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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL,
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.
CARLISLE, PA.

January 12, 1905.

To the Honorable,
The Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Sir:

In reply to your communication, "Education", January 10th, in regard to the appointment of Laura Taylor, now with Mrs. Whittlesey at Washington under the Outing System of this school, to the position of assistant seamstress at the Navaho Agency Training School, I have to say that the conditions under which Laura Taylor came to Carlisle will not warrant a charge against the school funds of returning her to her own reservation or in lieu thereof to the Navaho Agency Training School; but desiring very much to aid her, and under all the existing conditions I think that the school should advance transportation to Laura in order that she may obtain the desired position, but that it should be with the distinct understanding that she is to reimburse the school funds.

In order that I may be able to supply her with transportation under the rules by which the railways give us the special rates, it will be necessary for her to start from Carlisle. I have therefore directed that transportation for Laura from Washington to Carlisle be placed at the Pennsylvania Railroad ticket office, Washington, and upon her arrival here I will provide transportation for her to the Navaho Agency and arrange for the repayment of the said funds by Laura from her salary.

Laura is of a very restless disposition and it is pretty hard to satisfy her, and she came here under a misapprehension of the facts and conditions, but freely and of her own will and willing to take her chances of obtaining a position of assistant seamstress here which in time she would have realized, but she was impatient and inclined to be changeable, but with all is a good girl and a good worker and I am glad that she has obtained the position given her and I will willingly help her along the lines suggested above.

Very respectfully,

W. A. W. W.
Captain 7th Cavalry,

Superintendent.

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