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Forwarding letter of Supt. Hart
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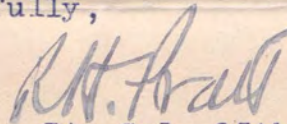
To The Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir :

I enclose a letter from Supt. Hart of the Oneida Indian School, Wisconsin, which explains itself. These boys should not be allowed to enter any other Indian school than Carlisle. Sherman Coulon was disciplined while here, and may have exercised an influence on the others, but for his own good he ought to return to Carlisle as well as the others.

I do not intend to accept pupils who properly belong to other schools unless they are duly transferred, and should be glad if the same spirit prevailed among all the schools. Should any students come here that ought to have gone elsewhere I will very cheerfully retransfer them.

Very respectfully,



Lt. Col. 15th Cavalry, Supt.

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Letter of Supt. Hart, Oneida,
Wis. dated Sept. 15th,
Transfer of Carlisle pupils
to other schools.

Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Oneida Indian School,
Oneida, Wis., Sept. 15, 1902.

Col. R. H. Pratt,
Carlisle, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

Three of your former pupils, Monroe and Sherman Coulon, and Laban Baird, request permission to go to Flandreau. They say that they have no objection to Carlisle but that they were sent originally to Lincoln, (I think the cases of all are alike) and then they were sent to Carlisle for the remainder of the term without asking them or their parents, and that the term having expired they should be allowed to exercise some choice. In this case my "urgency" is in favor of their going back to Carlisle and doing what they have to do there.

I have repeatedly said that "if in earnest any of the schools are good enough" that is of course if the pupil is in earnest, and I shall not consent to transferring to any other school unless I get instructions from the Indian Office that they are to have the privilege of electing. The matter is being pressed so strongly that I shall be obliged to submit it to the Office, but you will have a chance to lodge a protest if you wish, as I shall not submit the case for a day or so.

Very respectfully,

Joseph C. Leach
Superintendent.