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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON,

Jan. 21st 1880

Lieut. R. H. Pratt. Major and Adjutant

Carlisle, Penna.

Ordered at Carlisle, Pa. to have right.

Replying to your communication of the 18th inst. referring letter from Rev. A. H. Donaldson and requesting authority to "work up a delegation of from 50 to 75 Navajo children for education at Carlisle." I have to say that authority to secure children for education will be of no use unless funds can be obtained to meet the expenses of their education, and it seems to me that the first step to be taken is to bring arguments to bear to induce Congress to make a general appropriation for that object. I

I hope you will make earnest effort in that direction. Your testimony, based on experience, as to the value and success of such an undertaking as has been inaugurated at Carlisle ought to have weight.

Yours respectfully

J. A. O. B. [Signature]

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OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON

Jan. 21st 1880

M. B. Kent, U.S. Ind. Agent.

Great Nemaha Agency, Nebraska.

Sir:

The request contained in your communication of the 3rd ult. for the admission of a few of the children of your agency to the Carlisle school has been granted by the Hon. Secretary of the Interior.

You are hereby authorized to select two or three promising children who are certified by a competent physician, after thorough examination, to be absolutely healthy, who can be brought East by yourself and placed in the Carlisle school. Some of them should be from the Sac and Fox as

well as the Iowa tribe, as they are especially in need of just such a stimulus to their interest in the education of their children.

Arrangements will be made by this Office for the journey East as soon as you notify me of the selection of the children and the time at which they will be ready to leave the agency. You should not be absent from your reservation during the season for spring work on the Indian farms. I am quite anxious that the Sac and Fox Indians should make a better agricultural showing during the coming season than they have hitherto. Their backwardness in farming is anything but creditable.

Yours respectfully

E. P. Hoop
Commissioner

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 Department of the Interior,
 Office of Indian Affairs,

Washington, Jan 21, 1880

Capt. W. E. Dougherty, U.S.A.

Acting U.S. Ind Agent.

Brown Creek Agency, Dak.

Sir:

Miss Olive M. Roberts of Meadville, Pa. who, as she states, had charge of the boarding school at Brown Creek for three years, applies for re-appointment as teacher in the Indian Service. Can you give me any information in regard to her record at Brown Creek, as to her ability and fitness for that kind of work she now applies for appointment in the school at Carlisle.

Yours respectfully
 A. J. Camp
 Commissioner