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RECORD OF GRADUATES AND RETURNED STUDENTS.

UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL, CARLISLE, PENNSYLVANIA.

Name John H. Miller

1. Are you married and if so to whom? no

2. What is your present address? Elk Rapids Mich

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

4. What is your present occupation? Salary? I am employed in the Astorian Hardware store as a harness maker at \$40.00 mo.

5. Do you own your home?

6. What kind of a house is it? Number of rooms?

7. How much property do you possess?

Stock

Land

Real Estate.....

8. Do you have money in the bank?..... How much?.....

9. Have you been in the Indian Service? In what positions? How long in each? *no*

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

11. Have you done anything for the betterment of your people? Write fully.....

*I do not know, as I done any
thing to better them or not.
But since returning from
school, I've always tried to
live up to what I learned
there, and the boys around
here might have learned
some thing from my example.*

12. Tell me anything else of interest connected with your life.

I have been with the
Aurion Hardware Company's
people since 23 of March 1908.
They seem to be well
pleased with my work.



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

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January 21, 1907

Mr. H. Miller
So. Milton Mich.

Dear friend;-

Please oblige by answering the questions below accurately and promptly and return this paper to me in the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage.

Are you married and if so to whom?

No.

What is your Post Office address?

Rapid City, Mich.

What is your occupation?

Farming.

Have you been in the Indian Service, in what positions and how long in each?

No, not in Indian Service. But I worked nine months for the Arthur Hardware Co. in the Harness Department with satisfaction to the firm.

Have you lived in the East any part of the time since your graduation and if so, where, how long and what positions did you fill?

I have not been out East, since graduation.

Your friend

W. A. Mercer

Major 11th Cavalry,
Superintendent.

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Miller, John B.

Ex. Stu.

Correspondence

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Name

March 22, 1917
John R. Miller
(Please give name by which enrolled and also present or married name.)

Tribe

Chippewa

Present Address

Allegan Mich

Former Address

Sparta. "

(Address from which we heard from you last.)

Present Occupation

House Making

Remarks:

I am getting along fine.

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Department of the Interior.



Mr. M. Friedman

Supt. U. S. Indian School

Carlisle

Pennsylvania

REPORT AFTER LEAVING CARLISLE

NAME AT CARLISLE

John H. Miller

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PRESENT NAME

DATE	INFORMATION THROUGH	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	ITEMS OF INTEREST	GRADE
1907	Self.	Rapid City, Mich.	Farming		
1909	"	Boat 33	Harness maker H.W. store. \$40 mo.		
1913	"	Sparta, Mich.	Book-keeper for Holmes Mfg Co.		
1914	"	Allegan, Mich.	Harness maker		

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Febr. 13th, 1913.

Mr. John H. Miller,

Box 33, Sparta, Michigan.

My dear Friend:

I thank you for your letter of February the 6th, containing the good news that you are so busy. Let me congratulate you on having secured a responsible position and let me extend my best wishes for success in your work.

The notice of your change of address is appreciated as we are always anxious to know the location of the former students with whom we desire to keep in touch.

The Walter Matthews who graduated here in 1904 is now located at Foraker, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

HKM.

Superintendent.

Sparta, Mich.
Feb. 6. - 13

Friend,

I take the greatest pleasure in writing to you. I am doing fine and have been playing "mummer" for I have been busy.

I am employed in the Holmes Mfg Co. They make gasoline engines. The output per day is from 50 to 80 a day.

I am in the book-keeping Department.

I would like to ask you to give me the address of Waller Matthews who graduated there a few years ago. And oblige

Yours Truly,

John H. Miller

Sparta
Mich.

Bx 33.

Mrs. Denny

Rapid City.
Mich.

March 20 08

To the Supt.

Carlisle Ind. School.

Carlisle, Pa.

Your kind
invitation was received.
I am very sorry to say
I cannot attend as my
spring work is rushing
on.

I cannot thank Carlisle
enough for what it
has done for me, for
it comes very handy.
when I come to figure
up my farm accounts.

and also to act my
own business. These
I got thru the learning
of Carlisle.

My word to those
who shall soon face
the world. Whatever you
may find to do at first,
do it with a will.

Your employer will see
that you are eager
to learn, and you
will be given a
place higher where
you shall carry more
responsibilities on
your shoulders and
so on as you journey

chrus life.

Trials and temptations
will be many, but
those you must
fight and you shall
come out victorious.

Success to you all
is the wish from one
of of the scouts of "1902".
I remain as ever your
true Carlisle.

John Henry Miller.

Elk Rapids

The "Gem of the
Inland Seas."



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POPULATION

2,000 and room for
20,000.



LOCATION

Antrim County,
on Grand Traverse
Bay, and beautiful
Elk Lake and Elk
River.



IMPROVE- MENTS

Cement walks,
electric lights, water
works, macadam
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bonded indebtedness,
consequently tax-
ation is very low.



SHIPPING FACILITIES

Pere Marquette
railway, boat service
with Chicago, Mil-
waukee and other
lake ports. Daily boat
connections with all
bay and inland lake
points.



CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS

Seven churches.
Splendid schools.
High school gradu-
ates enter U. of M.
without examination.



RESORTS

Most beautiful re-
sort property in Mich-
igan, on Grand Trave-
rse Bay or chain of
navigable lakes and
rivers seventy miles
in length.



AGRICULTURE

Elk Rapids is lo-
cated in the midst of
a rich farming dis-
trict. Grains, seeds
and root crops of all
kinds thrive in this
soil.



FRUIT

This section is
noted for the superior
quality of its fruit—
apples, pears, plums,
cherries, peaches and
all small fruits.

Aug. 11 , 10 .

Supt. Carlisle Ind. School

Carlisle Pa.,

Dear Sir:

Yours letter was recieved

sometime ago inquiring about desirable students. I must
say that they are very few in number around here. However
I will mention a few; Thomas Naska, Joe Naska, Jesse White,
Fred Johnson and George Russell. Now this is all that I
know could come,,

I am still at work in the Antrim Hardware,,. I do such
work as buying Harness goods selling and also the harness
work. My work speaks for it self.

Thanking you ever so much for what I plowed up in
Cumberland Valley.

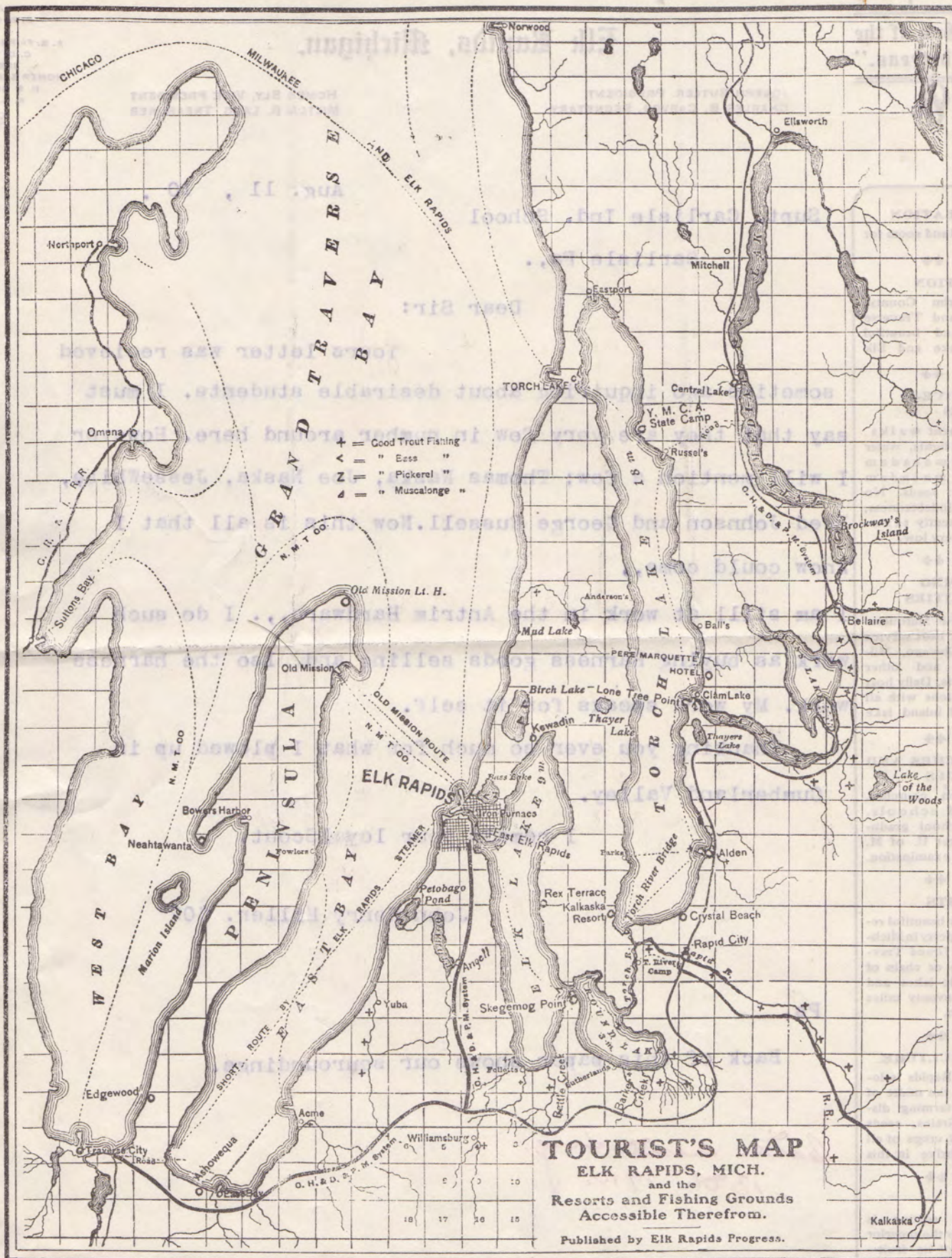
I remain your loyal Scout.

John Henry Miller. "02"

Ps.

Back of this paper shows our surroundings.

*Letter sent Aug.
13th, 1910.*



R. F. D. #1, Box 52, ^{257.}
Rapid City,
Mich.
March, 18. 07.

Major W. A. Mercer.

Dear Friend,

Yours was received last
week, but did not have
time to answer.

Sorry to say there are no
other graduates around
here from Carlisle.

Ever your friend.

John H. Miller.
"02."

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ELK RAPIDS, MICH., March 4. 1910

Ind. School,
Carlisle, Pa.

Your invitation was received on the 4th, requesting my presence at the graduating exercises. But I am very sorry that I cannot attend this year, for the simple reason that I cannot get away from work. Spring work is coming on and I must be here in the shop to take care of it.

But I wish the school a very prosperous year.

Press onward ye class of 1910, as you are but started, the real life begins after leaving school. Success to all.

I remain yours Truly.

John Henry Miller. '02'

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ELK RAPIDS, MICH.,

Jan. 1. 1910

Mr. M. Friedman,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Supt.

Your most welcome and encouraging letter was received some time ago.

I am certainly glad that you think of us; we, who are on the firing line.

We owe to you an unlimited amount of thanks as a Superintendent of one of the greatest institutions on earth, and for your determination in uplifting the Indian Race.

True as you say, the success of the school lies in the graduates.

I will give you a little of my experiences since leaving School.

While at school, I said to one of the boys, if ever I learnt or worked at a trade while there that I would work at it when I got home.

After leaving school I came home, I applied for work in a harness shop. But being an Indian I was not given employment. So I worked

at what I found to do. Two years went by before I was given a chance. I was tried for a week, but the week lasted nine months, until the work got so slack I had to go. I was hired again by this same firm after a lapse of about one year, and my honesty and willingness to work goes to show that I have been here now going on five years. The Harness Shop is connected with one of the finest Hardware Stores in Northern Michigan.

I have the sole charge of the shop, making heavy harness to a very fine buggy harness.

I had offers to go and work two different places. But I am very well satisfied here. And I also clerk in the store.

I have been very busy lately.

The Indians and whites around here said, "what good does it do them to go to school, they only go and do the same kind of work as the rest do, that did not go to school." Very well they are all silent now to see me working in a nice cosy shop.

Thanking you for the beautiful picture of the ground where I used to spend my happiest days. Wishing you one and all a Happy and prosperous New Year. I Remain one of your scouts
John A. Miller '02"

WATERS HARDWARE COMPANY

Dec. 12th, 1914.

Mr. John Henry Miller,
Ludington, Michigan.

My dear Sir:

I thank you for your letter of December the 8th, containing the information that Ella Fox, your niece, will have to give up the idea of continuing with her school work because her duty lies at home in helping to care for the brothers and sisters who were left orphans with her by the sad death of her mother.

It is to be regretted that Ella had to leave Carlisle, but I can only hope with you that the work she is willing to do will, in some way, be of great benefit to her too.

Assuring you that I will be pleased to have you inform me from time to time how you are getting along,
I am,

Very respectfully,

HKM.

Supervisor in Charge.

WATERS HARDWARE COMPANY

SHELF AND HEAVY HARDWARE

TWO STORES

Ludington, Mich., Dec. 8. 1911

Supt Carlisle Fed School.
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir.

Just a word or two
to let you know that I am among the
living and doing fine.

I was up home last week to attend the
funeral of my sister Mrs. Mrs. Fox.
Ella's ^{Fox's} mother. And I saw Ella. Had a
short talk with her about Carlisle

WATERS HARDWARE COMPANY

SHELF AND HEAVY HARDWARE

TWO STORES

Ludington, Mich.,

She speaks very highly of Carlisle.
She says she never can leave home
now, because she says that she is going
to take care of the dear little sisters and
brothers that mother left. Oh! it was sad.
Too bad she had to come cause I think she ~~had~~
a bright future ahead.

Best regards to all. I Remain as one
of your loyalists.

John Henry Miller "Oz"

WATERS HARDWARE COMPANY

SHELF AND HEAVY HARDWARE

TWO STORES

102-2nd St.

Ludington, Mich., May 4-15

Garlick Ind. School,
Garlick Pa.

Kind Friends

Your invitation is
at hand once more.

It seems that I am tied down more
firmly every time you have your commencement
exercises, so it is again this spring.

I have the managing of one of the two
stores and the harness shop. So you see
it is impossible for me to get away.
But however my heart and thoughts

WATERS HARDWARE COMPANY

SHELF AND HEAVY HARDWARE

TWO STORES

Ludington, Mich.,

will be with you at the coming ~~avant~~,
Wishing you one and all success.

I Remain as one of your Loyalists
John H. Miller, Class '02

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February 19, 1917.

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Mr. John H. Miller
213 Rec Ave., Lansing, Mich.

Dear friend:-

Your letter of the 16th inst has been received and I am glad to hear from one of Carlisle's older graduates even though I do not know you personally. I am glad to know of your success and I hope that you may be able to arrange a little visit to Carlisle so that we may have the pleasure of getting acquainted.

Our commencement takes place this year from the 20th of May until the 25th. We expect to graduate quite a class if they do not disappoint us by failing to pass the necessary examinations. This will be our first vocational class.

Trusting that you may be able to be with us at commencement time and with my best wishes for your continued good work, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

213 Treo Ave.,
Lausling, Mich.
Feb. 16-17

Supt. Pub. School,
Garlick Pa.

Dear Supt.

I have
lost all track of Garlick, simply
because I have been busy
most of the time.

I am at present and for
two years in the employ of the
Reo Motor Car Company's
machining shops.

I would like to know
when you are going to have
your commencement exercises
as I am thinking of attend-

ing this year.

My the time flies, I can
not realize that it has been
fifteen years since I left there.
Wishing you success

I remain yours. Loyally.

John H. Miller "O 2"

213 Reo Ave.

Laurens
Mich.



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April 17, 1918.

Private John H. Miller
Gunpowder Reserve, Detachment B.
Edgewood, Md.

Dear friend:-

I am in receipt of your letter asking for our Commencement date. As far as is known now, Commencement will be held from June 2 to June 6. If you can make it suit to visit your school at that time, I think you would enjoy our exercises and we would be glad to have you here. There is always welcome here for our old students and graduates. With so many of our graduates in nearby camps, we may be able to work up quite an Alumni Meeting. We hope to do this anyway.

Trusting that we may hear from you again, I am

Very truly yours

Superintendent.

NRD

WAR WORK COUNCIL

ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

"WITH THE COLORS"



April 10

1918

Supt. Carlisle Ind. School.
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Just a few
lines, for information. When are
you planning on having your
commencement exercises. If I am
here when you have your exercises
I may get a pass for two or three
days so as I can attend.

I remain yours truly

Private John H. Miller.

Gunpowder Reserve

Detachment B.

Edgewood.

Md.