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Charles M.C.

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Hon. S.M. Bunnick

Com^r of Indⁿ Affs

Washington D.C.

Sir,

These Indians have over four hundred children of school age, mostly full bloods.

The Boarding school is full with eighty but one hundred and thirty are crowded into it at this time. The people are extremely poor and very illiterate and the constant prey of their white neighbors.

To hold what little they have and to improve it they sadly need greater intelligence, and the introduction of trades and skill in labor.

Children a plenty would go to Carlisle, and their parents, the Council and the agent wish to send them. My notion is that we had

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better take a small party of those who have been advanced somewhat and are near maturity, and if no contrary orders are received from you I shall arrange and leave with a party on Wednesday or Thursday next.

Capt. Witherspoon and I have thoroughly looked the ground over and canvassed the feasibility of a transfer of the Alabama Apaches to this vicinity, and are emphatically agreed that it would not be advisable at any time, and he will so report to the Secretary of War.

Very respectfully

Wm. Steadant Lemant

Rt. Lieut.

Capt. 10 Cav.

Asst.