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CARLISLE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.
 DESCRIPTIVE AND HISTORICAL RECORD OF STUDENT.

NUMBER 1159	ENGLISH NAME Pennington Powell	AGENCY Fort Hall Ida	NATION Shoshone					
BAND	INDIAN NAME	HOME ADDRESS John Powell						
PARENTS LIVING OR DEAD		BLOOD	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	FORCED INSP.	FORCED EXPR.	SEX.
FATHER, Dead		MOTHER, Dead	Quarter	16	5-5 1/8	117	33 1/2	33 1/4 M
ARRIVED AT SCHOOL Aug. 17, 1890		FOR WHAT PERIOD Five years		DATE DISCHARGED June 3 1895		CAUSE OF DISCHARGE Time out.		
TO COUNTRY		PATRONS NAME AND ADDRESS				FROM COUNTRY		
Apr. 2, 91		J. Keith Makefield Bucks Co. Pa				Jul. 18, 91		
" " 92		A. Mershon Morrisville "				Sep. 9, 92		
" 1, 93		" Perms Manot "				" 14, 93		
Mar. 31, 94		G. Row Langhorne "				Apr. 28, 94		


Months in school before Carlisle,

Grade entered at Carlisle,

Grade at date of Discharge,

Trade or Industry,

Church,



Please return this letter to Mrs. Denny.

Department of the Interior.



Mr. M. Friedman

Supt. U. S. Indian School

Carlisle

Pennsylvania

6-3305

Dec. 25th, 1918.

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Name

Permirington Powell

(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe

Soshone

Present Address

Fort Hall Ida.

Former Address

Ross Fork Ida.

(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation

Farming

Remarks:

Wishing dear old Carlisle a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

Remains ever her School son P. Powell

Department of the Interior.



Mr. M. Friedman

Supt. U. S. Indian School

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Dec. 27, 1912.

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Name

Perminington Powell

(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe

Bannock

Present Address

Fort Hall Idaho

Former Address

Ross Fork

(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation

Working at the Agency

Remarks:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE

Fort Hall Indian School,
Ross Fork, Idaho.

M. Friedman, Esq.,

March 19, 1912.

Superintendent Indian School,
Carlisle, Penn.

Dear Mr. Friedman:-

The CARLISLE ARROW for March 15, 1912, came this morning and as is usual with nearly all the Indian Service publications which are sent to the various Indian Agencies it was read by all members of the office force.

In the notes from returned students I find the following notice: " Through a letter we learn that a Carlisle graduate, Pennington Powell, is well and getting good wages employed as a teamster in the city of Pocatello, Idaho". Similar notices regarding this same person have been in recent copies of the ARROW. I very much doubt if Carlisle has a more loyal friend than I, or if any one who has ever in any way been connected with the school has a more earnest desire for her prosperity, for I know that the work Carlisle is doing cannot be done in any other way and that her influence on her students' lives is far-reaching and for their good always. While I am in sympathy with the present system of keeping in touch with the ex-students and the publication of items of interest regarding them, which not only helps

their friends to keep account of them but also gives the students themselves the feeling that their lives and welfare is a matter of concern to those who have endeavored to aid them while in school, I realize that many of these ex-students take advantage of the situation to give wrong impressions of their course of action on their return home, and that the Carlisle publications have printed many statements regarding these students which are not true and are recognized by the local readers as misstatements. Such erroneous notices naturally prejudice the reader, and leads him to place a slight valuation on the statements regarding other students unknown to him, which may be quite true in their cases.

Such an instance is that of Pennington Powell quoted above. This student has made but little use of his education and is no credit to Carlisle. His wife, Florence Bartlett(I believe a Carlisle student also) has the worst of reputations and the United States District Attorney recently brought a charge against her of adultery, which is the second time she has been in court for the offense. Pennington was sentenced last week at the spring term of court to serve a three months term in the Pocatello jail and pay \$100 fine for introducing liquor on this reservation. He was taken red-handed here at this agency. This statement you publish must have been sent you since his arrest some five weeks ago.

It is of course impossible that you could know this, or other statements which I have seen published which were far from true. We had several returned students at Greenwood, South Dakota,

who had very flattering statements published regarding them and which were so far from the actual facts as to excite much amusement among those in a position to know the truth.

It is always a matter of regret to me to learn of a Carlisle student making poor use of his training at that institution. We employees in the field know so well the temptations to which the returned students are subjected, and that the standard of living among the friends to whom he returns is much lower than that to which he has been trained, and we realize that it requires an exceptionally strong character to resist the influences working against him. For this reason I think we are more lenient in our judgment of the returned student than is the community at large, which appears to expect a few years in a non-reservation school to work some sort of a lasting miracle in the character of its students.

We who are so deeply interested in the Indian students as a whole, and those of us who are interested in Carlisle in particular because of our former connection with the school, much regret any statement which tends to produce a wrong impression in the minds of those who have a strong tendency to believe that 'the only good Indian is a dead one'. If I may do so without intrusion, I would suggest that exstudents be warned against sending in statements regarding themselves which are misleading and tend to create an erroneous impression, as the influence of the Carlisle publications is lessened by their so doing.

The fact that I am deeply interested in Carlisle and in

her students has lead me to write you on this subject, and I trust that it will be received in the spirit in which it has been written, and that you will believe I was actuated by the desire to be of service and not by a spirit of criticism.

Very truly yours,

Estelle Armstrong

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Record of Graduates and Returned Students,

U. S. INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PA.

NAME Pennington Powell, Ross Fork Ida., June 4 1911.

1. Are you married and if so to whom? I am married to
Flourence Bartlett.

2. What is your present address? Ross Fork Ind., Agency, Ida.

3. Did you attend or graduate from any other schools after leaving Carlisle? no. Give names of schools and dates if possible

4. What is your present occupation? Farming.

5. Tell something of your present home. my present home is
3 miles from Ross Fork and 8 miles from
Pocatello, under the government canal.

6. What property in the way of land, stock, buildings, or money do you have? I have
40 acres of farming land, also 320 acres
of grazing land. a few head of stock.

7. Have you been in the Indian Service? In what positions? How long in each? I have
been police for the government for two years,
als night watchman for 1 year, als police
for another year, as captin police at Lemhi

8. What other positions have you held since leaving Carlisle?.....

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9. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life:

NAME AT CARLISLE

Pennington Powell

PRESENT NAME

DATE	INFORMATION THROUGH	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	ITEMS OF INTEREST	GRADE
1911		<i>Ross Fork, Idaho</i>	<i>Farming</i>		
1913		<i>Ft. Hall, Idaho</i>	"	<i>gov. Emp.</i>	
"	<i>Self</i>	"	"		