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17th March 4

Sir,

The Rev. Edward F. Wilson,
Principal of the Shingwanah
Home, has informed the Depart-
ment that the following children
from your District, who were
pupils at his Institution, ran
away last November, and the
value of the clothing taken by
them is shown opposite each
name:-

John Aegunngyuk	\$6.00
David Road	5.00
Susanna White	4.00
Mary A. Menace	2.50
Juba	

Adam English, Esq.,
Indian Agent.

Larnia, Ont.

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Julia Mahayak	\$3.30
Mary Agnewegethill	1.70
Jackson Mahayak	2.00
Francis Adams	1.00

I wrote Mr. Wilson to the following effect in regard to this matter and also respecting other points on which he communicated with the Department.

"I note the particulars contained in your letter regarding the Indian children who have left your institutions and the value of the clothing taken by them as well as the canoe and sail and other articles furnished by one Indian boy from Sarina and two from Walpole Island, and I will write the several Indian Agents in whose districts the parents of these children

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"children records regarding said matters.
 "As respects the suggestions made
 "in the concluding part of your letter,
 "I beg to inform you -

"1st That I see no objection
 "to your forwarding a list of the
 "names of pupils to the Indian
 "Agent for the locality where the
 "pupils return home for summer
 "vacations, with a view to the
 "Indian Agent collecting the children
 "and sending them up to the Insti-
 "tution at the proper time, or with-
 "drawing you should any of them be
 "unable to return owing to sickness
 "or other sufficient cause.

"2d With regard to the proposal
 "to require parents who may wish to
 "place their children in your Institution
 "to deposit each \$1.00 with the
 "Institution

"Indian Agent for the locality where
 "they sign the agreements, said \$20.00 to
 "be forfeited if the child leaves for
 "any other than reasonable cause
 "before the proper time, the Indian
 "parent besides to pay the value
 "of clothing taken away from the
 "Institution, I see no objection to
 "the same, provided the parents
 "voluntarily accede to the
 "arrangement.

"I do not see any objection
 "to the Public School Inspectors
 "selecting such children as
 "they may think best fitted for
 "higher education and giving
 "their names to the Indian Agent
 "with a view to his ascertaining
 "whether the children are healthy
 "and then using his influence
 "with

"with the parents to send them to
 "one or other of your Institutions,
 "and that applications for admission
 "to said Institutions should be made
 "by the Agent instead of by the parent
 "as is now the case." You will please
 take an early opportunity of con-
 ferencing with the Superiors in the
 matter of giving the names of
 such pupils to you.

I shall write the several
 "Indian Agents from whose district
 "you have been in the habit of
 "obtaining pupils also on these points."

You will be good enough
 to inform the parents of these
 children of their necessities, and
 that the value of the clothing taken
 should be refunded by them; and
 you will be guided by the ~~strict~~ ^{above}
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above given from the communication
to Mr. Wilson in respect to two
other suggestions.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient

Wm. K. R. R.

Deputy of the Asst. Secy.
of Indian Affairs.