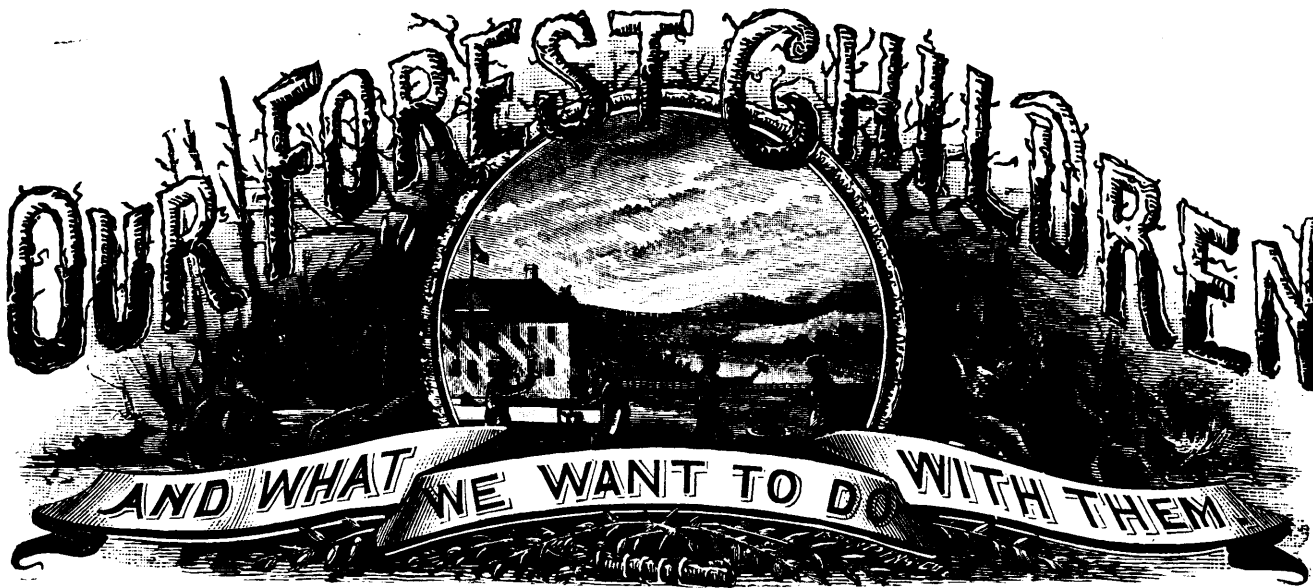


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Home Again.

AFTER a very pleasant trip, lasting nearly six weeks, during which upwards of 3000 miles of country were traversed, Mr. Wilson arrived back at the Shingwauk Home, Sault Ste. Marie, on Sunday afternoon, July 1st. The principal things accomplished during his outing were (1) a visit to the Blackfoot Indians, to restore the boy James Edward to his home; (2) a visit to the Sarcee Indians near Calgary, and the preparation of a report on those people for the British Association; (3) the opening of the Washakada Home at Elkhorn, in Manitoba; (4) the selection of a site for another Institution at Medicine Hat.

It is a cause for great thankfulness that the Blackfoot Indians received the tidings of the death of one of their number at the Shingwauk Home in such a kindly spirit. Much was due, no doubt, to the good common sense of their head chief, Crowfoot. On hearing of the death of the boy, Crowfoot made due enquiries. First and foremost was the question: "Did Mr. Wilson use any pressure in getting the boy to go to his school, or did he go with his parents' free consent?" Then he asked was the boy in good health when he went to the Shingwauk Home, or had he been sick before? And finally, he wished to know whether the boy had been well treated and cared for during his illness. These questions having been all satisfactorily answered, the Chief gave his verdict that the white people who had taken the boy away to school were not in any way to blame. When Mr. Wilson was coming away, two more boys were offered him as pupils, and James Edward expressed an earnest wish that he might be taken again the following year. An uncle of the deceased lad brought Mr. Wilson a very handsome present, saying: "I give you this to show that we have no ill feeling towards you on account of the boy's death."

Letter from the Blackfoot Boy.

THE following letter has been received by Mr. Wilson from James Edward, the Blackfoot boy, since his return home, evidently written quite by himself:—

MR. WILSON,—this littlet and my mother said can go Shingwauk Home. and too my brother said can