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Laura Gilpin
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Dear Miss Gilpin:

Many thanks for your kind letter of some time ago, it was nice to hear from you especially with such good news. I fully understand your not answering my first letter had, as I mentioned, surmised that your impending publication and exhibition made and aswer difficult.

Enclosed you will find my check for One Hundred Dollars(\$100.) which is partial payment for the following prints which we are most anxious to acquire.

- 1). 16x20 A Chance Meeting
- 2). 11x14 Woman, Child and Lambs
- 3). 11x14 The Silversmith
- 4). 11x14 Lilly Benally(or, if in your opinion, 8x10)

I trust that this is satisfactory with you; should you desire full payment in advancement please let me know and I will send along another check immediately. If you could give us some indication of when you might have the prints finished I would be most appreciative. I am not certain whether or wanderings will bring us soon to Santa Fe, and acceptance of the prints could change any decision we make.

Re: the possibility of working with you. I am currently under consideration for several positions at various colleges & universities in and around your area and am hopeful that some -thing good will turn up quite soon. This would provide me with the necessary living expenses while permitting some degree of work with you. We are hoping in that direction but are in the hands of the fates. I had never intended to come and try to make it entirely on photography although I now own my own studio and am more than successful. I will bring some of my old accounts with me and may, at some future time, move more towards photography full time, only time will tell.

Again many thanks for the letter, we look forwarding to hearing from you at your convenience. Just a note about the time of the completion of the prints will suffice, please don't burden yourself with great correspondence.

Very sincerely yours,

Lee Howell