

Copies

Dec. 11, 1854

J. P. Dyche, Superintendent of public instruction of the Choctaw Nation; Dear Sir  
 On behalf of the Board of Missions I have the pleasure of stating that in Dec last, the Choctaw Boys sent to our care were disposed of as follows; James Sizer & Green Wood Fletcher were bound to J. W. McCullough till they were 21 years old to learn the house Carpenter trade; Henry Clay & William Loring to J. W. Manning to learn the same trade; Lael Hudson to Stewart & Owen to learn the turning business. And J. N. Alexander has Lewis Ward to the house Carpenter trade. These are all in the City of Nashville

Saith Goodlet of that place to whom we wrote inquiring after the boys, under date of Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> inst says they are all well & doing well & their masters are well pleased with them & all parties are very well satisfied so far as he has been able to learn.

Saith Winship is living in this place with Rev. Mr. Loring & going to school in Cumberland University. He is in good health & promise to do well.

Cornelius Holcom remained here

with Rev. Mr. Leary attending school till  
in August last when he went to Mehin-  
ville & is bound to Mr. O. J. Krester to  
learn the Shoe Makers trade & Wade Hamp-  
ton was bound to Mr. Meser of Mehin-  
ville to learn the Blacksmiths trade &  
David Niles to Mr. Mitchell of the  
same place to learn the House Carpen-  
ters trade. Wade Hampton is doing  
well He & ~~his~~ Mr. Meser both appear to  
be well pleased. David Niles had some  
difficulty with Mr. Mitchell & left some  
time last fall. I visited there in Nov.  
Conversed with Mr. Mitchell & also with  
David Niles & believing that David had  
some ground of dissatisfaction I  
had the engagement with Mr. Mitchell  
dissolved; & bound him to Ebenezer  
Bones to learn the blacksmiths trade.  
I hope there will be <sup>no cause of</sup> further complaint as  
Mr. Bones is considered one of the  
best men in the place - David was  
well & so were Cornelius & Wade when  
I saw them in November

Very respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the Board of Missions of the  
Cumberland Presbyterian Church  
Mission Room  
Shannon Tenn Dec. 11. 1854

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