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My dear Mr. Penfield,

I have a box of Indian truncheons all packed up to send to the Peabody Museum if they would like it. By "they" I mean those in control over the exhibit.

The War Shirt belonged to Grey Eagle one of the war chiefs of the Southern Cherokees. The War Bonnet belonged to Black Wind the father of the most prominent chief of the same tribe. Both of these men died 20 years ago on the war. I got the truncheons while serving at Fort Reno in 1876.

The other truncheons was picked up at the same time from different Indians and have no particular history. The hair on the shirt is mostly from the scalps of white women, killed by
Old Gay Eagle himself.
If the boy can be of any use to
the museum let me know at once.
It will be presented by Miss Isoladep

Postscript.

We are now all packing up ready

to go to Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., and
expect to start about the middle of next
month.

Remember me to Mr. Wells and to
all other friends

Mrs. Boscell, Mrs. Miller, and

all send kindest regards to rememberance