

Troylan 2/22/16

My dear friend

In my enclosure of

yesterday I should have thanked
you for the very acceptable bottle
of Seminole molasses, which
came safely to hand

I have just used on my quiddle
cakes ^{for the first time,} I was quite anxious

to have a sample as I saw
it made in Martha Lige's camp.

It would be such a shame
for the Indians to be deprived
of their natural rights after
preserving their ideals as they
have done during the last century

Please send a copy of the book
to Anne Bell, ^{Summerville} Watford, Ireland, also

Did you send a copy of the book to Katherine L. of New York, and Miss Cottrell's?

Illustrarian Bellows Gibbins "Cotteswold"
Egbaston, Birmingham, England
Richmond Hill Road.

For both of which I enclose my check
(£2.75) Please put my name
on outside of wrapper so they
may know from whom the book comes in

We are still in the stern grasp
of winter. The weather has been
atrocious ever since I came home
and we had a tremendous fight
for the life of our youngest grand-
son, 1 year of age, with double pneumonia -
two nurses & two doctors for three ^{weeks} but
he is alive & much better. Dear
little cub! we don't want him to have

a chance for he has such a
lovely disposition & has hardly
had fairer chance from his
birth.

I was much interested
in what you wrote about
Joseph Griffith & I am
sure Commissioner Wells
will do what lies in his
power to secure lands
while Commissioner Spence
gets the Indians to settle
on those already secured
Cordially
Joseph Elkhinton

P.S. Please tell thy good husband
that I often recall our trip
through & over the flat woods and
prairies - to say nothing of marshes
& glades - south of Lake Okechobee
& how he & I stood round that
fire in Billy Busters camp from
4: - 6: a.m. - discussing - immortality etc

Well, that journey ^{COLLECTED BY} was ordered
of the Lord - both as to its purpose
and time - and I am satisfied
also with its method & results.

We must do what we can to help
our fellow men everywhere & at the
same time give heed to the least
constraint & restraint in our own
inmost
souls for I know surely Father is trying
to do more for us than we can do for
our fellows (at least without Him) Love to you both. G.C.