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14 Slaves gave them all their liberty.

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The Person who set his Slaves at liberty was E. B. Sawille  
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From Joseph Clark to the Indians, on his return with their  
young women -

Brothers, The love I always felt for you and your chil-  
dren, has induced me to leave all that is near and dear, my  
children, my Friends, my Property, and my business, to  
come and see you - It is not for my interest or ease, that has  
brought me from my habitation; but that your Children  
whom you delivered into my care, in the year 1797 should  
be safely returned unto you, with their qualifications and  
improvements; and as the Good and Great Spirit has pre-  
served them in innocence, sobriety, and Industry, in  
this state I hope they will continue, and that you may  
unite with us, to encourage them in every good word, and  
work - That thereby the Chain of Friendship may grow  
stronger and brighter, which is the sincere desire of thy  
Brother, Joseph Clark

Reply of the Indians

New Stockbridge 10th Mo. 1800  
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Brother attend, We wish to speak a few words to you - we feel  
thankful to the great - good Spirit, that he put a concern in you  
heart for us, the poor Indians, so that you was willing to leave  
all your friends, to take along your own, and that you have  
kindly and safely conducted our young women, whom we  
put under your care some years ago - We rejoice that the Great  
Good Spirit has protected and preserved you all this way, while  
you walk in the living path, so that you are safely arrived by the side



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of our fire place in good health, and that we are allowed to see  
each other's faces this day - Friend we are sensible that all the  
kindness you have done, of our journey out of love to us, for  
which we with our Womenn heartily thank you - We hope we  
shall never forget your kindness - Respecting the kind talk  
which you brought us from our friends, we wish to send a few  
words to them in writing, therefore we desire you to stay with  
us all the day, and to night that we may have time to write  
to our friends, and that you may take a little more rest  
Joseph Shaw with quiet -

3rd

New Stockbridge 10 mo. 14 - 1801

Brothers attend

Our friend and brother J. Clark safely arri-  
ved here by the side of our fire place, on the 13th of the 10 month  
with our 3 young women, who have been under your benevo-  
lent care for a considerable time, whom he conducted through  
along journey, and delivered your kind talk the next day  
Brothers Our satisfaction is very great in finding that the  
Brethren have taken great pains to instruct these girls, in sober  
and steady conduct, and in those good customs and useful me-  
thods, which are necessary for living happily and comfortably  
and that they have been taught to read and write, and read  
the English Language, for which kindness we heartily thank  
you - We hope that the advantage they had will be a be-  
nefit to them as well as to us, we will endeavour to encour-  
age them to improve their attainments

Brothers We are sensible that it is out of love and pity you  
have exercised many kindnesses towards us, ever since friend  
shep has been established between you and us, not only in  
good words, but you have experienced your properties, that  
unpoor Indians might know how to help ourselves, that by



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of our fireplace in good health,ytf and that we are allowed to see each others' faces this day -- Friend we areytf sensible that all the kindness you have done, you do purely out of love toytf us, for which we with our Women heartily thank you -- We hope we shallytf never forget your Kindness -- Respecting the Kind talk which you brought usytf from our friends, we wish to send a few words to them in writing. thereforeytf we desire you to stay with us all the day, and to night, that we may haveytf time to write to our friends, and that you may take a little more restytf Josephytf Shawquithquirtlytf ytf ytf 3rdytf New Stockb ved here by the side of our fire place on the 13th of the 10 Month with our 3 young women, who have beenytf under your benevolent care for a considerable time, whom he conductedytf through along journey, and delivered you Kind talk the next dayytf Friends haveytf taken great pains to instruct these Girls in sober and steady conduct, andytf in these good Customs and useful Methods, which are necessary for livingytf happily and comfortably and that they have been taught to read and writeytf and read the English Language, for which kindness we heartily thank ytf you -- We hope that the advantage they had will be a benefit to them asytf well as to us, we will endeavorer to encourage them to improve theytf acquirements

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Brothers We are sensible that it is out of love and pityytf you have exercised many kindnesses towards us, ever since friendshipytf has been established between you and us, -- not only in good words, but weytf have experienced your properties, that we poor Indians might Know how toytf help ourselves, that by



Industry, Care, and Prudence we might be happy and comfortable - And may the Great, Good Spirit ever countenance the Chain of Friendship, that it may remain bright to the latest generation is the wish of your Brothers - farewells

T.  
David Bacon  
Henry Brinker  
Ellis Gurnall  
Thos. Wistler

Joseph Tharg with guest Hendrick <sup>must</sup> ~~Linpan~~  
Isaac Wmawpuy Es. Quinney  
Moses Wmaw Koonharob  
Jacob Kooncupus  
Solomon Quackemus

all of our names  
with Indians

4th

From the Oneida Indians to

David Bacon	Ans. Harper	Thos Fisher	Saml. Lindley
Sam. Parin	Ans Biddle	James Cooper	Oliver Pexton
Hen? Brinker	Thos Wistler	Ans Elliot	Thos Stewardson
Ellis Gurnall	Peter Barker	Wm. Savory	

Oneida 15th 10mo. 1801

Brothers. We have received your counsel and advice at this time, as we have at many other times, and are made thankful that the great good Spirit continues to put you in remembrance of us, to give us this counsel and advice, come for, have agreed together to endeavour to follow it, and improve our land, raise more cattle, grain, &c. &c. and leave our young women to spin, and other useful employments, as the Great Spirit has improved in building houses & barns, and find great good from it

Brothers. We wish to listen to your counsel and advice, not to offend, or hurt one another, nor to go to War. We last summer had a general council with many of the Western tribes of Indians, at Buffalo Creek, where we all agreed to live in peace, and renewed the Chain of Friendship, and wish to attend to the Good Spirit, it will teach us to refrain from all evil practices

Brothers. We are sensible that the great good Spirit governs seasons, and some of us wish to live more and more in his



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Industry, Care, and Prudence we might live happyytf and comfortable -- And may the Great Good Spirit ever countenance ytf the Chain of Friendship, that it may remain bright in the latestytf generation is the wish of your Brothers.ytf                      farewell To

ytf David Bacon

ytf Henry Drinker

ytf Ellis Yarnal

Thosytf    Wisterytf Joseph Shasquithquirtlytf Isaac Wranpeyytf Moses Wrainkoinhurstytf Jacob Concapusytf So

David Bacon

Jnoytf    Parish

Hen?ytf    Drinker

Ellisytf    Yarnal

Nat.ytf    Harper

Jnoytf    Biddle

Thosytf    Wistar

Peterytf    Barker

Thosytf    Fisher

Jamesytf    Cooper

Jnoytf    Elliot

Wmytf    Savery

Jacobytf    Lindley

Oliverytf    Paxton

Thos Stewardsonytf OneidaPlace Inoformation ytf    15th 10 mo.ytf    1801Brothersytf                      We have received your letter of the 15th 10 mo.ytf 1801, and are made thankful time, as well as at manyytf other times, and are made thankful that the great good Spirit continues toytf put you in remembrance of us, to give us this counsel and advice. some ofytf us have agreed together to endeavour to follow it, and improve our ytf land, raise more cattle, grain & Flax, and learn our young women toytf Spin, and other useful employments in the House we have improved inytf building Houses & Barns, and find great good from itytf Brothers, we wish to listen to your counsel and advice not to offend, orytf hurt one another, nor to go to War. We last summer had a general counselytf with many of the Western tribes of Indians, at Buffalow CreekPlace Inoformation , where we all agreed to live in peace andytf renewed the Chain of Friendship and wish to attend to the Good Spirit, itytf will teach us to refrain from all evil practicesytf                      Brothers, We are sensible that the great good Spirit governs all theytf seasons, and some of us wish to live more and more in his



favour, that we should more and more be worthy of his bless-  
 ings - Notwithstanding some through unwatchfulness  
 are taken captive ~~they~~ <sup>destroyed</sup> great and mighty ~~adversaries~~  
 Brother Joseph Clark We also thank you for your good counsel  
 we believe the Great Good Spirit has sent you amongst us, we  
 will treasure it up in our hearts from day to day and we  
 will teach it to our children, we wish always, we wish al-  
 ways to keep bright the Chain of Friendship and remain  
 your Brothers.

Cornelius Otis tida

Peter Omaugwa

John Schannada

Lus Louin

Christian Schomada

Peter Sautolis

Cornelius Sawawee

Hendrick Fanchau

John Whickshack

5th

From a Tuscarora Indian

Dear Friends - We are all well, and glad to see the 3  
 Girls, and our friend J. Clark, we often think of the kindness  
 you shew us - Our Nation more and more has their land, and  
 receive some flux, and we spin a little, and we hope by the  
 assistance of the Great Good Spirit we grow in his favour  
 so as to have plenty of corn, Cattle, and Fowl, and become  
 his children, and rest in his Kingdom - I feel much  
 love in my heart, but am not able to express my self

Peter Okasantque

From a young Indian Woman to Eliza Townsend daughter  
 of Joseph Clark Dear Friend, no doubt but thee will ex-  
 cuse a letter from one, who wishes thee, and all thy society  
 well, tho' unknown to each other as to our Modesty Per-  
 sons, yet I sincerely hope that we ~~sincerely~~ frequently  
 converse with the same spirit - My dear Friend, I thank  
 thy Father and likewise thee for your kind care towards  
 us the Natives of America, for I believe that you will  
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have your new and, for God witness only, ever I give my  
kind love to all thy friends, and tell them that thy dear good  
Spirit is on its way to the dark corners of the Earth - when  
my dear Friend? When will that happy day appear?  
When the Nations will learn War no more & for then Lion  
will arise and travel, and bring forth - She will bring  
forth - So farewell from thy unknown friend  
Gracey Crosby

6th

An address from Joseph Clark to Indians.

When the Good and Good Spirit made the first Man and  
Woman, He placed them in the Garden of Eden and com-  
manded them to dress it - Thus we learn that the Great and  
wise Author of all good, intended Man should labour  
from the beginning of the Creation; and we are further in-  
structed from the scriptures of Truth, that the Lord's che-  
erful servants in every age were those that laboured  
For Moses was in a particular manner called of the  
Most High, while he was engaged keeping his Father in  
Law's sheep, as was also Eliza the Prophet, when he was  
ploughing with twelve yoke of Oxen, and Paul, that em-  
inent Apostle informs us that he laboured with his hands  
that he might support himself - Must above all these to-  
-monies my Brothers, listen be obedient to the Command  
and imitate the example of Christ, the Great Good Spirit, who  
had all power in Heaven and Earth; and once in a miracu-  
lous manner fed five thousand Men besides Women and  
Children, with only two loaves, and five fishes - and now with-  
standing afterwards gave this special Command to gather  
fragments that nothing should be lost? - How clearly and  
fully this shows poor frail Man the constant necessity  
of being careful of the good things that an All-wise Providence



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have your reward, for God will reward you. Iytf give my kind love to all thy friends, and tell them that the great &ytf good Spirit is on its way to the dark corners of the Earth -- When myytf dear Friend? When will that happy day appear? When the Nations will learnytf War no more; for then Lion will arise and travel, and bring forth, She willytf bring forth. ytf        So farewell from thy unknown friendytf Gracy Crosbyytf ytf ytf 6th

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places in his power - and in order to make the man of God  
more perfect. He further informed him, that it was more  
blessed to give than to receive - I conclude in a degree of that  
line which wishes well unto all the families of the Earth from  
your Brother - Joseph Clark

Philadelphia Decr. 14 - 1801

N. B. My desire is that my Brother David Howle would  
read this at the conclusion of the time of Worship, unto the Bro-  
ther town Indians, and also unto the Oneida Indians, in  
such a manner as thou may judge best -  
7th

Observations on the Brother town Indians,  
who have within these last 30 years, built 9 Log Houses, 3  
Log Barns, and 4 frame Barns, also will be closed this  
fall 2 frame houses - They have ~~about~~ about 8 yoked  
Oxen added to their former number (a considerable num-  
ber not easily ascertained) They have lately purchased  
270 sheep, likewise 8 Colts. In the year 1799 they wore  
about 100 yards of Linen - In the year 1801 they wore  
upwards of 600 yards - In 1799 - seven families raised  
a little wheat. In 1801 - 56 families raised wheat, corn  
and flax in proportion - They have 7 Weavers, and a black-  
smith all Indians - They have a neat place of Worship,  
steadily attended, and a School, and an exemplary teacher, -  
several other Indian families have been added unto them  
from remote parts - They have also a grist and saw  
mill, likewise several Ovens, - and now raise more  
Geese -

Observations on the Stockbridge Indians,  
who it is said are increasing - 20 Women and two men are  
in full church membership; how high many have died, the  
Tuscarora Indians - They have built 10 new houses  
these last 47 years - 105 children fit to attend school - Also



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places in his power -- And in order to make the man of God more perfect, He further informed him, that it was more blessed to give than to receive -- I conclude in a degree of that love which we wish well unto all the families of the Earth your Brother - Joseph Clark Philadelphia Place Information ytf 12 mo. 14- 1801 ytf ytf  
read this at the conclusion of the time of Worship, unto the Brothers and town Indians, and also unto the Oneida Indians, as in such a manner as thou may judge best. ytf ytf ytf ytf 7th ytf ytf Observations on the Brother-t  
log Barns, and ytf 4 frame Barns, also will be closed this fall 2 frame Houses -- They ytf have about 8 yoke of Oxen added to their former number (a considerable number not easily ascertained) They have lately purchased 270 ytf sheep likewise as Colts. In the year 1799 they ytf wove about 100 yards of Linnen. In the year 1801 they wove upwards ytf of 600 Yards. In 1799-- seven families raised ytf a little wheat. In 1801-- 56 families raised wheat, ytf Corn and Flax in proportion. They have 7 Weavers, and a blacksmith ytf all Indians -- They have a neat place of Worship steadily attended, and ytf a School, and exemplary teacher -- several sober Indian families have ytf been added unto them from remote parts -- They have also a grist and ytf saw mill, likewise several Ovens - and now raise more Geese ytf Observations on the Stockbridge Organization Information ytf Indians, ytf who it is said are increasing in full church ytf membership; To which may be added, two Tuscarora Indians -- They have ytf built 100 new houses these last 4 years -- 105 children fit to attend ytf School -- Also



Also about 30 yoke of Oxen - some sheep are possessed by them - Almost every family has axes, some 3 yoke - One of these Indians is burning good Brooks - They have a hand sawmill for sawing, which is constantly attended twice a week - likewise they have a saw and grist mill and a school house -

Observations on the Tuscarora Indians (not perfectly) but we learn they plough more land, and reap more cattle than formerly - They have built several new houses, within three or four years, raise more flax, and spin a little and say their nation increaseth -

Observations on the Oneida Indians, they have 50 head of horned cattle, 7 of which are oxen, 5 good frame houses, and 3 frame barns, one building this summer. This also said they are raising wheat - It is generally allowed they do not paint so much as they did 5 or 6 years ago, and from my observations, among them I discovered only two - They have a missionary minister and school master among them - they have also a grist and saw mill -

OK

Friends and Sister  
New Bedford Nov. 5 - 1847  
This is to let you know I am much rejoiced to see friends of the Lord come by the side of our fine place and bring our girls home - I cannot but bless the great good spirit for his great goodness in preserving our long absented girls from various dangers and that they have found favour in the sight of such good friends, as to take them under their benevolent care and instruct them in good things and ways; I acknowledge that you have



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Also about 30 yoke of Oxen, some sheep are possessed by them -- Almost every family has a cow, some 3 or 4 --

One of these Indians is burning good Bricks -- They have a handsome place of worship, which is constantly attended twice a week likewise they have a saw and grist mill

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only two -- They have a Missionary Minister and School Master among them -- they have also a Grist and Saw

Mill. [J. Clark to Catharine Solomon]

8th New Stockbridge Place Information 10 Month 15, 1801

Friend and Sister This is to let you know I am much rejoiced to see friend J Clark come by the side of our fire

place and bring our girls home I cannot but bless the great good spirit for his great goodness in preserving our long absented girls from various

dangers and that they have found favor in the sight of such good friends, as take them

under their benevolent care, and instruct them in

good things and ways. I acknowledge that you have



done a great deal for us out of love to the great good  
Spirit, and your fellow creatures - These uppony natures  
might as it were rise up & walk, and follow the good path  
which you follow, by which I always feel thankful, and  
hoping you will not lose your reward in Heaven. I feel  
our obligations are increased, as our advantages are increas-  
ed to serve God, in sincerity and in Truth - The Religion  
is common here even amongst us, but Christians seem  
to keep on still, there has been but a few careless ones that  
up for soul concern, since young young men often seek  
at Onondaga, but others seem still to remain in the bondage  
of spiritual Pariah; But God is able to turn their heart  
and make them willing to walk towards Canaan -  
I have nothing to express and I feel, but to conclude with  
your prayers that the great good Spirit may pour down  
his blessing upon us, that religion may again revive  
amongst us (as has in Solomon)

To Elizabeth Townsend  
Daughter of J. Clark.

9<sup>th</sup>

New Stockbridge 14<sup>th</sup> 10 Mo. 1809

Dear Sister

I take this Opportunity to inform you that  
we have received your kind letter, which gladden our  
hearts - We are all well - and the great good Spirit has  
blessed the labours of our hands the summer past with  
good crops of Grain - We are happy to see our good  
friends J. S. Clark, also our young women, who were  
just under the care of our friends - I often thought of you  
since you left our country - I wish all the Women  
in the world, as well as men to become such as you  
are, followers of the great good Spirit - Then it would



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done a great deal for us, out of Love to the great good spirit and your fellow creatures--that we poor natives may rise up and walk and follow the good path which you follow, by which I always feel thankful and hope you will not lose your reward in heaven. I feel our obligations are increased as our advantages are increased to serve God in sincerity and in truth. The Religion is somewhat low amongst us but Christians seem to keep on still. there has been but a few careless ones stirred up for soul concern since your young men left us who at Oneida-- but others seem still to remain in their bondage of spiritual Pharaoh. But God is able to turn their hearts and make them willing to walk towards Concern-- I have no time to express as I feel, but to conclude with your prayers that the great good Spirit may pour down his blessing upon us--that religion may again revive among us.

Catharine Solomony      To Elizabeth Townsend

Daughter of      J Clark

New Stockbridge Place Information 14 10 Month. 1801.

Dear Sister I take this opportunity to inform you that we have received your kind letter which gladden our hearts. We are all well - and the great good spirit has blessed the labours of our Lands the summer past with good crops of grain - We are happy to see our good friend Jos. Clark, also our young women who were put under the care of our friends - I often thought of you since you left our Country - I wish all the women in the world as well as men become such as you are, followers of the Great good Spirit \_ then it would



be all Brothers and Sisters - How beautiful this would  
be - Unhumble submission to the great good Spirit is  
our duty - I hope by the help of the good Spirit we and you  
shall never forget that we are dependent creatures  
as you said. can do nothing [spiritually good] May  
the good Spirit bless you forever

To Susanna Gregory      Lydia Hendricks

P.S. Give my love to thy Husband - give my love  
our kind sister Hannah Jackson - Am sorry that  
we cannot append send letters to all our kind friends  
of Philadelphia -

10th  
Copy of Joseph Clark's Certificate

Dear Friend. An esteemed Friend of Clark's called  
at my house of the 10th of 11 mo. and staid with me over  
first day - On the 12th. I sat out with him to Stock  
bridge. where we yet before night, and returned the  
3 young women under his care - Next day the  
Chiefs met, and some of their principal women  
were informed them in very affecting language  
how that he had left all that was near and dear  
to him, to accompany their children home  
and I can truly say, his life and conversation  
has been to me very edifying and exemplary  
With desires for his safe return to his family  
and friends from your friend John D. C.



## Transcription

be allytf Brothers and Sisters – How beautiful this would  
be \_But humble submissionytf to the great good spirit is  
our duty -I hope by the help of the good spiritytf we and you  
shall never forget that we are dependant creatures  
as youytf said can do nothing spiritually good may  
the good Spirit bless youytf farewellytf To Susanna Gregoryytf Lydia Hendricksytf P.S. Give my love  
our kind Sisterytf Hannah Jackson -am sorry that  
weytf cannot at present send letters to all our kind sisters  
at PhiladelphiaPlace Inoformation ytf ytf ytf 10th  
Copy of Joseph Clark'sytf Certificateytf Dear Friend. ytf Our esteemed Friend J Clark called  
at myytf House of the 16 of 11mo. and staid with me over  
first Day - On the 12th, Iytf set out with him to Stock  
bridgePlace Inoformation where weytf set before night, and returned the  
3 young women under his care. Next dayytf the  
Chiefs met, and some of their principal Women  
where he informedytf them in very affecting language  
how that he had left all that was near andytf dear  
to him, to accompany their children home  
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and Friends from goodytf friend  
John Deanytf 10th



10th

To the yearly meeting's Committee on Indian affairs

David Bacon	William Lacey	James Cooper
John Parrish	Thomas Wistar	Thos. Fashus
Ellis Yarnall	Oliver Poston	Peter Borker
Henry Drinker	Thos. Newcomen	Leuph Whitlatte

Brother town in the state of New York

The 13th of the 10th month - 1801



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To the yearly Meetings Committee on Indian affairs, ytf  
The 19th of the 10th Month, 1801ytf ytf ytf

David Baconytf William Saveryytf James Cooper  
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