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United States Indian Service,

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR INDIAN YOUTH,

CARLISLE BARRACKS,

Carlisle, Pa., Nov 21 1881

To the Honorable
The Com^r of Indⁿ Aff^s
Washington D.C.

Sir,

When the Northern Arapahoes sent their children here to school, the Chiefs were promised by Mr Ballou, who brought them that a delegation of the Chiefs should come on and see their children in four moons after the children left. This I have from Mr. Ballou himself and in a number of letters from the Chiefs and from the Agent, Mr Hutton. They justly complain of deceit. Agent Hutton asks me to aid his intercession with the Dept. for permission to bring or send on a delegation of his chiefs

Sometime soon. We have sixteen of the Northern Arapahoe Children here, all of them from the families of the Chiefs and principal men of that tribe. We have had no better behaved children nor any who learned faster than these, and I feel assured that if the chiefs can come on and see their children, it will give them a start in favor of education that will more than balance the expense, and I would add my request to that of Agent Hutton in favor of their coming.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

R.H. Pratt

Ch. in charge