sell} its in the Bancroft

I have three horses, one cow. That
all we have.

Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE.

1881

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and well, when I remember the Carlisle
I always be so Lansome, but now
I dont get Lansome, and Howard
Foster was married to he has baby.
Those who~~s~~ has been to Carlisle,
they die when they come home.
Alice Fremont is very sick, I dont
think she will get well she was sick
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I am Little Esau.

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Lettie Esau, Omaha
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At Carlisle about 1 year

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from Lettie Esau

Kiowa, Comanche & Wichita Agency,
Anadarko, Ind. Terr.

June 27th 1890..

Capt. R. A. Pratt,
Supt. Carlisle School, Pa.,

Joshua H. Green
Kiowa age 30 years
at Carlisle 5"

Dear Sir: —

Your circular letter received and questions answered as requested. Have not been here long, hence my report about self will not be, as complete as some of those who, came away from your School some years ago.

I left the Kiowa Comanche & Apache Reservation in the latter part of September and reached Carlisle, Pa. on the evening of October 27th 1879. I was nineteen (19) years of age then and was one of the first lot of Indian children that were brought there. Here I remained as a pupil of Carlisle, from Oct. 27th 1879 to July 2nd 1882, when my term for which I went there was expired — and I have to return to the Kiowa Reservation. I spent only forty three days among my people and then returned to Carlisle for another term. I began from the First Reader and when I left the Carlisle School, I was in the Fifth Reader of Appleton. I studied Grammar, geography, Spelling, writing, Arithmetic, first book in Geometry, etc. I could read some before entering the Carlisle School, and of course I could speak little English, as I spent some two or three years in the Kiowa School here at Fort Sill. But in those days, this means nothing — comparing with what has been

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As a compensation for my service, I am receiving from the Board of Home Missions the sum of fifty one dollars, sixty six ^{and} two third cents per month.

The Plymouth Church of which Rev. Mr. Beecher, was once the pastor, raised the sum of \$800 - and with this amount, they (that is, the congregation) erected a beautiful frame cottage for my use. While, I meet just as many difficulties and have as many temptations - like the rest of human beings, I have thus far escaped ^{the} putting on the Camp clothing.

In answer to questions 15 and 16, I have to say, that I married an educated white lady, to help me in my work among my people. My wife

is a real "Yankee" - from Connecticut.

I attend my own church, the Presbyterian Church. Since leaving the Carlisle School, perhaps, I have been getting along better than some of the returned pupils.

The Indians, even, while some of them object to my preaching, are very kind and listen to my humble talk. I have a small farm and have twenty three horses, three mules, thirty head of cattle and seven pigs.

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Wm F Campbell
Chippewa

Age 24, at Carlisle 1.9.00

To Capt. R. H. Pratt,

Supt. Carlisle Training School,
Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir—

Your circular issued to returned Carlisle Students, requesting them to write and inform you of what they were doing, their present needs, is at hand, I cheerfully comply with your request, Although not a "Carlisle boy" in the full sense of the term, I was greatly benefited by going there and I shall always look back to my Carlisle experiences as the turning point in my life. And if I make a success of life I shall attribute it to the ennobling influences with which I was surrounded, during my stay with you. Before going to Carlisle I attended school only eighteen months, fifteen months before I reached my tenth year, the other three when I was at home, But I have had a very liberal training

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ledge of practical book-keeping and surveying,
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carrying a shovel and throwing up mounds around
the stakes, I can now subdivide a township and write
up my own notes, I have also been a drunkard
and a gambler I did nothing else for four years.
In that capacity I have seen humanity in all its
lowest and most degraded stages, I lived
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Carried on, that traffic in humanity, that is far
more disgraceful to the American public than
were the slave marts of the south. The above was
in the mining and lumber districts of Northern Wis-
consin, I have passed through the ordeal and stand
alone to day with my manhood intact, though
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Now, as to the most important question in
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reply that better facilities for education is
needed, nothing else, Land is only a secondary
consideration — I am speaking of the rising
generation — Give them an education and

they will procure horses for themselves. In order
for them to compete successfully with the white
man, their schools must come up to the same
standard. You could not expect to take a horse
that had never been out of his pasture,
and trot him a winning race with Mand S,
or Jay Eye See, certainly not. He must be
well trained. Just so with the Indian. And like
the horse, it is better to take him into a broader field
than his own narrow pasture to train him.
It is my opinion that five hundred dollars
distributed among the various Indian schools
of the United States in the shape of prizes,
would produce more beneficial results, than five
thousand spent in any other way. It would
produce competition, something not found in most
Indian schools, while it is the very life of white schools.
Better let it create an ill feeling among the students,

that they continue in the same listless
manner that characterizes the majority of Indian
schools at the present time. A few schools
should be established where Indians could prepare
for college, and let a scholarship to some good college,
be the prize for them to compete for.
Competition begins with the white boy the day he
enters school, Johnny Smith enters school at Scarsdale
six years old, his sole ambition is to excel
Tommy Brown, who is "six gone or seven"
Thus it begins, and ends only with his life

Competition makes the white man, and nothing else
will make the Indian, To any one who has studied
Sociology at all, it is plain that Competition is the
governing force. My objection to Bellamy's ideas
of government is, it will destroy Competition,
then would begin an age of decline.

You have asked me a question, I have answered
it according to my own opinions, I have meant
nothing as a suggestion, I could not, with my
limited knowledge of Indian education,
be so presumptuous as to make any suggestions
to you, who have made it a life study.

I will close by asking a favor, (an Indian's great failing)
I have a printed copy of the proceedings of the Mohawk
Conference, I have read it over with a great deal of
interest, I noticed where one or two made
comparisons between the Indian and negro.
I say there is no comparison as the Champion of

our ~~land~~, I ask you this favor, ~~if~~, we hear that
comparisons again, Ask the maker of it this question,
Did you ever hear America's most learned and
most polished orators draw illustrations
from the negro, and how many have you heard,
that do not draw the most beautiful
similies from the Indian? The question makes
its own argument

I am Sir your most obedient servant

White Earth Agency

Wm. F. Campbell,

Winn June 30, '90



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Wm F. Campbell
Chippewa
Age 24, at Carlisle 1 year

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Now, as to the most important question in your circular – "what is still needed to enable the Indian to succeed in life?" – I would say in reply that better facilities for education is needed, nothing else. Land is only a secondary consideration. I am speaking of the rising generation. Give them an education and

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they will procure homes for themselves. In order for them to compete successfully with the white man, their schools must come up to the same standard. You could not expect to take a horse that had never been out of his pasture and trot him a winning race with M and S or Jay Eye See. Certainly not. He must be well trained. Just so with the Indian. And like the horse, it is better to take him into a broader field than his own narrow pastures to train him. It is my opinion that five hundred dollars distributed among the various Indian Schools of the United States in the shape of prizes, would produce more beneficial results, than five thousand spent in any other way. It would produce competition, something not found in most Indian schools, while it is the very life of white schools. Better let it create an ill feeling among the students

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[illegible] them continue in the same listless manner that characterizes the majority of Indian Schools at the present time. A few schools should be established where Indians could prepare for college, and let a scholarship, to some good college, be the prize for them to compete for. Competition begins with the white boy the day he enters school. Johnny Smith enters school at scarcely six years old. His sole ambition is to excel. Tony Brown, who is "six goin' on seven" Thus it begins, and ends only with his life

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Competition makes the white man, and nothing else will make the Indian. To any one who has studied sociology at all, it is plain that competition is the governing force. My objection to Bellamy's ideas of government is, it will destroy competition, then would begin an age of decline.

You have asked me a question. I have answered it according to my own opinions. I have meant nothing as a suggestion. I could not, with my limited knowledge of Indian education, be so presumptuous as to make any suggestions to you, who have made it a life study.

I will close by asking a favor. (an Indian's great failing) I have a printed copy the proceedings of the Mohonk Conference. I have read it over with a great deal of interest. I noticed where one or two made comparisons between the Indian and negro. I say there is no comparison as the champion of

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our [illegible], I ask you this favor, [illegible] hear that comparison again. Ask the maker of it this question. Did you ever hear America's most learned and polished orators draw illustrations from the negro, and how many have you heard, that do not draw the most beautiful similes from the Indian? The question makes its own argument.

I am Sir your most obedient servant
Wm. F. Campbell
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