

Sept 11/78

Mr Van Allen N. Syc
Indian Agent -

Sir

in reply to yr request

I have the honor to inform you that
during the past year we have had 57
Indian boys in our Institution.

Of the number we has died & several
have left this summer, but their
places will be supplied with new
boys, so that our number this
next year will be equal to or in
excess of the past year.

We have every reason for satisfaction
with the progress the boys have made,

receive about \$20 in cash during the
 time he works with us as an apprentice.
 It is an understood thing that the
 money in the savings bank is to be
 employed in the purchase of tools.

I have just returned to service
 of an excellent master for the
 first year at home.

Yours to learn the do:

J. Obedt second
Edward D. Wilson

We find them all at home & quick
 at acquiring a trade, & as a rule
 well behaved.

This summer 1 boy has been launched
 as a tinmith, & as a left hander,
 & is a school teacher.

At the present time we have to buy
 learning \$2 a week as apprentices
 (Tinmith, Sailer, Printer, & Blacksmith)
 and 5 boys \$1 a week - (Carpenter,
 Blacksmith, a printer, & Blacksmith)

The apprentice receives half of what
 they learn for themselves, & each of
 them has a savings bank account.

A boy who does well can lay by \$200

May I ask you kindly to
reply to this by letter. Subject
to any conversation except
on medical matters or general subjects.

I remain dear Sir
Yr faithful
S. H. Wilson

at the time you attended her
about 2 years ago. Indeed she
had positively refused to have
you attend her again.

However - as I consider
Mr. Wilson to be in a critical
state & requiring the most
careful management. I shall
be glad of your services
for her next confinement
towards the end of October -
should you wish to attend them
on the following conditions -

D. Cook

Sept 11 1878

Dear Sir

I wish to tell you
plainly that although I have full
confidence in you as a
competent physician I have
not felt it right to engage you
to attend my own family
for the reason that
to my great objection

conduct & manner to

1. That no allusion be made
in the contents of this letter
to any former trouble we may
have had, but that you con-
sider simply in yr medical capacity
& treat her as gently and as
kindly as circumstances will
admit.
2. That you agree to act upon
the written advice of Dr.
Barnes (London) whom we
consulted with in Dyland.
3. That you administer chloroform
to Mrs. W. previous to removing
the afterbirth. (another Dr.
being in attendance if you think
necessary).

I wish to tell you plainly that although I have full confidence in you as a competent physician I have not felt it right to engage you to attend my own family for the reason that to my great objection

The Id. of the Dominion Chman

Dear Sir

I am exceedingly busy just after my return from England, but must try & find time to address you a few words, which I trust you will kindly give insertion to.

Notwithstanding all the attractions of English life, it is a very great pleasure to me to be back once more in the midst of my Indian boys & to be breathing the pure sweet air of Sault Ste Marie.

And now I feel that we have block more than ever to our friends in Canada for the support of our ^{schools} ~~things~~ in England are in a very bad state, trade depressed, harvest miserably acres and acres of land under water, farm buildings & rick-yards stand in four feet of water & wholly deserted, wheat barley & oats just showing their heads above the surface of the flooded fields, — and in this not only in one country or district, but in many. Things indeed look most deplorable.

And the result as regards mission, work is that nearly every society is behind hand in its funds. The Church Missionary Society, £24,000 out of pocket. Other Societies more or less in the same way.

Until a change come for the better we can look for little from England. I asked for no collections while in England. I simply told my story. Some donations came in. About £200 in all was paid in to our funds. This is for building purposes. We want to add two wings to the Shipwreck Home & to build a chapel. These together will cost £5000; and now that our Mawanaok Home is completed & nicely furnished throughout, I trust that some contributions may be made towards this object. But what

we want most of all just now is a revival of the spirit

the past 20 years in England. But this is an additional expense
 as hitherto we have had only a cook. We have also to employ a
 gardener to keep the grounds in order. Altogether we require
 fully \$500 per annum, ^{additional} in annual subscriptions to meet our
 present wants. The appeal for the maintenance of the
 girls' Home has been most kindly & liberally met, - but our
 boys must not be forgotten, - & we feel sure that our good
 friends in Canada of whom we have now so many, will not
 let us want. God has been most gracious & good to us. We
 have never been in debt. Our needs have always been
 supplied.

I must just add a reminder
 that navigation closes with us about the middle of October,
 so that if any of our friends are preparing boxes of clothing
 for our Home, - will they please be sure and send them
 in good time -

Yrs faithfully
 E. F. Wilson

Shipman's Home, Sault Ste Marie.
 Sept 18th 1879

will cost \$5000; and we must
 complete this by gifts & donations, but that some
 contribution may be made toward this object. But what
 we are wanting most of all just now is annual subscriptions
 to the maintenance fund of the Boys' Home. English subscriptions
 have fallen off sadly & we must look to Canada to make
 good the deficiency. We have engaged a very nice matron
 for our Boys' Home; a person whom I have known & respected for

Sept 18/71

Mrs. Allan Br.

Dear Sir

Lenore's son

Correspondence having

reference to box of old

for Indian which was

sent out last Spring on

to Caspian in charge of

the Rev. H. Barclay -

- Mr. B. on his arrival in

Sept 18/71

My dear Mr. Bell

Many thanks for yr
note with enclosed \$40 for
Anniwaleenook's son. The
poor boy is very sick & wasting
away with consumption.

We had a very pleasant
trip to England - & have just
returned. Mrs. W. much better
for the journey -

With our united kind regards
to Mr. Bell

Yrs sincerely
S. M. M.

I send you a copy
of my dictionary
Please accept

Quelms could not find
the package & came on
without it. Please

kindly ascertain for me
where it is - & send it
on as freight to me -
address -

Rev. E. H. Wilson

Shingwant Home
Sault Ste. Marie
Ontario

As I arrived for Sardinian on a
Sunday & came straight on by special
train - I could not apply personally in
person.

me down - I went for Mr. Coratelli
& had him lodged in jail - & they
have now both left us. I think

we shall probably get Mr. Clayton's
again in this place. He

Warrumook is, for a splendidly all
to clean & nice & so pretty furnished
- & Mr. Carey. He new lady definitively
such a bright cheerful person - then
the 15th of Jul - & of them have just
had the measles but are now all
up again.

Tom Morris, the
boy in Consumption whom I told
you about died on Thursday - & we
bury him today -

Much love to all - I am very busy -

A. Keppel was sick - In affluence

S. H. Wilson

48 top of
back room
over town

Sept 20 1799

Dear Auey -

My last long letter home
was written on board the "Albatross"
just before sailing to the South - On
the deck on one side of the Deck
Mr. & Mrs. Appleby Mr. Hamilton Mr.
Ainsworth & indeed heard all our
old friend - who pushed us most
bravely - We drove to the home
& on arrival found it decorated
with flags & an arch of welcome
over the portico. All our
little ones ran down the road to
meet us when they saw the carriage

some more of the same
at the same place
in the same way

coming & were soon clustered up
the streets & wheels at the wheel of
their lives - The Indian boys
had collected & welcomed us at
the gate. In the evening the
brass band in the street came
out & serenaded us - quite
unexpectedly - & we finished the
with a fruit supper for every one
- having brought several boxes of
pears, peaches, pines & plums from
Saravia for the purpose.
The following day, Friday, was occupied
in the boxes & giving presents
to the children & the staff of all

the young ones - They all seemed
thoroughly happy & well & none of
them had forgotten us - None is
the only one who is a little out of joint
& is still staying with Mrs. C. -
We find Miss Henry the greatest
blessing already - she is so bright &
active & seems to like the work -
Lottie also is turning out capitally
as you will judge from Ancher's
letter - The only black
cloud has been the Coltrane - they
had evidently made up their mind
to be disagreeable - It came to
a head on Monday - Mr. C. flatly
refused to do so unless she was told
- Her husband came bustling in
to tell her just - & threatening to knock

Sept 25/79

Dear Taylor -

I have decided to
accept of - offer to come
to me for \$275 -

Two months notice to quit
on either side -

Shall be glad if you
can commence the 1st Oct.

Let me hear of once

Yrs
S.D. Wilson

Sept 27/79

My dear Mr. Kippabick -

It is my pleasant
to be here with you again

& to be hearing again from
old friends - I, may

thank you for your remittance
of \$32-00. You

will be sorry I am not
one from boy - Morris - dead

Yesterday - just a week
after my fall back - He
was sent to this stone
with Consumption.

We are much enjoyed on
little trip to England - about
£170 was paid in town
funds.

Yrs
S.D. Wilson

Sept 22^d 1798Mr. Joseph Beyer -
Li

As two of your old
boys have not come back since
the holiday - you may send your
two boys yet or you may let
them work at home. Let them
come at once. You might
also bring a couple of girls to
the Waverash Home if there are
any wanting to come.

Yrs Truly
E. M. Wilson

Sept 22^d 1799

John Taylor -

If you stay out your
four years - and give
satisfaction - & the farm
gives a fair profit - I
will at the end of the time
give the back pay you
forfeited but only on that
condition - You say
George could slip either in
the kitchen or over at the
laundry - this is no objection -

Yrs Truly
E. M. Wilson

You had better write to me at once.
Alice Mawson has married Adam
Kyoosk. Ellen Ohtosoway married
Gery Kakaora at Jaden River. Susan
Manitoumbeing married Joe Ahleh.
Joseph at Jaden River. Mary Ann
Jacobs is married to one in the States.
Mary Kander is also married.
Annie Peters was with us all last
winter so near, but now is gone
home. Miss Seymour is cook at
Mr. Ambers.

Mr. Wilson & myself have just
returned home from a visit to
England. We have 8 little
children now.

Yr. sincerely
Edward H. Wilson
I write and you are in the
country - the coat is

Sept 24 1899

Dear Sarah -

I got your note the other
day & was pleased to hear from
you. We have now two visitations
instead of one. We have 50
boys of the Kingman Home. The
new Home for girls is called the
Mawson Home, it is about a
mile up the road beyond the
post office. The Lady Superintendent
name is Miss Cary. There are 15
girls there at present, & we want about
10 more. So if there are 2 or 3 girls
at Rama we would like to come

7. Mr. Reid to supply all the ink used, & paper for ^{his} 487
 own work, but to purchase no type, furniture, or other
 articles for the use of the office without my written
 permission.
8. Mr. Reid to pay his own rent & taxes, & to supply his
 own stove, pipes, lamps, & oil, & to insure the
 stock to the amount of not less than \$5000;
 Sept 24/77
9. The difference in accounts between myself & Mr.
 Reid to be settled ^{in full} every quarter.
10. The agreement to be in force from date.

Enclose you a

P. O. O for \$37.50 which please
 place to my credit - as per cheque
 on Consolidated Bank for \$25 -
 which please tell me whether or not
 you can cash for full value - or
 if better - keep for the present.

Please send me 2 large
 sheets of thin card board 4 feet by
 3 ft 6. each - they are for tracing
 a design which is afterwards to be
 photographed. The engrav toll - but
 all to the.

J. H. Wilson

