

Aug 1st / 86

Rev. J. J. Norton -

Dear Sir

I presume the gentleman
of the above name who has just sent me
\$10 & been on board the C.P.R. boat is
yourself. I very much thank you for your kind
thought of us. I regretted very much not
having the pleasure of meeting you at Beulah
last May. My eldest boy - Archie -
is just home & lives with Mr. Rowell - so
doubtless you will see him. - He will be
a member of the Co-operative when you visit
Beulah.

Yours sincerely
S. H. Wilson

Aug 9 78

Wm. J. Rutherford, Printer &c.

Dear Sir

You will remember
 I left out for me my "Red Nose" last
 year - Will you kindly send it to
 me - and as the season is

advanced try & get it out as speedily as
 possible - I want you - if you kindly
 will - to get some paper carpets to make me

1 doz ornamental racks for hold circulars
 41 - The size of the large circular is 8 1/2 by
 12 inches & of the Annual Report 6 by 9 inches.

As I do not think the rack wd. need to be 19
 or 20 in wide & about 30 inches high.

The enclosed notice of our Homes I want
 you to print in an attractive ornamental style -
 & paste (in 3 columns) on the upper part of
 the back of the circulars - also to print

me a number of envelopes with my
address - to put in the place for envelopes
as above -

The idea is to put these racks on the steamer
boats on the flats - & people can thus read
about our work & help themselves of the
pleas & circulars & reports - & the envelopes
are for them to send their contributions in -

As it is too late in the season - I will not
ask you to send me proof - but will depend
entirely on your good taste in getting the thing out
& I wd like as soon as possible to get them
on the boats - I will write to Mr. Mulholland
& ask him if he will kindly assist in the
matter - & will also communicate with the
Managers of the Prod Lines - You might
fit me with 200 copies of the enclosed notice -
putting 12 on the racks & send me the remainder - &
1000 envelopes - use your own judgment as to quality -
Yours truly
S. Wilson

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Dear Joseph.

Our Home is very full - & I fear we shall find difficulty in providing for all our pupils - still I do not like to refuse to take you back if you wish to come. Of course it wd be just advantage to you if you can succeed in taking a Certificate at teachers' examination - If you come you must bring your own way here - & provide your own clothing as far as possible.

Yrs sincerely -

S. J. Wilson

Enclose you Annie's Exam. Report - &
some Red Ink etc



Aug 31 1878.

C. Cameron Esq.
 Manager G. N. & C. Co.
 Dear Sir

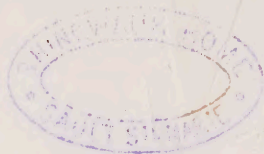
I purpose on the 4th Sept to
 leave here for Toronto & Montreal - to hold
 meetings on behalf of my Indian Homes & to return
 home the last week in October - I shall be
 accompanied by 2 little Indian boys - an Ojibway
 boy named Willie Adams aged 12 & a Sioux
 boy from the North West named Elijah Crow aged 8.

You will surmise that my object in writing
 to you is to try & obtain a reduced fare both by boat
 & rail - as I understand you run in connection
 with the G. N. & C. & G. Y. R.

Could you give me a reduced ticket from the Sault
 Ste Marie to Montreal for myself & the 2 little boys - ?
 The boat ticket might be a return one - but it
 will be no use to get a return from Montreal by rail
 - as I shall probably be traveling about in various
 lines before getting back to Collingwood.

Should you have any objects to be ornamented with
 containing circulars & about one work being placed on yachts?

Yours faithfully
 S. H. Wilson

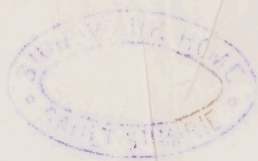


Aug^r 14/86

Dear Mr. Burnham

Very many thanks for so kindly
 accord: my request in regard to your
 house - In the mean time - I have
 finally decided not to come up before
 next March - It seems wiser to make
 a tour through Canada first & let the people
 know what I propose doing as at present I
 have no funds for carrying on a Branch
 Home even on so small a scale - I
 expect to start Sept 4 & spend 2 months
 travelling taking a little boy with me - a little
 Ojibaw - & Mr. Rowmells little house boy
 Elijah. Of course it may not
 suit you to let me have the house in March - as
 some one else may be in it taking your place -
 but you will kindly let me know about this -
 If at any time I write again before I leave - kindly write
 to Mrs. Wilson -

Yours sincerely
 S. P. Wilson



Aug 14 78

My dear W-Roswell

We were very glad to hear from you that Archie had arrived safely - & hope he will get along well & give you satisfaction -

All the Sioux boys seem perfectly happy & contented here. Hunder seems strong on Presbyterianism - & I think a little misses the services that he has been accustomed to - but he is a nice lad & very ready to do all he is told.

I have decided not to go up again to the N. West until early Spring - and in the mean time I start (S.W.) Sept 1.5 for a two months trip through the Eastern part of Utah - holdy meets &c. - I am going with me 2 little Indian boys - Willie & Lewis in Ogilby's & my own horse boy Elijah -

Eliz. ch says he wd like to go - she does
not desire it all day -

Think on the whole it is best to do this - as
we have no money where with to start a Branch
House even on a small scale at present -

If I find I can do it without too great
expense I think of going up to yr neighborhood
in March & remain till navigation opens
the middle of May -

Mr. Burman
Offers me the use of his house - as it is
quite possible I shall go there & try to
collect a few pupils - but I cannot see
just how I get on - on my present travels -

I am afraid I shall miss you when
you pass in Sept - but you must by all
means come & see the place - Mr. Wilson is
most anxious to see you & talk to you about
Archie & can put you up for a day or
two if it suits you to day -

Yr sincere -

S. J. Wilson



Aug 14 1886

Dear Mr. Ball

The Bishop has handed to me
 \$4.00 - including \$2.00 from yourself & quite
 towards my trav. expenses & I should had I fore.
 Circumstances led to alteration of plan - so
 that I did not go as I had expected - & now
 that it has pleased God to take my dear Father - I
 think it is not very likely that I shall go -
 On the other hand I am expecting (D.V.) Sept 1st
 to start on a 2 months tour through the Eastern
 part of Ontario - with 2 little Indian boys
 to hold meetings & try & stir up increased
 interest in our work - As I think you
 know I do not collect at meetings - &
 for trav. expenses I depend on special donations
 or pay out of my own pocket - W^d you mind
 if kind gift of \$2.00 being applied to this purpose
 shall I refund the -
 Y^r sincerely
 S. P. Wilson

I understand that Dr
Preston is
furnished with ink
for the children - 8 by
10 pils. - Maria
also with ink and
of all sizes - 10
10 pils.



Aug 25/88

Alex. McKelvey Esq
Dear Sir

An Indian woman signing
herself Widow Mary Kenool de nuy on (Algonce)
writes me that she has sent for her boy Isaac
(Isaac Lamson?) -

Last amount (by order of)	2-50
By ^{youself} order of ² 2 ^d after	- 75
" " the same.	2-
By William Peter	2-50
Total -	7-75

And state to know what has become of it all -
I have looked over our books & can find nothing
of the 1st item 2.50 sent by A. Jacobs. Will
you please ask W. J. about it - what date he sent
it & if he has my acknowledgment. 2^d item 75^{cts}
was received & paid in cash to the boy. 3^d item
4th also received & put to the boy's credit for him to
draw as he requires - 4th item 2.50 not yet received.
The 5th Rev. David Osage sh^d be sent to me as
I have paid Mr. Bethune to have exp. if already sent -
I hope let me know. We shall have to supply the bill -
No. 1000 J. Wilson

Aug 20/18

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 Mr. Augustin Brewer

My dear friend -

I was very pleased to receive yr letter giving such a bright account of your children - & I was very pleased with the one from Laura - I am very glad the people on the boat took notice of them & thought they were doing well. Give my love to them all & tell them I shall be very glad to see them back here again. I am afraid I cannot take the little girl this year as we shall be too full - but I will try what I can do next year if we can - Five more boys arrived yesterday from the North West - We have 12 altogether now from these parts - I expect we shall have about 20 children altogether this winter.

I remain
 your friend
 J. Williams

Aug 20/88

Jas. Wood Esq.

Dr Sir

Very thanks for your letter
 and enclosure of \$27.50 on Forest
 Altman's account - We have a fair
 number of pupils now that were
 before - 55 boys & 23 girls - & still more
 expected - 5 new boys arrived 2 days
 ago from the North West - We'll have 80
 left a number more ready schools &
 attend our work or we shall never
 do through the winter. Mr. Ridgely
 who is coming to you is warmly in favor
 of our work - He lets furnish a supply
 of a school - We shall be very glad
 of any help you can send - Please make
 up a large box if possible & send it by freight
 our letter is every way short

Yours sincerely
 C. J. Wilson



Aug 20/86

The Manager Bank of Montreal
Saults -
St. M.

Please credit my
Indian House acct -

Rs 203 - Imperial Bank -	15-00
" 1172 Can Bk. Comm -	100-
" 6891 " " "	37-50
	<u>152-50</u>

Yours

S. D. Wilson



Aug 23/87

My dear Dr. Pratt

I have today heard from Mr. Jewell of London that St. Paul's S. School will increase their contribution from \$75 to \$120 for the current year - as a matter of David Clarke remains for the present at Port Hope - so you may depend on him for a pupil provided he gives satisfactory bond of his term 1887.

I would like my uncle's band Shewlyn back with Bentin - but Mrs W. says she had already come to the conclusion that it was better to get a procuration for our girls for the next year - Mrs W. Shewlyn is attending school here with the Indian boys & I think will not get beyond them in that time.

I am afraid also I shall not be able to send back the end of present year ^{in 1887} - as I think your school will have 10 children growing up & it is in my hands to write for them all on my small

income. I think at end of next Spring term
we shall have had Port Hope for a year or two
& then (if we can get business) start afresh with
Stewart & his 2 younger brothers Norman & Keith.

Could you name any lady to me who would
like to undertake such a visit during Communion.

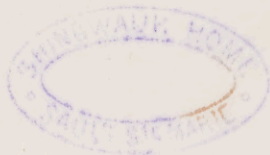
We are erecting a small hospital 6 beds - it
will be ready in a few weeks & adjoining it is a
 Cottage with 3 or 4 rooms. We propose for the

provision to be made in the cottage & board herself
in company with an English lady (grey headed) Miss
Piper - who is a great friend of our Home - living
on her own money - & giving us her services free.

Of course at times the hospital will we hope
be empty & no patients here for - at other
times there ^{may} be a serious case requiring constant
attention - Our children's lessons wd be more
or less accord'g - But there wd be Miss Piper
at hand to help also.

I had thought of offering
\$250 or \$300 salary for the lady to board herself.
Beds, furniture & carpets wd be found for the Cottage.

Yrs sincerely
S. H. Wilson



Aug 24 1866

Dear Mr. Remison -

Many thanks for yr. welcome letter of Aug² 13. received through Bobby -

I fear that two of my letters written to you last winter never reached you - the first one sent 6th enclosed \$25⁰⁰ towards building an organ for the Presbyterian Mission - & the

next one - about April - requested you to send the usual Report for the Col. & Cong. Ch. Society.

I never got any answer from you better of these - I asked Mrs. Sullivan to ask you about them - but I expect she forgot it.

Your boy Bobby is now here - He has grown very much & looks out well, - & I hope he

will get on well at Port Hope - One of our Shingwaik boys is now at school there

in Archie's class - His name is 'Wanahapajis'

I forgot to tell you Kamehama - he has only been

re turn as yet but is felt on splendidly in
 a recent letter he says "I am always at the head
 of the Latin class, the boys are so stupid they don't
 know how to decline nouns & adjectives. We
 have 5 Sioux boys here from the North West
 & 6 Ojibways from the neighborhood of
 Lac Seul in Manitoba. Mr. Irvine, the
 missionary at Lac Seul brought down 5 of them
 latter from his mission about a week ago.
 We have 55 boys now on the school list
 & 23 girls. I have ^{been} busy with the
 Indian boys the last few weeks built a
 wigwam - it is in the front between the
 Institution & the swing & when finished will be
 exactly like ~~an~~ ^{an} immense Indian wigwam -
 36 feet diam at base & 30 feet high. In the
 I see part are play room, shoe room, & bath
 room - & upstairs are 20 bunks for the boys.
 A big log fireplace in the center. You must
 see the drawings. With kindest regards to
 Mr. Reimer - Y^r friend S. J. Wilson

Aug 28 78

Miss Rowell & Hutchins

Dear Sirs

Please send us please:-

- 1 Ledger 8 x 13 inches - - about 600 fol.
 1 Journal 8 x 13 " - - 800 "
 " " 8 x 13 " - - 350 "
 1 Day book 6 1/2 x 16 " - - 800 "
 2 Est. books 8 x 15 " - - 200 "

25 Composites for year -

250 Quaternio Readers - 2 part.

1000 Quaternio Readers - 2 part.
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1 " " Dr. Chalk.

2 " " pens (best for school & office use)

5 " Copy books with head lines.

2 " Drawing books (for beginners)

2 " Exercise books.

2 " Scribble books.

2 " Table cards.

2 " Small prayer books.

1 " " " plain.

1 " " " with edge - reference - maps.

2 " Large Maps.

1 Day book for 2 weeks reference.

also 2 lbs 2nd part Ord. Reader
 1 " 1st " "

Yours truly
 J. P. Wilson

Aug 28/86

Dear Jacks-

It will be my fault if David Osahye not returns to Port Hope now he has the chance - A 3^d cl. certif. is not any thing much - with a little more education he might do much better than that - I have already paid for him one term in advance - & am keeping back a box of my own so as to enable him to go - His Sunday School has increased their contributions so as to help pay the expenses - So I hope he will go & that he passes the exam. or not.

I am sending agreements & tickets for the new Jubilee to Mr. McKeel - I have asked him to forward the same ones as he has sent down the agent there.

I wrote to you some weeks ago about Willie Adams going to England with Mr. Wessenden - Mr. W. did not take him after all.

On the 21st of Sept I start for Montreal (with) Prov. Secy - I shall be travelling 2 months in Eastern Ontario - with Willie Adams & a little brown boy named Ojibwa.

Yours sincerely
S. H. Wilson

Aug 28/86

Dear McKelvey Esq.

Dear Sir

I have received yr letter of the 22^d - & in reply - am will. to take at yr recommendation - James Henry's sister & the Misses - also two women more - I enclose you tickets - which the parents must pay for - & am send'g 7 blanks of Agreements. 1 is for John Lewis of Kettle Point - & the other 2 for Mollie & John Jacks of Rama - You will oblige me very much by send'g agreements & tickets to the agent here as I do not know who it is - These children are relatives I believe of the Rev. J. Jacks - & I am look'g them up in request - Mr. Jacks writes me that David Washby is going up for teacher's exam. shortly - & if he gets a 3^d d. certif. probably will not return to Port Hope. I have already paid the fees in advance for one term - so I think it will be foolish for him to not go - and I am keeping back a bag of my own flour for \$40 - to begin him the summer - We shall have 50 bags in 20 days this time. Yrs friend S. J. Wilson

any
the
will
conclude

Aug 28/86

Dear Dr. Bethune

I have heard from A. McKelvey the Indian agent, Wallacabung, that David Oathes' father is prepared to pay for his son's clothing & trav. expenses while at school. So if not too much trouble will you kindly send bill for those items in future to Mr. McKelvey. He is a good business man & will attend promptly to it. He has in with you the bal. of \$3 for the last trav. exp.

I acct therefore with you Oathes as follows

For Oathes	deduct to \$9	\$64.30
" David	\$17	<u>64.85</u>
		129.15

For Rich Vendors charges -

Bank of Montreal - \$79.00

" of Commerce \$50.15

129.15

I will pay for David's books &c. but please ask bal. - my pocket money -

Yours sincerely
S. H. Wilson

Aug 28/86

Mr John Macdonald -

Dear Sir

You supplied us last
year with some material for our Indian
Houses - & I shall be much obliged
if you will now fill the following order -

3	pieces	fine Cotton (strong)
1	"	Hessian -
1	"	" for pillows
3	"	grey stuffe (no pattern)
1	"	towel - (crack)
1	"	Plate lining -
2	"	blue drill (for boys' coats)
3	"	Kentucky Jane (for pants)
2	"	Canton flannel (good)
25	yd.	White table cloth - (medium)
11	yd.	Scarlet cloth for lining uniform coats
11	"	blue " " " "

Yours truly
S. J. Wilson

Aug 31/88

Dr. F. W. Nichols.

Dear Sir I have read yr letter of
 the 19th with much interest & you seem
 various things in missing work - in
 many ways I sh^d think wd be well fitted - It
 of course the great thing is to be sure that we are
 called of God to the work - If it could
 be managed I sh^d like very much for you
 to join in my work. The chief difficulty at
 present wd be comfortable accommodati-
 on - is Dr. G's idea to come simply as a
 student to prepare for the orders - or wd you
 wish to render us some assistance in
 work - as teacher or lay reader -? We have
 so many boys here now - that it might be
 necessary to have some assistance in the teaching
 of the Bible - Also the Indian Mission at Garden River
 is at present vacant - & I have to go there as often
 as possible to hold service. I expect to be in
 Montreal next week at Prov. Synod - & must own

Bishop - I will talk over yr case with
him - Should you wish to write by address
will be left - Ottawa, 19th Brockville.

Yours truly
S. H. Wilson



Aug 30/86

Mr Reed -

Dear Madam

In reply to yr kind

note of the 23rd inst. I am very pleased
to hear that your Miss. Union propose
helping our Board Home in the Ave. Ashell.
at home - It is just that we want to get
a few Miss. Union & school children
in the work.

I am sending you
by the next copy of Report & Circulars -
On starting I start on a two month tour
through Ontario with 2 little Indian
boys.

Yours sincerely
S. H. Wilson

Oct 19 1886

Mr. W. J. Cummings

Dear Sir

The apples you sent
 me last year were very good
 I will give them away at once
 I have a lot of winter apples - russets &c -
 I had no time to pack for them at the
 same time -
 How about the pinks - did you like
 them - How are you disposed of any of them
 or are they still on your hands - ?

Yrs truly -

S. H. Wilson

If you can send me some packed eggs
 or any good small packed - I will
 take them.

Oct 19th 86

Mr. S. M. Garrison -

Dear Sir

I have received yr two
letters of Oct 9th - on my return from below -
& have written to the Dept^s about R. Wallace -

In regard to Mr. Wallace's children - it
must depend on whether the boys or girls will
conform to the regulations - As the girl Home is
about full - but we will take a few more
boys -

I am sorry to find that Jacob Mackay
ran away from here last Friday - before I got
home. The excuse given that he did not get
along with his head on Monday - but I think that
is too lame an excuse - probably he had done
the same - & I am told that when he arrived
here after the holidays he left his wallet up town which
looks as tho' he had not intended to stay - If he
does not return to us - he will be charged for
stealing it. There is a possibility of his being - as he
was full of it.

Yours truly

Edward D. Child

Oct 10 - 1880

W. M. Mason

Bank of Montreal

Dear Sir

Chques for \$102.00
Clean and by order
of -

Mr. J. Lusk

Dear Sir

at once

The same

we look

Drill Ray

it is as

present

Yours truly

S. H. Wilson

W. M. Mason

Oct 20/80

Dear Sir

involvement

have some first class

balls - if so please send

me 2000 of next best up

to the rest 12 acct for the same

I will pick up quality of buttons

of 12 price rather than

orders - Yours truly

Edw. H. Wilson

mean -

Yours truly

Edw. H. Wilson

Nov-6/48

My dear Mr. Stephenson -

I am very glad that Mr. James' S. School has so wisely decided to take up your work & support a boy -

I have great pleasure in sending you a nice little fellow 10 years old with a bushy head of black hair named

PAUL GUHNUHWAHDUMIK

Ottawa - SAHKOONUWA.

He comes from Camp River - north shore above Manitowish Island - via an orphan -

Enclosed form will show you our plan for remittances - Will you kindly

Write very kindly -

Yrs very sincerely -

S. L. ...

Dear friends -

Kindly tell Alice & Thompson's father that his daughter is perfectly well & well clothed: & send for Miss Deane, as seems a Capital manager in all the girl looks as human & comfortable as possible. I mean says that look more strongly less & more every than they are at present.

Written first on boys have to pay for any of their clothes - but if you will please let that is given to them on writing doctor that clothes they are liable to be paid. The parents are quite at liberty to provide their children additional clothes if of like value as that of too poor to do as we do not wish that they may be quite care their children are ~~thoroughly~~ well cared for. It is by means of the parents to send their children large sums of money as God waste it, 50¢ or a \$100 is half band them of any train. We have 5¢ by now ~~accepted~~.
Respectfully,
D. W. Wilson.

Thank you for Rem's

Mr. K. Rem's
Nov 18

Dear Mr. Rem -

What is first letter
I believe it is to be read
One to you & another to me
You think in kind of the
I think that is correct - & I
cannot understand but as
One here which I see in it
I think it is to be read
I think in kind of the
I think it is to be read
I think in kind of the

from Meadegawing a President

Charles John the King's Representative
- Mr. McCreghan found you
misleading as to what is
done in the the has done
do - I will see her tomorrow
state her - It is exceedingly
kind of the King's friends
Society & undertake this work -
I hope you will become interested
in this matter. Perhaps the
Committee will be more
satisfied in advance if it can
be done - as shown on enclosed
printed form - Yours sincerely

Wm. McCreghan
S. W. McCreghan
from the date of 12/12/50 per Dr.

P.P. I might just as well (between you
& me) that Helen's. The address is
Command by Mr. Stander's correspondence
There were people as Mr. Davis will
know - No need to tell him from
any far in the first place - I think
the people can still buy & influence
him against the place - The the
boys seem to be perfectly contented -
but Mr. Stander has twice asked
my leave to go home this fall - saying
personal interests - 9/15 Davis
came for each of them (Gladys & Ben)
Stander said for them in Lewis Point
I am glad it is small amount so
I want it - or leave it till Spring.

Sault Ste Marie

Nov-11-1881

Mr. J. M. Marsh

Dear Sir

I received your letter yesterday - & in the evening (visited) am enquiring as to what was the cause of the complaint - In reply to your question -

How the boys are getting along & whether they seem contented - I have never had a ^{bad} ^{one} since & more than well behaved set of boys - Our school master Mr. Goodale reports of them that "they are getting on well with their studies & progressing as well as any boys could do whether Indians or Whites - Thunder could not manage Coy Det^l well when he came, but now is in way through vulgar practices. The skin boys also on arrival were beginning 'first part' and are well on in 'second part' & will be able to begin 2^d Book about this time.

How do they get along with boys of other tribes? We have no Cree boys - Only Ojibways - and

They are all very good friends with them & of course in every school there are two or three favored some boys - bullies - and it is the same here. The Lioin boys in answer to my enquiry say there are only 2 or 3 boys who have been favored some towards them - & these 2 or 3 are just as bad to new Ojibwa boys.

III. John Shunden was suffering a little from his eyes when I arrived home from the East 3 weeks ago - but they are quite well now. He says he has suffered from them once or twice before he came to us.

IV. I have made full enquiry about the food - the matron, Sch matron, acc^t: Manan, Lioin boys, & a Lioin Ojibwa David & John all being present during the enquiry -

Shunden & Ben both deny having either been complaining about the food.

S. Mananemi says he wrote once complaining about it - but that was not long enough back.

Sometimes not enough meat - Remembers 2
or 3 times that he did not get meat for dinner -
thinks some boys might have taken it off his
plate - Has had plenty this week.

Mrs Seal, the matron, says all the boys every day
have meat for dinner either pork or fresh
meat - & the boys that work all day have
meat for breakfast as well. Every plate well
supplied - & can always have more if they
require it. Is using about $2\frac{1}{2}$
barrels of flour a week & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ bl. of
potatoes - & no limit for meat. About
twice a week she makes ^{apple} pies for the boys -
for breakfast they have porridge, bread, syrup,
& milk (+ workers meat) - for tea - bread
with syrup or butter - & sometimes puddings ^{or cake}.
After every meal there are 2 or 3 heaped
up plates of pieces of bread & meat that are
left.

David - has been at the Wesleyan Loan Institution &
says that the food is better than at the other.

Thurman - says that at the school he was at
in Illinois - the boys had all meat for
dinner & the workers only meat for breakfast
just the same as we do.

Mr. Trivedale says there is enough on every
boys plate for a man, - that they get
more than they can eat, - that at many
boarding schools they don't get as much as
these boys to eat.

I hope the Indians at Brantford will be
satisfied with the explanation. I have
boys at school myself 500 miles off - & they
often write to me complaining about food &c.
but I know there is no provision for it - It
is purely home sickness that is at the
bottom of such claims - No institution such
as ours can afford to injure its reputation
by starving its pupils. The 6 Sioux boys
are all of them quite well & quite happy & the
remarks say not content that they are well cared for
& getting on well - (your friend) S. H. Wilson

Nov-19/86 -
Nov-12/88

Dear Madam

I have just received yr letter of
Nov. 5th & am very glad that Mr. Stephens' lady
Priest has undertaken the support of a boy -
It was much pleasure in fixing you the name
of Peter Ne-gam-e-we-nah - a little
fellow 7 years old from She-sha-pwa-ming
on Manitoulin Island - His measure is as
follows

If any remittances have already been sent for
the support of a boy will you kindly let me know
how to direct it - either direct or through
the Indian Agency - Sometimes we get some
remittances but do not know who they are from and
therefore have nearly sent them back -
I believe the boy now is at 100 - & all is going
on very satisfactorily - I will write more fully
in my next number with correspondence -

Yours truly
Mrs. Taylor

Wm. Taylor



Nov. 12/85.

Prof. Robert Reid & Co.
D. D. D.

On my return home from
the East a couple of weeks ago I was handed
a letter from you having reference to a bale
of silk for Indians sent out from England
per S. S. Scotland.

There is a mistake in charging us duty
for contents of said bale. I have never during
the last 10 years paid duty on articles of silk
made by working persons in England & sent out
for use in our Institutions. These things come
to us under head of 'Silk for charitable purposes'
& are duty free.

The mistake seems to be with the sender of the
bale who appears to have instructed the agents of
the S. S. line in England that duty was to be paid.
Will you kindly inform me whether you can
get the duty refunded - or tell me to
whom to apply.

Yours truly
J. Edward Wilson



Nov. 13/88

Bank of Montreal - Toronto -

Sir I enclose you draft
on the National Prov. Bank of England -
No. 12721 - for the sum of £102. 15. 3
with which amt please credit by Indian
Revenue Ac - less of charges - & advise
me at once of its receipt & the amt in
Can. Currency credited to me -

I presume - I can draw cheques
on this at once - I have been waiting
since Oct 1 for it - & a number of bills
behind time in payment -

Yours truly
S. F. Wilson



Nov-13/86

Dr. Abraham Dent Esq.

D. L.

I beg to acknowledge
with me, Newton the sum of \$6 ⁷⁵ from
Friend Ch. S. Mitchell on account
support Indian boy -

I am I must ask you to support
another by visit of Wm. Jackson this
year - as the Indian Agent writes to tell me
that he had been sick for several weeks & he
did not think it advisable to send him
back to school - I have been waiting till
the last boat before writing - as he might have
recovered sufficiently before - I hope you
will not mind taking another boy in his place -
& I did recommend this Cromarty - a very
amusing and temperate boy who came from the
mission from Lee Cull Mission in Manitoba -
he is about 12 years old -

Yours sincerely
C. V. Nelson

We have no pupils now in school.

Nov 13/83.

Dear Mr. H. H. Johnson
Nov 13, 83

Yours at the moment -
I have been thinking of you
all the way since our first
meeting in Arizona by way of
the...
I think I best blame it
to be...
I shall be glad to hear from you
at any time.

Mr. H. H. Johnson
Dear Sir.

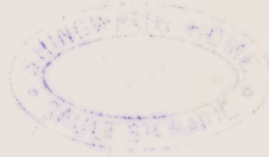
It is a long time since I saw you - I am
afraid even now I cannot find you
and my active factory work until I have
corresponded with the Bishop of Arizona -
who has my job (as I am by the Pope) returned
from England - I am afraid I cannot
open you any more at present in connection
with our brotherhood - as all positions are filled -

- but if you are really anxious to work among
the Indians. I shall think it best that you
be to be obtained first, then apply either to the
Bishop or some other missionary bishop for an
Indian mission - If you will take one of
my Indian papers and visit - study I shall
be happy to send you one -

W. H. Johnson

you will

Mr. Bull has
no more of
them.



Nov. 16 1858

Dear Lois

The check for \$22.15-3 has
 arrived safely & I have sent it on to the
 Bank & already drawn on it by in-
 structions to pay the standing order. I am
 glad you were able to send the extra \$10 -
 his so that we need to have about \$202 each
 quarter - but have been a while at the last
 year or two. I hope after Christmas we
 shall get an increased grant from Government.
 I will write it soon to manure. I
 don't think it would be better for you after
 the 1st of our visit Mr. Bull - just to fix on
 a certain quantity of corn - which can be
 delivered on - some of his time ago with a
 quantity of clothing - but how for it as I said

Mr. Bull has no more of them.
 you will

I do - or else if Mr. Peatt will send me
 a cheque in time for me to get it by quarter
 day Jan. 1st or so - but I don't much like those
 cheques & letters of credit - the mail up here is
 very slow & with my safe in winter - just Indian
 & dogs - Could not Mr. R. deposit for me
 direct in the Bank of Northwest Toronto "Indian
 Homes acct" & notify me at the same time
 then I could draw cheques at once & save delay?

If any special donations were received - they
 could be added to the quarterly cheque - keep back
 perhaps a part as a reserve to fall back upon.

Please thank Mr. Peatt very much for his
 kindness in undertaking to be treasurer for us
 I am not aware of his present address &
 would write to him - Jane will
 I am not sure how the checks for the year are
 paid in January or you can - I will try to get
 the money to be printed so that you will receive
 the first work in April - I wish to be
 very much obliged to you - I am
 R. V. White

Nov. 16th 1886

Dear Mr. [unclear]

Thank you very much for the \$20.15 in relation to [unclear] and the trouble you have taken

to get our own [unclear] as in February & shall be obliged to you with much respect to [unclear] for as little delay as possible in [unclear]

Receipts of Subscribers by B. Wick in [unclear] state on I will send you further [unclear] which are [unclear]

I will [unclear] on [unclear] of [unclear] - [unclear] for me [unclear]



Nov-19/86.

Dear Mr Burgess -

I read your letter addressed to Inayamanni - & have put the \$20 to his credit in our Savings Bank at 4% cent -

All the dioua boys are perfectly well - well liked & cared for - & by the way they play about with the other boys I should judge quite happy & contented - They are also getting on uncommonly well at school & making good progress -

Inayamanni is learning computing, Ben blacksmith & Graci wagner making - These 3 are 1 week at school & 1 week at trade alternately - The other 3 boys Thunder, Jace, & Elijah are at school all the time - They are all learning to talk pretty well in English - Elijah especially. I am

sorry that some of them wish to come in a discontented way to their parents - as I am

Since then, have not really complained of - Mr
 Brown, the minister of Lee Church, who came to
 see us in the summer said that "he never saw
 such a happy contented looking lot of boys" - &
 yet 2 of them boys he brought with him ran away
 & succeeded in getting home - "I have no doubt
 have given us a very bad name among their
 people - The other 3 boys who came from
 Lee Church are full on splendish - & one of them
 wrote home the other day that he wanted to stay
 over 3 years - It is only home sickness
 that makes any of them want to leave - When
 they are home with their families they are every
 little trouble -

Yours sincerely -

Edward W. Wilson

1875

Dear Mr. Adams

Very much obliged

and believe me ever yours

Wm. Adams

per. 1875

also a circular

in which I had printed

the names of the

members of the

Association

and I had it enlarged

and I have some left

for you

Yours truly

1875

Mr. James Colman

Franklin

has been well by your dear letter

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of the 10th of the 10th

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Nov 20, 1850

Mr. J. S. Brown

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the above named matter.

I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. S. Brown

J. S. Brown

Nov 20, 1850

The Managers
Bank of North Carolina

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the above named matter.

Nov 20, 1850 - Monday

Please credit my Indian money account of value in of order on credit.

J. S. Brown
J. S. Brown

Nov. 25 / 86

Dear Dad

A Circular of the 19th inst
 has reached me - in which you ask our
 individual opinion as to whether two separate
 Conferences representing the Eastern & Western portions
 of the Province should be held during the winter
 next summer - or whether one joint conference
 of all the Clergy should be held at some convenient
 point next summer - I certainly think the
 second of these propositions wd be the most acceptable.
 Many of the Clergy of the E. & W. parts have
 never yet met - & I shd think for such important
 business as you propose to transact - it
 well let us try to do so. I would of you
 suggest the idea of a triennial Synod the same
 year & a few months preceding the Provincial
 Synod - the intermediate years ^{the one excepted} in local confer-
 ences in the E. & one in the W.

I remain dear Dad

Yours truly

E. F. Wilson

2/15/12

Dear Mr. [unclear]

I have received Mr. [unclear]
 with \$32 enclosed - \$51.50 from
 Mr. [unclear] for our terms & 50 also from
 J. Wynn of [unclear] also 200.
 Mr. A. W. [unclear] I am sorry you
 did not see all Mr. [unclear] of you
 will let me know by R. C. [unclear] check
 our [unclear] I will have them sent to
 you. This was no at one - it was
 printed very second [unclear] for - Mr.
 May 1st [unclear] Nov. I will send
 you a copy of [unclear] to [unclear] [unclear]
 to R. C. [unclear] - the [unclear] [unclear]
 our [unclear] - I hope you are [unclear]
 on well with Mr. [unclear] - [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] about a [unclear] - [unclear] is [unclear]
 [unclear] a [unclear] - [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] \$25 [unclear] - [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] the way [unclear] - [unclear] [unclear]

Yer. [unclear] [unclear]
 Dr. [unclear]

My [unclear] for - [unclear]
 Remittance of \$25 for - [unclear]
 [unclear] - I [unclear] [unclear]
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Arctostaphylos

Sept 18

P. d. Purpurea Lf.

18

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Not a bad thing. They are
 among as good as in the
 hands of the people. I
 do not think that
 some of the things of the
 Plymouth in 1819 - 1820
 are, with the 16 of 1821, really
 of the kind of which I speak.

Since my last letter, we have
 been not long in the
 land in the time of our life
 they are in the old land, and
 I wish to see it is one of
 mine - the two can be
 found in the 17 of 1821.

The letter is empty in its
 as 'my monthly' and
 which
 I had not written upon before
 as I had not seen it
 address - & had forgotten the
 you had in your letter.

I am very glad to hear
 of your success - I feel sure
 if you had continued to
 as you have done in the
 part were it in the year.

We have of the world and

The North West Indians.

The Editor to Dominion Churchman
Dear Sir

Will you allow me once more through your Columns very earnestly ^{to} urge the necessity of the Church of England throughout the Country raising itself to do some active work on behalf of the Indians scattered throughout the great North West. The Jesuits have been and are actively at work. Are these wild untutored Indians scattered over the prairies to be left to the teaching of a false religion? Are they to be taught to look to the Cardinals & Roman Catholic Archbishops as the dominant power in this Country? Are they to be told that there is a greater power than that of Queen Victoria to whom they must give their allegiance? Is it known that there are 130,000 Indians in Canada? What if the great majority of these Indians become Roman Catholics & identify themselves as the allies of the French population which ^{seems} at this time inclined to alienate itself from the English speaking people of Canada? Again, is it to allow these poor ignorant heathen to embrace a religion which we would dread to have our sons & daughters embrace? Has not God given us this great Country — & has he not entrusted the Country given us these poor people to care for & to bring

up to the religion of Christ? Why are the presentants
 of Canada so indignant about the spiritual welfare
 of the Indians? Why is our Anglican Church so
 careless about the poor children whom God has
 bid us adopt & bring up to know & keep his command?
 Am I always to appeal in vain for the work?
 You say - leave it to the government, it is the
 government's business to care for the Indians! I tell
 you that leaving the Indians to the government means
 leaving the great majority of them to the Romish Church.
 The Jesuits have been the most active in the work
 & the Jesuits consequently must have the biggest share
 of the government grants. Let the Church of
 England just let it work in right good earnest &
 determine to lead the van in the great work among
 the Indians, let her found some schools, & gather
 out the young & train them - & then & then only may
 government money be wisely given in
 course to be brought under the control of our
 Church. I will do what I can myself -
 God helping me - yes I feel ready to do anything by
 the will of God - if it be only to save the poor
 & the poor, in giving their children under the
 influence of Christian teaching. In the United States

them seems to be - we hope - the Church - & can
good will work going on among the Indian - but
in our North West - I think every missionary
& & missionary will tell you how very
much is being done in support of the Majesties
of the work.

God has I believe sent it
into my heart to try & establish 2 Branch Homes
for Indian children up in the North West - one
in the Keokuk Diocese one in that of Rupert
Land. The Bishops of both these dioceses are
very anxious to see these Homes established - They
each cost about \$5000 each, & will each accommodate
about 40 pupils.

God grant that the money may
be collected this winter - & that both these Branch
Homes may be erected next summer - Delay
surely can do no good. Their speedy erection
may do much good - It may check the progress
of evil. Certainly a little self denial in the matter
of giving will do good to those who will have the
benefit of their instruction.

I lay my case before
the Church & before God. May God enrich the
hearts of his people & aid in this great work. If
by so doing God may raise up another
in place of the first work be done!

Yours for the
W. H. R. P. S. 1855

- Geo. H. Rosswell \$3500; Ch. Redeemer S. School, Toronto \$50;
- St. John \$300; Trinity S. Sch, Dipty, N.S. \$3.70; A friend \$10;
- Monroque \$11.75; A friend, Yarmouth N.S. \$27; Rev. Mr
Lamie \$7.00; S. Sch. Litcham, N.S. \$2; Mrs. & Miss MacLellan
\$5.00; Rev. Mr. P. S. \$5.26; Gathel S. Sch, Digby, N.S.

Also \$100 from Rev. Mr. P. S. 1855.
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 Rev. Mr. P. S. 1855.



Nov. 29. 8.

Dear Mr. Harting -

I know there is my previous mention
 at your school will undertake the
 support of a boy - I think best by
 not fall when in your neighborhood - but hear
 that the mission was then vacant - I cannot
 fear hold out any hopes of his in that neighborhood
 during 1887 - I expect his to remain near Spring
 & my next visit on my return will be through
 Feb. & N. B. Whenever I can get the
 opportunity to I will make a point of paying
 you a visit - I will ask you kindly to take
 the support of Alexander Rossini (little shell)
 of Christian School - a very nice high letter
 fellow - about 11 years old - at Christmas time all
 right with his school - I think I will be able
 to support him -

Yours sincerely,
T. B. Wilson

I was very glad to hear
 from you & hope you are
 well. I am well & hope
 you will keep it so. I will
 be glad to hear from you
 when you have a chance.
 I am ever your affectionate
 friend
 Wm. L. G.

I have no more
 to write at present
 but will write again
 soon.

Dear Dr. Lamm - glad to hear
 you had the box for the
 papers, all is very long
 boxes in the road, we at least
 received Calif. Miss. & some
 received Miss. before the others
 as soon as it was a
 Mr. Wilson writes to me
 "under" acknowledges
 Miss. & Virginia are not
 to let California out at all
 for the Miss. I heard that
 a plan was made to let
 the Miss. be a part of
 such a result that of course
 are only 2 Miss. & Virginia
 to be - but any more
 from the Miss.

I had the pleasure of reading your
letter on the 1st inst. and I am
glad to hear that you are well
and hope you will continue to
be so. I am, as usual, your
affectionate friend,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

My dear Mr. Pitt

I have just received your kind letter
of the 1st inst. and I am glad to
hear that you are well and hope
you will continue to be so. I am,
as usual, your affectionate friend,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

From the entrance found
present. There is a deficit of our
stos. This means that trade is
run like the - waiting for their bill.
Monum. Sup. after the British to
Canadian Province is a common
to an applicant already made will
fruit is an increased part &
As we talk pt square of air.

The enclosed slip - which I have
been circulating in Canada
There are however found found
at present. It is not our job
if it please God. is to be any on the
British House in the North West. The
profits are hard at work here - the
are 130,000 British dollars in

C. also. The government may be any
the citizens of their rights. from the
provision to them. The Roman
are nearly paid with all the
Canada - Judge from the first
bring up to realize it. I believe
Lambert a good work for the
independence of religion in 1813 to
first to believe children within our
any business. Case your request.

any way of really to work more
which remain in England? The
British will always have left
the North of Canada and the
perhaps big a little better & from
our British. It is my business

Handwritten notes and signatures at the bottom right of the page, including the name 'J. J. P.' and other illegible text.

"A good extension of our work."

We want to establish two Branch Homes in the North West at a cost of \$1000 each.

Reason - That North Wing of the C.P.R. the country which the next few years will become freely settled - the Indians are rapidly being made - a stream of civilization which is most desirable to the Indians - Jesuits has said it well - Thousands of Indians on the prairie, a Jesuit mission - Are they to be from paganism & conversion? - Jesuit mission & Indian because they are first in the field - etc much more and so on.

Of course we will go ahead - & let some institution build we should have a claim on Federal funds. I have seen the Premier (Sir M. Macdonald) & told him our intention. He gives me every encouragement. Farmers & other Parliament for a block some land by the proposed Branch Homes. This doubtless will be followed by our Council - part towards support.

Bishop Anson (in reply) in those Diocese one Branch Home is to be established - writes: "I have 5000 Indian in my Diocese - It would give me the greatest pleasure to see such an Institution as you propose established in this Diocese. If by the blessing of God, you can succeed in carrying out your intention."

Bishop of Rupert's Land - (then and now) writes: "I should be very thankful, & I am sure the members of the Church will be very thankful of you should

be able to attract in the West, such an Institution as the
 "Shingwauk Home"

I have also letters from the Metropolitan, the Bishop
 of Montreal, the Bishop of Quebec, & the Bishop of Niagara
 all warmly commending his proposed excursion by
 sea route, & a host of other letters from kind Christian
 friends all wishing me good speed.

Up to the present time we have sent £125 towards
 the Home in Manitoba, ^(Regina) & about £150 towards the
 one in Assiniboia (Des. of La Poudre).

Plan - To erect three or two Branch Homes - each to take
 from 30 to 40 pupils - further to be placed in
 charge of each - Head Office at the Shingwauk -
 All contributions to come to the Central Office at the
 Shingwauk. Superintendents of Branch Homes to
 send their accounts monthly or quarterly - I
 shall try to get upwards of 200 pounds Schools
 through the Dominion of Canada & undertake
 support of pupils at £10 or £15 each per annum
 Government also will I believe give a liberal annual
 grant to each Home - They are bound by treaty to
 provide for the education of the Indians.
 Land (for sites) when bought to become Church property
 & a trust appointed by the Province in whose
 name the Home is erected.

To the Editor of the Church Guardian

Dear Sir

I am very anxious to see
 a suit of done in winter toward the establishment
 of two Boarding Houses for Indian Children
 in the South West - one in Assiniboia in
 Bishop's diocese & one in the Diocese
 of Rupert's Land.

I have letters from the
 Bishops of Montreal, the Bishop of
 Quebec, & the Bishop of Niagara - all warmly
 commending the proposed extension of our work
 & a host of other letters from kind Christian
 friends all wishing me good speed. Sometimes
 too, we receive a letter with \$100 or it may be
 \$200 enclosed.

The Bishop of New York writes most warmly of the project - "There are
 2000 Indians in this diocese", he says, - "It would
 give me the greatest pleasure to see such an institution
 as you propose established in this diocese if by the
 blessing of God, you can succeed in carrying out
 your intentions". And the Bishop of Rupert's

Land sales - I should be very thankful, and
 I trust the members of the Church will be very thankful
 of you. Should be able to establish in his Diocese such
 an Institution as the "Agricultural Home". Up to
 the present time we have \$4511 in hand toward the
 Home in Hamilton & \$3722 toward the one
 in Assiniboia. \$5000 for each of them is
 what is required. Surely this sum could soon
 be raised if a few of our friends would set
 about it in earnest. I feel very confident that
 it myself - because I am convinced that it is a
 good work & a necessary work & I believe that
 Almighty God has called me to undertake it. I
 see no more difficulty in establishing these proposed
 Branch Homes in the West than there was
 originally in settling on foot the Fairbank Home
 in the same time. Both these old Institutions
 are now in active operation. We have nearly
 80 pupils a larger number than we have ever
 had before. Six of them are boys from the West
 and previous - some make a beginning here &
 then go from the teachers of the Branch Homes

... people & help ... The priests are hard at
 work, & soon will have the 130,000 Indians
 of Canada almost wholly under their influence
 if we leave them thus alone. Is it for the good
 of the country that these wild Indians on the prairie
 should be brought under Jesuit influence? Is
 it a right thing that they should be turned from Paganism
 to Romanism? Has not Almighty God given
 them, & put into our charge, to care for them & to
 train them in His ways? Are we fulfilling the
 solemn trust which God has given us? I am
 hoping perhaps that a greater work than I can do
 but God will help me. I go forward in God's
 strength not in my own. O that His word were
 the law of God in their hearts & that they would
 with me in my efforts to push forward His work
 from Divine Master into those regions where Paganism
 is rife & Jesuitism oppressive.

Yes faithfully
 Edward G. Wilson

Sault Ste Marie - Dec 21/86

South-Maine
Dec^r 10/83

Dear Deans

Miss Kealam of Y. Congregⁿ
has written to me saying that Y. Congregⁿ
School has undertaken the support of
- - - - - she has a number of children
now being engaged making cloth for
- - - - - I have not I think heard
yet from the Treasurer of the Congregⁿ School
- Does he intend to make remittances to
us direct or through the Sec^y of the Board
of Home Missⁿ -? If the latter will be kind
to let me know of just card when he makes a
remittance - & also let me know from
2d - date the Congregⁿ School begins the support.

Y^r sincere

W. L. Wilson

No. 7901



Dec 9 1896

The Honorable Assistant Secretary
of Indian Affairs
Sir

Last May I sent the most
advanced pupil in our Home, David Traubepuzi,
to Trinity College School, Port Hope. The boy
is very highly spoken of by the head master there, Dr.
Boettner, both for ability, industry, & good conduct.
He is studying Euclid, Algebra, Latin &c. & is very
frequently at the head of his class.

I would much like this boy to get into the
Military College, Kingston, when he leaves Port
Hope, as I am quite sure he would have little difficulty
in passing the necessary examinations.

Would the Indian Department undertake the
chief part of the expense of putting him through the
College course?

Could allowance be made for his being an orphan
on account of being an Indian? He is now 17 years
old.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Edmund P. Wilson



Dec 10, 86

My dear Miss Fribbin

I have ever long been one of your
best helpers - & yet I am ashamed to think
that I have never written you personally & thank
you for all your kindness - I am taking
to-day to send you a few little photographs
of our home, Chapel etc. - as a Christmas
present.

I had thought of going a visit to England
this summer & bring you a little Indian bag
I am sure you will have one of the Indians
but the season of the young is so quiet - I
can do nothing but by duties here - that is
I have I had not at any rate for the present
I am sure.

I am sure you will be glad to see our little
bag of photographs - I am sure it is beautiful

our work up into the West - up on the
prairie where the wild Indians are roaming 600
to 1000 miles West of us. I think Almighty

God has put it into my heart to do this. We
want established two Branch Homes one in
Manitoba & one in Assiniboia at a cost
of about \$2000 each, & I have promise of
help from the Canadian Government towards this.
I can assure you I shall look in a just measure
to the Canadian Sunday School. We are taking an ever
increasing interest in our work.

The
commissions are many just divides all through
Canada - & the prairie are hard at work among
the Indians. Consequences may be any disaster
to the Country if these people are allowed to
perish in their ignorance. God has I think given
them into our charge. Fear for & to him is his work.

I hope that many of our regular subscribers
may see in way of making a special donation this year
towards these Branch Homes in the West - We
need a \$2000 towards the Manitoba Home & \$2000
towards the one in Assiniboia. Yrs very sincerely
Edward C. Wilson



Decr. 1876

Dear Lois

I & I had a long talk yesterday about my going to England with 2 little Indian boys - we have decided to take all things into consideration it is better not to go - ourselves being unsettled, Lucy distress ill - the expense of the journey - things getting so quiet when I am away - I should not like to be kept long with every thing doing the accounts for the year - taking stock - going out to Annual Report - especially if I had about now we had got near the end of January - then the doubt - Indian English people wd care about entertaining 2 little Indian boys in their homes - the almost impossibility of my holding successful meetings on my own acct. without the 2 little Indian boys - the of alternating going as deputations for the C. C. C. S. which I do not relish - then again the question as to results - my object in going wd be to try & stir up some fresh interest - & add to our present subscribers to our present fund - more the subject of the proposed Research Homes in the North West - I do not see people who know enough about the Indians in our country to do anything but to let them go - they will probably think

all up with New Zealanders Japanese & others? We
 by the necessity of carrying on this work in the North West?

Now - what I propose to do - instead of going back the
 course of writing to England this next spring - is to write
 a nice letter to every one of our English subscribers
 describe to them what our work is - & our present
 exclusion - thank them warmly for all their past help
 & address each one with to make a special donation this
 year towards our present interests - or else to try &
 interest some friend in our work - was ahead the
 time - our names -

We are also half with
 several packets of photographs bound bound in
 English papers - We are sending packets to Mrs Helen
 Mrs Prache, Mrs Hibbin, & Mr Cropper, as Christmas
 presents - also a packet to yourself - I have
 written a long letter to Mr Rutt - thank for his
 wisdom in undertaking position of Treasurer

Will
 not be or some other English friend who knows all
 about us - or indeed early - write a letter to the
 English Church papers - appeal for fresh help - as
 as to enable us to keep up our present work - & also
 extend - We are so delighted than that every
 is a little better - I will write them again soon -

I don't keep the original family tree if you can find a hole
 in it I can call for it - but do not care about the model.

My long letter to Mr Rutt

Dear Mr. Lindsay
I have written 3 friends
at St. John's, N.S.
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at St. John's, N.S.



Dec 11/88

Dear Mr. Lindsay -

Very many thanks for your kind
& prompt reply to my letter - & your kind &
liberal donation of \$10 - which shall be
applied to the Wash-Keck Home in
Parrishville - unless you direct otherwise.

I shall be exceedingly glad if Dean Carmichael
& yourself will take this matter up & try to win
it a little life - Independent of our other
interests - surely it is a matter of great importance
that we should check the spread of Romanism
in the North West - and the consequences may
- a few more lines, become very serious if
these wild Indians of the prairie are brought under
papal influence & taught that their is another
- a higher power, that they must obey - beyond their

just within the Queen - I want have the
 first work taken up in this good earnest -
 If a competent Committee could be appointed they
 would take me under their hand - & seeing
 from me the work bids at the front - & save me
 all the trouble & anxiety of collecting the funds I
 should be glad - but as I stand by you in Montreal
 I have not much faith in Committees - & I think
 the organization is carried too far - & retard rather
 than push forward the work - I like - & wish to
 go ahead - trusting in God - God has helped me
 hitherto & I believe will help me.

I'm very anxious

I should like to see you

A word now as to our expenditure -

- (a) Our farm has not hitherto been productive - When
 we started our land was all bush & swamp - & you
 have had capital expended on it at the outset
 instead of which we have tried making 'cattle crops' without
 depending more upon them than we could help - This
 year I have taken the thing thoroughly in hand - we have
 been draining & fencing - employing a first rate cow man
 - allowing him part profit - in a year or two I think will
 have a good farm -
- (b) We can never pretend to keep our boys & girls as cheaply
 as you do at an orphan asylum - if we get as gifts in kind -
- (c) Market prices are high (2) Less owing than is stated in large part
- (4) A large number of our pupils are 16 & 18 years of age (5) Indians just
 killed have perfect teeth which will find a good sale in the market - chances
 are that the price is 85 cents each for milk - which includes light, soap & r. r. r.

I should like to see you

U.S.

A few thoughts were suggested when Mrs. T. was
 under closing my letter -

If a thorough paid live Committee who would have
faith in God & carry on the work as I have been
 humbly trying to do the last 17 years - would take
 up the work & make it a GRAND WORK - as
 I want it to be - the main object being to benefit the
Indian children & train them in Institutions such
 as ours in Christian Truth & in Industrial Pursuits.
 I wd welcome such a Committee with all my
heart - & gladly hand over all funds & all
 responsibility to their safe keeping -

But I wd want still, under God's lead, to have
 my own way a good deal -; if I was tied down
 too much I am afraid I wd stop work altogether.

And again - I am opposed to endorsement -
 I am not in favor of God's work on prudential &
business principles - I believe in the work
 as a trust of a to - in blowing in an
empty vessel - how ever (what is received) and
every one is responsible - but it is not always
 a trust of a to - in blowing in an
empty vessel - how ever (what is received) and
every one is responsible - but it is not always

Wishes - by insinuated that I am called to
 go to do a work of go ahead and do it - while
 I am doing it the money comes.

Again - I do not want this work among the
 Indian children to be confined to one Diocese -
 that is then the Bishop of Alabama & myself differ.
 Our Homes were started before any Dis. of Alabama
 was in existence. I never asked any one but
 myself apart as a missionary Dis. - Personally I
 was opposed to it. When I began my work I
 was in the Dis. of the Bishop of Raleigh
 Land + Du Appelle both warmly invite me to
 come & establish Branch Homes among the
 Indians. Both of these Bishops ask a wish
 for the control of the Homes when built.

If an association or Society is started for this
 work - but ^{it} distinctly have the one object - "Homes
 for Indian Children" - that and nothing else - let
 the idea be to have a Chain of Protestant Institutions
 for Indian Children from here to the Rockies & back
 as well - that is the GRAND WORK I see before
 me. I want a Committee that I can see I can
 do alone - but it must be a committee that will work out
 the details of the work - otherwise it will be a failure.
 W. Wilson



Decr 11/87

My dear Mrs Nelson

I fear you may be a little disappointed that I am finally decided not to go to England this year - going to the States is as good as certain my father's health on English shores is quite broken up. I am told also that on account of the Queen's jubilee it will be a bad season for holding meetings - I am going to try this experiment (instead of going the expense of a visit) if wife personally reach of our Superintendents - & ask them if they will 'celebrate the Queen's jubilee year' by giving a special donation towards the proposed extension of our work among the Indians. I think I see little reason in England the one obstacle of the work that we have before us - there are 130,000 Indians in Canada - the New C.P.R. has opened up this vast prairie land where the wild Indians dwell - the people are the only missionaries self actively engaged - If our Church does not make up to its duty these wild Indians will change from paganism to Paganism - & be ready to

Country may be most desirable - I think
Almighty God in giving us this vast Country for
settlement has given us also these poor Indians into
our hands & care for & to train in the habits of the
people - I feel called by God to engage in
his great work - to extend the work of our
Institutions & to repopulate beyond. We want
once - if God so open our way - to establish two
Branch Homes one in Assiniboia 1000 miles to
the West - & one in Manitoba 600 miles off -
Each of our English Subscribers wd give a special
concern for this year - it wd go a long way
towards the establishment of the Branch Homes

Yrs very sincerely,

P. J. Wilson

We have let yr box in Toronto & shall try if
possible to get it up here.

I am sending you a few little photographs - one is of the
a little boy I had intended being baptized.

Dec 11/56

My dear Mr. Cassin -

I had thought of paying a visit to England
 this next spring - bringing a little Indian boy
 with me - but the expense is great - & since my
 return here we have no home life to - & also
 I am told that on account of the Queen's jubilee
 it will be a bad season for holiday excursions - so
 I am giving the plan up - & instead am going
 to try to expound it with personally reach
 our English subscribers & ask of each one
 will 'celebrate the Queen's jubilee' by giving a
 donation to the proposed extension of
 our work? - I think people in England scarcely
 realize the magnitude of the work that we have
 to do - there are 13,000 Indians in Canada -
 the C.P.R. has opened up the vast prairie
 & the old Indian death - the Jesuits

are not of missionaries but are really such
 Howard. My conduct in & with all the Indians
 under his control - & teach them that their country
 is a higher form than that of their 'black' brethren
 Victoria, the same by most wild allegiance - all
 the way to most disastrous to Canada in a little
 while. What I am now doing is to establish
 several Parallel Institutions & this is the Indian
 children under protestant influence. It is a great
 work - but I believe God has called me to it -
 I'll struggle on to do it. My dream is of
 a series of such Institutions as our Holy work Home
 from here to the Rockies. We have already two
 ranch Homes in prospect - & I am bending now
 all my efforts towards their establishment. One is
 to be in Manitoba 1000 miles from us & one in
 Manitoba 600 miles off. You to cost a
 \$1000 each - & would be just I am \$150 for
 the second \$125. Or my present -
 which promise of present help.

V. J. Wilson

enclosed are a few little photos - one is of the
 same place where this winter has been.

Decr 17th 88

Dear Dad

I was very thankful to receive
 your kind & cheering letter last evening & most
 heartily wish you every blessing that the mighty
 God can send upon you at this approach of
 winter season & also throughout the year.

Rev. Mr. Lindsey of Portland Mo. was brought
 up in the boat last summer & seems disposed
 to take up our black brethren on a recent letter
 spoke of consulting Mr. Dean Carmichael with
 a view to organizing for the extension of work among
 the Indians in the West. I was in Portland
 & suggested the idea of making Indian work a
 distinct branch of the board of N. & D. Missions
 instead of having it all one with white missions
 as at present. In reply to his letter I
 wrote & told him (Dec 10) my ideas on the subject
 & the establishment of Branches & how to

mission points in the North West - as is to be done
 to Indian children & their families as we are doing
 here at the South - Of yet more & more the necessity
 of this - not only as a work of philanthropy but as
 one way of stemming the progress & increasing power
 of fanaticism - I feel leave these Indians, whom
 some who are at present papers with doubtless in
 a few years be absorbed by the Romish Church - &
 send the consequences to the Country may be most disastrous
 - Have written to some of the Church before about
 it - & also a day or two ago to the 'Mail'.

Now what I propose is that a Central Committee
 should be formed for the special purpose - If the
 work I propose is carried out it is altogether
 too great for one man to undertake - our
 funds ought to be quadrupled & more - in the
 case - a treasurer should be appointed in whom
 people will have confidence - & a Committee
 should undertake the management - I should
 suggest myself, the Bishop of Rupert's Land, & Bishop
 of Qu'Appelle to be at the head of it & a Committee
 of men who are really interested in the Indians

found in Montreal - Indeed I go further
 than this - If his talk of Christian unity means
 anything, why not invite a heady man among the Presbyterians
 or a leading man among the Methodists to join with us
 to work among the Indians by the back of the
 ice - Let us join in Christian fellowship in this
 great work - Let our ultimate aim be - re-established
 a chain of Protestant Institutions for Indian
 children from Quebec to the Rocky Mountains

You will probably ask if all this is done
 what position do you yourself propose to hold - as
 it is - I am content to leave it with God - I am
 content to remain & labor here with my 2 Institutions
 if it please God - or am prepared to give them
 over to other hands & start on fresh pioneering
 work if it please God - I think then ought the
 new central Institute - not one not specially
 amicable for the W. H. S. work - it might be
 better to have it in the hands of the
 W. H. S. in good hands of a few influential men - I
 think God's blessing there will be little difficulty in carrying
 the department to be sound & give necessary aid -
 I remain your devoted servant
 J. H. Wilson

Sault Ste Marie
Jan^y 1st 1847.

Dear Mr Mitchell -

If you were in my place for a little while I think you would learn that the great difficulties are that I have to contend with - It is all my will for others to find fault with my management - but I must remember to please & satisfy as far as possible - not only the employers - but also the pupils - the parents - the Sunday School & other who contribute - & the visiting public - If the boys are kept at scrubbing & house cleaning instead of school & learning trade - it is not likely either by or their parents will be satisfied - If the Institution is not kept in proper order - or extravagance allowed - visitors & contributors are ready to over & find fault - I do not see that I can overstep the bounds of my duty as Principal if I occasionally have to speak to those who are engaged with me in the work - & I always try to speak in a kind & conciliating a spirit as possible - so as to avoid giving offence - Of course

if those bad men I thus speak - instead of trying to
 cut this straight turn round & abuse my
 management & leave the Institution proclaiming
 that they were ill used - it does harm but for the
 time. It is the great dislike that I have to
 changing employes & the desire that I have to avoid
 any unpleasantness that makes me often go on
 to long hid; as eyes to & avoid; speak about the
 work in themselves are a great annoyance to
 me.

You say that you managed a great deal better
 while I was away, & that you employed older
 boys to do the house work. I fail to see that
 this is verified by reference to the workers book.
 If any of you had smaller boys it would prove that I
 was away than you have had lately. I have
 always tried as you know to yield to any suggestion
 made by you for improving our system of
 work - and for the ordinary & ordinary scrub.
 & other work - you have your own choice of boys -
 & I advise them put on quite big boys for scrub.

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I think on the whole that you do me considerable
 justice in your letter - though I can make of
 course due allowance for yr. feel. nettled as I
 have no doubt you did when you wrote it.

As I said to you this morning - I have no wish
 for you to leave us - I hate changes - I might
 not get a good a man as you are in your
 place - & certainly it wd. be hard to find anyone
 as pleasant & helpful in a general way as you
 have been to me. I also believe it wd. be
 better for yourself (independent of my wants)
 to stick to the place - & try all you can to make
 it a success. I feel sure that in yr.
 better moments & after calm consideration -
 you will allow that my fault finding this morning
 was not altogether uncall'd for (not meanly that the
 boys are so stupid & lazy - but that you really have
 failed somewhat in yr. duty) - I trust you will
 believe me when I tell you that I was exceedingly

sorry to have to do it - Of course if you
cannot be happy here - & look on me as such an
austere & inconsiderate master that you feel it
is vain to try & work with me - I cannot ask
you to stay - but I can only say that I
would be sorry for you to leave -

As you think I do not act wisely - (though
certainly I try to do so & I think I need more time
over it than you would) in making the weekly
appointments & in punishing the boys for their
wrong doings - I am will'g to give over these 2
departments - namely the workers book & the conduct
book into your hands for the next 2 months -

At the end of that time if you find that they
are no better & you still wish to leave I will
allow you to leave - a week or so's notice will
be sufficient - as I shall not appoint any one
- 12 please before the 1st of navigation -

Yrs sincerely -

Edward P. Wilson



Feb. 2 1887

Reginald H. Bushman Esq
Dear Sir.

Many thanks for yr letter with
\$75 from Caldwell School, Morshub. just
received. I have been away from visiting
large American Institutes for Indian Children
in Pennsylvania & Virginia & so) at home late
last night. You will therefore I hope excuse
my not giving you the detailed accounts you ask
for as soon as compared with work that
is a simple impossibility - at the same
time we like to assure you how much the
love of yr kind letter cheers us - & how
encouraging it is to hear that people are taking
step to take more interest in our work -
The best I can do just now is to send you a
copy of our last annual Report - & as soon as
the new one is out (in Oct or Nov) you will receive
copies of that -
Yr sincerely
Wm Wilson

Feb. 27 87

My dear Dr. Faulkner

I have been away South - visiting
 the American Institute for Indian Children
 in Pennsylvania & Virginia - and returned late
 last night - I hasten now to attend to a letter of
 the 25th ult. I think as your first kind
 draft is not beyond support Philadelphia from
 Sept. it will be best to begin from Dec. -
 this is more convenient too for all our supporters &
 keep as far as possible to the regular day when the
 notes are to be due. I am sorry it should have
 caused you any trouble. Also about the box not
 being in time for the boat was my mistake - I
 do not seem to understand that at present we
 are entirely shut out from the outer world in winter.
 To get away on my trip I had to go 65 miles to
 get to a railway station. We shall be very glad of
 what you are sending by post for Philadelphia - viz. amount
 being \$3.50 (instead of \$1) that will settle the Dec. payment.
 Yours sincerely
 S. F. Wilson

McColl

Feb 27 87

Dear Sir

I am afraid you will think me
a long time answering yr letter of Jan. 5. I was
away from home in Pennsylvania & Indiana - visit
some of the large Am. Institutions for India Child
yr letter was sent after my - I am home last
night.

I fear I cannot at present
make you any decided offer for work here.
We are rather in a transition state - extracts of
Government will help us - to enlarge our build'g
& extend our work - in such case we shall
necesser increase our staff of teachers & helpers.
Under the circumstances it wd I wd think be
best for you to recognize yourself not yr present
employers for another year -

Yrs sincerely
V. H. Wilson

I hope this letter has been to the
time you need it with all cases you
wonder...

Oct 27 87

Dear Sir

I have just heard from Rev. L. H. Kirtley, Collingwood, that the box you ladies so kindly sent is safe in the freight shed at Collingwood - will remain there till Spring when it will be sent up by boat - as we have no real communication at present.

I have just been away to the South - visit large American Institution for Indian Children in Pennsylvania & Virginia - & I hope I may be able to persuade our Government to take up the cause in the same generous spirit that they are doing it in the States - I have one more road than the water going on two

Yours sincerely

J. H. Wilson

J. H. Wilson

Feb 2 1887

W. Dr. Fanning Esq

Dear Sir

I have received yr favor
 of the 30th Dec. - & desire to express through
 you my thanks to the New England Comtee for
 their grant of £10 to the support of my Indian
 skins. I have also much pleasure in
 sending you our Report for 1885. That for
 the past year is not yet out. Dr. Wm Martin's
 address is 27 Bloomsbury Square W.C. and
 our present Treasurer is Geo Rutt Esq -
 St James's Lodge, Delaplay Street -

I remain dear Sir

Yrs faithful

Edward A. Wilson

Shingwauk Home, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

February 5th. 1887.

My dear young Friends

You will like to hear about my getting home up here among the ice and snow. I enjoyed my trip in the States very much, and am very glad that I was able to visit three of your large Institutions, - the Carlisle Institute, the Hampton Normal Institute, and the Lincoln Institute in Philadelphia.

After leaving Philadelphia I took train northward to the St. Lawrence River, and crossed the river at Morrisstown to the Canadian side. The river was frozen over solid, but the ferry boat cut its way through the ice like cutting cheese. Then I went to Ottawa, which is the Seat of our Government, and had a conference with the heads of the Indian Department, and laid before them my report of what I had seen and heard while travelling in the States. I want our Government to take up the Indian cause in the same way that your Government is doing in the States. After leaving Ottawa I travelled westward up the course of the St. Lawrence, through Toronto, to Sarnia at the south of Lake Huron. There are about 1400 Indians at that place, nearly all of them Ojebways (Chippewas) and Pottowattamies. I had two meetings with them and told them all about my visit to you, and I showed them the Cheyenne moccasins I got at Carlisle and the cotton pod and the little black doll and pottery from Hampton, also the photographs; the Indians were very much interested in seeing all the things. On Monday evening, the 31st, I started off home. I went by train up the west shore of Lake Huron to the Straits of Mackinac and then crossed the Straits in the ferry boat; it was about eight miles wide where we crossed and the ice was about two feet thick. Then I had to drive 65 miles in an open sleigh to Sault Ste. Marie and oh! it was so cold! the glass was 19 degrees below zero! I wonder how you would have liked that! My nose got frozen at the tip, and another passenger got his ears frozen I don't think I was ever so cold in all my life! Well I got home at last about half past ten on Tuesday night, Feb. the 1st. And my wife and children were all very glad to see me again. The next day I had all the pupils from both homes collected in the school room and I told them all about you and showed them the photographs and pictures and read to them the letters which you sent; and now there are two or three boys busy in the school room writing to you. All our people were very much astonished at the photograph of the Carlisle group, it looks such an immense number and the faces are all so plain. My boys and girls were much pleased too to see the specimens of your school work and drawing. And now I must close my letter May the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Yours sincerely,
EDWARD P. WILSON

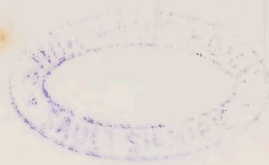
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Mr. Wm. Rutherford
Dear Sir

I am and you
of this most requested - the first
part of the Annual Report - and shall
be obliged if you will direct Commence
at it - The last part contains the accounts
& list of profits will follow in a few
days - You will please send me proof
in correct as soon as ready - & I want
it to be got out so that English subscribers will
receive it not later than April 1st. Please
write directly to you for this - By the way you have
received copies & that you will begin at it at
once - I took the MS out of Rowell's hand
solely because he was as slow about it

Send the MS of definite
estimate - toasts will etc.
up some space do not give

Yrs fac. pif
W. H. Nelson



Feb 7 1887

Dear Mrs. Schuyler

I think it very desirable that no change should be made in our teaching staff just at the present time - & if any alteration can be made in the arrangements at the Wawaush House which will make it more comfortable for you I shall be glad to do so. I have just been telling it over with Henderson - He says he does not himself wish to leave & thinks his wife is also satisfied to remain provided she can prove satisfaction.

I propose that Mrs. H. should do less work with her own hands & more superintending - that one (or two if necessary) girls should be kept out from school the whole day & attend to the cooking, washing & housework & receive goods as well as at the laundry. Mrs. H. to superintend all the above work & help a little & also to be in entire charge of the girls' clothing & mending & superintend the needle work - This would I think relieve you of a great deal of your present responsibilities. If you approve of the plan will you please let me hear of it over with Mrs. Henderson - Let me hear from you -
Yours sincerely
J. S. Wilson

The Director of the Mail

Sir I have just received your issue
 of the 3^d inst. containing account of the Bishop
 Dalrymple's speech at Government House, in the
 course of which I notice Canon Demoulin's
 words in my proposition "to hand over Church
 Indian Schools to the Government & have only the bible
 taught" - I hope you will kindly allow me to
 make a brief reply. What I said in my letter
 of the 18th inst. was that if the Government would take
 up our work & undertake the main support of our
 Institution - I would "willingly" & conduct it in future
 on broad Protestant Principles, - I would be
 willing that it should become un denominational in so
 far that pupils not belonging to the Church of England
 be allowed to attend their own places of worship in
 town, and be visited by their own ministers, provided
 only that the Institution continue to be distinctly
 Protestant, and that the Bible always be a
 text book in the School; - by the above sentence
 I meant that when the Government undertook the
 main support and we had 300 pupils instead

of us as at present, those who was beloved from
 Church will be expected to attend our Chapel services
 & Sunday School, those who belong to other denominations
 would be allowed to go up town & attend their own
 place of worship. I feel sure that there is
 not a word in his proposition. I feel sure that there is
 in it discordant with the voice of the Church as
 proclaimed so loudly at our late Provincial Synod
 and also at the Church Congress in the United States.

But the question seems to be what right have I
 to make such a proposition before consulting my bishop.

Canon Dummerlin says - "I have not to learn that
 the Church has handed these schools over to W.
 Wilson to hand over to the Government."

Let me tell you here in a few brief words how
 his work commenced, and then let the members
 of the Church of England who read your paper
 judge whether or not I have a right to make the
 proposed change. In 1872 I was a

missionary working among the Indians at Garden
 River under the auspices of the Church Missionary
 Society. My Bishop was Bishop Pattison of
 Toronto. While in England that summer with an
 Indian chief collecting money to build our Institution

(3)

the Committee of the C.M.S. saw fit to withdraw their
 aid from the Garden River Mission, & offered me a
 more lucrative post in Rupert's Land. It was a
 hard trial to me to choose the right. But God directed
 me. An anonymous letter came, saying, "Two
 friends will guarantee you £100 a year if you will
 return to Garden River". So I went back gladly with
 my Chief persuaded that you was with me, and soon
 after my salary was supplemented by a grant from
 the Col. & Cont. Church Society. Many of your readers
 know about our fire, - how our first Institution
 was burned down to decay after it was opened, and
 how God thus stirred up the sympathies of Christian
 people, within a year we had \$10,000 to build
 again yet. It was just at the time of
 our fire, that the new Missionary, Diocese of Algona
 was separated from the Toronto Diocese, (and
 I had no control whatever over the arrangement)
 and Bishop Campion was appointed our first
 Missionary Bishop. Our Indian Homes in this
 way can be held to the Algona Diocese. But
 they have always from the first been entirely under
 my own management. Following is an extract

(5)
 from a letter of our late Bishop Langbein which
 appeared in the Evangelical Churchman, June 18th 1883.

"Seeing the funds are mainly raised by Mr. Wilson
 and his friends, and the work is his own, I have
 left his management entirely with him, not because
 he has ever shown any disposition to enquire
 on my part, quite the contrary, but because
 my time is so fully occupied with what may be
 more strictly termed diocesan duties, that I
 have felt glad to be relieved from any further
 responsibility."

I remain Sir your faithfully

E. F. Wilson

Shingwauk Home

San Antonio, Texas

Sept 7th 1889

Feb. 9th 1887

J. C. Pillsbury Esq.

Dear Sir.

I wish to express my warmest
 thanks to you for sending me the two handsome
 volumes containing Annual Reports of the Bureau
 of Ethnology. Which I have already found as usual

I want also to ask you whether there is at
 present any such book as the following — if not
 whether the Smithsonian Institution is likely ever to
 publish such a book — or if not so, whether in the
 event of my attempting to get it out in the world — the
 Smithsonian Institution would review — correct — &
 publish it. — or if not that — whether I might rely
 on obtaining such information from the Smithsonian as
 I could not procure elsewhere as to enable me to
 complete it. —

The book to consist of 2 volumes of
 about 500 pages each — and to contain an
 average of 10 plates about each (or say 100 of
 the principal Indian American tribe — three

pages being taken up with a very brief history &
 description of the people, their customs &c., five pages
 grammar (following the millenarian orthography
 throughout) and two pages vocabulary. Each
 10 pages to begin with a full page plate illustrating
 the dwellings - arms - weapons - utensils & (former) used
 in the tribe - & a vignette introduced in the course of
 some living & extinct representations of the tribe
 and each article having at the end a reference to any
 books etc. that have been written about the tribe.

It would happen to collect the material
 by having a small pamphlet printed - giving the English
 of all the words used - & blanks to be filled in
 with the Indian words - & some other round
 to miscellaneous notes. A good deal might
 be collected - not only from students at the Indian
 missions.

Of course if I undertook such a work
 myself - my object wd. not be to make something
 readable & interesting for the common public - I
 could not attempt anything in the way of a description

book - But I think it would be a great
 thing to get such a book as this published - it would
 be preserving some record of these tribes now
 which are fast passing away - & afford also
 an opportunity to philologists of comparing the
 different languages all written in one volume
 or two parts.

Of course it would be a work of time.

I might let out the copies & Sioux letters &
 send to you - if you thought well.

I should also be very much obliged to you
 if you could put me in the way of procuring a
 Government on the report - showing exactly what
 tribes are now living in the States - their numbers
 & in location.

I want to know where your
 210,000 Indians are - how divided - & how located

If I can do any thing to assist you at any time
 in writing or making out our Penation Indian
 I will not gladly do so.

Yours faithfully

Michael B. Pease

and you a copy of my little
 book - "History and Geography of the
 Sioux".

I have authorized Robert Coulter to confer with Mr. Munton in regard to the erection of a farm cottage on the rise behind the farm building - to draw out together a plan for the same - the cottage to be a frame one - to be entirely completed - & painted red with white sashes to correspond with the other buildings and to cost within three hundred dollars (\$300), the plan to be approved by me before the building is commenced, & the erection of the building not to interfere with other necessary work -

Edward D. Wilson

Shirley Park Home
Dec. 8th 1897.

Feb. 1787

C. P. Mason Esq

Dear Sir

I have been notified of a number of contributions from Indian Homes, which I am to forward to you - & as we are short of funds I shall be very much obliged by your remittance as soon as convenient. - Your also send may for support of individual children in our Homes have their names on our Sunday School ledger - & when they get behind we send them a reminder - which of course they do not like if, as is sometimes the case, they have sent to many some time before the Treasurer.

Please also do not send any money intended for us to Mr. A. W. Campbell, Toronto, as the Diocesan Fund is entirely distinct from our Indian Home Fund - & Mr. C. does not like to be mistaken about it.

I must ask you kindly - with permission - to let us know when each amount comes - so that we may credit our ledger accordingly in our books.

Yrs faithfully

Edward H. Tilton