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Carlisle, Pa. Feb 1st 1899

Pratt, R. H.,

Captain 10th Cav'y, Supt.

In regard to Glennie
Pierce, a runaway, and
returning letter from Anna Huff

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Major J. G. V. Supt.

Per

Asst. Supt. in Charge.

Carlisle, Pa., February 1st, 1899.

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs

To the Honorable

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Department of the Interior,
INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Carlisle, Pa., February 1st, 1899.

To the Honorable,

The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Referring to the letter from Elmer Huff, enclosed herewith, I respectfully state that the boy, Pierce, was received at this school in August '97, being then about 12 years of age. He at once gave evidence of being a thoroughly bad boy, and made numerous attempts with two others to run away from the school, on each occasion being recaptured, and he finally seemed to give it up and improved somewhat in his conduct, but still was a very troublesome boy in many ways. He was not of a character that we could trust out in the country under the Outing System. He was, therefore, kept at the school during the vacation period of the summer and was apparently contented, but towards the end of vacation he ran away in company with another boy from Long Island. Since that time we have not heard anything of him. The Long Island boy reached home, and is now begging to return to the school. His parents have been written to for information in regard to Pierce, and report that the two boys parted company at Reading, Pa., and they know nothing more of Pierce. He is a rugged boy, apparently older than the age given, well able to take care of himself, but one who seems entirely devoid of any good principle, and altogether about as bad a case for a boy of that age as we have ever had, and would not have been received as a

pupil had we understood his character, in which we were deceived by his relatives. While here he was given every opportunity that a boy need want, and the two who were his companions in different escapades have much improved in their disposition and conduct since being separated from Pierce. In cases of this kind, usually in a little while information reaches us of the whereabouts of the runaway, but in this case nothing has been heard. The boy is quite able to take care of himself, and I presume is doing so. The resident missionary among the Cornplanter Indians, Mr. M.F. Trippe of Salamanca, has been fully informed of all the circumstances as we know them, and through him the boy's relatives have had all the information we can give.

Very respectfully,

R.H. Coats

Major 1st Cav'y., Supt.

Per

A.J. Standing

Asst. Supt. in Charge.

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