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Bellevue Wis.

August 1st 1865

Rev. S. R. Riggs

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 25th July came to hand by yesterday's mail with \$10, enclosed, & for recording deed & insurance. The package supposed to contain \$1125. - was rec'd on Saturday 29th & deposited in my safe. I notified Mr Wallace yesterday that I was ready to receive the deed.

Your matters in my charge will have proper attention

Very truly yours

L. D. Gregory

Aug 4. 1865.

Tamatkale

Mihonkamari

Momapi alir malin do milanta
mokkan taku makan oie kin
nyagapi iho Mihonkamari
Mip iyomakipitinkoka ga
milante oomarin on mapi
madaka kuen cin nilosi
ontapi kte nakap ohi amici
ya maon ga tuse opeontiten
pi kin kellan kikuaya
onyakorpi kte iyaca pca
maon ga kuan taku makan
onpi onkapi kin har kuen
oie tanyan okiki onyapi kte
pca kuen nina momapi
makan onpi miliciga
taku makan tokin eonon
kifi kin onarin eon eon
kifi ga Wakantanka tamalin
kin maka akan eon eonku

pi kin kare kelen Ekemilapta
omancayan tuker nukan
ou icah anyapi kto antokiti
pi kto ipca nuanitra
Mihesekunuarji
Kunana ipkto

Samuel Jaminyan kkinajin
Miyeko

Te Makole

1885
J. J. J. J. J.

Missionary House, Pemberton Square,

BOSTON, Aug. 3, 1865

Rev. D. R. Briggs,
St. Anthony, Minn.
Dear Sir,

Your favor of July 24th is at hand, with semi-annual account to June 30th, showing a balance at your debit of \$9.60, thus:

Dr. To Drafts as

mentioned, 534.60

(all of which have
been paid,)

534.60

Cr. By Salary 6 mos. 375.00

" pd. J. B. Kenwille,

for 4 sick children, 150. "

Balance 9.60

534.60

The Donations reported, \$9.40, I will acknowledge in the Sept. Herald, & place to your account.

Very truly yours,

Langdon S. Ward,
Acty Treasurer.

Dalengpost

Tamakoe Aug 5th 1867

Mitakue

Nakaha wowapi cicageyedo wanna
yakiyahola ehantahan etupetu waka
yamni hecen heon token onyakonpi kin
he Nayanon keta iye eee epee ea heon de
wakageyedo wanna heciya yakiyahola
cin iyohakam wicasta nom 2 tapizedo
makpiyawakon ega Wan mdigi kici tapi
hehan etakon eadon wanjilopi tapi keta
iye eecapi hehan denbarayan tubedan
mniwakan yathe sri onpizedo hehan
etakon tubedan kaskapi sri yedo
hehan oyate den om waonkin dehan
Nina ona wowapi wakan kin mdawayedo
owanka yujapi en hukayapi owasin ga
kozka ko yu witaya wowapi wakan mda
waecei ga Nakon etupetu wakan eea
mni on kicizapi sri itokam om wawapi
mdawo kes he iyotan wicetapi ee iyedo
iho hena hecetu yedo hehan eya oyate
kin ohirinyan Nina wahakon icicizapi
hehan etakon taku wanji etayakon keta
wacin hukayapi owasin om mni micize
ea taku token eonpi keta yeeeee wada
kecin hena eaji mdawo onkon hehan is
hecen eyapi wicasta tona cin kinhan
hena mniwakan yathe sri wowapi
yutanpi keta yapi hecen mis wicakapi
epee ea hecen eeen eonpi eta wowapi
yutan wica wakizedo

Wajuhutasapa	Witethi en	
Wasiconsapa	Wizaptan	5.
Howaste	Tohanyansion	
Matipiyadecita	Waniyetu	3.
Hocoka	Wi	7.
Canopesa	Wi	1.
Anpetukatedan	Wi	5.
Tateohraingakedan	Tohanyansion	
Tawahinkpeduta	Witethi en	
Tacankpi ojanjanna	Waniyetu	1.
Rimayaku	Waniyetu	1.
Matipiyawasicon	Tohanyansion	
Matipihapiya	Tohanyansion	
Wakaradina pedan	Tohanyansion	
Tatepeta	Witethi en	
Mazataninyanke	Wi	10
Tawahinke	Witethi en	
Tatewakariditikiyedon	Tohanyansion	
Laskepedan	Tohanyansion	
Matipiyacokaya	Waniyetu	1.
Matipiyaduta	Wi	10
Taninyanna	Wi	10
Mazakeyedon	Wi	10
Kichidamini najir	Wi	10
Wafuhuta	Wi	10
Mazakeyginape	Wi	12.
Mazayuhomnisa	Wi	12.
Kogicahimani	Waniyetu	2.
Makaainganke	Waniyetu	1.
Matipiyatanka	Waniyetu	2.
Matipiyatoka	Waniyetu	3.
Ocetiduta	Waniyetu	2.
Wakuniyapomani	Waniyetu	5.

Wakizangi	Zohanyamion
Mawankandi	Zohanyamion
Zateicage	Zohanyamion
Zepinkpa	Zohanyamion
Zateoticea	Zohanyamion
Zlontha	Zohanyamion

iho hena keca wowapi yutanpiye do
 eya mniwakan kin wamica tuka
 hukayapi hecen cinpi akas ecomi
 ca wakizye do hehan akankin takanda
 akankon pi omi hetohan taku otanin
 kinhan kohanma veicizake kta epee
 hehan akakaha mniwose kin ecizatan
 han jan wowapion taku wangi
 oyake Dakota iyutipa wokizapi e
 hosi aboli eye hana epe oyakihikin
 kon kohanma taku akayakon hecinhan
 akawakan kta kape cizye
 Nitakizye hecinhan

Morris Stewakanhadiota

[Ethiopian papers of 1865]

Camp Henry Army

Transport Horse

Mr Samakoe Mita kado
Wanna taku Ociiza ke tete do
Ho oyate kin Sina token
Onpi kin He Ociiza ketete do
Ho ta wedom Nithe siniga
Tan wedom karikapi siniga Makam
Tan wedom Micoran sica ecori siniga
Ho Na kaha oyate kin
Amiakhe han taku Makam kin
Nina rim takiya pi do
Ho He han oyate Mitawakin
Token Oranyan pi kin He
Ociiza ketete do Na kaha
Ake oyate Mitana kin He
Omasin Mitaya mniyiya pi ya
Piya Ake taku Makam kin
Wacinyapi teta kiyapi ya
Ake Omasin Oma kiya kapi
Heon nina rim imbu ikinge

He eciya kido He hehem mis
Taka Toma sbo ya ye cin han
Hema amaza kida ke teta wa cin ga
Na kon Tohon ya u tte cin han
Amaza kida ke teta He hehem
Amica ke han Taka nanji
Eciya kido Wicasta mita wakim
Eton han ya mmi A iyo tom nica
Wakida kin He chinnyan
Mizceikseye teta Macin do
Wicasta kin Panayan muni pi
Herry Wannaga inakom inajim
ya pletanina Piton han
Tohon Wicasta kin Manji
Cajeyan pi ca kin han
Wicasta kin Hema nyan mmi
Mizceikseye teta Macin do
He hema he eter ya he han
Nanpi Mayaga kin He
Wan mba ke ca nakeon edo naregi
Mayaga kin Hema
Onarin tan yarin inwado
He taca mayagan kin hinaru

Tom amasni inido teta
Tomake tu tte cin sbo wakige
Sini do He mita ke ca
micanta on Amica ke han
Na pe eiyayido
Mr Hapkins Wastina pe
Mizyado

Westbrook

W. Marshall

1865-

Mankato, Minn.

Aug. 9, 1865.

Dear Bro. Riggs:

Yours of Aug.

7 is before me - Had written to Bro. Adams my wishes I supposed that was sufficient - I also supposed he was the one to call a meeting, but I see that I was wrong, although he has failed to tell me of my fault - Perhaps he is away & so did not get my letter - I see by the Confession of Faith &c. the call must be signed by "two ministers & two elders, the elders being of different congregations" - Have sent you a call signed by Father Thomson - Bro. Seward & myself - & to hasten the matter

I have written to the elders
at Traverse de Sioux ask-
ing one or both of them
to write you immediately
stating that they join us
in the call — This I have done
instead of going to see them
as the going is quite bad
& my time is very closely
occupied — I think you will
hear from the brethren at
Traverse as soon as you
get matters arranged — their
letter to you need not be
but one day behind this
— Hoping all things may work
together for good I remain
Yours in Christian love,
Thomas Marshall.

To Rev. C. R. Riggs

St-Anthony's Falls, Minn.

P.S. Am happy to hear of your
daughters safe arrival at home.

Minneapolis

Aug 9, 1865-

Rev. A. B. Kipp,

Dear Brother

At the request of
Rev. Thomas Marshall of Mankato
in accordance with my duty, I
would hereby call a meeting of the
Dakota Presbytery at Mankato on
the 24th day of August at 10 1/2 A.M.
the hour for dedicating their house -
and at 7 o'clock P.M. for installing
Mr. Marshall as Pastor of the 1st
Pres. Ch. at Mankato.

This meeting may take the place
of the regular Semi Annual one.
The Lord keep & guide us all
even more to his own praise & glory.

Yours fraternally

W. H. Adams S. C.

Dakota Pres.

Mankato, Minn.

Aug. 9, 1853

We the undersigned, members of the
Dakota Presbytery respectfully request
that a meeting of said Presbytery
be called to meet at Mankato
on or before Thursday the 24th
inst. for the purpose of Instal-
ling Rev. Thomas Marshall to
be the Pastor of the 1st Pres. Ch.
at said place; the installation,
as now arranged, to take place
on Thursday Evening Aug 24th

Thomas Marshall.

Jas. Thomson

A. B. Leonard

P.S. I approve of your idea to divide the Presbytery
I would also suggest that this called meeting
take the place of our regularly adjourned
meeting for Sept. if it can be so arranged.

T. Marshall.

Thomas Marshall

1866

- ✓ Dr. T. L. Williams
- ✓ Rev. John Park
- ✓ Rev. W. N. Adams
- Rev. James Thomas
- Rev. Thomas Marshall
- ✓ Rev. John Jenkins
- ✓ Rev. Jacob E. Conrad
- Rev. John G. Hilton
- ✓ Rev. J. P. Miller

for Thomas Marshall

I have the pleasure of your letter to divide the meeting
I would also suggest that this called meeting
take the place of our regular religious
meeting for Sept. if it can be arranged
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, Thomas Marshall

Mankato, Minn.
Aug. 10, 1883

Dear Brother Riggs:

Today
we have examined the work
on our House of worship
& from what the carpen-
ters & painters say we
have come to the con-
clusion that the House
cannot be completed
ready for dedication
until Sept. 7 (Thursday)
— Please issue your call
for the meeting of the
Presbytery at that time
i.e. on some day in
the week in which Thursday
Sept. 7th falls — Am sorry
to make you so much trou-
ble — but it seems unavoid-
able — The arrangements

will all be the same
as mentioned before
only the date will be
changed

Yours in Christian love
Thomas Marshall.

To

Rev. S. R. Riggs

St. Anthony's Falls }
Minn. }

P. S. Does not the time now
cover our adjourned
meeting - ?

Thos Marshall

Winnona Minn.

Aug. 10, 1863.

Rev. S. R. Riggs.

Dear Bro.

On yesterday I wrote a letter to you calling a meeting of the Dakota Presbytery at Menasha on Sat. 14th inst. at 10 A.M. The time suggested for the Dedication of the new Church. and at 7^{1/2} P.M. for installing Rev. Thomas Marshall as the Pastor of the 1st Pres. Ch. at Menasha.

I learn from Bro. Marshall that Rev. J. H. Vobe is to preach the installation Sermon. It will properly devolve upon you as Moderator of the Past & the Present Presbytery to assign each Member their respective parts which they are to take in the business of the Ordinal meeting. It may be desirable to let them know earlier than when we meet.

at Mankato. There is necessarily
much that is informal in this whole
arrangement, owing to our being so
widely scattered as a Presbytery &
the short notice of the meeting.
By Bro. Marshall, as desirable.

Still I hope even should we not
conform to the very letter of the Book,
the spirit & intent of the form may be
met and the Cause & Kingdom of
Christ advanced in all & through all.
With former & glory of God.

Yours very truly,

M. H. Adams, S. C.

(Dakota Presbytery.)

J. P. W.



Saint Peter Aug 11th 1865

(Dear Brother Riggs

Your favors
of 28th Ull and 1st Inst. have come
to hand the last first and I sincere-
ly thank you for both. I had
not understood you as wishing
to use any improper dictation
about the books but as I then
understood matters I could not
feel it proper to do in all things
as you wished and I thought it
necessary to inform you of the
reasons which I was unable to
do just as I wished A difference
of opinion in matters of this kind
ought not and I am confident
will not diminish the kind feeling
we have long felt towards each
other

just before I wrote to you I
had received a letter from John
in which he said he could get
no information about the Hova
in Waken and as considerably
more than a month had elapsed
since I had been informed of the
forwarding of those sent to me
on examining Holdich's letter I
saw that those sent him were
sent to the Borneo and no mention
was made of any sent elsewhere. I
supposed the whole edition or at
least all the extra bound had been
sent to the prison and this place
As I was mistaken in this and
a fair proportion of the letter
have been sent to Fort Thompson
I have no wish to reclaim any
for the latter place.

Before writing to you I had written
to Anpita Tokica to whom I have

sent the books to give one
of the books with clasps and
one in roan each to Ellichel and
Kawanke and one of the Moroccos
without clasps to each of the other
three persons you mentioned telling
the latter that that it would be
proper for them to pay the 70 cents
extra when they should be able.

Learning that my letter to him
had miscarried since the receipt of
your letter I have written to him
as before except that (I omit Sept.
Renwith for whom I have put up
a Morocco bound to send to Haribank
when opportunity offers) I do not
tell him to ~~say~~ any thing about
the extra pay and I tell him to
give one of those with clasps to
Antoine Renwith as having paid
to you. Then with the one sent
to J.B. Renwith make 8 of that and
the one you request for the historical

Society will make 8 of the thos
bound & with clasps and 4 without
disposal of as you request and for
which I feel no way responsible
I have sent 15 in thos 3 of
them with clasps to Punkan Agency
to disposal of in that neighbor
hood and I doubt not they will
be wanted there but for several rea
sons do not expect to get the
money for them for several months
After giving to those who have had
Anpita to beca will have one with
clasps and 8 without to disposal of
and if I have counted right I will
have six of the thos 3 of them
with clasps to disposal of I think
the scouts will want them all but
at the price I had set on them
unless they are told I am charging
too much for them but as it is
probable several months will
elapse before they can pay for
them and they will not be wanted
by our friends at Fort Thomson

2 short



I am willing if you think
it best to send any or all of
them to you to dispose of in
any way you please and will
feel no way unpleasant about
it but if I sell any of them
in Morocco I wish to sell at a
price sufficient to cover the
entire cost including carriage as
we have asked for no appropria-
tion from the Board to pay the
carriage which by the time
the books reach their destination
will not be much less than 30
dollars I know that it is different
with the prisoners but among the
Scouts I think it will be easier
to sell the Morocco for the prices
I have proposed than the com-
mon for 25 cents and though
if I find an individual who
ought to have a bible and can
pay that and no more I would

take the money and give the
book I think among the ^{Indians} ~~Sakob~~
in this region nearly all who
can pay 55 cents or even 25
can and will about as readily
pay 70 or 75 while there are
many who should have books
who either cannot or will not
pay any thing At the prices
I have named the books are cheap
compared with what other ~~Sakob~~
books cost or even with the pre-
sent selling price of English books
I have chosen to give to widows
and orphans who have no money
and do not expect that many of
those in season will sell soon and
at a less price than I have set
on the books I doubt whether
enough will be received for
the books to pay carriage and
the 50 dollars which I understand
you to say is yet to him for

extra binding.
I intend putting up for you
the books you have asked for
and sending them to you
Whenever an opportunity offers
I am pleased with ~~Alfred L R~~
article about the Indians and
hope it will do good though I
am not yet prepared to say
they ought to have no more an-
nuities I think though their
right to land may be only
that of possession we ought to
pay them something for it and
that it is better to pay them
money than any thing else be-
cause there is less facility of steal-
ing this than other things
I had been thinking of the new
Presbytery before I received your
letter but thought it would be
best to defer it till Mr Russell
should be ordained I am quite

disappointed in his not coming
up and think the Indians are
I wrote as you advised me to
Lieut. Frost asking that the P. Com
mittee would make him an allow-
ance at the rate of 400 dollars
a year for the time actually en-
ployed among the Indians and the
the scouts thought they could save
80 or 90 towards his support if
he can prepare a discourse before
the meeting of Presbytery, I think
it would be best to ordain him
this fall and in that case I will
favor the formation of a new
Presbytery but considering our
age the circumstances of our families
and how widely we are scattered if we
are set off with barely a quorum
I fear we would never get together
so as to transact business and that perhaps
it will be better to ask Presbytery to
appoint a committee to meet at Lord's home
soon and attend to the business there
I will be pleased however to hear
more from you on this subject

LEE
MISS.

and perhaps may come
to think on it just as you
do I wish you could attend
Presbytery and signed as I
fear you John and I will
never get together at another
ecclesiastical meeting and par-
ticularly desire you should
be present at the ordination
of Mr Brewster I hope John
will come over but in his
last letter he speaks doubtfully
on the subject

If you do not attend signed
I suppose you will attend the
meeting of the Board at Chicago
and hope to see you then
I am glad the petition for the
release of the prisoners is gone on
again and hope that it will suc-
ceed this time. I have received

several letters from the prisoners lately and feel for them much Some weeks ago Rowland wrote to me that certain individuals will pay to the amount of 160 dollars for the return of their friends and I have written to Judge Day proposing myself to pay him \$130 if he will procure an order for the return of all or if that is impracticable of 30 or 40 to be named by me and I think he will make a strong effort to accomplish the object

I am glad you are engaged in translating the Psalms direct from the Hebrew and hope you will make a good translation I have Alexander on them and will feel pleasure in loaning it to you so long as you may be engaged in translating them

if you wish it I think you will find it useful I obtain much help in getting the meaning of the Hebrew from Rosenmüllers Scholia and would advise you to write to Boston for it on Psalms and any other book you may think of translating in some places where our translation is obscure and very difficult to render into Hittokola he brings out a sense which is clear and easily expressed I am glad to hear that Mrs R's health is still improving if the clothes from her can be sent to Mr Livingston's I suppose we can get it from them and if I should not have an opportunity of handing you the money I will endeavour to find it to

you.

Mr Peck has written to Mr
Thomas Pettijohn that his
health is bad and he will not
return to Minnesota and wishes
his property left here to be sold
off and I understand it is to be
sold to morrow

Mr W's health is better since
our return from Minneapolis & is
the rest of us as well as usual
Andrew has written us twice since
his illness he is recovering slowly
and his resignation was returned
undone that his services cannot
be dispensed with I have written
advising him to ask for a furlow
but doubt whether it will be
granted if he is able to travel

Affectionately
yours

Thos. S. Williamson

Mankato, Minn.
Aug. 15, 1865.

Dear Brother Riggs:

Yours of the
12th is before me — I feel quite
sure that we shall be all ready
by the 7th of Sept. — I think the
plan of the meeting of the Pres-
bytery, which you proposed
is a good one — I should
be very sorry to have you
absent at the time of our
Dedication & other exer-
cises — I do not see how
we can get along without
you — I have notified quite
a number, of the change we
have been compelled to make,
& I do not see how we can
well defer the matter ^{any longer} now —
— I think it best to have it the
7th of Sept. (Thursday) should

Providence permit — I hope
I pray that it will be so that
you can be present without
disarranging your plans
in moving —

It is my wish that you give
the charge to the Pastor at the
Installation — Perhaps Brother
Conrad might give the charge
to the people — & Brother Adams
make the prayer — I would
like to work our Methodist
& Baptist Brethren in for
some of the ^{other} less important
parts if it could be so ar-
ranged — What think you?
— Please communicate when
convenient — My regards to your
daughter — The Editor of the "Record" sent her
a paper last week — He feels worked up
on account of a conundrum that
accidentally got into the adver-
tisement of her school —

Think her prospects are
good for the next session—
— My best wishes be with
you always—

Yours in Christian love.

Thomas Marshall.

To

Rev. S. R. Riggs, }
St. Anthony's Falls }
Minn. }

M. Marshall



United Brethren.

Aug. 16. 1865.

Rev. L. R. Ripp.

Dear Brother

I have today
received a letter from Rev. J. Marshall
of Mankato, asking the postponement
of the meeting of the Dakota
Cons. from Aug. 24th to Sept. 7th
10 1/2 A.M. and institution 7 1/2 P.M.
Thursday 7th day of September.

Should I testify, the brethren of
this or will you do it.

Bro. Conrad has been already
notified by Bro. Marshall.

I am expecting to spend next
Sabbath and ensuing days after, at
and about Wild Plain.

Adress me here as usual at St. Paul

Yours truly

M. J. Adams.

P.S. Landings of the Carpenters & Printers the reason of this
Change - The House not finished ready for dedication.

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Saint Peter Aug, 25th 65

(Dear Brother Riggs

You will
rejoice with me Judge Loring
says in a letter received
last evening that it is deter-
mined to pardon all the In-
dian prisoners confined near
Davenport except Godfrey
though some weeks may
elapse before arrangements
are completed for sending
them away.

Your letters about the meet-
ing of Presbytery are received
and I am pleased with the
idea of having you once more
at Presby. and think we
shall be of one mind about
the matters you wish of.

I have many things I would
like to say to you but cannot
write them. I have had no op-
portunity of sending you the La-
tate books you asked for. We
will be much pleased to have
you call and get them when
you come up but if you think
you cannot do so please write and
inform me just what books you
want and I will put them up &
either take them to Prob. or
deposit them in Saint Peter when
you can get them as you pass
through.

The hail storm last Saturday
did us much damage, completely
destroying our oats corn &
garden much injuring our wheat
and hay and breaking upwards
of 50 heads of glass. Several
of our neighbours suffer

mostly as much. I received
a letter from Mr. Remond
some time since but have been
so busy I have not answered
it. I am haste.

Yours truly

th 1865

Davenport Iowa August 29.

S. R. Biggs. mitakuxi warwapi'
warma gwalu do William S. Adams
misunka gena & tokeo ga hehan
Thos. A. Robertson heedan
tahan onyapi' eka tkado takxi to do
wanihar he linla wanji'don
ni do takxi hewake do hehan
St Elizabethan hankapi'
wanji' Talibautt hen on do
bi la 5 do hehan Luwin 3 do
heetanhan tijan onyapi' wanji'
Dawin Talibautt he wanji'
hinhnayedo ga hehan tawile
he wakan wuza gmuwon tuka
he lun sin kuyedo linla niledo
hehan takxi nan hehake on
ni waundo uma den hili.
waundo uma minixoye heliza
on do he ~~otto~~ turwin minixoye
heliza on do

hehan misumka takem te
he wan baji bdate btedo
gtoke kiliyapi huiya tedi
he uniu hwe iyaya tuka
choli'ni beyedo Hake can
hehanon olapi tuka
iyepi'ni beyedo hehan.
he magaska wi'hiyayednqa
huyake rawako tuwe
gkiyedandir takuse kihun
kileu kta ekilita gtonuan
kenye ga yuka kihda kta
beyedo wamna hanana do
chitakuse napelikoluge do

John Tumkangi'eiye
hemizedo
heleu miye iwatu kta
izelele ga won he beyedo
~~ekita~~ takumwiji belayna

ekhe baji belate kta do ekhe kole nakem
hehan han kapi he mituyka nakem
tahape choli'kuyapi Tona okim chiriye

hehan gupi kta iyelela tuka
do hehan wamna he dnu yahi
kta helen tanyan ewasir
selonzan btedo hehan hemin
misumka takem nakem chiliky
tuka Helen ta hwan ekitapi'
gpiyapi' natele do makobga
hehan magaska he wanka do
he magaska yuka tuka te hehan
hge x hehan katizun milupi'
kta kpla won he hehan
wawapi lile do tokaherza wawapi
gkiyeklan'ni ga takem wilanaya
t baji wakage'ni do
katizun milupi' kta kpla
ga helen wakage'ni do
hehan Tumkangi'eiye
hemizedo miynana sin
takumwiji do hehan miye lute
~~hehan~~ walin do

Paji: hu lazi etan han
D Sep 4th 65

Mr. S. R. Reggis

mitakuzi

Wana erpe on
ya ya pi kta ke ya pi na on rou pi ga
Mna cante on si ca pi eya taku wan kan
Oie on koya ki da ka pi kin he pi da on
gan ya pi ga he han ma ka akan tan ya
On ya kon pi kta ohi mi ya cin ga ohi mi
Wope tun han ska enou ya ki ya pi ece
Tu ka na na ya ki ya hde cin han tuwe
dan on ki ya pi kte sin he on mi's' can
Te masi' ce do. te han wowa pi ci'cu sin
Tu ka ka'pa pi waji' dan o'ka owa kiki
sin ga mado ketu de taku da wa kamna
sin ga on masi' ke ca he on mimi'ru ka
ska ga oju kaga mi cite ka ga pi he na
Owasin manice na ka's' tehan wowa pi
bi'cu sin tu ka naka ha de cu cu mitan
Wi nakun pa yu ha wana erpe ye kta
na kon on si na cante si'ce ke ye do
Eya owasin zam'yan on ya kon pi mi's'
Wowa pi waji' ya hde sin i'to kam mi
kaga wo he na na mitan wi mi cin ca on
nape ci gu za pi do Wi yan pa gu ha nape
gu za ga wi kika ki owasin nape wi ca
gu za ke ge

Ega ke cen ohimi' taku wan^{Kan} nina
ouki' ya pi' ga to na om onza kon pi
owasin nina toku wa kan ita cen
Ga can ku tangau omani' pi' kta on sbe
Wi can ki' ya pi' ga witan ya ita can
Ingu ha pi' muwe

Mitakuze

Joseph Tawanki

Miyed

Joseph Tawanki

1865-

Let. letter.

Sioux River.

Sept. 13. th 1865.

Rev. S. R. Riggs,

Sir.

The cause of my writing to you is about my Nephew that I spoke to you about last summer Tansigamhdinscjin. I would like to know what is going to be done about him, if you will take him out of jail and bring him to Minnesota for me I will pay all your expenses. I would not ask this of you, but knowing that you are a good Friend to us poor Indians I can trust in you, that is all I have to say, praying that Our Heavenly Father will help you I remain

Yours Humble Servant.

My Brother will be giving you help Mr. Otarion.

Mr Page
1865-

Chicago Sept-23-1865-
Rev S. R. Briggs.

Mr Page has
given me your note to him
- I answer - I regret that
Mrs Briggs will not be able
to accompany you to Chicago.

He shall be glad to see
your daughter with you, &
we will make her as comfort-
able as possible - I had reserved
one room for myself & wife
& should all come, we are
expecting, my other beds will
be filled - In that case, I
can make your daughter,
her bed upon the sofa, if

She will not object - Possibly
I may have a vacant
room for her - I hope
Mrs. Briggs will be able to
come with herself & daughter

Yours with respect -

Lucey E. Page

Rev. Mr. Briggs

Fort Snelling Sept 25th 1865

Dear Sir

This afternoon Col.
McLaren (Commanding this Post) informed me
that He. Received an order from Washington
to the effect. that Little Six & Medicine Bottle
were to suffer the extreme penalty of the Law
~~and~~ by being hanged. He communicated
to them the awful intelligence - and
their request is that you may
become their Spiritual adviser in
this the hour of their distress - by
coming to this post - and visiting
the above named men you will
oblige yours &c.

George T. Harris

N.B.

I have written by request of Col. McLaren
The day for the Execution is not named.

Newton, Iowa
Sept. 30th 1865

J. R. Rigg,

Dear Brother,

It

is now a long time
since we have had a
letter from you. I feel
that I ought to have written
long ago although I have
written to you since I
have received any letter
from you. We have
heard from you through
mutual friends and
we sympathize with
you in the afflictions
through which you
have been called to

pass. We have heard that Mary Ann's health has somewhat improved, and that you intended to remove to Beloit.

If you have removed we wish to know as soon possible. We expect to start to Ohio next week, that is Jane and I.

We intend to go by brother Roberts and expect to be at Lima about the 12th of Oct.

From Lima I expect to go to Martinsburg to Synod which meets the 19th Oct. On my return we expect to make short visits to sister Rebecca at Yellow Springs, brother Moses at Loveland

and sister Hannah at Hillsborough. Then, unless you and Mary Ann meet us at Lima, we may possibly go to Beloit on our way home. But it ^{will} be so late in the season, and our means may be so far spent that we may think it our duty to take the shortest route home. Please write to us at Lima.

Our health is about as usual. May the Lord bless you all abundantly.

Your aff. brother
George G. Poage

Albany Oct. 2. 1865-

Dear Brother

After my letter of Saturday, the 30th went to the Office, I rec^d. a letter from Bro. Moss, dated the 14th Sept, which had been directed to Port, & after resting there was forwarded to me here, in which he ^{says} that a short time before, he had received a letter from R. B. Rutherford, saying he had just seen Col. C. W. Martin, a member of Congress (at large) from the State of Illinois, who says he is well acquainted with the Indian Agent, and will do all he can for you; Should you wish a position under the Government in the Indian Agency Department, - He requested "a brief Statement of your sacrifices among the Indians, and any service you may have rendered the Government &c &c"

I presume that this interest in your affairs, is taken by Bro. M. - & R. B. Rutherford on the supposition that your connection with the Am. board, would soon cease; and that you might possibly be without immediate employment - Of course I did not know what your calculations, for the future, were; nor could I give a very specific statement of your sacrifices, or services in connection with the Indians, or the Gov^t - I did however write to Bro. Moss Saturday evening, on the receipt of his letter - and now write you for the purpose of knowing more definitely what you have in view, and to say that should you wish for any situation in the Indian Department, among the Dakotas, I have no doubt that with the assistance of your friends in Minnesota, (of whom I know you have many) - you may obtain some one, which you might feel willing to accept, -

As you know, I have no influence, and but little acquaintance with members of Congress, who are generally supposed to exercise an influence in appointments under the Government, but should you desire to obtain any place, or feel willing to accept any; I will un-

any influence I can, with Mr Bundy, the member of Congress from our District; he is a clever good man, a new member however and may not have much influence yet at Washington —

You are doubtless aware that appointments are scarcely ever obtained except on solicitation, and generally with the assistance of influential friends — I suppose perhaps the Senators & Members of the S. R. from Minnesota can exercise as much or more influence in the appointments among Northern Indians than any others — perhaps among outsiders, Genl. Sibley or some of the Army officers with whom you are acquainted, might say a word in your favor —

I have written this hastily, on this half sheet of Foots Cap — being the first paper that was at hand — And if it reaches you within a few days, will you please write to me here, how it corresponds with your views, or wishes — I do not suppose you will ever be a very successful Office Seeker, nor do I wish that any of my friends should ever become so anxious for office, as to give up principle, or turn aside from the right, or indeed ever to make political office seeking the business of life — but if necessary that offices should be filled by some persons; and if good & honest men can be found, who are Capable, it is right, as well as desirable that they should be selected —

As ever Your loving brother

L. Riggs

L. Riggs
1863

United States Sanitary Commission.

OFFICE OF MINNESOTA CLAIM AGENCY.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 4, 1865.

Rev. J. R. Briggs

Beloit Wis.

Sir

In reply to yours of the 30th ult. I beg to inform you that the application for Backpay in the case of Mrs. Adams, deceased must be made by his father.

If he belongs to any tribe of Indians hostile to the Government, I presume that the Backpay lapses to the Government.

For further information you are respectfully referred to the Commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington D.C.

Respectfully yours
J. M. Keller

Adjutant General

Rev. WM. A. HALLOCK, }
Rev. G. EASTMAN, } SECRETARIES.
Rev. J. M. STEVENSON, }
O. R. KINGSBURY, ASS'T SEC'Y AND TREAS.
S. W. STEBBINS, DEPOSITARY.
No. 150 Nassau-st.

American Tract Society,
New York, Oct. 6, 1865.

Rev. S. R. Riggs

My dear Sir

Your

favor of the 25th ult. was
 duly rec^d, enclosing \$3.50.

Our Committee have
granted your request & we
send by mail 18 copies
Songs of Zion to your daughter
- Miss Martha Taylor Riggs
Mankato, Minn. Hope
they will prove a valuable
aid when in her good work.

Dr. Hallock sends his love again.

Yours very truly

S. W. Stebbins, dep^y

Julia L.

Rockford Oct. 23/55

Mr. Riggs

Dear friend

Yours with
the ten dollars for Mary came
the 21st. Mary was admitted here
under the provision for ministers
daughters.

Mrs. Renville wrote Miss
Sill that she was preparing for
a missionary teacher. Miss Renville
insists on Mary's taking both
French and Music, and consequently
by our laws but one other study
although she don't ^{know} much more
about Arithmetic and Geography
than French. I was rather at
a loss to know what to tell
Miss Sill when she asked me
if the French and Music were
essential for her missionary labor.

I went over to see Mrs. Jackson
Friday. Mr. Jackson and she were
both sick. She wished to be re-
sumed to the family where
I wrote.

I should like to know
my friend Julia's maiden name.
I haven't any idea who she
is.

Miss Goodrich left here a
week ago Friday for St. Paul.
She seemed undecided as to
what she should do this winter.
I think she would like to
get a school if she could get
a good salary. I suppose \$100. a
year will not support her three
times.

Yours sincerely
Julia Capron Boice

Lima, Ohio
Oct. 24th 1865

Dear Brother,

Your letter reached here just before I left for Synod. I got back last night at ten O'clock, and after writing to Arabella I hasten to drop you a few lines to notify you of our intentions. We expect to start in the morning for Bellefontaine, Yellow Springs, Loveland, Hillsborough, Loveland, and Beloit. We hope to be at Beloit, D.V., two weeks from today (Tuesday Nov. 7th). Elizabeth and I are in usual health.

Jane & I are well.
But I must close
or I will be too late
for this morning's
mail.

Your aff. brother
George G. Poage

— 7781

8.8.88

Washington D.C. Oct 27. 1865.

Rev S. R. Riggs

My Dear Sir

May I not say Brother — for I feel
that any man who is a friend to those
poor defrauded & wronged Children of Na-
-ture is my brother. I had the pleasure of the
Indian Bureau & the Interior Department
after urging & arguing the whole question
with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs
he endorsed the papers — Petition sent by
Dr Williamson, signed by the Indians & then
I had interviews first with Secretary Fish
and then with Secretary Harlan and all
parties around me that the Indians were
practically pardoned — none of them should
be hung unless it was Quinn (if I rec-
ollect rightly) That question I got set-
tled conclusively and I think my efforts
caused the respite ^{of those at Ft. Snelling} and if you deem
it ^a justifiable act I think I can get
those two pardoned also I have corres-
-ponded with Mr Williamson frequently
upon the subject of pardoning & of

removing the Ojibwas up the Mississippi
& to their friends. The place to which their
people were sent above Fort Randall & to
Fort Thompson were unfit for them & un-
-suited to them and some old chiefs in
the Indian Bureau especially the Mix
Chief & Lak thought it better for them
to be kept until a better place could be
found to which all could be sent to
be united again. A special Commissioner
was appointed to endeavor to consolidate
most of the nations & tribes & then re-
move the Ojibwas to that place. ^{So}
unsettled was the Government as ^{to} its
policy that the liberation has been de-
ferred until spring as it is too late to
send them across the prairies this fall
and I trust a far better place may be
selected & a better system organized for
them than heretofore. Tell my friends that
I shall continue to work for them & never
cease to labor for them. I presume some
of them will remember the council I held
with them at Yellow Medicine when you
intercepted for me.

Continued

My Dear Sir

I took a half sheet thinking that would be sufficient for my answer but I could not stop any more than a great letter among the Indians when he gets a going at a Council. What has become of the Chief orator who spoke to me at my Council — one of your Indians. Where is Miesau — your other Indians — the Chiefs — the Indians I mean.

Tell them that I came to Washington & told their Great & Good Father Abraham Lincoln of their grievances & he promised they should be fairly dealt with & so directed his Commissioners but he had so much to do — such a great war on his hands that ^{he} was obliged to leave them, his Red Children in the care of his Clerks. Tell them I went with Dr Williamson to see him & got him to pardon some thirty or forty

of the prisoners last year & their best Father
promised us that if they were good that
even he would pardon the rest of them
next (the next) spring. In the spring
I had got all my arrangements
made to see the President on Saturday
Morning and on Thursday night he
was shot & died on Friday morning
then the new President came in — the war
was at ~~it~~ about closing & he seemed
crushed with business & being a new
man unavoidable delay was the result
then this new Commission & the fact that
my funds had had a bad solution
for a home made for them & I think
they should have a better one so
all these things together caused the
delay.

Tell them I thank them
for the little box of beautiful ornaments
they sent me by Dr Williamson who
sent them by mail — I prize them
highly & shall be glad to hear they
have learned to read & write to do

Useful labor & devote themselves to
the Cultivation of the earth & lay aside
their old & begin a new life.

If you want any
improvement of their quarters & sa-
tions let me know all about it
and I can effect such change no
doubt. Dr Williamson sent me
a petition signed by many of them
I was glad so many could write

I trust in the Lord that
the time is not far distant when
this nation shall do justice by the
two Colored races when that shall
have been done & not till then can
we prosper as a nation

But 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'clock admonishes
me I must close

Yours truly

Geo E. H. Day

You had better remain on Dr. M.
until spring

Zatohya

Zawahinllidete.

Zatohnaingake

Wakohdisea

Ayone

Wahokpi

Zatohdiripi

Ho Kagopi

Zatohadete

(Hadaida)

Zacahp. Potuha

Mahp. Potuha

Asituhp. Potuha

Mahp. Potuha

Mahp. Potuha

Asipetu waste - Zithed to

Cetuhkito

Mahpiga colloga

Wahohd. Kito

Wahonna

Wicahp. Kito

Iteicahnewani

Iwewedon

Iphkito

Natua Mahp. Potuha

Mahp. Potuha

Ojagah

Mahp. Potuha

Wasukitto

M. D. 1965

171 men

38 women

209

Isabelle
1865

Beloit Wis. Oct. 28, 1865.

Dear Papa,

You know you will want to hear from us, even though nothing happens to us which is worth chronicling. Perhaps the snow which fell last night, as we ~~wintering~~ ^{wintering} up for the week of dreary days, is worth mention. I am upstairs, and writing by candle light, which is so dim that I will say good night.

Miss Leonard, who has been at Rockford for a while, came home a week ago, on account of sore eyes. She brought Anna's box with her, and so it cost nothing but for bringing it up from the depot. It came this evening, as Anna did not get the

chick until yesterday.

Sabbath, Oct-29th.

We have had the books, which Mrs. Drake sent us, to read to-day.

To Henry she sent "Fables and Sketches of Christian Life;" and "The Early Dawn" to me. I have not looked at Robb's and Cornelia's books. They all came in Anna's box.

Mr. Bushnell preached from "There hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist; notwithstanding, he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he." He showed, chiefly, in what respects ^{it} could not be said that the "least" is greater than he.

The boys, as usual, thought he was "dry."

Monday Oct 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall have recently gone back to Baraboo, and will not return to Lakeland, I presume.

Mr. Williams will stay for the present at Oswego, Ill. It is eighteen miles from Lockport.

The leaves are falling very fast in our yard. They were heavy with snow after the snowstorm the other night, and a great many fell then.

The long rain kept us in the house so that I began to feel very nearly sick, but I went down town Saturday morning to get Cornelia a pair of shoes, and myself some gloves and other things, and felt like quite a different creature, although I did get my dress and shoes wet. I wonder sometimes how sick people ever get well, since they have to stay in the house so closely, often.

The snow is nearly gone, and the walking is bad.

The boys have brought the cabbage in, but have not put them away yet. Thomas is "going to do" that this week. He has put his books in his bookcase, and they (and it;) make a respectable appearance. His table is also making some progress. Henry got legs for it over the river. Oct 31st.

I meant to have finished this yesterday, but was so tired last night that I went to bed at eight, with Anna and Cornelia. A letter came from Martha last night, which I will send.

Cornelia improves in combing her hair, and for several days she has done her morning work without grumbling. She makes pictures and valentines as usual, and dances around a good deal - Love from all. We often speak of you. Ever your aff. daughter *Isabella*

J. Riggs



Highway Sept. 30. 1865

Dear Brother

I wrote a letter two weeks ago, enclosed with stamp on it, intending to drop it in the Post office, but put it in my pocket when it remained two days before it was discovered, and of course had grown too old; and now I am informed that you have removed from St. Anthony to Beloit; so this letter having a wrong direction, was as well in my pocket as it would have been in the Dead letter office. In that letter, I perceive I stated that I had left Portsmouth on the 6th of Sept. - arriving here the eve of the 7th -

I came here intending to spend some 6 or 8 weeks, and visit some of our friends in Fayette & Mercer Counties. Last week, accompanied by Martha, went by R.R. to Union town, and spent 9 days in Fayette Co. I found a few old friends whom I had known well in my youthful days, but had not seen them for 48 years, and time had so changed them as well as myself that we were as strangers

when we met - I spent the days pleasantly
however, although some of the members of several
of the families being sick lessened the pleasure which
I should have otherwise enjoyed, somewhat -

I may mention some of those yet living, whom you
may probably know - Moses & Cephas Porter -
Aaron Baird & Moses Baird, and their wives -
Moses Porters wife was sick with Dysentery, and the
wife of Cephas' son James was at the point of
death, with Disease of the Heart, Aaron Baird is
about 80 years of age and very infirm, he lives &
his wife, with a Daughter, married to a Galagher, in
Merrett's Town - Moses Baird & wife live on the old
farm on which his father lived, and his son Jeremiah
had the wheel of a heavy loaded Wagon run over his
leg mashing the bones very badly, - the son lives
in a house, not more than 100 feet from his father -
I also spent an hour with Leah Davis - daughter
of Uncle Charley Porter, & took dinner with the
youngest daughter of Uncle Robert Baird (Elizabeth),
married to Randall Deaiths, - She was 2 years younger
than the Doct. Robt. B. - but looked as though she
might have been older, She & her husband live in
the house with their youngest son who is married
& has several children - We spent the time

principally with James Ewing, who you know
married Harriet Baird, daughter of Uncle Moses -
They live well & have an interesting family of
two sons & five or six daughters, one of the sons
is practicing Medicine in Union Town & the other
has been practicing in Illinois near Ottawa, but
is now on his way to attend a Second Course of Lectures
in Phil^a - a third son died in the Army some
two years ago - Uncle Charles Porters first
children are all dead except Leah, and she is in
her 70th year being 3 months older than I am -

I had not seen Leah Davis nor Mr Deaith
since the Autumn of 1817 - forty eight years ago
yet how short the time seems when I look back,
remembering incidents, which then took place -

Brown was here when I came up but left
the 18th inst. for Nashville Term - intending
to spend a few days visiting his friends in
Portsmouth & Ripley, and then to visit Eliza Jane
in Illinois - expecting to arrive at Nashville by
the middle of Oct - He was licensed by the Court
with a rather more than usual commendation, and
Mr Beech his legal preceptor speaks highly of
his attainments, - yet I would have been pleased
had it been so that he had entered the ministry

but perhaps the Lord may have work for him
in another direction, — I alluded to an intention
of visiting Mercer County, where our Cousin Cyrus
Riggs lives (in Clarksville) but we are informed that
his oldest Daughter is, or was, quite ill with a fever
and unless we are advised of her recovery soon, I
shall decline going, — Harriet intended going with
me then — As my first recollections in life
were in Mercer Co. — I have had a wish to revisit
the place where I spent my first school boy days
from 5 to 10 years of age, yet it is possible I might
not recognize the place, therefore shall not grieve
much if my desire shall be thwarted —

Having learned that you have removed to Beloit
recently, I should be glad to hear how you are
pleased with the change, also how Mary Ann's
health is — and when your children are, or if
all are with you, or how many? Have you
relinquished your connection with the Am. Board?
If you write to me by the 15th of Oct. I presume
I will receive it here; as I have not proposed leaving
for Portsmouth before the latter part of the month —

Harriet & Martha & children are well, — Charles
has not been well for some days, but is improving, he
says — With much love to all your family, I am
as ever, your affectionate brother
C. Riggs

Miss. House Boston

Nov. 1. 1868

Rev. S. R. Riggs,

East Darnmouth, Iowa. Dear Bro.

Your favor of Oct. 23. I have recd. I read most of it to the Com^{ee}. I do not infer your opinion as to my saving change in Little Six & Medicine Bottle. I hope the event will show that they are truly born again.

I send herewith our Wards. draft for \$60. which the Com^{ee} voted very cheerfully. I shall be glad to receive your report on the condition of the prisoners at Darnmouth. May the Spirit of the Lord abide with you & with them also!

It would have given me pleasure to see more of your mission at Chicago; but after the meeting before, there was no time. I was in a perfect whirl up to the hour when I left the city. John P. W. made a very good speech; I have frequently heard it spoken of in favorable terms. Very fraternally
S. B. Truett

Love to all the family

Sister Julia

Wippen Nov. 4th 1863.

Nov. 1863-

Dear Sister Mary,

If I should fill up
my sheet with all the reasons, why
I have not written to you, long in this
I expect you would forgive me -
but I shall trust to your good sense
and kindness of heart, to do it so,
without. As a family we have
been blessed with health the past
year. My dear boy, has been spared
through his first year of soldier life.
In his last letter, he said, "that time
years looked longer to him now
than three did, when he went
from home - because he had seen
how vast one year, was in its
effects." Forty who went from here
with him, in this Co.,
are now in their graves,
and half as many more disabled &
in hospitals or discharged. So how
many hearts & homes has the sad news and
desolation - come - to how many more

It will come ere the war closes!

I suppose you hear from our friends East. I wish I heard from them and you oftener than I do. I was in Chicago the first of August, and there heard of Alfred's marriage. I wish very much that when he came to Liverpool he had come out to visit.

I hope if Mr. Briggs should come there, as Dr. W. did to see the Indians, ^{or labor for} he could not fail to come out here. It is not far, less than forty miles, I think.

Have you had your losses made up to you, by the Government? I felt somewhat relieved when I saw that an appropriation had been made for that purpose. I know you must have lost much that money can not buy - the labor of years & many valuable mementoes of the departed. But I shall be glad to know that you have been made comfortable even if I had been unable to share in the pleasure of making you so.

May I not hope for a letter from you soon as ever your sister Julia.

Camp Kearney.

(Davenport - Iowa
Nov 16th 1865

Rev S. R. Riggs

Mitakuye ake Itó

Nowapi'ciage kta wacin Mitakuye eya Ohini makiye
i'kapi' kta Ayakitecin he Sdonwaye tuka Dehanya
Oya Kihisi'ni tuka eya Heeeca eita Dehanya
Token Oyakihí Heecen Ayakita kta na'e'e'e
Wanna Wariyetu yamni Hehanya Kaika
Woon tuka eya Tukten kten Iyomakisi'e
e'e tuka nakaha Anpeli Iyohi' Gante
masi'e'cin he ni' eya Sdonwaye
Mitawimukitin ga Ina ga Ni'e'cin on he na
on Anpeli Iyohi' on Gante Masi'e'kin e
Tahan Kawanke Ni'ongehan Heena Wi'ea
yaha on na'kai' makai'kapi' eita Ohini
Gante mawaste dehan tube dan
Wi'ca'yaha onpi' Keyapi' on kan ni'na
Gante masi'e'e
Heecen Ketu kinhan Token Oyakihí
Omayakiye Ca Mitawimukitin kinhan

Wicahduha waankta wasin do
Eya hena dehan ture dan
Wicayuha on pui kin hena kis
Sdang gaye

Iho Hena hee tu
Hehan Fort Thompson & I. ga
Hee ciya tan han na ka ha
Wobapi hi onkan Ate Yahopi
wakan ta keyapi na wakan
Heeen nina lante masice do
mitakunye mi eanti on
nape ciye ge do

Elias Renben
Ohan wayakapi
Ningy

Chinua

1865—

4th

Davenport Iowa Nov 20. 1865

S. B. Riggs.

Mitakenzee nabaka
ito wowapi orispa cicage kte
cya yakiyakda o hokam
wowapi cicage kte epea tha
Tokomni nina wicoranota
ga on dehan wowapi cicage xni
Tutka wowapi cicage cin he
Tokon ocioiyake kte epe xni
Tutka he ake tokata taken
wakanonxinida matroce den
zanigan anitli kte iya
hdn kean kinhan o he
odowan wowapi wanji gi
ayaki kte iyececa okini
ake tokta wanji gi kea cin
pi naceca ga hehan ito
wowapi wiwa ngapi totoke
ga yakagapi hanstakata kin
he wanji gati enyanta kecin
han he ga kte cinhan wanji
dn he kte war wacin.

nakeon wowapi innpa wanji
duke tete wacin ga he han
Tokon onkeiyotankapi xni
en onkanpi iko mitakaye
Takomni takocicigaketa
manica he nana epe tete
mitakada mitawacin
on napeciya za wanna
Takorpi wakan takeyapi
he nana epe

Mo. & S. Sag. ye. ki. tun
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1865

Joseph M. K.

1865
Crow Creek Agency D.T. Nov 30, 1865

Rev S. R. Riggs

My Dear Brother,

It is now a little more than three weeks since I arrived at my Indian home. I found the people all apparently much rejoiced to see me safe back again. The meetings had been well kept up in my absence. Mr. Pond would generally take the lead - read a chapter and explain what he could - after which he would have some one particular one of the Elders selected to make the principal discourse. The people begin to feel more that it is their religion & not the white mans only, & the Elders that there is a responsibility resting on them to see that that Gods worship is properly conducted. On my return some of the Elders told how anxious they had been while I was gone to see that the Sabbath Worship was properly honored.

I think I wrote to you & told you I had received a letter from the Am Tr Society saying that they had received a donation of \$77⁶³ from some Churches in Wash Co Wis for Indian Missions

and they proposed to print & bind 300 copies of ~~the~~ Cante-twa with it for our Mission if such a number could be judiciously used. I have answered that I thought they could.

I wish you would inform either me or them how many copies you think could be used properly at Swampport, and if you think best to have them sent there as soon as completed - which from what they said will at least be early in the winter.

Our Indians here will be very glad to get a supply of them as we have never had but a dozen copies or so which have been used in the School.

Next Sabbath is our Communion Season. There are some Candidates. I do not know yet how many will be received. There are also several Quakers who wish to change their relations.

The School was never more flourishing. It is a great sorrow to me we have not more facilities for raising up the young men in knowledge.

I shall teach a considerable class this winter. There are a good many straggling Conktons about but I have not time to visit them & they do not come to meeting & seem a different people. I wish some one could devote themselves to them, but I do not think the immediate result would be very encouraging tho' as much so as many former years of our Mission. I am truly
John P. Millison

Miss. House Boston
Nov 20 1865

Rev. J. R. Ruggs

Beloit. - Dear Bro.

Yours of Oct. 28,
& Nov 3. I recd Nov. 8. I was much
interested in its perusal. I don't know
whether you are at Liverpool or Beloit;
hence I address you at the latter
place.

Mr Cunningham has written to me,
expressing a wish to return to the Lau-
tons. I laid the matter before the Com^{ee} two days
ago, & they could not encourage his doing so,
tho' you would approve, I presume.

He also says that he has four in
his school (meaning Lakotas, I presume) & asks
if the Board will "continue to support the
other two". I don't quite understand him. Does
he simply mean, "Will you support two ~~as before~~
before?" or "Will you support two more, or four
in all?" But I need not trouble you with a
question of interpretation. What I wish to know
is this. Is it worth while for us to pay \$75 per
year to educate Lakota children in this way? We
don't do such a thing in any other case. Please reply
Very truly yrs S. B. French

Mrs. Renville

Saint. Anthony Dec 1st / 65-

Mr. Riggs.

Resd Sir The special object of my writing at this time is to request you to send (\$ 55) fiftyfive dollars of the money due us this Quarter, to Mary Martin at Rockford, and the remaining \$20 to me. Mary has to make a payment in January.

Mr Renville was very anxious to have you try to withdraw the 160. acres scrip. from Washington of Mary's for which we have no duplicate. If we had the scrip we could readily dispose of it to our and Mary's advantage.

Mr Riggs if you can withdraw the scrip and it be attended with expense we will be glad to reward your labours; Will you do it Mr Riggs if it can be done for our last Bonds are broken though we hope to be able to lift them

when the 90 days are expired.

~~Then~~ we could sell some of Mary's land if she was of age to some advantage but to sell it at public auction will not answer.

Mr Renuill started for East Wadsworth Tuesday he would have started before but Ella and I have been sick. We are all well at present. I have four weeks more to teach this Quarter have only a few scholars besides my own. I have had no opportunity of selling the school books Mrs Riggs gave me for that purpose but will still try to sell them. I have taken the liberty to use some of them for our children. I would like to see you all very much, and wish you may all be prospered in doing good.

Respectfully,
Mary A. Renuill.

Fort Wadsworth
Dec. 18/65

My Dear Friend

Man Naha wo
wapi' cicage ozate de rion
pi Nin. etta wicahi tika
witaya ou pi ni afor
Okiheyedam. etta ou pi
apa uti hioji etta ou pi
ga apa it Wabe en hoo ou
pi ga apa Hukha pa ha etta
tigi gao Nin. tipi 20 hoo
Bea den tipi Anse ti wa
Nan nupa den wa ho Nor.
wicawakiye Nte ga toka
ta Anse ti wanan Nin han
den wokedze e lo Nor pi
Nte Siharumi ti Nin. hoo
to Nakeya wahi oullan.
As it is Siharumi enzan

Ne xui tu ka tarwi cin
he cee e man. Kiye iye ti
en wa ho nor wi ca wa Kiye
cin. Ne ya ga e cee e ca mo
on nar. Dakota kin owa
sin wi ca Kiye. He cen ti
pi kin. tar ka tu ka oji
dass. He har wi yotai har
sar pa Dakota ti pi ekta
wa hon nor wi ca wa Kiye
ix na hon wi cota

Anje tiha allan. Son fra.
 Kier kann tohkan mde Kite
 t'pi: Kier on uasins etita
 mde Kite u n cins tiha
 apha Tekan on pi ga tin-
 ta e e e dan ga ~~all~~ o sui

Heon o'Kini a pa w an
wi ca ndatle the mi
na ee ee o wasins wawwi

Ca mda ka wa lin tukla
 mda ipa kran itiyedam
 wa n he kani o si wunji
 tani ka sdon waye anpe
 tu to pa i la mna tukla te
 rithe do kani con to pa fi
 wowafi to kran on kran owa
 sin tani in pi ni ga
 war na anpe tu wi kee
 mna uwi lade pi tu ka
 nahar sin wa n ji dan
 iye gapi ni kran ka can
 ka kran mna krowasin
 tani in pi ni he con wa
 na owasin tani na ce
 mda iye dan ga mda ipa kran
 o kitanhe dan he tu

Wa Na Ka Keraia epe Ktu
Iye Wa Na Tar Ka or 4 ion
da pi Kiu. Ka a Ne Wan

The affair this year was
on Kiriya Kapi' Wte

Yours Truly
John B. Merrill

Rev. Mr. Riggs

John B. Merrill

Fort Wadsworth
Dakota Territory

December 19 1865

Yarnakoc Mitakoda
Nakoha wovapi cicage
do taku wanji eciciye
kta wacin ate he tautanji
taku wanji iniwange do
Modokehan wokiwa kin he
etanhan tona gupi kta
hecintah he nakison kta in
do modokehan saharmi opawin
ge sanpa wikecmoda topa
kena gu do ga ake de han to
na gupi kta hecin^{hame} he saonye
kta cin do John he iye okici
wa tka tona kica kin okiya
he kin do son he nahan kta
cin hee do he han taku wa
han aie nina ayag un do haw
ana epe kta do Napeciyaze do
Thamas of nawaag mari
hemiyse do

Thomas Anawangmou
Jan. 18 65

Miss. Home Boston
Dec. 22 1865

Rev. J. R. Briggs

Deloit. Wis. — Dear Bro.

I have your letter of
Dec. 5 + encq. before me. The Com^{ee} have
voted to allow you \$750 during 1866, & also
such sum as you may be obliged to expend
when away from home. This, I believe, is
according to your request.

The Com^{ee} have allowed Mr Cum-
mingsham \$150 for two Dakota children, Mr
Remick, \$300 for four, & Dr Williamson \$150
for two. They also allow Mr Remick at the
rate of \$33 1/3 a month for the time which
he spends in the service of the Board, under the
direction of the mission. I suppose you under-
stand that the Dakota mission direct his
labors. We never direct the labors of native
preachers, &c.

I am so busy that I must stop
just here. Kindest regards to Mrs H.
& all your family

Very respectfully

W.
S. B. Truax