

HILLSIDE HOME SCHOOL.

HILLSIDE, WISCONSIN.

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JANE LLOYD-JONES.

LLOYD-JONES SISTERS.

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Dear Mrs. Kelley -

Yours of Dec. 29 was duly received — We were quite pained at its contents — For we had worked faithfully with your children — and it was, to say the least, rather depressing to have the results so poor —

F. I had intended getting return tickets for the children — but in handing the ten dollars to Mr. Jones I failed to specify round trips — and he did not purchase them — How ever John's shoes have given out and I will use it for that and as you have otherwise directed.

F. I do not know what more we can do to have their brush their teeth than we have done

except as you suggest stand  
by them until they have brush-  
ed them. Margaret has been "sent-  
from the breakfast table" more  
than once, last time to clean  
her teeth. Our girls usually do not  
require such constant care except  
in that, as our dogs - they clean  
their teeth as they wash their hands.  
Mr. John's clothes are properly  
laundried although I seem to con-  
nect it with me making the  
statement. His bedding is changed  
twice a week some times three times.

His straw mattress was changed every  
week - when he first came and  
put out on the grass between  
times when first came, because  
there was such an odor that  
it penetrated the whole chamber.

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when the greatest caution  
was not used - It is much less  
now and his "accidents" are less fre-  
quent. Those trousers you mention-  
ed were washed the week before his  
return but winter-drying of such  
garments invariably leads streaks  
and besides the stains even on  
the best clothes are "hard to re-  
move even with the boiling".

You are greatly mistaken if you  
think we scimp his washing because  
we do not charge extra for it for  
really John's washing has been larger  
than any little prep school.

IV. Few days before John went  
home John com plained of chilblains  
and we told Mrs. Ketchum to soak  
them in hot water and apply  
Kerosene to them - which is really  
quite efficacious.

V. Your fears that John's de-  
votion to Hillside is because

of the license that is his - as indicated  
"by the state of teeth, his feet and  
trousers" are entirely ungrounded.

The little lad loves the natural  
out of door life that is his - and  
is not at all lawless mind or  
body - and the teachers all remark  
how much he has improved  
since <sup>he</sup> has been here, not only in  
health but in what tells for charac-  
ter as we see it.

If. I have not written this to  
convince you that you would  
better let the children here, than  
to send them to the school you  
make mention - Of course, you  
ought to do what you deem best for  
them - and we shall not feel that  
you have done wrong to remove <sup>them</sup>.

However, as long as they remain  
we will continue to do our best  
for them - and will take nothing for granted  
with regard to teeth -

Yours with the interest of  
the children at heart at all times,

Jane Lloyd James.