



Faribault State School and Hospital.
Superintendent.
Correspondence.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

St. Paul, Feb. 3rd., 1888

A. C. Rogers M.D.,

Supt. of Minnesota Institute for Defectives. Faribault, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. M. Schwallen, now of Stillwater but formerly of Wisconsin, is the father of three imbeciles and desires to get them into your institution. Mr. Schwallen is an old friend of mine and has asked for my friendly services in the matter, and although I have not the pleasure of your acquaintance, I take the liberty to address you upon the subject. It seems Mr. Schwallen made application while he was still a resident of Wisconsin, and is anxious to know now whether it will be necessary to make another formal application. If you could kindly furnish me with the desired information I would esteem it a great favor. Mr. Schwallen simply desires to get the matter in such shape that it will stand on an equal footing with others, and if there is any precedence due from date of application, he desires to have the application made as early as possible, so as to avail himself of such advantage. I am

Very respectfully yours,

Spencer

[1888?]

February?

Manneapohis

Doctor

I have
seated myself to a task
I rather dread, it is ^{this} I
do not believe I can keep
Leilie home much longer
I cannot get along with
her at times she get
angry and how you
manage I do not know
I can do the most with her
of any one and at times
it is impossible for me
to do anything with her
I am worn worn out
I have been her constant
attendant for the 4 weeks
she has been home never

✓
have ^{her} with anyone and
I cannot stand it
you do not know or
imagine how trying
such a child is to any
one situated as I am
company coming and
going all the time &
sometimes - just when I
want her good that is
the time she acts the worst
than at other times she
is so good I do not see
how she could act naughty
I just hate to write this
letter it looks as though
I did not love my girl
but I do but to take care
of her I cannot I have
those dreadful ~~nervous~~ ^{nervous}

headaches and than
have her to take care of
for at times she wont
allow anyone to kind
her but me to day she
has been so trying I am
just about crazy that
is what drove me to
write this now please
write me and let me
know what you think
about it Mrs Perry

she is more care this
summer than last.

1806 5th Ave. South

Gov. A. R. McGill, ex-officio President.
D. C. BELL, Minneapolis.
C. H. BERRY, Winona.
W. M. CAMPBELL, Litchfield.
M. M. G. DANA, St. Paul.
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STATE OF MINNESOTA.

OFFICE OF THE

Board of Corrections and Charities,

STATE CAPITOL.

H. H. HART, St. Paul,
SECRETARY.

St. Paul, April 19, 188

Dr. A. C. Rogers,

Faribault, Minn.

Dear Doctor:- Mrs. Rachel Pauli is a soldier's widow resident in this city and has three children dependent on her, one of the children is a feeble minded girl sixteen years of age, in consequence of a spinal injury received when she was eight years old. She is not strong physically. Her mother finds herself unable to provide the care necessary for the girl and desires to have her admitted to your institution. J. W. Fisher, Pres. of the general relief committee of the I. O. O. F., called on me to-day having been referred to me by Hon. W. B. Murran, City Attorney, and states the case is one of special urgency and they are anxious to secure her admission at once. The mother is able to provide for clothing expenses and desires to do so without calling on the county for assistance. If you can manage it, I hope you will make place for her at once.

Please forward me the necessary blanks for the application and I will have Mr. Fisher forward the papers at once.

Please advise me by return mail and oblige

Yours truly,

H. H. Hart

STATE OF MINNESOTA.

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Board of Corrections and Charities,

STATE CAPITOL.

H. H. HART, St. Paul,
SECRETARY.

ST. PAUL, May 8, 1888.

Dr. A. C. Rogers,

Faribault, Minn.

Dear Doctor:- This will introduce Mrs. Rachel Pauli, the mother of the girl of whom I wrote to you last week. She is supplied with the necessary documents for the admission of the girl. Please accept thanks for your prompt reply to our inquiries.

Yours truly,

H. H. Hart

Gov. A. R. MCGILL, ex-officio President.
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Board of Corrections and Charities,
STATE CAPITOL.

H. H. HART, St. Paul,
SECRETARY.

ST. PAUL, *May 11* 188*8*

Dr. A. C. Rogers
Supt. School for the Feeble Minded
Faribault

Dear Doctor:

This will introduce Mr.
Charles E. Baker who desires to consult
with reference to a patent.

Any courtesy which you can show
Mr. Baker will be gratefully appre-
ciated by

Yours Truly
H. H. Hart

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Faribault, May 19th. 1888.

Dr. A. C. Rogers.

Sir. It was my privilege to listen to your very instructive lecture on "The Story Of The Brain", on Wednesday evening last. Your description of its effects on different portions of the body was especially interesting.

I wish to inquire if it is a part of your duty to visit patients who may become inmates of the institution over which you preside?

I have an invalid brother who has been in my family for six years. If you can make it convenient to visit him I would esteem it a favor. What age is the limit at which patients may be received? Do you receive any

any for temporary treatment - who do
not become permanent members of
the institution?

If you can call on us, please
state when it will be most convenient.

You will find our residence^{ce}
on Chestnut-St. near 4th.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. M. J. Cherry.

Wadena Minn

23rd May 1888

Mr. A. C. Rogers
Faribault Minn

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 15th inst recd but contained no blanks as therein stated. And have deferred answering with expectation of receiving them by later Mail; but as yet they have not come to hand. Many thanks for your promptness and kindness in regard to my nephew.

We were all sadly moved when thro you we learned of your bereavement thro the death of your little boy. Fred & I were greatly put out. At Mrs. Kissack's request (her sympathy ^{as a mother} being kindly with Mrs. Rogers) I wrote you immediately tendering you our sympathy. So I assure you Dr. he reciprocates your emotions

inasmuch as we will always be glad of
your successes and sympathize with you
in your trials and afflictions. With
kind regards believe me to ever
Remain

Yours very sincerely
W. H. T. Sack

State Office

STATE OF MINNESOTA,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

St. Paul, May 24th., 1888

Dr. A. C. Rogers ,

Supt. of Asylum, Faribault, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 21st. inst. has come to hand. And so, the Mangan boy is no more. Well, really, I suppose under all the circumstances, it is just as well. There was nothing for the boy to hope for or to live for. His mother, of course, will mourn his death and perhaps will always think he was murdered, but had he lived, she would have had about the same amount of trouble over him living as she will have now that he is dead, perhaps more.

I have not seen her, but have no doubt she will come here and impale the officers of your school with the murder of her son. I will try to placate the old lady, for I cannot help feeling sorry for her. Somehow or other she has enlisted my sympathies and I have tried on many occasions to comfort her and reason with her. I realize however that she is not one of the reasoning kind and is not a sane person by any means. Of course I am aware that the boy received the kindest and best of treatment. I am

Very truly yours,

A. R. McGill

of Cars during his part of the journey.

In some of his letters to friends and relatives, tho' not to me, he seems to think it will be hardly necessary for him to go back again. Of course I place that to a boy's fond imagination of getting home after a years absence and imagine he will never want to leave us again; However that maybe as it may, I leave the matter entirely to your judgment as I don't want him to leave for good until a radical cure is ensured or a knowledge of the disease as it affects him had, so as to guide his relatives & himself in his future care. He told me when last at Taribault, that I would never have any need to send him to any other Institution; for if you could not cure him, he did not think any one else could; In all his

Lam. P.P. 4 P.M.

Wed 10-25

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Min
28th May 1888

Dr. A. C. Rogers
Taribault Minn.

Dear Dr,

Yours of the 23rd
inst I had and thank you for
the interest shown therein.

Money will be forwarded to
Lom to pay his passage home at
least sufficient to pay from St
Paul or Minneapolis. As it will
be impossible for any of us to
meet him at either place perhaps
you could arrange matters, either
so as to make close connections
with the N. P. or some person at
either point to see him aboard.
Once aboard there is no change

Conversations with me & letters as well, he has the highest opinion of the Institution and Officers as well, and speaks of them all yourself included, with great affection for which again Dr. You must accept my best thanks. My pecuniary position for the incoming year I trust will be in a better status & will be therefore better able to supply the boy with such necessaries as should emanate from home than have been in the past year. I would take it as a great favor if you would diagnose his case thoroughly and advise him accordingly, as to his own treatment during vacation and the advisability of his returning for future treatment (if you think so). I have always found him a boy of wonderful reasoning powers & always willing to be coerced by reason tho' not by force. I hope he has not been giving any of you trouble in any form either by conversation or action? I have no reason to think so, but simply ask for information's sake, being only a boy, and the atmosphere of his bringing up not being as bright as it should have been. Sometimes fear he might lapse from my teachings;

As to Fred he is his own Master, so far as I am concerned it was arranged when he left home that he would stay away a year at least. The only way to make ~~the~~ Fred contented after I am leaver is to have plenty of Non-Compulsory work ahead of him outside & inside, do it or let it alone. My word for it, he will do it every time especially if he finds he isn't compelled to do it. If you advised with him in regard to your farm work it would give him a new impetus for Fred is really a farmer at heart. What farm papers do you take? I might send you some that you don't take. Yours, really Wm. Kissack



State Officer

STATE OF MINNESOTA

AUDITORS OFFICE

St. Paul, July 28th 1888

A. C. Rogers M.D.
Supt. - State School &c.

My Dear Sir

Yours of 27

at hand. I note your statement given me by Mr. Riibe, who I think reliable - Is a prominent citizen in his county - has been in the Legislature &c. Since it was their desire to care for the unfortunate son - but the death of his wife rendered it well nigh impossible.

I think I can in a measure appreciate the great difficulty it placed him in - money will not supply - or purchase the sacrifices - nicely undertaken by affection. I have long felt that the school presided over by ~~our~~ you - was - certainly next after our humane institutions the States noblest Charity. Its ability to care for these "saddest of unfortunate" needs but to be understood, to be appreciated.

I think Mr. Riibe will be most grateful. Please accept personal thanks - I did not wish to seem importunate, but thought this perhaps an unusual case,

Yours sincerely
J. A. Anderson

LAW OFFICES

OF

CLAPP & MACARTNEY,

Room 14, Torinus Block.

STILLWATER, MINN., Aug. 25 1888

A. C. Rogers Esq
Supr. Minn. School
for Feeble Minded
Fairbault.

Sirs:

Herewith find
bonds of Mr. N. Schwallen as principal and
E. W. Durant and J. J. Eichter as sureties, for
the payment of incidental expenses of
Peter, Matthias and Albert Schwallen when
admitted to your school. We trust they will
be found satisfactory.

Please write Mr. Schwallen what
day he can bring his sons, and make such
suggestions to him as to his management of
them, and the route to be taken &c, as you
may think advisable; he has no experience in
managing them except right at home, and the
journey to Fairbault looks ^{to him} like a great
undertaking, and he will be pleased to have
your advice in the matter. Please communicate
directly with him.

Yours Truly
Clapp & Macartney

✓
Dr. A. C. Rogers.

Faribault - Minn.

Dear Doctor -

I write you
in behalf of a little patient
who has been under my
care for some time.

The mother is married
of the Nursery & Kindergarten
in care of the Bethel Society
of Plymouth Church. She
has no other means of
support - and her husband
is also dependent upon
her. The husband was
insane - (as he truly, before
marriage - & has now
several years - right since
the mother is sick -
insane also - though
the mother has never

been insane. Now the
 patient is a little girl
 daughter of these parents.
 She has not been a
 strong child ever and
 after a short acute
 illness - was taken very
 suddenly with what I
 have designated "Hysterical
 Chorea" - though the case
 presented some symptoms
 of true Cerebral type - I
 advised her removal to
 Green Bay - as the mother
 has a sister there, she has
 grown steadily worse -
 Now she cannot stay
 where she is - as there are
 other children in the
 family - and the Ladies
 cannot have her taken to
 the surgery for the same
 reason - and the mother

must be at work to earn
 something for her family.
 Therefore this case is not
 unique, then, Doctor in
 that it should be removed
 from relatives & friends.
 The child whom I saw her
 last was a good subject
 for moral discipline and
 a fair example of emotional
 instability of children.

Now Doctor can such
 a child be received in
 your institution? The child
 has every appearance of
 an idiot at present &
 her motions were so irregular
 and violent that the motion
 picture men. The child is black
 & blue from bruises. This is
 certainly a true case
 of charity - and unless
 contracted soon must

Lead to permanent
indecisive - or insanity.

I have been several
of the Ladies of the Board
and no other way seem
to suggest so desirables
as that I sending the child
to Fairbault. We all hope
you may consider it
favorably.

Hoping to hear
from you soon -

Respectfully
Lousia M. Hayes.

Minneapolis Aug 3rd 1888.

Replied to say the little
girl is about nine years
of age -

Child
Letter



1888
11th

Lakeland August,

Dear Mr Rodgers

I thought I would
write & inform you
of my enjoyment this
Vacation I have picked
a great many Berries
from our Garden this
summer we had
such beautiful ones
I wish you could
have tasted them
if I could have given
you some it would
have delighted me
very much indeed
I go to Church & Sabbath
School & prayer meeting

with Papa I must tell
you we have such a
Beautiful Home I
want you to come
& see it some time

Mamma is better
than last Fall -
when does school
begin?

enclose you
a programme of
our concert
Friday Night

with much love
to you all

from George

Wadena

Minn

~~Aug~~ Sep 2nd /88

Dr. A. C. Rogers
Faribault. Minn

Dear Doctor,

Yours of the 29th Aug
Came duly to hand and have hastened to
reply at my earliest opportunity.

I have to thank you for the kind ~~the~~
expressions therein contained, but
am sorry to say, that it will be impossible
for Tom to leave by the time designated
in your letter, as I have not threshed
yet and am unable just at present
to furnish him with such necessities as his needs demand.
However he will leave for Faribault
before Exposition time ends. And I think
even if no body goes with him he will
be quite able to make his way home

Again allow me to thank you for your kindly interest in Immie and I assure you he appreciated it for in general conversation on matters pertaining to him personally he has often assured me that there was no request of yours he could refuse but would gladly obey for he felt you had his whole interest at heart.

And now another matter. I have a Nephew here who is also troubled with Epilepsy. He is lately from England with an older brother, tho he has still another older brother (the eldest of all) who has been in Minnesota for 10 years. Their widowed Mother my only sister is still in England & dependent upon her children. And this boy or young man (20 years old) was too great a charge for her to leave so he took him with him. He has had none since he came some 3 months ago altho he used to have them regular once every 2 weeks. He has had an attack of

Billious fever with Typhoid symptoms but is all right now; perhaps that has had a means to dispel them for the present. Also used a sample bottle of Mercier's Medicine that again would have an effect. He appears to ~~be~~ ordinarily talk & act all right but on closer inspection you will notice that there is a defection somewhere.

He has 2 brothers 25 & 23 Citizens of this State besides myself (his uncle) Now Doctor what chance have I to give him ^{my brother} a year or two's treatment at the Institution? The thing that makes me so anxious to send him to the Institution is on account of his being so notional about certain things & so self-willed. altho he is very honest, truthful & willing where his notions & self-will don't interfere. He has been allowed considerable of his own way and has never known what restraint really means. I feel confident that a year or so of wholesome restraint

would be beneficial, Morally & Physically
& Mentally. If it could be made
Convenient for you to accept him I
would send him ~~back~~ along with
Lom. If you would kindly inform
me at your earliest opportunity
what you could do in the matter
you would greatly oblige. With
Kind regards

Believe me to be

Ever yours respectfully

Wm Kissack

P.S. I forgot to state that these fits
were brought on thro' fright when
a child.

W.A.

Minneapolis, Minn.,

Sept 3rd 1888

Dr. A. L. Rogers

Dear Sir

I would of sent
money you long ago but I have been out of
work a long time but have prospects
of getting work soon times here are
very dull and I am so thankful
to you for your kindness and I am
in hopes before long that I will be
able to pay you I want to ask you
if it will be nessary to fix the bond
in case I send you the money hope-
ing that Maggie is well and happy
I am so thankful to

I Remain yours Respectfully
J. S. Reynolds

Private

Northfield Sept. 3rd/88

Dr A. C. Rogers

My Dear Friend

Enclosed you
will find Draft for \$50.00 for
expenses of Eddies funeral and
arrears in account. Whatever,
if anything remains, please add
it to the fund of which you
spoke, and to which we shall hope
to contribute hereafter if no
misfortune overtakes us to prevent.
We cannot express our heartfelt
thanks to you Dr Rogers, and
all your assistants for all

your kind interest in our dear Eddie and your very thoughtful and kind attentions to Cora and myself. We shall not be able to make any return except to bear you always in grateful remembrance.

Of course we could not be so selfish as to wish to keep Eddie a day from the world of light and beauty which is his inheritance, but parting with him stirs the profound and tender memories of which he is so dear a part and recalls the agonies, the broken hope, the secret longings for what "might have been" for him and for us, here.

But, in the words of a dear friend, we try to "think of the thrill of joyful ecstasy that must have swept over his soul when he awoke to thought, to love, to all the divine harmonies of the "city that hath no need of the sun, neither of the moon - for the glory of God doth lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof".

"There shall be no night there" either mental or moral & spiritual. Eddie has not been a useless life, and I thank God daily that through him we have been brought into sympathy with the varied and profound interests of

wants of sorrowing humanity.
I would have been glad if Mr
Gale could have lifted his
thoughts to a more comprehensive
view of the subject - but he has
probably had no experience that
has opened his vision to see the
real uses of many phases of sorrow.
Mr. Clark reached home last night
having rec'd word at Yankton Sat.
but too late to get home earlier.
As this is a very busy season with
the Company he is gone to St. Paul
today. We shall hope to see
all our friends at the Institution here
when most convenient for them.
We shall specially urge Mrs Rogers
to come & bring baby before the cold
weather sets in. Cannot she, Miss Baker
& Mrs Wright come between now and
Sept. 12th. I shall be away from home
for several days from that date. Mr Clark
& Cora join me in affectionate regard
to all.
Yours truly Lydia R. Clark

MINNESOTA HOSPITAL FOR INSANE.

St. Peter Sept. 11th 1888.

Dr. Rogers, Supt. School for Imbeciles,

Fairbault Minn.

Dear Sir;-

What are the prospects for the transfer of
Olona Knutson? The Lunacy Board have decided that
she is not a proper subject for treatment here and
unless the transfer can be made soon we shall be
obliged to return her to her County.

Respet.



Act. Supt.

Dictated

Duluth, 9/18/88

Dr A. C. Rogers:-

Haribault, Minn

Dear Sir:

Being unable to see you before
leaving Haribault I will try and
explain ^{my} feelings and views as to
Johnny's situation there, by letter.
While I was well pleased with
a great many things in connection
with the place - the matron and
attendants, - his bed, his general appear-
ance - but it is agonizing to think
of him as being compelled to
be in that playroom in which
I found him, coming in contact
and under the influence of the
children I saw there, some of whom
looked to me as though they might
have some disease which he
might catch. Taking it all

all into consideration I cannot
see that - there is the faintest
prospect - that - he can even
improve there. Of course I
know it is hard to separate
the different - grades and classes
but I cannot - endure the
thoughts of him being under
that daily influence in contact
with such as I found him in
there.

Now, I should like to know
if there is anything that
can be done to better his condition
can you put him in any other
room, give him something to
amuse himself with - I don't
remember of seeing a single
plaything or an object in
that room that could amuse
a child. If there is any
arrangement whereby the

can be put with cleanly
wholesome children like him-
self. I shall be perfectly willing
to pay any extra reasonable
charge which you may see
fit to exact. If there is
nothing you can do more than
is done I will have to take
him home again. If his condition
cannot be bettered there I
shall have to see what I
can do for him elsewhere.

Don't misunderstand me
as finding fault. I can under-
stand the difficulties under
which such an institution
labors.

Kindly let me hear from
you as soon as convenient.
My Address is, No. 225, 11th
Avenue West, Duluth, Minn

W. H. GRAY,
Notary Public,

Justice of the Peace,
Real Estate, Insurance and Collecting Agent.

Farmington, Minn., October 3rd 1888

AC Rogers
Dr Sir

We were former neighbors of Henry Quinn and
know the circumstances of the family
Thomas McCauley a brother in law of Henry has gone to ~~Idaho~~
Washington Territory His father lives here and can hardly
make a living for himself His Mother supports the family
by taking in washing and is not able to clothe Henry We
hardly know what is best to do but by all means think
he is better where he is than to return him as they cannot
get along with him without fear of accidents
want you please use your influence to retain him where he is
and not return him It is no use about talking about their
supporting him with clothes for they cannot they have all they can
do to keep themselves they are getting old & feeble
This is in answer to letters of yours directed to Thomas McCauley

Yours &c

W. H. Boonwell. Village Mass. La.

Superintendent

Some way he must be kept there where
here axes knives & Clubs are the order
of the day

W. H. Gray

W. C. Curtis, M.D.

J. C. Banta, Bannock
B. M. Lawrence, Prin. Pub. Schools
& L. Bonckert
President Board of Trustees.

Dr. W. C. Bedford

Fergus Falls, Minn. Oct 15. 1888

Dr A C Rogers

My dear Dr

Please accept thanks for blanks and reports. The case submitted to you is a daughter of Hov E. C. Corlies of this city.

I have at different times urged that she be placed in school without success.

Her parents have been very indulgent ^{and} have required little of her.

During the past five years the child has improved decidedly physically. Mentally to a slight degree.

There is a case in which I think you could produce gratifying results.

Have you any special regulations as to clothing?

If admitted the mother will accompany her to the school. Senator Jas Compton gives me a good report of your school. In him all the state institutions have a good friend.

Yours Very Respectfully W C Bedford

H. A. BOARDMAN,

Private

St. Paul
Oct. 27th 1888.

Mr. H. Rogers
Fairbault,
Minn.

I am anxious
to have your advice
concerning one of
my children, & also
desire that you
should see her. If
you expect to be in
St. Paul soon will
you kindly make
arrangements for
such an interview
at my house, letting
me know a day or two

beforehand.

If you do not expect
to be here in the near
future, I will try &
see you at Fairbault.

Yours truly,

H. A. Chapman
363 Jackson St.

✓
Madama

Mine

Oct 25th 1888

Dr. A. C. Rogers
Savannah

Dear Sir,

Having by this time thoroly
sized myself financially, I find I
shall be unable to return home to the
institution this fall. He has an objection
to going back unless I can guarantee him
to be dressed well and in such a shape
that he need not draw upon the State
for any supplies of clothing. To be dependant
for food lodging & medical attendance and
not to be able to give any adequate return
hurts him enough without having to be dependant
for clothing as well. I tell him he is
over sensitive. but he says ~~unless~~ he has
a certain amount of self respect and to

act otherwise would be to lose ~~it~~; or words
to that effect. Not but he has the greatest
affection for the Officers; realizing their past
kindness and their interest in his and the
other inmates welfare; I have only to insist
and he would go under any circumstances
and smother his pride; and as he has
so much improved I would hate to do that
only as a last resort if he got worse.

I cannot find fault with him as to his
views in the matter but rather honor him, and
imagine that such views instead of being
a detriment to his recovery would only
augment it. He is of an opinion (having
great faith in your judgment and skill)
that if ^{you} would either send him medicine
or a receipt or prescription to get it at
the Druggists here his ultimate recovery
would only be a question of time, and
some day if God granted him recovery
he would not only thank you but pay
you for your trouble &c. If you would
be willing to do this, I am very sorry but

under present circumstances I would be unable
to pay you, but so soon as my circumstances
permitted I would gladly do so. Tom
has had 5 fits since coming home; and
the last time 2 in one day. that is ~~2~~
about 9 weeks ago, and since then, he
says he has never felt better in his life.
I pray God it may be his last. He
says he has $\frac{1}{2}$ a bottle of your medicine
left, afraid that he may not get any
more he ~~hushands~~ it, and takes it
only when he gets a little out of sorts
(Please let me know how we can
arrange as to medicine).

And now as to myself; if it were not
for the sake of my family I would hate
to presume or trespass upon your time & good
nature, but owing to almost failure of crops
wheat going "Repected" & only averaging
5 bushels to the acre and not having the
means to ^{raise good} stock I am compelled to abandon
farming on my own &c at least for a
time and stake out upon the world

to try & do better; My destination was
Minneapolis or St Paul but knowing
little or no people whose influence could
be of much service, and realizing the
probable great expense while awaiting
a situation tho' I would as a start
accept anything that was honorable
yet a man must consider the improbability
of stepping into a job at once. I have
been thinking of late that owing to the
enlargement of your Institution you
would be needing more Employees; and
if such was the case, perhaps you would
have no objection to giving me Employment
if only for the winter months as I would
be better able to obtain other Employment
in the Spring of the Year than now.
If the work I had with you was congenial
and I suited it would be hard to tell how
long I might stay. I can give you the
best of references as to Integrity &c. and
another thing you can rest assured I shall never
presume other than an honest independence of
character. ^{I, Hoping I have not bored you}
I remain Yours truly Wm. Messers

Gov. W. R. MERRIAM, ex officio President.
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STATE OF MINNESOTA.

OFFICE OF THE

Board of Corrections and Charities,

STATE CAPITOL,

SAINT PAUL, MINN.

H. H. HART, St. Paul,
SECRETARY.

Nov 1

Dr A.C. Rogers

Faribault

Dear Doctor;

Will you please forward to Capt Antoine Paul Overseer of
Co Almshouse Duluth Minn the necessary blanks for application for
admission of a patient to the institution.

Yours very truly

H. H. Hart

Sec

H. A. BOARDMAN,

Private

St. Paul, Minn.
Nov. 6/88.

A. C. Rogers M. R.

Dear Sir,

Yours of 5th.
inst. just rec'd.

It affords me
pleasure to enclose
ck. for \$3.¹⁴ as per
your memo.

My wife expects
to take our little
girl to Elwyn
about the 19th. &
in the meantime,
at your convenience,
will you kindly

send me a letter
to Dr. Kerlin which
she can take with
her.

Again thanking you
cordially for the
interest you have
taken in this case
& for the assistance
rendered, I am,

Yours very truly,
H. A. Boardman.

Leatute W. I. November 7. 1888

A. C. Rogers M. D.

Dear Sir

I write you in behalf of a widow lady who has a feeble minded son a boy of about 15 years of age. which she very much desires to place in such an institution as is under your care

This Territory has started toward establishing such an Institution and are erecting a building for that purpose but it cannot be completed until further appropriation is made. The Legislature will not meet for another year, and so under most favorable circumstances it will be at least 18 months before it can be opened.

I have received an advertisement being a slip cut from a newspaper, regarding your school and therefore write to you.

quire whether any arrangement can be made to enter one not a resident of your state by paying the expenses of board-tuition &c. This mother has some means, and could afford to pay, if expenses are not too great.

In view of the age of the boy it becomes rather an urgent case, for should he have to wait 18 mos or 2 years longer, I fear it would be too late to be of any advantage to him. He is very anxious to go to school, but it is useless, and worse than useless, to send him to any public or day school.

Please inform me at your earliest convenience, and address

Rev. Geo. F. Whitworth
Seattle. Wash. Terr.

1122 Fourth St.

State Affairs

[1888.]

Dear Doctor:

The bearer of
this will deliver to you
the young boy about
whom I wrote you
some time since. You will
remember that you said
in your reply that
you would receive him.
The reason he was not sent
before is that his mother
desired to keep him with
her as long as possible. She
is an ignorant woman,
but very much attached
to her boy, and somehow
I cannot help sympathizing
with her in her troubles.
I think you will need to exercise
a strict discipline over the boy.
Yours friend, A. M. Gill.

Nov. 16.

ELLENDALE, DAK., Nov 16th 1888.

A. C. Rogers M.D.
Fairbault, Minn.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 12th Inst. -
is received, notifying me of the action
of the Board of Directors in authorizing
you to receive my boy into your school
for one year for Two Hundred Dollars
tuition and clothing extra.

The terms are accepted and I will
take my boy to your school as soon
as there is room.

I do not know how to express my great
gratitude for the contents of this letter
and I feel that - by far the greater
share belongs to you; for I believe a
word from you would probably have
decided the case either way.

I will write you, as requested in the lat-
ter part of December, and in the mean-
time remain
Gratefully Yours
John T. Boyle

To A. C. Rogers M. D.

Fair Fault Union

Subject Time of admission of boy.

In reply to yours of Nov. 13th 1888.

OFFICE OF

John H. Boyle,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Collections a Specialty.

Ellendale, D. T. Dec. 16th 1888

Dear Sir.

Yours of Nov. 13th in which you say you will admit our little boy to your school for Two Hundred Ten Dollars tuition — the clothing extra is at hand. I wish to know if you prefer us to send clothing with Walter or if you would rather we would furnish the money and let you purchase the same. You asked us to write you again about the last of Dec. and we infer you would be ready for him about Jan. 1, 1889. We wish to send him as soon as we can. Our boy is rugged and healthy except that he wets the bed at night and recently has wet his clothing some during the day; — we think it must be the effects of a cold as it is something entirely new — the wetting of his clothing. Awaiting your reply I remain very Respectfully Mrs. J. H. Boyle.