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Part 3

Indians

Tamworth - Oct 26 1877

Dear Dr Agnew,

I don't feel at all
sure that I have any right to remind
you of a promise which seemed only
conditional with regard to my two
Indian scholars.

I think you said, if others con-
tributed you would be responsible for
sixty dollars - or five dollars a month,
but when you promised that you
thought we might get schooling, or
perhaps a boarding place, until they were
ready to enter school - for them
at Easthampton. My efforts
in that direction were unsuc-
cessful, but Gen Armstrong of
the Hampton Normal School
has been to see me & is anxious
to have them & there are other
places, if his - to which there are
objections - will not do.
We must bring them soon, or

not at all as they are beginning
to be disheartened by delay. We
expect to go to St Augustine again
in December, & if they should not
be sent home before Spring we
will bring them back with us
then. They could not be under
better instruction or influence any
where than there & it would be
a pity to remove them from it un-
til we are obliged to do so.

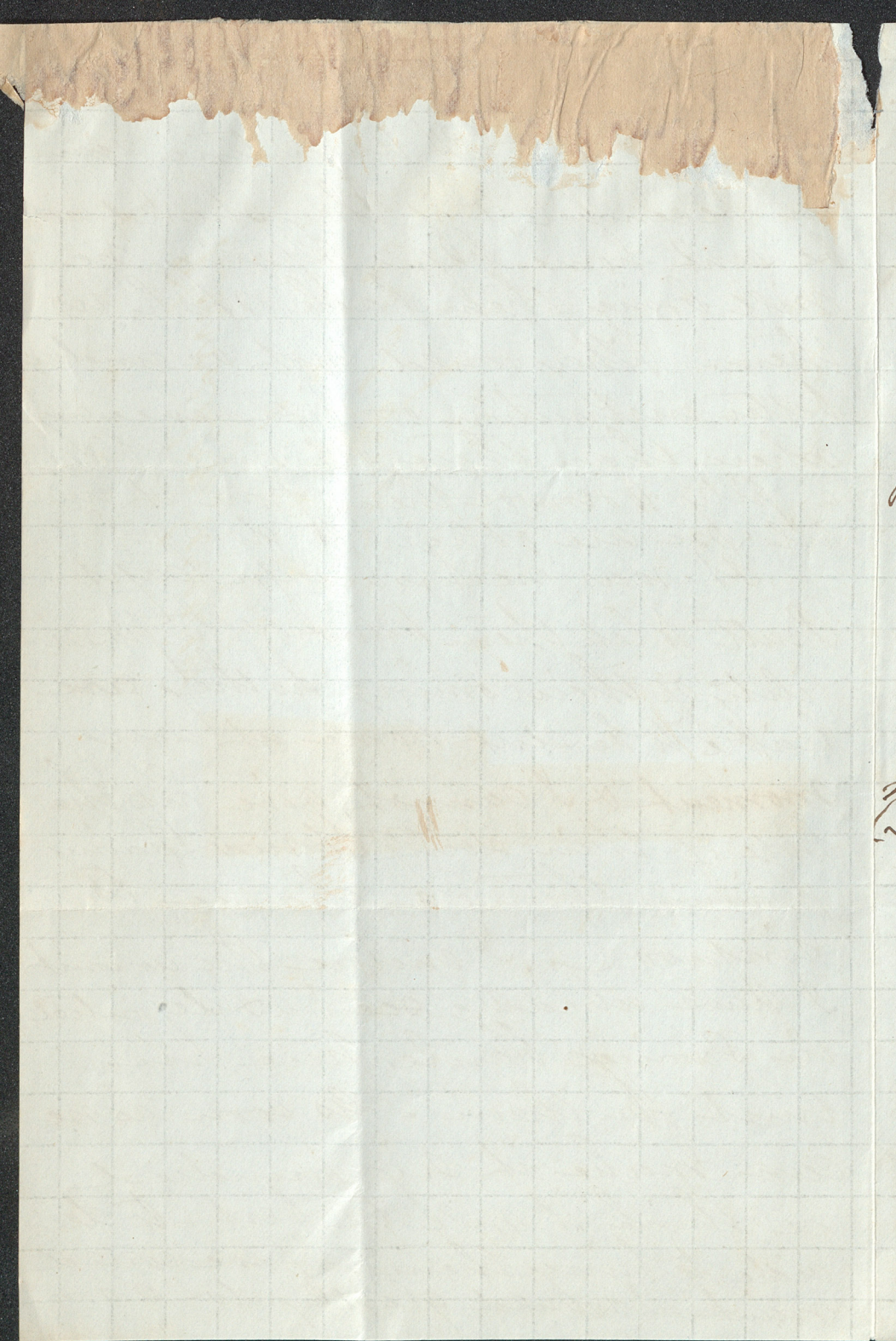
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promised them a chance to
improve. I enclose the amount
I have already seen & deposited
in Savings Bank here in
trust for them. As soon as we
can make it up I think it will be best to de-
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wait I would gladly do so.

in the hope of having a larger sum so as to ensure
a longer stay for them here. As it is, having done
all we could, I know that Providence will in some
way send the further help needed. One of the gentlemen
who has contributed Mr. Clapp, promises to be responsible
for fifty dollars more as soon as we had four hun-
dred & fifty. I should be glad to have that amount
five hundred secured in bank & drawing interest
until we have to use it in the Spring.

We would be very thankful for any advice
or suggestions from you. If you have time
to give them.

The Dr thought I had better write. He sends
his kindest remembrance to you. & tells me

with gratitude for the interest you have
expressed in the Indians. Yours very truly Amy A. Carpenter



Taneytown – Oct 26 1877

Dear Dr. Agnew,

I don't feel at all sure that I have any right to remind you of a promise which seemed only conditional with regard to my two Indian scholars.

I think you said, if others contributed you would be responsible for sixty dollars – or five dollars a month, but when you promised that you thought we might get schooling, or work & a boarding place, until they were ready to enter school – for them at Easthampton. My efforts in that direction were unsuccessful, but General Armstrong of the Hampton Normal School has been to see me & is anxious to have them & there are other places, if his – to which there are objections – will not do.

We must bring them soon, or

not at all as they are beginning to be disheartened by delay. We expect to go to St. Augustine again in December, & if they should not be sent home before Spring we will bring them back with us then. They could not be under better instruction or influence any where than there & it would be a pity to remove them from it until we are obliged to do so.

It was necessary for Capt Pratt to let them know of the possibility of their coming as they are liable to be sent home at any moment & I cannot give up the hope of their ~~story~~ coming now having promised them a chance to improve. I enclose the amount I have already received & deposited in Savings bank here in trust for them. As soon as we can make it six hundred we think it will be best to decide to bring them. If we could wait – I would gladly do so

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Yours very truly,
Amy A Carothers