

United States
Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 11th 1896

My dear Antonio-

Thanks for your letter,
and I write at once to say that I wish
you could be with us on Wednesday to
Friday (the 14th, 15th & 16th) this week at
the Lake Mohawk Indian Conference.

If you can possibly spare the time
and will speak out as freely as you
did here at commencement you can
help me and the true cause of Indian
advancement not a little. Mr. Emily
has asked me, as he always does, to
bring some Indians. I shall not take
any from here because the people
always say they only ~~speak~~ what I've
told them to. You will meet some
of the best people in the world

I hope you'll go because I believe
it's duty you owe this cause.

who cut a big figure in our national
affairs. Genl Howard is usually on hand
Dr. Lyman Abbott, West Gates of Amherst,
and many others usually about 300.
It is a delightful place. We are all
the guests of Mr. & Mrs. Smiley so there
is no expense but R.R. fare. If you
can come, and I very much hope for
you, I shall have great pleasure in
covering your expenses. You ought to
get there Tuesday evening. Mrs Pratt
will go with me. I send you Mr Smiley's
circular. You might find the route
by way of Albany, or that via
Kentford and Poultice better than
via N.Y. Mr Smiley's wagons go to Loyd
if he is advised. I see that via Rhinecliff
and Kingston would be even nearer than
Poultice. We start Friday morning only.
If you get this tomorrow (Sunday) & can do
let me see of your decision. Your friend
R.H. Pratt

New Factory is the regular R.R. point.