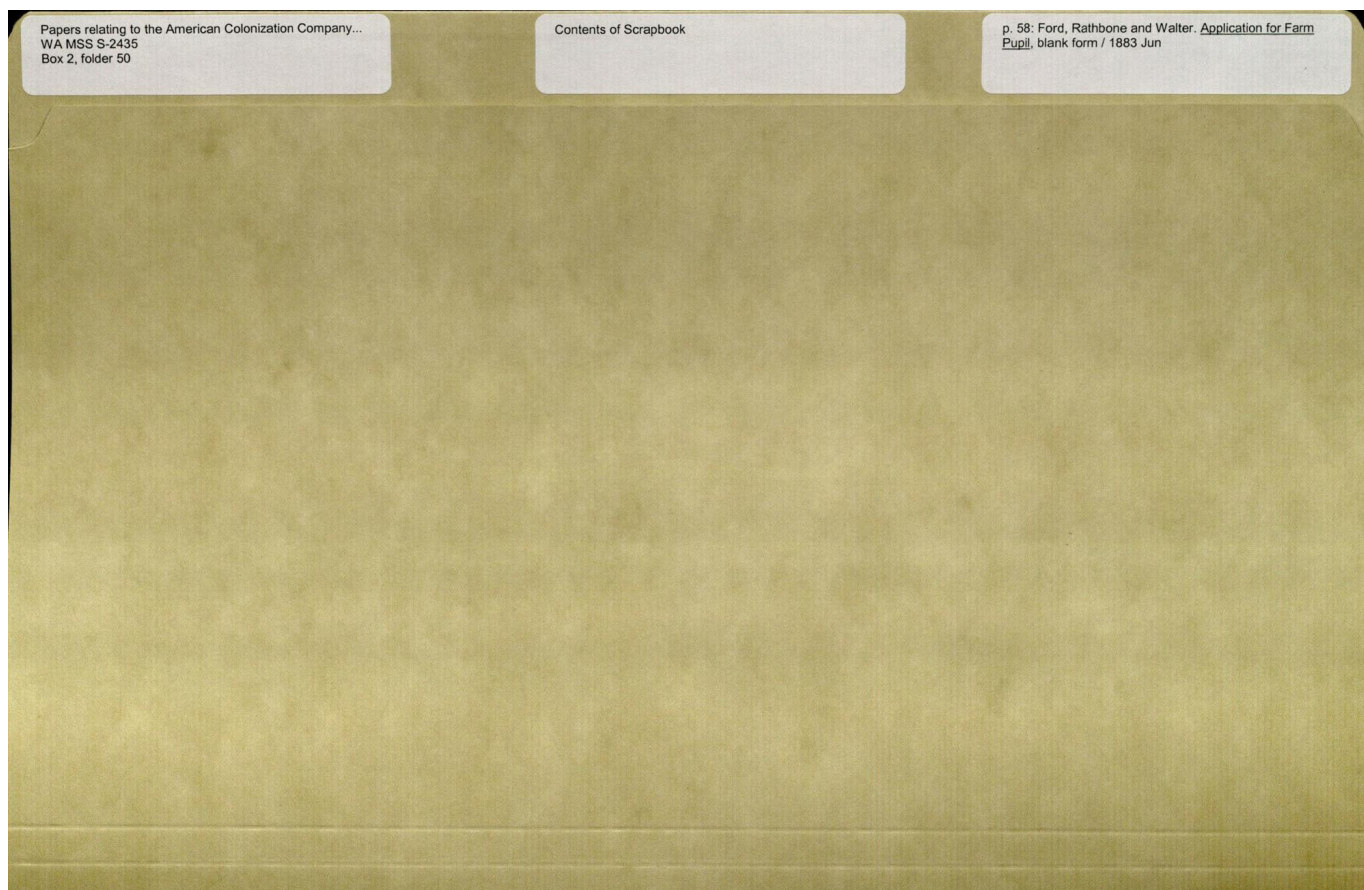




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APPLICATION FOR FARM PUPIL

TO

Messrs. FORD, RATHBONE & WALTER, 21, Finsbury Pavement, London.

The Pupils introduced are usually well-conducted young men of the upper and middle-class, who desire to thoroughly learn the work of an American farm, with a view to ultimately commencing for themselves. The conditions under which the Pupil is to be received, are, that he shall be practically taught farming, being under the orders and control of the Farmer, and assisting with the work to the best of his ability, the same as the farmer and his sons are accustomed to do: *but at first, whilst he is strange to the life, consideration is to be shown as to the amount of work to be required from him.* He is to live and be treated precisely as one of the farmer's family; is to receive board, lodging, and such washing as is usual with the farmer's sons; *he is to have a bed and bedroom to himself with washing accommodation in it.* The Contract entered into is usually for one year, and specifies that the farmer shall receive a cash bonus of _____ dols., and shall pay the pupil monthly at the rate of _____ dols. per month. After the expiration of the first twelve months the farmer and pupil will mutually agree as to future engagements. The Bonus to be paid to the farmer is placed in the Local Bank in trust, and the first half is to be paid as soon as a sufficient probationary time has elapsed (usually four weeks) as will enable both the farmer and pupil to mutually desire that the Contract shall be entered into, and the second half six months from date of signing Contract; this wish to complete the Contract must be expressed in writing by both parties to the local Agent, who will then see that the Contract is signed and the money paid. A copy of the Contract, to be signed by the Farmer, will be furnished with this application.

I am willing to receive a farm pupil on the above understanding, and give the following particulars to enable a suitable selection to be made for me:—

1. Full Name of Applicant
2. Post Office Address
3. How many years established on present Farm
- And how many years experience in Farming*
4. Total Number of Acres in Farm
5. Number of Acres under Cultivation
6. Number of Horses Cows Other Cattle Sheep Pigs
7. Name of nearest Railway Depôt Miles distant
8. Name of nearest Village or Town Miles distant
9. House (whether of Wood or Brick) and Number of Rooms
10. Are you Married and is your Wife alive
11. Number of Children in the Family Ages
12. Religion of Family
13. Distance of nearest Church Miles: and its Denomination
14. " nearest Episcopal Church Miles: Name of Clergyman
15. What Age Pupil would be preferred
16. Whether Pupil would have Bedroom to himself
17. Will you provide Washing Accommodation in Pupil's room

(Signature of Farmer)

Date 188

Any additional particulars or general remarks are invited, and may be written here, and continued also on the other side.