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Indian Industrial School,

Carlisle, Pa. Oct. 24. 1895

Pratt, R. H.,

Captain 10th Cav'y. Supt.

*Explains delay in
asking to have Miss
Mattie E. Hayes'
appointment cancelled.*

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In reply to:
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,

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Carlisle, Pa., October 24th 1895.

To the Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 23rd, marked "Education, 42996," I have to respectfully advise you that when the appointment of Miss Hattie E. Hayes was received in Carlisle I was absent at Lake Mohonk. I was ill when I left for Mohonk, and when I returned to Carlisle on the evening of the 12th I went to bed at once and was not out until the 21st. It was deemed best to let my mail lay until I was able to take care of it. This will account for the delay. On the 21st, the day I came out and was able to attend to business, I received the following message from Miss Hayes herself:

Pennington Gap, Va., October 21st 1895.

Capt. R. H. Pratt:

Received appointment today. Will be at Carlisle Thursday, October 24th, to report for duty.

(Signed) Hattie E. Hayes.

I respectfully invite your attention to the discrepancy between this telegram and the following statement in your letter: "Before the receipt of the above telegram" (my quoted message of the 21st) "Miss Hayes had

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been appointed to this position and was on her way to Carlisle."

This seems to cover all the information your letter requires excepting the last clause, directing that I furnish a list of teachers whom I have on duty who are not paid by the Government. In answer thereto, I have to respectfully advise you that I have no teachers on duty here not paid by the Government.

Very respectfully,

(Dictated)

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. H. Pratt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Capt. 10th Cav'y., U.S.A.,

Supt.