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Major 10th Cav'y, Supt.

Replies to Indian Office
letter in regards to Miss
Gertrude Simmons.

To Simmons July 31/1900

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

CARLISLE, PA., July 28, 1900.

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

Sir:-

Replying to yours of July 27th, stating that Miss Gertrude Simmons asked for appointment as Principal Teacher in the Indian School Service, I have to respectfully advise youn that Miss Simmons while quite an able person does not possess the qualities that a Principal Teacher should have. Her moral ideas are too loose.

While a teacher here she was constantly having Indian young men in her room and gave me quite a little trouble in that line. After leaving this school she kept up a vigorous correspondence with a young man here quite her junior and got him into such a frame of mind that I finally had to expell him.

Her articles in the Atlantic Monthly are not creditable to her heart and in quite a number of her statements impugn her veracity.

Very respectfully,



Major 10th, Cavalry, Supt.